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# Day one: Mosaic rezoning, despair and passion

By CRAIG GARRETT  
ARCADIAN EDITOR

Because the Arcadian publishes on Thursdays and was unable to document the DeSoto commission's final vote yesterday, observations and photographs from Tuesday's opening round of Mosaic rezoning hearings are recorded in this issue.

Maybe it was the daggone heat.

Or maybe it was because their opponents arrived like Roman emperors, their combined pay possibly enough to buy a Miami Beach highrise.

But there was a listlessness Tuesday, the day that was to be a victory lap. It was supposed to be a gut punch to the giant corporation that rams its plans and destruction of quiet rural living up the nose of working people.

And leaves a moonscape when the pillaging ends.

Tuesday had arrived, July 24, the day Florida phosphate opponents had wanted, built social media followings to fight with and had mass meetings in which to plan.

It was their time to present facts and see the project wash away with a handle flush.

It didn't help that those at Tuesday's land rezoning hearing in DeSoto County got warned one, two, three times to keep still, to not cheer, for example, a small girl with a soft voice pleading with the commissioners—all leaning in to listen—to save her hometown.

And when those phosphate mining opponents energized one another by silent waving or motioning with hand signs, commission Chair Jim Selph instructed sheriff's deputies if it continued to walk offenders outside the room.

The hearing seemed oppressive.

"I don't want to be quoted," one woman said as the land rezoning hearing commenced Tuesday before the DeSoto Board of County Commissioners. "But me and my family, we're moving. I won't live next to



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY CRAIG GARRETT

Bryana Burnham (center) makes a plea to deny Mosaic farmland rezoning at Tuesday's hearing before the DeSoto Board of County Commissioners. Siblings bracket the youngster.

that. Not when it has been so peaceful."

"It's game over for DeSoto County," said Ralf Brookes, an environmental lawyer appearing on behalf of those opposed to Mosaic Fertilizer's application to rezone farmland to phosphate mining. "And it's just a shame."

Yet despite the gloom, there was also great passion Tuesday at the DeSoto County hearing, where commissioners would hear presentations from DeSoto County's land-use planners, Mosaic's engineers, lawyers and environmentalists and those against its plans to mine some 23,000 acres of farmland. The 6:30 p.m. hearing was preceded by an uplifting rally by mining foes at McSwain Park that included live music and information booths.

And when the rezoning agenda was finished with the professionals, regular people against Mosaic were given their 5 minutes to fight back. Those included Andy Mele, a St. Pete Beach activist opposed to Florida phosphate mining. Even if he had earlier Tuesday seemed



Commission Chair Jim Selph records events from his seat. He gave noise warnings, but ultimately didn't take harsh measures. He retires from a respected public service career in November.

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# South Dakota trip, Being on Mission, developing relationships

By JAMIE PIPHER

ARCADIAN TRAVEL CORRESPONDENT

South Dakota was recently named as a top area when determining a place to retire. A group from Arcadia's Calvary Baptist and First Baptist would agree that the state is beautiful and has a very welcoming feeling.

But those were not the reasons the mission group chose the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate peoples in South Dakota for its special ministry and the reason local church members have made annual mission trips there for the past five years.

Twelve members of the mission group left the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport on June 23 bound for Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Upon arrival, the group greeted another member returning to Florida after a week's stay. In all, 37 members from three churches served for a total of three weeks.

When asked by friends what we did, the easy part was to describe some of the activities that supported developing relationships with the communities and other churches. A typical day, for example, included sharing plans with other churches in town serving the community, preparing two meals a day at the local church, traveling 30 minutes to an hour to a reservation community, knocking on doors to meet the residents and inviting them to a community event, working on a special project such as designing and building a sign for the church Recemetry, leading a "Joyful Noise" song program at the local nursing home, packing up tools, food and supplies and traveling to a community event, cooking hotdogs for 50-100 attendees, performing a play that gave an opportunity to hear how Jesus is



Brother and sister enjoying their face-painting experience.



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Historical church altar in De Smet, South Dakota, home to Laura Ingalls Wilder, the author of "Little House on the Prairie" and other novels.

the hope we all need, and ending the day with a wrap-up devotional session.

But explaining "what we did" in terms of impact, awareness and change is a lot more difficult.

"We are on the cutting edge of reaching



Mission team members Andy Shirley and Karla Rogers at a community event where the children receive gifts.

this people/group for Christ," one member said.

"We are developing personal, lasting relationships ... and that is how they will see Jesus," another said.

One member shared a story of knocking on a door to invite the resident to a community event being held next door and was met with the person inside, saying: "Well, this is the fourth time one of you has come to my door. Maybe I should come over for the hotdog."

The member walked with the resident to the event and told him about the power of Jesus to help him with his problems. The resident acknowledged his need for help and the member continues to provide support. "Being there" is one of first and important steps of "being on mission," and

"being on mission" was the heartbeat of the trip.

This volunteer mission group is part of a larger group, Dakotah Hope Ministries based in Plant City, Florida. Dakotah Hope is a nonprofit dedicated to sharing God's word and was born out of the need among Native Americans to discover hope for the future and purpose for the present. The group obtains feedback regarding tribal needs from Eagle's Wing Baptist in Sisseton, South Dakota, where Jerome Renville is the pastor and a direct descendent of Gabriel Renville, first chief of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Sioux tribe and who brought its members to the Lake Traverse Reservation.

Read Part 2 of this amazing pilgrimage in next week's Arcadian.

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# Selby House, Arcadia's mental health wellness center

By JIMMY PETERS

ARCADIAN HOMETOWN CORRESPONDENT

Mental Health Community Centers provide a safe environment, promoting wellness for individuals managing mental health issues. Selby House in Arcadia is one of MHCCI's four wellness centers. The others are: Beacon House in Venice, Prospect House in Sarasota and Anchor House in North Port.

Selby House is on East Hickory. You've passed it a thousand times heading into town from the east on State Road 70. Inside are its members, some having success in controlling a mental illness, some just starting the journey to find their place.

And whatever their reason or condition, those at Selby House are there to help each other.

Rick O'Connell is the Selby House program director. He understands the challenges of mental health, having been diagnosed at one point as bipolar. As a result of therapy and medication, his is a productive life helping others going through similar situations.

Rick said that "being able to be helped by individuals who have been through similar situations, allows our members to be treated with special insight into their challenges."

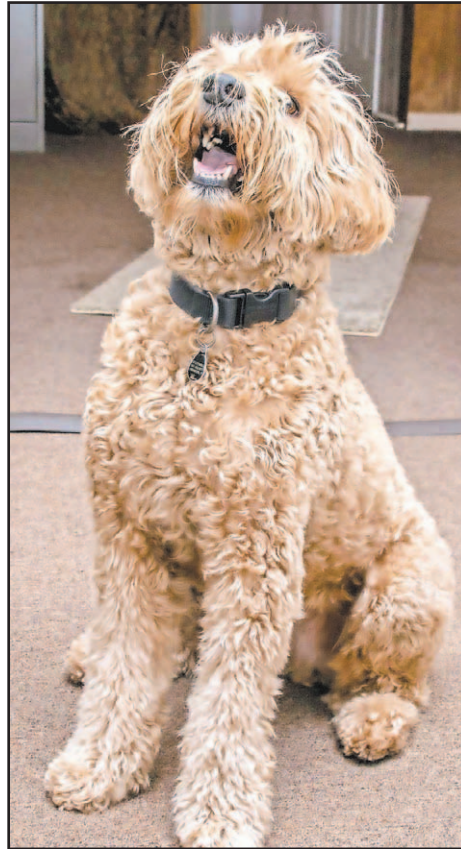
Requirement to be a member of Selby House is a diagnosis from a doctor or other mental-health provider for such things as bipolar disorder, major anxiety, major depression, schizophrenia and treatable brain disorders. They



Carolyn Rhoades is a member/staff group facilitator taking on occasional kitchen duty.

must be stable and on their medications. Once they become a member they can come to the center whenever they wish during normal business hours, and stay as long as they want. Members are welcome to participate in any of the activities that interest them.

"One of the most important modalities of this system of wellness is socialization," O'Connell said. "Members decide what activities they would like to participate in and we help to facilitate

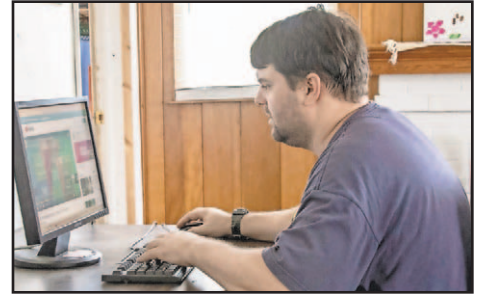


Dude the therapy dog is a welcome member at Selby House.

that program."

A sampling of the programs offered includes: situation/solutions discussions, goal-setting, computer training and office skills, art classes,

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Brian C. sharpens his skills at the Selby House computer lab.

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## OUR VIEW

## The future in two words: Not plastics

**K**udos to South Florida restaurants trying to make a dent in the amount of plastic going into our landfill and waterways by cutting back on the distribution of single-use straws.

To our knowledge, none are banning straws but at least a few have stopped automatically handing them out and instead are providing them only on request, under the philosophy that every little bit helps.

It seems like a reasonable compromise until other options become more financially feasible and customers buy in to the "Skip the Straw" movement, which many will already have encountered at zoos, for example.

Currently, biodegradable straws are significantly more expensive than plastic ones, which are made from fossil fuel, and reusable metal ones are even pricier, not to mention foreign to our lips. They'll be better options if their prices become more competitive.

And if we're all honest about it, straws are a matter of preference, not need, for the vast majority of people. They'd rather their lips not touch their glass even though they'll be putting a fork or spoon washed in the same kitchen into their mouth to eat their meal.

Post-meal, straws are worthless. They almost never get recycled because the effort and cost don't justify it. That means they go to a landfill, to be buried or burned, potentially releasing harmful chemicals into the ground, groundwater or air.

Or, they end up in a body of water. They're among the most commonly found items of waste on beaches, and those are the ones that aren't consumed by sealife. A turtle was found in 2015 with a straw protruding from a bodily orifice, thusly providing an image for the "Skip the Straw" movement.

We're under no illusion that by taking a pass on the offer of a straw, area residents will have a major impact on the environment. Even though Americans alone use millions of them a day, plastic straws are a relatively small part by weight of the estimated 8 million tons of plastic that end up in the world's waterways each year.

But every straw that isn't used is a little bit of fossil fuel saved and a little bit of plastic that doesn't end up where it shouldn't be.

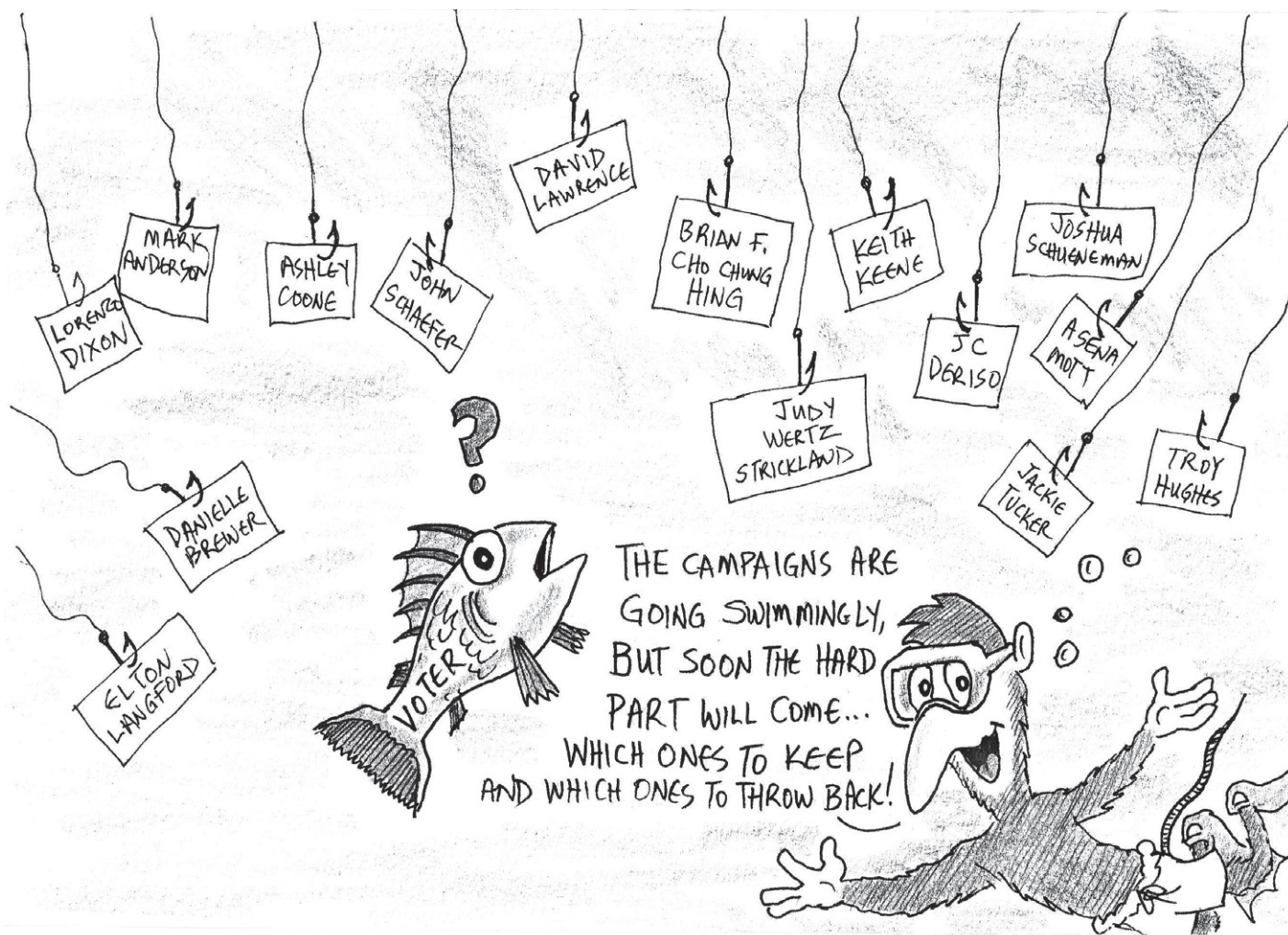
Is it a saving for restaurateurs? Maybe a tiny one, though "Skip the Straw" would be a pretty weak way for scheming business owners to pad their pockets. They'll be out that much and more if they convert to a different type of straw in their effort to be good citizens.

The biggest downside could be in coffee shops.

Starbucks has committed to going straw-free by 2020 and others in the industry can be expected to follow. It will entail switching to sippy-cup-type lids. They'll use more plastic but it's hoped that will make them more likely to be recycled.

Starbucks is also trying to reassure

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## GRITS &amp; PIECES

## A message for solicitors that they may not like

**Y**ou know the routine. You pull your chair up to the supper table, say grace while wonderful whiffs of whatever waft their way towards your nose, unfold your napkin, lift your fork and lick your lips. And then it happens.

"Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiing! Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiing!" goes the telephone. Five will get you ten that it's that dreaded vermin known as the phone solicitor.

"Hi. Is this Mr. So-and-so? Well, Mr. So-and-so, I have great news! You've been pre-approved for our new triple platinum credit card and with your acceptance, you'll be given a free weekend getaway to a chalet in the Swiss Alps, two tickets to the Super Bowl, a walk-on part in an episode of "Big Bang Theory," a private audience with the Pope and a 10-minute shopping spree at the Piggly Wiggly grocery store nearest you!

"Now all I need is to verify some information ...."

And somehow they do that all in one breath. There should be an event in the Olympics for that, and also for phone slamming by those who are not receptive to getting a bellyful of that baloney while their supper is getting cold. That is, if you still have one of those antiquated land-line phones. Otherwise, your only revenge is pushing a button on your cellphone. Nowhere near the satisfaction, for sure.

Granted, there was a time when their services were needed. By that I am referring to the days when folks



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lived in settlements and camps 150 years ago and their isolation made solicitors (known then as peddlers, or drummers) a welcome sight. The rickety old wagons would rattle into town with dry goods, pots and pans, tools, spices, and bolts of cloth and would draw an eager crowd in a New York minute. Their descendants can disperse a crowd in the same amount of time.

I like to think that had Alexander Graham Bell been able to see the future of telephones and this gross misuse of it, he'd have summoned his friend by using it, but the well-known quote would now be, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you. I want you to take this cursed thing and throw it in the garbage!" And today we'd be getting our texts via smoke signals.

Why is it that you never meet someone who, when asked what they do for a living, replies, "I'm a telephone solicitor!" Well, I suspect I know why. They probably have a secret title for it to keep from being discovered and subsequently choked to death with the nearest telephone cord (if you can even find one of those these days).

Also, I'm betting that nobody in the annals of history has ever listed that profession on a resume. And for good reason, too.

What does it take to be a telephone solicitor? Do they have tryouts to see who can talk the fastest and withstand the hours of phones slammed in their ears? Do they have a masterlist of fellow solicitors and extend professional courtesy by not calling one another, at least until supper is over? Do they hold conventions and swap hilarious stories about suckers that they talked into buying things that they didn't need and couldn't afford? Do they do work on the side? I ask this because maybe, for a price, you could give them the names and phone numbers of all your enemies and pay them to call them repeatedly and do what they do best.

I'm not sure what the answer to phone solicitation is. I don't know why people call and insist we buy stuff from them. I thought that's why Walmart was founded and Amazon was created.

We could ask them for their phone numbers and inquire as to what time they eat, so we can call them back. On my answering machine, I ask callers to leave a message. And I close by saying, "If this is a telephone solicitor, here is your message: Get a real job and stop calling me!"

It's probably never going to end. At least if it were door-to-door solicitors, it might be easier for them to get the message that they were not welcome. Anybody remember Vlad the Impaler?

## LETTER SUBMISSION POLICY

Letters are welcome on virtually any subject, but we do have some rules. Please keep them to less than 250 words. Letters must be received no later than noon on Tuesday. Letters will be edited to length as well as grammar and spelling. All letters must be signed with full name - not initials. An address and telephone number must be included; they are not for publication, but must be provided so we may verify authorship if necessary. Due to the number of letters received, we reserve the right to run only one letter per person per month. The Letters to the Editor section is intended as a public forum for community discourse and the opinions and statements made in letters are solely those of the individual writers. *The Arcadian* takes no responsibility for the content of these letters. Please send or bring correspondence to the *Arcadian*, 108 S. Polk Ave., Arcadia FL 34266, or fax to 863-494-3533. Readers with access to the internet may e-mail Letters to the Editor to cgarrett@sun-herald.com or arcadian.editor@gmail.com.

# Hope restored, update on national celebrity

By **CRAIG GARRETT**  
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The *Arcadian* is featuring pets, live-stock, exotic wildlife and their keepers in this occasional series. This week's guest is Leigh Sockalosky, who befriended and ultimately took in Hope, a staffordshire mix deliberately burned in 2014. More than \$60,000 was raised to help in her medical care and recovery. Hope's story got world attention.

Leigh supplied background and updated Hope's story for our readers.

**Leigh Sockalosky:** "Hope was purposely abused by being set on fire on March 20, 2014, by her previous owner, Larry Wallace of Arcadia. I received a text from Margo Ayre [of Arcadia] asking if I could help her and a picture followed. I immediately responded with 'yes, bring to Hardee Animal Clinic.'

"Upon arrival Hope was treated overnight and transferred to an emergency clinic in Bonita Springs for the weekend, then to Blue Pearl in Tampa for the next 39 days under 24-hour care. Her life living on the end of a chain in a shed and almost burned to death by her previous owner ended on March 20, 2014. Her fight for her new life began on this day. Hope began her journey to a better life.

"Seeing Hope on this day arrive at the clinic was shocking. None of us

had ever seen such abuse done to an animal ... and yet for Hope to still be so full of life and so loving. We knew then we would give her every chance we could to survive. Hope became known all over the world for her story and her fight to live.

"Hope means a lot to a lot of people and has given many the encouragement to never give up on life. She has inspired many with what she overcame ... and still does every day. She welcomes many new rescues and has been a true inspiration, that what might look or seem bad today, there is hope/Hope.

"Hope lives with me and several other rescues. Her best friends are Chewie, a mixed breed rescued as a puppy, and Pup Pup, another rescue who resides at Hardee Animal Clinic.

"Hope loves to go for car rides and play at the beach, in the water fetching toys. We are grateful for all who helped to support Hope during her recovery. For anyone who would like to meet Hope, please feel free to contact me. [www.hardeeanimalrescueteam.com](http://www.hardeeanimalrescueteam.com).

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**Hope is the perfect name for this abused dog that got world attention when caring people stepped forward. She is recovered and welcomes other rescues.**



## REZONING

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resigned to Mosaic gaining its rezoning, that despair washed away with a 20-minute presentation to the commissioners that included terms such as an "economic snatch and grab," or "every county [Mosaic] has mined, there's crummy water. It's a simple fact."

Mosaic would counter its side on Wednesday. But company spokespersons from the beginning argued mining in DeSoto would bring economic clover, tax dollars and, perhaps, investment to a community that is at the economic bottom of Florida's 67 counties.

There were others bringing great passion to the 4-hour hearing, including a woman so impassioned that her voice quavered as she read a prepared statement from a cellphone. That unleashing caused Commissioner Elton Langford to smile. He explained afterward that he wasn't mocking or poking fun, rather that her bared soul, the pureness of her rage, was contagious ... and effective.

That same communal citizenship, shared by both sides, started at the beginning of the rezoning hearing: The



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**Standing room in the commission chambers on Tuesday. Guest speakers included Bruce Nathan (second from left), a candidate for Florida governor.**

entire first floor, including an over-run in the commission lobby, stood for an opening prayer offered by Langford.

To which at his conclusion, to the person, the group in unison offered a confirming "Amen."

**Social media tracking at Tuesday's hearing.**



**Seating is set aside for Mosaic's team at Tuesday's rezoning hearing.**

## OUR VIEW

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disability-rights groups that there will be straws available for people who need them, though it hasn't specified that they will be plastic, as requested. That's almost certainly something the free market will work out.

Of course, for a real difference to be

made, skipping the straw will have to progress to skipping the plastic utensils and the plastic or Styrofoam food containers. It'll take time and realistic alternatives. But it's doable.

People have accepted recycling. Taking reusable bags to the grocery store has become second nature to some. Concerns about drinking from a glass without a straw—which we all do at home—will fade. And the world will be a bit better for it.

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- Sheriff’s Office, 208 E. Cypress St.
- Moose Lodge, 1121 W. Oak St.
- Elks Lodge, 1028 W. Oak St.
- DeSoto Co. Social Services, 201 E. Oak St.
- Five Star Youth Club, 4816 N.W. County Road 661

Suggested donations: laundry detergent, fabric softener sheets, dish soap, handi-wipes, cleaning wipes, soap bars, toothpaste, denture adhesive, incontinence pads, tea and instant coffee, nylon mesh body scrubbers, body wash, deodorant, dog and cat food, art supplies, puzzle books.

• July 23 through Aug. 31 (Mon., Wed. and Fri.) the Arthritis Foundation and DeSoto Friendship Center offer “Walk With Ease” classes starting at 9:15 a.m. at the Friendship Center, 219 W. Oak St. These classes will help you get in shape, improve flexibility, strength and stamina, walk safely and comfortably, and feel great! Pre-registration is required. For more information, call Sherry Young at 866-413-5337 (866-41-ELDER) or email sherry.young@aaaswfl.org. Before starting any exercise program, always check with your physician.

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## TODAY

• DeSoto County Historical Society Research Library is open in the Ingraham Seed House, 120 W. Whidden Street: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays (except for the second Thursday of the month), and second and fourth Saturdays, and by appointment.

• The John Morgan Ingraham House museum, 120 W. Whidden St., is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays, except the second Thursday, and second and fourth Saturdays.

• Free blood pressure screenings administered by DeSoto Memorial Home Health at the Friendship Center, 219 W. Oak St., every second and fourth Thursday from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

• AA Second Tradition Anniversary Night is the last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at St. Edmund’s Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.

• The Friendship Centers, 219 W. Oak St., offer daily coffee and conversation 9 a.m.-1 p.m., crafts 9:30 a.m., second and fourth Thursdays free blood pressure screenings by Desoto Memorial Home Health. Lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Donations appreciated but no one is turned away. Not interested in scheduled activities? We have a large assortment of games, puzzles, cards, crafts, books, movies, discussion groups and guest speakers.

• The All Faiths Food Bank distributes free food 9 a.m. to noon every Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church, 304 W. Oak St.

Mt. Zion AME Church holds its Spring Bazaar and Health Fair April 14, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., 256 S. Orange Ave. Spaces are available for \$10. Free refreshments. 863-244-1783

• The DeSoto Public Library hosts Adult Coloring

sessions every Thursday at 1 p.m. Bring your own work or see what the library has for you to color.

• Kiwanis meets at 6 p.m. Thursday at Beef O’Brady’s.

• The only Narcotics Anonymous now meets Tuesday and Thursday from 7 p.m.-8 p.m. at St. Edmund’s Church in Arcadia. For information, call Curtis at 244-2884.

• The All Faiths Food Bank distributes free food 6-10 a.m. Monday through Friday at the Center for the Needy, 161 S. Orange St.

• DeSoto County Library story time is at 3 p.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Call 993-4851 for more information.

• Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.

• Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at 7 p.m. at St. Edmund’s Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.

• Prescription Assistance is available at the DeSoto County Health Department Clinic Location: 1031 E. Oak St., Arcadia. Call to make an appointment or for more information, call 491-7580 ext. 256.

## FRIDAY

• Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 304 W. Myrtle St., will host a voter registration drive on Friday from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Forms will be available for new voters and currently registered voters who have a change of address, or are newly eligible to vote due to completing a felony sentence or probation. Volunteers are welcome — call Deborah Clifton at 558-7429 or Mildred Daniel at 558-3078.

• DeSoto County Cattleman’s Ranch Rodeo Qualifier is July 27-28 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Mosaic Rodeo Arena. Tickets on sale at www.arcadiarodeo.com or call 800-749-7633. Benefits DeSoto County Sheriff’s Office and Arcadia Police Dept.

• The AA G.I.R.L.S. Anniversary Night is at 6 p.m. on the fourth Friday of the month at St. Edmund’s Episcopal Church, 327 W. Oak St.

• City Takers for Christ will be giving away free meals on the last Friday of every month, starting at 12:30 p.m. until everything has been distributed, at 607 S. Orange Ave.

• The Senior Friendship Centers, 219 W. Oak St., offer daily coffee and conversation 9 a.m.-1p.m., low-impact exercises start at 10:00 a.m., BINGO 10 a.m., 50 cents to play two cards — additional cards 25 cents. Lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Donations appreciated but no one is turned away. Not interested in scheduled activities? We have a large assortment of games, puzzles, cards, crafts, books, movies, discussion groups and guest speakers.

• The All Faiths Food Bank distributes free food 6-10 a.m. Monday through Friday at the Center for the Needy, 161 S. Orange St.

• Arcadia Quilt Club meets from 9-11:30 a.m. Fridays at the Palace Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia.

• The DeSoto Public Library shows a free movie for seniors every Friday at 1 p.m.

• iPads and eBooks - Instruction and assistance with questions about using your digital devices at 3 p.m. every Friday at the DeSoto Public Library.

• Walk & Talk: gentle exercise and conversation at 8 a.m. every Friday at the DeSoto Public Library.

## CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018, 6:00 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018, AT 6:00 PM IN THE MARGARET WAY BUILDING IN THE ARCADIA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 23 NORTH POLK AVENUE, ARCADIA, FLORIDA TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

### ORDINANCE 1044

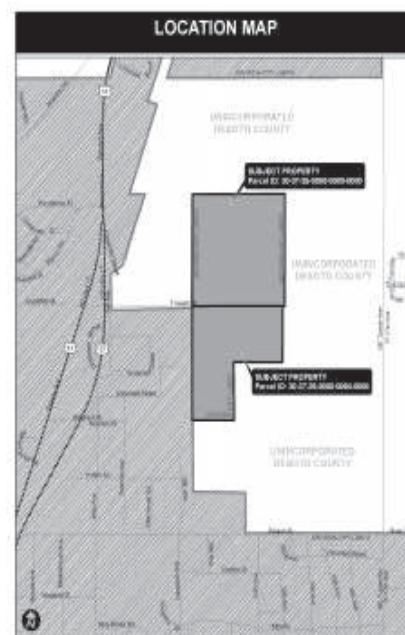
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, AMENDING TWO (2) PARCELS OF LAND (PARCEL NUMBERS: 30-37-25-0000-0080-0000 AND 30-37-25-0000-0094-0000) TOTALING 69.5 ACRES, LOCATED ON FIVEASH STREET BETWEEN US 17 AND NORTH 17<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE (NE TURNER AVENUE), FROM COUNTY URBAN CENTER MIXED USE TO CITY MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; TRANSMITTING SAID AMENDMENT TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR NOTIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AND

### ORDINANCE 1045

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, AMENDING TWO (2) PARCELS OF LAND (PARCEL NUMBERS 30-37-25-0000-0080-0000 AND 30-37-25-0000-0094-0000) TOTALING 69.5 ACRES, LOCATED ON FIVEASH STREET BETWEEN US 17 AND NORTH 17<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE (NE TURNER AVENUE), FROM COUNTY RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY (RMF-12) AND RESIDENTIAL-OFFICE-INSTITUTIONAL (ROI) TO CITY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Map below pertains to Ordinances 1044 and 1045



ANY INTERESTED PERSONS WHO FEEL THEY ARE AFFECTED BY THESE CHANGES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND BE HEARD. ANY PERSON(S) WISHING TO VIEW RELEVANT INFORMATION IN ADVANCE OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS MAY VIEW SAID DOCUMENTS AT THE CITY OF ARCADIA ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AT 23 NORTH POLK AVENUE, ARCADIA, FLORIDA BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8 AM AND 5 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

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ANY PERSON WITH DISABILITIES REQUIRING ACCOMMODATIONS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT 863-494-4114.

# Bentley heads to prison for 15 years

Tybreel Lavonte Bentley II, 20, will be spending the next 15 years in state prison after he was found guilty, during a May 10 jury trial, of two counts of possession of a firearm by a person under 24 who was previously found delinquent. Twelve additional counts of the same charge were dropped by the prosecutor.



**BENTLEY**

According to records from the Arcadia Police Department, Clerk of Court and Department of Corrections, on Jan. 12, 2017, someone reported to the police that Bentley sold a pistol to a local pawn shop. When an officer went to investigate, he learned that Bentley had not sold a gun there, but had come in with a gun which an employee looked at. The employee said he did some work on a magazine Bentley had so that it would function in the pistol.

Bentley did not sell the gun; he put it back in its pouch and left. Surveillance video confirmed that Bentley had the gun.

Because Bentley had previously been convicted of seven felonies, he was not allowed by law to have a firearm or ammunition.

Trial testimony indicates that APD obtained a search warrant for the place where Bentley was staying, and there they found, among other things, seven guns (including the one he took to the pawn shop), a ski mask, and a cell phone with pictures of him holding various guns.

His sentence considered prior crimes for which he had been convicted, including three counts of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, two counts each of battery on detention staff and grand theft, one count each of burglary of a dwelling and aggravated battery causing great bodily harm (all of which are felonies), and six misdemeanors.

Bentley was transferred to the Department of Corrections on July 3. His projected release date is Jan. 9, 2032.

Bentley has appealed his case.

A local television news report dated Sept. 13, 2012, indicated when Bentley was 15, he was charged for allegedly shooting at three of his friends with a pellet gun because they refused to smoke synthetic marijuana with him. At the time of the reported shooting, he was awaiting sentencing after pleading guilty earlier that year to carrying a concealed weapon and other charges in a separate case when he was just 14.

## Castro, 18, to serve 6 years for multiple car burglaries

Guillermo Thomas Castro, 18, was sentenced to serve up to six years in state prison on numerous charges of armed burglary, grand theft and grand theft auto. The charges stemmed from dozens of burglaries committed by Castro and others.



**CASTRO**

According to records of the Arcadia Police Department, DeSoto County Sheriff's Office, Clerk of Court and Department of Corrections, area residents began reporting car break-ins on March 12. A woman on Eastling Avenue reported her vehicle was broken into and a purse, jewelry and cash, totaling \$1,200, value, were missing. Another woman on the street was missing an bank envelope containing \$2,000 from her vehicle.

A man on S.E. 8th Avenue said a cell phone was missing from his truck. A day later, a man on DeSoto Landing reported seeing two males breaking into cars; he knocked on the window and they left.

Nearby, a \$300 iPhone was stolen from a truck.

A break-in was reported on S.E. 5th Avenue and a rifle and ammunition were stolen from a truck. Vehicles at Jacaranda Trails Apartments were also reportedly broken into.

Another victim said his truck on Whispering Pine Drive was broken into and his wallet, containing \$40 cash and his Mexican ID card, was missing.

A victim on S.E. Hargrave Street discovered her car had been broken into. Security video showed three people entering her car, one of whom was wearing a distinctive Virgin Mary shirt. Three victims on S.E. Whispering Pine Drive said their cars had been entered but nothing appeared to be missing.

The following night, three victims on S.E. Delaware Court also said their cars had been broken into but nothing was taken.

APD detectives identified a juvenile who admitted to having been involved with several car burglaries, and admitted to possessing firearms. When questioned about the break-ins, he implicated three more people, including Castro.

Burglaries continued even after that witness was in custody. On March 25, two vehicles in the first block of West Imogene Street were reportedly burglarized. Several more vehicles on the same street had been left open, the contents disturbed or spilled out onto the ground. On West Gibson Street, a man reported cell phones, credit cards and some cash had been taken from inside his home. More vehicles had been burglarized on West Granger Street and Winifred Street.

On March 27, several more car burglaries occurred within the Arcadia city limits, as well as Ora, Snow, Sunset and Lee streets in the county.

On March 28, additional burglaries were reported on Bridle Path, Kelly Drive, O'Hara Street and Johnson Avenue in the city. Witnesses reported seeing two suspects running across a front porch wearing hooded sweatshirts. Although officers tried to track them — even using K-9 assistance from the Hardee County Sheriff's Office — they were unable to locate them.

Detectives went to the home of the father of one of the individuals who had been implicated, and found four young men (including Castro) inside.

One of those four reportedly admitted to being involved in several car break-ins. One night, they were reportedly involved in some break-ins as Castro allegedly drove up driving a golf cart. A golf cart had been reported stolen from a home on East Maple Street, and two more cars had been burglarized, with fishing equipment and cash taken from one, and electronic chargers from the other. The golf cart was found later that evening, crashed into a ditch.

The young men (Castro was the only adult; the other three were all juveniles) allegedly continued to take things from cars, the arrest report says, including several cell phones. Detectives found several items in the house, as well as wet and dirty clothes consistent with running through brush and weeds.

Detectives questioned Castro who initially denied any involvement in or knowledge about the car burglaries. However, reportedly he later admitted to planning burglaries with one of the other participants. He allegedly said they saw a rifle inside a truck on S.E. 5th Avenue and broke the window while the other person took the gun and ammunition. Some additional vehicles were entered by smashing windows, while others had been left outside unlocked.

On June 26, Castro pleaded no contest and was sentenced to six years in prison, followed by two years of community control. On July 17, he was transferred to the Department of Corrections. His projected release date is March 25, 2024.

## Watson, 4th man in Favors ring, sentenced to 14 years

Ronald Edwin Watson, 27, of Winter Haven, FL, was sentenced on July 14 to 14 years in state prison for multiple crimes including armed burglary, theft of firearms and grand theft. He was one of four men, including Albert Favors, who were charged with multiple residential, car and business burglaries and thefts around DeSoto County and elsewhere.



**WATSON**

Of the four, Favors, 35, of Clewiston, the ringleader, was sentenced to 30 years in state prison. Clarence Eddie Lewis, 23, of Clewiston, was sentenced to 10 years of probation. Dewayne Thompson, 28, of Lehigh Acres, was also sentenced to probation for 10 years.

Watson's sentence was based on two counts of armed burglary of a structure, dwelling or conveyance, 17 counts of burglary of an unoccupied conveyance, seven counts of grand theft, five counts of grand theft of a firearm, four counts of petty theft and two counts of burglary of an unoccupied structure or dwelling.

Some details of the various break-ins and car burglaries committed by the four men were listed in the *Arcadian's* July 5 story about the sentencing of Favors. Among others, the four were found responsible for an April 18, 2016 break-in at Joshua Citrus, and a Jan. 30, 2016 home invasion robbery in which the resident shot at the suspects, and they fired shots back toward the home as they fled.

Multiple robberies in the region prompted the sheriff's offices of Charlotte, DeSoto, Hendry, Highlands and Lee counties to form a task force to investigate a rash of burglaries in the area along State Road 31. Their investigations led to the identification of Favors, along with Watson, Thompson and Lewis, as suspects.

Watson, who entered a plea of no contest, was turned over to the Department of Corrections on July 17. His projected release date is May 6, 2030.

Watson previously served a previous prison sentence of two years and eight months for burglary of an occupied dwelling or conveyance, grand theft of a firearm and burglary of an unoccupied structure or conveyance in 2009 in Glades County. He also served a one-year, eight-month sentence for grand theft and dealing in stolen property in 2016, also in Glades County.

## Sex offender sentenced 7 years for non-reporting

Robert Glen Coker, 29, was sentenced to serve more than seven years in state prison for repeatedly failing to comply with the requirements of a convicted sex offender to register certain information with the state.



**COKER**

According to records from the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office, Clerk of Court and Department of Corrections, Coker (who lists a S.E. Pear Street address) was initially convicted of Statutory rape in Tennessee in 2008. He was deemed a Sexual Offender by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement based on his Tennessee conviction, and as such was required to report his address, all electronic mail and Internet identities, and his motor vehicle registration, among other things.

On multiple occasions, Coker has failed to report the required information. He repeatedly provided an address that belonged to a relative who said he did not live there and had never lived there. He gave the same false address to the Department of Motor Vehicles for his driver's license and truck registration. He had a Facebook account which he failed to register going back to 2016.

Coker pleaded no contest and was sentenced on July 10 to seven years, nine months and 23 days in state prison. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections on July 17 and his projected release date is Nov. 9, 2025.

According to DOC records, he previously served in prison from Dec. 2016 to July 2018 for selling cocaine.

## Former hotel clerk allegedly stole guest's credit card info

Amy Jean Harden, 44, was arrested on July 17 on multiple charges of fraud stemming from an alleged theft and misuse of an Arcadian man's credit card account.



**HARDEN**

According to documents from the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office and Clerk of Court, a man reported suspected fraud to the sheriff's office. He said several charges in DeSoto County had been made to his account, including charges at a pizza shop, a rental business, a restaurant and a discount store. The amount charged totaled \$511.11.

DCSO investigated the charges and learned of a phone number associated with the pizza charge. The name on the purchase was "KK Arndt." The phone number was associated with Harden, and detectives learned Arndt was her maiden name and KK were the initials of her two children.

Further, they learned she apparently made an online payment to her account at the rental center using the victim's credit card.

DCSO learned Harden had worked at a hotel in Port Charlotte. The victim had been at the hotel and provided his card at the front desk, where Harden allegedly was working that day. The victim recalled seeing her write something down as he was speaking with her. The hotel manager said there would be no reason for her to write anything down, because the information on the card would have been entered directly into the computer system.

The manager reviewed video which reportedly shows Harden writing as

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# Family Album

## FAMILY ALBUM PHOTOS

Send us a photo to celebrate a birth, birthday, engagement, wedding, anniversary, etc. *The Arcadian* will run it free. We must have it no later than noon on Monday. Bring your photo to the office or e-mail to [Arcadian.editor@gmail.com](mailto:Arcadian.editor@gmail.com)

## Happy birthday, y'all



Happy birthday to all these July babies, God bless you. Love ya'll! — Faye

## Defines community, meet O.T. Dennis

Octavius Dennis has for two years been raising cash and school supply donations for DeSoto kids.

He says: "I have doing food platters and washing cars to raise money to make this possible and successful ... there are many kids in need and parents who simply just aren't able. I did this last year and it was a success.

"However, after seeing my dedication and honesty, the request for school supplies is at an all-time demand. I thank and appreciate any help and everybody who takes part in this process. I am now up to 56 kids to shop for ... so every little bit helps. Even if you can't make a cash donation but want to donate supplies, it will be greatly appreciated." Facebook (O.T. Dennis)



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Octavius Dennis (O.T. Dennis) is raising donations in Arcadia to purchase school supplies for local kids.

## Here comes the judge



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Judge Gilbert A. Smith, Jr., spoke to the DeSoto County Historical Society about the history of the 12th Judicial Circuit Court at the group's monthly meeting. Pictured Kay Holloman, Judge Smith, and Ruth Reynolds Dunn whose "Uncle Bob"—her mother's brother—was Judge Robert Willis. He was featured in Smith's talk and his book, "Lawyers & Legends Of Manatee County, The History of Lawyers in Manatee County from 1855 to 2012."

## Class of 1957 reviews 61 years

By RUTH REYNOLDS DUNN

DCHS CLASS OF 1957 CORRESPONDENT

DeSoto County High School graduating Class of 1957 celebrated their 61st year on July 21.

We had a delicious lunch at Reef & Beef after visiting and looking at old pictures taken during various high school activities. We enjoyed catching up with our families and activities

currently.

There were 17 classmates, along with spouses and friends. It was a great time for all of us.

After lunch it was time to remember our classmates who are deceased. We have lost so many and they are truly missed.

Most of us keep up with each other during the year ... but enjoy being together on these occasions.



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Class of '57 grads at the July 21 luncheon include Ruth Reynolds Dunn, Penny Petrey Barnard, Geraldine Bond Barnwell, Shirley Howard Platt, Jackie Kelly Waters, Glenda Livingston, Jane Tyree Adams, Ann Holloman Ryals, Freddie Keene Connor, Jerry Moore, Dickie Smith, Scotty Turner, Tommy Simmons, Robert Trump, Jerry Howell, Eddie Rushing and Dr. George Boring.

## \$40,000 grant to SFSC Foundation

A \$40,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Sarasota County has been awarded to the South Florida State College Foundation, Inc. to benefit part-time students attending SFSC in summer and fall 2018.

The grant comes from the Edward K. Roberts Community College Fund, established by Roberts to support Florida's community colleges and other charitable organizations. Managed by the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, the fund continues Roberts's vision of making higher education a priority, particularly for those motivated to seek a better life for themselves. The college has an Arcadia campus.



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Accepting the donation are SFSC's Jerry Donna (left), director of financial aid, and Jamie Bateman, executive director of institutional advancement.



# When suicide beckons, look beyond your problems

Most of us have hit low points when despair moved us to wonder if life was worth the effort. During these down and dry times, some have even considered or completed suicide. Financial difficulties, family problems, poor health, the bondage of alcohol or other drugs may contribute to moving one toward this tragic exit.

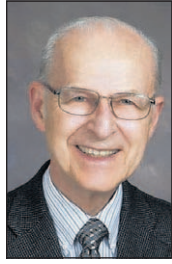
During the past few decades, some religious groups have been seduced by death. Mass suicides in California, Central America, Canada and Europe have produced heart-breaking headlines describing the demise of large numbers of deluded people who chose to end their lives at the direction of misled leaders.

In 1997, millions were shocked by the Heaven's Gate tragedy in which 39 members of this California group ended their lives thinking they were shedding their "earthly containers" to move to "the level above." And those of us old enough to remember will never forget the 1978 Jonestown, Guyana, nightmare, when 914 followers of Jim Jones became victims of a mass-suicide plan.

Actually, the number of victims of suicide goes well beyond those who end their lives because all who love them have been victimized also.

I know.

My father made this terrible choice in 1964. In 2006, so did my



Roger Campbell

grandson.

Our family knows the shocked, sinking feeling that comes when the reason for death is discovered. We know what it is to be haunted by the unwanted but recurring question: "What could we have done to prevent this?" We know the desire to turn back the calendar a few days or weeks to have time enough to fix whatever was wrong.

But we also know what it is to find peace.

The words of Jesus, when He prepared His disciples for His coming crucifixion, have become in a very personal sense, the source of our strength. (John 14-16)

We read them again and again, allowing their comfort and faith-building power to flow through our minds and quiet our hearts. As I begin each new morning prayerfully revisiting these and the myriad parallel promises provided in scripture, I'm reminded again that on the darkest day, faith drives the clouds away.

Following the Heaven's Gate disaster, attorney Tim Stoen wrote an article in Newsweek entitled "The Most Horrible Night of My Life," in which he told of the night he knew his son would die with 913 others at Jonestown and he was unable to do anything to prevent it. He concluded his moving story by saying he came to faith in Christ in 1991 and now knows God's forgiveness and peace, adding he hoped the families of the Heaven's Gate victims would find peace too.

Stoen was writing about the same peace my family and I have found and that is available to you, no matter what is going on around you.

Suicide is never God's will. It is an irreversible solution to a temporary problem that God is able to solve.

Silence that sinister voice that insists you have no reason to live. God has a wonderful plan for your life. (Jeremiah 29:11)

Look beyond your present problems to the One who loves you. Give your cares to Him. He really cares about you. (1 Peter 5:7)

*Roger Campbell was an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. A new book containing over one hundred of his best columns, "Everywhere You Go There's a Zacchaeus Up a Tree," is now available at your local or online bookseller. Contact us at rcministry@ameritech.net.*

## OBITUARIES

### Christopher Michael Tyson

Christopher Michael Tyson, born Dec. 7, 1968, passed away on July 17, 2018.

Mr. Tyson was born in Long Beach, Calif., and moved to Arcadia, Fla., in 1970, where he lived most of his life.

He is survived by his mother, Melba McCleave, and step-father, Terry McCleave; sisters, Michelle Harrison and Ashley Tyson. He is also survived by his children, Johnathon, Sierra and Leslie Tyson.

Chris was a great father to his children and the children who called him dad. He loved the outdoors and spending time with his family and friends. He was loved by many and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service followed by a celebration of life will be held 2 p.m. at the Arcadia Elks Lodge on Aug. 11, 2018.

### Words of Comfort

Memories live on in the heart, where they deepen and resonate over the years, providing strength and comfort in times of need.



- Anonymous

### OBITUARY POLICY

Obituaries are accepted from funeral homes only. There's no charge for publishing an abbreviated death notice. Full obituaries and repeat death notices will be subject to an advertising charge.

Obituaries must be submitted to the Charlotte Sun; call 941-206-1000 for details. Please send e-mails to obituaries@sun-herald.com. The American flag accompanying an obituary indicates a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces.

## NOTICE OF VOTER REGISTRATION BOOK CLOSING DESOTO COUNTY STATE OF FLORIDA

(published pursuant to Florida Statutes 97.055)

Florida Law requires the voter registration books to close 29 days before each election. The book closing date for the August 28, 2018 DeSoto County Primary Election is Monday, July 30, 2018 at 5 PM.

Any questions pertaining to the registration of voters or elections for DeSoto County should be directed to the DeSoto County Supervisor of Elections office at (863) 993-4871.

**MARK F. NEGLEY**  
**SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS**  
**DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

## AVISO DE CIERRE DE LIBRO DE REGISTRO DE VOTANTES CONDADO DE DESOTO ESTADO DE FLORIDA

(publicado de conformidad con las Estatuas de Florida 97.055)

La Ley de Florida requiere que los libros de registro de votantes cierren 29 días antes de cada elección. La fecha de cierre del libro para el 28 de agosto de 2018, Elección Primaria del Condado de DeSoto es el lunes 30 de julio de 2018 a las 5 PM.

Cualquier pregunta relacionada con el registro de votantes o las elecciones para el Condado de DeSoto debe dirigirse a la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de DeSoto al (863) 993-4871.

**Mark F. Negley**  
**Supervisor de Elecciones**  
**Condado de DeSoto, Florida**

# ARRESTS

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she processed the victim's credit card. He said Harden had since been fired because he discovered she had allegedly been seen in videos stealing credit card information from several guests.

According to the arrest report, when Harden was confronted by deputies about her use of the victim's credit card account, she said, "I think we've all done things we probably shouldn't in life, but you know, things happen and whatever. I just would prefer to move past whatever. If I have to meet with him, whatever. Let's fix the situation." She suggested working out an arrangement with him to "make the situation right."

Harden was arrested on numerous charges, including fraud by impersonating or using the ID of another without consent, obtaining property under \$20,000 by fraud or swindle, grand theft between \$300 and \$5,000, three counts of petty theft, third or subsequent offense, and habitually driving on a suspended license. She is being held on \$10,500 bond. Her arraignment is scheduled for August 13.

Harden has been arrested several times before in DeSoto County on theft and false ID charges. In June, she pleaded no contest and was adjudicated guilty of grand theft and fraud, sentenced to probation for two years and ordered to pay restitution. Her record goes back to 2007 when she was charged with dealing in stolen property and giving false ownership information for pawned items, but adjudication was withheld and she was given probation for two years.

## Moore to serve two years in prison on drug charges

Blake Allen Moore, 24, will be spending the next two years in state prison after pleading no contest to charges of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of drug equipment, resisting arrest and trespass.



MOORE

According to documents from the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office, Clerk of Court and Department of Corrections, in August 2017 deputies responded to a residence on S.W. Fender Ave. because Moore, who had been trespassed from the property, was sleeping on a chair in back of the house. The resident said Moore was the ex-boyfriend of his sister and that he was ignoring orders to leave.

Moore told deputies he knew he had been trespassed from the property and was not allowed to be there. When he was taken into custody, he had two baggies of methamphetamine in a pocket and a pipe containing marijuana residue.

He was taken into custody on charges of trespass, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of drug equipment. He was held on \$2,500 bond, and released in November.

On Feb. 7, 2018, deputies sought Moore on an active warrant and found him again at the Fender Avenue property. As deputies arrived, Moore was spotted and ordered to stop, but instead he turned and ran away. Another deputy ordered him to stop and, when he turned to run again, deployed his Taser. Moore fell to the ground and was and cuffed.

When searched before being taken to the jail, he had a glass pipe typically used to smoke narcotics, and a methadone pill.

He was jailed on charges of drug possession, possession of drug equipment and violation of probation.

Moore was arrested again on charges

of resisting arrest and violation of probation.

On June 14, Moore pleaded no contest and was sentenced to two years for two instances possession of drugs without a prescription. For the trespass, resisting and possession of drug paraphernalia charges he was sentenced to time already served. His drug offender probation was revoked.

Moore was transferred to the Department of Corrections on July 3 and his projected release date is March 17, 2020.

Moore previously served a four-year prison term on charges of burglary and grand theft.

## Man arrested for charging three officers

On July 1, the Arcadia Police Department responded to the residence of Delshaun Sentil Williams, 34 on charges of felony battery and three counts of battery on a police officer.



WILLIAMS

According to the arrest report, police responded to Williams' address and found Williams' wife sitting on the floor, crying, with apparent signs of physical distress. Williams said she had swallowed several pills.

As police began to assist her, he raised his voice and threw a table and desk in the direction where an officer was standing. He was yelling, "How could you do this!" at the woman. Williams, who reportedly weighs 280 pounds, forcefully pushed through all three responding officers trying to get to his wife.

Williams ran toward her in an aggressive manner, as she tried to escape by running into the bathroom and closing the door. He forced the door open as two officers stood between him and the woman. He refused to back off when so ordered.

The third officer came at him from behind, brought him to the floor and handcuffed him.

He was taken to the jail; his bond was set at \$1,620 and he was released later that day. His wife was taken to DeSoto Memorial Hospital for treatment.

The following day, Williams was arrested again for violation of probation, and is being held without bond.

## Motorcycle rider wrecks while fleeing from DCSO

The Florida Highway Patrol reported a single-vehicle crash on Sunday that left a motorcycle rider in serious condition.

According to FHP, Justin Allen Wagner, 21, of Wauchula, was fleeing from the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office, heading south on North Arcadia Avenue around 5:14 p.m. The bike went off the road to the east grassy shoulder. Wagner lost control and fell off the vehicle, which then collided with a stop sign.

Due to serious injuries, Wagner was air-lifted to Sarasota Memorial Hospital for treatment. Wagner was wearing a helmet; it was unknown whether alcohol played a role in the wreck.

Wagner was charged with driving on a suspended license for third or subsequent time, careless driving and no motorcycle endorsement.

Earlier this year, according to records of the Clerk of Court, Wagner was charged with speeding, driving on a suspended license, possession of a new legend drug without a prescription, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. In 2017, he was charged with grand theft and felony battery.

## Hardee wreck sends Zolfo woman to hospital

A wreck on Thursday in Hardee County left a Zolfo Springs woman in critical condition.

According to the Florida Highway

Patrol, about 9:30 a.m., Matthew Dale Crabtree, 28, of North Port, was driving a Ford van north on Merle Langford Road approaching the stop sign at Steve Roberts Special.

Logan R. Nickerson, 30, of Sebring, was driving a Dodge Ram traveling east on Steve Roberts approaching the Merle Langford intersection. Susan J. Long, 62, of Zolfo Springs, was driving west on Steve Roberts Special approaching the same intersection.

Crabtree failed to stop at the stop sign, and as he drove through the intersection, his van was struck by Nickerson's pickup. Crabtree's van ran into a barbed wire fence before overturning.

Nickerson's truck spun counterclockwise from the collision into the path of Long's pickup.

Crabtree and Nickerson had only minor injuries, but Long's injuries were considered critical and she was taken to Lakeland Regional Hospital for treatment.

Everyone involved had been using their seatbelts, and alcohol was not a factor in the incident. FHP reports that Crabtree was cited for disregarding the stop sign.

### The DeSoto County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Javin De'R'Shea Jenkins, 18, 300 block of N. Monroe Ave., Arcadia. Charges: disorderly conduct/affray and violation of probation. Bond: \$5,000.

- Juan Elias Rodriguez, 30, 1100 block of E. Maple St., Arcadia. Charge: violation of protective injunction. Bond: \$500.

- Stuart Davell Hart, 34, N. 17th Ave., Arcadia. Charge: disorderly conduct/affray. Released on recognizance.

- Jessica Mae Hurst, 38, 2100 block of N.E. Bishop St., Arcadia. Charge: out-of-county warrant. Purge: \$19,270.

- Lesda Sunen Menendez Perez, 41, 1800 block of S.E. DeSoto Landing, Arcadia. Charge: failure to appear. Bond: \$2,000.

- Jimmy Lee Nelson Jr., 52, 1400 block of S.E. Tangelo Drive, Arcadia. Charge: driving on a suspended license, second offense. Bond: \$500.

- Allen George Santiago, 62, 7800 block of S.W. Liverpool Road, Lake Suzy. Charge: battery. Bond: \$500.

- Dustin Michael Campbell, 29, Port Charlotte. Charges: two counts of violation of probation. Bond: none.

- Juan Elias Rodriguez, 30, 1100 block of E. Maple St., Arcadia. Charge: violation of protective order. Bond: \$500.

- Philip Adam Pelham, 24, 2300 block of S.W. U.S. Highway 17, Arcadia. Charges: two counts of aggravated battery on a person 65 or older. Bond: \$3,000.

- Alain Vasquez, 30, 1000 block of S.W. Cindee St., Arcadia. Charge: out-of-county warrant. Purge: \$2,000.

- Robert Anthony Cullen, 58, 100 block of N. Polk Ave., Arcadia. Charge: burglary with assault or battery. Bond: \$2,000.

- Tamara Rae Cullen, 47, 100 block of N. Polk Ave., Arcadia. Charge: burglary with assault or battery. Bond: \$2,000.

- James Matthew Nipper, 45, 100 block of N. Oak St., Arcadia. Charge: battery. Bond: \$500.

### The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Jose Umberto Morales-Vaquero, 31, 2000 block of S.W. Robin Road, Arcadia. Charge: knowingly driving on a revoked or suspended license. Bond: \$1,000.

- Francisco Sanchez-Hernandez, 40, 1200 block of S.W. Avocado Drive, Arcadia. Charge: driving on a license expired more than 6 months ago. Bond: \$1,000.

- Kolan Daniel Lanier, 25, 6400 block of S.W. Sable Ave., Arcadia. Charges: possession of a harmful new legend drug without a prescription and knowingly driving on a suspended or revoked license. Bond: none.

- Dylan Lee Bradley Biehl, 27, 2000 block of N.W. Howard Ave., Arcadia. Charge: possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. Bond: \$2,500.

### The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest:

- Justin Allen Wagner, 21, Wauchula. Charges (arrested in Sarasota County on DeSoto County charges): driving on a suspended license, operating a motorcycle without a motorcycle endorsement, fleeing to elude police, grand theft of motor vehicle, aggravated fleeing to elude police, attempting to leave scene of accident with property damage, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond: none.

—Compiled by Susan E. Hoffman

## Board Updates – July 2018

The School Board of District of DeSoto County, Florida, gives notice of its intent to repeal its existing policies and adopt or update new policies as shown below. Existing policies proposed for addition, revision, or deletion to current School Board Policy:

2252 - Digital Classrooms

2431.01 - Participation by Transfer Students

5511 V2 - Dress and Grooming

5610.05 - Participation in Extra Curricular Activities

5630.01 - Seclusion and Restraint of Students w/ Disabilities

7100 - Facilities Planning

8800 - Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances

9130 - Public Complaints

9150 - School Visitors

9210 - Parent Organizations

9211 - Parent Organizations, Booster Clubs, and Other Outside Support Organizations

9700 - Relations with Special Interest Groups Purpose and Effect: To update the policies, conform policies to current legislation, consolidate similar policies on the same subject, eliminate redundant and obsolete language, and make policies easier to find, understand and use. Once adopted, the new policies will be electronically published, hyperlinked and keyword searchable.

Authority: F.S. 1001.41(2); 1001.42, 1001.43, 1012.23 Summary of Statement of Estimated Regulatory Cost: No statement of estimated regulatory costs has been prepared. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative, must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

Any affected person may request a public hearing on the proposed repeal and adoption of these policies. Such requests must be submitted in writing to the Superintendent, within 21 days after the date of publication of this notice.

Any material pertinent to the issues under consideration submitted to the Superintendent within 21 days after the date of publication of this notice or submitted between the date of publication and the end of the last public hearing shall be considered by the Board and made a part of the rulemaking record.

Action on the rule repeal and adoption will occur at a future School Board meeting, which shall be separately noticed.

The person to be contacted regarding the policies is: Adrian H. Cline, Office of the Superintendent, 530 LaSolona Ave, Arcadia FL, 34266; telephone 863-494-4222.

Any person who decides to appeal a decision with respect to a matter considered at the hearing is hereby advised that, for such purpose, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the meeting is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Any person with a disability or physical impairment who wishes to attend this meeting and who requires special accommodations should contact the Office of the Superintendent, 530 LaSolona Ave, Arcadia FL, 34266; telephone 863-494-4222 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

By Adrian H. Cline, Superintendent of Schools.

# The guise of guys, a tribe, posse or your people

I love collective nouns. A collective noun is a name for the group of similar things. Well-known examples include a pride of lions, a colony of ants, a herd of cows, and a murder of crows. Some of my favorite, lesser-known collective nouns are a tower of giraffes, a business of ferrets, a coalition of cheetahs, and a prickle of porcupines.

What is the proper term for a group of people? You could accept a number of collective nouns, depending on context: tribe, nation, family, or crowd. But, when it comes to everyday English, how do we refer to our group of friends?

We call them “guys.”

This term, in vernacular usage, applies to a group of male humans, a group of men and women, or a group made up of entirely by women. I like this usage not because it’s patriarchal, but for the exact opposite reason: calling a group of females “guys” just means that’s their posse. Their tribe. Their people.

I argue that “guys” has come to colloquially mean “close friends.” The term can be applied to both men and women. Its popular usage, at this point, is gender-neutral.

Originally, the term “guy” comes from Guy Fawkes, a 17th-century rabble-rouser who was involved in the failed Gunpowder Plot in England, in

which a group of guys attempted to blow up the members of both Houses of Parliament, King James I, most of the royal family, and leading officers of state in order to establish a powerful English Catholic regime. I’ll spare you the rest of the details and cut to the chase: their plan didn’t work. Fawkes got caught.

After Guy Fawkes’s notorious legend spread, the term “guys” came to be known as something similar to a “gang” or a group of “rebels”—bad guys up to no good. As the term progressed, its meaning shifted to something more positive, like “people on your team” or “friends you can count on.”

What do you say to your friends if you’re trying to get their attention? I would guess most of you would say “Hey, guys!”

This is in no way the capital “G” grammar rule for a collective group of humans. It’s my takeaway based on listening to how people—men and women alike—actually talk in 2018 America.

So, I’m totally fine if you guys disagree with the Grammar Guy on this one.

*Curtis Honeycutt is a nationally award-winning syndicated humor writer. Connect with him on Twitter (@curtishoneycutt) or at curtishoneycutt.com.*

## SELBY

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creative writing, music, cooking, self-esteem building and employment opportunities.

Mental Health Community Centers was just acknowledged as one of four agencies in the country with the “2018 Recognition of Excellence in Wellness” award by the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration, or SAMHSA, a branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Selby House is funded by the Florida Department of Children and Families. The house was donated by the Selby Foundation in Sarasota.

Rick added, “Members contribute \$1 each day that they participate in the program, if they can. We do not turn people away if they cannot pay.” He continued: “We also depend on local community sponsors to help us meet our obligations. For instance, we received a grant from the local Walmart store. All Faiths Food Bank helps us by contributing food that we use to prepare lunch for our members.

“And last but not least, we receive



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY JIMMY PETERS

Rick O’Connell and Selby House members at the Arcadia facility.

contributions from individuals that help out as a result of our outreach programs.”

Our community is a better place because of Rick O’Connell and the members of Selby House. For more information, contact Rick at Selby House, 863-993-9266 or roconnell@mhcci.com.



Program Director Rick O’Connell leads a discussion with members of Selby House.



Volunteers prepare lunch for members of Selby House.



## BREASTFEEDING SHOWER

**DATE: AUGUST 9, 2018**

**TIME: 10:00 AM**

**You’re invited to the celebration!!**

**WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK 2018**

**Please join WIC and Healthy Start for games and a chance to win a car seat and a pack-and-play.**

**Arcadia Housing Authority**  
**7 Booker T. Washington Rd**  
**Arcadia, FL, 34266**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL  
**(863)491-7580 EXT. 117**



# Rally at McSwain Park, phosphate opposition's Tuesday protest



The rally was held across from the county courthouse.



Kids sometimes seem smarter than the rest of us.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY CRAIG GARRETT

An informational rally for those opposing phosphate mining in DeSoto County was held Tuesday at McSwain Park in Arcadia. Some near the rally decided that a cooling visit to the splashpad was more important.



A theme of the opposition to Mosaic phosphate mining.



Rally organizer Henry Kuhlman prepares to address those attending the event.



The rally at McSwain Park started at 3 p.m. and ran to the rezoning hearing that started at 6:30 p.m.



Rally organizers have adopted this theme in opposition to phosphate mining in DeSoto County.



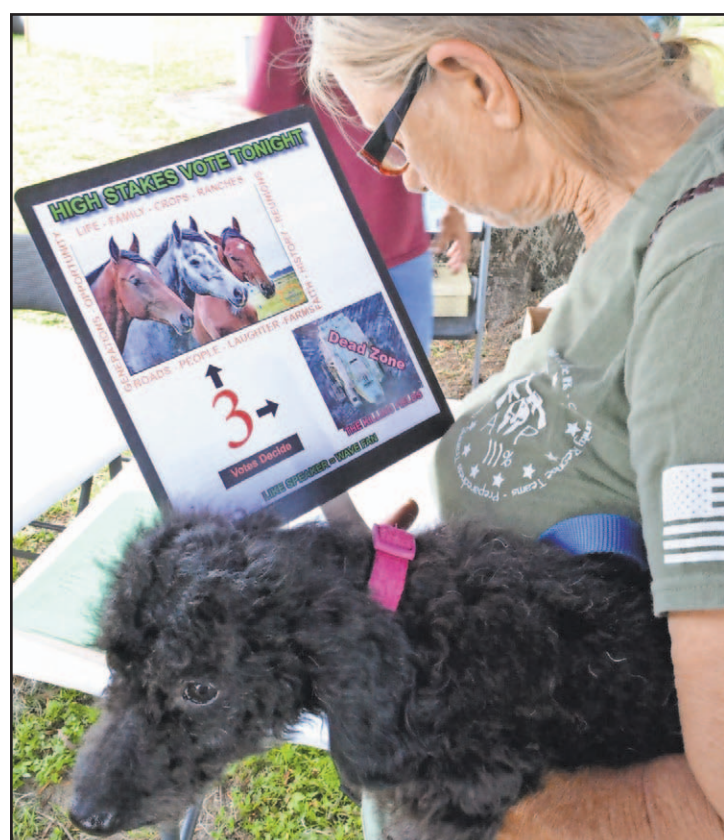
The band



A traffic mishap at Brevard and Oak dampens the rally on Tuesday. Fortunately, no injuries to the motorist or the FedEx driver were reported.



Even superheroes need a special cause.



Informational booths helped visitors understand what was happening Tuesday.



Rally organizer Henry Kuhlman (left) with an Arcadia police officer and a city official at the rally on Tuesday.



Volunteers preparing comment cards for the rezoning hearing Tuesday at commission chambers.

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# SPO RTS EXTRA

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## A run, walk or toss down memory lane

By **STEVE KNAPP**  
ARCADIAN SPORTS EDITOR

With a short calm between seasons and the coming school year in August, *Arcadian* sports editor Steve Knapp suggested a look back on 2017-18 sports in DeSoto County. His selection covers high school athletics, cheer and homecoming.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS PROVIDED




### BREASTFEEDING WALK

**DATE: AUGUST 8, 2018**  
**TIME: 9:00 AM**

*You're invited to the celebration!*  
**WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK 2018**  
Please join WIC and Healthy Start as we walk to raise awareness for breastfeeding.  
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# Awesome bunch of boys, 'they won it all'

By EARL LYONS

ARCADIAN SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

They started their journey this year playing with the DeSoto County Dixie Youth Junior Blue Team. Five of those boys were picked to play for the Charlotte Thunder 14U Travel club in Port Charlotte. CJ Nelson, Wylie Lyons, Jacob Patton, Dalson Rachel and Wyatt Giddon are an awesome bunch of boys. They had a great season with the Port Charlotte team.

Three of those boys went on and were picked to play for the USSSA (United States Specialty Sports Association) All State, All-Star Team in Sanford, Florida. They went undefeated the entire tournament.

They won it all! What a great 2018 season.

We would like to thank the Dixie Youth program of DeSoto County, Nicole Adams and Brian White, the Charlotte Thunder Travel program, Chris Birdsall and Tom Birdsall and the USSSA for letting the boys



And some even end up wearing All-Star hardware. Pictured are CJ Nelson, Wylie Lyons and Jacob Patton.

play in their organizations. These players will remember their time on the teams and the other boys with which they played baseball. It takes players on a team to win a baseball game.

Again, thank you Chris Birdsall and Tom Birdsall for seeing something special in these young men, all from DeSoto County and each looking forward to starting a new season with the DeSoto High baseball team. Go Bulldogs!



They progress through the ranks in USSSA and other advanced youth baseball.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS PROVIDED

Charlotte Thunder baseball is where some DeSoto players heading into high school this season got started.





## ELI'S WESTERN WEAR

### ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL SALE

August 3rd - 12th

25% OFF all Shirts, Boots, Shoes, Caps, Purses, Jackets, Socks, Backpacks, Wallets and Belts.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

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# Hurricane Irma farm relief announced

Gov. Rick Scott said the state will “soon” begin accepting applications from citrus farmers whose crops and groves were damaged by Hurricane Irma, after the Joint Legislative Budget Commission last week accepted \$357 million in federal funding for the industry.

The state Division of Emergency Management will administer the funding, which is part of \$2.36 billion appropriated by Congress to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 2017 disaster relief. With an initial estimate of \$761 million in damages from Irma to the state’s citrus industry, Florida was the only state to get a block grant specific to an industry as part of the “2017 Wildfires and Hurricane Indemnity Program.”

The so-called WHIP program will compensate farmers in Florida and other states for expenses related to losses from hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and various wildfires last year. Citrus growers who receive money through the program can use it for such things as buying crop insurance and replacing damaged and destroyed trees if they had at least 15 percent fruit loss in the past season.

Citrus officials have projected that many South Florida growers, including those in DeSoto County, suffered more than 70 percent losses from Irma. The Joint Legislative Budget Commission is made up of House and Senate members and has the authority to make mid-year budget adjustments.

As part of the money accepted Thursday, \$17 million is expected to cover administrative costs of the block grant program.

## Area AGRICULTURE

Updates, alerts, reports and other local agricultural information.



It was also announced Tuesday that \$12 billion in emergency aid was authorized by President Donald Trump to counter tariffs on American agriculture. Payments under the largest part of the federal government’s relief plan would be targeted to producers of soybeans, sorghum, corn, wheat, cotton, dairy and hogs.

—floridapolitics.com

### Putnam polls start to sour

Recent polls have shown U.S. Rep. Ron DeSantis ahead of Florida Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam in the Republican primary for governor, but the Florida Chamber of Commerce said last Friday that the race is in a “virtual tie.”

The pro-business group, which has endorsed Putnam, finishing a second term as ag commissioner, said its newest measure of the race shows the two GOP contenders with 36 percent support apiece with the remaining 28 percent of Republican primary voters saying they were undecided.

Still, those numbers do indicate a hefty surge for DeSantis compared to the last Florida Chamber poll, released in mid-June, which found Putnam up 32-15. The Florida Chamber CEO Mark Wilson acknowledged the boost and attributed it to “three external factors

that combined to create a perfect storm favoring DeSantis.”

The new poll is based on live telephone interviews with 700 likely Republican voters, with 30 percent of the sample contacted by cell phone. It has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.04 percent at a 95 percent confidence level.

A political committee that plays a key role in Republican Adam Putnam’s gubernatorial campaign spent \$2.73 million during a recent weeklong period, with most of the money going toward advertising. The committee Florida Grown spent the money from July 7 through July 13 and had nearly \$8.1 million in cash on hand at the end of the period, according to newly filed finance reports posted on the state Division of Elections website.

—floridapolitics.com

### Florida cane farmers fighting back

As algae blooms continue to pour out of Lake Okeechobee, environmentalists and other activists are once again taking aim at the farming industry, blaming them for contributing to the toxicity that allows algae to grow.

The sugar industry has long disputed that it deserves the majority of the blame. Now one group is ramping up

efforts to get that message out into the public.

Florida Sugarcane Farmers, a group representing the sugar industry, launched a new site to push back against what it deems unfair attacks. (<http://lakeokeechobeeinfo.org>)

While algae are naturally occurring, pollution in the form of phosphorus and nitrogen can help cause the blooms to spread out of control.

Those blooms then pour out of Lake Okeechobee as water levels rise, spreading to other waterways. The foul-smelling blooms can then spread to other parts of the state, as happened in 2016. That has led to understandable outrage among Floridians, but sugarcane farmers say their farms aren’t the primary source of the pollution. A 2016 article from the Sun Sentinel, for instance, estimated that just 5.8 percent of phosphorus in Lake Okeechobee came from those lands.

—floridapolitics.com

### Frostproofing fruit trees? Maybe some day

While the word “nanocrystals” may seem like something unrelated to tree fruits, a team of Washington State University researchers is testing a new nanotechnology called nanocrystals to protect tree fruit against frost damage.

WSU researchers are working with a \$500,000 grant from the USDA’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture to develop a plant-based product that coats and protects fruit buds during cold snaps post-bloom.

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The School Board of DeSoto County will soon consider a measure to increase its property tax levy.

### Last year’s property tax levy

A. Initially proposed tax levy.....	\$ 10,976,401
B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes.....	\$ (302,700)
C. Actual property tax levy.....	\$ 11,279,101

This year’s proposed tax levy..... \$11,573,545

A portion of the tax levy is required under state law in order for the school board to receive **\$22,808,959** in state education grants.

The required portion has **decreased** by **0.47** percent, and represents approximately **six tenths** of the total proposed taxes.

The remainder of the taxes is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board.

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on July 31, 2018 at 5:01 p.m. at the **DeSoto County School Board office**, 530 La Solona Avenue, Arcadia, Florida.

A **DECISION** on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

## NOTICE OF TAX FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY

The DeSoto County School Board will soon consider a measure to continue to impose a 1.500 mill property tax for the capital outlay projects listed herein.

This tax is in addition to the School Board’s proposed tax of 4.751 mills for operating expenses and is proposed solely at the discretion of the School Board.

### THE PROPOSED COMBINED SCHOOL BOARD TAX INCREASE FOR BOTH OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL OUTLAY IS SHOWN IN THE ADJACENT NOTICE.

The capital outlay tax will generate approximately **\$2,666,119** to be used for the following projects:

#### MAINTENANCE, RENOVATION, AND REPAIR

- Maintenance and repairs
- Renovations and site improvement
- Correct deficiencies relating to safety to life, health, and sanitation
- Reimbursement of the maintenance, renovation, and repairs paid through the General Fund as permitted by Florida Statute
- Roof repairs and replacement
- Paving parking lots
- Americans with Disabilities Act compliance requirements
- Energy conservation measures

#### MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES

- Purchase of 2 school buses

#### NEW AND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT, COMPUTER AND DEVICE HARDWARE AND OPERATING SYSTEM SOFTWARE NECESSARY FOR GAINING ACCESS TO OR ENHANCING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL INSTRUCTIONAL CONTENT AND RESOURCES, AND ENTERPRISE RESOURCE SOFTWARE

- New and replacement equipment
- Enterprise technology
- Computers and Digital Devices

#### PAYMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AND SITES DUE UNDER A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT

- Qualified Zone Academy Bonds 2006, Principal, Repayment for: Nocatee Elementary School, DeSoto Middle School, West Elementary School and Memorial Elementary School Annual Lease/Purchase Agreement, Principal and Interest, for school buses

#### PAYMENT OF COSTS OF COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL STATUTES, RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Removal of hazardous waste
- Radon testing
- Asbestos abatement/removal
- Chlorinating/water testing and treatment
- PCB removal
- Test for fire retardancy

#### PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE NECESSARY TO INSURE THE EDUCATIONAL AND ANCILLARY PLANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Insurance premiums on District facilities

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing to be held on July 31, 2018, at 5:01 P.M., at the DeSoto County School Board meeting room located at 530 LaSolona Avenue, Arcadia, Florida.

A **DECISION** on the proposed CAPITAL OUTLAY TAXES will be made at this hearing.

# AGRICULTURE

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The nanocrystal solution was developed by Xiao Zhang, WSU associate professor, as well as a team of collaborators.

Field trials were conducted this spring.

“Our preliminary results show the technology to be very promising, even better than we were expecting,” Zhang told WSU news.

—Christina Herrick is Senior Editor of American Fruit Grower magazine and Western Fruit Grower magazine

## Cabbage patch insurance Aug. 15 deadline

USDA's Risk Management Agency reminds Florida cabbage growers that the final date to apply for crop insurance coverage is Aug. 15.

Federal crop insurance is critical to the farm safety net. It helps producers and owners manage revenue risks and strengthens the rural economy. Coverage is available to DeSoto farmers with cabbage patches in Alachua, Flagler, Hillsborough, Manatee, Putnam and St. John counties.

A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers and online at the RMA Agent Locator. [www.rma.usda.gov](http://www.rma.usda.gov)

## DeSoto encircled by sea of green

The 2018 wet season is off to the races in South Florida, setting up the scenario for algae-bloom troubles in the region again this year. Even before the rainy season officially started, record rainfall in May dropped more

than 300 percent of the monthly averages across the region. Martin and St. Lucie counties received 450 percent more than the historical record. That rainfall caused Lake Okeechobee to rise by more than a foot, which prompted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to begin releases from the lake on June 1 to the northern estuaries to ensure flood protection south of the lake. The record rains also inundated the water conservation areas, which caused them to rise above their regulated schedules. Peace River in DeSoto County had this year experienced such quick rises in water height.

In June, Gov. Rick Scott issued an emergency order to give the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and South Florida Water Management District authority to implement actions to lower lake levels and move more water into conservation areas. The large water releases to keep Lake Okeechobee in check has prompted algae blooms in the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee rivers. On July 9, Gov. Scott issued another state of emergency due to the algae blooms for Glades, Hendry, Lee, Martin, Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie counties. This emergency declaration allows DEP and the SFWMD to waive various restrictions and regulations to store water in additional areas south of the lake, which will help alleviate the USACE water discharges that are causing harmful algal blooms in Florida's rivers and coastal estuaries. The toxic algae is blue-green in color and is known as cyanobacteria.

This year's Florida Grower Citrus Achievement Award winner, U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (R-Fla.), requested the funding as a senior Republican on the House Appropriations Committee.

—Frank Giles is editor of Florida Grower

# SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

### Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

### 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!

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8	2	5	4	9	3	1	6	7
7	1	3	6	2	5	8	9	4
6	4	9	8	1	7	5	3	2
2	9	8	5	3	1	7	4	6
1	3	6	7	4	2	9	5	8
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ANSWER:

## BUDGET SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019  
THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DESOTO COUNTY ARE 8.1% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

### PROPOSED MILLAGE LEVIES SUBJECT TO 10-MILL CAP:

Required Local Effort	4.003	Discretionary Operating	0.748	Debt Service	0.000
Local Capital Improvement (Capital Outlay)	1.500	Additional Millage Not to Exceed 4 Years (Operating)	0.000	<b>TOTAL MILLAGE</b>	<b>6.251</b>
Discretionary Capital Improvement	0.000				

### ESTIMATED REVENUES:

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	AGENCY FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Federal Sources	670,083.34	9,997,330.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,667,413.92
State Sources	29,163,095.00	34,000.00	157,666.66	186,660.00	0.00	29,541,421.66
Local Sources	9,470,269.57	64,940.00	560.00	2,671,119.00	0.00	12,206,888.57
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>	<b>39,303,447.91</b>	<b>10,096,270.58</b>	<b>158,226.66</b>	<b>2,857,779.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>52,415,724.15</b>
Transfers In	1,036,523.00	0.00	364,963.76	0.00	0.00	1,401,486.76
Fund Balance (July 1, 2018)	7,606,896.24	1,455,364.41	2,224,690.96	4,547,414.90	0.00	15,834,366.51
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS AND FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION</b>	<b>47,946,867.15</b>	<b>11,551,634.99</b>	<b>2,747,881.38</b>	<b>7,405,193.90</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>69,651,577.42</b>

### APPROPRIATIONS/EXPENDITURES:

Instruction	25,607,377.97	4,116,294.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,723,672.50
Pupil Personnel Services	2,414,725.37	223,530.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,638,255.38
Instructional Media Services	493,457.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	493,457.18
Instructional and Curriculum Development Services	1,028,556.86	1,390,319.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,418,876.04
Instructional Staff Training Services	216,720.00	632,537.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	849,257.33
Instructional Related Technology	1,433,184.57	203,672.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,636,856.67
School Board	421,177.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	421,177.00
General Administration	694,885.94	334,065.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,028,951.08
School Administration	2,696,257.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,696,257.21
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	11,400.00	0.00	0.00	5,389,453.64	0.00	5,400,853.64
Fiscal Services	571,443.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	571,443.00
Food Services	0.00	3,285,699.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,285,699.72
Central Services	1,093,633.22	74,225.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,167,858.89
Pupil Transportation Services	1,963,156.90	198,205.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,161,362.16
Operation of Plant	4,009,698.75	14,881.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,024,580.11
Maintenance of Plant	1,732,262.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,732,262.32
Administrative Technology Services	863,753.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	863,753.97
Community Services	3,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,400.00
Debt Services	0.00	0.00	485,107.24	0.00	0.00	485,107.24
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS/EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>45,255,090.26</b>	<b>10,473,430.30</b>	<b>485,107.24</b>	<b>5,389,453.64</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>61,603,081.44</b>
Transfers Out	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,401,486.76	0.00	1,401,486.76
Fund Balances (June 30, 2019)	2,691,776.89	1,078,204.69	2,262,774.14	614,253.50	0.00	6,647,009.22
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS AND FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION</b>	<b>47,946,867.15</b>	<b>11,551,634.99</b>	<b>2,747,881.38</b>	<b>7,405,193.90</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>69,651,577.42</b>

THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE REFERENCED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.



# BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

## Country doc wins a bet to pay his debt

By **CRAIG GARRETT**  
ARCADIAN EDITOR

We're losing them like nickels from old pockets. And the places worst hit are counties such as DeSoto.

The "country doctor" is as endangered as leopards. Even children following their country doctor parents in the family business choose big cities to practice medicine, or they're micro-specializing, wishing a greater return of their school investment

that will run \$35,000-\$50,000 per year for medical tuition.

Yet in Arcadia Dr. Vaidy Nathan, who works for the Millennium Physicians Group and has treated us at DeSoto Memorial Hospital, remains an authentic country doctor. He imagines staying here for some time but isn't sure who will replace him, only "that someone will. They always do."

Which isn't so reassuring, especially in Florida where the average age

is, well, old.

Nathan in 25 years in Arcadia has become good at many things, he's an internist and is qualified in geriatrics, cardiac stress testing and nuclear scans. He can spot problems, like a mechanic with an ear to the motor. He is, however, worried young doctors run from 12-15 hour, 6-day weeks, and they don't like Google-qualified amateurs arguing a diagnosis, he said.

Yet Dr. Nathan remains in DeSoto

County. And would do it over. He likes us, likes listening, figuring out why we're broken and fixing us, the real need in a place with limited services. And there are funny



Dr. Vaidy Nathan

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## Links2Success awards ceremony

This month Links2Success held its 6th annual Leadership & Career Conference and 4th annual Health Careers Camp. This year's title sponsors included Peace River Citrus Products and Suncoast Credit Union. Each program lasted one week and was held on the campus of South Florida State College in Arcadia.

This past Saturday the local non-profit founded by sisters Ashley and Maria Coone celebrated these students at their annual awards ceremony. Visit Facebook.com/linkstosuccess for more photos from the summer programs. www.links2success.org.



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Links2Success kids and staff on a summer fieldtrip.

## DeSoto Church Directory

... And Make Your Choice from our Church Directory

					
<p><b>Calvary BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Celebrative Worship Challenging Bible Study Connection With People Sunday School/Life Groups 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Family Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM - Noon 863-494-4345 www.cbcarcadia.org</p>	<p><b>North Hillsborough Baptist Church</b> (253 N. Hillsborough Ave.) Pastor Ellis Cross 863-494-3455 Worship 11:00 AM Evening Worship 6:00pm Wednesday 6:30pm Thursday Youth Group 6pm</p>	<p><b>"DO NOT FEAR FOR I AM WITH YOU. DO NOT ANXIOUSLY LOOK ABOUT YOU, FOR I AM YOUR GOD. I WILL STRENGTHEN YOU. SURELY I WILL HELP YOU. SURELY I WILL UPHOLD YOU WITH MY RIGHTEDOUS HAND."</b> ISAIAH 41:10</p>	<p>First Church of the Nazarene <b>A LIGHTHOUSE IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR 85 YEARS</b> 132 W Gibson Street Arcadia FL 34266 863-491-1422 Rev. Steve Johnson Sunday Worship 10:45 am Sunday School 9:30 am <b>The VOICE of God will never contradict the WORD of God</b></p>	<p>Grace Lutheran Church, LCMS 1004 W. Oak Street Rev. Anthony Arias Pastor Adult Sunday School 11:00 AM Sunday Worship 11:00 AM <b>All Welcome!</b></p>	
<p><b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 209 West Hickory Street 494-4434 Rev. Bill Teng <b>Mission:</b> "Take Jesus with you wherever you go" <b>Worship:</b> 11:00am Traditional Worship Casual, Family Oriented Sunday School 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><b>See your Church in this spot</b> <b>Contact Tami 494-5201 for more information</b></p>		<p><i>May the Lord fill your heart with love.</i></p>	<p><b>Fort Ogden United Methodist Church</b> 6923 SW River St. 863.494.3881 Sunday Worship 10:00AM Nursery &amp; Children's Church Provided Monday AA &amp; AL Anon 7:30PM Wednesday Bible Studay 11AM-6PM</p>	
<p><b>See your Church in this spot</b> <b>Contact Tami 494-5201 for more information</b></p>	<p> <b>Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church</b> "THE CHURCH IN THE ORANGE GROVE" SUN. SCHOOL 9:45AM WORSHIP 11:00AM EVENING 6:00PM WEDNESDAY 6:30PM 2865 SW CR 661 ARCADIA, FL 34266 863-993-5568</p>	<p><b>Oak Hill Baptist Church</b> Arcadia, Florida 5104 NW Oak Hill Ave. 863-494-6224 REV. JERRY WATERS Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm Wednesday 6:30 pm for Prayer Group, Youth &amp; Children</p>	<p><b>PINE LEVEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> CHRIST CENTERED, CHRIST LED. 9596 Pine Level St., Arcadia 863- 494-0044 9am Children Church 9am Contemporary Service 10am Sunday School 11am Traditional Service Wednesday Adult, Youth &amp; Children's Programs 7 PM Nursery Always Available www.pinelevelumc.com</p>	<p><b>St. Edmund Episcopal Church</b> 125th Anniversary Celebration <b>November 17th</b> 327 W. Hickory St., Arcadia 863-494-0485 Sundays 8am &amp; 10am Misa en espanol Dom 6:00 pm www.EpisopalArcadiaFl.com</p>	<p><b>Trinity United Methodist Church</b> "To know Christ and to make Him known" 304 W. Oak Street • 494-2543 Sunday Morning Worship Starting at 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Sun. 4:30 p.m. UMYF Wed. 6:30 pm Bible Study Nursery Available Pastor Louie Mabrey View Service at: trinityarcadia.com</p>

# New 'Purple Heart' parking spaces at county buildings

By CAROL MAHLER

ARCADIAN HISTORICAL CORRESPONDENT

The Purple Heart, the oldest U.S. military decoration, now marks parking spaces for use by combat-wounded veterans in front of the DeSoto County courthouse, administration building and library.

Harry Atkins, director of facilities, oversaw the installation of the signs and the purple-striping. The paint is "as close as they can get to the Purple Heart color," Atkins said.

Before he took over his department, three Purple Heart parking spaces had already been designated—two in front of the Turner Center and one at the Turner Center Exhibition Hall. "That was before my time," he said.

DeSoto County's Veteran Service Officer Steve A. Rickard ordered the signs from Wounded Warriors Family Support ([www.wwfs.org](http://www.wwfs.org)). WWFS states that "there are an estimated 1.8 million Purple Heart recipients ... They have made great sacrifices to ensure our freedoms but often go unrecognized."

A 1987 graduate of DeSoto County High School, Rickard served 30 years in the U.S. Army. He said that giving veterans a designated parking place allows us "to pay our respect." He also noted, "There are a lot of veterans who utilize the administration building and the courthouse."

The first purple-colored, heart-shaped badges were awarded by Gen. George Washington to soldiers who fought in the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Washington's profile was placed on the badge to honor his service. Until World War II, only U.S. Army veterans received the Purple Heart, the only decoration "automatically awarded" without regard to a "person's favor or approval," according to the Army History Museum.

For more about the Purple Heart award and other interesting information, check <https://armyhistory.org>.



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DeSoto County's Veteran Service Officer Steve A. Rickard ordered the signs from Wounded Warriors Family Support. He is a 30-year army vet and DeSoto High grad.



Purple-striped parking spaces honoring American veterans are placed at DeSoto County buildings.

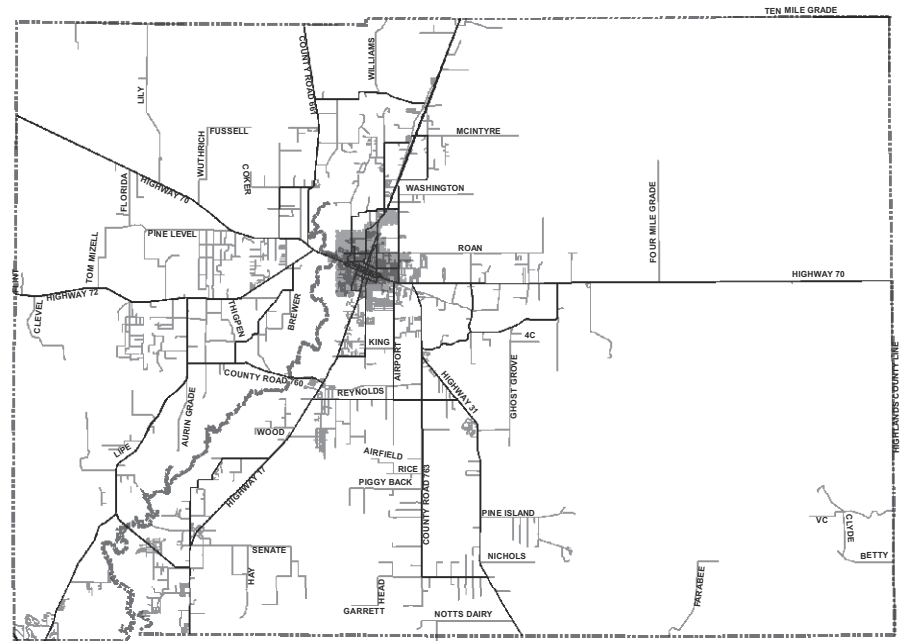
## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE INCREASE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT

The Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, **August 30, 2018 at 6:30 pm** in the **Administration Building**, Room 103, 201 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida, to increase the rate for the SOLID WASTE COLLECTION MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT. The purpose of this assessment is to provide residential household garbage collection to the benefiting property owners located within DeSoto County. The total annual SOLID WASTE COLLECTION assessment is based on the classification of each parcel of property and the number of RESIDENTIAL DWELLING units.

The current SOLID WASTE COLLECTION assessment is \$189.00 per year per the number of RESIDENTIAL DWELLING units. The maximum proposed assessment is \$211.68 per year times the number of RESIDENTIAL DWELLING units.

If the rate increase is passed, the new rate will be in effect until amended by the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County.

The SOLID WASTE COLLECTION assessment will appear on all affected property owners' 2018 Tax Bills which are collected by the DeSoto County Tax Collector.



All affected property owners have the right to appear at the Public Hearing and/or file a written objection with the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida within 20 days of this notice.

Correspondence to:

DeSoto County Board of County Commissioners  
201 East Oak Street, Suite 201  
Arcadia, Florida 34266

This notice is provided as per Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, which requires that all property owners are to be informed that failure to pay the SOLID WASTE COLLECTION assessment will result in a tax certificate to be issued against the property and may result in loss of title. The SOLID WASTE COLLECTION assessment **WILL NOT** appear on the "Notice of Proposed Property Tax" which you receive from the DeSoto County Property Appraiser.

If special accommodations are required in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals should contact the DeSoto County Administration office at least seven days prior to the hearing at (863) 993-4800.

## Delivering the goods



ARCADIAN PHOTO BY PRISCILLA MCDANIEL

All Faiths Food Bank has accepted a new delivery vehicle donated by the Mosaic Co. The refrigerated truck will deliver fresh and frozen foods in DeSoto County. The dedication ceremony was at Trinity United Methodist Church and included volunteers Dale Hansen, Nancy Fitzgerald, Carol Todd, Tamra Lauderdale, Nancy Keys, Denny Keys and Pastor Louie.

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**2110 PART TIME/ TEMPORARY**  
**Highlands Hammock** is seeking 3 people to work PT from Aug. 2018 - June 2019; 29 hrs/wk; \$15.67/hr. No benefits. Valid FL driver's license req. 2 for exotic plant removal; 1 for tractor operator/ prescribed burn prep. State job applications avail. at Ranger Station. **Return by close of business Aug. 3. 863-386-6094.**

**3090 LOST & FOUND**  
**MISSING CAT!!**  
Orange Tabby female Environmental Lab St. off of Kings Hwy. area 863-993-2130

**3112 FICTITIOUS NAME**  
**Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Cross Creek located at 6837 NE Cubitis Avenue, in the County of DeSoto in the City of Arcadia, Florida 34266 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Tallahassee, Florida this 18th day of July, 2018. Spring Run Holdings, LLC Publish 07/26/18 110833 3588385

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Wound Healing Institute at DeSoto Memorial Hospital located at 316 Nursing Home Drive in the County of DeSoto, in the City of Arcadia, Florida intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida, this 19th day of July, 2018. Publish: 07/26/2018 248477 3597535

**3116 NOTICE OF ACTION**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA. CASE No. 2018CA000110AXMA REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC., PLAINTIFF,

VS. JOHNNIE B. JOHNSON-SHERMAN A/K/A JOHNNIE B. JOHNSON, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S).  
**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
To: Johnnie B Johnson-Sherman a/k/a Johnnie B. Johnson RESIDENCE: UNKNOWN LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 3202 SW Fender Ave, Arcadia, FL 34266

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described

**3116 NOTICE OF ACTION**

property located in De Soto County, Florida:  
Lot 70 of Eller's Half Acres, an unrecorded plat more particularly described as: Beginning at the NW corner of the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 13, Township 38 South Range 24 East; thence run East a distance of 164.87 feet to a point; thence run South a distance of 1,015.87 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South a distance of 100 feet to a point; thence run East a distance of 164.98 feet to a point; thence run North a distance of 100 feet to a point; thence run West a distance of 164.97 feet to the Point of Beginning, less road on West side, all lying and being in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 13, Township 38 South, Range 24 East, Desoto County, Florida

has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action, on Tromberg Law Group, P.A., attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 1515 South Federal Highway, Suite 100, Boca Raton, FL 33432, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, either before July 26, 2018 or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Arcadian. Nadia K. Daughtrey Clerk of the Circuit Court Date:07/06/18 By: JW Gebeau Deputy Clerk of the Court Publish: 07/26/18, 08/02/18 399717 3597722

**3120 NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, PROBATE DIVISION  
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARGARET A. BICKETT, Deceased.  
Case No. 2017-CP-000115

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Margaret A. Bickett, deceased, whose date of death was October 23, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.  
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.  
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must

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file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.  
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.  
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
The date of first publication of this notice is July 26, 2018.  
Attorney for Personal Representatives: /s/ Richard T. Pettit Richard T. Pettit, FBN 0878995 Petitt Worrell Rocha Sheppard PLLC 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3575 Tampa, FL 33602-5877 P: 813.603.6300 F: 813.603.6301 Service E-mail: Pleadings@PetittWorrell.com  
Personal Representatives: JAMES CELESTINE BICKETT, JR. 9839 State Road 56 East Morganfield, Kentucky 42437 PAUL BICKETT 2700 Highway 136 East Calhoun, Kentucky 42327 PATRICIA JOSEPHINE BICKETT 1721 Griffith Avenue Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 DAVID GREGORY BICKETT 2670 Greenback Road Utica, Kentucky 42376 Publish: 07/26/18, 08/02/18 396400 3597170

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARK ANDERSON, Deceased.  
File No. 142017CP00047  
Division:

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Mark Anderson, deceased, whose date of death was April 23, 2017, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-7234, is pending in the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 115 E. Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. The names and addresses of the the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.  
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.  
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claim with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PRO-

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BATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
The date of first publication of this notice is **July 19, 2018**.  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
Jeremy D. Bowerman  
Attorney for Petitioner  
E-Mail Address: jbowerman@mcklaw.com Florida Bar No. 106285 Moraitis, Cofar, Karney, Moraitis & Quailley 915 Middle River Drive, Suite 506 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304 Telephone: 954-5634163 Alternate E-Mail Address: cmeithe@mcklaw.com  
Personal Representative: Linda Joyce Strickland 1906 N.W. Riverwood Road Arcadia, Florida 34266 Publish: 07/19/18, 07/26/18 403312 3596744

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NUMBER: 2018 CP 000052  
DIVISION:  
IN RE: ESTATE OF ALVIN B. CLEMONS, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of ALVIN B. CLEMONS, deceased, whose date of death was March 21, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court, for DeSoto County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below.  
If you have been served with a copy of this notice and you have any claim or demand against the decedent's estate, even if that claim is unmaturing, contingent or unliquidated, you must file your claim with the court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF A DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE.  
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturing, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with the court ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.  
ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.  
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
The date of first publication of this Notice is JULY 19, 2018.  
**Personal Representatives:** LINDA C. WALDRON 1685 SE Walston Avenue Arcadia, FL 34266 A. KENNEDY CLEMONS 5268 SE Brown Road Arcadia, FL 34266 John R. Clemons 5485 SE Brown Road Arcadia, FL 34266  
**Attorney for Personal Representatives:** KRISTA WALDRON RAY, ESQUIRE Florida Bar No. 392456 Fisher, Tousey, Leas & Ball

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818 North A1A, Suite 104 Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082 (904) 356-2600 kwr@fishertousey.com Publish: 07/19/18, 07/26/18 364743 3595205

**3122 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2016CA000519AXMA JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,  
vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JAMES J. BROEHL A/K/A JAMES JOSEPH BROEHL, DECEASED; ERIN BROEHL, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES J. BROEHL A/K/A JAMES JOSEPH BROEHL, DECEASED; ERIN BROEHL; DANIELLE K. BROEHL; STEPHEN J. BROEHL; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendant(s)

**RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated June 22, 2018, and entered in Case No. 2016CA000519AXMA, of the Circuit Court of the 12th Judicial Circuit in and for DESOTO County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE NAMK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is Plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JAMES J. BROEHL A/K/A JAMES JOSEPH BROEHL, DECEASED; ERIN BROEHL, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES J. BROEHL A/K/A JAMES JOSEPH BROEHL, DECEASED; ERIN BROEHL; DANIELLE K. BROEHL; STEPHEN J. BROEHL; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; are defendants. NADIA K. DAUGHTREY, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT SOUTH DOOR OF COURTHOUSE, at 115 EAST OAK STREET, ARCADIA IN DESOTO County, FLORIDA 34266, at 11:00 A.M., on the 23rd day of August, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgement, to wit: **LOT 5, TALL PINE ESTATES, FIRST ADDITION, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 27.**  
A person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.  
Dated this 22nd day of June, 2018.  
NADIA K. DAUGHTREY As Clerk of the Court By /s/ J. Gebeau

3122 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

As Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance.

3130 NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, that we will sell or otherwise dispose of the contents of the following self storage units in order to satisfy the delinquent storage lien placed in accordance with the State of Florida Statute 83.806.

- UNIT# NAME CONTENTS
NS008 Julie A Hinton Household Goods
NS053 Fontella Y Luther Household Goods
NS084 Samatha Fewox Household Goods

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2016-CTT Plaintiff,

3130 NOTICE OF SALE

URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN A. SPINELLO, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.
Case No. 2017CA000433AXMA Division

NOTICE OF SALE

Noticoe is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on 7/9/18, in the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, Florida, Nadia K. Daughtrey, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell the property situated in DeSoto County, Florida described as:

UNIT B-4, PHASE 3, CLUBSIDE VILLAS, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, AT PAGES 68A THROUGH 68D, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED IN THAT CERTAIN DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FILED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 237, AT PAGES 304 THROUGH 348, INCLUSIVE, AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENTS THERETO ADDING SUBSEQUENT PHASES, ALL OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2017CA000580AXMA
CLUBSIDE VILLAS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC, a Florida non-profit Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST BARBARA SPINELLO, DECEASED, et al, Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IF HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated on June 5, 2018, entered in Case No. 2017CA000580AXMA in the Circuit Court in and for Desoto County, Florida wherein CLUBSIDE VILLAS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC., is Plaintiff, and THE UNKNOWNHEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR

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AGAINST BARBARA SPINELLO, DECEASED, et al, is the Defendant, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 A.M. on August 23, 2018 in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, at: Desoto County Courthouse, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, the following described real property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

UNIT B-4, CLUBSIDE VILLAS, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, AT PAGES 68A-68D OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY FLORIDA, AND BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED IN DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FILED IN O.R. BOOK 237 PAGES 304-348 AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENTS THERETO ADDING SUBSEQUENT PHASES, ALL OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A: 12217 SW KINGSWAY CIRCLE, LAKE SUZY, FL 34269

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NADIA K. DAUGHTREY, CLERK
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BRIDGETTE RIOS
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that EDWARD O ADAMS & DELTA B ADAMS the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 990
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-17-TD
Description of Property: TOWN OF NOCATEE RAILROAD SURVEY - THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 LESS 3 ACRES OFF THE NORTH END, BEING FRACTIONAL BLOCKS 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 38, 39 AND 40 OF R.R. SURVEY AND LESS 1/2 ACRE OUT OF WEST SIDE AND LESS 1.06 ACRE TO DESOTO COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD, LYING AND SITUATE IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA.
Names in which assessed: HORN VI, LLC

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All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on AUGUST 15, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Dated this 22ND DAY OF JUNE, 2018.
NADIA K. DAUGHTREY CLERK OF COURT
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: RHONA BRANTLEY, Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that FLORIDA TAX LIEN ASSETS IV, LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 1761
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-18-TD
Description of Property: LOT 18, LESS THE EAST 5 FEET, BLOCK 3, ROBERTSON'S SOUTH SIDE ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 109, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, INCLUDING ANY REVERSIONARY INTEREST IN THE ALLEYWAY ADJOINING THERETO BY VACATION OF SAID ALLEYWAY IN O.R. BOOK 115, PAGE 212, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA. SAID INTEREST IN ALLEYWAY ABOVE DESCRIBED BEING: TO CENTERLINE OF ALLEYWAY ADJACENT TO THE REAR OF LOT 18. TOGETHER WITH A 1981 LIBERTY SINGLE WIDE MOBILE HOME. IDENTIFICATION #10L13330 AND TITLE #21492861. RP #036694.
Names in which assessed: VICKIE L DUKES ESTATE 7847 SW HWY 72 ARCADIA, FL 34266
All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on AUGUST 15, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
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Certificate Number: 655
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-20-TD
Description of Property: LOT 8, BLOCK "B", JOE LOUIS FARMS, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 34.
Names in which assessed: CELIA A WEED 2918 ANGELA CIR JACKSON, MS 39209
All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on AUGUST 29, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Dated this 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2018.
NADIA K. DAUGHTREY CLERK OF COURT
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that FLORIDA TAX LIEN ASSETS IV, LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 1762
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-19-TD
Description of Property:

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LOT 5, LESS THE WEST 5 FEET, BLOCK 4, ROBERTSON'S SOUTH SIDE ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 109, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, INCLUDING ANY REVERSIONARY INTEREST IN THE ALLEYWAY ADJOINING THERETO BY VACATION OF SAID ALLEYWAY IN O.R. BOOK 115, PAGE 212, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA. SAID INTEREST IN ALLEYWAY ABOVE DESCRIBED BEING: TO CENTERLINE OF ALLEYWAY ADJACENT TO THE REAR OF LOT 5. TOGETHER WITH A 1981 LIBERTY SINGLE WIDE MOBILE HOME. IDENTIFICATION #10L13356 AND TITLE #19178439. RP #036355.
Names in which assessed: VICKI L DUKES ESTATE 7847 SW HWY 72 ARCADIA, FL 34266
All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
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DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that COMIAN X1 TAX LIEN FUND, LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 904
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-22-TD
Description of Property: BEGIN AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN NORTH, 200 FEET; THENCE WEST, 50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH, 200 FEET; THENCE EAST, 50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
Names in which assessed: HEATHER K GARCIA 27038 ANGEL FISH ROAD SUMMERLAND KEY, FL 33042
All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on AUGUST 29, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Dated this 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2018.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that COMIAN X1 TAX LIEN FUND, LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 1913
Issuance Date: MAY 27, 2011
Tax Deed File Number 18-24-TD
Description of Property: LOTS A, 5 AND 6, BLOCK 12, GARDENDALE SUBDIVISION NO. 4 IN SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 6.
Names in which assessed: THOMAS & CHRISTINE GRZECHOWIAK & GLORIDA R CONNELLY 2246 WHISPERING TRAIL EAGAN, MN 55122
All of said property being in the County of DeSoto, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Courthouse Door on AUGUST 29, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Dated this 3RD DAY OF JULY, 2018.
NADIA K. DAUGHTREY CLERK OF COURT
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: RHONA BRANTLEY, Deputy Clerk
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# CALENDAR

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- Alcoholics Anonymous Hispanic meets at 7 p.m. at 426 N. Brevard Ave., next to El Charro Rest.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at 8 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 900 W. Oak St.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Arcadia/Nocatee Group meets at 7 p.m. at Nocatee Methodist Church, 4502 S.W. Welles Ave.
- Square Dancing classes are held at the Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, from 7-9 p.m. every Friday. Robert at 813-601-1834 or Mary at 941-380-5336 494-2749 for information.
- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.

## SATURDAY

- Back-to-School Fair is July 28, 9 a.m. to noon,

at DeSoto Middle School cafeteria. Free supplies and information about the coming school year.

- The Antique Fair takes place in downtown Arcadia on the fourth Saturday of every month starting at 8 a.m. Dozens of dealers line the sidewalks on and around West Oak St. For information, visit [www.ArcadiaFLantiques.com](http://www.ArcadiaFLantiques.com); to inquire about booth space, call 993-5105.
- The John Morgan Ingraham House museum, 120 W. Whidden St., is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month.
- The NAACP meets at 6 p.m. every fourth Saturday of the month at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, 319 S. Lee Ave.
- DeSoto County Library children's movies are offered at 10:30 a.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave. every Saturday. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 993-4851 for more information.

## SUNDAY

- Ivey Chapel AME Church invites the community to its 55th Church Anniversary "Duel Day"

Celebration on Sunday, July 29. Rev. Shannon Hillard and congregation at 11 a.m., and Guest Speaker Bishop Darrell Luther at 4 p.m. 2895 S.W. Terrell St., Nocatee. Rev. Cynthia Langston, Pastor.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity Group meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 900 W. Oak St. (State Road 70) at 8 p.m. Sunday.
- Hispanic Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. Sunday at 426 Brevard Ave. next to El Charro Restaurant.

## MONDAY

- July 30 is the deadline to register to vote in the state primary, or to update your party affiliation or a change of address. You may register in person at the DeSoto County Supervisor of Elections office or visit [www.RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov](http://www.RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov).
- The Senior Friendship Centers, 219 W. Oak St., offer daily coffee and conversation 9 a.m.-1p.m. Low-impact exercises start at 10 a.m. Lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Donations appreciated but no one is turned away. Not interested in scheduled activities?

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- The All Faiths Food Bank distributes free food 6-10 a.m. Monday through Friday at the Center for the Needy, 161 S. Orange St.
- All Faiths Food Bank and Sarasota County School District distribute free meals every Monday and Wednesday through August, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 304 W. Oak St. Call 494-2543 for details.
- Women of Worship "WOW" Women's ministry meets at 6:15 p.m. Monday at Freedom Fellowship Christian Ministries, 1528 N.E. Turner Ave. All are welcome.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Brown Baggers Group meets at noon Monday at Trinity United Methodist Church, 304 W. Oak St.
- Prescription Assistance is available at the DeSoto County Health Department Clinic, 1031 E. Oak St., Arcadia. To make an appointment or for more information, call 491-7580 ext. 256.



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# Arcadia flight school makes national news

By **CRAIG GARRETT**  
ARCADIAN EDITOR

“There are certain things people just need to survive. Air to breathe and water to drink are important ones, and many EAA members would argue the ability to fly their aircraft of choice qualifies as well. Food is pretty high on the list, too, which is part of the reason Randy and Beverly Berry started Eagle Vistas, a “boot camp” to supply farmers with the skilled ag pilots they need to keep on growing.”

This is the opening paragraph for a feature story in the trade magazine Sport Aviation. Its writers, photographers and a cameraman were in Arcadia this year to document the Berrys and their Eagle Vistas flight school. Sport Aviation is a monthly publication profiling those involved in or who are members of the Experimental Aircraft Association. Agricultural flying is considered more adventurous, a trademark of those building and flying experimental aircraft, according to Beverly Berry, who with her husband, Randy, was at a National Agricultural Aviation Association seminar when asked about the Sport Aviation profile.

**Beverly Berry:** “We are here

at AirVenture in our national association [NAAA] booth and Randy has a forum tomorrow, everything that you want to know about crop dusting. Being in the booth for our national association today, with our trade magazine, this has been an awesome day for this to come out.

“And, yes, it feels awesome. Graham Lavender [from AgAir Update] said ‘you all have worked very hard for this!’

“Aerial application is the most affective way to seed, fertilize, and treat crops for food, clothing and fuel with products that control weeds, insects and disease. Aerial application can be used for public health, like mosquito control. Applications can be done for conventional farming and organic farming. Organic farmers can and do use approved pesticides to maintain their farms. Aerial application keeps from spreading disease in the fields and can treat fields when they are wet and ground equipment can’t get in. Aerial application is a key tool to maximize yield of crops for the growing world population.

“Our students come from all over the United States and foreign countries and spend from two weeks to six months with us.

“This article will have



An EAA crew in Arcadia affixed wing and fuselage cameras to Eagle Vistas’s crop-dusting aircraft. The 5-minute video and a print story will be in the August online publication.

people coming from all over the world to Arcadia to meet us! The video here is given to each EAA chapter club in the world. We have already received inquiries from clubs who have seen our video asking additional questions.”

**Sport Aviation excerpt:** Eagle Vistas has been around for more than a decade at this point, with most of those years spent in Fort Pierce and Sebring before the business settled in Arcadia, Florida. Randy, EAA 677384, said Eagle Vistas’ current home is just right.

While the where of Eagle Vistas has changed in years past, the why remains the same. Randy’s time as chief



ARCADIAN PHOTOS COURTESY SPORT AVIATION

Beverly and Randy Berry are featured in the August 2018 issue of Sport Aviation magazine. Crews with the Experimental Aircraft Association were in Arcadia earlier this year to document the couple’s agricultural flight school, Eagle Vistas.

pilot for Southeastern Aerial Crop Service included encounters with pilots in the agricultural flying industry that convinced him many of their skills were simply not up to par.

“I was astounded at the

people that came to me looking for work, that had even sprayed for a year or two maybe, that had been other places, and did not have the stick and rudder skills and techniques that are necessary for this business,” he said.

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## Trump delays proposed Putin meeting

By **MATTHEW LEE** and **KEN THOMAS**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration on Wednesday sought to fend off accusations the president is too soft on Russia, putting off a proposed second summit with Russian leader Vladimir Putin and declaring the U.S. will never recognize Russia's 2014 annexation of Crimea.

As members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee peppered Secretary of State Mike Pompeo with demands for details about last week's summit in Finland, the White

House said President Donald Trump had opted against trying to arrange another meeting with Putin this fall. Putin already had sent signals that he wasn't interested in coming to Washington.

National security adviser John Bolton cited special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election as the reason for the delay, although many members of Congress had objected to the meeting and said Putin would not be welcome on Capitol Hill.

"The President believes that

the next bilateral meeting with President Putin should take place after the Russia witch hunt is over, so we've agreed that it will be after the first of the year," Bolton said in a statement, using Trump's favored but highly controversial term for the Mueller probe.

While the statement signaled optimism that the Mueller probe would be completed by the end of this year, no timetable has been given for when it will be wrapped up and it could very well stretch into 2019.

The White House said last

week that Trump had directed Bolton to invite Putin to visit Washington in the fall, moving quickly for a follow-up meeting amid the backlash over Trump's performance at a news conference with Putin following their Helsinki summit.

In his testimony, Pompeo faced often-contentious questioning from senators demanding information about what Trump discussed with Putin while they were alone for nearly two hours with only translators present.



AP PHOTO

**Secretary of State Mike Pompeo pauses as he testifies before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee as lawmakers demand specifics from him on President Donald Trump's meeting with Russian leader Vladimir Putin in Helsinki last week, on Capitol Hill in Washington, Wednesday.**

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## DOZENS OF DUCKKLINGS



AP PHOTO PROVIDED BY BRENT CIZEK

An amateur photographer's patience paid off with a stunning photo of a female duck followed by dozens of ducklings on a northern Minnesota lake. Brent Cizek of Bemidji, Minnesota, says he took his tiny boat out on windy Lake Bemidji in late June when he spotted "a big blob of birds." As the ducks headed out, Cizek took the photo showing a common merganser, a freshwater duck, trailed by 56 ducklings in a row. The duck in the photo is unlikely to be mother to all those ducklings. Females can lay between six and 13 eggs at a time, according to the National Audubon Society. Female mergansers leave their ducklings in the care of one female, said David Rave with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. "She'd be kind of like the great-grandmother," Rave said.

## Tears, hugs and help: Church groups assist reunited immigrant families

By **NOMAAN MERCHANT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — The immigrant parents arrived at Catholic Charities in white vans with their children, their paperwork and almost nothing else.

They needed food, clothing, a place to stay and a way to travel to family in the United States. Many were still shell-shocked from weeks in government detention. One father carried an infant who didn't recognize him after two months apart. A mother held the hand of her 5-year-old daughter, who refused for a time to talk on the phone because she blamed her for their separation.

Scenes such as this are unfolding throughout Texas and Arizona as the Trump administration works to meet a Thursday deadline to reunite immigrant parents and children. The government is releasing hundreds of



AP PHOTO

**Immigrants seeking asylum, Natalia Oliveira da Silva and her daughter, Sara, 5, hug as they wait at a Catholic Charities facility, Monday, in San Antonio.**

families to faith-based groups and leaving the groups to care for them.

The Associated Press observed newly reunited families spending their first day together Monday at Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of San Antonio, which took them

in after they were released from custody. The families included children as young as babies and old as teenagers, as well as asylum seekers fleeing violence in Central America and people who were shuttled around the country to various immigrant detention facilities.

### THE REUNION

Natalia Oliveira da Silva, a mother from Brazil, waited nervously outside the immigration detention center in Pearsall, Texas, for her young daughter, Sara. She soon spotted the 5-year-old coming in a vehicle, a seatbelt over her chest.

Sara got out and was quickly in her mother's arms, asking her, "They're not going to take you away again, right?"

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## Russian hackers used phishing tools in 2017 attack on grid

By **COLLEEN LONG**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Russian hackers who penetrated hundreds of U.S. utilities, manufacturing plants and other facilities last year gained access by using the most conventional of phishing tools, tricking staffers into entering passwords, officials said Wednesday.

The Russians targeted mostly the energy sector but also nuclear, aviation and critical manufacturing, Jonathan Homer, head of Homeland Security's industrial control system analysis, said during a briefing.

They had the capability to cause mass blackouts, but chose not to, and there was no threat the grid would go down, the officials said. Instead, the hackers appeared more focused on reconnaissance.

The 2017 attack prompted a rebuke from the Trump administration earlier this year.

The victims ranged from smaller companies with no major budget for cybersecurity to large corporations with sophisticated security networks, Homer said. Vendors were targeted because of their direct access to the utilities — companies that run diagnostics or update software or perform other tasks to keep the systems running. The victims were not identified.

"This is a situation where they went in and said this is what they're looking for, and found weaknesses there," Homer said.

The newly disclosed details of the 2017 hack come amid growing concerns over Russia's efforts to interfere in the November midterm elections and the recent indictments of a dozen Russian military intelligence officers accused of infiltrating the Clinton presidential campaign and the Democratic Party and releasing tens of thousands of private communications.

U.S. national security officials previously said

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## Water is buried beneath Martian landscape, study says

By **EMILIANO RODRIGUEZ MEGA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A huge lake of salty water appears to be buried deep in Mars, raising the possibility of finding life on the red planet, scientists reported Wednesday.

The discovery, based on observations by a European spacecraft, generated excitement from experts. Water is essential to life as we know it, and scientists have long sought to prove that the liquid is present on Mars.

"If these researchers are right, this is the first time we've found evidence of a large water body on Mars," said Cassie Stuurman, a geophysicist at the University of Texas who found signs of an enormous Martian ice deposit in 2016.

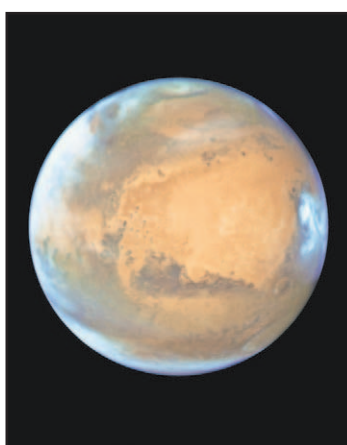
Scott Hubbard, a professor of astronautics at Stanford University who

served as NASA's first Mars program director in 2000, called it "tremendously exciting."

"Our mantra back then was 'follow the water.' That was the one phrase that captured everything," Hubbard said. "So this discovery, if it stands, is just thrilling because it's the culmination of that philosophy."

The study, published in the journal Science, does not determine how deep the reservoir actually is. This means that scientists can't specify whether it's an underground pool, an aquifer-like body, or just a layer of sludge.

To find the water, Italian researchers analyzed radar signals collected over three years by the European Space Agency's Mars Express spacecraft. Their results suggest that a 12-mile-wide reservoir lies below ice about a mile thick in an area close to the planet's south pole.



AP PHOTO

**This May 12, 2016 image provided by NASA shows the planet Mars. A study published Wednesday, in the journal Science suggests a huge lake of salty water appears to be buried deep in Mars.**



Fraud claims overshadow Pakistan's vote for new parliament

ISLAMABAD (AP) — After an election campaign overshadowed by violence and allegations of fraud, Pakistanis voted Wednesday for a new government that will face challenges of a crumbling economy and ongoing bloodshed by militants...

on corruption charges, disputed the election results even before they were announced. He charged fraud and vowed not to accept the results, generating fears that disgruntled losers could delay the formation of the next government.

concerns during the election campaign about manipulation by the military, which has directly or indirectly ruled the country for most of its existence.

of Quetta. In addition to the 31 dead, the attack wounded 35 people, said Dr. Jaffar Kakar, a hospital official. No one immediately claimed responsibility, but local officials were quick to blame the Islamic State group.

campaigning earlier this month, when a suicide bomber struck at a political rally, killing 149 people, including the candidate Siraj Raisani. Another 400 were wounded. IS claimed responsibility for that attack.

Fisherman: 'Chaos' as kids, elderly escaped Greek fire

RAFINA, Greece (AP) — The cries for help pierced the choking smoke. Dozens of people bobbed in the sea after vicious flames forced them into the water. Children as young as 8 held onto adults, and people who couldn't swim clung to those who could.

He said he doesn't remember how many people he helped save, but he did what he could. "You can't see anything in the smoke and fire — so much fire and so much smoke."

There was so much wind," he said. "We could not breathe. I almost fainted at some point from all the smoke, and it was very difficult, my friend, it was so difficult. I have never seen such a difficult thing before."

They were all these people in the water, some knew how to swim and some didn't," he said. "Those that could swim, we saved them. The other ones that did not know how to swim, we do not know if they are there, if they are alive and what happened. No one knows. But what we could do, we did."

No break for KitKat as trademark request rejected

STAVANGER, Norway (AP) — KitKat is not getting its break. The maker of the chocolate bar has for 16 years tried to trademark its four-finger shape in the European Union, arguing that it is a distinctive feature that deserves protection — like Toblerone's pyramid blocks, which are trademarked.

The court instead sided with the makers of Kvikk Lunsj, a Norwegian snack that is a longtime favorite of hikers and skiers — and is shaped almost exactly the same as a KitKat.



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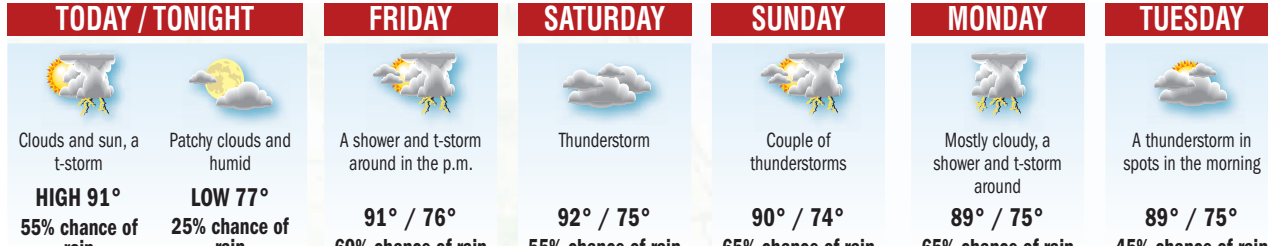
trademark for KitKat's shape, only to be challenged by Kvikk Lunsj maker Cadbury, now owned by Mondelez. In 2016, Nestle was stripped of the trademark since the shape of the treat was not considered recognizable throughout the EU.

South Sudan's warring leaders agree to share power again

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — South Sudan's government says President Salva Kiir and armed opposition leader Riek Machar have agreed to share power in a transitional government in the latest effort to end a five-year civil war.

Authorities: Siblings angered over mom's death attack clinic

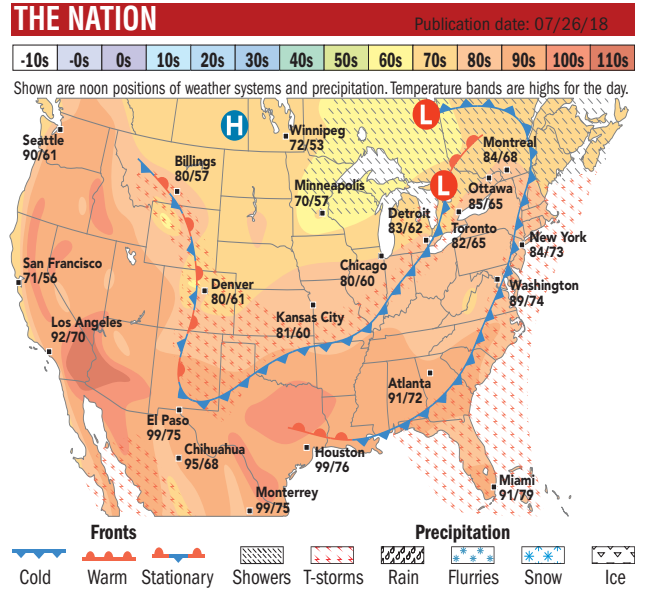
LIMA, Peru (AP) — Authorities say two siblings set off explosions at a hospital in Peru's capital, injuring at least 35 people in an apparent act of vengeance over their mother's death.



AccuWeather.com Florida Cities section with a map showing temperatures for various locations like Clearwater, Tampa, Orlando, and Miami.

Table with columns for Florida cities (Apalachicola, Bradenton, Clearwater, etc.) and their forecasted temperatures for Today and Friday.

TIDES section with tables for Punta Gorda and Englewood, showing high and low tide times and depths.



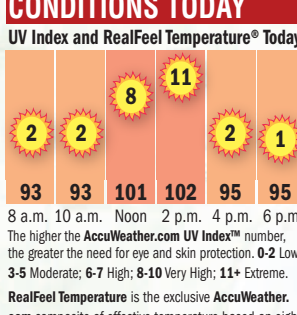
U.S. Extremes table showing the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in 48 contiguous states yesterday.

MARINE and SUN AND MOON sections. Includes a table for moon phases (Full, Last, New, First) and a table for solar transits (Minor and Major).

SOLAR TABLE showing minor and major solar transits with times and dates.

PORT CHARLOTTE and SEBRING weather sections, including temperatures, precipitation, and monthly rainfall data.

VENICE and AIRPORT weather sections, including temperatures, precipitation, and possible weather-related delays.



POLLEN INDEX and AIR QUALITY INDEX sections, including pollen counts and AQI readings for Wednesday.

WEATHER HISTORY section with a table of major hurricanes that struck the U.S. in one year.

WEATHER TRIVIA Q: What was the most hurricanes to strike the U.S. in one year?

WORLD CITIES section with a table comparing weather data for various international cities like Amsterdam, Beijing, and London.

# Trump tape a turning point in legal game of cat-and-mouse

WASHINGTON (AP) — The sudden public airing of Donald Trump talking about paying for a Playboy model's silence marks a turning point in the legal game of cat-and-mouse between the president and the lawyer who once promised to take a bullet for him but now seems out to save himself.

The feud between Trump and his onetime legal "fixer," Michael Cohen, escalated Wednesday when an audio recording of their 2016 pre-election conversation was released by Cohen, prompting Trump to tweet, "What kind of a lawyer would tape a client? So sad!"

As the two sides battled over the exact meaning of the sometimes-garbled words on the recording, it was clear that the tape could be just an opening volley. At least a dozen more recordings were seized from Cohen's office as well as hundreds of thousands of documents.

The tape, made just weeks before the 2016 election, appears to undermine Trump's contention that he was not aware of a payment to former Playboy Playmate Karen McDougal, who has alleged she had an affair

with the married future president.

That raises questions about possible campaign finance violations. It shows Cohen advising Trump on campaign matters, and that could be of interest to investigators looking into whether the lawyer violated election laws by orchestrating hush money payouts.

Cohen says on the tape he's already spoken with the Trump Organization's finance chief, Allen Weisselberg, on "how to set the whole thing up." Weisselberg's involvement raises questions about whether Trump's private business tried to protect his campaign. Trump's lawyers say the payments were never made.

The tape's revelations also mark a new chapter for Cohen who, as he mulls cooperating with federal prosecutors and perhaps special counsel Robert Mueller, is viewed by many in Trump's orbit as the greatest threat to the former businessman's presidency.

Cohen rose through the ranks of the Trump organization by mimicking his boss' style in handling his personal and political problems. Now he and



AP PHOTO

### This combination photo shows President Donald Trump and attorney Michael Cohen.

his own attorney, former Clinton lawyer Lanny Davis, are taking another page from the Trump playbook — fighting a legal battle in the court of public opinion.

Cohen, who would make bad stories disappear and travel the globe to make deals for the Trump Organization, now feels increasingly isolated and burned by the attacks against him by Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani and by the president's efforts to play down his former fixer's role.

And when the president's legal team waived attorney-client privilege, prompting Giuliani to declare that the tape was "exculpatory" for Trump, Cohen's team moved to release it, believing it backed up his own version of events, the people said.

contradictory statements on the Russia probe and assaults on allies.

"It's the president that causes people to have concerns," Corker said.

Pompeo replied by saying that some of Trump's comments "actually achieve important policy outcomes," but the administration should be judged by its actions rather than the president's words.

He later clarified that the president's words are indeed policy, prompting an angry exchange with the ranking committee member, Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J. Menendez said that Pompeo, a former Republican congressman from Kansas, would have been so angry that he would have had to have been peeled off the ceiling of the Capitol if President Barack Obama had said and done some of the same things as Trump.

Pompeo, whom

Democrats accused of playing politics with the investigation into the 2012 attack on U.S. facilities in Benghazi, Libya, accused Menendez of pursuing a "political soliloquy" but then declined the opportunity to respond. Menendez had earlier accused the administration of holding "incoherent and contradictory views" on foreign policy and the president himself of being "misleading and untruthful" in describing his positions.

In an unsuccessful bid to blunt some of the hostile questioning, particularly on Russia, Pompeo before the hearing issued a statement titled the "Crimea Declaration" in which he said the U.S. will continue to insist that Ukraine's territorial integrity be restored. He said the U.S. would hold to its long-standing principle of refusing to recognize

two people held open the doors and said "hola." Inside, volunteers were folding donated clothes and preparing for the day ahead. A local restaurant had dropped off a catered meal of tortillas, beef and grilled vegetables. In a conference room upstairs, parents could pick from shopping racks of clothes and boxes of toys for the children.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement had notified Catholic Charities in the morning to expect seven families to be dropped off. Catholic Charities also takes in families that ICE drops directly at the local bus station, but who might otherwise have to stay there overnight or change several buses to reach their destination. Volunteers from a local interfaith group keep watch at the station for immigrant families and call Catholic Charities when they see them.

Drop-offs usually happen in the afternoon or early evening. But the first time that ICE sent families to Catholic Charities, two weeks ago, it didn't release families until around 3 a.m. And Catholic Charities once found the families it was expecting to receive dropped off at the bus station instead.

"The logic behind how they decide that, we don't know," said Matthew Martinez, the group's vice president of administration. In many cases, immigrant advocates say, parents and children are quickly released or transferred to family detention centers without notifying their lawyers. The American Civil Liberties Union on Wednesday filed more than a dozen first-person accounts of confusion and disorder during the process.

Caseworkers purchase plane tickets for families and have phones available

systems, conducted "network reconnaissance" and then attempted to cover their tracks by deleting evidence of the intrusions. The U.S. government said it had helped the industries expel the Russians from all systems known to have been penetrated.

It wasn't clear if more

had been compromised since news of the attack was made public earlier this year. Wednesday's briefing was intended to help businesses defend themselves from future attacks.

Homer said the attack began in 2016 with a single breach that stayed dormant nearly a year

## House Republicans move to impeach deputy attorney general

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eleven House Republicans have introduced articles of impeachment against Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, who oversees special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into Russian election interference and President Donald Trump's 2016 campaign.

House Republicans have criticized Rosenstein for not being responsive enough as

they have requested documents related to the Russia investigation as well as a closed investigation into Democrat Hillary Clinton's emails.

It's unclear if there will be an immediate vote. The articles were introduced by North Carolina Rep. Mark Meadows and Ohio Rep. Jim Jordan, frequent critics of the Justice Department.

House Speaker Paul Ryan has not signed on to the effort.

## Larry Nassar's lawyers say he was assaulted in prison

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Larry Nassar's attorneys say the disgraced former sports doctor was assaulted within hours of being placed in the general population at the federal prison in Arizona where he is serving a 60-year sentence for child pornography possession.

In motions filed Tuesday seeking to have the former Michigan State University and USA Gymnastics doctor resentenced in the first of two cases in which he pleaded guilty to molesting women and girls who sought treatment, lawyers Jacqueline McCann and Malaika Ramsey-Heath partly blamed the May prison

attack on the rhetoric of the judge during that sentencing hearing.

Nassar, 54, will likely never get out of federal prison. Once his 60-year term for child porn possession ends, he would begin serving the 40- to 175-year sentence in state prison that Aquilina gave him for the sexual assaults.

In their filing, Nassar's court-appointed appellate attorneys did not specify the nature or severity of the attack at the prison in Tucson, Arizona.



NASSAR

## Putin soccer ball gift to Trump may have had microchip

WASHINGTON (AP) — The soccer ball that Vladimir Putin gave President Donald Trump may have had a bug after all. Thought it's not what you're thinking.

Adidas says that particular ball is embedded with a microchip that accesses Adidas content for display on smartphones.

After the Russian leader tossed it to Trump following their Finland summit, Sen. Lindsey Graham — a Putin critic — tweeted that he'd have it checked for listening devices.

That's exactly what the U.S. Secret Service has done. A security screening is standard for all gifts to the president.

Trump said he would give the red-and-white ball to his



AP FILE PHOTO

In this July 16 file photo, Russian President Vladimir Putin, right, gives a soccer ball to U.S. President Donald Trump, left, during a news conference after their meeting at the Presidential Palace in Helsinki, Finland.

12-year-old son, Barron, a soccer fan.

Graham said he'd "never allow it in the White House." The White House had no update Wednesday on the ball's status.

Kremlin claims of sovereignty over territory seized by force in violation of international law. And

he called for Russia to respect principles it claims to respect and "end its occupation of Crimea."

## DELAYS

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Pompeo struggled to answer, insisting the president is entitled to have private meetings but stressing that he had a full understanding of the discussion. Heated questions were also posed about North Korea, NATO and Iran.

"It's not for me to disclose the content of those conversations," Pompeo said in response to one such barrage of questions.

The committee chairman, Sen. Bob Corker, R-Tenn., who set a contentious tone for the hearing by telling Pompeo that senators "are filled with serious doubts about this White House and its conduct of American foreign policy," later said those doubts are due to Trump's frequent

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Since their separation in late May, the girl had been at a shelter for immigrant minors in Chicago, while Oliveira was moved through facilities across Texas.

Like other families reunited at Pearsall, Oliveira and her daughter were taken to Catholic Charities in San Antonio, about an hour's drive away. Charity workers checked them into a hotel Sunday night and picked them up Monday morning, along with another immigrant family.

Oliveira, 30, had not slept the night before. Instead, she said, she watched Sara sleep next to her in bed.

"I hope she doesn't have any memories of this," Oliveira said.

When Oliveira and her daughter arrived at the Catholic Charities office,

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they had determined that Russian intelligence and others were behind the cyberattacks. They said the hackers chose their targets methodically, obtained access to computer

systems, conducted "network reconnaissance" and then attempted to cover their tracks by deleting evidence of the intrusions. The U.S. government said it had helped the industries expel the Russians from all systems known to have been penetrated.

It wasn't clear if more

before other infiltrations occurred in concentric circles closer and closer to the U.S. systems.

Hackers used a mix of real people downloading open-source information from company websites like photos and other data, and attacks that trick employees into entering passwords on spoofed

websites. Hackers then use the passwords to compromise corporate networks. It's possible some of the companies are unaware they were compromised, because hackers used credentials of actual employees to get inside, which could make it harder to detect, officials said.

### ALMANAC

Today is Thursday, July 26, the 207th day of 2018. There are 158 days left in the year.

#### Today in history

On July 26, 2002, the Republican-led House voted, 295-132, to create an enormous Homeland Security Department in the biggest government reorganization in decades.

#### On this date

In 1775, the Continental Congress established a Post Office and appointed Benjamin Franklin its Postmaster-General.

In 1908, U.S. Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte ordered creation of a force of special agents that was a forerunner of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman signed the National Security Act, which reorganized America's armed forces as the National Military Establishment and created the Central Intelligence Agency.

#### Today's birthdays

Actor Robert Colbert is 87. Actress-singer Darlene Love is 77. Singer Brenton Wood is 77. Rock star Mick Jagger is 75. Actress Helen Mirren is 73. Rock musician Roger Taylor is 69. Olympic gold medal figure skater Dorothy Hamill is 62. Rock singer Gary Cherone is 57. Actress Sandra Bullock is 54. Actor Jeremy Piven is 53. Actor Jason Statham is 51. Actress Kate Beckinsale is 45. Actor Gary Owen is 45. Actress Eve Myles is 40. Actress Juliet Rylance is 39. Actress Bianca Santos is 28. Actress-singer Taylor Momsen is 25.

#### Bible verse

"Jesus wept." — John 11:35  
The shortest verse in the Bible may also be the most profound. His tears and ours are a sign of strength, empathy, and love. Do not be afraid to cry. Jesus weeps with you and holds you close to his heart, sheltering you from the storm.

## ODD NEWS

### Dancers on streets accused of violating traffic law

CAIRO (AP) — People who took to the streets in Egypt for an online dance challenge face penalties over allegations they endangered lives and violated public decency, the state media reported on Tuesday.

The dance craze flared up social media networks with video postings of people dancing in response to the so-called "Kiki challenge" to the song "In My Feelings" by Canadian singer Drake.

The challenge was initiated by Instagram comedian known as the TheShiggyShow. It involves people getting out of their cars and dancing to the song alongside the cars' open door.

Videos of Egyptian celebrities, including popular goalkeeper Essam al-Hadary, as well as actresses Dina al-Sherbini and Yasmin Raees, went viral on the hashtag "Kiki", now among the top trending hashtags in Egypt.

But Egyptian officials were alarmed by the dancing spree.

The state-run MENA news agency cited a warning by an unnamed Interior Ministry official as saying the "Kiki challenge" dancers could be persecuted for violating the country's traffic law.

Local media say charges under the traffic law, including endangering lives and traffic disruption, can be punished by sentences of up to a year in prison and fines of up to 3,000 Egyptian pounds or \$167.



# Vitamin supplementation is low-risk, not rewards-filled

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** I read your recent column on vitamin C. I am 88 years old, and my family and I have taken supplemental vitamins most of our lives. Five years ago, I was diagnosed with prostate cancer and survived it with radiation treatments and a change of diet. I had taken a handful of vitamins every day for years, including 400 IU of vitamin E. My doctors told me that my prostate cancer probably was caused by taking too much vitamin E.



**Dr. Roach**

My sister took a handful of vitamins every day and recently died from liver cancer. I believe her liver cancer was caused from vitamin toxicity, too, but the family is not talking about it, so I don't know for sure. I have stopped taking vitamins altogether and instead rely on a healthier diet, but am considering going back to taking a low-dose multivitamin or just vitamin C and a heart-healthy fish oil. What is your opinion? — E.O.

**ANSWER:** A large randomized, controlled trial published in 2011 showed that 200 IU daily

of vitamin E by itself increased the risk of prostate cancer. There were about two extra cases of prostate cancer per year found per 1,000 men taking the vitamin E (9.3 cancers per 1,000 men per year on placebo, 10.9 cancers per 1,000 men per year of men taking vitamin E). The risk is low, but since there has been no significant benefit from vitamin E shown, it is not recommended.

The evidence on liver cancer is more reassuring. A study from China did not show an increase in risk of liver cancer among vitamin

users. People with large intake of vitamin E, either from diet or from supplements, had a small decrease in risk of liver cancer.

Fish oil (omega-3) remains controversial, with a new study due to be released soon.

As yet, the evidence is not compelling that it reduces heart disease risk the way that eating two or more servings of fatty fish a week does.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** I have some questions about blood types. Is Type O universal for donations?

If a person who is A-positive has a child with a person who is B-positive, what blood type would their child have? — L.M.E.

**ANSWER:** Blood types follow classical genetics. Each person has, at most, two proteins, A and B, on their red blood cells, one from each parent. However, Type O means there is no A nor B proteins on the red cells.

If a person is Type A, for example, you can't tell just from a person's blood type if he or she has an A from each parent (we call

that an AA genotype) or just from one (an AO genotype). All Type O people are genotype OO.

Similarly, the D antigen (formerly called Rh factor) also has two copies, and if both are positive (a positive/positive genotype) or only one is (a positive/negative genotype), the person is positive.

So, in your example, if the A-positive parent had an AO genotype and a positive/negative genotype, and the B-positive parent had a BO and positive/negative genotype, their child could have literally any possible combination: A-positive, A-negative, B-positive, B-negative, AB-positive, AB-negative, O-positive or O-negative.

You can't get a blood transfusion from a person who has a protein you don't, so the only person who can donate universally is O-negative, but that person absolutely needs an O-negative donor.

Someone who is AB-positive can receive blood from anybody, but can donate only to another AB-positive recipient.

# Visits with parents bring tears to daughter's eyes

**DEAR ABBY:** My parents live a simple life, enjoying their days as retirees. They invite me to join them for special occasions at their house (my childhood home) and although the house is organized and tidy, I become ill when I spend more than a few hours under their roof.



**Dear Abby**

Their cleaning practices are questionable. They simply rinse plates and utensils after use, as opposed to using the dishwasher. Within an hour of arriving, the dust makes my allergies and asthma flare up. Their dog and cat have urinated throughout the house, and my parents claim to not be able to smell it.

I don't want to hurt their feelings by declining their invitations, but I can't stand to get sick every time I walk through their door. Help! — Sneezing In The Suburbs

**DEAR SNEEZING:** If you're expected to spend the night there, tell them that from now on you'll sleep at a hotel/motel nearby. And before using them, either wash their eating utensils or take your parents out for meals, which will make it easier on all of you.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I will soon

celebrate our 32nd wedding anniversary. It bothers me increasingly that he doesn't wear a wedding ring. He says a ring bothers him when he is working, but he has been retired for most of our marriage. He wears a chain with two pendants as well as a large gold bracelet every day.

When I bring it up, he says he tells everyone he meets that he's married or mentions me in conversation. I'm not worried about him being unfaithful.

I just like the way a ring looks and makes me feel. Advice? — Symbolic In Florida

**DEAR SYMBOLIC:** You have been married — I presume happily — for 32 years. Not every man is comfortable wearing a ring. (My husband happens to be one of them.) My advice is to stop obsessing, let it go and let him be himself.

# Attributes of almond milk

**Dear Readers:** Have you seen ALMOND MILK in the refrigerated case? Here's the scoop: Cholesterol-, gluten- and lactose-free, almond milk is a sweet and nut-flavored alternative to dairy milk.



**Hints from Heloise**

Original almond milk has about 60 calories per cup, and it's pasteurized just like regular milk, which means it's heat-treated to kill bacteria.

Almond milk is LOW in protein. This makes almond milk not appropriate for infant formula.

Almond milk is plant-based, just like soy milk. Suitable over cereal, in smoothies and as a base

for dressings, these drinks are becoming more popular today. Next time you're at the dairy case, check out almond milk! — Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** The plastic-covered items such as cottage cheese are hard to open; therefore, I keep a pair of pliers within reach. — Shirley H., via email

# JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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H C O S O M

T R Y E G A

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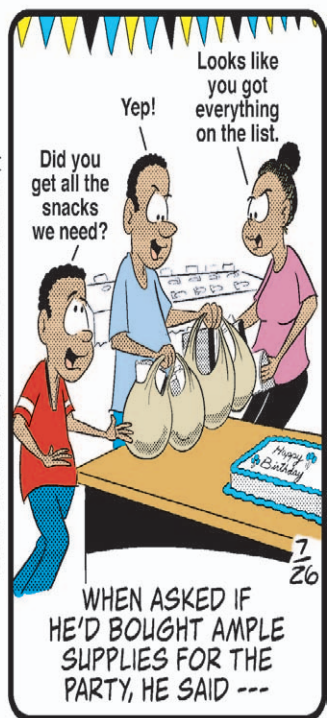
Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: PLANT HABIT WILLOW RATIFY

Answer: The marathon's finish wasn't even close. The winner — RAN AWAY WITH IT

# THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: PLANT HABIT WILLOW RATIFY  
Answer: The marathon's finish wasn't even close. The winner — RAN AWAY WITH IT

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**RULES**

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

**PREVIOUS ANSWERS**

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# 7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 bringing down a temperature (7)	_____
2 clearly (10)	_____
3 like expired milk (7)	_____
4 flat, broad-headed swimmer (8)	_____
5 ancient Greek racecourses (6)	_____
6 "Money" and "People" (11)	_____
7 rogue (5)	_____

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Wednesday's Answers: 1. ERRANT 2. CLONES 3. COUNTERING 4. SOFTENS 5. WHINER 6. RENOWNED 7. HIPPEST

# Challenger

**DIRECTIONS:** Fill each square with a number, one through nine. Horizontal squares should add to the totals on right. Vertical squares should add to the totals on bottom. Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

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		8		19
	7			30
22	29	26	28	28

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Yesterday's Challenger Answers

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3	3	8	7	21
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# MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson



"Fetching halfway doesn't cut the mustard."

# Cryptoquip

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RF HRCC SN FNWRGVE FG  
ZNNC FARE HAGCN ZGDFG  
PRXAF OGH, SVF R EVZZGEN  
R'CC XPRO DOW ZDPN RF.  
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: BOTH OF MY SONS' WIVES HAVE AWFULLY TENSE MUSCLES, BUT CLEARLY THIS ONE IS MY TAUTER-IN-LAW.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: F equals T

# SPORTS SLEUTH

MLB PLAYERS FROM JAPAN

H T Q N K H D A X U R P M J G  
D A X V S Q N K I F D A X M V  
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S C R Q O S O N M A T U B A Y  
I N A T H O N A R I H K J T I

Wednesday's unlisted clue: SLOTII

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.  
Thursday's unlisted clue hint: — SUZUKI

Aoki	Maeda	Nomo	Tazawa
Darvish	Makita	Ohtani	Wada
Fukudome	Matsui	Okajima	Yabuta
Hirano	Murata	Tanaka	

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# WHATZIT?

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

# KLONG9

SOLUTION: Long in the tooth

### HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You were lucky enough to come into this world with so much talent. Now you have to be talented enough to get lucky. Go where there are a lot of socially connected people, and talk about what you do.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). The known and unknown will come together in a beautiful yin-and-yang-type balance. So don't rush to know the next thing. Stay awhile in this mystery: It's quite literally "wonder"-ful.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You said yes to something that, upon further reflection, now seems like a bad fit for you. The ink hasn't dried yet, so no worries. Go back and ask to be released. You'll be let off the hook.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Your environment has become too familiar. You're not seeing what's there, because it looks too much like what was there yesterday. For understanding and appreciation, look with your heart instead of your pupils.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be called to service, not by an official phone call but by the need you see in the world. It's not

in your nature to stand by and witness incompetence when you know that you can do something about it.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Seize the chance to speak publicly. Most people avoid this, and that's precisely what makes it such a fine opportunity for you. Maybe the reasons are not so obvious to you, but there's money to be made, and this is the first step.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Everything you own but don't want, need or love is a drain of your energy. Most things just take a tiny bit of your energy every time you look, touch or think about them, but that little bit adds up. What can you get rid of today?

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a strong feeling of ennui, like you've already done all the rides in the theme park twice. That may be so, but you're missing something. To find out what it is, ask for help and advice.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's not enough for you to know that you're doing something. You want to see the results, and you want validation from others that the results matter. Build this into your approach and you'll succeed brilliantly.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Of course you don't expect yourself to be perfect (which would be an absurd and immature sort of relationship to set up with yourself), but what you do expect may still be too stringent, or a little off the mark. Give it a think.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People who give advice are a dime a dozen, but people who take it are extremely rare. That's because following advice is difficult! You have to lose your ego to do it.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Now more than ever, many young people know things that many older people do not, but that doesn't mean young people are smarter or wiser. Today works best when the generations help one another.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 26). A short trip in September will rekindle your adventurous spirit. You'll receive many invitations over the holiday season, and one special event will open an exciting network of relationships. Someone works hard to earn your favor. You'll finally get a chance you've been waiting for in February. Extra work will be lucrative. Capricorn and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 45, 6, 28 and 49.

Thursday, July 26, 2018

## GOREN BRIDGE

WITH BOB JONES

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### CAT AND MOUSE

North-South vulnerable, West deals

**NORTH**  
 ♠ K Q 9 3  
 ♥ A K Q 3 2  
 ♦ 6  
 ♣ Q 4 3

**EAST**  
 ♠ 10 2  
 ♥ 10 9 6 5  
 ♦ 10 9 4 3 2  
 ♣ J 8

**WEST**  
 ♠ A J 6  
 ♥ J 4  
 ♦ J 8 7 5  
 ♣ A K 9 2

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ 8 7 5 4  
 ♥ 8 7  
 ♦ A K Q  
 ♣ 10 7 6 5

The bidding:  
**WEST** 1NT  
**NORTH** Dbl  
**EAST** 2♦  
**SOUTH** Dbl  
 Pass 2♥ Pass 2♠  
 Pass 3♠ Pass 3NT  
 All pass

Opening lead: Five of ♦

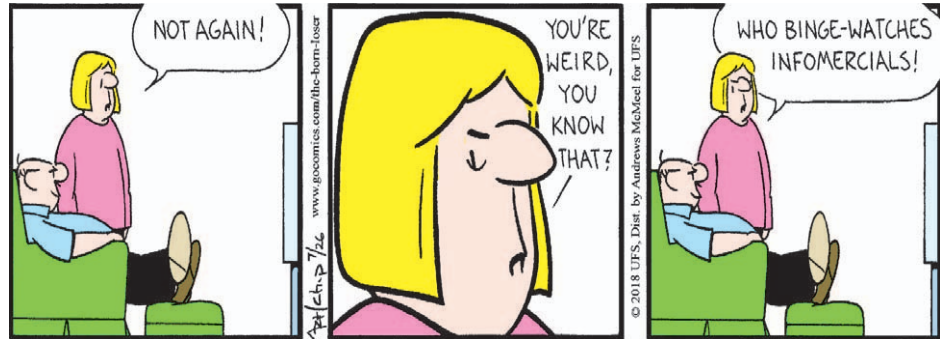
West tried to muddy the waters by opening a 15-17 one no trump with only 14 points — a tactic seen more and more often these days. North-South had a delicate auction to their best game contract, though no game is particularly sound. South did well to choose a contract of three no trump, as even three spades can be

defeated. Two high clubs and a club ruff, followed by a diamond shift, will see the defense come to five tricks provided West ducks his ace of spades when South leads that suit. South won the opening diamond lead with his ace and led a low spade to dummy's king as West ducked his ace. A low club off the board was next. It is easy to see, looking at all four hands, that the defense would have defeated the contract had East risen with his jack of clubs. That play is not easy to make at the table, so let's give South credit for his deceptive play. South's 10 lost to West's king, and West erred by continuing with another diamond. This allowed South another entry to lead a second spade. West ducked his ace again, but South won with dummy's queen and exited with the nine of spades. Whatever West did now, South had an entry with the eight of spades to cash his high diamond and he finished with nine tricks.

A better defense for West would be to shift to hearts instead of leading a second diamond. The play gets complicated after that, but it appears that South can get home with careful play.

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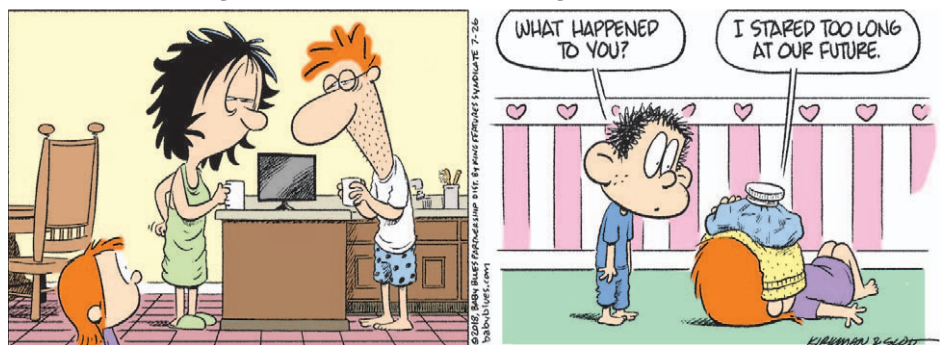
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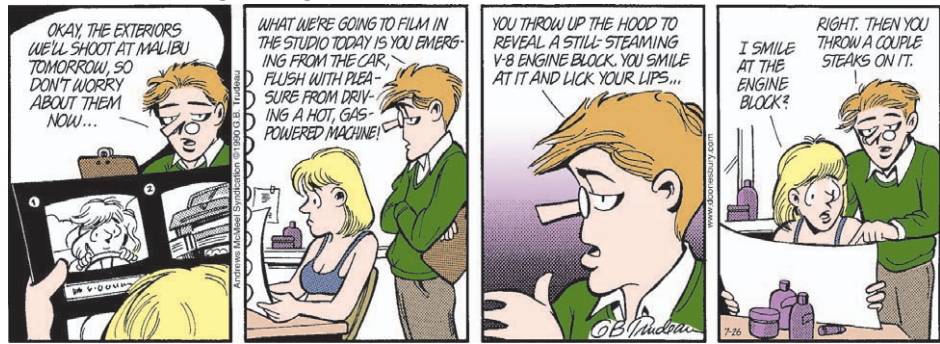
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### DOONSBURY By Garry Trudeau



## TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Ships' journals
  - Epic
  - Very important
  - Neutral shade
  - Lois of "Lois & Clark"
  - Accustom
  - It comes before Fri.
  - Hoopie expletive
  - Rani's garments
  - Garnet or ruby
  - Temperamental ones (2 wds.)
  - Foundlings
  - Unrefined metals
  - Mo. multiples
  - Establishes
  - Mild brew
  - Symbols of peace
  - One-liner
  - Targets
  - Birds of ill —
  - Cubed
  - Lose a toothhold
  - Wynter or Andrews
  - Sorts
  - Makes eager
  - O'Hare's code
  - Millinery
  - Winged insect
  - Poet's black

- DOWN**
- Release (2 wds.)
  - Yellow pigment
  - Cranky person
  - California's Big —
  - Bow opposites
  - Sponsorship
  - Lab weight
  - Verdi masterpiece
  - Cap brims
  - Lacking sense
  - Subway gate
  - Libretto feature
  - Smaller amount
  - Golf scores
  - Was overfond
  - Safari sight

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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### JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 7/25/18

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## WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

- Touch a raised shoe bottom part (1)
- Rescue an Atlanta ballplayer (1)
- Ten-cent coin thick dirt (1)
- Bing fruit transport boat (2)
- Virgo follower's striped animals (2)
- Hollywood actor Seth's mottoes (2)
- Becoming an ace in applying stucco (3)

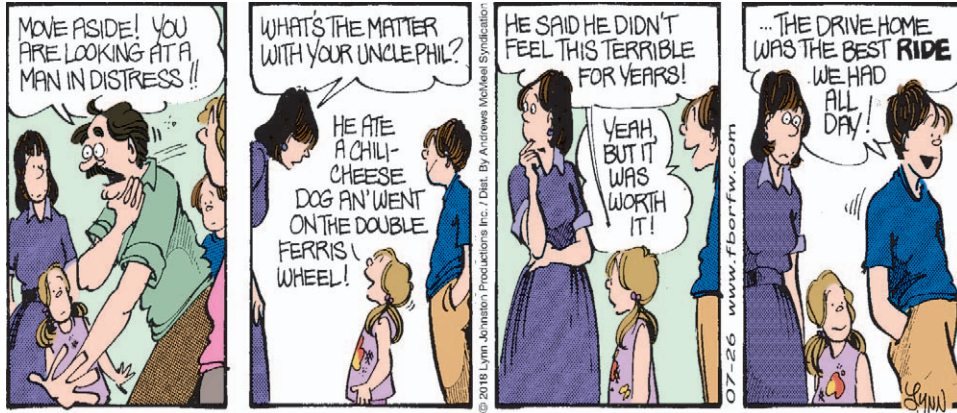
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 5. LIBRAS ZEBRAS 6. ROGENS SLOGANS 7. MASTERING PLASTERING

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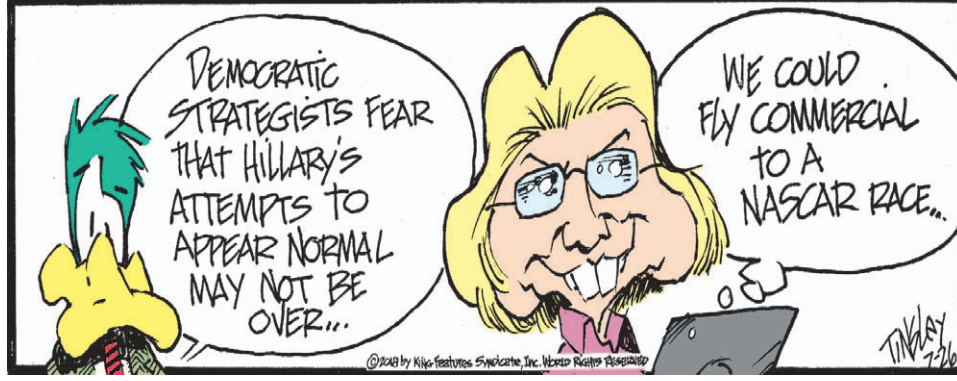
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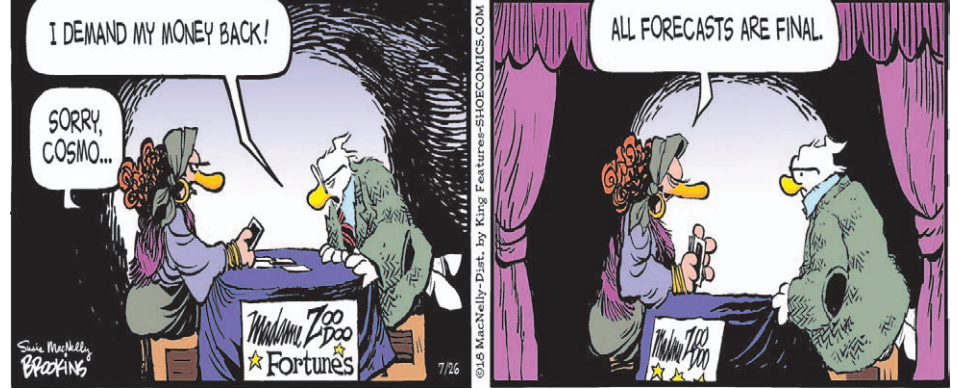
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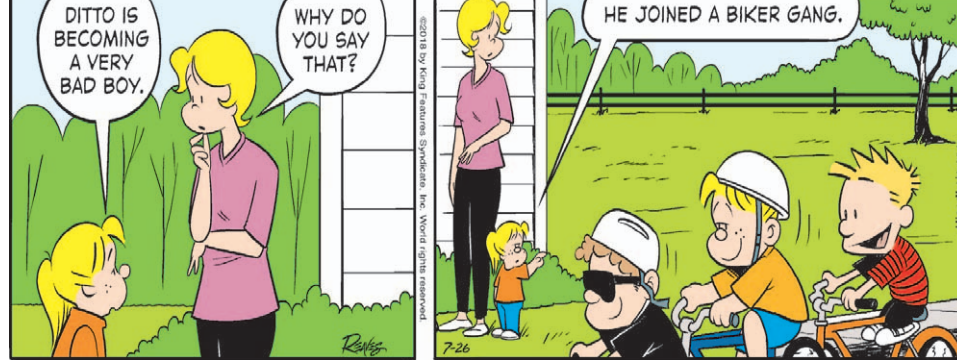
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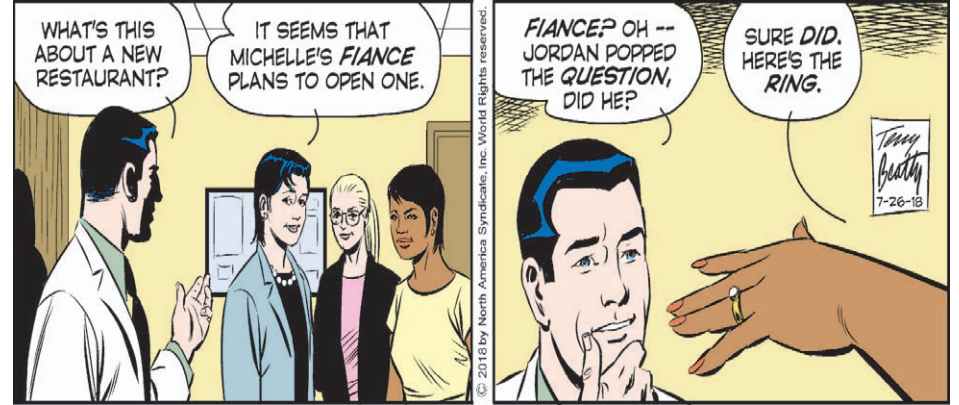
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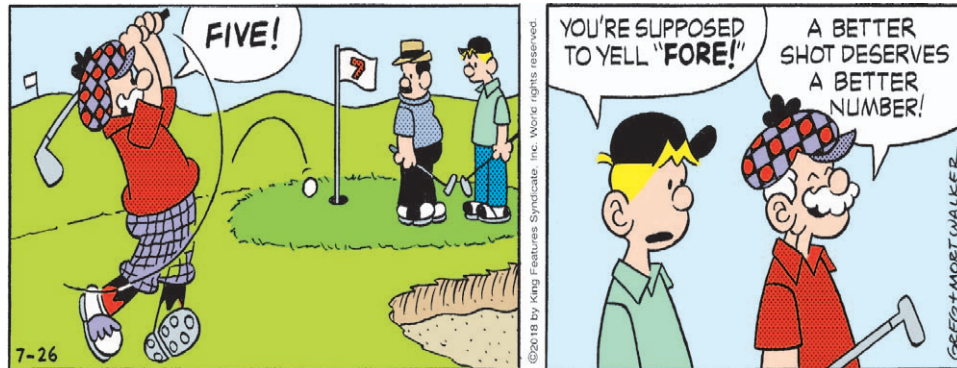
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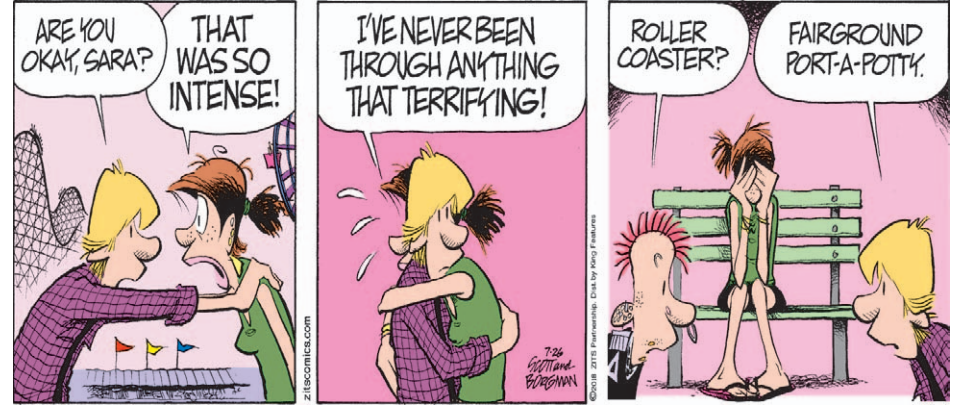
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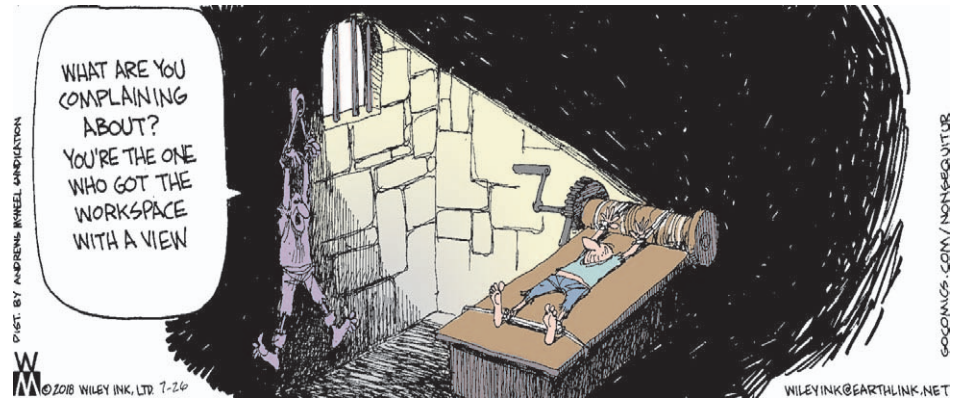
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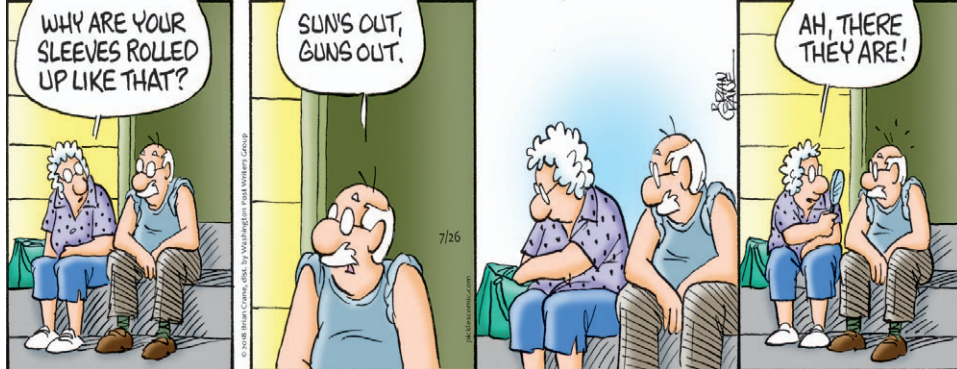
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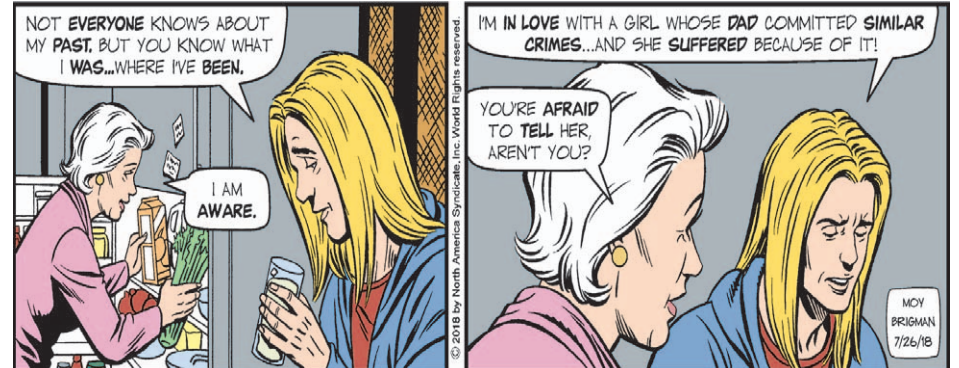
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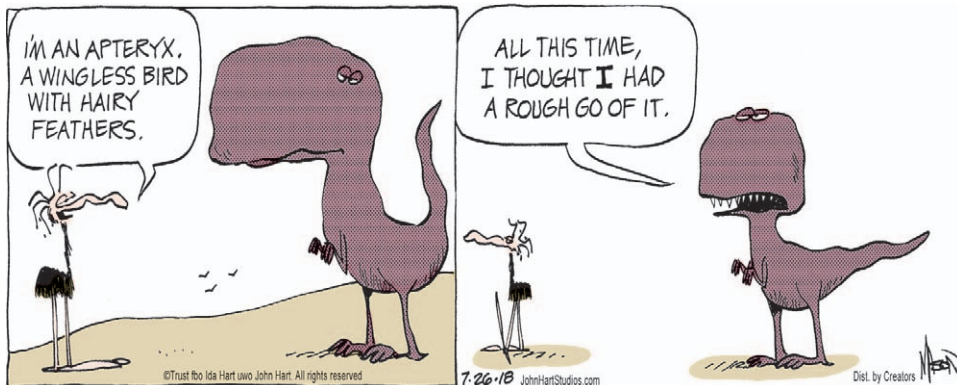
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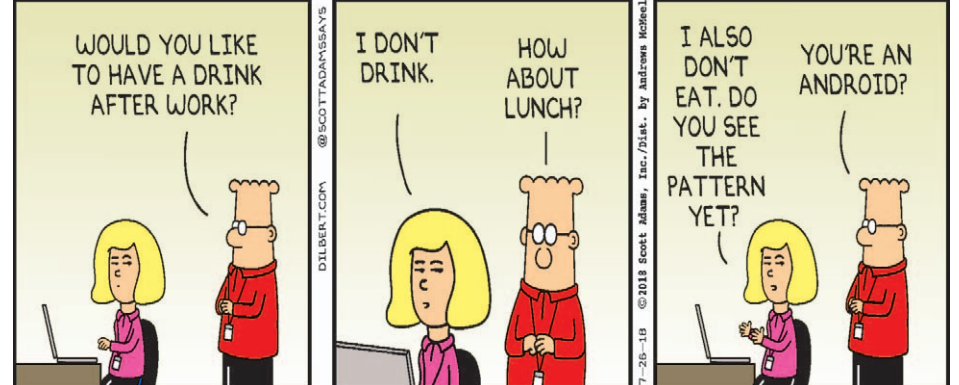
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# Extreme heat sizzles across Southwest

PHOENIX (AP) — Extreme heat sizzled across the U.S. Southwest again on Wednesday after ramping up electricity use so much in the Phoenix area that a major utility broke a record.

The National Weather Service office in Phoenix said highs in southern Arizona and southeast California ranged from 113 degrees to 118 degrees on Wednesday, with a little relief expected Thursday for some in Arizona.

The Salt River Project utility that delivers electricity to some

2 million customers in Phoenix and the rest of central Arizona said demand was so great between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Tuesday that it set a record of 7,252 megawatts to retail customers.

That topped the utility's previous system peak of 7,219 megawatts on June 20, 2017. One megawatt is enough to power about 225 average homes.

The utility said the increased demand was the result of this week's extreme temperatures, which on Tuesday reached 116 degrees in Phoenix, a tie with city's record high set in

2014. Most of Arizona and parts of California, Nevada and Utah have been under an extreme heat warning this week.

Las Vegas authorities said the city could see the hottest weather this year, while fire officials warned that conditions could be dangerous. Las Vegas reached a high of 112 degrees on Tuesday.

The National Weather Service said a new high of 127 degrees was set at California's Death Valley on Tuesday.

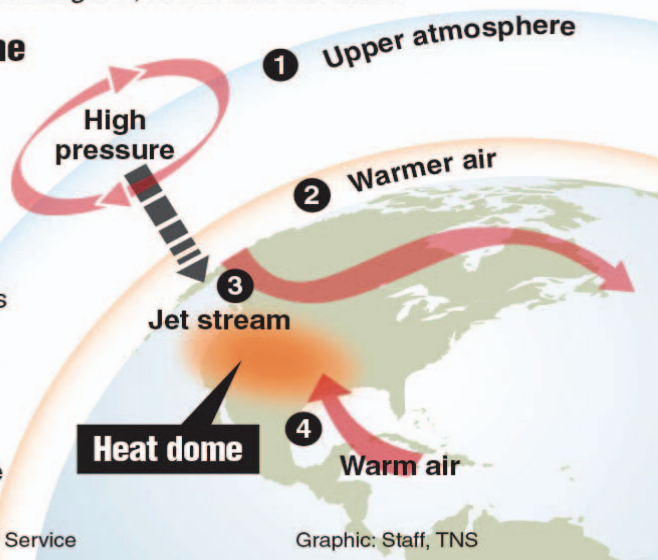
Tucson recorded 112 degrees on Tuesday, its hottest July temperature since 1995 and city's fourth hottest July day on record.

## Heat dome blankets Western U.S.

Much of the U.S. Southwest is under a heat dome caused by a high pressure system compressing hot, moist air beneath it.

### Heating up the dome

1. High pressure system develops
2. Compressed air below heats up under weight of system
3. High pressure moves jet stream with drier, cooler air farther north
4. Hot, humid air from Gulf of Mexico circulates around dome farther inland



Source: U.S. National Weather Service

Graphic: Staff, TNS

## US airlines cave to China's demand on referring to Taiwan

By DAVID KOENIG  
AP AIRLINES WRITER

The Trump administration, several U.S. senators, and Taiwanese business leaders urged the three biggest U.S. airlines to stand up against China's demand about how they describe Taiwan on their websites.

The U.S. airlines, looking at the explosive growth in China's air-travel market, decided to ignore them all. American, Delta and

United joined other global carriers and bowed to pressure from China on Wednesday and stopped listing the city of Taipei as being located in Taiwan. The airlines, however, didn't go so far as to say that Taipei is part of China.

"Like other carriers, American is implementing changes to address China's request," said Shannon Gilson, a spokeswoman for American, the world's biggest airline. "Air travel is global business, and we abide by the rules

in countries where we operate."

Representatives for Delta and United made similar statements.

Taiwan split politically from mainland China during the 1949 civil war and is self-ruled. China, however, claims the island as part of its territory and has threatened military force to annex it.

In recent years, China has used its economic and political clout to pressure other countries and their businesses to

stop recognizing Taiwan as a separate entity. In that effort, officials in Beijing targeted airlines, threatening unspecified punishment for carriers that did not heed China's demands.

The big U.S. airlines declined to say how much revenue they earn from flying between China and the U.S. In regulatory filings, they only describe revenue by region.

United Airlines, which has the most extensive service to China of the

three, reported that 13 percent of its revenue last year came from Pacific service, which includes flights to Japan, Korea, Australia and Singapore. Delta Air Lines got 7 percent of revenue from the region, and American got 5 percent.

China, however, is a rapidly growing airline market with a booming middle class that is eager to travel. The International Air Transport Association, a trade group of global airlines, predicts that

China could overtake the United States and become the world's biggest air-travel market by 2022.

"China is so strategically important to the U.S. carriers that they can't ignore what the Chinese government mandates," said Henry Hartevelt, a travel-industry analyst in San Francisco. "The U.S. airlines were put in an uncomfortable position. No matter what they decided to do, it was a lose-lose proposition."

## US demands quick privatization of Puerto Rico power agency

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Federal lawmakers demand Wednesday that Puerto Rico quickly privatize its bankrupt power company in a bid to end its turmoil and allow others to provide stable electricity in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria.

Frustration grew as consultants and local and federal officials testified during a hearing on the management crisis at Puerto Rico's Electric Power Authority held by the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources in Washington.

Republican Rep. Don Young of Alaska urged the Department of Energy to set a timeline on how long it would take to privatize the U.S. territory's power company, saying that five or 10 years is "too damn long."

"We are going to privatize this unit," he said. "It has been a failure. Puerto Ricans deserve better."

A few hundred Puerto Ricans remain without power more than 10 months after the hurricane destroyed up to 75 percent of transmission lines.

Crews are still trying to repair and rebuild the grid in the middle of this year's hurricane season as the company struggles with a high turnover, naming its fifth director since Maria.

Before testimony began, Rep. Rob Bishop, a Utah Republican who is chairman of the committee, said the objective of the hearing was the health and safety of Puerto Ricans, who are U.S. citizens.

"We're not talking about federalizing anything ... or selling assets to the highest bidder," he said.

The statement appeared to be a response to Puerto Rico Gov. Ricardo Rossello, who declined to attend the hearing. He sent a letter to Bishop saying his administration has worked hard to overhaul the company, known as PREPA, and upgrade the still fragile grid.

"The transformation is a complex process, and it would be unnecessary and inappropriate for Congress to give the Department of Energy control of PREPA, effectively robbing the island of a critical resource at a perilous time for Puerto Rico," Rossello wrote.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has so far allocated \$6 billion for Puerto Rico's electrical grid, although not all of it has been spent, officials said.

## Cat sitter dies after suburban Denver basement floods

DENVER (AP) — A woman died after rain from the latest round of strong Colorado storms flooded the suburban Denver basement apartment she was staying in to take care of a friend's cat, police said Wednesday.

People who live upstairs in the Englewood home called police Tuesday because they were concerned about their neighbor in the basement unit, police spokesman Chad Read said. The neighbor was not at home but officers found Rachael Marie Haber, 32, after searching in the murky water that reached up to the ceiling. No one else was in the unit.

Haber was unresponsive and taken to the hospital, where she died

Wednesday morning.

The coroner said an autopsy showed injuries consistent with drowning, but further tests on how she died were still pending.

Read told The Denver Post the water in the neighborhood was knee-high when officers arrived.

"There was water in the front yards, backyards and a car actually floated down part of the street and ended up in front of the house," he said.

The rain also caused a sinkhole to open in nearby Sheridan, swallowing a vehicle, but the driver was able to get out in time. The muddy and mangled Toyota RAV4 was pulled from the hole on Wednesday.

In southwestern Colorado, water and

debris closed roads near an area burned by a large wildfire north of Durango. The flooding stopped the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, leading about 800 passengers to be bused back to Durango, The Durango Herald reported.

Another sinkhole opened earlier Tuesday south of Colorado Springs after flooding washed out a culvert following heavy rain there on Monday.

A vehicle fell into the culvert and when the Hanover Fire Department responded to the cave-in, their fire truck also fell into the hole. Both vehicles were removed early Tuesday morning.

Two firefighters and the driver of the first vehicle were taken to the hospital.

## 5 sea turtles released after discovery in hotel trash can

TYBEE ISLAND, Ga. (AP) — Five rare baby sea turtles found in a hotel trash can in Georgia have been released into the Atlantic Ocean.

The Savannah Morning News reports the loggerhead hatchlings were freed early Wednesday on the beach at Tybee Island.

A hotel housekeeper on the island discovered six live loggerhead sea turtle hatchlings in a waste basket on Tuesday. State wildlife biologist Mark Dodd suspects someone picked up the animals after they hatched.

One of the animals remains at the Tybee Island Marine Science Center, which can raise the turtle until age 2.

Loggerheads are classified as threatened under the Endangered Species Act, and even touching one can result in a fine. Police and wildlife officials are investigating how the animals got to the hotel.



AP PHOTO

Five of six live loggerhead sea turtle hatchlings found in a hotel room waste basket on Tuesday are examined at the Tybee Island Marine Science Center on Tuesday.

## ACLU spends \$720K in opposition to Joe Arpaio's Senate bid

PHOENIX (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union is spending \$720,000 in the U.S. Senate race in Arizona to send people into neighborhoods to hand out fliers and run a TV commercial critical of former Sheriff Joe Arpaio's treatment of immigrants.

The legal advocacy group normally stays out of political races, but it is getting involved in the Arizona campaign and other races across the country to emphasize the importance of civil liberties to voters, said Steve Kilar, a spokesman for the ACLU's affiliate in Arizona.

"Joe Arpaio's record in particular is so emblematic of what can happen if people aren't paying attention to civil liberty records of the people they are electing," Kilar said, adding that the group doesn't endorse candidates and instead gives voters

information so they can make decisions on issues affecting civil liberties. The \$720,000 spent by the ACLU in the Arizona race includes \$400,000 in expenditures reported Wednesday.

The ACLU was the driving force behind a nearly 11-year-old lawsuit that challenged Arpaio's signature traffic patrols targeting immigrants, eventually leading a federal judge to rule that sheriff's deputies had systemically racially profiled Latinos.

The case brought the worst legal defeats in Arpaio's 24-year tenure as metro Phoenix's sheriff, including a criminal contempt of court conviction for intentionally disobeying the judge's orders to stop his immigration patrols. Arpaio, now 86, was spared a possible jail sentence when he was pardoned nearly a year ago by President Donald Trump.

Arpaio said the ACLU is worried that he'll win the Aug. 28 GOP primary and will move on to beat U.S. Rep. Kyrsten Sinema, considered the front-runner among Democrats, in the Nov. 6 general election.

In the past, local ACLU affiliates have done political advocacy, but the effort in the Arizona Senate race marks the first time the group's national office has participated in voter education efforts in a federal election, Kilar said. "Nationally, I will say that this isn't the last time you will see it happen," Kilar said.

Faiz Shakir, the ACLU's national political director, said the group's new emphasis on political advocacy was driven by a flood of new members who joined after Trump was elected and were concerned that the new president posed a threat to civil liberties.





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Tax Exempt

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Toronto stocks

Table with 26 columns: Name, Vol, High, Low, Last, Chg, Name, Vol, High, Low, Last, Chg, Name, Vol, High, Low, Last, Chg, Name, Vol, High, Low, Last, Chg. Lists Toronto stock market data for various companies.

Treasury bonds

Table with 22 columns: Rate, Date, Bid, Ask, Chg, Yld, Rate, Date, Bid, Ask, Chg, Yld, Rate, Date, Bid, Ask, Chg, Yld, Rate, Date, Bid, Ask, Chg, Yld. Lists Treasury bond market data.

FOOTNOTE: Rate-The annual interest rate the Treasury bond provides to investors. Date-The month and year the bond will expire. Bid-The price investors will pay for the bond. Ask-The price at which investors will sell. A bond price is expressed as a percentage of its original purchase cost of \$1,000. The whole numbers and the decimals which represent 32nds of a point must be converted to dollars and cents; for example, 103.18 equals \$1,035.63. Chg-The change between the preceding day's final bid price and the final bid price from the day before. Yld-The annual percentage return to the investor, based on the bond's current price, if the bond is held until it matures. K-Taxes on interest will not be withheld from non-U.S. citizens. n-Treasury note. p-Treasury note; taxes on interest will not be withheld from non-U.S. citizens.

Mutual Funds

How to Read the Mutual Fund Tables

Here are the 4,300 biggest mutual funds listed on Nasdaq. Tables show the fund name, sell price or net asset value (NAV), daily net change and weekly net change. Underlining highlights the funds ranked in the top 20% in each of the last 5 years:

Name: Name of mutual fund and family. Obj: The fund's objective group. Abbreviations listed below. NAV: Net asset value. Chg: Net change in price of NAV from previous day. Rtn: The fund's total return, or percent change in NAV for the time period shown, with

dividends reinvested. If period longer than 1 year, return is annualized. Rank: Fund's letter grade compared with others in the same objective group; an A indicates fund performed in the top 20 percent; an E, in the bottom 20 percent.

Fund Objectives: AL: Allocation - 70-85% Equity, AM: Multialternative, BL: Bank Loan, BM: Bear Market, CA: Allocation - 30-50% Equity, CC: Consumer Defense, CD: Consumer Cyclical, CH: China Fund, CI: Intermediate-Term Bond, CL: Long-Term Bond, CR: Multi-Asset, CS: Short-Term Bond, CV: Convertibles, DP: Diversified Pacific/Asia, EB: Emerging-Markets Bond, EE: Equity Energy, EI: India Equity, EM: Diversified Emerging Markets, ES: Europe Stock, FA: Foreign Small/Mid-Value, FB: Foreign Large-Blend, FF: Foreign Futures, FG: Foreign Large-Growth, FO: Foreign Small/Mid-Blend, FR: Foreign Small/Mid-Growth, FF: Foreign Large-Value, FX: Foreign Currency, GI: Intermediate Government, GL: Long Government, GR: Global Real Estate, GS: Short Government, HM: High-Yield Muni, HY: High-Yield Bond, IB: World Bond, IC: Trading-Inverse Commodities, ID: Industrials, IE: Trading-Inverse Equity, IH: World Allocation, IP: Inflation-Protected Bond, IS: Trading-Miscellaneous, JS: Japan Stock, LB: Large Blend, LC: Trading-Leveraged Commodities, LE: Trading-Inverse Equity, LG: Large Growth, LO: Long-Short Equity, LP: Energy Limited Partnership, LS: Latin America Stock, LV: Large Value, MA: Allocation - 50-70% Equity, MB: Mid-Cap Blend, MG: Mid-Cap Growth, MI: Muni National Intermediate, ML: Muni National Bond, MM: Mid-Cap Value, MY: Muni New York Long, ND: Trading-Inverse Debt, NE: Market Neutral, NT: Nontraditional Bond, PJ: Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stock, RI: Target-Date Retirement, RR: Preferred Stock, SB: Small Blend, SC: Communications, SF: Financial, SG: Small Growth, SH: Health, SI: Muni Single State Intermediate, SL: Muni Single State Long, SN: Natural Resources, SP: Equity Precious Metals, SR: Real Estate, SS: Muni Single State Short, ST: Technology, SU: Utilities, SV: Small Value, TA: Target-Date 2000-2010, TD: Target-Date 2015, TE: Target-Date 2020, TG: Target-Date 2025, TH: Target-Date 2030, TI: Target-Date 2040, TJ: Target-Date 2045, TK: Target-Date 2050, TL: Target-Date 2055, TN: Target-Date 2060, TV: Corporate Bond, TV: Tactical Allocation, UB: Ultrashort Bond, VD: Trading-Leveraged Debt, VL: Stable Value, VO: Volatility, WS: World Stock, XM: Allocation - 85% Equity, XO: Infrastructure, XQ: Target-Date 2060+, XR: Option Writing, XS: Long-Short Credit, XP: Emerging-Markets Local-Currency Bond, XY: Allocation - 15-30% Equity. Data based on NAVs reported to Morningstar by 6 p.m. Eastern.

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Top 20 Mutual Funds

Table with columns: Name, Obj, Pct, NAV, YTD, Phone Number. Lists top 20 mutual funds by year-to-date percent return.

Table with columns: Name, Obj, Assets, Percent Return/Rank, YTD, Pct. Lists top 20 mutual funds by total net assets.

Table with columns: Name, Obj, Pct, NAV, 4-Wk Rtn, Phone Number. Lists top 20 mutual funds by 4-week percent return.

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Main table of Mutual Funds with columns: Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD, 3-yr Rtn/Rk.

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Table listing various mutual funds with columns for Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtrn/Rrk, and other metrics. Funds are categorized by industry such as Technology, Healthcare, and International.



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Name	Obj	NAV	4-wk Rtn	YTD Rtn	3-yr Rtn/Rrk	Name	Obj	NAV	4-wk Rtn	YTD Rtn	3-yr Rtn/Rrk	Name	Obj	NAV	4-wk Rtn	YTD Rtn	3-yr Rtn/Rrk
IntlOptApprec	FG	2160	+3.7	+2.6	+9.5/B	HealthCareC m	SH	40.84	+4.2	+18.9	+6.3/B	ClrdTxFrncC m	SL	11.47	+2	-1	+15/E
IntlDiscv	FG	45.20	+2.1	-1.0	+5.3/D	HealthCareL	SH	55.28	+4.3	+19.6	+7.4/A	CncTxFrncC m	SL	10.07	+3	+2	+19/C
IntlEnhldx	FV	10.10	+3.0	-4	+6.5/A	HealthCareM m	SH	47.63	+4.3	+19.2	+6.9/B	CnsrAllcA m	CA	14.92	+1.8	+1.9	+4.4/D
IntlGr	FG	16.60	+3.5	+2.8	+7.3/B	HighInlcAdvtdgA m	HY	11.35	+8	+2.1	+6.8/A	CnsrAllcC m	CA	14.62	+1.8	+1.5	+3.6/E
IntlGr	FG	13.99	+3.4	+2.2	+7.0/C	HighInlcAdvtdgC m	HY	11.33	+7	+1.7	+6.0/A	CnsrAllcR b	CA	14.86	+1.8	+1.8	+4.1/D
IntlInclInstl	FB	43.08	+2.9	-1.1	+5.6/B	HighInlcAdvtdgT m	HY	10.64	+8	+2.2	+7.0/A	CnvrtSecA m	CV	21.61	+2.2	+1.9	+11.7/A
IntlInclInstlPrm	FB	43.07	+2.8	-2	+5.6/B	HighInlcAdvtdgM m	HY	11.41	+8	+2.1	+6.8/A	CnvrtSecAdv	CV	21.61	+2.2	+1.2	+11.9/A
IntlInclInstl	FB	43.06	+2.8	-2	+5.6/B	HighInlcAdvtdgS m	HY	7.70	+5	+2.1	+4.6/C	CnvrtSecC m	CV	21.26	+2.1	+1.4	+10.8/A
IntlInclPremium	FB	43.07	+2.8	-2	+5.6/B	HighInlcAdvtdgS m	HY	7.68	+5	-1	+3.8/E	CorfolioAllicA m	XM	20.51	+4.0	+7.5	+9.7/B
IntlRIEstt	GR	11.82	+1.1	+1.5	+7.1/A	HighInclmcl	HY	7.71	+4	+3	+4.8/C	CorfolioAllicC m	XM	20.15	+4.0	+7.1	+8.9/C
IntlSmCp	FQ	29.28	+3	-2.1	+10.5/A	HighInclmclM m	HY	7.68	+4	+2	+4.5/C	DevMktsA m	EM	20.68	-6	-7.1	+10.0
IntlSmCp	FR	18.14	+2	+9	+8.9/C	IndustrialsA m	ID	41.84	+3.8	-2	+12.2/C	DevMktsAdv	EM	20.59	-6	-7.0	+10.3
IntlSmCpOpps	FR	19.47	+3	+7	+9.7/C	IndustrialsC m	ID	37.59	+3.7	-6	+14.4/D	DevMktsC m	EM	20.00	-7	-7.5	+9.2
IntlVal	FV	10.50	+2.8	-1.8	+2.9/D	IndustrialsI	ID	44.02	+3.8	-3	+11.5/B	DynaTechA m	LG	79.42	+6.6	+21.5	+19.0/A
IntrmGovtInc	GI	10.20	...	+9	+3.0/D	IndustrialsM	ID	40.88	+3.8	-3	+10.9/C	DynaTechC m	LG	81.74	+6.6	+21.6	+19.3/A
IntrmMunInc	MI	10.24	+4	-2	+2.2/C	InterMunIncA m	MI	10.25	+4	-1	+1.8/D	DynaTechC m	LG	66.70	+6.5	+20.9	+18.1/A
IntrmTrBdPrm	MI	10.32	-2	-2.0	+6/B	InterMunIncl	MI	10.26	+5	-1	+2.1/C	DynaTechR b	LG	72.23	+6.6	+21.3	+18.7/A
InvmGradeBd	CI	10.93	+2	-1.3	+2.3/A	IntlCapitalAppA m	FG	20.21	+3.6	+2.3	+9.0/B	DynaTechR6	LG	82.46	+6.6	+21.7	+19.5/A
InvmGradeBd	CI	7.69	+2	-1.6	+2.0/B	IntlCapitalAppC m	FG	17.81	+3.5	+1.9	+8.2/B	EMSMCPA m	EM	14.28	-1.6	-5.7	+5.3
Japan	JS	15.65	+1.6	+1.3	+9.5/C	IntlCapitalAppM m	FG	19.70	+3.6	+2.2	+8.7/B	EMSMCPAdv	EM	14.45	-1.6	-5.6	+5.5
JapanSmrCo	JS	18.42	-2	-2.8	+12.6/B	IntlDiscvA m	FG	44.87	+2.1	-1.2	+4.9/E	EMSMCPC m	EM	13.58	-1.7	-6.1	+4.5
LTTTrsBdldPrm	GL	12.48	-8	-4.5	+1.8/B	IntlDiscvI	FG	45.09	+2.2	-1.0	+5.3/D	EmergMktDblOpps	EB	11.62	+1.3	-9	+6.3
LargeCapStock	LB	33.41	+4.4	+5.5	+11.2/C	IntlGRA m	FG	13.89	+3.3	+2.1	+6.7/C	EqInlcA m	LV	25.78	+3.9	+3.5	+10.3/B
LargeCapValldx	LV	12.88	+3	+1.5	+9.6/C	IntlGrC m	FG	13.62	+3.3	+1.6	+5.9/D	EqInlcC m	LV	25.56	+3.9	+3.1	+9.5/C
LatinAmerica	LS	23.32	+11.5	-4.7	+7.3/D	IntlGrI	FG	13.96	+3.4	+2.2	+7.0/C	FdrIntTFFncA m	MI	11.93	+4	-2	+1.6/E
LgCpCorEnhldx	LG	15.87	+5.1	+6.3	+12.9/A	IntlSmCapOppsI	FR	19.44	+3	+7	+9.7/C	FdrIntTFFncAdv	MI	11.96	+4	-1	+1.7/D
LgCpGrEnhldx	LG	21.06	+5.8	+11.3	+14.9/B	IntlSmCapOppsM	FR	28.74	+2	-2.2	+10.2/A	FdrIntTFFncC m	MI	11.96	+3	-6	+1.0/E
LimitedTermGov	GV	9.75	+3.1	+2.2	+10.4/B	InvestmentGrBdA m	CI	7.68	+2	-1.8	+1.9/B	FdrTFFncA m	ML	10.31	+1	+8	+2.1/E
LimitedTermGov	MS	9.75	+3.1	+2.2	+10.4/B	InvestmentGrBdC m	CI	7.68	+2	-1.8	+1.9/B	FdrTFFncC m	ML	10.31	+1	+8	+2.1/E
LowPrStk	MV	55.75	+7	+2.3	+8.8/C	InvestmentGrBdI m	CI	7.70	+2	-1.7	+1.6/C	FdrTFFncAdv	ML	11.73	+2	-1	+2.2/D
LowPrStk	MV	55.73	+7	+2.3	+8.8/C	LargeCapA m	LB	35.00	+4.3	+5.2	+11.1/C	FdrTFFncC m	ML	11.71	+2	-3	+1.6/E
LtdTrmMunInc	MS	10.47	+3	+5	+1.1/B	LargeCapC m	LB	31.64	+4.2	+4.8	+10.2/D	FloridaTFncA m	SL	10.45	+3	+7	+1.9/C
LvrgdCoStk	MB	35.36	+2.9	+5.7	+8.1/D	LargeCapL	LB	36.65	+4.3	+5.4	+11.4/C	FloridaTFncC m	SL	10.68	+2	+3	+1.7/C
LvrgdCoStk	MB	35.46	+2.9	+5.8	+8.2/D	LargeCapM	LB	34.90	+4.3	+5.1	+10.8/D	FItngRtDlyAccsA m	BL	8.73	+4	+2.2	+3.3/D
MA/MunicipalInc	MT	11.95	+3	-6	+2.5/A	LeveragedCoStkA m	MB	45.49	+1.9	+4.9	+7.4/D	FItngRtDlyAccsC m	BL	8.73	+4	+2.3	+3.9/B
Magellan	LG	111.15	+5.9	+11.4	+13.5/C	LeveragedCoStkC m	MB	40.57	+1.9	+4.5	+6.6/E	FItngRtDlyAccs m	BL	8.73	+4	+2.0	+3.3/D
MagellanC	LG	111.01	+5.9	+11.5	+13.6/C	LeveragedCoStkI m	MB	46.54	+1.9	+5.1	+7.7/D	FndngsAlIA m	AL	14.43	+2.3	+1.2	+6.2/E
MegaCapStock	LB	18.35	+5.1	+5.3	+10.9/D	LeveragedCoStkM m	MB	43.99	+1.9	+4.7	+7.1/D	FndngsAlIAd	AL	14.52	+2.3	+1.3	+6.5/E
MichiganMunInc	SL	11.98	+4	-4	+2.5/A	LimitedTermBdA m	CS	11.25	+3	-5	+10.1/C	FndngsAlIC m	AL	14.21	+2.2	+7	+5.4/E
MidCapdxns	MB	21.95	+2.7	+5.4	+10.9/B	LimitedTermBdC m	CS	11.22	+1	-1.0	+2/E	FrgnA m	FV	7.92	+1	-2.5	+5.1
MidCapdxPrm	MB	21.95	+2.8	+5.4	+10.9/B	LimitedTermBdM m	CS	11.28	+3	-4	+12.2/B	FrgnAdv	FV	7.81	+3	-2.4	+5.3
MidCapStk	MG	38.92	+2.5	+6.1	+11.0/C	LimitedTermBdM m	CS	11.25	+3	-5	+9.9/D	FrgnAdv	FV	7.72	+1	-2.9	+5.9
MidCapStock	MG	38.93	+2.5	+6.1	+11.1/C	LtdTermMunIncA m	MS	10.49	+3	-3	+8.8/C	FrgnR b	FV	7.72	+1	-2.7	+4.8/D
MidCapVal	MV	24.58	+6	-3.3	+6.3/E	LtdTermMunIncl	MS	10.48	+3	+6	+10.8/B	FrgnR6	FV	7.80	+3	-2.3	+5.6
MidCpEnhldx	MB	16.05	+2.1	+2.6	+9.9/B	MaterialsA m	SN	83.53	+1.9	-3.0	+9.2/A	GlbBalA1 m	IH	3.13	+1.3	+2	+3.6
MinnesotaMnInc	SM	11.40	+3	-6	+2.0/C	MaterialsC m	SN	80.41	+1.8	-3.4	+8.4/B	GlbBalC m	IH	3.15	+1.3	+3	+3.9
MortgageSecs	CI	10.88	+1	-1.2	+1.2/D	MaterialsI	SN	83.81	+1.9	-2.8	+9.5/A	GlbBalC m	IH	3.11	+1.0	-5	+2.8
MryndMunInc	SL	11.13	+4	-9	+2.4/B	MegaCapStockA m	LB	18.15	+5.0	+5.1	+10.6/D	GlbBalC1 m	IH	3.13	+1.3	-3	+3.1
MunInc	ML	12.79	+6	-3	+3.0/C	MegaCapStockL	LB	18.36	+5.1	+5.3	+10.9/D	GlbBdA m	IB	11.78	+2.3	+1.4	+2.2/C
MunInc2019	MS	10.58	+2	+9	+1.1/B	MidCapIa m	MB	21.64	+1.9	+5.3	+10.2/B	GlbBdAdv	IB	11.73	+2.2	+1.5	+2.5/C
NJMunicipalInc	MJ	11.70	+7	+2	+3.5/B	MidCapLI m	MB	19.21	+1.9	+4.9	+9.3/C	GlbBdC m	IB	11.81	+2.2	+1.2	+1.8/D
NYMunicipalInc	MY	12.93	+4	-6	+2.5/C	MidCapLI m	MB	22.34	+1.9	+5.5	+10.5/B	GlbBdR b	IB	11.78	+2.3	+1.3	+2.0/D
NasdCmpldx	LG	104.43	+5.3	+15.2	+17.0/A	MidCapLI m	MB	21.08	+1.9	+5.2	+9.9/B	GlbBdR6	IB	11.73	+2.3	+1.5	+2.6/C
NewMillennium	LB	42.55	+2.9	+6.9	+11.9/C	MidCapValueA m	MV	24.21	+6	-3.5	+6.0/E	GlbOppsTruA m	WS	22.25	+5	-2.6	+6.2
NewMktsInc	EB	15.19	+2.0	-4.0	+6.1/A	MortgageSecI	CI	10.84	+1	-1.2	+1.2/D	GlbSmrCoAdv	SW	10.38	-1.6	-2.4	+7.6
Nordic	MQ	54.92	+1.1	-3.1	+3.8/A	NewslsA m	LG	34.77	+5.4	+13.3	+13.3/C	GlbSmrCoAdv	SW	10.44	-1.6	-2.3	+7.7/D
OTCPortfolio	LG	13.27	+6.2	+1.2	+20.1/A	NewslsC m	LG	30.40	+5.3	+12.8	+15.5/C	GlbTtRetA m	IB	11.87	+2.6	+1.2	+2.8/C
OTCPortfolioK	LG	13.27	+6.3	+1.9	+20.2/A	NewslsI	LG	35.57	+5.4	+13.5	+14.7/B	GlbTtRetAdv	IB	11.89	+2.6	+1.5	+3.0/B
OhioMunInc	MO	11.90	+4	-7	+2.8/A	NewslsM	LG	33.60	+5.3	+13.1	+14.1/C	GlbTtRetC m	IB	11.86	+2.6	+1.1	+2.4/C
Overseas	FG	50.95	+2.3	+5	+7.5/B	NewslsZ	LG	35.62	+5.4	+13.5	+14.8/B	GlbTtRetR6	IB	11.88	+2.7	+1.5	+3.2/B
OverseasK	FG	50.86	+2.4	+6	+7.6/B	OverseasA m	FG	24.84	+2.1	-1	+4.7/E	GldPrctMtsA m	SP	13.71	-1.0	-12.6	+9.3/E
PacificBasin	DP	34.83	+1.0	-1.8	+11.1/A	OverseasI	FG	25.39	+2.1	+2	+5.0/E	GldPrctMtsC m	SP	14.54	-1.0	-12.4	+9.6/E
PennsylvnMnInc	MP	10.95	+3	-3	+2.6/B	OverseasM m	FG	25.51	+2.1	-1	+4.5/E	GlrncA m	WS	27.35	+2.5	+3	+6.1/E
Puritan	MA	24.83	+3.8	+6.8	+9.6/A	RealEstateA m	SR	21.87	+1	+6	+4.7/D	GlrncAdv	WS	27.41	+2.6	+5	+6.3/E
PuritanK	MA	24.82	+3.8	+6.8	+9.7/A	RealEstateI	SR	22.08	+1	+8	+4.9/C	GlrncC m	WS	26.59	+2.5	-1	+5.3/E
RealEstInv	SR	41.95	+2	+1.0	+6.6/A	RealEstateM m	SR	21.85	...	+5	+4.4/D	GlrncRet b	WS	27.08	+2.5	-2	+5.8/E
RealEstateIdxPrm	SR	15.57	+1	+1.2	+5.8/B	RealEstateC m	SR	11.95	+4.6	+1.2	+6.2/B	GrA m	IB	10.93	+5.3	+10.0	+14.2/C
RealEstIncl	SR	10.95	+7	+2.0	+6.1/B	RealEstIncl	SR	11.82	+5	+7	+5.4/C	GrAdv	LG	104.27	+5.3	+10.2	+14.4/C
RealEstIncl	SR	12.01	+6	+1.3	+6.5/B	RealEstInclM	SR	11.97	+6	+1.3	+6.5/A	GrAllicA m	AL	18			

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HYMnBdInstl	HM	9.11	+8	+2.6	+6.5/A	StrncY	MU	10.46	+5	-1.4	+3.3/C	PremInvm d	SG	17.96	+1.4	+4.6	+13.5/B	GNMA	GI	8.95	+2	-8	+9/A
HYSpectrumA m	HY	9.76	+5	+6	+5.8/A	Y	LB	31.14	+5.0	+7.3	+11.9/C	SmMpdCpPremSvc m	MB	15.58	+2.2	-2	+10.7/B	GeorgiaTFBd	SL	11.31	+2	-4	+2.2/B
HYSpectrumI2	HY	9.76	+5	+7	+6.0/A	<b>Polaris</b>						SmCpValEq	SV	11.11	+9.9	+9.8	+8.8/D	GlbGStk d	WS	27.92	+4.8	+9.5	+12.8/A
HYSpectrumInstl	HY	9.76	+5	+8	+6.1/A	GlbVal 21	WS	27.83	+1.4	+4	+9.3/C	SmCpValEqSvc m	SV	12.16	+2.5	+13.8	+9.5/E	GlbMktSecBd	WR	11.15	+7	-5	+3.9/A
IncmA m	MU	12.00	+6	-6	+4.9/A	<b>Portfolio 01</b>						SpecEqInvm d	SV	22.25	+8	+2.1	+10.3/D	GlbRIESt d	GF	20.10	+7	-2	+5.2/E
IncmAdmin b	MU	12.00	+6	-4	+5.1/A	GlbEqR b	WS	45.03	+4.1	+4.8	+11.0/A	TrlRetInvm d	SV	13.91	+1.9	+3.0	+12.1/B	GlbStk d	WT	42.84	+4.7	+12.5	+16.0/A
Incm c m	MU	12.00	+5	-9	+4.2/B	<b>Praxis</b>						Russell						GlbTech	ST	18.30	+1.6	+8.7	+22.2/B
Incl2	MU	12.00	+6	-3	+5.3/A	GenesisBala m	MA	14.03	+2.2	+2.6	+6.3/D	InvEmergMktsS	EM	19.96	-1.1	-5.6	+7.8	GStk	LG	72.80	+6.0	+16.2	+16.0/A
InclnInstl	MU	12.00	+6	-3	+5.4/A	GenesisGrA m	AL	15.72	+2.9	+4.2	+7.9/C	InvGblRIEStSecS	GR	33.13	-1.0	-5	+4.4	GStkAdv b	LG	71.07	+6.0	+16.0	+15.7/B
IncrB b	MU	12.00	+6	-6	+4.7/A	GridxA m	LG	26.15	+6.2	+13.4	+15.3/B	InvGblRIEStSecS	CA	10.36	+1.5	+3.1	+9.0	GStkR b	LG	68.66	+6.0	+15.9	+15.4/B
InfllRspMAsInstl	XY	8.50	-6	-1.0	+4.0/B	ImpactBdA m	CI	10.10	+1	-1.7	+1.2/D	InvIntllDvdMkts	FB	40.43	+6	-19	+5.3	GrandIncl	LB	30.12	+4.2	+6.4	+11.7/C
InvGdCpBdA m	TW	10.09	+7	-2.4	+3.2/C	<b>Principal</b>						InvIntllDvdMkts	CI	20.65	+1	-2.1	+1.3	HY d	HY	6.52	+3	-4	+5.0/B
InvGdCpBdAdm b	TW	10.09	+7	-2.3	+3.4/B	CAMnA m	MF	10.36	+4	-4	+3.2/A	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.65	+3	+6	+6.2	HYAdv m	HY	6.51	+5	-4	+4.7/C
InvGdCpBdC m	TW	10.09	+6	-2.8	+2.5/D	CorPlusBdA m	CI	10.56	+4	-2.2	+1.6/C	InvLpCpGrStm	MA	10.96	+1	-2	+5.0	HlthSci	SH	80.15	+5.2	+13.9	+6.7/B
InvGdCpBdPns	TW	10.09	+7	-2.2	+3.6/B	CorPlusBdlns	CI	10.56	+5	-1.9	+2.0/C	InvLpCpGrStm	MA	11.38	+2	-5	+5.2	InfllProtBd	IQ	11.75	-2	-6	+1.3/C
LangDrTrlRetIns	CL	10.30	+4	-4.4	+4.4/B	CptlAprc m	LB	66.09	+4.6	+7.3	+11.6/C	InvLpCpGrStm	XY	9.64	-1	-7	+2.7	InfllMdlEst d	MP	6.65	+2.3	-2	+2.0/D
LngTrmCrdtI2	CL	11.42	+1.3	-5.0	+5.3/A	CptlAprcC m	LB	51.27	+4.6	+6.8	+10.7/D	InvLpCpGrStm	XY	9.53	...	-1.1	-2.0	InfllMdlEst d	CI	10.03	+3	-7	+1.2/B
LngTrmCrdtInstl	GL	5.88	-1.0	-4.8	+1.4/D	DiversIntllA m	FB	13.90	+3.9	-6	+6.3/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	13.45	+4	+1.1	+7.2	InfllMdlEst d	EB	8.46	+2.0	-3.6	+6.5/A
LngTrmUSCvtA m	GL	5.88	-1.0	-4.7	+1.7/C	DiversIntllns	FB	13.84	+3.9	-6	+6.8/A	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.00	+5	+7	+6.5	InfllMdlEst d	EM	40.27	+4.3	-2.0	+12.0/A
LngTrmUSGvntI2	GL	5.88	-1.0	-4.7	+1.7/C	DiversIntllnj	FB	13.74	+3.9	-6	+6.5/A	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	15.53	+6	+1.3	+7.4	InfllMdlEst d	FR	9.97	+2.2	-2.2	+3.9/B
LngTrmUSGvntIns	GL	5.88	-9	-4	+1.8/B	EqIncm m	LV	32.32	+4.4	+3.8	+11.6/A	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.65	+3	+6	+6.2	InfllMdlEst d	BL	9.96	+4	-2.0	+3.8/C
LowDrA m	CS	9.75	+4	-3	+8.0/D	EqIncm m	LV	31.49	+4.4	+3.4	+10.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.18	+3	+2	+5.4	InfllMdlEst d	WS	13.44	+4.8	+12.7	+16.2/A
LowDrAdmin b	CS	9.75	+4	-2	+8.0/D	GvtHlQualBdA m	GI	10.09	+1	-1.1	+5/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	WS	30.33	+4.8	+9.8	+13.2/A
LowDrC m	CS	9.75	+3	-4	+5.0/E	HYA m	GI	7.27	+2	-2	+5.3/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	HY	8.68	+5	-3	+5.3/B
LowDrI2	CS	9.75	+4	-1	+10.1/C	HVC m	HY	7.35	+3	-4	+4.5/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FB	14.05	+2.6	-8	+6.5/A
LowDrInstl	CS	9.65	+2	...	+12.2/C	HYnc m	HY	9.65	+1	-7	+4.8/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	24.99	+2.8	+4	+6.7/C
LowDrInstl	CS	9.75	+3	-1	+11.1/C	IncmA m	CI	9.32	+3	-4	+2.2/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	LG	44.54	+6.5	+19.0	+18.1/A
LowDrR b	CS	9.75	+3	-4	+5.0/D	InfllProls	IP	8.50	-1	-4	+1.5/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	LV	43.90	+6.3	+18.9	+18.7/A
LowDurESGIns	CS	9.43	+2	-2	+9.0/C	InfllProls m	EM	28.39	+2.5	-5.2	+8.4/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	LV	23.83	+2.8	+19.9	+10.9/B
LowDurIncmA m	CS	8.53	+6	+1.0	+4.6/A	IntllEMJ m	EM	27.34	+2.5	-5.2	+8.6/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	MG	59.90	+4.3	+9.9	+13.7/B
LowDurIncm c m	CS	8.53	+6	+9	+4.3/A	IntllIns	FG	16.66	+18	-2.7	+6.5/C	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	MG	26.64	+2.9	+12.3	+13.8/B
LowDurIncl2	CS	8.53	+6	+1.2	+4.9/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	LA	14.02	+5.0	+8.5	+14.0/A
LowDurInclncl2	CS	8.53	+6	+1.3	+5.0/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	IB	8.81	+3	-1.7	+3.4/A
LowDurInclncl2	CS	8.53	+6	+1.3	+5.0/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FR	14.34	+2.1	+3.8	+13.2/A
MnBdA m	ML	9.80	+4	+7	+3.4/B	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FB	14.34	+2.1	+3.8	+13.2/A
MnBdC m	ML	9.80	+4	+7	+3.4/B	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MnBdI2	ML	9.80	+5	+1.1	+4.1/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MnBdInstl	ML	9.80	+5	+1.2	+4.2/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
ModDrInstl	CI	9.98	+3	-8	+1.3/D	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MortgOppsInstl	NT	10.99	+2	+9	+3.9/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MrtgBckdScA m	CI	10.29	+1	-7	+2.0/B	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MrtgBckdScIns	CI	10.29	+1	-5	+2.4/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MYMnBdA m	MN	11.16	+5	+6	+2.9/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
MYMnBdInstl	MN	11.16	+5	+8	+3.2/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmADPLUSIns	NE	10.02	-1.1	-1.0	+7.0	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLA m	LV	7.52	+1.1	+0.4	+11.8	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLC m	LV	6.94	+1.0	+3.6	+11.0	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLEMGIns	EM	10.35	-1	-5.7	+10.6	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLU2	LV	7.84	+1.0	+4.1	+12.1	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLInstl	LV	7.90	+1.2	+4.3	+12.3	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLIntllns	FV	9.18	+1.0	-2.1	+6.9	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RAEFdmPLSmlnstl	SV	12.75	-5	-1.3	+4.6	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstRIRIStrA m	SR	7.50	-1.1	+9.4	+15.0	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstRIRIStrIns	SR	8.30	-8	-1.2	+5.4	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstR m	IP	10.77	-2	-1.0	+13.1/C	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstRAdmin b	IP	10.77	-2	-9	+14.0/C	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstRAsstInstl	IP	8.23	-4	-2.4	+3.0/A	IntllIns m	LB	18.81	+4.8	+7.5	+12.8/B	InvLpCpGrStm	AL	12.83	+4	+7	+6.4	InfllMdlEst d	FG	18.75	+2.9	-4	+6.6/C
RIEstR c m	IP	10.77	-2	-1.2	+8.0/E	IntllIns m	LB	18															

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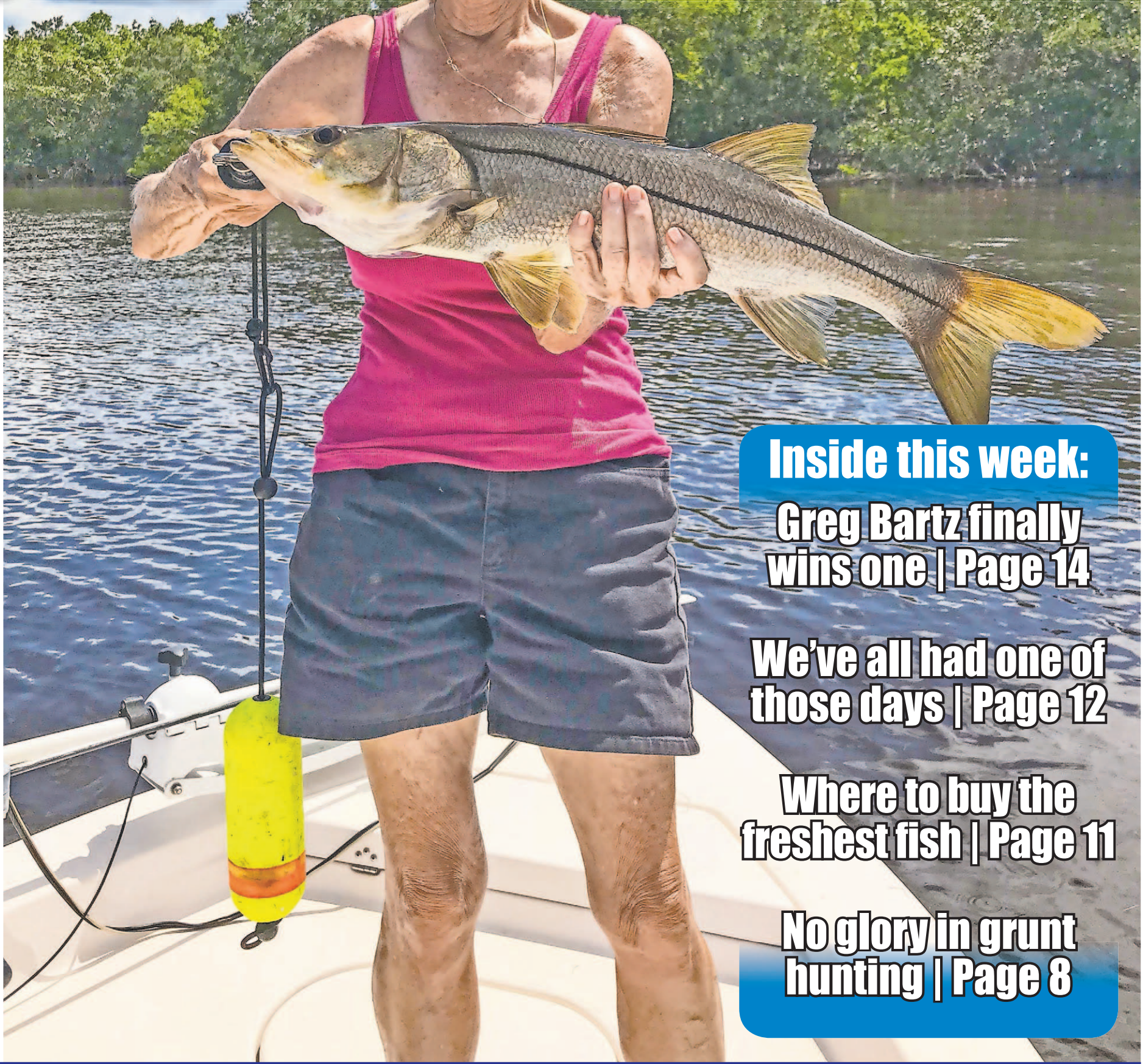
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SciChEqP b	LB	20.39	+4.0	+6.6	+12.6/B	VALIC Co I	MA	11.44	+1.9	+5	+5.7/D	SCpGrIdAdm	SG	63.72	+3.1	+13.0	+12.1/C	CBLCpValA f	LV	14.33	+1.8	-6	-9.7/C
SciChEqRtl b	LB	18.36	+4.0	+6.5	+12.5/B	AstAllc	MA	11.44	+1.9	+5	+5.7/D	SCpGrIdXl	SG	51.03	+3.1	+13.0	+12.1/C	CBLCpValVallst	LV	14.38	+1.8	-4	+10.0/B
SciChEqRtlR	LB	20.75	+4.0	+6.5	+12.5/B	CorEq	MA	24.55	+5.1	+7.0	+12.4/B	SCpGrIdXmV	SG	50.97	+3.1	+12.9	+12.0/C	CBMidCpValA f	MV	36.96	+1.1	+7	+10.9/B
ShrtTrmBd	CS	10.20	+1.1	+3	+1.5/B	CptCnsvrtn	CI	9.53	+3.3	-2.1	+1.2/D	SCpVallidAdm	SV	59.57	+1.4	+5.3	+12.1/B	CBMDiCpVallst	MV	37.31	+1.1	+7	+11.3/A
ShrtTrmBdRtl b	CS	10.21	+1.1	+3	+1.5/B	DivVal	LV	12.90	+2.6	+1	+11.0/B	SCpVallidXl	SV	33.30	+1.4	+5.3	+12.1/B	CommonStkA f	MI	24.30	+3.0	+5.7	+10.7/B
SciChEqRtlR	CS	10.21	+1.1	+3	+1.5/B	EmergEcos	EM	8.71	+3.9	-6.6	+9.2/B	SCpVallidXmV	SV	33.24	+1.4	+5.2	+11.9/B	CorBdA f	CI	12.80	+1.1	-2.0	+1.1/D
SmCpBndIdx	SB	23.53	+1.8	+10.8	+13.0/B	FrgnVal	WF	10.72	+2.4	-1.6	+5.4/B	SPMC40GrIdXlns	MB	283.5	+1.5	+6.8	+12.0/B	CorBdAdm	CI	12.50	+2	-1.9	+1.2/D
SmCpBndIdxRtr	SB	23.60	+1.7	+10.4	+12.7/B	GlbSAwrns	WS	12.31	+3.6	+2.5	+4.2/D	SPMC40VldXlns	MB	267.22	+1.5	+6.5	+12.0/A	CorBdInst	CI	12.48	+2	-1.8	+1.5/C
SmCpEqP b	SG	20.52	+2.0	+7.4	+12.6/C	GlbStr	IH	10.20	+3.0	+1.2	+4.2/D	SPSC600ldXlns	SB	315.80	+2.3	+12.7	+15.9/A	CorPlusBdA x	CI	12.26	+4	-1.5	+3.0/A
SmCpEqRtl b	SG	20.40	+2.0	+7.4	+12.4/C	GrInc	LG	18.55	+6.1	+14.4	+15.4/B	STBdldXAdmrl	CS	10.23	+1	-4	+7/D	DiscpUSCorA f	LB	17.84	+3.9	+4.4	+11.9/B
SmCpEqRtlR	SG	19.98	+1.9	+7.3	+12.3/C	GrtSec	GH	10.18	-1	-1.6	+6/B	STBdldXlnsPlus	CS	10.23	+1	-4	+8/D	DiscpUSVal	LB	18.32	+4.0	+4.5	+12.0/B
TEBdR b	MI	10.30	+5	+1	+1.8/D	HlthSci	SH	21.97	+5.2	+13.7	+6.5/B	STBdldXlns	CS	10.23	+1	-4	+8/D	DiscpUSVal	MG	37.75	+3.7	+12.3	+11.8/C
The Investment House	LG	37.99	+6.7	+16.4	+17.7/A	IntlProt	IP	10.88	+2	-9	+1.8/B	STCpBdldXAdm	CS	21.25	+2	-4	+1.6/B	DvrsCptlBldrA f	AL	10.71	+4.8	+5.9	+11.9/A
Third Avenue	GR	32.97	-5	-4.0	+5.4/B	IntlEqslx	FB	7.50	+2.9	-2	+5.2/C	STCpBdldXlns	CS	26.02	+3	-4	+1.6/A	DvrsEqA f	AL	10.68	+4.7	+5.4	+11.1/A
RIEstValins d	SB	22.23	+9	+6.9	+10.7/C	IntlGr	IB	11.64	+9	-2.2	+2.9/B	STFederalAdmrl	GS	10.49	...	-2	+6/A	DvrsEqAdm	LV	27.55	+4.0	+6.6	+10.1/D
SmCpValins d	WS	49.81	+1.6	-1	+6.7/D	IntlGvtBd	LB	12.42	+5.4	+4.8	+11.1/C	STFederalVl	GS	10.49	...	-2	+6/A	DvrsEqAdm	LV	27.68	+4.0	+6.7	+10.4/D
Valins d	CS	11.45	+4	+1.9	+4.4/A	LgCpGr	LB	16.02	+5.7	+11.1	+14.0/C	STInfrScolAdmrl	IP	24.44	...	+5	+11.1/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.30	+1.6	+7	+6.9/A
Thompson	LB	69.48	+3.8	+3.9	+10.7/D	LgCpVal	MB	28.70	+1.5	+5.9	+11.9/A	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.46	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
Bd	CS	11.45	+4	+1.9	+4.4/A	MidCpStrGr	MG	16.54	+4.2	+10.3	+12.5/B	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LgCp	LB	69.48	+3.8	+3.9	+10.7/D	SciTech	ST	32.78	+5.6	+19.4	+21.7/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
Thorburn	SS	13.54	+3	+1	+8/D	MidCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
CALtdTrmMnA m	SS	13.54	+3	+1	+8/D	SciTech	ST	32.78	+5.6	+19.4	+21.7/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
CorGra m	EM	20.18	+4.7	+18.2	+12.2/D	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
DevWldR6	EM	20.61	+2.7	+4.5	+5.9/D	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntermMnA m	MI	13.91	+3	-2	+1.6/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntermMnC m	MI	13.93	+3	-4	+1.3/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlGrR6	FR	26.31	+2.9	+8.0	+11.5/A	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlValA m	FR	23.33	+1.8	-4.8	+2.4/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlValC m	FR	20.60	+1.7	-5.2	+1.7/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlValI	FR	24.12	+1.8	-4.6	+2.8/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlVlnlcBldrA m	IH	21.65	+2.6	+8	+4.9/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
IntlVlnlcBldrC m	IH	21.63	+2.5	+3	+4.5/B	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdTrmMnC m	CS	13.18	...	-4	+1.3/B	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
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LtdTrmMncl	CS	13.19	+1	-1.1	+1.9/A	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdTrmMnA m	MS	14.20	+3	+2	+1.0/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdTrmMnC m	MS	14.22	+3	...	+7/D	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdTrmMnI	MS	14.20	+4	+3	+1.2/B	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdTrmUSGvtA m	GS	12.73	...	-5	+3/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
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BalIncPlusS	CA	13.45	+1.7	+2.9	+6.2/B	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
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HYA m	HY	4.72	+5	+2	+4.5/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
Inca m	TV	8.86	+7	-2.3	+2.8/D	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LgCpGrA m	LG	12.23	+7.7	+19.4	+14.3/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LgCpStkA m	WS	28.89	+4.6	+6.5	+9.3/C	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
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LgCpValS	LV	23.84	+4.5	+4.6	+11.7/A	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
LtdMnBdA b	CS	12.34	+2	+3	+1.6/B	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
M6CpStkA m	MB	29.42	+2.0	+4.9	+1.9/D	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
MidCpStKS	MB	29.88	+2.0	+4.9	+1.7/A	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+6.1/A
MnBdA m	ML	11.13	+3	-3	+2.1/E	SmCpVal	MB	21.70	+1.7	+2.6	+9.2/C	STInfrScolDlns	IP	24.42	...	+5	+11.0/D	DvrsEqBldrA f	XY	6.31	+1.5	+3	+

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Photo provided

Linda Seber of Punta Gorda put down her golf clubs and picked up a fishing rod just long enough to catch and release this nice Charlotte Harbor snook.



# One for the record books

FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK • JOSH OLIVE

It's official, y'all — Port Charlotte now has a place in the fishing record books. From now on, this little town will be known from near to far as the place where Florida's largest hardhead catfish was caught.

Oh, yeah. Specifically, the fish in question weighed in a healthy 4 pounds, 8 ounces, and was caught on Jan. 4 by Ethan Pillitteri. I don't know Ethan personally, but if you do, offer him a heartfelt congratulations for finally putting us on the map. It's about time.

Really, I think we deserve it. Do you suppose there is any place where more of these whiskered slimeballs are caught? Charlotte Harbor has about a billion catfish living in it, and at least half of them patrol the canals where they can be easily caught by anglers with little or no fishing experience.

They're very happy to eat anything from freezer-burnt shrimp and dead nightcrawlers to chunks of hot dog or any leftovers you can wrap around a hook. They'll also go after live baits, or plastic baits, or artificial baits of pretty much any

description. Sometimes it seems like the challenge is to find something — anything — the catfish won't eat, just so you can catch any other kind of fish. Any other kind at all.

That's why it feels so right that this record has been broken here in our backyards. And we'll probably hold this honor for a while. The previous record was set in 1993 in Sebastian (on Florida's East Coast). That fish was 3 pounds, 5 ounces — and our hometown whopper crushed it by more than a pound.

How many of you have caught a record hardhead that you didn't bother to report to the FWC? I'll bet some of you are kicking yourselves right about now. That could have been your name in the record book! Heck, that could have been my name in the record book. Oh well.

But now I have a challenge to issue to all of you. We've got one local record kitty-cat — how about two? After all, there are two saltwater catfish in Florida. We've got the hardhead covered. It's time to go net a new record gafftopsail catfish.

The current title-holder is a 9-pounder caught in Jupiter in 2013. That's a big sailcat, I'll grant you

— but here in Charlotte Harbor, we have sailcats so big they suck down whole ladyfish intended for tarpon. And we're approaching the time of year (late August through early October) when that kind of action is usually going on around the 20-foot holes.

Anyone willing to take on this quest will have to be willing to put up with some hardships. Yes, there's the gallons of slime you'll have to wipe away from your fishing line, but there's also the annoying bycatch. What could be worse than trying to set a new sailcat record and instead having to deal with tarpon after tarpon eating your baits instead? Ugh.

Tell ya what — if you don't want to deal with the downsides, Robert Lugiewicz and I will get out there as often as we can this fall and give it the old college try. I can totally understand if you think this one is just too much to take on, but I believe we need to get that double record for Port Charlotte. Just think of the glory we'll be covering ourselves in.

And of course, by glory, I mean gallons of catfish slime. Who's coming out on the Harbor with us?

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**If you have a comment or question for WaterLine, email it to Editor@WaterLineWeekly.com.**

**CAPT. JOSH:** I always turn to the "Slack Tides" column first, and was disappointed not to find it in the July 12 edition of WaterLine. It was a skinny issue, I know; it also didn't have a column by Robin Jenkins. Hope this was just an aberration and that these columns will be returning.  
— Joyce Greenwald

**JOYCE:** Ah, yes — it must be summertime. Skinny issues and missing content is the order of the day. Slack Tides has fallen off the map and there's no room for some columns (my own "Florida Is Wild" and "Fish Coach" columns were pulled first to make space for everybody else). But don't worry. Summer doesn't last forever, and we'll be back to normal in a few weeks.  
— Capt. Josh Olive, WaterLine Publisher

**CAPT. JOSH:** Kudos to Robert Lugiewicz's column, "Stay out of my spot," and his column title ("Fishing 101") could not be anymore appropriate for that piece. I strictly fish offshore and I stopped counting how many times I have heard on the VHF radio, "I pulled up to 'my spot' and there was a boat fishing on it." Then there are the encounters of the angry kind. I have pulled up to an area I've fished many times before to verbal profanity from another boat fishing there trying to intimidate me to leave, and when that didn't work

it escalated to throwing sinkers at me. I even had a boat owner threaten to shoot me. As a professional captain, I try to have more etiquette than the other boaters on the water — but it's really hard to keep your cool when you're at anchor on a spot chumming and catching fish only to have another boat come behind you and not only disrupt the slick but also shut down the fish that we were catching. When you say something to them their reply is always the same: "These are public numbers and I have as much right to fish here as you do." I hope that I will see more columns on this subject in the future so that more and more anglers will be educated on this subject. Fishing is supposed to be fun and not raise your blood pressure through the roof. Also Boat Launching 101 should be another subject, but that can be a discussion for another day. Tight lines.  
— Capt. Ed Tapping

**CAPT. ED:** We try to educate as much as we can, in print, on the radio and on the water. Unfortunately, it often seems the folks who most need the education are also the ones who are the least willing to learn. There's nothing worse than a stubborn googan who refuses to listen to anybody because he's 100 percent sure he's right.  
— Capt. Josh Olive, WaterLine Publisher

**CAPT. JOSH:** Here we go. My friend is selling out and heading to St. Thomas. The web says there is a link between the algae and ALS and Alzheimer's.

This scourge may set off a process that radically affects our fishing on multiple levels, none of them good. The bad press/Internet/Facebook could hammer our fishing economy very bad.  
— Doug Kirkham

**DOUG:** It's hammering already. Ask any inshore charter guide how their bookings are. Ask the tackle shop owners how their sales have been. Ask your fishing buddies how many trips they've skipped over the past couple months. It wouldn't be so bad if we could get people to understand how it works. The algae blooms and then dies. Nutrients from runoff are required to sustain it. It will be gone come winter. But is that explained? Not on the news. It's like the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. People believed that every Florida beach was covered up in oil, so they went elsewhere. Yet we didn't have a drop of oil on local shores. Now it's the algae and red tide. Sure, these things aren't good — but they will clear up. And yet people will avoid coming here, probably for years, because nobody will tell them when it's gone. It's a good thing to report the news, but it ought to be done responsibly.  
— Capt. Josh Olive, WaterLine Publisher

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If you have an event you want included in the Outdoor News Bulletin Board, email it to [Editor@WaterLineWeekly.com](mailto:Editor@WaterLineWeekly.com)

## GOT AN EVENT COMING UP?

We'd be happy to let people know. Email your info to [Editor@WaterLineWeekly.com](mailto:Editor@WaterLineWeekly.com) at least two weeks before the event. Submissions may be edited for length or clarity.

## PLACIDA PIER REPAIR WORK

Repairs to the Placida Fishing Pier (13120 Pier Road, Placida) are in progress and will be completed by approximately Aug. 8. The pier was closed earlier this year due to fire damage. In the interim, please visit Ainger Fishing Pier (1385 Beach Road, Englewood), El Jobean Fishing Pier (5001 El Jobean Road, El Jobean) or Boca Grande Fishing Pier (5810 Gasparilla Road, Placida).

## NEW APP FOR PARKING PAY STATIONS

Charlotte County Community Services beach and boat ramp parking can now be paid with your smartphone through ParkMobile. Mobile Now is no longer the service provider. The ParkMobile app is available for both Apple and Android. To learn more about ParkMobile, visit [ParkMobile.com](http://ParkMobile.com). For info, contact Community Services at 941-625-7529.

## LIVE OAK POINT CLOSED

Due to safety concerns at Live Oak Point from Hurricane Irma damage, as well as ongoing construction of Live Oak Point Phase 1B, the park is closed until further notice. Live Oak Point is located at 5100 Tamiami Trail, Charlotte Harbor.

## COMMUNITY NIGHTS AT KING FISHER FLEET

King Fisher Fleet, headquartered at Fishermen's Village in Punta Gorda, offers half-price admission on sunset cruises to select groups and their families through Sept. 30. Tuesdays: Teachers, school administration, and school support staff. Wednesdays: State, county, and city government employees, including fire, police, and other first responders. Thursdays: Healthcare workers (doctor's offices, retirement communities, hospitals). All community members employed in each category are eligible for half-price admission for themselves and family members on the sunset cruise with proof of employment (name tag with the company logo, an employee ID, or other identifying document). Advance reservations are recommended. For more info on this special offer, call 941-639-0969.

## WATER QUALITY MONITORS NEEDED

The health of Lemon Bay is important to us all and each month volunteers monitor the water quality at sites from Alligator Creek in Venice to Bull Bay in Placida to see that it stays that way. On the first Monday of each month, trained volunteers travel to one of 16 pre-determined sites to test the water for various parameters such as pH, dissolved oxygen, salinity, etc. This information is collected and stored in a database with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and is made available to many organizations and agencies to help maintain good water quality in Lemon Bay. All volunteers are trained and all equipment is provided. Most sites are land-based and no boat is necessary. All that is needed is an interest in our waters and a commitment of 1 to 2 hours per month. A training session for those interested in assisting in the Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Network will be conducted at 10 a.m. July 27 at Cedar Point Environmental Park (2300 Placida Road, Englewood). Call 941-475-0769 for more info.

## PLANT SOCIETY FIELD TRIP

The Mangrove Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society invites the public to join them July 28 for a short walk through Carlton Preserve (1800 Mabry Carlton Parkway, Venice). The society promotes the preservation, conservation and restoration of the native plants and native plant communities of Florida. Meetings, field trips and

## ONGOING EVENTS

**FISHING CLUB MEETINGS:** The Gulf Cove Fishing Club meets on the second Monday of the month from October through May at the Hope Lutheran Church in Gulf Cove (14200 Hopewell Ave., Port Charlotte) at 7 p.m. At each meeting, a speaker will talk on a timely topic. The public is invited to attend, but only Gulf Cove residents can be members. For more info, call 941-698-8607.

**NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY MEETINGS:** The Mangrove Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society meets from 7 to 9 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month (Oct-May) at Lemon Bay Park (570 Bay Park Blvd., Englewood). Call 941-769-3633. The Coccoloba Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society meets from 7 to 9 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium (3450 Ortiz Ave., Fort Myers). Call 239-275-3435. Meetings are free and the public is welcome.

**HANG OUT WITH SCRUB JAYS:** Spend the morning with the scrub jays at Oscar Scherer State Park (1843 S. Tamiami Trail, Osprey) from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. This unique Central Florida experience includes a nature walk to see the park's diverse ecosystems, native flora and fauna. Call 941-483-5956 for info.

special events are free and open to the public. For more info, contact trail guide Al Squires at 941-769-3633 or [AHSquires1@comcast.net](mailto:AHSquires1@comcast.net).

## LBTD FISHING TOURNEY

The Lemon Bay Touchdown Club's seventh annual Fishing Tournament is set for Aug. 4 at Boca Grande Marina (220 Harbor Drive, Boca Grande). Offshore anglers will fish for red grouper, snapper and a mystery fish. The inshore division will fish for redfish, trout and a mystery fish. There will be a captains meeting at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3 at Ricaltini's (1997 Kentucky Ave., Englewood). Offshore boats will be released at 9 p.m. Aug. 3. Inshore boats will check in between 6 a.m. and 7 a.m. Aug. 4 and begin fishing at 7 a.m. Weigh-ins will be from 2 to 5 p.m. at Boca Grande Marina, with an after party at 5 p.m. Team entry is \$350, which includes four anglers, VIP bag and long-sleeve tournament shirt. More anglers may be added for \$50 per person. Registration after Aug. 1 will be \$400 per team. Proceeds benefit the LBHS Manta Rays football program. Organizers are also welcoming sponsors at all levels. For more info, contact Janine Vito at 941-441-7045, Ryan Johnson at 941-586-8019, or Holly Haynes at 941-270-2479. Visit [lbtdc.weebly.com](http://lbtdc.weebly.com) or [Facebook.com/LBTDClub](https://www.facebook.com/LBTDClub) for updated information.

## FISHIN' TALK RADIO SEMINAR

The next event in the Fishin' Talk Radio seminar series will be held Aug. 7 at Gasparilla Marina's Waterside Grill (15001 Gasparilla Road, Placida). Seminars are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month and are hosted by the boys from Fishin' Talk Radio. Topics vary depending on how the fishing is going, but you're guaranteed to learn something useful — and if you have any questions you want answered, bring 'em with you. Come out at 5:30 p.m. and enjoy dinner and drinks with Capt. Josh Olive and Capt. Mike Myers (you buy your own); the talk gets started at 6:30 p.m. For more info, call Capt. Mike at 941-416-8047 or Josh at 941-276-9657.

## SCALLOP SEARCH

Calling volunteer boaters and snorkelers! Approximately 40 boats and up to 150 snorkelers are needed for the 10th annual Great Bay Scallop Search. Join us from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 18 in a resource monitoring program to document the health and status of bay scallop populations by snorkeling and looking for scallops in select areas. This is a "no harvest" event. We are recruiting volunteers with shallow draft boats, canoes or kayaks. Snorkelers without boats are welcome; however, boat spaces are limited. Volunteers

**WHAT'S THAT BIRD?:** Volunteer bird interpreters share their expertise on ID and behavior of raptors, shorebirds, waterfowl and other avian visitors at Myakka River State Park (13208 S.R. 72, Sarasota). Volunteers set up scopes and help people identify birds from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every day of the week.

**CHARLOTTE HARBOR DRAGONS:** Dragon boat club meets every Wednesday and Saturday at 8 a.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m. Learn the ancient art of dragon boat racing. We practice out of the Port Charlotte Beach Complex (4500 Harbor Blvd. Port Charlotte). For availability, contact Eddie Amara at 941-740-1286 or [eamara1@comcast.net](mailto:eamara1@comcast.net), or to learn more about the club visit [CharlotteHarborDragons.com](http://CharlotteHarborDragons.com). Paddles up!

**CHARLOTTE HARBOR MULTIHULL ASSOCIATION:** Members of this club for multihull owners, sailors or those who are interested in the exchange of ideas about equipping and sailing boats, share information about anchorages and cruising destinations, hold informal races and have raft-ups. No dues. The club meets at a local restaurant the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. For more info, call 941-876-6667.

need to bring sunscreen, a mask, snorkel and gloves, and be able to snorkel or swim about 150 feet. Scallop searchers will meet at Cape Haze Marina (8214 Harborside Circle, Englewood) to receive survey equipment and instructions for the monitoring event. Lunch will be provided once you return to the marina. Boaters who have participated in a previous scallop search will be able to pick up their equipment at the Placida boat ramp the morning of the event and proceed directly to their assigned survey site. Reservations are required to participate in the event. Space is limited, so reserve your spot today at <https://goo.gl/4T4e14>.

## SALTWATER FISHING 101

Do you like to fish? Would you like to learn the basics of shallow saltwater fishing from men who love God and love fishing Charlotte Harbor? Fishermen from Deep Creek Community Church invite young men between the ages of 11 and 15 who are interested in

**COASTAL VENTURES CRUISE CLUB:** This club, designed for personal boat cruising, meets on the third Tuesday of the month at the Waterfrontoo Restaurant (2205 N. Tamiami Trail, Nokomis). Join them for dinner at 6 p.m. and/or the 7:30 p.m. meeting where they'll discuss upcoming cruises and activities. Enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded water rats. If interested, attend a meeting or call 941-493-0070 for more info.

**VOLUNTEER AT SHAMROCK PARK:** Shamrock Park Nature Center (3900 Shamrock Drive, Venice) holds its monthly volunteer work mornings from 8 to 10 a.m. on the third Friday of each month. For more info, call Jennifer Rogers at 941-861-5000 or email her at [jrogers@scgov.net](mailto:jrogers@scgov.net).

**GREATER CHARLOTTE HARBOR SIERRA CLUB:** Meetings are held from October to April at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Church (1532 Forrest Nelson Blvd., Port Charlotte). Meetings include coffee, outdoor prizes, environmental speakers and more. For more info, call Allen at 941-423-2713. Visit [GCHGroup.org](http://GCHGroup.org) for a list of planned 2018 fall outings.

fishing to join us for a free saltwater fishing clinic conducted on two consecutive Saturday mornings. The first Saturday is classroom hands-on instruction in preparation for a half-day fishing trip on the following Saturday. For the safety and enjoyment of all involved, all participants must complete the classroom instruction prior to the fishing trip. For available class dates, go to [YF4C.org](http://YF4C.org).

## FREE VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is conducting free vessel safety checks in Englewood. They'll make sure the safety equipment mandated by federal and state regulations is onboard. If an inspected vessel is found to be safe, a "Seal of Safety" decal is awarded to the boat owner and affixed in a prominent location. For more info or to schedule an appointment, call Bill Shaw at 941-474-2705 or email [ShawCo1@att.net](mailto:ShawCo1@att.net). Visit [Flotilla87@CoastGuardEnglewood.com](http://Flotilla87@CoastGuardEnglewood.com) for more info and a schedule of classes.

## NUTTY SNAPPER FINGERS

- 2 pounds boneless snapper fillets, cut into fingers
- 2 cups macadamia nuts, minced in blender
- 2 eggs
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp freshly ground pepper
- 1/2 cup flour
- 6 tbsp butter
- 2 tbsp oil
- 2 key limes, quartered, to garnish

A clip-n-save seafood recipe provided by



— Recipe from [All-Fish-Seafood-Recipes.com](http://All-Fish-Seafood-Recipes.com)

Pat fish fingers dry with paper towel. Combine eggs and milk and whip with a whisk. Add salt and pepper to flour and mound on a sheet of waxed paper. Place nuts in a shallow dish. Roll fish fingers in flour coat. Dip in egg liquid, then into the nuts and place on a cake rack to dry for at least 30 minutes. Melt butter and oil together in a heavy skillet over moderate heat. When butter becomes foamy, add the fish and cook 3 to 5 minutes on each side. Serves 6 to 8.

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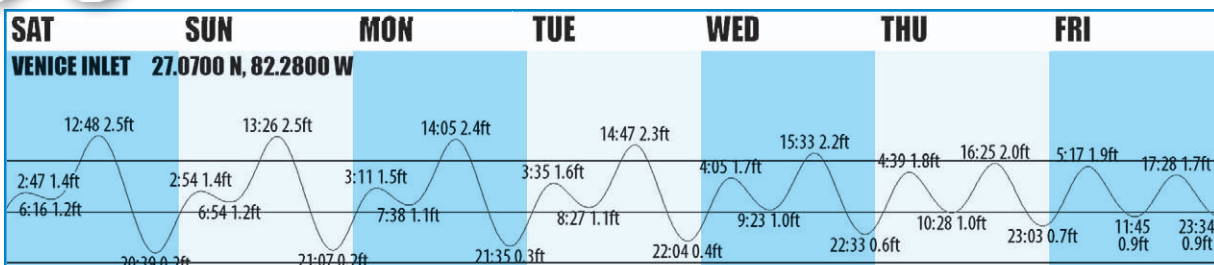
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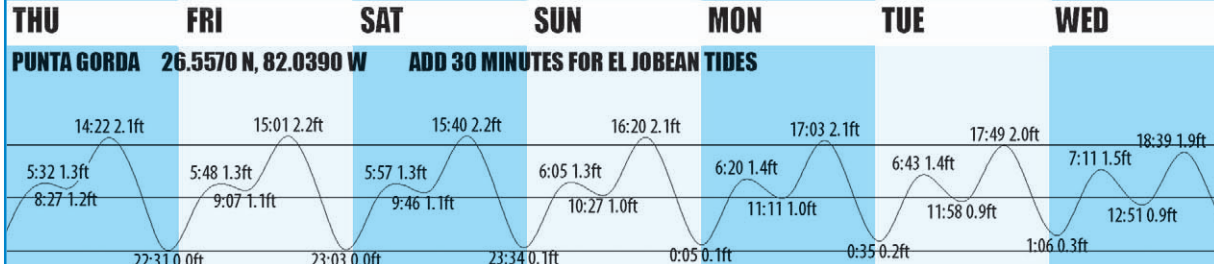
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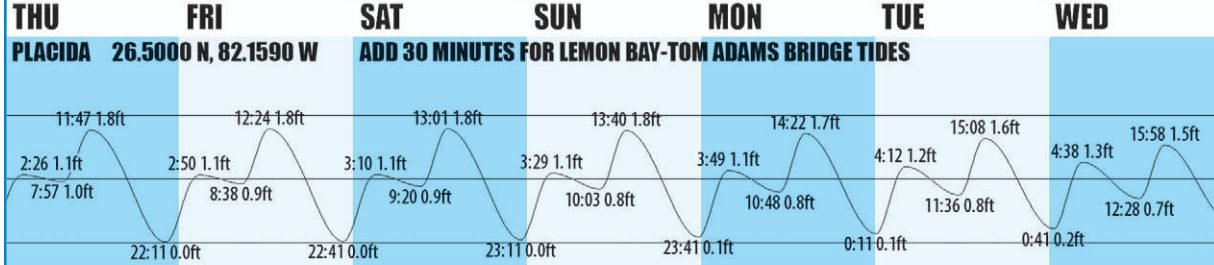
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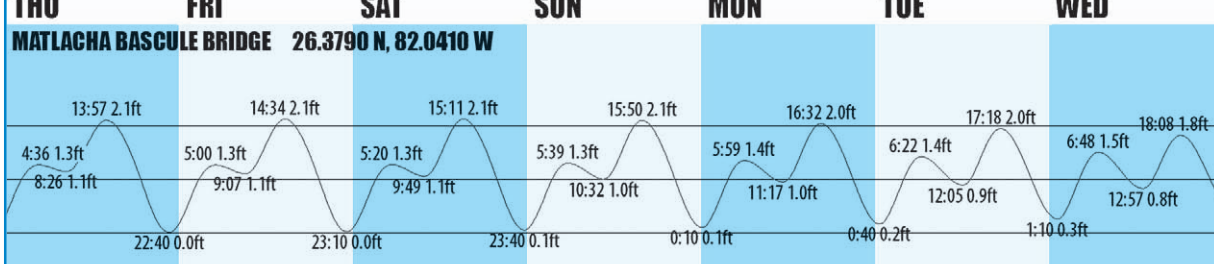
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# WaterLine FISHING RULES

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## LICENSES

**Resident saltwater or freshwater:** Annual \$17, 5-year \$79. **If you fish from shore in salt water only, a license is required but it is free.** A combo license for both freshwater and saltwater fishing is \$32.50 annually.

**Resident senior:** If you are a Fla. resident age 65 or older, your driver's license or ID card replaces your fishing license. Gulf Reef Fish Survey (see below) and tarpon tags are still required.

**Nonresident saltwater or freshwater:** 3 days \$17, 7 days \$30, annual \$47. **Free shore fishing license not available for nonresidents.**

**Gulf Reef Fish Survey (required to harvest red snapper, vermilion snapper, gag, red grouper, black grouper, amberjack, almaco jack or triggerfish):** No charge

**Annual permits (required only when a license is required):** Snook \$10, lobster \$5

## SALTWATER FISH

### Almaco Jack

Limit 100 pounds in state waters, limit 20 in federal waters; notes: 9,11,14

### Amberjack, Greater

34" min.; limit 1; **open May 1 - 31 and Aug. 1 - Oct. 31**; notes: 1,3,4,5,7,9,14

**Amberjack, Lesser & Banded Rudderfish**  
Slot 14" to 22"; aggregate limit 5; notes: 1,4,5,7,9,14

### Barracuda

Collier, Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach and Martin counties only: Slot 15" to 36"; limit 2 (max. 6 per vessel; may possess one per vessel over 36"); notes: 1,5

### Black Drum

Slot 14" to 24" (may possess 1 over 24"); limit 5; notes: 5,7,8

### Black Sea Bass

10" min.; limit 100 pounds; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,15

### Bluefish

12" min.; limit 10; notes: 1,5

### Blue runner

Limit 100

### Cobia

33" min.; limit in state waters 1 (max. 2 per vessel); limit 2 in federal waters; notes: 1,5

### Dolphin (Mahi mahi)

Limit 10 (max. 60 per vessel) in state waters only; notes: 5,15

### Flounder, all species

12" min.; limit 10; notes: 2,5,7,8,15

### Grouper, Black

24" min.; limit 4; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,12,14

### Grouper, Gag

24" min.; limit 2; season open June 1-Dec. 31; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,14

### Grouper, Goliath (Jewfish)

Harvest prohibited; legal to target for catch and release in state but not federal waters

### Grouper, Red

20" min.; bag limit 2; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,12,14

### Grouper, Scamp

16" min.; limit 4; notes: 2,3,4,5,9,10,12

### Grouper, Snowy & Yellowedge

No min. size; limit 4; notes: 2,3,4,5,9,10

### Grouper, Warsaw & Speckled Hind

No min. size; limit 1 per vessel; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10

### Grouper, Yellowfin & Yellowmouth

20" min.; limit 4; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,12

### Grouper, Coney, Graysby, Rock Hind, Red Hind (Strawberry) & Tiger

No min. size; limit 4; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,12,15

### Hogfish

14" min.; limit 5; notes: 1,4,5,7,9

### Mackerel, King (kingfish)

24" min.; **limit 3**; notes: 1,5

### Mackerel, Spanish

12" min.; limit 15; transfer of Spanish mackerel

to other vessels at sea prohibited; notes: 1,5

### Mullet, Striped & Silver

Limit, Feb. 1-Aug. 31, aggregate 50 (max. 100 per vessel); Sept. 1-Jan. 31, aggregate 50 (max. 50 per vessel); bag limit also applies to bait mullet; possession of striped mullet prohibited in Punta Gorda 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Nov. 1-Feb. 29 (see <http://bit.ly/urExej>); notes: 15

### Permit

Slot 11" to 22"; limit 2 (over 22" — limit 1; max. 2 per vessel); hook and line gear only in state waters; spearing legal in federal waters; see <http://goo.gl/pU5Wug> for rules in Special Permit Zone south of Cape Sable; notes: 1,5,6,7

### Pompano, Florida

11" min.; limit 6; notes: 1,5,6,7

### Pompano, African

24" min.; limit 2 (max. 2 per vessel); notes: 1,5,6,7

### Porgy, Red (Champagne)

Limit 100 pounds; notes: 4,5,7,9,15

### Redfish (Red Drum)

Slot 18" to 27"; limit 1 (max. 8 per vessel); off-the-water transport limit 6 per person; illegal to harvest **or possess** in federal water; notes: 2,5,6,7,8

### Sailfish

63" min. from tip of lower jaw to center of fork; limit 1; notes: 5,6,16

### Sea Trout, Spotted

Slot 15" to 20"; limit 4 (over 20" — limit 1); notes: 2,5,6,7

### Sharks

State waters, no size limit on sharpnose, blacknose, blacktip, bonnethead, finetooth & smooth dogfish; 54" min. on bull, nurse, spinner, common thresher, blue, oceanic whitetip, porbeagle & shortfin mako; **species not listed are prohibited.** Federal waters, 54" min all species except sharpnose and bonnethead; **for federally prohibited species see <https://goo.gl/envCwD>**; limit in state waters 1 (max. 2 per vessel; limit in federal waters 1 per vessel; **inline circle hooks required when fishing for sharks in federal waters**; notes: 1,5,6,7,8,16

### Sheepshead

12" min.; **limit 8 (max. 50 per vessel in March & April)**; notes: 2,5,7

### Snapper, Cubera

Slot 12" to 30"; limit 10 if under 30" (over 30" — limit 2, max. 2 per vessel); **fish over 30" not included in aggregate snapper limit**; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,13

### Snapper, Mangrove (Gray)

10" min. in state waters; 12" min. in federal waters; limit 5 in state waters, 10 in federal waters; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,13

### Snapper, Lane

8" min.; limit 20 in federal waters or 100 pounds in state waters; **not included in aggregate snapper limit**; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,11

### Snapper, Mutton

**18" min.; limit 5**; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,13

### Snapper, Red (American)

16" min.; limit 2; **recreational season open June 11-July 21 for state and federal waters; federal charter season open June 1-July 22**; notes: 2,3,4,5,7,9,13,14

### Snapper, Schoolmaster

10" min.; limit 10; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,13

### Snapper, Vermilion (Beeliner)

10" min.; limit 10; **not included in aggregate snapper limit**; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,11,14

### Snapper, Blackfin, Dog, Queen, Mahogany, Silk & Yellowtail

12" min.; limit 10; notes: 2,4,5,7,9,13

### Snook

Slot 28" to 33"; limit 1; season closed Dec., Jan., Feb., May, June, July, and Aug.; \$10 snook permit required to harvest when license is required; state regulations apply in federal waters; notes: 2,5,6,7,8

### Tarpon

Limit 1 per harvester per year; \$51.50 tag required to harvest or possess, which is legal only in pursuit of an IGFA record; for seasonal Boca Grande Pass rules, see <http://bit.ly/l6zrDj>; notes: 6,7,8

### Triggerfish, Gray

**15" min.; limit 1; open March 1-May 31**

**and Aug. 1-Dec. 31**; notes: 1,4,5,7,11,14

### Tripletail

**18" min.**; limit 2; may be harvested by hook and line only; notes: 2,5,6,7,8

### Wahoo

No min. size; limit 2; notes: 1,5,15

### Lionfish

Kill on sight; no limits

### UNREGULATED SPECIES

In state waters, limit 100 pounds or two fish, whichever is more: Blackfin tuna, catfish, cero mackerel, croaker, grunts, ladyfish, little tunny, jack crevalle, pinfish, porgies, rays, sand trout, silver trout, spadefish, whiting, etc. See <http://bit.ly/1aLP4fF>.

### NO-HARVEST SPECIES

In addition to the species previously listed, harvest of bonefish, Nassau grouper, spotted eagle rays, manta rays and sawfish is prohibited.

Visit <http://bit.ly/10nYDlz> for full rules, including more no-harvest species.

### NOTES

1. Measured fork length (the straight line distance from the most forward part of the head with mouth closed to the center of the tail).

2. Measured total length (the straight line distance from the most forward part of the head with the mouth closed to the farthest tip of the tail with the tail squeezed together while the fish is lying on its side).

3. Bag limit zero for captain and crew of for-hire vessels on a paid trip.

4. Reef fish gear rules apply. Anglers must use inline circle hooks when using natural baits, and must possess a dehooking device. Venting tool not required. Also, cannot be taken by powerhead in the reef fish stressed area (see <https://goo.gl/KqP2Ab>).

5. Must remain in whole condition (head and tail intact) until landed ashore. Removal of gills and internal organs OK. **Cannot be used as cut bait.**

6. Harvest by spear, gig or bow prohibited.

7. Use of multiple hooks (more than one point on a common shank, like a treble hook) in conjunction with natural bait prohibited.

8. Harvest by snatching prohibited.

9. Reef fish; illegal to use as bait in federal waters. In state waters, legal-size reef fish may be used as bait but must remain in whole condition and count against bag limit.

10. Included in aggregate 4 grouper bag limit.

11. Included in 20-fish reef fish aggregate bag limit in federal waters (includes vermilion snapper, lane snapper, almaco jack, gray triggerfish and all tilefish species).

12. Closed Feb. 1-March 31 in federal waters outside 20-fathom break ONLY.

13. Included in aggregate snapper bag limit of 10 fish.

14. Participation in Gulf Reef Fish Survey required to harvest. See <http://bit.ly/15D6Hip>

15. No bag limit in federal waters.

16. HMS permit required to target or harvest in federal waters; see <https://goo.gl/bbmlXL>

### FRESHWATER FISH\*

**Largemouth Bass:** No min. size; limit 5. Only one fish can be longer than 16" (tournaments may apply for a permit allowing participants to weigh more than one over 16")

**Sunfish** (all species excluding crappie): Aggregate limit 50

**Crappie:** Aggregate white/black limit 25

**American Eel:** Min. 9"; limit 25

**Butterfly peacock bass:** Max. 17", limit 2 (may possess 1 over 17")

**Grass carp:** Must be released immediately.

**Other exotic fishes:** Keep and eat or otherwise destroy; may not be used as live bait.

**Unregulated species:** No limits on bowfin, pickerel, catfish and gar (see below).

**Prohibited species:** Alligator gar, sturgeon.

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#### MALCOLM

COOKS SPORTLAND  
Venice  
941-493-0025

Red tide has hit pretty hard along the beaches in Venice, but there is still some fishing along the Intracoastal. Hit the bridges for **snook**, **redfish**, **mangrove snapper** and even small **grouper**. A white bucktail is a good choice. **Trout** reports are decent out of the Blackburn area. The freshwater bite is good, with lots of **bass** and some really big **tilapia** lately. Be sure to avoid trespassing.

The wind has kept most boats in this week, but the action prior to that was very good. If it settles, there should be some excellent opportunities.

The lake at Nathan Benderson Park is a great place to fish. You can fish from shore or use a paddle vessel or electric motor. Don't forget your freshwater fishing license.

#### JIM

FISHERMAN'S EDGE  
Grove City  
941-697-7595

Red tide has been reported killing fish around Boca Grande Pass and the south end of Lemon Bay. Some **snook** have been showing up in the backcountry. **Tarpon** action has been very good in the Harbor on DOA Bait Busters and ladyfish or ladyfish imitations.

Anglers are reporting good action out past 12 miles. **Yellowtail** and **mangrove snapper** are fairly abundant. **Red grouper** are spotty, with some doing OK and other catching only shorts. **King mackerel** have been randomly taking bottom baits.

**Mangrove snapper** are tasty and not too hard to catch.

#### JEFF

CAPT. TED'S TACKLE  
Port Charlotte  
941-627-6800

**Redfish**, **snook** and **tarpon** are throughout the Harbor as far as Boca Grande Pass, assuming you're in a place where the red tide isn't. In some cases, you need to move only a few hundred feet to find clean, fishable water. Natural baits have been working better than artificials.

Patches of red tide have been reported up to 15 miles out. At 18 to 30, there are **red grouper** (mostly shorts but some keepers), **porgies**, **grunts** and **mangrove snapper**. The snapper bite has been pretty intense as we approach the full moon spawn. The best fishing is in 90 feet and deeper.

Offshore or inshore, watch for the clean clear water. That's where the live fish will be.

#### ROBERT

FISHIN' FRANK'S  
Charlotte Harbor  
941-625-3888

Red tide has been reported from Boca Grande Pass to Devilfish, and it's probably patchy in Bull and maybe Turtle bays. **Redfish** are on the lower west wall and on the east side. Pitch cut fish or crabs under the mangrove edges. **Tarpon** are scattered around the deep holes and the mouth of the Myakka, and there babies around El Jobean and PGI. Small **bull** and **blacktip sharks** are also in the deep holes. A few **pompano** are on the east side bars and Cape Haze.

The wind has kept most boats in port. **Amberjack** will be opening Aug. 1, so if the weather allows, go looking for them 25 to 35 miles out. Remember, the size limit is 34 inches to the fork. Study up so you can tell the difference between the different species (<https://goo.gl/XmJSig>)

Fish the PGI or Port Charlotte canals and stay out of the wind. Catches include **sand bream**, **redfish**, **black drum**, small **snook** and **jacks**. Look for plenty of water flow.

#### CHUCK

LAISHLEY MARINE  
Punta Gorda  
941-639-3949

There's been no red tide in the upper Harbor. Decent **redfish** are taking cutbait around the creek mouths. **Snook** are on the flats taking topwaters early or white jerkbaits later. **Mangrove snapper** are on the docks; some will keep. **Pompano** are outside the bars along with a few stray **cobia**. **Tarpon** are around El Jobean and the deep holes.

Most of the better fishing is out past 30 miles. **Red snapper** are closed now, so don't keep them, but there are other **snappers** and **red grouper** available. Watch for **sailfish** and **mahi** out there.

Get offshore if you can go around the storms and winds.

#### CAMERON

RIO VILLA  
BAIT & TACKLE  
Punta Gorda  
941-639-7166

(7/19 report) In the early morning, target **trout** on the Pirate Harbor flats or **tarpon** in the Pirate Harbor canals. DOAs are the ticket — gold shrimp for trout or pearl TerrorEyz for tarpon.

**Red grouper** are hungry for squid, sardines, threadfins or pinfish in 120 feet. Depending on your bait, bycatch will be **lane** or **mangrove snapper**.

The retention ponds have a great **bass** bite between the time the rain leaves and the sun sets. Live shiners work, or try a big Culpritt worm.

#### JESSE

OLD PINE ISLAND  
MARINA & TACKLE  
St. James City  
239-283-2548

**Redfish** action remains strong around the oysters in Matlacha Pass. Topwaters are good early, then switch to Gulp or cutbait fished slow around the shells. Look for **trout** in about 4 feet of water around grass or mixed grass and sand. Gulp baits or shrimp under a cork are doing well. **Mangrove snapper** are decent around the docks and will take shrimp or whitebait. **Puffers** are all over the grassflats.

**Red grouper** have petered out and moved farther north. **Amberjack** will be opening on Aug. 1; they like high-relief wrecks and sinkholes. The **lane**, **mangrove** and **yellowtail snapper** are all biting at 15 to 30 miles, but they're definitely feeding best at night. **Grunts** and **squirrelfish** are decent on the nearshore reefs.

**Sailcats** are hungry for hot dogs or dead pinfish in the canals or on the mudflats.

### WHY IT MATTERS

Mangrove trees provide crucial habitat for many species of fish, birds and invertebrates. Without mangroves, say goodbye to tarpon, snook, redfish and many other gamefish species.

### HOW WE HARM IT

Fortunately, most of the mangroves the surround Charlotte Harbor have been protected from development. However, we can still damage them in smaller but important ways.

### MAKING BETTER CHOICES

Follow these tips to help keep our mangrove forest and swamp healthy and productive:

- When fishing a mangrove shoreline, retrieve any gear that gets caught in the trees. Line, lures and hooks are death traps for birds. If they fall into the water, they can be harmful to many other species and also to boat engines.
- Be careful about spraying herbicides if you live within a mile of the Harbor, river or a canal. Especially in the rainy season, runoff can quickly carry poisons right into the Harbor. Limit your use to dry days, or avoid it altogether.
- Don't pull up or trim mangroves growing in canals unless absolutely necessary. These will be fishing hotspots in the future.

**THANK YOU FOR BEING A GOOD STEWARD AND HELPING TO MAKE OUR WATERS HEALTHIER — WE ALL NEED TO DO OUR PART!**



**THE FISH COACH'S TIP OF THE WEEK:** Years ago, I used to buy the cheapest hooks I could get. I got in the habit of keeping a sharpener with me and before I'd even tie a hook on, I would put a good point on it. Today, even moderately priced hooks are super sharp right out of the package. In fact, trying to hone the points would probably just make them duller. Here are some other hook-selection tips: Dark hooks are harder to see. That's a good thing most of the time, but if your target fish are attracted to flashy metal, silver hooks might actually help you. I use the smallest hook I can get away with — easier to hide it from the fish. I look for models made with thick and strong wire. It's amazing how well a small but strong hook will hold up. It's no big deal to catch a 5-pound redfish on a No. 6 hook. Scale it down and you'll be surprised how well it works. — *As the Fish Coach, Capt. Josh Olive offers personalized instruction on fishing techniques. To book your session or for more information, go to FishCoach.net, email Josh@FishCoach.net or call 941-276-9657.*

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- Loreto Bay Access • 800 Loreto Court, Nokomis
- Manasota Beach Park • 8570 Manasota Key Rd
- Marine Boat Ramp Park • 301 E. Venice Ave, Venice
- Marina Park • 7030 Chancellor Blvd, North Port
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- Snook Park • 5000 E. Venice Ave, Venice

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# No shame in this game

WaterLine photo by Capt. Josh Olive

Grunts might not be glamorous, but up close they're quite attractive — and they're also delicious.



ANGLING 101 • ROBERT LUGIAWICZ

Although I've mentioned it many times, it's still worth saying again: We are blessed to have so many different species to target here in Southwest Florida. From the rivers, through the Harbor and out into the Gulf, we have more than a hundred fish you can reasonably expect to catch. Lucky us.

Naturally, we each have our favorites. My choice for top gamefish is no secret. Tarpon are incredible fish, despite how frustrating they can be. I love everything about these fish. In fact, there's really only one negative — you can't eat them.

When it comes to a fish dinner, I go in a totally different direction. Many people wax poetic about snook. Sure, they're good, but I value them far more as a gamefish. I know a lot of folks pick grouper. Those are actually pretty low on my list — too many parasites to pick out of the filets. Redfish? Too strong. Trout? Too mushy. And besides, I think a dinner fish should be abundant and available year-round.

For best table fish in local waters, I nominate the humble grunt. Is that so hard to believe? Think about it for a minute: Grunts are hard to top. They're very mild, easy to clean,

and can be prepared any way you like. They are common, bite readily, and are available all year with no bag or size limits.

As an added bonus, grunt huntin' usually nets a mixed bag of other species, including porgies, lane snapper and sheepshead (in winter). Since you're fishing them out on the reefs, it's also a simple thing to put out a flat-lined bait for any pelagic fish that happen by, such as cobia, king mackerel and even mahi.

A lot of anglers don't go out after grunts. They'll happily run out 70 miles to bring home two red snapper per person, or spend all day in search of a couple keeper red grouper, but grunts get no love because there's no glory. Who brags about catching a bunch of grunts?

Actually, that's just fine by me. If people want to spend money and time to go after fish that are more prestigious, it's all good. They're not spending my money or my time, and they're leaving more grunts for the rest of us. I've got no complaint.

Grunts feed mostly on invertebrates. You might catch one every now and then on cut fish, but you've got a much better chance of getting them to eat shrimp or squid. I take

both with me. Shrimp usually work better, but sometimes there are so many little bait thieves that your hook gets stripped every time. Squid is tougher and harder to steal, so in those cases it will catch you more fish.

A porgy rig (weight on the bottom, one or two hooks on dropper loops above) works well for grunt fishing. If you prefer a knocker rig (a sliding egg sinker on the leader), that's fine as well. These aren't toothy fish, but they live around sharp things. Mono or fluorocarbon leaders about 30-pound test are ideal.

Remember you're not grouper fishing, so size your hooks accordingly. A 2/0 VMC inline circle does a great job. Legally, you don't need a circle hook for grunts, but you do for snapper.

You almost definitely have a rod and reel that will do the job. Anything that can pull in a snook can pull in grunts. If you want to bump up the sporting factor, go lighter. Ever catch a grunt on a Snoopy pole? Suddenly they become real gamefish. (If you like Barbie or SpongeBob, they are just as good and just as much fun.)

Even though there's no size limit and the bag limit is 100 pounds per person, there's no need to load the boat down. We've all wasted

fish in the freezer before. To avoid that, I usually eat it fresh. It's best that way anyhow. If you must freeze some, vacuum-pack it and use it within two months.

I'm never going to be a fishcutter. Truthfully, I'd be better off trying to fillet fish with a beaver than a knife. Again, grunts are very accommodating — scale them, gut them, and bake or fry them whole. Once they're cooked, the meat slide easily off the bones, and you'll be shocked at how much more fish you get than when you fillet them.

I'm never going to get 500 Instagram likes with a grunt, and I'll never be on the cover Florida Sportsman with one (WaterLine, maybe). I don't care. I don't need someone else to validate what I do. I don't need other people to be jealous of what I caught. It's not why I fish. How about you?

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Sharks don't mind the warm water, although some species — like this sandbar — are more often caught in winter.



ANGLING 201 • CAPT. MIKE MYERS

# Fishing the dog days

Hard to believe, but August is just a few short days away. With its arrival comes what a lot of folks fondly (and some not so fondly) refer to as the dog days of summer. I myself don't really mind the steaming hot and humid August weather for the most part. Sharks are one of my favorite targets, and August just happens to be a great month to target them.

I know it can get hot out there, especially when the wind stops blowing and the humidity reaches 100 percent. But if you plan your day right and take the appropriate precautions, the dog days of summer can be a fisherman's best friend. However, if you just go out there and wing it, then it might just end up biting you in the butt like a bad dog.

So how do you prepare for a 95-degree day on the water that's still fun, safe and productive? Safety is always the main concern any time you're out on the water. An extra supply of water and ice is an absolute necessity — and sorry, folks, beer is not a replacement for water.

Hard fact coming at ya: Alcohol consumption decreases the amount of antidiuretic hormones your hypothalamus produces, which in turns decreases the amount of water your body is able to reabsorb, which causes you to become dehydrated. Dehydration can alter your mental status and hinder your decision-making skills, leading to people getting hurt. No, I didn't look that up on Wikipedia — I'm a nurse. Bottom line here is that water is good and beer is bad — at least when you're out in the hot sun all day.

OK, hopefully you got the point that you need to stay hydrated. A few more important things you will need are sunscreen and a wide-brimmed hat or a face shield. The summer sun is relentless (even on an overcast day), and ruining a good day of fishing due to a sunburn that could have been avoided is not a smart move. Also, if you're able to bring along one of those large outdoor umbrellas, that would be cool. Get it? Cool, because it makes shade. Yeah, I know — stick to fishing.

Now let's get to the catching fish part of this column. During these dog days, let me recommend fishing from first light to around

10:30 a.m. or from 5 p.m. to dark. Our fish are a lot like us in the fact that they don't like to get overheated. The morning and evening is most often when the best bite will be, so take advantage of it if possible.

For those of you who can't get out until after the sun comes up, try fishing shrimp, crabs or cutbait under overhanging trees and docks. Snook and redfish will hide in the shade under docks and mangroves during the heat of the day, trying to stay comfortable — so go to where they're at. Trout will move out to the deeper parts of the grassflat as the sun heats up those shallower waters, so try looking for them in that 4- to 6-foot range with soft plastics or shrimp under a cork.

If you want something with a little more pulling power, try soaking a ladyfish chunk in any of the Harbor's deep holes for a bull or blacktip. Sharks don't seem to mind the warmer water, so they make for a fun target during the hottest part of the day (this is when that umbrella comes in handy, by the way). FYI, if you're really looking for some hard-core action and you like a challenge, those same holes are also holding some big tarpon. Drifting live ladyfish or slow trolling D.O.A. Bait Busters will give you a fighting chance at hooking up with our area's favorite sportfish.

When the fight is done, both you and the fish are going to be hot and tired. Be sure to revive your fish by holding them upright facing into the current until they're ready to kick off and swim free. Then revive yourself with a cool drink and maybe a damp towel.

You don't have to let the heat keep you at the dock. There are plenty of fish out there to be had, and with a little preparation and planning you can enjoy your trip of a lifetime during the dog days of summer — just try not to get bit.

Tight lines.  
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# The flounder pounder



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Byron Stout hoisting his  
peacock flounder artificial  
lure double header.



Quick, somebody call the folks at Guinness Book of World Records — we may have a winner in the category of “most peacock flounder landed at one time on artificial lures.” That is a category, isn’t it?

My buddy Byron Stout is a longtime resident of Fort Myers and always tinkering with fishing rigs. It seems like every time we go fishing, he has some new gadget or scheme to try out. No matter whether we’re chasing bluegills in ponds, snook in the Harbor or grouper out in the Gulf, he is always putting together imaginatively weird rigs.

I can’t tell you how many times I have rolled my eyes in disbelief when he has proudly unveiled a latest contraption, but I can tell you how many of these have become game changers in my fishing: Approximately zero. Actually after further reflection, I want to amend that: The number is exactly zero.

On our last bottom fishing trip out in the Gulf, Byron proudly unwrapped his double-squid grouper-pounder: A tandem rig with two glow-in-the-dark rubber squid chicken-rig style above a heavy sinker. He said it would simulate a shoal of squid darting just above the rocky bottom and that the grouper would go nuts for it. We were fishing for red grouper, fish which are notorious for eating just about anything they can catch, so it wouldn’t have surprised me had he caught at least a few of the unfussy fish on the unique rig, but that’s not what happened.

He opened the bail on his heavy spinning reel and sent the rig plummeting to the bottom, engaged the reel and within a few minutes announced that he was hooked up. When his rig rose into view we could see that he’d hooked not one but two fish. But they weren’t grouper. They were peacock flounder.

A bit of background: There are many flatfish species in the Gulf of Mexico, but there are three which make up almost all the flounder catches in Southwest Florida. Most are Gulf flounder, and there are a few southern flounder caught here too.

The third most commonly caught flatfish here is the peacock flounder, but it’s not seen by many anglers because peacock flounder are rarely found in the estuaries. They mostly live offshore in the Gulf, and since they don’t get very big they are seldom caught by grouper fishermen who employ baits too large for the small-mouthed peacock flounder to eat. Prior to Byron’s double squid rig feat I’d never seen a peacock flounder double-header, and I am not sure that I can recall ever having seen

a peacock flounder caught on artificial at all.

Unfortunately for Byron, that was the highlight of the day for the double-squid grouper-pounder rig, which by now has probably accumulated quite a lot of dust in the corner of his garage or wherever it is that he deposits his failed fishing inventions.

## BUGS & MUTTON SNAPPER

Do you know anyone who is chasing lobsters down in the Keys this week? The two-day sport season (mini season) runs yesterday and today, then the regular season opens Aug. 6.

The sport lobster season and the first few days of the regular season are incredibly busy throughout the Keys, as thousands of boats are trailered down for a good time chasing spiny lobsters. Hotels book up way in advance, restaurants get crazy busy, grocery stores sell out of ice and other supplies, boat ramps (which there are not as many of as you might expect in the Keys) have long lines, and a good time is had by many. It’s an event for sure and it gives a needed boost to the economy of the keys during the off-season.

There are lots of local residents who make the trek annually, and it seems like everyone has their favorite area or secret spots. And it’s not just lobsters that get caught during lobster season. Many lobster divers carry spear guns in case decent grouper or snapper are encountered. And lots of people go rod-and-reel fishing while they’re down there. Perhaps after their lobster limit is caught, or maybe during the days between the two lobster seasons.

We don’t see a lot of mutton snapper in the Gulf here, but there are a bunch in the Keys. New size and bag limits just went into effect (on July 23) in federal waters of the Gulf, so hopefully anybody who decides to run out to an offshore wreck on the north side of the Keys is paying attention to the new rules. The size limit was just bumped up from 16 to 18 inches and the bag limit has been lowered to five per person, within the 10 per person aggregate snapper bag limit.

Let’s go fishing!

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## MANGO GRUNTS

1/4 cup butter  
1 shallot, minced  
1 mango, peeled and cubed  
1 tsp honey  
1/4 cup olive oil  
1/4 cup dry white wine (such as Chardonnay)  
1/2 tsp red pepper flakes  
Sea salt to taste  
White pepper to taste  
8 grunt fillets  
1 tbsp olive oil

Melt the butter in a skillet over medium heat. Stir in the shallot; cook and stir until the onion has softened and turned translucent, about 5 minutes. Stir in the mango, honey, 1/4 cup olive oil, white wine, red pepper flakes and salt. Reduce heat, and simmer until liquid has reduced slightly, about 10 minutes. Brush both sides of the grunt fillets with 1 tbsp of olive oil, and season with salt and white pepper. Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Arrange fillets on the skillet and cook until the fish is opaque and separates easily under a fork; about 2-3 minutes on each side. Serve the fillets with the mango sauce on top. Serves 4.

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# Where to buy fish



## FROM HOOK TO TABLE • CHEF TIM SPAIN

Often I am asked by clients about where my fish comes from. Well, it depends. I have a few sources for fish, and some fish houses are a better source than others depending on what I'm looking for.

One of the first things I look for at a fish house is bugs. If I walk into a fish house and I see bugs flying around, I have concerns. I'm native to Florida, and I know we have just about every bug you can think of here and they always seem to have friends. I can't stand a fly buzzing around my cutting boards. They aggravate me and I try to make sure they aren't getting into my kitchens. A fly in a fish house isn't a good sign for me. I want the fish houses where I buy food that will be served at an event I'm doing to be fly-free. I know that's not easy, but I want the effort made anyway.

Another thing that is important to me is that the fishmonger will allow me to go behind the counter into the cutting room. That's where I determine if it's a place that I will buy fish to do an upcoming event.

If they are OK with me inspecting their cutting room, then I probably will do business with that monger. I look at the harvest dates stamped on the boxes that the fish come in to ensure freshness. Sometimes it's to see when it was thawed, because if someone tells me their Chilean sea bass is fresh and never frozen, well, I know they're full of horse pucky. Sea bass is frozen on the boat right after harvest and is labeled "refreshed" fish, meaning that it's frozen to negative 4 degrees on the boat with the help of liquid nitrogen. After shipping, it's allowed to come up to 41 degrees in a cooler and then displayed as fresh.

For what it's worth, I think Chilean sea bass is the most overrated high-end fish on the market. Don't get me wrong; it's a mild-tasting fish and has a great texture. But paying \$23 a pound wholesale isn't cost-effective for me or my clients. I don't even offer American red snapper, because I can't bring myself to charge what I would need to in order to make business sense.

I am forever reminding Peg Leg Steve at the bait shop about how much I'd love to get a piece of red snapper to cook at the house for Lauren and I to enjoy at home. Oh, well — snapper season is over now.

The cleanest fish monger I have found in the area is Merrick's in Cape Coral. They do it right, whether you're a wholesale Chef like me or a walk-in over-the-counter buyer. They have all the plans in place. That fish house is clean and bug-free. One of their saving graces is that they have a freezer dedicated to housing dirty kitchen towels and linens. I discovered that they had that plan in place when I asked a linen driver which was the cleanest operation on his route. He told me about Merrick's, so I went to check it out and it became my favorite place to buy fish.

They gave me a tour of the cutting room and the coolers. I was impressed. The cutting room smells like the ocean. The ocean is exactly what I expect fish to smell like when I'm picking the right products for my next dinner party or cooking lessons.

All this talk about the fish house has me thinking about a recipe to share with you. I think a campfire style recipe would be easy and fun. Campfire cooking is simple: Place your

fillet of fish on a piece of heavy duty aluminum foil that's large enough to wrap up the entire fillet once you have added the rest of the ingredients and the heat does the rest.

I hope you try this recipe and enjoy it. Best regards.

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There are many species of fish you can catch locally, but if you've got a hankering for salmon or ahi tuna, you're going to need a reputable fishmonger.

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### CAMPFIRE SNAPPER

- 2 sheets **heavy-duty foil**
- 2 8-ounce **snapper fillets**
- 2 cloves **garlic**, chopped
- 2 pieces **raw bacon**, chopped
- 1 small **onion**, diced
- 2 tbsp **whole butter**
- 2 springs **fresh thyme**
- Salt and pepper** to taste

Place your foil sheets (about 12 x 12 inches) on your cutting board. Place each fillet bone side up on a sheet of foil. Divide all other ingredients evenly and top the fish fillets with them. Add a pinch of pepper and maybe salt. Keep in mind the bacon will add salt, so be conservative with the shaker. Fold up the foil around the fish and crimp it shut so you don't have the butter leaking while it's cooking. Now place the foil-wrapped fish on the coals of your campfire and cook for 6 minutes. Remove them from the fire, carefully open the foil and enjoy the aromas while you sit next to your campfire. If you aren't camping, this can be cooked on a grill or baked in an oven. Serves 2.

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Who among us hasn't had one of those days?

# Can you relate?

Have you ever had those days when you were just a little off? You know what I mean. You can't find your lucky flip-flops as you walk out the door. The windshield fluid dispenser in your truck is empty so you can't clean the morning dew and crud off your windshield on the way to the ramp. You notice in the rearview mirror that your trailer lights are blinking on and off, mostly off. Then, when you finally make it to the ramp (by squinting through that nasty streaked windshield), even though you know you have all the plugs in the boat, you have to check them three more times before you back the boat down the ramp just to be sure.

Of course, on one of those days, before the tires touch the water down the ramp, if someone had been paying attention they may have thought you had never even backed a car up before, much less a boat trailer, and you notice them checking your license plate to see where you are from. Oh, then the boat engine won't start because the plastic key to the kill switch has worked itself loose a little bit. Don't forget to raise the Power-Pole before you try leaving the dock ... oops!

Maybe you fought through all of those things and finally made it to your fishing spot, only to find out that the tip of your favorite fly rod is broken and the tip-top guide is hanging limply on the leader and ends up down by your fly as you try to make a cast.

Now you reach under the gunwale and grab another rod, get it strung up and think, "Since I'm retying, I'll put on one of those new flies I tied last night that I wanted to experiment with this morning." But of course, you left those hot new flies at home next to your vise.

Should I go on? How about driving 12 hours to a trout stream on a trip that you have been planning for a month and realizing that you left your waders sitting by the garage door? Not that I've done

that. No, not me.

Are any of these things sounding familiar? If you said no, you are lying to me. We have all experienced these now-hilarious happenstances plus a thousand more either on our own or through our fishin' buddies.

How about a jaw-dropping, eye-opening head-shaker? I have a good friend (let's call him Capt. Fred) who had a father-and-son duo out on the boat for a tarpon trip a couple of years ago. After fishing for a while with no luck. Capt. Fred decided to make a move to another spot. Being a conscientious guide, Capt. Fred pulled up the trolling motor into its locked position and put all sundries back in the hatches. Dad still held his rod with his line out. Capt. Fred said, "I'll take that for you," and proceeded to take the rod and make a cast in order to reel in the line.

As Capt. Fred came forward on his cast, the line and rod stopped abruptly as he heard a panicked, "Stop!" Capt. Fred turned around to see that in his (possibly hasty) attempt to be helpful, he had hooked his client in the eye! In the ensuing moments of pandemonium. Capt. Fred went into "hyper help" mode, ignoring his clients calls for attention and saying, "I'll call a helicopter! I'll call and have an ambulance waiting for us at the ramp!"

I can only imagine how I might feel in this situation — probably about the same. The client grabbed Capt. Fred and calmed him down enough so that he could finally hear these now famous words: "It's OK, it's OK — I have a glass eye!" Oh yes, this is an absolutely true story. Later that evening when he regaled me with this tale, I made him get up and go buy a Lotto ticket.

We all have similar stories — OK, maybe not the glass eye story — but stories and everyday occurrences that

we can look back on and laugh about together because we all fish and we have all been there. Fly fisherman or bait slinger — we can all relate.

Can you relate to some good fishing lately? In among the death and pestilence, we have been experiencing some decent action. Tarpon (babies and big ones), snook, reds, jacks and ladyfish have eaten feathers and fur. I've had to look harder and sometimes travel farther, but I have had some good days fishing as of late.

But also try to relate to something I have been saying and our publisher said in the July 5 edition of WaterLine: Even when you catch some fish, or don't see dirty water, or don't smell rotting fish, or don't cough from red tide, the issues and problems remain. Don't become complacent even for a second. Be mindful and educate yourself on the issues. Be vigilant — call, write and email your representatives, congressmen and women that you have had enough of this. Do it now!

Without us relating to each other and standing together during this time, the funny stories and fishing will just become memories that won't leave a smile on your face. Check out Captains for Clean Water and Everglades Trust. Read and study up, and realize that you may have to vote outside your political party to get the right person in office that has our best interest at heart — someone who is not aligned with the deep pockets of big business.

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# Work around it



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## A LIFE ON THE WATER CAPT. VAN HUBBARD

In life and fishing, we deal with constant challenges. Conditions are changing all the time. The better we can adjust, the happier and more productive we are. For example, I'm forced to deal with aging. I readily admit I don't like it. I also am extremely glad I get to deal with it, since the alternative is not good. I want to go to heaven, just not today!

Red tide is a challenge we all face. I hate red tide and I'm sure you do too, but these conditions are beyond our control and we're forced to deal with them. These tiny organisms take the life from our fertile waters. It's terrible but how do you fight it? It seems to be the new normal.

I can't control Mother Nature. I can be sure I've done my preparation and try to reduce my mistakes. I can be sure my line and gear is in perfect order — no weak links or bad knots, nothing to let my big bite escape because I screwed up. I can ensure my engine and boat are safe and seaworthy. The days of catching fish every cast are few for any of us. Learn to enjoy whatever opportunities you encounter and be happy. Learn to be happy you got on the water, fish or not. If you go out for a fun adventure boating and make it back safely, it was successful.

Red tide came on strong again with west winds late last week. Conditions are totally unpredictable and will be. This plague is still sporadic and not everywhere. It's a miserable mess if you run into it, but usually we can get away from it. Learn to recognize symptoms of blooms. Water color is an indicator but not always reliable. Color can be deceptive. Brown water, even reddish brown, can be healthy. Murky water is a bad sign, though.

Use your sense of smell and note throat irritation to confirm problem areas. Of course, dead fish are unpleasant, but occasionally we still find live fish to play with. Fresh-killed fish are still natural chum for bigger hungry predators. Rotting fish stink, and I don't hang around.

If you want to fish in an area that's been affected by red tide, you adjust tactics and figure out how to work around it. If you fish live baits, you must have a system to isolate your well. You may just shut it off and use oxygen or an aeration pump. Close off water inputs! The sooner you can distinguish bad water, the better your chance of saving your minnows. Shrimp can be killed in high concentrations but are much more tolerant of red tide toxins. In fact, the dead fish carcasses are

shrimp food, and we usually have great shrimp runs after outbreaks.

Increase your awareness of surroundings to locate living areas. Gulls and terns are full of easy pickings and aren't reliable indicators now. Instead, look for mullet, minnows or any living fish activity. Slow down and observe carefully to discover healthy habitats. Wading birds can help. If you see a flock of pelicans sitting on the water tipping, this is new fish kill zone. Avoid it at all cost.

Remember that fish are attempting to avoid bad water. Work areas adjacent to dead zones carefully; you might get lucky. Note current flows and wind directions. Factor in anything that pushes bad water around. If you can find good, clean water, that's how you can usually still enjoy your adventure.

As my body refuses to allow me to push on as hard as I used to, I've got to think better. Historic patterns used to produce dependably. Now we have a lot more factors to consider. Look at our increased boats. Water quality and flows have been altered. Sandbars and structures influence current flow and direction; adjust as required.

Once-secret spots are now main targets, beat up every day. Discover new opportunities by trying new areas. Spend more time drifting or poling to see and experience much more activity. All animals react to intrusion and interruptions. Allow them time to settle down and renew feeding activities before you blast off. The faster we push any animal, the faster they run!

Aggressive behavior will not increase your catch or fun factor. Chill and listen, open up, be receptive to what is happening around you. Let nature help you discover her secrets! Get away from noisy crowds and tune into the rhythm of the waves and water. Stop fighting the current and make it your friend. Work with it not against it.

Things aren't as easy as they used to be, and the good ol' days are over. You can moan about it or you can figure a new path forward. Either way, the world is moving on. Are you coming or not? And always remember that you can't catch fish if you don't go fishin', so let's go fishin' soon.

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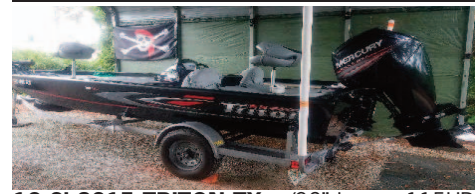
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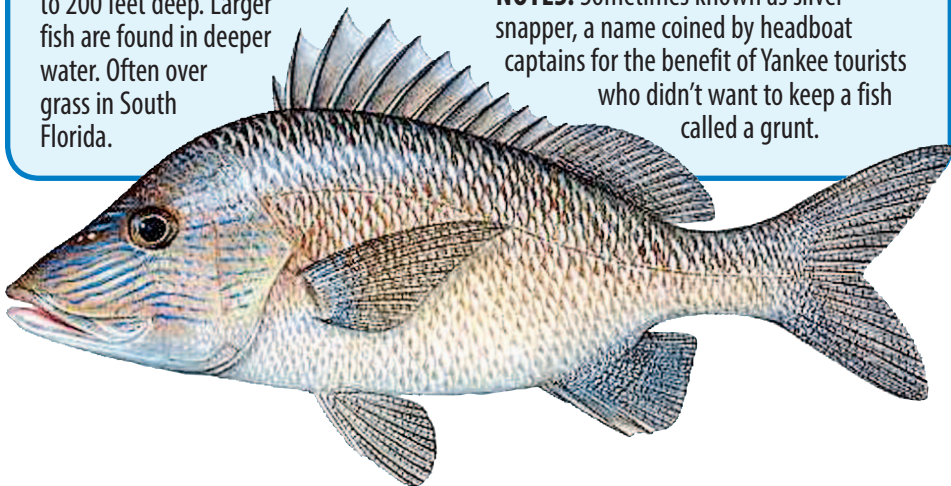


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### FISH PROFILE • WHITE GRUNT (KEY WEST GRUNT)

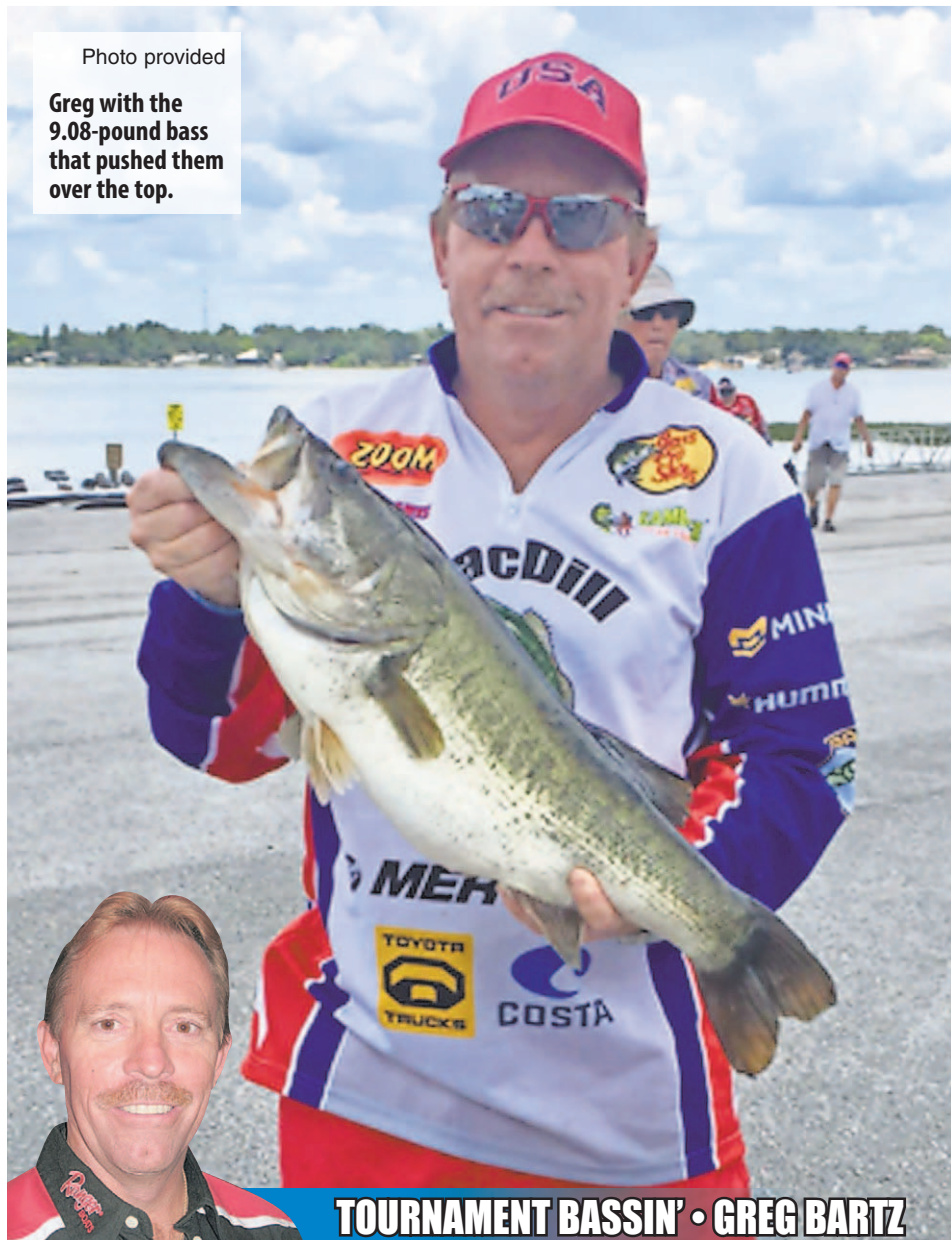
**SIZE LIMIT:** n/a  
**BAG LIMIT** (per harvester per day): 100 lb  
**SEASON:** No closure.  
**LOCAL AVERAGE SIZE:** A little less than a pound.  
**WORLD RECORD:** 6 lb, 8 oz  
**FOOD VALUE:** Excellent, with mild white flesh. In Florida, traditionally fried and eaten with cheese grits (grits and grunts).  
**HABITAT:** Hard bottom and reefs from 10 to 200 feet deep. Larger fish are found in deeper water. Often over grass in South Florida.  
**LEGAL METHODS:** Hook and line, castnet, seine, dip net, spear, gig. Treble hooks OK with natural bait. Snagging OK.  
**FISHING TIPS:** Grunts form large schools and are easily concentrated using chum that has some squid or shrimp content. Unlike many other reef fish, they usually turn their noses up at live or cut fish. Dropper rigs with multiple hooks (porgy rigs, chicken rigs, hi-lo rigs) can be used to fill a fishbox quickly.  
**NOTES:** Sometimes known as silver snapper, a name coined by headboat captains for the benefit of Yankee tourists who didn't want to keep a fish called a grunt.



# Winner, winner

Photo provided

Greg with the 9.08-pound bass that pushed them over the top.



**TOURNAMENT BASSIN' • GREG BARTZ**

It's been a few years since my wife and I have won a tournament. We have had numerous finishes in the top five places but never were able to quite get over the hump and win it all. Well, that changed this past Saturday when we took first place in our club tournament — largely due to one big bass and some good keepers out of deep water.

The past few weeks, I have talked about locating bass around vegetation in deeper water, paying attention to any subtle changes those edges offer and working them to locate bass. In our most recent tournament, that strategy got us the win. We did have one giant that I caught that weighed over 9 pounds, but it was the other four bass we were able to weigh in that ensured us a victory.

We got going early that morning. By 6:15, we had good visibility and were able to run. We were fishing the Winter Haven chain of lakes — which, by the way, is on fire right now. Quality bass are all over. But I digress.

We made our initial stop at the first lake heading north. It's a small lake that has lily pads surrounding the edges. So while the water temperature was at its coolest, we decided to throw some swimbaits at the edge of the pads. We couldn't get through the manual lock until 7 a.m. anyway, so we had some time to kill.

As we worked the edges of the pads, we would cast our swimbaits about four or five feet deep into the pads and retrieve it very slowly. As the bait fell off the edge of the pads, I would wait a couple of seconds before continuing my retrieve. The other thing was that was important is we kept the baits as close to the edge of the pads as we possibly could. The closer it stayed to the edge, the better chance we had of getting bit.

It wasn't long before I had one suck the bait in just below the surface. As I set the hook and started to work the bass to the boat, the bass made an unexpectedly strong lunge towards deeper water. I knew I had a good one on. About halfway back to the boat, the fish came to the surface and made a boil bigger than I have seen in a long time. She jumped, thrashed, and ran deep. By then, I was to the edge of my seat and waiting for her to show me her mouth so I could lip her.

Once she got to the surface I eased my hand in the water and grabbed the bass by the lower lip and brought her on board. As I eased

the bass into the livewell, I knew she was a big one. I guess I didn't know how big until I looked in on her before we took off and saw how long and thick her body was. Simply a giant, especially considering what I had been weighing in lately.

We ran for the deep line we identified the weekend before and started out just as we had in practice. We hadn't been there 15 minutes when Missy set the hook on a keeper. As we worked down, things got a little slow. I was starting to worry that maybe the bass had moved out and vacated this area. I continued to drift and work the trolling motor on down the vegetation line. I was about to fire up the motor and start again when I got a bite that I missed.

I threw back in and caught a short bass, then another short right after that. About five minutes later, I hooked a good solid 4-pound bass but lost it. Fortunately, my wife handled cleanup and cast her bait right in on top of where I lost it. She immediately set the hook and got that bass to the boat. An excellent job of saving my butt — thanks, sweetie.

We managed to cull out a couple of the smaller bass and would up with a weight of just under 20 pounds for five bass. I was extremely jacked up heading back into the weigh-in. Out of 24 boats, we managed to secure the top spot. With any luck, we can catch some more of those beauties next month in our open tournament, which will also be on the Winter Haven chain.

In that deeper water, we threw black and blue senkos from 5 to 7 inches in length. Size did not seem to matter. We went through so many baits in that spot that the floor of the boat looked like it had changed colors. I think the biggest trick was using a light 3/16-ounce bullet weight in that deeper vegetation. It kept the bait from getting lost in the bottom and allowed it to float more near the top of the vegetation we were fishing over.

A return to the top is exciting — Lord knows it's been a while. Here's hoping that everyone out there is also locating quality bass in deeper water and having as much fun as we are this summer.

Greg Bartz is a tournament bass fisherman based in Lakeland. Greg fishes lakes throughout Florida's Heartland with his wife and tournament partner, Missy. Contact him at [Greg.Bartz@SummitHoldings.com](mailto:Greg.Bartz@SummitHoldings.com).

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## CHINESE FISH WITH GINGER

- 1 pound of any white fish
- 1 tsp coarse sea salt or kosher salt
- 1 tbsp minced fresh ginger
- 3 tbsps thinly sliced green onion
- 1 tbsps dark soy sauce
- 1 tbsps light soy sauce
- 1 tbsps peanut oil
- 2 tsp toasted sesame oil
- 1/4 cup lightly packed fresh cilantro sprigs

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Pat fish dry with paper towels. Rub both sides of fillet with salt. Scatter the ginger over the top of the fish and place onto a heatproof ceramic dish. Place into a bamboo steamer set over several inches of gently boiling water, and cover. Gently steam for 10 to 12 minutes. Pour accumulated water out of the dish and sprinkle the fillet with green onion. Drizzle both soy sauces over the surface of the fish. Heat peanut and sesame oils in a small skillet over medium-high heat until they begin to smoke. When the oil is hot, carefully pour on top of the fillet. The very hot oil will cause the green onions and water on top of the fish to pop and spatter all over — be careful. Garnish with cilantro sprigs and serve immediately. Serves 4.

— From AllRecipes.com

## SOLUNAR TABLES

### What is a solunar table?

The sun and moon, even when they are out of sight, exert forces wild creatures can feel. These forces affect when fish and other animals feed. Weather and tide also play a role, but expect fish to be more active during the major and minor solunar times.

### THURSDAY

Sunrise: 06:49  
Sunset: 20:20  
Moonrise: 19:39  
Moonset: 05:44  
**Moon Phase**  
98% waxing  
**Major Times**  
23:27 - 01:33  
11:29 - 13:31  
**Minor Times**  
05:58 - 07:21  
17:30 - 18:30  
**Prediction: Average**

### FRIDAY

Sunrise: 06:50  
Sunset: 20:19  
Moonrise: 20:23  
Moonset: 06:33  
**Moon Phase**  
Full moon  
**Major Times**  
00:03 - 02:09  
12:29 - 14:31  
**Minor Times**  
06:19 - 07:50  
18:18 - 19:18  
**Prediction: Good**

### SATURDAY

Sunrise: 06:50  
Sunset: 20:18  
Moonrise: 21:04  
Moonset: 07:25  
**Moon Phase**  
99% waning  
**Major Times**  
00:50 - 02:56  
13:15 - 15:17  
**Minor Times**  
07:33 - 08:37  
19:05 - 20:05  
**Prediction: Good**

### SUNDAY

Sunrise: 06:51  
Sunset: 20:18  
Moonrise: 21:42  
Moonset: 08:17  
**Moon Phase**  
97% waning  
**Major Times**  
01:37 - 03:43  
14:01 - 16:03  
**Minor Times**  
08:18 - 09:22  
19:49 - 20:50  
**Prediction: Average**

### MONDAY

Sunrise: 06:51  
Sunset: 20:17  
Moonrise: 22:18  
Moonset: 09:10  
**Moon Phase**  
92% waning  
**Major Times**  
02:22 - 04:28  
14:46 - 16:48  
**Minor Times**  
09:03 - 10:07  
20:35 - 21:35  
**Prediction: Average**

### TUESDAY

Sunrise: 06:52  
Sunset: 20:17  
Moonrise: 22:53  
Moonset: 10:02  
**Moon Phase**  
86% waning  
**Major Times**  
03:06 - 05:12  
15:29 - 17:31  
**Minor Times**  
09:47 - 10:51  
21:19 - 22:19  
**Prediction: Poor**

### WEDNESDAY

Sunrise: 06:52  
Sunset: 20:16  
Moonrise: 23:27  
Moonset: 10:55  
**Moon Phase**  
78% waning  
**Major Times**  
03:49 - 05:55  
16:13 - 18:15  
**Minor Times**  
10:30 - 11:34  
22:02 - 23:02  
**Prediction: Poor**

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Chuck Henry of PGI caught and released this 28-inch redfish while fishing on the Snallygaster.



5-year-old Nolan of Franklin, Wis., enjoyed catching fish while vacationing on Sanibel Island.



7-year-old Jack caught this trout with his grandfather, Joe Cuccio of Racine, Wis.



Michele Guilford caught and released this fun-size snook.



Kegan Knight Miner caught her hardhead catfish while on vacation at Grandma's in Punta Gorda.

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