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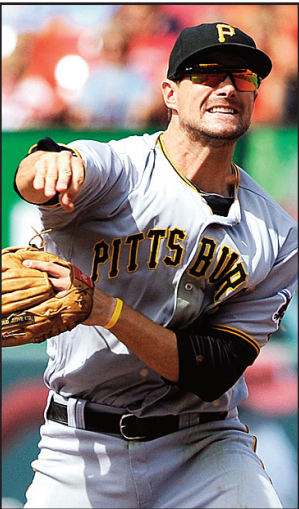
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**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP**

## Trustee overseeing roads barrage

Barry Miner possesses expertise in dealing with shale boom's traffic

By **LARRY SHIELDS**  
Staff writer

Thirty years with the Ohio Department of Transportation — 10 on heavy equipment and 20 in management — makes Fairfield Township Trustee Barry Miner perfectly suited to oversee the barrage of road use management agreements (RUMAs) accompanying the shale boom.

Elected to the board in 2010, his timing is pretty good too.

Whether it's the fact his father was a highway patrolman for 30 years or his three decades with the state, Miner has a passion, dedication and, in this shale-booming case, the skill set and experience to deal with road issues.

And another thing not in the calculus.

"I love being a trustee," he said.

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Fairfield Township Trustee Barry Miner has a certain feel for the road use management agreement procedures needed between local governments and gas and oil companies on access roads to well sites. The township recently approved its fourth RUMA and is looking at two more. Miner, who is retired from the Ohio Department of Transportation after 30 years, has some ideas on how to streamline the process. He is pictured on Beeson Mill Road at the entrance to the NOMAC Drilling Rig 310, also known as Mellinger 7-12-2. NOMAC is a subsidiary of Chesapeake Energy. The flatbed truck was delivering supplies to the drill pad that is scheduled to have six drill holes. (Salem News photo by Larry Shields)



### All aboard for some fun!

The Russell family of Salem, from left, 7-year-old Philip, 3-year-old Will and their mom Amy enjoy a ride on a train created and driven by Salem First Friends Church member Mivan Sweely. The train was one of the features of Family Fun Fest, hosted by the Little Friends Preschool Saturday afternoon. More photos on page 4A. (Salem News photo by Mary Ann Greier)

**COLUMBIANA COUNTY**

## Board members work at it

By **TOM GIAMBRONI**  
Staff Writer

LISBON — When you serve on the Columbiana County Park District board, the appointment comes with the understanding you will be a working member in the literal sense of the word.

Members Dottie Betz, Tom Butch and Mike West not only help with the administrative work involved in keeping the park district operating on its small budget, but they also lace up their boots and pitch in with the various projects. All for no pay.

But they need some help, which is why the board voted this month to expand its size from three to five members.

West said the work load has just become too much for him

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## Victory Gospel Jubilee planned at Business Complex

A four-event series of the Victory Gospel Jubilee has been scheduled at the auditorium at the North Lima Business Complex which is in the old South Range High School.

The jubilee featuring Southern Gospel music will be held at 7 p.m. the first Friday night in each month, Sept. 7, Oct. 5 and Nov. 2 and a 2012 finale will be staged with a five-hour concert on New Year's Eve.

The series is hosted by the Golden Street Singers who will have several groups and soloists perform at each

► **NORTH LIMA**

jubilee.

Sept. 7 performing, in addition to the popular regional group, Golden Street Singers, will be Cathy Goss from Cambridge, Ohio, and Linda Weber of Sole Purpose Ministries will sing including her popular "Let's Take America Back."

Oct. 5 will be "Pastor Appreciation" night as local pastors in attendance will be honored for their service. The

Majestic Sounds Quartet from Wilmington, Ohio, will be the featured group. The Golden Street Singers and soloist Mary St. Clair will also sing.

Nov. 2 will be "Giving Thanks" night with the popular Mercy River Quartet from Massillon, Ohio, the featured group.

Several groups and singers are being invited to the New Year's Eve sing, which will feature a buffet dinner. The Hen House Cafe is located in the North Lima Business Complex for pre-sing dinner each night and an-

tique, craft and other shops will be open prior to the jubilees.

There will be door prizes and a grand prize of a two-night get-away complete with room and meals at Seven Springs Mountain Resort in Pennsylvania will be given away at the New Year's Eve concert.

Registration for all prizes is on the free tickets which are available by calling 800-284-9707. For more information go to victorygospeljubilee.com or call the number listed above.

## United Local superintendent grew up learning education

By **KEVIN HOWELL**  
Staff Writer

HANOVERTON — As the son of an educator and coach, United Local's new superintendent Steve Viscounte grew up learning the value of education.

Now a veteran educator and coach himself, Viscounte is looking to bring his love and dedication for teaching and molding youth to a district working to prepare its students for a rapidly changing job market.

"My father was a teacher and coach, so I saw it from a very young age," Viscounte said

of his exposure to education. "Growing up in a teacher's house, I was always surrounded with education and sports. So [a teaching career] is not surprising."

A 1981 graduate of North Canton Hoover High School, Viscounte began his career teaching business and health courses at

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Right photo, Steve Viscounte, new United Local superintendent, prepares for the new school year. (Salem News photo by Kevin Howell)



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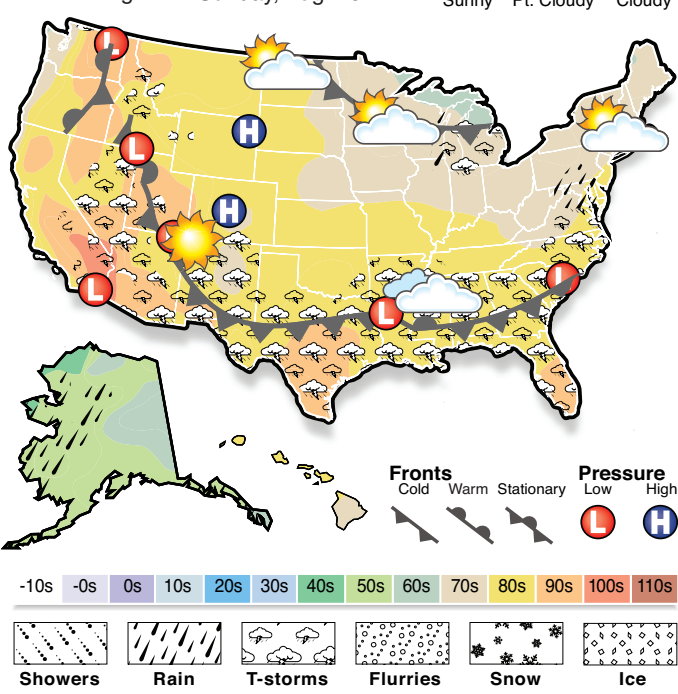
## THE FORECAST

**AREA:** Today...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. East winds around 5 mph. Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. Northeast winds around 5 mph. Monday...Partly sunny with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s. Northwest winds around 5 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent. Monday night...Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. Chance of rain 30 percent. Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s. Tuesday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50s. Wednesday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Wednesday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 50s. Thursday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s. Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

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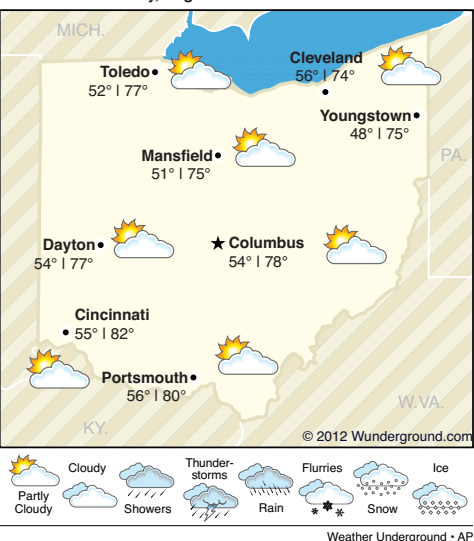
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Forecast highs for Sunday, Aug. 19

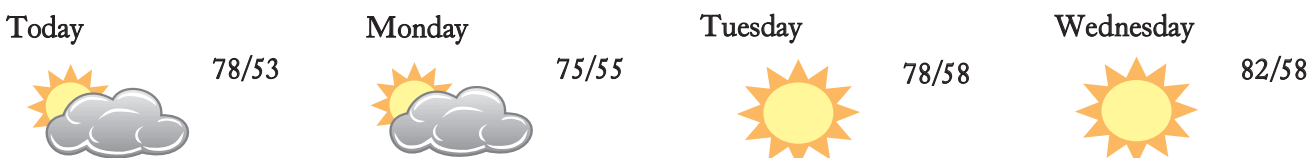


## Tonight/Sunday

Forecast for Sunday, Aug. 19



## Extended Forecast



## ALMANAC

On Aug. 19, 1812, the USS Constitution defeated the British frigate HMS Guerriere off Nova Scotia during the War of 1812, earning the nickname "Old Ironsides." In 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat arrived in Albany, two days after leaving New York. In 1848, the New York Herald reported the discovery of gold in California. In 1909, the first automobile races were run at the just-opened Indianapolis Motor Speedway. In 1934, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler. In 1942, during World War II, about 6,000 Canadian and British soldiers launched a disastrous raid against the Germans at Dieppe, France, suffering more than 50 percent casualties.

## Miner

FROM 1A

One aspect of local government involvement is strongly tied to a detailed process aimed at making sure secondary roads are capable of handling high-tonnage truck traffic back and forth from wells and maintenance.

RUMAs are the mechanism for that and they're popping up everywhere ... just like the well sites. The acronym has become part of the lingo in shale boom territory.

They are basically long-term agreements between government entities and drilling companies that place the responsibility for access-road maintenance with the oil and gas companies.

Miner said, "This is going to impact this area for years

to come."

Fairfield Township is looking at its sixth oil and gas well right now and just approved its fourth RUMA on Thursday.

Continued exploration means oil and gas company representatives all over the shale play have to obtain core samples, survey and scope out roads that will service wells. Once they are satisfied they contact city, village and township officials to coordinate an agreement via RUMAs.

"It's a process, a learning process," Miner said. He noted the tiny finesses, nuances and surface changes that have to be accounted for along with the added complications of merging those fortifications with routine chip and seal work on the same roads.

Fairfield Township has been in the process and several lessons have been

learned from problems on Miller and Beeson Mills roads.

The 12-inch stone build up produced a rough surface. Dust caused the roads to become "slimey" when it rained which hurt the road-ability while forcing motorists to almost a crawl. It also caused trustees to take another look at the process and led to a decision not accept anything less than chip and seal in the township.

An agreement was reached with Chesapeake Energy through the Civil Engineers of Southwest Ohio (CESO) to allow the township to redo the roads and Chesapeake would reimburse it for the cost.

There was another issue from the outset Miner said, explaining it was with CESO.

"The concern I had with CESO was why can't we get an asphalt road," Miner asked.



"They said they weren't doing asphalt roads and that wasn't true. It was solely on CESO ... that's the only time we were dissatisfied ... we weren't told the truth," he said adding the latest RUMA on (Crestview Road) will have 4.5 inches of asphalt on it.

That issue is in the past and Miner said Chesapeake has been very good to work with and now seems to "understands there are road issues."

Fairfield isn't the only township.

Salem Township is in discussions regarding a well-site on Salem-Grange Road. It's on a steeply-graded hill and trustees there are concerned about the difficulty large trucks will have maneuvering back and forth to the well site.

And Fairfield Township has another "finesse and nuance" on a portion of Crestview Road where a well is planned.

"To Chesapeake's credit," Miner explained, "... I scoped that road ... and there is a 60-inch concrete (culvert) pipe at least 42-years-old that they're going to split the cost with the township for replacement.

"Sixty inches is fairly large, that's where Chesapeake has been tremendous and I think all the townships need to look at existing conditions versus the impacted areas ... using the 60-inch pipe here is an example of that."

He elaborated even further.

"This is a direct situation. We called it to their attention and they agreed to split the costs. We called them and three days later they called back. The contractor

Fairfield Township Trustee Barry Miner speaks to a truck driver for Allied Gas and Oil services, LLC as it arrived at the Mellinger well on Beeson Mill Road on Thursday. The truck drove in from the north end of Beeson Mill Road which is a non-approved RUMA route. Miner, who happened to be on the scene, gave the driver a friendly explanation of the route. An orange "No Chesapeake Truck Traffic" sign is in the right-of-way behind the truck which carried Kansas plates. Allied is based in Fort Worth, Texas. Miner has some ideas on how to make the RUMA process run smoother. The truck is part of Allied's cementing service. According to its website, "Cementing is the process of bonding the well casing to the exposed well bore to provide optimum access to the oil or gas reserves found in the underlying formations. The properly placed cement provides support for the casing strings and hydraulic isolation between various permeable zones contacting the well bore. (Salem News photo by Larry Shields)

is working on it right now."

The years at ODOT color his thinking and issues that might be hard for others to see come to sharp focus in his mind. He offered the suggestion "that Chesapeake could improve its scoping process."

Chesapeake's field reps checking the roads don't have the expertise that the owners of the roads have, he said "and the RUMA process starts with the roads."

"The more input they can get up front from the owners, road personnel or elected officials would help streamline the RUMA process," Miner said, "and eliminate all the back and forth. In my experience, the scoping process is critical to a successful (overall) process."

In general, it takes about two months from drilling the first road core samples to completion of the RUMA.

Miner suggests that after the core samples are taken the road structures should be evaluated by "physically walking the roads and looking at it with all the parties involved ... I'm not going to

sign anything without looking at it," he said, adding that he went out one Sunday for four hours walking a road.

"That's my job," he said. The solution, Miner said, lies in guidelines that should be set in a handbook covering the RUMA basics, that would apply anywhere.

"That's the missing link," he said. "Given my experience I going to speak with people in Columbus to standardize this process. I've given this a lot of thought ... about where it needs to change ... just a standardized process."

He has talked to former state Sen. Jason Wilson who heads the Office of Appalachia, a job creation and development agency.

A RUMA manual or handbook sounds like a good idea considering Washingtonville council was advised by one group in July that oil and gas companies want every square inch in Mahoning and Columbiana counties under lease.

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## GM, Isuzu recall 258,000 SUVs to fix power windows

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors and Isuzu are recalling more than 258,000 SUVs in the U.S. and Canada to fix short-circuits in power-window and door-lock switches that can cause fires.

The recall covers Chevrolet TrailBlazer, GMC Envoy, Buick Rainier, Isuzu Ascender and Saab 97-X SUVs from the 2006 and 2007 model years. The SUVs were sold or registered in 20 U.S. states, Washington, D.C., and Canada, where salt and other chemicals are used to clear roads in the winter.

GM has reports of 28 fires. It doesn't know of any injuries caused by the problem.

Fluid containing the road-clearing chemicals can get inside the driver's door and cause corrosion in the power-window and door-switch circuit boards, according to doc-

uments posted on the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website. The corrosion can cause short-circuits, knocking out the switches and causing fires.

The recall affects SUVs sold or registered in the following states: Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Dealers will replace the power-window switch for free, according to NHTSA documents posted Saturday. Owners will get letters telling them when to schedule appointments. GM also will make repairs at no cost to owners living in states not covered by the recall, spokesman Alan Adler said in an e-mail.



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**DEATHS**

**Rosa Lee Antram**



COLUMBIANA – Rosa Lee Antram, 84, of 135 Stanton Ave., died at 11:11 p.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Alzheimer's Center, Columbiana.

Mrs. Antram was born Feb. 28, 1928, a daughter of the late Lee Wilbur and Rosa Catherine Esterly Harrold and lived in this area all of her life.

Rosa worked as a cook in the cafeteria and then as a guidance office secretary for many years for the Columbiana Exempted School District. She was a member of the Grace Church in Columbiana. She worked as a cook during the tourist season at Yellowstone National Park.

She was survived by her husband, Robert Antram, whom she married March 19, 1949; a daughter, Linda Kay Smith of Salem; two sons, Robert Lee (Shirley Scott) Antram of Warrenton, Va. and Richard Kevin (Kerry) Antram of New Waterford; a sister, Margaret (Richard) Thomas of Surprise, Ariz.; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 15, 2012, at Grace Church, Columbiana, with Rev. Dr. Robert C. Joy officiating, followed by a luncheon at the church. Private interment will be in Columbiana Cemetery.

Material tributes may be made to Grace Church, 140 S. Main St. Columbiana, Ohio 44408.

Arrangements were handled by the Warrick-Kummer-Rettig Funeral Home, Columbiana.

Sign the register and send condolences at [www.familycare-services.com](http://www.familycare-services.com).

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**Park**

**FROM 1A**

Butch and Betz.

"I was talking to the Millcreek Metroparks, and they told me small park boards need to have five members because smaller park districts generally are more 'hands on,'" he said, adding that is certainly the case with them.

The park district came to be in the 1970s with the creation of the 250-acre Scenic Vista Park off Wayne Bridge Road in Center Township. In the years since, the park district has added the Lisbon-to-Leetonia Little Beaver Creek Greenway Trail and, more recently, the 752-acre Hellbender Bluff Park in Madison Township.

There are no full-time maintenance personnel, and the other staff consists of a part-time office secretary. Much of the work is shared among board members, and West said they need help.

"Here, we do just about everything," he said.

Board appointments are made through county Juvenile/Probate Court Judge Tom Baronzzi, and the park board has submitted the names of Justin Conkle and Rachel Esterly to become the fourth and fifth members.

West said Conkle and Esterly are younger, which is a good thing. "We need to get some younger people involved and their energy and ideas," he said. "They bring some talent with them."

Conkle, who lives near Columbiana, is an engineer and recently hired by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, while Esterly works at the East Liverpool campus of Kent State University. She lives outside Lisbon.

Both have volunteered to help at various park district events, which is how they became known to the board. "I know by having them on board, we'll be greatly improved. They are two sharp people," West said.

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**United**

**FROM 1A**

Marlington High School in 1986 after graduating from the University of Akron. He has served at all three levels in the district's administration since 1994, most recently as the principal of Washington Elementary.

He has also coached varsity football (including six years as offensive coordinator) and girls track at the high school and served as a Stark County football official for 16 years until 2010.

With such vast and varied experience, Viscounte said he has gained a good perspective of all levels of education and feels more than ready to helm the United Local School District, which has been rated Excellent by the Ohio Department of Education the past four years.

"When you're the superintendent... everybody looks to you for the answer," he said. "As a leader, you have to surround yourself with excellent people and let them do their jobs. There has been a lot of changes in education in the past few years and United has continued to meet those challenges to remain excellent."

Viscounte said he will take time to build relationships and understand traditions then assess where the district is in its curriculum and what can be done to better prepare the students for the 21st century.

He said one priority right now is developing dual credit options, with an eye on calculus this year, that will save students and their families money on college.

"I'm going to do the things I know best, but I'm not able to do the job all by myself, so relationship building is important right now," he said.

And his relationship building is not limited to staff members, either, reflected in his favorite part of the job — working with kids and seeing them develop into adults.

"It's always gratifying when former students come back and tell you what a difference you made in their lives," he said. "They don't always get the lesson when they're young, but eventually it sinks in. It makes you feel good to know that you had a hand in it."

Viscounte said he is also a devout family man who enjoys his free time with his wife of 19 years, Cindy, and their two daughters, seventh-grader Alyssa and fifth-grader Leaha.

"When all's said and done, that is all you have left," he said. "Family is very important to me."

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**Route 334 crash**

Colleen Egnachaski, 51, of Lowellville and her male passenger were transported by Leetonia Fire/EMS to St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boardman following a two vehicle crash on state Route 344 at state Route 11. Trooper Brian Kavanagh said their injuries appeared to be minor. Both vehicles were east bound on state Route 344 when William Bargerstock, 50, of Hookstown, Pa. driving the dark blue Ford F-150 reportedly made an illegal U-turn in front of Egnachaski's Chevy Tahoe, causing the accident. Bargerstock was cited for the improper turn and was administered a field sobriety test, which he passed. Trooper Kavanagh is investigating the crash. He was assisted by Trooper Jodi Bowlen. (Salem News photo by Patti Schaeffer)

**POLICE**

**SALEM REPORTS**

— Help Hotline called at 2:01 p.m. Saturday asking that an officer be sent to the 500 block of North Ellsworth Avenue to check on a female who contacted Help Hotline due to depression. An officer arrived and the woman handed him a knife and walked outside to an ambulance.

— Police were called to the 100 block of Ohio Avenue for a person to be removed at 1:04 p.m. Saturday. A woman said her daughter was the property owner and didn't want a certain man on her property, but she rents the property to someone else and the person to be removed was their guest.

— A resident of the 600 block of Park Avenue, reported at 11:44 a.m. Saturday that someone slashed two tires on her vehicle, which was parked off of an alley by her garage. The officer observed puncture marks in the rear tires.

— A woman in the 800 block of East Pershing Street reported at 11:01 a.m. Saturday that her father is continually sending her text messages and refuses to stop. She wanted it documented.

— A man in the 1700 block of East Third Street reported at 10:45 a.m. Saturday that he received a threatening phone call from his wife, alleging that she said she was coming to retrieve their child and would cause bodily harm to him and his current girlfriend. The information will be sent to the prosecutor.

— A resident of the 200 block of West Fourth Street, reported at 10:08 a.m. Saturday that a vehicle was parked on his property without his permission and he wanted it towed. A tow truck was called and towed the vehicle away.

— Police were called at 9:18 a.m. Saturday to the 1100 block of East Ninth Street for a missing 3-year-old child. The residents were in the process of moving and their son had been playing in the back of the U-haul truck while people were loading it. While his parents entered the house, the boy left the truck and could not be found. He was found a short time later by a neighbor a few houses to the west, playing on a swing set.

— An anonymous caller at 3:12 a.m. Saturday reported someone attempting to open the front door of a residence in the 400 block of Franklin Street. Nobody was found.

— A woman on Vine Avenue reported at 3:07 a.m. Saturday that her ex-boyfriend from East Liverpool had been texting her all day long with derogatory messages. She showed the officer the incoming texts. The officer also saw outgoing texts sent to her ex from her current boyfriend.

— Police were called at 2:29 a.m. Saturday for a suspicious vehicle parked at Centennial Park after hours. The vehicle was gone before police arrived.

— A noise disturbance was reported at 2:25 a.m. Saturday in the 100 block of Ohio Avenue. Contact was made with a man who said he was upset over a relationship problem. His family was there and said everything was okay.

— Sabrina L. Wolford, 18, of 9230 state Route 45, Lisbon, and Taylor R. Stevens, 18, of 40051 Glasgow Road, Lisbon, were each charged with underage consumption of alcohol after police were called to the 200 block of East Fourth Street at 2:21 a.m. Saturday for a loud persons complaint. Officers could hear loud music and voices and made

contact with the people. Wolford and Stevens were released on their own recognizance to family members.

— Police were called at 1:48 a.m. Saturday to an alley behind the Side Door, off of Broadway Avenue, for a report of two young males wearing dark clothing spray painting. Officers arrived almost immediately and checked the area on foot and in marked patrol cars, but could not locate anyone fitting the description. They found fresh red spray paint on a residence in the 400 block of Franklin Avenue and black spray paint on a business off of the alley. A black spray paint can was recovered behind Franklin Avenue.

— Police were called at 12:31 a.m. Saturday to the 900 block of East Third Street for a report of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. A resident of Broadway Avenue, reported he let a friend use his vehicle a month ago with the understanding the friend was to pay the insurance. The friend has not paid the insurance and now the owner wants the vehicle returned. He said the friend has been avoiding him and refuses to return the vehicle. He was told it's a civil matter since he gave him the vehicle without negotiated terms explaining if or when to return it.

— A woman in the 400 block of Aetna Street reported at 12:09 a.m. Saturday that two unknown males appeared at her front door and one of them punched and shattered a portion of the window before they both fled. Officers checked the area but did not find them.

— Loud music was reported in the 100 block of West Pershing Street at 11:33 p.m. Friday, coming from an apartment building. A resident turned the music down.

— An officer in the area of West Pershing Street and Sharp Avenue at 11:34 p.m. Friday heard a load explosion that sounded like it originated from somewhere south of East Pershing Street, in the area of Franklin Avenue or further south. Police checked the area but could not locate the source.

— A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 800 block of West State Street at 11:20 p.m. Friday, but was determined to not be suspicious. It had expired tags. The driver was told to keep the vehicle parked until she takes care of the tags.

— A woman in the 800 block of Jennings called at 10:39 p.m. Friday for a loud music complaint in the neighborhood. A man in a garage was told about the complaint. The same woman had called at 8:04 p.m. about the loud music in the garage, but officers determined at that time that it could not be heard at the minimum distance to substantiate a criminal charge. A man with the same last name as the woman called from a residence on North Ellsworth Avenue at 9:28 p.m. about the same problem.

— An assault was reported in the 500 block of East Pershing Street at 10:32 p.m. Friday. Officers determined two males were in an altercation in an alley, but gave differing accounts of who started it. They were told to have no contact with each other. Both had minor injuries and had people coming to pick them up.

— A resident in the 900 block of Franklin Avenue at 9:51 p.m. Friday reported a known male has been harassing him on Facebook. He said he had the suspect blocked, but the suspect is now contacting him via a mutual acquaintance's account. An officer will attempt to contact the suspect.

— Police were called at 9:32 p.m. Friday to the 900 block of East Third Street for broken glass in the street. An officer found a glass liquor bottle

shattered across both lanes of traffic. A resident loaned a broom to an officer to sweep up the glass.

— A dog at large described as a chocolate lab was reported at 9:25 p.m. Friday in the 300 block of East Seventh Street. An officer located the dog but couldn't get close to it. The humane officer was contacted.

— Police were called at 8:19 p.m. Friday to Monroe Street for a domestic. A man said his girlfriend was moving out and he was upset about it. No violence was observed.

— A driver's license left at a local business was dropped off at the police station at 7:26 p.m. Friday. An attempt will be made to contact the owner.

— Police responded to Walmart on East State Street after receiving a call at 5:45 p.m. Friday for a suspicious person wearing an unknown type of black vest, sunglasses and a toboggan going inside and outside the store. The man was located and found to be wearing a weighted workout vest and to have some psychological issues. He left for home.

— Police were called at 5:01 p.m. Friday for a report of a red Camaro being operated recklessly in the area of Jennings Avenue and Ninth Street. An officer saw fresh peel marks, but did not find the car.

— A domestic was reported at 4:35 p.m. Friday in the 100 block of Washington Avenue where a man and his live-in girlfriend had a verbal dispute that led to a slight altercation. She said she was hit in the stomach and she's pregnant. The fire department first responders and KLG Ambulance responded, but she refused treatment. Information was gathered.

— A resident spoke to an officer at 4:15 p.m. Friday regarding money missing from his checking account at Home Savings & Loan. Charges had been made in Pennsylvania totaling \$588.

— A brown and white pit bull was reported running at large at 4:11 p.m. Friday on Ash Street. An officer found the dog, but it would not let him get close. The humane officer was contacted.

— A woman on Continental Drive reported at 4:03 p.m. Friday that she's received several calls from a male having a strong foreign accent who claimed to be calling to assist her with a possible hacker problem involving her computer. He wanted her to turn on her computer and perform some tasks, but she declined due to the suspicious nature of the call. She had already made contact with her Internet provider.

— Police were called at 4 p.m. Friday regarding a possible intoxicated male operating a silver Chrysler in the area of Sharp Avenue and West State Street. The vehicle was not found.

— A clerk at a business in the 500 block of East State Street reported at 11:52 a.m. Friday that an unknown person came up on the sidewalk and removed a cooler and a children's riding toy, placed them in the back of a vehicle and drove off without paying for them. The car was described as a gold Chevy Malibu.

— Police were called to Home-wood Avenue at 11:32 a.m. Friday regarding a tree branch falling on a parked vehicle. The driver of a J & J Refuse truck told an officer he was traveling south when the truck struck a large tree branch, causing it to break off of the tree and fall to the ground, appearing to strike the parked vehicle. The owner of the vehicle could not be found.

— A resident of the 200 block of West 16th Street, reported at 6:32 a.m. Friday that someone damaged a 1998 Chevy Cavalier which was parked in his driveway overnight.

Damaged were the driver side mirror, passenger side door and roof just above the front passenger side door.

— A fight was reported near the tennis courts at Centennial Park at 8:59 p.m. Thursday, but no fight was found, only a large crowd. The youth present were sent home.

— A man in the 100 block of East Fourth Street reported at 8:25 p.m. Thursday that he met his ex-girlfriend to exchange their daughter for visitation and an argument ensued over the daughter's social security card and a cell phone. He alleged that she struck him in the left side of his face and scratched the side of his neck. She denied the assault and said she took the phone because she paid half the cost and bought the minutes for it.

— While Columbiana County Drug Task Force agents were working in the area of Centennial Park monitoring suspicious activity at 3:17 p.m. Wednesday, an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for an equipment violation and cited the motorist, Samson A. Crowl, 633 Cherry St., for driving under suspension.

**SALEM TWP. REPORTS**

— William Angus, an assistant girls running coach for Salem High School, reported at 7:35 p.m. Friday that while they were running on Butcher Road Thursday, one of the girls was bitten by a dog that ran from a residence. The matter was being reported to the dog warden and contact was being made with the homeowner. Angus was told to have the girl's parents contact the police department.

— A resident of South Egypt Road reported at 6:27 p.m. Friday that he was having problems with neighbor kids trespassing on his property. He spoke to their parents, but it's still happening.

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**Having a ball at Salem First Friends Church!**

Top photo Layne Jones, 4, of Lisbon, has a ball during the Little Friends Preschool Family Fun Fest Saturday afternoon at Salem First Friends Church. The event featured a number of activities for kids, including a train ride, games and face painting. Right photo, Max Hammers, 3, watches as his sister Emma, 6, knocks down some cups with good aim at Family Fun Fest at Salem First Friends Church. Little Friends Preschool held the event. (Salem News photos by Mary Ann Greier)



# Shell serious about petrochemical plant to be built near Monaca

## Cracker plant would covert Marcellus Shale gas into profitable chemicals

MONACA, Pa. (AP) — Shell Oil Co. is years away from building a huge petrochemical plant in western Pennsylvania, but the company is already reaching out to the local community and getting a wholehearted welcome.

Dan Carlson, a Shell general manager, spoke to a gathering of about 50 people Wednesday night at a high school auditorium in Monaca (population 5,700)

where the company hopes to build the multibillion dollar plant. The site is about 40 miles north of Pittsburgh and 38 miles from Salem.

The so-called cracker plant would convert the bountiful Marcellus Shale natural gas into more profitable chemicals such as ethylene, which is used to make plastics, tires, antifreeze and other products.

Despite the usual warnings that the plant might never happen, Carlson provided a number of details to show how serious Shell is. The company currently has about 50 people working full-time on the project, and invested about \$4.7 billion in 2010 for drilling rights to about 650,000 acres so that it could potentially use its own wells to supply some of

the natural gas that's needed for the plant.

There are early drawings of a possible layout for the plant, and Shell is in talks with railroad company CSX about possible transportation deals, plus working with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation on a traffic study considering the construction phase could involve thousands of workers.

Community leaders at the meeting said they hope the plant will lead to an industrial resurgence in the area, which was devastated when steel mills and other factories began closing in the 1980s.

"Right now, the U.S. is the second-most cost-efficient place in the world" for such petrochemical plants, Carlson said, ahead of Asian countries and behind only the Middle East, which is far from the major markets that buy ethylene.

He said that while Shell is still examining the available reserves of natural gas in the region, it's becoming less concerned about the raw

quantity.

Other issues include the scores or even hundreds of miles of pipeline that would need to be built to supply the plant, as well as long-term deals needed with customers and suppliers throughout the region.

Carlson said that if the plant is built, Shell expects to use gas from Ohio and West Virginia, too.

Cracker plants use extreme heat, high pressure and then extreme cold to break the ethane molecules into smaller chemical components.

Such plants look similar to a gasoline refinery, with miles of pipe and large storage tanks. The final complex could cover several hundred acres.

And while some environmental groups and communities in other states and regions have protested that the recent gas drilling boom has too many negative effects or unknowns, not a single such complaint came out of the meeting in Monaca.

"This just makes too much

sense for a community like Beaver County to say, 'We don't want something like this,'" said Dan Matsook, superintendent of the local school district. Matsook noted that the area has a long history of industry.

"This isn't necessarily foreign to us. Because we grew up with this," he said.

Matsook and other community leaders recently visited Shell's cracker plants in Louisiana, and said they came away convinced that the local communities benefit.

The site near Monaca also has a significant buffer area between the proposed site and residential neighborhoods.

Carlson said Shell is encouraged by the broad local support for the plant, which cuts across political lines and includes business and union leaders. Still, he stressed that the huge project is "just getting started."

Shell's board of directors will have to authorize the final decision to build, and the permitting and design process could take several years, followed by several years of construction.

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# ... ON THE Calendar THIS WEEK ...

**SUN/19**

**AUSTINTOWN**

Columbiana-Mahoning County Beekeepers, meeting, 2 p.m., home of Don Kovac's parents, 322 S. Turner Road.; potluck lunch 1 p.m.

**COLUMBIANA**

"Arsenic and Old Lace," 2 p.m., Crown Theater in Main Street Theater. Tickets at [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/238910](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/238910); \$13 for adults, \$10 for 10 and under.

Log House Museum, open 2-4 p.m.

Firestone Park Summer Concert Series welcomes "Little Rock," at the gazebo, 2-4 p.m.; canceled in case of inclement weather.

**EAST LIVERPOOL**

Pioneer Village's Friends of Beaver Creek State Park, pancake breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon, barn, 12021 Echo Dell Road.

Car Show and Family Fun Day, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Ohio Valley Home Health Services, 15679 state Route 170; free admission. Registration for car cruise, 9:30 a.m.-noon, \$5.

Beaver Creek Wildlife Education Center, open 2-6 p.m.

**LISBON**

David Anderson High School Class of 1960, lunch, 1 p.m., Chef's Table.

Bluegrass music by Get Out and Push, 4-6 p.m., Scenic Vista Park on Wayne Bridge Road.

**ROGERS**

Country music jam, 6-9 p.m., Rogers Community Auction dining room.

**SALEM**

Salem Historical Society Museum open 1-4 p.m., 208 S. Broadway Ave.; air-conditioned, admission fee.

Arby's benefit cruise for Bill Greenamy, 2320 E. State St., 3 to 8:30 p.m. Band from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Summer Concert Series, Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell at Waterworth Memorial Park, 6-8 p.m.; John Reese and Backbeat.

**MON/20**

**BEAVER TOWNSHIP**

South Range Local Board of Education, 7:30 p.m., K-12 campus Band Room.

**COLUMBIANA**

TOPS 720, Presbyterian Church, weigh-ins 9-9:35 a.m.; 330-482-5946.

Freshman Focus orientation program for Crestview freshmen students and their parents, either 10 a.m. or 6 p.m., CR Performing Arts Center. To sign-up for a time call 330-482-4744.

**DAMASCUS**

Lupus support group meeting, 7 p.m., Damascus Friends Church; 330-509-9015.

**EAST LIVERPOOL**

Columbiana County Port Authority board meeting, 9 a.m., port authority office, 1250 St. George St.

Clothes Closet, open from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., First Church of the Nazarene; enter through the Minerva Street door.

**EAST PALESTINE**

East Palestine High School 2012 yearbooks available for pick-up, 9 a.m.-noon. guidance office.

**LEETONIA**

Nonfiction book discussion, Scott Farris' "Almost President," 6 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

**LISBON**

Columbiana County Board of Elections, regular session, 10 a.m., board office, 7989 Dickey Drive, Suite 3.

Al-Anon meeting, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Fleming House, 7300 Rose Drive.

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**NORTH LIMA**

Assumption Village is recruiting full and part-time STNAs and dietary and housekeeping staff, 8:30-11:30 a.m., at Mahoning County One-Stop, 141 Boardman-Canfield Road (Route 224); bring up-to-date resume, be prepared to complete online application and face-to-face interview.

**SALEM**

Food distribution, 9-11:30 a.m., Salem Community Pantry, 794 E. Third St.

R-Weigh's Hit and Runs losing baseball team will provide a picnic at Faith Chapel for the afternoon group, following weigh-ins from 1-1:30 p.m.; bring table service and beverage.

Salem Public Library, regular board meeting, 4:30 p.m., board room.

Emotions Anonymous, 2-3 p.m., Salvation Army; 330-332-1045.

Banquet in Salem, 5-7 p.m., Memorial Building; meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce, fresh vegetables, fruit and ice cream sundaes.

Cutting Edge Styling Salon, Relay for Life Team's bus trip to Rivers Casino, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; seats available at 330-337-9688.

Police practical combat, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

City Board of Education, work study session, 6:15 p.m., high school library. City Board of Education, monthly meeting, 7 p.m., high school library, will include executive session for personnel with no action to be taken.

TOPS 1380, 6:15 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.

Bingo, 6:45 p.m., Salem Little Quakers Hall, 1688 S. Lincoln Ave.; 330-332-2152.

**TUE/21**

**CANFIELD**

Salem Area Visiting Nurse Association to provide blood pressure, oxygen saturation and pulse free checks, 1-3 p.m., Canfield Public Library.

**COLUMBIANA**

Crestview High School computer distribution/orientation for 10-12th grade students and their parents, 10 a.m. or 6 p.m., Crestview Performing Arts Center.

**EAST LIVERPOOL**

"Handy Home Repairs: Fix-ups You Can Do Yourself at Home" workshop and picnic luncheon, 6 p.m., Pavilion #1 in Thompson Park; reservations, 330-385-9050 or 330-385-8896.

**EAST PALESTINE**

Village of East Palestine Legislative Committee meeting, 7 p.m., East Palestine Police Department.

**ELKRUN TOWNSHIP**

Elkrun Township trustees, 7 p.m., township administration/garage building.

**HANOVERTON**

United Local Class of 1961, lunch, 1 p.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

**LEETONIA**

New Leetonia Middle School students and students entering the fifth grade, orientation, 10 a.m., Leetonia Schools auditoria. New Leetonia High School students and students entering the ninth grade, orientation, 11:30 a.m., auditoria.

Special storytime with Lindsay, 1 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

Veterans Outpost and Home front (family) support meeting, 7 p.m., Point Man's LZ Refuge, 116 1/2 Oak St.; 800-877-8387.

**LISBON**

Overeaters Anonymous, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Fleming House behind McDonald's; 330-337-0940.

Lisbon Area Amateur Radio Association, monthly meeting, 6:30 p.m., Columbiana County EMA, 215 S. Market St.

Columbiana County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, Operations Committee, 5:45 p.m.

**SALEM**

Deming Retirees, breakfast, 8 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Salem High School Class of 1943, breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Adele's Place; out-of-state classmate expected to attend.

Goshen High School Class of 1941, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Bank One retirees and former employees, lunch, noon, Ponds Restaurant in Lisbon.

Free lunch, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Salvation Army, 1249 N. Ellsworth Ave.

Rotary Club, lunch, 11:45 a.m., Salem Community Center.

National Senior Citizens Day, Realife Church, 12824 Salem-Warren Road, free luncheon for all senior citizens, noon. Reservations, 330-332-0011.

Food distribution, 5-7:30 p.m., Salem Community Pantry, 794 E. Third St.

Dulci-More, free summer concert, 6:30-8 p.m., Civic Center Band Shell, Waterworth Memorial Park.

Salem Lions Club, 6 p.m., Memorial Building (second floor).

Service rifle shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

**WED/22**

**LEETONIA**

Deadline for school supply drive at Leetonia Community Public Library.

Leetonia High School Class of 1950, breakfast, 9:30 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

**NORTH LIMA**

Beaver Township's Music in the Park Concert Series, Woodworth Park, 7-8:30 p.m.; Loren Coler.

**SALEM**

Salem High School Class of 1950, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Wednesday Nite Ladies Bowling League, meeting, 6:30 p.m., Hunt Club; new bowlers welcome.

Salem Senior Citizens, meeting, noon, Memorial Building; bring canned food items for bingo prizes.

TOPS 777, weigh-ins 5:30-6:15 p.m., meeting 6:20 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-332-1280.

Area Singles Group, 6 p.m., Ponderosa Restaurant in Calcutta.

Rifle .22 bench-rest shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

Salem Jubilee Chorus practice. Male singers wanted, 7-8:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 244 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-337-6682.

Adult Children of Alcoholics (Al-Anon), 7:30 p.m., Episcopal Church; 330-831-4983 or 330-332-8233 after 6 p.m.

**SEBRING**

Al-Anon meetings, Pine Lake Christian Church, 636 Pine Lake Road. Beginner's meeting, 6:30 p.m.; regular meeting, 7 p.m.

**THU/23**

**COLUMBIANA**

"Sit Down with Seniors" visit with Congressman Bill Johnson, 10:15-11:30 a.m., Whispering Pines Village, 937 E. Park Ave.

**EAST PALESTINE**

East Palestine Middle School's Meet and Greet, 5-7 p.m., high school auditorium.

**DAMASCUS**

TOPS Chapter 1329, 9 a.m., Damascus United Methodist Church; 330-525-7785.

**LEETONIA**

Leetonia High School Class of 1962, tour of Leetonia School, 3 p.m.; meet at the front entrance.

Hunger Games movie, fun and trivia game, 5 p.m., ages 13 and up, Leetonia Community Public Library.

Friends of the Library, 6 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

**SALEM**

Food distribution, 9-11:30 a.m., Salem Community Pantry, 794 E. Third St.

Salem High School Class of 1963, lunch, noon, Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Ladies .22 rifle league, 6 p.m. Mixed Doubles, 6:45 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

Bingo, 6:45 p.m., Salem Little Quakers Hall, 1688 S. Lincoln Ave.

Addiction recovery, open meeting, 7 p.m., Faith Chapel, 511 E. Pershing St.; 330-332-8573.

**SAT/25**

**COLUMBIANA**

Log House Museum, open 2-4 p.m.

**DAMASCUS**

Rummage sale, bake sale, lunch bar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Damascus United Methodist Church, 300 Valley Road.

**LEETONIA**

Family movie, 1:30 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

**LISBON**

Centaur Club's Warbird Fun Fly, County Home Road. Pilot's meeting, 9 a.m.; 330-222-2629 or toytrdkaw@yahoo.com.

**SALEM**

Concealed carry class, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Pre-registration required, 330-332-9847, Salem Hunting Club.

Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., downtown at McCulloch Park between Troll's Jewelry and MacMillan's on State Street.

Poker run benefit for Brayden Delp, 4-8 p.m., AMVETS Post 45. Sign-ups 10 a.m.-noon; \$10 per single, \$20 per couple, \$7 for non-riders. Raffles, Chinese auction, food and dancing to DJ Mikey Mike from 9 p.m.-midnight.



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# Health

## If pregnant, do not drink alcohol

By CATHY BROWNFIELD

Family Recovery Center

If you're pregnant, don't drink alcohol. Early this summer the news media reported that studies in Denmark indicated that low to moderate consumption of alcohol by pregnant women may not be so risky as to affect an unborn child's development. But before you decide to go out to party, you should read the small print.

What happens when a breast-feeding mom eats green beans? The baby gets a belly ache from gas. What Mom eats does affect Baby.

What happens when a pregnant mom drinks alcohol in any amount? The alcohol is carried through the umbilical cord to the baby. Mom's addiction can become Baby's addiction.

If you visit online at [www.babycenter.com](http://www.babycenter.com), you can watch a simulation of pregnancy in a collection of beautifully done videos that take only minutes to view. Within the first week of pregnancy two groups of cells form: inner (what becomes the baby) and outer (the placenta that provides protection and life support for Baby throughout the pregnancy.) Everything the mother consumes—food, medication, abused substances—is passed through the umbilical cord to the baby. Those things affect cell structures in developing organs.

By week five, before most women know they are pregnant, the primitive organs are formed, as well as the circulatory system. The brain and heart are developing and facial features are recognizable. By week nine, the baby may be only the size of a grape, but there is a defined human developing within the

mom.

During weeks 10 to 14 fetal development is ongoing. The brain, intestines, liver and nervous system are active and vital organs are functioning. As the second trimester comes on the lungs develop and in the third trimester, the brain.

There is so much going on inside that tiny being that we, in the outside world, don't realize or appreciate what is happening because we can't see it. When a substance is abused and added to what is already taking place within the unborn child, the child's well being is put in certain peril.

Despite the results of the studies in Denmark, which were funded mostly by the American CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), that agency strongly advises that no amount of alcohol consumption by a pregnant woman is safe. The CDC urges that women who are pregnant, think they are pregnant or planning to become pregnant should abstain from drinking alcohol in any amount.

Why is alcohol consumption during pregnancy so risky?

The face, heart and urogenital tract (the connected organs that work together) in humans appear to be particularly sensitive to alcohol-induced malformations, writes Susan M. Smith, Ph.D. in her article, "Alcohol-Induced Cell Death in the Embryo." The development occurs during those early weeks before the woman knows she is pregnant. Smith writes, "For example, alcohol is most likely to cause heart defects during the time when cellular signals are directing the heart's division into its various

chambers and great vessels, starting at 4 weeks after fertilization."

She later says, "the causative relationship between alcohol and cell death is reinforced by the fact that several alcohol-affected embryonic tissues later result in body structures that exhibit malformations consistent with under development."

What that means is that alcohol consumption during pregnancy affects how your baby's brain, heart, and other organs are going to develop before they are born. Cells are killed, the organs retarded from proper growth and development. One of the consequences of drinking alcohol during pregnancy is FASD (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder). FASDs are lifetime disorders that cause physical problems and/or behavior and learning problems.

Sometimes the consequences of drinking alcohol during pregnancy are devastating because the child will need special care for all of their lifetime. FASD is the only form of mental retardation that can be prevented by just not consuming alcohol during pregnancy.

Learn more about FASDs online at [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/fasd/facts.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/fasd/facts.html).

Family Recovery Center promotes the well being of individuals, families and communities with education, prevention and treatment programs for substance abuse and other mental health issues. For more information contact FRC at 964 N. Market St., Lisbon; phone, 330-424-1468; or e-mail, [info@familyrecovery.org](mailto:info@familyrecovery.org). FRC is funded, in part, by United Way of Northern Columbiana County and ODADAS (Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services).

SALEM COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

## Preventing the West Nile Virus

Since 2002 when the West Nile Virus (WNV) first appeared in Ohio, there is usually some talk about the virus, particularly in the late summer and early fall.

"The West Nile virus is transmitted to people by infected mosquitoes," explained Lyn Pethel, BS (ASCP), RN, CIC, Director of Quality Improvement and Infection Control at Salem Community Hospital. "While not all mosquitoes carry the virus, an infected mosquito can cause illness. The greatest risk of getting the virus is from July to mid-September."

Seasonal outbreaks of the virus may vary in local areas, based on factors such as the weather, numbers of mosquitoes that spread the virus and human behavior.

"The West Nile virus usually peaks with the life cycle of mosquitoes, which in North-east Ohio is in August and September," Pethel continued. "A mild winter and many spring rains have allowed this year's mosquito population to increase, while summer's hot weather with little rain has created stagnant pools of water that are ideal for mosquito breeding grounds."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 43 states, including Ohio, have reported WNV infections in people, birds or mosquitoes; as of the second week of August 2012. Over 80 percent of the cases have been reported from 6 states (Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana, Oklahoma, South Dakota and California); with almost half of all the cases reported from Texas.

*How Does WNV Spread?*

"Usually, WNV is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito," Pethel added. "Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. These infected mosquitoes can then spread WNV to humans and other animals when they bite."

"In a very small number of cases, WNV also has been spread through blood transfusions, organ transplants, breastfeeding and during pregnancy from mother to baby. However, the virus is not spread through casual contact, such as touching or kissing a person who has been infected."

*Symptoms*

People typically develop symptoms between three and 14 days after they are bitten by the infected mosquito. According to the CDC, about 1 in 150 people who are infected with WNV, will develop a severe illness.

Severe symptoms are more likely in people age 50 and older. "These symptoms can include high fever, headache, neck stiffness, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness and paralysis," Pethel advised.

Up to 20 percent of the people who become infected have milder symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. These symptoms can last anywhere from a few days to several weeks. Approximately 80 percent of people, who are infected with WNV will not show any symptoms at all.

*Treatment*

"There is no specific vaccination against or treatment for a WNV infection," she said. "In cases with milder symptoms, people may experience fever and aches that usually pass on their own."

"However, if a person develops symptoms of severe WNV illness, such as unusually severe headaches or confusion, they should seek medical attention immediately. Severe WNV illness usually requires hospitalization. Pregnant women and nursing mothers are also encouraged to talk to their doctor if they develop symptoms that could be considered as WNV."

*Prevention*

"The most effective way to avoid the West Nile virus is to take measures to prevent mosquito bites, which are the most common cause of infection," Lyn concluded. "Mosquitoes contract the virus from birds, and people are therefore advised not to touch dead birds with their bare hands."

"In addition, they should try to control the breeding grounds of mosquitoes on their property and protect themselves from mosquito bites when outdoors. Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Peak biting periods are several hours after daybreak and before dark, but mosquitoes can feed anytime during the day."

## Blood type might be a clue to heart disease risk

DALLAS (AP) — Here's another reason to know your blood type — it might be a clue to your risk of heart disease.

People who have blood types A, B, or AB have a slightly higher risk of heart disease compared to those with type O, the most common kind, according to research released Tuesday.

Those who know they are at higher risk may be more motivated to make changes to lower their chances of heart disease, said Dr. Lu Qi, senior author of the study from Harvard School of Public Health in Boston.

The new study involved about 90,000 men and women in two observational health studies that cover more than 20 years. Combined, 4,070 people developed heart disease. The researchers considered age and other factors like diet, drinking, family history of heart attacks that could contribute to heart disease. The increased risk for type A was 8 percent; type B, 11 percent; and type AB, 20 percent.

While the study did not examine how blood type may affect heart disease risk, it noted that research has shown some characteristics of different types may be a factor.

## Youth sports participation provides benefits

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Aside from the obvious physical fitness benefits, youth sports can provide countless other lessons and advantages that cannot be found in many other activities. Sports provide opportunities for leadership, development of social skills and teamwork — including how to handle success, and maybe more importantly, failure.

Children may feel a sense of belonging through sports that is not experienced in any other facet of their lives. Being a member of a team can provide a support system and help develop friendships that last a lifetime. They learn rules and consequences, how to be a team player and how a group can work together to attain one goal.

The following is a sampling of the lessons learned from participating in youth sports:

*Physical Fitness and Healthy Eating:* Developing healthy physical fitness habits and learning the importance at a young age will only help to fight the growing number of obese children. Sports provide a way for kids to work out and have fun at the same time.

It is now more important than ever to

teach our youth the benefits and importance of a healthy lifestyle and develop the correct eating and fitness habits.

Kids will begin to understand that what they eat to fuel their bodies has a major impact on how they perform. The more healthy food that is consumed by the athlete, the better they will feel physically and mentally.

*Stress Relief:* Sports allow kids to clear their minds of academic and social pressures. Physical activity has been proven to reduce stress and increase endorphin levels, consequently reducing tension, anxiety and improving sleep.

*Teamwork:* Through team participation, kids will learn the importance of being a team player (sacrificing the needs of one to benefit the team), cooperation, compromise, and collaboration. Putting your differences aside for the good of the team can be an eye-opening experience. Each individual can contribute in their own way to get the team to their common goal.

*Social Benefits:* Socialization can be difficult for children. Sports provide a way to develop relationships with peers. Athletes develop relationships with their teammates.

Working toward and achieving a common goal can open the doors of commu-

nication for some — allowing new friendships to occur.

*Resilience:* Adversity is inevitable in sports. Learning to deal with the hardship is one of the most important lessons children can take from sports participation. Whether the disappointment is a loss in a championship game or a bad call by an official, kids and adults alike can learn a great deal by bouncing back from any misfortune that they endure.

*Time Management:* Time is becoming more of a factor than ever as children are involved in numerous sports at a time — especially during the school year. Learning to manage time wisely can be the difference between getting an "A" on a big test and failing.

Athletes must learn at an early age that time should not be wasted. Planning ahead, working efficiently, and working ahead can be applied to many areas of life beyond sports.

The Salem Community Center and Center Circle Indoor Sports Complex offer many youth leagues and camps throughout the year.

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## Study: Junk food laws may help curb kids' obesity

By LINDSEY TANNER

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CHICAGO (AP) — Laws strictly curbing school sales of junk food and sweetened drinks may play a role in slowing childhood obesity, according to a study that seems to offer the first evidence such efforts could pay off.

The results come from the first large national look at the effectiveness of the state laws over time. They are not a slam-dunk, and even obesity experts who praised the study acknowledge the measures are a political hot potato, smacking of a "nanny state" and opposed by industry and cash-strapped schools relying on food processors' money.

But if the laws have even a tiny effect, "what are the downsides of improving the food environment for children today?" asked Dr. David Ludwig, an obesity specialist at Harvard Medical School and Boston Children's Hospital. "You can't get much worse than it already is."

Children in the study gained less weight from fifth through eighth grades if they lived in states with strong, consistent laws versus no laws governing snacks available in schools. For example, kids who were 5 feet tall and 100 pounds gained on average 2.2 fewer pounds if they lived in states with strong laws in the three years studied.

Also, children who were overweight or obese in fifth grade were more likely to reach a healthy weight by eighth grade if they lived in states with the strongest laws.

The effects weren't huge, and the study isn't proof that the laws influenced kids' weight. But the results raised optimism among obesity researchers and public health experts who generally applaud strong laws to get junk food out of schools.

"This is the first real evidence that the laws are likely to have an impact," said Dr. Virginia Stallings, director of the nutrition center at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Stallings chaired an Institute of Medicine panel that urged standards for making snack foods and drinks sold in schools more healthful but was not involved in the new research.

The authors of the study, released online Monday in the journal *Pediatrics*, analyzed data on 6,300 students in 40 states. Their heights and weights were measured in spring 2004, when they were finishing fifth grade and soon to enter middle school, and in 2007, during the spring of eighth grade.

The researchers also examined several databases of state laws on school nutrition during the same time. The states were not identified in the study because of database license restrictions that protect the students' confidentiality, the authors said.

The laws governed food and drinks sold in public school vending machines and school stores, outside of mealtime. Laws were considered strong if they included specific nutrition requirements, such as limits on sugar and fats. Laws were rated weak if the requirements were vague and merely urged sales of "healthy" food without specifics.

The results show that for these laws to be effective, they need to be consistently strong in all grades, said lead author Daniel Taber, a health policy researcher at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

In late 2003, 27 of the states studied had no relevant laws affecting middle-schoolers, seven had weak laws and six had strong laws. Several states and school districts enacted tougher laws affecting middle-schoolers and younger kids during the next few years as national concern rose over obesity rates. Recent data suggest that almost 20

percent of elementary school children nationwide are obese, and the rate among teens is only slightly lower.

In states with consistently strong laws in elementary and middle school, almost 39 percent of fifth-graders were overweight when the study began. That fell to 34 percent in eighth grade. Also, almost 21 percent of fifth-graders were obese, declining to about 18 percent in the eighth grade.

In states with no relevant laws, almost 37 percent of fifth-graders were overweight and 21 percent were obese, and those numbers barely budged by eighth grade.

Boston University statistician Mark Glickman said the study design makes it difficult to reach any convincing conclusions. It's possible, for example, that stronger laws might be more prevalent in Democratic-leaning states with better-educated residents, and less obesity. But the study authors said they found stronger laws in states that had high levels of obesity.

The authors accounted for gender, race, income and school location.

Taber noted that several Southern states have been the most aggressive at targeting school junk food, "probably because they have the highest rates of obesity."

Ludwig, the Boston obesity specialist, praised the researchers for trying to "tackle a complicated question."

"The challenge is that there are a great many factors that coalesce to influence body weight," Ludwig said. "Disentangling these influences and looking at the independent effects of just one is a methodological nightmare."

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## OF MUTUAL INTEREST

## Target-date investors get more low-cost options

By MARK JEWELL  
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BOSTON (AP) — Investors are increasingly cost conscious and providers of target-date mutual funds are responding. They're rolling out a greater number of low-cost options. These inexpensive funds come in two main varieties: those that rely on index funds and others with ETFs added in.

Target-date funds have "set-it-and-forget-it" appeal. Professional managers automatically adjust the fund's portfolio to a more conservative mix as the target retirement year approaches. That makes them appealing to investors who want to build their retirement savings without getting too involved in the process. What's more, target-date funds are often the default option for workers who don't specify how to invest contributions to their 401(k) plan.

But even hands-off investors should aim to minimize their expenses. A growing number of target-date funds aim to reduce ongoing expenses by investing in low-cost index mutual funds, exchange-traded funds or a mix of both. These funds are typically available to any investor with a few thousand dollars to start.

Here's a look at some of the latest low-cost options:

#### INDEX ONLY, PLEASE...

It's crucial for investors to pay attention to the fees they're paying. The majority of assets in target-date funds are held in 401(k)s, and investment management fees typically make up two-thirds of overall costs in those plans. Those fees along with the administrative costs to run the plan are shaved off the top of investment returns, whether the stock market is up or down.

Yet relatively few investors are taking advantage of the lowest-cost options. About three-quarters of all assets in target-date funds are managed, according to Morningstar. That means professionals pick stocks or bonds in the fund's

portfolio in hopes of outperforming the market. Index funds seek to match the market by tracking an index, rather than trying to beat it. There's no one picking the investments, so costs are lower. And a wealth of research shows that a fund's expenses are almost always a more significant factor in long-term returns than any edge a manager can achieve.

Investor demand is growing. That's why two series of index-only target-date funds were rolled out last year: the BlackRock LifePath Index series and Lincoln Financial Group's Presidential Protected Profiles.

BlackRock also offers managed fund options, and is following the trend set by Fidelity, ING, TIAA-CREF, and John Hancock, in launching an index fund alternative to target-date lineups that include managed funds. The latest entrants boost the number of index-only target-date fund series on the market to 11.

The fee differences are substantial. The Vanguard Target Retirement and TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index series charge an average expense ratio of 0.18 percent of assets for the low-cost institutional shares — which 401(k) participants are typically invested in. Fidelity Freedom Index is close behind at 0.19 percent, followed by BlackRock LifePath Index at 0.28 percent.

Those compare with an average 0.81 percent for target-date funds that aren't exclusively invested in index funds, according to a recent study by BrightScope and Target Date Analytics.

The growth of index-only products and fee reductions at target-date funds offered by Allianz Global Investors, Nationwide and Pimco helped cut average expenses for target-date funds overall to 0.72 percent last year, down from 0.75 percent in 2010.

#### WITH A SIDE OF ETFs...OR AN ETF MAIN DISH, PLEASE

Low-cost mutual fund alternatives called exchange-traded funds have

begun to appear in some target-date portfolios and the trend continues to gain momentum. Lincoln's new Presidential Protected Profile uses more than 90 percent ETFs in its portfolios, while two groups of funds from BlackRock and State Farm's LifePath series all have at least half allocated to ETFs.

Then there's iShares, which since 2008 has offered a target-date series that's 100 percent invested in the iShares family of ETFs. BrightScope and Target Date Analytics found 14 fund companies that include ETFs to some degree in their target-date portfolios, or more than one-quarter of all companies studied.

ETFs invest in a basket of stocks, bonds or commodities, and nearly all ETFs are similar to index mutual funds in that they try to keep costs low by seeking to match rather than beat the market.

In many cases, ETFs are appearing in target-date funds because the provider wants to compete by offering low-cost funds with appropriate levels of diversification and risk for investors.

Industry observers expect ETFs will become increasingly common in target-date portfolios, but won't surpass mutual funds anytime soon. Three players in target-date funds — Fidelity, Vanguard and T. Rowe Price — control a combined 75 percent of the target-date market, based on assets. None of those three includes ETFs in their target-date offerings.

But Brooks Herman, BrightScope's head of research, says ETFs are likely to continue appearing in more target-date portfolios run by smaller companies.

"They're looking for creative ways to say, 'This is how we're getting an edge, and how we're providing good returns without taking on too much risk,'" Herman says. "For them, ETFs are part of the equation."

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## The least loved day is also the market's worst

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NEW YORK (AP) — It's not just in your head. Mondays really are the worst.

Monday is the only day the stock market is more likely to fall than to rise. The Dow Jones industrial average has been down 10 of the past 11 Mondays. And the two worst days in market history are both known as Black Monday.

There's no single reason why Mondays are so blue. Then again, there's no single reason the market rises or falls on any given day, driven as it is by the whims of traders placing millions of individual buy and sell orders.

Some anecdotal evidence comes to mind: Companies are prone to release bad news on Friday nights, when fewer people are paying attention. Monday is the first day investors can react.

And when companies collapse, they often do it late Sunday or early Monday, after spending a last weekend trying to stay afloat. See Wachovia, Bear Stearns and, most famously, Lehman Brothers investment bank, on Sept. 15, 2008.

Maybe people are just grumpier. They are at least more anxious: The so-called Vix, a gauge of investor fear, tends to go up on Mondays, notes Ryan Detrick, senior technical strategist for Schaeffer's Investment Research in Cincinnati.

The Vix has risen on two-thirds of this year's Mondays. On Tuesdays, the second-most-anxious day, the Vix was up just 58 percent of the time.

Or maybe it's a fluke — another pattern people latch on to to make the market seem more understandable, same as the stories that hemlines go up in bull markets, or that stocks rise if a team from the NFC wins the Super Bowl.

Burton Malkiel wrote about those last two theories in his finance classic, "A Random Walk Down Wall Street." He stuck them in a section called "A Gaggle of Other Technical Theories to Help You Lose Money."

He found the "blue Monday" phenomenon equally underwhelming. "Far from dependable," he says, and "most likely due to chance."

Still, there is a pattern.

Howard Silverblatt, senior index analyst for S&P Dow Jones Indices, crunched numbers for the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index back to 1928 and found that melancholy Mondays are a long tradition.

Over the past 84 years, the S&P has declined on 52 percent of the Mondays, Silverblatt says. Same goes for the Dow, going back to 1900. On each of the other four days, the market is more likely to rise than fall.

The S&P averages a decline of 0.12 percent on Mondays over history. On each of the other four days, the market averages a gain. (The best is Wednesday, averaging an increase of 0.08 percent.)

This year follows the pattern: For both the S&P and the Dow, Monday is the only day to average a loss.

Notably horrible was Monday, June 11, when the Dow fell 142 points because of worries about Spanish debt. Almost as bad were June 25, also capsized by worries about Spain, and April 9, after an anemic jobs report.

"Maybe over the weekend, that's when reality sets in," says Tim McCandless, senior stock analyst at Bel Air Investment Advisors in Los Angeles.

Three of the five worst days in the history of the S&P 500 were Mondays, including two days known as Black Monday: Oct. 19, 1987, when stocks plunged more than 20 percent, and Oct. 28, 1929, which helped set off the Great Depression.

So pity the poor Monday. Even pop culture is stacked against it. The Mamas & the Papas sang that every other day of the week is fine. Nobody names a restaurant T.G.I. Monday's. The Titanic sank on a Monday, for crying out loud.

It wasn't always like this, with Mondays representing the dreaded beginning of the workweek in Western countries. Monday probably got its bad name when the Roman emperor Constantine invented the weekend, as David Ewing Duncan, author of a book on the history of the calendar, is fond of saying.

Constantine made Sunday a rest day, an attempt to please both sun-worshippers, who were already observing it, Duncan says, and Christians, who Constantine knew could be persuaded because they believed in the resurrection of Christ on a Sunday.

So Monday, named for the moon, became the day for going back to work.

Which, in some ways, is only fitting.

"There's always been some mystery around the moon," Duncan says. "Much like how the stock market works on Mondays."

## Grant aimed at training for shale

## Special to the Salem News

BOARDMAN — A grant announced Monday should help train workers for the Marcellus and Utica Shale drilling industry. Members of the Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 396 gathered at their weld shop in Boardman to officially announce the \$137,000 grant. U.S. Rep. Timothy J. Ryan and a representative of Congressman Bill Johnson were in attendance.

The union has been training welders for more than 12 years and the funds will allow them to provide advanced training that will provide the skills necessary to enter the drilling industry. "We're at the point for us to partner up with the gas companies and many other facets in the shale industry," said Local 396 business manager Butch Taylor. "We've been reaching and proactive and these are the stepping stones."

The \$65,265 matching grant comes through the Appalachian Regional Commission and will provide funds to train 60 welders per year for five years, more than 10 foremen per year, retain 135 jobs per year and create at least five new jobs. The union applied for the federal grant about eight months ago through Eastgate Regional Council of Governments, the metropolitan planning organization for Trumbull, Mahoning, Columbiana and Ashtabula counties, and also received support from the Regional Chamber, Ryan and Johnson. Local 396 also is partnering with Eastern Gateway Community College, which Taylor said is the "clearance house" for people that may be interested. Details of the partnership are still being worked out, but the program is aimed at experienced welders who need to learn new skills specific to pipe welding in the gas and oil well drilling industry.

"The trick is that the industry really has some demands for training. They want professionals," said Vince Bevacqua, executive vice president at ShaleComm.

"People with a background in welding need to refine their skills so they're at the proper level for the industry," he said.

Bevacqua said the industry standard starting salary for the job is \$70,000. Ryan, D-Niles, said in a release that oil and gas producers are expected to bring \$34 billion into the state by 2015, and that Local 396 has invested more than \$2 million in their training center, where they have trained more than 200 people in the plumbing and welding industry in the last 10 years.

## With reverse mortgage comes considerations

By ALEX VEIGA

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Reverse mortgages represent an alluring proposition for seniors: Stay in your own home while the bank pays you either a lump sum or a stream of payments to help supplement your retirement income.

For some, that arrangement can help bring peace of mind. Others will scoff at the hefty fees and restrictions involved. And in many cases, alternative options, such as using one's home as collateral for a loan from a family member, might be a better fit. Types of reverse mortgages vary, but generally, a reverse mortgage allows homeowners age 62 or older to borrow against their home's equity. They can opt for a lump sum, line of credit or regular payments, and don't have to pay a monthly mortgage. The homeowner retains title and must pay insurance and property taxes while living there.

The loan and fees are due once all parties listed on the deed die, or the home is vacated for 12 straight months. The home is usually sold, and the proceeds from the sale are used to pay off the loan, plus interest and fees.

The interest on the loan balance is typically calculated monthly and accrues over time. So, if you elect to receive regular payouts, for example, the amount you owe, plus interest, grows. When the loan is repaid, the lender also collects all the compounded interest. Here are six tips experts recommend when considering whether to get a reverse mortgage:

#### 1. PUT IT OFF

Even though homeowners can qualify for a reverse mortgage as early as age 62, experts suggest putting it off as long as possible.

The longer you wait, the more you can borrow against your equity. You also stand to save more money on interest if you put off the timing of the loan or when you start receiving payments. Since, the longer the loan period, the more interest adds up.

Another consideration: the sooner you start depleting your home equity, the greater the chance that you may not have enough to meet your needs when you're older, says Noreen Perrotta, finance editor at Consumer Reports.

"The troubling trend now is that people are taking reverse mortgages as soon as they're qualified to do so," she says. "Life expectancy being what it is, if you're tapping your home equity at 62, you have to wonder what's going to be left at 82."

While reverse mortgages are intended to supplement retirement income, many borrowers are opting to take out loans at younger ages.

That could increase the risk that they will go broke later in life, according to a report issued in June by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

#### 2. UNDERSTAND REVERSE MORTGAGE TYPES

Reverse mortgages generally fall into three categories, Home Equity Conversion Mortgages, or HECMs, which are backed by the federal government; proprietary reverse mortgages, which are essentially private loans; and, single-purpose reverse mortgages, which come with restrictions as to what you can spend the money on.

By far, the more commonly available reverse mortgages today are the HECMs. That's because, as with other types of home loans, the government has become the main purchaser of reverse mortgages since the housing collapse.

Lenders approved by the Federal Housing Administration offer HECMs, which makes the loans widely available. Borrowers don't have to meet any income, credit or medical criteria to qualify, and are free to use the funds any way they please.

The Federal Trade Commission says most homeowners with a low or moderate income can qualify for the single-purpose loans, which also are the least expensive. But they may not be available in all areas.

#### 3. EVALUATE FEES AND INTEREST RATES

Reverse mortgages involve a slew of fees, such costs for closing and servicing the loan, origination fees, a premium for mortgage insurance (in the case of federally backed loans), and, of course, the interest rate.

For HECMs, origination fees can range from 2.1 percent to 8.3 percent of the loan amount, depending on the home's loan-to-value ratio. Mortgage insurance premiums on HECMs are charged monthly and based on an annual rate of 1.25 percent of the loan balance.

Like regular home loans, reverse mortgages can come with a fixed interest rate or one that's adjustable, meaning it can rise or fall over time. ARMs also can potentially lessen the amount of equity available to the borrower, because more of the equity could end up going toward interest.

In the case of a HECM, the borrower is required to meet with a counselor from an independent housing agency who must explain how much the loan will cost, as well as possible alternatives, according to the FTC.

#### 4. AVOID LUMP SUM PAYOUT

Generally, reverse mortgages that come with a fixed interest rate require the borrower to take the lump sum payout, and some 70 percent of reverse mortgage borrowers opt for the one-time payment, according to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

That option makes sense for borrowers who want to get as much of their money as they can at once. Many bor-

rowers who opt for the one-time payment do so as a way to refinance traditional mortgages or make another large purchase.

But it puts them in a position where they have to manage that money, while continuing to pay their property taxes, homeowner's insurance, upkeep on the home and other costs. And if they should run out of money, they could lose the home to foreclosure.

Some 9.4 percent of reverse mortgage borrowers are at risk of foreclosure because they haven't paid taxes and insurance, according to a report by the CFPB.

Also, if you don't need all the money at once, you end up paying more interest than you're earning.

A better option for those looking for a steady stream of income is to take a credit line, suggests Jack Guttentag, professor of finance emeritus at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and operator of mortgage information website [MTGprofessor.com](http://MTGprofessor.com).

Such an option is only available as an adjustable-rate loan, but borrowers can elect not to draw on the credit line only as needed, preserving their home equity.

In contrast, borrowers who take the lump sum payout can end up paying more than 5 percent in fees, Guttentag says.

"And where are you going to invest today to earn more than 5 percent?" he says.

#### 5. CONSIDER HEALTH CARE NEEDS

If a borrower becomes ill and has to be moved to an assisted living facility for more than 12 months, their reverse mortgage will come due, because reverse mortgages require borrowers to live in their home.

In the case where a borrower's spouse has yet to turn 62, should the borrower become ill and leave the property for more than 12 months or die, the loan also would come due.

#### 6. EXPLORE ALTERNATIVES

Homeowners should investigate whether there are any alternatives available before borrowing against the equity in their home, particularly if they're weighing drawing funds soon after they meet the minimum age requirement.

"If you have to tap it at that early age, you might be better off selling the home," Perrotta says.

The advantage of selling a home is you can draw all the equity you have built up. In a reverse mortgage, you only get a portion of that, because you have to cover the fees and interest costs.

Of course, if you sell your home, you have to find and pay for a new place to live. Some options include moving into a smaller, more affordable home.

Another option: Selling the property to relatives and then renting it back from them so the property stays in the family.

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► **NCAA FOOTBALL**



## No. 1

In this Nov. 26, 2011 file photo, Southern California quarterback Matt Barkley reacts during an NCAA college football game against UCLA in Los Angeles. USC is ranked No. 1 in the Associated Press preseason college football poll released on Saturday. (AP Photo)

# Still on the top

USC brushes off sanctions to be No. 1 in AP Top 25

By **RALPH RUSSO**  
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NEW YORK — Southern California is No. 1 in the AP Top 25, tossing off the weight of NCAA sanctions and returning to a familiar place in the rankings — with a boost from LSU's



problems. USC earned the top spot in The Associated Press' preseason college football poll for the seventh time in school history and the first time in five seasons,

edging out No. 2 Alabama and No. 3 LSU.

The Trojans, who were banned from postseason play the past two seasons, received 25 of a possible 60 first-place votes from a media panel in a close vote. USC received 1,445 points. Defending national champion Alabama had 17 first-place votes and 1,411 points while LSU, the Crimson Tide's SEC rival, got 16 first-place votes and 1,402 points.

"We definitely didn't come here to be underdogs," Trojans safety T.J. McDonald said Saturday. "The ranking doesn't

mean we've done anything as a team. But it's good to see we're back where we're supposed to be."

Oklahoma was fourth with a single first-place vote and Oregon was fifth. Michigan, at No. 8, received the only other first-place vote.

The Tigers were poised to start the season No. 1 before Heisman Trophy finalist Tyrann Mathieu got kicked off the team a week ago.

In light of that development, the AP extended the voting

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A statue of former Penn State head football coach Joe Paterno stands outside Beaver Stadium on the Penn State campus in State College, Pa. After an eight-month inquiry, former FBI director Louis Freeh's firm produced a 267-page report that concluded that Paterno and other top Penn State officials hushed up child sex abuse allegations against former Penn State assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky. The revelations contained in the report led to the removal of the statue. (AP Photo)

## Confused by it all?

Paterno family pushed him to read Sandusky report new book says

By **RALPH RUSSO**  
Associated Press

Joe Paterno had to be prodded by his family to read the grand jury report regarding Jerry Sandusky and did not understand some of its graphic terminology, according to a new book.

The book, "Paterno" by Joe Posnanski, was purchased Friday by The Associated Press in advance of its

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► **GOLF — IT'S A CLOSE ONE IN NORTH CAROLINA**

# Pulling ahead

Garcia shoots a 66 to take 1-stroke lead at Wyndham



## Tee shot

Sergio Garcia watches a tee shot from the second tee during the third round of the Wyndham Championship golf tournament in Greensboro, N.C., Saturday. (AP Photo)

By **JOEDY MCCREARY**  
Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Sergio Garcia shot a 4-under 66 on Saturday to take the lead at 14-under 196 after three rounds at the Wyndham Championship.

Tim Clark and Bud Cauley were a stroke back, with Jason Dufner, Har-

ris English and Carl Pettersson at 12 under entering the final round of the last event before the FedEx Cup playoffs.

Dufner shot a 63, Cauley had a 66, Clark a 67, and English and Pettersson 68s.

Garcia — whose second-round 63

marked his best PGA Tour round in a decade — made a move with consecutive birdies midway through the back nine that briefly helped him leapfrog his playing partner, Clark.

Garcia plopped his tee shot 4 feet from the flagstick on the par-3 12th and tapped in, then followed that

See GARCIA, 3B

► **NASCAR**



Dale Earnhardt Jr. waits during practice for the Sprint Cup Series auto race at Michigan International Speedway, Friday in Brooklyn, Mich. (AP Photo)

## Earnhardt, Johnson in the back at Michigan

By **NOAH TRISTER**  
Associated Press

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s return to Michigan isn't off to a great start.

Earnhardt, who won at Michigan International Speedway in June to snap a four-year losing streak, will have to start from the back Sunday in the NASCAR Sprint Cup race. He rubbed against the wall in practice Saturday and will need to go to a backup car.

"We were making some changes on the car and got the car too loose, and it just came out from under me in the corner," Earnhardt said. "I probably was running harder than I should have been in practice."

Series points leader Jimmie Johnson also will be in back because of an engine change.

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## Huston leads Dick's Sporting Goods Open

ENDICOTT, N.Y. (AP) — Through two rounds at the Dick's Sporting Goods Open, John Huston is playing a lot like he did last year when he won his lone Champions Tour title.

The defending champion's drives are still off the mark, but his putts are right on target. In the final round a year ago, though, he started hitting the ball off the tee like he wanted and cruised to a three-



stroke victory. "Hopefully, that'll happen again because it would certainly make it a lot easier," Huston said.

Huston shot a 5-under 67 on Saturday at En-Joie Golf Club to top of the leaderboard at 12-under par. He had a one-stroke

lead over Brad Faxon, who shot a 66.

A day after heavy rain delayed the first round, play resumed Saturday on a sun-drenched and dried-out course.

Huston had to finish the final three holes of his first round Saturday, and he couldn't have asked for a better way to start. He pitched in from about 30 yards on the par-4 16th for an eagle, then went on to

par the final two holes of his first round.

He rode the momentum into the start of his second round about two hours later.

On the par-5 third hole, Huston chipped within 2 feet and made the putt for birdie. Two holes later, he drove the ball into the trees, but chipped it out with a pitching wedge onto

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► **NFL**

# Colts' Andrew Luck faces difficult encore at Steelers

By **WILL GRAVES**  
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Mike Tomlin is not a coach who impresses easily. Even the most dominant performances by his Pittsburgh Steelers are often met with a shrug of the



shoulders and a promise to get better.

Still, even Tomlin couldn't help but be wowed — at least a little bit — by what he saw from Indianapolis Colts quarterback Andrew Luck last week. All the top overall pick in April's NFL draft did was throw a touchdown on his first pass as a professional and spend his four se-

ries on the field lighting up the St. Louis Rams in a 38-3 preseason victory.

"I thought he played really well," Tomlin said. "I don't mean played really well for a rookie. I thought he played really well."

Period. An encore, however, figures to be tougher Sunday night against the Steelers (0-

1). Pittsburgh's first-string defense played sparingly in the preseason opener against Philadelphia. Expect players like Troy Polamalu, LaMarr Woodley and Lawrence Timmons to give Luck a lengthy look at the defense that was tops in the league yet again last fall.

"It'll be fun," Luck said. "I realize every defense is good

in the NFL, in my mind. But to have a chance to go against a great historical defense, a great franchise, with a great fan base, will be fun."

Just, the Steelers hope, not for long. Though veterans Casey Hampton and James Harrison remain sidelined by injuries, defensive end Brett Keisel is back after missing the opener to

be with his wife for the birth of their third child.

Keisel, like Tomlin, caught a glimpse of Luck's precocious debut. The one thing he noticed was all the time Luck had to make plays. The Steelers don't plan on letting Luck get too comfortable in the pocket.

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9 p.m.  
ESPN2 — NHRA, Lucas Oil Nationals, at Brainerd, Minn. (same-day tape)

EXTREME SPORTS  
2 p.m.  
NBC — Dew Tour, Wyndham Beach Championships, at Ocean City, Md.

GOLF  
1 p.m.  
TGC — PGA Tour, Wyndham Championship, final round, at Greensboro, N.C.

3 p.m.  
CBS — PGA Tour, Wyndham Championship, final round, at Greensboro, N.C.

TGC — Champions Tour, Dick's Sporting Goods Open, final round, at Endicott, N.Y.

4 p.m.  
NBC — USGA, U.S. Amateur Championship, championship match, at Cherry Hills Village, Colo.

7 p.m.  
TGC — LPGA, Safeway Classic, final round, at North Plains, Ore.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL  
Noon  
ESPN2 — World Series, Vancouver, British Columbia vs. Aguadulce, Panama at South Williamsport, Pa.

2 p.m.  
ABC — World Series, Petaluma, Calif. vs. Goodlettsville, Tenn., at South Williamsport, Pa.

5 p.m.  
ESPN — World Series, San Antonio vs. New Castle, Ind. at South Williamsport, Pa.

7 p.m.  
ESPN2 — World Series, Tokyo vs. Taoyuan, Taiwan, at South Williamsport, Pa.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL  
1 p.m.  
WGN — Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati

1:30 p.m.  
TBS — L.A. Dodgers at Atlanta

8 p.m.  
ESPN — Boston at N.Y. Yankees

MOTORSPORTS  
Noon  
SPEED — MotoGP Moto3, at Indianapolis (same-day tape)

1 p.m.  
SPEED — MotoGP Moto2, at Indianapolis (same-day tape)

2 p.m.  
SPEED — MotoGP World Championship, at Indianapolis

NFL FOOTBALL  
8 p.m.  
NBC — Preseason, Indianapolis at Pittsburgh

SOCCER  
5 p.m.  
NBCSN — MLS, Philadelphia at DC United

TENNIS  
12:30 p.m.  
CBS — ATP World Tour, Western & Southern Open, championship match, at Mason, Ohio

4 p.m.  
ESPN2 — WTA, Western & Southern Open, championship match, at Mason, Ohio

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1951 — Eddie Gaedel, a 65-pound, 3-foot-7 midget, makes his first and only plate appearance as a pinch-hitter for Frank Saucier of the St. Louis Browns. Gaedel, wearing No. 1/8, walks on four pitches by Detroit Tigers pitcher Bob Cain and is taken out for pinch-runner Jim Delsing. The gimmick by Browns owner Bill Veeck was completely legal, but later outlawed.

1995 — Mike Tyson starts his comeback, knocking out Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds at Las Vegas. McNeeley's manager Vinnie Vecchione jumps into the ring to stop the fight after his boxer is knocked down twice in the first round.

2007 — Top-ranked Roger Federer reaches another measure of tennis greatness, winning his 50th tournament title by beating James Blake 6-1, 6-4 in the Western & Southern Financial Group Masters. The 26-year-old Swiss star is the fifth-youngest player in history to reach 50, and only the ninth overall in the Open Era — since 1968 — to win so many tournaments.

## ► MLB

# Pirates come up 1 short

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Yadier Molina had three hits and two RBIs in his return to the lineup, leading the St. Louis Cardinals to a big 5-4 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Saturday.

St. Louis bounced back from Friday night's 2-1 loss in the series opener and pulled within a game of Pittsburgh for the second NL wild-card spot. Jaime Garcia is expected to come off the disabled list to start Sunday's series finale against Pirates right-hander Jeff Karstens.

Molina also had two RBIs and scored a run after missing the previous three games with a sore back. He hit a tiebreaking two-run double off Erik Bedard (7-13) in the fifth inning to give the Cardinals a 5-3 lead.

Pittsburgh loaded the bases with no outs in the ninth against Jason Motte but only managed one run on Andrew McCutchen's infield out. Garrett Jones struck out swinging and Josh Harrison bounced into a fielder's choice to end the game.

Barret Browning (1-2) pitched a scoreless inning for his first major league win. Motte earned his 28th save in 33 chances after blowing his previous opportunity Thursday against Arizona.

Shane Robinson also had a two-run double for St. Louis, which finished with 11 hits. Rafael Furcal went 2 for 5 and scored twice, and Allen



Pittsburgh Pirates' Jordy Mercer, right, throws to first to complete a double play on David Freese after forcing out St. Louis Cardinals' Allen Craig (21) during the first inning of a baseball game Saturday in St. Louis. (AP Photo)

Craig had two singles.

Jordy Mercer went 2 for 4 with two RBIs for the Pirates, who struck out 14 times.

Craig's second hit put runners on the corners with two down in the fifth. Bedard then walked David Freese before Molina came up with his opposite-field double to right to put St. Louis in front.

Cardinals starter Lance Lynn allowed three runs and four hits in 4 1-3 innings. He struck out eight and walked three.

Mercer singled in Clint Barmes in the third and doubled in Starling Marte in the

fifth, cutting St. Louis' lead to 3-2. Mercer eventually scored the tying run on Jones' sacrifice fly to right.

**NOTES:** Garcia is scheduled for his first start since June 5 after he was sidelined by a left shoulder strain. ... Cardinals slugger Matt Holliday snapped an 0-for-14 slide with a third-inning single. ... Edward Mujica pitched a scoreless seventh and has yet to allow a run in eight appearances with the Cardinals. ... Marte left in the sixth inning with discomfort in his right side and was being evaluated.

## LUCK FROM 1B

Having a little familiarity with what the Colts are trying to do helps. Indianapolis offensive coordinator Bruce Arians spent five seasons in the same position with Pittsburgh before being let go in the offseason.

The exit wasn't exactly graceful. The team announced Arians "retired," though the sabbatical — whether self-imposed or not — lasted less than two weeks before the Colts tapped him to mold Luck into Peyton Manning's successor.

Arians insists he's not looking for payback against

his former employer, just for his rookie to take another step forward. Arians developed a close relationship with Pittsburgh quarterback Ben Roethlisberger during his tenure with the Steelers, to the point Roethlisberger did little to hide his frustration at the team's decision to sever ties with his mentor.

It's a little too early to tell if Luck and Arians will develop a similar chemistry, though Arians has already been won over by Luck's nonsense approach. Ask what he likes about his new project and Arians doesn't lack for answers.

"His poise, his excitement for the game," Arians said. "Nothing surprises me about

him anymore. I kind of expect it now."

Yet Arians also expects a stiff test from the Steelers, who looked a little ragged against the Eagles on both sides of the ball. Roethlisberger is still trying to get the hang of new coordinator Todd Haley's diverse attack and will likely play several series to get his feet set.

The Steelers remain without wide receiver Mike Wallace — who is holding out for a long-term contract — and the backfield is patchwork at best. Though running back Rashard Mendenhall was activated off the physically unable to perform list Friday, his surgically repaired right knee is

# Tribe falls to Athletics, 8-5

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Yoenis Cespedes homered and drove in three runs, Bartolo Colon won his third consecutive start at home and the Oakland Athletics beat the Cleveland Indians 8-5 on Saturday night.

Josh Donaldson had two hits and an RBI while Coco Crisp added two-run triple for Oakland, which won its third straight after entering the night one-half game behind Baltimore for the second wild-card spot in the American League.

Colon (10-9) struck out three and scattered five hits over eight innings while beating his former club for the sixth time in 10 starts. The burly right-hander didn't give up a hit until the fourth and allowed only two runners past first base.

Carlos Santana, Shin-soo Choo and Brent Lillibridge homered for Cleveland, which has dropped four of five on its road trip.

On a night when the A's celebrated the 10th anniversary of their 20-game winning streak, Cespedes managed to steal a bit of

the spotlight. He hit a two-run home run against Indians starter Corey Kluber (0-2) in the third and added an RBI single off reliever Cody Allen in the seventh.

It was the second home run in three games for the A's slugger after he went 54 at-bats without an extra base hit. Cespedes finished 2 for 4 and is batting an AL-best .377 (46 for 122) since the All-Star break.

That was all the support Colon needed to win for the fourth time in five starts. He gave up Santana's 13th home run with two out in the seventh but was otherwise stellar.

It's the ninth time this season Colon has not walked a batter and the 18th time in 24 starts with Oakland that he's walked one or fewer.

Grant Balfour recorded one out for his 11th save after Oakland's bullpen nearly let it get away in the ninth.



still a long way from being good enough to play. Backup Isaac Redman tweaked his groin during the week and is out while Jonathan Dwyer is nursing a bum shoulder.

Dwyer was healthy enough to practice Thursday and Friday, though rookie Chris Rainey and second-year back Baron Batch are expected to get the bulk of the work against the Colts.

"(Rainey) has done some things that get you excited," Haley said. "As an offensive staff, we're all kind of encouraged to see a young guy not be afraid to step up and make plays. It's a testament to him and the way that he prepares. He's obviously

studying hard because we've asked him to do a lot of different things."

Something Luck can identify with. Improving on his electric debut will be difficult. First-year coach Chuck Pagano doesn't need Luck to light up the Steelers to know his rookie is heading in the right direction.

"(We're looking for) steady progress, handling the offense, his command of the huddle, continuing to make great decisions, not forcing things," Pagano said. "He's trying to get better every day out here. ... He's his own worst critic. He's not hard on himself but he understands he's got a long way to go too."

## BACK FROM 1B

Earnhardt tested his backup car at MIS, back in June.

"We know a lot about the car here at this particular track, where in most cases you don't. So we have that going for us," Earnhardt said. "We should be able to put a car out there that's relatively in the ballpark. Other than just starting in the back, I don't think that it's hurt our chances too much."

Johnson said his team discovered an issue before practice Saturday and decided to change the engine. "We probably could have

run some of this practice, but I think we had to change the engine regardless," he said. "We didn't want to oil the track or create an issue and crash our car."

Johnson was third in qualifying Friday. Earnhardt was 22nd.

Earnhardt broke through at this track in June, winning for the first time in 144 Cup races. He's fourth in the points standings and has nine top-five finishes, but lately he has had his share of problems.

He led the points race even after finishing 32nd at Pocono two weeks ago — he was forced to the garage at one point because of a busted

transmission. Then last weekend at Watkins Glen, he was in the top 10 before a late spin sent him on his way to a 28th-place showing.

The last driver to sweep the two Cup races at MIS was Bobby Labonte in 1995. Earnhardt has nine top-10 finishes in 26 starts at the track.

"Getting over that hurdle, getting that first win does a lot to relieve you," Earnhardt said. "It reassures you that your team can win. I think if we were still winless, we would still feel a bit snake-bit, or somewhat cursed I guess in a way. That might mess your psyche a little bit, mess with you mentally. But once you do break through

that barrier, it definitely gives you a reason to believe that you can do it again."

He'll have his work cut out for him Sunday after his practice mishap, but the victory two months ago has helped Earnhardt's confidence.

"To me Dale has been really focused and really into everything that I have been part of this season with him," said Kasey Kahne, Earnhardt's teammate with Hendrick Motorsports. "He's into the racing thing as much as I've seen him. I haven't been really close with Dale over the years, but I've known him and been friends with him. I think he's as passionate and into the racing as I've seen

him right now, so that's good to see."

Earnhardt had some good news Friday when the Army National Guard extended its relationship with Hendrick Motorsports. The National Guard will stay on as a sponsor of Earnhardt's No. 88 Cup team.

That took some of the focus off his recent struggles. Another good showing at MIS would help too.

"There is a little bit of added pressure to go back out and have the same performance and run the same," he said Friday, before qualifying. "I know that is not always likely."

## POLL FROM 1B

deadline. Before Mathieu was dismissed, reportedly for failed drug tests, LSU had received 28 of a possible 60 first-place votes. USC was a close second with 22 first-place votes and Alabama was third with nine.

The USA Today coaches' poll, which was released Aug. 2, had LSU at No. 1, followed by Alabama and USC.

Rounding out the top 10 in the AP rankings, Georgia was No. 6, followed by Florida State and Michigan. No. 9 South Carolina and No. 10 Arkansas give the Southeastern Conference half of the first 10 teams.

For the Trojans, their return to national championship contention comes just two years after the program was hit by NCAA sanctions that seemed crippling at the time.

"To be handed down what they said could be a death penalty, could take USC 10 years to come back from, then to have this recognition and be preseason No. 1 is very exciting for our fans because a lot of people thought two years ago that this would not be possible for USC," coach Lane Kiffin told the AP.

Kiffin was an assistant coach for USC during its last

great run. From 2001-09 under coach Pete Carroll, the Trojans won two national titles and played for a third, made seven straight BCS appearances and had three Heisman Trophy winners in Carson Palmer, Matt Leinart and Reggie Bush. At one point, USC spent a record 33 straight weeks at No. 1.

But Carroll left for the NFL after the 2009 season and Kiffin was hired to replace him. A few months later the NCAA hit USC with a two-year bowl ban, plus scholarship limitations and probation because Bush and his family received impermissible benefits.

USC went 8-5 in 2010, then charged back to 10-2 last season. And when star quarterback Matt Barkley decided to stick around for his senior season instead of entering the NFL draft, the Trojans, free from the bowl ban, were set to make a run at No. 1.

"There's not a roof over our heads now," McDonald said.

And USC is once again trendy in Los Angeles. "Do you feel that? Sure you do," Kiffin said. "Games already sold out. Just the energy around it. All those different things. That's how it was before. I've talked to these players about it."

With Barkley, the presea-

son Heisman favorite, along with receivers Robert Woods and Marquise Lee, plus running backs Curtis McNeal and Penn State transfer Silas Redd, these Trojans have drawn comparisons to those great Leinart/Bush offenses.

"They are going to be successful because of the work they put in and not because of the hype," Kiffin said.

If USC has questions, it's on the defensive side, where the line is thin and the pass defense was spotty last season. Those potent Pac-12 offenses will provide plenty of tests, none stiffer than on Nov. 3 when Oregon comes to the Coliseum for the first of a possible two contests with the Trojans.

USC and Oregon could also meet in the Pac-12 title game.

Trojans-Ducks might be only the second-biggest game of the day on Nov. 3.

That will also be the day of Round III of Alabama-LSU, after the Tide and Tigers played twice last season, the second time in the BCS title game.

Alabama won the rematch 21-0 to take its second national title in the last three seasons under coach Nick Saban. The Tide are rebuilding on defense, but return quarterback A.J. McCarron and one of the best offensive lines in the country.

LSU has a new quarter-

back, Zach Mettenberger, who the Tigers hope will give the passing game more punch, and much of last year's fearsome defense is back — except Mathieu.

The defensive back nicknamed Honey Badger became a surprising Heisman contender with a slew of game-changing plays last season. He scored four touchdowns, two on punt returns and two on fumble returns.

His departure was met with mixed reaction by voters, but in a tight race for No. 1 it made a difference.

"Tyrann Mathieu's a terrific player, but I don't think the overall effect will change LSU's results," said John Silver from the Journal Inquirer of Connecticut, who did not change his ballot after the Mathieu news. "I don't think a corner can make that big of a difference. It hurts them, but at the margins."

Seth Emerson of The Macon (Georgia) Telegraph dropped LSU from No. 1 to No. 3, behind Alabama and USC.

"On the one hand, he wasn't exactly known as a lockdown cornerback and LSU has plenty of other talent. On the other hand, I was in the Georgia Dome last year when Mathieu single-handedly turned the tide of the SEC championship," Emerson wrote on his blog. "He's a dy-

amic player. There's a reason he was fifth in the Heisman voting.

"That's why I moved LSU to third, but not any further down."

The rest of the Top 25 was heavy on Big 12 and Big Ten teams.

Big 12 newcomer West Virginia was 11th, followed by Big Ten rivals Wisconsin and Michigan State.

The Big 12 also placed Texas (No. 15), Oklahoma State (No. 19), TCU (No. 20) and Kansas State (No. 22) in the rankings to give the league six teams overall, matching the SEC for the most.

No. 23 Florida is the sixth SEC squad.

The Big Ten added Nebraska (No. 17) and Ohio State (No. 18) for a total of five teams. The Buckeyes, in their first season under coach Urban Meyer, are banned for the postseason this season because of NCAA sanctions.

Defending Atlantic Coast Conference champion Clemson (No. 14) and Virginia Tech (No. 16) give the ACC three teams in the Top 25.

No. 21 Stanford is the third Pac-12 team in the poll.

No. 24 Boise State is ranked in the preseason for the fourth straight year and No. 25 Louisville is the only Big East school in the rankings.

► **NASCAR**

## Keselowski looks for win in home state

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — With three wins this season — and a near-victory last weekend — Brad Keselowski has established himself as one of NASCAR's top drivers.

Now, he just needs to reverse an unpleasant trend at a place near and dear to his heart.

Keselowski is from Rochester Hills, about 90 miles from Michigan International Speedway, but he's never won in six Sprint Cup starts at the track — and he has only one top-10 finish.

"If you don't want it enough you won't be successful and if you want it too badly it seems like you force things and they don't come naturally," Keselowski said. "That's something I try not to do but I would probably say that I'm guilty of it when I come here at least on the Cup side, because when

anything goes wrong I get madder than hell about it."

Keselowski has won this year at Bristol, Talladega and Kentucky, but he was 13th at MIS in June. That's actually his second-best finish at the track. He was third last August after ending up out of the top 20 in his other four starts.

The 28-year-old Keselowski is fifth in the points standings, and with three victories, he's in great shape for the Chase for the Sprint Cup, which starts next month. Drivers can earn bonus points for "regular-season" victories. Points leader Jimmie Johnson and Tony Stewart are the only others with three wins.

"I'm looking at it off of wins and I think that's the common-sense way to look at it. It doesn't matter when the Chase starts what points you had," Ke-

selowski said. "As far as I'm concerned, by those calculations, we are the points leader, maybe tied for it, but we are the points leader in that sense and I think that's great. I think that's what this sport should be about. It should be about winning."

Victory No. 4 nearly came last weekend at Watkins Glen. Kyle Busch was leading but skidded wide coming out of the first turn of the final lap and was bumped by Keselowski's fast-closing No. 2 Dodge.

Keselowski apologized after the race on Twitter and discussed the incident again Friday.

"Like I said after the race, it was unfortunate because dumping the leader on the last lap is not something that I want to be known for," he said. "I feel like we're all going for the same spot. I obviously pushed

real hard and he wasn't going to give it up."

Marcos Ambrose eventually won, and Keselowski settled for second.

Back in his home state, Keselowski was 19th in qualifying Friday. He has won at MIS on the Nationwide Series, but never on the Cup circuit.

"Obviously this place is special to me and I'd like to be able to bring home my first Cup win this weekend or as soon as possible at my home track. ... I'd rather be the guy that screwed up because I wanted it too badly than the guy that screwed up because he didn't want it enough," Keselowski said. "I'm always going to go toward that side of pushing harder and harder maybe than what even I'm capable of. ... I'm going to strike out swinging. I'm not going to strike out staring at the ball."

## Allgaier nips Villeneuve to win at Montreal

MONTREAL (AP) — Justin Allgaier bumped past Jacques Villeneuve on the final lap during a green-white-checked finish and won the Nationwide race at Circuit Gilles Villeneuve, depriving the French Canadian of his first victory at any level in NASCAR.

Villeneuve, who started third on the track named in honor of his late father, survived three late restarts in a wild race that went six extra laps and saw Danica Patrick lead 20 laps. But Villeneuve, who had been saving fuel, seemed to slow briefly on the final one and

Allgaier bumped him and slid past for his second win of the season and third of his career.

Sam Hornish Jr. finished second, and Villeneuve was third, giving Dodge two in the top three. Elliott Sadler and Ron Fellows rounded out the top five. Hornish's finish put him in a tie for second in the points with Ricky Stenhouse Jr., who was strong with the laps winding down but spun out challenging for the lead and finished 12th.

Kyle Busch, who flew in from the Cup race in Michigan to drive his No.

54 Toyota, arrived about 2 hours before the green flag, started at the back of the field because of a driver change, and finished 10th after briefly challenging Villeneuve for the lead with 20 laps left around the tricky, 2.7-mile 14-turn lay-out.

Patrick also ran second to Villeneuve for another 12 laps before she suffered track bar issues in her No. 7 Chevy after hitting a shoe thrown on the track. She finished 27th.

Villeneuve had regained the lead by bumping hometown hero Alex Tagliani,

spinning him around on lap 67 of the race, which was scheduled to go 74 laps. Tagliani, who started from pole, finished 22nd.

Tagliani had passed both Villeneuve and Hornish for the lead with an aggressive move in the first turn, with Hornish sliding off course after heavy contact with Michael McDowell.

After Hornish recovered, he and Patrick collided after Kyle Kelley spun Patrick.

Villeneuve built a lead that seemed insurmountable but was done in by the flurry of cautions.

## CHAMP

### FROM 1B

the green to about 12 feet and two-putted for another birdie.

Huston finished the round with six birdies and one bogey, which came on the par-4 13th.

On the verge of a repeat performance, Huston said he feels confident heading into the final round given his previous success at En-Joie.

"It's a similar feeling," said Huston, a seven-time PGA Tour winner. "Anytime you're near the lead, you feel like you should have a chance. ... You just try to keep the momentum that you have going and not really think about winning. There's a long ways to go."

Faxon was in complete control on the greens, and had 12 one-putts. He finished the round with eight birdies,

including an incredible 40-foot putt on the fourth hole after he used an 8-iron to chip it up on the green.

From then on, he did everything right on the greens. Off the tee, he was far from perfect but his putts more than made up for it.

"I've played a lot of good golf throughout my career hitting the ball sideways," Faxon said. "I don't expect to cure that overnight and hit every shot perfectly tomorrow,

but sometimes that's just the way you play and it's definitely the way I play."

Faxon had a double bogey on No. 10 after he drove it into the trees, but responded with three consecutive birdies.

Willie Wood and Peter Senior were three strokes back at 9 under. Wood had a 68, and Senior shot 67. Wood was one of 12 players who finished the rain-delayed first round Saturday.

## PGA

### FROM 1B

with a birdie on No. 13 to move to 14 under. Then, after just his second bogey of the tournament, he bounced back with a birdie on No. 15.

Clark might have had the lead comfortably to himself, had he not missed short birdie putts on consecutive holes midway through the back nine.

Instead, he'll have to settle for a share of second place with Cauley, who had three straight late birdies.

It's usually a birdiefest every August at this Donald Ross course, but for most players, it seems to be playing a little tougher this year. The cut of 1 under was the event's highest since it moved to Sedgfield in

2008.

The average winner's score in four years at this course has been 19 under, and it sure looks as if this year's champ — whomever it is — will approach that number.

Webb Simpson, a native North Carolinian and college star here who won the U.S. Open in June, won it at 18 under last year and came back to defend a title for the first time in his short career.

The only player with consecutive victories in this tournament has his name on the winner's trophy: Sam Snead, who did it twice — in 1949-50 and 1955-56.

Simpson started one stroke back and a short while after his birdie on the par-5 No. 5 — the easiest, and most frequently eagled, hole on the course this week

— was part of a six-man logjam that shared the lead at 12 under. Joining him were English, Clark, Garcia, Pettersson and second-round leader Jimmy Walker.

English was the first to backslide with a bogey on No. 11. Walker fell off the pace with a bogey on No. 10.

Simpson ran into big trouble late in his round with consecutive bogeys, sending his tee shot on No. 15 into some deep rough and then three-putting on No. 16, and his 71 dropped him four strokes back.

Dufner, who at No. 3 is the top player in the playoff standings in the Wyndham field, finished strong with birdies on three of his final four holes to sneak up the leaderboard.

"Kind of what I needed to get back in this tournament,

post a low score and kind of be in the mix tomorrow," Dufner said.

Justin Leonard, who shot a 64, was one of the biggest movers.

He started at 4 under and used a steady stream of birdies to make his climb. He needs a high finish to earn enough points to qualify for the playoffs, which begin next week at The Barclays.

"I know I need a top-three, top-four finish and ... I certainly gave myself a better chance," Leonard said.

Jeff Overton had the first hole-in-one of the week — and his first on the tour — on No. 12, using a 6 iron to ace the 235-yard hole. After finishing his round, he tweeted: "What a sweet shot. Too bad i didnt win a car."

## BOOK

### FROM 1B

release next week.

In the book, Posnanski describes a scene at Paterno's home, two days after Sandusky had been charged with child sex abuse last November. Paterno's family and a close adviser were trying to explain to the Penn State coach that there was a growing sentiment Paterno must have known for years about the accusations against Sandusky.

The book quotes Paterno as shouting "I'm not omniscient!"

Paterno did not want to read the report, but family members and Penn State football communications and marketing assistant Guido D'Elia insisted that he must.

The book also indicates Paterno didn't comprehend all the terms in the report, asking his son what sodomy meant.

According to the book, later that night Paterno's son, Scott, told his mother that she should brace herself for the possibility that Joe could be fired.

Sue Paterno responded, "Scotty, that will kill him."

Paterno was fired by

school trustees two days later, on Nov. 9. He died in January at age 85 of cancer.

Sandusky, Paterno's long-time defensive coordinator, is jailed and awaiting sentencing after being convicted in June on 45 criminal counts involving 10 boys.

Former Athletic director Tim Curley and now-retired school administrator Gary Schultz are awaiting trial on charges of lying to a grand jury and failing to report the abuse allegations against Sandusky.

Paterno was not charged, though the NCAA last month slammed his beloved football program with a range of tough sanctions. Among them, the Nittany Lions were forced to vacate 112 wins from 1998-2011, meaning Paterno no longer has the most coaching victories in major college football.

The penalty seemed to grow from a report commissioned by the school from former FBI director Louis Freeh. It said Paterno, Curley, Schultz and former school president Graham Spanier concealed allegations against Sandusky dating back to 1998. Paterno's family and the three officials have all vehemently denied the conclusions.

Paterno had granted ac-

cess to Posnanski to write a biography in 2011, well before Sandusky was charged.

"Nobody would argue — and certainly my book does not argue — that the good Joe Paterno did in his life should shield him from the horrors of his mistakes," Posnanski wrote in a column for USA Today earlier this week. "Some would argue, especially in the white-hot emotion sparked by the latest revelations, that Paterno's role in the Jerry Sandusky crimes invalidates whatever good he might have done. My book does not argue that either. My book, I believe, lets the reader make up his or her own mind."

The book also details the long and frosty relationship Paterno had with Sandusky while they worked together at Penn State.

According to the book, the two were never friendly and late in Sandusky's tenure, Paterno felt the freeze. It said Paterno, Curley, Schultz and former school president Graham Spanier concealed allegations against Sandusky dating back to 1998. Paterno's family and the three officials have all vehemently denied the conclusions.

Paterno did not want to fire Sandusky because he was so popular in the community and with fans, according to the book. The book indicates that Sandusky showed interest in

taking an early retirement in 1999, and Paterno encouraged him to do so and let his assistant know he would not be the next head coach at Penn State.

Sandusky and Curley negotiated a retirement package, and among Sandusky's demands was to stay on through the 1999 season.

The book indicates Paterno reluctantly agreed, and then regretted the decision when the team, which was considered one of the national championship favorites going into the season and reached No. 2 in the nation, lost three games late in the year with an underperforming defense.

Sandusky's early retirement at age 55 has led to speculation that a 1998 allegation by a boy against Sandusky that was never prosecuted by authorities led to Penn State quietly pushing Sandusky out.

Paterno told a grand jury he was unaware of that allegation but evidence uncovered by Freeh report investigators suggest that he did.

According to the book, Paterno, who obsessively took and kept handwritten notes, had no notes in his files that mentioned the investigation.

# AROUND THE HORN



A roundup of sports in the region and across the nation

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### Flynn's hat trick powers Heartland over Columbiana

COLUMBIANA — Heartland Christian senior Sam Flynn tallied three goals and an assist in the Lions' 7-1 victory over Columbiana in boys Varsity soccer action on Saturday. It was the season-opener for the Lions.

Also adding points for Heartland were junior Emma Donkin with one goal and one assist, junior Caleb House with a goal and an assist, junior Durand Winnale with a goal and an assist, and sophomore Alden Test with an unassisted goal.

Scoring for Columbiana on a penalty kick was Zack Goode.

### Co-ed volleyball registration ongoing

SALEM — Registration is now open through Sept. 2 for the upcoming Fall Adult Co-ed Volleyball League at the Salem Community Center. The 10-week league will begin Sept. 9 and conclude with a single-elimination tournament to determine the league champion.

The cost of the league is \$200 and offers both recreational and competitive divisions.

Space is limited so please register early.

Visit [www.salemcommunitycenter.com](http://www.salemcommunitycenter.com) or call (330) 332-6294 for more information.

### Bowling meeting set

COLUMBIANA — The Fall meeting of the Wednesday Afternoon Ladies Trio League will be held Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at Arrowhead Lanes.

Current members should plan to attend and individuals and teams are needed and encouraged to attend.

### Lisbon 'Meet the Team Night' planned

LISBON — The Lisbon Athletic Department will conduct the fall sport 'Meet the Team Night' this Monday at 6 p.m. at the stadium. All high school teams, cheerleaders, and band members will be introduced. In case of rain, the event will be moved to the high school gym.

### Dodgers manager Mattingly suspended 2 games

ATLANTA (AP) — Los Angeles Dodgers manager Don Mattingly has been suspended for two games, beginning with Saturday night's game against the Braves.

Mattingly was also given an undisclosed fine "for excessive arguing" with home plate umpire Angel Campos in Thursday's 10-6 loss in Pittsburgh. Mattingly and outfielder Matt Kemp were ejected in the game.

The suspension was announced Saturday by Joe Garagiola Jr., senior vice president of standards and on-field operations for MLB.

Mattingly said he was confused when he first received word of the suspension. He said he now understands he was suspended because he did not attempt to restrain Kemp before joining the argument.

Kemp received no suspension or fine.

"I'm happy about that," Mattingly said.

Mattingly was with the team for batting practice Saturday. Asked where he will watch the game, Mattingly said "I don't know. I heard there's a suite somewhere."

Dodgers bench coach Trey Hillman will fill in for Mattingly, who said Friday he was expecting to be suspended "a game or two."

### Arizona OT Levi Brown tears triceps, faces surgery

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona Cardinals starting left tackle Levi Brown has a torn right triceps and probably will not play this season.

Coach Ken Whisenhunt revealed the extent of the injury at his Saturday news conference, saying the five-year starter will require surgery, with an anticipated recovery time that would approach the end of the season.

The 6-foot-6, 324-pound Brown was injured in the first half of Arizona's 31-27 preseason victory over the Oakland Raiders on Friday night.

Whisenhunt said D'Anthony Batiste and D.J. Young were candidates to take Brown's spot, and that the team would keep an eye out for players who could become available as other teams make roster moves.

"We're looking at what could become available over the next couple of weeks and we'll shuffle some guys around," Whisenhunt said.

Batiste, entering his seventh NFL season, had been playing mostly at right tackle in training camp. Young, an undrafted rookie free agent a year ago, had been listed second on the depth chart behind Brown. Nate Potter, a seventh-round draft pick out of Boise State, was third on the depth chart at left tackle.

But none are great options at arguably the most important position on an offensive line that already had been considered one of the biggest question marks on the team.

Brown, Arizona's first-round draft pick out of Penn State in 2007, was released by the team March 13 because the Cardinals didn't want the \$17.5 million salary cap hit it would have taken had the Cardinals kept him. But just three days later, Brown re-signed on a five-year, \$30 million deal with \$12 million guaranteed.

### Djokovic, Federer reach Cincinnati finals

MASON, Ohio (AP) — No medal involved this time. Little drama, either. Novak Djokovic simply ground his way to another title shot.

And Roger Federer will be waiting for him.

Djokovic reached the finals of the Western & Southern Open for the second straight year Saturday, beating Juan Martin del Potro 6-3, 6-2 in a reprise of their meeting in the Olympics. Del Potro defeated Djokovic for the bronze medal on Wimbledon's lush grass two weeks ago.

The sequel on a hard court? Not even close.

The final will match the world's top two players, the first time that's happened in Cincinnati. If Federer wins, it'll give him a record five titles in the tournament.

"It's a nice bonus, really," Federer said. "When I was a kid I wasn't thinking of winning five Cincinnati, but then again here I am in this great situation being able to do it, the first man ever. So I'm obviously excited. Very often when I do now reach a finals there is something on the line. Here we go — there is something there."

Top-ranked Federer beat Swiss countryman Stanislas Wawrinka 7-6 (4), 6-3 in the other semifinal. It'll be the seventh time that Federer and Djokovic have played for a tournament title, the last time in 2011 at Dubai. Federer beat Djokovic for the Cincinnati title in 2009.

Federer leads the career series 15-12, but it's taken a few interesting turns lately. Djokovic beat him in the semifinals at the U.S. Open last year, then again in the semis at Rome and the French Open. Federer got the upper hand again in the semifinals at Wimbledon.

"I hope I'm fresher than him tomorrow," Federer said. "We'll see how it goes."

Djokovic also reached the Cincinnati final last year but had to quit in the second set because of a sore shoulder, giving the title to Andy Murray.

This week is going much better for him.

He won the Rogers Cup in Toronto last Sunday night, leaving him a little tired, but he managed to get some rest at the suburban Cincinnati tournament. He was on court for only a half-hour Thursday night, when Nikolay Davydenko had to quit their match because of a sore shoulder.

The Serb had played only three sets the last two days, leaving plenty of energy for his second semifinal in eight days.

NASCAR NOTES

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — When drivers discuss the contenders for the Sprint Cup championship, not many are mentioning Greg Biffle. And that's OK with him. "That's good," Biffle said. "We'll just do the best we can and we'll see what happens when we get (to the Chase)."

Biffle, who is just one point behind points leader Jimmie Johnson, said it's not a sign of disrespect among his fellow drivers. "I've got this season despite compiling impressive results, including one win, nine top-five finishes and 13 top-10 finishes. Biffle is optimistic he can bolster those statistics at Michigan International Speedway, a track where he has had a number of recent misadventures such as running out of fuel twice and a botched pit stop."

"That was the old 16 team," he said. "Now we don't make those kinds of mistakes anymore. We're definitely due. We'll see this Sunday." **DEFENDING DANICA:** With Danica Patrick slated to drive in seven more Sprint Cup races this year for Stewart-Haas Racing, starting Aug. 25 at Bristol, Tony Stewart said he's getting nervous because of all the attention she is getting.

"It's kind of a double-edged sword," said Stewart, who co-owns Patrick's Sprint Cup car. "It's great from a publicity side. I don't know how she handles it. But it's making me nervous having to talk about her all the time, let alone that she's the one that actually has to do it."

Stewart said he wishes the media and fans would not put so much focus on her. "I'll be honest. I wish everybody would get off her back and just let her go racing and let her learn," he said. "Everybody's put so much pressure on her and so much focus on her." Patrick has three starts this season in a Sprint Cup car, with her best finish being 29th in the season-opening Daytona 500. In 22 Nationwide Series races this year for JR Motorsports, she has only one top-10 finish. What advice has Stewart told the former IndyCar driver?

"Go out and learn," he said. "That's exactly what I told her. It's not been rocket science. The biggest thing is every lap you run in a car, the better you're going to get and the more you are going to learn."

**NEW WEBSITE:** Jimmie Johnson has launched a new website that will serve as a one-stop shop for fans searching online about the current Sprint Cup points leader. "We worked really hard to focus on the fan experience," Johnson said. "It really combined the social involvement I have and creates a reason for fans to come back to my website daily."

The site, www.jimmiejohnson.com, features a home page filled with a mix of content, including tweets, Facebook posts, Instagram images and race-related information from fans and Johnson.

NAPA 200

**NASCAR Nationwide-NAPA Auto Parts 200 Results**  
**The Associated Press Saturday**  
**At Circuit Gilles Villeneuve Montreal, Canada**  
**Lap length: 2.709 miles (Start position in parentheses)**  
1. (15) Justin Algaier, Chevrolet, 81 laps, 103 rating, 47 points, \$94,318.  
2. (2) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 81, 122.6, 43, \$60,193.  
3. (3) Jacques Villeneuve, Dodge, 81, 143.8, 43, \$47,893.  
4. (17) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 81, 92.7, 41, \$43,093.  
5. (8) Ron Fellows, Chevrolet, 81, 99.3, 39, \$32,875.  
6. (6) Michael McDowell, Toyota, 81, 104.3, 0, \$34,118.  
7. (22) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 81, 77.6, 37, \$31,893.  
8. (9) Billy Johnson, Ford, 81, 116.1, 36, \$24,200.  
9. (10) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 81, 79, 35, \$31,368.  
10. (5) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 81, 97.5, 0, \$24,050.  
11. (11) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 81, 102.6, 0, \$28,818.  
12. (16) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 81, 90.5, 32, \$29,543.  
13. (23) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 81, 75, 31, \$28,218.  
14. (32) Taylor Malsam, Toyota, 81, 67.9, 30, \$28,068.  
15. (20) Alex Kennedy, Toyota, 81, 81.7, 29, \$28,918.  
16. (34) Erik Darnell, Chevrolet, 81, 52.7, 28, \$21,350.  
17. (36) Tim Andrews, Ford, 81, 50.1, 27, \$21,225.  
18. (42) Derek White, Chevrolet, 81, 48, 26, \$21,075.  
19. (41) Eric McClure, Toyota, 81, 44.4, 25, \$27,418.  
20. (21) Brad Sweet, Chevrolet, 81, 75, 24, \$27,968.  
21. (27) Kyle Kelley, Chevrolet, 81, 74.6, 23, \$20,975.  
22. (1) Alex Tagliani, Chevrolet, 81, 103.4, 23, \$30,593.  
23. (31) Daryl Harr, Chevrolet, 81, 53.5, 21, \$27,143.  
24. (10) Brian Scott, Toyota, 81, 86.6, 20, \$27,068.  
25. (26) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 81, 71.2, 19, \$27,468.  
26. (18) Jason Bowles, Toyota, brakes, 77, 68.6, 18, \$26,948.  
27. (4) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 75, 101.1, 18, \$31,693.  
28. (33) Michael Annett, Ford, 73, 56.6, 16, \$26,848.  
29. (13) Patrick Carpentier, Toyota, 69, 51, 15, \$26,813.  
30. (39) Joe Nemecek, Dodge, radiator, 62, 49.1, 14, \$27,078.  
31. (37) John Young, Dodge, drive train, 59, 57.6, 13, \$20,250.  
32. (12) Andrew Ranger, Dodge, suspension, 57, 68.6, 12, \$20,215.  
33. (7) Cole Whitt, Chevrolet, engine, 54, 72, 11, \$26,653.  
34. (28) Kenny Habul, Toyota, accident, 46, 50.2, 10, \$20,150.  
35. (38) Dexter Stacey, Chevrolet, accident, 30, 35.6, 9, \$20,110.  
36. (29) Timmy Hill, Ford, transmission, 21, 41.9, 8, \$26,543.  
37. (14) Eric Curran, Dodge, transmission, 15, 41.7, 7, \$20,025.  
38. (35) Louis-Philippe Dumoulin, Ford, suspension, 14, 37, 6, \$19,981.  
39. (24) Chris Cook, Chevrolet, brakes, 6, 36.2, 0, \$19,845.  
40. (43) Matt DiBenedetto, Chevrolet, overheating, 6, 31.9, 4, \$19,710.  
41. (30) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, brakes, 5, 33, 3, \$19,625.  
42. (40) Chase Miller, Chevrolet, brakes, 4, 31.9, 2, \$19,570.  
43. (25) Jeff Green, Toyota, vibration, 2, 29.3, 1, \$19,392.

**Race Statistics**  
Average Speed of Race Winner: 70.043 mph.  
Time of Race: 3 hours, 7 minutes, 58 seconds.  
Margin of Victory: 0.353 seconds.  
Caution Flags: 8 for 22 laps.  
Lead Changes: 12 among 6 drivers.  
Lap Leaders: A. Tagliani 1-2; S. Hornish Jr. 3; A. Tagliani 4-5; S. Hornish Jr. 6-7; J. Villeneuve 8-19; S. Hornish Jr. 20; D. Patrick 21-40; J. Villeneuve 41-45; E. Sadler 46-51; J. Villeneuve 52-63; A. Tagliani 64-66; J. Villeneuve 67-80; J. Algaier 81.  
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J. Villeneuve, 4 times for 43 laps; D. Patrick, 1 time for 20 laps; A. Tagliani, 3 times for 7 laps; E. Sadler, 1 time for 6 laps; S. Hornish Jr., 3 times for 4 laps; J. Algaier, 1 time for 1 lap.  
Top 10 in Points: 1. E. Sadler, 824; 2. R. Stenhouse Jr., 802; 3. S. Hornish Jr., 802; 4. A. Dillon, 789; 5. J. Algaier, 756; 6. M. Annett, 690; 7. C. Whitt, 633; 8. M. Bliss, 609; 9. B. Scott, 540; 10. J. Nemecek, 506.

AP TOP 25

Table with 3 columns: Rank, Team, Record, Pts, Pct. Lists top 25 teams in the Associated Press preseason college football poll.

BSC PREDICTIONS

So much time was spent during the offseason talking about the coming college football playoff, it will almost make you forget the Bowl Championship Series is still around for a couple more seasons. Two more seasons of automatic bids, polls, computer ratings and two teams being selected from 124 to have a chance at the national title in the postseason.

**ROSE BOWL**  
Oregon (at-large) vs. Michigan State (Big Ten champions)  
RB Le'Veon Bell and the Spartans break their Rose Bowl drought (last one: 1988) by winning the Big Ten title against Wisconsin (again with those two). For RB D'Anthony Thomas and the Ducks, it's a third Rose Bowl in four years after losing twice to USC.

**SUGAR BOWL**  
Alabama (at-large) vs. Texas (at-large)  
An early loss to Arkansas keeps the defending champion Crimson Tide out of the national title game, but a victory against LSU gives Nick Saban's team another BCS bid. Texas gets back to the big stage on the strength of a fierce defense led by ends Alex Okafor and Jackson Jeffcoat and strong running game. Should make for a Sugar Bowl slug-fest.

**FIESTA BOWL**  
West Virginia (Big 12 champion) vs. Wisconsin (at-large)  
QB Geno Smith and Mountaineers win a title in their inaugural season in the Big 12 with a high-powered offense that will fit right in with their new neighbors — and just enough defense. RB Montee Ball and the Badgers miss out on a third straight Rose Bowl, but the Fiesta Bowl will gladly welcome their passionate fans to the desert.

**ORANGE BOWL**  
Florida State (ACC champion) vs. South Florida (Big East champion)  
The Orange Bowl hasn't caught many breaks as far as matchups during the BCS era, and while this all-Florida game will no doubt fill the Sun Life Stadium in Miami, it's a regular-season rematch that won't excite many outside the state. The Seminoles are FINALLY back behind coach Jimbo Fisher, just missing out on a ticket to the national title game. As for USF, well, somebody has to win the Big East, so might as well go with the team led by a talented, four-year starter at quarterback (B.J. Daniels).

And the national champion will be ... Matt Barkley and the Trojans snap the SEC's streak of BCS titles at six with a victory in Miami, where they last took home the crystal football — before having to give it back.

PIRATES BOX

Table with 3 columns: Team, IP, H, R, ER, BBSO. Shows pitching stats for Cardinals and Pirates.

Umpires—Home, Jim Reynolds; First, James Hoyer; Second, Jim Joyce; Third, Lance Barrett.

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Table with 3 columns: Player, Score, Par. Lists scores for PGA-Wyndham Championship Par Scores.

TRANSACTIONS

**Saturday's Sports Transactions**  
**The Associated Press BASEBALL**  
**Major League Baseball**  
MLB—Suspended Los Angeles Dodgers manager Don Mattingly two games and fined him an undisclosed amount for his excessive arguing in the top of the second inning of an Aug. 16 game.  
**American League**  
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Recalled LHP Zach Britton from Norfolk (IL). Optioned INF Joe Mahoney to Norfolk.  
BOSTON RED SOX—Recalled INF Mauro Gomez from Pawtucket (IL). Placed LHP Felix Doubront on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 10.  
**National League**  
CHICAGO CUBS—Recalled LHP Brooks Raley from Iowa (PCL).  
CINCINNATI REDS—Recalled RHP Todd Redmond from Louisville (IL).  
COLORADO ROCKIES—Placed OF Carlos Gonzalez on the bereavement list. Recalled OF Charlie Blackmon from Colorado Springs (PCL).  
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Recalled RHP Nick Vincent from Tucson (PCL). Optioned RHP Ross Ohlendorf to Tucson.  
**American Association**  
AMARILLO SOX—Released C Mitch Abetta.  
EL PASO DIABLOS—Signed C Zach Larson.  
SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS—Signed RHP Geno Glynn.  
ST. PAUL SAINTS—Claimed RHP Mike Welch off waivers from Kansas City.  
WICHITA WINGNUTS—Traded INF Wilberto Ortiz to Lincoln for a player to be named.  
**Can-Am League**  
NEWARK BEARS—Traded RHP Mike Ness to New Jersey for RHP Mark Rutledge and two players to be named.  
**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**  
OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER—Agreed to terms with F Serge Ibaka on a multiyear contract extension.  
**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**  
ATLANTA FALCONS—Reached an injury settlement with WR Michael Calvin.  
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed DE Luke Black.  
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Waived K Jeff Wolfert.  
**SOCCER**  
**Major League Soccer**  
MLS—Suspended Vancouver FC Barry Robson one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for aggravated dissent against an assistant referee during an Aug. 15 game.

YSU

**YOUNGSTOWN ST.**  
Sep. 1 at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.  
Sep. 8 Valparaiso, 4 p.m.  
Sep. 15 Albany (NY), 4 p.m.  
Sep. 22 N. Iowa, 7 p.m.  
Oct. 6 at N. Dakota St., 2 p.m.  
Oct. 13 at Illinois St., 2 p.m.  
Oct. 20 S. Illinois, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 27 at S. Dakota St., 3 p.m.  
Nov. 3 South Dakota, 2 p.m.  
Nov. 10 at W. Illinois, 2 p.m.  
Nov. 17 Indiana St., 2 p.m.

OHIO STATE

OHIO ST.  
Sep. 1 Miami (Ohio), Noon  
Sep. 8 UCF, Noon  
Sep. 15 California, Noon  
Sep. 22 UAB, TBA  
Sep. 29 at Michigan St., TBA  
Oct. 6 Nebraska, 8 p.m.  
Oct. 13 at Indiana, 8 p.m.  
Oct. 20 Purdue, TBA  
Oct. 27 at Penn St., 6 p.m.  
Nov. 3 Illinois, TBA  
Nov. 17 at Wisconsin, TBA  
Nov. 24 Michigan, Noon

PENN STATE

**PENN ST.**  
Sep. 1 Ohio, Noon  
Sep. 8 at Virginia, Noon  
Sep. 15 Navy, 3:30 p.m.  
Sep. 22 Temple, TBA  
Sep. 29 at Illinois, TBA  
Oct. 6 Northwestern, Noon  
Oct. 20 at Iowa, 8 p.m.  
Oct. 27 Ohio St., 6 p.m.  
Nov. 3 at Purdue, TBA  
Nov. 10 at Nebraska, TBA  
Nov. 17 Indiana, TBA  
Nov. 24 Wisconsin, TBA

PITTSBURGH

**PITTSBURGH**  
Sep. 1 Youngstown St., 6 p.m.  
Sep. 6 at Cincinnati, 8 p.m.  
Sep. 15 Virginia Tech, Noon  
Sep. 22 Gardner-Webb, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 5 at Syracuse, 7 p.m.  
Oct. 13 Louisville, TBA  
Oct. 20 at Buffalo, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 27 Temple, TBA  
Nov. 3 at Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 9 at UConn, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 24 Rutgers, TBA  
Dec. 1 at South Florida, TBA

NOTRE DAME

**NOTRE DAME**  
Sep. 1 at Navy, 9 a.m.  
Sep. 8 Purdue, 3:30 p.m.  
Sep. 15 at Michigan St., 8 p.m.  
Sep. 22 Michigan, 7:30 p.m.  
Oct. 6 Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
Oct. 13 Stanford, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 20 BYU, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 27 at Oklahoma, TBA  
Nov. 3 Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 10 at Boston College, TBA  
Nov. 17 Wake Forest, 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 24 at Southern Cal, TBA

NFL PRESEASON

Table with 3 columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA. Shows NFL Preseason records.

WEB.COM

Table with 3 columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA. Shows Web.com Midwest Classic Scores.

THURSDAY'S GAMES

**Friday's Games**  
Tennessee 30, Tampa Bay 7  
Minnesota 36, Buffalo 14  
Jacksonville 27, New Orleans 24  
Detroit 27, Baltimore 12  
Carolina 23, Miami 17  
Arizona 31, Oakland 27  
**Saturday's Games**  
N.Y. Giants at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m.  
San Francisco at Houston, 8 p.m.  
Kansas City at St. Louis, 8 p.m.  
Washington at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
Dallas at San Diego, 9 p.m.  
Seattle at Denver, 9 p.m.  
**Sunday's Game**  
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m.  
**Monday's Game**  
Philadelphia at New England, 8 p.m.  
**Thursday, Aug. 23**  
Green Bay at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.  
Jacksonville at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.  
Arizona at Tennessee, 8 p.m.  
**Friday, Aug. 24**  
New England at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
San Diego at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
Seattle at Kansas City, 8 p.m.  
Chicago at N.Y. Giants, 8 p.m.  
**Saturday, Aug. 25**  
Indianapolis at Washington, 4 p.m.  
Detroit at Oakland, 7 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7 p.m.  
Houston at New Orleans, 8 p.m.  
St. Louis at Dallas, 8 p.m.  
**Sunday, Aug. 26**  
San Francisco at Denver, 4 p.m.  
Carolina at N.Y. Jets, 8 p.m.

OHIO

**OHIO**  
Sep. 1 at Penn St., Noon  
Sep. 8 New Mexico St., 7 p.m.  
Sep. 15 at Marshall, 6:30 p.m.  
Sep. 22 Norfolk St., 2 p.m.  
Sep. 29 at UMass, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 6 Buffalo, Noon  
Oct. 13 Akron, 2 p.m.  
Oct. 27 at Miami (Ohio), 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 1 E. Michigan, 6 p.m.  
Nov. 7 Bowling Green, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 14 at Ball St., 8 p.m.  
Nov. 23 at Kent St., TBA

KENT STATE

**KENT ST.**  
Aug. 30 Towson, 7 p.m.  
Sep. 8 at Kentucky, 7:30 p.m.  
Sep. 19 at Buffalo, 7 p.m.  
Sep. 29 Ball St., Noon  
Oct. 6 at E. Michigan, 1 p.m.  
Oct. 13 at Army, Noon  
Oct. 20 W. Michigan, 3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 27 at Rutgers, 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 3 Akron, 2 p.m.  
Nov. 10 at Miami (Ohio), 1 p.m.  
Nov. 17 at Bowling Green, Noon  
Nov. 23 Ohio, TBA

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► GOLF

# Miyazato takes LPGA lead

Wie tied for 11th after finishing day with 70

NORTH PLAINS, Ore. (AP) — Japan's Mika Miyazato shoot a 4-under 68 on Saturday to take a two-stroke lead after the second round of the LPGA Tour's Safeway Classic

Miyazato, tied for the first-round lead with Sydnee Michaels after a 65, had an 11-under 133 total on Pumpkin Ridge's Ghost Creek Course.

South Korea's So Yeon Ryu, the Toledo Classic winner last week, was second after a 68. Ryu and Miyazato, winless in her four seasons on the LPGA Tour, will be paired together again today after playing in the same group the first two days.

Cristie Kerr and Inbee Park shot 70 to reach 8 under, and Michaels had a 72 to join top-ranked Yani Tseng and Paula Creamer at 7 under. Tseng had a 67, and Creamer shot a 69.

Michelle Wie was tied for 11th at 5 under after a 70.

Defending champion Suzann Pettersen was 2-under after a 71. Last year, the Norwegian star Pettersen overcame a nine-stroke deficit in the final round and won in a playoff.

It was nearly 30 degrees cooler Saturday following Friday's scorching 100-de-



Mika Miyazato, from Okinawa, Japan, tees off on hole five during the second round of the LPGA Safeway Classic golf tournament in North Plains, Ore., Saturday. Miyazato is at an 11-under-par 133 heading into Sunday's final round. (AP Photo)

gree day. Players said lower temperatures made the 6,611-yard course play longer.

Miyazato birdied two of her final four holes in her bogey-free round to take the lead. Her previous best LPGA Tour finishes came this year with second-place ties in the NW Arkansas Championship and LPGA Championship.

Ryu, the LPGA rookie points leader, briefly took the lead after shooting a 5-under 30 on the back nine — her first nine.

Kerr had birdies the

three-hole stretch of par 5s from No. 8-10 to edge into contention. She won the event in 2008 at Columbia-Eggewater, and finished second at Pumpkin Ridge in 2010.

Michaels, an LPGA Tour rookie from UCLA, made an eagle at the par-5 ninth to pull within one stroke of the lead. She struggled down the stretch, hitting her tee shots into the water at 17 and 18.

Tseng, who has missed the cuts in three of her previous four tournaments, made five birdies. She leads the tour with three victories this year.

► NFL

# Giants stifle Sanchez, Tebow in 26-3 victory

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — It didn't matter if it was Mark Sanchez or Tim Tebow at quarterback. The New York Jets could do little



against the New York Giants' relentless defense.

Rookie Jayron Hosley returned an interception of Sanchez 77 yards for a touchdown, and the defending Super Bowl champions stifled the Jets in a 26-3 preseason victory over the hometown rivals on Saturday night.

Tebow, making his home debut for the Jets (0-2), led the Jets (No. 14 in the AP Pro32) to their only points of the night on a 30-yard field goal by Josh Brown. But he, like Sanchez, struggled to get much of anything going while working with the second-team offense.

"As a defensive line, we were able to get some pressure," Giants defensive end Justin Tuck said. "And that's really what we need to do if we want to be a good defense. Defensively, as a whole, we played pretty well. We were able to rush the quarterback. ... It's a step in the right direction, a plus for us."

Lawrence Tynes kicked four field goals, and for-

mer Rutgers fullback Joe Martinek had a 14-yard touchdown catch for the Giants (1-1). Eli Manning and the Giants (No. 3) starters were mostly quiet, too, with the Super Bowl MVP going 7 of 14 for 62 yards and an interception, but they didn't need much to win on this night.

"I thought we had a couple good drives and moved the ball," Manning said. "We converted some third downs, had some opportunities, but didn't get in the end zone. Whenever you play the Jets, you're always going against a great defense."

Sanchez finished 9 of 11 for 59 yards and the costly interception, but was under pressure on nearly every play. He was sacked three times, including twice by Jason Pierre-Paul. The Jets were without injured wide receivers Antonio Holmes, Jeremy Kerley and Chaz Schilens, and it showed.

Jets coach Rex Ryan joked his team's offense would be "vanilla with some sprinkles" — and he wasn't kidding. The Jets started slowly and never really got going as the Giants' front seven played like the group that helped lead them to the Super Bowl title last season.

Tebow came in to a mixed reaction — cheers from Jets fans and boos

from the loads of Giants fans in attendance — and appeared to energize the team. But he had a shot at his first touchdown on second-and-20 from the 29 and short-hopped a pass to a wide-open Stephen Hill in the end zone. The Jets settled for Brown's field goal that bounced off the right upright and over the crossbar to cut the deficit to 16-3 with 3:26 left in the third quarter.

Tebow was 4 of 5 for 52 yards on the drive, and had two runs for 5 yards, but finished 5 of 14 for 69 yards.

It was the teams' first meeting since Christmas Eve, when Victor Cruz's 99-yard catch helped send the Giants on their Super Bowl run and the Jets into a disappointing offseason without a playoff appearance.

Tynes gave the Giants a 3-0 lead with a 35-yard field goal on a 12-play drive that was kept alive by a personal foul penalty on the Jets' Joe McKnight — a sign of things to come for the home team. The running back rolled into punter Steve Weatherford and turned a fourth-and-5 from the Jets 25 to a first-and-10 from the 40.

McKnight got an earful from Jets special teams coordinator Mike Westhoff on the sideline after the play.

# Weaver, Fox advance to U.S. Amateur final at Cherry Hills

CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE, Colo. (AP) — Michael Weaver never stopped believing it was his day, even after his big lead started to slip away.

Buoyed by four birdies on the front nine, including a 50-foot putt on the par-3 eighth, Weaver shook off Justin Thomas' late run for a 3-and-2 victory Saturday and a shot in the U.S. Amateur final at Cherry Hills.

"Whenever you make a putt like that, it's a little bit of luck," Weaver said. "But you know, it was just kind of one of those days when it's your day. It's just going to go in. That's how the whole front nine kind of was. I really felt like I couldn't do anything wrong. It was just all going my way."

Weaver will face Steven Fox of Hendersonville, Tenn., on Sunday in the 36-hole championship match.

Fox, a senior at Tennessee-Chattanooga, beat Brandon Hagy, Weaver's

teammate at the University of California, 2-up.

The 21-year-old Weaver, from Fresno, Calif., opened his semifinal match with Thomas with three consecutive birdies to go 2-up. He stretched his lead to 5-up after the 10th hole and withstood a rally by Thomas, an Alabama freshman who won three of four holes to get within two of Weaver.

"I just kept hitting good shots and kept giving myself chances," Weaver said. "That really helped me out a lot because I needed it. Justin came around a little bit and I slipped a little bit. But to start like that in the biggest match I've ever played in, that was an awesome feeling."

Weaver maintained his composure in the face of Thomas' late charge, and he said that's how he held him off.

"I just tried to forget that I had lost three of the last four holes to him," Weaver

said. "I really just focused like I had done all day, went through my routine the same way and hit a good shot. I didn't try to pump myself up or anything like that. That's not how I am, I guess."

Setting himself up on the green with a clutch chip shot, Weaver secured the win when he knocked in a 6-foot birdie putt on the 451-yard, par-4 16th hole as Thomas just missed a 15-foot birdie putt.

He thrust his arms in the air in celebration and got a hug from his father, Bill Weaver, who has caddied for his son throughout the weeklong tournament. Both wiped away tears of joy.

"I'm so proud of him," Bill Weaver said. "He's a very strong individual, no give-up in him. He just gutted it out."

Michael Weaver got choked up again later, recalling his deciding putt to get to the championship

round and sharing it with his father.

"That was pretty special," he said. "I'll remember that forever. I'm so excited. My dad caddied for me all the time. I'm so excited he could be here to be part of this. I owe him a lot. He's supported me all along, everything I needed and I wouldn't be here without him."

Thomas said Weaver simply outplayed him on the front nine and the deficit proved too much to overcome.

"I didn't battle through it well enough," Thomas said. "Although it hurts a lot to lose, especially this late in the tournament, it's a lot better to get beat than to lose."

The championship Sunday brings together two long shots from an original field of 312 players from 43 states and 20 countries that began the stroke play qualifying on Monday. Both Fox and Weaver

emerged from a playoff at the end of two days of qualifying to win their spots in the 64-player match-play field. Fox was the No. 63 seed and Weaver the No. 60 seed.

Along the way, Weaver had to get past Thomas, the Jack Nicklaus Award winner as the nation's top college player. Fox advanced to the semifinals by defeating Chris Williams, the University of Washington star who was the top-ranked amateur.

"Whether you're No. 1 or 64, you always have a chance," Fox said. "And it's awesome how we survived a playoff and got this far. It's really unreal."

On Saturday, Fox weathered a tightly contested match with Hagy that was all square as late as the 14th hole. Fox made par on No. 15, and went 1 up when Hagy missed a 10-foot putt for a bogey.

They matched each other on the next two holes. On

the 472-yard, par-4 18th, Fox used a 4-iron to drive his second shot 206 yards, landing it within 6 feet of the hole.

"Best shot of my life," Fox said.

It also impressed Hagy. "That was a spectacular shot," Hagy said. "Very clutch. And my shot, I hit it right at the flag. It looked really good and just went a little too far."

Hagy overshot the hole on his second shot, rolling the ball to the back of the green. His try for a long birdie putt was wide, and it gave Fox the 2-up victory.

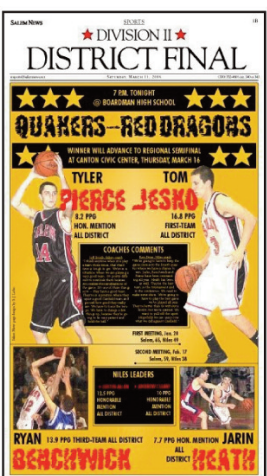
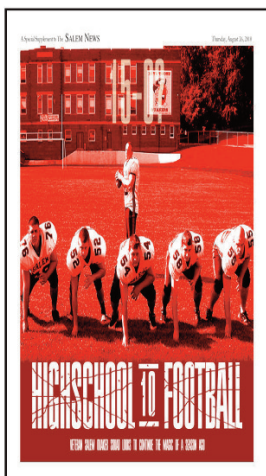
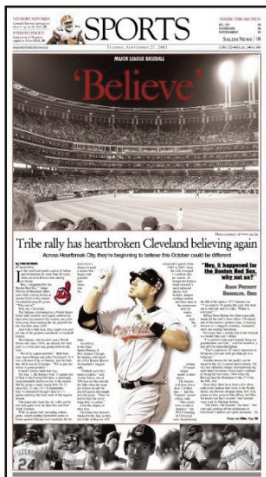
Then his phone started ringing.

"It's been going off like crazy," Fox said. "There's so many people back home backing me. I mean, it's just awesome. Without them I wouldn't be here, especially my family. They're all rooting for me. It's an unbelievable feeling. It just puts a smile on your face."

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► NBA

# Ibaka's new deal reportedly for \$48M

IOKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma City Thunder took a big step toward sticking around as an NBA championship contender.

The Thunder and general manager Sam Presti still face difficult decisions in the team's quest to remain a title threat for the long haul after reaching the NBA Finals last season, but reaching a contract extension with blocks leader Serge Ibaka is certainly a good start.

Ibaka came to terms on the deal on Saturday as the Thunder locked up another

key member of their nucleus while also putting into question whether the small-market team can afford to keep Sixth Man of the Year James Harden beyond next season.

Ibaka posted on Twitter that he was happy for the chance to play for the Thunder for five more years. Presti didn't provide details of the contract, citing team policy, but Yahoo! Sports first reported that the deal is for four additional years and \$48 million.

"At 23 years old (by the time next season starts), we really do expect his best basketball to be in front of him," Presti said in a conference call, hours before his wedding.

Presti dismissed the notion that Ibaka's signing means that Harden's departure is inevitable. But with more than \$50 million com-

mitted per season to All-Stars Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook and starting center Kendrick Perkins, there is not much room left in the budget for Harden, who earned a spot on the U.S. Olympic team that won gold in London.

Ibaka played for Spain's silver-medal winning Olympic team. Both he and Harden were eligible for extensions to their rookie contracts for the first time this summer and were set to become free agents after next season.

"We're going to continue our conversations with James. We very much value him," Presti said. "We want him to be a part of our organization moving forward. We're excited that he's a member of the Thunder and we're hopeful that he'll be with us for years moving forward."

To make that happen, Oklahoma City would likely have to go over the salary cap — set at about \$58 million for next season — and pay a luxury tax or make other moves, such as using the amnesty clause to erase Perkins' contract.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Five great movies involving troubled marriages

**CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP Movie Critic

LOS ANGELES — Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones play a long-time married couple who've fallen into a rut in the surprisingly honest and effective "Hope Springs." She hopes intensive couples' therapy will restore their romance; he's content to fall asleep in front of the television every night watching The Golf Channel. Marriage, in all its states, is such a universal topic that it's been portrayed in countless films. But troubled marriages can provide showy performances and moments of uncomfortable truth. Here are five great examples:

► "Scenes From a Marriage" (1973): One of Ingmar Bergman's very best, this intimate and piercing drama follows a seemingly happy, upper-middle class Swedish couple over the years as their marriage falls apart. Marianne (Liv Ullmann) and Johan (Erland Josephson) destroy each other, drift apart and eventually wind up with other people, but still find themselves intrinsically tied to each other. Working with his longtime collaborator, the great cinematographer Sven Nyqvist, Bergman is unflinching and uncompromising in his examination of this flawed and all-too human love affair, and Ullmann and Josephson are pitch-perfect. Originally presented as a six-part TV miniseries, it was edited down to a feature film of nearly three hours. Not a moment of emotion has been lost.

► "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" (1966): I reference this movie a lot, I realize, but this week's list would seem empty without it. It's the ultimate train wreck: Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton booze it up and berate each other in front a poor, unsuspecting young couple who had the misfortune of



In this 1966 file photo originally released by Warner Bros., Elizabeth Taylor, left, and Richard Burton, are shown in a scene from the film, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf." (AP Photo/Warner Bros., file)

saying "yes" to their invitation to come over one night. Mike Nichols' adaptation of Edward Albee's play, his assured directing debut, would have had a relentless sense of claustrophobia anyway. But the fact that Burton and Taylor had such a notoriously tumultuous off-screen relationship (they were married to each other in real life — for the first time) made their on-screen barbs seem

that much more severe. Nominated for 13 Academy Awards, it won five, including best actress for Taylor's scathing performance.

► "Blue Valentine" (2010): A heartbreaking drama about the disintegration of a marriage depicted in such raw, unadorned and sometimes uncomfortably close fashion, it makes you feel as if you're watching a documentary about a real-life

couple. Michelle Williams earned the second of her three Oscar nominations here, although co-star Ryan Gosling deserved one just as much; each needs the other for their dynamic to work, and both deliver performances of convincing power. Director Derek Cianfrance skips back and forth in time between the idyllic days of their youthful courtship and the distance that di-

vides them years later as working-class parents, once they've realized how different their goals are. Their overnight hotel getaway, a last gasp at salvaging their marriage, is both hopeful and heartbreaking.

► "The War of the Roses" (1989): Because we had to have a comedy in here somewhere — even the blackest of black comedies — to keep ourselves from getting too terribly depressed. Michael Douglas and Kathleen Turner reteam with their "Romancing the Stone" co-star Danny DeVito, who also directs, for a film that couldn't be more different (and more bereft of romance). As Oliver and Barbara Rose, Douglas and Turner tear each other and everything around them apart. Calling this a messy divorce would be an understatement; what happens to the couple's opulent mansion more closely resembles a war zone. As much an indictment of the conspicuous consumption of the era as it is a cynical depiction of modern love.

► "I Am Love" (2010): A vibrantly gorgeous film about a marriage slowly, quietly dying. The versatile and chameleon-like Tilda Swinton shows yet another side to her staggering talent here, speaking fluent Italian (and even a little Russian) as the gracious and impeccably dressed wife of a Milanese industrialist. She would seem to have it all with her husband and three children in their palatial home — until she realizes she's not happy. A young chef catches her eye and helps her rediscover the woman she used to be, inspiring a climactic departure of operatic proportions. Italian director Luca Guadagnino's retro-styled melodrama recalls Visconti and Sirk in its lush trappings, but Swinton's formidable presence at the center always keeps things grounded and real.

## Review: Quiet 'Hope Springs' packs surprising punch

**CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP Movie Critic

Here's how surprisingly effective "Hope Springs" is: It will make you want to go home and have sex with your spouse afterward. Or at least share a longer hug or a more passionate kiss.

You don't have to be married for 31 years like the stuck-in-a-rut couple Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones play to feel inspired by the film's message about the importance of keeping your relationship alive. It sounds like a cliché because it is a cliché, and more: It's a cottage industry, one that's launched countless afternoon talk show episodes and shelf after shelf of self-help books.

And yet, despite television ads that look alternately wacky and mawkish and suggest pat, glossy superficiality, "Hope Springs" unearths some quiet and often

uncomfortable truths. The first produced script from television writer and producer Vanessa Taylor ("Alias," "Game of Thrones") explores the complicated dynamics that develop over a long-term relationship with great honesty and little judgment. What looks like a standard rom-com turns into something akin to a contemporary Ingmar Bergman film.

The performances from Streep and Jones go a long way toward elevating the rather straightforward direction from David Frankel, which includes some painfully literal musical selections and a few hokey comic situations. Frankel also directed Streep in her withering, Oscar-nominated performance in "The Devil Wears Prada."

But stylish magazine editor Miranda Priestly wouldn't be caught dead in the sensible ensembles that Streep's character here, Kay, wears

and sells at a mall chain store for middle-aged women. Her wardrobe is one of many ways "Hope Springs" depicts a safe, suburban Midwestern life vividly and without an ounce of mocking.

Kay and her husband, Arnold, live in a comfortable home in Omaha, Neb. Their children have grown up and moved out, leaving them to settle into a drab routine. She cooks him bacon and a couple of fried eggs every morning, which he eats at the kitchen table while reading the newspaper. A quick kiss on the cheek and Arnold is off to work at an accounting firm where he's one of the partners. When he comes home at night, some sort of meat-and-potatoes dinner is waiting for him. Afterward, she cleans up while he dozes off in the recliner watching The Golf Channel. Then they head upstairs to go to sleep — in their separate bedrooms.

And it's been this way for years.

Tired of the sexless complacency, Kay insists one day that she and Arnold take part in an intense, one-week couples' therapy session. In Maine, Arnold grudgingly agrees to join her in the idyllic New England hamlet of Great Hope Springs, but once he sits down on the couch, it takes a while for him even to consider opening up to the soft-spoken but persistent Dr. Bernard Feld (Steve Carell, playing a solid straight man to allow the two stars to stand out).

The therapy scenes are just exquisitely acted and paced, with body language and slight facial gestures that speak volumes. The silences provide tension and intimacy, but once these two do begin answering questions, they reveal regrets and resentments, yearnings and fantasies they'd never dared to speak aloud before.

Arnold is perpetually exasperated and emotionally closed-off but he's convinced himself he's content; Jones is doing his patented, humorously gruff persona but with some eventual vulnerability that provides shading and depth. He's great here. And Streep is just ... well, she's Meryl Streep. Lovely, slightly naive and goofy and always so accessible, she never has a moment that feels forced or false. Kay longs to be loved so desperately, your heart just aches for her — and yet, she also may bear much of the blame for the state of her marriage.

Without a single special effect or explosion, "Hope Springs" is the unexpected summer movie with real punch.

"Hope Springs," a Columbia Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for mature thematic content involving sexuality. Running time: 99 minutes. Three stars out of four.

## Review: David Cronenberg blows a tire with lifeless, stagey 'Cosmopolis'

**By TODD MCCARTHY**  
The Hollywood Reporter

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lifeless, stagey and lacking a palpable subversive pulse despite the ready opportunities offered by the material, "Cosmopolis" is a stillborn adaptation of Don DeLillo's novel that will initially attract some Robert Pattinson fans but will be widely met with audience indifference.

DeLillo's short, chilly 2003 book adopted a Ulysses-like format of a man's journey across a city in a single day in a white stretch limo to presciently foresee the anarchic "Occupy" mentality rising up to protest the financial shenanigans of the ultra-rich.

The film from director David Cronenberg is remarkably prosaic, confined through long stretches to the dark and narrow interior of the car, only to be concluded by a static half-hour final scene that feels like a two-character, off-off Broadway play.

Pattinson's Eric Packer, not yet 30, is a brilliant financial visionary who never puts a foot wrong. With billions at his disposal, he practices rarefied and enormously profitable business strategies incomprehensible even to his colleagues while cocooning himself in an enormous apartment and his sound- and bulletproof car.

This day, his whim is to travel across Midtown Manhattan, east to west, to get a haircut. His bodyguard Torval (Kevin Durand) warns him about the complications pre-



This film image released by Entertainment One shows Robert Pattinson in a scene from "Cosmopolis." (AP Photo/Entertainment One)

sented by a presidential motorcade, resultant protests and what he terms "credible threats" against Eric's own life. But the cold young

man, presiding from what resembles a black leather throne in the middle of the car's back seat, feels aloof from physical danger.

One by one, figures from his life join him in the car or for brief pit stops at a diner or bookstore: His blond wife (Sarah Gadon), whom he doesn't seem to know that well or spend much time with; his art dealer (Juliette Binoche), who has sex with him while talking about a "Rothko chapel" that has become available; a financial guru (Samantha Morton), who warns that, "Something will happen soon"; a mad "pie assassin" (Mathieu Amalric), who achieves his longstanding goal of creaming the elusive Eric in the face; and a man (K'naan) with whom Eric commiserates about the sudden death of a charismatic black musician whose funeral procession is causing further traffic chaos.

On the page and on film, Eric is a controlled and controlling figure, a man impervious to society's norms who one must feel has a mind operating well beyond the capacities of mere mortals. He's utterly humorless and without detectable compassion or accessible humanity, which makes him less than companionable as a character. Pattinson doesn't help matters by revealing nothing behind the eyes and delivering nearly all his lines with the same rhythm and intonations, plus repetitive head nods in the bargain. It's a tough character that perhaps a young Jeremy Irons could have made riveting, but Pattinson is too bland and monotonous to hold the interest.

The shortcomings are compounded in the long climactic scene

in which, after a startling bit of violence, Eric settles in to a dumpy building on the far West Side to be confronted by desperate and armed former employee Benno Levin (Paul Giamatti).

A self-confessed nonentity and no-hoper, Benno's rants about Eric's riches and his ultimate plot function made DeLillo's book disappointingly predictable in its resolution and do the same here, making for a tedious, airless final act. Coming from Cronenberg, the pacing and staging of the scene are remarkably conventional.

Disappointingly, the director could not find a way to electrify the energy of the opposition (sometimes seen outside the limo's windows, which also allow Eric to shut off the rest of the world like a TV set), nor has he found a fluid, quasi-hallucinatory technique for transitioning among the numerous situations and their constantly changing participants. Of the guest cast, Morton probably makes the strongest impression as an adviser closest to Eric's level of expertise.

Shot in Toronto studios with considerable rear projection and some location shots, the film would have greatly benefited from the continuous presence of the real New York, but financial considerations clearly prevented extensive work there.

"Cosmopolis," an Entertainment One release, is rated R for some strong sexual content including graphic nudity, violence and language. Running time: 108 minutes.

## HOROSCOPE

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Sunday, August 19, 2012

The void-of-course moon brings a drift of headspace and perhaps an odd feeling, like remembering something that has not happened yet. A trick of shadow and light can lead your senses to unreasonable conclusions. Your mind wants to believe, so enjoy the illusions — optical, emotional and otherwise.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Information that you gather in your environment will spur you to behave in a particular way. You always have a choice in how to react, but some options are more obvious than others.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** You may be surprised at your own feeling of surprise. Is it possible that you were expecting something you didn't get, even though you didn't know you were expecting anything at all?

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Peering into your future will be a requirement of the day. What you see when you dare to glimpse forward will have you choosing different activities from those you chose yesterday.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** The utility of an item depends largely on who is going to use it. When the "who" is "you," people will be amazed at how far your creativity can stretch the potential of an item to produce the desired result.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** In the mirrored world of the mind, everything depends on how the room is lit. Keep in mind that the way you experience things may or may not be how they really are.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Having a large number of online friends doesn't necessarily translate into "social proof" that you're a good friend. But what you do this afternoon will.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You're not satisfied with action for its own sake. You want to know the practical reason before you commit your energy. Because of this, you won't be too busy, though you'll still be very productive.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You can't think of everything, but you leave time to make fixes. You expect that there will be changes to your routine, and you build your schedule to accommodate the possibilities.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** You'll be in a charitable mood, and yet you are a discerning giver. You want to contribute to those who really need what you have and will put it to direct use.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Everyone makes mistakes, but only those with exemplary character admit where they went wrong and try to make it right. You'll have the opportunity to forgive such a person.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** It may be hard to project accurately into the future. When you envision the future, you may add details that will not actually be or forget about some of the more crucial parts that will be.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Just as a physician vows to do no harm and a postal worker vows to deliver the mail in all kinds of weather, there is something you will do that is so essential to your nature that it defines you.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 19).** You define success differently from the way you did years ago, and you beautifully flesh out your new definition. The next six weeks bring you closer to an interesting someone.

Mysteries only get deeper and more mysterious. You'll learn and earn through the fall. Younger people look up to you. Travel in June. Taurus and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 44, 25, 4, 27 and 14.

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:** There is a legend associated with the passage of the sun into Virgo. It begins in an idyllic setting, when the world was Eden-esque. That is to say, there were no automated phone systems, lines at the grocery store were never more than two people deep, and there were enough parking spaces for all of humanity to visit the mall at the same time.

Then along came Pandora, the original Virgo, on her daily cleaning spree, when she noticed this unopened box. What happened next was either a nightmare or a wild and wonderful dream, depending on whom you ask. Pandora opened the box, and sin and evil were let loose upon the world. (Reportedly, Jupiter stuffed these things into a box during a hasty cleaning spree.) Now, some rue this innocence lost, while others celebrate it. Without it, there would be no wicked wit, no drama and nothing "cool," since "cool" (as only the coolest know) relies on a marriage of dark and bright energies.

But what was Pandora's (Virgo's) role in all of this? Well, maybe somewhere deep inside she realized that since she let it all out of the box, it's on her to organize it. — Excerpted from "Rock Your Stars: The Astrological Guide to Getting it All"

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** At the turn of the 20th century, the race for human flight was peopled by serious scientists across the globe, including some highly educated and funded individuals. But it was the indomitable will and tenacity of the Wright Brothers that cracked the code — and without funding or education. Orville Wright changed the world forever by flying toward his guiding planet, the sun.

## ANTIQUES

BY TERRY KOVEL

Ancient Roman iridescent glass dug up in Israel is now being featured in modern jewelry. One of the jewelry designers told viewers of a late-night shopping channel that the thin layer of iridescence called "patina" was taken from the ancient glass and assembled flake by flake on a base used to create new jewelry. A chemical reaction causes buried glass to form the iridescent layer. We have seen 1950s bottles buried in a damp location that show this type of iridescence. Artists have admired this glass iridescence since the early 1800s. In 1817, a man from Scotland patented a way to iridize glass, but the glass that collectors like today, the kind with a golden iridescence, was made by Ludwig Lobmeyr of Austria-Hungary in 1873. Other glass artists, including Louis Comfort Tiffany, began making their own type of iridescent glass. Some of the factories that made gold iridescent glass and the date they started are: Glasfabrik Johann Loetz-Witwe (1890), Wilhelm Kralik Sohn (1890s), Tiffany (1896), Koloman Moser (1900), Quezal Art Glass Co. (1901) and Steuben Glass Co. (1903). Carnival glass, a less-expensive and very different-looking type of iridescent glass, was made after 1908. Collectors and even experts often cannot identify the maker of a gold iridescent glass piece because the pieces are all so similar. And modern glassmakers can produce very similar glass pieces, too, so there is much confusion. The most expensive and most popular is Tiffany gold glass.

**Q:** I would like to know the age and make of my cast-iron toy gun. It's marked "TG-27" and has a funny nub on the bottom and a short barrel. It probably opens at the grip. My brother repainted the entire gun to cover up rust.

**A:** Your toy gun is a cap gun made by the National Toy Co. The nub on the bottom of the grip lifts up to show where the caps should be loaded. Although the company didn't officially incorporate until 1914, your cap gun likely dates from 1911. The company's products were successful and sold in stores like FAO Schwarz. Since your cap gun is repainted, its value is very low.

**Q:** Please settle a dispute between my husband and me about our small table. It has been in my family for years. We think it's made of iron. It has two pierced oval shelves and a marble top and it's marked "B & H" and "1646." The paint is chipped. I say it should not go to a landfill and my

husband insists it should. Who is right?

**A:** Your iron table was made by Bradley & Hubbard Manufacturing Co. Walter Hubbard and his brother-in-law, Nathaniel Lyman Bradley, started making cast-metal clocks, call bells, lamps, chandeliers, sconces, bookends, frames, andirons and sewing birds in 1854 in Meriden, Conn. The company was sold to Charles Parker in 1940.

During the late 1800s and early 1900s, Bradley & Hubbard made many types of small ornate tables and stands to hold plants, flowers, calling cards, smoking accessories and inkstands. The tables and stands sell today for about \$150 to \$350, depending on condition. All Bradley & Hubbard products are collectible. Don't throw the table away.

**Q:** A Dr. Scholl's counter display has been in my family for years. It advertises "Dr. Scholl's Zino-pads. For Corns, Callouses & Bunions." The display has a pair of men's feet on it and contains a flickering light bulb that shines through a red lens to simulate pain. What is its value?

**A:** Dr. Scholl's was founded in Chicago in 1906 by podiatrist William Mathias Scholl. Scholl was working for a local shoe retailer when he realized the market potential for shoes that addressed common foot problems. He took night classes at a medical school and received his degree in 1904. When Scholl hired salesmen, he paid them higher wages if they took a podiatric course. On his first trip to Europe, Scholl personally sold arch supports to Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany. The company used many different styles of counter displays to advertise its products in drugstores. Your display is unusual because it has electric components. A nonelectrical vintage Dr. Scholl's counter display recently sold for \$144 at auction. Any large advertising sign with lights is worth hundreds of dollars.

**Q:** I have a scrapbook that belonged to my great-grandfather and then my grandfather. It's a scrapbook all about the Villa Igia in Palermo, Sicily. It has about 145 pages and is filled with newspaper clippings from the early 1900s. We would like to keep it in the family, but wonder what it might be worth. Who might be interested in it?

**A:** Collectors and libraries value letters, cards, documents and photographs of famous people. If the person who kept the scrapbook isn't famous, the value of material in an old scrapbook is minimal unless the photos and

letters relate to a historic event. Condition is always important, too. Collectors don't like newspaper clippings as much as they like postcards, trade cards and "scraps" (small die-cut colored pictures). They will pay \$1 to \$10 for common examples and more than \$100 for rarities. If your scrapbook includes more than clippings, you may find it has more value by taking it apart and donating or selling the individual photos, postcards and scraps.

*Tip: Do not display carnival glass made before 1910 in direct sunlight. The glass, introduced in 1907, will turn purple or brown and its iridescent finish may fade.*

### CURRENT PRICES

Current prices are recorded from antiques shows, flea markets, sales and auctions throughout the United States. Prices vary in different locations because of local economic conditions.

► Melamine dinnerware set, Trumpet Ware, white plates, brown cups and bowls, original box, Trump Plastics Co., 1960s, five four-piece place settings, salt and pepper, 22 pieces, \$30.

► The Junk Yard Game, target game, pinball action, box, Ideal, 1975, \$35.

► Fire-King advertising mug, "Col Ballroom, The Family Name in Dancing," Davenport, Iowa, white glass, red logo of couple dancing, Anchor Hocking, 1940s-50s, 3 1/2 inches, \$40.

► Little Orphan Annie and Sandy ashtray, lusterware, Annie in red dress sitting on edge of tray, Sandy by her side, "Made in Japan," 1930s, 3 x 4 inches, \$75.

► Space Ranger Walkie Talkies, two units, drawing of boy in spacesuit on box, Transette, 1960s, \$90.

► Planters Peanuts cocktail glasses, red bowl, blue base, clear Mr. Peanut figural stem, paper ring tags, 5 1/8 in., set of four, \$125.

► Hooked and braided rug, wool and cotton, diamond pattern, beige, gray and black with turquoise and pink nosegays, early 1900s, 30 x 50 inches, \$245.

► Kate Greenaway figural napkin ring, silver plate, boy lying on his stomach next to dog, unmarked, James W. Tufts, \$550.

► Rose O'Neill Skootles doll, pink and white sun-suit and bonnet, white leather shoes, pink socks, Cameo Doll Co., 1920s, 16 inches, \$650.

► Refectory table, walnut, carved, trestle supports, chamfered stretcher, Continental, 19th century, 32 x 108 inches, \$3,105.

## ASK STACY

BY STACY JENEL SMITH

**DEAR STACY:** The Nicolette Sheridan vs. "Desperate Housewives" lawsuit that got so much attention a few months ago but ended with a gridlocked jury — what's happened to that? — **Lee B., Baton Rouge, La.**

**DEAR LEE:** You've heard about the wheels of justice grinding slowly? A three-judge Court of Appeal panel is now considering the case, and it reportedly could be November or even later before the panel renders its decision on whether there will be a retrial. As you mentioned, the trial that began last February ended up being declared a mistrial after the jury declared itself gridlocked.

**DEAR STACY:** Please give an update on Eric Mabusius, formerly of "Ugly Betty." Also, can you tell a little about his background? Is he married? — **Lorena B., Des Moines, Iowa**

**DEAR LORENA:** Mabusius, 41, is married. He and his wife, interior designer Ivy Sherman, have two sons — Maxfield and Rylan, ages six and three. He was born in Harrisburg, Penn. and is an alumnus of Sarah Lawrence College. He broke into movies in the 1995 "Welcome to Dollhouse" and went on to roles in movies including "The Crow: Salvation" with Kirsten Dunst and "Resident Evil." On the small screen, Mabusius has been seen in "The L Word," "Eyes" and "The O.C." Mabusius has been having a busy year this year. He's done guest roles on shows including "Franklin & Bash." He has the independent film comedy "Price Check," in which he stars with Parker Posey — that was a Sundance Festival hit. He has a role in USA's "Political Animals" limited summer series with Sigourney Weaver, and he recently starred with Brooke D'Orsay in the Hallmark Channel romantic comedy, "How to Fall in Love."

**DEAR STACY:** Whatever happened to Jan Michael Vincent? Is he still alive? He was so handsome and such a good actor. — **M.D., New Port Richey, Fla.**

**DEAR M.D.:** Yes he's alive, but the 68-year-old retired actor's years of alcoholism and hard luck have taken a heavy toll. The one-time "Airwolf" hottie's career was already in decline in the '90s when he was involved in two car crashes, one of which left him with three broken vertebrae in his neck and a permanent injury to his vocal cords that gave him a perpetually raspy voice. He's only had a handful of acting assignments since. One was his small role in the acclaimed 1998 independent feature "Buffalo 66." His last movie release was the 2002 indie, "White Boy." In an interview on "The Insider," Vincent admitted that his drinking had ruined his career and his memory.

**DEAR STACY:** Is David Caruso Irish or Italian? What's he doing now that "CSI: Miami" is cancelled? — **Chris P., Warren, Ohio**

**DEAR CHRIS:** Caruso is the son of an Irish-American mother and an Italian-American father. The actor has yet to announce his next plans but did sign with an agent earlier this year after going nearly a decade without one.

### Jimmy Kimmel to wed top writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Jimmy Kimmel didn't have to look too far for his new fiancée.

The ABC funnyman is newly engaged to girlfriend Molly McNearney. His spokesman, Lewis Kay, said Wednesday that Kimmel popped the question during a recent vacation in South Africa's Kruger National Park.

McNearney is the co-head writer for the network's "Jimmy Kimmel Live." They started dating in 2009, after Kimmel's breakup with comic Sarah Silverman.

Kimmel is 44 — 10 years older than his fiancée. The engagement was first reported by People magazine.

## Cee Lo Green joins NFL's 'Thursday Night'

By CHRIS TALBOTT

AP Music Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Cee Lo Green's about to shake up the NFL.

Green is taking over the NFL Network's "Thursday Night Football" intro, and in typical fashion for the flamboyant rapper-singer he's putting his own spin on things. Rather than the traditional artist-centered pre-taped opener, the NFL and Green are inviting fans to submit videos of themselves singing along to the chorus of a song based on The Ramones' "Blitzkrieg Bop."

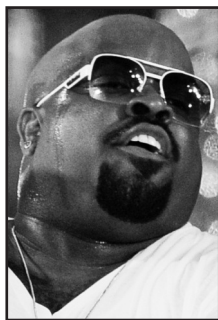
"I think this brings a splash of color to a, you know, bland and black-and-white backdrop," Green said. "And make it colorful and make it fun and make it young. Make it exciting and highly enthusiastic, you know what I'm saying?"

Beginning with the Sept. 13 "Thursday Night Football" season opener between

the Green Bay Packers and Chicago Bears, fans of each team can submit videos of themselves singing along to the chorus of the new song, "I Love Football."

Green said the crowd-sourcing feature of the "Fanthem" helps make the intro exciting and young. It's designed to help the league's effort to increase its social media presence.

Brian Lockhart, the NFL Network's coordinating producer of features and production design, says shows like Green's "The Voice" and other entertainment programs have had great success in marketing in untraditional ways on the Internet. Previous NFL prime-time intros have been focused on individual per-



Cee Lo Green

formers like Faith Hill and Hank Williams Jr., who split with ESPN's "Monday Night Football" last year.

"And I don't think sports has really taken a chance, especially broadcast sports hadn't taken that opportunity to go beyond maybe

just having a Facebook page or a Twitter page — 'Hey, post a question here,'" Lockhart said. "We wanted to do something that went from broadcasting to fans and became more about engaging with fans."

Lockhart said the NFL hopes "Fanthem," produced by (at)radical.media, will reproduce the feeling fans in a stadium have when they suddenly see themselves on the Jumbotron.

The intro also helps Green

continue his genre-smashing ways — "I call it accommodatingly ambiguous," he joked of his ability to effortlessly cross lines. By picking up an anthem like "Blitzkrieg Bop" — with its ubiquitous chorus of "Hey, ho, let's go!" — Green adds another facet to an already varied career. A star as a singer and rapper, he's also broken through on television with his role on "The Voice" and will soon start his own Las Vegas show.

"I'm definitely a Ramones fan," Green said in a Tuesday phone interview. "Punk rock is like pots and pans, like making something out of nothing, which is what hip-hop is as well. And both of them early on in their humble beginnings were alternative music. ... And therefore it's an alternative to the Faith Hill rendition, the Hank Williams rendition and any other one that we'll co-exist with."

## Jennifer Aniston, Justin Theroux officially engaged

NEW YORK (AP) — Jennifer Aniston is ready to marry again: The actress is engaged to screenwriter and actor Justin Theroux.

Aniston's rep, Stephen Huvane, confirmed the engagement last week to The Associated Press. It was first reported by People.com.

Forty-one-year-old Theroux — whose screenwriting credits include "Tropic Thunder," "Iron Man 2" and "Rock of Ages" — popped the question on Friday, which was also his birthday.

The two both appeared in the comedy "Wanderlust," also starring Paul Rudd, earlier this year.

This will be 43-year-old Aniston's second marriage and Theroux's first. Her union with Brad Pitt from 2000 to 2005 — and their subsequent divorce — became rich material for the tabloids. After her marriage ended, she was in high-profile relationships with Vince Vaughn and John Mayer.

## Taylor Swift to release new album 'Red' on Oct. 22

By CAITLIN R. KING

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Multi-platinum selling superstar Taylor Swift is releasing her fourth studio album called "Red" on Oct. 22.

She announced the news during a live web chat from Nashville, Tenn., in a room full of fans.

The 22-year-old singer said she has

been working on the project for two years. The album will have 16 tracks.

Swift played the first single from the album during the web chat. It's called "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together." During the song, she chanted and mouthed the words along with her fans.

Swift's 2010 album, "Speak Now," sold more than 1 million copies in its

first week out. She has sold more than 22 million albums throughout her career. Swift is known for hits including "You Belong With Me" and "Love Story."

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## Bob Woodward book to take on Obama, economy

NEW YORK (AP) — The U.S. economy is about to get the Bob Woodward treatment. The next book by the award-winning investigative reporter and best-selling author will document how President Barack Obama and congressional leaders responded to the economic crisis and where we stand now.

Publisher Simon & Schuster announced Tuesday the book will be called "The Price of Politics" and will come out Sept. 11. Woodward isn't the first writer to take on Obama and the economy. But his publisher promises a definitive story, including "hour-by-hour accounts" and interviews with

Obama and other top officials.

On Sept. 10, ABC's Diane Sawyer will have the first interview with Woodward, to be aired on "World News." Woodward will sit with George Stephanopoulos on publication day for a live interview on "Good Morning America."

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## Children visit Salem Historical Society

Children from the Quaker Community Preschool and Day Care Center, the first original day care facility in Salem, located at 244 S. Broadway Ave. in the First United Methodist Church, recently visited the Salem Historical Society. The children had a good time learning about the history of Salem. (Submitted photo)



Shown are area students who participated in Kent State's Rural Scholars Program. (Submitted photo)

## Kent campuses host Rural Scholars Program

SALEM — Kent State University at East Liverpool and Salem are committed to offering educational resources to their students and to the community. This commitment was showcased recently when the campus's Rural Scholars Program held a Water Explorations Summer program for seventh-grade area students.

The group of seventh graders met with local undergraduate mentors from Kent State University Columbiana County on their first day at Beaver Creek State Park. The students spent the majority of the day learning about water pollution and water conservation. Students also visited other local wetlands at Firestone-Yeagley Wildlife Area. "The kids were amazing, jumping feet first into everything we did (literally, in the case of the marsh), full of curiosity and thoughtful questions," said Wendy Pfrenger, program coordinator.

On the second day, the open-minded students learned about farming at the Conkle's farm. They observed how to tag a cow and the daily procedures to properly care for the cows. The scholars also learned about the difference between chickens meant for eating and the egg-laying chickens. With their experience at the Conkle's farm, they learned about how water worked during the farming process.

The last day of the program was designed to teach the students how the heart works. They learned how to take their own pulse and were given the opportunity to dissect a pig's heart with Dr. Freeman at Kent State Salem. "The campus laboratory was novel to most of them, and they

seemed to take a lot of pride in their ability to navigate these learning situations," Pfrenger said.

"Our undergraduates showed outstanding leadership, combining a commitment to our serious educational goals with a terrific sense of fun," she said. "We look forward to seeing this group of students grow and mature together as they progress through this program, and it will be fun to see how their aspirations take shape in response to their experiences with Rural Scholars."

The Rural Scholars Program mission offers first generation college-bound students from rural Columbiana County and surrounding areas a college access program designed to give them and their families the knowledge, rigorous academic exposure and social support they will need in order to be successful at a world class university. Their goal is for every student in the program to complete post-secondary education with the credentials necessary to succeed in his or her career.

At the Kent State Columbiana County campuses, students can earn a degree in 25 different disciplines. The Kent State Columbiana County campuses, which include Kent State East Liverpool and Kent State Salem, are home to more than 3,500 students.

Registration for fall classes is currently under way. Classes begin Aug. 27. For more information visit [www.col.kent.edu](http://www.col.kent.edu) or call 330-332-0361 for the Salem campus or 330-385-3805 for the East Liverpool campus.

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## ACROSS OUR CLASSROOMS

### Pethel earns Ph.D. from Bowling Green



DR. PETHEL

Olivia Pethel, daughter of Joe and Pat Pethel of Calcutta and Sun and Dr. Paul Lim of Boardman, recently attained her PhD from Bowling Green State University.

Dr. Pethel graduated from Beaver Local High School in 2003. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina in 2007 and went on to BGSU to obtain her master's degree and her doctorate in developmental psychology in 2012.

Dr. Pethel conducts research in the area of adult development and aging with a focus on cross-cultural issues, decision-making, and well-being. Her dissertation examined decision-making and well-being in middle-aged and older adults. She has published research articles in scientific journals.

Dr. Pethel has accepted a teaching position at Youngstown State University for the upcoming fall semester.

### Schlueter earns top ACT composite score



SCHLUETER

SALEM — Frederick Anthony Schlueter, son of Fritz and Lori Schlueter of Salem and a junior at West Branch High School, earned a top composite score of 36 on a recent ACT test.

Nationally, while the actual number of students earning a composite score of 36 varies from year to year, roughly one-tenth of one percent receive a top score. Among test takers in the high school graduating class of 2011, only 704 of more than 1.6 million students earned a composite score of 36.

The ACT consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science. Each test is scored on a scale of 1-36, and a student's composite score is the average of the four test scores. Some students also take ACT's optional Writing Test, but the score for that test is reported separately and is not included within the ACT composite score.

ACT test scores are accepted by all major U.S. colleges, and exceptional scores of 36 provide colleges with evidence of student readiness for the academic rigors that lie ahead. For more information about the ACT and ACT scores contact Nancy Owen at 319-341-2289 or [nancy.owen@act.org](mailto:nancy.owen@act.org). Visit the ACT website at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

### West Branch offering free preschool

BELOIT — West Branch Local Schools is offering free preschool to all children ages 3-5 living in the West Branch District.

All classes are half day and will be held at West Branch Middle School in Beloit. Both morning and afternoon sessions are available.

For more information contact Special Services at 330-938-4490 or visit the West Branch website at [www.westbranch.k12.oh.us](http://www.westbranch.k12.oh.us).

### WB holding Freshman Orientation Camp

BELOIT — West Branch High School will conduct a Freshman Orientation Camp from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 24.

Students should report to the auditorium upon arrival. The camp will include: an initial meeting with school personnel, an opportunity to meet some upperclassman, group activities, an opportunity for freshmen to receive their schedule and locker assignment, a practice run of the school day, important information concerning West Branch High School, lunch, prizes, fun, etc.

Parents are invited to attend a parent meeting from 3:30 to 4 p.m. in the auditorium which will cover various topics and address any question they may have. It is highly recommended that all incoming freshmen students attend.

Upperclassmen who are new to the district will receive an orientation at 10 a.m. Aug. 27. For more information call the high school office at 330-938-2183.

### Rudder graduates from West Virginia Univ.

WELLSVILLE — Jonathan Robert Rudder of Wellsville graduated from the Perley Isaac Reed School of Journalism at West Virginia University during commencement ceremonies on May 12 in Morgantown.

Rudder, a 2008 graduate of Wellsville High School, was sports anchor for the award winning campus television program "WVU News" during the spring semester. He did several video segments during that time for ESPNu as well. In addition to his duties as Associate Sports Producer at U92, the campus radio station, he handled color commentary and play-by-play for broadcasts of Lady Mountaineer basketball, men's ice hockey, and baseball games for two years.

Rudder served internships with the Pittsburgh Penguins Radio network during his junior year and at WTOV-9 in Steubenville prior to that. During his tenure at WVU, he contributed to the "WahoosOnFirst.com" Cleveland Indians baseball blog and was also a member of Society of Professional Journalists and the Radio and Television Digital News association. He recently accepted the position of media relations director with the Washington (Pa.) Wild Things of the independent Frontier League.

## SHS Alumni Association awards Fox Scholarships

The Salem High School Alumni Association has awarded eight scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to Salem High School graduates who are now pursuing careers in the field of health care.

Jean Esposito, chairman of the SHSAA Scholarship Committee, announced the recipients of the 2012 Charles Fox Memorial Scholarship and the graduate programs they are pursuing:

- Emily Bennett '07, M.D., Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED);
  - Annie Dombroski '06, D.O., Ohio University Heritage College of Medicine (OU-HCOM);
  - Austin Fredrickson '08, M.D., NEOMED;
  - Liz Shivers Fredrickson '08, Pharmacy, NEOMED;
  - Kristin Hardy '04, Pharmacy, NEOMED;
  - Mallory Kolich '06, D.O., OU-HCOM;
  - Mark Kolich '05, D.O., OU-HCOM;
  - Sean McKee '07, Pharmacy, Ohio Northern University
- These awards are made available from the Charles Fox Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Born in Lisbon in 1903, Mr. Fox attended Lisbon public schools and East Liverpool Business School. He was employed by the Salem China Company from 1925 to 1950.

He then began working at the Salem Label Company where he retired as secretary-treasurer in 1969. Mr. Fox was openly enthusiastic about talented young people.

Upon his death in 1972, Mr. Fox designated the income from his estate be used to support the Community Concert Association and the scholarship fund of the Salem High School Alumni Association. Since 1993, the first year of the scholarship, 140 Salem High School graduates have benefitted from Mr. Fox's generosity.

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### Wins honor at fair

Abby Donkin, a member of the Country Clovers 4-H Club, received an "Outstanding of the Day" award for her 4-H Health and Safety Speech on flood safety at the Ohio State Fair on July 25. Donkin had qualified for state at the area two competition in Wooster on July 6. The Country Clovers 4-H Club also received the "Best in Show" award for the quilt members made for the "When the Call Comes" category at the Columbiana County Fair. Quilts in this category will be presented to first responders in the county at a ceremony on Sept. 9 at the county fairgrounds which is open to the public. For more information call 330-222-1914. (Submitted photo)

# Opinion

"Don't worry about people stealing your ideas. If your ideas are any good, you'll have to ram them down people's throats."

— Howard H. Aiken, American computer pioneer (1900-1973)

## ROSES & THORNS

**Roses** to Realife Church in Salem. It will be sponsoring a free luncheon and drawings for gift baskets for seniors at noon on Tuesday. That is National Senior Citizens Day as we discussed in a Friday op piece. The public is certainly invited to attend. Those interested in calling for reservations can do so at 330-332-0011.

**Roses** to Frederick Anthony Schlueter. The West Branch junior earned a top composite score of 36 on a recent ACT test. That exam is a standard measurement for college bound high school students. Getting a 36 is perfection. It's shooting a hole-in-one and bowling a 300 game in the same day. Among the 1.6 million students taking the test that he did, only 704 earned a 36. That is heady company for the son of Fritz and Lori Schlueter of Salem. Details of his accomplishment appear on today's Spotlight page. How far do you think this hard-working and bright young man will go in life?

**Thorns** to those among the selfish and gluttons who take advantage of the kindness of others. We've heard tales of people going to multiple school backpack giveaways, for instance, and doubling or tripling up on school supplies that could be going to other needy students too. After all, how many backpacks can a kid carry? Same goes with those who gorge themselves at free food giveaways. And then walk out with even more food. That is not what it's all about. Shame on them. It all goes back to that entitlement mind set that has contaminated much of our society.

**Roses** to Lisbon Schools for drug testing its high school athletes. Students participating in other activities will be subjected to random testing. That is good and more schools should do it.

**Roses** to the United Local teachers and administration for agreeing to a three-year contract. Often times, such contract talks can break down and things get ugly. This negotiation obviously went quietly well and flew in under the public's attention radar. Which is good. Bravo for both sides.

**Roses** for plans to revise the Reilly Wall project as reported as our lead Wednesday edition story. The legacy of Reilly Stadium and its wall can still be preserved by spending far less than the original cost of \$650,000. Roses to all of those who steadfastly worked toward honoring the stadium's history. It was just too ambitious of a plan if not altogether imposing. That was the reality. Roses to those who came together to mutually agree on a tempered project.

**Thorns** to the punks — who else could it have been? — who chucked eggs from a car at a veteran in military dress following his participation in last Saturday's Grande Parade. The vet who served in the Navy during the Vietnam era recounted this incident with tears in his eyes when he came to our newsroom. Doing this to anyone is pathetic. Doing it to a vet makes it even more egregious. But when it comes to the punks in our town we should know better by now than to ever get too shocked by what they do.

## LETTERS POLICY

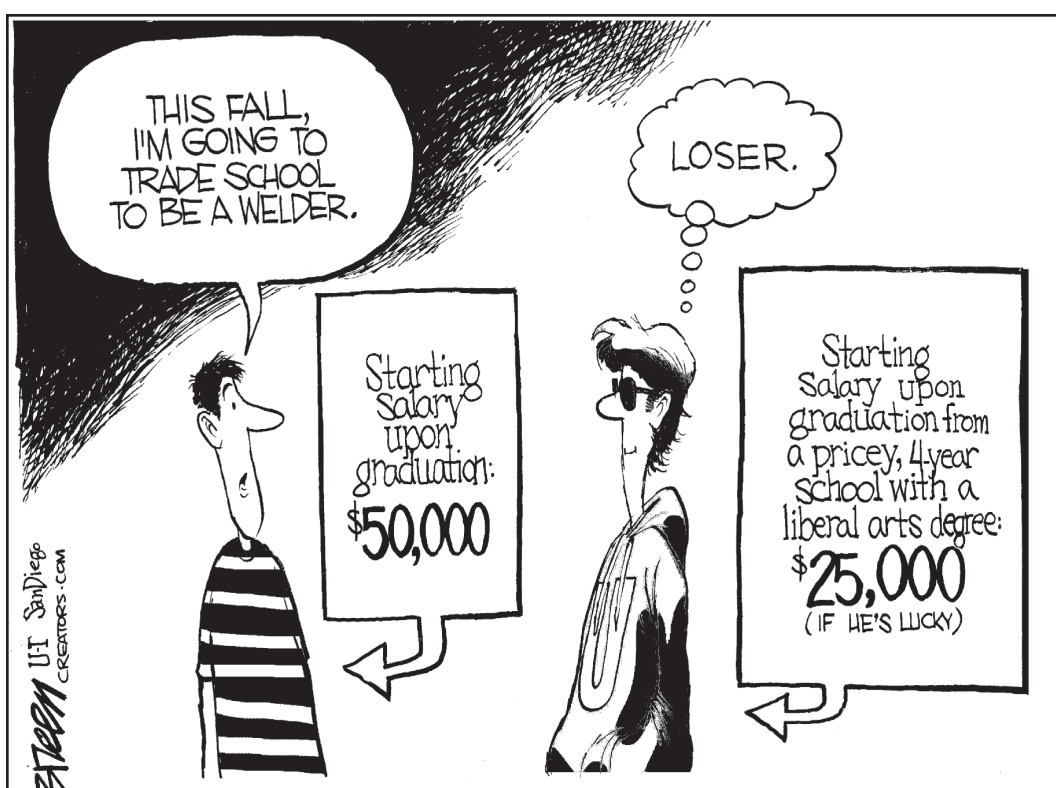
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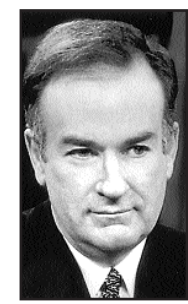
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## Are you an extremist, too?



BILL O'REILLY

After Rep. Paul Ryan was announced as Mitt Romney's running mate, it took less than 24 hours for The New York Times to define Ryan as an "extremist." In a lead editorial, the paper bannered this sub-headline: "With no plan of his own, Mr. Romney can't distance himself from Mr. Ryan's extremist vision."

That "vision" would be federal spending cuts and entitlement reform.

While chairman of the House Budget Committee, Ryan sent two spending bills to the House, both of which passed but were killed in the Senate, which is controlled by the Democrats. The bills cut federal programs across the board. Ryan is also a fan of reforming Medicare and Social Security, which are going bankrupt.

In the bubble that is the liberal media, trimming government spending and making entitlements more fiscally viable are extreme positions. That's somewhat ironic because President Obama's strategy of massive government spending and borrowing is perhaps the most extreme economic plan in the nation's history. Never before has the USA run up such an enormous debt and had so little to show for it.

So defining Ryan as extreme is an interesting scare tactic -- and one that might be extended in the days to come. Here are some other positions that the committed left media consider extreme:

— If you believe traditional marriage should be kept as the exclusive standard, you are not only extreme; you are a homophobe.

— If you believe all Americans should pay less in taxes, you are greedy and an anti-poor extremist.

— If you believe the Second Amendment gives Americans the right to buy and possess guns, you are promoting violence in an extreme way.

— If you believe the government has a duty to combat overseas terrorists without giving them constitutional protections, you are an extreme anti-human rights individual.

— If you believe abortion is the taking of a human life, you are an anti-woman extremist.

— If you support securing the nation's borders and regulating immigration, you are anti-Hispanic.

The list goes on and on.

By labeling someone as extreme, you can dismiss whatever they say. That's the strategy being used against Ryan. New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd writes: "Ryan should stop being so lovable. People who intend to hurt other people should wipe the smile off their faces."

So in Dowd's estimation, Ryan is in politics to harm the folks. He gets up every day and plots the personal damage he might be able to achieve.

This is now where we are in American politics. If Ryan's reform vision will harm Americans, let's hear some specifics. So far, under Obama, we have a sluggish economy, high employment and record debt. Sounds harmful to me.

But then again, I'm an extremist. Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Pinheads and Patriots: Where You Stand in the Age of Obama." To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com). This column originates on the website [www.billoreilly.com](http://www.billoreilly.com).

## The race clownery of Obama-Biden



MICHELLE MALKIN

Looks like Vice President Joe Biden has been taking extracurricular Democratic jive-talking lessons. The results of condescending liberals' cynical racial pandering attempts are, as always, seismically cringe-inducing.

At a campaign event in Danville, Va., the gaffetastic veep dropped his g's and picked up a bizarre twang in front of an audience of black voters. Middle-Class Joe swapped his Home Depot apron for an A.M.E. preacher's robe and sermonized about the big, bad GOP.

Romney's "gonna let the big banks once again write their own rules," Biden shouted. "Unnn-chain Wall Street," he exclaimed with pulpit bravado. "They're gonna put y'all back in chains," the pasty Delaware wheeler-dealer faux-drawled. Extra-emphasis on the "y'all."

Yes, Biden is rattling chains like an extra in "Roots." This is the same politician of pallor who cracked jokes about Indians who work in 7-Elevens and who referred to his now-boss as "clean" and "articulate." Yet, Biden's demagoguery was met with approving hoots and hollers. Or rather, hollas.

Naturally, the defiant Obama campaign backed up Biden and gave a shout-out of its own. Welcome to the new tone — and the same old slime. Prevaricating spokeswoman Stephanie Cutter (last seen defending the phony, indefensible Romney-killed-a-steelworker's-wife ad run by Obama Super PAC Priorities USA) chimed in after Biden's speech. "We have no problem with those comments," she told MSNBC's Andrea Mitchell. Biden "was using a metaphor" with which the president agrees.

Timing matters. Biden's race-baiting came after a weekend clogged with divisive jabs at GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney's announcement of Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan as his running mate.

Democratic Rep. Donna Christensen, the non-voting delegate from the U.S. Virgin Islands to the U.S. House of Representatives, tweeted: "Wait a minute! Are there black people in Va? Guess just not w Romney Ryan! At least not seeing us. We know who's got our back & we have his." Left-wing actress Mia Farrow watched the announcement

and derided a "whole bunch of white people." They were joined by countless "progressive" social media users who mocked the GOP's "white guy, white guy 2012!!!" Sirius XM radio host Dave Rubin — himself the color of discount Charmin toilet paper — called Romney-Ryan "the whitest ticket since the KKK voted for their box social chairperson."

Gotta love post-racial America! The poisonous slavery allusion echoed the former pastor of Biden's boss. Rev. Jeremiah Wright, you may recall, used the same "chains" imagery to justify his "God Damn America" diatribe. "America," he inveighed in Obama's old Chicago-based Trinity United Church, put blacks in "chains ... and then wants us to sing 'God Bless America'? No, no, no. Not God bless America; God damn America!"

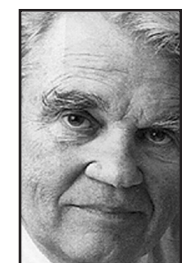
Biden's stunt also echoes Hillary Clinton's infamous black church minstrel performances in which she unleashed a mortifying Southern-spiced-with-street accent to show her street solidarity: "For the last five years, we've had No. Power. At. All. And that makes a big difference, because when you look at the way the House of Representatives has been run, it has been run like a plantation. An' yew know what ah'm talkin' about." At an event with race-hustler Al Sharpton, she poured it on thicker: "I'm afraid I'm gonna lift up the rug, and I'm goin' to see so much stuff uh-nder thar. ... You know, what is it about us always havin' to clean up after people? ... But this is not just goin' to be pickin' up socks off the floor. This is goin' to be cleanin' up the government."

At least the only thing she manufactured was her patronizing dialect. Remember candidate Barack Obama's 2007 Selma, Ala., speech? To court black voters, Obama claimed that President Kennedy had sponsored the airlift in Africa responsible for bringing his family to the U.S. and asserted that Selma's 1965 Bloody Sunday demonstration brought his parents together and led to his birth. Of course, JFK didn't take office until two years after Obama's father arrived in the U.S., and the president was born four years before Bloody Sunday.

Obama-Biden 2012: Never let facts, civility or scruples get in the way of a racist racial pander.

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## The glories of maturity



Classic Andy Rooney

(This classic column was originally published Nov. 15, 1985.)

I don't do as many things I don't like to do as I had to when I was young. Except that you have more years ahead of you, youth isn't necessarily a better time of life than any other. When I was young, I was always having to do

things I hated. School was harder than work ever has been. I enjoy working and I never enjoyed studying. I liked learning, but found the process of education tedious.

Staying up all night to study for an exam was a terrible experience and I did it a lot in college. My parents and all the teachers said cramming didn't work but they were wrong. It may be the wrong way to learn, but cramming is a good way to pass an exam. It just hurts a lot while you're doing it.

I no longer stay up all night for anything. If I have something I should have written and haven't, I go to bed and try to get it done the next morning. If I don't get it done? Sue me.

There is no single thing in my adult life so regularly unpleasant and burdensome as homework was in my youth. If I bring work home from the office now, it's because the work interests me. It is not drudgery and if I don't feel like doing it, I put it off.

There are still things that come up in my life for which I'm unprepared but they don't bother me the way they did when I was a teenager. They no longer seem like life-or-death situations. If my income tax stuff isn't all together when I go to my accountant, so what?

Love is more pleasant once you get out of your 20s. It doesn't hurt all the time. I no longer fall in and out of love. I have my love.

As a grown-up, I don't eat things that are good for me if I don't like them. My mother was always insisting that something was good for me and I had to eat it. Now, the most I do is try to avoid things that are bad for me. I'm not doing much for the carrot farmers.

Shoveling snow is my idea of hard fun, so I shovel snow in the winter, but I've always hated cutting the grass, so in summer I pay someone to do that.

On Saturdays, I always had to stop playing with the other kids and come in and have lunch at noon. I still play a lot on Saturdays, but I quit playing and come in for lunch when I feel like it. I don't care what time it is.

People can write about the glories of youth, but there are advantages to maturity, too. I don't read anything I don't want to read, I don't go places I don't want to go, and I don't spend a lot of time talking to people I don't feel like talking to. I feel no need to wear what the other fellows are wearing, listen to the music other people listen to, or go to movies I don't want to see.

When I was drafted into the Army, I detested the discipline. When First Sgt. Hardy M. Harrell ordered me to get rid of the books I kept under my bunk at Fort Bragg, I made the mistake of telling him he didn't like books because he couldn't read. This turned out to be the wrong thing for a private to tell a first sergeant and I spent the next 30 days doing many things I didn't like doing. Now, there are books under my bed again.

I offer all this to young people who are wondering about life. Don't think things keep getting worse. Youth can be a terrible time of life just because of all the things you hate to do, but have to do anyway.

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# The cost of winning ugly: Soptick commercial



**PAT BUCHANAN**

Last week, the friends of Barack Obama introduced into the political battle of 2012 the moral equivalent of poison gas.

In an ad produced by the super PAC Priorities USA, Mitt Romney is charged with moral, if not material, complicity in the cancer death of the wife of a Missouri steelworker.

Speaking straight into the camera, Joe Soptick, 62, charges Romney with coldly shutting down the plant where he worked and cutting off his health insurance. This, says Soptick, left his wife without insurance to pay for her care, until, falling ill, she went to a doctor, who discovered stage 4 cancer, which killed her in 22 days.

Soptick implies a causal connection between Romney's decision to shut the plant and his wife's death. The ad is a premeditated attempt to murder the reputation of Mitt Rom-

ney. And from start to finish, it is a deception.

The truth. Mitt Romney gave up leadership of Bain Capital in 1999. The steel plant was closed in 2001. Soptick lost his health insurance, but his wife was still working and had hers. She lost her job and insurance in 2003. Her illness and cancer were discovered in 2006, when Romney was ending his fourth year as governor of Massachusetts.

Was this ad the work of a rogue super PAC over which the Obama campaign had no control? Did the White House denounce the ad as unethical and malicious and wash its hands of it?

By no means. The White House, through its cynical silence, has been complicit in this moral atrocity as it reaps the benefits of it.

As for Soptick, he has been a collaborator of the Obama campaign itself, featured in a campaign ad and a conference call with reporters last May. What this smells like is a secret handoff from the Obama campaign to the Obama super PAC, which would be a violation of law.

While many journalists have denounced the ad as duplicitous and slanderous, some have hailed it. Un-

concerned with its falsity, they love its message. For it mirrors what they themselves think of Mitt.

One wonders: Has the president given any thought to how he is to unite and lead the country should he win, given the character of the campaign he and his team have waged?

For a year now, the daily picture of Barack Obama most of us see is of a president heading for his helicopter for yet another rally to denounce Republicans as Tea Party obstructionists and Mitt Romney as an outsourcer and a tax dodger.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said that a confidant had informed him that Romney paid no income taxes for 10 years. Harry repeated this accusation on the floor.

Instead of denouncing this sleazy tactic — a charge with no substance and without an identifiable source — the Obama chorus echoed Harry: Show us the last 10 years of your tax returns.

Are these not the same politicians and media who denounced as vicious wackos any who dared to ask to see Obama's birth certificate or the transcript from his college days at Columbia?

Assume, for the sake of argu-

ment, that these tactics work, that Obama wins re-election and that he and Harry hold the Senate.

How do they govern?

Mr. Hope and Change, the figure who once inspired millions, died a long time ago. In his stead stands a Chicago pol who barnstorms the country calling Republicans political lap dogs of millionaires and billionaires who refuse to pay their fair share of taxes.

In this campaign, Obama has steadily diminished both himself and the office he holds. Remarkable what a fear of defeat and a loss of power can do to a man.

How — after you stand cynically silent while your super PAC mongrels accused Romney of throwing the Soptick family out on the street, stripping them of health care and then letting the wife die of cancer — do you then reach out to your defeated rival?

The presidency is uniquely a place of moral leadership, said Harry Truman, a "bully pulpit," said Theodore Roosevelt.

How, after the long, low and miserable campaign he and his crowd have conducted, does Obama ascend that pulpit again without being laughed at and hooted at until he

stands down?

How does he resolve the fiscal crisis looming at year's end?

Obama says he rather would not extend any of the Bush tax cuts than extend all of them. The Republican House will give him all or nothing. Yet if Obama wins and lets all of the tax cuts expire, he will need the cooperation of a Republican House and perhaps a Republican Senate to restore the cuts for those earning less than \$200,000.

Obama will have to have the cooperation of a Republican House and perhaps a Republican Senate for any budget compromise to bring an end to his debilitating string of five straight trillion-dollar deficits.

Having accomplished nothing in the past two years, how would Obama accomplish anything in the next four after such a campaign?

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## Thanks from the Salem Community Theatre

### To the editor:

I would like to thank you and so many in this community for contributing to and sustaining the Salem Community Theatre's latest production of "Footloose." It has been a wonderful production. The cast, who came from all over, was phenomenal.

The production staff was dedicated and talented in their own right. And the show was a huge success both technically and creatively, filling almost all the seats each night. If it wasn't for those of you that came to the show and avidly spread the word, or for the news media that published wonderful and timely reviews and community calendars of events, this show would have been missed by too many.

Thanks to you, it was not like the tree that fell in the forest. Many have thanked and congratulated me, but my gratitude goes to the cast, crew, staff, patrons, sponsors, and everyone else that contributed their time, talent, and effort.

Thanks to Eric Sarginger for crafting the Chicago skyline, complete with 11 foot tall Sears Tower and John Hancock buildings, in your garage and donating the hardware so the cast and crew could hold it up — I owe you a big bag of candy. Thanks to Carrie Utt, Karli Utt, and Chris Sarginger for pinch-hitting for the spot operator and crew member — you enabled the show to go on. Thanks to all the box office volunteers who were not given a moments rest — rumor has it that one of you was returning calls from the ER! Thanks to the friends, parents, and production members that drove cast and crew members from as far as Kent for up to five days per week for two months — even with the high price of gas. Each of you made it possible to produce and share such a wonderful production.

Finally, so you are all aware of your impact on others, I have to share with you that a cast member posted on his Facebook Page after opening night, "This was the best night of my life." Each of you made that happen — thank you!

**NICOLE PAOLOZZI,  
Director of "Footloose"  
Salem Community Theatre**

## Being held 'hostage' by energy companies

### To the editor:

I am writing this letter so county residents who are not involved with gas storage leases are given information they may not be receiving in their local newspapers, so they may call upon their representatives to represent the interests of our county's citizens.

First and foremost, the residents of this county living within the Brinker Storage are being held hostage by companies such as Columbia Gas. Many have leases that expired as far back as 1957, and Columbia Gas claims they are still binding. The leases claim they are able to drill for oil and gas and use the property to store gas, but do not have to prove that they are utilizing the property. Columbia Gas, in particular, has failed to pay those with leases, and yet still wants to claim the leases are in full force. I know that Columbia Gas has failed to make the \$1 per acre payment to us, for the past five years.

Columbia Gas recently sold their interests to their own subsidiary, NiSource, with the intention of obtaining drilling rights for the recently discovered Marcellus Shale, and muscle landowners into accepting the \$200 annual royalty from their lease dating back to 1957.

Needless to say, in 1957, no one had the ability to navigate their way through 13,000 feet of earth to be able to obtain this new crude, and the storage field would not be affected by the drilling, as this would be 10,000 feet or more below any storage that is currently utilized.

Some may say this is greed by landowners to want what is a fair and equitable share of what profit will be made from their own property.

Others know the greed is on the part of Columbia Gas, who failed for 50 years to drill or produce gas on property they leased. Now that someone else has been able to come up with a way for this to happen, they want to lay claim to leases that expired 50 years ago.

The Brinker Storage encompasses nearly 30,000 acres in Fairfield, Center and Elkrun townships and effects over 800 landowners. These are your neighbors and friends that are being affected.

Ohio has no minimum royalty law. It is one of only a few states that does not. Our state senators and state representatives need to be asked to vote for the minimum royalty law that is before the House.

We may not have a great deal of wealth to fight huge corporations, but we still have a voice and a say in our laws.

**NANCY J. GEHO,  
Leetonia**

## Star Trax 5K Night Run was a big success

### To the editor:

The members of the Salem X-Tra Mile Club would like to thank all who contributed toward making the 19th running of the Star Trax 5K Night Run an overwhelming success.

At 9 on the evening of Saturday, Aug. 4, a record-shattering field of 803 registered runners raced out of Reilly Stadium onto the luminary-lined streets of Salem to benefit the Salem Senior and Junior High School's boys and girls cross country and track and field programs.

This year's race honored the late Janie Mowery, longtime junior high track coach. The starting gun was fired by Janie's husband Bill who was accompanied by family members and Coach Jeff Craig. Along with participants from Ohio and the

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adjoining states of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Michigan and Indiana, the states of Florida, Illinois, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia were also represented. The run features a United States Track and Field certified 5,000 meter (3.1 miles) course making it one of the premier races in northeastern Ohio.

This year's men's and women's overall race winners were Brian Baum, 20, of Alliance with an elapsed time of 15:44.2; and last year's champion and womens record holder Samantha Hamilton, 21, of Youngstown with a time of 17:54.6.

A special "thank you" to the over 100 race night volunteers and the many financial donors to this event including our corporate sponsors: Pepsi, Salem Community Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sebo, Stadium GM Superstore, Stratton Chevrolet, Youngstown Orthopedic Associates, B.P.O. Elks Salem Lodge #305, Butech, CTM Integration, DT Moore and Company, Hunter Associates, Kalra Orthodontics, Lincoln Machine Company, Morris Financial Group.

We are also indebted to all of our sponsors who provided financial support as a trophy or T-shirt sponsor or provided items for our goodie bags, which are given to each runner.

This year's T-shirt sponsors included: Custom Images, AMVETS Salem Post # 45, Bailey Financial Planning, Bush Consulting Group, Church Budget Co., Dental Health Group, Dynamic Auto Parts (Salem NAPA), Essex of Salem, Famous Hair, Mr. and Dr. Lee Fredrickson, Hickey Metal Fabrication, Home Savings and Loan, Great Clips of Salem, The Insurance Center of Salem, Johnston Accounting Services, Josie's Pizza, Kent State University, Logue Monument Co., Madeline Patton Writing and Editing, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marroulis, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. McCulloch II, Muffler Man, Niehaus Foot and Ankle Clinic, Paulus Orthodontics, Rotary Club of Salem, Salem Chrysler Jeep Dodge, Salem Computer Center, Salem Giant Eagle, Salem Veterinary Clinic, Salem Women's Care, Scullion Vision Clinic, Stark Memorial, Mrs. Karen Sebo, Dr. Lee Simon MD, Dr. Christopher Stiff MD, The UPS Store, VFW Salem Post #892, Mrs. Jody Wright and Dr. Matthew R. Yerkey DDS.

Other contributors to this year's race also include Salem Radiologists Inc., Norkus Orchard, Family Vision Center, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Gorby, J.H. Lease Drug, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Moffett, Mr. and Mrs. George Morris, Quaker Corner Flowers and Gifts, Ricky's English Pub, Salem Twin Cinema, Salem Welding, Subway, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stone, Sun Fantasy Tanning Salon, Wonner Industrial Coatings, Independent Hose Company, Chappell and Zimmerman, PowerBar, Road ID, Salem Band Boosters, Salem Community Center, Second Sole, Udder Cream, Walmart, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Jones, Mr. Ken Gross and Miss Ashlee Thorne.

Much thanks also goes out to the Salem Police, Safety and Parks Departments, EMT Ambulance for providing emergency medical transportation, the families of John and Julie McClish and Rohn and Carol Riley for providing our course "Water / Soak Stations" and Donnell Ford-Lincoln-Mercury of Salem for housing our supplies throughout the year, our "Registration Director" Mr. Ron Waite, "Awards Director" Sandy Huston, "Luminary Director" Steve Clary, and "Sponsorship Chairmen" Melissa and Tim Costa.

Most of all, thank you, to the community and residents living along the race course. Your enthusiasm and help in placing and lighting the nearly 800 candle-lit luminaries over three miles of race course is what sets our race apart from the others. Runners return year after year because Salem's community support is number one in the sport.

Team running in Salem has a rich history of excellence including seven state titles in cross country and most recently a state runner-up finish in track and field. We're very proud of our dedicated coaches and athletes and the X-Tra Mile Club is proud to support you.

We pride ourselves in putting on what we feel is a premiere race designed around showcasing our beautiful community, hospitable citizens, and generous sponsors. If you would like more information about the Salem X-Tra Mile Club or Star Trax, please logon to [www.salemx-tramile.org](http://www.salemx-tramile.org) or follow us on Facebook under "Star Trax 5K Night Run."

Thank you, Salem. Go Quakers!

**TED F. MARROULIS,  
MATTHEW R. YERKEY,  
TED T. AND LORI YUHANIAK,  
Race Directors**

**CHRISTINA TEXTER,  
X-Tra Mile Club Treasurer**

**AMIE COCHRAN,  
Varsity Cross Country and Girls Track Coach**

**TODD HUDA,  
Varsity Boys Track Coach**

## Urges Christians to get out and vote

### To the editor:

If you consider yourself a Christian and are not happy with the way Christians are being treated in the world today, you need to make sure that you vote in November. Christians are being denied their first amendment rights in the United States in these times.

Efforts to exclude businesses that are ran or owned by

Christians in such cities as Boston and Chicago are disturbing.

If you are not registered to vote in November and would like help to become registered please call 330-831-5098 to request assistance.

If you are homebound or are in a nursing home I will provide help for you to process an absentee ballot. I will arrange transportation for you to get to your polling place if you need a ride. It is time for Christians to stand up for themselves by electing representatives that support our values. This is the only way we can assure our rights under the constitution.

**JIM SOLMEN,  
Salem**

## Salem Hunting Club offers thanks

### To the editor:

The Salem Hunting Club held the ninth annual Lowell Iden Memorial Trap Shoot and benefit breakfast on Aug. 4.

Mr. Iden was president of the hunting club for 10 years. He was an avid trap shooter and belonged to many shooting organizations.

All proceeds went to the Lowell Iden-Larry Iler Scholarship Fund. The 2012 scholarships were presented to Sarah Anderson, Hanoverton; Lindsay Iler, Salem; and Kayla Coldsnow, Beloit.

The Salem Hunting Club family and friends of Lowell Iden and Larry Iler would like to thank everyone who made this day possible.

Thanks also to the merchants that donated to the Chinese auction. They include Frontiers Unlimited, Lisbon; Fox Pizza Den, Lisbon; Great Clips, Salem; Sparkle Market, Salem; Cindy Beach Partylite, East of Chicago, Salem; Quaker Cab, Salem, Village Showcase, Hanoverton.

A special thanks goes to Runzo's Outdoor Sports for the donation of 410 shells, so our young trap shooters could try their skills.

The 50/50 winner was Zerak Shoff of Salem.

The basket winners were Vickie Clunk, Megan Honeywell, Sandra Smith, Ron Burrows, Roberta Unkefer, Art McClish, Janine Beasley, Tim Laughrey, Donna Springer, Cindy Beach and Sylvia Lipp.

This wonderful support from so many people will allow the scholarships to continue in the future.

Thank you everyone.

**JANET IDEN,  
Salem**

## Remembering a special kind of friend

### To the editor:

I don't claim to understand how accumulated daily decisions and random events shape our lives but I am grateful for whatever forces resulted in my wife and me crossing life paths with and taking home a special cat who shared the last 15 years of his life with us.

Rocket (the name is a story in itself) was a runty Maine Coone of no reputable breeding who was mostly white with a black shamrock blotch on one side, a fleur de lis blotch on the other and a Harry Potter like white lightning bolt emblazoned on his black brow.

He quickly grew into the role of alpha cat among the others in our household, maintaining order at the food bowls, claiming the premium sunny spot in the room, and assuming first right of refusal if we offered "scratches" under the chin or a soft lap to sit in. Yet, he wasn't a bully and often quietly tolerated with almost infinite patience the playful pranks of the younger cats. When it was time to trim his nails Rocket would voice his displeasure at the indignity in no uncertain terms but he never bit or scratched me or anyone else, ever.

My wife occasionally wonders aloud about how odd it sometimes seems that we share our house with these furry little creatures running around with lives of their own. And as such things may happen, Rocket bonded most closely with her, the two sharing a mutual love, respect, and affection that transcends the species differences, each comforting the other when it was the right thing to do.

For me, my special time with Rocket was Sunday morning. On that day of the week I am typically first up and, after feeding the cats of course, I would sit down in my recliner with the newspaper and a cup of coffee for some quality time. I was inevitably joined by Rocket who would sit in my lap and, in exchange for some pets, tolerate the jiggling from my laughing at the funnies or my ranting at the world's tumult, turmoil, and upheaval. After an hour or so of this special sharing we went about the rest of our day.

And so we shared life in six homes of various durations, the relationship between man and cat a reassuring constant. The last few years brought new challenges as Rocket was diagnosed with chronic kidney failure which brought on a slow but inevitable decline. His vet called him a "trooper" as he tolerated the various goings on. Yet throughout it all he never changed who he was.

In the wee hours of last Saturday morning Rocket passed away not less than six hours before he was scheduled for what was to be a one way trip to the vet. I like to think that even as death approached he purposely faked away to relieve of us the burden and guilt that often comes with euthanasia.

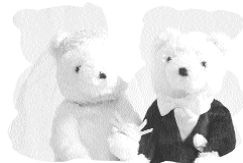
I will miss our Sunday mornings the most.

**BRYAN FULLER,  
Hanoverton**



## ENGAGEMENTS/WEDDINGS/ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations from the Salem News!



### Sandra Kay Gethen weds Randy Gail Sprouse

**S**andra Kay Gethen and Randy Gail Sprouse were united in marriage at 2 p.m. July 14 at the Rogers United Methodist Church in Rogers.

Pastor Jonathan George officiated at the couple's double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Daniel and Bobbie Kate Gourley of Calcutta.

The bridegroom is the son of the late Gail and Lora Sprouse of Elkton.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a white satin, short sleeve empire-style gown by Alfred Angelo. The bodice was

enhanced with Australian crystals and pearls. She also wore an Australian hair comb with no veil.

The bride carried a bouquet of white roses accented with burgundy roses and pearl sprays. The bouquet holder was trimmed with white lace. The streamers were white satin ribbons trimmed with pearls.

Jamie Lynn Smith



Mr. and Mrs. Randy Gail Sprouse

served as her mother's matron of honor. Angela DeLauder was the bridesmaid and coordinator. Skylar McKenzie Sprouse, the bridegroom's granddaughter, served as princess bridesmaid.

Avery Brooke Smith, the bride's granddaughter, was the flower girl.

Randy Allen Sprouse and Lucas McCain Sprouse served as their father's best

men.

Briar Gage Sprouse, the bridegroom's grandson, and Preston James Smith, the bride's grandson, were double-ring bearers, uniting the two families.

Approximately 150 people attended the reception held immediately following the ceremony at the couple's new home in Calcutta. DJ Joey provided the entertainment.

### Vickie Lynn Ours becomes bride of James Cross Jr.

**V**ickie Lynn Ours became the bride of James Cross Jr. on July 19 at the Bates Farm in Salem.

The bride is the daughter of Grace (Shields) Ours of East Liverpool and the late Dennie Ours Sr.

The bridegroom is the son of the late James "Pecky" Cross Sr. and Alice Cross.

Pastor Brian Brown of the Lisbon Nazarene Church officiated at the couple's 6 p.m., single-ring ceremony. Music was provided by Jim and Mary Cochran.

Escorted by her nephew, Sam DeCapio Jr., the bride was given in marriage by her mother. She was attired in a red gown and her hair was adorned with white baby roses. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses and babies



Mr. and Mrs. James Cross Jr.

breath, accented with white streamers and pearls.

Tony Cross of Salem performed the duties of best man for his brother.

A reception for approximately 50 people followed

at the farm.

The bride is a homemaker. The bridegroom is retired.

A honeymoon to Hawaii is planned for the newlyweds who reside in Salem.

### Dawn M. Koffel to exchange vows with Brian W. Allison

**T**he engagement and forthcoming marriage of Dawn M. Koffel and Brian W. Allison is being announced by the bride-elect's mother, Deborah J. Koffel of Southington.

The parents of the prospective bridegroom are Judy Sutherin of East Palestine and Jack Allison of New Waterford.

Miss Koffel, also the daughter of the late Glen A. Koffel, originally from Lisbon, is the owner of DK Show Horses located in West Farmington. She is a substitute classroom assistant with the Trumbull County Educational Service Center.

Mr. Allison is employed with Front Street Trucking



Dawn M. Koffel and Brian W. Allison

of Niles.

The couple will be united in marriage during an open wedding ceremony on Aug. 25 at New

Waterford Park.

Invitations will be issued for the reception to follow at the Saxon Club in Salem.

### Amanda deVillers plans marriage to Justin McCutcheon

**D**onna and Marc deVillers of Albrightsville, Pa., are announcing the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amanda to Justin McCutcheon. He is the son of Joyce and C.H. McCutcheon of East Palestine.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Jim Thorpe High School in Jim Thorpe, Pa., and received her bachelor's of science degree in biology in 2009 from Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pa. She is currently pursuing her master's degree at the University of Guam and works as a biological technician at the War in the Pacific National Historical Park in Guam, USA.

Her fiancé is a 2001 graduate of East Palestine High School. He earned his bachelor's of science de-



Amanda deVillers and Justin McCutcheon

gree in civil engineering and bachelor's of science in architecture in 2006 from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. He is employed by dckWorldWide as a project engineer in Guam.

The couple is planning a Sept. 22 wedding at Grace St. Paul United Methodist Church in Jim Thorpe, Pa. The McCutcheon family is hosting a local reception Sept. 29.

### Mr. and Mrs. Walt Lautzenheiser mark wedding anniversary

**M**r. and Mrs. Walt Lautzenheiser of Damascus celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary at a surprise party given by their children at Quaker Canyon. A family dinner was also held at Hartville Kitchen in Hartville.

The former Donna Phillips, daughter of Lorena Phillips and the late D. L. "Bud" Phillips, and Mr. Lautzenheiser, son of the late Russell and Eleanore Lautzenheiser, were married on July 21, 1962. The bride's uncle, the Rev. James Tatsch, officiated at the ceremony at the Damascus Friends Church.

Mr. Lautzenheiser was a truck driver for over 40 years, driving for D. L.



Mr. and Mrs. Walt (Donna) Lautzenheiser

Phillips Trucking, Johnson Trucking and Acme Co. Mrs. Lautzenheiser worked as a billing clerk for Lyle Printing and Farm and Dairy.

The couple enjoys Model A cars, flower gardening, and raising miniature don-

keys.

They have two daughters, LaVonne (Chuck) Williams of Damascus and Susan (Vince) Utterback of Pickerington; and four grandchildren, Rusty, Mason, Kaylee and Lindsey.

### Michelle A. Clunen to become bride of Dustin A. Cain

**M**ichelle A. Clunen and Dustin A. Cain are engaged according to the announcement being made by her parents, Janet and Ralph Jones of Lisbon and James and Carol Clunen of Salem. He is the son of David and Lorrie Cain of Salem.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of United Local High School and a 2008 graduate of Kent State University, East Liverpool campus, with a degree in applied science of occupational therapy assisting. She is employed as a certified occupational therapist assistant at Salem Community Hospital.

The prospective bridegroom graduated in 1999 from Salem High School and is employed by UPS. Invitations will be issued



Michelle A. Clunen and Dustin A. Cain

for the couple's private wedding and reception on

Nov. 3 at Drake's Landing in Canfield.



**Salem High School Class of 1967 holds 45-year reunion**

The Salem High School Class of 1967 enjoyed a very event-filled 45-year reunion weekend beginning July 27 with a genuine Alaskan fish fry at the home of David and Arlene Schwartz. The halibut and salmon were provided by Dave and Maxine Weber, classmates living in Alaska. Festivities on July 28 began with an open house at the SHSAA, reminiscing about the days at SHS, then to Ricky's English Pub for a luncheon. Many then went on to the New Breed concert at the Saxon Club. Classmates in attendance included, first row, from left, Brad Heim, Vickie (Galchick) Sherrow, Jim Eichler; second row, Dave Weber, Mary Devine, Corysue (Timm) Drexler, Barbara (Brown) Lippiatt, Phyllis (Gross) Lesek, Mary Beth (Falk) Kirkland, Colly (Rhodes) Judge, Amy (Hobbs) Cribbs, Judy Zeigler, Cherry Cope; third row, Don Wolfgang, Rick Thomas, Maxine (Shanker) Weber, Sam Oyer, Richard Walker, Cheryl (Higgins) Smith, Renee Lewis, Beverly Thomas, Kathy (Rutledge) Jenkins, John Salvino, Marty Catlos, Tom Vacar, David Schwartz, Chuck Drakulich, Irene Robinson, Jim Dauria, Sharon (Schmidt) Walker, Linda (Fenton) Taylor, Linda (Zeigler) Muckleroy, Carol (Rinard) Odum, Patti (Jones) Dumovic, MaryAnn (Cosgrove) Manning, Gayle Seroka, Corrine (Heineman) Martig, Nancy (Houlette) Walker, Linda (Shallenberg) Zeller, Susan (Greene) Pritchard, Bonnie (Schneider) Rhodes, Mike Walker; fourth row, Steve Smith, Jerry Milton, Bob Wagner, Larry Smith, Harold Lane, Barb (Stankovic) Stone, Jim Gross, Roy Bush, Vickie Greene, Dave Sommers, Fred Schilling, Connie Borrelli, Evelyn Scott, Lynn Bush, Dave Garlock, Terry Allison, Ken Detell, Chuck Preisler, Paul Fennema, Jane (Shivers) Stone, Richard Kellner, John Paul Tolson, Cecelia (Baughman) Hrovatic, Bob Stone. (Submitted photo)



**CBPW presents scholarships to area graduates**

The Columbiana Business and Professional Women presented three \$1,500 scholarships to area high school seniors at their annual picnic on July 24. Recipients included Lauren Makosky, a recent graduate from Columbiana High School who will attend Youngstown State University in the fall majoring in pre-optometry/chemistry; Ashley Orr, a 2012 graduate from Columbiana who plans to attend YSU in the fall majoring in math/chemical engineering; and Ashlee Coontz who will attend college in North Canton majoring in veterinary medicine. These young women showed excellence in their education and demonstrated leadership and civic duty to stand out among their peers. The picnic concluded with information concerning the style show under the theme "First Ladies Fashions" to be held Oct. 27 at the Salem Golf Club featuring Makosky as one of the models. For information visit the group on Facebook or contact Lori Everly at leverly@yahoo.com. From left, CABPW President Jenny Pike, Coontz, Orr, Makosky and Everly. (Submitted photo)

**COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**  
EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND MORE...

**Salem High School '43 to meet for breakfast**

SALEM — An out-of-state classmate is expected to attend when the Salem High School Class of 1943 meets for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday at Adele's Place.

**United High School '61 to meet for lunch**

HANOVERTON — United Local High School Class of 1961 will meet for lunch at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

**Salem Masons to host public breakfast buffet**

SALEM—A public breakfast buffet will be served from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Saturday at the Salem Masonic Building, 788 E. State St. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under age 10 and free for children under 2.

The menu offers pancakes, waffles, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, homemade sausage gravy, biscuits, homefries, toast, fruit cocktail, orange juice, coffee and tea. The building is equipped with a handicapped accessible elevator.

Proceeds will be directed to the Salem Masonic Building Fund.

**Wuthrick family reunion scheduled for Sept. 9**

DAMASCUS — The descendants of Christian and Marianna Wuthrick are invited to the 107th family reunion on Sept. 9 at the Damascus Community Park. The carry-in picnic begins at 1 p.m. The Fred Wuthrick family will provide beverages and table coverings. Those attending are reminded to bring their heirlooms and their stories. Games will be provided.

**Salem High School '71 to meet for dinner**

SALEM — The Salem High School Class of 1971 will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. Sept. 1 at Perkins Restaurant in Alliance. Reservations are not necessary.

**Free Senior Fun Day slated for Oct. 13**

SALEM — The Senior Fun Day Committee will host "Senior Fun Day" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Memorial Building, 785 E. State St. This free event titled, "A Harvest of Fun," is open to senior citizens ages 55 and over. Entertainment will be provided by Storm'n' Norm'n'. A free lunch will be served to the first 300

senior citizens through the door and includes homemade chili, cornbread and dessert provided by the Senior Fun Day Committee and Pleasant View North of Damascus.

In addition to the many giveaways, samples and services this year, the Senior Fun Day Committee is announcing the addition of the "Outstanding Senior Fun Day Volunteer Award" to one outstanding volunteer and to one outstanding group of which each has went above and beyond to serve the local area. Prizes for these categories will be provided by Pleasant View North and the Donald R. Cook Family. To nominate an individual or group for this award, submit your nomination and a letter about your nominee to The Senior Fun Day Committee, 1158 S. Lincoln Ave, Salem, Ohio 44460; attention Kelley Rito.

Any business or organization seeking more information on obtaining a table at the event is asked to contact Adam Cook or Linda Galeoti at 330-337-7674 or seniorfunday-committee@aol.com.

**Ballroom Dance Celebration planned at Eastwood Mall**

NILES — The "Ballroom Dance Celebration" features exhibitions and general dancing from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Sept. 15 in the main concourse of the Eastwood Mall. Over 50 performances will range from beginning to advanced level dancing and include amateur couples, pro-am, professionals and groups. There will be general dancing and even a few line dances. Ballroom dancers are needed for this year's celebration at the mall. Registration forms and "performance ready" music are due by Sept. 1. Rules and registration forms are available at www.usadance2015.com.

Free Mad Hot Monday Ballroom Boogie on Sept. 11 is a fun, free night of dancing featuring ballroom, Latin, swing and hustle from 6 to 9 p.m. at Kuzman's, 1025 S. State St., Girard. For more information call Kuzman's at 330-545-8521 or Stephen Barba at 330-502-5492.

**Bricker-Long family reunion to be held Aug. 26**

GREENFORD — The 95th Bricker and Long family reunion will be held on Aug. 26 at Coy Memorial Park on state Route 165. A picnic lunch will be served at 1:30 p.m. Those attending are to bring a coverdish or two, and table service.

Officers for 2012 are President Jeff Stewart, Vice President Buddy Bricker and Secretary-Treasurer Debbie Slagle. The table committee is comprised of Suzanne McLemore and family. Becky McLemore and Dawnel Monroe are in charge of games.

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# Fresh ginger: What it is and how to use it

**J.M. HIRSCH**  
AP Food Editor

People have been eating it for thousands of years, yet still no one can tell me why it should be peeled. So I don't, and neither should you.

"It" being fresh ginger, the gnarly brown root that lives amongst the grocer's Asian produce. And the flavor is so much better than dried, you must get to know it.

Most of us think of ginger as the powder in the spice cabinet and use it mostly for baking. In Asia, where ginger originated, it's more a savory ingredient. That's because fresh ginger packs tons of warm, pungent, peppery flavor that works so well with meats and vegetables.

Though they can be used interchangeably, the flavor of fresh ginger is more pronounced than dried, sporting heavy citrus, even acidic notes. In Asia, fresh ginger is an essential part of numerous classic dishes, including stir-fries, soups, sauces and marinades, as well as Indian curries.

When cooking with fresh ginger, keep in mind a couple things.

First, cooking mellows the flavor. So if you want to really taste it, add some ginger at the beginning of

cooking, and a bit more at the end.

Second, the strength of the ginger can vary widely by the piece. So if you're looking for a serious hit of ginger, taste it before you add it.

Now, about that peeling. Watch cooking shows and read recipes, and you'll be told again and again to peel your ginger before chopping, slicing or grating it. I have no idea why. The skin is entirely edible and doesn't change the flavor. So save yourself the time and effort, and just use your ginger as is.

And the best tool for the job is a wand-style grater, such as a Microplane. These graters quickly reduce ginger root to fine shavings or pulp ideal for cooking.

When shopping for fresh ginger, look for firm, tan roots with no signs of mold or shriveling. It can be stored in the refrigerator for several weeks. But I prefer to freeze my fresh ginger. Frozen ginger lasts for months and is easier to grate than fresh. For more ideas for using fresh ginger, check out the Off the Beaten Aisle column over on Food Network:

## Ginger-Orange Chicken Cutlets

Start to finish: 1 hour (20 minutes

active)

Servings: 4

1 cup orange juice  
2-inch chunk fresh ginger  
1 clove garlic  
1 teaspoon salt  
2 boneless, skinless chicken

breasts

1/2 cup all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon garlic powder  
1 egg  
1 1/4 cups panko breadcrumbs  
1/4 cup heavy cream

In a blender, combine the orange juice, ginger, garlic and salt. Puree until smooth, then set aside.

Carefully slice each chicken breast in half horizontally to create 2 thin halves. Place the chicken in a zip-close plastic bag, then add the orange juice mixture. Refrigerate the chicken for at least 30 minutes.

When ready to cook, heat the oven to 400 F. Coat a baking sheet with cooking spray.

In a wide, shallow bowl, mix together the flour and garlic powder. Beat the egg in a second bowl, and pour the panko into a third.

One at a time, remove the chicken pieces from the marinade, reserving the marinade. Dredge each piece of chicken first through the flour, then



Ginger-Orange Chicken Cutlets

the egg, then the panko. Arrange them on the prepared baking sheet.

Spritz the tops of the chicken with cooking spray, then bake for 25 minutes.

Meanwhile, transfer the marinade to a small saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring to a boil and cook for 3 minutes. Stir in the cream.

Serve the chicken with the sauce.

*Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 340 calories; 70 calories from fat (21 percent of total calories); 8 g fat (4 g saturated); 0 g trans fats; 100 mg cholesterol; 46 g carbohydrate; 21 g protein; 1 g fiber; 620 mg sodium.*



Cucumber, Watermelon and Mango Salad

# Sweet and heat: The savory side of fruit salads

The Associated Press

Great taste often comes down to contrast.

It's why we pair tender and crunchy textures, sweet and sour flavors, and hot and cold temperatures (think hot fudge sauce over vanilla ice cream).

In a way, these contrasts amplify the flavors of the dish, making the food much more than a simple sum of the parts.

And it's a technique well suited to healthy eating. Because by playing with contrasts, you are able to coax so much more from otherwise simple ingredients.

For example, this fruit salad from Arthur Potts Dawson's new cookbook, "Eat Your Vegetables," pairs cooling cucumber and refreshing watermelon and mango with spicy red and green chilies. There also is contrast between the sweetness of the fruit and the savory flavors of

the sauce (which is made from fish sauce, mirin and olive oil).

The result is a delicious and healthy combination with far more flavor than your typical fruit salad.

## Cucumber, Watermelon and Mango Salad

Using both chilies called for in this recipe makes for a dish with real kick. The heat is nicely moderated by the sweet watermelon and mango. But if you don't like things spicy, back down to half the amount of chilies.

Start to finish: 15 minutes

Servings: 6

2 cups peeled, seeded and chopped cucumber

2 cups diced watermelon

2 cups diced fresh mango

3 tablespoons chopped fresh mint, plus whole leaves to serve

1 red chili, thinly sliced

1 green chili, thinly sliced

1 tablespoon fish sauce

1 tablespoon mirin

1/3 cup olive oil

Salt and ground black pepper

In a large bowl, combine the cucumber, watermelon, mango, chopped mint and red and green chilies. Mix gently.

In a liquid measuring cup, whisk together the fish sauce, mirin and olive oil. Drizzle over the salad, then mix gently. Season with salt and pepper. Serve garnished with mint leaves.

*Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 170 calories; 110 calories from fat (65 percent of total calories); 12 g fat (1.5 g saturated); 0 g trans fats; 0 mg cholesterol; 17 g carbohydrate; 1 g protein; 2 g fiber; 320 mg sodium.*

*(Recipe adapted from Arthur Potts Dawson's "Eat Your Vegetables," Mitchell Beazley/Octopus, 2012)*

# Tortellini as croutons in a robust Caesar salad

**J.M. HIRSCH**  
AP Food Editor

My 7-year-old son has made me an expert at Caesar salad. Though to be fair, some credit goes to April Bloomfield, too.

After several years of "green is evil" behavior by my son, I recently — finally! — managed to persuade him to try Caesar salad. The kid loves savory, umami-rich foods, and I have the receipts from the butcher and cheese shops to prove it. So despite his reluctance to embrace romaine lettuce, I knew an anchovy, egg and Parmesan-rich Caesar dressing could win his heart. I had tried any number of times, but the sight of the lettuce always had him running. Until a few weeks ago.

On a whim, I opened one of my new favorite cookbooks, "A Girl and Her Pig" by Bloomfield. If you don't know her, you should. She is the culinary force behind some of New York's top spots at the moment, including The Spotted Pig and The John Dory Oyster Bar. Her food smacks of big, bold, slap-you-silly flavor. And her unpretentious cookbook of totally accessible recipes brings this into your home.

All of which is to say that when I saw her recipe for Caesar salad — she insists the dressing is best ap-

plied by gently tossing it onto the lettuce with your hands — I knew I had to try it. I fell in love. More importantly, so did my son. And it was no fluke. I've since made the salad for him about a dozen times and he still devours his greens with glee.

Trouble is, Caesar salad alone does not make a healthy diet, and certainly not a substantial meal. So I have experimented with how to bulk up this simple, delicious salad.

Chicken was an obvious (if not all that original) choice. But rotisserie chicken is simply too easy to pass up for a summer salad-as-meal. I could have stopped there, but I wanted to play around with the starch. Traditionally, honking big croutons play that role. But I liked the idea of something that is both crunchy and cheesy-soft.

Pan-crisped cheese tortellini were the perfect choice. Most people don't realize it, but fresh pasta (the variety sold in the refrigerator case) can be cooked without water. Just give a spritz of cooking spray to a non-stick skillet, then add the pasta and saute until lightly browned and crisp. I stuck with Bloomfield's basic Caesar dressing (slightly altered). And I have to agree with her — applying the dressing by hand really is best.

## Cheese Tortellini Caesar Salad

No Champagne vinegar? I've used white balsamic vinegar as a fine substitute. If you have leftover cooked chicken, use that. I found that a 1 1/2-pound rotisserie chicken worked well.

Start to finish: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

10-ounce package fresh cheese tortellini

2-ounce tin oil-packed anchovy fillets, drained

3 cloves garlic

3 tablespoons Dijon mustard

1/4 cup Champagne vinegar

1 large egg

1 cup canola or olive oil

Ground black pepper

1 ounce Parmesan cheese, finely chopped

3 cups cooked and cooled chicken meat, torn into bite-size chunks

3 heads romaine lettuce, roughly chopped

Heat a large skillet over medium-high. Spritz with cooking spray, then add the tortellini. Saute the tortellini for 6 minutes, or until lightly browned and slightly crisped. Transfer to a plate to cool.

Meanwhile, in a blender combine the anchovies, garlic, mustard, vinegar and egg. Puree until smooth. With the blender on low speed, driz-



Cheese Tortellini Caesar Salad

ze in the oil. Add the cheese and puree until smooth. Season with pepper, then set aside.

In a large bowl, toss the chicken and romaine. Drizzle about half the dressing over the salad, then use your hands to toss until well coated. Add the tortellini and drizzle additional dressing, tossing again. You may not need all of the dressing.

Serve immediately.

*Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 980 calories; 620 calories from fat (63 percent of total calories); 70 g fat (13 g saturated); 0 g trans fats; 170 mg cholesterol; 42 g carbohydrate; 46 g protein; 3 g fiber; 1,350 mg sodium.*



Spicy "Creamed" Corn

# Creamed corn that is creamy without cream

**SARA MOULTON**

For The Associated Press

There are few foods as simple, delicious and complete as fresh seasonal corn on the cob. When it's really fresh, I'll even eat it raw. No boiling, no butter, no salt. It's perfectly sweet and tender right off the stalk.

Still, even perfection can get boring, and I recently began wondering what else I could do with fresh corn. I thought back to my days as the host of the Food Network's "Cooking Live," when one of my guest chefs whipped up some corn soup and thickened it with pureed corn.

Of course, I'd known that any pureed vegetable will thicken a stew or soup. But corn has a secret ingredient — Duh! — cornstarch. I was astonished by the creaminess and thickness of my guest's soup.

This recipe was inspired by that soup. Creamed corn is thus named because it usually depends on cream for its creaminess. That's a problem for me for a couple of reasons. The cream not only makes the dish too rich, it also tends to mask the flavor of the corn itself.

So I took a tip from my chef friend and used pureed corn to achieve a silky richness without any additional fat. Caramelized onions add great depth of flavor, while the chili's heat and lime juice's acidity balance the sweetness of the corn.

Don't hesitate to finish the dish with just about any herb in the garden these days. Corn plays nicely with almost all of them.

## Spicy "Creamed" Corn

Start to finish: 30 minutes

Servings: 6

10 to 12 ears fresh corn, husked

3/4 cup chicken broth, vegetable

broth or water, divided

2 tablespoons grapeseed oil or olive oil

1 medium yellow onion, finely

chopped (about 1 cup)

Salt

1 serrano chili, seeds and ribs discarded if desired, minced (about 1

tablespoon)

1 to 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice

or lemon juice, to taste

1 tablespoon shredded fresh basil

or chopped fresh cilantro

Ground black pepper

Carefully cut the kernels off the

ears of corn. To do this, one at a time stand each ear on its wide end and use a serrated knife to saw down the length of the cob. You should have about 6 cups of kernels.

In a blender, combine 1 cup of the kernels and 1/2 cup of the broth. Puree until smooth. Set aside.

In a large skillet over medium, heat the oil. Add the onion and a pinch of salt, reduce the heat to moderately low and cook, stirring occasionally, until golden, about 8 minutes. Add the remaining corn kernels and another pinch of salt. Saute for 3 minutes. Add the chili and pureed corn, then bring the mixture to a simmer and cook for 2 minutes.

Stir in the remaining 1/4 cup of chicken broth, the lime juice and basil. Season with salt and pepper, then simmer for another minute.

*Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 220 calories; 80 calories from fat (36 percent of total calories); 9 g fat (0.5 g saturated); 0 g trans fats; 0 mg cholesterol; 36 g carbohydrate; 8 g protein; 4 g fiber; 150 mg sodium.*

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# 50 Shades of Grey marketing phenom goes mainstream

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Associated Press

NEW YORK — You've bought rope for that special someone, picked up a few sex toys and read those "Fifty Shades of Grey" books a time or three. You know who you are.

Well, no need to skulk about at naughty shops or the hardware store as Fifty Shades of Consumption makes it further into the mainstream.

Stuart Weitzman and Marc New York have Grey-struck campaigns in the fat September issues of fashion magazines, the former touting black stilettos and high, Anastasia Steele-worthy boots called "Fifty Fifty," named not for the blockbuster bondage books but equal parts leather and stretch.

"Stuart has always known that people just think shoes. They day-dream shoes. They lust after shoes 24/7," said Susan Duffy, Weitzman's senior vice president of marketing. "It's almost like 'Fifty Shades of Grey.' People want 50 pairs of shoes. It's a love affair."

EMI Music is feeling the love. It's putting out "Fifty Shades of Grey: The Classical Album" next month in partnership with E L James herself, ahead of the British writer's first visit to the Pacific Northwest locales where her hunky gazillionaire Christian Grey and his new-to-kink love interest dwell.

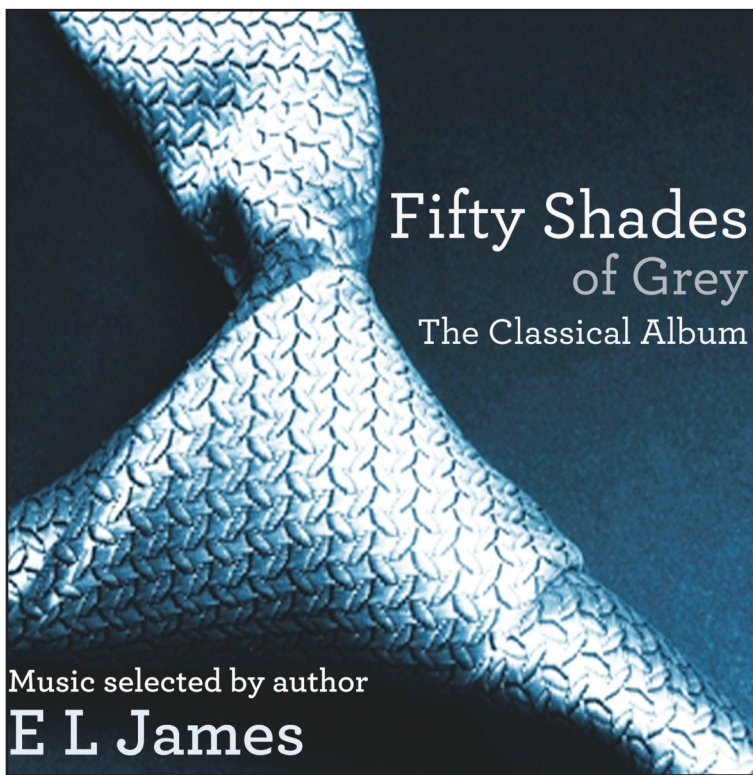
While James goes about remedying that geographical blip on her resume, she let loose Monday with her first licensing agreements for a range of products in North America.

Coming soon: official Fifty stockings and garters and printed tights. Undies and jammies and robes. T-shirts and knit tops and hoodies.

Add those to a slew of parody books, many self-published, beauty giant Bobbi Brown's new set of "Come-Hither Shades" for eyes in, yes, grays and marketing references and tie-ins for everything from iPad covers to bathroom fixtures.

There's even a critical reader's guide, "Lighter Shades of Grey," that counts the number of times Ana mutters "Oh my."

These days, we're all



Music selected by author  
**E L James**

This CD cover image released by EMI shows "Fifty Shades of Grey: The Classical Album," a release inspired by the music selected by author EL James for her "Fifty Shades of Grey" book series. (AP Photo/EMI)

Fifty Shades of somethin'.

"We don't always get a chance to connect our clients' brands to current day entertainment or news. But when we do, tie us down and hold us back!" said David R. Schlocker, founder and president of DRS and Associates, a luxury marketing and PR firm in Los Angeles for architectural, interior design and building clients.

The company recently pitched "Shades of Gray" kitchen and bath decor, including a Laufen wash-basin with seductive curves and edgy Graff faucets in a brushed nickel.

Grey-sessed consumers have kept the books atop best-seller lists for more than 25 weeks, shot pre-orders for the EMI album to the top of classical picks on iTunes and Amazon — and breathlessly lobbied online for their choices to play Christian and Ana in the movie.

Meanwhile, Town & Country magazine bares a teaser on its Sep-

tember cover, "50 Shades of Rockefeller," for a story about a great-great-granddaughter of John D. and her new book, apropos of nothing more than the fresh-faced lexicon.

Trojan, the condom guy, had hundreds lining up for free vibrators last week on the streets of Manhattan, using "pleasure carts" like the ones for selling hot dogs. The crowds were so big the city shut them down temporarily, until the company procured the proper permits. Trojan doled out 10,000 vibrators over two days.

While Trojan has been selling vibrators since 2009, first-quarter sales this year — around the time the Fifty books hit it big — were up about 14 percent from the same quarter a year before, according to Nielsen.

"Thanks in part to the rise of pop culture hits such as 'Fifty Shades of Grey' and 'Sex and the City,' many consumers are looking for prod-

ucts to help add some spice and increase the pleasure within their relationships," said Bruce Weiss, vice president of marketing at Trojan.

This is what Simon Reed, 28, knew about that as he waited patiently for a vibrator with about 400 other people in Midtown: "My girlfriend sent me."

The Fifty phenom has also filled up Etsy with bondage crafts and is keeping Grey-maniacs at Pinterest busy. At Amazon, "Laters, Baby" wall decals with a handcuff motif are on sale, honoring one of Christian's fave farewells (stolen from his brother).

Wendy Ong, EMI's vice president of classics in the U.S., hasn't seen this kind of action in forever.

"Who would have thought classical music and 'Fifty Shades of Grey,' you know. It's a stretch, right, but it's actually a great partnership," she said. "It's amazing in this day and age for these books to be causing so much interest in classical music."

Not all classical music, mind you. The download and CD due out Sept. 11 on Capitol Records (owned by EMI) includes 15 tracks featured in the books, including the obscure "Tallis: Spem in Alium" by The Tallis Scholars, as in Chapter 25, Book One.

The recording as a single download climbed to No. 1 on iTunes in July for classical music in the UK and US.

Robert Pattinson hasn't read the books and told a Comic-Con crowd he would probably just lick the pages if he tried, but the newly solo actor showed up in a few shades of gray for the New York premiere Monday of his new movie, "Cosmopolis," and again to ring the opening bell on the New York Stock Exchange.

R-Patz was in Gucci, but bespoke tailors Norton & Townsend back home in the UK came up with a line of menswear in Fifty-friendly shades of generous grey, guilty pleasure grey and gentle grey.

As for rope, one of Manhattan's largest and oldest hardware stores, Garber Hardware in the West Village, noted a 10 percent uptick in sales from about March — soon after the books took off — to July,

compared with the same period a year ago.

"Anecdotally speaking, it would certainly be reasonable to attribute that to the Fifty Shades phenomenon," said Nathaniel Garber, the great-great-grandson of the store's founder. "I'm looking at my rope department right now and it's half empty, and it's been like that for the past few months."

Hmmmm.

Grey, by the way, should rethink his choice of rope — in the first book he requests five feet of natural filament during a trip to the hardware store where Ana works. Garber recommends a 12-gauge, non-braided nylon. "It's soft. Non-braided is also easier to tie," he said.

Sales are roof-raising for Babeland since all things Fifty took over. With three adult toy stores in New York, one in Seattle and a website, co-founder Claire Cavanaugh reports a 40 percent boost in business, with eye-popping increases for bondage toys.

"Attendance at our free events where we offer sex tips for turning fantasies into reality based on the sex scenes in Fifty Shades of Grey has been overwhelming," she said.

At the first one, in Manhattan in May, 125 people showed up rather than the usual 25 to 30, Cavanaugh said. More than 400 signed up for a second event at the company's Brooklyn location. They added another session and stayed open two hours late to accommodate the crowd, she said.

Fifty has also been very, very good to Dana B. Myers, co-owner of the website Bootyparlour.com and wholesaler to about 400 sex shops around the country.

"I'm hearing everything from 26 to 32 percent increases in sales in the last three months," she said.

Among her biggest Fifty-driven sellers: the Good Girl, Bad Girl package sporting a blindfold, feather spanker, feather whipper and wrist cuffs, all in "animal-friendly" leatherette.

"I think what this phenomenon has done is to really legitimize the fact that sex is good, fantasies are healthy," she said. "This is not your mother's romance."

# Rich toddlers are drawing fashion designers' eyes

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NEW YORK — Juliet Sandler dresses in the latest \$650 dresses and \$400 shoes from Parisian fashion house Lanvin. Juliet is 3.

Her mother, Dara Sandler, says she dresses her daughter in the latest fashions because Juliet is a reflection of her — even though her daughter can't spell the names of the designers, let alone pay for their clothes.

"I dress my daughter exactly the way I dress myself," says the 33-year-old Manhattan mother, who spent \$10,000 for her daughter's summer wardrobe. She plans to spend a few thousand dollars more for fall.

Top fashion designers are pushing more expensive duds for the increasingly lucrative affluent toddler demographic. This fall, Oscar de la Renta, Dolce & Gabbana, and Marni launched collections for the pint-sized. Luxury stores Nordstrom and Bergdorf Goodman are expanding their children's areas to make room for the newcomers, many of them with higher price tags. Late last year, Gucci, which launched a children's collection two years ago, opened its first children's store on Manhattan's Fifth Avenue.

Some designer houses like Oscar de la Renta and Marni say they're careful to keep the clothes appro-

priate for kids. But there are plenty of miniature versions of the adult looks that raise eyebrows because of their eye-catching prices and sophisticated styles.

American households are expected to spend an average of \$688 outfitting their children for school, says the National Retail Federation, and that includes supplies like pencils and notebooks.

That's most families. Some will spend \$795 on Gucci backpacks or \$1,090 on leopard print puffy coats from Lanvin.

Sasha Charnin Morrison, fashion director at Us Weekly, admits that some of the clothes are outrageously priced. But, she says, things like \$200 Gucci sneakers make her kids happy.

"They're a walking billboard of you. They're a reflection of who you are, so if you are someone highly stylized, then you want to make sure your kids are the best-dressed kids out there," she says.

Critics say the trend promotes elitism.

"This creates a class system of the haves and have nots," says Dr. Alan Hilfer, director of psychology at Maimonides Medical Center in New York City. "It creates a culture of envy."

Only five years ago, the high-end children's wear business was dominated by just a few major designers like Ralph Lauren, Burberry and

Christian Dior. But the recent influx of others is the latest sign that affluent shoppers have gone back to splurging since the recession. And as the wealthy feel more comfortable about spending again, they increasingly want their kids to reflect themselves.

It's a "mini-me" phenomenon, says Robert Burke, a New York-based fashion consultant. "It feels good. It's like one for me and one for you," he says. The trend isn't limited to Manhattan or Beverly Hills, but is occurring in other big cities like Boston and Chicago, he says. Sales of designer children's wear are also strong in resort areas where retirees who tend to dote on their grandkids live, he says.

Luxury children's sales account for just a fraction, or just over 3 percent, of the \$34 billion market, but it's growing faster than the rest of the children's wear and clothing market, according to NPD Group Inc., a research firm. For the past 12 months ended in May, children's wear sales rose 4 percent, with the upscale component up 7 percent, according to NPD's most recent data. That compares with a 3 percent rise for the overall clothing market.

Designers, seeking more growth, are now looking at children's wear as another way to deepen their relationship with their customers as well as reach out to new ones.

The designers are targeting household incomes of at least \$350,000, says Marshal Cohen, NPD's chief industry analyst. That's about seven times the U.S. median household income of \$49,445.

Many of the new designer entries are more expensive than some of the established brands like Ralph Lauren. Ralph Lauren's cotton shirts for boys are priced about \$59. In comparison, Dolce & Gabbana's plaid shirts for boys run \$190. Girl's dresses are about \$500.

Nordstrom, whose designer kids clothes were limited to a few names like Burberry and Ralph Lauren, is adding a number of collections for kids from the likes of Marni, Marc Jacobs and Stella McCartney.

Neiman Marcus Group's Bergdorf Goodman in Manhattan recently expanded its children's wear department by a third to devote more space to Gucci and the new lines like Oscar de la Renta. For fall, the prices range from \$4 for hair bows to \$5,200 for an exclusive Christian Dior silk party dress handmade in France.

"We're definitely growing," says Andrew Mandell, Bergdorf Goodman's vice president and divisional merchandise manager of home and children's wear. "This is a whole new realm. And when you

have our customers so fashion forward, they eat this up."

Colleen Sherin, fashion director at Saks Fifth Avenue, says both parents and grandparents are willing to spend on "unique, special" fashion items. "They're just not looking for basics."

The bigger trend, however, is designers creating free-standing shops devoted to kids, says Faith Hope Consolo, who leads retail leasing and marketing at Prudential Douglas Elliman.

Following in the footsteps of Gucci, Italian fashion house Giorgio Armani will be opening this fall its first U.S. store devoted to children in Manhattan's Upper East Side. Armani launched its children's business in the U.S. in 2009. The Armani store, which targets newborns to teenagers, will feature items priced from \$50 to \$500, says Armani spokesman Christian Langbein.

Some parents who are splurging say they also mix in shopping trips to Gap or other less-expensive stores, but see the designer duds as a confidence booster.

"I really believe when she dresses like this, she feels better about herself," added Sandler, who shops for pricey children's clothes at Barneys New York as well as a New York women's clothing store called Edit, which now has a designer children's wear section.

# Brewing up love: Weddings tap craft beer craze

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ALBANY, N.Y. — You may now chug with the bride.

Toasting the bride and groom with Champagne is de rigeur. But recently, couples hip (or is that hops?) to craft beers are shaking up the wedding reception scene by insisting on serving the brews they love on their big day, everything from local ales to home brews concocted by the bride and groom.

It's not unusual for stouts and pilsners to flow at receptions or for rehearsal dinners to feature "beer flight" tastings of different craft brews. The high-end Baltimore caterer Chef's Expressions offers hors d'oeuvres consisting of a shot glass of beer and a burger slider.

One couple even set up tasting stations with beers from around the world, said Anja Winikka, site editor of TheKnot.com. Another couple who met in the Yukon

served beer from Yukon Brewing in an ice-packed canoe. When Julie Ho and Ben Rinn of New York City wed in April, they chose craft beers representing their Texas roots (Shiner Bock) and their college years at Johns Hopkins University (from local brewer Brewer's Art).

"A lot of weddings with beer you have your Coors Lights and your Bud Lights out," said Ho, who hired Chef's Expressions for the wedding at Johns Hopkins' stately Peabody Library. "We definitely wanted to have good beers out because we do enjoy drinking good beer. And then we also wanted to make sure we included what we like."

There's little danger Champagne will get knocked off its bridal throne, but the craft brew buzz running through the wedding scene is yet another sign that beer — once a workingman's beverage sold in pop-top cans — has suc-

cessfully transformed into a respectable artisanal beverage suitable for nuptial toasts.

Americans have warmed up to hoppiest, tangier brews, and the volume of craft beer produced nationwide has jumped 83 percent since 2005, according to the Brewers Association, a trade group. Crucially, craft beers also have proven more female friendly. Unlike mainstream beer makers — who spend millions on commercials featuring man-children and their improbably hot girlfriends — the small-batch brews offer artisanal overtones and endless flavors.

But while craft beer has been making inroads for years, wedding industry people have really noticed its presence increasing in the last year or two. Winikka explained that the tradition-bound wedding industry tends to be slow to latch on to trends. She also noted that more couples are paying for their

own weddings, and thus are less bound to expectations of what others want.

Plus, beer is really fun.

"What you're seeing is that instead of the signature cocktail — like the fruity, weird martini thing that a lot of people were doing five, 10 years ago — couples are saying, 'That's not really our style, so we're going to do a beer flight at our cocktail hour,'" Winikka said.

Winikka, who is getting married in May, plans to have a beer flight at her own rehearsal dinner. Like Ho and Rinn, she and her fiancé chose local beers that reflect their lives. Beers will represent where she grew up in Arizona, went she met her fiancé in Kansas and where the couple lives in Brooklyn.

The brides and grooms demanding local brews are no different from the growing number of Americans scouting farmers market for local corn and grass-fed beef. And

just as it has become easier to source food locally, it has become easier to find a local brewery. Jerry Edwards of Chef's Expressions points out that unlike wine, good beer can be made anywhere.

In Chicago, that means couples asking for beverages from hometown brewers like Metropolitan Brewing and Goose Island, said Dan Scheuring, event service manager of Blue Plate catering.

"When talking to the clients they want to bring in that one Chicago 'wow factor' for their out-of-town guests," Scheuring said.

And some craft brewers are starting to take note of the trend. In Albany, C.H. Evans Brewing Co. has a beer trailer suitable for pulling up to wedding receptions. Brewer's Alley in Maryland offers a "Wedding Ale" (an altbier is a German-style brown ale) in bottles that can be customized with the newlyweds' names.