

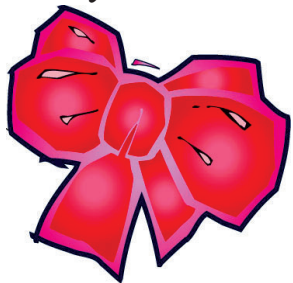
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Family mourns memory of late area resident

Today is first Christmas without Eleanor Robertson — a murder victim sadly missed by family, friends and neighbors

By **MARY ANN GREIER**
Staff Writer

Salem native Penny Barton described her mother as a person who was there for everybody.

Eleanor Robertson served as mom of the neighborhood at their South Lincoln Avenue home while Penny and her brother, Scot, were growing up.

She worked in the toy department at the McCulloch Department Store in downtown Salem, chaperoned a Pride of Salem band trip to New York City and chauffeured her kids and their friends, who pulled Chinese fire drills at the corner of Lincoln and State.

She made her famous potato salad for countless dinners in her community, both before and after she moved from Salem to Madison, near Geneva. She called bingo at a nursing home and cheered on her grandchildren at their many activities.

This Christmas, the 77-year-old mother, grandmother and great-grandmother is sadly

missed and mourned by her family, friends and neighbors. The former Salem resident died a horrific death in June at the hands of two people now sitting in prison for life for her murder and the theft of her belongings.

"They took a wonderful person away. I don't think I will understand why or how it got to that point," Penny said recently, struggling to hold back her tears. "We never got the chance to say our goodbyes or say I love you one more time."

To say the past six months have been a nightmare for her and her brother and their families would be a gross understatement, but at least in this case, some sense of justice came quickly.

Zachary Weimer, the 23-year-old Geneva man convicted of stabbing Eleanor multiple times after entering her Madison home to rob her on June 13, was sentenced last week to life in prison without parole for aggravated murder and 16 other counts. His mother,

See **ELEANOR, 8A**



Above, former Salem residents Penny Barton, of Clinton, and her mother, Eleanor Robinson, of Madison, pose for a mother/daughter portrait on Christmas 2010. Penny and her brother, Scot, and their families are celebrating Christmas without her this year, in mourning since her murder in June. Photo below, Eleanor Robinson is shown with her four grandchildren, Paula, Nicole, Zachary and Rachel, at Christmas a dozen years ago. (Photos courtesy of Penny Barton)



CDC will receive more funding for next year

By **TOM GIAMBRONI**
Staff Writer

LISBON — The county agency that provides public defender services received an additional 5 percent funding in its 2013 budget, the first such increase in several years.

The increase was included in renewal of the contract between Columbiana County commissioners and the Criminal Defense Co., the non-profit agency created to provide mandatory public defender services to accused criminals who lack the money to hire an attorney.

The CDC will receive \$427,500 in 2013 under the one-year contract. The agency was allocated \$405,500 this year.

Commissioner Chairman Mike Halleck said he promised CDC Director Fred Naragon they would provide additional funding if any should come available, and the board is now in position

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to keep that pledge.

The CDC was created by commissioners in 1997 to replace the former county public defender's office, where the staff attorneys were county employees and entitled to employee benefits, such as health insurance and retirement benefits. Under the CDC, the 10 staff attorneys are contract employees employed by the agency and not the county, and therefore receive no county benefits.

Halleck said their decision to take advantage of the law allowing them to create the CDC has saved the county a considerable amount of money over the years.

"Actually, it's not (costing) much more than what we were spending 15 years ago," he said.

Naragon said the CDC works smoothly compared

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Preparing for Christmas service
Nine-year-old Anna Foor of Leetonia and 13-year-old Alli Hall of Lisbon prepare for the candlelight service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Leetonia. (Salem News photo by Patti Schaeffer)

Sanitary sewer line causing a big sink

By **KEVIN HOWELL**
Staff Writer

LEETONIA— A collapse in the sanitary sewer line under State Street is causing the sink hole discovered last week.

According to Village Administrator Gary Phillips, an examination of the area showed a small collapse in the line. He said the flow has remained intact, though, so it won't be replaced until after the first of the year. The roadway continues to be barricaded to traffic.

Phillips said he did not anticipate any significant problems with project and that the approximately 140-foot section of sewer line should be replaced within one or two days.

Village workers last week discovered the sink hole in the eastbound lane of State Street east of Hazel Street. The street department on Friday ran a camera through the line to determine the cause and to see if the main line had collapsed.

A sink spot on the berm near the current hole has been filled several times in the past, according to Superintendent of Utilities Butch Donnalley.

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Tickets still available for New Year's Eve Victory Gospel Jubilee



JERRY GARCIA

NORTH LIMA — Free tickets remain available for the Victory Gospel Jubilee on New Year's Eve at the North Lima Business Complex.

Four southern gospel music ministries will sing beginning at 7 p.m.

National artist Jerry Garcia from Adrian, Mich., the Stillwater trio from Cambridge, Ohio, and award-winning country gospel singer Bill Sanders from Ypsilanti, Mich., will join the Golden Street Singers from Farmdale, Ohio for the final concert of the season.

Garcia, who has performed at the National Quartet Convention, sings at

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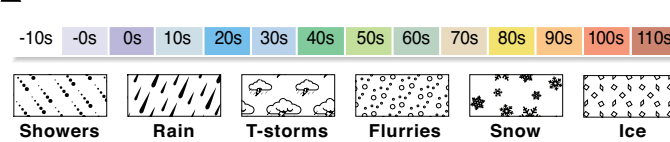
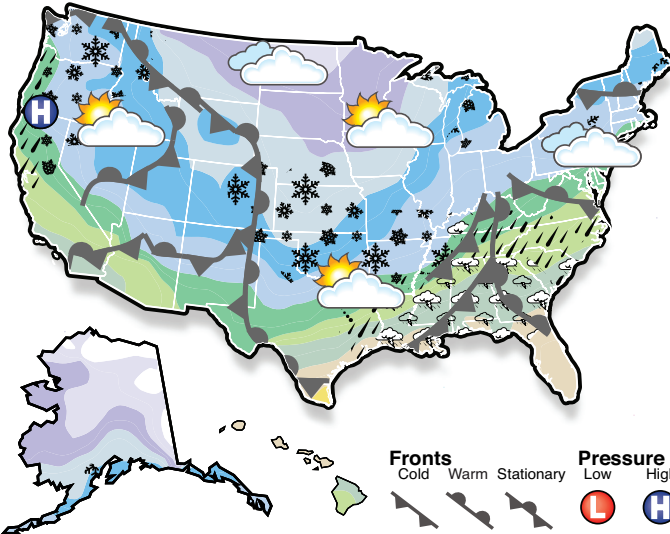
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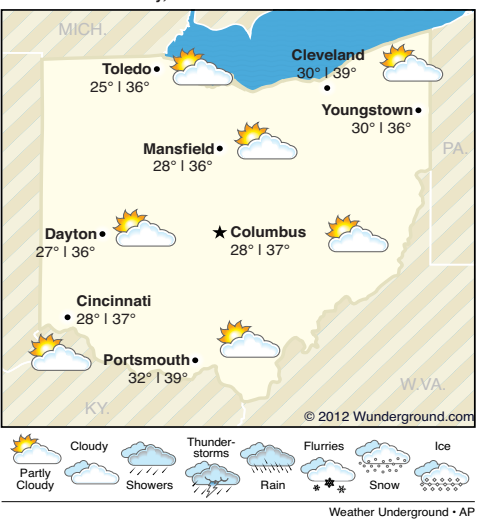
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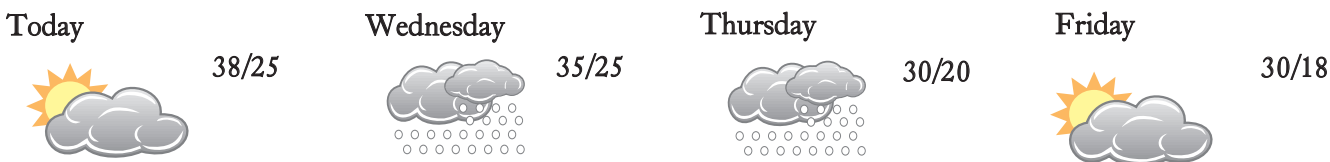
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On Dec. 25, A.D. 336, the first recorded celebration of Christmas on Dec. 25 took place in Rome. In 1066, William the Conqueror was crowned king of England. In 1776, Gen. George Washington and his troops crossed the Delaware River for a surprise attack against Hessian forces at Trenton, N.J. In 1868, President Andrew Johnson granted an unconditional pardon to all persons involved in the Southern rebellion that resulted in the Civil War. In 1926, Hirohito became emperor of Japan, succeeding his father, Emperor Yoshihito. In 1962, the movie version of "To Kill a Mockingbird," adapted from the Harper Lee novel and starring Gregory Peck, opened in Los Angeles. In 1991, Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev went on television to announce his resignation as the eighth and final leader of a communist superpower that had already gone out of existence.

Extended Forecast



A huge collection of odd TV stuff needs a home

LOS ANGELES (AP) — James Comisar is the first to acknowledge that more than a few have questioned his sanity for spending the better part of 25 years collecting everything from the costume George Reeves wore in the 1950s TV show "Superman" to the entire set of "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson."

Then there's the pointy Spock ears Leonard Nimoy wore on "Star Trek" and the guns Tony Soprano used to rub out a mob rival in an episode of "The Sopranos." "Along the way people thought I was nuts in general for wanting to conserve Keith Partridge's flared pants from "The Partridge Family," the good-natured former TV writer says of the 1970s sitcom as he ambles through rows of costumes, props and what have you from the beginnings of television to the present day.

"But they really thought I needed a psychological workup," Comisar, 48, adds with a smile, "when they learned I was having museum curators take care of these pieces."

A museum is exactly where he wants to put all 10,000 of his TV memorabilia items, everything from the hairpiece Carl Reiner wore on the 1950s TV variety program "Your Show of Shows" to the gun and badge Kiefer Sutherland flashed on "24" a couple TV seasons ago.

Finding one that could accommodate his collection, which fills two sprawling, temperature-controlled warehouses, however, has sometimes been as hard as acquiring the boots Larry Hagman used to stomp around in when he was J.R. on "Dallas." (The show's production company finally coughed up a pair after plenty of pleading and cajoling.)

Comisar is one of many people who, after a lifetime of collecting, begin to realize that



Above photo, James Comisar holds the costume George Reeves wore in the 1950s TV show "Adventures of Superman." Right photo, he holds a communicator prop used on the original Star Trek series. The items are part of his television memorabilia collection in a temperature- and humidity-controlled warehouse in Los Angeles. (AP Photos)



if they can't find a permanent home for their artifacts those objects could easily end up on the trash heap of history.

Or, just as bad as far as he's concerned, in the hands of private collectors.

"Some of the biggest bidders for Hollywood memorabilia right now reside in mainland China and Dubai, and our history could leave this country forever," says Comisar, who these days works as a broker and purchasing expert for memorabilia collectors.

What began as a TV-obsessed kid's lark morphed into a full-fledged hobby when as a young man writing jokes for Howie Mandel and Joan Rivers, and punching up scripts for such pro-

ducers as Norman Lear and Fred Silverman, Comisar began scouring studio back lots, looking for discarded stuff from the favorite shows of his childhood. From there it developed into a full-on obsession, dedicated to preserving the entire physical spectrum of television history.

"After a couple years of collecting, it became clear to me," he says, "that it didn't matter what TV shows James watched in the early 1970s but which shows were the most iconic. In that way, I had sort of a curator's perspective almost from the beginning."

In the early days, collecting such stuff was easy for anyone with access to a studio back lot. Many items were simply thrown out or given away when shows ceased production. When studios did keep things they often rented them out for small fees, and if you lost or broke them you paid a small replacement fee. So Comisar began renting stuff right and left and promptly losing it, acquiring one of Herman Munster's jackets that way.

These days almost everything has a price, although Comisar's reputation as a serious collector has led some people to give him their stuff.

If he simply sold it all, he could probably retire as a millionaire several times over. Just last month someone paid \$480,000 for a faded dress Judy Garland wore in the 1939 film "The Wizard of Oz." What might Annette Funicello's original Mickey Mouse Club jacket fetch?

He won't even think about that. "I've spent 25 years now reuniting these pieces, and I would be so sick if some day they were just broken up and sold to the highest bidder," he says.

He, and every other serious collector of cool but somewhat oddball stuff, face two major obstacles, say museum curators: Finding a museum or university with the space to take their treasures and persuading deep-pocketed individuals who might

bankroll the endeavor that there's really any compelling reason to preserve something like Maxwell Smart's shoe phone.

"People hold television and popular culture so close to their hearts and embrace it so passionately," says Dwight Bowers, curator of entertainment collections for the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, who calls Comisar's collection very impressive. "But they don't put it on the same platform as military history or political history."

When the Smithsonian acquired Archie Bunker's chair from the seminal TV comedy "All in the Family," Bowers said, museum officials took plenty of flak from those offended that some sitcom prop was being placed down the hallway from the nation's presidential artifacts.

The University of California, Santa Cruz, took similar heat when it accepted the Grateful Dead archives, 30 years of recordings, videos, papers, posters and other memorabilia gifted by the band, said university archivist Nicholas Meriwether.

"What I always graciously say is that if you leave the art and the music aside for one moment, whatever you think of it, what you can say is they are still a huge part of understanding the story of the 1960s and of understanding the nation's counterculture," says Meriwether.

Comisar sees his television collection serving the same purpose, tracing societal changes TV shows documented from the post-World War II years to the present.

The Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Foundation looked into establishing such a museum some years back, and Comisar's collection came up at the time, said Karen Herman, curator of the foundation's Archive of American Television.

Instead, the foundation settled on an on-line archive containing more than 3,000 hours of filmed oral history interviews with more than 700 people.

While the archive doesn't have any of Mr. Spock's ears, anyone with a computer can view and listen to an oral history from Spock himself, the actor Leonard Nimoy.

Comisar, meanwhile, believes he's finally found the right site for a museum, in Phoenix, where he's been lining up supporters. He estimates it will cost \$35 million and several years to open the doors, but hopes to have a preview center in place by next year.

Mo Stein, a prominent architect who heads the Phoenix Community Alliance and is working with him, says one of the next steps will be finding a proper space for the collection. But, really, why all the fuss over a place to save one of the suits Regis Philbin wore on "Who Wants to be a Millionaire"?

"In Shakespeare's time, his work was considered pretty low art," Comisar responds.

Oh, he'll admit that "Mike and Molly," the modern TV love story of a couple who fall for each other at Overeaters Anonymous, may never rank in the same category as "Romeo and Juliet."

"But what about a show like 'Star Trek'?" he asks.

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OUR SIDE

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas!

Merry Christmas to kids everywhere who last night tightly squeezed their eyes and strained to hear reindeer footsteps on the rooftop. They finally fell asleep in a bed full of warmth and full of dreams. And Merry Christmas to all of us who wish we could still believe in a Santa Claus.

Merry Christmas to those who stood at midnight masses and loudly proclaimed a joy to the world. And to those exchanging hearty handshakes and greetings of fellowship across all churches and all denominations last night and today. Merry Christmas to those standing alone and humbled while pausing in front of a manger at a nativity scene. In the quietness of their thoughts they will take faith in knowing a Saviour was indeed born for all mankind some 20 centuries ago. And Merry Christmas to the secularists. You need it more than anyone.

Merry Christmas to the 50, 60, 70, heck, 80-something "kids" who still get a kick by stealing some moments and going down the basement to play choo-choo with those big clunky oversized Lionel trains that we loved so long ago.

Merry Christmas to children who still have fun building stuff like Tinker Toys — not needing a plug, battery, digital card, net hook-up or what have you — to do so.

Merry Christmas, God bless those lovable little devils, to all the toddlers out there who will choose to play not with the \$500 kitchen play set their first-time parents bought them for Christmas but instead with the cardboard box it came in.

Merry Christmas to all the sleepy dads out there who built the, yeah right, "just follow the simple and easy directions" Barbie Dreams Castles into the cursed wee hours of last night. And then realizing it was worth it after when seeing their daughter's eyes sparkle like moonlight on a snow drift this Christmas morn. The mere words "adult assembly required" can be downright scary. And does anyone out there have any extra batteries?

Merry Christmas to all the senior citizens who will quietly sit and rock in a chair tonight recalling Christmases spent during the Depression and a World War. They will recall cracking walnuts and whittling a Christmas tree decoration out of a simple piece of wood with a pocket knife given to them by their own grandpap. They will open the scrapbooks of their souls and wonder where oh where did so many Christmases and calendars go. Somewhere off in the distance in the back of their minds they will hear Bing Crosby dreaming of a white Christmas. They will suddenly feel very sad and very old.

Merry Christmas to the senior citizens on fixed incomes. Standing in front of a storefront trying to determine whether they can go without less food or less medicine until the next not enough Social Security check, they will nevertheless hear a familiar ringing bell. They will reach out and deposit a handful of coins and perhaps some glove lint into the Salvation Army kettle. And they will feel good about helping others.

Merry Christmas to the parents who — damn the weather, wet clothes and sniffles — will let their anxious kids outside in the snow to ride those spanking new sleds like sleek wings across across the clouds. Tomorrow will provide just that opportunity. Have you paid any mind to the weather forecast? Yikes!

Merry Christmas to all the paycheck-to-paycheck parents who somehow, some way — without completely blowing their credit limit! — balanced their budgets like a Ringling Brothers juggler to buy enough to cover the entire floor in front of the Christmas tree. And they'll do it again next year because it feels good to do so.

Merry Christmas to kids everywhere — including those wishing for just their two front teeth — who will stand in front of the oven today with grandma and make cookies the old fashioned way. Merry Christmas to the favorite uncle who will carve the turkey like a chef school graduate. And to the favorite aunt who never forgets to bake a pumpkin pie. Or two.

Merry Christmas to the senior citizen who will stand today in front of the gravestone belonging to a lifetime sweetheart. Wind will run through the naked branches of tired and creaking trees standing sentry in the cemetery. Melting snowflakes will meld with tears on a cheek of a very lonely person. The widows and widowers will bend down and leaves roses on graves. They will stand — some will kneel — and say a silent prayer on a silent night. They will then straighten up and brace themselves for another day, another Christmas, without a spouse. The emptiness will be ceaseless. The wind will continue to run. And rose petals will catch the snowflakes and the tears.

Merry Christmas to all of those who know, truly know, that the best gifts don't come with a ribbon and wrapped in shiny paper. They don't come with a return slip. They don't come with a designer label. They aren't endorsed by a handsomely endorsed handsome athlete or celebrity. We know what those gifts are and maybe we could all start giving a few more of them ourselves. Like affection, courtesy and companionship. Or course, some new golf balls on Christmas are always nice.

Merry Christmas to anyone like myself who is blessed with the best father a son could have and was blessed, so very blessed, with the best mother a son could have ever asked for. Merry Christmas to the best daughters, my daughters, a father could have. A Merry Christmas to a now-4-year-old smiley face of a grandson named Layne William. We are especially thankful for him this Christmas. And then there's 8-month-old Lydia Marie, a beaming moon face of delight and curiosity who is still a ways away from figuring the whole Christmas thing out — including Santa. But will indulge in her own fun today as only an infant can. Merry Christmas to the best siblings a brother could have and the best buddies a guy could ask for. Thank you all so very, very much.

A very merry Christmas to everyone reading this. May peace and joy and spirit come your way. May contentment comes into your life if missing now. If empty, may your heart be filled with smiles and the warmth of the sun.

And to all, don't forget to feed the birds.

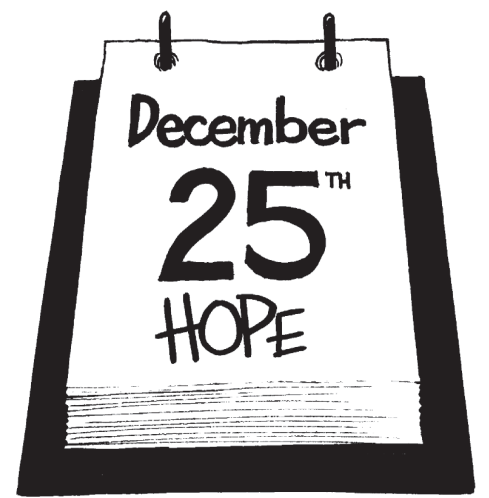
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Boehner's 'Plan B' doesn't help GOP



SCOTT RASMUSSEN

President Obama and congressional Democrats are still winning the messaging battle in the debate over the impending "fiscal cliff."

Republican House Speaker John Boehner tried to change that with a fallback position extending tax cuts for everyone except those making more than a million dollars a year and letting the scheduled spending cuts go through. As I write this, the vote on Boehner's "Plan B" has not

been taken, but it doesn't really matter. Either way, Republicans will end up as losers in the court of public opinion.

That's true even though raising taxes on millionaires is supported by 62 percent of voters nationwide. Boehner's plan fails to accomplish the speaker's goal of showing that Republicans are willing to raise taxes on the rich, however.

Why? Because 59 percent of voters also want to see taxes raised on those who earn more than \$250,000 a year. In other words, the president can continue his rhetoric unchanged, and people still will side with Obama over Boehner.

Most significantly, Boehner's plan doesn't gain Republicans any support from unaffiliated voters. Sixty-three percent of these voters like the idea of raising taxes for those who earn more than a million dollars a year. But the exact same number (63 percent) want to raise taxes on those who earn between \$250,000 and a million dollars a year, too.

So by agreeing to raise taxes on anyone, Boehner has antagonized his base. By refusing to raise taxes on enough upper-income Americans, Boehner has antag-

onized those in the middle. Most Americans consider \$50,000 a middle-class income, and the speaker is seen as trying to protect those who make five times that amount.

Republicans are losing the debate because the fiscal cliff talks are about fairness rather than about taxes and deficit reduction. Most voters (56 percent) believe the U.S. economy is unfair to the middle class. That's the issue Obama is talking about and Republicans are ignoring.

With Republicans avoiding the topic, the president defined the terms by saying those who earn more than \$250,000 a year should pay more in taxes. It's true that \$250,000 a year doesn't make someone rich, but the overwhelming majority of Americans defines such affluent citizens as "upper-income."

Republicans have a choice to make. They can continue opposing all tax hikes and attempt to make the case that it's the fair thing to do. If they take that approach, voters in the middle will tune out all other GOP talking points about the need for spending cuts and entitlement reform. Or they can let taxes go up on the president's terms and earn a chance to make the case for spending cuts and entitlement reform from a stronger position.

Both approaches are risky. That's what happens when you have a bad hand to play. But Boehner's plan is worse than either option because it further erodes support from the party's base without gaining any ground in the middle.

The only good news in all of this for the House Republicans is that the messaging over the fiscal cliff will not determine how they fare on Election Day in 2014. At that point, the president's popularity and his party's prospects will be judged by the state of the economy.

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Robert Bork: More influential off the court



MONA CHAREN

The last time I saw Bob Bork was the Sunday before Election Day. His familiar baritone was faint. You had to sit close to hear him, and he seemed to have a little difficulty following the conversation.

At one point, his son Bob directed his attention to an Obama ad that was running on the Internet. It warned darkly that if Romney was elected, he would nominate Robert Bork for the Supreme Court! Bob, who has inherited his father's wry sense of humor (as well as his intellect), played the ad on an iPad. Bob Sr. didn't react at first, and we wondered whether he'd even gotten the drift. But then, eyeing it with the mischievous look he so often wore, he gestured toward the 25-year-old photo of himself. "Awful picture, as you'd expect," he said. That was the Bob we knew and loved!

Robert Heron Bork was born in Pittsburgh, Penn. He entered the Marine Corps at the age of 17 and served in World War II. He then blazed through the University of Chicago in two years (Students were then able to get credit for courses by taking an exam he explained later.). He pocketed a law degree, fulfilled his obligations to the Marine Corps a second time when the Korean War erupted, and then settled into a career in law.

Bork was blessed with two wonderful marriages. He and his first wife Claire met in college and had three children together. She was diagnosed with cancer in 1971. Her doctor told Bob that there was nothing to be done, that her case was terminal, and that he should keep this from her. He got her another doctor, and she lived nine and a half more years. Two years after her death, Bob married the second warm, intelligent and beautiful woman who would grace his life, Mary Ellen Pohl, a former nun. "Her parents were worried

that she wasn't worldly enough to get married," he once recalled. "I reassured them that I was worldly enough for both of us."

The name Bork has become a verb because he endured the first of the vicious, libelous, character-assassinating campaigns that have come to characterize judicial nominations and other contests in which liberals feel justified in "lying for justice."

The passage of time has not diminished the outrage one feels on revisiting that campaign. Sen. Ted Kennedy, who had, through criminal negligence, caused the death of a young woman, warned the nation that Judge Bork was dangerous to women. The ACLU, People for the American Way and the Alliance for Justice, along with their compliant agents at the major networks, newspapers and magazines, floated a series of lies and distortions that left all standards of decency and fair play behind. Bork supported "literacy tests" for black voters. He opposed the teaching of evolution in schools; he favored the poll tax, opposed equal accommodations for black Americans, denied the principle of one-man/one-vote, would overturn 30 years of civil rights legislation, would prevent married couples from using contraception and supported mandatory sterilization of women in certain circumstances. Not a syllable was true.

Bork did support overturning Roe versus Wade — and that was probably the nub of it. If there was

one thing liberals were determined to prevent, no matter what tactics were required. It was the free votes of Americans in their 50 states regulating abortion. No lie was too low for that sacred project.

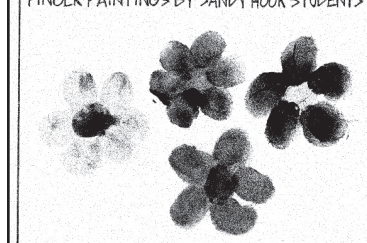
Bork's nomination was defeated. President Reagan might have saved it had he waded in more energetically. But he was still reeling after the Iran/Contra imbroglio and had retreated to his ranch during the thick of it.

While the nation was deprived of Bork's service on the Supreme Court, where he would certainly have shed illumination in all directions, it did gain a powerful public intellectual. He published two bestsellers ("The Tempting of America" and "Slouching Toward Gomorrah"), as well as a number of other books and essays. He lectured, traveled and argued cases before the Supreme Court. His influence on American life may in fact have been greater off the court than it would have been on it.

He was never bitter, though often mordant. Once freed of the constraints of a judge or nominee, he had his say fully and persuasively on law, culture and other matters. The Metzbaums, Bidsens and Kennedys of this world were elegantly filleted by the Bork pen. During the hearings, he was at the mercy of their lies. Afterwards, they were at the mercy of his intellect. The second contest may have been even more lopsided than the first.

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All As First Grade: Mary Buehler, Kale Davis, Griffin Flickinger, Madalyn Klemann, Samantha Koneval, Addison Reynolds, Nicole Stoffer, Aaron Tucker, Carys Yarwood.
All As Second Grade: Mason Barnett, Lydia Cackovic, Lachlan Cameron, Camryn Campbell, Klayten Courtney, Anna Curry, Hayden Detwiler, Reed Everett, Adam Garloch, Jacob Grindley, Haley Hazelbaker, Michael Kanagy, Makiah Kutz, Luke Mackall, Gavin Mann, Connor Mayle, Kiara McCullough, Jasmine Mitchell, Charity Rastetter, Ella Scofinsky, David Sigman, Kiersten Skinner, Emily Sprowl, Wyatt Thomas, Reed Williams, Cameron Wilson, Landon Wilson, Allison Zion.
All As Third Grade: Caleb Adams, Alyssa Barnett, Peyton Bell, Jed Smith, Christian Starcher, Ben Tolson, Nick Wilson, Jocelynn Woods.
All As Fourth Grade: Carter Bailey, Destany Blake, JD Brain, Kamryn Briceland, Olivia Buehler, Justin Cederbloom, Elijah Dredge, Anna Fye, Danielle Harrison, Gabby Harrison, Vito Maffei, Maci McLean, Josie Mellott, Sidney Milliken, Samantha Morris, Blake Schmidt, Brock Smith, Macey Stancato, Grace Weingart, Ian Yarwood.
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McGuire, Ava Newhart, Connor Ruthrauff, Daphne Snyder, Casidy Stillion, Abbey Wilson.
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Honor Roll Fourth Grade: Emily Algaier, Jacob Baker, Kaden Bandy, Kade Blake, Jacob Blasiman, Elizabeth Boyle, Jacob Brooks, Garrett Dean, Tanner Egli, James Fitzsimmons, Elizabeth Flickinger, Kaitlyn Greiner, Ashley James, Samuel Kanagy, Isabella Laut, Nico Maffei, Audrey McGrath, Gio Morton, Kyle Mutton, Ethan Overly, Jillian Pidgeon, Madelinn Slanker, Allyyah Stuller, Kyler Thompson, Madie Thrasher, Kaitlyn Todd.
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All As First Grade: Anna Sophia Bates, Sophia Gregory, Taiva Hagan, Carter Hawk, Emmy Jones, Madison Olenik, David Peterson, Kate Stutz, Colby Smith.
All As Second Grade: Christopher Bickley, Claire Brunner, Hannah Burchfield, Jocelyn Carte, Adriann Cobbs, Mitchell Coffee, Hannah Egli, Thomas Egli, Sequoia Fisher, Alexis Gregory, Alyson Hartzell, Logan McConnell, Evan McGrady, Kourtnei Nicholson, Haley Stahler, Chelsea Tharp, Trey Vlaiku, Caden Young.
All As Third Grade: Gracin Adams, Ava Bartholow, Amber Caruthers, Donavin

Conrad, Asa DeSanzo, Hayden Hawk, Addyson Jones, Alexandra Jones, Austin Joseph, Gloria Maendel, Marissa Sabatine, Tori Shields, Jacek Strotz.
All As Fourth Grade: Bryceton Adams, Andrew Coffee, Amanda Davidson.
Honor Roll First Grade: Beau Alazaus, Jayce Crockett, Skylar Cunningham, Mikalyn Fitts, Haley Foor, Paige Frampton, James Hill, Lilliane Johnson, Trey Jones, Emma Kosenski, Rosiana Maendel, Braydon Miller, Mitchell Miner, Justus Mohr, Sativa Oblisk, Kenny Randlett, Jaxon Robb, Hunter Shields, Lulu Smith, Ray Young.
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Honor Roll Third Grade: Alexis Bias, Joshua Bissett, Mahkaylah Bradt, Alex Bryant, Plomema Cackovic, Cade Cameron, Madison Carroll, Eris Dugan, Sydney Fettes, Myah Fogarascher, Jerika Milhoan, Greg Rockwell, Korben Tennefoss, Kennedy Whipkey, Mara Woost, Shyanne Yeager.
Honor Roll Fourth Grade: Beau Blake, Oneal Cardinal, Emma Egli, Marissa Erb, Alexis Faudree, Jeffrey Legros, Makayla Randlett, Joseph Sprague, Abby Stephens.
West Branch Middle School honor roll
All As Fifth Grade: Peyton Alazaus, Brianna Elevins, Bethany Caruthers, Maxwell Craig, Abigail

Davis, Joe Fediaczko, Blayne Flickinger, Claire Headland, Haley Jones, Sydni McQuilkin, Campbell Mickey, Hannah Moore, Ashlyn Pinkerton, Hannah Ridgway, Madison Showalter, Theodore Stephens, Danen Wutthrick.
All As Sixth Grade: Clayton Adams, Mackenzie Baxter, Thomas Caserta, Kylie Dean, Geoff Galida, Samantha Geary, Grace Heath, Emma Jarvis, Jeff Joseph, Addyson Knoll, Collin Lawniczak, Griffin Lough, Annie Menegay, Amanda Minich, Elizabeth Ostadali, Dakari Pagnucco, Delaney Rito, Ali Schroeder, Mikayla Wallace, Tessa Wells, Evan Wiesemann.
All As Seventh Grade: Brant Alazaus, Michael Boos, Jonathan Brand, Logan Cardinal, Kylie Coffelt, Olivia Didick, Madison Dustman, Jesse Elavich, Olivia Evert, Micah Hault, Brandon Heestand, Madeleine Hinkle, Kayla Hovorka, Sarah Jarvis, Zeina Katabi, Daniel Mikol, Seth Nolte, Olivia Ormiston, Delanie Pagnucco, Jade Papic, Kirsten Plocher, Jared Rosenberger, Emilee Sanor, Paige Sanor, Allison Slutz, Bret Smith, Claire Smith, Hannah Sprague, Benjamin St. John, Haley Waffler, Shannon Wolfe.
All As Eighth Grade: Zoie Bailey, Maddie Buehler, Joshua Davidson, Amanda Dean, Shae Haas, Gabby Hanson, Mike Jones, Maria Macarie, Brooke McClelland, Kylie McLean, Brandon Ritchie, Mariah Saulsberry, Grace Skolosh, Andy Stainer, Matthew Steer, Charles Suggett.
Honor Roll Fifth Grade: Bailey Boosz, Alyssa Bush, Jared Butler, Dillon Garloch, Angela Grice, Allison Heffinger, Reese Leone, Jacob Mikol, Molly Peterson, Samantha Plocher, Jamyson Robb, Landon Stille, Sammie Tuel.
Honor Roll

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Taylor Vence, Paige Walsh.
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Honor Roll Juniors: Kelsey Anderson, Toni Dickinson, Brett Fish, Hayley Kozar, Lydia Maendel, Rachael Murphy, Levi Plocher, Brienna Sweitzer.
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Merit Roll Freshmen: Alexandria Benedetti, Olivia Brunner, Taylor Emplit, Morgan Erb, Lindsey Fugett, Jeremy Gorby, Mariah Herbert, Trae Hillyer, Michaela Huthson, Fayth Leasure, Kaylee Manning, Emily Menegay, Austin R. Smith, Austin T. Smith, Marryssa Smith Mizik, Katie Stowe, Grace Stuller, Aaron Tharp, Hannah Thomas, Cheyenne Vaughn.
Merit Roll Sophomores: Zaid Al Shobaki, Mariah Al-Shinnawi, Grace Bates, Kaci Brady, Bryce Butcher, Alex Chapman, Charles Cuthbertson, Kip DeShields, Brittany Fish, Madison Fisher, Ben Fitzpatrick, Brady Fluaharty, Alyssa Hatton, Pavin Heath, Arek Hively, Erica Johnson, Nicholas King, Judah Maendel, Burgandi Mang, Makayla Manns, Jordan McGuire, Avery Polinori, Renee Reisner, Sydney Rice, Jonathon Sprague, Abby Steer, Charity Stoffer, Makayla Swindell, Sydney Townes, Jacob Wallbrown, Madison Woolf.
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Columbiana High School honor roll

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Abigail Fleeson, Zachary Frenger, Nicholas Hackstedde, Hannah Hostetler, Jacquelyn Kerr, Madison Macklin, Christopher Maldonado, Baylie Mook, Karleena Spickler.

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Honor Roll Freshmen: Levi Birch, Connor Bosela, Alec Breinz, Cheyenne Carr, Noah Dain, Holly Gotthardt, Kayla Hamilton, Joshua Herbert, Jacob Hupp, Emily King, Joseph Lucci, Daniel Magill, Shannon Marshburn, Zachary Martin, Aidan Matey, Rachel McBride, Danyelle McMaster, Justin Moffett, Colin Offenburg, Justin Pasco, Allison Petrycki, Emily Ramm, Jacob Ruckdeschel, Taylor Simms, Crystal Stone, Kendall Theil, DeWayne Timbush, Robert Timmins, Alexa Tringhese, Lauren Vargo, Bruce Wiggins, Haley Zehnder.

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Matthew Baylor, Sydney Benton, Ethan Brian, Victoria Bucci, Miranda Carney, LaCressa Christian, Taylor Couche, Madesyn DeVivo, George Dunlap, Kaitlin Garzanich, Megan Goehring, Ashlyn

Harris, Kalie Hasson, Cheyenne Heaton, Marshall Helman, Zoe Hoffman, Christopher Jones, Shannon Joy, Marissa Kalina, Navroop Kaur, Bradley Keylor, Mary Kloss, Hannah Kohler, Austin Kollar, Skye Kramer, Andrew Makosky, Keith Mohney, Kassady Murphy, Spencer Patrick, Shayla Ray, Devin Rice, Rocky Ritchie, Austin Saverko, Lauren Schlueter, Marissa St. George, Melissa Stockman, Sarah Swank, Mikayla Veitz, Victoria Vivo, Eryn Willoughby, Emily Witmer.

Honor Roll Juniors:

Garett Anderson, David Bachmeier, Brianna Bates, Logan Bertolette, Karlee Briceland, Micheal Buzzard, Clayton Cooper, Thomas Couche, Adrianna Dunlap, Eamon Eavers, Helen Eavers, Bryce Franken, Nathan Garofalo, Morgan Gotthardt, Chase Green, Mickala Guy, Lisa Highley, Mitchell Houston, Jonathan Huebner, Robert Hum, Breanne Jeffries, Stephen Kurilla, Andrew Magill, Noah McBride, Michael Morocco, Paige Pancake, Garret Rambo, Jose Rodriguez, Alexis Rohr, Sierra Ross, Carly Sawders, Alexis Schnarrenberger, Marissa Smith, Sadie Vivo, Tyler Warren, Aleah Whitacre, Anthony Zocolo.

Honor Roll Seniors:

Nicholas Berger, Caryn Brown, Kyle Bryan, Dakota Burt, Kristen Crisp, Megan Cutlip, Dakota DeAmicis, Jacob DeJong, Kevin Fay, Richard Fitch, Reid Fleeson, Sarah Fortenberry, Khylea Fullum, Carolyn Gallo, Zachary Good, Angela Grate, Kiley Groff, Brandon Hacker, David Hanna, Casey Harcarik, Jared Hill, Nathan Huk, Jonathan Jones, Nathaniel Joy, Katri

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Christopher Brooks, Julie Centofanti, Marie DePascale, Andrew Eberth, Richard Ferenchak, Faith Flowers, Hannah Humphries, Emily Irons, Delaney Less, Isaac Less, Madison Less, Matthew Lucas, Abigail Oslavic, Nathaniel Oslavic, Gabriel Pahanish, Quinn Pierson, Anna Primavera, Emily Protain, Jacob Regule, Olivia Rhodehamel, Alyssa Sandfrey, Samantha Sandfrey, Nolan Shannon, Jessie Thomas, Jenna Witmer.

All As Sixth Grade:

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All As Seventh Grade:

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Grace Garlough, Jenna Gregory, Delaney Higgins, Lillian Kimpel, Alexis Lovitz, Taylor Manning, Carlie Marinelli, Ashley McKee, Savannah Pew, Ian Pierson, Emily Sheets, Cole Shehan, Charles Staffeld, Justin Symppson, Hope Thomas, Ryan Turnbull, Simon Weiss, Solomen Weiss.

All As Eighth Grade:

Jack Bajerski, Taylor Bernard, Anne Gulfo, David Marsilio, Zoey Novak, Kelly Patrick, Travis Schaffer, Randy Skripak, Jacob Stellers, Katelyn Urs, Gracey White.

All As/Bs Fifth Grade:

Joshua Alessi, Isaac Allegretto, Wesley Blythe, Reece Carr, Gianna Cicchi, Alaina Courtwright, Rocco DeLucia, Devin Dillon, Sophie Dominguez, Christian Fitch, Cade Frank, Jennavieve Frank, Trenton Garuccio, GINETTE Griffin, Aiden Hammer, Emily Hipps, Cade Holmes, Kylie Keltz, Brian Kimble, Hannah Knauf, Seth Littleton, Abbey Loney, Sean Manning, Patrick McCabe, Dakota MacLish, William McCreary, Samuel McDonald, Lincoln Murray, Alec Parise, Olivia Parise, Christina Pupino, Derek Rutledge, Leia Sinkovich, Brandon Smith, Roman Stipanovich, Ian Toy, Salvatore Vasta, Riley White.

All As/Bs Sixth Grade:

Jaxon Anderson, Alec Ballentine, Jenna Barbessi, Abbey Bokros, Meadow Bricker, Chloe Corser, Cole Crosby, Matthew Davidson, Tara Detchon, Tyler Durr, Tyler Everly, Drew Feren, Hannah Fryfogle, Jonelle Granger, Madison Helon, Connor Jones, Rodrick Kaiser, Kyle Keenan, Harley Kirin, Madeline Lucas, Anthony Marino, Nicholas Matos, Rachel Maynard, Katelynn McBee, Patricia Mills, Baylee Mohr, James

Moore, John Otto, Hayleigh Pazel, Lily Pierson, Megan Rossero, Katelyn Ryan, Brooke Sauerwein, Joseph Schneider, Michael Schneider, Sacelia Ser, Kaden Shehan, Marlaina Stabach, Julia Spalding, Connor Tarr, Joshua Troutman, Elizabeth Veneskey.

All As/Bs Seventh Grade:

Kaytlin Aczel, Nathaniel Alessi, Allison Allegretto, Katelyn Arnett, Nathan Baird, Joshua Barron, Andrew Baytos, Matthew Belaney, Chase Blakeman, Alexandra Borton, Matthew Brooks, Maria Campean, Emma Carr, Madisyn Coburn, Julia Cvelbar, Autumn DeSantis, James Dinh, Sofia Durina, Kenyon Farr, Hannah Ferenchak, Olivia Fossesca, Levi Gaskins, Andrew Graffius, Gracie Hiner, Brycen James, Zachery Kemmer, Megan Kiselica, Brendan Kuzior, Destany Liston, Michelle Macinga, Mitchel McConnell, Collin McKenna, Noah McLemore, Brendan Miller, Chad Miller, Olivia Primavera, Peyton Remish, Faith Rhodes, Brian Robinson, Taylor Ross, Shea Ruiz, Luke Schaefer, Darian Smith, Megan Smith, Hunter Solvesky, Lindsay Syms, Cameron Tarr, Chase Taylor, Levi Taylor, Brennan Toy, Anna Turnbull, Troy Waliszewski, Madison Weaver, Brady White, Rebecca Wince, Nicole Winkel, Aaron Wire, Brandon Youngs, Jon Zimbaridi.

All As/Bs Eighth Grade:

Sydney Allegretto, Halee Allen, Lindy Baird, Lydia Baird, Brianne Baker, Brook Barbessi, Tylor Beatty, Erin Bodine, Daniel Creed, Adriana DeLucia, Gina DeRose, Jordan

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Southern Local Junior/Senior High School**All As****Seventh Grade:**

Cara Davis, Taylor Williams.

All As Eighth Grade:

Alexander August, Siera Boyle, Domanick Michael, Nicholas Raffle.

All As Freshmen:

Hannah Brothers, Haley Crews, Troy Holden, Mckenzie Mosti, Abby Smalley, Natalie Utt.

All As Sophomores:

Emily Chenault, Benjamin Hartline, Cyra Hooper, Britney Ketchum, Taylor Milhoan, Jacob Pelley, Sarah Phillis, Aron Sevek, Brittany Webber.

All As Juniors:

Tesa Calvin, Kaylie McCaffrey, Elizabeth Scyoc, Jared Shlot.

All As Seniors:

Mary Earich, Lucas Griffith, Brooke Heath, Katherine Hipsley, Brock Kelm, Sonny Ketchum, Jacqueline Lydic, Lindsay Michael, Billee Milhoan, Courtney Roberts, Joseph Schafer, Steven Treadway.

A/B Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Kylie Baker, Angel Custer, Robert Dickson, Allison Forbes, Laci Growe, Alexis Martin, Trevor McCaffrey, Gary Naylor, Kennedy Pisarsky, Samantha Riggs, Jenna Ronshak, Anna Sevek, Catherine Tyson, Nathaniel Ward, Aria Wellington, Trevor Wintermantel.

A/B Honor Roll

Eighth Grade: William Bratt, Alexis Gross, Frank Ketchum, Jesse Madison, Rebecca Worley

A/B Honor Roll

Freshmen: Samantha Bailey, Carlie Davison, Joseph Dean, Jaret Dowling, Braxton Exline, Chance Felton, Kylie Gardner, Sean Grove, Laura Ludt, Ashley Martin, Jesse McClurg, Brandy Schmidt, Drew Sevek, Joseph Sevek.

A/B Honor Roll

Sophomores: Tiffany Baker, Autumn Ballard, Brittany Blankenship, Nichole Blosser, Tayla Bott, Darla Forbes, Kirsten Gosselin, Sarah Gruber, Cierra Homic, Mallory Keyes, Natosha Riggs, Alan Roush, Andrew Russell, Darlene Smith.

A/B Honor Roll

Juniors: Brandon Beveridge, Randi Carroll, Kayla Huff, Michael McKenzie, James Napierkowski, Kimberly Parrish, Rebeckah Phillis, James Ritchie, Amanda Tyson.

A/B Honor Roll

Seniors: Megan Beadnell, Courtney Blankenship, Emilie Blissenbach, Lindsay Bonam, Terri Earich, Blade Eckenrode, Chance Haught, Logan Hickman, Lisa Higgins, Emily Jenkins, Chelsie Myers, Jonathan Napierkowski, Mariah Powell, Eric Rowley, Kellee Smith, Arista Wilson, Brett Young.

Seniors

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FOR OLDER DRIVERS

(BPT) - Trips to visit family and friends, nighttime drives to midnight Mass or to look at Christmas lights, emergency runs to the grocery store - driving is as much a part of the holiday season as gift wrap and Christmas carols. No matter where you live in the country, driving during the holidays presents some

unique challenges. It pays to make sure both you and your vehicle are prepared to stay safe on the road throughout the winter.

The experts at AARP Driver Safety offer some advice:
•Prepare for bad weather

If you live in an area of the country that gets winter

weather, take steps to ensure your vehicle is ready for snow. Have your mechanic check the brakes, hoses and belts, ignition, battery and all fluid levels, including the antifreeze and windshield wiper fluid levels. If you know you'll be driving through heavy snow and ice, consider putting winter tires on your car.

Stock your car with emergency equipment that will help if you become stranded, including a flashlight, first aid kit, shovel, jumper cables, basic tool kit, a bag of salt, extra windshield wiper fluid, and an ice scraper and brush. Before you leave home, always be sure you have a full tank of gas, a fully charged cell phone and a functional spare tire, jack and lug wrench.

•Be aware of holiday volume

Gas prices notwithstanding, the roads are always busier during the holidays. Shopping trips, local visits to loved ones and long-distance trips keep the nation's highways humming with heavier-than-usual volume. More cars on the road means you face more time sitting in traffic and more risk of a fender-bender or even a serious accident. To minimize the crunch of holiday traffic, try to travel during off times of the day. Avoid traditional rush hours when you're making local trips, and if you'll be taking a long drive avoid historically high volume days. Use GPS navigation to help avoid the busiest roads by plotting less-traveled alternate routes.

•Minimize distractions

Holiday driving is full of distractions, from bright holiday lights that can be visually challenging at night, to driving with a carload of happy holiday revelers. Take steps to minimize distractions. Never drive and use your cell phone at the same time. If you must use the phone, pull over or hand it to a passenger. When driving with passengers, establish ground rules for behavior that won't turn into a distraction for you.

•Be at your best

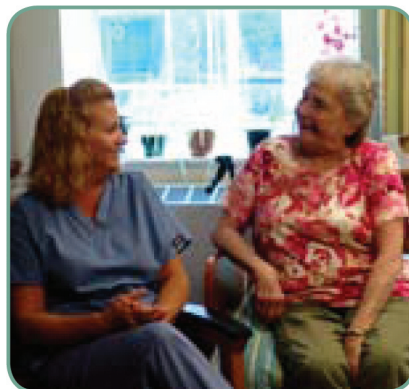
Finally, you as the driver are the most important factor in ensuring your holiday drive time is as safe as possible. Take care of yourself by getting plenty of rest during this busy time of year and by driving at times of day when you're at your best. Consider brushing up on your driving skills. AARP Driver Safety's course is designed to help drivers 50 and older refresh their skills and adapt to age-related changes to vision, hearing and reaction time. To find an in-person course near you, search at www.aarp.org/findcourse, or sign up to take an online course. Courses are available in both English and Spanish.

Signing up for a driving course may also make you eligible for a multi-year auto insurance discount, and who couldn't use some extra money during the holidays?

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**TUE/25
SALEM**

Salem Community Pantry, closed today.

Banquet in Salem, 5 p.m. only, Memorial Building; ham, turkey, cranberry sauce, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, fresh vegetables and fruit, ice cream sundaes. Holiday music by Butch Hallewell.

**WED/26
COLUMBIANA**

Salem Area Singles, meeting, 6 p.m., 7&14 restaurant.

ELKTON

Elkrun Township trustees, meeting, 7 p.m., township administration building on state Route 154.

SALEM

Salem High School Class of 1955, lunch, 11:30 a.m., BB Rooners.

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.

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/27
DAMASCUS**

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

LISBON

David Anderson High School Class of 1955, breakfast, 10 a.m., Taste of Country.

Beaver Local Board of Education, Buildings and Grounds Committee, 5:30 p.m., high school room 2.

Help Hotline Crisis Center's support group of the Survivors of Suicide, meeting, 6 p.m., Columbiana County Counseling Center, SR 154; 330-424-7767.

SALEM

TOPS 1598, 9:50 a.m., First United Methodist Church. Weigh-ins, 8:45-9:30 a.m.; 330-332-1127. Handicap accessible.

Salem High School Class of 1954, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Overeaters Anonymous, 6 p.m., Faith Chapel, 511 E. Pershing St.; 330-853-9311.

ON THE Calendar

Salem City Board of Health, public hearing on food service fees, 9:30 a.m., health department, KSU City Center.

Salem City Board of Health meeting, 10 a.m., health department, KSU City Center.

Kaiser/National retirees and past employees, breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Adele's Place.

**FRI/28
FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP**

Trustees, special meeting, noon, township government building, Fairfield School Road.

GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., Administration Building.

SALEM

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

Salem Community Hospital and Salem Community Center's blood drive, 1-7 p.m., at SCC, 1098 N. Ellsworth Ave. Appointments, 330-332-7227. Walk-ins accepted.

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/29
NORTH LIMA**

All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet, 7-10 a.m., North Lima Mennonite Church, 90 Mennonite Drive; donations accepted.

**SUN/30
SALEM**

Salem High School Class of 1969, New Year's Eve celebration, noon, BB Rooners.

WASHINGTONVILLE

Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5532. Carryouts, 330-427-2533.

**MON/31
NORTH LIMA**

New Year's Eve Victory Gospel Jubilee, 7 p.m., North Lima Business Complex. Buffet dinner by the Hen House Cafe, 5:30-7:30 p.m., \$12. Reservations and free Jubilee tickets, 800-284-9709.

SALEM

New Year's Eve Salem at the Masonic Temple, 788 E. State St. Turkey dinners, sandwiches, sides and pizza, beginning at 4:30 p.m. The Stockdale Family Band, The Allegheny Drifters, and Zack Paxton, rotating from 6-10:50 p.m.

Banquet in Salem, 5-7 p.m., Memorial Building; pork loin and sauerkraut. Butch Hallewell will perform Christmas carols.

New Year's Eve party, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 892, 496 Arch St. Music by Damaged Goods; \$5 for non-members.

**WED/2
LEETONIA**

Book discussion, Anita Shreve's "Light on Snow," 10 a.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

Toddler Playgroup, 10 a.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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**THU/3
DAMASCUS**

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

LEETONIA

Red Cross blood drive, 12:30-5:30 p.m.; blood pressure screening, 1-3 p.m.; Leetonia Community Public Library.

SALEM

TOPS 1598, 9:50 a.m., First United Methodist Church. Weigh-ins, 8:45-9:30 a.m.; 330-332-1127. Handicap accessible.

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**FRI/4
NEGLEY**

Salem Bird Study Club, 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 436 E. Second St.; use rear entrance.

American Red Cross blood drive, 1-6 p.m., and open house, Negley Masonic Lodge, 50873 Richardson Ave.; appointments, redcrossblood.org or 800-733-2767.

SALEM

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

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/5

GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

Board of trustees, 9 a.m., administration building.

SALEM

Salem High School Class of 1972, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Salem High School Class of 1949, breakfast, 9:30 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Salem High School Class of 1963, lunch, 11:30 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

SUN/6

SEBRING

American Legion Post 76, monthly breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon, post home, 395 W. California Ave.

MON/7

COLUMBIANA

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

LEETONIA

Restoration, Renovation, and Beautification Committee of Columbiana, meeting, 6:30 p.m., Columbiana Womens Club.

LISBON

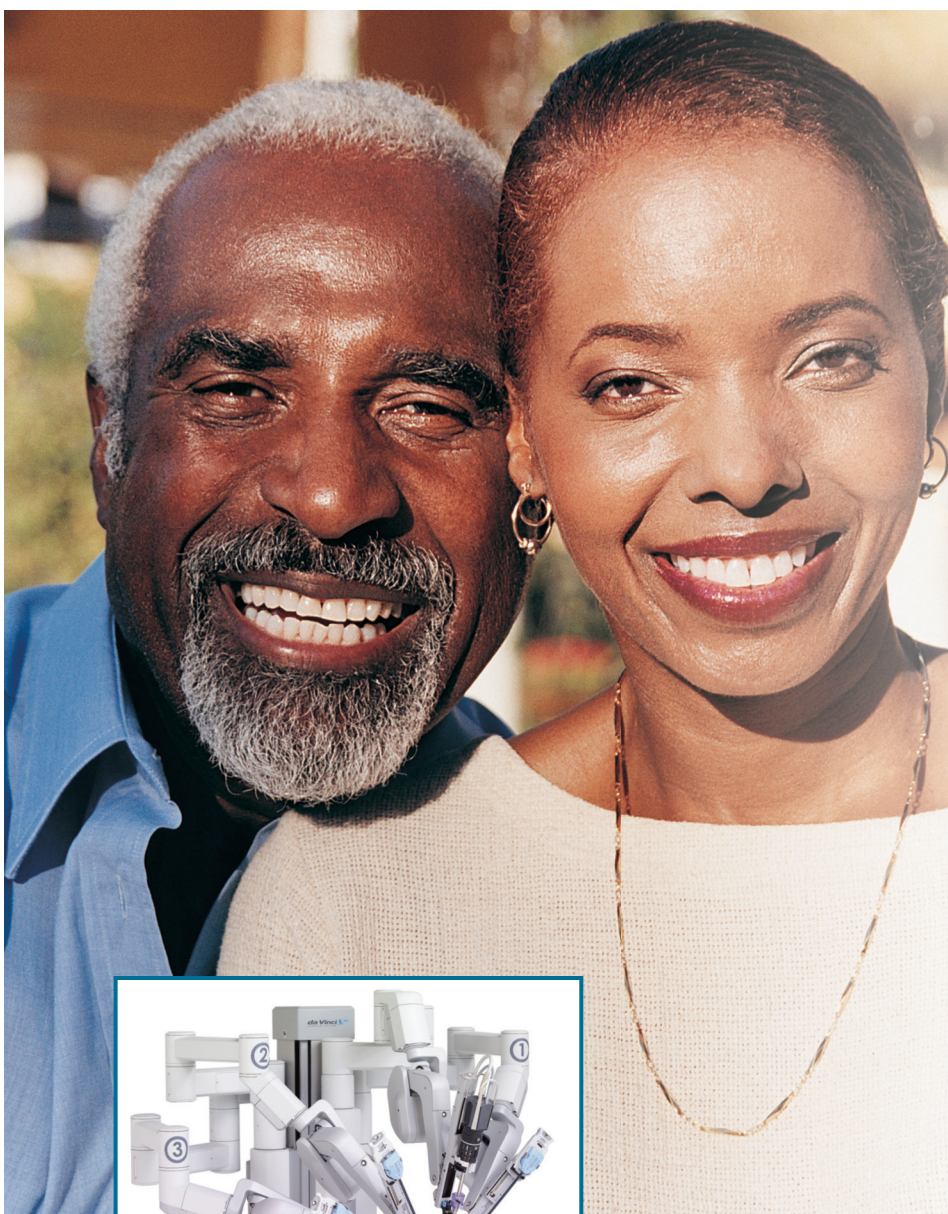
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SALEM

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R-Weigh weight groups, 1 and 5 p.m. meetings, First Friends Church, 1028 Jennings Ave.; 330-332-1078.



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▶ YEAR IN PHOTOS — THE TOP 10 PHOTOGRAPHIC MOMENTS OF 2012

From London to Los Angeles, Miami to Medinah and just about everywhere else imaginable, Associated Press photographers captured countless images from the sports world in 2012. Each of them was unforgettable in its own way, capturing either someone's success or someone's struggles. Here's a look at 10 photos that helped define the sports year.



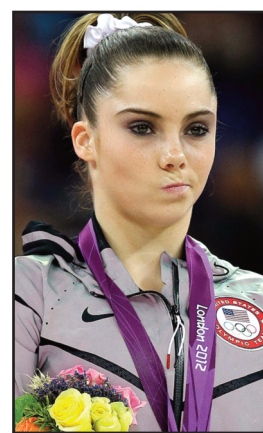
BAYLOR'S 40

There are magic numbers in basketball. For Wilt Chamberlain, there's 100. For Michael Jordan, there's 23. For Baylor, there's now 40. Star center Brittney Griner and the Bears were the best team in the women's game in 2012. Baylor played 40 games and won them all, becoming the seventh team in the NCAA era to finish something-and-oh — and the Bears topped the previous record of 39-0 first achieved by Tennessee in 1998 and then matched three times since by Connecticut. To be perfect, Baylor had to beat Tennessee — twice. Had to beat Notre Dame — twice. Had to erase an 11-point deficit over the final 13 minutes to beat Connecticut. And in the end, the Bears had to escape a Final Four where all four No. 1 seeds made their way to the national semifinals.



RYDER FOR SEVE

For Jose Maria Olazabal, joy and pain went together perfectly at the Ryder Cup. Seve Ballesteros was in Olazabal's mind and heart throughout the competition, when Europe trailed 10-6 entering the final day and pulled off a series of epic singles victories to win the gold trophy. And when it was over, Olazabal didn't even bother trying to contain his emotions. "All men die, but not all men live," Olazabal said, addressing his team. "And you made me feel alive again this week." Ballesteros died of brain cancer in 2011, but Olazabal made sure that he was part of the 2012 European team in spirit. His image adorned the team's golf bags. And it wasn't coincidental that at the closing ceremony, Olazabal wore a blue-and-white jacket, Ballesteros' traditional Sunday colors.



MCKAYLA'S POSE

It might have been the sports photo — and certainly the sports-meme-generator — of the year. McKayla was not impressed. Arms folded, lips together, pursed to the side a bit, it will almost certainly be the moment that stays with McKayla Maroney from 2012. She won the silver medal in vault at the London Olympics, and on the medal podium, let the world know that she wasn't thrilled about her performance. Hence, the picture. It captured everyone's attention. When Maroney and the team visited the White House, President Barack Obama wanted a picture with Maroney. Yes, they did the McKayla Is Not Impressed face.



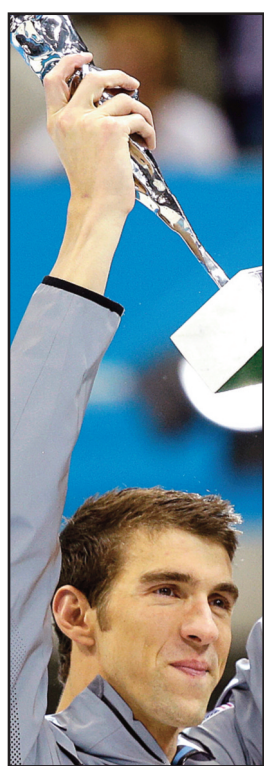
BOLT REPEATS

Once again, Usain Bolt stole the Olympic show. He easily won the 100-meter dash in an Olympic-record time, then captured the 200-meter dash four days later, with Blake finishing second in both of those finals. And then came the capper, a world-record time for Jamaica in the 4x100-meter relay, with Bolt running the final leg and ensuring that the United States could do no better than second on that night. Gold, gold, gold in London. Gold, gold, gold in Beijing. And he became the first man to win the 100-200 double at consecutive Olympics. That's perfection. "I'm now a living legend," Bolt said. "I'm also the greatest athlete to live."



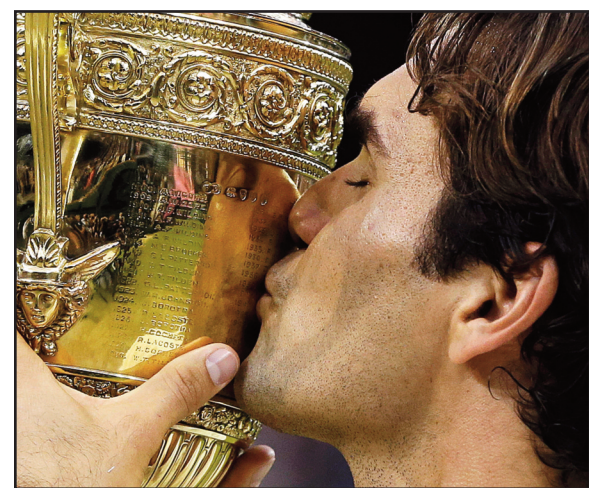
SUPER BOWL

This is not how we're used to seeing Tom Brady. Seated. Somber. Second-best. Early in the fourth quarter of the Super Bowl, the New England Patriots quarterback nearly slammed the door on the New York Giants. With the Patriots up 17-15, Brady took a snap, avoided two would-be sacks, settled and threw downfield toward Rob Gronkowski, who was behind a defender inside the Giants 10. Gronkowski never had a chance. The Giants' Chase Blackburn defended the play perfectly, making the interception. Brady got knocked down just after he released the ball, and from his temporary seat watched Blackburn make the play that gave New York new life. Final score? Giants 21, Patriots 17.



DOMINANT PHELPS

The best Olympian ever? Could be. The most-decorated Olympian ever? There's no question Michael Phelps has that title. In all, 22 medals, 18 of them gold, the last four coming at the London Olympics. And in his final race, the third leg of the 400-meter medley relay, Phelps got to hear "The Star-Spangled Banner" play in his honor one last time. In his final swim, he helped the U.S. reclaim the lead in the relay final. And afterward he got a special trophy from swimming officials that said: "To Michael Phelps, the greatest Olympic athlete of all time."



KING OF GRASS

Seventh heaven. That's how to describe what Roger Federer enjoyed on Centre Court, Wimbledon this year (at least until the Olympics). For the seventh time, Federer prevailed at the All England Club, beating Britain's Andy Murray 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4 to win the title and his 17th Grand Slam tournament. A week earlier, few might have thought Federer would win. He needed to win an 8-6, fourth-set tiebreaker just to take France's Julien Benneteau to a fifth set (Federer won 6-1) in the third round. From there, though, old form emerged. He beat Novak Djokovic in four sets in the semis, getting broken only once, and then surviving a first-set loss to topple Murray — who beat him at Wimbledon for Olympic gold later in the summer — for the title.



SHARAPOVA SLAM

She won as a bright-eyed and super-talented kid at Wimbledon in 2004, prevailed at the U.S. Open in 2006 and captured the Australian Open in 2008. The French Open, however, had always been a huge problem for Maria Sharapova. That is, until 2012. Sharapova rolled across the clay at Roland Garros, dropping only one set — a tiebreaker — in her seven matches. The final was a 6-3, 6-2 win over Italy's Sara Errani, a victory that made her the 10th woman to complete the tennis version of a career Grand Slam.



CABRERA'S YEAR

Miguel Cabrera will be remembered for making two things during the 2012 baseball season — history and the last out. The Detroit Tigers' third baseman became baseball's first Triple Crown winner in 45 years, after batting .330 with 44 home runs and 139 RBIs on the way to the AL Most Valuable Player award. But in the World Series, the Tigers were swept by the San Francisco Giants. San Francisco's Sergio Romo struck out the side in the bottom of the 10th inning of Game 4, and got Cabrera looking at an 89 mph, belt-high fastball to end the Giants' 4-3, title-clinching win. "We've got to feel proud about what we did this year," Cabrera said. "We went through a lot, down and up." In his case, mostly up.



CHAMPION HEAT

Everyone at AmericanAirlines Arena in Miami knew LeBron James was finally about to become an NBA champion. With a couple minutes left on the clock in Game 5 of the NBA Finals, the outcome in no doubt, Heat guard Mario Chalmers waved his arms in celebration. James yelled at him to stop. "It's too soon," he said. Even in that moment, James wanted to take no risks. The only things James didn't seem to win in 2012 were Powerball and the presidential election. NBA MVP. NBA Finals MVP. Olympic champion. And, at long last, he got his hands on the NBA championship trophy, when the Heat beat the Oklahoma City Thunder in five games for the crown.


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- 10:30 p.m.
ESPN — Denver at L.A. Clippers

2DAYINSPTS

- Dec. 25**
- 1956** — Corky Devlin of Fort Wayne goes 0-for-15 from the field against the Minneapolis Lakers to tie an NBA record.
- 1971** — Garo Yepremian's 37-yard field goal at 7:40 of the second overtime gives the Miami Dolphins a 27-24 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs in the first round of the AFC playoffs. At 82:40, it's the longest game in NFL history.
- 1984** — Bernard King of the New York Knicks scores 60 points in a 120-114 loss to the New Jersey Nets.
- 1995** — Emmitt Smith of the Dallas Cowboys scores his 25th touchdown of the season in a 37-13 win over Arizona, breaking the record for most TDs in a season. Smith passes John Riggins of Washington, who scored 24 in 1983.
- 1999** — Hawaii beats Oregon 23-17 in the Oahu Bowl to cap a remarkable turnaround for the Rainbow Warriors. Hawaii improves from 0-12 in 1998 to 9-4 — the greatest single-season improvement in NCAA history.
- 2002** — Katie Hnida becomes the first woman to play in a Division I football game when she attempts an extra point following a New Mexico touchdown in the Las Vegas Bowl. Hnida, a walk-on junior, has her kick blocked in the 27-13 loss to UCLA.
- 2008** — The Los Angeles Lakers beat Boston to end the Celtics' franchise-record winning streak at 19 games. Kobe Bryant scores 27 points and grabs nine rebounds to lead Los Angeles in the 92-83 win. Lakers coach Phil Jackson reaches 1,000 victories. Jackson, the sixth coach to reach 1,000, has a career record of 1,000-423 with Chicago and the Lakers.
- 2008** — New Orleans guard Chris Paul has his NBA-record steals streak end at 108 games in the Hornets' 88-68 loss to Orlando.



Got photos? We do. Basketball season is here. Check out all the action captured at cu.salemnews.net

PREP WRESTLING

Warriors win a pair on the mats

BELOIT — The West Branch Warriors won a pair of matches Saturday in Beloit. West Branch easily dispatched of both Southeast (66-11) and Hubbard (63-12) en route to the sweep of their tri-match.

West Branch is back in action Friday and Saturday at the Kenston Tournament.

West Branch 66, Southeast 11

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NFL

Richardson, Weeden may play

Battered Browns limping into season finale against Steelers

BEREA (AP) — Trent Richardson and Brandon Weeden may still play in the Cleveland Browns' final game. Coach Pat Shurmur said Monday that Richardson's sprained left ankle and Weeden's sore right shoulder are being evaluated. He did not rule out either playing for the Browns (5-10) against the Steelers (7-8) on Sunday.

Both first-round picks were hurt in a 34-12 loss in Denver. Weeden sustained his injury on a third-quarter sack. Richardson got hurt when Colt McCoy, who replaced Weeden at quarterback, rolled over on the running back's leg after being hit on Cleveland's second-to-last offensive play.



"That's just the competitive nature of this game," he said. "What are we going to do? Stop playing?"

Shurmur also spoke with Josh Cribbs, expressing disappointment with the kick returner's profane tweets to fans after the loss.

"That's not acceptable," Shurmur said. "He's remorseful. He shouldn't be reading tweets after the game as well. Outside looking in, emotions are raw when you don't win a game. It's very important you try to gather yourself and gain composure."

Tomlin preps for Steelers' meaningless finale

PITTSBURGH (AP) — For the first time in his six-year head coaching career, Mike Tomlin will head into a game with his team already eliminated from playoff contention.

Tomlin insists he isn't going to treat the week of preparation any differently.

A day after his Pittsburgh Steelers were knocked out of the postseason race with a loss to Cincinnati, Tomlin vowed that injuries would be the only factor dictating lineup changes for the regular-season finale Sunday.

Don't look for an abundance of younger players auditioning for 2013 jobs.

Among those who won't play for the Steelers (7-8) against the Cleveland Browns (5-10) is tight end Heath Miller, who sustained multiple torn ligaments in



Cleveland Browns running back Trent Richardson (33) is stopped by Denver Broncos cornerback Chris Harris (25), free safety Rahim Moore (26) and outside linebacker Wesley Woodyard (52) in the first quarter Sunday in Denver. (AP Photo)

his right knee during the loss to the Bengals.

Pagano back to coach Colts after cancer treatment

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Chuck Pagano stepped to the podium Monday, hugged his team owner, thanked his family for its support and wiped a tear from his eye.

He might, finally, turn out the lights in his office, too.

Nearly three months to the day after being diagnosed with leukemia, the Colts' first-year coach returned to a team eager to reunite with a boss healthy enough to go back to work.

"I told you my best day of my life was July 1, 1989," Pagano said, referring to his wedding date. "Today was No. 2. Getting to pull up, drive in, get out of my car, the key fob still worked. I was beginning to question whether it would or not. When I asked for Bruce to take over, I asked for him to kick some you-know-what and to do great. Damn Bruce, you had to go and win nine games? Tough act to follow. Tough act to follow. Best in the history of the NFL. That's what I have to come back to."

The comment turned tears into the laughter everyone expected on such a festive occasion.

For Pagano and the Colts, Monday morning was as precious as anyone could have imagined when Pagano took an indefinite leave to face the biggest opponent of his life, cancer. In his absence, all the Colts was win nine of 12 games, make a historic turnaround and clinch a playoff spot all before Sunday's regular-season finale against Houston, which they pegged as the day they hoped to have Pagano back. If all goes well at practice this week, Pagano will be on the sideline for the first time since a Week 3 loss to Jacksonville.

Pagano endured three rounds of chemotherapy to put his cancer in remission.

Caroms, quirks and odd bounces in sports in 2012

By **FRED LIEF**
Associated Press

Maybe if they were 22 years old — throwing down drinks in a bar and their faces painted in school colors — this would make sense.

But they were far from 22 and their complexions had long lost the glow of youth. And, most assuredly, they were not in a bar.

They were two basketball fans, both past the age of Medicare eligibility, and they took their game seriously. They also happened to be patients in a dialysis clinic in Georgetown, Ky.

According to authorities, the confrontation came five days before Kentucky played Louisville in the NCAA semifinals. Wildcats vs. Cardinals can make for dicey conversation and the men began exchanging words.

Dialysis assists kidney function, keeping the body chemically balanced by removing salt, waste and excess water. In this case, however, not much was done to contain the buildup of bile.

The 68-year-old Kentucky fan receiving treatment extended a finger to the Louisville fan, and it was not to signify that the Wildcats were No. 1. The 71-year-old Louisville fan responded by punching him in the face.

Police were summoned to the clinic. The Kentucky fan chose to not press charges.

His pain and blood pressure perhaps eased by the weekend: Kentucky beat Louisville 69-61 and went on to win the national title.

Dialysis units were not the only odd spots where sports traveled in 2012: Two sumo

wrestlers — one 6-foot-8 and 625 pounds — were cast in a Canadian opera production of "Semele"; Cowboys Stadium outside Dallas became home to a Victoria's Secret outlet; Lance Armstrong was stripped not only his seven Tour de France titles but of his 2006 honorary degree from Tufts University; and one-time NFL star Chad Ochocinco and House Speaker John Boehner wound up Twitter buddies.

Great heft was not limited to opera. At the London Olympics, judo fighter Ricardo Blas entered the 220-pound-and-over division at 480 pounds, nearly double that of most competitors. It was noted that Blas — the heaviest man at these Olympics — weighed more than the entire Japanese women's gymnastics team.

The London Games also brought an outpouring of joy from the mother of Thailand's Pimsiri Sirikaew, a weightlifting silver medalist. A bacchanalian romp, however, was not in Amornat Sirikaew's plans. She told Thai media she would mark her daughter's triumph by joining a monastery.

Looking to get in on the Olympic fun was a New Zealand farm group that wants sheep shearing as an Olympic sport. It was not immediately clear if winners would forgo gold medals for cashmere sweaters.

Other countries, with seemingly more urgent needs, went in strange directions. Haiti, the Palestinian territories, Togo and Eritrea joined the International Ski Federation, a step that did not exactly strike fear into the Swiss and Austrians.

Turkmenistan, where scorching heat can reach 120 degrees, was ordered by presidential decree to create an ice hockey league.

Politics and sports invariably find themselves as tag-team partners, and this year was no different.

Ochocinco, getting ready for the Super Bowl with the New England Patriots, was watching the state of the union address on TV. He was puzzled by the frowning man seated behind the president. When told it was the speaker of the House, Ochocinco (who has since reverted to his original name of Chad Johnson) consoled Boehner on Twitter: "If all else seems bad in life, just remember I love you kind sir."

Kindness was surely not on the mind of Donald Trump when he took on all of Scotland. The real estate magnate turned presidential candidate was incensed that a "horrendous" wind farm is to be built off the Scottish coast by his luxury golf resort. In a seething letter, in which he invoked his Scottish-reared mother, Trump wrote to First Minister Alex Salmond: "With the reckless installation of these monsters, you will single-handedly have done more damage to Scotland than any event in Scottish history."

After Germany's loss in the semifinals of soccer's European Championship, one of its lawmakers rebuked the players for not singing the national anthem with proper gusto, a performance he deemed "shameful."

Like politics, religion crossed paths with sports in 2012.

Manchester City, preparing for its Premier League title defense, headed to a village in the Austrian countryside for rest and training. But one thing Man City did not count on — bells from a medieval church that rattled the players from sleep at 7 a.m. Egon Pfeifer, the priest at St. Oswald Church, held his almighty ground. He said the bells would keep ringing "even if the queen of England wants them to stop."

A divinely named baseball team in Minnesota shed its ecclesiastical ties for one night. Two atheists groups were in town for a conference and sponsoring a minor league game. So the St. Paul Saints rebranded themselves for one night as "Mr. Paul Aints."

This was also a year of odds-defying moments.

Caleb Lloyd was sitting in the left field seats at a Cincinnati Reds game one spring night when he caught a home run ball hit by Reds pitcher Mike Leake. The next batter, Zack Cozart, also homered to left. And there, as if out of the mist of "Field of Dreams," was Lloyd yet again — ready to stab it, with one hand.

"I was like, 'Oh, my gosh, that's just crazy,'" he said.

As was the case Down Under: two amateur golfers in Sydney making consecutive holes-in-one. The odds of two golfers from the same foursome aching the same hole? The National Hole in One Registry website says it's 17 million to 1.

Chris Davis of the Baltimore Orioles also made a stop in the Twilight Zone. He went 0 for 8 and struck out five times as a designated hitter in a 17-inning

victory over Boston. But with the bullpen depleted, he wound up being called to the mound, the first time he pitched in the pros. He threw two scoreless innings and got the win.

"I was like, 'Sweet!' I get to try something different today," he said. "Because hitting ain't working."

Lots of things weren't working for one team at a girls' high school basketball game in Indiana — Arlington lost to Bloomington South 107-2. Bloomington South coach Larry Winters said he wasn't trying to humiliate an opponent. He told the Indianapolis Star he didn't want his players to stop shooting because that "would have been more embarrassing."

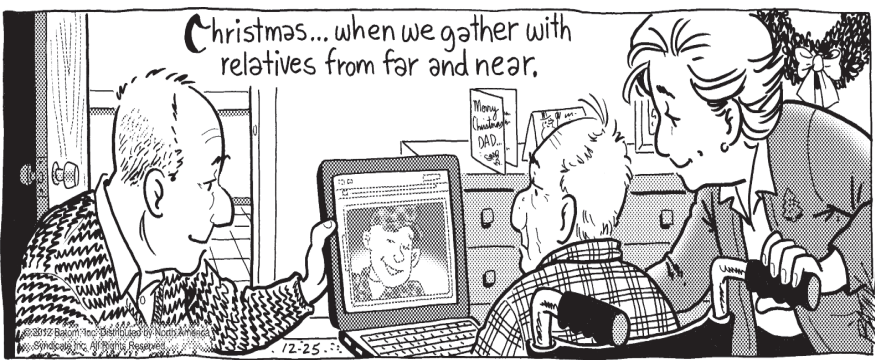
But for real embarrassment — some might say perseverance beyond all dignity and reason — check in with Russ Berkman. He's from the Seattle area and he won a lottery for passes to a practice round the day before the Masters. His dog had other ideas. Sierra took to the four tickets like a shank of veal and ate them.

What to do? Berkman told KJR radio his girlfriend insisted there was but one course of action. So he got Sierra to cough it all up, and Berkman then began the unsavory task of piecing together 20 shreds of tickets coated with dog vomit.

He reassembled almost three-quarters of them, photographed his handiwork and explained what happened to Augusta National. The club reprinted his tickets, and the Masters was on.

A happy ending for Berkman, although Sierra may have seen it differently.

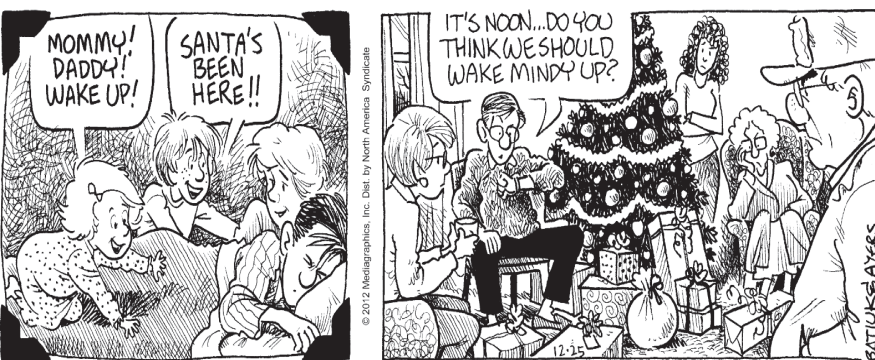
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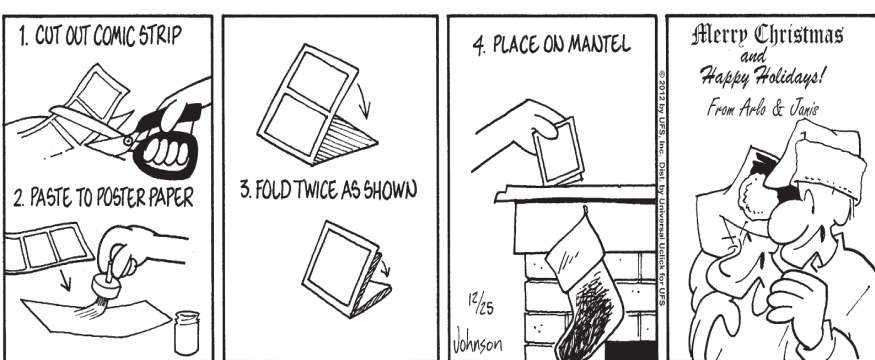
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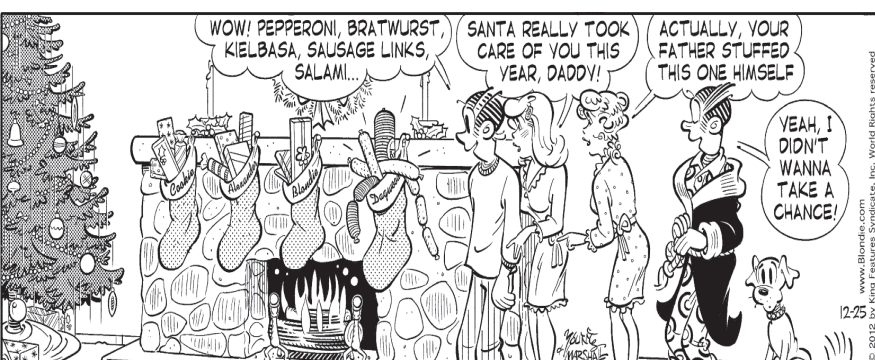
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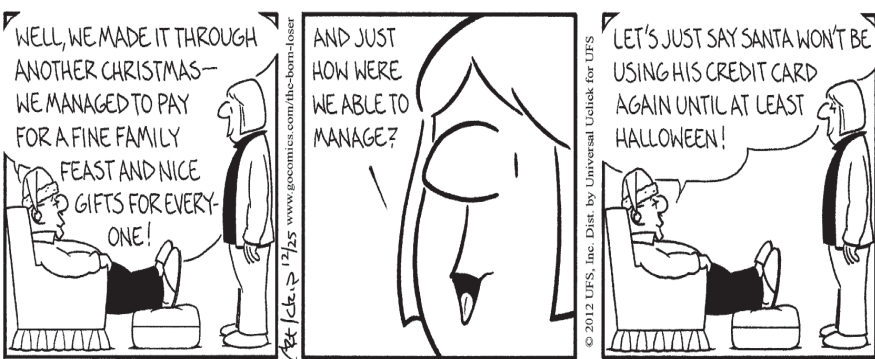
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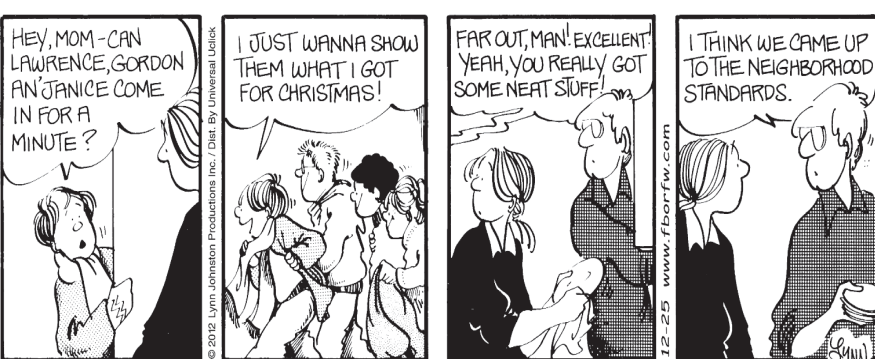
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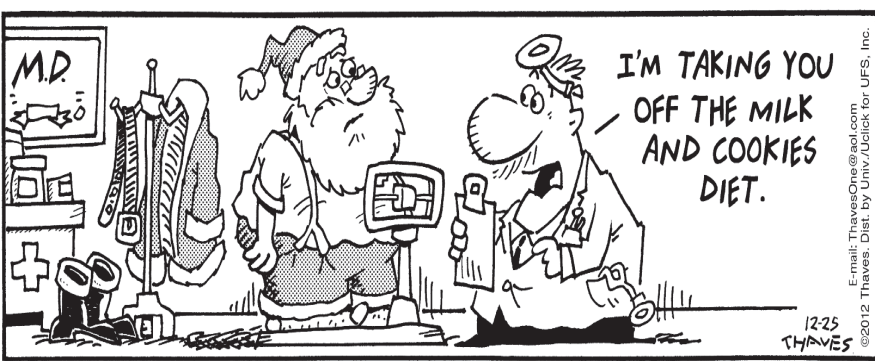
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