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United board explains PI levy

By KEVIN HOWELL
Staff Writer

HANOVERTON— With a little over two months remaining until the Nov. 5 election, the United Local administration is working to clarify the permanent improvement levy residents will see on the ballot.

The school board is pursuing a 3-mill continuous permanent improvement levy to generate \$376,700 annually, to be used for projects that extend the life of the item by five years, such as boilers, windows and roofs.

Following the board's monthly meeting last week, schools Superintendent Steve Viscounte said if the proposed levy passes, the board will let expire the current five-year levy that generates \$167,000. As a result taxes will increase less than it appears, he said, with the net increase in

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Cruisin' at the cruise-in
Clair and Ruthann Reiner of Lisbon peddle their tandem bicycle through the courthouse parking lot looking at the entries in the classic car show after Ruthann performed with the Lisbon Community Chorus at the last Concert on the Square for the summer. Following the Lisbon Community Chorus, Randy Strader's band, Tribute, closed out the concert series, hosted by Lisbon Area Chamber of Commerce. The price of admission for the classic car show was a canned good or a \$2 donation for the Lisbon First United Methodist Church's food pantry. (Salem News photo by Patti Schaeffer)

Sewer bills not immediately affected by fire truck purchase

By KATIE SCHWENDEMAN
Staff Writer

COLUMBIANA — The city is going to borrow from the sewer fund to pay for a new fire truck, and over the next two years, that borrowing will not affect sewer bills.

City Council passed an emergency resolution Saturday morning approving the borrowing of \$200,000 from the fund for the fire levy fund. It will be paid back with interest by 2015 and will cost the city \$1,400 in interest those two years.

The only council member opposed was Bryan Blakeman.

A clause was included in the resolution that sewer bills will not be affected by the borrowing through 2015, the same year the current fire levy expires.

The auditor of state's office has approved the borrowing, according to City Manager Lance Willard and Municipal Attorney Daniel Blasdel.

Auditor Dave Yost identified this type of borrowing as interfund loans, or advances, in the state's legal compliance auditing document and said a "reasonable interest charge is permissible" for doing so and the borrowing must be approved by a formal resolution.

"In order to advance cash from one

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Martin Luther King III, his wife Arndrea King and daughter Yolanda wave from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013, to the crowd gathered for the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Aug. 28, 1963, March on Washington. (AP Photo)

Marching for King's dream: 'The task is not done'

SUZANNE GAMBOA
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Tens of thousands of people marched to the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial and down the National Mall on Saturday, commemorating the 50th anniversary of King's famous speech and pledging that his dream includes equality for gays, Latinos, the poor and the disabled.

The event was an homage to a generation of activists that endured fire hoses, police abuse and indignities to demand equality for African Americans. But there was a strong theme of unfinished business.

"This is not the time for nostalgic commemoration," said Martin Luther King III, the oldest son of the slain civil rights leader. "Nor is this the time for self-congratulatory celebration. The task is not done. The journey is not complete. We can and we must do more."

Eric Holder, the nation's first black attorney general, said he would not be in office, nor would Barack Obama be president, without those who marched.

"They marched in spite of animosity, oppression and brutality because they believed in the greatness of what this nation could become and despaired of the founding promises not kept," Holder said.

Holder mentioned gays and Latinos, women and the disabled as those who had yet to fully realize the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream. Others in the crowd advocated organized labor, voting rights, revamping immigration policies and access to local post offices.

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Councilman wants park manager

By TOM GIAMBRONI
Staff Writer

LISBON — A village councilman wants to create a part-time park manager position to oversee the community swimming pool/playground and Willow Grove Park.

Joe Morenz made the suggestion at this week's council meeting, saying he envisions the park manager working 30 hours during the spring and summer and 10 hours per month in the winter writing grant applications seeking funding for the parks.

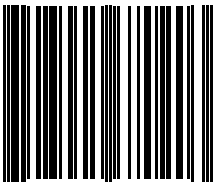
Morenz said he came up with the idea after pool manager Russ Bowles took another job this summer, requiring Dana Blackburn, the adult lifeguard at the pool, to take over the daily responsibilities. Bowles continued to monitor the pool's chemical treatment system since he is the only person currently licensed to do so.

Having a park manager on a permanent basis would solve the problem of looking for a pool manager every spring and bring some continuity to operations. "It seems we have trouble hiring someone and making sure someone is there," Morenz said.

A park manager would also be responsible for developing programs and activities for the pool and park, which Morenz said would increase use of the facilities. "It's just an idea at this point that I wanted to throw out there," he said.

There was some confusion at first about how to handle the discussion since Morenz originally wanted to hold an unscheduled park committee

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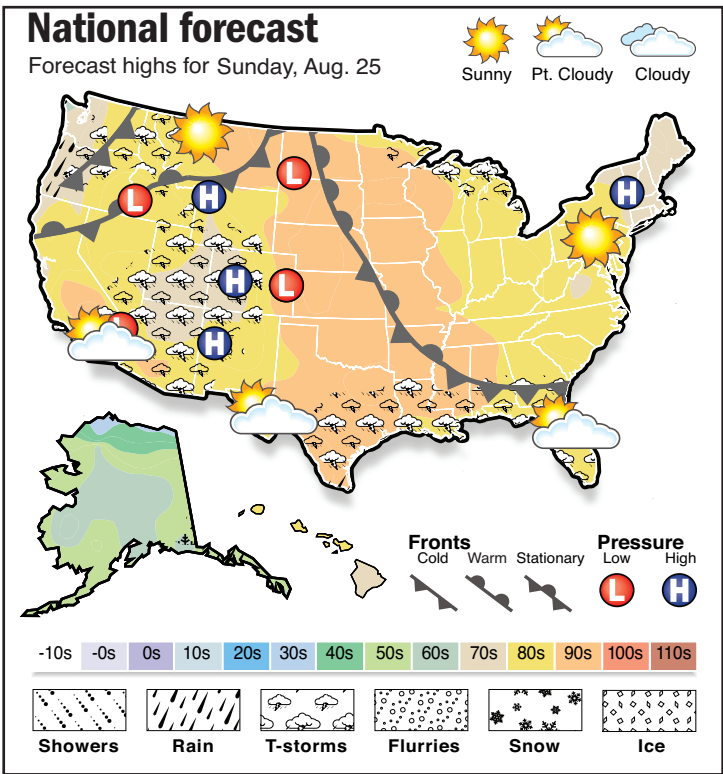
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Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
 82/62	 85/67	 86/76	 85/65



Tonight/Sunday

Forecast for Sunday, Aug. 25

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Portsmouth • 61° 86°	

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SEWER FROM 1A

fund to another, there must be statutory authority to use the money in the fund advancing the cash for the same purpose for which the fund receiving the cash was established,” the document stated.

The truck’s total cost is \$585,432 and the fire levy fund already has enough for the \$385,432 down payment.

The city was originally going to lease the remainder through Community Leasing Partners, but opted to look elsewhere after Blasdell said he didn’t approve of the contract language.

Blasdell said what he didn’t agree with in the contract, and the other similar contract, is a new practice by lenders to protect their interest payments from taxation, and that could potentially be a liability to the city.

On Saturday he read aloud from an email sent to Willard from Huntington Bank Leasing Agent Jill Murphy in which she said the tax option could be removed to take the risk away from the city, but that would mean an attorney would need to be hired resulting in additional costs.

Council began looking at borrowing from the sewer fund because it was the least costly option for financing the \$200,000.

Leasing through Huntington or another entity would be about \$9,000 plus interest, with that interest at a higher rate than the interest paid to the sewer fund, according to Willard and Finance Director Mike Harold.

Interest on the borrowing from the sewer fund was set in the resolution at .35 percent for each year.

“We all know the interest rate is lower in the sewer fund,” Councilman James King said.

He suggested they borrow only half of the \$200,000.

“If we took \$100,000 from the sewer fund and did a lease for \$100,000 we could pay that \$100,000 in 12 months, not 24 months,” he said, noting that by cutting the cost in half the interest would also be lower.

The leasing portion would be paid back the following year, he added.

Blakeman liked that option, but Mayor David Spatholt and Councilman Dick McBane pointed out it would drag the financing out even longer and the truck is already waiting to be delivered.

To go with King’s suggestion council would need to draft a different resolution, enter into a contract with a leasing entity and schedule another meeting to approve everything, McBane said.

Fire Chief Rick Garrity said the company is awaiting payment after the truck is delivered.

King then hesitantly approved borrowing the full \$200,000 from the sewer fund.

“I’m going to vote the way I’m going to vote only because of our fire department, not because of this ordinance. We dropped the ball. We did things too late that we should have done much earlier,” he said.

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MLK FROM 1A

Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., the only surviving speaker from the 1963 March on Washington, railed against a recent Supreme Court decision that effectively erased a key anti-discrimination provision of the Voting Rights Act. Lewis was a leader of a 1965 march, where police beat and gassed marchers who demanded access to voting booths.

“I gave a little blood on that bridge in Selma, Ala., for the right to vote,” he said. “I am not going to stand by and let the Supreme Court take the right to vote away from us. You cannot stand by. You cannot sit down. You’ve got to stand up. Speak up, speak out and get in the way.”

Organizers expected about 100,000 people to participate in the event, the precursor to the actual anniversary of the Aug. 28, 1963, march that drew some 250,000 to the National Mall and ushered in the idea of massive, nonviolent demonstrations.

Marchers began arriving early Saturday, many staking out their spots as the sun rose in a clear sky over the Capitol. By midday, tens of thousands had gathered on the National Mall.

Lynda Chambers, 58, gave up a day’s pay to attend because her retail job does not provide paid vacation. Even as a 7-year-old at the time of the original

march, she felt alienated and deprived of her rights. Remembering those feelings, she said, she was compelled to make the trip Saturday.

“I wanted to have some sort of connection to what I have always known, as far as being a black person,” she said.

Longtime activist Al Sharpton, now a MSNBC host, implored young black men to respect women and reminded them that two of the leading figures in the civil rights movement of the 1960s were women.

“Rosa Parks wasn’t no ho,” he said. “And Fannie Lou Hamer wasn’t no bitch.”

Speakers frequently mentioned persistent high unemployment among blacks, which is about twice that of white Americans, and the acquittal of George Zimmerman for the shooting death of unarmed black teenager Trayvon Martin in Florida. Along the Mall, Martin’s picture was nearly as ubiquitous as King’s.

Nancy Norman, of Seattle, said she was disappointed more people who look like her had not attended. She is white.

But the 58-year-old she said she was glad to hear climate change discussed alongside voting rights.

“I’m the kind of person who thinks all of those things are interconnected. Climate change is at the top of my list,” Norman said. “I don’t think it’s one we can set aside for any other discussion.”

Those in attendance arrived in a

post-9/11 Washington that was very different from the one civil rights leaders visited in 1963.

Then, people crowded the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and could get close to King to hear his “I Have a Dream” speech. Saturday’s speakers were also on the memorial’s steps, but metal barriers kept people away from the reflecting pool and only a small group of attendees was allowed near the memorial Saturday.

There was a media area and VIP seating. Everyone else had been pushed back and watched and listened to the speeches on big-screen televisions. Police were stationed atop the Lincoln Memorial. After the speeches, marchers walked from there, past the King Memorial, then down the National Mall to the Washington Monument, a distance of just over a mile.

On the day of the anniversary, President Barack Obama will speak from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. He will be joined by former Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter. Churches and groups have been asked to ring bells at 3 p.m. Wednesday, marking the exact time King spoke.

Joseph Lowery, who founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference along with King, urged the crowd to continue working for King’s ideals.

“We’ve come to Washington to commemorate,” the 92-year-old civil rights leader said, “and we’re going home to agitate.”

UNITED FROM 1A

annual funds \$200,000 instead of the total listed on the ballot.

According to information provided by Viscounte, the new levy (\$376,700 annual) minus the current levy (\$176,000 annual) marks an increase of \$200,000 in annual funds. Owners of a \$100,000 home will see a \$65.11

annual increase in taxes.

But the ultimate goal is to add the flexibility to borrow long-term for larger projects, Viscounte said.

“It’s not a great increase (in annual funds), but it affords us the ability to take out long-term loans, which we can’t do currently,” he said. “It gives us an option to address needs that right now we can’t (meet).”

Viscounte said the administration and school board are looking at projects that include energy-efficient win-

PARK FROM 1A

meeting following the council meeting. Fiscal Officer Tracey Wonner, who serves as clerk, reminded them state law requires 24-hour advance notice of any meeting to the public and news media.

Council President Roger Gallo suggested they instead go behind closed doors in executive session to discuss Morenz’s idea, but Councilman Steve Defilippo said this runs counter to the practice of having committees consider proposals and make recommendations

to council as a whole. The problem was resolved when Morenz brought up his suggestion before the entire council.

In other action, Eloise Traina of the Family Recovery Center told council she never heard back from the village, which was supposed to decide a year ago what to do about a drainage problem affecting the FRC. She is concerned the problem will worsen with construction of a nearby apartment complex by the Columbiana County Counseling Center. Wonner said she would take to the village’s engineering firm to find out whatever became of its review of the problem.

Resident Paul Preston also asked what had been done about the vacant

dow replacements (four years to replace), bus purchases (two per year for six years), online textbooks, roof replacement, boiler replacement, technology upgrades and classroom renovations—large expenses that will require more funds to address them. Permanent improvement money cannot be used for salaries and benefits.

Viscounte also reminded residents that the visitor bleachers at the stadium had been condemned and had to be replaced.

home on Thomas Road that had been stripped and left in dilapidated condition. Police Chief Mike Abraham said he had yet to get around to taking action but would send letters to the owner and tenant warning them to clean up the property or face being cited into court. He later learned the owner recently died.

Meanwhile, Abraham suggested the village consider taking legal action to raze the home by having it declared a public nuisance and tacking the cost onto the property taxes. Village Solicitor Virginia Barborak said she would also check into whether the property could be included under the county’s housing demolition program.

US moves forces toward Syria, inquiry continues

Minister David Cameron, the White House said. It was Obama’s first known conversation with a foreign leader about Syria since the reports this week that hundreds of Syrians had been killed by the alleged chemical attack in a suburb of Damascus, the capital.

The White House said the two leaders expressed “grave concern” about the reported chemical weapons use, which both of their countries oppose.

A statement from Cameron’s office at No. 10 Downing St. said the prime minister and Obama are concerned by “increasing signs” that this was “a significant chemical weapons attack” by the Syrian government against its people. Obama and Cameron “reiterated that significant use of chemical weapons would merit a serious response from the international community,” according to the statement.

Noting that the U.N. Security Council has called for investigators to be granted immediate access to the area, Cameron’s office said, “The fact that President Assad has failed to co-operate with the U.N. suggests that the regime has something to hide.”

The Syrian government denies the claims. It also has warned the U.S. against taking military action, saying such a step would set the Middle East ablaze. To underscore the regional concern about spillover effects of the Syrian conflict, U.S. Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is attending a meeting starting Sunday in Jordan with Mideast defense chiefs.

Pentagon press secretary George Little said the meeting, co-hosted by the U.S. Central Command, has been planned since June. But Syria is high on the agenda. Officials have said Obama will decide how to respond once the facts are known.

“In coordination with international partners and mindful of the dozens of contemporaneous witness accounts and record of the symptoms of those killed, the U.S. intelligence community continues to gather facts to ascertain what occurred,” the White House said after Obama’s meeting, which included Secretary of State John Kerry, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and others.



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DEATHS

Darlene Ferko
EAST PALESTINE— Darlene Ferko of East Palestine died Friday afternoon at Salem Community Hospital. Arrangements are pending at the Van Dyke-Swaney-Rettig Funeral Home, East Palestine.
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Stephen Tullis
LISBON—Stephen W. Tullis, 58, of East Pershing Street, died at 1:50 a.m. Saturday at the Vibra Hospital in Boardman following a lengthy illness.
Mr. Tullis was born Aug. 19, 1955, in Salem, a son of the late Harvey S. Tullis Sr. and the late Lucille M. (Yarwood) Tullis, and had lived all of his life in the area.
After attending Lisbon David Anderson High School, Steve worked as a mechanic for C&W Mining, Bo-Bo Amusement Rides and at the Lisbon Aluminum and Brass Foundry.
He is survived by his daughter, Shirley Hancock of Alliance; sister, Wanda (Perry) Surmaceviz Sr. of Lisbon; and four grandchildren.
Funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Eells-Leggett-Stauffer Funeral Home. Private burial will take place Wednesday morning at Lisbon Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.
Friends may also view Steve's memorial webpage and send condolences at www.eells-leggett-stauffer.com.
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Alleged Ohio gang leader avoids murder charge

CANTON (AP) — An aspiring rapper who prosecutors say led one of the most notorious and violent street gangs in the northeastern Ohio city of Canton has avoided facing a murder charge in the shooting death of a teenager after agreeing to plead guilty to other charges.
In a tense and emotional court hearing on Friday, 20-year-old Lamuel Flowers pleaded guilty to complicity to felonious assault, participating in a criminal gang, and gun and gang specifications. In exchange, prosecutors dropped charges of murder and felonious assault.
Flowers cursed at the judge in the case after he was sentenced to 15 years in prison and the judge said the only way to keep the community safe was to lock flowers up "in a cage like an animal," according to the Canton Repository.
"As long as I'm judge in this court, there will be no early release if it's brought to my attention," Stark County Common Pleas Judge Frank Forchione said.
When Flowers began cursing at him, Forchione ordered him to be taken away immediately.
"This is my courtroom, not yours," the judge said.
The charges against Flowers stemmed from the April 2012 killing of 17-year-old Anthony Moore Jr., who died after he was wounded in a shooting and left at a gas station. He was not a gang member, prosecutors said.
Flowers' attorney, Wayne Graham, said his client was not involved in the killing.
"Mr. Flowers has denied his involvement in those offenses," he said. "And the resolution that was reached (Friday) gave him the ability to maintain that position that he didn't kill (Moore)."
He acknowledged that Flowers is a gang member.
Prosecutor Chryssa Hartnett called Flowers "an important member in the gang world," and that "he's definitely viewed as a leader" of a gang called Shorb Blocc, which led to extra security both inside and outside of the courtroom for Friday's hearing.
Prosecutor Dennis Barr said that he's certain Flowers killed Moore, but struck the plea deal because some witnesses might not show up for a trial out of fear and a reluctance to testify. Another obstacle could be convincing a jury beyond a reasonable doubt that Flowers was responsible for Moore's death, he said.
Judge Forchione said he hesitated to accept the plea agreement, but acknowledged some difficulties in trying the case and told Flowers that he believes "it's in the best interest of Stark County that you be lifted off the streets."
Moore's grandmother, Wanda McCollum-Dotson, spoke at the hearing and blamed Flowers for her grandson's death.
"Guns in the hands of children only result in tragedy," she said, then referred to the upcoming 50th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s march on Washington and his "I Have a Dream" speech.
"What is your dream?" she asked Flowers. "Nobody dreams about burying their children, and nobody dreams about going to prison."
Flowers' mother, Angela Flowers, shouted outside the courtroom that a Canton officer involved in the case set her son up and that he didn't kill Moore.
Flowers was an aspiring rapper, filming high-quality videos posted on YouTube and viewed by thousands. Some videos show guns and reference gang life.
"Your 15 minutes of fame is over with as of today," Forchione told Flowers at the hearing.

Soldier convicted of murder for Fort Hood rampage

FORT HOOD, Texas (AP) — Maj. Nidal Hasan has been convicted of premeditated murder for the 2009 shooting rampage at Fort Hood. That means he's now eligible for the death penalty.
Military jurors found the Army psychiatrist guilty on Friday for the attack that killed 13 people and injured more than 30 others at the Texas military base.
The trial now enters a penalty phase, where prosecutors will ask jurors to sentence Hasan to death.
Hasan is acting as his own attorney. But he didn't call witnesses or testify, and he questioned only three of prosecutors' nearly 90 witnesses.
Through media leaks and statements to the judge, the American-born Muslim signaled that he believed the attack was justified as a way to protect Islamic and Taliban leaders from U.S. forces in Afghanistan and Iraq.

NJ man accused of shooting hawks
NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — A New Jersey man charged with repeatedly shooting protected hawks from his back door will be freed on bail. Robert Losasso is being released on \$10,000 bail. He was charged Friday with six counts of violating the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act. He's accused of killing or attempting to kill red-tailed hawks, sharp-shinned hawks, red-shouldered hawks and Cooper's hawks.
Losasso did not enter a plea. He has denied shooting the birds to law enforcement. The federal public defender assigned to represent him refused to comment.
Losasso's neighbors in Somers Point, N.J., had seen at least 40 dead or injured birds in the area over the past several years.

POLICE

SALEM
— A Leetonia resident reported at 7:29 a.m. Friday that someone had broken out a window on her vehicle parked in the 100 block of North Union Avenue.
— April R. Mathes, 27, 491 E. Perry St., Salem, was cited for passing left of center following two-vehicle crash in the 900 block of East Third Street at 5:59 p.m. Friday in which she westbound and allegedly attempted to pass and struck a vehicle driven Randa L. Hall, 19, Tomahawk Drive, Negley, who had slowed to make a left turn into a private drive. Hall was transported to the hospital with possible injuries. She was cited for driving under a permit with no licensed driver.
— Police responded to a 500 block North Ellsworth Avenue home at 7:23 p.m. Friday where a resident reported someone had damaged her vehicle with a sharp object. An investigation revealed it to be a juvenile neighbor with a rock.
— Eric D. Coffee, 40, 465 N. Lincoln Ave., Salem, was cited for improper backing following a two-vehicle crash in the 1200 block of Maple Street at 8:45 p.m. Friday in which he was backing out of a private drive and allegedly struck a legally parked vehicle driven by Cheryl L. Richmond, 68, Alliance. No injuries were reported.
— A patrolling officer at 1:15 a.m. Saturday observed a man carrying a chair away from the front porch of a 400 block Fair Avenue home, who fled when seeing the cruiser turn around. Officers searched the area, but were unable to find the man.
— A patrolling officer at 3:09 a.m. Saturday observed a man standing on the roof of the Hunt Club Lanes who fled when seeing the cruiser. An investigation revealed several people on the roof drinking alcohol. Zachary W. Wright, 24, 911 N. Ellsworth Ave., Salem; Anthony W. Ardeno, 27, 588 Cedar St., Salem; Nicole L. Schnarenberger, 22, 305 Duquesne St., Columbiana; and Kayla M. Brian, 22, 328 W. Park Ave., Columbiana, were all charged with criminal trespassing.
— Police responded to a North Lincoln Avenue apartment at the request of the Salem Community Hospital at 8:57 a.m. Saturday to check on a patient that had left the hospital with a IV still in his arm. The patient agreed to be transported back to the hospital.
— Police responded to the 400 block of Broadway Avenue at 9:33 a.m. Saturday where the roadway had been blocked by a local business claiming to have permission from the safety service director to close it. Officers determined that the business had been given permission to park motorcycles on the roadway, but not close it.
— Police responded to an Allen Road business at 11:45 a.m. Saturday where supervisors reported an employee who had been told to go home had punched the employee lockers and damaged the door frame on the way out.
COLUMBIANA
— Michelle E. Willis, 41, West Perry Street, Salem, was westbound on state Route 14 at state Route 164 at 11:53 a.m. Thursday and Deborah L. Curl, 58, Lippy Road, Columbiana, turned from state Route 164 northbound onto state Route 14 and struck Willis. No citations were issued.
— An Apache Lane resident reported at noon Thursday she was being harassed over the telephone.
— An East Palestine man reported at 7:30 p.m. Thursday he was having custody issues with a city resident.
— James McCloud, Pittsburgh Street, reported at 12:35 a.m. Friday a sharp object was in the road in the area of the Seederly Mong and Beck Funeral Home. Police checked the area but found nothing in the road.
— A Fairfield School Road woman reported at 8:36 a.m. Thursday neighbors were putting branches on her property. Police contacted the neighbor's wife, and she advised she would have her husband remove the branches when he came home from work.
— Carol Burger, Erie, Pa., was eastbound on state Route 14 at 10 a.m. Thursday and approaching Springfield Road when Joshua Coburn, Leetonia, began to move from the stop sign on Springfield Road and struck Burger. Burger, a juvenile, was cited for failure to yield at a stop sign.
— Sherry Bowser requested at 2:18 p.m. Thursday police stand by while she attempted to retrieve her dog and other property from an East Park Avenue home. Police warned a man at the property for trespass and no further problems were reported.
— The Highway Patrol reported at 4:20 p.m. Thursday receiving a complaint of a gray Toyota pickup driving recklessly westbound on state Route 14 from the Unity Township area. Police checked the area but did not see the vehicle.
— A man reported at 5:11 p.m. Thursday a burgundy Subaru Legacy eastbound on state Route 14 and then southbound on state Route 7 was going left of center and speeding. Police checked the area but did not see the vehicle.
— A Columbiana-Canfield Road resident reported at 8:20 p.m. Thursday he was receiving unwanted text messages from his soon-to-be-ex-wife and there was possibly a problem with a Pine Lake business, and both may be in violation of the pending divorce and restraining order.
— A woman reported at 10:42 p.m. Thursday a car was in a field on state Route 7 near Lippy Road. Police checked and found a car was parked in a driveway, not a field.
— During a traffic stop on South Elm Street at 2:32 a.m. Friday the East Palestine Police Department's K9 alerted to the presence of drugs in a vehicle. Police found small amounts of suspected marijuana throughout the vehicle but not enough to sustain any charges. All four occupants of the vehicle were warned against drug possession and the driver, David C. Carlin, 22, Salem, was cited for seat belt.

La. boy fatally shoots 90-year-old relative

SLAUGHTER, La. (AP) — Authorities in Louisiana say an 8-year-old boy intentionally shot and killed a 90-year-old woman who was his caregiver after watching a video game with violent themes.
East Feliciana Parish sheriff's deputies said the juvenile was playing the video game "Grand Theft Auto IV" — a realistic game that's been associated with encouraging violence and awards points to players for killing people — just minutes before the fatal shooting.
Authorities are calling the shooting a homicide.
Sgt. Kevin Garig told The Advocate that the identities of both the shooter and the victim are being withheld.
Garig said the woman died after suffering at least one gunshot wound to the head. She was pronounced dead at the scene.
Louisiana law prohibits authorities from charging the child with a crime because of his age.

Mom posing as daughter in court jailed

CINCINNATI (AP) — A Cincinnati woman accused of posing as her daughter for a court appearance over a traffic ticket has been found in contempt and ordered jailed.
Hamilton County Municipal Court Judge Dwane Mallory, brother of Mayor Mark Mallory, fined the woman \$50 on Friday for driving without a license and she went on her way.
But The Cincinnati Enquirer reports that someone in the courtroom audience soon after told court staff that the woman was not 22-year-old Sarah Oliver, but her mother, 39-year-old Tomeka Oliver.
Mallory ordered Tomeka Oliver back in the courtroom, confirmed that she was not Sarah Oliver, and immediately cited her for contempt and ordered her jailed until Sept. 20.

Random attack leaves WWII veteran dead

By NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS
Associated Press
SPOKANE, Wash. — Delbert Belton survived the battle of Okinawa, but he lost his life this week in the parking lot of an Eagles Lodge in north Spokane.
Spokane police were still looking for one of two teens suspected in the beating death of the 88-year-old World War II veteran.
Police believe the two 16-year-old boys approached Belton in his car at random Wednesday night outside an Eagles Lodge as he was waiting for a friend.
Officers found Belton with serious head injuries, and he died in the hospital Thursday.
One of the teens surrendered to authorities Thursday night, and he was being held on charges of robbery and first-degree murder. His identity has not been released because he is a juvenile.
Police Chief Frank Straub identified the suspect still at large Friday as Kenan D. Adams-Kinard. Even though he is a juvenile, his name and photo were released because he remains a danger to the community, Straub said.
The Associated Press doesn't usually name juvenile suspects but is identifying Adams-Kinard because of the manhunt.
"We are asking the community's assistance to locate him," Straub said. "We are asking Mr. Kinard to surrender immediately."
"He displayed very aggressive and violent conduct with his assault of Mr. Belton," Straub said, adding that he believed the arrest of the second suspect was imminent.
Both teens have juvenile court records and past convictions for assault, Straub said.
Belton's death has struck a chord nationally and sparked outrage on social media.
"He fought for this country," said Belton's sister, Alberta Tosh, on Friday. "Then he comes home and a couple of creeps kill him in the worst way."
Straub said there was no information that the attack was motivated by anything other than robbery. Police were offering no details about the crime itself, including what was taken, if anything.
"I don't really care what their motive was," Straub added. "We are not going to tolerate this." Such random attacks are rare in Spokane, a city of 210,000 people in eastern Washington, Straub said.
Straub also offered his condolences to Belton's family.
"He is a World War II veteran who suffered injuries in Okinawa," Straub said. "The Spokane Police Department has been working tirelessly to identify and apprehend the suspects."
Belton was born and raised in Spokane and joined the Army during World War II. His sister said he was shot in the leg on Okinawa, site of one of the fiercest battles of the war in 1945.
"He was shell-shocked real bad," said Tosh, 78. "But it got better."
After the war, he spent 33 years working for Kaiser Aluminum before retiring in 1982.
In retirement, Belton loved to dance, play pool and repair old cars, family members said.
"He was very active and everybody liked him," said niece Pam Hansen. "He'd never think about harming another person."
Belton was called Shorty by his friends because he was little more than 5 feet tall, Hansen said.
She believes he was targeted by the assailants because of his age and size.
"He was defenseless," Hansen said.

Child injured in Wick Park

Staff report
LEETONIA— A 7-year-old boy was lifelighted following a playground mishap Friday evening.
First Responders and a police officer responded to the incident at Wick Park at 6:29 p.m. The child was lifelighted with possible back injuries, according to Fire Chief Larry Hephner Jr.
No further information was available.

FIRE REPORT

SALEM
— Firefighters responded to a 2200 block Southeast Boulevard home at 5:34 a.m. Saturday for a report of a natural gas odor. An investigation revealed that a stove burner had been left on. The residents were evacuated until the home was ventilated with fans. The department cleared at 5:58 a.m.

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Yosemite takes steps to protect sequoias from fire

Associated Press

The fire has been burning for a week. The cause is under investigation. The fire held steady overnight at nearly 200 square miles along the park's northern border, but a spokesman for the California De-

The fire is burning toward the Hetch Hetchy reservoir, where San Francisco gets 85 percent of its water and power for municipal buildings, the international airport



In this undated photo provided by the U.S. Forest Service, the Rim Fire burns near Yosemite National Park, Calif. The wildfire outside Yosemite National Park — one of more than 50 major brush blazes burning across the western U.S. — more than tripled in size overnight and still threatens about 2,500 homes, hotels and camp buildings. Fire officials said the blaze burning in remote, steep terrain had grown to more than 84 square miles and was only 2 percent contained on Thursday, down from 5 percent a day earlier. (AP Photo/U.S. Forest Service)

Officials with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission are running continuous tests on water quality in the reservoir that is the source of the city's famously pure water.

The commission also shut two hydro-electric stations fed by water

A four-mile stretch of State Route 120, one of three entrances into Yosemite on the west side remains closed. Two other western routes and an eastern route were open.

Fire marshals are investigating the cause of the blaze.

The trucking company's website says it employs 400 people and owns hundreds of vehicles. It said Pritchett started the company in 1980, ten years after purchasing a Florida timber business. The company's main number rang unanswered.

District officials did not immediately return a phone message left Saturday.

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SUN/25
COLUMBIANA
Summer Concert Series at Firestone Park Gazebo, 2-4 p.m.; Generations.

EAST LIVERPOOL
Mushroom program with Walter Sturgeon, Scenic Vista Park, 3-4 p.m.

SALEM
Burchfield Homestead Museum, 867 E. Fourth St., open 1-4 p.m.

Music in the Park, Summer Concert Series at Waterworth Memorial Park's Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, Dick Tady Orchestra, 6-8 p.m.

Salem Historical Society's Underground Railroad Trolley tour, 1:30 p.m. Reservations 330-337-6733. Museum, 208 S. Broadway Ave., open for tours, 1-4 p.m.

MON/26
BOARDMAN
Recruiting event for supervising cooks, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Mahoning County One-Stop, 141 Boardman-Canfield Road. Iforce Staffing will hire 36 cook supervisors to oversee inmates preparing food at correctional facilities in the Youngstown area; \$11 an hour.

COLUMBIANA
First day of classes at Columbiana High School.

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

EAST PALESTINE
East Palestine Council meeting, 7 p.m., Park Community Center.

FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP
Trustee meeting, 2014 budget hearing, 7 p.m., government building Fairfield School Road.

LEETONIA
Leetonia High School Classes of 1958-1961, fish fry, 5 p.m., Leetonia American Legion picnic pavilion. Bring a covered dish to share.

LISBON
Columbiana County Agricultural Society's meeting, 7 p.m., junior fair livestock sales office at the fairgrounds.

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

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

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

R-Weigh weight groups, 1:45 and 6:15 p.m., First Friends Church. Weigh-ins 1-1:30 p.m. and 5-6 p.m.; 330-332-1078.

Emotions Anonymous meeting, 2-3 p.m., Holy Trinity Church; 330-337-3089.

Ladies Monday Night Misfits Bowling League, pre-season meeting, 6 p.m., Hunt Club Lanes on Railroad Street; 330-420-5276 or 330-206-4743.

TOPS 1380, 6:15 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-584-7952.

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

Banquet in Salem, 5-7 p.m., Memorial Building; fried chicken, cheesy potatoes, peas or corn, applesauce, fresh fruits and vegetables, and ice cream sundaes.

TUE/27
BEAVER TOWNSHIP
Beaver Township Police Crime Watch, 7 p.m., Shepherd of the Valley, 9111 Sharrott Road.

CANFIELD
Cardinal Pride Marching Band's 39th annual "Show of Bands," 7:30 p.m., Cardinal Stadium behind Canfield High School.

COLUMBIANA
Columbiana Senior Citizens, meeting, 10 a.m., Upper Room; pizza provided.

The Meadows at Covington, Music at the Meadows featuring the Mitchell Lawrence Trio, 7 p.m., on the Meadows patio.

... ON THE **Calendar** THIS WEEK ...

Calendar

LISBON
Columbiana County Archive Center, quarterly meeting, 7 p.m., 129 S. Market St.

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

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 Athletic Hall of Fame induction dinner. Salem Community Center. Social hour, 5:30 p.m., dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Tickets for the induction dinner are \$25 each, which includes dinner and beverage provided by the Catered Affair. Reservations can be made in person at the Salem Community Center or via phone at 330-332-5885. SCC accepts cash, Visa, Discover, MasterCard and checks (payable to the Salem Community Center). Seating is limited, and tickets are available on a first come/first serve basis. Reservations will be accepted through Aug. 19, or until sold out. Event tickets are transferable, but non-refundable.

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

Concealed carry shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

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

FRI/30
COLUMBIANA
Columbiana Log House Museum open 2-4 p.m.

Crestview Music Boosters selling raffle tickets for a 2013 John Deere Gator during Beaver Local vs. Crestview football game, high school, at the gate or band concession stand; 330-482-1046.

LISBON
Deadline to apply for Community Action Agency's Summer Crisis Program; 330-424-4013.

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

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

Make-up Ladies .22 Rifle League, 5 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

Deadline for former Salem Band members to register for Salem High School Marching Band's second annual Alumni Night; 330-332-8905 Ext. 58355 or mcfarlandh@salemquakers.org.

SAT/31
COLUMBIANA
Columbiana Log House Museum open 2-4 p.m.

GUILFORD LAKE
Guilford Lake lighted boat parade, 8 p.m., boats line up in front of Guilford Lake Grille and cruise to Mark's Landing, all welcome at Guilford Lake Grille at the bocce courts, boats keeping lights on and cruising all weekend, questions call 330-398-2841.

HANOVERTON
United Local Community Education Department's bus trip to the southern tier of Ohio's Amish country, 7:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Reservations, 330-223-1521.

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

SALEM
Salem Farmers Market, opens at 9 a.m., McCulloch lot next to Troll's Jewelry, 581 E. State St.

Burchfield Homestead Museum, 867 E. Fourth St., open 1-4 p.m.

WASHINGTONVILLE
Village picnic in the park, 2-7 p.m., dunk tank with mayor, police chief and assistant police chief.

MON/2
EAST PALESTINE
Arts and Crafts Festival, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., East Palestine Park; 330-426-2347; free admission and parking.

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

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

FRI/6
SALEM
Food distribution, 9-11:30 a.m., Salem Community Pantry, 794 E. Third St.

American Red Cross blood drive, Salem Community Center, 1098 N. Ellsworth Ave., 1-7 p.m.; appointments, 800-RED-CROSS.

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

Salem High School Marching Band's second annual Alumni Night; 330-332-8905 Ext. 58355 or mcfarlandh@salemquakers.org.

TUE/3
EAST PALESTINE
Town hall meeting with State Rep. Nick Barborak (D-Lisbon), East Palestine Public Library, 6-7 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WED/4
EAST LIVERPOOL
Sgro Brothers, benefit performance, "A Musical Extravaganza," 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church. Tickets, \$15, Lou Holtz Hall of Fame; 330-386-5443.

SALEM
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.

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/5
DAMASCUS
TOPS Chapter 1329, 9 a.m., Damascus United Methodist Church; 330-525-7785.

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

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

WINONA
Winona Area Historical Society meeting, 6:30 p.m., first floor of the Meeting House.

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

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

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

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

R-Weigh weight groups, 1:45 and 6:15 p.m., First Friends Church. Weigh-ins 1-1:30 p.m. and 5-6 p.m.; 330-332-1078.

Emotions Anonymous meeting, 2-3 p.m., Holy Trinity Church; 330-337-3089.

LEETONIA
Nonfiction Book Discussion, Po Bronson's "Nurture Shock," 6 p.m., Leetonia Library.

SCORE Small Business program, 6:30 p.m., Leetonia Library; register, 330-427-6635.

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

Columbiana County Mental Health and Recovery Services board meeting, 6 p.m.

SALEM
Salem High School Class of 1946, breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Adele's Place.

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

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

Complimentary jazz concert, featuring Jack Halkides Quintet with special guests including Peggy Coyle, 6-8 p.m., Salem Community Center.

Adult Book Discussion Group meeting, "The Life of Pi," 7 p.m., Salem Public Library's Quaker Room; registration not required.

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

Trap shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

WED/28
EAST PALESTINE
Grace Lutheran Church food pantry, 87 W. Grant St., open from 9:30-11 a.m.

LEETONIA
Toddler Playgroup, 10 a.m., Leetonia library.

Lucille Ball movie, "Miss Grant Takes Richmond," 1 p.m., Leetonia library.

LISBON
Salem Area Singles, 6 p.m., Chef's Table.

SALEM
Salem Senior Citizens, Salem Memorial Building, board meeting 11 a.m., regular meeting noon. New members, men and women 50 years and older, are welcome. Bingo will be played after meeting.

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.

.22 benchrest shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

Salem High School Class of 1955, lunch, 11:30 a.m., Adele's Place.

Salem Senior Citizens, meeting, noon, Memorial Building, gym; board meeting, 11 a.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/29
BELOIT
West Branch Local Board of Education, 7:30 p.m., high school Library.

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

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Churches changing bylaws after gay marriage ruling

By **TRAVIS LOLLER**
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Worried they could be sued by gay couples, some churches are changing their bylaws to reflect their view that the Bible allows only marriage between one man and one woman.

Although there have been lawsuits against wedding industry businesses that refuse to serve gay couples, attorneys promoting the bylaw changes say they don’t know of any lawsuits against churches.

Critics say the changes are unnecessary, but some churches fear that it’s only a matter of time before one of them is sued.

“I thought marriage was always between one man and one woman, but the Supreme Court in a 5-4 decision said no,” said Gregory S. Erwin, an attorney for the Louisiana Baptist Convention, an association of Southern Baptist churches and one several groups advising churches to change their bylaws. “I think it’s better to be prepared because the law is changing. America is changing.”

In a June decision, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down a provision of the federal Defense of Marriage Act that defined marriage as between a man and a woman for purposes of federal law. A second decision was more technical but essentially ushered in legal gay marriage in California.

Kevin Snider is an attorney with the Pacific Justice Institute, a nonprofit legal defense group that specializes in conservative Christian issues. His organization released a model marriage policy a few years ago in response to a statewide gay marriage fight in California. Snider said some religious

leaders have been threatened with lawsuits for declining to perform same-sex wedding ceremonies.

Dean Inserra, head pastor of the 1,000-member City Church Tallahassee, based in Florida, said he does not want to be alarmist, but his church is looking into how best to address the issue.

Inserra said he already has had to say no to gay friends who wanted him to perform a wedding ceremony.

“We have some gay couples that attend our church. What happens when they ask us to do their wedding?” Inserra said. “What happens when we say no? Is it going to be treated like a civil rights thing?”

Critics, including some gay Christian leaders, argue that the changes amount to a solution looking for a problem.

“They seem to be under the impression that there is this huge movement with the goal of forcing them to perform ceremonies that violate their freedom of religion,” said Justin Lee, executive director of the Gay Christian Network, a non-profit that provides support for gay Christians and their friends and families and encourages churches to be more welcoming.

“If anyone tried to force a church to perform a ceremony against their will, I would be the first person to stand up in that church’s defense.”

Thirteen states and the District of Columbia now recognize gay marriage.

Some Christian denominations, such as the United Church of Christ, accept gay marriage. The Episcopal Church recently approved a blessing for same-sex couples, but each bishop must decide whether to allow the ceremony in his or

her local diocese.

The majority of Christian denominations, however, view homosexual relationships as sinful. In more hierarchical denominations, like the Roman Catholic Church or the United Methodist Church, individual churches are bound by the policies of the larger denomination. But nondenominational churches and those loosely affiliated with more established groups often individually decide how to address social issues such as gay marriage.

Eric Rassbach is an attorney with the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, a public interest legal group that defends the free expression rights of all faiths. He said it is unlikely the government would try to force a pastor to perform a same-sex marriage, but churches that rent out their facilities to the general public could face problems if they refuse to rent to gay couples.

Although his organization has not advocated it, he said it could strengthen a church’s legal position to adopt a statement explaining its beliefs about marriage.

“A number of groups don’t have a written doctrine,” Rassbach said. “Say a group like the Primitive Baptists — they don’t want a written-down credo, but the courts like written-down things.”

Rassbach said it was important for churches to get their beliefs in writing before a dispute arises, otherwise it can look to a court as if something was done after the fact as an attempt to cover up hostility to gays.

Airline Baptist Church Senior Pastor Chad Mills said members of the public use their facilities in Bossier City, La., for many activities, including Zumba classes. In the past, anyone who could pay the fee was allowed to reserve the space. But recently, the church changed its rental policy to allow wedding-related events only for male-female couples.

Some denominations are less concerned about the Supreme Court rulings. The Assemblies of God, the group of churches comprising the world’s largest Pentecostal denomination, sought legal advice after the rulings. An attorney for the group distributed a memo to ministers saying there was no reason to change their bylaws.

However, the memo also said that “doing so is not inappropriate, and may be warranted based on future rulings by the Supreme Court and other state and federal courts.”

The bylaw changes are coming at a time when many churches are wrestling with gay marriage in general and are working hard to be more welcoming to gays and lesbians.

“It’s probably one of the most difficult issues our churches are facing right now,” said Doug Anderson, a national coordinator with the evangelical Vineyard Church. “It’s almost an impossible situation to reconcile what’s going on in our culture, and our whole theology of welcoming and loving people, versus what it says in the Bible.”

Ohio couple marks 75 years of marriage

CINCINNATI (AP) — A southwestern Ohio couple celebrating their 75th wedding anniversary this month say the secret to their happy relationship is never going to bed angry.

Ormond and Thelma Elam of Liberty Township have shared their lives during the Great Depression, World War II and the death of one of their three children.

The pair met in Mount Sterling in Kentucky while Thelma was working in her family’s garden and Ormond was grooming his horse.

Thelma is now 93, and Ormond is 92. They say they never go to bed angry.

After three-quarters of a century together, the pair have nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Their daughter, 66-year-old Sharon, tells The Cincinnati Enquirer that her parents have “set the high standard by which all five generations strive to live.”

Army reservists hurt in NC bus wreck

MOORESVILLE, N.C. (AP) — A chartered bus carrying U.S. Army reservists went off a road north of Charlotte and overturned Friday, injuring at least 28 soldiers, one seriously, authorities said.

The North Carolina Highway Patrol said the bus was carrying 45 soldiers around 3 p.m. when it crashed in Mooresville, which is about 25 miles north of Charlotte.

Police said the bus had slowed for turning traffic, slid to the right and ran off N.C. 150. The bus toppled over onto its right side and came to rest in front of a storage facility.

A statement from the highway patrol said one person was airlifted from the scene with serious, non-life threatening injuries to Carolina Medical Center in Charlotte.

Sixteen other soldiers were transported with minor injuries to Carolina Medical Center in nearby Huntersville, and at least 11 soldiers were taken to two other hospitals, also with minor injuries. The bus driver was not hurt, according to the patrol.

The reservists are members of the Army’s 991st Transportation Company, which is based in Salisbury.

Randleman-based Holiday Tours operated the bus. A company spokesman said the bus was one of two carrying reservists from Charlotte Douglas International Airport to Salisbury. Another spokesman said the company is investigating the wreck.

Anthony Weiner involved in minor crash

NEW YORK (AP) — New York City mayoral candidate Anthony Weiner has emerged unscathed from a minor car crash on a busy Manhattan highway.

Weiner’s spokeswoman says the car he was riding in was involved in a chain-reaction crash Saturday morning on the FDR Drive, which runs along the borough’s east side.

It wasn’t immediately clear where Weiner was headed or if he was on official business.

A Fire Department of New York spokeswoman says no one was hurt in the crash. She says it happened near East 96th Street.

Weiner is seeking the Democratic nomination for mayor. The primary is Sept. 10.

Linda Ronstadt has Parkinson’s

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Linda Ronstadt says she suffers from Parkinson’s disease, which has robbed her ability to sing. The 67-year-old music legend tells AARP Magazine, in an article posted online Friday, that she was diagnosed eight months ago and “can’t sing a note.”

Ronstadt says she began to show symptoms as long as eight years ago, but attributed her inability to sing then to a tick disease. When her hands began to tremble, Ronstadt said she thought the shaking was the result of a shoulder operation.

She said she was “completely shocked” when she finally saw a neurologist and was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease. “I wouldn’t have suspected that in a million, billion years.

“No one can sing with Parkinson’s disease,” Ronstadt told AARP music writer Alanna Nash. “No matter how hard you try.”

Ronstadt sold tens of millions of records starting in the 1970s with pop hits like “You’re No Good” and “When Will I Be Loved.” But she also segued into country, pop standards and mariachi music, among other genres.

In addition, the singer was known for her romances with California Gov. Jerry Brown and filmmaker George Lucas.

Ronstadt now uses poles to walk on uneven ground and a wheelchair when traveling, the AARP story said.

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► NCAA FOOTBALL

Buckeyes' Meyer began SEC title run, now wants to end it

COLUMBUS (AP) — Urban Meyer had officially been the head coach at Ohio State for maybe 10 minutes when he was hit with his first question about his old conference.

So, is the Southeastern Conference better than the Big Ten, and if so, why?

"It's obvious that the SEC right now is dominant," the ex-Florida coach said in November 2011 at his first news conference as new head man of the Buckeyes. "It's a faster league than the Big Ten. Does it



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— OHIO STATE COACH URBAN MEYER —

mean it's a better league? Yeah, it's the best conference in college football. Does it mean the Big Ten's far behind? I don't think it's that far. I think you'll see the game change again. It changes all the time."

Since Meyer spoke those words the SEC has won two more national championships, stretching to seven

its unprecedented domination of the college game's landscape.

No conference had ever won even three consecutive titles since The Associated Press began its poll in 1936.

It was Meyer who lit the fuse on that string of success, winning the title after the 2006 season. More

than most, he knows what makes the SEC such a powerhouse. Does he have any insight into what it will take for Ohio State or Oregon or Stanford or someone else to break through?

"I don't think it's just the Big Ten, I think everyone is chasing the SEC," Meyer said last month in Chicago at the Big Ten's preseason get-together. "And it's well-deserved. If you look in the (NFL) draft, that'll answer it. There are just more (SEC) guys getting drafted. That doesn't mean the Big Ten doesn't have great players.



See SALEM, 3B URBAN MEYER

ANNUAL SPAGHETTI BOWL — LEETONIA AT LISBON, 7:30 P.M. THURSDAY



Returning lettermen for the Leetonia football team are (front, from left) Colton Gudat, Trent Ferry, Drew Turney, Devon Gavin, Nate Inboden, Tanner Tullis; (back, from left) Hayden Rance, Ryan Finch, Chase Stark, Bryce Turney, Zack Van Giesen, Trevor Sandor, James Shea and Steve Howe. The Bears will play at Lisbon in Thursday's season opener. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)



Returning lettermen for the Lisbon football team are (front, from left) Cody Freeland, Dakota Medely, Brandon Haldiman, Frankie Morrell, Tyler Heverly; (second row, from left) Jagr Groubert, Jordan Everett, Jacob Jarome, Anthony Nguyen, R.J. Egelhof, Brandon Barnes; (back, from left) Josh Liberati, Anthony Rhodes, Austin Rutecki, Josh Craig, Shawn McKinnon and Danny Donohue. The Blue Devils will host Leetonia in Thursday's season opener. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

► PREP ROUNDUP

Quaker girls soccer comes up short vs. Niles, 4-2

From Staff Reports

SALEM — Marissa Swindell and Courtney Wagoner scored but it wasn't enough for the Salem girls soccer team as Niles grabbed a 4-2 win over the Quakers on Saturday afternoon at Reilly Stadium.

Anna Wyss and Julia Dundon added assists for the Quakers.

Makenzie Schwartz had nine saves in goal.

Salem hosts Northeastern Buckeye Conference rival Louisville at 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

Minerva 5, United 1

MINERVA — Tyler Stewart registered four goals as Minerva stormed to a 5-1 win over United on Saturday.

Shem Haas had the Lions (2-0) other goal.

Justin Campbell had three assists, while Phillip Blackburn and Haas had one assist each.

United is 1-1.

United 4, Minerva 3

MINERVA — United's girls soccer team captured its third straight win to start the season by topping Minerva 4-3 on Saturday.

United trailed 2-0 at the half.

Megan Amos had two goals and an assist for the Eagles. Mackenzie Gatchel added a goal and assist, while Rachel Amos had a goal.

Lauren Haynam had two goals and an assist for Minerva. Josie Chaddock had the other goal.



Salem's Marissa Swindell looks to advance the ball on Saturday against Niles. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)

Minerva is 0-1-1.

West Branch 4, Ravenna 1

RAVENNA — Dustin Greenawalt, Dylan Greenawalt, Josiah Ross and Casey Ruthrauff scored to lead West Branch to a 4-1 win over Ravenna on Saturday.

West Branch hosts Marlinton on Tuesday.

West Branch 1, Canton GlenOak 0

BELOIT — Bailey Polinori scored the only goal as West Branch edged Canton GlenOak 1-0 on Saturday.

Lea Bock had two saves in goal for the Warriors, 1-1-0.

West Branch is at Marlinton on Wednesday.

See PREPS, 2B

► CROSS COUNTRY

Howland, Boardman top Early Bird Invite

From Staff Reports

SALEM — Howland's boys and Boardman's girls proved to be the best of the bunch on Saturday at the Salem Early Bird Cross Country Invitational at Waterworth Memorial Park.

Howland's boys placed five in the top 10 to dominate the boys race on the 3.1-mile course.

Ryan Sullivan of Howland was the individual winner as he finished in 16:25. The top area finisher was Lisbon's Mark McGuire who took 20th (19:06).

Boardman's girls (66 points) placed four in the top 10 to fend off competition from second-place South Range (69 points). The Spartans' Jordan Grantonic (19:59) took top individual honors as she edged South Range's Mollie Pierson (20:30).

BOYS RESULTS

STANDINGS: 1. Howland 21, 2. Marlinton 53, 3. Perry 63, 4. East Liverpool 139, 5. Lisbon 184, 6. South Range 195, 7. Jackson-Milton 199, 8. Columbiana 212, 9. Salem 216, 10. Ravenna 244, 11. McKinley 290.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

1. Ryan Sullivan (Howland) 16:25, 2. Connor Dotson (Howland) 17:01, 3. Ethan Petrilla (Howland) 17:11, 4. Aaran Gessic (Perry) 17:19, 5. Ty Ryback (Marlington) 17:37, 6. Ben Cole (Howland) 17:56, 7. Devin Seka (Jackson-Milton) 17:59, 8. Thomas Mason (Marlington) 18:02, 9. Tyler Messina (Howland) 18:10, 10. Erik Pritschau (Perry) 18:14.

20. Mark McGuire (Lisbon) 19:06, 21. Jake Densmore (East Liverpool) 19:11, 23. Garrett Anderson (South Range) 19:13, 24. Shae Long (East Liverpool) 19:20, 25. Ben Stebelton (South Range) 19:21, 26. Josh Faulkner



Salem's Zach Morris runs in the Early Bird Invite on Saturday at Waterworth Memorial Park. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

(Leetonia) 19:30, 27. Quinn Lyle (East Liverpool) 19:31, 28. Zach Morris (Salem) 19:32.

31. Hunter Thompson (Lisbon) 19:34, 32. Tyler Burgess (Columbiana) 19:48, 34. Jared McClish (Salem) 19:52.

43. David Stryffeler (Lisbon) 20:47, 44. Chase Mahon (East

See BIRD, 2B



Salem's Emily Fitch (left) and Emma Minamyers run in the Early Bird Invite on Saturday at Waterworth Park. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

WHAT2WATCH

7:30 a.m. (NBCSN) Auto racing: Formula One, Belgian Grand Prix, at Spa, Belgium
10:55 a.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: Premier League, Swansea at Tottenham
11 a.m. (ESPN) Little League World Series, third place, teams TBD, at South Williamsport, Pa.
Noon (ESPN2) High school football: Beech (Tenn.) at Station Camp (Tenn.)
1 p.m. (STO) Baseball: Twins at Indians.
2 p.m. (NBCSN) Cycling: USA Pro Challenge, final stage, at Denver
2 p.m. (TBS) Baseball: Braves at Cardinals.
2 p.m. (2, 7, 19, 27) Golf: PGA Tour, The Barclays, final round, at Jersey City, N.J.
3 p.m. (4, 5, 33) Little League World Series, championship at South Williamsport, Pa.
3 p.m. (ESPN) High school football: American Heritage (Fla.) at Cypress Bay (Fla.)
3 p.m. (ESPN2) Major League Lacrosse: Playoffs, championship, Charlotte-Denver winner vs. Hamilton-Chesapeake winner, at Chester, Pa.
4 p.m. (ROOT) Baseball: Pirates at Giants.
4 p.m. (NBCSN) Auto racing: IRL, IndyCar, Grand Prix of Sonoma, at Sonoma, Calif.
4 p.m. (3, 9, 11, 21) Cycling: USA Pro Challenge, final stage, at Denver
4 p.m. (8, 17/62, 53) NFL preseason: Saints at Texans.
8 p.m. (ESPN) Baseball: Red Sox at Dodgers.
8 p.m. (3, 9, 11, 21) NFL preseason: Vikings at 49ers.
10 p.m. (ESPN2) MLS: Timbers at Sounders.

2DAYINSPORTS

Aug. 25
1888 — Henry Slocum becomes the first man to win the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association singles title besides Richard Sears.
1904 — Jim Jeffries knocks out Jack Munroe in the second round in San Francisco to retain the world heavyweight title.
1908 — The first \$50,000 trotting race in the United States, the American Trotting Derby, is won by Allen Winter with Lon McDonald driving.
1922 — In one of the wildest games ever played, the Cubs beat the Phillies 26-23. The Cubs led 25-6 in the fourth inning, and held on as the game ended with the Phillies leaving the bases loaded.
1946 — Ben Hogan wins the PGA championship with a 6-and-4 win over Ed Oliver.
1973 — The NASL championship is won by the Philadelphia Atoms with a 2-0 victory over the Dallas Tornadoes.
1974 — The Los Angeles Aztecs edge the Miami Toros 4-3 to win the NASL Championship.
1984 — France's Lutin D'Isigny wins the \$250,000 International Trot by seven lengths, the largest margin of victory in this race. Jean-Paul Andre drives Lutin D'Isigny to a world record trot for the 1¼-mile in 2:30, smashing the record of 2:31.2 shared by Speedy Scot and Noble Victory.
1991 — Carl Lewis reclaims his title of world's fastest human by setting a world record of 9.86 seconds in the 100-meter final in the world championships in Tokyo. Lewis clips four-hundredths of a second off the previous mark of 9.90 set by Leroy Burrell two months earlier.
1996 — Tiger Woods wins an unprecedented third U.S. Amateur Championship, beating Steve Scott on the 38th hole after coming back from 5-down with 16 to play and 2-down with three to go.
1997 — Jockey Pat Day gains his 7,000th career victory aboard Bay Harbor in the second race at Saratoga Racecourse. Day is the fifth rider to reach the 7,000-win plateau.
2000 — Australia's Karrie Webb matches the LPGA Tour's 18-hole record with an 11-under 61 in the second round of the Oldsmobile Classic.
2006 — Japan's Yusaku Miyazato becomes the first golfer to make two holes-in-one in the same round of a PGA Tour tournament when he aces a pair of par 3s at the Reno-Tahoe Open.
2010 — Nationals' Nyjer Morgan is suspended 7 games for deliberately throwing a baseball into the stands and hitting a fan during a game.



The boys race gets set to start on Saturday at the Early Bird Invitational at Waterworth Memorial Park. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

PREPS
FROM 1B

GOLF
Cardinal Classic
BOARDMAN — The East Liverpool boys golf team dominated the competition on Saturday at the Cardinal Classic at Mill Creek Golf Course.
The Potters finished atop the leaderboard with a 309. Their closest competition was Green High School at 315 as the Potters have now won two of three tournament they've participated in this season.
East Liverpool's Blake Prince was the top golfer on the day, finishing with a 1-under 69.
Prince took low medalist honors by three strokes over Stow's Ian Holt who shot a 72.
Also for the Potters, Joey Cilone posted a round of 76, followed by Isaac Davidson (78) and Ryan Burton (86).
Columbiana took third with a 321. For the Clippers, Nathan Garofalo had a 77, Joe Lucci 77, Bruce Wiggins 79 and Clayton Cooper 88.
East Liverpool will be back in action on Monday against Beaver Local at East Liverpool Country Club.

VOLLEYBALL
Lisbon tri-match
LISBON — Lisbon captured a pair of matches at a tri-meet on Saturday featuring Southern and Leetonia.

Lisbon beat Leetonia 25-11, 25-10. Taylor Siefke had 10 kills and two aces, while Alexis Summers had five kills and eight digs. Ana Sanor added 10 assists, four digs and three kills. For Leetonia Ariel Smith had seven digs, five assists and seven points. Maddy Penfold added 10 digs and five points.
Lisbon (2-1) knocked off Southern 25-20, 25-22. Siefke had 14 kills, four blocks and two digs to lead the way. Hannah Hiscox added six kills, two aces and four digs. Sarah Boyd had 16 assists and four kills. For Southern, Hannah Brothers had 10 assists and four kills. Natalie Utt had 10 digs and four blocks. Brandi Hunt had six kills.
In the other match, Southern (1-2) beat Leetonia 25-16, 24-26, 25-19. Hunt had had six digs and five kills for Southern. Hannah Brothers added 10 points. Erica Gruszecki had 10 digs, five kills and 12 points for Leetonia, 0-2.
In jayvee action, Lisbon beat Leetonia 25-16, 25-17. Peyton Blackbun had five kills to lead Lisbon. Caitlin Lewis had five digs and six points for Leetonia.
Lisbon also beat Southern, 27-25, 24-26, 25-19. Emily Steves had five kills and seven digs for the winners.
Southern topped Leetonia, 25-16, 21-25, 25-13 in the other jayvee con-



Salem's Reagan Meals battles for possession during a game against Niles on Saturday. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)

test. Kirsten Gosselin had 13 points to lead the Indians. For Leetonia, Caitlin Lewis had 13 points.

West Branch tri-match
BELOIT — West Branch secured wins over Pymatuning Valley and United on Saturday in a tri-match at West Branch High School.
West Branch (3-0) beat Pymatuning Valley 25-17, 25-6. For the Warriors, Whitney Wallace had 12 points and five aces. Kaylee Manning added nine assists. Pavin Heath had eight kills, while Sydney Townes had six kills.
The Warriors knocked off United 25-19, 25-12. Whitney Wallace and Pavin Heath had six points and two aces each for the Warriors. Heath also had four kills along with Lexington Pittman. Logan Daggy had seven points for United. Morgan Smallwood added five kills.
In the other match, United (2-2) beat Py Valley, 25-19, 21-25, 25-21. MacKenzie Firth had 30 assists for the winners. Claudia Rockhold added 13 kills.
West Branch beat Py Valley, 25-22, 25-15 in jayvee action. Sarah Weber had six kills for the winners. The Warriors also beat United, 25-9, 25-13. Paige Walsh had 19 points and five aces for the winners.

United's jayvees were 24-26, 25-23, 25-21 winners over Py Valley. Shelby Mix had eight kills and seven aces for the Eagles.

East Palestine quad-match
EAST PALESTINE — East Palestine topped Howland 25-10, 25-12 and Brookfield 18-25, 25-21, 25-22 on Saturday in a quad match at East Palestine High School also featuring Springfield.
Against Howland, Carley Sansenbaugher had six kills, five points and two blocks. Jessica Leake had four kills and three points. Kristen Morris had nine points and six assists.
Against Brookfield, Sansenbaugher struck for seven kills and four points. Kristen Morris had nine assists and 10 points. Leake added four kills and 10 points.
East Palestine is 2-0 and is at Mooney on Monday.
Springfield knocked off Howland 25-12, 25-9 and Brookfield 25-12, 25-20 in the other matches.
Against Howland, Callie Ford had six kills and 14 points. Morgan Buchenic added five kills.
Against Brookfield, Kennedy Richey had 15 points. Ford added seven kills.
Springfield is 3-1.



SOUTH RANGE'S MOLLIE PIERSON



LEETONIA'S JOSH FAULKNER



LEETONIA'S EMILY SCHNEIDER

BIRD
FROM 1B

Liverpool 20:52, 47. Tyler Adkins (East Liverpool) 21:12, 48. James Napierkowski (Southern) 21:13, 49. Jordan Roush (South Range) 21:14, 50. Zack Davis (Lisbon) 21:26, 51. Justin Pasco (Columbiana) 21:33, 52. Rob Davis (East Liverpool) 21:39, 54. Jesse Cannella (Columbiana) 21:49, 55. Ian Smith (East Liverpool) 21:49.
60. Jarrod Polen (Salem) 22:13, 66. Hunter Dauterman (Columbiana) 22:40, 67. Seth Crowe (Columbiana) 22:41, 70. Brian Patrick (South Range) 23:25, 71. Zech Harris (East Liverpool) 23:26, 73. Owen Washam (Salem) 23:48, 75. Travis Barcey (Salem) 23:49, 77. Dillon McBee (South Range) 24:25, 79. Tyler Shaffer (Salem) 24:40.
82. Troy Smith (Southern) 25:23, 83. Cory Parrish (Southern) 25:39, 84. Trent Kellog (Salem) 25:39, 85. Kyle French (Lisbon) 26:14, 87. Peter Ruwoldt (Salem) 26:48, 89. Richie Perez (Salem) 27:18, 90. Max Righetti (Salem) 27:24.
92. Ryan Geisse (East Liverpool) 29:11, 94. Alex August (Southern) 31:35, 95. Erik Valiente (Salem) 32:23.

GIRLS RESULTS
STANDINGS: 1. Boardman 33, 2. South Range 66, 3. Marlington 69, 4. Howland 74, 5. Perry 129, 6. McKinley 198, 7. Lisbon 208, 8. Salem 211, 9. Jackson-Milton 253.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS
1. Jordan Grantonic (Boardman) 19:59, 2. Mollie Pierson

(South Range) 20:30, 3. Olivia Chinn (Ravenna) 20:40, 4. Tori Reeves (Marlington) 20:46, 5. Morgan Buckley (Howland) 20:58, 6. Emma Schwendeman (Boardman) 21:12, 7. Matti Dunham (South Range) 21:21, 8. Emily Krafcik (Howland) 21:29, 9. Trista Cunningham (Boardman) 21:38, 10. Brandi Gatte (Boardman) 21:39.
13. Xena Maali (South Range) 21:51, 23. Emily Fromel (South Range) 22:50, 24. Anna Shivers (Salem) 22:52, 25. Kelly Patrick (South Range) 22:55, 31. Madelyn Kimpel (South Range) 23:06, 33. Bobbi Jo Evans (Lisbon) 23:15, 34. Emily Schneider (Leetonia) 23:22, 36. Carmen Phillips (Lisbon) 23:28, 40. Lauren Herubin (South Range) 23:37, 44. Grace Ayers (Leetonia) 23:57, 48. Mary Double (Salem) 24:21.
53. Lindsey Chludzinski (Lis-

bon) 24:52, 58. Maria Razo (South Range) 25:33, 60. Sarah Spalding (South Range) 26:18, 61. Alexis Marucci (South Range) 26:19, 66. Holly Graham (Lisbon) 26:24, 70. Allie Sakacs (South Range) 26:47, 71. Keeley Pierson (South Range) 26:53, 72. Morgan Coler (South Range) 26:59, 73. Kirsten Adams (South Range) 27:00.
75. Samantha Wilson (Salem) 27:43, 77. Makenzie Martin (Salem) 27:59, 78. Ashley Eichenberry (East Liverpool) 28:02, 80. Emma Wilson (Salem) 28:10, 81. Hayley Lucas (East Liverpool) 28:16, 82. Emma Minamyer (Salem) 28:23, 83. Emily Fitch (Salem) 28:24.
86. Kelly-Jo Little (Salem) 28:39, 88. Kaitlyn Francis (South Range) 28:49, 89. Calen Otto (Lisbon) 28:53, 90. Adrianna DeLucia (South

Range) 29:15, 92. Lacey Shasteen (Salem) 30:10, 93. Amanda Valiente (Salem) 30:19, 94. Brooke Otto (South Range) 30:21, 95. Hannah Standley (South Range) 30:42, 96. Mara Newton (Leetonia) 30:49, 97. Gracie White (South Range) 30:53.

101. Kerry Dombroski (Salem) 32:46, 102. Hazel Minich (South Range) 33:07, 103. Olivia Wince (South Range) 33:28, 104. Sam Millison (South Range) 34:42, 106. Maggie Cull (Salem) 42:54, 107. Makenzie Kornbau (Salem) 55:15.

JR HIGH BOYS RESULTS
STANDINGS: 1. Niles 66, 2. Jackson-Milton 68, 3. South Range 70, 4. Canfield 115, 5. Salem 127, 6. Ravenna 128, 7. Boardman Center 149, 8. Boardman Glenwood 160.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS
1. Austin Teeters (Jackson-Milton) 10:51, 2. Ian Pierson (South Range) 11:34, 3. Craig Test (Niles) 11:54, 4. Giovanni Copploe (Canfield) 12:00, 5. Devin Pancake (Columbiana) 12:01.

JR HIGH GIRLS RESULTS
STANDINGS: 1. Canfield 69, 2. Boardman Glenwood 79, 3. South Range 96, 4. Boardman Center 103, 5. Niles 106, 6. Jackson-Milton 106, 7. Salem 187, 8. Ravenna 188, 9. Lisbon 207.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS
1. Michaeli Terranova (Jackson-Milton) 12:16, 2. Haley Peterson (Leetonia) 12:46, 3. Lillian Kimpel (South Range) 13:08, 4. Alyssa Reichard (Niles) 13:10, 5. Casey Zaitzew (Boardman Glenwood) 13:14.

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Kuchar, Woodland tied for lead at Barclays

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — Matt Kuchar and Gary Woodland began their week at The Barclays by going to Citi Field and getting a tour of the clubhouse, where Kuchar noticed an indoor batting cage and asked if they could try it out. He stood behind the net and threw to Woodland, a promising baseball player in high school. “Gary hit and was really impressive,” Kuchar said. “I didn’t hit and didn’t show anything differently, but Gary was impressive swinging a baseball bat.” Woodland isn’t too bad with a golf club in his hands, either. Playing with Kuchar in the final group, Woodland ran off four straight birdies Saturday afternoon with another powerful display of his athleticism and shot a 3-under 68, giving him a share of the lead with Kuchar going into the final round at Liberty National. The large group at 7-under 206 included 20-year-old Jordan Spieth, Bubba Watson, Jim Furyk, Justin Rose and Rickie Fowler.

US Open adds metal detectors for fans this year

NEW YORK (AP) — Fans attending the U.S. Open this year will have to pass through metal detectors as part of the U.S. Tennis Association’s enhanced security. The screening process will also include the use of wands to check spectators. There will be a limit of one bag per person and backpacks are prohibited at the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, which has drawn more than 650,000 fans over the two-week span of the tournament the last six years. Play begins Monday, with defending champion Serena Williams, Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal among those playing in 23,000-seat Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Boxing great Mike Tyson surprises NY wedding party

VERONA, N.Y. (AP) — An upstate New York wedding went an extra round when boxing great Mike Tyson just happened to stumble upon the wedding party posing for pictures. The Observer-Dispatch of Utica reports Saturday the Brooklyn-born boxer was crossing the lawn of the Turning Stone Resort Casino in Verona, N.Y., as Greg and Amber Keller snapped photos with their bridesmaids and groomsmen Friday evening. Greg Keller says Tyson posed for photographs, congratulated the happy bride and groom on their union and was “extremely nice.” Tyson, a Hall of Famer, was in Verona for his first promotional fight card featuring boxers from his newly created “Iron Mike Productions.” The newly married man says Tyson’s surprise cameo energized the evening’s celebrations.

Pirates place OF Starling Marte on 15-day DL

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Pittsburgh Pirates placed leadoff hitter Starling Marte on the 15-day disabled list Saturday with a bruised right hand. Marte was injured when he was thrown out trying to steal third base in the eighth inning of Pittsburgh’s 4-2 loss to the Arizona Diamondbacks on Aug. 18. Marte’s right hand was stepped on during the play. He remained in the game but hasn’t played since. Before getting hurt Marte was batting .282 with 11 home runs and 33 RBIs. He is third in the NL with 35 stolen bases. Andrew Lambo was called up from Triple-A Indianapolis to replace Marte.

Sandusky victim: PSU should have stopped him

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Victims of convicted child abuser Jerry Sandusky who have reached settlements with his former employer, Penn State University, express bitterness toward him and the school as university officials say they continue to negotiate with others toward resolving their complaints. At least eight of 31 claims of abuse by the school’s former assistant football coach have been settled, their lawyers say. Among them were deals reached by Sandusky’s adopted son and a Sandusky victim key to longtime coach Joe Paterno’s firing. The men known in court documents as Victims 3, 7 and 10 released statements Saturday through the lawyers, saying that although they are relieved the settlement process is over for them, they won’t get their childhoods back.

IndyCar drivers would welcome back J.P. Montoya

SONOMA, Calif. (AP) — If Juan Pablo Montoya returns to IndyCar next year, he’ll get a warm welcome from the drivers he’ll have to beat. Michael Andretti is looking for sponsors for an IndyCar ride for Montoya, who is leaving Chip Ganassi’s NASCAR team. Montoya says he hasn’t decided where he’s going next, but several drivers at Sonoma Raceway think he belongs back in American open-wheel racing, which left in 2001 for Formula One, followed by an underwhelming foray into NASCAR. “It would be nice to see him with a smile on his face,” said Dario Franchitti, a longtime teammate who drives for Ganassi’s IndyCar team. Montoya spent the past seven years in NASCAR, winning just twice in 239 starts with Ganassi teams. Yet the 37-year-old Colombian still is widely considered an elite driving talent, and he had his best years in open-wheel racing. Franchitti has been racing against Montoya since even before their days in CART more than a decade ago, and the Scot has teamed with Montoya at the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona. “I think it would be great for the series, and I think it would be great for Juan Pablo, if he wants to do it,” said Franchitti, who’s on the pole for Sunday’s IndyCar race in Northern California wine country. “I know how good a driver he is,” Franchitti added. “I’d like to think, coming back here, he would get his motivation back and put a smile on his face. I would love to see it happen. He’s definitely got the hunger, and I think he’s at the stage of his life and his career that he’s only going to do something that he wants and he can enjoy.” That something just might be IndyCar, which could use his talent and star power — and Andretti is trying to make it happen for his former opponent.

► NFL

Colts get defensive vs. Browns, 27-6

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indianapolis may finally have the kind of defense that can complement its offense, and Andrew Luck likes it. After throwing two touchdown passes and watching the Colts’ suddenly dominant defense score its own TD in Saturday night’s 27-6 victory over Cleveland, Luck explained the best part of the night for him was standing on the sideline as the Colts’ defense went to work. “They’ve been opportunistic, they’ve been getting their hands on balls,” Luck said. “They were a pain in the butt to go against in practice, and it’s fun to see them play this way out here.”

When coach Chuck Pagano took the Colts job last year, he promised to improve the usually maligned defense. Now, the Colts are finally beginning to show what they can do. Over the last two weeks, Indy has not allowed a touchdown. Before leaving early in the third quarter Saturday, the starting defense limited Cleveland (2-1) to four first downs and just three plays in Colts territory, one of those being a punt. They forced two turnovers, including Larry Asante’s late 48-yard interception return for a score, and harassed Browns quarterbacks all night long. Cleveland never even made it into the red zone.

“It’s very exciting to see guys humming around, having fun and getting the job done at the same time,” five-time Pro Bowler Robert Mathis said. Saturday night’s performance also was a drastic improvement over what Colts fans witnessed in this same venue two weeks ago, when Buffalo’s rookie quarterbacks EJ Manuel and Jeff Tuel dinked-and-dunked their way to a 44-20 victory that drew the ire of Irsay. Of course in that game, most of Indy’s starters exited before the end of the first quarter. This time, Browns quarterback Brandon Weeden had to contend with a very different lineup. Pro Bowl safety LaRon Landry made his preseason debut against the Browns, and linebacker Pat Angerer was on the physically unable to

Chiefs rally late, edge Steelers

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh’s Ben Roethlisberger and Kansas City’s Alex Smith fought to a first-half draw and the Chiefs beat the Steelers 26-20 in overtime on Saturday night. Roethlisberger was 13 of 19 for 166 yards and a 13-yard touchdown pass to Jonathan Dwyer as the Steelers shook off two lethargic performances with easily their best 30 minutes of the preseason. Smith struggled early but led Kansas City to a pair of scoring drives late in the first half and finished 17 of 24 for 158 yards and a touchdown. Kansas City’s Jamaal Charles ran seven times for 10 yards in his first game after spraining his right foot earlier this month. Kansas City won it on a 15-yard touchdown pass from Chase Daniel to Rico Richardson on the first possession of overtime. Following a pair of largely lifeless efforts, Roethlisberger stressed it was hardly time to panic. In the closest thing to the real thing the NFL provides in August, the Steelers responded with a decidedly more urgent tone against the Chiefs. Roethlisberger hit Antonio Brown for a 49-yard gain on Pittsburgh’s second offensive play, leading to a field goal. The Steelers followed it up with their first offensive touchdown since the 2012 regular season finale against Cleveland.

perform list against Buffalo. Having both back marked the first time this preseason the Colts had their entire starting unit on the field at the same time. The result: Weeden went 12 of 25 for 105 yards just four days after coach Rob Chudzinski chose him as the starter for the regular season. There were drops, turnovers and penalties. Trent Richardson carried seven times for 31 yards, but the rest of the Browns managed only 28 yards rushing. Cleveland didn’t even get on the scoreboard until Weeden took them on a 48-yard drive — against the Colts backups — that ended with Shayne Graham’s 50-yard field goal late in the third quarter. And all this from a team that had beaten the

MEYER FROM 1B

There are great players in the Big Ten conference. “The SEC has more great players.” The SEC’s control of the sport began with Meyer during his days at Florida with a landslide 41-14 victory over unbeaten and No. 1 Ohio State in the 2006 season’s national title game. After another SEC school, LSU, routed the Buckeyes again a year later, Meyer and the Gators added another crystal trophy in 2008. The SEC’s iron grip on No. 1 has continued to this day. Now Meyer is at Ohio State and is on the other side, trying to break that

streak. He concedes it may help that he has insight into what it might take to do that because of his up-close look at the SEC in his six years at Florida (2005-10) and another year spent as a college football analyst at ESPN. “I know the highest level,” he said. “Yep. I think it helps, to answer your question.” But he backed away from making any promises that this might be the year the domination ends or that his Buckeyes might be the team to do it. “I’m not worried about the SEC,” he said recently during Ohio State’s preparation for its 2013 opener. “I’m worried about the Big

Ten.” A glance at the preseason AP poll doesn’t appear to show that anyone is gaining ground on the SEC. Alabama, winner of the last two national titles and three of the last four, is a clear-cut choice as No. 1. Ohio State is second, but there are five SEC teams in the top 10 for the second year in a row in the initial poll. Georgia is No. 5, South Carolina No. 6, Texas A&M and Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel are at No. 7 and Florida is at No. 10. By the way, the SEC’s coaches don’t even think Manziel — who gave the conference its fourth Heisman winner in the last six

years — is the best quarterback in the league. They picked Georgia’s Aaron Murray as preseason first team. Is it any wonder that some coaches and schools are getting tired of hearing about the SEC? “Don’t talk to me about the SEC. Let’s compare specific programs,” Nebraska coach Bo Pelini said at the Big Ten preseason meetings. “The whole SEC isn’t Alabama, isn’t LSU, isn’t Georgia. Let’s talk about certain teams. There are some teams in the SEC that are trying to bridge the gap to be us. Everybody wants to lump the whole SEC into one category. Let’s not go there.”

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U.S. OPEN TENNIS

US OPEN '13: Murray aims to defend first major title

By HOWARD FENDRICH
AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK — Andy Murray chuckled as he explained the very best part about owning a pair of Grand Slam titles, one from the U.S. Open last year, the other from Wimbledon last month.

No more of those nagging, oft-repeated queries — the ones he heard over and over and over again.

“Not too much for me has changed. But the one thing that’s been nice is that, literally for five or six years, I did a press conference before every tournament and after every single match, and I got asked that question, I’d say, 90 percent of the time: Why have you never won Wimbledon? When are you going to win Wimbledon? Why have you not won a Grand Slam?” Murray said in an interview with The Associated Press.

“So that’s the thing that, for me, has been the nicest: Not having to answer that question,” he added, standing outside the locker rooms at Arthur Ashe Stadium, not far from the oversized color picture and silver plaque that commemorate his 2012 victory at Flushing Meadows. “I can just play tennis now and not have to worry about that anymore.”

That’s right. When the year’s last major tennis tournament begins on the U.S. Open’s blue hard courts Monday, Murray will have other concerns.

For example: What might it feel like to successfully defend a Grand Slam championship? That’s something he’s never tried to do before, of course.

Or how many of these can he win?
Or, really, will he even be able to win one more?

Yes, for a guy who has accomplished so much over the past 13 months, redefining his career and place in the game, Murray still sounds very much like someone harboring quite a bit of uncertainty. His success at the U.S. Open in 2012 did, after all, make him the first British man since Fred Perry in 1936 to win a Grand Slam title. His success at Wimbledon in July, as everyone knows by now, made him the first British man since Perry 77 years ago to earn the singles trophy at the All England Club. Toss in a London Olympics gold medal, and it’s been quite a run.

“He’s turned into a great player. He’s always been a good hitter of the ball, been a great mover. I think mentally he’s a bit better now,” 14-time major champion Pete Sampras said recently. “Now he feels like he belongs.”

Maybe. But Murray also remembers what came before.

He remembers — and, much to his chagrin, there was a time when he frequently was reminded of it by others — that he lost each of the first four Grand Slam finals he reached.

“I know how long it took me to win one and how hard it is to win them. I know it’s possible I may not win another one,” the 26-year-old from Scotland said, his tone and facial expression earnest. “So I just want to keep trying to put myself in position to win Grand Slams and hopefully I can do the same again here.”

Indeed, Murray anticipates some shakiness at the start of the U.S. Open.

Instead of declaring that he will step on court with the bravado of a defending champion, Murray wonders whether his play might be affected in a bad way at the outset of this U.S. Open because of what happened a year ago.

“Depending on how the tournament goes, at the start of the tournament, I expect to be pretty nervous and feel maybe more pressure than I have in some years,” he said. “But then I would hope, if I can do well and get through the first few rounds, that it would actually give me confidence. Once I get myself into the tournament, I may calm down and actually start feeling more confident that I can win the event. Whereas before, it might have actually been the opposite. I might have felt OK at the start, and when I got closer to the end of the tournament, felt more pressure and more nerves and less confidence.”

The 2012 women’s champion, Serena Williams, owns 16 Grand Slam titles, four at the U.S. Open. Usually when she loses at a major tournament, the sting sticks around for a while.

That was the case with this year’s Wimbledon, where her 34-match winning streak surprisingly ended with a fourth-round exit.

“I was obviously bothered. I wanted to do better. I was disappointed. I’m still disappointed,” Williams said, 7 1/2 weeks after that setback. “But I had opportunities and I didn’t take them in the match. I have to realize that I have to just be better and learn from the experience. It’s not the end of the world. I can always do better and keep growing.”

Asked what advice she might offer Murray about attempting to repeat as champion at a Grand Slam tournament, the No. 1-seeded Williams said: “For me, it’s not about defending. It’s about: ‘This is the U.S. Open. I want to try to win this title.’ Last year was last year. Now it’s time to try to have fun this year. That’s how I look at it.”

Murray is seeded No. 3, and the expectation is that he or one of the men ahead of

10 THINGS TO KNOW FOR US OPEN TENNIS

NEW YORK (AP) — *A look at 10 of the top topics at the U.S. Open, the hard-court Grand Slam tennis tournament that begins Monday and ends Sept. 9:*

1. MURRAY’S FIRST DEFENSE: For the first time, Andy Murray will be the defending champion at a Grand Slam tournament — and he suspects he’ll be more nervous than usual in the early rounds. Will be intriguing to see if that’s true. His championship at the 2012 U.S. Open made him the first man from Britain to win a major title since Fred Perry in 1936. And last month, Murray ended Britain’s 77-year wait for a male champion at Wimbledon.

2. RAFA RETURNS: Rafael Nadal has gone through all manner of ups and downs over the past two seasons, including a seven-month absence because of knee trouble — he missed two Grand Slam tournaments, including last year’s U.S. Open — plus two more French Open titles and two quick exits at Wimbledon. He’s looked terrific lately, improving to 15-0 on hard courts in 2013 by winning the Montreal and Cincinnati tournaments this month. He’s back up to No. 2 in the rankings, behind only Novak Djokovic, who has reached at least the semifinals in each of his past six visits to Flushing Meadows.

3. FEDERER AT NO. 7: Roger Federer’s 17 Grand Slam titles include five at the U.S. Open. He was ranked No. 1 for more weeks than any man in history. He was seeded No. 1 at 18 consecutive Grand Slam tournaments from 2004-08. And now? Well, he turned 32 this month, has fiddled around with a bigger racket, is coming off his earliest loss at a Grand Slam tournament in a decade, and is seeded No. 7 at the U.S. Open. If he makes it to the quarterfinals, he’d face his nemesis, Nadal.

4. ANYONE OUTSIDE THE BIG 4?: The so-called Big 4 of Federer, Nadal, Djokovic and Murray have combined to win 33 of the past 34 Grand Slam titles, a stretch that began in 2005. Is there any chance anyone else breaks through at this tournament? Any discussion of other contenders must begin with the guy who kept it from being 34 of 34 — Juan Martin del Potro, the 6-foot-6 Argentine with the booming forehand who surprised Federer in five sets in the 2009 U.S. Open final. Another big hitter to keep an eye on? No. 5 Tomas Berdych, the 2010 Wimbledon runner-up, although consistency is not his strong suit.

5. THE AMERICAN MEN: Andy Roddick’s name might very well be mentioned as much over the coming weeks as Perry’s has been uttered at Wimbledon. This U.S. Open is the 40th Grand Slam tournament since an American man won a major title, Roddick’s at Flushing Meadows in 2003. Used to be unthinkable that the United States would go a full decade without claiming one of tennis’ most prestigious titles. “The drought has been going on for quite some time now,” John Isner noted. Earlier this month, for the only time in the 40-year history of the ATP computer rankings, zero U.S. men appeared in the top 20.

6. WILLIAMS TRIES TO MAKE IT TWO: For all Serena Williams has accomplished, one tiny thing missing from her resume is a successful title defense at the U.S. Open, the site of a couple of her infamous meltdowns. She won her fourth trophy at Flushing Meadows last year, edging No. 2 Victoria Azarenka in a gripping three-set final. When Williams is on, she’s certainly the woman to beat. But Azarenka believes she has a chance against Williams, a rare quality on the women’s tour; Azarenka won their final at Cincinnati this month. Still, Williams is ranked No. 1, which means she’s seeded No. 1 in New York — the last time that happened was 2002, and she won the tournament.

7. WHO IS NOT HERE: Maria Sharapova surprisingly withdrew the day before the draw, leaving the field without a four-time Grand Slam champion and TV broadcasters without one of the sport’s top stars. Even more surprising: Wimbledon champion Marion Bartoli isn’t entered in the U.S. Open, either, and it’s because she suddenly announced her retirement this month at age 28.

8. YOUNG AMERICAN WOMEN: Sloane Stephens is seeded 15th, and the sport’s biggest stages bring out her best tennis: She upset Williams en route to the Australian Open semifinals, made it to the Wimbledon quarterfinals before losing to eventual champion Bartoli, and got to the second week at the French Open, too.

9. MONDAY, MONDAY: For the first time in the Open era, which began in 1968, the year’s last Grand Slam tournament is scheduled to end on a Monday — a result of the push by top players to provide a day of rest between the men’s semifinals and final, instead of the U.S. Open’s long-standing Saturday-Sunday finish. Each of the past five years, the U.S. Open wrapped up on Monday, but only because of rain delays. Weather-related problems should become a thing of the past in the not-too-distant future: The U.S. Tennis Association announced plans to build two retractable roofs.

10. MONEY, MONEY, EVERYWHERE: Another result of lobbying by top players is an increase in prize money at Grand Slam tournaments — the U.S. Open is raising its total payout about 35 percent in 2013, to more than \$34 million. That includes \$2.6 million each to the men’s and women’s singles champions. A player who loses in the first round of singles will get \$32,000.

him, No. 1 Novak Djokovic and No. 2 Rafael Nadal, will hold the trophy after the final, which is scheduled for Sept. 9. It’s the first time since 1954 that the tournament is supposed to end on a Monday (the men’s final was played on a Monday each of the past five years, but that was because of rain delays).

That trio divvied up the season’s first three Grand Slam titles, with Djokovic winning his fourth at the Australian Open, and Nadal his eighth at the French Open. They also have split the past three U.S. Open titles (Nadal won in 2010, Djokovic in 2011).

“You can’t really say who is the clear favorite, because it always goes down the wire who is going to win it,” Djokovic said Saturday. “That’s the beauty of the sport. That’s the beauty of the rivalries that we have at the present moment.”

NASCAR

Kenseth holds off Kahne to get 5th win of season

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — Kasey Kahne was fed up with all of Joe Gibbs Racing by the time contact with Matt Kenseth ended his race at Watkins Glen earlier this month.

It was the fourth time a JGR driver had wrecked him, and he took to Twitter to voice his displeasure, posting: “Headed to Joe Gibbs Racing to talk to whoever will come out front.”

But when he had his chance Saturday night to right all of those wrongs, Kahne passed.

A clean racer to his core, he trailed Kenseth for a dozen laps around Bristol Motor Speedway, trying every which way possible to pass him without wrecking him and failing miserably. The result was Kenseth grabbing his Sprint Cup Series leading fifth win of the season, while Kahne settled for a disappointing second.

“I don’t know,” sighed Kahne. “I just ... I think at the end of the day, I just don’t wreck people.”

It’s the third time this season Kahne has finished second behind Kenseth, who on Saturday night clinched at least a wild card berth in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

Kahne, meanwhile, is still hoping just to make it into the Chase. With two wins on the year he’s in pretty good shape, but he’s only eighth in the standings with two races remaining to set the 12 driver field.

After Kahne passed Juan Pablo Montoya for second he set his sights on Kenseth and tried numerous times over the final dozen laps to make the pass, but never could make it stick. He went for the bump and run on the last lap and missed, and has to settle for second.

“I had a better car. I just couldn’t clear him,” Kahne said. “There was a couple shots I took, and I had to have been close, but I could feel him on the right side of my car, and I just didn’t clear him. I didn’t figure out how to get by. It’s disappointing not to win here. I thought we had the best car the last 200 laps, and it was a lot of work.”

Montoya, who learned two weeks ago he won’t be brought back to Chip Ganassi Racing next season, was third.



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- (4) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 500, 92, 0.
- (6) Joey Logano, Ford, 500, 97.9, 39.
- (21) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 500, 92.8, 39.
- (32) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 500, 111.3, 37.
- (14) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 500, 78.7, 36.
- (29) Greg Biffle, Ford, 500, 77.2, 35.
- (19) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 500, 112.4, 35
- (43) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 500, 80.1, 33.
- (17) David Ragan, Ford, 500, 67.1, 32.
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- (36) Dave Blaney, Chevrolet, 497, 48.5, 22.
- (33) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 497, 42.9, 0.
- (34) J.J. Yeley, Chevrolet, 496, 46.2, 20.
- (25) David Gilliland, Ford, 495, 49.6, 19.
- (22) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 493, 46.2, 18.
- (35) Ken Schrader, Ford, 491, 37, 17.
- (1) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 487, 82.9, 17.
- (31) David Reutimann, Toyota, 483, 55.9, 15.
- (12) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 478, 66.7, 14.
- (2) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 476, 77.8, 14.
- (40) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 475, 29.9, 0.
- (30) Casey Mears, Ford, 467, 48.7, 11.
- (15) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 449, 81.6, 11.
- (9) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, accident, 446, 93.2, 10
- (13) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 440, 50.2, 8.
- (28) Josh Wise, Ford, 418, 43.8, 0.
- (23) Bobby Labonte, Toyota, 394, 69, 6.
- (3) Carl Edwards, Ford, engine, 387, 108.1, 6.
- (42) Scott Speed, Ford, brakes, 223, 27.5, 4.
- (26) Michael McDowell, Ford, engine, 175, 37.1, 3
- (18) Ryan Truex, Chevrolet, accident, 39, 29.4, 0
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Rundown on the 2016 presidential prep checklist

By CALVIN WOODWARD

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 2016 presidential election only seems far away if you're not planning to run in it. For those who are thinking about seeking their party's presidential nomination, there's so very much to do, starting yesterday.

This is a time to get to know donors, to get the public to know you on TV and social media, to visit big primary states, network with the activists and ideologues, produce a vanity book, polish a record, deal with personal baggage, take a stand, develop a world view and scout for advisers and political organizations that can power up a campaign team. All while sounding coy about running. And in some cases, not even being sure you will.

The main players: For the Democrats, Vice President Joe Biden, former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley; and for the Republicans, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal; Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan and Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker.

NON-DENIAL DENIAL: Cagney words that cloak presidential ambitions, and none too convincingly.

Democrats

Biden: "I can die a happy man never having been president of the United States of America. But it doesn't mean I won't run."

Clinton: "I have absolutely no plans to run. ... I don't know everything I'll be doing. I'll be working on behalf of women and girls, and hopefully be writing and speaking. Those are the things that I am planning to do right now. ... I'm looking forward to this next chapter in my life, whatever it is."

Cuomo: "To the extent that I'm focusing on politics, it's my (governor's) race next year."

O'Malley: "By the end of this year, we're on course to have a body of work that lays the framework of the candidacy for 2016."

Republicans

Bush: "My thinking is not to think about it for a year."

Christie: "I'm nowhere near making that decision yet, at all. I mean, I think anybody who tries to plan in politics that far in advance is crazy. ... I love being governor and I want to stay as governor."

Jindal: "The reality is anybody who's thinking about 2016 needs to have their head examined. It's way too early."

Paul: "We're thinking about growing the party. What comes after that, we'll see."

Rubio: "I told people I haven't even thought about that. That's a decision far in the future."

Ryan: "I will give it serious consideration, but I'm going to do that later on."

Walker: "That's not anything I've really spent a whole lot of time thinking about."

WRITE A BOOK: The perfect stage-setter, just ask Barack Obama ("Dreams from My Father," 2004; "The Audacity of Hope," 2006.)

Democrats

Biden: Not since "Promises to Keep" from '07.

Cuomo: Yes, coming in 2014.

Clinton: Yes, coming in 2014.

O'Malley: No.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, on immigration.

Christie: No.

Jindal: Yes, but in 2010.

Paul: "Government Bullies: How Everyday Americans Are Being Harassed, Abused, and Imprisoned by the Feds," in 2012; "The Tea Party Goes to Washington," 2011.

Rubio: Yes, "An American Son: A Memoir," 2012.

Ryan: Among various authors of "The Path to Prosperity: A Blueprint for American Renewal," with the snoozy sub-sub-title: "Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Resolution."

Walker: Yes, "Unintimidated: A Governor's Story and a Nation's Challenge," is coming in the fall with former Bush speechwriter Marc Thiessen as ghost-writer.

Republicans

GO TO IOWA: Its caucuses are the opening act of the nomination contest.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, in 2012 campaign.

Clinton: No.

Cuomo: No.

O'Malley: Yes, headlined Sen. Tom Harkin's annual steak fry in the fall.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, in 2012.

An early look at who might and who might not run — for now

Christie: Yes, in 2012.

Jindal: Yes, summer visit, then flew with Iowa governor to governors association meeting in Milwaukee. In Iowa seven times in 2012.

Paul: Yes, Lincoln Day Dinner in May, meeting with pastors in July.

Rubio: Yes, in 2012 just days after the election.

Ryan: Yes, multiple times as 2012 veep candidate. Keynote speaker at governor's annual birthday fundraiser coming in November.

Walker: Yes, May fund-raiser.

GO TO NEW HAMPSHIRE: Nation's first primary comes after Iowa and is just as important.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, in 2012 campaign, and 2013 fundraiser planned in Maine for New Hampshire governor.

Clinton: No.

Cuomo: No.

O'Malley: No.

Republicans

Bush: No.

Christie: Yes, three times in 2012.

Jindal: Yes, headlined state GOP fundraiser in May, visited twice in 2012.

Paul: Yes, headlined state GOP fundraiser in May.

Rubio: Yes, multiple times in 2012.

Ryan: Yes, multiple times as veep candidate in 2012.

Walker: Yes, keynote speaker at 2012 state GOP convention.

GO ABROAD: Helps to give neophytes foreign policy cred, and Israel is a touchstone for U.S. politicians.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, tons.

Clinton: Yes, nearly 1 million miles as secretary of state. Canadian speech since leaving State Department.

Cuomo: Yes, but not much lately.

Israel twice in 2002.

O'Malley: Yes. Israel this year for a second time. Also Denmark, Ireland, France in 2013. Asia in 2011, Iraq in 2010.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, several overseas trips a year. Three times to Israel since 1980s.

Christie: Yes, Israel and Jordan in 2012.

Jindal: No, not as governor.

Paul: Yes, Israel and Jordan in January.

Rubio: Yes, Israel and Jordan in February, also Israel after 2010 Senate election.

Ryan: Yes, Middle East during congressional career; visited troops in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Walker: Yes, China in April. Not been to Israel.

DON'T FORGET SOUTH CAROLINA: First Southern primary and big in its own right.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, headlined annual fundraising dinner in May for state party, appeared at Rep. James Clyburn's annual fish-fry, Easter weekend vacation on Kiawah Island.

Clinton: No.

Cuomo: No.

O'Malley: Yes, April speech to party activists.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, 2012 speech.

Christie: Yes, helped Mitt Romney raise money in 2012.

Jindal: Yes, attending August fundraiser for governor.

Paul: Yes, headlined two fundraisers.

Rubio: Yes, headlined 2012 Silver Elephant dinner.

Ryan: Yes, in 2012 campaign.

Walker: Yes, attending August fund-raiser for governor.

MEET THE MONEY: To know donors now is to tap them later.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, schmoozes party contributors at private receptions.

Clinton: No, but supporters are raising big money to encourage her to run.

Cuomo: Flush coffers for 2014 governor's race.

O'Malley: Yes, as finance chairman for Democratic Governors Association in 2014 mid-term campaign.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, party this summer for his book at home of Woody Johnson, owner of New York Jets and leading Republican bundler.

Christie: Yes, aggressive 2013 national fundraising tour for his governor's race, attended Romney's Utah retreat with major party donors in June.

Jindal: Yes, met leading GOP donors in New York City.

Paul: Yes, attended Romney's Utah

retreat with major party donors, met GOP donors in New York City.

Rubio: Yes, met major GOP donors in New York City, attended Washington meeting with Romney bundlers.

Ryan: Yes, attended Romney's Utah retreat with major party donors, has 2012 campaign money connections.

Walker: Yes, headlined 2013 fundraisers in New York and Connecticut.

NETWORK LIKE MAD: Taking their case to ideologues, activists and party heavyweights who hold great sway in nomination race.

Democrats

Biden: Yes, vigorously with Dems and activists.

Clinton: Limited, getting started with speeches.

Cuomo: Very little on the radar.

Skipped national governors meeting in August.

O'Malley: Yes, vigorously, and big splash at national governors meeting.

Republicans

Bush: Yes, with conservative activists, education leaders.

Christie: Yes, keynote speaker at 2012 GOP convention; will be 2014 chairman of GOP governors association.

Jindal: Yes, headlined winter meeting of Republican National Committee; lots of conservative outreach.

Paul: Yes, plenty. Conservative activists, tech leaders, Reagan Presidential Library speech.

Rubio: Yes, conservative and party activists.

Ryan: Yes, prime networker as 2012 veep candidate. Helping fellow House members raise money.

Walker: Belle of the ball as host of the National Governors Association meeting in August.

HOG THE TV: Achieving national recognition by sermonizing on the Sunday talk shows, or going for soft questions and easy laughs on late-night TV.

Democrats

Biden: No, not lately.

Clinton: No. But stay tuned for "Hillary" miniseries.

Cuomo: No.

O'Malley: Frequently on Sunday talk shows in 2012 campaign, once since.

Republicans

Bush: Six Sunday talk show appearances since 2012 election, including all five shows on March 10 to plug book on immigration.

Christie: Yes, late-night TV circuit, playing for laughs.

Jindal: Two Sunday talk shows since 2012 election.

Paul: Eight Sunday talk shows since election, leads the chattering pack.

Rubio: Six Sunday talk shows since election, including all five on April 13.

Ryan: Five Sunday talks shows since election.

Walker: Four Sunday talk shows since election.

ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING: For voters who want to support doers, not just talkers.

Democrats

Biden: Point man on gun control, which failed. Lots on foreign policy. Negotiated fiscal cliff deal.

Clinton: Record as secretary of state, senator and first lady.

Cuomo: Pushed New York's legalization of gay marriage, first gun-control law after Newtown, Conn., school massacre. Minimum wage boost, on-time budgets, teacher standards.

O'Malley: : Toughened gun laws, repealed death penalty, saw voters approve gay marriage after he got behind legislation to approve it, set up a framework to develop offshore wind power.

Republicans

Bush: As Florida governor, revamped state educational system, cut taxes, managed state through hurricanes.

Christie: Led state's response to Superstorm Sandy. Agreed to expand state's Medicaid program under Obamacare while some other Republican governors have refused. Vetoed bill that would have legalized gay marriage, signed law increasing pension and health costs for public workers.

Jindal: Privatized much of Louisiana's Medicaid program, shrank public hospital system, signed statewide voucher program that covers private school tuition for certain students. Signed abortion restrictions, fought liberalization of adoption law, making it impossible for gay couples to adopt jointly. Hurricane and Gulf oil spill disaster response.

Paul: One-man, nearly 13-hour Senate filibuster to protest drone policy put him at forefront of civil liberties debate.

Rubio: Broker of Senate immigration overhaul, though he's gone quiet on the issue. Working with anti-abortion groups on Senate version of bill that would ban abortions after 20 weeks.

Ryan: Budget-hawk record to be judged on. Emerging as influential moderate on immigration.

Walker: Curbs on public service unions became national flashpoint, but he won the effort — and the recall election that followed.

TAKE A NATIONAL STAND: Effective state governance is nice but leaders must build national stature on issues of the day.

Democrats

Biden: Eclectic. Guns, violence against women, gay rights, veterans.

Clinton: Eclectic. Recent speeches have focused on the economy, housing, opportunities for women, voting rights.

Cuomo: Environmentalists nationally and the energy industry are closely watching his pending decision whether to allow fracking in upstate New York counties near the Pennsylvania line.

O'Malley: The liberal checklist: more spending on education, infrastructure, transportation; supports same-sex marriage, immigration reform, repealing death penalty, pushes environmental protections.

Republicans

Bush: Education, immigration, economy.

Christie: Moderate on the reach and functions of government. Yet took on labor unions, opposes gay marriage and opposes abortion rights except in case of rape, incest or to save the life of the woman.

Jindal: A record of privatization to show he means government should be downsized, happy to carry a social conservative banner.

Paul: Tea party plus. Fiscal conservative, criticizes surveillance state. Praised Supreme Court gay marriage ruling as one that avoids "culture war."

Rubio: Economy, abortion, tea party fiscal conservatism; immigration liberalization if he decides to get back to it.

Ryan: Cutting spending, taking on entitlements.

Walker: Fiscal stewardship, from a GOP point of view. Tough guy against the unions and liberal defenders of the status quo.

BAGGAGE TO CHECK: It's never too early to deal with skeletons in the closet; rivals will be rattling them soon enough.

Democrats

Biden: Flubs, fibs, age. Deflection: "I am who I am."

Clinton: Benghazi, polarizing when political, age. GOP wants to pin blame on her for vulnerability of U.S. diplomatic mission in Libya that came under deadly attack.

Cuomo: New York economy is dragging, his poll numbers have sunk, went through public and bitter divorce with Kerry Kennedy, daughter of late Sen. Robert Kennedy, in 2005.

O'Malley: A record of raising taxes that could be challenged by less liberal Democrats, never mind Republicans.

Republicans

Bush: The Bush factor. Does the country want a Bush dynasty after presidents George H. W. and George W.?

Christie: The fat factor and man dates with President Barack Obama and Bill Clinton.

Jindal: Ambitious plan to replace state's personal and corporate taxes with higher sales taxes flopped, delivered dud of a speech when given juicy platform of responding to Obama's first presidential address to Congress in 2009. Deflection: Poking fun at himself. Jindal administration's award of a \$200 million Medicaid contract is under investigation by state and federal grand juries.

Paul: Dear old dad: Must move beyond Ron Paul's fringe reputation. Bridge-burning in Congress endears him to tea party, could bite him otherwise. Deflection: GOP outreach to minorities.

Rubio: Rift with tea party constituency on immigration, "a real trial for me." Deflection: Go aggressive on a matter of common ground, which he did in vowing to take apart Obamacare. And stop talking about immigration. Response to Obama's 2013 State of the Union speech was remembered only for his clumsy reach

for water. Deflection: Make fun of himself.

Ryan: Budget axe cuts both ways — catnip to conservatives but people want their Medicare. Carries stigma of 2012 election loss as running mate.

Walker: Some things that give him huge appeal with GOP conservatives — taking on unions, most notably — would whip up Democratic critics in general election. Wisconsin near bottom in job creation.

RUN SHADOW CAMPAIGN: One way to run without running is to have a political action committee to promote ideas or other candidates for office, or to hire advisers who can switch to a campaign when the time comes.

Democrats

Biden: Limited, given his current position, but maintains close contact with political advisers past and present.

Clinton: Ready for Hillary super PAC set up by supporters is laying groundwork.

Cuomo: Overshadowed by Clinton's shadow campaign. Considered a likely contender if Clinton ends up not running.

O'Malley: Set up a PAC called O'Say Can You See and hired two people for fundraising and communications.

Republicans

Bush: He's a Bush — he's got connections. Statehouse lobbyist Sally Bradshaw, chief of staff when he was governor, is his go-to political person.

Christie: Building broad coalition of donors through his national fundraising tour this spring. There were also "draft Christie" movements in Iowa and South Carolina in 2011, where activists continue to support him. Hired senior Romney media mind Russ Schriefer in late spring.

Jindal: His media consulting shop is OnMessage, based in Alexandria, Va., where campaign strategist Curt Anderson has had long relationship with him. Timmy Teepell, former campaign chief of staff for Jindal, has been made partner.

Paul: Has leadership PAC called Rand PAC, maintains ties to father's political network in early primary states.

Rubio: Reclaim America PAC led by former deputy chief of staff, Terry Sullivan, veteran of South Carolina politics, expected to be active behind GOP candidates across country in 2014 midterms.

Ryan: His Prosperity Action PAC.

Walker: Consults with top Republican governor strategists such as Phil Musser and Nick Ayers.

GET WITH IT ON SOCIAL MEDIA: A must for spreading ideas, poking competitors, raising money, organizing events and showing a personal side, though often a very canned version.

Democrats

Biden: Not active on Facebook, occasional contributor to his office's Twitter account.

Clinton: Legions of followers, few tweets, since starting with Twitter in June. Not active on Facebook.

Cuomo: Few if any personal tweets; Facebook also generated primarily by staff.

O'Malley: On Twitter, standard governor's fare but promotes rare appearances by his Celtic rock band, O'Malley's March, for which he sings and plays guitar and tin whistle. On Facebook, his PAC-generated page is more active than official governor's account.

Republicans

Bush: Tweets many Wall Street Journal stories. On Facebook, promotes immigration book, education reform.

Christie: More engaged in Twitter ("It was great to be able to visit with the owners of Rossi's Rent-A-Rama in Ortle today.") than Facebook.

Jindal: Active on Twitter and on Facebook, where he lists among favorite books, "John Henry Newman: A Biography," about recently canonized British cardinal and sage. Also favors James Bond movies.

Paul: Aggressive. Bragged on Twitter in June that he'd attracted more than 1 million likes for his Facebook page, where he lists his own books as his favorites.

Rubio: Aggressive. King of Twitter in GOP field, second only to Clinton in followers. On Facebook, lists "Pulp Fiction" movie and "The Tudors" historical fiction TV series among favorites.

Ryan: King of Facebook among potential rivals in both parties, with nearly 4.9 million likes. Seeks \$10 donations for "Team Ryan" bumper stickers for his PAC and kisses a fish. Posts photo of Obama with his feet up on Oval Office desk.

"To know a little less and to understand a little more: that, it seems to me, is our greatest need."

— James Ramsey Ullman,
American author (1907-1971)

OUR SIDE

Propping up Obamacare

Federal funds — make that your tax dollars — just keep rolling in to West Virginia as the Obama administration tries to use the spoonful of sugar approach to force us to take its medicine.

Nearly \$650,000 is headed to two companies the federal government hopes will help enroll people in health insurance plans acceptable under the new national health care law. Advanced Patient Advocacy in Charleston and West Virginia Parent Training and Information in Clarksburg have been chosen to receive the money for their role as "marketplace navigators." One does not need much imagination to guess which direction the companies' compasses will point.

If West Virginia sought that kind of federal funding for any number of actual needs, this administration has already proven it would less-than-politely reject the request.

Any business owner reduced to shelling out that kind of money to try to force customers into buying a product they do not want or need would quickly change strategies, and likely, the product. But this administration has gone to great lengths to avoid learning from successful businesses and organizations.

Think of what kind of real good could be done in this state with \$650,000. Clearly, Washington has the cash to hand out. But Barack Obama has decided it is better spent to keep shoring up his pet project, "Obamacare."

Taxes have gone up, not just for "the wealthy" but for every American who works. The national debt is approaching \$17 trillion. Deficit spending still is reported in hundreds of billions of dollars a year.

But some liberals are saying that federal spending cuts can be put on the back burner now, because government revenue has been increasing.

What kind of insanity is that? Liberals' new confidence was bolstered by a report that federal government revenue through June was up 14 percent in comparison to the same period last year. The trend is expected to continue.

It has prompted some liberals to suggest the "sequester" spending cuts be rescinded and that talk of other reductions in the size of government be dropped.

But some of the revenue increase is because the payroll tax break, benefitting all Americans who work, was allowed to expire in January. And, again, Washington continues to spend far more than it receives.

The problem still is that our government spends too much. That cannot be allowed to continue.

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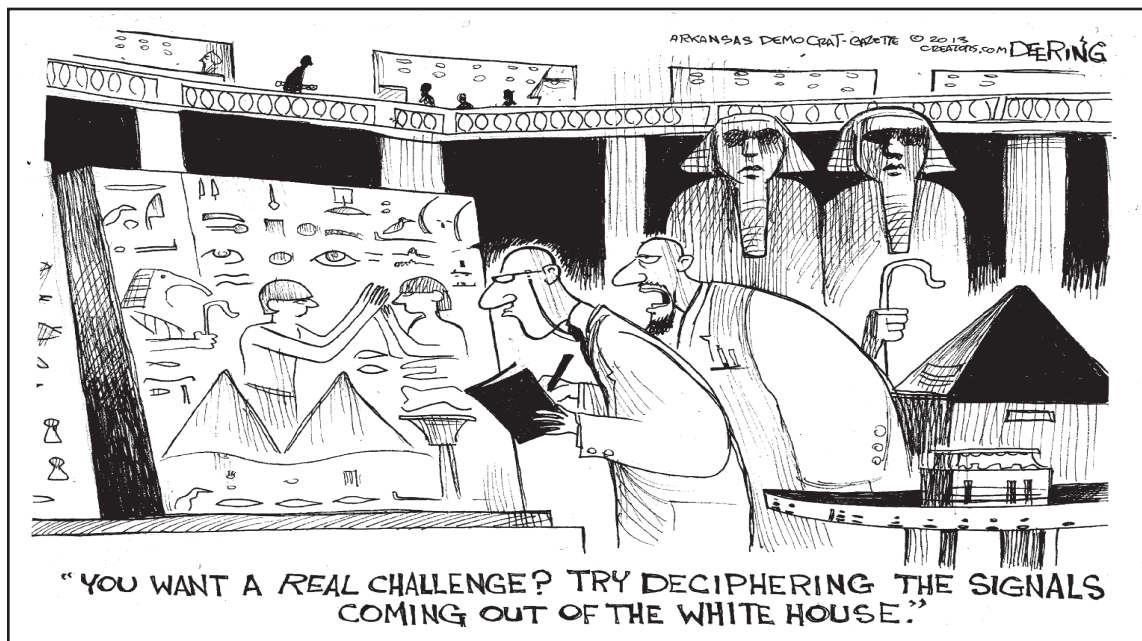
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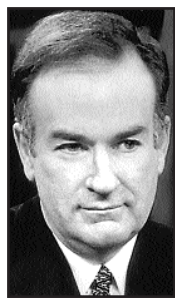
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"YOU WANT A REAL CHALLENGE? TRY DECIPHERING THE SIGNALS COMING OUT OF THE WHITE HOUSE."

Old days at St. Brigid School



BILL O'REILLY

One of the highlights of my summer experience was the 50th reunion of my graduating class from St. Brigid elementary school on Long Island. Back in 1963, 60 children sat in a small classroom hoping for big things in the future. We had spent eight years together, but now high school beckoned, and all of our lives would change dramatically.

Back then, America was a far different place than it is today. John F. Kennedy was president but had fewer than six months to live. The Beatles were just emerging. Alfred Hitchcock's "The Birds" was scaring everybody in the movie theaters. "The Andy Griffith Show" dominated on TV. There was no war, but civil unrest in the South was intense. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was making great strides in securing human rights for black Americans.

Twenty-two of my classmates made the reunion, and it was good to see all of them. Their lives have unfolded in mostly conventional ways. Most remain in the middle class and still believe in the fundamental goodness of their country and religion, although some are no longer practicing Catholics.

The reunion deal is the same all over. Folks who don't succeed in life often don't show up. The happy people usually come armed with pictures of their children and grandchildren. My reunion was very family focused.

Many of my classmates have led interesting lives, but unfortunately, I was the center of much attention. My visibility on television engendered much discussion, and I was happy to answer their questions. Since I was

always a loudmouth, my classmates delighted in reminding me that I haven't changed a bit and pointed out that only in America could I be well paid for doing something that got me a slap from Sister Thomas way back when.

The thing that is so different today is that children have little time to be innocent. We only had each other at St. Brigid. There were no cellphones, computers or video games. There was no Facebook. In fact, outside intrusions were rare. We played games like dodgeball and keep away. We attended square dances and Christmas concerts. It was all so basic, so simple. And there was a magic to it.

Today, children are thrust into an adult world at warp speed. I remember a kid named Billy McDermott explaining to me and the other 8th-graders that his older brother knew some girls who were "easy." Easy? We were all confused. And so was Billy as he struggled to define the term.

Today, many 8th-graders are thinking about tattoos and drugs. We all know how graphic the Internet is, and believe me, kids know how to access this stuff. So I ask you: Wasn't it better to be a kid in 1963? By the way, the answer is yes.

I feel sorry for the urchins these days. Responsible parents can mitigate some of the cultural damage but not all. We are living in fast times, in an era of selfishness and narcissism in which lowbrow entertainment envelops children like the chilly fog of San Francisco.

Good memories are forever. I had them back in 1963.

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Manufacturing the hate-crime hoax of the year



MICHELLE MALKIN

Busted. Stone-cold busted. Just as I suspected, "progressive" pranksters at Oberlin College have been definitively unmasked as the perpetrators of phony campus "hate crimes" that scored international headlines in March. The blabbermouth academic administrators who helped fuel the hysteria are now running for cover.

The Associated Press, The New York Times, MSNBC, Yahoo News and the Huffington Post were among the media outlets that trumpeted the story of supposed racism, homophobia and anti-Semitism run amok at my alma mater. Throughout the winter, anti-black and anti-gay graffiti, swastikas, and a shadowy figure in a "KKK hood" surfaced on the tiny campus outside Cleveland, Ohio. Black Entertainment Television News decried the hate outbreaks and "KKK sighting."

Because of my firsthand knowledge of Oberlin's long history of self-manufactured hate-crime incidents, the fake-hate-crime alarm bells went off immediately for me when I read the reports. Back in the 1990s, race-obsessed nutballs at Oberlin College cooked up a horrid hate-crime hoax. Asian-American students claimed that a phantom racist had spray-painted anti-Asian racial epithets on a campus landmark rock. It turned out that it was a warped Asian-American student who perpetrated the dirty deed.

Student newspapers were filled with complaints about imaginary racism. One Asian-American student accused a library worker of racism after the poor staffer asked the grievance-mongering student to lower the blinds where she was studying. A black student accused an ice-cream shop owner of racism after he told the student she wasn't allowed to sit at an outside table because she hadn't purchased any items from his store.

My suspicions about the latest "hate" crime were bolstered by police statements that the "KKK hood"-wearing menace was actually a female student wrapped in a blanket. Hollywood darling and Oberlin alumnus Lena Dunham was undaunted, however, in ginning up emotional calls for Obie solidarity on Twitter, which the AP dutifully reported as "news." My warnings and reports on previous Obie hoaxes, alas, were not deemed AP-newsworthy.

The orgy of self-flagellation swelled. Liberal grievance-mongers applauded the administration's decision to shut down classes. Faculty, students and opportunists took to the airwaves and the Internet to bemoan "white privilege," institutional bigotry, lack of diversity, yada, yada, yada.

And now, the rest of the story. According to police reports published by Chuck Ross of The Daily Caller News Foundation this week, two students had 'fessed up to most of the incidents (and fellow students suspect they are responsible for all of them). The Oberlin

Police Department identified the hoaxers as Dylan Bleier (a student worker bee for President Obama's Organizing for Action and a member of the Oberlin College Democrats) and Matthew Alden. Bleier told police the pair posted inflammatory signs and a Nazi flag around campus to "joke" and "troll" their peers.

Investigators "caught them red-handed" trying to circulate anti-Muslim fliers, and a search of Bleier's email confirmed he had used a fake account to harass a female student. Cops told Oberlin President Marvin Krislov, but he failed to pursue any criminal action. The two students were removed from campus before the bogus "KKK" brouhaha and news-making shut-down.

Krislov not only remained silent about the two pranksters, but he also stoked the fires of political correctness and helped fuel the false notion that real bigotry had pervaded the campus. The spring edition of the Oberlin College alumni magazine opened with a self-congratulatory essay from Krislov titled "A Fitting Response."

After perversely bragging about the "national and international news" headlines on the "bias incidents (that) disrupted our campus community," Krislov clucked that "similar things have occurred at other colleges." Which, of course, is inadvertently true. As I've reported for 20 years, American college campuses are the most fertile grounds for fake hate.

Krislov then praised "students, faculty, staff, alumni and fellow Oberlin residents" who "turned hate into an opportunity to educate." Of course, "hate" had nothing to do with it. And the police reports suggest that Krislov knew it. The rash of "intolerance" that littered the Oberlin campus was a symptom of juvenile delinquency and perverse self-delusion. Instead of examining their guilt in coddling hate-crime hoaxers, Krislov giddily promoted new efforts "strengthening the emphasis on diversity."

There are other adults who deserve to be called out. As Cornell law professor and blogger William Jacobson, who has pressed the administration for months about the cover-up, notes: "Oberlin continues the wall of silence which delayed for months disclosure of the hoax. It's time for Oberlin to reveal who knew what, and when, particularly as to the oversight exercised by the Board of Trustees."

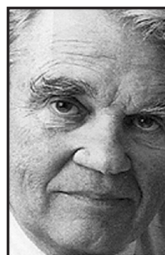
Sad to say, this is the sorry state of liberal arts colleges in America today: Extreme identity politics, multiculturalism and pedagogical self-indulgence are creating a generation of race trolls enabled by tenured cultural Marxist punks raking in beaucoup bucks. The bursting of the higher-ed bubble can't come fast enough.

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Rudeness and receptionists



Classic Andy Rooney

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When you go through the office door into the waiting room, there's usually a receptionist behind the desk. Sometimes she's behind a glass partition, because she also answers the

phones.

I have never seen a male receptionist, and as a male, I resent it.

"May I help you?" the receptionist says, nice as pie, just as if she really wants to help you. You know darn well she hates you, but she tries to act as if she's helping.

You can tell she hates you, because if she didn't hate you, she wouldn't make you feel as though you didn't have any business there. After taking your name she says, "Please sit down." She doesn't say it in a nice way, as though she wants you to be comfortable.

She doesn't mean it when she says, "Please." It's more of an order she's giving.

"Sit down!" is what she's really saying. I don't usually want to sit down. I don't feel like sitting down. I'm not tired.

Whether it's the office of a dentist, a lawyer, or a tax accountant, I'm more apt to be nervous than tired. I don't want to give receptionists the idea I'm relaxed, either. I don't want them to think time doesn't matter to me and they can keep me waiting as long as they feel like it once they have my weight off my feet.

That's why I always remain standing. Gradually, a clearly visible tension mounts between me and the receptionist until she reluctantly admits that the person I've come to see will see me.

You can tell that, if she had her way, I wouldn't get in until I had darn well sat down the way she told me to. I don't know why receptionists, whose job ought to be to make people feel at home, are so unfriendly.

They have a way of making you feel unwanted every time. Receptionists at home at night must practice making people feel unwanted. They have phrases they use. "What is this in reference to?" they ask. If you wanted to talk to a receptionist about something, you would have made the appointment with her in the first place.

It's none of her business what you want to talk to her boss about.

Maybe you're someone who wants the job she has. How would that sound if you told her that?

"Yes, I would like to talk to your boss about getting your job. You're such a sourpuss that he's trying to find someone nice." That's what I always feel like saying.

Receptionists have a hundred unfriendly ways of greeting people who come through the door. "Do you have an appointment?" "May I say who's calling?" What does she mean "May I say . . ."? Why is she so condescending? Why doesn't she come right out and ask, "What's your name?"

I'd rather find an armed guard at the door than the average receptionist. At least I know where I stand with an armed guard. He doesn't give me a lot of artificial charm. He just says, "You can't go in there, Buddy." The receptionist says, "I'll see if Mr. Jones is in."

That's what she says even though she knows darn well Mr. Jones is in, because she was sitting at the desk when he showed up for work and has seen him go to the coffee machine twice and the bathroom once, since then. Just once, I'd like to be confronted with an honest receptionist in an office.

"Hi," I would say as I came in. "Ed Jones around?"

"Yeah," my ideal receptionist would say. "He's goofing off somewhere back there."

"Can I talk to him?"

"Let me see if he's off the phone with his wife yet. He spent the last hour talking to the school principal about one of his kids and he's having an awful time collecting from an insurance company on a car he cracked up last week. I'll see what he's doing now."

You never find a receptionist like that, though.

They're all the same. They ought to be called "rejectionists."

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Are there any doubts which way the wind is blowing?



PAT BUCHANAN

In the near term, bet on the men with the guns. The Egyptian Army, being slowly squeezed out of its central role in the nation's life by Mohammed Morsi, waited for the moment to oust the elected president and crush his Muslim Brotherhood. Morsi was deposed and arrested, and the Brotherhood leaders rounded up and jailed. Their Cairo encampments were cleansed by gunfire. Hundreds of brothers were cut down and killed, and thousands wounded. Gen. Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, gazing into his mirror, must see Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser gazing back. In the near term, the Brotherhood is in disarray. It backed the Arab Spring, heeded America's call for free elections, and won parliament and the presidency, only to have the army, with America's backing, overthrow its Islamist govern-

ment in a military coup. If the Brotherhood feels betrayed, if it believes its sons who opposed the coup died as martyrs, if it has concluded that the Americans, with their endless blather about democracy, are duplicitous hypocrites, are they entirely wrong? In the short term, America must get on with the generals. For it is they who bottle up Hamas in Gaza, battle al-Qaida in Sinai, protect the Christian Copts, grant our Air Force overflight rights and our Navy first-in-line transit rights through the Suez Canal. And it is the generals who continue to honor the terms of the Camp David accords. Understandably, Israeli diplomats are imploring us, the slaughter aside, not to cut our ties to the Egyptian military. Yet it is hard to believe the long-term future belongs to the generals. Looking back, of all the forces unleashed by the Arab Spring, the Facebook-Twitter crowd calling for secular democracy harvested the greatest publicity. But even then, other forces seemed to have deeper and broader roots in the hearts and minds of the masses. Those forces: tribalism, nationalism and Islamism.

The generals may work hand-in-glove with the Israelis. But anti-Zionism remains one of the few rallying cries that can unite secularist and Islamist, Sunni and Shia. And as the Jews have been expelled from the Arab world, today it is the turn of the Christians. They have seen priests murdered, churches torched and congregations massacred in Iraq, Syria, Egypt and beyond, in Ethiopia and Nigeria — by extremists who cite the Quran for what they are doing. And after the Jews and Christians are gone, it is likely to be the turn of the Americans. Why? First, the Americans are seen as standing behind Israel's regional superiority and dominance of the Palestinian Arabs. Second, while we defend our wars in Afghanistan and Iraq as liberations from dictatorship and obscurantism, they are seen over there as America using her power to impose upon these nations our institutions and our ideology. And while America's achievements may inspire awe, America's culture, suffused with feminist and Hollywood values, evokes revulsion. Millions of Muslims are willing to die to keep America and American values out of their societies. How

many Americans are willing to fight and die over there to force them on Arab peoples? Third, there is a growing confidence in the Islamic world that the future belongs to them. Whence comes this confidence? Western peoples are dying, as Muslim populations are exploding and Muslim migrants are pouring into Europe and the United States. While Islam is booming in the East and being welcomed in the West, Christianity is dying in the West and being expelled from the East. It is not unreasonable for Muslim visionaries to see the next 500 years as an era of Islamic ascendancy, as the last 500 saw a Western ascendancy. Fourth, while Egypt's army has the guns and, temporarily, the banner of patriotism, it has no faith, no philosophy, no ideology to justify an indefinite hold on power. When, like Hosni Mubarak, this generation of generals is seen as incompetent and repressive, upon what do they fall back to justify their legitimacy to the next crowd in Tahrir Square? Indeed, this is America's dilemma. When Japan attacked and Adolf Hitler declared war, and when Josef Stalin set out to dominate the world, all we held dear — faith, family, freedom, country — said resist.

When Osama bin Laden took down our towers, we united to take down him and al-Qaida. Millions of Muslims are willing to fight to drive us out of their part of the world. How many Americans are willing to send our sons to die for secular democracy and American values in their part of the world? After World War II, when communists captured the banner of nationalism, they were on the move in China, Vietnam, Cuba. When Ronald Reagan recaptured the banners of nationalism in Angola, Afghanistan and Eastern Europe, suddenly it was the communists on the run. Ethnonationalism and religious fundamentalism tore apart the British, French and Soviet empires. All are working now against the U.S. Imperium. The generals in Egypt won this round. But is there any doubt as to which way the wind is blowing? Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of "Suicide of a Superpower: Will America Survive to 2025?" To find out more about Patrick Buchanan and read features by other Creators writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators webpage at www.creators.com.

YOUR SIDE THE READERS TAKE OVER

Iden Memorial a success

To the editor:
The 10th annual Lowell Iden Memorial breakfast and trap shoot was a big success. I would like to publicly acknowledge and thank everyone who helped make this a great event. Thank you to the following people and businesses who contributed to our Chinese auction: Salem Welding, Fred Baker, Salem Sparkle Market, Runzo's Outdoor Sports and Skeeter's Custom-Made Turkey Callers of Beloit. Frontiers Unlimited, JWB Supply Co., Sweet James Restaurant, Happy Clippers II of Lisbon, 4WD of Columbiana and Bob and Cindy Beach of Deerfield. Basket winners were Sandra Smith, Donna Dailey, John Moser, Rob Burrows, Rex Allen, Ray Luxeuil, Tim Meeds, Laura Grimstad, Will Martsof, Sue Iden, Josh Hill, Roberta Unkefer, Dan McIntosh, Sandra Campbell, Jay Klein, Rachel Dean and Harry Dailey. The 50-50 was won by Sam Iden, son of Lowell Iden. He was generous enough to give his winnings to the Iden-Iler Scholarship Fund, so the scholarship honoring his father will continue in the future. The Salem Hunting Club has awarded 28 Lowell Iden-Larry Iler Scholarships in the last 10 years. This scholarship was named in memory of two past presidents of the club. These men were honored for their tireless work and support over the years. The 2013 scholarships this year were awarded to Haley Drake of Salem. She will be majoring in animal science at Ohio State ATI and Hannah Swope, also of Salem. Hannah will be majoring in wildlife resource management at Hocking College. Congratulations to both of you. Thank you friends, family, members of the Salem Hunting Club, merchants, news media and anyone who contributed in any way to make this a very successful year.

JANET IDEN,
Salem Hunting Club,
Salem

Thanks from X-Tra Mile Club

To the editor:
The members of the Salem X-Tra Mile Club would like to thank all who contributed toward making the 20th running of the Star Trax 5K Night Run an overwhelming success. At 9 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, a record-setting field of 875 registered runners raced out of Reilly Stadium onto the luminary-lined streets of Salem to benefit the Salem Senior and Junior High Schools boys and girls Cross Country and Track and Field programs. This year's special 20th anniversary run

honored the founders of the Salem X-tra Mile Club and the Night Run. The starting gun was fired by Bill Julian accompanied by his wife Pat and the other founders including John and Kay Oster, Ernie and Carol Rea, Bill and Linda Lutz, Terry and Bonnie Nye, Howard and Priscilla Somers and Renee Helmick. The 20th anniversary of Star Trax was also recognized by special proclamations by Salem Mayor, John Berlin and U.S. Congressman Bill Johnson. Runners from as far as San Diego, Calif., participated in the race. The run features a United States Track and Field certified 5000 meter (3.1 miles) course making it one of the premiere races in northeastern Ohio. The addition of team scoring for 2013 for groups of five or more runners turned out to be very popular. This year's men's overall race winner were former Salem High track and cross country standout Aimon Scullion, 26 now of Kent, Ohio, with record setting elapsed time of 14:44.98. Stephanie Case, 22 of Columbiana topped the women's field with a winning time of 19:07.15. A special "thank you" to the over 100 race night volunteers and the many financial donors to this event including our corporate sponsors: Pepsi, CTM Integration, Riley's Night at the Races, Salem Community Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sebo, Stadium GM Superstore, Youngstown Orthopedic Associates, B.P.O. Elks Salem Lodge #305, Barclay Machine, BOC Water Hydraulics, Butech, Hickey Metal Fabrication, Kalra Orthodontics, Lincoln Machine Company, Morris Financial Group, Stark Memorial, Stratton Chevrolet and VFW Salem Post #892. We are also indebted to all of our sponsors who provided financial support as a trophy or T-shirt sponsors. This year's T-shirt sponsors included: AMVETS Salem Post # 45, American Legion Salem #56, Bailey Financial Planning, Bush Consulting Group, CPW Properties, Custom Images, Dental Health Group, DT Moore and Company, Mr. and Dr. Lee Fredrickson, Jackson Auto Supply, Mr. Davis Johnson, Johnston Accounting Services, Josie's Pizza, Madeline Patton Writing and Editing, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marroulis, Norkus Orchards, Paulus Orthodontics, Rotary Club of Salem, Salem Foot and Ankle Clinic, Salem Giant Eagle, Salem Welding, Salem Women's Care, Scullion Vision Clinic, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Shivers, Dr. Lee Simon MD, Sterling House, Dr. Christopher Stiff MD, Tru-Cut, Mrs. Jody Wright and Dr. Matthew R. Yerkey DDS. Other contributors to this year's race also include Dr. and Mrs. Peter Apicella, Dr. and Mrs. Salvatore Apicella, Atty. and Mrs. Geof-

frey Goll, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Gorby, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kenst, J.H. Lease Drug, Logue Monument, Quaker Corner Flowers and Gifts, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Ramunno, Salem High Class of 2006, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stone, Straub Insurance, Taylor Pattern, Walmart, Wonner Industrial Coatings, Independent Hose Company, Brunk's RV Sales, Chappell and Zimmerman, Road ID, Udder Cream, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Jones, Mr. Ken Gross, Miss Ashlee Thorne and Mrs. Lori Yuhaniak. 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," our "Awards Director" Sandy Huston and "Luminary Director" Joe Popa. 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 race is what sets our race apart from the others. Runners return year after year because Salem's community support is #1 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 our websites, <http://startrax5k.com> or www.salem-xtramile.org or follow us on Facebook under "Star Trax 5K Night Run." Thank you, Salem. Go Quakers!

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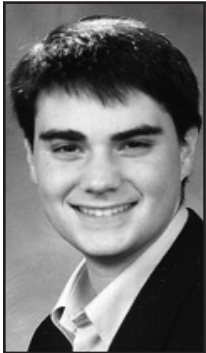
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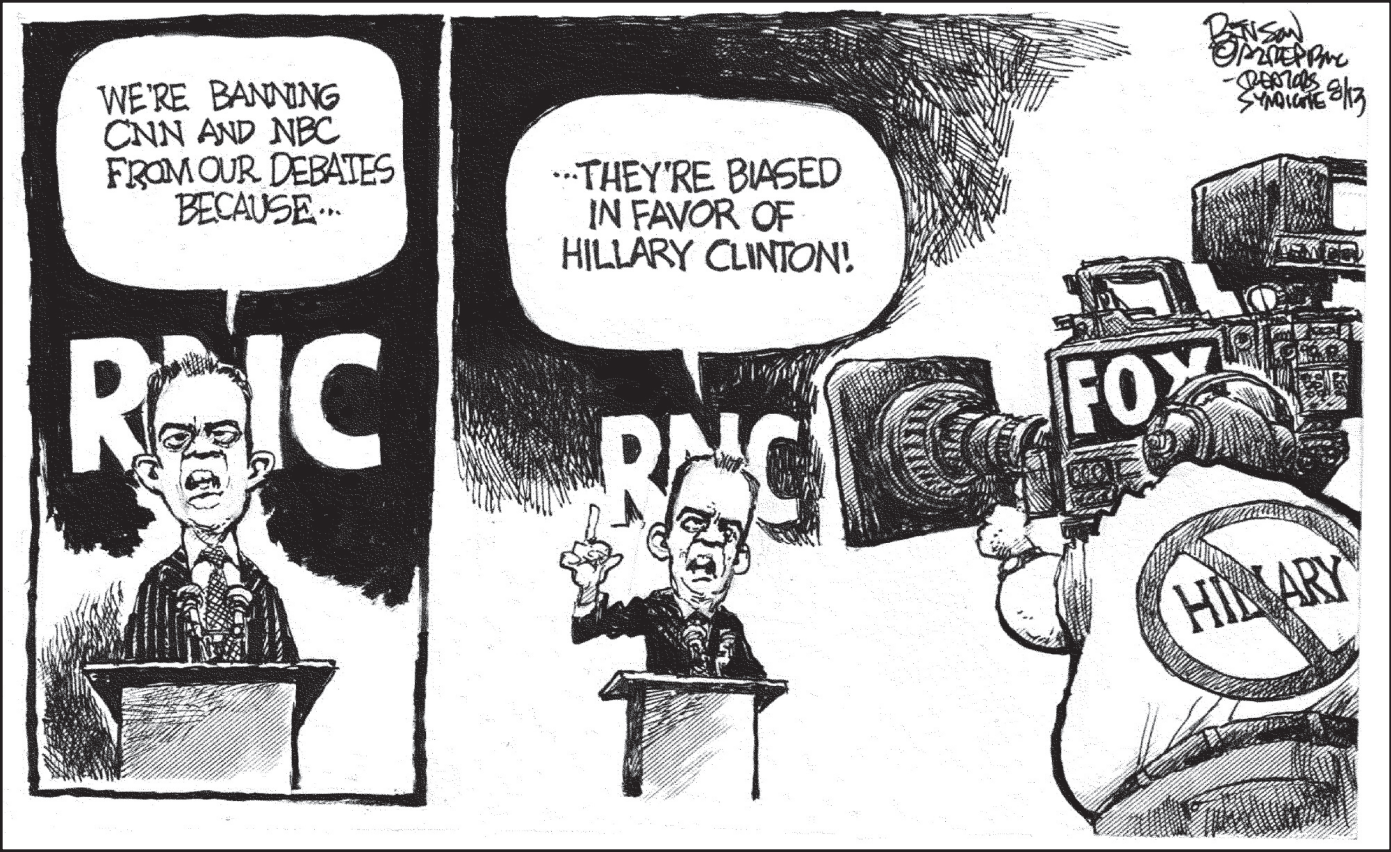
Frank and Yvonne Parks,
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Obama's Arab spring nightmare



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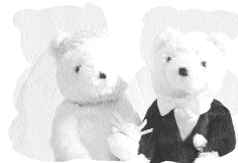
With the Egyptian military killing Muslim Brotherhood in the streets and Muslim Brotherhood members burning down churches and parading nuns through those same streets, President Barack Obama took to the microphone from a golf course in Martha's Vineyard to clarify America's perspective. Here were his inspiring words: "America cannot determine the future of Egypt. That's a task for the Egyptian people. We don't take sides with any particular party or political figure. I know it's tempting inside of Egypt to blame the United States or the West or some other outside actor for what's gone wrong." There is a reason that many in Egypt are upset at the United States -- by taking no side, America is taking a side. Egyptian secularists feel abandoned by the United States, given rumors that the Obama administration now wants to cut off aid to the military; the Islamists rage against the American machine because the Obama administration did nothing to uphold President Mohamed Morsi's election. Meanwhile, President Obama sails blithely along on the winds of self-assurance. Thus far, the only common thread to the Obama administration's Middle East policy is Obama's unwillingness to pursue anything remotely representing an American interest. In Tunisia, President Obama said nothing about the collapsing rule of Zine El Abidine Ben Ali, a longtime American ally, until Ben Ali fled the country; then he celebrated. Within months, an Islamist party ruled the country. In Libya, President Obama hesitated when rebels began launching attacks against defanged dictator Muammar Qaddafi; then he stepped in and provided defense to those Islamist rebels. They promptly turned around and murdered four Americans in Benghazi. In Syria, President Obama sent Hillary Clinton out to tout Bashar Assad as a reformer; then he decided to give guns to the al-Qaida-aligned Islamist insurgency. What were America's interests in these countries? President Obama never explained how the United States was better off with the Ennahda Party in power in Tunisia, Libyan Islamists ruling the countryside in Libya, and al-Qaida running Syria. But he did ensure that American aid kept flowing. In Egypt, however, Obama has cut off aid to the secularist military as they fight the Muslim Brotherhood. America *does* have interests in Egypt. Egypt's powerful military poses a regional counterbalance to Iranian ambition. Egypt's border with Israel has been Israel's most peaceful border for the past three decades. Egypt controls the vital Suez Canal, an artery for oil flow. But none of these interests seem to matter to President Obama, who doesn't want to take sides. He seems indifferent as to whether Islamists control the canal, the missiles and the government. Churches burn; Obama fiddles. And Obama doesn't merely fiddle -- he does so in authoritarian fashion. If he wanted to cut off aid, all he had to do was declare Egypt's coup a coup -- but that would be tossing power back to Congress. Instead, he cut off aid and declined to declare a coup a coup, essentially stating that all foreign policy funding should run through him personally. If he wakes up on the other side of the bed, the Muslim Brotherhood may find itself on the short end of the stick again. Unpredictability makes for instability. Nowhere has that been truer than in the volatile Middle East. Adding the wavering president's oddball views of foreign affairs to the mix is a recipe for disaster. Ben Shapiro, 29, is a graduate of UCLA and Harvard Law School, a radio host on KRLA 870 Los Angeles, and Editor-At-Large for Breitbart News. He is the New York Times best-selling author of "Bullies: How the Left's Culture of Fear and Intimidation Silences America." To find out more visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.





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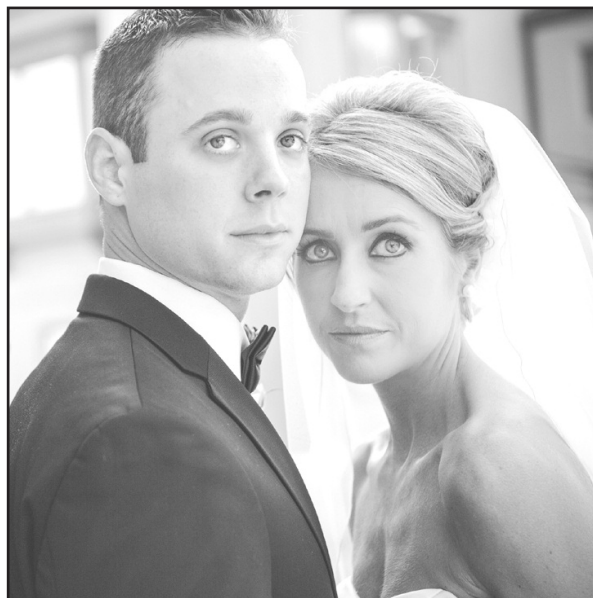
Jennifer Renee Bellanca becomes bride of Thomas Gordon Oeschger

Jennifer Renee Bellanca and Thomas Gordon Oeschger were united in marriage on June 22 at St. Louise de Marillac Church in Pittsburgh. Father Mike Caridi officiated.

The bride was escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, Pete and Kathy Bellanca of Wellsville. She wore an ivory colored Couture gown with a scoop neckline. She carried a bouquet of light pink peonies.

Serving as matron of honor was her cousin, Melissa Sperber. Bridesmaids included Amy Oeschger, the bridegroom's sister-in-law; and Julie Lowe, Dani Pash, Alanna Seamon and Paula Wittekind. The flower girl was Violet Rizer, the bride's cousin. The bridal party wore black floor-length gowns organza gowns with sweetheart necklines.

Parents of the bridegroom are Gordon and Janis Oeschger of Chester Springs, Pa. The best men



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gordon Oeschger

were his brothers, Mike and Tim Oeschger.

Groomsmen included Dave Oeschger, the bridegroom's cousin; and brothers of the bride, John Bellanca, Joe Bellanca and Petie Bellanca. The ring bearer was Linus Rizer, the bride's cousin.

A reception was held at Bella Sera in Canonsburg, Pa., following the ceremony.

The bride is a 2002

graduate of Beaver Local High School. She completed her education at Youngstown State University and is a talent acquisition specialist.

The bridegroom, a 2001 graduate of Highlands Ranch High School, completed his education at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh and is a graphic designer.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Jamaica and reside in Pittsburgh.

Kendra Perry to wed Jason Antalocy

Lori and Nicholas Rusyn Lof of Salem and Randy Perry of Columbiana are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Kendra Perry, to Jason Antalocy. He is the son of Kathy Prasad of Canfield and Frank and Ann Antalocy of Youngstown.

The couple is planning a wedding ceremony on Sept. 21 at St. Michael's Church in Canfield. A reception will follow at Fellows Riverside Gardens in Youngstown. Invitations will be issued for both.

The bride-elect is currently employed as a licensed practical nurse at Hampton Woods in Poland.



Kendra Perry and Jason Antalocy

The prospective bridegroom received a bachelor's degree in social work from Youngstown State

University and is employed as the business office manager at Woodlands Care Centers.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND MORE...

VFW Post 892 Auxiliary to meet Monday

SALEM — Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 892 Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the post home.

Weingart Cousins mark anniversaries, birthdays

SALEM — Linda Brutz, Betty Weingart and Pam and Roger Bailey were welcomed back when the Weingart Cousins met recently with 21 in attendance. Birthdays and anniversaries were observed. The next breakfast is slated Sept. 10.

Lentz family celebrates 65th annual reunion

ALLIANCE — The 65th annual Lentz family reunion was held on Aug. 11 at Silver Park in Alliance. Thirty-two family members and friends attended the coverdish dinner, Chinese auction and games. A business session followed led by Gene Barnhouse. Next year's reunion will be held on the second Sunday in August at a location to be announced.

Winona Ruritans meet, honor member birthdays

WINONA — Song leader Elmer R. Stamp led members in singing "Happy Birthday" to Rich Mumford and Ryan Sluss when the Winona Ruritan Club met on July 23 at Willow Grove Grange. Grange members served a ham loaf dinner which received a round of applause. Twenty-eight members and six guests attended. Treasurer Bob Doyle gave the monthly accounting report which was approved. John Gamble Sr. made a motion to donate \$100 to the United Scholarship Fund for the upcoming Halloween-themed "Monster Dash" which was seconded by Mumford and passed. Vice President John Stamp introduced Amanda Hruby and Kaeleigh Louk. Both girls were representatives to the yearly Girls State convention held at Bowling Green State University.

R-Weigh support groups recognize weight loss

SALEM — The R-Weigh weight support groups met at 1 and 5 p.m. Monday at the First Friends Church. Rachel Weaver did a program at the afternoon meeting on the "Healthy Benefits of Drinking Tea" with the help of her granddaughters Brooklyn and Kenzie. Weaver provided a tea party served at round tables using China cups and explained the benefits of drinking healthy teas as her granddaughters served homemade cinnamon rolls with various individual selections of green teas to the members. The goalie for the week was Sue Carver. JoAnne Bogdan and Sandy McGarr won the can-do monetary drawing. The afternoon group held its annual picnic on Aug. 19 at the church with the Jolly Jigglers planning and preparing the event. The evening group had a weigh-in only Monday and enjoyed a picnic at the church served by Base Hit Babes losing baseball team.

Classic rock band, Drift, marks reunion at jam fest

COLUMBIANA — The rock band Drift held its 40th-year reunion at the jam fest on Aug. 17 at the Columbiana American Legion. Original members Randy Strader, Ron Arter, Dave Morgan and Bill Henceroth reunited for the performance, along with Rick Mix who was the original road crew chief.

Strader's son, Jeff Strader, represented deceased member Mark Gray, and Lee Campanelli, who could not attend.

The band was popular in the tri-state area from late 1971-74, having released two records at that time. Randy Strader was also the leader of the first rock and roll band to earn national recognition. Randy and the Renegades was part of Dick Clark's Caravan of Stars show in 1962 and 1963 and had a hit record "Four-Speed" in 1962.

Victorian Players to hold auditions for 'Specter'

YOUNGSTOWN — The Victorian Players and J&B Production Arts Services have announced auditions for "Specter of Treason-The Oswald Trial" by J.E. Ballantyne Jr. Auditions begin at 7 p.m. Sept. 15 at Victorian Players, 702 Mahoning Ave.

"Specter of Treason" deals with the fictitious trial of JFK accused assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald. Since this cast is unusually large, many roles have already been cast so these auditions are for some of the small roles which are still available. Actors who have already been cast need not attend these auditions.

The show opens on Nov. 22 (50 years to the day of the actual assassination of JFK) and will run three weekends through Dec. 8. There is a possibility of extra Saturday matinee performances. Most of these roles are small and will not require much rehearsal time. A full company meeting begins at 7 p.m. Sept. 22 with full rehearsals beginning shortly thereafter. For more information call the director at 330-799-6176 or 330-402-9273.

Damascus Ruritans host Chesapeake representative

DAMASCUS — The Damascus Ruritan met earlier this month with 30 members and guests in attendance. The July monthly treasurer's report was distributed to the members. Guest speaker was Keith Fuller, representing Chesapeake Energy Corporation based in Oklahoma City, Okla., the nation's second largest producer of natural gas. He gave an operational update of their drilling in Columbiana County and fielded many questions from the members. The club is sponsoring its second annual Nourish Our Community non-perishable food collection drive from 9 a.m. to noon Sept. 28 at the Damascus Post Office parking lot. The club's second annual Community Wide Rabies Clinic is scheduled from 1 to 4 p.m. Sept. 28 at the Damascus Volunteer Fire Department's meeting room on state Route 534.

Member Joe Skolosh was installed as the club's new treasurer. Retiring club treasurer Roger Smith is moving out of state. Ohio District Treasurer Maynard Yho from the Smithville Ruritan Club met with Skolosh at his home to give instructions on becoming the officer.

It was announced that the club's 2012 Future Farmers of America Scholarship recipient, Mike Estosk, won the 4-H grand champion hog trophy at the Columbiana County Fair in Lisbon. He is attending Ohio State University studying animal science and hopes to become a veterinarian. The Damascus Ruritan H League (10 year olds) baseball team, which the club sponsored, were the district champions and the state regional runners-up this season. One of the club's outstanding West Branch eighth-grade student awards was presented by David Denny to Michael Minich, son of Anthony and Donna of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Martz mark golden wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Martz of Salem celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 3.

Mr. Martz and the former Shirley A. Howells were married on Aug. 3, 1963, at the Robbins Memorial Methodist Church in Washingtonville.

The couple has two children, Gregory (Susan) Martz of Burns, Tenn., Mindy (Noel) Harris of Grafton, and four grandchildren.

Their children honored them with a trip to Mackinaw Island, Mich., and accommodations at the Grand Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Martz are members of the Greenford Lutheran Church in Greenford.

Mr. Martz had a career in engineering and manufacturing and retired in



Mr. and Mrs. Clyde (Shirley) Martz

1999 from Commercial Intertech in Youngstown. He is a member of the Greenford Ruritan Club, a life member of the Salem Elks Lodge #305 and a board member of the South

Range Council of Church and Community.

Mrs. Martz worked in accounting and retired in 2004 from Panelmatic Inc. in Youngstown where she was the bookkeeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burrier celebrate golden wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burrier of Salem recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family in Traverse City, Mich.

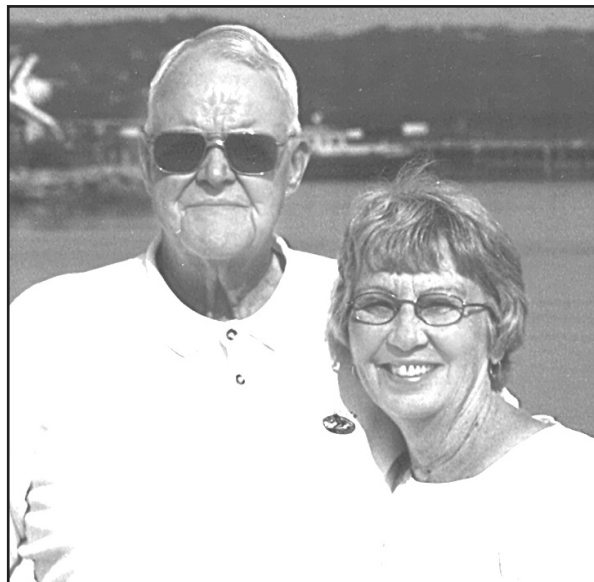
The former Sandra Barnett, daughter of Dale and Eva (Berger) Barnett, married

William Carl Burrier, son of William and Margaret (Lee) Burrier, on June 22, 1963, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in North Georgetown. Pastor Wesley Runk officiated at the ceremony.

Mr. Burrier retired from General Motors.

Mrs. Burrier retired from teaching at West Branch High School.

The couple's children and spouses are John and Wendy Roddy of Copley



Mr. and Mrs. Carl (Sandra) Burrier

and Mark and Lori Burrier of Chicago, Ill.

They also have five

grandchildren, Justin, Kirstin, Brendan, Jacqui and Ella.



The Salem High School Class of 1968 are, seated, from left, Sheryl Phillips McMullin, Toby Ehrhart Maenz, Karen Hrvatin Penner, Karen Gross Austin, Cathy McCaffrey McKinley; first row, Jim Fattler, Rick Herron, Mike Fritzman, Alice Whitman, Barbara Stewart Russell, Linda Juliano, Judith Mack Emmons, Dennis M. Perry, Cathie Shoop DeFazio, J. Dale Ozimek, Kathleen Scahill Roberts, Barbara Citino Hans, Rich Eichler, Jan Fusco Leslie, Rick Berg; second row, Rick Kilbreath, Doug Culler, Larry Sobotka, Andy Hicks, Chuck Straub, Barbara Schneider Sheets, Paul Heddleson, Dan Cain, Tom Sheets, Tim Baillie, Ken Kenst; third row, Jani Schmid Middleton, Penny Theil Judge, Theresa DeRoads Ozimek, Shelly Cody Rhodes, Terry Lee Smith, David Burcham, Gary Bielski; fourth row, Patty Brantingham Mazzolini, Cheryl Brown Drake, Jan McConnor Rose, Sharon Lutz Scott, Karen Montgomery Hippely; fifth row, Bea Yuharik Stenta, Claudia Volio Cundiff, Pamela Cabas Sigurani, John Mlinarcik, Steve Ross; sixth row, Linda K. Moser Powell, B.J. Cooper Abrams, Rita Smith Brady, Dawn Sechler Douce, Marcia Ramirez, Dianna Steele Orsburn, Barbie Hauer Bobo; seventh row, Clayton Holt, Dan Forkel, Bob Hiltbrand, Connie Atkins, Brien Miller, Patty Colian, Charley Alexander, Barb Beech DePillo, Blair Whitman, Carolyn Falk Marroulis, Larry Paxson and Greg Pash. BELOW: Vietnam veterans from the Salem High School Class of 1968 pictured at a recent reunion include front from left, Dan Cain, Rich Eichler and Paul Heddleson; middle from left, Terry Smith, Larry Sobotka, Tom Sheets and Dan Forkel; and back from left, Greg Pash, Blair Whitman and Dennis Perry. (Submitted photos)

SHS '68 holds reunion

SALEM — Twenty-nine members of the Salem High School Class of 1968 enjoyed a class mixer at the Salem Eagles July 26 to begin their 45th class reunion celebration with a “45 record” theme where light snacks and cash bar were provided from 7 to 11 p.m.

On July 27, 68 class members attended with 37 guests traveling from Florida, Maryland, Georgia, Idaho, Michigan, Kansas, New York, Texas, Colorado, Missouri, Tennessee, Pennsylvania and Oklahoma. A Saturday morning golf outing was headed by Jim Fattler and Chuck Straub. A tour of the Salem’s Underground Rail Road Tour was also offered Saturday morning. Cathie Shoop DeFazio held an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a light lunch.

The evening began at the VFW Hall on Arch Street from 5 to 11:30 p.m. A social hour was held from 5 to 6 p.m., announcements made, then classmates received gag gifts and held a free drawing. Rick Berg honored and read the list of class veterans. The class veterans were then requested to pose for a photograph taken by Jen’s Photography. A class photo was then taken. A buffet was provided by Mike’s Penn Grille followed by a 50-50 raffle and basket raffle. A D.J. provided music for the evening.

On July 28 a brunch was held at Salem Hills Golf Club.

The SHS Class of 1968 continues to work toward its goal of raising \$100,000 to be presented to the SHS Alumni Association as an ongoing scholarship at the 50-year reunion in 2018.



Salem High School Class of 1968 Vietnam War Veteran Blair Whitman, right, accepts a donation of \$600 from Salem V.F.W. Allen K. Reynolds Post 892 Commander Doug Brannon for the Salem Scholarship Fund. The V.F.W. donated to the money to the Salem Alumni Association on behalf of the SHS Class of 1968. (Salem News photo by Mary Ann Greier)



Creative Clovers earn judging awards
The Creative Clovers 4-H Club recently participated in the county and state judgings. Those who received awards were Taylor Burns, state award in First Aid; Carrie Burns, county award in cooking and sewing; Haley Thompson, county award in cooking. They will be displaying their projects at the Canfield Fair Aug. 28 through Labor Day. (Submitted photo)

Chicken BBQ slated during Appleseed
LISBON — The public is invited to a chicken barbecue beginning at noon Sept. 21, during the Johnny Appleseed Festival, at the First United Methodist Church, 114 E. Washington St. The meal includes half a barbecued chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, homemade pie and beverage. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 12 and under and free for under 3. Carryouts are available. The Johnny Appleseed Festival runs Sept. 20-22 in downtown Lisbon.

SCH Auxiliary to meet Sept. 12
SALEM — The Salem Community Hospital Auxiliary meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 12 in the small dining room at the back of the hospital cafeteria. The speaker is Dr. Anita Hackett, SCH interim president/CEO. The public is invited.

SHS Class of 1955 to meet for lunch
SALEM — The Salem High School Class of 1955 will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 28 at Adele’s Place.

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WR Rangers recognize award winners

BERLIN CENTER— At the August meeting of Western Reserve Rangers 4-H Club congratulations were extended to Vice President Jena Styka of Canfield and Levi Smith of Berlin Center who will serve on the 2013 4-H Royal Court. Styka also recognized club members for receiving awards at the Ohio State Fair. During the 4-H Fashion Revue Shannon Marshburn of Columbiana received a First Place Clock Trophy for “Shopping Savvy,” Tiffany Volland of North Jackson received an Outstanding of the Day Rosette for “Active Sportswear” and Alyssa Higgins of Lake Milton received both an “Outstanding of the Day Rosette” and “The Pork Council Silver Platter Award” for her pig suede woven purse in “Accessories for Teens.”

Other Outstanding of the Day Rosettes were won by Willaim Reph of Ellsworth for “Bottle Rockets” and Jena Styka for her PowerPoint presentation “Ready Or Not.” Styka also received a “Superior Rosette Award” for her project “Pantry Panic.” Outstanding of the Day Awards are presented to the top 20 percent and a Superior Award Rosette is given to the top 10 percent in each project area at the state fair.

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LEVI SMITH and JENA STYKA

Damascus Garden Club tours Alliance nature preserve

SALEM — On Aug. 8, the Damascus Garden Club, a member of the Garden Club of Ohio Inc., met at the Beech Creek Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve in Alliance. Ten members enjoyed a tour of the center’s Amazing Garden and Butterfly House then proceeded to the preserve’s visitor center for the club’s monthly meeting.

President Marilyn Wingett called the meeting to order and extended birthday greetings to Darlene Lane, Rhonda Mitchell, Pat Hoopes, and Sandy Kilmer. Members remembered Joyce Steer, a Damascus Garden Club member of 45 years, who recently passed away. She was a past president and devoted member of the club, an avid gardener, floral designer, and photographer. She had the distinction of serving as a Canton District director for the Garden Club of Ohio Inc. and was also a lifetime member of the

Garden Club of Ohio since 1985. With her husband, Ken Steer, she had owned and operated the Damascus Nursery and had been a nationally accredited flower show judge since 1984. Through her guidance, the Damascus Garden Club was given the title of Garden Club of the Year by the Ohio Garden Club Inc. The club and the Damascus community greatly benefited from her many years of devotion to them. Committee reports: Conservation set a date of Aug. 13 for weeding at the post office garden. Under Community Care, Joyce Steer was recognized for her donation of bud vases for the July blood drive.

Members were reminded about the Canton Flower Show School in September. June Wallace motioned to provide a gas card as the club’s prize donation for the Ruritan’s August car show. Marjorie Miller seconded and the members unanimously approved.

June Wallace motioned that the club donate to the Garden Club of Ohio Inc. scholarship fund in memory of Joyce Steer. Marjorie Phillips seconded and the members unanimously approved. President Wingett noted that we will need a new club historian. Following the meeting, the club members enjoyed a box luncheon.

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Review: ‘Mortal Instruments’ a monster mash

By JAKE COYLE
AP Entertainment Writer

A young adult fiction binge has broken out in “Mortal Instruments: City of Bones.”

Like an 80-car pill-up, all of the current tropes of teenage fantasy here careen into one another: the young heroine with previously unknown powers; the gothic mix of heavenly and hellish supernatural creatures; the breathless romance with a young Brit of angelic cheekbones. And, oh, the tattoos.

It’s an overdose of mysticism, concocted to give devoted young fans their fix: a heartthrob to swoon over and grand battles to match inflated teenage emotions.

The film is based on the first in a series of popular young adult novels by Cassandra Clare, whose writing originated in “Harry Potter” fan fiction. It’s a blatant inspiration to “City of Bones,” the first of a planned franchise, as is (if you haven’t already guessed) “Twilight.”

Like a hand bag bought on a New York street, this is the knock-off version. Lily Collins stars as Clary, a teen who discovers that her mother (Lena Headey) is secretly a Shadowhunter, a hunter of demons. At the same time as her mom is kidnapped, Clary, a bright redhead, realizes she’s able to see a hidden world in their native New York, one where Shadowhunters, demons, werewolves and warlocks stealthily operate in varying de-



This film publicity image released by Screen Gems shows Lilly Collins as Clary, left, and Jared Harris as Hodge Starkweather in a scene from "The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones. (AP Photo/Sony Pictures Screen Gems, Rafy)

grees of gothic drab, invisible to humans, or “mundanes.”

It’s a lot like a mediocre episode of “Buffy the Vampire Slayer.”

As she hunts for her mom, Clary is quickly indoctrinated into this

underworld, led into it by the aforementioned heartthrob, Jace (Jamie Campbell Bower), an alluring Shadowhunter with blond locks. Directing from Jessica Postigo’s overstuffed screenplay,

Harald Zwart (the “Karate Kid” remake) summons the kind of dingy, baroque, nighttime atmosphere that Jonathan Rhys Meyers revels in. As if falling for the trap, he reliably turns up to lend his pallor to

the proceedings as the villain Valentine. He’s seeking a magical cup that Clary might — if she can stir the memories her mother had tried to block — know the location of. The plot is astonishingly overcooked: a mishmash of watery portals, Greek-styled father-son drama, invisible buildings and supernatural battle lines. It reaches an apogee of ridiculousness when, we are informed, Bach was a Shadowhunter, whose compositions were designed to ward off demons.

What can be said for “City of Bones” (a sequel is already in the works) is that it’s not brooding or abundantly self-serious. The cast generally lends enjoyable performances, even if the filmmaking (a made-for-TV movie level of craft, even with the abundant special effects) is lacking.

The handful of comic, self-deprecating moments in the film — quick nods to the mounting silliness — gives “City of Bones” a pleasant cheeriness that it would have done well to pursue further. Instead, it desperately gathers clichés like a teen fantasy Frankenstein that doesn’t realize its secret identity: parody.

“Mortal Instruments: The City of Bones,” a Sony Screen Gems release, is rated PG-13 by the MPAA for “intense sequences of fantasy violence and action, and some suggestive content.” Running time: 130 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.



This film publicity image released by RADIUS-TWC shows Amanda Seyfried as Linda Lovelace in "Lovelace." (AP Photo/RADIUS-TWC)

‘Lovelace’ offers smart look at first porn star

By TODD MCCARTHY
The Hollywood Reporter

LOS ANGELES — The lurid celebrity and sordid aftermath of the brief career of the world’s first porn star is vividly, if not explicitly, etched in “Lovelace.” Given all the ways a project like this could have gone wrong, the result is surprisingly good on several fronts, beginning with a shrewd structure that fosters an intelligent dual perspective on the public and private aspects of the “Deep Throat” phenomenon. Leaving behind the overly academic approach they brought to an earlier cultural and censorship landmark in “Howl” three years ago, directors Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman have made a real movie here.

Linda Lovelace was the nom de porn bestowed upon Florida girl Linda Boreman when she starred in her one and only hardcore feature, the 1972 film that became the adult film industry’s first crossover smash, launched “porno chic” and went on to gross anywhere from \$100 million to \$600 million on an initial expenditure of less than \$50,000. Lovelace only ever collected her salary of \$1,250.

Lurking behind the entire enterprise was not only the mob but, more intimately, Lovelace’s husband and manager Chuck Traynor. By her own account, he threatened, beat and controlled her; kept her money; forced her

into prostitution; and essentially kept her prisoner until she finally got away. Lovelace went on to write an account of her experiences entitled “Ordeal” and promoted anti-pornography and women’s causes until her 2002 death in a car accident.

Her story is a sad, depressing and degrading one, so grim at times that one wonders if there’s any edification to be had from it. To say that Lovelace provides uplift by the end would be an exaggeration, but the fact that the one-time victim did not succumb but, rather, stabilized her life and eventually fought back in every way she could provides a sense of vindication.

The early going is a bit choppy as young Linda (Amanda Seyfried), who lives with her parents (Robert Patrick and an unrecognizable Sharon Stone, both excellent) in working-class Davie, Fla., is escorted from the innocuous world of roller rink go-go dancing to the heavy-duty drugs-and-porn scene by the barely charming, bottom-feeding hustler Chuck (Peter Sarsgaard).

When Chuck takes Linda up to New York to push his discovery on porn director Gerard Damiano (Hank Azaria) and producer Butchie Peraino (Bobby Cannavale), she objects that, “I don’t have any skills.” Chuck protests that she does have one, a specialty she has perfected that will give the movie its title, lure upscale audiences to porn for the first time and make its star notorious.

After the “Deep Throat” frenzy has hit its peak, the film abruptly jumps ahead six years, with Linda taking a

polygraph test to authenticate her accusations against her vile Svengali. And thus do the horrors of the past few years begin to pour out: the beatings, the forced gang rapes, the pressure from Anthony to make three sequels, the virtual slavery enforced by Chuck.

Another six years later, “Ordeal” has come out, Linda is raising two kids and is appearing on “The Phil Donahue Show” saying, “Linda Lovelace was a fictitious character.” She’s transitioned from the ultimate sex puppet and practitioner of male fantasies to a feminist hero of sorts.

Making a huge swing from the sweet, innocent Cosette in “Les Misérables” to the queen of porn, Seyfried gives a strong, credible performance that catches Linda’s insecurities and exacts sympathy and regret for all that happened to her, even as she might not seem to completely inhabit the role at all times.

Similarly, Sarsgaard convincingly expresses all manner of manipulative behavior and venal motives as Chuck, but perhaps the actor is simply too genial to be as scary. Supporting roles are very well filled by the likes of Cannavale, Azaria, Chris Noth, Wes Bentley, Eric Roberts and Adam Brody as Linda’s fun-loving co-star Harry Reems.

“Lovelace,” a Radius/Weinstein release, is rated R by the Motion Picture Association of America for “strong sexual content, nudity, language, drug use and some domestic violence.” Running time: 92 minutes.

‘World’s End’ a toast for 3 filmmaking friends

By SANDY COHEN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — It’s not the end of the world, but “The World’s End” marks a creative conclusion for Simon Pegg, Nick Frost and Edgar Wright.

For the British trio behind “Shaun of the Dead” and “Hot Fuzz,” Friday’s release of “The World’s End” completes a trilogy. The longtime friends have no future collaborations planned as each heads into new projects that match their growing profiles. Wright is writing and directing Marvel’s “Ant-Man.” Pegg will star in “Hector and the Search for Happiness,” while Frost is starring (and dancing) in the upcoming comedy “Cuban Fury.”

It’s fitting, then, that their final film together (for now) is a toast — 12 times over. In “The World’s End,” Pegg and Frost play former friends among a group reunited to take on “The Golden Mile”: a dozen pubs in their old U.K. hometown, downing a pint at each.

The real-life friends gathered at a Sunset Strip hotel (over ice waters) to talk about movies, friendship and beer.

AP: Is it bittersweet to complete this trilogy?

Pegg: It feels like we’ve done something we set out to do. ... We know we’ll probably work together again. Highly likely, in fact.

Frost: At the heart of what we do is that we’re all best mates, so it’s not like that’s that, we’ll never see each other. We’re friends first and foremost.

Wright: I feel the sense of satisfaction that we made good on a promise. We made a promise to ourselves as much as we did the fans of making three movies, so to actually finish the movies and have a film that we’re really proud of — three films that we’re really proud of — British films and pretty uncompromised, is huge for us.

AP: What was really in the glasses during filming?

Frost: It was like a sugared water: A water colored with burnt sugar with cream soda on top for the head. But the shots were Sambuca.

Pegg: It had to be water because we had to drink so much of it. It couldn’t have been anything else. It couldn’t be apple juice or tea. ... It tasted a little bit like weak-tasting lemonade, I guess, and we put away pints of the stuff.

AP: What is the beer that you name in the movie?

Wright: Crowning Glory. ... We named it in the script, and then we found this local brewery that said (they’d) make a beer and call it Crowning Glory. So they have actually released it. It’s like an ale. The one that’s named in the movie ... is now real, which is hilarious.

AP: How did the two of you (Pegg and Frost) becoming fathers change your drinking habits?

Pegg: I don’t drink at all now. I gave it up completely.

Frost: I try not to drink. Because what if I woke up and he’d eaten a knife?

AP: What would Ant Man drink?

Wright: I think he’s probably a lightweight because he’s so tiny, but then so am I.

Pegg: He could probably still drink more than you.

AP: Will you all work on “Ant-Man”?

Wright: I like our collaborations together to be ones that we write. Not that I haven’t written “Ant-Man,” but it’s an adaptation. So I think when we reconvene it should be for (a) completely original screenplay.

Frost: So in five years’ time, when we get back together to do “Rhino Man and the Abs,” people will enjoy it more.”

Former ‘Partridge Family’ star Cassidy charged with DWI

SCHODACK, N.Y. (AP) — Authorities say former teen heartthrob David Cassidy was pulled over in upstate New York for failing to dim his headlights and charged with DWI after tests showed his blood-alcohol content at .10, higher than the state’s legal limit of .08.

Schodack Police Lt. Joseph Belardo says Cassidy was stopped shortly after 12 a.m. Wednesday about 10 miles south of Albany.

The charge is a felony because Cassidy has a 2011 conviction for driving under the influence in Florida. He lives in Fort Lauderdale but is staying in upstate New York for a racing meet in Saratoga.

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