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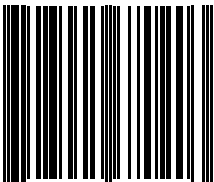
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Some residents looking at city tax issues

By MARY ANN GREIER
Staff Writer

City residents who filed federal income tax returns between 2006 and 2011 but apparently didn't file returns with Salem can expect an audit notice in the mail this week from the Central Collection Agency.

Salem City Income Tax Administrator Fred Pamer said the Cleveland entity completed a review of federal tax returns and identified 667 city

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residents who filed federal returns but had no record of filing city returns to report their income during that time frame.

Last fall, the city contracted with CCA to track down non-filers using federal income tax information that Salem can't access but Cleveland can due to its size. Before unleashing CCA

on the records, the city offered a widely-advertised, one-time only income tax amnesty program in an effort to help residents take care of their tax issues.

Now that CCA is involved, the city is out of the process for those identified residents who may owe taxes. They will have to contact CCA and follow the directions in the audit notice letter to resolve their city tax issue.

Pamer said CCA reviewed federal tax records for tax years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

"People will have to deal with CCA, not with Salem," he said, stressing that the Salem Income Tax Office personnel will not be able to help them.

They'll be directed to call the CCA auditor listed on their letter at the

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YOUNGSTOWN

Lisbon man shot to death

David Stokes, 52, one of two men shot at apartment complex

Staff Reports

Two Columbiana County men were shot, one fatally, Friday morning at an apartment complex in the city.

According to a spokesman Saturday night at Youngstown Police Department, David Stokes, 52, Lisbon, was found dead of a gunshot wound in the parking lot of the Rockford Village Apartment complex on Rosewood Lane at 11:47 a.m. Friday.

The second victim, Matthew Sharp, whose age and exact address were not immediately available, received a gunshot wound to the upper leg and was transported to St. Elizabeth Med-

ical Center. He is from Columbiana County, according to police.

A third person with the two men at the time of the shooting was not injured.

The spokesman said police do have a person of interest in the case but no one is yet in custody, adding, "They are still following leads."

She said that, should a suspect be arrested, charges of aggravated murder and felonious assault will most likely be filed.

This is the first homicide in the city for 2013. The east side apartment complex was the scene of a fatal stabbing last October and also of a drive-by shooting last August in which an 8-year-old boy was killed.

Reportedly, Stokes was a 1979 graduate of United Local High School.

New director named for Salem-Perry Township Neighborhood Crime Watch

Group with current membership of 100 figures it has helped over 3,000 people

By LARRY SHIELDS

Staff writer

The torch has been passed to a new director of the Salem-Perry Township Neighborhood Crime Watch organization.

Since founding the group in 2007 at the suggestion of former Mayor Jerry Wolford, Roe Haskin has been at the front and watched membership soar to over 200 members and level out to 100, where it stands today.

Cara Milhoan, a Crime Watch member since 2008 who initiated the block watch at Salem Acres, was named the new director but Haskin will assist when he's needed.

"Everything I've started, I'd like to see continued," he said Thursday. Milhoan said that was one of her goals. Along with letting people know they "are still around."

"We're here to help," she emphasized.

The volunteer group operates under the National Crime Prevention Council and uses some of its material like McGruff the Crime Dog.

A few years back, Milhoan provided a tip that was passed along to her through a couple of people that led to the arrest of a graffiti painter in town.

"It turned out the be a 32-year-old man," she said.

Haskin said the essence of the organization is helping and the group relies on a big fund raiser on July 3 when it hosts National Night Out at Waterworth Memorial Park.

Haskin said its the concession from the holiday event helps drives other activities, pointing out that Wolford would solicit donations for the fireworks while Crime Watch provided a bounce house and entertainment.

"Last year we had our first cruise," he said, adding they look forward to expanding it this year. Car owners set up canopies behind their vehicles and enjoy the day.

"We started a community garden three years ago," he said. The 50 by 150-foot garden is located next to the recycling center and provides tomatoes, green and hot peppers, herbs, strawberries and melons that are donated to the Salem Community Food Pantry.

"We figure we helped over 3,000 people,"

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Roe Haskin is retiring as the first director of the Salem-Perry Township Crime Watch group. A founding member, he is being replaced by Cara Milhoan, a veteran of Crime Watch since 2008, who is not afraid to speak her mind. "I think she'll do a good job," Haskin said. The organization has about 100 members. (Salem News photo by Larry Shields)



Leetonia Schools sounding alarm over student safety

By KEVIN HOWELL

Staff Writer

LEETONIA— With the help of generous donations, the Leetonia school administration is reinforcing its commitment to student safety.

The school board Thursday night accepted a \$9,295 donation from Niles Manufacturing for a new silent alarm system, including silent alarms for staff members and five wall-mounted

silent alarm stations located throughout the facility.

The silent alarms are a direct and immediate line of communication to the local law enforcement agency.

The alarms are just the latest addition in a continued effort to provide a safe school environment, according to schools Superintendent Rob Mehno. "The Leetonia School District is vigilant and

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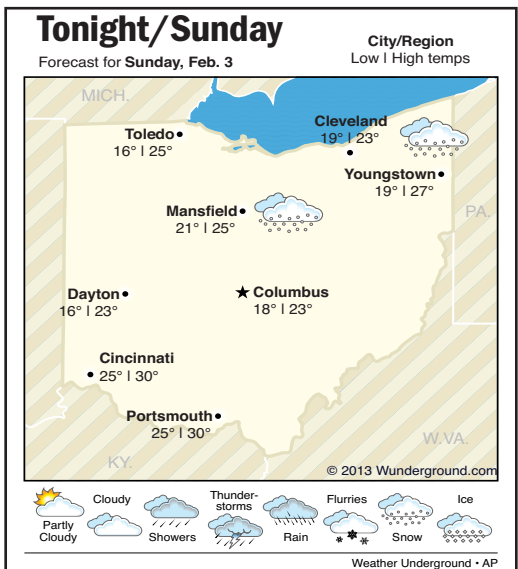
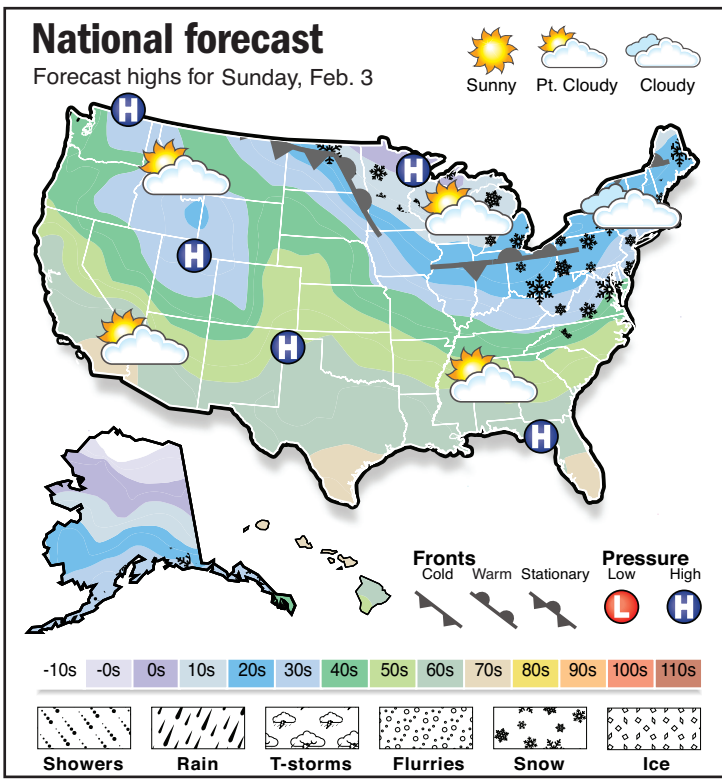
Left photo, Leetonia school board member Michael Rulli, left, and schools Superintendent Rob Mehno display a silent alarm button located at the main entrance of the K-12 campus. A donation of \$9,295 donation from Niles Manufacturing made possible the purchase of silent alarms for staff members and five wall-mounted stations located throughout the facility. (Salem News photo by Kevin Howell)

WEATHER

THE FORECAST

AREA: Today...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid 20s. West winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight: Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Cold with lows around 10 above. West winds 10 to 15 mph. Wind chill values as low as 5 below. Monday...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow. Highs in the lower 20s. West winds 5 to 10 mph. Wind chill values as low as 4 below. Monday night...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Cold with lows around 10 above. Tuesday...Snow likely. Highs in the mid 20s. Chance of snow 60 percent. Tuesday night...Snow likely. Lows around 20. Chance of snow 60 percent. Wednesday...Partly sunny. Highs in the upper 20s. Wednesday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows 15 to 20. Thursday...Partly sunny. Highs in the lower 30s. Thursday night...Cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow. Not as cool with lows in the upper 20s. Friday...Cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid 30s.

CLEVELAND: Today...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Highs in the lower 20s. West winds 5 to 10 mph...Increasing to 15 to 20 mph in the afternoon. Tonight...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Cold with lows around 12. West winds 15 to 20 mph. Wind chill values as low as 4 below. Monday...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow. Highs in the lower 20s. West winds 10 to 15 mph. Wind chill values as low as 3 below. Monday night...Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Cold with lows around 10 above. Tuesday...Snow likely. Highs in the mid 20s. Chance of snow 60 percent.



ALMANAC

On Feb. 3, 1913, the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified. In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln and Confederate Vice President Alexander H. Stephens held a shipboard peace conference off the Virginia coast; the talks deadlocked over the issue of Southern autonomy. In 1924, the 28th president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, died in Washington, D.C., at age 67. In 1930, the chief justice of the United States, William Howard Taft, resigned for health reasons. (He died just over a month later.) In 1943, during World War II, the U.S. transport ship Dorchester, which was carrying troops to Greenland, sank after being hit by a German torpedo; of the more than 900 men aboard, only some 230 survived. In 1959, rock-and-roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson died in a small plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa.

Ohio’s prognosticating Buckeye Chuck says spring coming early

MARION (AP) — Ohio’s prognosticating groundhog says spring will come early to the state.

For the fourth year in the row, Buckeye Chuck sent a signal Saturday that spring will come soon for Ohioans. Buckeye Chuck did not see his shadow at 7:39 a.m.

According to the Mansfield News Journal , hundreds attended the festivities held at WMRN-AM in Marion in north-central Ohio.

In Pennsylvania, Punxsutawney Phil has made his prediction. He also says expect an early spring.

Ohio Art says creator of famed Etch A Sketch dies in France

BRYAN, Ohio (AP) — An Ohio toy maker says the inventor of the Etch A Sketch, the famous red toy that generations of children drew on, shook up and started over, has died in France.

The Ohio Art Co. based in Bryan in northwest Ohio says 86-year-old Andre Cassagnes died Jan. 16 in a Paris suburb. The cause wasn’t disclosed Saturday.

Ohio Art president Larry Killgallon says the company will always be grateful for an invention that brought joy to so many.

The Toy Industry Association says Cassagnes came upon the Etch A Sketch idea in the late 1950s. He peeled a translucent decal from a light switch plate and found pencil mark images transferred to the opposite face.

The toy, with its gray screen and red frame, has two knobs that are twisted to create drawings. A shake erases the image.

Disputed Ohio fine sent to Newtown spurs new suit

CANTON (AP) — A lawsuit questions whether Ohio law requires criminal fines to be paid to counties or allows judges to direct that money elsewhere, such as to the Connecticut community where a gunman killed 20 students and six adults.

Attorney Craig Conley filed the lawsuit Friday in Stark County on behalf of a taxpayer challenging a judge’s decision to send a \$5,000 fine to the Newtown school support fund. The money was paid by a former high school basketball coach convicted of videotaping boys in a locker room shower.

The lawsuit argues criminal fines must be paid to counties by law and judges can’t redirect that money.

An administrator with the prosecutor’s office says the judge has immunity and tells The Repository in Canton the case is a “waste of time.”

Two major apartment landlords invoking smoke-free policies

COLUMBUS (AP) — Two major apartment landlords in central Ohio are implementing smoke-free policies this year.

T&R Properties, which manages more than 20 central Ohio complexes, and Crawford Hoying, with 25 complexes, are banning smoking in certain buildings, including on patios and terraces.

According to The Columbus Dispatch, tenants will be required to move to a building where smoking is allowed or agree not to smoke at home.

Violating the agreement would be treated like breaking any tenant rule, such as no pets, and could result in eviction.

Researchers hope to increase statewide berry production

PIKETON (AP) — A research project has begun in Ohio to find ways of increasing the state’s production of blackberries and raspberries as consumer demand for the fruits continues to grow.

Researchers with Ohio State University Extension are studying alternative planting methods to help Ohio growers step up production of the two increasingly popular fruits that many health experts say provide health benefits.

Demand for the berries has grown in recent years thanks to consumers wanting those benefits, said Gary Gao, an OSU Extension specialist and associate professor of

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small fruit crops at the OSU South Centers at Piketon in southern Ohio.

The berries contain dietary fiber and high levels of antioxidants — substances that health experts believe protect cells in the body from damage that they say can lead to diseases such as cancer.

Gao says consumption of fresh raspberries has been climbing in the U.S. and blackberry crops are expanding worldwide.

Production and consumption of blackberries, in particular, have been increasing in recent years, according to Debby Wechsler, executive secretary of the North American Raspberry & Blackberry Association.

“One of the reasons is that blackberries are available year round and consumers are seeing them in stores more often now,” Wechsler said.

Growing blackberries in Ohio also can present some challenges since that fruit does not have a large degree of winter hardiness, and a very cold winter can cause severe damage, according to Gao.

The two-year, \$55,000 research project that began in October is funded by a U.S. Department of Agriculture grant through the Ohio Department of Agriculture. It’s intended to address the shortage in quantity and seasonal availability of Ohio-grown blackberries and raspberries.

The grant will allow researchers to test more hardy varieties, work on increasing the bramble acreage in Ohio by 150 acres over the next two to five years and improve the yields of bramble plants by 15 percent, Gao said. A bramble is collection of a group of plants — such as blackberries and raspberries — that have thorns.

Researchers also are working on expanding the seasonal availability of bramble fruits by at least two weeks and on educating growers through training workshops.

Gao says farmers who typically have raised other crops such as corn and soybeans could benefit from adding berries. “It’s a good way to add another source of income,” Gao said.

Regents Chancellor Jim Petro end long career of service

COLUMBUS (AP) — Ohio Board of Regents Chancellor Jim Petro has retired after more than three decades in public service, including two years as chancellor.

Petro retired Friday as leader of one of the largest higher education networks in the country. Gov. John Kasich appointed Petro in March 2011.

The Republican from the Cleveland suburb of Brooklyn served as a councilman, commissioner and state representative from Cuyahoga County before being elected Ohio auditor in 1994. He served two terms as auditor before being elected attorney general in 2002 and ran for governor in 2006, losing the GOP primary to Secretary of State Ken Blackwell.

In 2005, Petro was the first state attorney general in the nation to intervene to use DNA evidence on behalf of a wrongly convicted inmate.

Ohio schools: casino taxes don’t make up for cuts

CLEVELAND (AP) — Ohio school districts are happy to get their share of casino taxes, but some say the money won’t make up for cuts in state education aid.

The state has passed out more than \$111 million in casino taxes, mostly to counties, cities and school districts, since the first three of four Ohio casinos opened last year.

According to The Cleveland Plain Dealer, the latest casino tax distributions went out during the past week.

In suburban Cleveland, Berea school officials will use their first check for \$142,512 for general operating expenses.

Interim Berea school treasurer Dale Cummins says declining property values and the state’s decision to cut reimbursement for phased-out business taxes have cost the district \$2.5 million this fiscal year. She said the casino money “doesn’t even begin to cover the reductions.”

The Shaker Heights schools have lost \$8 million in state funding in the last two years, spokeswoman Peggy Caldwell said. She said the district will add \$112,437 in casino taxes

to reserves.

She said the money was welcome but “is a very, very small amount in the context of the state cuts.”

Lorain County west of Cleveland has netted \$1.5 million since last year and put the money into a \$52 million operating budget. Budget Director Lisa Hobart said the casino taxes will partially offset the loss of state funds and interest income in the last few years.

Cleveland received \$2.5 million in casino taxes and has taken in almost \$6 million since last year. Finance Director Sharon Dumas estimated that the city will receive \$11.4 million this year, which will include taxes on a casino set to open March 4 in Cincinnati.

Casinos opened last year in Cleveland, Toledo and Columbus.

Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson’s administration will keep 85 percent of the money, putting a portion into downtown police protection and cleanup and spending some of the rest on roads, bridges and city buildings, Dumas said. The remaining 15 percent will go to City Council members for projects in their wards.

Ohio charges a 33 percent tax on the gambling revenue casinos have left after paying winners. Under a formula in the state constitution, 51 percent is divided among the state’s 88 counties, based on population, and 34 percent goes to school districts, according to enrollment.

Eight cities that had populations of at least 80,000 in the 2000 census -- and ranked as the largest city in their respective counties get half of their county shares. Cleveland and the three other casino cities claim 5 percent of the local casino’s gross.

Man pleads guilty in adopted child rape case

DAYTON (AP) — An Ohio man pleaded guilty Friday to raping a boy at the center of sexual abuse allegations that have already landed the boy’s adoptive father and another man long prison sentences.

Following his plea, the Montgomery County prosecutor’s office said Patrick Rieder was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole after 25 years.

Rieder, 32, pleaded guilty to 27 counts including rape of a child under 13, pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor and illegal use of a minor in nudity oriented material or performance.

Authorities said the boy’s adoptive father gave Rieder and another man access to the boy. The adoptive father brought the child to Rieder’s Dayton home, where both men raped him, prosecutors alleged.

Rieder’s attorney, Christopher Thompson, did not immediately return calls Friday.

The adoptive father pleaded guilty Nov. 2 to six counts of raping three young boys in his care in Miami County, where prosecutors have recommended a sentence of 60 years to life in prison in exchange for his guilty plea. He also pleaded guilty Dec. 20 in a Montgomery County court in Dayton to one count each of child rape and complicity to rape under a plea agreement that calls for 50 years to life in prison.

The adoptive father agreed to testify at Rieder’s trial that had been scheduled for later this month, but Montgomery County prosecutor’s spokesman Greg Flannagan said that sentencing may be moved up in light of Rieder’s plea.

Montgomery County Prosecutor Mat Heck Jr. said after the adoptive father’s plea that the father “will basically spend the rest of his natural life locked up and that certainly is a good disposition.”

Authorities said the 40-year-old adoptive father had been caring for three boys and a girl in his Miami County home and adopted all of the children except for one of the boys, whom he was in the process of adopting.

The Associated Press isn’t naming the adoptive father to protect the identities of the children, whose ages at the time of the arrests ranged from 9 to 12.

The adoptive father told The Associated Press in an interview late last year that he was sorry for his actions and wanted to testify against Rieder and another man in Miami County who was charged with raping the boy.

The Miami County prosecutor said that the adoptive father arranged for Jason Zwick, of Beavercreek, to rape the boy.

Zwick, 30, pleaded no contest Jan. 8 to one count of child rape in that case and was sentenced to 10 years to life in prison.

The adoptive father was arrested in February 2012 as the result of a detective’s investigation of a person who went online seeking what was called “taboo” sex.

Rieder was also labeled a sex offender at his sentencing, meaning he would have to register his address every 90 days for the rest of his life if he ever leaves prison.

Punxsutawney Phil doesn’t see shadow; early spring is on way

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP) — An end to winter’s bitter cold will come soon, according to Pennsylvania’s famous groundhog.

Following a recent stretch of weather that’s included temperatures well below freezing as well as record warmth, tornadoes in the South and Midwest and torrential rains in the mid-Atlantic, Punxsutawney Phil emerged from his lair Saturday in front of thousands but didn’t see his shadow.

Legend has it that if the furry rodent sees his shadow on Feb. 2 on Gobbler’s Knob in west-central Pennsylvania, winter will last six more weeks. But if he doesn’t see his shadow, spring will come early.

The prediction is made during a ceremony overseen by a group called the Inner Circle. Members don top hats and tuxedos for the ceremony on Groundhog Day each year.

Bill Deeley, president of the Inner Circle, says that after “consulting” with Phil, he makes the call in deciphering what the world’s Punxsutawney Phil has to say about the weather.

Phil is known as the “seer of seers” and “sage of sages.” Organizers predicted about 20,000 people this weekend, a larger-than-normal crowd because Groundhog Day falls on a weekend this year.

“I just hope he’s right and we get warmer weather soon,” said Mike McKown, 45, an X-ray technician who drove up from Lynchburg, Va., with his mother.

Phil’s got company in the forecasting department. There’s Staten Island Chuck, in New York; General Beauregard Lee, in Atlanta; and Wiarton Willie, in Wiarton, Ontario, among others noted by the National Climatic Data Center “Groundhog Day” Web page.

“Punxsutawney can’t keep something this big to itself,” the Data Center said. “Other prognosticating rodents are popping up to claim a piece of the action.”

Phil is the original — and the best, Punxsutawney partisans insist.

The 1993 movie “Groundhog Day” starring Bill Murray brought even more notoriety to the Pennsylvania party. The record attendance was about 30,000 the year after the movie’s release, said Katie Donald, executive director of the Groundhog Club. About 13,000 attend if Feb. 2 falls on a weekday.

Phil’s predictions, of course, are not always right on. Last year, for example, he told people to prepare for six more weeks of winter, a minority opinion among his groundhog brethren. The Northeast Regional Climate Center at Cornell University later listed that January to June as the warmest seven-month period since systematic records began being kept in 1895.

Goodbye Barney: Thousands mourn death of Bush’s terrier

DALLAS (AP) — Thousands have offered their condolences via Facebook over the death of Barney, President George W. Bush’s beloved black Scottish terrier.

Bush and his wife, Laura, released a statement Friday saying their famous 12-year-old pooch had died after suffering from lymphatic cancer.

“Barney was by my side during our eight years in the White House,” Bush said. “He never discussed politics and was always a faithful friend. Laura and I will miss our pal.”

The statement was reposted on the former president’s Facebook page and had drawn more than 31,000 comments by Saturday morning, all expressing sympathy for the family’s loss. The Facebook page also shared a 64-photo gallery of Barney, including George W. Bush’s oil painting of the dog.

DEATHS

Raymond “Ed” Doss

SALEM — Raymond “Ed” Doss, 56, of Salem, Ohio died Friday morning, Feb. 1, 2013 at his home following a sudden illness.

He was born Oct. 17, 1956 in Salem, the son of Vera (Green) Doss and the late Raymond E. Doss Jr.

Mr. Doss graduated from Crestview High School and attended and graduated from Hyde Park Culinary Institute in Hyde Park, New York. He was head chef at the former Timberlanes Restaurant of Salem and worked at Isle of Capri in Youngstown.

Ed loved the Rogers Flea Market and going to auctions. Survivors include his wife, Sally (Walter) Doss, whom he married Jan. 30, 1982; his mother, Vera Doss of East Fairfield; a brother, John (Anna) Doss of Poland, Ohio; and his beloved dog, Trixie. He is also survived by several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Wesley (Cherl) Coy, Buck (Diane) Matthews, Greg (Chris) Walter, Ken (Belinda) Walter, and Nancy Donnelly. Also many nieces and nephews who brought him great joy, and many proud moments.

A brother, Sam Doss, preceded him in death.

Services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2013 at the Stark Memorial Funeral Home with Pastor Jeremy Ray officiating. Calling hours will be held on Tuesday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the funeral home prior to the services.

Burial will be at Hope Cemetery.

This obituary may be viewed and condolences sent to the family online at www.starkmemorial.com

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Imogene (Jean) Phyllis (Pemberton) Plumley

SALEM — Imogene (Jean) Phyllis (Pemberton) Plumley, 88, of Guilford Lake, Lisbon, passed away at her home at 5:50 a.m. on Saturday, January 30, 2013.

In Celebration of You

I have tried to imagine my world without you. Soaring geese in formation, mountain peaks bidden in snow, the splendor of fall along a country road, the whirr of a ring-necked pheasant at midnight, and know that none of it will be the same without you. But most of all, I could never replace your smile, your eyes, your gentleness and giving of your loyalty and caring, the memories we have filed, the secrets we've shared. The love that is forever there despite time or distance

So, today I celebrate your very existence, thank all life for your life, express my deepest gratitude that of the millions of people and possibilities our lives were destined to be intermingled. As I celebrate your being I want you to know, clearly and forever, that my world will never be the same without you.

She was born on Aug. 24, 1924 in Glenmary, Tenn., the daughter of the late Franklin H. and Myrtle (Newport) Pemberton.

She was employed at Brunks' Home Place in Salem until her retirement. Jean enjoyed reading, sewing and gardening

She is survived by her daughters, Kay Firme in Ill., Lynda Barnett Fetterman in Winona, OH, Bobbi Nosse Barnett in Middlefield, OH., Michaelyn Rozeski of the home, and Heidi Sisco of E. Rochester; one sister, Ernestine (Howard) Cogdell of N.C.' 18 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and two great-great granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Orist O Barnett; sons, Steven Michael Barnett and Robert D. Plumley Jr.; siblings Endmon, Archie, Clifford, Clinton, Loniel and Bill Pemberton; Ivizzie Roberts, Leda Blair, Josephine Cavanaugh and Edna Wright.

She will be laid to rest in East Claridon Cemetery, Claridon, Ohio.

Jean's arrangements were cared for by the Arbaugh-Pearce-Greenisen & Sons Funeral and Cremation Services, Salem, Ohio.

The family has requested that you visit the guest book and leave a tribute in Jean's memory at www.apgreenisenfh.com

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ALARM

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committed to student safety,” he said. “We continuously work within our district to implement practices we know will keep our children out of harm’s way.”

Over the past several years the district has been able to slowly increase the security system while using no general fund money, just permanent improvement funds and private donations, Mehno said.

Those additions include five more cameras— in the cafeteria, maintenance hall, outside entrance and two in the stairway— bringing the building total to 32, and an upgrade to the camera system. The alarm system has also been amplified by magnetic locks and key cards for staff members.

In addition to the added equipment, Mehno said procedures have also been revised to increase safety. With the addition of keyless entry doors, the locking procedure now allows for all doors to be locked during the day until elementary students leave. After that only the main doors are left unlocked for team practices and events in the evening.

Mehno recognized Niles Manufacturing for the donation making the silent alarm system possible. He thanked company officials Bob and Richard Hendricks and Beth Hall for their support, not only in their most recent donation, but in their past philanthropic endeavors at the school which have made several projects possible.

“I can’t say enough about how much they do for the school and community,” he said.

Kevin Howell can be reached at khowell@salemnews.net

Twin polar bear cubs to go on display in Toledo

TOLEDO (AP) — Twin polar bears born at a north-west Ohio zoo are expected to go on display this spring.

The Toledo Zoo says the cubs born Nov. 21 are the second set of twins for their mother, named Crystal, who is caring for them. Zoo workers don't have direct contact with the cubs, but a monitor in the den tracks their progress.

The Blade in Toledo reports the twins are expected to go on exhibit in May.

In Christ’s Hands workshop is Feb. 4-6

SALEM — Free coffee will be provided during a In Christ’s Hands workshop which will be held Feb. 4-6 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The workshop is located at 1431 N. Ellsworth Ave. A bake sale will also be held.

POLICE

SALEM REPORTS

— A woman in the 100 block of Sharp Avenue at 6:21 a.m. Saturday reported a domestic dispute between her and her boyfriend. She locked herself in the bathroom until officers could arrive. When they arrived, they spoke to both of them and no physical violence was reported. The boyfriend said he threw a candle and a night stand. The woman gathered her belongings and left on her own.

— A domestic was reported at 3:12 a.m. Saturday in the 500 block of East Fourth Street where officers spoke with numerous people inside the residence and found there was an argument between two brothers for an undetermined reason. One of the brothers and his girlfriend called a local taxi and they were leaving.

— An audible alarm was reported at 2:13 a.m. Saturday in the 500 block of South Lincoln Avenue. Officers checked all outer doors and windows, with all appearing secure. The key holder did not respond.

— Police were called at 1:52 a.m. Saturday to the 400 block of Woodland Avenue where an anonymous caller reported people in three trucks revving their engines, honking their horns and yelling out their windows, causing a disturbance. Officers checked the area for several minutes, but did not find the trucks.

— An officer at 1:10 a.m. Saturday initiated a traffic stop on a blue Chevy truck in the 300 block of West State Street for an alleged equipment violation. Jeffrey A. Drummond, 22, whose last known address was Salem, was cited for driving under suspension. His truck was towed and he was picked up by a friend.

— Police were called to the 700 block of South Lundy Avenue at 10:49 p.m. Friday for a man who fell down. KLG Ambulance transported him for treatment.

— An officer on patrol at 10:09 p.m. Friday in the 100 block of Cunningham Road saw damage to two windows on the east side of a building. It appeared the damage was caused by pellet or BB shot.

— Police were called at 8:30 p.m. Friday to the 500 block of Franklin Avenue for a dispute between a boyfriend and girlfriend. The female left before officers arrived and the male was told to call back if any further incident occurs.

— An anonymous caller at 6:19 p.m. Friday reported a possible intoxicated driver in the 900 block of East State Street. Officers located the vehicle and spoke to the driver, determining the man was not intoxicated.

— Barbara Beverly, of Hanoverton, reported at 5:43 p.m. Friday that she was legally parked in a lot at 821 E. State St. and was inside when a witness saw a blue Saturn strike her vehicle and leave.

— A woman in the 2300 block of Oak Street reported at 4:58 p.m. Friday that someone has been fraudulently receiving unemployment compensation using her identity. She said various transactions totaling \$2,400 had been made regularly at a financial institution within the city for the past year. The case will be turned over to the department detective.

— A man in the 900 block of West Perry Street reported at 4:07 p.m. Friday that someone hacked his online account and used \$715 from Western Union. Western Union is looking into the matter and asked him to file a police report.

— A woman told an officer at 3:03 p.m. Friday that she was driving west on East State Street when a known male who was walking northbound across East State Street from the hospital area came up to her vehicle and kicked it because she did not stop for him in the middle of the road where there was no crosswalk. She and her passenger said they were not close to hitting the man, but where he kicked the vehicle was next to where the passenger's 2-year-old baby was sitting and it scared her. The male said he was attempting to cross the street when the vehicle came towards him. The vehicle did not strike him but he felt it could have. The woman told police she and the male have a past of not liking each other.

— An officer at 1:55 p.m. Friday met with a person from the local Ministerial Association and a probation officer from the courts who brought a male transient to the city and filled out a form to have him taken to Barnett's Motel, with the association paying for the stay. He had already gotten some food. An officer transported him to the motel.

— An officer assisted a deputy at 1:06 p.m. Friday to look for several wanted persons. One female was taken into custody in the 700 block of East Third Street.

— Police responded to the 900 block of Liberty Street where a woman reported at 11:39 a.m. Friday she was upset over a situation at her father's residence from the previous night that had carried over to Friday. She said she was visiting with her father Friday morning at the Liberty Street residence he owns when the nephew/grandson came down from upstairs. After a short discussion, she said the nephew/grandson became irate and made threats of physical harm towards the grandfather, who lets him reside with him, then came at her with his nose up to hers making a threat of hurting her. She wanted something done and said they had contacted a local attorney who advised them to lock the male out and said they didn't have to let him in. The officer explained to her that they could not just throw him out and officers could not give them permission to lock him out. He said they needed to follow the court's procedures with evicting him. She wanted charges filed and the officer explained the procedure for that.

— A woman in the 400 block of Franklin Street reported at 11:45 p.m. Thursday that someone known to her had been to her residence and threatened her. She was provided her options.

SALEM FIRE DEPT.

— Firefighters were called at 9:48 p.m. Friday to respond to an alarm at a nursing facility in the 2500 block of Bentley Drive. Staff members said it was the trouble alarm for the laundry room heat detector. Nothing was found. Maintenance workers were enroute.

— Firefighters responded to an odor of natural gas reported at 8:52 p.m. Friday in the 600 block of North Lincoln Avenue outside of a residence. Nothing was found with a meter.

SHERIFF’S OFFICE

— Matt Domitrovich, Enon Valley, reported he was at his ex-girlfriend's picking up his child when her intoxicated father approached him and began threatening him. Deputies spoke to the other man, who said he did ask Domitrovich about things he'd written on Facebook. He was advised to not talk to Domitrovich.

— John Fabry, Columbiana-Lisbon Road, Columbiana, reported a person with a foreign accent has called him multiple times, claiming to be from a credit card service and threatening him. A deputy called the phone number and was advised it is out of service.

— Dave Dudick, East Liverpool Road, Lisbon, reported his neighbor's trees are falling into his yard and she is saying they aren't hers anymore. Deputies advised him this is a civil matter, and Dudick reportedly told them he plans on putting the trees back on his neighbor's property.

— Thomas Steinbeck, Signal Road, Columbiana, reported his grandson's French horn and its case, valued at \$3,000, were stolen from Crestview Middle School. The instrument was insured, he told deputies.

Missing 13-year-old girl found dead in park

FAIRFIELD, Calif. (AP) — A 13-year-old girl reported missing Thursday has been found dead in a park in the Northern California city of Fairfield, police said.

A passer-by discovered the girl's naked body a little before 7 a.m. Friday at the city's Alan Witt Park and

flagged down a police officer who was driving by, Fairfield Police Officer Cleo Mayoral said Saturday.

The girl was reported missing around 5:45 p.m. Thursday after she had left a foster home in nearby Suisun City, Mayoral said. Her name was not released. An autopsy was performed, but Mayoral said officials weren't releasing the results.

TAX

FROM 1A

toll-free number 1-877-878-8587.

A sample letter provided to the Salem News by Pamer said the residents who receive a letter from CCA will be asked to provide requested information in writing within 30 days to CCA.

The form to be returned to CCA asks for residential addresses for the person and their spouse for the past six years, along with their employment income for the last six years, whether they've been self-employed, own rental property or received a form from a partnership or Sub S Corp. They'll also be asked to submit copies of their 2006 through 2011 federal income tax returns (and spouse's return) and copies of all 2006 through 2011 federal W-2 and 1099 forms.

Pamer said the city provided CCA with addresses identified in the city and reviewed some of the initial records and eliminated some that were identified as not being in the city. The city has a 1 percent income tax in place for city residents.

Information about the program will be placed on the city website at www.cityofsalemohio.org. Information can also be found on the CCA website at www.ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us.

When Pamer and city Treasurer Bob Tullis explained the proposal to members of the Finance Committee of City Council in September, they said CCA would compare the Salem taxpayer data base with the IRS federal income tax data base to identify taxpayers with a Salem address living in the city who filed a federal return but had not filed with the city. CCA would also look for taxpayers who had underreported their Salem income and compare federal withholdings for Salem-based businesses to look for businesses that had not reported wages and withholding to the city.

CCA was to pursue the filing of missing returns, billing of underpaid taxes and unreported withholding from local businesses, charging the city 5 percent of the total amount collected. Any money CCA receives will be repaid to the city after CCA takes its 5 percent cut.

Pamer said the letters were supposed to be mailed out Friday.

Mary Ann Greier can be reached at mgreier@salemnews.net

WATCH

FROM 1A

Haskin said and tabulated the total manpower hours over its first four years at 9,900 hours “donated to the city and over 7,000 car hours” patrolling the city.

“Mostly on evenings until about midnight,” he said, explaining that all people have to do is fill out and application and pass a background check.

“You have to buy your own shirt,” Milhoan said. “We’re the eyes and ears. If you see someone get in your car what would you do? You would call police, that’s what you would do and as a Crime Watch member, that’s what you would be expected to do.”

Haskin said when the organization started up, it asked for \$300 to pay half its incorporation fee but was advised there were liability issues.

There weren’t any with Perry Township which kicked in the money to place its non-profit status into good standing with the state.

Crime Watch is on the scene to help with traffic, charities, the humane society, the Salvation Army, other cities and after storms.

Milhoan said when they drive by storm damage “if they say something we help, if not we move on. The police are happy we’re there.”

During football season there were windows broken in parking lots and Haskin said, “When we patrolled them it stopped.”

Milhoan attended Salem High School, earned a GED, studied human resources at Kent State University and is a member of the county emergency response team.

Milhoan will work “to pretty much maintain what we’ve been doing and add a little here and there and let a lot of people know we’re here.”

Crime Watch is on Facebook as Salem Perry Township Crime Watch.

Town mourns for slain bus driver

MIDLAND CITY, Ala. (AP) — As the police standoff with an Alabama man accused of holding a 5-year-old boy hostage continued Saturday, a nearby community prepared to bury the beloved bus driver who was shot to death trying to protect children on his bus when the episode began days earlier.

Charles Albert Poland Jr., 66, who was known around town as Chuck, was described by folks in his hometown of Newton as a humble hero. Hundreds of people attended a viewing service for Poland on Saturday evening. His funeral was set for Sunday afternoon.

“I believe that if he had to do it all over again tomorrow, he would,” said Poland’s sister-in-law, Lavern Skipper, earlier Saturday. “He would do it for those children.”

Authorities said Jim Lee Dykes boarded a stopped school bus filled with 21 children Tuesday afternoon and demanded two boys between 6 and 8 years old. When Poland tried to block his way, the gunman shot him several times and took one 5-year-old boy — who police

say remains in an underground bunker with Dykes.

Dale County Sheriff Wally Olson said in a briefing with reporters Saturday that Dykes has told them he has blankets and an electric heater in the bunker on his property.

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Chesapeake continues to shed assets to pay debt

By CASEY JUNKINS
Special to the Salem News

WHEELING — Oklahoma-based Chesapeake Energy is selling the rest of its pipeline network and natural gas transporting equipment located largely in the Marcellus and Utica Shale areas for \$2.16 billion as part of its effort to shed assets to pay off debts.

"We look forward to completing additional asset sales and achieving our goals of strengthening our balance sheet, tightening our asset focus and increasing returns to shareholders," said Chesapeake Chief Executive Officer Aubrey McClendon.

Much of the assets Chesapeake will sell are located in the developing natural gas areas of Ohio,

West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Other portions are located in Texas, Louisiana and other parts of the United States.

Chesapeake is selling the assets to Access Midstream Partners. Chesapeake formerly owned this company, then known as Chesapeake Midstream Partners, but sold off the midstream group earlier this year.

J. Mike Stice now serves as chief executive officer for Access Midstream, the same capacity in which he served with Chesapeake Midstream.

"The extension of our services into gas processing, fractionation and NGL pipelines will enhance our ability to grow and deliver additional value to our unitholders

going forward," Stice said.

In the natural gas industry, companies like Chesapeake Energy, XTO Energy, Chevron and Range Resources are known as producers because they own the gas that is pumped from the ground. "Midstream" assets include pipelines, as well as processing and fractionation plants such as those operated by Dominion Resources, Williams Partners, MarkWest Energy and others which are needed to take the gas to market.

Stice said this deal will allow Access to have gathering opportunities in key liquids-rich regions and to the processing and fractionation segments of the midstream value chain.

The liquids-rich, or "wet," gas is prevalent in eastern Ohio and much of West Virginia's Northern Panhandle. Chesapeake has estimated that these wet wells which produce ethane, propane, butane, pentane and possibly crude oil, in addition to the dry methane are worth at least three times as much as wells that yield only methane.

Estimates earlier this year measured Chesapeake's debt ranging anywhere from \$9.5 billion to \$22 billion.

Much of Chesapeake's financial difficulties result from McClendon's personal business dealings with local Chesapeake leaseholdings, which saw him take a 2.5 percent personal interest in Brooke, Ohio, Marshall and Wet-

zel County Chesapeake operations.

This left some investors concerned because Chesapeake is a publicly traded company, while McClendon's firms, Larchmont Resources and Jamestown Resources, are his own businesses.

Jefferies & Co. and Goldman Sachs are serving as financial advisers to Chesapeake on its midstream transactions.

Earlier this year, Chesapeake borrowed \$4 billion from Goldman that the driller also is repaying.

Casey Junkins is a staff writer for the The (Wheeling) Intelligencer, a sister newspaper of the Salem News in the Ogden Newspaper Group..

Va. museum unwrapping mummy's story with CT scan

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Using modern technology, a Virginia museum is working to unwrap the story behind one of the earliest surviving Egyptian mummies.

The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond partnered this week with a medical imaging center to complete a CT scan on Tjebby (CHEH-bee), its 4,000-year-old mummy, in hopes of piecing together more information about the mummy itself and better understanding the early history of the mummification process.

While it isn't the first time a mummy has gone under the digital knife, only a handful from the time period have been examined in this fashion. The information gathered will help provide greater detail of the body, create a 3-D digital model and even reconstruct the face of the mummy that has been on display off and on since being acquired by the museum in 1953.

Little is known about Tjebby, who was buried in a rock-cut tomb at a site known as Sheikh Farag in upper Egypt and excavated in 1923.

What museum officials do know is that he dates to between 2150 and 2030 BCE, a time of instability in Egypt, with the breakdown of central authority and economic decline. Previous research suggests Tjebby was 25 to 40 years old when he died.

Experts hope a closer look at data will help piece together more biographical information, such as Tjebby's specific age, diet and cause of death. They also will look at the materials used to mummify the body and the amount of soft tissue that has survived, and will determine whether organs have been removed, as they were in mummies

from later periods.

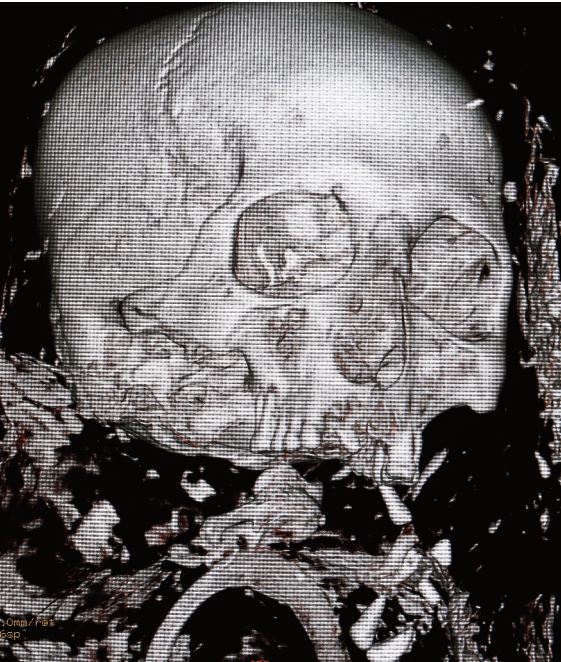
Researchers say the technology allows them to learn about the mummy in remarkable detail without invasive or damaging procedures.

"It's easier to unlock that door of mystery to discover the secrets of the past," said Alex Nyerger, the museum's director. He anticipates incorporating information gleaned from the scan into the display of the mummy, which also includes its coffin and other artifacts from inside, such as a model of a boat and a granite statue.

The first mummy CT scan took place in 1977. But back then — and even when Tjebby had his first imaging scan in 1986 — the technology was fairly primitive, and little could be seen, said Jonathan Elias, director of the Akhmim Mummy Studies Consortium, a Pennsylvania-based organization that has collected imaging data on about 30 mummies and offered to help the Virginia museum analyze its information.

"We're really at the beginning of the process, even with modern technology, to unravel what's gone on in this culture," Elias said. "Compared with 1986, 2013 is just like going to another planet in terms of what we're now able to do."

On Friday, museum employees removed the mummy, wrapped in preservation material, from his coffin and used Velcro ties to secure him to a platform, readying him for the 15-minute van ride from the museum to suburban Richmond for the scan. One employee rode in the back with Tjebby as the van drove slowly, trying to avoid sudden bumps or movements.



Top photo, art handler Randy Wilkinson, left, along with CT technician Marion Price, right, Tim Harriss, top right, and Kathy Gillis, second from left, rotate a 4,000-year-old Egyptian mummy named Tjebby, from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, during a CT scan at the HCA Virginia Imaging center in Richmond, Va. The CT scan produced a detailed three-dimensional image of the mummy as shown in the left photo. Experts hope the scan will help piece together more information about the mummy itself, as well as a better understanding into the early history of the mummification process. (AP Photos)

Then, with the click of a button, an automated voice urged the patient to lie still and not breathe for the CT scan.

"He's the ideal patient," joked Peter Schertz, curator of ancient art at the

Immediately apparent to the group was that some of Tjebby's bones had fallen or moved into the mummy's chest cavity at some point in his history — likely after he had been mummified. Doctors and the museum staff noted that the main portion of his body was wrapped separately from the limbs and other parts of the body were a bit "jumbled."

A more in-depth examination of the images will take some time, but Snyder was able to do a quick 3-D rendering, giving Tjebby his first close-up in more than 4,000 years. Museum officials did not provide a timeline on the rest of the process, but were excited about the prospects. "It's amazing that we are able to do this," Schertz said.

Pennsylvania reports air pollution from shale gas industry

(AP) — Pennsylvania's shale gas industry was responsible for about 4 percent of the total air pollution emitted by all industrial facilities in 2011, according to a first-ever inventory taken by state environmental regulators.

Drillers and other companies involved in the extraction, processing and transportation of natural gas from the Marcellus Shale accounted for nearly 9 percent of the nitrogen oxides and nearly 14 percent of the volatile organic compounds emitted from all so-called "point" sources of pollution

statewide, according to the Department of Environmental Protection tally.

Under federal law, DEP is required to report statewide air emissions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency every three years; 2011 was the first year in which DEP required the shale gas industry to report emissions.

The survey does not take emissions from cars and trucks — the single largest source of air pollution — into account. Nevertheless, it provides an initial snapshot of air pollution caused by drilling rigs,

fracking operations, compressor stations and other elements of natural gas production in Pennsylvania's vast Marcellus Shale formation.

The industry produced 16,542 tons of nitrogen oxides and 2,720 tons of volatile organic compounds in 2011, according to the report. By comparison, power plants were a far bigger source of air pollution, contributing 142,749 tons of nitrogen oxides and far greater amounts of soot, carbon monoxide and other pollutants.

Nitrogen oxides are produced

during combustion — primary culprits are vehicle exhaust and electrical power plants — and can worsen respiratory conditions like bronchitis and asthma. They also combine with VOCs to form unhealthy ground-level ozone, or smog.

The drilling industry pointed to the numbers as evidence it is having a small impact on air pollution. But some environmentalists expressed concern Friday.

Kevin Stewart, a member of the DEP advisory committee, said he's concerned that shale gas will result

in an increasing amount of air pollution as more wells are drilled and fracked and more processing plants, pipelines and compressor stations are built.

"Some people might be surprised at the numbers this relatively early in the natural gas industry expansion," said Stewart, director of environmental health for the American Lung Association's mid-Atlantic chapter. "What, as a consequence, should be done preemptively to make sure this doesn't get out of hand as an air pollution control problem?"



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LISBON
Stage Left Players to present "Bye, Bye, Birdie," 2 p.m., Trinity Play House, 234 E. Lincoln Way. Tickets, \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors; 330-831-7249.

Bingo, 6 p.m., Lisbon Lions Club; doors open at 4 p.m.

SALEM
Sons of AMVETS Post 45, public breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon, 750 S. Broadway Ave.; carryouts available.

"Game Show," 2 p.m., Salem Community Theatre. Tickets, 330-332-9688.

Spotlight Players, auditions for the musical "Les Miserables," 6:30-9 p.m., Masonic Temple, 788 E. State St.

SEBRING
All-you-can eat benefit breakfast buffet, for Sebring Chapter V-Twin Cruisers, 8 a.m.-noon, American Legion, California Avenue; \$7.

**MON/4
CANFIELD**
Canfield Area AARP #3104, meeting, 1 p.m., Canfield Presbyterian Church. Blood pressure screenings, noon-12:45 p.m.; 330-533-4413.

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

EAST PALESTINE
East Palestine City School District Board of Education, meeting, 6 p.m., EPES media center.

FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP
Fairfield-Waterford High School Class of 1959, dinner, 5:30 p.m., Antone's in Columbiana.

LISBON
Columbiana County Budget Commission meeting, 10 a.m., auditor's conference room, main floor, courthouse.

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

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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.

Salem Planning Commission, 4:30 p.m., city hall council chambers, regarding election of officers, two rezoning ordinances related to NRP Group housing development and parking lot ordinance.

Banquet in Salem, 5-7 p.m., Memorial Building, chicken noodle soup, pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, apple-sauce, fresh vegetables and fruit, ice cream sundaes.

TOPS 1380, 6:15 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-337-6577.

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

Compassionate Friends meeting, 7 p.m., First Friends Church on Jennings Avenue.

WASHINGTONVILLE
Council meeting, 7 p.m., community building.

**TUE/5
ALLIANCE**
Aglow International Alliance Light-house meeting, 10 a.m., Sleepy Hollow Golf Course, 374 Homeworth Road; bring cookies or finger foods.

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Park, meeting, 6 p.m., Trading Post, 12021 Echo Dell Road; 330-227-3939.

LEETONIA
Leetonia High School Class of 1951, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

Preschool Storytime, 10 a.m. or 1:30 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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

LISBON
Skin cancer screening, Columbiana County Health Dept., 7360 state Route 45. Appointments, 330-424-0272; no charge.

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 High School Class of 1968, dinner, 6 p.m., Ricky's English Pub.

Indoor black powder shoot, 7 p.m.; doors open at 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

United Quilt Guild, unfinished objects, 9:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; meeting, 6:30 p.m.

City Council meeting, 7 p.m., council chambers, city hall.

Spotlight Players, auditions for the musical "Les Miserables," 6:30-9 p.m., Masonic Temple, 788 E. State

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

SALINEVILLE
Salineville Southern Alumni Community Scholarship Foundation's ham dinner fund raiser, 5-7 p.m., Southern Local elementary cafeteria. Carryout available; \$7 for 12 and up, \$6 for senior citizens, \$5 for children 3-11.

**WED/6
ALLIANCE**
Reservation deadline for free community luncheon, "Brain Attack: Life After a Stroke," (noon, Feb. 8) conference room 1-A, Alliance Community Hospital; 330-596-7575.

COLUMBIANA
Wednesday Evening Community Meal, 6 p.m., Midway Mennonite Church, 13376 Columbiana-Canfield Road, bring table service and a soup bowl; 330-482-3135.

EAST LIVERPOOL
Columbiana County Port Authority, special board meeting, 12:30 p.m., port authority offices at 1250 St. George St.

HANOVERTON
United High School Class of 1963, reunion planning meeting, noon, Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

LEETONIA
Book Discussion, Adriana Trigiani's "Very Valentine," 10 a.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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

Leetonia High School Class of 1949, lunch, noon, Smokehouse restaurant.

LISBON
Area Singles, meeting, 6 p.m., Lock 24.

SALEM
Salem High School Class of 1951, breakfast, 9 a.m., Skyline Diner.

Calendar THIS WEEK ...

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

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

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

WASHINGTONVILLE
Quarts of homemade "Soup to Go," Robbins United Methodist Church, 100 High St. Prices start at \$6; drive-thru pick-up open 3-5 p.m., 330-427-2035.

**THU/7
BEAVER TOWNSHIP**
Dinner reservation deadline for Beaver Township Ruritan Club meeting, 330-788-5655; \$10.

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

LEETONIA
Blood pressure screening, 1 to 3 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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

"Living With Loss" grief support session, 4 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church Education Building, 251 S. Broadway Ave. To register call 330-332-5042.

"Chicken on the Run," Drive-thru chicken dinners, 4-6 p.m. or until sold out; \$7; First United Methodist Church, 244 S. Broadway Ave.

Hannah E. Mullins Alumni Association, meeting, 6 p.m., Kent State University City Center, Suite 3, North Lincoln Avenue. Reservations, Ann Dattilio, 330-222-1315.

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

Make-up Pistol League shoot, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club. Salem Bird Study Club, 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 436 E. Second St.; use rear entrance.

Salem Area Amateur Radio Association, meeting, 6:30 p.m., Salem Public Library's Quaker Room.

Salem Preservation Society's education program, 7 p.m., lower level of Dale Shaffer Library. Ginger Grilli to present a "National Register Primer."

WINONA
Winona Area Historical Society meeting, 6:30 p.m., Winona Friends Church's Family Life Center on Whinnery Road.

**FRI/8
ALLIANCE**
Valentine dinner and dance, Alliance Area Senior Citizen Center, 602 W. Vine St. Dinner, 6 p.m.; dance, 7-10 p.m. Advance tickets, 330-821-3348.

CANFIELD
Bean, chicken noodle, vegetable beef soup sale, 4 p.m. until sold out, Calla Community Church, 6482 W. Calla Road; \$6 per quart. Advance orders, 330-501-1597 or 330-507-2255.

LEETONIA
Fish fry, 5-8 p.m., Leetonia Italian American Club. Carryouts, 330-427-9900.

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

Goshen Home Extension, lunch, 11 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

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

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

"Game Show," 8 p.m., Salem Community Theatre. Tickets, 330-332-9688.

SEBRING
Fish fry, noon and 4-7 p.m. Lunch, \$7; dinner, \$8.50. Carryouts, 330-938-9082.

**SAT/9
BOARDMAN**
Greater Youngstown Monitoring Association Scanner Club's WinterScan, 7 p.m., Boardman United Methodist Church, 6809 Market St.; bring scanners and a coverdish or dessert; 330-717-8036.

NEGLEY
All-you-can-eat Oyster Soup Night, 4-7 p.m., Negley Masonic Lodge, 50873 Richardson Ave. Carryouts available.

SALEM
"Game Show," 8 p.m., Salem Community Theatre. Tickets, 330-332-9688.

SEBRING
Monthly steak fry, American Legion, 5-8 p.m. Carryouts, 330-938-9082.

WELLSVILLE
Benefit dinner for Mission Wellsville, 4-7 p.m.; chili or potato soup, salad, bread, beverage, dessert, \$5.

**SUN/10
COLUMBIANA**
Breakfast, 9-10:30 a.m., Zion Hill Church of the Brethren, 14550 New Buffalo Road; services follow.

LISBON
Bingo, 6 p.m., Lisbon Lions Club; doors open at 4 p.m.

SALEM
Salem High School Class of 1969, lunch, 12:30 p.m., BB Rooners.

"Game Show," 2 p.m., Salem Community Theatre. Tickets, 330-332-9688.

**MON/11
COLUMBIANA**
TOPS 720, Presbyterian Church, weigh-ins-9-9:35 a.m.; 330-482-5946.

DAMASCUS
Free educational seminar, "Hospice Care," presented by Dr. Tim Wagner, 6:30-8 p.m., Canyon View Room, Damascus Friends Church, 28857 Walnut St.; 330-537-4621.

LEETONIA
Nonfiction Book Discussion, Jonathan Haidt's "The Righteous Mind," 6 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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

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

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.

TOPS 1380, 6:15 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-337-6577.

Getting Crafty class, valentine pillow boxes, 6:30 p.m., Quaker Room, Salem Public Library. Registration required, adult services desk or 330-332-0042.

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

**TUE/12
COLUMBIANA**
Columbiana Senior Citizens, 10 a.m., Upper Room; pizza luncheon.

Heartland Christian School Class of 2014, lasagna fund-raising dinner, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., school's Dining Commons.

LEETONIA
Preschool Storytime, 10 a.m. or 1:30 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

Shrove Tuesday pancake-sausage supper benefit for Nick Raneri, 5-7 p.m., St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 29 Spruce St.; \$5 for adults, \$3 for ages 5-12.

Leetonia Community Public Library Board meeting, 5:30 p.m., Leetonia Community Public Library.

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

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

NEW WATERFORD
Council, 7 p.m., community building.

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

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Obama a skeet shooter?

White House settles mystery with photo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two days before President Barack Obama’s first trip outside Washington to promote his gun-control proposals, the White House tried Saturday to settle a brewing mystery by releasing a photo to back his claim to be a skeet shooter.

Obama had set inquiring minds spinning when, in an interview with The New Republic magazine, he answered “yes” when asked if he had ever fired a gun. The admission came as a surprise to many.

“Yes, in fact, up at Camp David, we do skeet shooting all the time,” Obama said in the interview released last weekend, referring to the official presidential retreat in rural Maryland, which he last visited in October while campaigning for re-election. Asked whether the entire family participates, the president said: “Not the girls, but oftentimes guests of mine go up there.”

Obama never mentioned skeet shooting prior to that interview.

The White House photo released Saturday is dated Aug. 4, 2012. The caption says Obama is shooting clay targets on the range at Camp David. Obama is seen holding a gun against his left shoulder, his left index finger on the trigger and smoke coming from the barrel. He is wearing jeans, a dark blue, short-sleeved polo shirt, sunglasses and earmuffs.

The National Rifle Association, which has rejected Obama’s proposals, scoffed at the photo.

“One picture does not erase a lifetime of supporting every gun ban and every gun-control scheme imaginable,” said Andrew Arulanandam, the organization’s spokesman.

The NRA opposes Obama’s call for Congress to ban assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazines and says requiring background checks for all gun purchases would be ineffective because the administration isn’t doing enough to enforce existing gun laws.

Asked at Monday’s press briefing how frequently Obama shoots skeet and whether photos existed, White House press secretary Jay Carney said he didn’t know how often. Pictures may exist, he said, but he hadn’t seen any.

“Why haven’t we heard about it before?” Carney was asked.

“Because when he goes to Camp David, he goes to spend time with his family and friends and relax, not to produce photographs,” Carney said.

Obama is accompanied almost everywhere by at least one White House photographer.

Carney declined to comment on the decision to release the photo, which he had announced on Twitter. The release appeared to be part of a strategy to portray



n this photo released by the White House, President Barack Obama shoots clay targets on the range at Camp David, Md., last Aug. 4. The White House released a photo of Obama firing a gun, two days before he heads to Minnesota to discuss gun control. In a recent interview with The New Republic magazine, Obama said yes when asked if he has ever fired a gun. He said "we do skeet shooting all the time," except for his daughters, at Camp David. (AP Photo)

Obama as sympathetic to gun owners and opponents of his gun-control measures who argue the proposals would infringe on an individual’s Second Amendment right to bear arms.

A top official with the National Skeet Shooting Association said the photo suggests Obama is a novice shooter.

“This isn’t something he’s done very often because of how he’s standing, how he has the gun mounted,” said Michael Hampton, executive director of the San Antonio-based association.

Hampton said Obama’s remark about “skeet shooting all the time” and the White House photo would have met less skepticism had the president’s spoken about his hobby months before this new debate over guns in the U.S.

“Once it becomes controversial and there’s problems, to talk about it then, that’s where it becomes very debatable and is not being received as well as if he would have done this six months ago,” Hampton said.

In interview, appearing in The New Republic’s Feb. 11 issue, Obama said gun-control advocates should be better listeners in the debate over firearms, which was sparked by the December killing of elementary school pupils in Connecticut. He also declared his deep respect for the long tradition of hunting in this country.

“I have a profound respect for the traditions of hunting that trace back in this country for generations. And I think those who dismiss that out of hand make a big mistake,” Obama said. “Part of being able to move this forward is understanding the reality of guns in urban areas are very different from the realities of guns in rural areas. And if you grew up and your dad gave you a hunting rifle when you were 10, and you went out and spent the day with him and your uncles, and that became part of your family’s traditions, you can see why you’d be pretty protective of that.”

“So it’s trying to bridge those gaps that I think is going to be part of the biggest task over the next several months. And that means that advocates of gun control have to do a little more listening than they do sometimes,” Obama said.

His gun control measures also have met resistance on Capitol Hill.

In Minneapolis on Monday, Obama plans to make remarks and discuss his proposals with local and law enforcement officials during a stop at the police department’s special operations center. He’s also expected to hear from community members about their experiences with gun violence.

Obama announced his proposals in mid-January, about a month after the Dec. 14 shooting deaths of 20 children and six adults at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn.

Immigration bill splits GOP on national-local line

WASHINGTON (AP) — The immigration debate is threatening to split the Republican Party, pitting those who focus mainly on presidential elections against those who care mostly about congressional races.

Strategists say that if Republicans are to win presidential elections, which they’ve been losing lately, partly because of dismal support from Hispanic voters, they must soften their rhetoric about illegal immigrants and embrace some version of “immigration reform.”

But granting illegal residents a path to citizenship, which critics call “amnesty,” is deeply unpopular in many House Republicans’ districts.

President Barack Obama wants such a pathway. So do some prominent GOP lawmakers who are seeking a way out of their party’s jam.

The plans differ on when and how citizenship might occur, with border security a central issue. Resolving these differences may determine whether a major law is enacted in the coming months.

Some GOP strategists fear they will lose either way.

If by the next election Latino voters think Republicans opposed and possibly blocked a comprehensive immigration overhaul, they might turn against the party in even bigger numbers.

On the other hand, converting millions of illegal Hispanic residents into citizens might produce

big changes in immigration laws. But the effort may conflict with another of his goals: passing major legislation only if most House Republicans support it.

House insiders say many, and perhaps most, Republican lawmakers will want to vote against a citizenship-granting immigration bill, even if they quietly hope it passes and helps their party at the presidential level.

Such “vote no, hope yes” groups are well-suited for passing difficult measures with a modest number of Republican votes and many Democratic votes. It happened twice in January: on a hurricane aid bill and a vote on the “fiscal cliff.”

At a recent House Republican retreat in Virginia, Boehner brought in independent political analyst Charlie Cook to explain to lawmakers why they face serious trouble with Hispanic voters.

Cook said House Republicans make a mistake if they view national issues such as immigration “through the prism of your district,” said a participant at the private session. Republicans eventually can improve their standing with Latinos if they stop talking and acting as though they don’t like immigrants, Cook told the House members.

“Holes tend to fill in over time if people stop digging,” Cook was quoted as saying to the lawmakers.

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Gov. Perry: Boy Scouts should keep no-gay policy

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Gov. Rick Perry said emphatically Saturday that the Boy Scouts of America shouldn’t soften its strict no-gays membership policy, and dismissed the idea of bending the organization to the whims of “popular culture.”

Perry is an Eagle Scout and in 2008 he authored the book “On My Honor: Why the American Values of the Boy Scouts Are Worth Fighting For.”

It detailed the governor’s deep love for the organization and explained why it should continue to embrace traditional, conservative values — including excluding openly gay members and Scout leaders.

America’s longest-serving governor addressed the Texas Scouts’ 64th annual Report to State, where hundreds of Scouts from around Texas filled the state House of Representatives to announce their delegation’s recent accomplishments.

Perry has addressed the gathering several times before, most recently in 2010, but not since the announcement that the Scouts’ national leadership is mulling scrapping the mandatory exclusion of gay members.

Instead, the group could allow different religious and civic groups that sponsor Scout units to decide for themselves how to address the issue — either maintaining the exclusion or opening up their membership. Even though the Boy Scouts reaffirmed the no-gays policy just seven months ago, the proposal is expected to be discussed, and possibly voted on, at the meeting of the Scouts’ national executive board, which begins Monday in Irving, outside Dallas.

Perry told the youngsters that the Scouts was a key reason he joined the U.S. Air Force and later sought public office, and that society’s failure to adhere to the organization’s core values was a cause for high rates of teen pregnancy and wayward youth who grow up to be “men joining their fathers in prison.”

Speaking to reporters afterward, Perry said: “Hopefully the board will follow their historic position of keeping the Scouts strongly supportive of the values that make Scouting this very important and impactful organization.”

“I think most people see absolutely no reason to change the position and neither do I,” Perry said. He said his views on the subject haven’t changed since writing his book, in which he noted that profits would be donated to the Boy Scouts of America Legal Defense since “they continue to be under attack from the forces of secularism.”

Asked if he would feel different about the Scouts if the policy is changed, Perry wouldn’t say. But he added: “to have popular culture impact 100 years of their standards is inappropriate.”

He also disagreed that allowing members of all sexual preferences would make the Scouts more tolerant: “I think you get tolerance and diversity every day in Scouting.”

Fred Sainz of the Human Rights Campaign, a national gay rights group, said Saturday, “It’s a shame that Governor Perry has chosen to be on the wrong side of history.”

“Governor Perry and the Boy Scouts are both completely out of touch with where America is going on this issue,” he said “There should be one national, non-discrimination policy. We can’t quite wrap our heads around why that is so difficult to do in 2013.”

Perry wrote in his book that he doesn’t “believe the teaching of sexual preference fits within the parameters of Scouting’s mission,” but also made it very clear he’d like to keep gay members from joining.

“Because gay activism is central to their lives, it would unavoidably be a topic of conversation within a Scout troop. This would distract from the mission of Scouting: character building, not sex education,” he wrote. Perry also questioned whether sexual preference is determined at birth or is a matter of personal choice in his book, and wrote that he doesn’t believe in “condemning homosexuals that I know personally.”

Zach Wahls is an Eagle Scout raised in Iowa by two lesbian moms who has become a leading activist against the no-gays policy. Wahls said by phone Saturday he believes national Scout leaders will soften the membership policy next week, and he hopes the move won’t make Perry won’t turn his back on the Scouts.

“We’ve been called bullies and had people say ‘you’re imposing your will,’” he said.

“Our organization isn’t calling for the removal of anybody who disagrees with us. We support fully inclusive Scouting.”

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► PREP HOOPS — SALEM STAYS A GAME BACK IN NBC

Quakers set the stage

By JON RUDDER
Staff Writer

SALEM — With a 70-58 win over Minerva on homecoming night Saturday, the Salem Quakers ensured Tuesday's match-up with Canton South will serve as a de-facto Northeastern Buckeye Conference championship game on Tuesday night in Canton.

Back-to-back nights with a game are tough on any team in any sport, but the Quakers (13-4, 8-3) were able to put a tough loss on the road to Carrollton behind them and come back to earn and knock off the Lions (1-14, 1-9) to stay just one game back in the Northeastern Buckeye Conference.

"We played good as a team and we hussled and kept fighting," Salem senior Zach Economous said. "We're glad to get a win and we want to keep it rolling on Tuesday against Canton South."

Economous finished the night with five points. Seven of the eight regulars that see extended playing time for the Quakers reached the scorebook on Saturday night. Salem will need all hands on deck against a Wildcat team that upended the Quakers on their own floor on Jan. 4.

"That's what we need to do and I thought we got great play from everyone," Salem head coach Rich Hart said. "Our bench contributed, we didn't turn the ball over as much and we did a really good job on the boards."

Ryan Bush, Anthony Shivers and Brendan Webb all recorded double figures for Salem in the win. Bush and Shivers each poured in 22 points while Webb added 11 of his own.

"My teammates were doing a great job tonight finding me when I was open," Shivers said. "I was open because our coaches were able to predict what Minerva was going to do and put us in good position."

The Lions, undermatched against the Quakers size and speed, attempted to slow down Salem using a zone. "Defensively they present a lot of problems with us with their two big kids And then even with Economous," Minerva head coach Pepper



Salem's Brendan Webb (11) and Zach Economous (33) trap Minerva's Jantsen Locke on Saturday night at Salem High School. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)

Locke said. "So we debated on whether to play some kind of junk defense. We played them two-three the first time and it works fine but they just kind of nudge out to that lead on us and force us to come out in man."

At the half, Salem held a one-point advantage but pulled away with a 41-point second half.

"I'm really pleased with how we rebounded especially in the second half We played really good basketball we passed the ball well we got really good looks," Hart said. "We want to keep the pace going but you have to make some shots and get some stops. They shot the ball well in the first half so we didn't get many chances for transi-

tion."

Salem, playing its third back-to-back stretch of the season was able to use its conditioning down the stretch to take advantage of a struggling Minerva team that earned its first win on Friday night.

"It's tough because we basically play eight guys. You definitely don't want to play somebody that's not on a back to back that's for sure," Hart said. "And they had to play overtime last night, you could tell they were a little drained in the second half."

The Quakers have two days to prepare for their rematch and rest their legs from an exhausting 48-hour stretch. Going on the road, the Quakers will need to rely

on their conditioning to put them in the best position to claim at least a share of an NBC title.

"We're really just trying emphasize pushing it on the break and getting them tired because we are good condition the team," Shivers said. "If we can get them to wear down but it just starts to snowball."

Minerva won the jayvee game 44-35. Mike Popa led the Quakers with 18 points while Ryan Hoover added 12 points. Chase Cappelli paced the Lions with 10 points.

Notes
Taylor Renee Neely was named homecoming queen at halftime. Neely was joined by other members of the

court, including Sarah Bobby, Reegan Barnett, Katie Matthews, Carson Kleinman, Lindsey Foster and Faith McGuire.

MINERVA:17-11-11-19 — 58
SALEM: 16-13-17-24 — 70
MINERVA SCORING: Quade Zeedrich 4-0-9, Cody Parrish 0-1-1, Joe Gill 3-0-6, Jantsen Locke 8-2-19, Nick Clapper 3-4-11, Evan Forst 3-0-6, Billy Eyer 3-0-6. TOTALS: 24, 7-8: 58
SALEM SCORING: Ryan Bush 7-7-22, Austin Frank 1-0-3, Mike Madison 0-1-1, Brendan Webb 3-2-11, Zach Economous 2-1-5, Max Wolfgang 2-2-6, Anthony Shivers 9-4-22. TOTALS: 24, 17-25: 70
Three-pointers: Minerva 3 (Zeedrich, Locke, Clapper), Salem 5 (Webb 3, Bush, Frank)

Super stories to tell

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The journey to this Super Bowl wound through bounties and replacement refs, eventually bringing the big game back to the Big Easy — with a replacement quarterback, a sibling rivalry and a grand exit for one of the NFL's greatest players, clouded by the obscure healing powers of deer-antler spray.

It is a Super Bowl of comebacks, of firsts and lasts, and — if San Francisco wins — the best.

A win over the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday gives the 49ers six championships, matching Pittsburgh's titles in the Super Bowl era. Unlike the Steelers, the Niners have never lost one.

Of course, they haven't won one in 18 years, either. "There's a tradition with the San Francisco 49ers, but I think these guys are paving their own way," said Hall of Fame receiver and three-time champion Jerry Rice. "They're playing with a lot of swagger."

Or as owner Denise DeBartolo York said, "We've come full circle and the dynasty will prevail."

New Orleans has come full circle, too. Ravaged by Hurricane Katrina in August 2005, losing a quarter of its population, abandoned by the Saints for an entire season, the city couldn't imagine hosting another Super Bowl. But as New Orleans recovered and rebuilt, it envisioned staging what Patriots owner Robert Kraft calls "the pre-eminent sporting event."

The NFL agreed it was time to return. And even if Commissioner Roger Goodell is despised here after slapping the Saints with suspensions and fines in the bounty scandal, the vibes from the French Quarter and Warehouse District this week have been supportive, even uplifting.

"It's also terrific for us to be back here in New Orleans," Goodell said, joking about voodoo dolls in his likeness. "Our 10th Super Bowl here, the first since Katrina, and it's clear this city is back bigger and better than ever."

There's the tale of the head coaching brothers, Baltimore's John and San Francisco's Jim, the first siblings to face off in a Super Bowl. And Ray Lewis, the pre-eminent linebacker of his generation on his self-proclaimed last ride. (His farewell party was somewhat sidetracked for two days this week when Lewis waved off a report that he tried to get unusual products like deer-antler spray to speed his recovery from an arm injury that sidelined him for 10 games.)

"There are so many storylines to this game that make it bigger than just the Super Bowl," 49ers CEO Jed York said.

Such as the Harbaughs plot about sons of a lifetime coach who took different paths to the top of the NFL.

John, older by 15 months, has made his career standing on the sideline with a headset. He's the only head coach to win playoff games in his first five seasons; his quarterback, Joe Flacco, has the same distinction as he heads into his first Super Bowl. Jim Harbaugh was a first-round draft pick and quarterbacked

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West Branch's Amanda Linhart and Pavin Heath vie for a rebound with Minerva's Mayson Hardgrove and Raychel Blocher. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

Warriors get closer to share of NBC

By DARRICK BOORD
Staff Writer

MINERVA — West Branch is one step closer to locking up at least a share of the Northeastern Buckeye Conference title after a hard-fought 52-40 win over Minerva on Saturday.

The Warriors (17-2, 11-2 NBC) just have to get past Alliance on Wednesday to guarantee a first-place tie with Louisville. Alliance is 0-12 in NBC play. Louisville, meanwhile, travels to 4-8 Canton South on Wednesday.

"This will be my first title as a head coach," West Branch coach Walt DeShields said. "It's a great feeling. And for the seniors that stuck it out, that's something for them to be proud of."

After knocking Carrollton out of a three-way tie atop the league on Wednesday, Minerva loomed as another tough test for West Branch. The Lions (15-5, 9-4 NBC) made sure it wouldn't be an easy road to the title, as they hung with the Warriors for most of the game before collapsing over the final three-plus minutes.

"That's a really improved Minerva team from the first time we played them," DeShields said. "They took it to us, they got to the foul line."

Minerva was down just one, 9-8, as the first quarter wound down, until West Branch senior Brittany Bryte connected on a three-point



West Branch's Emily Menegay tries to block a shot by Minerva's Lorin Clark. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

buzzer-beater to put the Warriors up four and give them a huge momentum shift.

West Branch carried that into the second quarter, scoring the first four points to

open up a 16-8 lead just over one minute into the period. Minerva wasn't about to give up, though, battling back to tie the game at 19 and again at 21 before the Warriors added another bucket to take a slim 23-21 halftime lead.

"When we made the three to take it to 16-8, we thought that we were going to put the game away," DeShields said. "But they got right back in it."

Minerva head coach Heather Frigyes said her team was ready for a tough game.

"The girls definitely were up for the game today," she said. "They knew what was on the line, what was at stake. These are the big games that you want to be in."

The third quarter continued to go back-and-forth until West Branch finished on a 5-0 run to take 39-33 lead with the final eight minutes to go. Minerva got as close as 43-38 halfway through the fourth before the Warriors went on a 9-0 run, including 7-of-8 at the foul line, to take a 52-38 lead. Minerva added two free throws with three seconds to go for the final tally.

"I thought we played very well for 28 or 29 minutes," Frigyes said, "The last few minutes we uncharacteristically turned the ball over in some big situations."

"They made some key plays in crucial moments and

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1944 — Syd Howe of the Detroit Red Wings scores six goals in a 12-6 victory over the New York Rangers.
1980 — Larry Bird hits the first 3-point shot in the history of the NBA All-Star Game. Bird’ 3 came in overtime as the East team outscores the West 16-8 in the overtime for a 144-136 win.
1982 — Skier Steve Mahre, twin brother of overall champion Phil Mahre, becomes the first American man to win a gold medal in Olympic or World Championship competition when he edges Sweden’s Ingemar Stenmark by 0.51 seconds in the giant slalom.
1990 — Bill Shoemaker, the world’s winningest jockey, finishes fourth on Patchy Groundfog in his final ride at Santa Anita. The 58-year-old Shoemaker finishes his 40-year career with \$123,375,524 in earnings, a record 8,833 wins, 6,136 seconds and 4,987 thirds in 40,350 starts.
1996 — Visiting teams are 7-0, marking the first time in NBA history road clubs go undefeated on a day with more than five games. Expansion Toronto beats the Los Angeles Clippers 119-113 in overtime, Seattle defeats Houston 104-103 in overtime, Boston downs Miami 100-99, Portland tops Philadelphia 96-85, Sacramento defeats Detroit 94-85, Cleveland tops Milwaukee 111-88 and Minnesota downs Dallas 105-96.
2000 — World Wrestling Federation mastermind Vince McMahon unveils his latest creation: the XFL, a new pro football league.
2001 — One year later, the XFL muscles its way onto the national sports scene with its first two games. With exuberant cheerleaders and trash-talking players sharing center stage, the Las Vegas Outlaws beat the New York/New Jersey Hitmen 19-0, while the Orlando Rage beat the Chicago Enforcers 33-29 before a crowd of 35,603 in Orlando.
2006 — Martin Brodeur becomes the third goaltender in NHL history to reach 100 shutouts as New Jersey blanks Carolina 3-0. Brodeur joins Terry Sawchuk (115) and George Hainsworth (102).
2011 — LeBron James has 51 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists, including a team-record 23-point first quarter, to lead the Miami Heat to a 104-100 victory over the Orlando Magic.

Griffin beats out Luck, Wilson

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Robert Griffin III of the Washington Redskins has won The Associated Press 2012 NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year award, beating out two other sensational first-year quarterbacks. Griffin, whose thrill-a-minute combination of running and passing skills led Washington to its first NFC East title in 13 years, pulled away from Andrew Luck of the Colts and Russell Wilson of the Seahawks in a lopsided vote announced Saturday. RG3 earned 29 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the league. Luck was next with 11 and Wilson got 10. All three led their teams to the playoffs. Griffin set the NFL record for best passer rating by a rookie QB. He accepted his award at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” awards show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players.

WRESTLING

West Branch named EOWL team champion

BOARDMAN — West Branch took first place in the Eastern Ohio Wrestling League Championship on Saturday at Boardman High School with a team score of 236. Canfield took second place with a team score of 204. Howland came in third with a score of 170, Austintown Fitch and Beaver Local rounded out the top five with scores of 140 and 136.50, respectively.
Alec Schopfer of West Branch won the 106 weight division. Josh Henderson from Beaver Local took the 113 weight class. Daniel Haddon of Beaver Local won the 138 weight class. Johnny Foullas of Canfield took the 170 weight class title. Sam

Conner, also of Canfield, won the 195 weight class title. West Branch’s Connor Sharp won the 285 weight class.
Team Standings
1. West Branch 236
2. Canfield 204
3. Howland 170
4. Austintown Fitch 140
5. Beaver Local 136.50
6. Poland 129
7. Boardman 121
8. Girard 84.50
9. Alliance 77
10. Grand Valley 75.50
11. Jefferson 71
12. Jackson Milton 66
13. Pymatuning Valley 57.50
14. Hubbard 56.50
15. Crestview 49.50
16. Liberty 40.00
17. Salem 23.00
18. Brookfield 22.50
19. South Range 19.00
20. Columbiana 3.00

GIRLS HOOPS

Quakers fall on the road

CARROLLTON — Salem’s girls basketball team didn’t have much luck on the road as Carrollton scored a 56-29 victory over the Quakers on Saturday in Northeastern Buckeye Conference action. The Quakers (5-14 and 3-10 in the NBC) were led by Katherine Stiff’s nine points. Carrollton had a 27-13 lead at the half.
The Warriors spread out their scoring among several players.
Salem is back in action at home against Marlinton on

Wednesday.

SALEM: 8-5-10-6—29
CARROLLTON: 14-13-12-17—56
SALEM SCORING: Rylee Meals 0-2-2, Tori Jones 1-0-2, Megan Lehwald 3-0-7, Raegan Meals 0-2-2, Katherine Stiff 3-1-9, Olivia Stiff 0-0-0, Lindsey Foster 2-1-5, Ciera Trybend 1-0-2. TOTALS: 10, 6-9: 29.
CARROLLTON SCORING: A. Poole 4-0-9, Verner 1-0-2, Starre 5-1-11, Devine 2-2-6, Lowdermilk 5-0-10, Voll 4-1-9, Lowery 4-1-9. TOTALS: 25, 5-14: 56.
Three-pointers: Salem 3 (K. Stiff 2, Lehwald), Carrollton 1 (Poole).

SUPER BOWL

‘Blind Side’ family relishes ‘Big Easy’ Super Bowl

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A knowing grin spread across Sean Tuohy’s face as he considered the uncanny connections between the hit film that changed his family’s life and the fact that Baltimore Ravens offensive lineman Michael Oher will play in his first Super Bowl in the Big Easy.
New Orleans is where Tuohy grew up and went to high school with author Michael Lewis, who wrote “The Blind Side.”
The book led to the movie, which depicted the Tuohys’ rewarding experience as Oher’s adoptive family. Actress Sandra Bullock, who starred as Sean Tuohy’s wife, Leigh Anne, owns a home in New Orleans.
“And there are people that think that’s a coincidence,” Sean Tuohy said. “How stupid is that?”
“We’ve got a huge sign in our garage that says: ‘We believe in miracles,’” he continued. “For other people, it may be hard to understand that. For us, it’s easy.”
It certainly seems like fate has given the Tuohys not just another measure of validation for the decision they

made to nurture a child from a broken home, but also a mission to talk about their mission to help more kids.
“To me, when I look at Michael, the only down side of it is, you sit there and go, ‘If someone as immensely talented as Michael Oher, that society pretty much didn’t value, almost falls through the cracks, can you imagine who gets left behind,’” Leigh Anne Tuohy said. “So you sit there and go, ‘How many kids are out there that if given a chance can be a Michael Oher.’”
The Tuohys took Oher into their Memphis, Tenn., home when he was a teenager. Suddenly, Oher was living a life of privilege.
Sean Tuohy, a former college basketball star at Mississippi, owns dozens of fast-food restaurants and also is part of the TV broadcast team for the NBA’s Memphis Grizzlies. Leigh Anne Tuohy has her own interior design firm.
The Tuohys helped Oher through high school, where his prowess on the offensive line landed him several scholarship offers at major programs.

SALEM FROM 1B

we didn’t.”
West Branch relied heavily on Amanda Linhart, who hit two game-changing three-pointers and finished with 16 points and five rebounds. “Amanda Linhart had a breakout game,” DeShields said. “Her leadership and will really kept us in in the game.”
DeShields also was pleased with his team’s late-game effort.
“Five individuals came together and said we’re going to stop them and win this game,” he said. “And we made our free throws count when we got them.”
“To be able to go on the road for a big game, we weathered the storm physically, but mentally we still have to work not to make critical turnovers.”
For Minerva, Lorin Clark had 16 points and four assists, Lauren Haynam had 12 points and six rebounds, Raychel Blocher grabbed eight rebounds and Mayson Hardgrove had five steals.
In addition to Linhart, West Branch got 16 points and four assists from Melinda Trimmer, Pavin Heath had six rebounds and

seven points, Erica Johnson had four blocks and Bryte had four steals.
“Melinda (Trimmer) struggled a bit, but down the stretch she wanted the ball and made some big foul shots for us,” DeShields said. “To get two big back-to-back wins — there’s not too many teams in the league who won two big games back-to-back this year.”
West Branch won the junior varsity game 34-24. Kaylee Manning led the Warriors with 10 points and Logan Pottorf scored eight for Minerva.
The Lions travel to Carrollton on Wednesday.
W. BRANCH 12-11-16-13—52
MINERVA 8-13-12-7—40
WEST BRANCH SCORING: Brittany Bryte 2-1-6, Kyla Sharp 0-0-0, Melinda Trimmer 5-6-16, Emily Menegay 0-0-0, Pavin Heath 2-2-7, Amanda Linhart 7-0-16, Allie Garrett 0-0-0, Taryn Hahn 2-0-4, Erica Johnson 0-1-1, Lea Bock 0-2-2, Kaylee Manning 0-0-0, Paige Walsh 0-0-0. TEAM TOTALS: 18, 12-14: 52.
MINERVA SCORING: Mayson Hardgrove 1-0-2, Lorin Clark 6-2-14, Tiffany Jones 0-0-0, Raychel Blocher 0-1-1, Jacklyn Russell 1-0-3, Morgan Preston 0-0-0, Josie Chaddock 3-0-6, Lauren Hayna, 2-8-12. TEAM TOTALS: 13, 11-14: 40.
Three-point field goals: West Branch 4 (Linhart 2, Bryte, Heath), Minerva 3 (Clark 2, Russell).

PREP BASKETBALL



Salem's Anthony Shivers goes up for a shot against Minerva's Quade Zeedrich and Billy Eyer on Saturday in Salem. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)



West Branch's Amanda Linhart brings down a rebound on Saturday. Also shown is West Branch's Kyla Sharp. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)



West Branch's Pavin Heath tries to block a shot by Minerva's Lauren Haynam on Saturday in Minerva. (Salem News/Patti Schaeffer)

Buckeyes survive Nebraska tussle

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Ohio State opened a 15-point lead with 9 minutes left and still had to hold off Nebraska. Lenzelle Smith Jr. scored 21 points and the 11th-ranked Buckeyes found themselves in a tight game down the stretch before warding off a late Cornhuskers surge in a 63-56 victory Saturday night.

“We have to find a way to correct that,” Ohio State guard Aaron Craft said. “But you’ve got to give them a lot of credit, too. They really picked up their intensity, especially on the offensive boards, and we didn’t get adjusted to it. But you’ve got to be happy with a road win in this league. We found a way to stay on top and finish with a win.”

Ohio State (17-4, 7-2 Big Ten) led 53-38 after a pair of free throws by Craft with 9:05 left. Nebraska (11-12, 2-8) then made its comeback, outscoring the Buckeyes 15-5 and cutting the lead to 58-53 on David Rivers’ free throws with 2:40 remaining.

“We had a couple of careless possessions there that gave them easy baskets,” Ohio State coach Thad Matta. “Those things you can’t do on the road. But we’ll take whatever it was, seven points. ... They’ve got the capability to kind of get rolling on you. You’ve got to be careful with them.”

Following an Ohio State miss, Nebraska’s Brandon Ubel and Andre Almeida each missed shots at the rim and Ubel missed a 3-point attempt. Craft hit a pair of free throws with 56 seconds left to put the Buckeyes up seven.

“We just stayed aggressive; we need to keep that mindset,” Cornhuskers guard Dylan Talley said. “They are ranked in the top 10 for a reason, so they are going to make runs. So we needed to

just stay strong and fight back and we did.”

Ohio State won the game at the free throw line. The Buckeyes made 23 of 28, including all 10 of their first-half attempts. Nebraska was just 4 of 5 from the line.

“It’s how you play, in terms of your style,” Matta said. “They shot 26 3s, we only shot 12. We were playing two different types of basketball.”

Nebraska coach Tim Miles didn’t have any complaints about getting outscored by 19 from the foul line.

“You trying to get me fined here? A reprimand?” Miles jokes when asked about the disparity. “That was a huge impact on the game. They’re very good when they’re on the attack and they do a great job not fouling. So you have to credit Ohio State.”

Ohio State won its third straight game and seventh in a row against Nebraska, including all four since the Cornhuskers joined the Big Ten.

The Buckeyes travel to No. 1 Michigan on Tuesday.

Ohio State established a working margin late in the first half. Trailing 19-17, the Buckeyes went on a 13-0 run capped by LaQuinton Ross’ long 3-pointer with 2:05 left. Ohio State led by nine at half-time.

Nebraska cut the lead to 38-32 on Talley’s 3-pointer with 15:58 to go. Ohio State then went on a 15-6 run, going up 45-34 on Deshaun Thomas’ short jumper with 13:42 remaining.

Despite the victory, Smith said Matta told the Buckeyes they didn’t play well.

“There are some things we’ve got to work on, but we’re 7-2,” Smith said. “We got the win. We did what we came here to do. But we’ve got to get better.”

rant’s two free throws brought the Thunder within one, but Irving, dribbling between his legs and around Oklahoma City’s defenders, hit a floater from the baseline.

Westbrook scored seconds later, and after Thompson scored for Cleveland, Durant coolly buried a 3-pointer to tie it at 108 with 1:26 remaining.

Then, with a sold-out Quicken Loans quaking the way it once did when LeBron James starred here, Irving dribbled through the lane, bought some room with a ridiculous hesitation move and hit another layup. Durant missed a 3-pointer with 59 seconds left, giving Irving a chance to ice it.

And that he did, burying a long 3 from the top of the key over Westbrook before clenching both fists in celebration.

“I never know what shot I’m going to take,” said Irving, who was just 1 of 7 to start the game. “I saw him back on his heels a little bit.”

Durant got the Thunder to 113-110 but Irving did it again, this time knocking down a 12-foot bank shot to cap a performance none of the 20,562 fans on hand will soon forget — and one Irving hopes to draw upon in the future.

“It’s my responsibility as a leader of this team to do this every single night,” he said. “It has to come from within.”

The Thunder surrendered in the final seconds, and after the horn sounded, Westbrook wrapped his arms around Irving, who had gotten the best of him.

“He came through in the fourth quarter,” Durant said. “He hit some big shots. He hit a tough 3. He was getting to the rim. He’s a quick guy.”

Durant appeared to injure his lower back in the third while hustling back on defense. He stayed in the game for two minutes before he was escorted to the locker room, grabbing his right side. When he left, the Thunder led by five but by the time he returned to the bench with 9:55 remaining, the Cavaliers had tied it at 81.

Following the game, Durant said he was fine.

SALEM NEWS SCOREBOARD

NFL playoffs
National Football League All Times EST WILD-CARD PLAYOFFS Saturday, Jan. 5 Houston 19, Cincinnati 13 Green Bay 24, Minnesota 10 Sunday, Jan. 6 Baltimore 24, Indianapolis 9 Seattle 24, Washington 14 --- DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS Saturday, Jan. 12 Baltimore 38, Denver 35, 2OT San Francisco 45, Green Bay 31 Sunday, Jan. 13 Atlanta 30, Seattle 28 New England 41, Houston 28 --- CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS Sunday, Jan. 20 San Francisco 28, Atlanta 24 Baltimore 28, New England 13 --- PRO BOWL Sunday, Jan. 27 At Honolulu NFC 62, AFC 35 --- SUPER BOWL Sunday, Feb. 3 At New Orleans Baltimore (13-6) vs. San Francisco (13-4-1), 6 p.m. (CBS)

NFL awards
ARIANS WINS COACH OF YEAR NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Bruce Arians has become the first interim coach to win the top NFL award from The Associated Press, taking the 2012 Coach of the Year honors for his work with the Indianapolis Colts.
Arians now is head coach in Arizona.
Arians took charge of the Colts in late September after head coach Chuck Pagano was diagnosed with leukemia. The Colts, 2-14 the previous season, went 9-3 under Arians and made the playoffs.
Pagano coached the final game of the regular season and a wild-card playoff match.
Arians earned 36 1-2 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the NFL. Pagano finished second with 5 1-2, while Pete Carroll of Seattle received five and Leslie Frazier of Minnesota got three.
Arians spent only one season in Indy before landing the Cardinals job.
He accepted his award Saturday night at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” awards show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players, performances and plays from the 2012 season.

PETERSON TOP OFFENSIVE PLAYER NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Adrian Peterson has won The Associated Press 2012 NFL Offensive Player of the Year award just one year after major knee surgery.
The Minnesota Vikings running back rushed for 2,109 yards, 9 short of Eric Dickerson’s record. He dominated voting by a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the NFL, getting 36 ballots to eight for runner-up QB Peyton Manning of Denver.
Quarterbacks Tom Brady of New England and Aaron Rodgers of Green Bay, and receiver Calvin Johnson of Detroit each got two votes.
Even more startling is that Peterson’s remarkable year followed major knee surgery at the end of 2011. He led the Vikings’ turnaround from a 3-13 record to 10-6 and a wild-card playoff berth, scoring 12 touchdowns rushing and averaging 6.0 yards per carry.
He accepted his award Saturday night at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” awards show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players, performances and plays from the 2012 season.

WATT NAMED TOP DEFENDER NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Houston end J.J. Watt has won The Associated Press 2012 NFL Defensive Player of the Year award, missing a perfect ballot by one vote.
The NFL’s sacks leader with 20 1-2 and a pass-blocking fiend, Watt earned 49 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the league. Denver linebacker Von Miller received the other vote.
Watt, a versatile second-year player with a tremendous burst off the line, also forced four fumbles and recovered two in helping the Texans to their second straight AFC South title. With his long wingspan, he blocked a stunning 16 passes.
Watt is the first Texans player to win the award. Last year, Miller ran away with the top defensive rookie award while Watt was not in contention.
He accepted his award Saturday night at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” awards show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players, performances and plays from the 2012 season.

MANNING COMES BACK NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Peyton Manning’s stunning return from four neck surgeries has netted him The Associated Press 2012 NFL Comeback Player of the Year award.
The four-time league MVP guided the Broncos to the AFC’s best record, 13-3, in his first season in Denver. Before sitting out 2011, Manning had never missed a start in his first 13 seasons with Indianapolis.
Manning received 31 1-2 votes Saturday from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the league. He easily beat Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson, who got 17 1-2 votes after his comeback from major knee surgery. Peterson came within 9 yards of the NFL rushing record and helped Minnesota go from 3-13 to 10-6 and a wild-card berth.
Kansas City RB Jamaal Charles got one vote.
Manning accepted his award Saturday night at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players, performances and plays from the 2012 season.

Carolina LB Kuechly is top rookie NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Linebacker Luke Kuechly, Carolina’s tackling machine, has won the Associated Press 2012 NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year award.
Kuechly, a first-round pick from Boston College, led the league with 164 tackles. He began the season on the outside but moved to middle linebacker five games into the season and the Panthers went from 24th in the league in overall defense to 10th.
He earned 28 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the league. That easily outdistanced Seattle LB Bobby Wagner with 11.
Green Bay cornerback Casey Hayward got six votes, while St. Louis CB Janoris Jenkins got three. Tampa Bay LB Lavonte David got the other two votes.
He is the second Panther to win the award: DE Julius Peppers got it in 2002.
Kuechly accepted his award Saturday night at the “2nd Annual NFL Honors” awards show on CBS saluting the NFL’s best players, performances and plays from the 2012 season.

Pitt-Syracuse
PITTSBURGH 65, No. 6 SYRACUSE 55 SYRACUSE (18-3) Grant 1-8 3-4 5, Fair 9-13 0-0 20, Christmas 0-0 0-0 0, Carter-Williams 3-12 6-7 13, Triche 4-14 6-7 14, Cooney 0-0 0-0 0, Keita 1-2 1-2 3. Totals 18-49 16-20 55. PITTSBURGH (18-5) Patterson 3-7 1-5 7, Zanna 2-6 0-0 4, Adams 4-7 0-0 8, Robinson 1-4 0-0 2, Woodall 3-7 6-7 13, Wright 2-3 2-2 7, Johnson 1-2 1-2 4, Taylor 2-4 2-3 6, Zeigler 3-4 0-0 6, Moore 3-6 2-2 8. Totals 24-50 14-21 65. Halftime—Pittsburgh 27-25. 3-Point Goals—Syracuse 3-14 (Fair 2-4, Carter-Williams 1-5, Triche 0-5), Pittsburgh 3-15 (Wright 1-1, Johnson 1-2, Woodall 1-5, Robinson 0-2, Moore 0-2, Patterson 0-3). Fouled Out—Carter-Williams. Rebounds—Syracuse 24 (Grant 5), Pittsburgh 39 (Zanna 12). Assists—Syracuse 5 (Carter-Williams, Cooney 2), Pittsburgh 19 (Patterson 5). Total Fouls—Syracuse 20, Pittsburgh 18. A—12,632.

Kent-Eastern Mich.
E. MICHIGAN (10-11) Bryant 4-11 1-1 9, Harris 2-5 1-4 5, Harrison 2-7 0-0 4, Riley 2-5 1-1 5, Ross 0-3 0-0 0, Sims 1-5 1-2 4, Harper 2-6 4-4 8, Thompson 6-15 4-4 17, Strickland 1-2 0-0 2, Balkema 3-4 2-2 8. Totals 23-63 14-18 62. KENT ST. (12-10) Evans 4-8 7-8 15, Tabb 1-3 0-0 2, Goodson 5-8 2-3 12, Brewer 3-4 2-2 9, Holt 6-13 0-10 17, Pope 0-3 2-2 2, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, Ortiz 2-6 0-0 5, Manley 2-6 0-0 6, Henniger 0-0 7-10 7, Brunswick 0-0 0-0 0, Spicer 1-2 0-0 2, Morris Jr. 0-0 0-0 0, Frank 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-53 20-25 77. Halftime—Kent St. 32-26. 3-Point Goals—E. Michigan 2-12 (Sims 1-3, Thompson 1-6, Ross 0-1, Harrison 0-2), Kent St. 9-24 (Holt 5-10, Manley 2-6, Brewer 1-2, Ortiz 1-3, Evans 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—E. Michigan 37 (Harris 6), Kent St. 37 (Pope 6). Assists—E. Michigan 13 (Harper 4), Kent St. 14 (Holt 6). Total Fouls—E. Michigan 17, Kent St. 17. A—2,267.

Ohio St.-Nebraska
No. 11 OHIO ST. 63, NEBRASKA 56 OHIO ST. (17-4) Thomas 6-18 3-3 15, Thompson 1-4 0-0 2, Williams 0-0 7-8 7, Craft 4-12 6-7 14, Smith, Jr. 6-6 6-8 21, Scott 0-1 0-0 0, Ross 1-3 1-2 4, Ravenel 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 18-46 23-28 63. NEBRASKA (11-12) Ubel 2-10 2-2 6, Shields 3-9 0-0 6, Rivers 5-7 2-2 13, Gallegos 4-14 0-0 11, Talley 5-14 0-0 12, Parker 2-2 0-0 4, Almeida 2-6 0-1 4. Totals 23-62 4-5 56. Halftime—Ohio St. 32-23. 3-Point Goals—Ohio St. 4-12 (Smith, Jr. 3-3, Ross 1-2, Craft 0-3, Thomas 0-4), Nebraska 6-26 (Gallegos 3-12, Talley 2-8, Rivers 1-1, Shields 0-1, Ubel 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Ohio St. 33 (Williams 8), Nebraska 38 (Almeida, Ubel 8). Assists—Ohio St. 8 (Craft 6), Nebraska 8 (Ubel 3). Total Fouls—Ohio St. 10, Nebraska 17. A—11,478.

Akron-Ohio
AKRON 86, OHIO 72 OHIO (15-6) Offutt 3-13 1-1 8, Cooper 3-10 7-9 14, Kellogg 6-11 1-2 15, Baltic 0-1 0-0 0, Keely 3-7 5-8 11, Green 0-0 0-0 0, Hall 4-7 2-2 12, Johnson 1-2 1-2 4, Smith 1-1 4-5 6, Taylor 1-2 0-0 2, Wilkins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-54 21-29 72. AKRON (17-4) Treadwell 7-15 1-4 15, Walsh 0-3 2-2 2, Harney 4-6 5-5 13, Abreu 7-10 4-4 21, Marshall 8-8 1-3 17, Ibitayo 0-1 1-2 1, Betancourt 1-2 0-0 2, Kretzer 0-2 0-0 0, McAdams 4-5 0-0 11, Gilliam 0-1 0-0 0, Forsythe 1-4 2-3 4. Totals 32-57 16-23 86. Halftime—Akron 41-36. 3-Point Goals—Ohio 7-21 (Hall 2-4, Kellogg 2-6, Johnson 1-1, Cooper 1-5, Offutt 1-5), Akron 6-16 (McAdams 3-4, Abreu 3-5, Gilliam 0-1, Harney 0-1, Ibitayo 0-1, Kretzer 0-2, Walsh 0-2). Fouled Out—Keely. Rebounds—Ohio 22 (Keely, Offutt 7), Akron 40 (Marshall 12). Assists—Ohio 12 (Cooper 6), Akron 19 (Abreu 9). Total Fouls—Ohio 23, Akron 22. A—5,770.

Cleveland St.-Ill. Chic.
CLEVELAND ST. (11-12) Douglas 3-5 2-3 8, Forbes 4-10 0-0 10, Long 3-3 1-1 7, Lee 3-7 4-4 11, Kamczyc 1-6 2-2 4, Lomomba 4-7 3-4 13, Mason 8-12 3-4 22, Ndaye 1-3 0-0 2, Scales 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-53 15-18 77. ILL.-CHICAGO (14-9) Miller 0-2 2-2 2, Talton 3-9 9-10 16, Humes 5-9 1-1 12, Kelley 3-7 2-2 8, Crittle 3-12 5-9 11, Barnes 3-7 6-7 14, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Parker 1-1 0-0 3, Simonton 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 18-48 25-31 66. Halftime—Cleveland St. 34-26. 3-Point Goals—Cleveland St. 8-20 (Mason 3-3, Lomomba 2-3, Forbes 2-7, Lee 1-3, Douglas 0-1, Kamczyc 0-3), Ill.-Chicago 5-16 (Barnes 2-6, Parker 1-1, Humes 1-3, Talton 1-4, Kelley 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Cleveland St. 38 (Forbes 8), Ill.-Chicago 24 (Barnes 6). Assists—Cleveland St. 16 (Lee 10), Ill.-Chicago 13 (Humes 5). Total Fouls—Cleveland St. 22, Ill.-Chicago 16. A—2,516.

College basketball
Saturday 1. Michigan (20-2) lost to No. 3 Indiana 81-73. Next: vs. No. 11 Ohio State, Tuesday. 2. Kansas (19-2) lost to Oklahoma State 85-80. Next: at TCU, Wednesday. 3. Indiana (20-2) beat No. 1 Michigan 81-73. Next: at Illinois, Thursday. 4. Florida (18-2) beat No. 16 Mississippi 78-64. Next: at Arkansas, Tuesday. 5. Duke (19-2) beat Florida State 79-60. Next: vs. No. 19 N.C. State, Thursday. 6. Syracuse (18-3) lost to Pittsburgh 65-55. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Monday. 7. Gonzaga (20-2) at San Diego. Next: vs. Pepperdine, Thursday. 8. Arizona (18-2) at Washington State. Next: vs. Stanford, Wednesday. 9. Butler (18-4) beat Rhode Island 75-68. Next: vs. St. Bonaventure, Wednesday. 10. Oregon (18-4) lost to California 58-54. Next: vs. Colorado, Thursday. 11. Ohio State (17-4) beat Nebraska 63-56. Next: at No. 1 Michigan, Tuesday. 12. Louisville (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 23 Marquette, Sunday. 13. Michigan State (18-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 23 Minnesota, Wednesday. 14. Miami (17-3) beat No. 19 N.C. State 79-78. Next: vs. Boston College, Tuesday. 15. Wichita State (19-4) lost to Northern Iowa 57-52. Next: at Southern Illinois, Tuesday. 16. Mississippi (17-4) lost to No. 4 Florida 78-64. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Wednesday. 17. Missouri (16-5) beat Auburn 91-77. Next: at Texas A&M, Thursday. 18. Kansas State (17-4) beat Oklahoma 52-50. Next: at Texas Tech, Tuesday. 19. N.C. State (16-6) lost to No. 14 Miami 79-78. Next: at No. 5 Duke, Thursday. 20. New Mexico (19-3) beat Nevada 75-62. Next: vs. Air Force, Wednesday.

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WESTERN CONFERENCE

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Friday's Games

Toronto 98, L.A. Clippers 73

Indiana 102, Miami 89

Boston 97, Orlando 84

New York 96, Milwaukee 86

Brooklyn 93, Chicago 89

Philadelphia 89, Sacramento 80

Detroit 117, Cleveland 99

Memphis 85, Washington 76

Denver 113, New Orleans 98

Utah 86, Portland 77

Dallas 109, Phoenix 99

L.A. Lakers 111, Minnesota 100

Saturday's Games

Chicago 93, Atlanta 76

New York 120, Sacramento 81

Cleveland 115, Oklahoma City 110

Houston 109, Charlotte 95

Minnesota 115, New Orleans 86

San Antonio 96, Washington 86

Milwaukee 107, Orlando 98

Utah at Portland, (n)

Phoenix at Golden State, (n)

Sunday's Games

L.A. Clippers at Boston, 1 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Detroit, 1 p.m.

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L.A. Clippers at Washington, 7 p.m.

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Detroit at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Charlotte at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Portland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Dallas at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.

Sacramento at Utah, 9 p.m.

Cavaliers-Thunder

OKLAHOMA CITY (110)

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CLEVELAND (115)

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3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 7-21 (Durant 3-7)

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

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Northwest Division

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Pacific Division

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San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Penguins-Devils

New Jersey	0	1	0-1
Pittsburgh	0	2	3-5

First Period - None. Penalties - Kovalchuk (NJ) (slashing), 5:22; Crosby, Pit (tripping) 19:52.

Second Period - 1, Pittsburgh, Sutter (Crosby, Malkin); 2:27, 2, Pittsburgh, Kunitz (Crosby, Poirier); 2:56, 3, New Jersey, Greene 1 (Zubrus, Carter), 12:23 (sh). Penalties - Elias, N.J. (holding), 10:44.

Third Period - 4, Pittsburgh, Crosby 2 (Kunitz, Malkin); 2:31, 5, Pittsburgh, Letang 4 (Nash, Pa.Dupuis), 7:11, 6, Pittsburgh, Boruzzo (Crosby, Pa.Dupuis), 9:51. Penalties - Carter, NJ (tripping), 13:20; Crosby, Pit (tripping), 17:54.

Shots on Goal - New Jersey 6-4-6 - 16. Pittsburgh 8-12-10 - 30.

Power-play opportunities - New Jersey 0-0-0 - 0. Pittsburgh 0-0-3.

Goals - New Jersey, Brodeur 3-1-2 (3 goals-25 saves). Pittsburgh, Fleury 3-2-0 (16 goals-15 saves).

A - 18,635 (18,387). T - 2:20.

Referees - Dan O'Rourke, Frederick L'Evesque. Linesmen - Matt MacPherson, Derek Nansen.

PGA results

Waste Management Phoenix Open

Saturday

At TPC Scottsdale

Scottsdale, Ariz.

Purse: \$6.2 million

Yardage: 7,216; Par: 71

Third Round

Phil Mickelson	60-65-64	189
Brandt Snedeker	64-66-65	195
Padraig Harrington	64-70-67	201
Ryan Moore	66-66-65	197
Troy Matteson	67-65-66	198
Brendan Steele	69-65-65	199
Bill Haas	65-64-70	199
Scott Parris	70-66-64	200
Brendon de Jonge	66-67-67	200
Gary Woodland	67-66-67	200
Roberto Castro	65-68-67	200
Hunter Mahan	67-67-67	201
Bryce Molder	67-67-67	201
Billy Horschel	69-68-64	201
Ted Potter, Jr.	64-69-68	201
John Rollins	66-66-69	201
Matt Every	65-67-69	201
Robert Garrigus	66-66-69	201
Angel Cabrera	66-65-70	201
Jeff Klauk	67-68-67	202
Greg Chalmers	68-68-66	202
Justin Leonard	65-71-66	202
William McGirt	67-66-69	202
Ben Crane	67-71-64	202
Charlie Wi	68-63-71	202
Brian Harman	70-65-68	203
John Mallinger	65-69-69	203
Ryan Palmer	64-73-66	203
Brian Gay	65-66-72	203
Keegan Bradley	67-63-73	203
Nick Watney	65-71-68	204
Charles Howell III	67-68-69	204
Casey Wittenberg	67-67-70	204
Rory Sabbatini	68-66-70	204
Cameron Tringale	69-67-69	205
Kevin Stadler	68-68-69	205
Chris Kirk	67-69-69	205
Kevin Chappell	66-68-71	205
Bubba Watson	67-67-71	205
Jeff Maggert	64-70-71	205
Tim Clark	69-68-68	205
Lucas Glover	68-70-67	205
Kevin Na	69-64-72	205
David Hearn	67-65-73	205
K.J. Choi	71-67-67	205
Ken Duke	66-69-71	206
Bo Van Pelt	68-67-71	206
Carl Pettersson	72-65-69	206
Chris Stroud	71-66-69	206
Bud Cauley	71-67-68	206
George McNeill	70-68-68	206
David Toms	69-67-71	207
Boo Weekley	69-66-72	207
Harris English	67-67-73	207
Colt Knost	71-65-71	207
David Mathis	72-65-70	207
James Discock	72-66-69	207
Hank Kuehne	65-71-72	208
Martin Flores	65-71-72	208
Richard H. Lee	68-68-72	208
Sung-Moon Bae	72-64-72	208
John Merrick	69-67-70	208
James Hahn	71-67-70	208
Aaron Baddeley	69-67-73	209
Jimmy Walker	68-69-72	209
Scott Verplank	66-72-71	209
Chad Campbell	73-65-71	209
Russell Henley	69-67-74	210
Jeff Overton	66-69-75	210
Jason Day	70-68-72	210
Dicky Pride	67-71-73	211
J.J. Henry	70-68-73	211
Kyle Stanley	67-71-74	212
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Super Bowl

Super Bowl Champions

2012 - N.Y. Giants (NFC) 21, New England (AFC) 17

2011 - Green Bay (NFC) 31, Pittsburgh (AFC) 25

2010 - New Orleans (NFC) 31, Indianapolis (AFC) 17

2009 - Pittsburgh (AFC) 27, Arizona (NFC) 25

2008 - N.Y. Giants (NFC) 17, New England (AFC) 14

2007 - Indianapolis (AFC) 29, Chicago (NFC) 17

2006 - Pittsburgh (AFC) 21, Seattle (NFC) 16

2005 - New England (AFC) 24, Philadelphia (NFC) 21

2004 - New England (AFC) 32, Carolina (NFC) 29

2003 - Tampa Bay (NFC) 48, Oakland (AFC) 21

2002 - New England (AFC) 20, St. Louis (NFC) 17

2001 - Baltimore Ravens (AFC) 34, N.Y. Giants (NFC) 7

2000 - St. Louis (NFC) 23, Tennessee (AFC) 16

1999 - Denver (AFC) 31, Atlanta (NFC) 19

1998 - Denver (AFC) 34, Green Bay (NFC) 24

1997 - Green Bay (NFC) 35, New England (AFC) 21

1996 - Dallas (NFC) 27, Pittsburgh (AFC) 17

1995 - San Francisco (NFC) 49, San Diego (AFC) 26

1994 - Dallas (NFC) 30, Buffalo (AFC) 13

1993 - Dallas (NFC) 52, Buffalo (AFC) 17



Leetonia takes second place

The Leetonia fourth-grade girls basketball team was the runner-up at the recent West Branch tournament. Team members are (front, from left) Taran Ferry, Nakkiya-Rose Plummer, Katie Soupal, Delaney Roller; (back, from left) Lexi Morgan, Emily Aukerman, Destiny Cannon and Samantha Schneider. They are coached by Ron Schneider and Caroline Ferry. They also were runners-up in the Leetonia Area Sports Association tournament in January. All the girls were honored for 4.0 grade-point averages. (Submitted photo)

AROUND THE HORN



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Quaker frosh move on

BELOIT — Salem's freshman boys basketball team beat Alliance 61-21 on Saturday at the West Branch freshman tournament. J.J. Pullie had 13 points to spark the Quakers. West Branch got 13 points from Daniel Laut in a 40-31 win over Minerva. Ethan Hall had 16 points for Minerva. Other results included Carrollton beating Canton South 46-36 and Green beating Marlinton 61-43. Louisville and Carrollton will meet at 5 p.m. on Monday. West Branch and Salem will follow at 6:15 p.m. on Monday.

Balanced Panthers knock off No. 6 Syracuse, 65-55

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Jim Boeheim spent two hours watching Pittsburgh's unusual 10-man rotation swarm No. 6 Syracuse into a flurry of missed shots, missed rebounds and missed opportunities in a 65-55 victory on Saturday and thinks he may have finally figured out who's on top of the wide-open Big East. "They're the best team we've played, without any question," Boeheim said. "It's not even close." Pitt coach Jamie Dixon isn't quite ready to go that far. Yet there's little doubt the Panthers and Orange are heading in opposite directions. "In everybody's eyes there's this huge difference (between Pitt and Syracuse) but we felt we'd lost some close games, they won some close games," Dixon said. "You can't panic."

Something Pitt never seems to do when facing a highly ranked opponent at home. Tray Woodall had 13 points, four assists and three steals as the Panthers improved to 13-1 against Top 10 teams since the Petersen Events Center opened a decade ago. "We felt like it was a must win," Woodall said. Trey Zeigler added six points, four rebounds and four assists off the bench for the Pitt (18-5, 6-4 Big East), which gave its tidy record some needed polish by dominating the undermanned Orange on the glass. The Panthers outrebounded Syracuse 39-24, held the Orange to 37 percent shooting (18 of 49) and never trailed in the second half. Injuries and personnel issues forced Syracuse to play with just seven scholarship players, though Boeheim doesn't think the short bench was as much of an issue as Pitt's ability to guard. "They're a tremendous defensive team, knew we were going to have trouble scoring against them," he said. "When the game was in doubt, we had some opportunities and didn't finish." C.J. Fair led Syracuse (18-3, 6-2) with 20 points and Brandon Triche scored 14 but couldn't stop Syracuse from its first losing streak in nearly two years. Michael Carter-Williams added 13 points for Syracuse but the nation's leader in assists finished with just two — nearly seven below his average. The Orange had just five assists on 18 baskets. "They make you drive and our inside guys just aren't ready yet," Boeheim said. "C.J. had a good game and our two guards had offensive games. But we can't go to Jerami (Grant), we can't go to (Rakeem Christmas), they're not going to be a factor."

The Panthers haven't been much of a factor in the Big East over the two seasons. Pitt missed the NCAA tournament for the first time this millennium last season and came in just 1-3 against ranked teams this year, the lone win a 25-point romp over Georgetown last month that sent the Hoyas tumbling out of the polls. This one should have a little more resonance after a satisfying win in front of a packed house that included thousands of students who camped overnight in the lobby of the arena in order to get some prime seats.

Mickelson has fans rocking at Phoenix Open

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Phil Mickelson drew the loudest cheers from the biggest crowd in golf history Saturday at the Phoenix Open. Mickelson nearly aced the par-3 16th, hitting a 9-iron to a foot to set up a birdie on the rowdy stadium hole packed with nearly 20,000 screaming fans. "What's funny about that is 172 yards is a very tough 9-iron for me to get there, but I immediately take 5 yards off and in my head I had 167," Mickelson said. "The reason is you always have a little bit of adrenaline here, and the ball goes a little bit longer on 16. "I played for a 167-yard shot and tried to hit just a comfortable or stock 9-iron, and the ball ended up flying that far and released to the hole. Having played this course and that hole over the years and knowing what your body does and how to adjust to it has helped me, and certainly it did today." Estimated at 179,022, the third-round crowd broke the record of 173,210 set last year, also on a Saturday at fan-friendly TPC Scottsdale. The event has drawn 467,030 fans for the week and is in position to break the mark of 538,356 set in 2008. Mickelson birdied the final four holes and five of the last six for a 7-under 64 and a six-stroke lead over Brandt Snedeker. "I know how good Snedeker is and how hot he can get with a putter," Mickelson said. "He can make birdie from just about anywhere. He's going to make a run tomorrow. I, hopefully, will be able to keep pace." The 42-year-old former Arizona State star has led after each round, opening with a 60 and shooting a 65 on Friday. He fell a stroke short of the tour record for the first 54 holes, and matched the tournament mark set by Mark Calcavecchia in 2001. Making his 24th appearance in the event that he won in 1996 and 2005, Mickelson is trying to complete his third wire-to-wire victory and first since the 2006 Bell-South Classic — a 13-stroke blowout the week before the second of his three Masters victories. "To me, the wire-to-wire isn't that important except for now I'm three rounds and the fourth one is kind of the more important one," Mickelson said.

Voters block Modell, DeBartolo Jr. from HOF

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Bill Parcells was a winner everywhere he coached. Time and time again, he took over struggling franchises and showed them what it takes to be a success, including a pair of Super Bowl titles with the New York Giants. Parcells pulled off another victory Saturday — election to the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Getting in on his fourth try, Parcells led an induction class that also included mouthy defensive lineman Warren Sapp, prolific receiver Cris Carter and a pair of stalwarts from the trenches, offensive linemen Jonathan Ogden and Larry Allen. The class of 2013 also included a pair of senior selections, Curley Culp and Dave Robinson. The announcement was made in New Orleans, site of Sunday's Super Bowl. Almost as noteworthy were the finalists who didn't get in, including running back Jerome Bettis and owners Art Modell and Edward DeBartolo Jr. Players and coaches from the Baltimore Ravens, who will face the San Francisco 49ers in the Super Bowl, spent all week lobbying for Modell, their former owner who died last year, to claim a place in the hall. It didn't work out, no doubt pleasing fans in Cleveland who remain bitter about Modell moving the original Browns to Baltimore. Parcells had to wait a while, earning a bust in Canton on his fourth try. He thought he might get in the previous year in tandem with one of his former players, Curtis Martin. "It was a little less stressful

than last year," Parcells said. "I was kind of hoping we could do it together, but as fate would have it, it didn't work out." Giants president and CEO John Mara said Parcells' selection for the hall was "long overdue." "He's one of the best coaches in NFL history," Mara said. "He turned our franchise around. We went through a long period in the 1960's and 70's when we were a laughingstock. When Bill took over in 1983, he survived a very difficult first year, but then turned us into a perennial playoff contender and won two Super Bowls for us. He coached three other teams and everywhere he went, he had great success." No one was more emotional than Carter, who took six years to get in despite putting up some of the best receiving numbers in NFL history. He broke down in tears but quickly pointed out "it's not because I'm sad." "This is the happiest day of my life," he said. "It's unreal you're going to end your career in Canton. I said to myself, 'I'm going to get in the hall this year.' I believed I would get in the hall this year. It's the most amazing thing that ever happened to me." In addition to Bettis, four other players failed to get in on the final vote: Charles Haley, Andre Reed, Michael Strahan and Aeneas Williams. Earlier in the day, the selection committee eliminated DeBartolo and Modell, as well as former players Tim Brown, Kevin Greene and Will Shields. Parcells reversed the fortunes of four teams, also coaching the New England

Patriots, New York Jets and Dallas Cowboys, during 19 years as a head coach. He finished with a record of 172-130-1, most notably leading the Giants to Super Bowl titles in 1987 and 1991. Sapp got in on his first year of eligibility after playing 13 seasons with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Oakland Raiders. He amassed 96 career sacks despite playing on the interior of the defensive line, including double-digit sack totals in four seasons. He was the 1999 NFL Defensive Player of the Year after helping Tampa Bay claim its first division title in 18 years. Carter played 16 seasons, becoming only the second player in NFL history to reach 1,000 receptions in a career. He caught at least 70 passes in 10 seasons, and totaled 130 touchdown receptions from 13 passers. Allen played 203 games over 14 seasons, spending the bulk of his career with the Cowboys. He played every position on the offensive line except center and was a first-team All-Pro seven straight seasons. Ogden spent a dozen seasons with the Ravens, a lineman who led the way for Jamal Lewis to become just the fifth running back in NFL history to rush for 2,000 yards in a season. Ogden was a six-time All-Pro and was voted to 11 Pro Bowls. Like Sapp, Allen and Ogden were first-year selections. Ogden shared the moment with his family. He called his mother "first thing," and also told his 7-year-old son. "He's real proud of his dad," Ogden said. He watched nervously as the announcement was made

on the Class of 2013. "It's like going to the hospital with your wife to have a baby. You can't do anything about it," Ogden said. "You hear everybody say you're a first ballot for sure, but you never really know. A lot of good well deserving guys didn't get in on the first ballot." "When I got drafted (by Dallas), they'd just won a Super Bowl," Allen said. "When they threw me in, I just didn't want to be the one to mess it up." His philosophy never changed over his long career: make the guy across from him "quit ... tap out." He joins three other players from that great Cowboys offense of the 1990s in the hall, following Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin. "All those guys — Troy and Mike, Emmitt — they were kind of like big brothers," Allen said. "I looked up to them. They came to work every day and showed me how to do it. They all wanted to be the best." Culp was a defensive stalwart for the Kansas City Chiefs in the 1960s and '70s, and also played for the Houston Oilers and Detroit Lions. He started at tackle in Kansas City's Super Bowl win over Vikings in 1970 and was selected to six Pro Bowls. "Curley was a dominating force on the defensive line for the Super Bowl IV championship team and one of many great players that helped build the tradition and foundation of the Kansas City Chiefs," the team's chairman and CEO, Clark Hunt, said in a statement. "We look forward to seeing him take his rightful place in Canton."

▶ NHL

Crosby gets 3 points in Penguins' triumph

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Sidney Crosby and the Pittsburgh Penguins finally found their stride at home. Crosby and Chris Kunitz each had a goal and two assists, and Pittsburgh picked up its first victory of the season on home ice by beating the New Jersey Devils 5-1 Saturday. The Penguins used a relentless forecheck to overwhelm New Jersey in the third period, scoring three times on 10 shots while turning a one-goal game into a rout. "We were skating a lot and I think that was a big part of it — keeping it simple," Crosby said. "As a group, I think we made it easier on each other, not just our line, but as a five-man unit. Our D were retrieving pucks and allowing us to get speed through the neutral zone." Penguins defenseman Robert Bortuzzo scored his first NHL goal, Brandon Sutter got his first with Pittsburgh and Kris Letang also found the back of the net for the Penguins, who handed the Devils their first loss in regulation this season. Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 15 shots for the win. Evgeni Malkin and Pascal

Dupuis had two assists apiece. Andy Greene scored a short-handed goal for the Devils (3-1-3), who were seeking their best seven-game start in a decade. Martin Brodeur was sharp through two periods, stopping 17 of 19 shots, but allowed three goals in the third as New Jersey had trouble with the Penguins' aggressive forecheck. "They pressured us with their speed and made us make mistakes," Brodeur said. "It's not a fun game when you have a lot of breakdowns like that." After winning 21 of their last 24 games at Consol Energy Center last season, the Penguins had been the only NHL team yet to earn a point at home this year. They were outscored 9-3 in losses to the Toronto Maple Leafs and New York Islanders. This time, Pittsburgh looked more like the team that shut out the New York Rangers at Madison Square Garden on Thursday night as opposed to the sloppy defensive club that showed up during a 4-1 home loss to the Islanders on Tuesday, when Fleury — second in the NHL last season with 24 home

wins — was pulled after two periods. "We wanted to make sure we stayed focused and maybe brought the same attitude we had on the road at home," Crosby said. The Devils were the disciplined club on Saturday. New Jersey had some defensive lapses Thursday, allowing three power-play goals during an overtime loss to the Islanders, but the Devils still managed to come away with a point. New Jersey couldn't get away with it this time despite trailing by only one goal entering the third. "If you're going to play like that, you might as well get beat 5- or 6-1 rather than 2-1 and fool yourself," Devils coach Peter DeBoer said. "It

wasn't pretty and, against a good team like that, if you don't show up with your 'A' game they can make you look bad, and that's what happened." Sutter staked the Penguins to a 1-0 lead early in the second period, chipping his own rebound over Brodeur's pads. It was the seventh time in eight games that Pittsburgh scored first. Kunitz took advantage of a fortunate bounce to give the Penguins a two-goal lead midway through the period. Devils defenseman Anton Volchenkov whiffed on a breakout attempt in his own zone and the puck slid to Kunitz, who was there to wrist a shot past Brodeur from between the circles.

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Ray Lewis career defined by controversy

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — In the final week of his career, we got to see the many sides of Ray Lewis.

There was Reverend Ray — reciting Bible verses and recalling singing in the church choir as a child, talking passionately about his relationship with God, the voice rising like a revival-tent preacher as he warned everyone that “the trick of the devil is to kill, steal and destroy. That’s what he comes to do. He comes to distract you from everything you’re trying to do.”

There was Revered Ray — one of the fiercest linebackers in NFL history, universally praised by teammates and opponents alike for his emotion on the field, his leadership in the locker room, for being an example of how the game should be played.

“I will probably be most proud of the impact I’ve had on so many men’s lives,” Lewis said. “The game will fade one day, numbers will fall, accolades will wash away, but there is nothing better than changing someone’s life.

Some even wondered if there was a Roided-Up Ray — taking some sort of strange wildlife byproduct containing a banned substance. (Lewis quickly shot down Antlergate as a “joke,” and it must be noted, he’s never tested positive for anything illegal.) And, of course, there’s Ragin’ Ray.

That one comes out for the last time Sunday, when Lewis’ last ride ends on the biggest stage of all.

The Super Bowl. The Baltimore Ravens linebacker gets a shot to go out a champion in the title game against the San Francisco 49ers. A few greats players have managed to do this way— John Elway, Jerome Bettis and Michael Strahan come to mind — but it rarely happens in football or any sport.

“I’m jealous,” Hall of Famer Marshall Faulk said. “Ask any player, ‘How do you want to end your career?’ You want to tell your team, ‘This is it.’ You want to play in a Super Bowl and have a chance to win it. Very few guys get to leave the game with a storybook ending.”

It didn’t go quite as planned. The report that the 37-year-old Lewis had purchased deer-antler spray from a quirky company in Alabama to help recover from a triceps injury — it supposedly contains a naturally occurring substance on the banned list — revived doubts about the character of the man. Some of these doubts had lingered since he was accused of covering up a double slaying in Atlanta the night after the 2000 Super Bowl.



Ray Lewis will retire after the Ravens play the San Francisco 49ers in Super Bowl XLVII today in New Orleans. (AP Photo)

In a way, Super Bowl week revealed there are so many Rays, it’s impossible to wrap him up in a tidy package.

Even Lewis will admit that the guy he professes to be most of the time — deeply religious, a caring mentor, a humble leader — is not the one you see when he puts on his helmet and pads. The one who dances out of the tunnel before home games, swaying this way and that, as if pleading to the whole world: “Look at me!” The one who plays with fury and arrogance, fully intent on breaking lesser men and lording it over them.

“I turn into a different person on the field,” Lewis said. “I am a totally different person off the field. But on the field, I’m driven to do whatever it takes for my teammates. There are so many of my teammates here today who I’ve honored and told them that I would do anything in my power so we can feel that confetti drop together, because that is the ultimate. For me being a leader of this team, I owe that to them.”

No one can questions Lewis’ contributions to the game as a player — a two-time defensive player of the year, a seven-time All-Pro, a 13-time Pro Bowler, a linebacker who defined the very essence of his position with his barely controlled fury.

Yet he spent a great deal of time in the days leading up his final game talking about the role of faith in his life. He

described himself as non-denominational — again, someone who can’t be defined in cut-and-dried terms — but made it clear he relies heavily on a power beyond this world.

“God has always been a part of my life,” he said. “Faith is accepting things unseen. It’s hard to believe in sometimes, to listen to what man says. We can be tricky with words. We all can. We hear, ‘You’re too small. You can’t do this. You can’t do that.’ You don’t have too many more people to believe in than your faith. So my relationship with God is the ultimate. I don’t claim a religion. I claim there is a higher power. There is a higher power I go to. And I’m emotional when I go to him. It’s the ultimate conversation. There are no bad conversations with him.”

Talk like that can make some people skeptical. Those who lost loved ones in Atlanta 13 years ago likely would question his sincerity. Just hours after the end of a Super Bowl where Lewis was merely a spectator, he and several companions were involved in an altercation with another group outside a nightclub. Two men were stabbed to death. Lewis was accused, at the very least, of covering up the role of others and ditching a white suit he was wearing (it has never been found). He eventually pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice in exchange for his testimony against two others.

advantage of it.” The 49ers hope to take advantage in the same Superdome where they were at their most dominant, beating Denver 55-10 in 1990 in the biggest rout the Super Bowl has seen.

The Steelers are recognized as the true powerhouse of the Super Bowl era, which is nearly a half-century old. Four of those titles came in the 1970s, with Mean Joe Greene and the Steel Curtain shutting down opponents while Terry Bradshaw, Franco Harris and Lynn Swann were scoring on them.

But the last two were in 2005 and 2008, and they’ve been perennial playoff qualifiers, too. That kept them in the football forefront.

For the 49ers the golden years of Montana, Rice, Young and Ronnie Lott ended with the 1994 season. They didn’t even make the playoffs from 2003-10, and this is their first trip back to the Super Bowl.

Rice sees Super Bowl win No. 6 coming Sunday. “I just think we had players who played well in the big game,” he said. “My best football that I played, I think, happened in the playoffs and in the Super Bowl. I think it’s the same with these players.”

None of whom, except for center Jonathan Goodwin and linebacker Clark Haggans, has won a title. That’s still one more ring than the Ravens have: Lewis is the sole NFL champion in Baltimore.

Lewis hungers for these teammates to taste their first title — and to do it in his last

Super Bowl Facts and Figures

AT STAKE — National Football League Championship for the Vince Lombardi Trophy.

PARTICIPANTS — Baltimore Ravens (AFC) and San Francisco 49ers (NFC). This the second appearance for the Ravens (1-0) and the sixth appearance for the 49ers (5-0).

SITE — Mercedes-Benz Superdome, New Orleans. This will be the 10th Super Bowl played in New Orleans and the seventh at the Superdome.

SEATING CAPACITY — 76,468

DATE — Feb. 3, 2013.

KICKOFF — 6:30 p.m. EST.

NETWORK COVERAGE — By CBS-TV to more than 200 stations throughout the United States. Dail Global Radio to 600 stations within the United States. The Armed Forces Television will also provide broadcast to 175 countries throughout the world. The game will be distributed internationally by the NFL and NFL International to more than 185 countries and broadcast in 30 different languages.

PLAYERS SHARE — Winners: \$88,000 per man. Losers: \$44,000 per man.

PLAYER UNIFORMS — San Francisco will be the home team and has its choice of wearing its colored or white jersey.

They were acquitted, while Lewis received probation and a \$250,000 fine from the NFL.

The following year, when the Ravens won their first Super Bowl and Lewis was designated MVP, Disney broke from its tradition and asked quarterback Trent Dilfer to proclaim, “I’m going to Disney World.”

But, in fairness to Lewis, he has largely stayed free from controversy since that gruesome night — deer-antler spray notwithstanding — managing to transform his image from renegade to elder statesman. After he announced his retirement, shortly before the Ravens began their surprising run through the playoffs, he even got a big hug from NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

“He taught me how to be a pro,” Baltimore running back Ray Rice said. “It’s a simple saying, but there’s a lot that comes with being a pro. He’s also taught me how to be a man as well. At the end of the day, when he announced his retirement, he put it into perspective by saying, ‘There’s life outside of football.’ The life outside of football is being a man, and that was really special for me because it just meant the world to know that this man took his time, not only to embrace me, but he took me under his wing and showed me how to do this thing.”

No matter which Ray walks off the field for the final time Sunday, Lewis is content with his legacy.

“I get to leave on my terms,” he said. “That’s the ultimate.”

game. “I’ve touched the Lombardi (Trophy), and I know how it feels,” the perennial All-Pro said. “For these guys who’ve made this journey with me to feel that, it would be the perfect ending for my career.”

Like Lewis, 49ers receiver Randy Moss also could be suiting up for the final time, although he hopes to play another year.

Grabbed off the scrap heap after his career spiraled into oblivion and no team would touch him in 2011, Moss didn’t do much on the field (28 catches, 434 yards) this season. His loudest headlines came this week when he proclaimed himself the greatest receiver ever; maybe he’s never seen Rice’s numbers.

Teammates say Moss was very influential as a mentor and teacher.

“Randy’s like my older brother,” said Michael Crabtree, who emerged as a top receiver in his fourth pro season. “An older brother you would have that’s been through a lot that you just can learn from just talking to him, watching him.

“He’s a legend and I hope he’ll be here next year.”

Lewis won’t be. He’ll don the face paint, put on his No. 52 for the final time, and see if he can replicate the championship of a dozen years ago.

“You can never top the first one, because that’s an unknown feeling,” Lewis said before adding with a chuckle, eyes widening, “but a second one — that might be the only way you really can top it.”

Baltimore Ravens vs. San Francisco 49ers



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Regular-season • Postseason stats



OFFENSE		
Total yards (avg.): 352.5	Total yards (avg.): 361.8	
Passing Rushing	Passing Rushing	Passing Rushing
233.7 118.8	206.1 155.7	206.1 155.7
Postseason: 424.7	Postseason: 476.0	
276.0 148.7	240.0 236.0	240.0 236.0
First downs: (314)		
Rushing Passing Penalty	Rushing Passing Penalty	Rushing Passing Penalty
98 182 34	128 172 22	128 172 22
Postseason: (64)		
40 5	Postseason: (50)	
19 23	23 22	

DEFENSE		
Yards allowed (avg.): 350.9	Yards allowed (avg.): 294.4	
Passing Rushing	Passing Rushing	Passing Rushing
228.1 122.8	200.2 94.2	200.2 94.2
Postseason: 415.0	Postseason: 414.5	
286.7 128.3	322.0 92.5	322.0 92.5

SCORING (PPG)		
24.9 Pts. for	24.8 Pts. for	
21.5 Pts. allowed	17.1 Pts. allowed	
Postseason 	Postseason 	
30.0 Pts. for	36.5 Pts. for	
19.0 Pts. allowed	27.5 Pts. allowed	

PLAY SELECTION (PCT.)			
Reg. season	Postseason	Reg. season	Postseason
Pass Rush	Pass Rush	Pass Rush	Pass Rush
55.8 44.2	47.2 52.8	47.0 53.0	41.9 58.1

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► SUPER BOWL CAPSULE

BALTIMORE RAVENS (13-6) vs. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (13-4-1)

Sunday, 6:30 p.m., CBS, New Orleans

OPENING LINE — San Francisco by 5

RECORD VS. SPREAD — Baltimore 9-10-0; San Francisco 11-7-0

SERIES RECORD — Ravens lead 3-1

AP PRO32 RANKING — Ravens, No. 11; 49ers, No. 3

LAST MEETING — Ravens beat 49ers 16-6, Nov. 24, 2011

LAST GAME — Ravens beat Patriots 28-13; 49ers beat Falcons 28-24

RAVENS OFFENSE — OVERALL (5), RUSH (5), PASS (7)

RAVENS DEFENSE — OVERALL (7), RUSH (10), PASS (8)

49ERS OFFENSE — OVERALL (11), RUSH (4), PASS (23)

49ERS DEFENSE — OVERALL (3), RUSH (4), PASS (4)

STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES — 49ers back to first Super Bowl in 18 years, perfect 5-0 in Super Bowl history during 1980s and 90s behind Hall of Famers Joe Montana, Jerry Rice, Steve Young. ... Baltimore in second Super Bowl; beat New York Giants 34-7 in 2001 Super Bowl. ... First matchup of teams in Super Bowl. ... San Francisco’s five Super Bowl wins tied for second most in NFL history. Pittsburgh has six titles and Dallas also has five. ... Ravens have won last three meetings. ... Ravens QB Joe Flacco’s six postseason road wins most in playoff history. Thrown for eight touchdowns with no interceptions in playoffs for 114.7 passer rating this postseason. Flacco only QB to win playoff game in each of first five seasons. ... “Harbowl” or “Superbaugh” features pair of coaching brothers for first time — Ravens’ John Harbaugh, 49ers’ Jim Harbaugh. ... Victory by Ravens and John Harbaugh will pass Tom Flores (8) for most postseason wins by head coach in first five seasons. ... Flacco has 8-4 postseason record. With win, he would tie Tom Brady for most playoff wins by quarterback in first five NFL seasons with nine. Flacco had career-best 3,817 yards passing this season, second-most in franchise history. Baltimore 32-3 overall in regular season and playoffs when Flacco has passer rating of at least 100. ... In only career meeting vs. 49ers, Flacco posted 100.1 passer rating. ... Ravens Ray Lewis’ final game before retirement. Had 14 tackles in AFC title game vs. Patriots and has 44 in three postseason games

after missing 10 weeks with torn right triceps muscle. Was Super Bowl MVP after 2000 season. Performs signature “Squirrel Dance.”... Lewis and 49ers defensive star counterpart, Patrick Willis, share jersey No. 52 and are good friends. ... 49ers second-year quarterback Colin Kaepernick makes 10th career start. Is 7-2 as a starter with 101.2 passer rating, 13 touchdowns, four interceptions, and 440 yards rushing with four TDs. ... San Francisco CBs Tarell Brown and Chris Culliver each have INT this postseason. Culliver had first career postseason INT in NFC championship. ... Ravens WR Torrey Smith has nine catches for 198 yards and two TDs in postseason. Averaging 22.2 yards per catch in five career postseason games (13 receptions, 289 yards). ... 49ers rallied from 17-0 deficit to win at Atlanta for NFC championship, second-largest comeback to win a conference title behind Indianapolis, which erased 18-point deficit against Patriots in 2006. ... San Francisco was one of three teams in NFL to have same five starting offensive linemen every game, along with Jets and Minnesota. ... Ravens WR Anquan Boldin averaging 92 yards receiving in three playoff games this season. In postseason career, has 46 catches for 702 yards and six TDs. Had eight catches for 84 yards in 2009 Super Bowl with Cardinals. ... Boldin has seven regular-season TD catches against 49ers for most against any opponent. ... 49ers held to 170 net yards of offense in Thanksgiving night loss at Baltimore in 2011, first and only previous meeting of Harbaugh brothers in NFL. ... Ravens tied franchise record with nine sacks to end San Francisco’s eight-game winning streak in ‘11 meeting. ... Jim Harbaugh played QB for Ravens in 1998. ... New Orleans hosts 10th Super Bowl, tied for most with Miami.

Culliver to have sensitivity training, help youth NEW ORLEANS (AP) — San Francisco 49ers cornerback Chris Culliver will begin sensitivity training and education immediately after the Super Bowl following his anti-gay remarks this week, then likely start volunteer work with at-risk homosexual youth nationwide.

Culliver is scheduled to begin working with “The Trevor Project,” an organization that provides crisis and suicide intervention to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth, according to his public relations representative, Theodore Palmer.

“He’s so passionate about youth and people being comfortable with who they are and accepted by all,” Palmer said in a phone interview Saturday. “He’s excited to learn. The plan is with The Trevor Project, and their concerns are that he is genuine about his words.”

Palmer said once the education process is done, Culliver could eventually spend time volunteering at a crisis center and in other formats.

“It’s just an opportunity for him to learn about his comments and educate himself about the LGBT community, and grow,” Palmer said. “It’s the first step in learning about his words.”

During Tuesday’s Super Bowl media day at the Superdome, the second-year defender responded to questions from comedian Arlie Lange by saying he wouldn’t welcome a gay player in the locker room. He also said the 49ers didn’t have any homosexual players and, if they did, those players should leave. He later apologized, facing a large group of media members for nearly an hour Thursday.

He realizes some will still question his sincerity. “I hope people understand because it’s coming directly from me and I’m talking to the whole world,” Culliver said. “It is not (how I feel) in my heart.”

The 49ers — who play the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday — released a statement saying they rejected Culliver’s comments, and CEO Jed York vowed to take a leadership role with the LGBT community and groups back home in the Bay Area — including taking Culliver around himself, he said.

The interview Tuesday began with Lange asking Culliver about his sexual plans with women during Super Bowl week. Lange followed up with a question about whether Culliver would consider pursuing a gay man.

“I don’t do the gay guys, man. I don’t do that,” Culliver said during the 1-minute taped interview. “Ain’t got no gay people on the team. They gotta get up outta here if they do. Can’t be with that sweet stuff.”

Lange asked Culliver to reiterate his thoughts, to which the player said, “It’s true.” He added he wouldn’t welcome a gay teammate — no matter how talented.

“Nah. Can’t be ... in the locker room, nah,” he said. “You’ve gotta come out 10 years later after that.”

HORO SCOPE
BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Sunday, February 3, 2013

Lao Tzu, the founder of philosophical Taoism, once dreamt he was a butterfly. When he awakened, he wondered whether he was a man who dreamt of a butterfly or a sleeping butterfly dreaming he was a man. You may question reality in a similar way under this mysterious Scorpio moon. Tomorrow's Mars/Neptune conjunction will continue the theme.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Someone seems to be falling in love with the words that flutter from your mind. Or could it be that they are affected by your particular chemical composition? It's likely a little of both. Enjoy!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You may be out of school, but you're still being graded in many ways. Try to do what you need to do because you enjoy it and not because someone will evaluate the end result.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Creative adults and playful children will be more interested in you than they have been in the past. They sense that you're up to some delicious bit of fun, and they are right.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can't help the chemical reactions you have with people, but you can help your reaction to them. Whether you come across someone you instantly like or instantly dislike, it behooves you to try to treat everyone the same.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You extend a degree of attention that others either don't think is necessary or aren't willing to give. Because of this, people feel that you respect them, and they respect you right back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). At times like these, you are so busy carrying out the mission you signed up for long ago that there is little time to pursue other interests. In the end, the glory will go to you because you made good on your original intention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You are an integral part of the system. At times, it seems out of your control, but the fact is that your influence is stronger than you know. Act as though you believe this to be true, and you'll get the evidence of its truth.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The moon in your sign gives you a surge of emotional intensity, and you know just what to do with it. Artistic expression will be the best outlet imaginable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You trust that Earth will be solid under your feet even though it's spinning upward of 700 mph in most places. Likewise, assume people are trustworthy, even though you know the full range of what humans are capable of.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your sign mate Dr. Albert Schweitzer said, "Each patient carries his own doctor inside of him." Your cells knew what they were doing when they knitted you from scratch, and they will heal you again.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It sometimes feels as though you are living in two different worlds. You may find yourself saying the things you know others will relate to, and yet you do not totally believe the words.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Give a nod to the brave who have fought for freedom and equality. Because of them, you get to follow through with today's plan without putting your life on the line like those before you had to do.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 3). When the lyrics to the song "Good Morning to All" were changed to "Happy Birthday to You," a hit was born. This year you'll make a simple adjustment that starts a wave of popularity and success. The next 10 weeks are for experimenting. March partnerships are brilliant. July brings creative accomplishment. Gemini and Leo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 29, 11, 15 and 6.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Once upon a Greek legend, Mercury, the god of trade, messages and daily dealings, was in a generous mood brought on by his kinship and admiration of the heroic young god Perseus. Perseus was enlisted to battle the Gorgons. Wanting Perseus to have every advantage in the fight, he gifted Perseus with winged sandals, a cap and an invisibility helmet. Exchange a few of the details, and one might say that this sounds a bit like the first Harry Potter book. That's only because the ancient theme never gets old. Someone has to fight evil, and it just wouldn't be a fair fight if not for the special tools — magic rings, swords, armor and the like — afforded by friends and allies.

The reason I bring it up is that this week's conjunction of Mercury, Mars and Neptune highlights the power of numbers, as well as useful exchanges. Mercury enters Pisces, urging us to fully but simply express our hearts and intentions. Mercury in Pisces needs few words, as people tend to read vibes clearly and sense where others are coming from. Given a confluence of interests mixed with genuine affection and the basic need to help others, evil very well may be defeated once more.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Before she was famous, at the ripe old age of 18, Isla Fisher had already reached some of her life's ambitions: She was a well-known child actress and a writer with two published teen novels. This multitalented Aquarius was born when the moon was in Pisces — a common and excellent aspect for actors — and Venus was in brilliant, quick-witted Gemini.

ANTIQUES
BY TERRY KOVEL

Children like to play with toys that are replicas of things used in everyday life. They also like toys that move and make noise, so for centuries toymakers have created transportation toys. There are very old toys shaped like chariots, stagecoaches and canoes. But by the late 1800s and early 1900s, new developments like trains, cars, buses, motorcycles and bikes, as well as airplanes, balloons, blimps, helicopters and imaginary flying saucers and spaceships, became favorites. Gunthermann was a German company that manufactured toys from 1877 to 1965. It made many of the toy vehicles wanted by today's collectors. In September 2012, a tin double-decker toy bus made in the 1930s - a copy of a full-size bus of the day - sold at a Bertoia auction in New Jersey. It has an ad for "Ford's Automobile" on the top, a street name, "High Street," on the front, and "General," the name of the bus company, on the sides and front. The orange and red combination of colors may be a bit imaginative, but the bus has realistic parts, a rear stairwell, upper-deck bench seating and a driver. It moves by a wind-up clockwork mechanism. The 9 1/2-inch toy, part of a well-known collection, sold for \$2,006.

Q: My plastic-and-metal Mickey Mouse tea set is in its original box and has never been opened. It has four plates, four cups and saucers, four sets of flatware and a teapot. The box is labeled "Wolverine Toys, Division of Spang, Inc., Walt Disney Product." I paid \$50 for the set a few years ago at a Midwestern antiques shop. What is the set worth today?

A: Your Disneyana tea set was made after 1968, the year Wolverine Toy Co. of Pittsburgh was purchased by Spang Industries of Butler, Pa. The company moved operations to Arkansas in 1971. Disney tea sets, even plastic ones made in the 1970s, are wanted by collectors. Yours could sell today for \$100 to \$150.

Q: I'm considering buying an oak roll-top desk made by Grand Rapids Desk Co. It had been painted black but has been restored to its original oak finish. The hardware is not original, except for the lock that's marked "1887, Grand Rapids Desk Co." The desk is 41 inches high, 40 inches wide and 18 inches deep. The asking price is \$600. Is that too much?

A: So many furniture companies were based in Grand Rapids, Mich., by the 1920s that the city was called "The Furniture Capital of America." It also has been called "Furniture City" because it has been a center of furniture-making since the late 1800s. The Grand Rapids Desk Co. was founded in Grand Rapids in 1893. It moved to Muskegon, Mich., in 1898 after a factory fire, and desks made after 1898 list Muskegon as the city of manufacture. The company changed owners a few times before closing in 1931. A retail price of \$600 is fair for a roll-top desk in good condition. Some sell for more.

Q: Many years ago, I was given a battery-operated toy monkey holding a cymbal in each hand. When it's turned on, the monkey claps the cymbals together, and when it's tapped on the head, it stops clapping and makes a squealing noise. Then it goes back to clapping the cymbals again. It's about 10 inches high. How old is it and is it worth anything?

A: Your cymbal-playing monkey was made in Japan from the 1950s into the '70s by a company named "C-K." The toy is called "Musical Jolly Chimp." It was a popular toy and similar versions were made by other companies. The cymbal-playing monkey even appeared in the movie "Toy Story 3." The value of your toy is \$150 to \$300, depending on its condition. The original box adds value.

Q: I just read your column about vintage slot machines. I own a similar countertop machine that's still in its original box. The silver-colored metal nameplate on the front of the blue machine states it's an "Atom Ball Gum Vendor." Embossed on the top are the words, "Win a carton, 10 packs of cigarettes, line up 3 of a kind." If you insert a dime, the three small windows on the top show spinning images of cigarette brands. If the three line up with the same brand, a customer won a box of cigarettes. If they didn't line up, all you got was a gumball.

My dad placed machines like this in bars and nightclubs in Iowa. The machines were bolted to countertops, and every so often I would go with him to refill the gumballs and remove the dimes. When the gambling machines were outlawed, he had to get rid of them so he dumped them in the river. But I hid this one in the attic. What is it worth?

A: Your "trade stimulator" was made in 1949 by Groetchen Tool & Manufacturing Co. of Chicago. It's exactly like the company's Imp machine, introduced in 1940. But the dawn of the atomic age after World War II meant that a lot of things were renamed "Atom" or "Atomic." Trade stimulators, which made money for shop owners, were banned in many states even before the federal ban in 1951. But vintage machines can be legally bought and sold in many states now. Just be sure to check your own state's laws before you sell. Your Atom machine is valued at about \$165. But with the original box, it could sell for much more.

Tip: Andirons get tarnished and covered with resin from smoke, so they should be regularly cleaned with liquid metal polish and oooo-grade steel wool.

CURRENT PRICES

Current prices are recorded from antiques shows, flea markets, sales and auctions throughout the United States. Prices vary in different locations because of local economic conditions.

- ▶ Cracker Jack toy clown, tilter, face changes, \$12.
- ▶ Toby jug, seated man holding mug, brown salt glaze, England c. 1860, 12 inches, \$236.
- ▶ Buster Brown card game, circus characters, animals, Yellow Kid, Billy Bear, Topsy, box, c. 1904, 5 3/4 x 7 1/2 inches, \$269.
- ▶ Ruskin vase, turquoise glaze, iridescent, marked, 1914, 3 1/4 x 9 inches, \$336.
- ▶ Cupboard, chimney, pine, poplar, red and yellow paint, stepped cornice, 61 x 25 inches, \$482.
- ▶ Alabaster bust, Egyptian man, ebonized base, 13 1/4 inches, \$492.
- ▶ Brass spittoon, figural crab, jewel eyes, 15 x 12 inches, \$715.
- ▶ Saloon door, oak, leaded glass window, arched top, 54 x 65 inches, \$770.
- ▶ Grueby vase, green matte glaze, linear leaves, cylindrical, stamped, 15 1/2 inches, \$3,186.
- ▶ Belleek figurine, draped, semi-nude maiden standing at well, pitcher at feet, c. 1890, 15 inches, \$7,620.

J.J. Abrams a good fit for ‘Star Wars’

By CHRISTY LEMIRE
AP Movie Critic

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This may sound sacrilegious to the legions of hardcore “Star Wars” fans, but having J.J. Abrams direct “Episode VII” will be a vast improvement and the best thing to happen to the franchise in a very long time.

Yes, it was incredibly cool in 2005’s “Episode III — Revenge of the Sith” to see the completion of Anakin Skywalker’s transformation from plucky, love-struck teen to the embodiment of all that is deeply evil in the galaxy as Darth Vader — to hear him take that first raspy breath from beneath the iconic black helmet. But George Lucas’ prequels were, for the most part, soulless, airless affairs and a far cry from the imagination and rough-hewn, can-do thrills of his original trilogy.

You don’t go to a “Star Wars” movie — and watch it 18,000 times, then camp out in front of a theater with your homemade light saber and Yoda sleeping bag waiting for the next one — for the smart, complex dialogue or well-drawn characters. But with Abrams at the helm and Oscar-winning “Little Miss Sunshine” screenwriter Michael Arndt crafting the script, there is some hope (a new hope, if you will) that the series finally will be infused with a deeper sense of humanity.

Lucas was correct in calling Abrams “an ideal choice to direct the new Star Wars film” in announcing the selection of a director in a late-night news release on Friday. And when he told the world in October that he was selling his Lucasfilm empire, including the lucrative and beloved “Star Wars” franchise, to The Walt Disney Co. for \$4.05 billion, Abrams was at the top of many fans’ lists of dream directors.

He certainly was at the top of mine when I pondered what sort of fit various filmmakers might be for this material. Back then, I wrote that Abrams was “the most obvious choice, really. His sci-fi bona fides were already beyond reproach, and he solidified them with his reimagining of the ‘Star Trek’ franchise in 2009. ... This just makes sense all around.”

It’s true. If you look at the way he handled the redo of that other revered space series, it might provide some clues as to what his “Star Wars” might look like. Abrams clearly aimed to please the broadest possible audience by remaining faithful to the “Star Trek” mythology in some ways while shaking it up in others; the film made nearly \$386 million worldwide and the follow-up, the 3-D “Star Trek Into Darkness,” is due out May 17. Some fans were

thrilled that he would boldly go to such daring places while some purists balked at the vast departures he took. And that might be true of the response “Episode VII” will get in 2015, when it’s scheduled to come out; people tend to get proprietary when they’re so emotionally invested in the stories like this.

Abrams’ “Super 8” from 2011 is another great example of his grasp of, and reverence for, the wonder that can accompany the best science fiction experiences. His homage to late-’70s, early-’80s Steven Spielberg productions is full of childhood innocence and the excitement of storytelling. And as he demonstrated with these films as well as his contribution to another beloved franchise, 2006’s “Mission: Impossible III,” the man knows how to direct an action sequence. He also happened to work with Lucas’ Industrial Light & Magic and Skywalker Sound on post-production on all the films he’s directed, so a comfort level already exists from an effects perspective.

He’s a busy guy these days, though. Between steering these two massive franchises, he also has many other projects in the works through his production company, Bad Robot. Among them: a recently announced biopic of disgraced cyclist Lance Armstrong, a possible “Cloverfield” sequel and the

post-apocalyptic television series “Revolution.” As talented and visionary as he is, who knows how good of a juggler he’ll be?

But “Star Wars” influence on Abrams is well-documented, which is cause for optimism; he probably won’t come up with some all-singing, all-dancing extravaganza with Jar Jar Binks at the center. And he spoke of it as recently as Saturday night at the Producers Guild Awards, where he accepted the Norman Lear Achievement Award in Television for the groundbreaking series he created, including “Felicity,” “Alias” and “Lost.”

He said being chosen to direct “Episode VII” is “as surreal as it is exciting.” Asked what kind of spin he might put on such well-established material, he acknowledged that it was early in the process, but said: “I want to do the fans proud. I want to make sure the story is something that touches people. And we’re just getting started. I’m very excited.” Others in the industry already are excited, as well. “Modern Family” co-star Eric Stonestreet said at the Screen Actors Guild Awards Sunday night that he was looking forward to Abrams’ “Star Wars” based on the success of his “Star Trek.”

“I have faith,” Stonestreet said. “I’m hoping J.J. does J.J., because nobody else is doing it that well.”

Actor James Franco explores sex in films featured at Sundance

By SANDY COHEN
AP Entertainment Writer

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — There’s a lot of leather and sex in James Franco’s life right now.

The 34-year-old actor-director is part of three movies at the Sundance Film Festival that deal with sex, pornography, and bondage and discipline.

“I guess I’m drawn to it,” he said in an interview at the annual independent-film showcase.

Franco co-directed, produced and starred in “Interior. Leather Bar.,” a reimagining of the segments cut from William Friedkin’s 1980 film “Cruising,” so it could earn an R rating. He produced “kink,” a docu-

mentary about Kink.com, the leading producer of bondage-and-discipline pornography. And he plays Hugh Hefner in “Lovelace,” set to premiere Tuesday at Sundance, which tells the story of “Deep Throat” star Linda Lovelace.

It’s just a coincidence that all three films are playing at Sundance, he said.

“I wanted to explore real sex on film but in a way that was not pornographic, (but) was really about the behavior: the act as something that would reveal character or story,” Franco said of the inspiration for “Interior. Leather Bar.”

He didn’t know much about BDSM before he discovered the Kink.com facili-

ties while working on another project, but he was instantly fascinated.

“It’s a kind of performance that’s very specialized,” Franco said. “At Kink, what the viewers expect is for (the performers) to really be experiencing the kind of pain that’s being inflicted on them.

“And they don’t — both the people that run Kink and the viewers — don’t want any faking, so that’s a new kind of performance. That’s like performance art.”

Franco said he experienced a “sliver of that” on the film “127 Hours,” for which he earned an Oscar nomination. Playing stranded climber Aron Ralston, Franco would physi-

cally bash himself against the rocks during some takes, resulting in real bruising and exhaustion.

“So I’m not acting that,” he said. “I’m not faking my exhaustion, so I can kind of relate in that way, except that’s the kind of performance that they’re doing every time. So to me it’s fascinating from a performance perspective and filmmaking perspective.

“Things can become so standardized in any area of human behavior, human creation, whatever, that if I find a pocket of something that’s unusual, that’s against the grain, something that I just don’t see every day, it’ll get my attention,” he continued.

ASK STACY
BY STACY
JENEL SMITH

DEAR STACY: "The Taste" is just like "The Voice" only with food. Is that where they got the idea? — **Savannah W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

DEAR SAVANNAH: Since the two shows are on different networks — ABC and NBC — I don't think you're going to get anyone to admit to it if such is the case. When I asked Chef Brian Malarkey your question he told me with a laugh, "You'd better ask one of the bosses," but then admitted he was a little disappointed not to get a cool swivel chair like the judges on that other program.

DEAR STACY: Haley Joel Osment got in trouble for drunk driving awhile back. What was the outcome? And what will we be seeing him in next? — **Lucy R., Warren, Ohio**

DEAR LUCY: Osment crashed into a mailbox, flipping his Saturn station wagon and sustaining injuries, including a fractured shoulder blade and rib, while driving home from a Muse concert at 2:10 a.m. in 2007. He was found to have twice the California legal limit of alcohol in his system. He pled no contest to misdemeanor DUI and possession of marijuana charges. He was sentenced to a \$1,500 fine, 60 hours in alcohol rehab and a minimum of 26 AA meetings within six months — and three years probation. A 2010 graduate of NYU's Tisch School of the Arts, he has the Frankenstein-inspired contemporary tale "Wake the Dead" and the sci-fi "I'll Follow You Down" in the works, no release dates as yet.

DEAR STACY: I'd like to learn more about Tammi Terrell, the Motown singer who used to sing with Marvin Gaye and died very young. — **Belinda G., Lynchburg, Va.**

DEAR BELINDA: The lovely femme voice in such '60s hits as "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" and "You're All I Need to Get By" belonged to Philadelphia-born natural talent Thomasina Montgomery, who was already recording for Scepter/Wand Records at age 15. In 1965, she wed heavyweight boxer Ernie Terrell — whose sister Jean later became a Supreme. Tammi toured with the James Brown Revue for a year as a teen. She rose to prominence after signing with Motown and beginning a string of hits in 1966. In 1967, the same year she replaced Kim Weston as Gaye's partner, Terrell collapsed in Gaye's arms onstage, leading to the discovery that she had a brain tumor. Major surgeries and treatments failed to stop the march of her illness and she died in 1970, at only 24 years old. Her death has been the subject of much speculation, centered on rumors that her brain disorders were triggered by beatings from shadowy record business figures. Marvin Gaye's former aide, Elaine Jesmer, wrote that story in her novel "Number One With A Bullet," which includes a Terrell-like character.

DEAR STACY: Whatever happened to Paul Winfield, who portrayed Martin Luther King, Jr. so beautifully on TV years ago? — **Vaughn J., Corona, Calif.**

DEAR VAUGHN: The distinguished actor, also remembered for his work in "Roots," the big-screen "Sounder" and many other film and TV roles, died of a heart attack at the age of 64 in 2004, after years of battling diabetes and obesity. That was two years after he lost his domestic partner of 30 years, architect Charles Gillan, Jr.

Tsujihara named new CEO of Warner Bros.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kevin Tsujihara was named the next chief executive of the Warner Bros. movie studio. He'll take over from Barry Meyer on March 1. The 48-year-old Tsujihara has been president of the studio's home entertainment division since 2005.

Jeff Bewkes, the chief executive of Warner Bros. parent Time Warner Inc., said in a statement Monday that Tsujihara was the right leader for the studio, combining strategic thinking with financial discipline.

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ACROSS OUR CLASSROOMS

Area residents named to dean's list at Ashland Univ.

ASHLAND — Five local residents were named to the dean's list for the 2012 fall semester at Ashland University.

- ▶ Alliance: Brian Baum, Diedre Kent.
- ▶ Minerva: Jennifer Hall.
- ▶ Salem: Jakeb Gonci, Mariah Halleck.

Literacy fun event planned March 12 at Crestview



LUGGIE

COLUMBIANA — Crestview Elementary Title 1 and HOSTS students and family members will experience a fun filled evening at the second literacy fun event at 6:30 p.m. March 12.

Special guests, Associate Professor of Music and Choral Director Brenda Luggie, a Crestview graduate; and Adjunct Professor Amanda Peavyhouse will be performing.

Professor Luggie directs two choral ensembles at Roane State Community College in Harriman, Tenn., as well as teaching voice, vocal survey and solo performance lab.

In addition to the special performance by Luggie and Peavyhouse, there will be games, a craft for everyone, special treats, a learning packet for home, and prizes.

The book featured will be Pet of the Met, by Don Freeman. Pet of the Met is a story about a family of mice, a cat, a prince, a magic flute, a serpent, a bird catcher, and beautiful music. In preparation for the evening Crestview Elementary Title 1 and HOSTS students will be learning about Mozart, The Magic Flute, and Pet of the Met.

Haueter earns master's degree from Clarion Univ.

CLARION, Pa. — Kayla Haueter of Hanoverton received a master's of science degree in library science during commencement ceremonies Dec. 15 at Clarion University.

GED testing will be held Feb. 19-20 at Choffin Center

YOUNGSTOWN — Official GED testing, sponsored by Choffin Career and Technical Adult Education Department, will be held at 8:45 a.m. Feb. 19 and 20 at Choffin Career and Technical Center.

All participants must be pre-registered and bring a photo ID. To pre-register for the test or to enroll in free classes call 330-744-8715.

Local residents earn degrees from Walsh University

NORTH CANTON — Walsh University honored its 2012 summer and fall graduates during graduation ceremonies on Dec. 16 at the Cecchini Center. The following local residents were among the more than 180 graduates from Walsh University who were honored:

- ▶ Alliance: April Bergert, bachelor's of arts degree; Mary Jackson, master's of arts degree; Steven Manos, bachelor's of arts degree; Sarah Morrison, bachelor's of science degree.
- ▶ Lisbon: Lisa Baker, master's of arts in education degree.
- ▶ Minerva: James Gliatta II, bachelor's of science degree; Barbara Hillyer, master's degree in business administration; Christina Hurst, bachelor's of science in nursing degree; Jill Sutton, bachelor's of science in education degree.
- ▶ Salem: Gretchen Brobeck, master's of arts in education degree; Caitlyn King, bachelor's of arts degree; Ross Muhleman, master's degree in business administration.
- ▶ Sebring: Rhonda Learn, bachelor's of arts degree.

West Branch Band members excel during competition

BELOIT — Members of the West Branch High School Band performed at the Ohio Music Education Association's Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event on Jan. 27 at Western Reserve High School. Students from area schools throughout Ashtabula, Mahoning and Trumbull counties participated in this annual activity.

Earning Superior Ratings were soloists Keilah Mason, Hanna Morelli, Justin Salancy, Zach Haberland, David Evert, Heather Ashworth, Elizabeth Jarvis, Brianna Rzucidlo, Danny Schlueter, Valerie Weingart, Tori Skolosh, Shaynna Jarvis, Megan Winters, Sarah Pigza, Lindsey Fugett, Lauren Stitle, Sadie Fuson and Kaitlyn Phillips along with members of Flute Trios #1 and #3, Clarinet Quartet #1, the Woodwind Quintet, the Saxophone Quartet, the Brass Choir, and the Percussion Ensemble.

Receiving Excellent Ratings were Britany Ring, Taylor Vence, Ben Shoemaker, Flute Trio #2, Clarinet Quartet #2, and the Trumpet Quartet.

Local students named to dean's list at Muskingum Univ.

NEW CONCORD — Eight area students have been named to Muskingum University's dean's list for the all 2012 semester:

- ▶ Alliance: Lyle Cowgill, Carly Flint.
- ▶ East Liverpool: Kristina Deem.
- ▶ Lisbon: Chelsea Roberts.
- ▶ Minerva: Hilary Borton, Jered Hochadel.
- ▶ New Waterford: Heidi Landis.
- ▶ Wellsville: Sara Shallcross.

Randolph chosen as Ohio rep at National Youth Delegate

FAIRFAX, Va. — Dillon Randolph of Columbiana, a student at Columbiana High School, has been selected to represent Ohio as a National Youth Delegate at the 2013 Washington Youth Summit on the Environment at George Mason University.

Randolph has been awarded the opportunity to join a select group of 250 students from across the country to participate in an intensive week-long study of leadership in environmental science and conservation. Randolph was chosen based on academic accomplishments and a demonstrated interest and excellence in leadership in the sciences and conservation studies.

George Mason University along with partners, National Geographic and the National Zoo are excited to welcome the nation's youth scholars to Washington, D.C. With distinguished faculty, guest speakers, and direct access to elite D.C. practitioners, the Washington Youth Summit on the Environment offers aspiring environmentalists and student leaders an unparalleled experience. The week-long program is held at George Mason University's state-of-the-art campus. The Summit will encourage and inspire young leaders who desire a unique experience focused on successful careers in this dynamic industry. The Washington Youth Summit on the Environment will be held June 23-28.

Area students earn dean's list at University of Mount Union

ALLIANCE — The following students have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2012 semester at the University of Mount Union.

- ▶ Alliance: Julie Amabeli, Matthew Amabeli, Rachel Amabeli, Benjamin Brink, Russell Castellucci, Julia Collins, Julie Cowley, Breanne Davis, Stephany Delawder, Ronnie Edwards, Julie Jakmides, Raymond Leek, Tanner Mathews, Sarah Milburn, Zachary Nelson, Kristyn Poltis, Bethany Porter, Ashley Sams, Katelyn Sees, Kaley Sloane, Dekota Toot, India Williams, Aaron Wolfe.
- ▶ Beloit: Madeline McClellan.
- ▶ Columbiana: Alexander Bable, Aaron Bussard, Ashley Mayer.
- ▶ East Liverpool: Brian Beverly, Nathan Lorah, Katey May, Presley Mays, Alexis Thrasher.
- ▶ East Rochester: Ciara Marshall, Emily McIntosh.
- ▶ Homeworth: Cali Granger.
- ▶ Kensington: Jacob Ward.
- ▶ Leetonia: Jocelyne Riehl, Jessica Russell.
- ▶ Lisbon: Nathan Grimm, Cameron Rudibaugh.
- ▶ Minerva: Zachary Bowman, Katelin Keister, Ryan Kohler, Jamie Laubacher, Kristen Morton, Rainbow Motz, Ryan Smith, Corey Spahr, Elizabeth Wheeler.
- ▶ New Waterford: Kinsey Douglass, Amanda Robb.
- ▶ Salem: Victoria Altomare, Casey Fennis, Austen Hutton, Andrew Morrow, Cody Raga, Tylor Rockwell, Mark Schreffler, Brett Stoll, Natalie White.
- ▶ Salineville: Rachel Phillips.
- ▶ Sebring: Felicity Devies, Ashley Woodburn, Jorri Zmuda.
- ▶ Wellsville: Alyson Saracco.

Local students named to dean's list at Walsh University

NORTH CANTON — The following local residents were among over 700 students from Walsh University who were named to the fall 2012 dean's list.

- ▶ Alliance: Matthew Baylor, Rebecca Benner, April Bergert, Anna Billet, William Ellesin, Sarah Morrison, Malori Schillig.
- ▶ Beloit: Matthew Tafe.
- ▶ Calcutta: Lauren Kithas.
- ▶ Columbiana: Amanda Crowl, Jack Dawson, Kylee Dawson, Geri Dawson, Courtney Knox, Katelin Smith, Marie Voituis.
- ▶ Hanoverton: Justin Albright.
- ▶ Leetonia: Derrick Riehl.
- ▶ Lisbon: Lauren Ketterman.
- ▶ Minerva: Zachary Fritz, Kassidy Hardgrove, Broc Sutek, Jill Sutton.
- ▶ New Springfield: Katherine Herberger.
- ▶ New Waterford: Christina McElroy.
- ▶ Salem: Tyler Cosma, Daniel Good, Aimee Jones, Caitlyn King, Danielle Kruegel, Kira Ramsey.
- ▶ Sebring: Kati Beane, Cora McDonald.

Lisbon DAHS Junior-Senior High School Honor Roll

All As Seniors: Corey Brammer, Hannah Evans, Adam Faulk, Wyatt Randolph, Joshua Surmaceviz, Glen Wernke.

All As Juniors: Holly Graham, Jagr Groubert, Haley Howe, Lucas Tolson, Matthew Workman.

All As Sophomores: Jenna Bartholomew, Richard McCullough, Landri Moore, Vanessa Restifo, Skylar Wiggers.

All As Freshmen: Cody Freeland, Kyle French, Sara Haren, Hannah Hiscox, Joshua Liberati, Hannah Prasco, Trevor Reese, Taylor Siefke, Emily Steves.

All As Eighth Grade: Lindsey Chludzinski, Catelynn Frantz, Derek Joy, Aaron Kemats, Jacob Liberati, Courtney Tolson.

All As Seventh Grade: Branson Brownfield, Alyssa Chestnut, Eva DeRuyter, Brian Dickson, Matthew Hull, Jacob Mundy, Samantha Tinsley, Lauryn Todd, Sarena Underwood, Kimberlee Wiggers.

All As Sixth Grade: Natalie Ammon, MacKenzie Brown, Kathryn Chludzinski, Madison Ketchum, Madeline Schreffler, Marisa Spooner, Emily Swift.

Honor Roll Seniors: Breann Adkins, Jamie Benson, Daniel Didas, Victoria Evans, Tiffani Guappone, Patrick Haren, Sara Johnson, David Long, McKenzie Maxcy-Crosser, Charles McCarty, Jessica McKee, Kenadee Pezzano, Zachary Rauch, Bailey SeEVERS, Zachary Stephen, Kody Weinstock.

Honor Roll Juniors: Tiffany Bowen, Mileena Cook, Brandon Haldiman, Jacob Jarome, Thomas Kibler, Paulina Stoellger, Alexis Summers, Austin Trapp, Matthew Workman.

Honor Roll Sophomores: Hannah Bosel, Quinlan Ferrier, Brittney Haynes, Michael Phillips, Kyrstan Rose, Noah Sturgeon.

Honor Roll Freshmen: Avery Andric, Hanna Bagley, Joshua Craig, Ashley Craver, Kayla Dickson, Leah Emmerling, Frank Morrell, Brianna Pickens, Austin Rutecki.

Honor Roll Eighth Grade: Alexa Bell, Spencer Crosser, Brittany Downard, Devyn Flory, Kaitlyn Gorby, Aliyah Leyman, Julie Muntean, Karlee Pezzano, Clint Reynolds, Anna Shasteen, Samantha Smith, Colin Sweeney, David Toot, Braeden Weyand.

Honor Roll Seventh Grade: Ashley Barnes, Morgan Briand, Jeremy Byers, Christopher Clark, Suzanna Coleman, Morgan Croyle, Hannah DeLand, Bethany Earle, Megan Graham, Courtney Morenz, Caitlin Parks, Samantha Sacconi, Michael Simms, Kimberly Simpach, MacKenzie Sturgeon.

Honor Roll Sixth Grade: Savannah Beaver, Hailee Carpenter, Reagan Emmerling, Joshua Entrikin, Karsyn Faulk, Ryan Frantz, Katelyn Haifley, Victoria Mayer, Elizabeth Mayton, Emmelea Powell, Justin Sweeney, Kenedy Vrable, Sophia Wells, Lindsy Welsh, Sierra Zamosky.

Merit Roll Seniors: Jeffrey Carlisle, Johnathan Crow, Danyail Hayko, Braxton Hicks, Logan Kress, Christopher Pettigrew, Anthony Rhodes, David Striffeler, Hunter Thompson.

Merit Roll Freshmen: Charles Cox, Madison Crawford, Austin Davis, Hannah Davis, Reagan Duck, Benjamin Gromley, Amber Holenchick, Madison Ludlam, Samantha Rhodes, Jordan Slocum, Jenifer Wilcox, Justin Zamosky.

Merit Roll Eighth Grade: Noah Barnes, Jaron Burgess, Kylee Culp, Alli Davis, Seth Davis, Michael French, Morgan Germanovich, Taylor Halstead, Damian Hawkins, Anastasia Howe, Devin Johnson, Kylie Malone, Matthew McCullough, Hailey McVay, Haley Powers, Jason Thompson, Tori Tullis, Brett Wolfe.

Merit Roll Seventh Grade: Hannah Davis, McGwire Groubert, Dylan Haldiman, Madison Hall, Ashley Hallock, Jack Kerr, Emily Klein, William Mayer, Emily McCoy, Macey McGhee, Douglas Minor, Sarah Perry, Mason Rance, Kyle Rankin, Shyanne Rendziniak, Cameron Rife, Natalie Spencer, Seth Stokes, Kimberly Temple, Jacob Thompson.

Merit Roll Sixth Grade: Colby Baker, Logan Bell, Thomas Bleakney, Kyle Claypool, Garrett Cox, Kyeleen Culler, Seth Donaldson, Abby Endrizzi, Randy Felton, Austin Holenchick, Cadee Johnson, Kennedy Kessler, Alanna Powell, Hannah Powers, Sean Preston, Cody Rose, Haley Toot, Jason Tray, Connor Wisbith, Noah Yenges.

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Lisbon McKinley Elementary Honor Roll

All As Second Grade: Adyson Andric, Destiny Bosworth, Bailey Brandt, Haiden Colvin, Zachary Dillon, Kyle Duffy, Alexis Frantz, Kadynce Gordon, Hannah Graham, Konnor Hood, Nathan Kelly, Johnathan Korosy, Madelyn Lowther, Alivia Pahanish, Trinity Smith, Barbara Wells, Colin Wells, James Wells, Riley Young.

All As Third Grade: Alexis Bricker, McKenna Dailey, Joey Diludovico, Kara Diludovico, Mya Emmerling, Jaidynn Entrikin, Madison Haifley, Bobby Harris, Parker Henthorne, Harlie Kale, Emma Lee, Austin Lesnick, Bobby Northrup, Gavin Peppel, Nathan Smith, Grant Underwood, Justyce Vrable.

All As Fourth Grade: Emily Armstrong, Blayne Brownfield, Megan Chludzinski, Kaity Clark, Taylor Deland, Mallory Gallo, McKenzie Gentry, Julia Leko, Adam Spencer, Zane Tullis, Madelyn Wells.

All As Fifth Grade: Cassie Brandt, Ben Coleman, Jaikep Entrikin, Reagan Frantz, Amanda French, Trenton Kliner.

Honor Roll Second Grade: Sophia Buchanan, Lyzzi Cox, Matthew Davis, Laura Davis-Grant, Jenna Ebert, Crystal Hoffman, Vinnie Iler, Isaac LaFlame, Blake Lucas, Blake McDonald, Seth Oiler, Tyler Palmer, Lexi Reed, Zakary Sandoe, Kiera Schreffler, Clayton Smith, Jacob Smith, Asia Sokolousky, Delos Thomas, Paige Wright, Braiden Yeater.

Honor Roll Third Grade: Asha Achberger, Daylen Branch, Josiah Brown, Makaylah Craig, Jade Crooms, Jessa Cunningham, Baileigh Davis, Matthew Dillon, John Fisher, Hunter Fox, Tabitha Ketchum, Anna Marshalek, Haley Melody, A.J. Runner, Haley Smith, Hunter Sturgeon, Heather Tucker.

Honor Roll Fourth Grade: Brandy Achberger, Maddie Adkins, Grace Beil, Richard Brendlinger, Jackson Cornwell, Chloe Davis, Ellie Emmerling, Aaron Hinchliffe,

Kiana Howe, Shawn Kuhns, Emma Lockhart, Olivia McCoy, Garrett Medure, Damien Phillips, Kyle Rohm, Stefani Thompson, Tyler Welsh.

Honor Roll Fifth Grade: Devin Adams, Justyn Briand, Austin Craig, Abby Davis, Daniel Fox, Lexie Gentry, Jaden Harmon, Alivia Leyman, Maddie Liberati, Devin Lopez, Michael Miller, Nicholas Mundy, Tea Peppel, Isabell Perez, Elycia Smith, Emily Weddle.

Merit Roll Second Grade: Sierra Beaver, Kelsi Brown, Zoey Clark, Joshua House, Mckenzie Shaffer.

Merit Roll Third Grade: Bella Anderson, George Bosworth, Reese Frantz, Madison Gregory, Alexis Griffith, Olivia Mooney, Lane Phillips, Keegan Roessler, Carter Rowe, Daimen Stokes-McCormick.

Merit Roll Fourth Grade: Leah Berg, Harley Buzzard, Tanner Crosser, Allycia Flowers, Jayce Frank, Tyler Graham, Alexis Gregory, Jacob Grodhaus, Ryan McCullough, Breana Roberts, Jacob Smith, Jason Steves.

Merit Roll Fifth Grade: Justyn Briand, Michael Davis, Joey Ebert, Joey Fisher, Katelyn Hutton, Jacob Manypenny, Melinda McGuire, Robert Mountz, James Parks, Ryan Poynter, Blake Reynolds, Tyler Toot, Bryanna van Giesen.

Western Reserve High School Honor Roll

All As Freshmen: Jacob Graffius, Kyle Hilles, Heather Lude, Alexis Miller, Brady O'Brien, Hayley Shasteen, Jennifer Stubbs.

Honor Roll Freshmen: Brian Benyo, Jess Bowman, Maia Cornell, Nicole Dobrilovic, Mackenzie Godwin, Bailey Homberger, Heath Lude, Ben Rich, Amy Seeds, Andrew Slaven, Joseph Stubbs, Sierra Wells, Kalina Wisniewski.

Honorable Mention Freshmen: Jacob Clark, Lance DeZee, Katelyn Engler, Lauryn Falasca, Anthony Fusillo, Monica Gross, Daniel Helmick, Dawn Kabetso, Madelyn Kreitzburg, Kailee Mangas, Walker Marlowe, Ian McBride, Cathy McCracken, Sydney Miller, Tiana Nicopolis.

All As Sophomores: Ashley Burcaw, Ian Hames, Rachel Maslach, Taylor Smith.

Honor Roll Sophomores: Johnathan Clegg, Timothy Coler, Donald Duda, Hannah Grace, Sabrina Miller, Evan Nesbitt, Marissa Phipps, Emily Smith, Levi Smith, Nolan Snyder, Brian Sunderman, Taylor Thomas, Taylor Wilson, Adam Zimmerman.

Honorable Mention Sophomores: Alyssa Blosser, Scott Breese, Ryan Diehl, Kristina Fusillo, Sarah Gray, Jordan Greier, Danielle Grim, Ethan Grimm, Robert Haid, Baylee Harley, Emily Henderson, Matthew Mace, Markie McCurdy, Kasey Moucha, Randi Roof, Zachary Timmins, Victoria White, Laura Windham, Tommy Woolf.

All As Juniors: Samantha Ettinger, Paige Ewing, Rebecca Jamison, Maggie Rich, Gabriella Stubbs.

Honor Roll Juniors: Taylor Costello, Donald Haid, Marc Harper, Katrina Klockenga, Nickolas Marinescu, Andrew Miller, Logan Moff, Cheyenne Rowbotham, Jonathan Timko.

Honorable Mention Juniors: Nicholas Allison, Ivy Baird, Evan Brown, Bethany Burger, Jamie Cadle, Sage Edwards, Benjamin Gorgacz, Britnee Grantz, Paige Jennings, Patrick Jennings, Taylor Kilbert, Kyle Kreitzburg, Katherine Miggo, Marley Oles, Daniel Rosati, Samuel Steininger, Samantha Telshaw, Nicholas Tobin, Joshua Vuletich.

All As Seniors: Holly Bowman, Gabriella Marinescu, Hannah Matulek, Payton Snyder, Xya Taylor, Haley Whitehair.

Honor Roll Seniors: Ashley Algarin, Olivia Boswell, Katrina Boyer, Taylor Clawson, Timothy Cooper, Bryan Deal, Afton Halls, Elizabeth Johnson, Dale Kabetso, Alexis Little, Micah Marra, Marissas Pay, Tiffany Pellin, Marissa Pence, Brooke Ramsey, Parker Warren, Clint Whitehair.

Honorable Mention Seniors: Dalton Korda, Abby Larimer, Lisa Markjohn, Miranda Ormiston.

Western Reserve Middle School Honor Roll

All As Sixth Grade: Holly Fitch, Adam Gattrell, Riley Miller, Layla Woolf.

Honor Roll Sixth Grade: Donna Baird, Joseph Beardsley, Brittney Beatty, Kacie DeSalvo, Alyssa Eakins, Mitchell Graf, Matthew Henry, Brandon Jarvis, Justine Knauf, Olivia Reph, Ryan Slaven, Sara Sudano, Daniel Windham.

Honorable Mention Sixth Grade: Karlee Banks, McCartney Blaede, Jacob Corli, Carson Crissman, Morgan Eichert, Nathan Farelli, Taylor Garner, Emma Garzanich, Jillian Giovanni, Jereth Gross, Madyson Hanshaw, Erin Helmick, Brycen Jackson, Amber Jones, Jordan Kachmer, Zoie McCartney, Gabriella Orenic, Joseph Peronek, Caleb Quinn, Emma Reph, Mikayla Smith.

All As Seventh Grade: Ryan Demsky, Angela Fusillo, Alexis Moore, Clay Norman, Brooke Pater, Emma Payton, Abigail Sudano, Jessica Wilson, Hunter Yoak, Sarrah Young.

Honor Roll Seventh Grade: Kelly Adair, Sydney Berlinbates, Samantha Bogard, Autumn Burnett, Jack Cappabianca, Makenzie Cleeland, Abbey Dahler, Colton DeZee, Hailey Dodd, John Donges, Faith Foor, Katie Henderson, Kade Hilles, Cody Hladun, Noah Kreitzburg, Austin Namie, Nicholas Newbern, Madison Orock, Aaron Posten, Abigail Schors.

Honorable Mention Seventh Grade: Paige Bolton, Joseph Clegg, Marcos Cruz, Mya Cruz, Elise Dean, Emma Dunlap, Evan English, Sydny Francis, Zachary Freyn, Broc Garchar, Joseph Knight, Richard Marshall, Alexander Matulek, Aubrey Matulek, Jack Moucha, Cole Shank, Dallas Smith, Dylan Smith, Francesco Zucco.

All As Eighth Grade: Amanda Badgett, James Dicioccio, Natalie Ettinger, Hannah Heavener, Sierra Kilbert, Jacob Martin, John Martin, Kyle Martin, Emily McBride, Haleigh Platt, McKenzie Posten, Chad Quinn, Ashleigh Rowley, Noah Smith, Allison Sunderman, Sydney Wells, McKenzie Yeager.

Honor Roll Eighth Grade: Sam Adams, David Beatty, Elizabeth Bowman, Andrew Brown, Matthew Burcaw, Alex Burson, Cole Chlebus, Kaitlyn Deal, Madelaine Grope, Tyler Higgins, Cody Hilles, Andrew Jacobs, Dusty Large, Brandon Martin, Hannah Mayberry, Alexander McCoy, Trey Richards, Samantha Ruse.

Honorable Mention Eighth Grade: Yvonne Baird, Attila Biro, Kenzie Diver, Annamarie Duda, Cheyene Finney, Angelica Hanshaw, Richard Hedrick, Alexander Kakavros, Karl Klockenga, Tyler Moff, Zain Rogers, Nathan Shaffer, Spencer Warren.

"If it's the ultimate game, how come they're playing it again next year?"

— Dallas Cowboys running back Duane Thomas prior to a 24-3 Super Bowl VI win over the Miami Dolphins

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Don't make it a stupid Super Bowl Sunday

The Super Bowl will be played this evening. It is America's biggest unofficial holiday. There are some — which we find pretty amusing — who even want the Monday following the Super Bowl to be declared a legal national holiday. Yeah, go ahead and chuckle. Maybe that will come after, oh say, Congress declares a national holiday for Jack and Bobby Kennedy or FDR. For starters.

There are 314 million and counting residents of the United States. Last year, just under 112 million people watched the New York Giants win the Super Bowl. Do the math. Yes, over one-third of every man, woman and child in our country and, according to studies, 76 percent of our adult population will be watching the game tonight. The Super Bowl is not for everyone. Thank goodness for that. But it apparently is for tens of millions.

There is not a clear, exact study detailing how many people will be drinking alcohol. More specifically how many people will be drinking alcohol to excess. And then getting behind the wheel of a vehicle. Most will get away with it. Some won't.

People do not want to read or hear sermons regarding the evils of drink and drive. Anyone with even a few functioning brain cells knows what can happen. We read and hear about it every single day. The tragedies and the inflicting hardships.

But people keep doing it. Especially on a day like Super — not Stupor, mind you — Bowl Sunday.

It doesn't help that Super Sunday is a daylong event. By the time the game actually kicks off around 6:30 p.m., there has been an ocean of alcohol consumed across our country. A really deep ocean with a lot of drunks already bobbing in it.

Think about. If drinking in excess, how hard is it to get a designated driver, call a taxi or just plain sleep it off wherever you happen to be?

According to the Ohio State Highway Patrol's Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) during last year's Super Bowl, the Patrol made 46 OVI-related arrests from Feb. 5, 2012, at 6 a.m. through Feb. 6, 2012, at 6 a.m. During this 24-hour reporting period, there were three fatalities and 193 injuries resulting from traffic crashes. One of the traffic fatalities and 16 of the injuries were from OVI-related crashes.

"While we want people to enjoy the big game, we want them to do so responsibly," said Director Thomas Charles, Ohio Department of Public Safety. "We want everyone to take the appropriate steps to ensure they get home safely."

According to a release, getting caught driving while impaired will earn you a costly penalty from law enforcement, and may even result in losing your driving privileges. For bars and establishments, over-serving or serving underage patrons could also mean costly fines, suspension or revocation of their liquor permit.

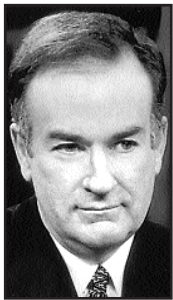
To help keep the roads safe this Super Bowl weekend, more than 81 local law enforcement agencies around the state will be conducting more than 1,925 hours of enforcement activity and 1,100 hours of saturation patrols, funded by federal grants provided through OTSO. That is good to know.

Don't forget too if you are hosting a Super Bowl party and minors get their hands on the refreshments, big trouble, legal and otherwise, will follow. Plan in advance just in case someone does get drunk.

Today should be a fun day. At least for over 110 million Americans. Don't screw it up by being super stupid on Super Bowl Sunday. There is just too much to lose. Starting with precious lives.



What the babies would say



BILL O'REILLY

It is one of life's great mysteries that so many liberal people are so callous when it comes to aborting fetuses.

I mean, the Democratic convention last summer was almost a pro-abortion pep rally, as a variety of pro-choice speakers, including the self-proclaimed "Catholic woman" Caroline Kennedy, knelt at the altar of "reproductive rights."

Recently, another woman who calls herself a Catholic, Mary Elizabeth Williams, wrote a shocking article for Salon. Entitled "So What if Abortion Ends Life?" Williams starkly states: "I believe that life starts at conception. And it's never stopped me from being pro-choice."

In the body of the article, Williams says this about her own pregnancies: "I never wavered for a moment in the belief that I was carrying a human life inside of me."

And she continues, "Here's the complicated reality in which we live: All life is not equal. That's a difficult thing for liberals like me to talk about... (A) fetus can be a human life without having the same rights as the woman in whose body it resides. She's the boss. Her life and what is right for her circumstances and her health should automatically trump the rights of the non-autonomous entity inside of her. Always."

So now a developing fetus or viable baby ingesting in the womb is a "non-autonomous entity." Good grief!

The measure of a decent human being is how he or she treats the defenseless. The philosophy of Williams echoes past tyranny: Might makes right! What gives Williams the right to determine that her life is better than the baby she carries? Who appointed Williams the arbiter of who lives and who dies? Always, Williams? Abortion is acceptable always?

We are not talking about life endangerment or catastrophic damage to the mother here. No. What

Williams believes, and she's not alone, is that a woman can execute her fetus simply because "she's the boss."

You may remember the late-term abortion doctor George Tiller. For \$5,000, Tiller would drill a hole into the skull of a baby anytime up until birth. Tiller had an assistant in his Kansas clinic, Dr. Ann Kristin Neuhaus, whose assignment was to put on paper a reason for the late termination. Pretty much any reason would do, including "anxiety."

On May 31, 2009, Tiller was shot through the eye while attending a church service. His killer, Scott Roeder, is serving life in prison. The murder made national headlines, and in many press dispatches, Tiller was portrayed as a martyr.

People like me who had criticized Tiller before the vicious crime were accused by far-left loons of encouraging the assassination.

On June 22, 2012, Neuhaus was informed that Kansas authorities had revoked her medical license. A judge ruled that she did not perform adequate mental health examinations of 11 abortion patients. The prosecution said that Neuhaus was a "threat to any future patients she might have."

Not to mention the babies she helped Tiller abort.

There comes a time when a human being has to either face evil or admit to allowing it. Abortion is legal in the United States, but it should not be celebrated or used as a political tool. Viable babies are human beings.

If they could talk, they would tell Williams and other pro-choice zealots that their lives should not be marginalized by someone who thinks she's the boss. That's what the babies would say.

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Ladies against Senator Sleaze-Bob



MICHELLE MALKIN

Conservatives are always told they don't do enough to reach across the aisle. We're divisive, obstructionist and hostile to bipartisanship. So in the spirit of unity and comity, I'm announcing the formation of a new social justice group: Ladies Against Senator Sleaze-Bob.

Now all I need are some principled Democratic ladies and liberal media lionesses to step up to the plate with me to protest the vulgar, sexist behavior of Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J.

Surely, Nancy Pelosi, Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Cher, Sandra Fluke, Eva Longoria and I can all agree that when a powerful Washington politician abuses his power to victimize young women, we should join hands to demand justice. Right?

Surely, Barbara Walters, Diane Sawyer, Arianna Huffington, Rachel Maddow, Lady Gaga, Katy Perry, Lena Dunham, Tina Fey and every card-carrying member of NOW across America are outraged by this Beltway playboy's tawdry exploitation of underage prostitutes.

And surely, Hillary Clinton, Valerie Jarrett, Stephanie Cutter and Michelle Obama are all sickened by this top Democrat's profligate election-season jaunts to the Dominican Republic on a shady donor's private plane.

Oh, wait. What? You haven't heard about Menendez's war on women from the left-wing War on Women brigade? Nary a progressive peep? Well, knock me over with a Code Pink feather boa. Not sure how the story could have slipped their news-savvy feminist minds.

The divorced Menendez is in slowly bubbling hot water over a couple of trips he's taken over the years to the Caribbean for sex parties with young women, reportedly including a 16-year-old minor. The left-leaning watchdog group CREW (Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington) and the right-leaning publication The Daily Caller were the first to publicize allegations last November that Menendez solicited prostitutes with his creepy donor pal Florida eye doctor Salomon Melgen.

On Wednesday night, the FBI and the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General raided Melgen's home and hauled away more than 30 cardboard boxes. The news jogged Menendez's memory and — mirabile dictu — the incoming chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee suddenly remembered that he owed nearly \$60,000 to Melgen as reimbursement for two private-jet flights taken three years ago.

While Menendez's office blames a "right-wing blog" for his troubles, CREW released an e-mail yesterday detailing Menendez's encounters with four Dominican female escorts at an island resort owned by Melgen. One of the women wrote about Menendez's pervy proclivities: "That senator also likes the youngest and newest girls. ... In the beginning he seemed so serious, because he never spoke to anyone, but he is just like the others and has just about the same tastes as the doctor, very refined. I think they were taking us more often to get us checked (medically) because of him."

The women, who accused Menendez of stiffing them out of their pay, said they feared retaliation, because they "know the kind of people (we're) dealing with."

"And we know how leading Democratic men on Capitol Hill are dealing with the news. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., derided the news source of the scandal for bringing up "a lot of non-issues." White House spokesman Jay Carney punted in response to a question about whether President Obama still has confidence in Menendez: "I don't have anything for you on that." And other than a stray joke from Jay Leno, the Democratic-entertainment complex has nothing to say, either.

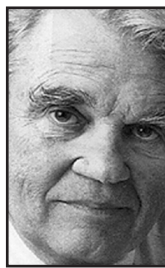
So it's time for my fellow Ladies Against Senator Sleaze-Bob to represent. Where you at, LASSes? The political boys club is calling the exploited women of tax-evader Melgen's Doll Palace liars and trying to sweep this pedo-tainted scandal under the rug.

I guess some "binders full of women" are more equal than others.

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Experience was not that super



Classic Andy Rooney

(This classic column was originally published Feb. 11, 2006.)

One regular ticket for the Super Bowl costs about \$600. If someone offers you a ticket for \$10, don't buy it if you want to see the game. In the stadium, the game is an afterthought.

It's treated as though it was an intrusion on the mindless noise flowing endlessly from the stadium speakers.

I have been to all but two Super Bowl games since 1967, and this year may be my last. Going to the game should be a good experience for a football fan but it's not.

Everything about going to the game is unpleasant. The game of football was the last thing the people at the National Football League thought of.

I realize that I'm probably not the audience they're aiming at, but I talked to a dozen people at the last game and in the bus going back to the hotel who were as offended by the production as I was.

Last year, I stayed at the NFL headquarters hotel, the Marriott at the Renaissance Center, and it is in a complex of buildings so confusing to get around that only a master architect like John Portman could have designed it.

General Motors uses part of it for executive offices. I was in an elevator with several reporters Saturday, and one of them said maybe the reason GM's business was in such trouble was that none of the executives could find their way to their offices.

Detroit desperately wanted to have people like their city. It was sad. I was asked a hundred times how I liked Detroit. It amused me because when there's a big event in New York like a political convention, New Yorkers don't give a damn whether out-of-towners who come like the city or not.

There were people in red vests who'd been assigned to help strangers find their way around the maze, but they appeared to have been shipped in from Toledo. They had no answers to such basic questions as, "Where is the newsstand?" "Which floor is the newsroom on?" or "Where are the buses to the stadium?"

I arrived at Ford Field more than two hours before kickoff and by the time the game started, I was numb from the noise they were passing off as music. I would have been willing to pay for silence. I kept hoping some disgruntled fan would cut the power line.

The half-time extravaganza took 43 minutes. I wasn't interested in watching the half-time show, so I went out back to get some \$5 popcorn and a \$2.50 bottle of water. It was interesting to note that none of the concession stands was doing any business because everyone had stayed in their seats to watch Mick Jagger. I just wandered around, noting, for instance, that Tropicana was "the official grape juice of Super Bowl XL."

I didn't want to miss the second half kickoff so, after 20 minutes, I went back to my seat. The halftime show wasn't over. I was shocked to find it hadn't even started yet. Stagehands were still dragging large pieces of the stage into place on the field.

Jagger and his entourage finally came out and performed for about 12 minutes with an inadequate sound system, then workers started the long process of breaking down the stage and dragging the pieces back where they came from.

The blaring from the loud speakers was unremitting throughout the game. During any break in the action — even between plays — the huge screens at either end of the field showed one highlight after another from previous games.

No one in the stadium had time to savor the action, anticipate the next play, or exchange a comment with someone sitting nearby. Noise was the dominant element in the stadium.

The NFL ought to start putting more emphasis on the football game and less on making money, or it's going to kill this golden egg-laying goose.

America’s role in a beckoning age of darkness



PAT BUCHANAN

When, in the 1950s, Nikita Khrushchev said, "We will bury you," and, "Your children will live under communism," Eisenhower's America scoffed. By 1980, however, the tide did indeed seem to be with the East. America had suffered a decade of defeats. Southeast Asia had fallen. The ayatollah had seized power in Iran. Moscow had occupied Afghanistan. Cuban troops were in Ethiopia and Angola. Grenada and Nicaragua had fallen to the Soviet bloc. Eurocommunism was all the rage on the continent. Just a decade later, the world turned upside-down. The Berlin Wall fell. Eastern Europe was suddenly free. The Soviet Union disintegrated. China abandoned Maoism for state capitalism. Now, 20 years on, the wheel has turned again — toward darkness. No longer do we hear chatter

about "The End of History" and triumph of democratic capitalism, of America imposing her "global hegemony" or leading mankind into "a second American century." The hubris is gone, and triumphalism has given way to anxiety, apprehension, alarm. In an essay, "The Return of Toxic Nationalism," Robert Kaplan, a geopolitical analyst for Stratfor, writes that Western elites are even yet failing to see the larger, darker picture of our evolving world. These elites identify with the like-minded in other lands and "prefer not to see the regressive and exclusivist forces ... that are mightily reshaping the future." Egypt and the Mideast offer "a panorama of sectarianism and religious and ethnic divides. Freedom, at least in its initial stages, unleashes not only individual identity but, more crucially, the freedom to identify with a blood-based solidarity group. Beyond that group, feelings of love and humanity do not apply." This is "a signal lesson of the Arab Spring," and out of it will likely come an "Islamist-Nasserite regime" in Cairo. "Asia is in the midst of a feverish arms race," writes Kaplan. Nationalism there is "young and vibrant —

as it was in the West in the 19th and 20th centuries." Having consolidated the homeland, China is moving to annex her adjacent seas, and a formerly pacifist Japan is "rediscovering nationalism as a default option." Nationalism is "alive and thriving in India and Russia," with New Delhi building armed forces that will be among the world's largest. "Race hatred against Muslims is high among Russians, and just as there are large rallies by civil-society types, there are also marches and protests by skinheads and neo-Nazis, who are less well-covered by Western media." A weakening European Union has spawned a "resurgence of nationalism and extremism in ... Hungary, Finland, Ukraine and Greece." "We are truly in a battle between two epic forces," says Kaplan, "those of integration based on civil society and human rights, and those of exclusion based on race, blood and radicalized religion." How should the United States deal with this darkening age? "Because values like minority rights are under attack the world over, the United States must put their right alongside its own exclusivist national interests, such as preserving a favorable balance of

power. Without universal values in our foreign policy, we have no identity as a nation — and that is the only way we can lead with moral legitimacy in an increasingly disordered world." But is this not itself utopian? A great religious awakening is taking place from Morocco to Mindanao. If these hundreds of millions believe there is no God but Allah and he has shown the way to eternal life, why would they, why should they, tolerate pastors and preachers from heretical and false faiths? How do we preach women's equality — an easy access to divorce contraception and abortion — to people who swear by a sacred book that says you kill people like that? How do we preach the blessings of racial and ethnic diversity to a world where, as Kaplan writes, ethnonationalism and tribalism are being embraced and people are willing to die to create nations where their own kind and their own culture are dominant if not exclusive? Before we put our "values" up there with our vital interests, as the object of our foreign policy, what exactly are we talking about? Do Americans in the grip of a social-moral-cultural war even agree among themselves on "values"? Our First Amendment protects

freedom of speech to call the Prophet vile names. Our freedom of the press protects pornography. Our freedom of religion means all religions are to be equally excluded from public schools. Other nations believe in indoctrinating their children in their own beliefs and values. Where do we get the right to push ours in their societies? When did the internal affairs of foreign nations become the portfolio of American diplomats? Did James Madison's first minister to Russia, John Quincy Adams, demand that Czar Alexander free the serfs? "Without universal values in our foreign policy, we have no identity as a nation," says Kaplan. But that is not our history. America has indeed been about ideas, but America is now and has always been about more, much more than abstract ideas. 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 Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate webpage at www.creators.com. COPYRIGHT 2013 CREATORS.COM

YOUR SIDE

THE READERS TAKE OVER

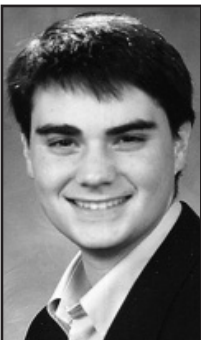
Aphresident is a hypocrite-in-chief

To the editor:
I would like to take a minute to recap some of the lunacy that has surrounded the gun control debate the past few weeks. On Jan. 16 President Obama stated: "If there is even one thing we can do to reduce this violence, if there is even one life that can be saved, then we've got an obligation to try."
Really? Representative Steve King of Iowa; Chairman of the Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law committee has stated on numerous occasions that an average 25 Americans are killed by illegal aliens every day (about evenly split between motor vehicle accidents and outright murder). Information published by the Justice Department's National Gang Intelligence Center states up to 80 percent of crime in the U.S. is committed by gangs, mostly comprised of illegal aliens. In July 2010, President Barack Obama, along with the Justice Department, filed a lawsuit against the state of Arizona for passing an immigration law that merely authorized state officials to enforce federal immigration laws. If that was difficult to believe, let me explain.
The Obama administration refuses to enforce federal immigration laws. Obama refuses to close our southern border. The carnage and cost of this Obama administration policy was too much for the state of Arizona to endure, thus they passed a state law that emulated federal law empowering state officials to do what the feds refuse to do.
So what was the response from Obama, to bring suit against Arizona to stop them from enforcing federal immigration laws. The result of this Obama policy is more deaths every day of the year than occurred at the Sandy Hook elementary school. What was that again Mr. Obama?: "If there is even one thing we can do to reduce this violence." You shouldn't need to be the smartest guy on the planet, like the Obamunists claim, to figure this out. How about closing the southern border and deporting all the illegal aliens! What is it about the word "illegal" that Obama does not understand?
On Jan. 14, President Obama stated: "My starting point is not to focus on the politics my starting point is to focus on what makes sense, what works, what should we be doing to make sure that our children are safe that we are reducing the incidence of gun violence."
On Dec. 11, 2012, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals found Illinois' firearms laws to be unconstitutional. This is on the heels of the United States Supreme Court in McDonald v. City of Chicago finding Chicago's ban on guns to be unconstitutional. Illinois / Chicago have the strictest firearm's laws in the land, so much so they went beyond the boundaries of the Constitution. So Mr. Obama, how are those violations of the Second Amendment working for you?
Do you happen to know what the murder capital of America is with 532 murders? If you guessed Chicago go to the head of the class. Obama demagogues focusing on what makes sense, what works and then totally ignores all the evidence that gun control only creates a nation of defenseless victims. You just can't make this stuff up!
Obama says he is not focusing on politics. If this is true, which it isn't, it would be a first for Obama. Everything he does is to promote his political agenda. This current gun control fight is no different. He is attempting to mask his real objectives, the systematic elimination of firearms in America, with this pseudo-concern for what he calls an increase in violent crime. Obama should know that since 1993, the violent crime rate has decreased by almost 50 percent and is lowest in the states with the least stringent gun laws. In fact, a recent study by the Cato Institute found that the states that have "shall issue" laws allowing private citizens to carry concealed weapons have, on average, a 24 percent lower violent crime rate, a 19 percent lower murder rate and a 39 percent lower robbery rate than states that restrict concealed weapons. Mr. Obama, let me make this simple for you. The only realistic way to stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun. If you still refuse to believe this, watch this YouTube video of a woman, Suzanna Gratia Hupp, who watched her family be systematically executed because politicians had restricted her right of self-defense: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M1u0Byq5Qis>
If Obama really wanted to do something to stop these senseless multiple shootings, he would enforce the Second Amendment and strike down every state and local statute that restricts law abiding American citizen's right to keep and bear arms. Oh, that's right, the Supreme Court has already struck down those

laws. Obama just refuses to recognize it.
Of course Obama has no intention of supporting the Constitution or enforcing immigration laws. They do not fit into his vision of transforming America away from the vision of the Founding Fathers. During a commencement speech at Barnard College, Obama took the opportunity to trash the Constitution, stating how it was flawed. Mr. Obama, you took an oath to preserve, protect and defend the very document you continually degrade. Your lack of respect of our founding does not relieve you of the duty to fulfill your oath and enforce the laws of the land. It is no wonder if you Google "Obama ignores rule of law" you get thousands of hits. How did this clown, let me apologize in advance if by association I've offended any clowns or those with big ears, get reelected?
What Obama is currently attempting to perpetrate on the American people is the very tyranny that the Second Amendment was designed to guard against. The fact that we the people are not marching on Washington, with the guns that for the time being are still legal, in a demonstration of the true meaning and purpose of the Second Amendment is shameful. The founders would be appalled at our complacency allowing these politicians to trample our rights.
Thomas Jefferson stated, "Honor, justice, and humanity, forbid us tamely to surrender that freedom which we received from our gallant ancestors, and which our innocent posterity have a right to receive from us."
If we sit by idly while our freedom slips through our fingers, we deserve what we get, but our children and grandchildren deserve better. Our parents and grandparents were the greatest generation, if we allow this to happen on our watch, we will go down in history as the most pathetic generation.
JACK LOESCH, Homeworth

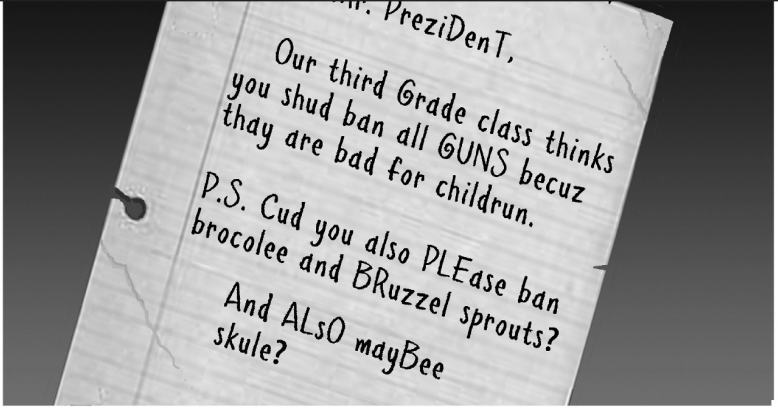
Clarifications from the USDA

To the editor:
Few things are as important to the health and well-being of a community as access to clean, safe drinking water. A modern, scalable water delivery and treatment system also helps communities grow by attracting new businesses and jobs to the area. As state director of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's Ohio office of Rural Development, I was interested to read Acting City Manager and Finance Director Mike Harold recently addressed the Columbiana City Council ("Columbiana residents likely face big water rate hike" — Jan. 25, 2013) with regard to a proposed water treatment plant improvement project. The following points of clarification are necessary:
We did not "propose" rate increases. USDA has neither the inclination nor the legal authority to do so. In the normal course of business, we provide applicants with possible repayment scenarios. One such option might include employing rate increases. Applicants are free to determine how to repay USDA Rural Development loans and also are under no obligation to accept a loan or loan guarantee in the first place.
USDA Rural Development was approached by the city of Columbiana with regards to this project which would, among other things, replace parts of a century-old water system. Rural Development did not in any way solicit Columbiana. Rather, we gladly responded to a request for help. Our sole mission is to improve the quality of rural Ohioans' lives, and it is our privilege to partner with small towns from across the state in so doing.
The project also includes a \$4,090,000 grant — representing nearly 30 percent of the project total. Nowhere in the article is this mentioned. Grants of this magnitude have become rare under recent federal budget cycles.
The 40-year loan, obligated in April 2012, actually features a 2- rather than 0-percent interest rate; still a historic low.
Rural Development's Water and Environmental Programs are designed to provide loans, grants and loan guarantees for drinking water, sanitary sewer, solid waste and storm drainage facilities in rural areas and towns with populations of 10,000 or fewer. We stand at the ready to work with the citizens of Columbiana to bring its water delivery system into the 21st century. But the decision to move forward is in your hands alone.
J. ANTHONY LOGAN, State director USDA Ohio Rural Development, Columbus



BEN SHAPIRO

President Obama is a uniquely gifted demagogue. An orator of unparalleled skill supported by a gushing media, Obama has yet to present a major policy proposal geared toward solving specific problems. But he has won elections. And he has done so by implying — over and over and over again — that his opponents are morally deficient.
It is truly astonishing just how thin President Barack Obama's playbook is. Since his re-election, Obama has boiled down that playbook to one play, which he runs with the regularity of a team quarterbacked by Mark Sanchez. It usually involves children. It always involves moral indignation. It invariably involves urgency calls for action. Action now. Action yesterday. Action overdue.
The content of the action doesn't matter. All that matters it that those who oppose action are the bad guys.
We saw Obama use precisely this rollout strategy with regard to gun control. He utilized the Sandy Hook massacre as a peg on which to hang his anti-Second Amendment agenda; he masked that agenda originally by creating a do-nothing commission dedicated to "listening." He then flanked himself with 7-year-old children, stating that their passion for gun control was the impetus for his drive to seize firearms. The implication: if you don't agree with Obama, you don't care about the safety of children.
We used to laugh such politicians out of office. When Jimmy Carter cited his 13-year-old daughter, Amy, as impetus for his passion on nuclear disarmament, Americans tossed him unceremoniously from the White House. When President Obama does the same, we fete him as a great leader.
And so Obama continues to use the tactic. In pushing his illegal immigration agenda — an agenda that suggests virtually no significant border control and sponsorship of a second wave of immigrants gaining citizenship via family associations — Obama flew out to the failing Del Sol High School in Las Vegas, Nev., to use the school's majority Hispanic population as a backdrop. He didn't care enough about the kids to offer them better educational opportunities. But he then proceeded to explain that those who oppose his agenda are actually closet racists: "I promise you this: The closer we get, the more emotional this debate is going to become. ... When we talk about (the issue) in the abstract, it's easy sometimes for the discussion to take on a feeling of 'us' versus 'them.'"
In other words, oppose Obama, you hate brown people.
That's the whole point of these exercises. Obama knows full well that he will not be able to pass either a vast gun control scheme or an immigration program that lacks significant border enforcement. He has no intention of passing such legislation. He merely wants to propose such legislation to demonize his opposition as evil — racist, uncaring about children and the like.
That's despicable. But for President Obama, such tactics are necessary in pursuit of his grand remaking of the American vision. The Constitutional vision believes in checks and balances; it assumes that men are neither angels nor devils but self-interested parties. But such a vision leads to gridlock, as the Founders well knew. Obama wants action. He is a man of action. And so his vision of man is different. There are good people — people who agree with him —and there are bad people. With that moral dichotomy in place, the Constitutional system becomes obsolete and America awaits transformation.
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ENGAGEMENTS/WEDDINGS/ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations from the Salem News!



Natalie Elizabeth Goodman weds Matthew John Pusateri

Natalie Elizabeth Goodman and Matthew John Pusateri were united in marriage on Nov. 2 at the Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in East Liverpool. The Rev. Tanta Luckhardt-Hendricks officiated. The bride is the daughter of David and Jodie Goodman of East Liverpool. She was escorted by her father and son and given in marriage by her family. Parents of the bridegroom are Michael and Robin Pusateri of East Liverpool.

The bride wore a ivory colored silk mermaid style gown with a crystal pleated bodice and a ivory sash just above the full skirt.

Her sister-in-law, Ashley McNear, was the maid of honor. The bride also had her sister Jelayne Hines, sister-in-law Tara Pusateri, and niece Alexandria Miller as bridesmaids. Her niece Sydney McNear served as the flower girl. The bridal party wore eggplant and mercury floor-length gowns.

The bridegroom's brother, Jason Pusateri, served as best man. Groomsmen were brother-in-law Brad McNear, Buddy Hartge, and stepson Austin Steckman. Son, Nathan Pusateri served as the ring bearer.



Mr. and Mrs. Matthew John Pusateri

A reception followed at Drake's Landing, Canfield. The bride is a graduate of Beaver Local High School. She is employed by Dr. Scott A. Owens D.C. in East Liverpool.

The bridegroom graduated from Beaver Local High School and is employed by Mike Pusateri Excavating, Inc. The couple resides in Calcutta.

Dorene Lynn Milhoan exchanges vows with Timothy Nick Troyer

Dorene Lynn Milhoan became the bride of Timothy Nick Troyer on Jan. 19 at the Salem Little Quakers Hall. The bride is the daughter of Laura Poynter and Roger Milhoan, both of Lisbon. The bridegroom's parents are Kathy and Tim Troyer, both of Hanoverton.

Wade Richards officiated at the couple's 3:30 p.m. ceremony.

The bride, escorted by her father and given in

marriage by her parents, wore a strapless, princess-cut gown of ivory satin with sequins and floral embroidery. A tiara of flower diamonds and diamond jewelry enhanced the bridal appearance. She carried a bouquet of poinsettia, silver fern, and white baby's breath.

Destiny Stoffel of Wellsville, the bride's cousin, was the maid of honor in gown of apple red. In matching gowns were Heather Carpenter and Brandie Poynter, both of Lisbon.

Flower girls were Grace

and Hannah, daughters of the bride and bridegroom.

Cody Huff of Hanoverton, performed the duties of the best man.

Groomsmen were Cody Wilson of Alliance and Sean Haines of Salem.

The bride and bridegroom's son, Taven, was the ring bearer.

Eliza Surgeon of Salem presided at the guestbook.

Approximately 200 guests attended the reception at the hall.

After a honeymoon trip to the Landoll's Mohican Castle, the couple resides in Hanoverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ferris celebrate golden wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ferris East Palestine recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner at the Outback in Boardman, hosted by their children and spouses.

The former Judy Hostetter and Mr. Ferris were married on Nov. 3, 1962, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in East Palestine. The Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Heid officiated.

Mr. Ferris is a retired owner/operator of Bear's Drayage trucking Co. in East Palestine.

Mrs. Ferris retired from Blackburn Retirement Home in Poland.

They have three children, Natalie (Tom) Mel-lott of Rogers, Joe Jr. (Chris) Ferris and Richard (Lana) Ferris, all of East



Mr. and Mrs. Joe (Judy) Ferris

Palestine.

The couple also has six grandchildren, Cody and Nick Rohrmann, Tim Mel-lott, Jake and Emily Ferris

and Tony Ferris; two step granddaughters, Marcy and Emily Casto; and a step great-grandson, Landon Domitrovich.

Samantha Jo Rumsey plans to wed Daniel Todd Hoebeke

Fred and Lori Rumsey of Salem and Dan and Linda Hoebeke of Alliance are announcing the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Samantha Jo Rumsey of Salem and Daniel Todd Hoebeke of Alliance.

Invitations will be issued for the couple's wedding ceremony to be held at 2 p.m. June 22 in Sebring.

The private reception follows at 4 p.m. at the Saxon Club in Salem.

The bride-elect, a 2007 graduate of Salem High School, is attending Brown-Mackie College, studying for a surgical technician degree. She is currently employed at Copeland Oaks in Sebring.

Her fiancé graduated in 2002 from West Branch High School. He is employed as a welder at Mac Trailer in Alliance.



Samantha Jo Rumsey and Daniel Todd Hoebeke

Hitchcocks mark 50th anniversary

Richard and Connie (Griffith) Hitchcock are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on Jan. 19, 1963, at the Damascus Friends Church. The Rev. Edward Escolme presided at the couple's double-ring ceremony.

Mr. Hitchcock is from Sebring. He retired from BNSF Logistics after 46 years in the logistics industry.

A former Damascus resident, Mrs. Hitchcock is the daughter of Bren and Mabel Griffith.

Their daughter, Sherri (Hitchcock) Faber and her husband Robert and children Ryan and Crystal hosted a dinner party at the Carlisle Inn in Walnut Creek. In attendance were his sister, Mary Margaret and Brooks Weingart, and Mrs. Hitchcock's sister,

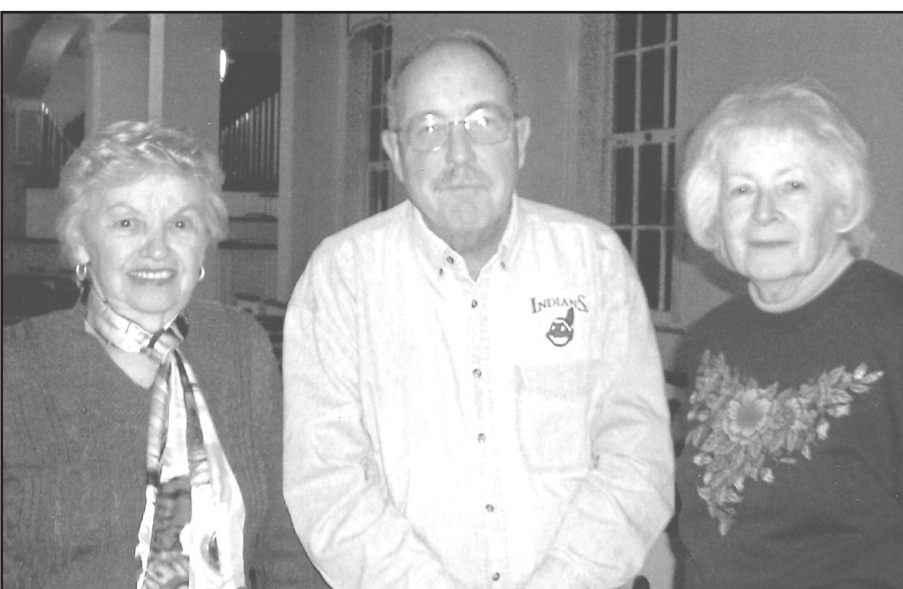


Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Connie) Hitchcock

Virginia and Earl Bardo and brother Jim and Ruth Griffith and sister-in-law Diane Griffith along with many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors. Pa-

tricia Manning who was Mrs. Hitchcock's maid of honor, gave the prayer.

The Hitchcock's live in Hilliard and enjoy traveling and their retirement.



Historical society celebrating 60th anniversary in 2013

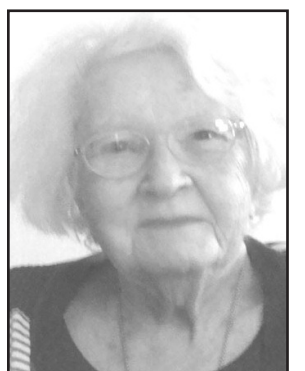
The Historical Society of Columbiana and Fairfield Township is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year. Shown are the society officers who, along with the trustees, will be leading the activities, from left, President Helen Gormley, Vice President Dick Sell and Treasurer Mary Louise Dicken. Not pictured is Secretary Gayle Rugh. (Submitted photo)

Evangeline Case to mark 100th

SEBRING — Friends of Evangeline Case are invited to an open house to celebrate her 100th birthday from 1 to 3 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Williamsburg Lounge at Copeland Oaks in Sebring. Cards are welcome, but no gifts.

Mrs. Case was born Feb. 13, 1913, in New Franklin, south of Alliance, the daughter of Lewis and Ruby (Heim) Glass. Her early years were spent in Alliance, then near Beloit where she graduated from high school.

She was married to Ernest Case for 67 years until his death in 2000. They raised eight children in Beloit. She has 13 grandchildren and 15 grandchildren.





Columbiana Area Chamber of Commerce introduces new members

The Columbiana Area Chamber of Commerce held its quarterly business showcase on Jan. 24. The host for the evening was the Links Banquet Center, who provided an array of appetizers. The chamber introduced five new members to the organization. The new members presented information about their businesses and shared ideas and insights ranging from insurance, healthcare and childcare to working with the shale industry. The next showcase will be held on April 25. Pictured are, first row, from left, Amy Logan, Imagine That! Daycare/Preschool; Kelly Buck, AFLAC independent associate representative; Mary McCarty, HRG; second row, Terry McCoy, chamber director; Dr. Steven DeMaio, Prima Health Care; James Lopresti, HRG; Jay Summer, Fastsigns; David Barbee, chamber president. (Submitted photo)



Century House hosts cookie party for friends and family of residents

The Century House of Salem celebrated friends and family of their residents for their love, care and support throughout the year by hosting a cookie party in their honor. Pictured are over 20 different kinds of homemade cookies and candy. The Century House cook, Betty Cook, left, puts lots of love and care in baking all the cookies for the party along with help from Century House employee, Karen Allen. (Submitted photo)

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND MORE...

Calla Church soup sale

CANFIELD — Bean, chicken noodle and vegetable beef soups will be sold beginning at 4 p.m. Feb. 8 at the Calla Community Church, 6482 W. Calla Road. Cost is \$6 per quart. Fresh baked bread will also be available at \$2 per loaf. Advance orders are available by calling 330-501-1597 or 330-507-2255.

AASCC Valentine event

ALLIANCE — The public is invited to a Valentine dinner and dance on Feb. 8 at the Alliance Area Senior Citizen Center, 602 W. Vine St., Alliance. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. followed by the dance from 7 to 10 p.m. Music will be provided by the Rex Taneri Orchestra. Admission is \$14 per person, or \$7 per person for the dance only. Dinner tickets must be purchased or reserved in advance by calling 330-821-3348.

Winona Ruritans meet

WINONA — The Winona Ruritan Club met Jan. 22 at the Winona Methodist Church. Thirty members attended. Chris Stamp introduced his guest, Bill McKarns. In addition to routine reports, Treasurer Bob Doyle Sr. read the year-end report of club finances. Song leader Elmer R. Stamp led the group in singing “Happy Birthday” to members born in January, Richard Eck and Tom Richey. The next fund raiser, the all-you-can-eat sausage and pancake breakfast, will be served from 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 23 at Willow Grove Grange. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4.50 for children ages 6 to 12. Tickets are available from all members and at the door. Fresh homemade scrapple will also be available for purchase. The club plans to sponsor one boy to Boys State at Bowling Green State University and one girl to Girls State at the University of Mount Union in June. The club plans to make its spring donation to the Columbiana County Soil and Water Conservation District. Members were reminded to turn in prospective scholarship names. The Ohio District Spring Banquet on April 20 will be held at the Amish Door Restaurant in Wilmot. Cost is \$16 per person. Reservations may be made with Doyle.

Sebring Legion Aux. meets

SEBRING — Sandra Shonborn was welcomed as a new member when the Sebring American Legion Post 76

Ladies’ Auxiliary met recently. President Judy Hubbs presided. It was announced that a total of 138 members have paid their memberships to date for 2013.

The children’s Christmas party was discussed and members felt the party was one of the most organized. A total of 85 children were signed up. Thank-yous were received from the Concern and the VA Outpatient Clinic for donations they received. Get well and sympathy cards were sent to various members.

Seventh grader Kayla Hubbs, a member of the junior auxiliary, was selected to attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C. She is trying to raise money so that she can attend this conference. It was decided that the auxiliary would give her a donation toward her trip.

Treasury books were audited in December and everything is in order. Various donations were voted on and approved. It was also decided to give a donation once a month to the VA Outpatient Clinic. The next meeting will be held on Feb. 13.

Damascus Ruritans meet

DAMASCUS — Thirty-one members of the Damascus Ruritan Club and guests enjoyed dinner at the January meeting. Song leader David Denny led the group in the singing of one verse of “America.” Chaplain John Ryser gave the invocation. Secretary Darlene Snyder announced member’s birthdays and anniversaries.

Among the guests were John Blasi-man and his wife Marylee. Al Lutz thanked John and presented him with a club honorary membership. Blasiman had asked in December to terminate his membership due to health reasons after 34 years of service to the club.

Rich Blevins, Mahoning County Schools truant officer reported and thanked the club for its monetary gift in December to a needy family at Christmas. Blevins is also community relations director for the Ohio Valley Teen Challenge in Youngstown.

Club Treasurer Roger Smith gave his report, which was approved, and reminded members their first quarter dues were due. Vice President Rick Bell called upon on the committees for their community service hours. Earl Mather was presented a pin for 55 years of perfect attendance. He and his wife Millie celebrated their 74th anniversary on

Jan. 11.

President Dave Wingett announced the speaker for the February meeting would be someone from the Salem Community Hospital, talking about the changes taking place along with its current building project.

A blood drive, co-sponsored by Be-loit, Damascus and Goshen Center Ruritan clubs, was held Jan. 15 at the Damascus United Methodist Church. The National Ruritan convention was held Jan. 24-27 in Covington, Ky. The Damascus club will host the Zone 6 meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 12 at the church. The club’s 48th annual spring Swiss steak dinner will be served from 4:30 to 7 p.m. March 23 at the West Branch High School cafeteria. The Ruritan Ohio District annual spring banquet begins at 5:30 p.m. April 20 at the Amish Door Banquet Center in Wilmot. The club plans to cater the annual West Branch FFA Banquet at 7 p.m. April 30.

Lone Rangers meet

WINONA — The January meeting of the Lone Rangers 4-H group was held at the Winona Friends Church. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mitch Kelley, and the 4-H pledge by Kelly Heffening. Discussions were held about quality assurance clinics and pepperoni roll sales. Premiums from the fair were distributed. Logan Hall presented a demonstration on trapping and Jarred Herron talked about the different parts of a boat.

R-Weigh groups meet

SALEM — The R-Weigh weight support groups met Monday at 1 and 5 p.m. at the First Friends Church. A loss of 20 pounds was recorded for the week. Good losers were Evelyn Peters, Sandy Shipton, Chris Learn, Doris Senior, Lois Wood, Rita Cecil, Susan Cain and Donna Greenamyer. Rachel Weaver and Ruth Miller were the goalies for the week.

The birthday award was given to Senior and Peters earned the can-do monetary award. “What the Doctors Eat” was the program at the afternoon meeting. Carol Held opened the evening meeting with the members doing exercises and Karen Pauline presided at the evening meeting and presented a dieting article. The evening group will have its Recognition Night on Feb.18 at the church. New members are welcome. For more information call 330-332-1078.

SALEM DURING THE CIVIL WAR



With the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, the Salem Historical Society would like to recall our local activities during the years, 1861-1865. At the same time, we would like to learn stories of local citizens. If you have a story or photo you could share with us, we would be appreciative. You can contact the Salem Historical Society at 330-337-8514 or TheSalemHistoricalSociety@gmail.com if you have items of interest for display.

The “Salem Republican” is main primary source for information on Salem activities during the years of the Civil War, although other sources are reviewed, such as Daniel Howell Hise’s diary, and other sources will contribute to activities and reactions to the events that affected the citizens of Salem.

November 1862 (Part II)

On Thursday evening, November 13, the ladies of the Salem Soldiers’ Aid Society held a festival at the town hall for the benefit of the sick and wounded in the army which was reported being a ‘fine affair’. The price of admission, including supper, was 25 cents.

The attendance was quite large, and to those present, the occasion was vey pleasant and profitable. Tables were arranged around three sides of the Hall, and they fairly groaned under the weight of the substantial and dainty edibles with which they wee burdened. The vast crowd of hungry people that were jammed into the room, ate, and were satisfied, and “twelve baskets full of fragments” were left. The managers were universally complimented for the good taste and skill with which they governed and conducted the entertainment.

We do not know what the receipt of the evening amounted to, but doubtless enough to replenish, to a great extent, the exhausted treasury of the Society.

Our Salem ladies are doing a good and patriotic work for the comfort and health of our soldiers.—From the commencement of the war, our brave be, in the army have been the object of their labor—the subject of their thoughts by day, and the reality about which their fancy dreams and visions of the night would cluster, and naturally enough, noting that they could o, that would add a particle to the amelioration of their condition, has been left undone. “Verily, verily, they shall have their reward.”

John Hampson, a member of Capt. Potts’ Battery, who had been made prisoner at Harper’s Ferry, spent a few days about the middle of November with his brother R. V. Hampson.

Allen Campbell received late in November an Adjutant’s commission, assigning him to Gen. McCook’s staff, with the rank of Major.

Perry Township, having more than filled her quota of volunteers under both calls, was exempt from draft.

[We again share excerpts of letters written home by Salem private, William G. Bentley as published in the book titled, “Burning Rails as We Pleased”, by members of his family in 2004. He had enlisted at age 19 on August 9, 1862 and was honorable discharged June 17, 1865]. (This book is available at the Salem Historical Society bookstore.)]

Nov. 2nd 1862... We were mustered for one pay day before yesterday but we don’t know when we will get the money. Maybe this week sometime, maybe not this month. I don’t think it will be very long, for the officers are about out of money themselves. I want to send about \$8.00 home when I get it.... One of the boys got a can of butter from Salem in one of the boxes that was sent. It was more than 3 weeks on the way but was just as good as ever. We enjoyed it mightily.

Nov. 9th 1862 ... one of the boys got this weeks Salem paper last evening which contained a letter from

Col. Mariner in which he said it was very possible that we would move on south soon. But from present appearances I judge we will stay here for some time yet, maybe till spring, as we have a first-rate place about 6 mile from where I wrote last, in a strip of woods with plenty of good water handy. The health of the regiment is improving daily.

Col Reilly started for Columbus lat 5th day morning for new guns for us. Our guns having been condemned. I expect we will get Springfield rifles, they are the best finished guns I ever saw. I believe the one we have are in better trim now than when we got them. They are poor things though, and keep us nearly half our time cleaning them. We will be mighty glad of the change.

p.s. I have had no chance to get mittens yet, some of the boys have had them sent by mail, didn’t cost much to send them. I would be very glad if you could send me a pair of gloves or mittens if convenient.

Nov. 14th 1862... I suppose thee has heard of Henry Clay’s Monument here. It is a splendid thing. It is about 40 feet square on the ground and 120 ft. high, with a statue of Clay which appears life size and resembles the portraits I have seen of him. It is said to be 14 ft high. He is buried some distance from the monument by the side of his mother. I pulled a few blades of grass off of his grave and a piece of a little vine which was growing against the foot of the monument, which I will send in this....

In one corner of the cemetery are between 200 and 300 soldiers buried. Some rebels and some Union. The Union soldiers are buried in separate graves in circles. An open space being left in the center for a monument which is to be erected sometime.

Our new guns came this morning. They have been distributing them this afternoon. We have not got our yet. I expect we will get them in the morning, they are the Enfield rifle, very nice guns. There is some talk now of our moving further south before long, but I guess there is nothing known certain about it yet. I believe if we don’t move before long there will be no use of going south at all, but of course we don’t know how some the war will be over....

Nov. 19th 1862...We haven’t got our pay yet. The paymaster is in the city waiting for the money. The officers say that we will get it before we leave here, so that we can send it home safe. They say that there has been an order issued that no more clothing is to be furnished to soldiers this winter. I am glad that we are so well supplied, I don’t ting that we will suffer if we don’t get any more till spring.

What do the people think of McClellan’s removal” we all think here that it is a good thing....

Please send me a few stamps if convenient, when you write.

Nov. 30th 1862...We have got our tent fixed since I wrote last. We went to work one day last week and dug about a foot of dirt out, making a sort of a cellar. It was a great improvement, it makes more room and is warmer and drier—(tho you would hardly believe it). A good many of the messes have stoves in their tents, they keep the tents very warm but we have about concluded not to get one for ours, as we find that those who have them are not as healthy and can’t stand the cold. We are going to draw another blanket apiece, so that there is no danger of our freezing, unless it is colder here than it is in Ohio....

That syrup was splendid, we all had a taste of it. One of the boys cooked some of the dried apples on the stoves. They were very nice. I just tasted the cherries this evening. I will keep some of them in case any of the boys are sick....

...The stamps were very acceptable, I had but one left.... Your aft, Son & Bro, Wm. G. Bentley



at REILLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Kayla Luketic, Sammie Howell and Akira Sipes all work together solving math problems in Mrs. Colbert's class.



Above, Jacob Flickinger, Tessa Keener and Samantha Sarginger are drawing samples of the types of food the Hopewell people would have eaten. Below, Naomi Trybend and Lea Miller are dressing their Archaic person to represent typical clothing of this group.



Students in Mrs. Green's class recently participated in the 2013 Bowling Season. While bowling, the students learned to count pins, mark a score sheet and take photographs of each other. During language arts they wrote about their bowling experiences and then they entered their writing into a powerpoint presentation and inserted their photos. During math they learned to add up their bowling scores. At the end of their season, the students invited their parents to a Bowling Banquet where they presented their PowerPoint presentation. Above, Francesca, Kassidy and Valek await their turn to roll.



Not only do the students of Reilly Elementary work on academics, but they work on character building, as well. This month the focus is on conflict resolution. Given a scenario, Lochlin Rackel, Nicholas Coletta and Presley Houshour acted out ways in which they could resolve the problem.



In Miss Miller's fourth-grade language arts class, students are learning about figurative language. Given pictures, students had to create sentences containing personification, alliteration, hyperbole and onomatopoeia. Lane Rhodes, DeShaun Spanbauer, Carolyn Stewart and Paige Bailey worked in a group to see if they could correctly identify each other's sentences.



Students in Miss Miller's language arts class were researching different environments so they would be able to write realistic fiction journals. Halle Cochran and Alexis Solmen were enjoying writing about their adventures.



In the fourth grade, students participate in Reading Counts. Corey VanHorn was excited to take his quiz to earn his points.



Students in Miss Miller's language arts class were learning about text and graphic features. Christian Blymiller, Elizabeth Ripley and Alexis King were asked to create and label their own arthropods and explain why their creatures belonged to that category.

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Great Jodie Foster films

By **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP Movie Critic

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jodie Foster had everyone talking when she took the unusual step of revealing she's a lesbian on the Golden Globes stage. This hadn't exactly been a secret, given that she has two sons with her former partner. But the two-time Oscar winner has been notoriously protective of her privacy, which made the rambling and emotional speech such a riveting aberration.

But this is also a good opportunity to talk about what made Foster famous in the first place: the strong screen persona and versatile talent she's displayed over her 47 years as an actress. Here's a look at five of her best performances:

► **“The Silence of the Lambs” (1991):** The word “iconic” gets tossed around a lot without much thought, but it's truly applicable here in describing the work of Foster and co-star Anthony Hopkins. Foster won the second of her two best-actress Oscars (the first was for 1988's “The Accused”) as young FBI agent Clarice Starling, who's sent to pick the brain of the fiendish and fearsome Hannibal Lecter. She's brilliant and resourceful, the scrappy, self-made underdog who dares to go toe to toe with a psychopath. A controlled and masterful performance in one of the most deeply disturbing

movies ever.

► **“Taxi Driver” (1976):** It's frightening when you think about not only how good Foster was at such a young age but also how young her child-prostitute character of Iris was, as well. Her work in one of Martin Scorsese's greatest films presents a fascinating dichotomy. She has to project a world-wariness and a cynicism beyond her years but also a youthful vitality, a freshness and the hint of promise. She's only 12 years old but she absolutely holds her own opposite Robert De Niro and earned an Academy Award nomination for best supporting actress.

► **“Freaky Friday” (1976):** In a great demonstration of Foster's range, she played an extremely different kind of kid later the same year. She's actually playing an adult, too, since this classic Disney comedy hinges on the idea that her character, Annabel, switches bodies with her mother (Barbara Harris), giving each a brief taste of how tough the other's life is. This is probably my earliest memory of Foster — she's hilarious and charming with her tomboyish toughness and quick wit, and she has the sort of cool and confidence we all wish we could have had at that age.

► **“Inside Man” (2006):** Foster plays a supporting part in Spike Lee's slick bank heist thriller, but

it's such an intriguing departure for her that I had to pick it. She plays Madeline White, who has the vague occupation of functioning as a fixer for the wealthy and powerful. Here she's working for the bank's founder (Christopher Plummer), who sends her to retrieve something damaging from a safe deposit box. It's actually a quasi-villainous role: a well-connected, well-spoken social climber who's all business beneath her cool, blond exterior, and it was juicy fun to watch her reveal yet another facet of her talent.

► **“A Very Long Engagement” (2004):** Who knew Foster was fluent in French? Seeing her turn up here, speaking flawlessly in a foreign language, was a huge surprise and a thrill. Her role is so small as a soldier's wife in director Jean-Pierre Jeunet's lavish and lively World War I romance that you long to see more of her.

Actually, you don't even realize it's Foster at first; she's in the distance when we see her at a crowded marketplace, and she has a scarf pulled over her head. But eventually she starts speaking in that instantly recognizable, husky voice. Talk about a real revelation.

What's your favorite Jodie Foster performance? Tell AP Movie Critic Christy Lemire through Twitter: http://twitter.com/christyl_emire.



Jodie Foster portrays a 12-year-old prostitute in the movie “Taxi Driver,” which was directed in 1976 by Martin Scorsese. (AP Photo/Columbia Pictures)

New documentary targets critics of fracking

By **KEVIN BEGOS**
Associated Press

The author, Kevin Begos, covers the fracking industry in Pennsylvania for The Associated Press.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — “FrackNation” is a new documentary that attacks opponents of fracking for oil and gas, but it also raises a bigger question: Is it possible to criticize environmentalists without being a tool for big industry?

Fracking is a method of stimulating oil and gas from deep underground that's led to a historic boom in U.S. production while also stoking controversy over its possible impact on the environment and human health. “FrackNation,” an independent documentary produced by Los Angeles-based filmmakers Phelim McAleer and Ann McElhinney, addresses the issue from an unusual perspective. The release of the documentary now is clearly an attempt to play off a current Hollywood film on fracking, “Promised Land,” which stars Matt Damon. But the David vs. Goliath roles are turned upside down, since McAleer's pro-fracking production received thousands of small donations on the fundraising site Kickstarter, while Damon's film, which has an anti-fracking angle, had millions of dollars in funding, including some from the United Arab Emi-

rates.

McAleer says anti-fracking activists have based their crusade on faulty claims and a disdain for the actual wishes of many people in the rural communities where land is drilled. His main target is Josh Fox, the director of “Gasland,” the 2010 award-winning, anti-drilling documentary that has inspired many critics of fracking. One leading environmentalist welcomed “FrackNation's” take and said he can't wait to see it.

“It's great this guy's done this documentary. I think it's sort of a second wave to the more hysterical first reaction” to fracking, said Michael Shellenberger, president of the Breakthrough Institute, a Berkeley, Calif., nonprofit that argues for new ways to address environmental problems.

Like a genial Michael Moore with an Irish accent, McAleer narrates his confrontations with fracking opponents. Though some of McAleer's questions are simplistic and leading, it's startling to see how some critics of fracking react.

Fox, himself a journalist, dodges McAleer's questions, hangs up on him and even uses his lawyers to try to have trailers for “FrackNation” removed from YouTube and Vimeo.

Fox said in a statement that he's refused to deal with McAleer “because he has

persistently harassed Josh Fox and represented his statements in a false light.” Fox also said McAleer has a long history of baiting environmentalists, denying climate change and spreading misinformation.

In eastern Pennsylvania, a landowner involved in a lawsuit against gas drilling companies confronts McAleer on a public highway, threatens to sue him, says she has a license to carry a pistol and calls 911. A police officer arrives and determines that McAleer has done nothing wrong.

Shellenberger, who hasn't seen the film yet, said it's interesting that McAleer used low-budget counterculture tactics to make a pro-drilling argument. He welcomed the fact that “FrackNation” also presents the views of numerous people in rural areas who say gas drilling is a benefit, not a curse.

For example, Montrose, Pa., farmer Ron White and his son say the royalties from drilling have helped keep the family farm in business, and that his water and land haven't been harmed by a nearby gas well.

McAleer also shows a respected cancer researcher some of Fox's claims that the chemicals used in fracking will cause cancer.

“If people say fracking is causing cancer, they don't know what they're talking about,” University of Califor-

nia at Berkeley scientist Bruce Ames replies, noting that cabbage and broccoli also contain minute portions of chemicals that could technically be called carcinogens.

In strictly visual terms, FrackNation also quietly makes a point by showing that most of the Pennsylvania countryside in drilling areas is still beautiful, and not a wasteland. Though drilling is an industrial process, the iconic wells and fleets of noisy trucks that service the process disappear from a drilling pad after a few weeks or months.

But though “FrackNation” discredits some of the most extreme anti-fracking rhetoric, it also sometimes goes too far in dismissing legitimate concerns. For example, in tiny Dimock, Pa., where drinking water wells were tainted with methane, McAleer leaves viewers with the impression that drilling never caused problems for about a dozen families.

In fact, state environmental regulators determined that a drilling company contaminated the aquifer underneath homes there with explosive levels of methane and issued huge fines. The state later determined the company had fixed the problems, and most of the families reportedly reached an out-of-court settlement.

“FrackNation” also doesn't acknowledge that

Texas regulators say there were some problems with leaking gas and air quality in the early days of the boom there, and The Associated Press recently found that federal officials did have evidence that gas drilling may have contaminated some water wells in that region.

On such points, “FrackNation” is guilty of some of the same sins of exaggeration that it criticizes Fox for.

Yet Shellenberger said anti-fracking critics such as Fox and advocates such as McAleer may both be necessary.

“The radicals often play an important role in these environmental conflicts, to hold regulators' feet to the fire, to motivate industry. I think the radicals have played a positive role — but it can go too far,” Shellenberger said, while adding that the presumption that environmentalists are all “on the side of all things good” is too simplistic.

McAleer, a journalist and filmmaker who previously covered the IRA for England's Sunday Times and other papers, said the Kickstarter campaign didn't accept money from oil and gas companies or their top executives. But critics have noted that one of his previous films attacked Al Gore and global warming, while another touted the benefits of a mine in a poor region of Romania.

Mariel Hemingway running from crazy

By **DAVID GERMAIN**
AP Movie Writer

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Mariel Hemingway says she has left the bad kind of crazy behind, and all that's left is good crazy.

Hemingway attended the Sundance Film Festival for the documentary “Running from Crazy,” which chronicles the family history of mental illness that led to the suicides of seven relatives, including sister Margaux and grandfather Ernest Hemingway.

Directed by Barbara Kopple, with Oprah Winfrey an executive producer, the film features segments with Mariel opening up about how she put her own depression and suicidal thoughts behind her.

“I can honestly say that I do believe that now bad crazy is gone. Good crazy is still around, but I truly am no longer depressed,” Hemingway, 51, said in an interview alongside Kopple. “It's gone. I can honestly say that it's been years. I laugh at myself now, which is fun.”

Kopple also found a treasure trove of footage from a documentary Margaux was shooting about grandfather Ernest, material that shows the different paths of the two sisters. A supermodel whose acting career fizzled even as Mariel's flourished, Margaux died of a drug overdose in 1996.

“Running from Crazy” explores the bravado of Ernest Hemingway — the boozing, bullfight-loving, womanizing Nobel Prize winning author — and how it concealed a troubled soul. He put a shotgun to his head and killed himself in 1961, a few months before Mariel was born.

The film also reveals a family in denial — Mariel, Margaux and oldest sister Joan, known to the family as Muffet — raised by heavy-drinking parents who had violent fights as the alcohol soaked in and who refused to acknowledge what Mariel calls a family curse of mental illness.

Hemingway shares a touching reunion with Muffet, who was in and out of mental hospitals for years, shows off the rigorous exercise and self-help techniques she has used to overcome depression and reveals dark family secrets, including her belief that her father sexually abused her older sisters.

“What Mariel has, I mean, she's the dream of a documentarian, because you sit at the table with her and talk to her, and everything comes out, because she has a higher purpose for it. She really wants to shed light on suicide and mental illness,” said Kopple, a two-time Academy Award winner for the documentaries “Harlan County, U.S.A.” and “American Dream.”

“If people see that she's doing it and how she has constructed such a healthy, wonderful lifestyle, that they can do it, too,” she said.

Mariel Hemingway also discusses the bad blood between her and Margaux, who starred in the 1976 film “Lipstick” and got Mariel a supporting role that launched her little sister's acting career. Critics were not kind about the performance of Margaux, who soon wound up in cheesy action and horror movies such as “Killer Fish.” But Mariel received solid praise, earned an Oscar nomination three years later for Woody Allen's “Manhattan” and went on to star in such films as “Personal Best” and “Star 80.” The film includes a scene in which Mariel visits her grandfather's Idaho house and the room where he killed himself. She also stops by the graves of her parents, sister and grandfather, remarking sadly about the bottles of Jack Daniels that his fans leave on his gravestone.

The title comes from Hemingway's comment that she has spent her life “running from crazy,” trying to escape what seemed a doomed legacy for herself and her two daughters, with whom she discusses the family history in the film.

“Some people are like, ‘Wow, that's a heavy title.’ Well, I don't see it as a heavy title. I'm like, ‘Dude, thank God,’” Hemingway said. “Crazy's gone. Sometimes I'm running with crazy, but now it's a different kind of crazy. There's fun in my life and I'm joyful. But there was a time when I really was not. A time, my entire life, probably 40 years of really trying to not be something that I came from.”

‘Big Truck’ details disastrous Haiti aid effort

By **NAHAL TOOSI**
Associated Press

“The Big Truck That Went By: How the World Came to Save Haiti and Left Behind a Disaster” (Palgrave Macmillan), by Jonathan M. Katz

After two and one-half years in Haiti, Jonathan Katz was preparing to leave the impoverished but endlessly intriguing nation in January 2010. His next reporting assignment: Afghanistan. Then, a massive earthquake ripped apart his house, his plans and the lives of Haitians all around him. So Katz, then an Associated Press reporter and the only full-time American correspondent in Haiti, wound up staying to chronicle the aftermath of the temblor. Life in Afghanistan may have been more uplifting.

In “The Big Truck That Went By: How the World Came to Save Haiti and Left Behind a Disaster,” Katz eloquently blends personal anecdotes and Haitian history with in-depth reportage to

show how one catastrophe led to so many more, and how, three years later, Haiti has barely moved forward.

At the heart of the book lies the question, does foreign aid actually work? Or, to paraphrase Katz, what-ever happened to that \$20 you sent to help the people of Haiti? The answers are not inspiring, and they should make people seriously think twice about donating to an international aid organization.

For people who live or work in conflict zones where non-governmental organizations and U.N.-linked aid groups operate, Katz's findings may not be that surprising, simply a reaffirmation of depressing truths. But the ordinary reader will likely be shocked to learn of some of the tricks of the aid trade.

For one thing, pledging money isn't the same as giving money, but governments around the world were quick to ignore that distinction when issuing their press releases about how they would save Haiti. Instead, billions

of dollars pledged to help the quake-struck nation have yet to materialize, and the U.S. is no saint in this regard. The billions promised to Haiti also included significant amounts in debt relief. But it's strange to count this as “aid,” Katz argues. After all, for people living in rubble and scrounging for food, it's meaningless to hear that their government doesn't have to pay back money it didn't have in the first place.

When countries do give money, much of it goes to international aid organizations — the Red Crosses, the Save the Whatevers — whose spending habits are difficult to trace and often questionable. Such groups frequently spend extraordinary amounts on their own administrative costs, money that doesn't get anywhere near suffering Haitians.

Huge chunks of aid funds are spent on everything from SUVs to personal security guards to luxury hotel suites, not to mention many, many plane tickets, because, after all, aid workers are a

peripatetic bunch. Many spend only a few weeks in a disaster zone, and the constant change in personnel means tremendous time is wasted getting newcomers up to speed. An international aid worker who spends more than two years in a troubled country such as Haiti is what counts as exceptional. So much for institutional memory. Or getting to understand the people and what they need.

Even more direct government spending yielded some gems, Katz found. Why did the earthquake prompt the U.S. Coast Guard to spend \$4,462 on a deep-fat fryer, Katz asks, noting that figure is years of income for the average Haitian. Then there was the \$18,000 contract the U.S. Navy signed for a jungle gym from a Georgia company — which it could have bought for one-third the amount online.

Many of the contracts signed post-quake were with non-Haitian companies, which is understandable to a degree considering the lack

of capacity in the struggling country. But, Katz argues, “it's misleading to call such spending ‘money for Haiti,’ especially when it gives the impression that any Haitian could have misappropriated or even profited from it. If anything, much of the money was a stimulus program for the donor countries themselves.”

But what to do with your \$20? Give it to the Haitians themselves? Katz, in effect, argues yes. Do research, find groups that have long-standing experience in Haiti with people who speak the local languages and actually understand the situation on the ground.

Katz also questions the conventional wisdom that the Haitian government is too corrupt to be entrusted with more of the money. He raises legitimate concerns about how people define corruption in Haiti and whether the definition is so broad that it is an impediment to strengthening the government in the long term.

Daughter needs to stop pressuring dad

Dear Annie: My family wants to move to another state. The only reason we haven't is because of my dad's



Annie's Mailbox

job. He has worked for the same company for 18 years and doesn't want to lose his retire-

ment benefits. I understand how important the job is, but the company could easily allow a transfer to another branch.

Whenever we try to talk to Dad about moving, he gets angry and yells at us or leaves the room in frustration. It's causing a lot of tension at home. We feel stuck and unhappy here, and that makes me upset with my father for not putting any effort into moving. He has told us many times that he wants to go somewhere else, yet he doesn't do anything to make it happen.

Dad was looking at real estate prices in a city we vacationed in this year, but seems to have forgotten about it. How do we help him see that moving is best for all of us? There is no downside. Other branches of the company pay better than the one he works at now, and there's also the possibility that he could find a job with an entirely different company that's even better for him.

I think Dad is worried about selling the house, but how will he know whether he can sell it if he doesn't try? He is so resistant to change. How can we help him? — **His Daughter**

Dear Daughter: Moving away may seem like a simple thing to you, but for your father, it is fraught with uncertainty. You don't know that his company would offer to transfer him. You don't know that he could find a better, or even an adequate, job somewhere else and start from scratch to support his family. You don't know that he could sell the house for enough to buy another one. All of these things weigh on his mind, and your constant pressure adds to his unhappiness and stress.

Here's how you can help Dad: Tell him you love him and you know he is doing what he thinks is best for the family. Don't bring up the subject again. He knows how you feel. Decide to make the best of the situation you have, and if you don't move away, you have the option of leaving on your own when you are an adult.

Dear Annie: My wife of 54 years passed away five years ago. This past year, I remarried. Here is my problem: My granddaughter is getting married this summer and has indicated that she would like a picture of her grandmother for the wedding. I assume she plans to display the picture.

I have told my daughter that it is time for the both of them to get over it. I also told her that it is incorrect to display a picture of a dead person at a wedding. Correct me if I'm wrong. — **Concerned**

Dear Concerned: You're wrong. Your granddaughter wishes to honor her grandmother, who did not live long enough to see her walk down the aisle. And while it would be inappropriate to make the entire wedding about Grandma, a small tribute would be lovely. You may have finished grieving for your late wife, but your daughter and her child still wish to remember her on this occasion. Please don't stand in their way.

Dear Annie: This is for "Not Anti-Social or Addicted to the Internet," the 56-year-old man who is looking to make new friends. I suggest taking up the game of tennis, where the players on the local courts are always looking for people to play and socialize with. Local tennis clubs are a great place to have fun and meet terrific people. Tennis also is a fantastic form of exercise. — **Jim**

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 - 8 Really excited
 - 14 Refuse to bite one's tongue
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 - 21 Highly decorated
 - 22 Online self-image
 - 23 *High-ranking administrator
 - 25 Mocha native
 - 26 Typically tough life phase
 - 27 ___ only take a minute
 - 28 Bygone U.N. member
 - 30 AAA offering
 - 31 Composer Telemann
 - 34 *Really pricey spread
 - 38 Far from certain
 - 41 Like some drafts
 - 43 Jack up
 - 44 Will Smith title role
 - 45 San ___: Calif. city or its county
 - 46 Slip into
 - 47 Doesn't interfere with
 - 51 *Home of a 360-member music group
 - 56 German import
 - 57 Speak bluish?
 - 58 Rattle
 - 59 Friend of Rabbit
 - 60 Chou En-___
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 - 64 "Ben-Hur" broke its Oscar record
 - 66 Yank's enemy
 - 68 Takes painkillers, say
 - 69 "'Love, Actually" actor
 - 72 *Get down and dirty?
 - 75 In a deft manner
 - 76 It may influence which club you choose
 - 77 Idyllic locale
 - 79 118-Across's home, familiarly
 - 80 ISP choice
 - 81 Reheat, in a way
 - 83 Quaintly small
 - 85 Not eating anyone's dust
 - 88 Creepy gaze
 - 90 *Teetotaler, for the night
 - 94 Cause to erupt
 - 96 Carry with effort
 - 97 Moved, as a lifeboat
 - 98 Monarch's reign, e.g.

- 99 Really advocate
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- 103 Modern diary
- 104 *Vera Wang's field
- 108 Martial arts mercenary
- 110 Important Dadaist
- 111 Thoroughly goes over
- 112 Bachelor finale?
- 114 Some ATM sites
- 118 Bruin rival
- 120 Cuddly toys, or what can be found at the two-letter
- 125 Nasty rumor
- 126 Was jealous of
- 127 They may be casual
- 128 "The Lion King" trio
- 129 Virginia et al.
- 130 Most astute

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- 5 Like a muumuu
- 6 Misspeak, say
- 7 General of Chinese cuisine
- 8 Lenient
- 9 Narrow-brimmed fedora
- 10 Réunion attendee
- 11 Chiang ___-shek
- 12 Limo driver's request, perhaps
- 13 Mighty storm
- 14 Union contract subject
- 15 Stayed too long at the fare?
- 16 Kitchen spray
- 17 "SNL" alum
- 18 Fruity soda brand
- 19 McDonald's fixture
- 24 Symbol of decency

- 29 Economical shorthand in store names
- 32 Mideast land
- 33 "Rodent" band since the 1980s
- 35 Jaworski of Watergate
- 36 Forearm-related
- 37 Official nix
- 38 Alpo rival
- 39 Smooth movement
- 40 Nolan Ryan, notably
- 42 West Indies island
- 45 Dimwit
- 46 Coffee pot remnant
- 48 Home with a between-floors entrance
- 49 Important thing
- 50 Musical dedicatee whose true identity is the subject of much speculation
- 52 Title woman in a Jolson classic
- 53 Web periodical
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- 55 Theater chain
- 62 Hanna-Barbera fan's purchase
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- 67 Chum
- 68 Tokyo brew
- 69 Crock-Pot utensil
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- 71 Sailing places
- 73 Let drain, as a sink
- 74 Modern greeting
- 78 Bumper defect
- 82 Maneuver, as a ship
- 84 Ached (for)
- 86 Prefix with nautical
- 87 Major bummer
- 89 At attention
- 90 Heads down
- 91 Source of knowledge
- 92 One less than vier
- 93 Celebrity chef
- 95 "Guerrilla Warfare" author

- 100 Super-popular
- 101 Stirs
- 102 Non-negotiable charge
- 103 Hero with a mask
- 104 Devise
- 105 Wide assortment
- 106 Barely leading
- 107 Prepare for additional use
- 109 Actress Pressly
- 113 "Bill & ___ Excellent Adventure"
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Dustin Hoffman does divas in directing debut 'Quartet'

By DAVID GERMAIN AP Movie Writer

TORONTO (AP) — At least Dustin Hoffman is honest when asked why it took him so long to make his directing debut. "I don't know," Hoffman said.

The 75-year-old Hoffman went behind the camera for "Quartet," starring Maggie Smith, Tom Courtenay, Billy Connolly and Pauline Collins as aging British opera divas at a retirement home for musicians who put aside past differences for a reunion concert.

"Quartet," which premiered at last September's Toronto International Film Festival, opened in a handful of theaters Jan. 11 and expanded to wider release Jan. 25.

Hoffman always wanted to direct, optioning stories, working on scripts, developing projects. He even started out to direct the 1978 ex-convict drama "Straight Time," in which he also was starring.

Hoffman cast the film, worked on the script with several writers and said he "even got myself secreted into San Quentin — which is another story — in a convict's outfit for about five hours before I got found out."

Clearly, it was Hoffman's passion project, but as he began watching dailies of the footage he had shot, he lost

confidence and "fired myself" as director. Hoffman turned to old friend Ulu Grosbard, who had directed him in "Who Is Harry Kellerman and Why Is He Saying Those Terrible Things About Me?," to finish "Straight Time," but it wound up being an acrimonious shoot as Hoffman continued to try to co-direct and their friendship chilled.

"Between that one and now, I don't know. I worked on stuff, I've developed stuff and talked myself out of it for whatever reason," Hoffman said in an interview at the Toronto festival.

"People will say, 'Well, you didn't do too badly, but nevertheless, we all would like to go back. I mean, it just goes under the heading of, I should have done this a long time ago. ... I should have, should have, should have. I should not have gone into acting. I should have stayed and become a jazz pianist and worked at it until I was good enough. That's the thing I most regret."

After "Straight Time," it took more than 30 years for Hoffman, a two-time Academy Award winner for "Kramer vs. Kramer" and "Rain Man," to try directing again. After finishing production on the 2008 romance "Last Chance Harvey" in London, Hoffman told cinematographer John de Borman to let him know if

any interesting scripts came his way for the actor to direct. Soon after, de Borman called Hoffman about "Quartet," which had been adapted by screenwriter Ronald Harwood from his stage play.

Hoffman read it on the plane flying home and was hooked. While his lead players are actors, Hoffman filled up the retirement home with real aging opera singers, "people who had performed in places like La Scala, but no one has rang their phone or knocked on their door in 20 years," he said.

"They're a special breed of people. Everything is heightened. I do think they're superhuman," Hoffman said. "They're like an exaggeration, kind of, of actors. I mean, we're all horny bastards but they're off the charts. And they're detached from themselves. 'How are you doing today, Maurice?' He says, 'The voice isn't good.' Not my voice. It's THE voice."

Just like his aging opera stars, Hoffman has found his acting choices diminishing as he ages. A stage star in his 20s, Hoffman hit it big in Hollywood at age 30 with "The Graduate" and had a solid run of leading roles well into his 50s.

Inevitably, he has fallen back mostly on secondary roles in his 60s and 70s.

"I think supporting roles by definition are two-dimen-

sional. You can't put the third dimension on it, you don't have the screen time to go home and see what their life is like," Hoffman said. "They're supporting the three-dimensional characters, and yes, I guess you do miss that, because you got used to trying to peel that onion in terms of those lead characters that you played."

The exception to losing out on lead roles as actors age "would be people that carry the gun. The people that hold the gun have a longer lifespan," Hoffman said. "John Wayne hung in there, Sean Connery hung in there. If you're an action star, the gun is a phallic symbol. It's the last thing to age."

New TV series to crown 'top hooker'

NEW YORK (AP) — How far can reality television go? A new competition series will debut this summer called "Top Hooker."

Get your mind out of the gutter. It's on Animal Planet, and it's about fishing.

The network says the show will pit teams of expert fishers competing in odd challenges, like fishing with outlandish tools, catching fish blindfolded and netting fish with their mouth. It's all catch-and-release.

The series will run for eight episodes and be based in California fishing spots.

Actor Jim Nabors weds male partner

HONOLULU (AP) — Jim Nabors, the actor best known for playing Gomer Pyle on TV in the 1960s, has married his longtime male partner.

Hawaii News Now reports Nabors, 82, and Stan Cadwallader, 64, traveled from their Honolulu home to Seattle to be married Jan. 15. Gay marriage became legal in Washington state last month.

The couple met in 1975 when Cadwallader was a Honolulu firefighter.

"I'm 82 and he's in his 60s and so we've been together for 38 years and I'm not ashamed of people knowing, it's just that it was such a personal thing, I didn't tell anybody," Nabors said. "I'm very happy that I've had a partner of 38 years and I feel very blessed. And, what can I tell you, I'm just very happy."

Nabors said he's been open about his homosexuality to co-workers and friends but never acknowledged it to the media before. He doesn't plan to get involved in the issue politically.

"I'm not a debater. And everybody has their own opinion about this and actually I'm not an activist, so I've never gotten involved in any of this," Nabors told Hawaii News Now.

Nabors became an instant success when he joined "The Andy Griffith Show" in spring 1963.

Jason London arrested after fight

PHOENIX (AP) — Authorities say actor Jason London has been arrested on suspicion of assault and disorderly conduct after an Arizona bar fight.

Scottsdale police say London allegedly sneezed on a man who then asked him to apologize, but London refused and instead hit the man in the face.

The Arizona Republic says the two men were escorted out of the bar, but London began pushing and cursing at firefighters trying to treat him and appeared extremely drunk. He was arrested early Monday.

London's Twitter account says "some guy thought I was hitting on his girl" and that several large bouncers beat him, breaking bones in his face. London added, "the truth will win" and "I hate Arizona."

London is best known for the 1993 movie "Dazed and Confused."

Lindsay Lohan car crash trial delayed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A judge has delayed Lindsay Lohan's trial on three misdemeanor counts filed after a June car crash.

Lohan appeared in court wearing a black dress and spoke only to confirm that she was changing her attorney.

Superior Court Judge Stephanie Sautner shook her head when she saw Lohan in her courtroom less than a year after warning the actress to stay out of trouble.

Sautner set a March 18 trial date and a March 1 hearing that Lohan is not required to attend.

Sautner previously sentenced Lohan to jail and house arrest in another case.

However, Sautner is retiring soon and another judge will hear the upcoming trial and any related motions.

Lohan has pleaded not guilty to lying to police, reckless driving and obstructing officers from performing their duties.

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