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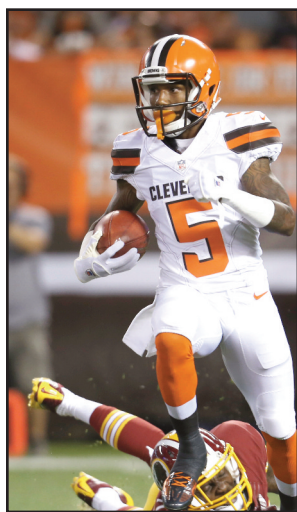


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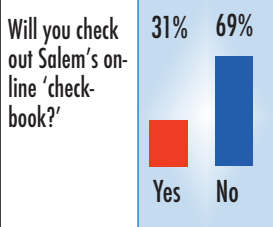
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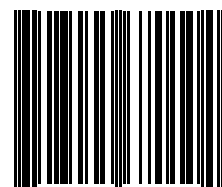
Today's question

The FDA has approved OxyContin for kids (11 and up). What's next, OxyContin candy?

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Woman pawned mom's TV for drug money

By **KATIE WHITE**
Staff Writer

LISBON — A woman who pawned her mother's TV set to further her drug habit was sentenced to 60 days in jail Thursday in Columbiana County Municipal Court, and her presence at the home of a recent meth lab bust was discussed during a separate hearing.

Courtney Wilson, 24, no known address, was sentenced following a plea agreement in which she pleaded no contest to misdemeanor theft, reduced from the original burglary charge, a second-degree felony. She was also fined \$150 and re-

quired to pay \$70 in restitution to Cashland in Salem, where she sold her mother's TV.

Prosecutor Don Humphrey said Wilson had been living off and on with her mother, Stephanie Weingart.

"She kind of helped herself to the house at the time ... she obviously needed money," he said of the theft, adding that that kind of behavior is "a strong indicator of a drug problem."

Weingart attended the preliminary hearing and gave her consent to the plea agreement but made no other comment.

"This has to be very difficult for

you because you don't want to get your daughter in trouble, but on the other hand you are probably concerned about the course of life she has chosen. I am very much aware of how difficult that decision was for you," Judge Mark Frost told her.

Her daughter, who was represented by attorney Eric Kibler, only commented once in response to Frost when he questioned her drug of choice.

She replied it was heroin. In addition to the jail and fines Frost also ordered Wilson to attend substance abuse counseling. A recommended two-year probation was not instituted yet, based on the meth

lab case.

Humphrey said additional charges for Wilson relating to that case will likely be coming from the grand jury.

Kibler made no comment on the future charges.

Wilson's presence was not required at the preliminary hearing for Ronald Lacey, 39, in which it was discussed that she was found sleeping in the same room as him at a home raided by the Columbiana County Drug Task Force last week.

Both are already serving time in the county jail after being picked up on county warrants during that raid.

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United BOE rehires Viscounte

By **KEVIN HOWELL**
Staff Writer

HANOVERTON— The United Local school board has rehired Steven Viscounte as school superintendent.

The board Wednesday night approved a one-year contract with the retired administrator at \$90,000 effective Sept. 1. The savings to the district is approximately \$27,000.

Viscounte retired June 30 after three years as superintendent. The board held a public hearing regarding his rehire at the beginning of the meeting.

In other business the board established a gifted coordinator position and approved a \$12,000 stipend for elementary principal Tina Hughes to fill it for the 2015-2016 school year. The district had previously contracted with the Columbiana County Educational Service Center for the service and will save nearly \$3,000 by filling the position in-house.

The board also transferred of Risa Smith from elementary physical education teacher to Eagles Next Academy On-line coordinator for the 2015-2016 school year; and hired Andrea Schiavone of East Rochester and Mary Cope of Kensington as part-time educational assistant bus aides and Nancy Miller and Jessica Smallwood as intervention tutors.

Additionally the board approved one-year supplemental contracts to Noleen Moore, varsity football cheerleading; Stacey Zines, freshman cheerleading; Aynalisse Moore, junior high cheerleading; Barry Bishop, assistant volleyball; Jeffery Daggy, assistant volleyball; Vaughn Harshman, seventh grade volleyball; Melissa Toot, eighth grade volleyball; Mike Ward, seventh grade football assistant; and Abbie Joyce, PBS coordinator.

Also at the meeting the board approved a one-year contract with the Multi County Attention Center to provide educational services to the Tobin Center, then hired Kimberly Barth as intervention tutor for the Louis Tobin Attention Center at a rate of \$20 per hour, with a maximum of 24 hours per week, funded by Title I D, and Leslie Arter, Lisbon, as part-time Tobin Secretary for up to five hours per week at \$12.73 per hour to be funded out of Tobin funds.



VISCONTE



Exploring outdoors

With the help of Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Matt Stevens of Bergholz, 6-year-old Destiny Hooper along with 3-year-old Sawyer Ketchum and sister 10-year-old Madison Ketchum touch a couple of the different fish that the fish management personnel caught when they shocked the creek. The kids, all residents of East Liverpool, were participating in the Explore the Outdoors event at Beaver Creek State Park last weekend. Right, Beaver Creek Wildlife Education Center curator Jim Kerr talks to 6-year-old Aiden Merriman of Wellsville about the animals. (Salem News photos by Patti Schaeffer)



Recent BL grad seen wearing stolen VB shirt, arrested

By **TOM GIAMBRONI**
Staff Writer

LISBON — A recent Beaver Local graduate has been charged in connection with items stolen during a recent break-in at the former middle school.

Ravenna M. Cianni, 18, Stagecoach Road, East Liverpool, was charged earlier this week with receiving stolen property after she was reportedly seen wearing one of the volleyball shirts stolen from the school.

Cianni pleaded not guilty to the charge, which is a first-degree misdemeanor, and bond was set at \$10,000 cash or surety bond in Columbiana

County Municipal Court. A pretrial hearing is scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday.

Volleyball shirts and up to \$40,000 in band instruments and equipment were among the items discovered stolen Aug. 6 from the Beaver Local Middle School. The school is scheduled for demolition as students prepare to move this year into the new K-12 school complex next door.

Later the same day, a school employee reported seeing Cianni wearing one of the stolen volleyball shirts at the Sheetz convenience store in Calcutta, according to the county sheriff's office report. High school principal Tom Cunningham was advised and he contacted

the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Ray Stone said a deputy went to Cianni's home and she gave him the shirt. She was arrested and charged with receiving stolen property on Aug. 11.

Stone said Cianni has declined to provide any information to investigators as to how she came in possession of the shirt. "We have other leads and it remains under investigation and we're looking at other people," he said.

Cianni is a 2015 graduate of Beaver Local High School, where she played basketball her sophomore and junior years.

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Good morning Lori Wilson. Thank you for subscribing to the Salem News.

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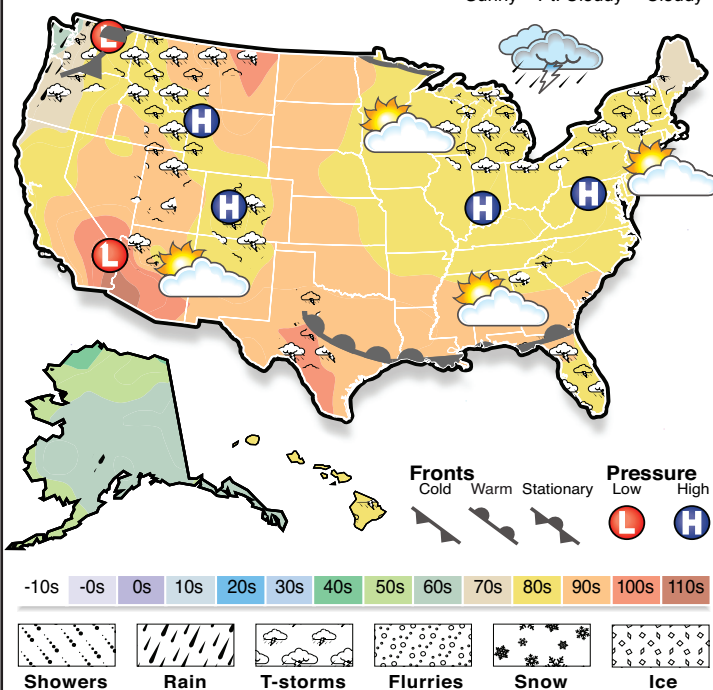
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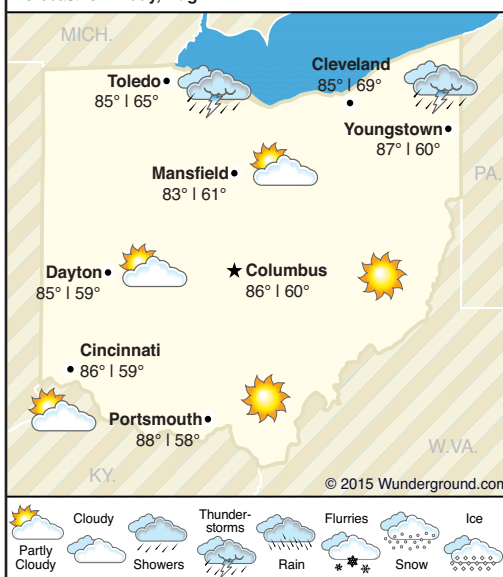
National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Aug. 14



Today's Forecast

Forecast for Friday, Aug. 14



ALMANAC

Today is Friday, August 14, the 226th day of 2015. There are 139 days left in the year. Ten years ago: Israel sealed the Gaza Strip to Israeli civilians, signaling the start of the historic withdrawal from the Gaza Strip. Five years ago: A day after weighing in on the issue, President Barack Obama repeated that Muslims had the right to build a mosque near New York's ground zero, but said he was not commenting on the "wisdom" of such a choice. One year ago: Nouri al-Maliki, Iraq's prime minister for eight years, relinquished the post to his nominated successor, ending a political deadlock.

Extended Forecast



NATION/WORLD

Truck bomb at Baghdad produce market kills 67; Islamic State claims responsibility

BAGHDAD (AP) — In one of the deadliest single attacks in postwar Baghdad, a truck bomb shattered a popular fruit-and-vegetable market in a teeming Shiite neighborhood Thursday, killing 67 people and wounding more than 150 others.

Militants from the self-described Islamic State claimed responsibility for the bombing that incinerated much of the Jameela market in the district of Sadr City. The dead and wounded were carried away in blood-soaked blankets and garbage bags amid the charred and twisted stalls and spilled produce.

The Sunni extremist group, which holds about a third of Iraq and neighboring Syria, said it targeted a gathering place for Shiites and vowed more attacks. It often attacks military checkpoints or predominantly Shiite areas with the goal of undermining confidence in the government's security efforts.

When it launched its major onslaught across northern Iraq last year, the Islamic State group vowed to continue on to Baghdad, but a mobilization of volunteer Shiite fighters deterred any significant attacks on the capital at that time.

For the past two weeks, thousands of Iraqis have staged protests calling on the government to take a firm stance against corruption and reckless spending. Many see the corruption in the security forces as a major cause for its failures.

US investigating whether Islamic State used chemical weapons against Kurds

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) — The United States is investigating whether the Islamic State used chemical weapons, the White House said Thursday, following allegations that IS militants deployed chemical weapons against Kurdish forces in northern Iraq.

Alistair Baskey, a spokesman for the White House's National Security Council, said the U.S. is taking the allegations "very seriously" and seeking more information about what happened. He noted that IS had been accused of using such weapons before.

"We continue to monitor these reports closely, and would further stress that any use of chemicals or biological material as a weapon is completely inconsistent with international standards and norms regarding such capabilities," Baskey said in a statement.

Earlier Thursday, Kurdish officials said their forces, known as peshmerga, were attacked the day before near the town of Makhmour, not far from Irbil. Germany's military has been training the Kurds in the area, and the German Defense Ministry said some 60 Kurdish fighters had suffered breathing difficulties from the attack — a telltale sign of chemical weapons use. But neither Germany nor the Kurds specified which type of chemical weapons may have been used.

Confirmation of chemical weapons use by IS would mark a dramatic turn in the U.S.-led effort to rout the extremist

group from the roughly one-third of Iraq and Syria that it controls.

EPA test results reveal Colorado spill's toxic stew as thousands of mines leak

SILVERTON, Colorado (AP) — It will take many years and many millions of dollars simply to manage and not even remove the toxic wastewater from an abandoned mine that unleashed a 100-mile-long torrent of heavy metals into Western rivers and has likely reached Lake Powell, experts said Thursday. Plugging Colorado's Gold King Mine could simply lead to an eventual explosion of poisonous water elsewhere, so the safest solution, they say, would be to install a treatment plant that would indefinitely clean the water from Gold King and three other nearby mines. It would cost millions of dollars, and do nothing to contain the thousands of other toxic streams that are a permanent legacy of mining across the nation.

Federal authorities first suggested a treatment plant for Gold King more than a decade ago, but local officials and owners of a nearby mine were reluctant to embrace a federally-sponsored cleanup.

"They have been not pursuing the obvious solution," said Rob Robinson, a retired abandoned mines cleanup coordinator for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. "My hope is this has embarrassed the hell out of them and they're going to finally take it seriously."

The Gold King delay illustrates a problem dwarfing the 3 million-gallon waste plume accidentally released by contractors working for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: There are about 500,000 abandoned mines nationwide, and only a fraction have been dealt with.

11-year-old impregnated in rape gives birth in Paraguay; abortion denied

ASUNCION, Paraguay (AP) — An 11-year-old girl who was denied an abortion after being raped gave birth Thursday, the culmination of a case that put a spotlight on child rape in this poor South American nation and drew criticism from human rights groups.

Elizabeth Torales, a lawyer for the girl's mother, told The Associated Press that the minor gave birth to a baby girl via cesarean in a Red Cross hospital in Asuncion, Paraguay's capital. She said reported there were no complications and both the mother and baby were resting.

"The baby doesn't yet have a name," said Torales, who added that her client and the girl's grandmother had requested custody of the infant.

Hospital director Mario Villalba told reporters outside the hospital that the birth took about 35 minutes. She said the girl would remain in the hospital for three or four days, "like any other patient who has had a cesarean."

The girl was allegedly raped and impregnated by her stepfather when she was 10. The stepfather has been arrested and is awaiting trial. The girl's mother has been charged with negligence.

Health law sign-ups pushing higher; nearly 1M used 'special enrollment periods'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly a million people signed up for health insurance under President Barack Obama's law even after the official enrollment season ended, helping push the share of uninsured Americans below 10 percent and underscoring how hard it could be for Republicans to dismantle the program.

The Health and Human Services Department said Thursday that 943,934 new customers have signed up since open enrollment ended on Feb. 22, benefiting from "special enrollment periods" keyed to life changes and other circumstances.

It's a flexible feature also common to the coverage people get through work. Sign-up opportunities for those experiencing changes such as having a baby or losing a job that came with health insurance are available year-round through HealthCare.gov and its state-run counterparts.

The steadily growing number of Americans with coverage under the five-year-old law could make it more difficult for Republicans to repeal "Obamacare" even if they win the White House and keep control of Congress in next year's elections. Several of the GOP presidential candidates have insisted they would scrap the law, but they would face the prospect of stripping millions of their insurance. Republican lawmakers also talk of replacing the Affordable Care Act, but the GOP has yet to rally behind an alternative.

Dirty air killing an estimated 1.6M a year in China, new US study finds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Air pollution is killing about 4,000 people in China a day, accounting for 1 in 6 premature deaths in the world's most populous country, a new study finds. Physicists at the University of California, Berkeley, calculated that about 1.6 million people in China die each year from heart, lung and stroke problems because of incredibly polluted air, especially small particles of haze. Earlier studies put the annual Chinese air pollution death toll at 1 to 2 million, but this is the first to use newly released Chinese air monitoring figures.

DRUGS

FROM 1A

Lacey appeared before Frost with Kibler as his attorney for a preliminary hearing on an illegal manufacture of methamphetamine charge.

After hearing testimony from the Lisbon department's representative on the DTF, who fielded questions from Humphrey and Kibler, Frost determined there was probable cause Lacey had committed a felony offense and the case was bound over to the county grand jury.

The agent said the task force obtained a warrant on Aug. 4 to search 40172 state Route 154 in Lisbon after receiving several tips over the course of many months that there was meth activity there.

The warrant was executed on Aug. 6 and the agent said the affidavit involved suspected drug activity by Lacey.

"We received numerous tips that he was not only manufacturing meth but was also selling it from that location," he said. "When we entered the house we encountered Mr. Lacey, Courtney Wilson ... and a 10-year-old child in the main living level of the house."

The child is the son of David Cope, and the agent said it appears Cope was renting the home for himself, his girlfriend and child, and Lacey and Wilson were occupants.

Lacey had been staying there about two or three months and Wilson told police she had arrived four days earlier, the agent said.

Once inside the home, he said officers also came across several drug paraphernalia items, suspected narcotics, digital scales with residue, syringes, smoking devices commonly used to snort or inhale narcotics, pneumatic acid, an acid gas generator, and a one pot meth lab.

The agent said they did not have to force entry into the home, but did force entry into the basement of the home, which was padlocked and contained the meth lab operation.

The basement was only accessible by key entry, and the location of the key remains unknown, although Cope had told him the keys were hanging near the sliding glass door and accessible to everyone.

Officers conducting a pat-down search of both Lacey and Wilson did not uncover any keys, the agent said.

However, that Lacey had some involvement in the operation could be linked to the "extraordinary" amount of pseudoephedrine he had purchased, since pseudoephedrine is one of the components used to make meth, he argued.

The amount of the drug Lacey purchased was monitored through an online database available to pharmacies and law enforcement to flag potential drug activity.

He said that Lacey had purchased so much pseudoephedrine he was eventually blocked from purchasing more.

Under state law, pharmacy customers cannot buy more than 9 grams of pseudoephedrine or ephedrine products over a period of 30 days without being blocked. Federal law limits the purchase of such drugs to 3.6 grams a day.

Other meth-making components found on the property were cut open lithium batteries, which the agent said are an "essential" part of the process.

An extracting tool was also found on a picnic table near the batteries, and aluminum foil balls and coffee filters were found in the room where Lacey and Wilson were sleeping, he added.

Kibler argued that because the basement was locked and no key was found on Lacey, he did not have access to the meth lab.

"I suggest there is no way my client could have or should have a charge of this particular offense. He was just crashing there. He obviously wasn't even a full resident of the premises. He didn't have access to the alleged lab," he said.

Humphrey wasn't swayed.

"External evidence of paraphernalia separate from the actual dangerous lab room in the basement was present in the immediate proximity of this defendant and his female companion," he said, adding that the fact Lacey was involved in the monitored purchase of pseudoephedrine should not be overlooked.

He also questioned Lacey's motivation for "crashing" at the home.

"He was there for no other purpose than for the purpose of manufacturing meth," Humphrey said.

Frost said it appeared there was probable cause and bound the matter over to the grand jury, setting Lacey's bond at \$250,000 due to the nature of the offense and his prior criminal history.

"This is a scourge upon this county," he said of the meth lab activity, which has increased over this year.

Additional charges are expected to be filed on Lacey as well, and he was also fined \$100 Thursday for a separate reckless operation charge.

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OUR SIDE

Keep politics out of state school board

In retrospect, it seems incredible that Ohio voters in 1953 believed an elected state board of education would keep politics out of the administration of public schools. But enough of them did that the constitutional amendment they approved that year both established the state board and stipulated its members were to be elected.

What should have been obvious in 1953 quickly became apparent. By definition, anyone elected to any position in government must be a practitioner of what some would call the dark art of politics.

By 1995, the need for change had become pressing. That year, the General Assembly created a hybrid board, adding eight members appointed by the governor to the 11 elected ones.

But the state's top layer of public school administration remains dysfunctional. Some of its members clearly are unhappy with the state superintendent of schools they hired, Dick Ross. And on a regular basis, scandals erupt within the state Department of Education. The most recent involved a high-ranking official who resigned after being caught withholding some data that was unflattering to a few charter schools.

So now the system of picking both the superintendent and board members is being discussed again. Gov. John Kasich believes he and his successors should have the authority to name state school superintendents and perhaps all board members.

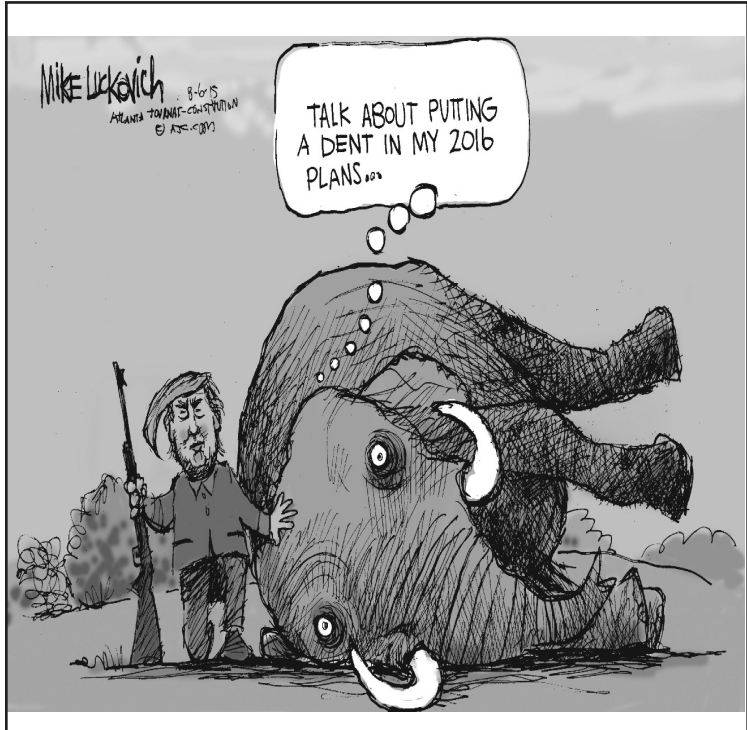
There are many systems of selecting state school superintendent and board members among the 50 states. But just eight use the ballot to name all state board members. Another three, including Ohio, use a mix of elected and appointed members.

It will be for Kasich, the General Assembly and perhaps voters to hash out what system Ohio uses in the future.

But if the goal is keeping politics out of governance of the public school system, neither state officials nor voters should even consider an all-elected state board.

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Bull in the Republican china shop



JULES WITCOVER

Who will save the Republican Party from the destructive and vulgar force of Donald Trump? Several of his rivals for the 2016 presidential nomination have stepped forward, but no common voice has emerged that might effectively purge the party of its current plague.

Trump may yet destroy himself with his crude assaults on newswomen, Mexicans, John McCain and others. But the mayhem offers an opportunity for one or more of his nomination rivals to emerge as the giant-killer and stand out from the so-far uninspiring rest of the GOP pack.

During the debate in Cleveland last week, when Trump got testy and offensive with Fox News moderators over their sharp questions to him, the other nine candidates on the stage held their tongues, speaking out only later, mostly mildly.

It fell to one of the seven left out of the prime debate, Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, to bear the lion at length. "I think we've crossed the Rubicon, where his behavior becomes about us, not just him," he told the Washington Post. "People gave Mr. Trump a pass on the stage. I understand that to a point, but we've crossed a line here that can't be ignored. There can be no more tiptoeing around this."

Graham said he hoped "the party leadership will push hard" against Trump's language, which pointedly insulted Fox anchor Megyn Kelly when she pressed him on using insulting words about women. After the debate, Trump then made an off-the cuff remark about "blood" taken by many as a reference to menstruation.

Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus had previously phoned Trump and asked him to "tone down" his rhetoric, which Trump brushed off. Graham said he urged Priebus and other leaders to declare that Trump's message "is not who we are, not where we're going to take the country and not what we believe."

The senator, who had polled too low to be invited to the principal debate, went on: "It's just like driving by

a car wreck without rendering aid. Donald Trump is an out-of-control car driving through a crowd of Republicans, and somebody needs to get him out of the car."

But Trump has only been encouraged by the greater attention coming his way and has said he has no intention of desisting. Graham's blast was a continuation of his attacks on Trump ever since the tycoon denied that McCain, Graham's closest friend in the Senate, was a Vietnam War hero because his plane was shot down and he was captured.

Another candidate denied a place on that stage, former Texas Gov. Rick Perry, had earlier criticized Trump for conducting a "barking carnival act." His candidacy, Perry added, "is a cancer on conservatism" that "must be clearly diagnosed, excised and discarded." But the Fox News debate format of moderators posing all questions offered little opportunity for the other candidates to do any of that.

A third candidate kept off the main debate stage by low polling numbers, former Hewlett-Packard chief executive Carly Fiorina, said later on CNN that Trump's remarks about Kelly and women generally were "completely inappropriate and offensive," and that women understood his reference to "blood."

Later also, other candidates offered mild rebukes, perhaps with a wary eye on Trump's more than 20 percent support in those polls.

Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul on Monday finally said: "If no one stands up to a bully, a bully will keep doing what he's doing. Unless someone points out the emperor has no clothes he might walk right to the nomination. We might nominate a reality TV star if we're not careful. Someone has to point out that the 'truth-telling' coming from Donald Trump is bluster, non sequitur and self-aggrandizement."

In any event, the next televised debate, on CNN, needs to offer a format that facilitates more discussion and debate among the candidates, if only to see whether these critics of Donald Trump have the stuff to take him on directly and collectively before millions of viewers. As a group, they need to make clear he doesn't speak for the Republican Party, lest it go down with his inevitable political demise.

Jules Witcover's latest book is "The American Vice Presidency: From Irrelevance to Power," published by Smithsonian Books. You can respond to this column at juleswitcover@comcast.net.

OTHER VOICES

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer, Aug. 6

The green is gathering, growing and getting people in Toledo and all along the western basin of Lake Erie in a tizzy. And well it should.

On Aug. 2, 2014, Toledo experienced an environmental crisis that left nearly 500,000 water customers without safe drinking water from their taps for three days. Phosphorus-fueled harmful algal blooms, the result of agricultural runoff, combined sewer overflows and other causes, had introduced microcystins — a liver toxin — to the city's Collins Park water treatment plant.

A year later, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Congress and the state legislature have taken meaningful steps to address the threat. But more needs to be done.

And — bit by bit — it is...

Ohio farmers are now on notice that practices must change. Ohio Gov. John Kasich signed Senate Bill 1 — the "Clean Lake Erie Act" — into law last April. It includes restrictions on applying manure and fertilizer when the ground is frozen and training and certification requirements for those who handle manure at large confined animal feeding operations...

Meanwhile, Toledo's water treatment plant has upgraded its water-filtration system and ability to detect toxic bacteria...

It will take time and tax dollars, but without urgent changes, the green will keep growing.

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The GOP Right provided Trump's warmup act



FROMA HARROP

There's this great scene from "Law & Order" where Detective Briscoe shows a victim's picture to a prostitute. He asks whether she knew of anyone who had "dated" him.

"I didn't, but he's cute," she says.

"You've been at this too long, honey." Briscoe

replies. "He's dead."

The political punditry seems unable to agree on whether Donald Trump's candidacy will survive the billionaire's latest barrage of rhetorical barbarities. We refer to his attacks on Fox News questioner Megyn Kelly and the infamous "blood" remark.

But all this presupposes that Trump is conducting a real, living candidacy rather than a mega-prank. By all appearances, he is using the Republican fringe's high toler-

ance of -- nay, appreciation for -- off-the-wall comments to expand the Trump brand at no cost to Trump. The billionaire also seems to be whipping up the right wing's hatred of establishments, including the Republican one, for fun and profit.

Face it. Some 24 million viewers didn't tune in to the Fox News debate just to hear Trump say outrageous things. They wanted to see him make the other candidates suffer.

Trump's performance led to his banishment from the subsequent RedState debate. Its organizer, Erick Erickson, explained, "I don't want my daughter in the same room" as Trump.

Sounds chivalrous, but Erickson's coat of armor is not without chinks. It was Erickson who attributed feminists' anger to their "being too ugly to get a date." And he called Michelle Obama a "Marxist harpy wife."

That armor evidently needs repair, for Erickson now seems hurt by the pro-Trump blowback. "I have emails from people referring to Megyn Kelly as a 'whore,'" he complained. "I have emails from people

referring to me as 'gay.' I have emails referring to the president by the N-word and (saying) that Donald Trump is standing up to all of us."

Imagine such sensitivity coming from the man who writes such blog posts as "Is Obama Shagging Hookers Behind the Media's Back?" That's when he's not writing deep religious tracts.

This is the ballpark Republicans have been playing in. Trump may say things that are dumb and crude, but they're no dumber or cruder than the musings of the right-wing spokesmen whom party leaders routinely court.

Erickson can portray himself as a bulwark against indecency, but he's really been Trump's warmup act. Without his and others' normalization of lunatic statements, Trump would never have gotten as far as he has.

One feels for the respectable Republicans dragged into these environs. It was sad to see Ohio Gov. John Kasich pummeled at the Fox News debate for having humanely expanded Medicaid in his state. It was unfortunate but inevitable that

someone (this time Rand Paul) would slam New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie for having publicly hugged President Obama. The context, some may remember, was the president's visit and offer of federal help after the devastation of Superstorm Sandy.

On the other hand, Christie and other Republicans had no problem sharing the stage with the likes of Erickson.

The Huffington Post last month moved its Trump coverage to the entertainment section from politics. Jay Rosen, a well-known media analyst, praised the decision as "the work of fed-up and free-thinking adults."

But the move has irked political writers at The Washington Post. Are they merely defending their turf? Or have they been at this too long?

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BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

China dampens fears of more big devaluations

BEIJING (AP) — China tried Thursday to ease fears of more big declines for the yuan as companies from global automakers to Chinese clothing exporters faced a new era of uncertain exchange rates.

There is “no basis for persistent and substantial devaluation,” said a deputy central bank governor, Zhang Xiaohui, at a news conference. Zhang said the yuan is close to “market levels” after two days of sharp declines.

By late Thursday in the U.S., the yuan was down 3 percent since Tuesday’s surprise announcement of a more flexible exchange rate. The People’s Bank of China said the change was aimed at making the tightly controlled yuan more market-oriented.

2 jumbo phones from Samsung expected

NEW YORK (AP) — Samsung has unveiled two new Android smartphones with jumbo screens as it seeks to recapture some of the sales lost to Apple after larger iPhones came out last year.

Samsung said Thursday that the new Galaxy Note 5 and S6 Edge Plus will start shipping Aug. 21 in the U.S. and Canada. Usually, Note phones don’t come out until well after Apple’s new iPhone models in September.

Food banks struggle to meet demand

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Food banks across the United States are seeing a rising demand for free groceries despite the growing economy, leading some charities to reduce the amount of food they offer each family.

U.S. food banks are expected to give away about 4 billion pounds (1.81 billion kilograms) of food this year, more than double the amount provided a decade ago, according to Feeding America, the nation’s primary food bank network. The group gave away 3.8 billion in 2013.

Shopping for back-to-school deal? All in timing

NEW YORK (AP) — The start of the school year is just around the corner, and you haven’t shopped yet?

Don’t fret. To get the best deals, it’s all in the timing. Need sweater? Wait until later in the fall. Backpacks? Hold off until late September, if you can.

Of course, some discounters have consistently low prices. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., which pushes everyday low prices, has launched extra discounts for the back-to-school shopping period. Earlier this month, it launched thousands of new price cuts, including on the 10 most-searched items online, so an assortment of \$12.88 backpacks are now \$7.

Women challenge Japan’s male bastion

TOKYO (AP) — Some jobs in Japan, a nation known for its poor record on gender equality, have been off limits to women for ages. The sushi counter, for one.

Sushi is emblematic of Japan’s profound cultural influence globally. It has crossed borders, acquiring non-Japanese ingredients such as avocado in the process. That, however, is the limit of the cultural interchange.

Deeply rooted stereotypes such as the so-called “Edo-style” macho demeanor of sushi chefs and belief women’s warmer body temperature leads to inferior taste have kept sushi preparation an almost exclusively male domain in Japan.

July retail sales up, aided by autos, restaurants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans bought more cars, restaurant meals and building supplies in July, a rise in spending that points to steady economic growth anchored by an improving job market.

Retail sales climbed 0.6 percent last month after a flat reading in June, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

July’s increase suggests that the combination of solid hiring and cheaper gasoline is contributing to rising consumer confidence and spending after a muted start to 2015. Greater retail sales could help boost overall economic growth because consumer spending accounts for the bulk of U.S. economic activity.

Average of jobless claims falls to 15-year low

WASHINGTON (AP) — More people sought U.S. unemployment aid last week, but the average for the past month fell to the lowest level in 15 years, a sign that few employers are cutting jobs.

The Labor Department said Thursday that applications for jobless benefits rose 5,000 to a seasonally adjusted 274,000 last week. Yet the four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped 1,750 to 266,250, the lowest since April 15, 2000.

The figures indicate that six years after the Great Recession forced 8.5 million layoffs, Americans are enjoying solid job security. Economists note that when adjusted for population growth, the current level of applications is likely at all-time lows.

Business stockpiles jump in June

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. businesses boosted their stockpiles in June by the largest amount in more than two years.

Businesses increased their stockpiles by 0.8 percent in June, the biggest increase since January 2013, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

Economists are hoping that strong gains in employment over the past year will help boost consumer spending in the months ahead, encouraging businesses to keep building their inventories. If consumer demand doesn’t rise, businesses could start cutting back on restocking, which would be a drag on the economy.

Mortgage debt little changed as sales, prices rise

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans are buying more homes and at higher prices, yet new data shows that mortgage debt is little changed. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York said Thursday that outstanding U.S. mortgage debt slipped 0.7 percent in the April-June quarter to \$8.12 trillion. That is up slightly from a year ago and about the same level as three years ago when the housing market bottomed.

Deadly blast disrupts world’s 10th largest port

SHANGHAI (AP) — Explosions that sent huge fireballs through China’s Tianjin port have disrupted the flow of cars, oil, iron ore and other items through the world’s 10th largest port.

The blast sent shipping containers tumbling into one another, leaving them in bent, charred piles. Rows of new cars, lined up on vast lots for distribution across China, were reduced to blackened carcasses.

Ships carrying oil and “hazardous products” were barred from the port Thursday, the Tianjin Maritime Safety Administration said on its official microblog. It also said vessels were not allowed to enter the central port zone, which is near the blast site.

New Coca-Cola position seen as next CEO

NEW YORK (AP) — Coca-Cola said Thursday it named company veteran James Quincey as president and chief operating officer, creating a new No. 2 position and potential CEO successor in its chain of command.

The world’s largest beverage company said the appointment is effective immediately, and that its operating groups will now report to Quincey. CEO Muhtar Kent said that will free him up to focus on the company’s long-term strategy.

FDA OKs OxyContin for kids 11 and older

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration on Thursday approved the powerful painkiller OxyContin for a new use in children 11 to 16 who are suffering from severe, long-term pain.

OxyContin is an extended-release opioid that has long been used to treat around-the-clock pain in adults. But most pain medications are not approved for use in children.

The FDA said it asked drugmaker Purdue Pharma to study how to safely use OxyContin in children. “This program was intended to fill a knowledge gap and provide experienced health care practitioners with the specific information they need to use OxyContin safely in pediatric patients,” Sharon Hertz, an FDA drug division director, wrote in an online post.

Under the new approval, doctors are directed to only prescribe OxyContin to children who can already tolerate a minimum dose of 20 milligrams of oxycodone, the drug ingredient in OxyContin. Taking a sudden dose of an opioid can lead to overdose and death if patients haven’t previously been exposed to the drug type.

The FDA notes that the Duragesic patch, which releases fentanyl, is the only other opioid approved for children.

OxyContin was re-formulated in 2010 to discourage patients from crushing the tablets for snorting or injection. Purdue Pharma discontinued the older version of its blockbuster drug, which was long associated with problems of addiction, overdose and death.

The FDA notes that the same health warnings that apply to adults apply to children taking OxyContin. Physicians should not combine the drug with any other medications that can add to its sedating effects, which could lead to breathing difficulties.

As a condition of approval, the FDA is requiring Stamford, Connecticut-based Purdue to conduct a follow-up study examining rates of injury, overdose, accidents and medication errors in patients ages 11 to 17. The final study is due April 2019.

Doctors prescribe opioids for a wide range of ailments, from post-surgical pain to arthritis and migraines. Medical experts continue to disagree over the appropriate role of the drugs, with some arguing that they should be reserved for the most severe cases, such as cancer pain or end-of-life care. The FDA mentions severe pain due to trauma, surgery or cancer as potential uses for opioids in children.

OxyContin was the first in a class of long-acting opioids designed to deliver powerful, around-the-clock pain relief. The pills and tablets are formulated to slowly release their drug contents over 12 or more hours. But abusers often try to get a massive, heroin-like high by releasing the entire dose at once via chewing, snorting or injecting crushed tablets’ contents.

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ACROSS OUR COMMUNITIES

Free clothing giveaway set in Sebring
SEBRING — A free clothing giveaway for children and adults will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Acts 2 Clothing Closet behind Pine Lake Christian Church, 636 Pine Lake Road.

There are no restrictions based on income or employment. Donations of good, gently used clothing items for any season are welcome.

For more information about the clothing closet, Acts 2 Ministries or to arrange a donation of clothing contact 330-938-2561 or ACTS2WBSebring@gmail.com.

Leetonia school board to meet Tuesday
LEETONIA — The Leetonia Exempted Village School Board August meeting has been changed to 6 p.m. Tuesday in Room 20 of the K-12 campus.

Car show set at Nazarene Church Tuesday
COLUMBIANA — A car show featuring free registration will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Nazarene Church, 330 N. Elm St. The event offers food and games and music provided by the Canfield Community Band.

Haddock fish fry planned Aug. 21
WASHINGTONVILLE — The public is invited to a haddock fish fry from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 21 at Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5532. Carryouts are available by calling 330-427-2533.

Salem 2009 to join Habitat project
SALEM — The Salem High School Class of 2009 will be joining Habitat for Humanity of Northern Columbiana County for a volunteer build day from 4 to 8 p.m. Aug. 22 at 564 Bank St. All students from the class of 2009, as well as family and friends, are encouraged to volunteer and asked to call or text Alli Ward at 330-853-5674 if able to attend.

WB Middle School schedule pick-up
BELOIT — Schedule pick-up, open house and orientation have been announced at West Branch Middle School.

Schedule pick-up for all sixth, seventh and eighth-grade students will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 20 at the middle school. Students are welcome to bring in their school supplies for their locker.

Open house and orientation for all fifth-grade students will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 24 at the middle school. At 5:30 p.m., a parent informative meeting begins with Principal Roger Kitzmiller in the cafeteria. Students can meet their teachers and receive their schedules and bus information. Students are welcome to bring in their school supplies. Parents are encouraged to attend.

All students who are new to the middle school are invited to attend an orientation at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 24 in the cafeteria. Students will receive their schedules and are welcome

to bring in their school supplies. Parents are encouraged to attend.

The first day of classes is Aug. 25.

KSU EL to offer trainer course
EAST LIVERPOOL — Kent State University at East Liverpool is offering a course this fall for anyone interested in becoming a personal trainer. The course teaches students about the body, fitness, exercise and nutrition, as well as preparing them for the exam to become a certified personal trainer.

This is a three-credit-hour course and has no prerequisites. The class meets on Wednesdays from 2:15 to 5:15 p.m. for 16 weeks. The first class is Sept. 2.

All students who complete the course are eligible to sit for the personal training certification examination through the National Council on Strength and Fitness (www.ncsf.org). The cost of the exam is \$299 and is not included in the course fees.

The class is limited to 16 students. For details about the class and information on registering, contact Katie Sutton at ksutton1@kent.edu or call 330-385-3805.

Beaver Twp. Autumn Fest planned
BEAVER TWP. — The Beaver Township Park Board is hosting its Autumn Fest from 1 to 5 p.m. Sept. 19 at the Township Nature Preserve on state Route 165. There are still spots available for craft vendors and antique tractors. For more information contact the park office at 330-549-9552.

Backbeat to perform in Salem concert
SALEM — The Salem Summer Concert Series will host John Reese's group, Backbeat, at 6 p.m. Sunday at Waterworth Memorial Park. John Reese is well known in the area as founder and leader of JazzBone Productions offering three exciting and diverse bands that play in many events in the Youngstown-Cleveland-Pittsburgh area. His group, jrj, performed at the concert series last month. Reese will be leading Backbeat, playing big band music, swing, jazz, oldies rock and roll, Motown, disco, funk, pop and soul. Admission is free. Bring your lawn chairs and picnic basket if desired. A food vendor will be available to purchase snacks and soft drinks. For more information call the Salem Parks Department at 330-332-5512.

Fun Day planned at Lisbon pool Sunday
LISBON — The annual ADAPT Family Fun Day for Lisbon children and their families will be held at the village pool and park from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Hosted by the local ADAPT Council, the event is free and includes food, games and face painting. Backpacks containing school supplies will be given away from 1 to 3 p.m., compliments of the Lisbon Ministerial Association, along with bags containing hygiene products. Free back-to-school clothing will also be available.

W. Va. man gets 48 months in prison for burglary, forgery charges

LISBON — A West Virginia man received a hefty prison term after pleading guilty to committing nine property crimes in Columbiana County.

John P. Hawkey, 20, of New Cumberland, W.Va., was sentenced to 46 months in prison by county Common Pleas Court Judge C. Ashley Pike after pleading guilty to four counts of receiving stolen property, three counts of forgery and two counts of burglary.

The sentences are to begin after Hawkey completes his prison sentence on felony charges in West Virginia.

Hawkey's crimes in this county occurred in June and July of 2014. During that period he burglarized the homes of Oliver Humphrey, Orchard Grove, East Liverpool, and Tracey Blakeley, Cadmus Street, East Liverpool. The receiving stolen property and forgery charges involved stolen checks belonging to Chelsea L. Smith and Joanne

and Michael Anderson.

In other court action, Mexico Pitts, 28, of Empire, was sentenced to one year in prison by Judge Pike after he pleaded guilty to failing to notify the county sheriff of a change in address, which he is required to do since he is a registered sex offender because of a prior rape conviction from when he was a juvenile. He was granted credit for 179 days already spent in the county jail.

Pitts was living at a registered address on McKaig Road, Hanoverton, when he moved to Belmont County last fall without tell authorities. This was his third such offense.

James Heverly, 42, South Ellsworth Avenue, Salem, was sentenced to three years probation by Judge Pike after pleading guilty to receiving stolen property. Heverly was caught trying to sell 1,145 pounds of copper wire to a Salem scrap dealer in April 2014. The wire, valued at \$2,977, had been stolen from All Demolition & Co.

COMMON PLEAS COURT

New Cases

Paul A. Stiffler of Salem and Tia M. Stiffler of Salem; dissolution sought.

County Treasurer v. Donald Menear, et al; delinquent property tax foreclosure sought against property on Y & O Road, East Liverpool.

Docket Entries

Wells Fargo Bank v. Aaron J. West, et al; property withdrawn from sheriff's sale by bank.

Youngstown State University v. Angela Bowers-Brown; \$2,334 judgment awarded to YSU.

County Treasurer v. Patricia Blinn-Moffett, et al; delinquent property tax foreclosure action dismissed

by treasurer.

County Treasurer v. Maxine M. Hartman, et al; delinquent property taxes paid, case dismissed.

County Treasurer v. Louis Deluca, et al; delinquent tax foreclosure ordered against property on Auburn Avenue, East Liverpool.

Marriage Licenses

Thomas E. Stewart Jr., 20, of New Waterford, welder; and Kate L. Bauman, 27, of Minerva, unemployed.

Donald T. Hughes, 37, of East Rochester, labor; and Amanda L. Boyce, 29, of East Rochester, extruder operator.

SHERIFF

— Tonya Sandoe, Columbiana-Lisbon Road, Columbiana, reported Tuesday she and her husband are in the process of being evicted but the landlord, Rita Welce, keeps coming into the yard and moving things around. Welce said all she was doing was mowing the lawn because the Sandoes would not.

— Burdell Lee Blackmore, Fredericktown-Clarkson Road, Negley, reported Tuesday night a woman by the name of Samantha stole a 9 mm Beretta handgun from his home. He believes she lives between East Palestine and Petersburg.

— Susan Bailey of Chester, W.Va., reported she and her daughter purchased two of the classroom trailers from the former West Point Elementary School at auction. On Wednesday they went to the school to check on the trailers and found that they were being used for a training exercise by the West Point and Glenmoor fire departments. Bailey said the firefighters she spoke to told her they forced their way into the trailers. She was advised to contact Beaver Local school officials about the situation.

Yellowstone park officials euthanize bear that ate hiker

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Yellowstone National Park officials euthanized a grizzly bear Thursday after DNA tests confirmed it attacked and killed a hiker last week, a park spokeswoman said.

The adult female bear was killed because it had eaten part of the Montana man's body and hid the rest, which is not normal behavior for a female bear defending its young, spokeswoman Amy Bartlett said. "If a bear consumes an individual, it's not allowed to remain in the population," she said. "It's not a risk we're willing to take."

An autopsy confirmed 63-year-old Lance Crosby of Billings died of a bear attack. He worked as a nurse in the park's medical clinics and was hiking alone and without bear spray in the park's Lake Village area.

His body was found by park rangers Friday about a half-mile from the nearest trail. It was hidden by dirt and pine needles and had wounds that indicated Crosby tried to fight back.

Park officials captured the adult bear that night and its two cubs later. DNA tests confirmed bear hair samples collected next to Crosby's body belonged to the adult grizzly and teeth wounds found on Crosby's body matched the bear, Bartlett said.

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► **PREP SPORTS**

West Branch heads to Region 11

COLUMBUS — The Ohio High School Athletic Association released its revised enrollment numbers on Thursday and there were a few changes as far as local football programs are concerned.



and Youngstown Ursuline, who were initially assigned to Div. V, Region 15 were pushed up to Div. IV in the revised division assignments.

Due to OHSAA deciding not to add STEM and community (charter) school totals to public school enrollments to determine divisions because of pressure from urban school districts statewide, there was a lot of shifting around in the higher divisions.

All of the area schools are Div. IV or lower, so the impact was minimal.

East Liverpool, who was set to play in Div. III when initial numbers were released in June, has moved down a division. The Potters will be in Div. IV, Reg. 13 along with Beaver Local, Salem and Minerva. West Branch, who was set to play in Reg. 13, has been assigned to Reg. 11.

Assigned to Div. V, Region 15 and unchanged from the June survey are Crestview, East Palestine and South Range. Parochial powers Cardinal Mooney

Residing in Div. VI, Reg. 19 for the next two seasons are Columbiana, Lisbon, Southern, Springfield, United and Western Reserve. None of those schools changed positions with the release of the revised numbers.

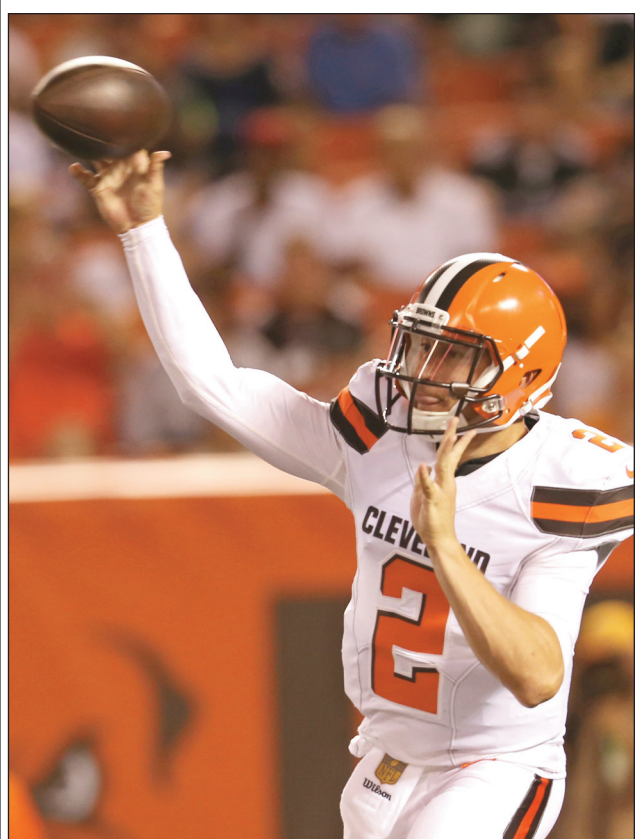
Sebring, Wellsville and Leetonia are the area's only Div. VII schools. They will play in Region 23.

Breakdowns for football divisions are as follows: Div. I (581 or more), Div. II (361-580), Div. III (257-360), Div. IV (186-256), Div. V (144-185), Div. VI (100-143), Div. VII (99 or less).

Enrollment Numbers For 2015-16, 2016-2017 school years REVISED NUMBERS AS OF AUG. 13		
	MALE	FEMALE
BEAVER LOCAL	245	211
COLUMBIANA	134	126
CRESTVIEW	161	136
EAST LIVERPOOL	230	221
EAST PALESTINE	145	122
HEARTLAND	20	37
LEETONIA	91	79
LISBON	102	107
MINERVA	227	242
SALEM	244	202
SEBRING	63	83
SOUTH RANGE	152	178
SOUTHERN	105	100
SPRINGFIELD	118	144
UNITED	129	141
WELLSVILLE	91	72
WEST BRANCH	228	240
WESTERN RESERVE	104	85

JUNE TOTALS		
BEAVER LOCAL	261	231
COLUMBIANA	125	104
CRESTVIEW	162	116
EAST LIVERPOOL	260	223
EAST PALESTINE	172	145
HEARTLAND	33	31
LEETONIA	109	90
LISBON	125	109
MINERVA	256	244
SALEM	236	235
SEBRING	69	75
SOUTH RANGE	145	169
SOUTHERN	121	91
SPRINGFIELD	124	142
UNITED	167	159
WELLSVILLE	98	93
WEST BRANCH	267	269
WESTERN RESERVE	101	86

► **NFL**



Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel passes in the second quarter of an NFL preseason football game against the Washington Redskins, Thursday in Cleveland. (AP Photo/Ron Schwane)

QBs look sharp in exhibition

CLEVELAND (AP) — Josh McCown threw a touchdown pass in his debut for Cleveland and backup Johnny Manziel scrambled for a TD as the Browns, busting out new uniforms for the first time, built an early lead before losing 20-17 to the Washington Redskins on Thursday night in their exhibition opener.

McCown, signed during the offseason to bring stability to Cleveland's troublesome position, connected with Travis Benjamin on a 2-yard TD in the first quarter. Manziel ran 12 yards for a score in the second.

Washington's Robert Griffin III went 4 of 8 passing for 36 yards during two possessions with the starters. Griffin would have thrown a TD pass, but wide receiver Pierre Garcon dropped a long toss.

Kirk Cousins rallied the Redskins, who trailed 14-3 in the second quarter. Cousins ran for a TD and went 12 of 14 for 154 yards.

The win was costly for Washington, which lost starting tight end Niles Paul and backup running back Silas Reed to serious leg injuries. Both players were carted off the field.

McCown, who went just 1-10 as a starter last year with Tampa Bay, was sharp during his one series. The 36-year-old completed all five passes and displayed a veteran's poise when he

bought time in the pocket to allow Benjamin to get open for Cleveland's opening TD.

Washington's first-team offense didn't produce a touchdown in the preseason last year, a drought that foreshadowed Griffin's struggles in his third season.

The Redskins have been pleased with Griffin's improvement in training camp under new quarterbacks coach Matt Cavanaugh, and RG III made a couple of nice throws during his brief time on the field against the Browns.

Rolling from pressure, Griffin took a hit in the mid-section from linebacker Paul Kruger, but delivered a strike to Ryan Grant for a 22-yard gain.

Manziel has shown maturity on and off the field following a disastrous rookie season, and the 2012 Heisman Trophy winner made a smart play when he tucked the ball away and darted into the end zone for his TD. But unlike a year ago, Manziel didn't celebrate by flashing his signature "money" sign, a gesture he has promised never to do again.

Cousins, battling Colt McCoy to back up Griffin, ran 4 yards for a TD and led the Redskins on a go-ahead scoring drive in the third quarter.

The Redskins outgained the Browns 368-170.

► **BASEBALL**

Home runs sink Tribe

CLEVELAND (AP) — Brian McCann hit a three-run homer, Stephen Drew also connected and the New York Yankees broke a five-game losing streak with an 8-6 win over the Cleveland Indians on Thursday night.

New York remained a half-game behind AL East-leading Toronto, which has won 11 in a row. The teams begin a three-game series in Toronto on Friday night, a week after the Blue Jays swept a three-game series at Yankee Stadium.

Limited to a total of six runs during their skid, the Yankees shook loose as McCann homered in the first inning. Drew hit a solo homer in the second, added

an RBI double in the fourth and wound up scoring a career-high four runs.

Brett Gardner got three hits and drove in three runs for New York.

Nathan Eovaldi (12-2) won his seventh straight decision, allowing four runs in 5 1/3 innings. The right-hander hasn't lost since June 16, a span of 10 starts.

Andrew Miller, who blew his first save of the season Tuesday, allowed a run in the ninth on Carlos Santana's single but struck out Abraham Almonte to end the game. Miller is 25 for 26 in save situations.

Trevor Bauer (9-10) gave up six runs in 3 1/3 innings as Cleveland's four-game winning streak ended.

The Indians rallied from a four-run deficit and cut

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► **PREP TENNIS — LORDSTOWN AT SALEM**



Salem's Anna Ostapiak returns the ball in a singles match against Lordstown on Thursday at Centennial Park. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)



Ashtyn Morris (at left) and Rebecca Linam (above) compete against Lordstown on Thursday. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)

Salem has no trouble with Lordstown

SALEM — Salem's girls tennis team won a 5-0 decision over Lordstown at Centennial Park.

Salem is 1-0, while Lordstown fell to 0-3.

Salem is at Beaver Local on Monday.

FIRST SINGLES: Ashtyn Morris (S) def. Hannah Emerson 6-3, 6-0
SECOND SINGLES: Rebecca Linam (S) def. Victoria Wickline 6-0, 6-0
THIRD SINGLES: Anna Ostapiak (S) def. Jana

Weekly 6-0,7-5
FIRST DOUBLES: Kiersten Quinn-Emma Stiffler (S) def. Karley Allen-Jenny Layfield 6-1, 6-0
SECOND DOUBLES: Salem won by forfeit.

McDonald 4, United 1
McDONALD—United was defeated by McDonald 4-1 in girls tennis action Thursday.

Grace Maroscher picked up the only win of the afternoon for the Eagles (0-3).

United hosts West Branch Monday.

FIRST SINGLES: Grace Maroscher (U) def. Sarah Martin, 6-1, 6-3.
SECOND SINGLES: Iva Domitrovich (MD) def. Courtney Sanlo, 6-2, 6-2.
THIRD SINGLES: Olivia Lovas (MD) def. Haylee Hawk, 6-1, 6-1.
FIRST DOUBLES: Megan Deluga-Hannah Donkers (MD) def. Ashley Hahn-Kari Andric, 6-2, 6-2.
SECOND DOUBLES: Britney Smith-Makayla Ford (MD) def. Mariah Grate-Katelyn Maze, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.



PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Johnson sets the early pace

PGA Championship At Whistling Straits, Straits Course Sheboygan, Wis. Yardage: 7,501; Par 72 (36-36) Thursday's First Round

Table listing golfers and their scores for Thursday's first round of the PGA Championship. Includes names like Dustin Johnson, David Lingmerth, Russell Henley, etc.

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. (AP) — Rory McIlroy was nervous about his game. Jordan Spieth was frustrated with his putting.

Not so surprising about the opening round of the PGA Championship on Thursday was Dustin Johnson. He was leading. Shaking off a double dose of disappointment in the majors, Johnson breezed his way to a 6-under 66 in moderate morning conditions at Whistling Straits and wound up with a one-shot lead over David Lingmerth of Sweden. It was the fifth time in 13 rounds at the majors this year that Johnson had at least a share of the lead.



Dustin Johnson hits a drive on the 10th hole during the first round of the PGA Championship tournament Thursday at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis. (AP Photo/Chris Carlson)

Just never on Sunday, which he knows all too well. "It's only the first round," Johnson said. It was a big start for McIlroy, and a shaky one for Spieth. They were the main event in the first round of the final major. McIlroy has not played since the U.S. Open, out for 53 days because of an injury to his left ankle and mildly curious whether his game would be sharp enough to compete. Adding to the buzz was playing with Spieth, the Masters and U.S. Open champion who is closing in on McIlroy's No. 1 ranking. "It's not that. It's more just being a little bit anxious coming back and seeing how my game is going to react whenever I'm put under a little bit of pressure and have a card in my hand and have to really score," McIlroy said. "Once I got those first couple of holes out of the way, I felt like I settled into the round really nicely."

match McIlroy with a 71. Considering they played in a strong wind and tough afternoon conditions, it was a reasonable start.

son said. "But I was swinging well and I was hitting the shots where I was looking. So anytime you're doing that, it makes things a lot easier on you. The ball was going where I was looking. I was controlling it. In this wind it's tough to do, but I did a great job of controlling the golf ball today."

was a little bit deeper on the right side, so I just rolled my right trouser leg up and it was fine. I just had to remember to hit it hard. And I was very fortunate to escape with a par there."

him. He wasted an easy birdie chance on the short 10th hole by chipping 12 feet by the hole. He three-putted from about 15 feet on the par-5 11th for a bogey. After going just long of the par-3 12th, he had to play a chip because of a sprinkler head in his line.

Three birdies on the par 5s, and one big par save with his feet in the water, carried him to a 71. Spieth doesn't usually go 11 holes without making a putt of any length, and frustrations were starting wear on him until he chipped in from behind the 12th green for birdie which steadied him enough to

It certainly was for Johnson.

The one par McIlroy made on the par 5s was as big as his three birdies.

That shot made for good TV. Good for his soul was getting that first tee shot out of the way, and especially the 3-wood he hit pure as ever onto the green at the par-5 second that led to birdie.

The chip came out hot, and Spieth figured it would have gone some 12 feet by the hole. Spieth said he was pleading it for it to hit the pin, if nothing else to keep it near the hole. It hit straight on and dropped for a birdie he badly needed. "If I didn't get that good break on 12, it could have been a different story the rest of the round," he said.

GOLF

Rebels gain third win of season by besting Trojans

NORTH BENTON — Crestview pulled out a 189-203 win over Sebring at the Sebring Country Club on Thursday.

Raiders with a 38 to take home medalist honors. Ryan Turnbull backed him up with a 40, while John Popa had a 43 and Trent Harrold shot 44.

Dumbauld shooting a 40, Marshall Huddleston and Nick Yarosz 41s and Cassie Thornton 42.

51 and Camryn Riley 64.

Griffin Williams 93. The Clippers will tee off in the Tannenhaus Invitational in Alliance at 8:48 a.m. today.

Craig Landsberger led the Rebels with a 42, followed by Taylor Coblentz 46, Ryan Kost 49 and Kaden Davis 52. For Sebring, Kyle Youmans had a 48, Brandon Dare and Collin Baia 51s and Jason Dickson 53. Crestview improves to 3-2, while Sebring drops to 2-2.

For the Blue Devils, Avery Andric led the way with a 39, Branson Brownfield shot 45, Sam Tinsley 46 and Matt Chestnut 49. Dominic McLaughlin led the Rockets with a 48.

For Mineral Ridge, Jarrod Morrison had 39, Greg Holland 41, Kim Schilling 42 and Aaron Frantz 43. Southern Local's Jordan Myers had the low round with a 37. Also for the Indians, Jaret Dowling had a 45, Nick May 49 and Drew Sevek 50.

Worthington Christian Invitational

SUNBURY — After finishing seventh in the Division III state golf tournament last year, the Columbiana boys returned to the NorthStar Golf Club for the Worthington Christian Invitational on Wednesday.

Leetonia quad

COLUMBIANA — Bryce Colosimo had a 38 to lead Jackson-Milton (160) to a win over Leetonia (195), Western Reserve (199) and United (213) on Thursday at Valley.

South Range 165, Lisbon 179, Lowellville 221

LISBON—South Range defeated Lisbon and Lowellville in golf action Thursday at Twin Spirings. The Raiders finished with a total of 165, followed by Lisbon with 179 and Lowellville with 221. Preston Still led the

East Palestine 164, M. Ridge 165, Southern 181

CALCUTTA — East Palestine edged Mineral Ridge by one shot in a tri-match with Southern Local Thursday at Beaver Creek Meadows. The Bulldogs shot a 164, one better than Mineral Ridge. Southern Local had a 181. East Palestine had a balanced effort with Tom

Carrollton 185, Salem 208

CARROLLTON — The Carrollton girls topped Salem, 185-208, Thursday at Carroll Meadows. Carrollton's Anna Truman led the way with a 41, followed by Elizabeth Domer 46, Grace Bartlow 46 and Bailey McKarns 52. For Salem, Courtney Halter shot a 44, Marly Zeigler 49, Megan Hoover

The Clippers finished 13th out of 17 teams with an 18-hole score of 341 in the field comprised of Division II and III programs.

Bloom-Carroll won the team title with a 311. Columbus Wellington, which was third at state last year, topped Division III teams with a 321.

Joe Lucci guided Columbiana with a 7-over 79. He was followed by Jared Wilson with an 84, Bruce Wiggins 85 and

For Leetonia, Hunter Smith had a 43, McKensley Gardner 47, Matthew Marshall 49 and Cole Weekley 56.

For Western Reserve, Kyle Martin had a 46, Alex Halls (47), Joey Beardsley 50, Brandon Martin 56 and Caleb Kirk 56.

For United, Hayden Wilson shot a 39, Shane Black 52, Laurel Stewart 61 and Jakob Ingledue 61. Leetonia is at McDonald on Monday.

NBA

Lebron plans to offer scholarships to Akron City Schools students

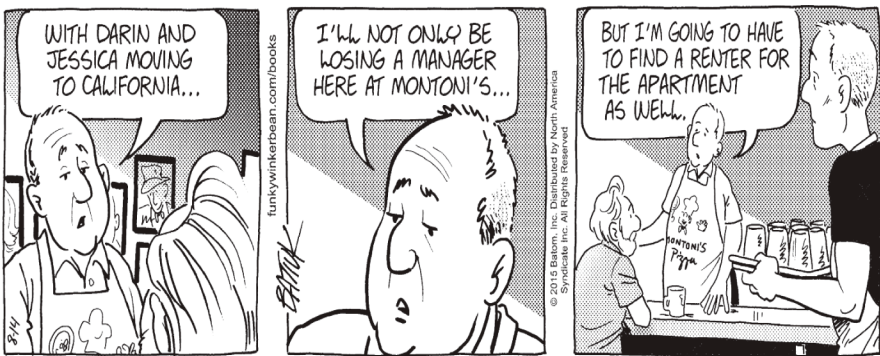
SANDUSKY (AP) — LeBron James is giving kids from Akron — ones with challenging back-grounds like his — the chance to go to college for free. The NBA star has partnered with the University of Akron to provide a guaranteed four-year scholarship to the school for students in James' "I Promise" program who qualify. The scholarship will cover tuition and the university's general service fee — currently \$9,500 per year.

It's the latest example of James, who often refers to himself "as just a kid from Akron" giving back to a community that helped raise him. "It's the reason I do what I do," said James, who announced the program Thursday while hosting an event for students at Cedar Point Amusement Park. "These students have big dreams, and I'm happy to do everything I can to help them get there. They're going to have to earn it, but I'm excited to see what these kids can accom-

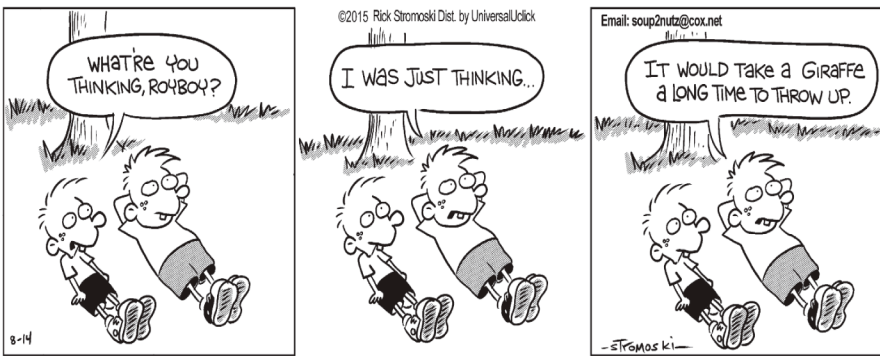
plish knowing that college is in their futures." The school and the LeBron James Family Foundation are still finalizing the criteria for the scholarships. The students will have to graduate high school within Akron's public school system and achieve standard testing requirements as well as fulfill a community service obligation. James has had a long-standing relationship with the university. As his celebrity soared in high school,

James played many game on the school's campus and the four-time MVP deepened his connection with Akron soon after he turned professional. "It means so much because, as a kid growing up in the inner city and a lot of African-American kids, you don't really think past high school," said James, who bypassed college to jump to the NBA. "You don't really know your future. You

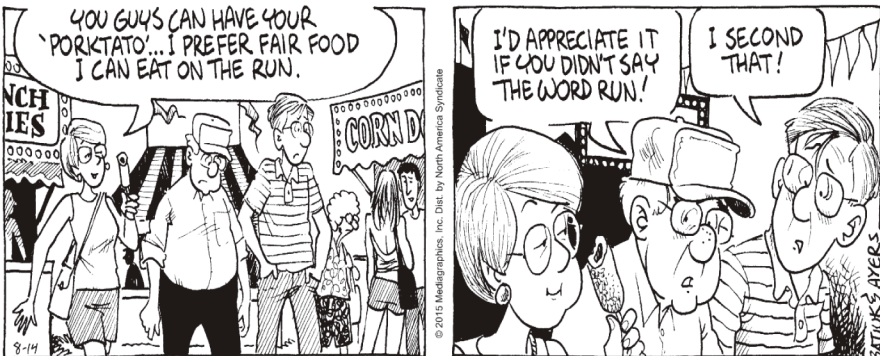
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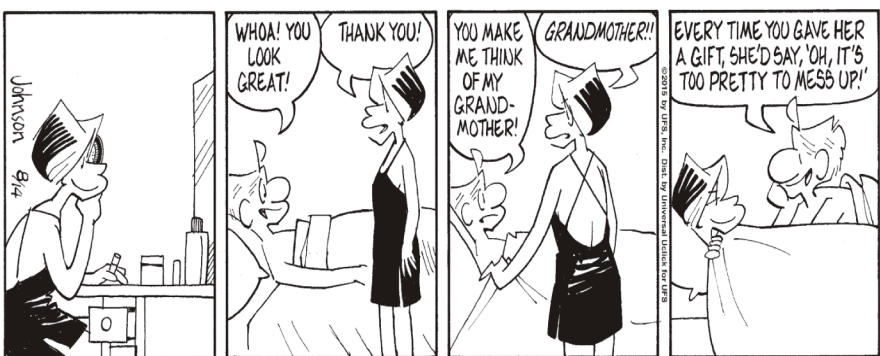
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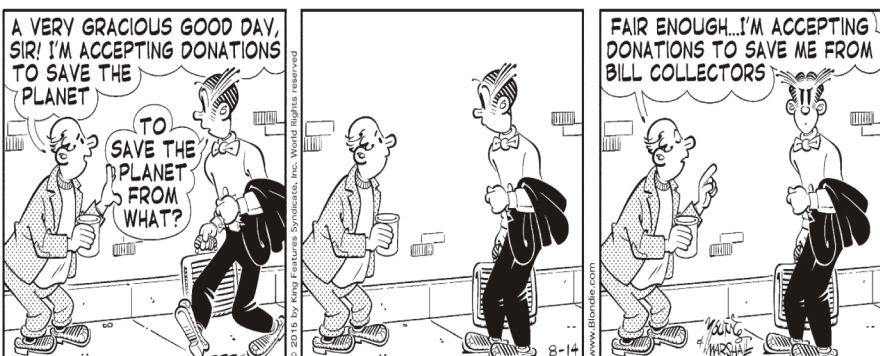
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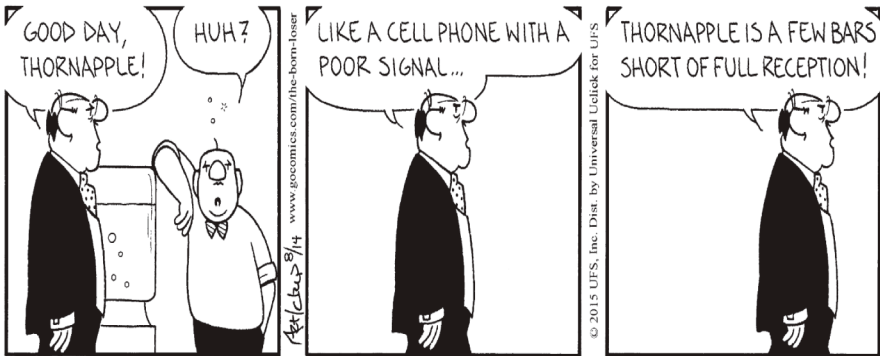
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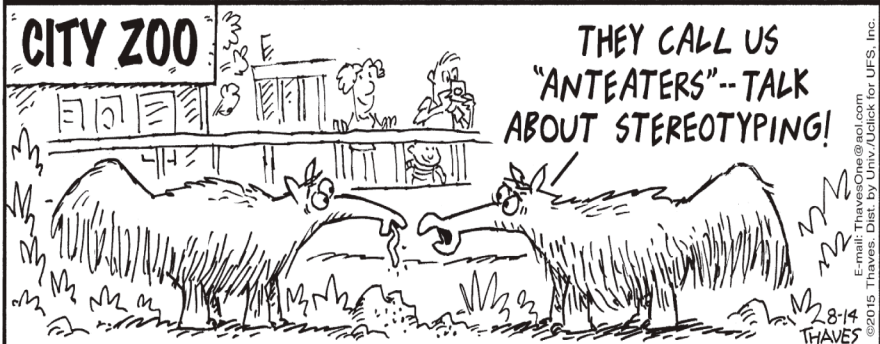
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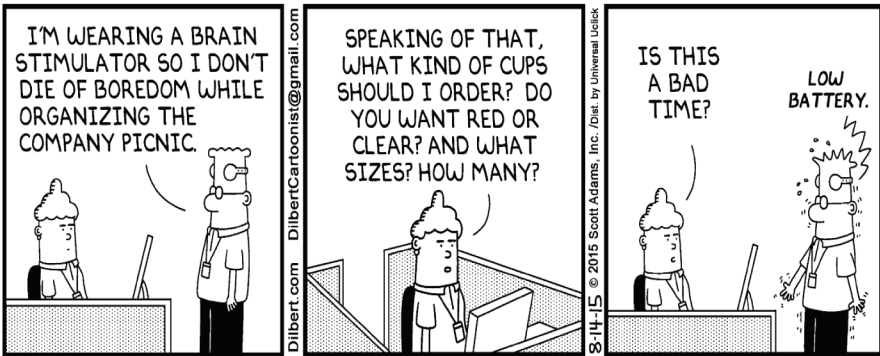
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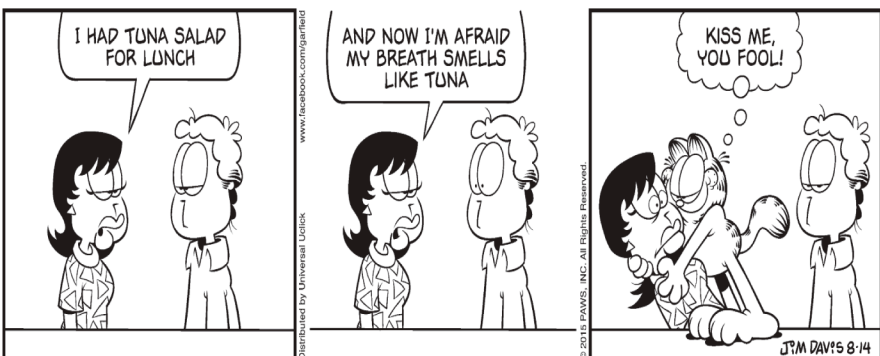
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NACGEH
LASWUR

WELDING 101
THE INSTRUCTOR FOR THE JOB TRAINING COURSE TAUGHT THE

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

(Answers tomorrow)
Yesterday's Jumbles: GRIPE HOUND TENANT SCENIC
Answer: He wasn't favored to win the marathon, but he was — IN THE RUNNING

GIL THORPE

I HAVEN'T TOLD 'EM YET, BUT I'M COMMITTING TO MIAMI, OHIO, NOT FLORIDA.

YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT MIAMI, RIGHT?

YEAH, AND I COULD STILL COMPETE WITH REY —

HI AND LOIS

YOU CAN'T GO TO THE MALL BAREFOOT.

BUT IT'S SUMMER...

AND I CAN'T FIND MY SHOES.

BABYBLUES

WE JUST CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE OUR LIVES ENRICHED BY CHILDREN!

FLIP YOU FOR IT?

NO, YOU GOT TO BURST THE LAST BUBBLE.

CROSSWORD

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Cookie sheet
- 4 Mo. fractions
- 7 Quid pro —
- 10 Ms. Hagen
- 11 Opposed
- 13 Barrel stopper
- 14 Army off.
- 15 Bride part
- 16 After midnight
- 17 Fumes
- 19 Buffalo's lake
- 20 PC button
- 21 Delight
- 23 Stay near the shore
- 26 Purplish flower
- 28 Well-worn
- 29 Student stat
- 30 Drip-dry fabric
- 34 Singer — John
- 36 Drop from the team
- 38 Vexation
- 39 Money or animals
- 41 Go on the lam

DOWN

- 1 Pulls
- 2 Piece of news
- 3 Prefix for second
- 4 Administrative districts
- 5 Patella
- 6 Mix
- 7 Couple of pints
- 8 Loosen
- 9 Ess molding

ACROSS

- 42 Oklahoma town
- 44 Scrutinize
- 46 Tramp
- 47 Sled puller (var.)
- 52 Soon
- 53 Urgent appeal
- 54 Watch chain
- 55 Doe's mate
- 56 Get fresh
- 57 El Dorado loot
- 58 Winner's take
- 59 Devotee's suffix
- 60 Dad's lad

DOWN

- 12 Atlas closeup
- 13 Very tired
- 18 Golfer — Trevino
- 22 Advanced, as cash
- 23 Heartache
- 24 Everybody
- 25 Banned bug spray
- 27 Give the pink slip
- 29 Wildebeests
- 31 Rapper — Wayne
- 32 Unrefined metal
- 33 Bridal notice word

ACROSS

- 35 Rectangular
- 37 Futile
- 40 Sleeps in a tent
- 41 Not masc.
- 42 Kemo Sabe's pal
- 43 WWII sea menace (hyph.)
- 45 Brewer's supply
- 46 Catch
- 48 Asian range
- 49 Alien craft
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- 51 Black

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