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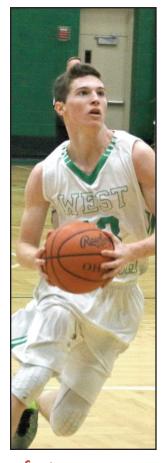
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Friday's **Question**

94% Does the Islamic 6% community do enough to separate itself from terrorist acts committed in Yes No the name of the religion?

Today's question Walmart is raising worker pay to a minimum of \$10 per hour next year. Will this help boost

pay overall? Vote online at: www.salemnews.net

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lce rescues

Hanover Township firefighters along with Winona firefighters held their annual ice rescue training exercise on Guilford Lake. Members of the two departments train every winter with the equipment making sure firefighters know the procedures for a swift and safe ice rescue. Above, firefighter Cory Andric paddles the rescue sled through open water and then uses the especially equipped spike paddle to pull it and himself up onto the frozen ice where he then can run and push the sled to the victim for the rescue. Right, Winona firefighter Ron Good pushes the rescue sled across the frozen lake to Hanover firefighter Dan Kibler who is in an open hole out in the lake awaiting rescue. Below, the team works together until everyone is familiar with rescue procedures. (Salem News photos by Patti Schaeffer)





Lisbon eyes hike in parking meter fees, fines

By TOM GIAMBRONI

Staff Writer

LISBON - Village Council appears to be moving closer to raising parking meter fees and fines.

After first discussing the issue at its January meeting, council took up the issue again at this week's meeting as a way to pay for upgrading the meters and also generate additional revenue.

"Our intent was never to make money but to roll over the parking spaces" so people shopping at downtown businesses would have a place to park, said Fiscal Of-

ficer Tracey Wonner. Councilman Jeff Snyder agreed but suggested it was time to look at raising the \$6 parking fine, which has not been done for years, to keep up with expenses.

Councilman Joseph Morenz said they should also consider keeping the 25-cent maximum fee, which currently buys you an hour, but reconfiguring the

meters so it only pays for 45 minutes. He said this would generate additional parking meter revenue, which is used to help pay for new police cruisers.

Parking meters generated \$29,935 last year, down from \$37,871 from 2013, and the meter reader was paid \$11,800 in wages and benefits. The fund has a current balance of \$25,391.

Morenz said as police cruiser prices increase, they

See LISBON, **5A**

Salem bans parking on streets today

By MARY ANN GREIER

Staff Writer

SALEM — With a city parking ban in place, snow either here or on the way and the salt supply dwindling, residents are being asked to use care when traveling, especially when

temperatures drop again.

"Just be very cautious," city Service/Safety Director Ken

The city issued a snow emergency parking ban Friday which started at midnight and will continue through noon Sunday. The sun was shining for most of Friday, which Kenst said helps any salt still on the roads to work in the cold

Subzero temperatures have posed a challenge for road workers since salt quits working in the colder weather. The city uses a mixture of salt and grit and when the temperatures drop to where salt is ineffective, they just use grit.

"That's the only weapons in our shed," he said.

Kenst said they have enough salt for the weekend and are possibly getting a load on Tuesday. Crews use about 40 tons of salt during a typical snowstorm. The city could receive a delivery of as much as 150 tons next week.

"Hopefully that will last us until spring," he said. The supply of grit is also limited, so he said "we'll just take

The snow emergency parking ban usually gets issued

when there's a forecast of 4 or more inches of snow. Residents and visitors are asked to clear the streets of parked vehicles to ease the snow removal process. Anyone who does park on the street runs the risk of their vehicle being towed away. Kenst explained that they have to follow the weather reports they have on hand.

We don't have a crystal ball. We do the best we can," he

He also issued a reminder to residents and private snow removal companies to keep snow out of the streets and alleys. Blowing or plowing snow into the street is prohibited because it can cause problems for motorists if the city has already cleaned the street and the snow is left there.

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Columbiana may ban street parking during weather emergencies

BV KATIE W

Staff Writer

COLUMBIANA - Recent snowfall has caused the city to take another look at its no parking ordinances, and council is considering a change

In addition to no parking in the city between 2 a.m. and 5:30 a.m., the city is now considering no parking anywhere in the city during a declared weather emergency.

The early morning parking ban has been on the books since 1971, although more emphasis was put on it in November of last year, when Mayor Bryan Blakeman and Police Chief Tim Gladis urged residents to adhere to the ban to help the city with snow removal efforts.

Violation of the ban will result in a \$10 parking citation. The new ordinance, if passed, will now allow for a citywide parking ban anytime City Manger Lance Willard or Gladis

determines there is a local weather emergency. Gladis said residents are "pretty good" about complying with the parking rules, and that the new ban is not an attempt to punish people for parking.

The city will be reasonable and allow people enough time to remove their vehicles once an emergency is declared, he

Vehicles cannot be moved to any other areas of the city in which other parking restrictions are already in place, according to the ordinance. A public parking lot is available in the downtown area for vehicles that will need to be removed from the north and south main streets.

The ordinance also stated an emergency can be declared after three or more inches of snow have fallen in the city, or

See COLUMBIANA, **5A**

Frozen sprinkler, heat problem close Muni Court again

By KATIE WHITE

Staff Writer

LISBON - County workers were sent home early yet again this week after another sprinkler head at the Municipal Court burst from freezing temperatures on Friday.

Shane Patrone, the county's chief deputy clerk of courts, said a sprinkler malfunctioned in the Auto Title Department on the west side of the building around 8:10 a.m., and water was shut off to the entire building

around 8:15 a.m. Auto Title employees were sent home immediately after the malfunction, while employees to the east side of the building in the civil and criminal divisions remained until 10

Patrone explained those workers had to stay in order for the court to fulfill its already scheduled three video arraignments, with the last one scheduled for 10 a.m. The courthouse normally closes at

4 p.m. on Fridays.

A similar incident occurred earlier this week, when employees arriving at work found a frozen waterline in the restroom had burst. An overhead pipe in the same restroom later burst, and then a sprinkler head.

Unlike that incident, which sent water flowing down the hallways and into the courtroom of Judge Chris Amato, the frozen sprinkler head in the Auto Title Department did not

send water spraying. There were also no lines that had broken.

Patrone said they were fortunate the problem resulted in minimal damage, since the water was already frozen by the time the sprinkler head

He anticipates fixing the sprinkler head will cost less than \$1,000. The repairs will be done by Fire Foe, who were on their way to the building Friday morning to go over the damage.

Patrone also said York Mahoning of Youngstown was called to look at one of the building's 15 heat pumps, which apparently went out sometime the night before.

See MUNI, **5A** photo by Katie White)



This sprinkler head burst in the Auto Title Department of the Columbiana County Municipal Courthouse Friday, resulting in the closure of the building for the remainder of the day. (Salem News

Good morning Kathy Blackburn. Thank you for subscribing to the Salem News.

WEATHER

THE FORECAST

AREA: Today...Snow. Snow accumulation of 4 to 8 inches. Not as cool with highs in the lower 30s. Tonight...Cloudy. Snow showers...Mainly in the evening. Additional snow accumulation around an inch. Not as cool with lows around 20. Sunday...Cloudy with a chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid 20s. Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. Much colder with lows around 2 below. Monday...Partly sunny. Much colder with highs 5 to 10 above. Monday night...Partly cloudy. Cold with lows 5 below to zero. Tuesday...Partly sunny with a chance of snow. Not as cool with highs in the lower 20s. Tuesday night...Mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Not as cool with lows 15 to 20. Wednesday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 20s. Wednesday night...Mostly cloudy. Much colder with lows around zero. Thursday...Partly sunny. Cooler with highs around 15. Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Cold with lows around zero. Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs 15 to 20. CLEVELAND: Today...Snow. Snow accumulation of 3 to 5 inches. Not as cool with highs in the lower 30s. Tonight...Cloudy. Snow showers likely...Mainly in the

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National forecast Forecast highs for Saturday, Feb. 21 Pt. Cloudy 30s 40s Showers Rain T-storms lce

Today's Forecast City/Region Forecast for Saturday, Feb. 21 Toledo • Youngstown Mansfield • 33° | 14° Cincinnati Portsmouth •

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Today is Saturday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2015. There are 313 days left in the year. Ten years ago: President George W. Bush, in Belgium for a NATO summit, scolded Russia for backsliding on democracy and urged Mideast allies to take difficult steps for peace. Five years ago: A mistaken U.S. missile attack killed 23 civilians in Afghanistan. (Four American officers were later reprimanded.) One year ago: President Barack Obama granted an audience to Tibet's Dalai Lama over the strong objections from China that the U.S. was meddling it its affairs.

Extended Forecast

Today



32/20



Sunday

25/-2

Monday

7/-5



23/16

Tuesday

In this photo taken Thursday, the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Bristol Bay backs down from a wall of ice as it prepares to ram the wall in efforts to clear a path into Ashtabula. For the second consecutive winter, bitter weather threatens to turn the surface of the Great Lakes into a vast frozen plain. The federal Great Lakes research laboratory in Ann Arbor reports Friday that nearly 81 percent of the five lakes' surface area is ice-covered. (AP Photo/U.S. Coast Guard, Lt. Cmdr. John Henry)

Most of Great Lakes surface trozen

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) — For the second consecutive winter, bitter weather threatens to turn the surface of the Great Lakes into a vast, frozen

Nearly 81 percent of the lakes' surface area was covered with ice, the NOAA Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory reported Friday. That was down slightly from more than 85 percent the previous day — a glitch that probably happened because strong winds broke apart some ice and created open spots detected by satellites, said George Leshkevich, a physical scientist with the lab in Ann Arbor.

But with forecasts calling for frigid weather at least through the end of the month, the ice cover may keep expanding, he said. It's grown rapidly as temperatures have plunged this month, nearly doubling over the past couple of weeks.

Records show the lakes' most widespread freeze was 94.7 percent in 1979. The ice cover topped out at 92.2 percent last March.

Significant portions of the lakes typically froze over decades ago, Leshkevich said, but the frequency of severe winters has declined

since the late 1990s. "Two almost record-setting years back to back would be very unusual," he said.

One likely explanation for the rapid buildup this month is that 2014's freeze lasted so long — Lake Superior wasn't completely ice-free until June - and summer was so mild that the lakes didn't absorb much heat, he said. "So we started this season with below-water temperatures to begin with."

The ice blanket reaches across more than 90 percent of Lakes Superior, Huron and Erie, while Lakes Michigan and Ontario are more than halfway covered.

It has produced some spectacular visual images, from ice caves along the Lake Michigan shoreline to a glacial buildup making it appear that Niagara Falls had frozen in place.

But it's a headache for the Coast Guard, whose cutters open channels for vessels hauling vital cargo such as heating oil and road salt. The Detroit-based tug Bristol Bay has struggled for days to free the Arthur M. Anderson, a freighter stranded about 70 miles east of Cleveland in ice up to 10 feet thick. The Canadian Coast Guard has dispatched an icebreaker to assist.

Unwelcome mat: Obama team weighs strategy to blunt Netanyahu's visit

WASHINGTON (AP) — In what is becoming an increasingly nasty grudge match, the White House is mulling ways to undercut Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's upcoming trip to Washington and blunt his message that a potential nuclear deal with Iran is bad for Israel and the world.

There are limits. Administration officials have discarded the idea of President Barack Obama himself giving an Iran-related address to rebut the two speeches Netanyahu is to deliver during his early March visit. But other options remain on the table.

Among them: a presidential interview with a prominent journalist known for coverage of the rift between Obama and Netanyahu, multiple Sunday show television appearances by senior national security aides and a pointed snub of America's leading pro-Israel lobby, which is holding its annual meeting while Netanyahu is in Washington, according to the officials.

The administration has aleady ruled out meetings be tween Netanyahu and Obama, saying it would be inappropriate for the two to meet so close to Israel's March 17 elections. But the White House is now doubling down on a cold-shoulder strategy, including dispatching Cabinet members out of the country and sending a lower-ranking official than normal to represent the administration at the annual policy conference of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, the officials said.

Vice President Joe Biden will be away, his absence behind Netanyahu conspicuous in coverage of the speech to Congress.

Police: Suspect in Vegas road-rage killing told friends he fired 22 shots

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The teenage neighbor arrested in what has been described as the road-rage slaying of a Las Vegas mother boasted about the shooting and told

friends that he emptied several clips from his semi-automatic handgun during the gunbattle, according to a police report released Friday.

NATION/WORLD

The documents depict a fierce shootout last week involving 19-year-old Erich Milton Nowsch Jr., victim Tammy Meyers and her 22year-old son.

Police said Nowsch bragged of firing more than 22 shots at them that night - first, a few blocks from their home, then in the culde-sac outside their house. According to investigators, Nowsch portrayed the Meyers family as the aggressors, saying he saw someone in their car waving a gun out the window at him. "Got those kids. They were after me, and I got them," he was quoted as telling friends.

As battle-ravaged Ukraine town regains peace, fear of new fighting DEBALTSEVE, Ukraine

(AP) — Almost every building was gravely damaged, nearly every window smashed in this Ukrainian town left unrecognizable by months of relentless shelling. Children played in the rubble where their nomes once stood, while neighbors boiled water in open fires as temperatures dipped below freezing.

Two days after government forces fled Debaltseve in disarray, leaving the Russian-backed separatists in total control of the strategic town, all was quiet Friday.

Residents who could not or refused to flee came blinking out of makeshift shelters to soak up the rare winter sun. Across town, Cossack fighters rolled jubilantly away on commandeered trucks, tanks and armored vehicles, having secured another decisive victory for the

Yevgeniya Fomichova, whose gutted apartment was just three blocks away from a Ukrainian military encampment, said she and more than a dozen neighbors cowered in basements for seven months. The nightly terror of shelling worsened in January as separatists massively intensified their onslaught.

"For a month we've had no bread and water," the 60year-old said, adding that it had been weeks since she and her neighbors had bathed.

NI's Chris Christie aims to right ship amid '16 jockeying at meeting of nation's governors WASHINGTON (AP) —

As the nation's governors convened in Washington, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and his team worked quietly Friday to right a nascent presidential bid struggling to build momentum.

The often-outspoken governor has no public appearances planned at the

weekend gathering of the National Governors Association. Instead, he arranged an aggressive schedule of private meetings aimed at boosting his positon among the major donors and Republican activists he'll need to fuel a successful White House campaign.

Aides and Christie loyalists tried to project a sense of calm in the face of news that many longtime backers, both in New Jersey and across the country, are signing on with other likely candidates most notably former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, who has assembled a mammoth fundraising operation far earlier than many expected.

Christie's team doesn't expect to match Bush's fundraising, but they're confident they will have the money needed to compete in the race. They've also started to frame Christie as an underdog fighting against Bush, the son and brother of former presidents, and his family's longstanding network of donors.

"This is a marathon, not a sprint," said Ray Washburne, the finance chairman of Christie's political action committee and the former finance chief at the Republican National Committee. "I didn't leave the RNC thinking I was going to get on a dead horse."

Antarctica: Earth's wildest, desolate continent holds clues to mankind's past and future

DECEPTION ISLAND, Antarctica (AP) — Earth's past, present and future come together here on the northern peninsula of Antarctica, the wildest, most desolate and mysterious of its continents.

Clues to answering humanity's most basic questions are locked in this continental freezer the size of the United States and half of Canada: Where did we come from? Are we alone in the universe? What's the fate of our warming planet?

The first explorers set foot in Antarctica 194 years ago hunting 19th century riches of whale and seal oil and fur, turning tides red with blood. Since then, the fist-shaped continent has proven a treasure chest for scientists trying to determine everything from the creation of the cosmos to how high seas will rise with global warming.

'It's a window out to the universe and in time," said Kelly Falkner, polar program chief for the U.S. National Science Foundation. For a dozen days in Janu-

ary, in the middle of the chilly Antarctic summer, The Associated Press followed scientists from different fields searching for alien-like creatures, hints of pollution trapped in ancient ice, leftovers from the Big Bang, biological quirks that potentially could lead to better medical treatments, and perhaps most of all, signs of unstoppable melting.

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- A medical emergency was re-

ported at 9:57 p.m. Thursday in the

900 block of Prospect Street. Police

stood by until the person was trans-

A dog was reported at large in

the 600 block of Park Avenue at

9:49 p.m. Thursday. No dog was

found. An officer checked the resi-

dence where the dog belonged and

— A property dispute was reported

the dog was already back inside.

at 7:04 p.m. Thursday in the 300

block of North Lundy Avenue. Po-

lice explained to the persons in-

told them their options.

evaluation.

volved that it was a civil issue and

- A domestic was reported at 5:22

p.m. Thursday in the 200 block of

West Wilson Street. It was deter-

mined to be a verbal dispute be-

tween family members. One of the

persons involved was taken to the

emergency room by ambulance for

— A woman in the 900 block of

South Union Avenue reported at 4

p.m. Thursday that a man claiming

House was trying to scam her. Offi-

cers collected information and told

her to call police if he calls again.

- A woman in the 900 block of

Highland Avenue reported a case of

identity theft at 3:54 p.m. Thursday,

noting several changes made to her

cell phone contract without her per-

mission. She was told her options.

A driver was given a warning for

a traffic offense at 2:40 p.m. Thurs-

block of South Lincoln Avenue. The

search the vehicle, but nothing ille-

-A door to a residence on North

Union Avenue appeared to have

The door was secured. No foot-

prints were found in the snow

around the front or back doors.

- An anonymous caller at 1:26

p.m. Thursday reported a small dog

tied outside barking on Sharp Av-

eral times, but did not locate the

enue. Police checked the area sev-

Police were called for an alarm

Thursday which is in the process of

moving from another location. The

Officers at 10:12 a.m. Thursday

checked for a male allegedly threat-

ening others near the post office on

Penn Avenue. He was found and

denied making any threats. He ap-

peared okay at that time. Officers

were attempting to gather state-

acing or disorderly conduct.

ments for possible charges of men-

- A domestic was reported at 9:16

a.m. Thursday in the 1700 block of

East State Street where it was de-

termined there was a verbal dis-

pute. A male resident was upset

when he was awoken by other resi-

dents. There were no signs of vio-

Water line break

SALEM — City workers

were on the scene of a water

line break Friday night in the

area of West Fifth Street, re-

quiring the street to be closed

between North Howard and

Jennings avenues due to the

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at a business in the 400 block of

East State Street at 11:26 a.m.

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POLICE REPORTS

DEATHS

Beverly Sharen Dennis

SALEM — Beverly Sharen Dennis, 71, of Salem died Thursday at Salem Regional Hospital.

She was born in Bellerose, Long Island, N.Y., the daughter of the late John and Pauline Kowaleski.

She attended Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Salem. Survivors include her husband Richard of Salem; two sons, Jerry Holt Crutchfield and John Paul Crutchfield, both of Elkton, Md.; four grandchildren; and a brother, John A. Kowaleski Jr. of Hanoverton.

A funeral service for Beverly will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Salem with the Rev. Alan Smearsoll officiating. Friends may call the hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will take place at Franklin Square Cemetery.

Friends and family may sign the guest register online at www.brownfhonline.com. Arrangements are by Brown Funeral Home, Salem,

2/21/15

John G. Thomas

HANOVERTON - John G. Thomas, 61, of Hanoverton, died at 10:32 p.m. Tuesday at the Salem Regional Medical

He was born July 10, 1953 in Akron, the son of the late Gleason and Mary (Land) Thomas.

He graduated from Southern Local High School. He was a machinist at Quaker Manufacturing for many years.

He is survived by three cousins, Sam Starkey of Hanoverton, Cindy Pitts of Salem and Dorene Reynolds of Leetonia. No service will be held. Private burial of cremains will be at Grove Hill Cemetery at a later date.

Arrangements were handled by the Stark Memorial Funeral Home.

His obituary may be viewed and condolences sent online at www.starkmemorial.com

Mary Alice Groppe



SALEM — Mary Alice Groppe (Mrs. Carl W.) of Salem, died peacefully at 5:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, 2015 at Copeland Oaks in Sebring, Ohio at the age 105.

She was born March 18, 1909 in Caledonia, Ohio, the daughter of the late Martin and Sarah Estella (Meister) Neal.

She graduated in 1927 from Harding High School in Marion where she was a member of the newly formed National Honor Society. She had studied at The Ohio State University, had a B.A. from West Lib-

erty State College W.Va., and earned an M.A, from West Virginia University. She taught for many years at Wheeling High School as well as Warwood and Triadelphia, all in Wheeling, W.Va.

Mrs. Groppe had been the office manager and accountant for her husband's practice in veterinary medicine. She was always active in civic affairs, serving as the first president of Alpha Delta Kappa, an honorary teachers' association, and as president of the American Association of University Women. She was a founder of the American Association of Retired Persons in Wheeling and chairman of its State Legislative Committee as well as Coordinator of its State Aid Program.

She and Dr. Groppe lived in Wheeling, W.Va., for 54 years before moving to Salem, Ohio in 1983. More recently Mary Alice was on the Columbiana County Central Committee. She worked at the polls faithfully for over 75 years and was named the Ohio Republican of the Century by Gov. John Kasich in 2014. She retired from the polls at 99 and she voted in last

November's election at 105. She was an active member for many years at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Salem, serving in various capaci-

Her husband, Dr. Carl W. Groppe, preceded her death Oct. 17, 1991, as well as two brothers and a sister.

She is survived by her son, Carl W. Groppe Jr., M.D. (Mary Jo) of Shaker Heights, Ohio, and daughter, Barbara C. Maroscher (Rudolf A.) of Salem; eight grandchildren, Carl W. Groppe III (Julie), Elizabeth G. Litten, Alison M. Groppe, Deborah Groppe Davis (Simon), Victor W. Maroscher (Sherrie), Arthur L. Maroscher, Katherine M. Stout (James G.), Lisa M. Swope (Tom); and 11 great-grandchildren, Marilyn and Carl Groppe IV, Paige and Graham Litten, Josephine Davis; Meggie, Mitchell, and Grace Maroscher, and Hannah, Thomas and Samuel Swope

A memorial service will be held at a later date in March to celebrate the life of Mary Alice Groppe.

Iieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway, Salem, Ohio 44460 or Hospice of the Valley, 5190 Market Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44512.

Arrangements were handled by the Stark Memorial Fu-

Her obituary may be viewed and condolences sent online at www.starkmemorial.com.

2/21/15 (Paid obituary)

Joyce A. Davidson

NEGLEY — Joyce A. Davidson, 70, of Taylor Road, died at 7:57 p.m. Tuesday at her home following a lengthy illness. Born Sept. 29, 1944, in Jeanette, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Henry and Edna (Stoltz) Balser. Mrs. Davidson was a homemaker. She had attended Lake

Mount Church of Christ in Rogers.

Her husband, Robert E. Davidson, whom she married June 7, 1969, preceded her in death Dec. 22, 2012.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Curtis Allen Davidson and John Paul Davidson.

Survivors include her sons, Zed Eli Davidson of Calcutta, Ronald William Davidson of Beavercreek, Jerry Tobias Davidson and Barry Timothy Davidson, both of Cleveland Heights, Henry Edward Davidson of Negley and Allen Richard Davidson of Lisbon; a daughter, Penelope Candace Davidson-Weldon of East Liverpool; seven grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

A private family service was held on Thursday at the Oliver-Linsley Funeral Home. Burial followed in Crest Haven Memorial Gardens in New Waterford.

2/21/15

George B. Huston

EAST PALESTINE — George B. Huston, 78, of East Martin Street, died at 6:10 p.m. Thursday at the St. Elizabeth Hospital Boardman Campus, shortly after admission.

Born Oct. 5, 1936, in East Palestine, he was the son of the late Albert C. and Hazel L. (Kirtley) Huston.

Mr. Huston had been employed as a driver with area businesses, including Tip Top Bakery, Mahoning Landfill, and Madison Equipment, prior to his retirement several years

Survivors include his wife, the former Sandy L. Flowers, whom he married Aug. 30, 1956; a son, Randy (Karen) Huston of New Waterford; a daughter, Debbie (Russ) Hoon of East Palestine; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren;

and a sister, Barbara Barbush, Pittsford, Vt. A funeral service will not be observed.

Arrangements were handled by the Oliver-Linsley Funeral Home (oliver-linsley.com).

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Center Township

Nancy Simpson to John and Agnes Hoover, 5.9 acres on state Route 164; \$36,000.

Doy Williams to Richard Todd. home on Pritchard Avenue; \$25,000.

East Liverpool

U.S. Bank (Robert and Elizabeth Weber) to Axl Blake, home on John Street; \$30,000.

Joann Barrett to William and Jessie Reckner, home on Etruria Street \$48,500.

East Palestine

Thomas Archibald, deceased, to Leicester & King LLC, home on Garfield Avenue; \$35,000.

Leetonia Farmers National Bank (Patricia

Springer) to Robert and Carla Spaite, home on Columbia Street; \$47,000.

Hanoverton

Valentina Dubasik to Lloyd Grate, home on Plymouth Street; \$70,500.

Hanover Township James Kennedy to Albert Lotz III,

home on South Lane; \$166,000. **Knox Township** Evan Lawrence LLC to Larry

Rosenberger II, home and 6.3 acres

on Bandy Road; \$88,500. Lisbon Jeffrey and Carol Dorrance to Columbiana County Republican Party, commercial building on West Lincoln Way; \$32,500.

Jeffrey and Carol Dorrance to Lisbon Karma LLC, commercial building on West Lincoln Way; \$32,500.

Madison Township

John and Shannon Wheatley to Thomas McKinney, home on Autumn Road; \$90,000.

Jerry Plunkett and Jayne Sanford to Mark Johnston, home on state Route 518; \$67,500.

Perry Township Leo Taugher II to Susan Gregg, condominium on South Lincoln Av-

enue; \$131,100. Salem Robert and Diane Colgan to Trent Tice, home on Washington Street;

\$88,500. County Sheriff (James and Linda

Wilson) to U.S. Bank National Association, home on East 12th Street; \$30,000.

Unity Township

Brett Roberts, et al, to Jamie and Steven Keneally, home on Bye Road; \$59,000.

West Township

Roger and Lori Palmer to Robert Harvey, trustee, 18.6 acres on Rochester Road; \$93,075.

COMMON PLEAS COURT

New Cases

Huntington National Bank vs. Charles Fisher, foreclosure sought for property on Maple Avenue, Wellsville.

Docket Entries

Justin Wright vs. Liverpool Township Board of Trustees, appeal dismissed.

Corey A. Bartley, Minerva, vs. Claudia A. Bartley, Minerva, divorce granted. Stormi E. Emmerling, East Liver-

pool, vs. Kelly Emmerling, Wellsville, legal separation granted. Linda S. Bolon, treasurer, vs. Edward L. Griffin, et. al, foreclosure or-

dered for property on Lisbon Street,

East Liverpool.

Linda S. Bolon, treasurer, vs. heirs or next of kin to Margaret Sue Webber, foreclosure ordered for property on St. Clair Avenue, East Liverpool. Linda S. Bolon, treasurer, vs. Christopher M. Osbourne, et al, fore-

closure ordered for property on Commerce Street, Wellsville. Marriage Licenses

Donald Jeffrey Orengia Jr., 25, Youngstown, salesman, to Samantha R. Davis, 34, New Waterford, receptionist.

John J. Magmore, 47, New Waterford, construction coordinator, and KaTina D. Pastore, 41, New Waterford, office administrator.

HIGHWAY PATROL

- Mikayla A. Richards, 16, 18th Street Heights, Wellsville, and Karen S. Lewis, 58, Emerick Road, Kensington, were eastbound on state Route 39 in Yellow Creek Township at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday and Lewis, who was driving a bus for Southern Local Schools, stopped to drop off children and was struck from behind by Richards, who then went off the left side into a car parked in a private driveway. Richards was cited for failure to control and taken to the East Liverpool hospital with possible injuries. Her passenger, Michael E. Oates, Dewey Avenue, East Liverpool, was also taken to East Liverpool hospital with possible injuries.

– Monica L. Snyder-Braun, 20, state Route 165, East Palestine, was eastbound on state Route 14 in Unity Township at 9:15 a.m. Sunday and spun counter-clockwise left of center and then off the north side of the road and rolled over an embankment and a cluster of brush into a field. She was taken to St. Elizabeth Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Georgetown Road in Knox Township at 1:24 p.m. Wednesday and struck Dawn Nicola Struther, 30, Bandy Road, Homeworth, who was southbound on Cherry Street and slid through a stop sign. She was cited for stop sign. Jason L. Brandenstein, 38, West Middlesex Pa., was eastbound on state Route 39 in Washington Township at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday and went off the right edge of the road into a mailbox and a tree. He was cited for failure to control. Darleen Shaffer, 73, Park Avenue, East Palestine, was eastbound on state

- Mikayla Nicole Hahn, 17, Smith Goshen Road, Beloit, was westbound on

Route 46 in Unity Township at 6:20 p.m. Monday and went off the right side into a utility pole guy wire and a fence. She was cited for failure to control. - Barbie M. Cain, 30, Olive Street, Salem, was northbound on Yates Road in Salem Township at 3 p.m. Wednesday and Timothy W. Merrill, 41, Lisbon-Canfield Road, Leetonia, was southbound and went left of center negotiating a curve and was struck by Cain on the left side. Merrill was cited for left of center

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Catherine Johnson, Y-Camp Road, Lisbon, reported at 7:17 a.m. Thursday she and her husband Mark Johnson had an argument that morning and she had left to go to work, where they then continued arguing over the phone, Mrs. Johnson said when she told her husband she planned to get her mother and take some items from the home and leave, he told her she better not return, and she became afraid for both her and her mother's safety and requested a deputy go with while she retrieved the belongings

her to the home. The deputy stood by and there were no problems. - A deputy was called to Clear Creek Trucking on state Route 7 in Columbiana at 9:33 p.m. Thursday for a noise complaint. Upon arrival the deputy saw numerous trucks running and could hear the back-up beeper on one of the trucks. The deputy at-

tempted to contact someone at the fa-

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cility but could not find anyone and it appeared the trucks were running because of the cold weather.

 A deputy stood by while Columbiana County Dog Warden Brenda Austin checked on a dog complaint at a Grant Street home in Lisbon at 9:10 p.m. Thursday. There

Salineville, reported at 7:51 p.m. Thursday his 14-year-old son was smoking, destroying the house and using profane language.

bon, reported at 5 p.m. Thursday her ex-boyfriend Robert Gross had called her friend Courtney Johnson and advised her that if he sees Shawnee or her boyfriend he would physically harm them. Gross later reported it was Rohr who was harassing him. He was told to stop all contact with her.

were no problems. - Jeff Taylor, Madison Avenue,

- Shawnee Rohr, Votaw Drive, Lis-

CLARIFICATION

report published in Thursday's edition, Nicole M. Linger, 20, of 2334 Woodsdale Road, was taken into for failure to appear. The police report made available to the newspaper said the warrant was for larceny.

custody Tuesday on a warrant

- Virginia M. Neff, Rose Drive, Lisbon, was backing out of a West Chestnut Street driveway at 2:57 p.m. Thursday and struck a vehicle operated by Kathy J. McNutt, West State Street, Newcomerstown, who was stopped at the West Chestnut Street stop sign. No citations were issued.

LISBON

Joshua J. Knight, 25, North Beaver Street, was arrested on a domestic violence charge at 3:30 p.m. Thursday after police went to 717 N. Beaver St., for a report of a domestic disturbance involving a knife. He was taken to the Columbiana County Jail.

- Police went to an East Lincoln Way home at 10:24 p.m. Wednesday for a report of a man possibly overdosing. It was discovered that the resident was taking two handfuls of his blood sugar medicine. He was urged to go to the hospital to be checked, which he did.

 Police accompanied Mike Malone to his North Jefferson Street home at 4:55 p.m. Wednesday so he could retrieve some belongings. Malone did tell police his chest was broken into.

— A South Beaver Street woman reported at 8:17 a.m. Wednesday a boy was refusing to go to school. Police transported him to the alternative school.

SALEM

- A man on Pembrooke Drive reported at 12:03 p.m. Friday that he was in the ATM lane at Chase Bank on North Broadway Avenue on Jan. 31 when the vehicle in front of him suddenly backed up and struck the front of his vehicle. He exchanged information on insurance companies with the other driver, but now the other driver won't return phone calls to him or her insurance agency.

- An anonymous caller at 10:48 a.m. Friday reported a dog tied up outside in the 600 block of Ohio Avenue in the minus 5-degree weather. An officer spoke to the owner who said the dog house is insulated, but she would bring him inside. An officer on patrol on Pennsyl-

vania Avenue at 10:36 a.m. Friday saw a tractor trailer partially blocking the road coming from a driveway at Ventra. He needed help guiding the tractor back to the trailer after the fifth wheel disengaged and the trailer came off. The officer assisted the driver, who was able to get the trailer back in place and moved to allow traffic through. Police were called at 10:08 a.m. Friday to Firestone Auto Care, 462 E. Pershing St. for a person who came into the business and caused a disturbance in front of other customers. When officers arrived, the person was asked to leave and did

so without incident. A cable line was found down on Ohio Avenue at 9:52 a.m. Friday. An officer tied it up high enough for vehicles to get under and told dispatch to contact Time Warner.

- An officer was flagged down by a newspaper carrier at 6:56 a.m. Frilay in the 1200 block of North Ellsworth Avenue regarding a red Chevy Venture van with the driver side rear sliding door hanging wide open with nobody around. An officer contacted the owner and advised of the open door. The owner said he would secure the door and notify police if anything's missing. — An officer at 6:53 a.m. Friday came across an unoccupied disabled vehicle partially in a driveway in the 1400 block of East Third Street and partially blocking the street. The resident did not know who owned the vehicle. The vehicle was towed from blocking the roadway

- Police were called at 10:02 p.m. Thursday for an illegally parked vehicle in the 1200 block of Cedar Ridge. The owner was contacted and was moving it.

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OUR SIDE -

It's time to reflect, and do good deeds

The 40 days before Easter have traditionally been a period of prayer, preparation and soul searching within the Christian faith.

The season of Lent began three days ago with services for Ash Wednesday when Christians received the outward sign of ashes for the inward grieving of their sins. Many Christians will spend this 40 days in the practice of prayer, fasting and alms giving to mark the season. Fridays during Lent contain meatless meals for Catholics, while days of fasting are traditionally Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

In the early church, Lent was a time of preparation for baptism, but later became a time of repentance and returning to Christ's ways. Today, we may as a symbolic gesture "give up" something for Lent, but the season's true call is to sacrifice that which separates us from the Christian

The day before Ash Wednesday has traditionally been the day Christians partied using up those things that were for celebration, not contemplation. The French called it Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday. You may have participated in a local celebration this past Tuesday. Of course the big one in Salem was the Feed the Community Pantry Fat Tuesday. The event combined celebrity chefs, great foods for all tastes, and a Mardi Gras celebration all for a great cause: all proceeds benefit the Salem Community Pantry. The fundraiser was the joint effort of the Salem Kiwanis and Rotary clubs and the Salem Community Center. What a wonderful endeavor

The Germans celebrated Fausnacht Day, or Doughnut Day, where the last of the fat was used to fry pastries. The English call it Shrove Tuesday and it was celebrated with pancakes. Games and gatherings were held until midnight, when it came time to shrive, or confess, one's sins to start the Lenten season.

If you notice, there are actually more than 40 days — this year there are 46 — between Ash Wednesday and Easter which this year is April 5. That can be explained because the early Church did not consider the six Sundays of Lent a part of the season. Sunday has always been commemorated as the day of the Lord's resurrection.

Lent also has a meaning of springtime. So the new life of nature should be awakening soon despite what the weather forecasters say.

So as spring approaches, remember to take time out of your life to be reflective and thankful for what you have. Take some time to give to those who are less fortunate and do good deeds for your neighbors.

YOUR SIDE

THE READERS TAKE OVER

Praise from afar for Salem Giant Eagle

Naples has beautiful warm sunny days (coolish 70 degrees today) and money, lots of money! One thing they don't have that our little Salem does, is a great supermarket! They rant and rave about their great Publix supermarkets. Believe or not, it pales next to our locally owned Salem

Going up ad down the food aisles Salem Giant Eagle really has much more depth in selection of most products. Publix' selection in the delicatessen does not have the great variety of ours. They have no salad bar or hot bar. You could not buy pre-cubed cheese in the deli or dairy, if your life depended on it. (I do like my cheese).

The have no kind of customer appreciation card like the Giant Eagle Advantage card. When Publix has a BOGO, you have to buy two items, unlike our Giant Eagle where you can usually get half of one item. Publix does have more prepared meat entrees you can just pop in the oven.

Our customer service in Salem is also top shelf compared to the 'southern style" customer care. All in all our locally owned Salem Giant Eagle is far superior to Florida's Publix Supermarket!

I would not trade it in any day! Bon Appetit' and stay warm!

DAVID K. SCHWARTZ, Salem resident, Snowbird in Naples, Fla.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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The 'Jobs for Jihad Delinquents' program



At the White House Summit On Extremism That Shall Remain Unspecified Because Violent Followers Belonging To Unnamed Extremist Movement Might Take Extreme Offense And Act Extremely, the feds are touting a groundbreaking new strategy to fight terrorists.

Just kidding. It's actually the same old futile strategy that biggovernment liberals use to cure everything: mo' money, mo' money, mo' money.

Instead of killing jihadists, keeping them off of our soil, locking up their poisonous spiri-

tual agitators and shutting off their terror-funding pipelines, President Obama called on America and the world to "invest" in unnamed immigrant "communities" vulnerable to unnamed extremism.

Some of the most generous welfare states on the planet have suffered horrific jihad attacks this year. Liberal Denmark's soft-on-jihad rehab program has been a disaster. But that hasn't stopped State Department spokes-babbler Marie Harf from mewling incessantly about "combating poverty" to combat ISIS.

Vice President Joe Biden opened the convention of jihad-coddlers on Tuesday by emphasizing the need for "respect" (cha-ching) and "a sense of community." White House senior aides spoke generically about terrorists of "all shapes and sizes," as they studiously avoided the precise nature and identity of the perpetrators of evil that precipitated the meeting. Screw that.

Muslim jihadists chopped off the heads of 21 Egyptian Coptic Christians in Libya this weekend.

Muslim jihadists launched deadly shooting sprees in Copenhagen at a cartoonists free-speech event and

Muslim iihadists murdered Jews at a kosher deli in Paris and slaughtered the entire staff of Charlie Hebdo over their drawings

Muslim jihadists caged and burned alive Jordanian pilot Moaz al-Kasasbeh.

Muslim jihadists threw gays off of buildings in

Muslim jihadists beheaded journalists James Foley and Steven Sotloff, humanitarian workers Alan Henning and Peter Kassig, and Japanese nationals Haruna Yukawa and Kenji Goto Jogo.

Muslim jihadists have kidnapped and slaughtered thousands of innocent men, women and children in

The solution, the Obama administration wants 60 nations to D.C. to learn, is a super-sized community organizing campaign. It's Jobs for Jihad Delinquents! No, this is not a "Saturday Night Live" anniversary

Politically correct public officials from L.A., Boston and Minnesota are holding seminars on their "outreach" efforts to disaffected yoots as shining counterterrorism models.

In Minneapolis, where al-Shabaab recruiters have metastasized, the U.S. attorney has bought into Muslim grievance-mongers' complaints that "immigrant youngsters remain marginalized, without access to adequate education, employment and other opportu-

Social justice warriors are united: Less "marginalization." More midnight basketball.

What a bloody crock. States like Minnesota and Maine have bent over backward to resettle thousands upon thousands of Somali refugees - putting their demands for halal food freebies, taxpayer-funded footbaths and "cultural sensitivity" over the safety and well-being of native-born citizens and taxpayers struggling to make ends meet.

While grandmothers and disabled soldiers and breast-feeding moms must submit to invasive TSA screening, Muslim leaders in Minneapolis have the feds groveling in apology over increased scrutiny of some Somalis. I mean, it's not like dozens of young male members of their "community" are flying off to the Horn of Africa and the Middle East to take up arms for jihad after benefiting from America's blind generosity. Oh, wait. They are.

The persistent leftwing myth of the poor, oppressed jihadist is absolute madness. How many times do we have to remind the clueless kumbaya crowd that al-Qaida mastermind Ayman al-Zawahiri had a medical degree, as did Hamas bigwig Abdel al-Rantisi and the seven upper-crust doctors who helped plan the 2007 London/Glasgow bombings?

Or that al-Qaida scientist Aafia Siddigui studied microbiology at MIT and did graduate work in neu-

Terror architect Khalid Sheikh Mohammed earned a mechanical engineering degree at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. 9/11 lead hijacker Mohamed Atta majored in urban planning at a German technical university.

Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh attended the London School of Economics before abducting and murdering American journalist Daniel Pearl. And Osama bin Laden and Sayyid Qutb (Colorado State Teachers College) had plenty of exposure to wealth and West-

The "root cause" of their evildoing is not a lack of employment, education, community centers, iftar dinners at the White House or publicly funded "opportunities." When will these fools in high office learn that you can't bribe these adherents of Stone Age ideology to behave? They don't want jobs. They want blood. Revenge. Islamist dominance. Ruthless extermination of Jews, gays, Coptic Christians, Christian aid workers, cartoonists, journalists, apostates and infidels of all shapes and sizes.

The M****m j*******s are not victims of Islamophobic intolerance and Western callousness. We are the victims of our own leaders' bleeding-heart overindulgence and reckless refusal to deal with real-

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It's hard to remain a reporter sitting in the anchor's chair



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m ASHINGTON}$ doubt has been some unsympathetic chuckling from purveyors of print journalism the underpaid and unrecognized foot soldiers of the reporting trade — at the fall from grace of Brian Williams, the "NBC Nightly News" anchorman. He has been sus-

pended from the astronomically lucrative job of, as some would describe it, reading the news off a teleprompter.

Much of the attitude can be attributed to old-fashioned envy of his reported \$10-million-a-year-paycheck, compared to the union scale of a few measly bucks earned in most print newsrooms

Or envy the celebrity that goes with the job, making anchors stand out from the grubby crowd of dirty-fingernail scribblers

at press conferences and campaign events. Williams found himself in hot water by also cashing in his celebrity on the entertainment or infotainment circuit, doubling as a teller of war stories that turned out to have a bit too much elasticity to bear re-run scrutiny on videotape.

The old caution not to "put it in writing" - an unavoidable peril that is essential in the newspaper, magazine or book business - has proved to apply as well to television journalism, in emoting before a camera. The replays of Williams's variations on his fired-on helicopter theme have been both embarrassing and devastating.

Like Mitt Romney's videotaped remark about "47 percent of Americans" that undid his 2012 presidential bid, Williams self-immolated in his high-riding anchor loft, at least temporarily. His repeated embellishments of crisis

moments seemingly were borne of attempts to gild the lily of his already admired reporting from the field.

In the earlier days of radio and television reporting, two of the deservedly brightest CBS stars — Edward R. Morrow in World War II and Walter Cronkite in Vietnam – won distinction and credibility by sticking to straight reporting and analysis. Neither felt the need to pull rabbits out of hats for the audience.

One of my oldest friends who once sat in

the NBC chair now vacated by Williams was the late John Chancellor.

He occupied it five days a week, and then on weekends during presidential campaigns he would venture forth on his own time to see for himself. But he did so reluctantly, for one reason.

As easily recognized in the press pack by candidates and onlookers alike, it was impossible for him to blend in with the crowd, drawing autograph seekers even to the point of being recognized by candidates in mid-oration.

Once in Los Angeles, a candidate brought heads swinging to the press claque by introducing him as "a living legend" and drawing applause. We print scribblers picked up the nickname and never let the unassuming Chancellor forget it.

He confided on one occasion that he hesitated to turn out for such public events because as an old print reporter for the City News Bureau in Chicago he had learned to

stay out of the story. But his subsequent television celebrity had now made that nigh impossible. Another time, during a primary in Maine, he stood in the back of a crowd listening to

Gary Hart, when a bunch of young girls

turned and rushed toward him, one shout-

ing: "There he is! The guy on TV!" As he braced himself, however, they ran right by, to a local television anchor who was their adored target. We didn't let our nonplussed chum forget that, either.

Brian Williams is paying a high price for going out of his way to make himself part of the story. It would be a price too high to run him out of journalism after the good work he's done.

But maybe putting him "back on the street" as a plain old reporter again, on television or otherwise, would be a good resolution for NBC News, and for him, for a while.

At least, that is, until the current unfortunate episode blows over, providing he

would be willing to pay that price.

He could well afford a considerable pay cut and a small dose of humility to restore his name and standing in the craft he has said he relishes and that has been so good to him.

(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.)

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ACROSS OUR COMMUNITIES

'Barefoot' auditions postponed LISBON — Due to inclement weather, Stage Left Players has postponed auditions for "Barefoot in the Park" until 6 p.m. Sunday and Monday at the Trinity Playhouse, 234 E.

Director Bill Finley seeks a cast of two females and four males. Auditioners will read from the script and bring their personal calendars to note conflicts on the audition form. Shows begin at 7 p.m. April 17, 18, 24 and 25 and 2 p.m. April

EP food pantry open Wednesday
EAST PALESTINE — The food pantry at Grace Lutheran Church will be open from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Wednesday for residents of East Palestine School District.

Spring craft show/bazaar planned

SALEM — Smith Center Apartments at 500 E. Fourth St. will host its annual spring craft show/bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 28. A limited amount of tables are available at \$10 by contacting Michelle Lease at 330-277-1914. The registration deadline is March 14.

Earth Day Environmental conference set

EAST LIVERPOOL — Kent State East Liverpool is preparing for its 13th annual Earth Day Environmental Justice Conference on April 25. Organizers are now accepting papers, posters and online presentations related to environmental justice issues from all students, including area high school

This year's event will honor the late Dr. Roxanne Burns, who was a biology professor on the East Liverpool campus and who helped organize the first Earth Day event here in

Prizes will be awarded for submissions in six categories: science-based essays that synthesize research and sources based on evidence; social science essays based on environmental justice research and literature; personal essays citing research and personal experience or a fully personal essay; humanities/academic essays synthesizing literature, history, etc.; MP4 video presentations on environmental justice; or posters/-tri-fold posters with accompanied citations.

Essays are due by April 6 and must be uploaded to a link found at col.kent.edu. MP4 videos and an intent-to-submit form for posters must be uploaded by April 17. Posters are due and to be set up the day of the conference.

The day-long conference will feature guest speakers, student presentations and information focused on local environmental justice issues. For information about submissions and/or the conference visit col.kent.edu or contact Dr. Patti Swartz at pswartz@kent.edu or Dr. Lydia Rose at lrose17@kent.edu.

Buckeye Dairy Boosters offer scholarship SALEM —Applications are being accepted for the 2015

Columbiana County Buckeye Dairy Booster \$1,000 Scholar-

Âpplicants must be a member of a Columbiana County family whose primary occupation is directly involved in the dairy industry. Students must prove enrollment, or submit a letter of admission, to a two or four-year institution of higher learning or graduate school. Those applying are not required to limit their educational choice to an agricultural related field. Student must be considered a full-time student and maintain at least a B or 3.0 grade point average. Previous scholarship recipients may not reapply.

Scholarship forms may be obtained from Columbiana County Buckeye Dairy Boosters, c/o Pam Herron, 3836 Woodsdale Road, Salem, Ohio 44460; 330-222-1637. The completed applications, letter of admission, two letters of reference and an official high school or college transcript must be postmarked by March 28.

Autism service providers invited to event

BOARDMAN —The Autism Society of Ohio-Mahoning Valley is seeking autism service providers to participate in its second annual Community Autism and Disability Resource Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 21 at the Southern Park Mall.

Service providers will have the opportunity to provide participants information about autism and disability services and organizations in the area

The resource rair also will have a series of educational workshops for parents while offering a variety of fun activities for children of all ages. To reserve a booth space call 330-743-

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based upon a National Weather Service forecast in which three or more inches of snow is "imminent."

Residents will be notified of an emergency through radio, TV, newspaper, and text alerts or other social media avenues. Residents will have three hours after an emergency is declared to remove their vehicles from public streets.

Willard doesn't anticipate very many weather emergencies in the city, adding the ban will probably only be required twice a year.

Residents should still be responsible for removing their own vehicles from public parking areas during hazardous weather, even if an emergency is not declared, the ordinance

Council gave a first reading to the legislation on Tuesday. In other road matters, Willard said a left turning arrow has been installed at the traffic light at the state Routes 14/46/164 intersection near the Duke and Duchess gas station.

The signal is part of other traffic flow improvements made in that area following a study conducted by Herbert, Rowland and Grubic (HRG) Engineering last summer. The study cost less than \$5,000 and the city later contracted with Thompson Electric for the work for under \$15,000.

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There was no heat to the west side of the building on Friday and Patrone said the lack of heat likely contributed to the problem with the sprinkler head, although the way the closed sprinkler system is laid out throughout the building is also a

He does not know what caused the heat pump to stop working, although employees did notice the heat was dropping to about 56 degrees in the building on Thursday, despite being set to 70 degrees.

By Friday morning temperatures inside the building were around 40 degrees. Outside, temperatures were 12 to 14 degrees below zero early in the morning.

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Woman charged in drug raid

Staff Reports

LISBÔN — One woman was charged and more than \$22,500 worth of drugs found at an Elkton Road home Friday.

According to the Columbiana County Drug Task Force, a search warrant was issued at 9756 Elkton Road, and officers removed more than 200 grams of cocaine, more than 2 grams of heroin, along with 52 unit doses, 137 grams of marijuana, and more than \$3,500 in currency from the home.

Also removed were various drug paraphernalia, drug packaging materials, scales, and a .380 pistol.

The task force executed the warrant along with members of the county's Special Response Team, county sheriff's office and their K-9 Jesy.

Ursula Lewis, age and address not listed, was taken into custody on a felony drug possession charge and additional charges are pending as the investigation continues.



Colonial City Quartet in concert

The Damascus United Methodist Church at 300 Valley Road, Damascus, will present The Colonial City Quartet in concert at 6 p.m. Feb. 22. The public is invited for an evening of inspiration and renewal through music and song. This group combines the four-part harmony of traditional southern gospel with a progressive sound that appeals to today's audiences. The quartet was founded in 1985 in Mt. Vernon which is known as Ohio's Colonial City. Tim Campbell of Mansfield is the only original member and the baritone singer. David Campbell, Tim's son, resides in Lucas and has grown up with Colonial City. He has a dynamic tenor voice and is a gifted pianist. Kim Brown of Bellville delights the crowd with his rich, low bass tones as well as his winning smile. With a powerful lead voice, Aaron Moger of Ashland has had vocal experience at college and church, and is the newest member of the group. The quartet has performed concerts in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania performing with Karen Peck, The Kingsmen, Tim Lovelace, and The Dave Brothers. There is no admission charge, but a free will offering will support the group's mission. A time of fellowship and refreshments follow. Pictured are, from left, Brown, Tim Campbell, Moger and David Campbell. (Submitted photo)

Wal-Mart raises could lift pay in lower-wage industries

WASHINGTON (AP) — The modest raises that Wal-Mart has said it will give its lowest-paid workers provide a glimmer of hope for lower-wage workers in other companies and industries.

Other retailers and some fast food restaurants may now feel compelled to follow suit to retain their workers and attract others to fill openings, economists said.

Wal-Mart's move follows a sustained campaign for higher wages by some of the company's employees and a nationwide debate over whether to raise the federal minimum wage. Given Wal-Mart's position as the nation's largest private employer, its decision to yield, even in a limited way, could embolden more employees to seek raises.

"They really set the standard across the retail sector," said Claire McKenna, a policy analyst at the National Employment Law Project, a group that advocates for low-wage workers. "What they do really matters.'

Josh Bivens, research and policy director at the liberal Economic Policy Institute, said Wal-Mart's move also reduces the pressure on other retailers to keep labor costs at rock-bottom lev-

"It at least takes away the excuse from other firms that 'We'd like to raise wages, but we can't because we have to compete with Wal-Mart," Bivens said. "It could possibly give some competitive breathing space to other retailers to raise wages.

On Thursday, Wal-Mart said it would ncrease its minimum pay to \$9 an hour in April and \$10 an hour by February 2016. The move will mean raises for 500,000 of its 1.3 million employees. The average full-time wage will tick up to \$13 an hour from \$12.85. For part-timers, the hourly wage will go to \$10 from \$9.48.

Wal-Mart's decision follows similar steps by other firms. The Gap has raised its minimum wage to \$10 an hour. Swedish home furnishings retailer Ikea raised pay for thousands of its U.S. workers this year by an average of 17 percent to \$10.76 an hour. Health insurer Aetna has said it will pay a minimum of \$16 an hour. That's more than double the federal minimum wage of

All of which means that many people who earn less than \$10 an hour will now have more options.

"If you work at a fast-food restaurant" for \$7.25 an hour, "you are going to want to leave that job and work at the Wal-Mart nearby," said Sylvia Allegretto, an economist at the University of California, Berkeley.

Allegretto noted anecdotal evidence, for example, that recent increases in Washington state's minimum wage now \$9.47 an hour — led residents of nearby Idaho to seek work in the state.

Workers at McDonald's and other fast-food companies have agitated for higher pay, coalescing around demands for \$15 an hour.

But unlike Wal-Mart, which owns all its stores, the fast-food industry is largely franchised. Companies like Mc-Donald's, Wendy's and Burger King say they don't make employment and pay decisions on behalf of their fran-

The relationship between companies like McDonald's and workers at franchised restaurants has come under intense scrutiny, however. Last year, in a victory for unions, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that McDonald's is a "joint employer" that could be held liable for its franchisees' policies. Hearings on disciplinary steps are set for March, McDonald's has vowed to co test the NLRB's ruling.

Kathryn Slater-Carter, who owns a McDonald's franchise near San Francisco, thinks businesses located near a Wal-Mart store could be forced to raise pay. She suggested, though, that this could be beneficial for everyone: By paying and treating workers better, franchisees could benefit from stronger applicants and lower turnover, which can itself raise costs.

"In any community, how you treat your employees gets known by every-

one," Slater-Carter said. "You can get a bad reputation, and then you have trouble getting employees.

Still, she noted that the costs that franchisees already bear — from food ingredients and renovations to electricity and franchise fees to corporations – limit their ability to raise pay. Last year, Slater-Carter backed a California bill that would give franchisees greater protections from companies. The bill was vetoed by the governor.

Many states and cities have also raised their wage floors. Twenty states, including Florida, New York and Washington, raised their minimums at the start of this year. For the first time, a majority of states - 29 - have minimums above the national level.

Wal-Mart's move could encourage more union efforts to press for raises for low-income workers.

Paul Osterman, a management professor at MIT, said the decision was at least partly a result of pressure from organizations such as OUR Walmart, a union-backed group of the company's employees.

Wal-Mart has faced opposition when it's tried to expand in the Northeast and in many large cities, mostly because of its low pay, Osterman noted.

"They're running out of rural areas," he said. "To grow, they need to move into the cities.'

Allegretto said a surge of hiring across the nation in recent months has likely have made it harder for Wal-Mart to hire without raising pay. Economists see that as a benefit of an improving economy: It eventually forces higher

That's why liberal economists like Bivens, at the Economic Policy Institute, want the Federal Reserve to delay raising the short-term interest rate it controls until wages rise faster. Other analysts worry that a delay in raising rates could inflate asset bubbles or lead to high inflation.

"We want an economy where employers have to bid for workers," Bivens

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need more meter revenue to put toward those purchases, which is why he would like to consider charging the same

Council agreed to discuss the matter at its March meeting, when police chief Mike Abraham is expected to in attendance. Abraham usually attends council meetings but was off this week's meeting.

In other business, Wonner announced two people had applied for the village solicitor position — Virginia Barborak, who currently holds the job, and Megan Forsythe, an assistant Columbiana County prosecutor.

Barborak's contract is up March 31 and council decided to take applications for the job. Wonner said council's personnel committee would need to schedule a time to interview both candidates and be prepared to make a recommendation by the next council-as-a-whole meeting on March 17.

Wonner also said she would work to reduce the number of copies they order when updating the village ordinance books, which was last done two years ago. It will cost \$4,500 to \$5,500 to update and print 12 new law books through American Legal Publishing.

Council questioned why they needed so many copies, and Wonner said one goes to the village solicitor and about six are given to village hall departments and the police department. Another copy is made available for the public at the Lepper Library and several more go to county municipal court, at the iudges' request.

Village ordinances are also available online. "If we have it online anyone can look it up," Morenz said. "I don't know if each office needs a copy.

Barborak pointed out the increased fine money that will result from updating the ordinance books will cover about half

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Ohio man arrested, indicted on murder charge in 1982 killing

BOWLING GREEN (AP) - Authorities who last year exhumed the body of a woman who died in 1982 have arrested a man who was with her the night she was found lying on an Ohio road.

A Wood County grand jury indicted Russell Adkins, 56, of Whitehouse, and authorities arrested him Thursday on a murder charge. Court records list no attorney for Adkins. He is accused of killing 19-year-old Dana Rosendale, who

was found on a street in suburban Toledo on Sept. 5, 1982. She died a few days later, but the cause if her death was undetermined at the time. Adkins initially told police he found Rosendale in the road

and later told authorities she had fallen out of his car, according to media reports. He was not charged then.

Investigators exhumed Rosendale's body last year and ruled her death a homicide due to trauma to her head. Wood County Prosecutor Paul Dobson said that advances

in technology helped the investigation, but he said the new findings were not based on DNA evidence.

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- ▶ NEW WATERFORD The public is invited to a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. today at the New Waterford United Methodist Church, 46925 S. State St. Donations will be accepted.
- ▶ COLUMBIANA —A free community meal will be served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Feb. 26 in the Activity Center at St. Jude Church, 180 Seventh St.
- ▶ NORTH LIMA A rummage sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 6 and 9 a.m. to noon March 7 at the North Lima Mennonite Church, 90 Mennonite Drive. There also will be a bake sale and a food stand. For more information call 330-549-2333.
- ▶ SALEM The Banquet in Salem will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at the Memorial Building, 785 E. State St., sponsored by the staff of Buckeye School. The menu offers tomato soup, meatloaf, buttered noodles with gravy, green beans, cole slaw, fresh fruits and vegetables, and assorted cakes.

Additional sponsors are needed. For more information call Patty Colian at 330-831-2169.

- ▶ LISBON A winter banquet dance, offering food, fun and fellowship, will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church, 114 E. Washington St. Dinner includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, refreshments and cake. The evening will include a DJ, gift baskets to be raffled, a door prize and 50/50 drawing. Tickets are \$10 for couples, \$6 for adults and \$3 for children and may be purchased at the door or by calling 330-420-3760. Proceeds will benefit the Family Recovery Center's Fleming House. Fleming House provides safe, affordable, drug-free transitional housing and specialized services for homeless, chemically dependent women and their children. There are 10 furnished apartments, a large community room, a multipurpose room with kitchenette, laundry facilities and access to children's daycare.
- ▶ SALEM The first Loyal Christian Benefit Association meeting of 2015 begins at 7 p.m.

March 5 at St. Paul School gym. The agenda will include preliminary plans for the April 25 card party.

▶ LEETONIA — St. Patrick Church in Leetonia will sell pierogies from noon to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays and after Mass on Sundays through Palm Sunday. Cost is \$6 per dozen. Potato and cheese, potato, cheese and jalapeno, kraut and potato, and cheese and bacon are available.

▶ SALEM — Salem Church Women United

will observe the annual World Day of Prayer on March 6 at Faith Chapel Fellowship Church, 155 E. Pershing St. A luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. by the ladies of the church. A love and appreciation offering will be taken for the meal. Associate Pastor Michael C. Hileman will provide the program after the luncheon. All Church Women United meetings are open to women of all faiths. The regular monthly meeting in February has been canceled.



Soup offered Sunday

The First Presbyterian Church at 436 E. Second St. is offering "Soupto-Go" from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday. Pictured is Jan Bethel who will lead a team of volunteers who will prepare this month's selection of turkey noodle soup. Cost is \$5 per quart. Customers are asked to use the Second Street entrance. (Submitted photo)

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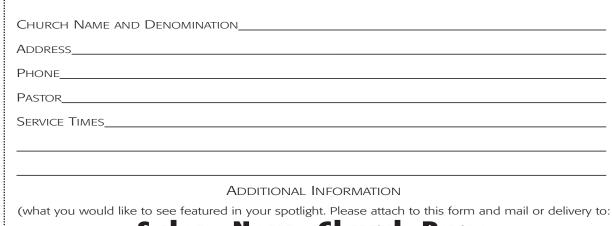
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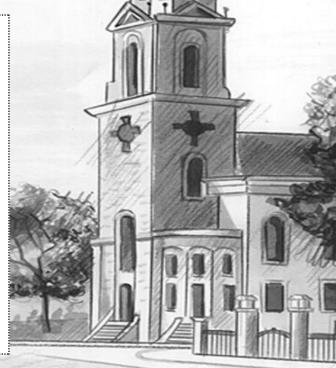


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BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

Surging dollar takes bite out of US corporate profits

The biggest obstacle for Coca-Cola and Pepsi these days isn't tied to taste tests, the declining popularity of sugary drinks or even their century-long rivalry. It's the surging U.S. dollar.

The two soda giants rely on overseas customers for roughly half of their revenue. When they turned in their quarterly results last week, both reported a drop in sales. The strong dollar made all the difference: strip it out and shrinking sales suddenly rise.

US to fine air bag maker

Takata \$14,000 per day RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — The U.S. government will fine Japanese air bag maker Takata Corp. \$14,000 per day for failing to fully cooperate in a long-running investigation of faulty and potentially dangerous air bag inflators.

The inflators, in cars made by 10 companies, can explode with too much force, spewing shrapnel into drivers and passengers. At least six people have been killed and 64 injured worldwide due to problem.

Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx announced the fines Friday in Richmond, Virginia, calling Takata a "bad actor" for allegedly dumping 2.4 million pages of documents on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration without the legally required explanation of what's in them.

Greece, European creditors reach deal on extension

BRUSSELS (AP) - Greece and its creditors in the 19-nation eurozone reached an agreement Friday on extending the country's rescue loans, a move that should ease concerns it was heading for the euro exit.

Athens will get an extension of four months, not six, as it had requested, said Jeroen Dijsselbloem, the eurozone's top official. In return, Greece has committed to make a series of unspecified reforms to be enacted over the coming months.

Friday's agreement was clinched just a week before Greece's 240 billion euro bailout program expires. It is aimed at buying time for both sides to agree on a longer-term deal to ease the burden of Greece's bailout loans.

Rents rise in US overall but

dip in Chicago, Minneapolis WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. home rental prices rose at a steady rate in January, but prices barely budged or even dipped in parts of the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic

Real estate data firm Zillow said Friday that prices increased a seasonally adjusted 3.3 percent in January compared with 12 months earlier. But some major cities are

finding themselves with an excessive supply of apartments and houses, reducing price pressures for renters.

In the wake of the Great Recession, more Americans are shifting away from home ownership, often because their low-incomes make it difficult to save for a down payment or they live in cities with expensive housing.

Kentucky governor: On union matters, we're no Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - In an unexpected shot across the bow of his GOP neighbors to the south, Kentucky Gov. Steve Beshear has a simple message on labor and economic development for automakers looking to build new plants: We're not Ten-

The Democrat is touting Kentucky's neutrality on labor matters as "a positive sales point," particularly in contrast to the turmoil in Tennessee, where Republicans have pulled out all the stops in what may yet be a losing effort to keep the United Auto Workers from gaining collective bargaining rights at Volkswagen's plant in Chattanooga. Similar unionization efforts are underway at a Mercedes plant near Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Brazil prosecutors seek \$1.55B in corruption case

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Brazilian federal prosecutors on Friday said they're seeking \$1.55 billion from six construction and engineering companies for their alleged involvement in a massive kickback scheme at state-run oil firm Petrobras.

The amount included \$111 million in compensation for public money prosecutors allege was stolen from Petrobras' coffers, along with \$333 million in fines and \$1.11 billion in punitive damages.

The action was the latest aggressive step by federal prosecutors, who say they've uncovered the biggest corruption scheme in Brazil's history.

Bank to end tough screening for low-income applicants

NEW YORK (AP) — Santander Bank has agreed to stop a policy that often kept poor and low-income people from opening new checking or savings accounts, the bank and New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman said Friday.

Santander becomes the third bank after Capital One and Citibank to agree to do away with such policies in an effort to accommodate millions of Americans dubbed the "unbanked." These individuals do not have checking or savings accounts and must rely on expensive alternatives for everyday bank-

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New woes for HealthCare.gov: Wrong income tax info sent

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a new setback for the health care law and the people it's supposed to help, the government said Friday it made a tax-reporting error that's fouling up the filings of nearly a million Americans.

After a successful sign-up season, the latest goof could signal new problems with the complex links between President Barack Obama's health care overhaul and the nation's income tax system.

Officials said the government sent the wrong tax information to about 800,000 HealthCare.gov customers, and they're asking those affected to delay filing their 2014 returns. The issue involves a new government form called a 1095-A, which is like a W-2 form for health care for people who got subsidized private coverage under Obama's

People can find out whether they're affected by logging in to their accounts at HealthCare.gov, where they should find a message indicating whether they were affected or not. They also can check by phoning the federal customer service center at 800-318-2596.

Separately, California announced earlier that it had sent out inaccurate tax forms affecting about 100,000 households. The state is not part of the federal market but runs its own insurance exchange.

HealthCare.gov said in a blog post that the federal mistake happened when information on this year's premiums was substituted for what should been 2014 numbers. The website had a technology meltdown when it was launched back in 2013, but seemed to have overcome its problems this enrollment sea-

"It's just another black mark on the administration's handling of the health care act," said Roberton Williams, a senior fellow at the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center in Washington. "They were hoping for a clean season.

"For many of these impacted taxpayers, the tax refund could be the single largest financial payout of the year," said Mark Ciaramitaro, H&R Block's vice president for health care. Many people due a refund file well before the April 15 deadline. "They are being told to wait," he added, "further delaying access to their tax refund.'

On another matter, the administration also announced a special sign-up extension for uninsured people who would face the health care law's tax penalties for the first time this year.

Several million households could benefit from that grace period, which had been sought by Democratic lawmakers.

Uninsured people who go to file their taxes and learn they're facing a penalty will have between March 15 and April 30 to sign up through HealthCare.gov. Otherwise, they would not have had an opportunity until the fall. Fines for being uninsured are going up significantly in 2015.

The tax-document mistake was a self-inflicted wound after what Obama had personally touted as a successful open-enrollment season, with about 11.4 million people signed

On Capitol Hill, Democrats were frustrated, but they gave the administration some credit for disclosing the error early instead of letting the problem compound as tax season advances.

The White House downplayed the consequences. "It's a small percentage of overall tax filers," said spokesman Josh Earnest. "You're talking about less than 1 percent of people who file taxes.'

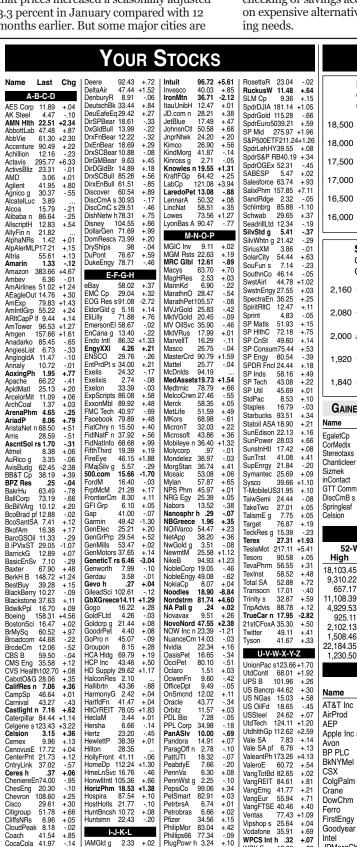
At the Health and Human Services department, Andy Slavitt, who oversees health insurance programs, said consumers affected by the problem will be notified starting immediately via phone calls and emails. They represent about 1 of every 5 HealthCare.gov customers who got subsidies in 2014.

An estimated 50,000 people who have already filed their taxes will receive special instructions from the Treasury Department, he said. All corrected forms should be available by early March.

Slavitt said the error involved a "benchmark" premium that is used to help determine the subsidies that individuals receive. It's unclear whether the impact would favor the government or individual policyholders. Slavitt said it's a mix. The tax error highlights the complicated links between Obama's health care law and taxes, connections that consumers are experiencing for the first time this year. The law subsidizes private health insurance for people who don't have access to job-based coverage. Those subsidies are mainly based on income.

By packaging the benefit as a tax credit, the law's supporters were able to promote it as a tax cut. But that also introduced new wrinkles to an already-complicated tax system at a time when Republicans have put the squeeze on the IRS budget.

Other issues could emerge later this spring. Consumers filing their taxes have to verify to the IRS that they got the amount of subsidy they were legally entitled to. If they received too much, their refunds will get dinged. Too little, and the government repays them. Some experts suspect that many consumers may have underestimated their 2014 incomes and gotten too big a subsidy.



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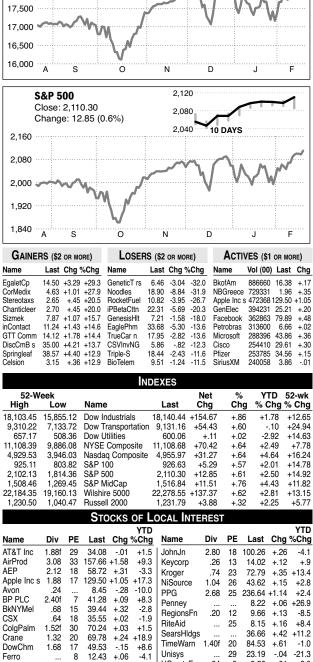
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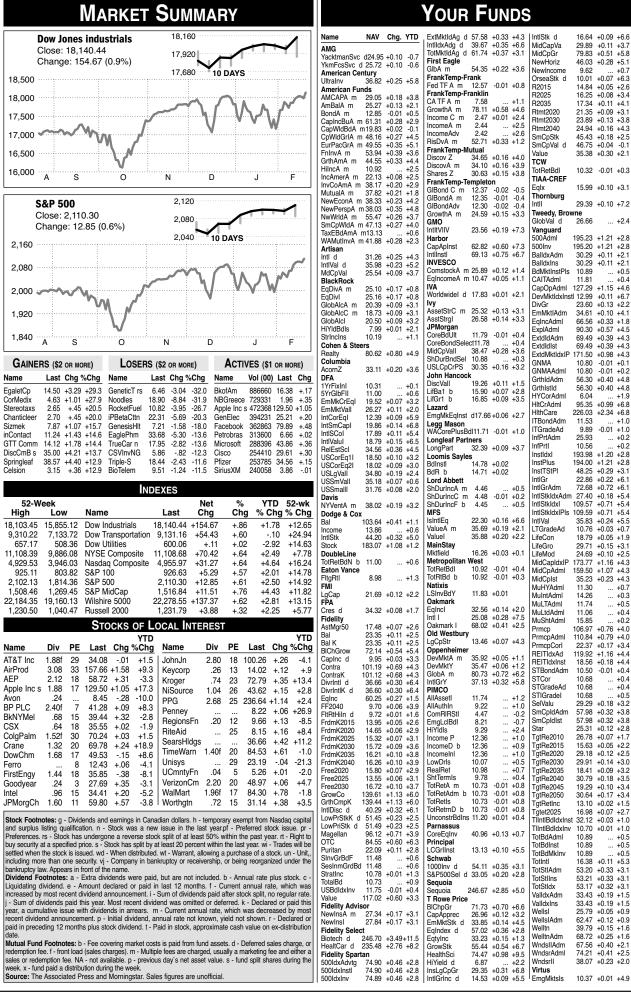
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By HOLIDAY MATHIS 2/21/15 Venus/Mars Hookup

This connection of Venus and Mars in the fire sign of Aries is ultrahot and bodes well for male/female relations. It's the first of three such meetings this year, and it's a time to fully appreciate what the opposite sex has to contribute to your life. The more you enjoy the perks of your gender the more the other gender will respond.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are feeling fickle and could agitate someone with your indecision, especially someone with hopes for your exclusive attention. Just remember that you don't owe anyone anything.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are humble enough to see that you need to work hard, yet confident enough to see that, at your best, you can absolutely outshine the competition

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your love life will get the focus today. Singles will make a connection with someone witty and fun. Couples will add a new exciting element to their routine. When your heart is happy, so are you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A loved one's attention is fixed on you. Now that you have it, reward the behavior. Also note that your whims may seem off course, but ultimately, if you follow them, you will find a better route to where you're going.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Ac-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Accountability is the theme. Make sure your team knows what you want them to do. And if you're not sure who is on your team, this is a fine time to sort that out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). As for the mundane details of life's maintenance, you're not that interested right now. You're also not so keen on the hard facts and the logic. You're busy feeling your way through, and that will work beautifully.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Everyone wants to give advice whether or not they really have their own thing together. Is that help, or is it ego? Either way, there are a few gems in what comes toward you that are definitely worth listening to

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are not responsible for the energy of the world, but you definitely have the power to influence it. Use that power today. Your smile is one of the least expensive and most effective things you can offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Don't make the mistake of defining yourself based on what you do for others. They might define you according to those terms, and it's egocentric (yet very human) of them to do so, but you should

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Thinking out loud is fun when you have a responsive audience. Don't confuse thoughts with facts, though. The internal dialogue is a sea of opinions generated by an extremely active and malleable mind.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If they assume they are doing you a favor by instructing you, they'll get a surprise. You prefer to seek your own instruction — or, differently put, "Don't tell me what to do."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 21). Seize the advantage you couldn't act on until this year. You'll fully maximize it in March. April brings public praise. May features better living through diet, exercise and relationships. Transportation improvements happen in August. You'll get where you want to go mentally and physically. Aquarius and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 33, 22, 41, 24 and 16.

ASTROLOGICAL QUES-TIONS: "My sister gets everything she wants, especially men, while I'm lucky to get a guy to talk to me. Her birthday is 5/21/70; mine is 12/19/71. Is this the way it will always be?"

It's difficult to live in anyone's shadow, but especially that of an older sibling. Your sister is a Gemini, with Mercury and Mars in that outgoing and often flirtatious sign, as well. You are a Sagittarius, with Mercury, the planet influencing communication, in Sagittarius traveling backward at the time of your birth. This retrograde motion turns the energy of that planet inward, in your case making it more challenging for you to connect with others at times. The good news is, as a Sagittarius, you are a highly thoughtful person, interested in education and travel. When you speak up, you come across as very intelligent and intriguing. Remember that it's not how many guys you talk to; it's finding the right guy. He's out there for you. Don't you worry your pretty head

CELEBRITY PROFILES: "Criminal Minds" star Jennifer Love Hewitt has grown up in the public eye. This intuitive Pisces was born when Jupiter was in Leo, the sign of show business, indicating that the more she's in the public eye the luckier she gets. The Sagittarius moon is a worldly and sophisticated influence that amps up curiosity and signifies global appeal.

Text of list eases shopping chores



Heloise

Dear Heloise: If I have a "to do" or shopping list, I simply TEXT it to myself. Whenever the information needs updating, I copy the prior text, paste it into a new text box, edit what needs updating and send it to myself again.

Since we all have our cellphones with us, this is a lot easier than little slips of paper, which are easily misplaced. Just be careful not to put overly sensitive information

(passwords or PIN numbers) on those texts. — **Mario F., Mission Viejo, Calif.**

CAT SNACK

Dear Heloise: I read your article about dog treats in the Amarillo (Texas) Globe-News. What about cats? Do you have any suggestions about treats for them? The only people food we've found that our tom likes seems to be ham. Thanks. — **Terry in Amarillo**, **Texas**

Terry, you're right! I did not mean to slight our feline friends. Some "human food," within reason, is a nice treat. When you have chicken, cut off small pieces and then treat your cat — just a few little nibbles at a time. Can we say "tuna"? What cat wouldn't love a treat or two of tuna?

Do also check a pet-supply store. Most carry CAT GRASS SEED. The directions on the packaging explain how to sprout cat grass. Seeing sprouts? Move the container to a sunny spot and mist. When it's 2-3 inches tall, present it to your cat and see what happens.

Even though your cat likes ham, it probably is very rich and high in sodium for a cat to ingest. Remember, these furry friends don't drink much water. Check what your veterinarian suggests. These creatures do have a mind of their own, so it might take a little time to find just the right treat. — **Meow**, **meow**, **Heloise**

NAILED IT

Dear Heloise: First, let me say that I read your column every day in the Orange County (Calif.) Register and really enjoy it! My hint is: If you have a broken fingernail that needs fixing, you can use instant glue, then cover it with nail polish. Right now, my badly broken nail has been protected for three weeks. — **Sue D., Costa Mesa, Calif.**

Needs approach for gender-bending teen

DEAR ABBY: I am 17 and a senior in high school. During freshman year, one of my classmates was a boy I'll call "Alex." This year, I have been told that Alex has changed his name to "Aly," a more feminine name. Aly now sometimes dresses like a girl and sometimes like a boy.

What gender should I refer to Aly as? Would it be rude to ask my classmate which gender he/she identifies with? — **GENDER DILEMMA**

DEAR G.D.: Considering that Aly could be in a process of transition, I not only don't think the question would be rude, I think it's an intelligent one. If you ask your classmate politely and privately, I'm sure Aly will be glad to answer.

DEAR ABBY: I gave up a baby girl for adoption 29 years ago. I thought when she became an adult she would want to contact me, but I have heard nothing. I have known how to contact her for many years, but haven't done it because I didn't want to intrude in her life. I have left contact totally up to her if she chooses.

Like I said, so far I've heard nothing, and I'm just wondering why she wouldn't want to contact me or know anything about me. — **WONDERING BIO-MOM**

DEAR BIO-MOM: Are you certain your daughter knows she was adopted? While many adopted children want to know their birth parents, not all do because they don't feel anything is "missing" in their lives. They may also think it would be disrespectful to the parents who raised them. Please don't take it personally

DEAR ABBY: I'm stuck in the middle between my mom and my husband, "Gary," regarding a onesie my brother bought for our daughter. Gary is a die-hard Raiders fan. My mom and brother love the Chargers. Mom and my brother thought it would be funny to gift my daughter with a Chargers onesie. Mom asked me to have my child wear it during the game.

When I asked Gary what he thought, he got upset and said, "Please don't do that. I don't want your mom buying Chargers clothes thinking she can turn our daughter into a Chargers fan."

Mom texted me for a photo of the baby wearing it. I said I was sorry, but her dad doesn't want her to wear it, and she got mad and said, "Whatever!" I can't please everyone. What should I do? — GOOD SPORT OUT WEST

DEAR GOOD SPORT: Whether your mother and your brother thought it would be funny to give your daughter a Chargers outfit is beside the point. Your husband doesn't see the humor in it, so my advice is to let the child be logo-free until she's old enough to decide for herself whom to support.

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Readers reply to letter about stressed out caregiver



Annie's Mailbox Dear Annie: I was interested in the letter from "Still Stressed Out," who is the caregiver for parents who insist on remaining at home. You urged seniors capable of making their own decisions to look into continuing-care communities.

Do you realize how much these communities cost? I have been doing research. Most CCRCs re-

quire a hefty buy-in fee and then a monthly fee. The fees increase as one moves from independent living to assisted living and then to nursing care.

For those who cannot afford CCRCs, the financial burden might fall on the family. There are seniors who cannot depend on that support. There are others whose families are not in a posi-

tion to help. These seniors may opt to stay in their own homes because they feel they have no other options. I, too, urge seniors who have the means to explore continuing-care options. I just wish you had raised your readers' awareness as to how many people do not have those choices. — Another Senior in New York

Dear New York: Assisted living and nursing home care is not cheap. You are right that some continuing-care facilities are pricey. The expensive buy-in is intended to cover the increasing costs of care, and should the person die before using up the buy-in money, it is supposed to be refunded to the family. Nonetheless, most do require an initial outlay that not all folks have, although in many instances, it becomes affordable if these folks sell their homes. Some continuing-care facilities are straight rentals with no buy-in fees. But CCRCs were only one suggestion in our response. Those who don't wish to move out of their homes can still do a great deal to make their houses more senior-

friendly. Our readers had a great deal to say on the subject of caregiving. Read on:

From Virginia: I feel sorry for those parents. "Stressed Out" is typical of so many people today: selfish and self-centered. Has she forgotten who took care of her when she was a helpless infant? Who did without so she would have anything she needed? Who put their personal life on hold for her? I am the daughter of parents who gave everything to raise me. I frequently remind myself that turnabout is fair play.

Texas: I sympathize with "Still Stressed Out." Being the caregiver of a person who is selfish, depressed and won't seek help is hard. Society is too quick to romanticize the caregiving of the elderly as rewarding. That is not always the case. It is taboo to say that your elderly parents are a burden, when in fact, they are. If the senior is still capable of making decisions but refuses, then the caregiver doesn't have any power, but still has to take on all of the responsibility. It is indeed stressful.

CANFIELD

Coffee House Jazz, 7-10 p.m., Canfield Presbyterian Church, 140 W. Main St.; \$5 per person.

DAMASCUS

Monthly community breakfast, 7-11 a.m., Damascus United Methodist Church, 300 Valley Road; \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 10.

HANOVERTON

United Local school board, 8:30 a.m., high school library; work session for management goals and objectives.

LISBON

Lisbon Exempted Village School District, work session, 9 a.m., BOE office, 317 N. Market St.

Bycroft School staff, past and present, monthly breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club,12688 Salem-Warren Road.

David Anderson High School Class of 1962, lunch, 1 p.m., Chef's Table.

Winter banquet dance fundraiser for Fleming House, 3-9 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 114 E. Washington St. Tickets, \$10 for couples, \$6 for adults, \$3 for children; at the door or 330-420-3760

NEW WATERFORD

Pancake breakfast, 8-11 a.m., New Waterford United Methodist Church, 46925 S. State St; donations accepted.

NORTH LIMA

Beef tip and noodle dinner, 4-7 p.m., Good Hope Lutheran Church, 12030 Market St., carryout available, \$8.50 for adults, \$4 for ages 6-12; advance tickets, 330-549-2406.

Pie auction fundraiser, 6:30 p.m., North Lima Mennonite Church, 90 Mennonite Drive; "walking tacos," available at 5:30 p.m.,

SALEM

Salem High School Class of 1963, breakfast, 9:30 a.m., BB Rooners.

Chinese New Year program, 1-3 p.m., Creative Learning Center: The Storybook Museum Recreated at Kent State University City Center, 230 N. Lincoln Ave. Registration required, 330-337-7225 or gingergrilli@aol.com.

"Winter Survivor 101" program, 1 p.m., Waterworth Memorial Park; registration requested online at salem.lib.oh.us or 330-332-5512.

Southwest Florida/Salem Day, 1-4 p.m., The Shell Factory, 2787 N. Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, Fla.; reservations, contact B.J. Abrams, 234-567-0603 or kolbys@sbcglobal.net.

Spaghetti dinner, 4:30-7 p.m., Salem Masonic Temple, 788 E. State St.; \$6.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 892, kitchen open 5-7:30 p.m. serving chicken fajitas. Army of Two, 7-10 p.m.; no cover.

"A Few Good Men," 8 p.m., Salem Community Theatre; tickets, 330-332-9688.

Dance, 9 p.m.-midnight, Salem Eagles Club, 1884 N. Ellsworth Ave.; music by Cold Shot. Kitchen open 8-10 p.m.

SEBRING

Free clothing giveaway, 10 a.m.noon, Acts 2 Clothing Closet located behind Pine Lake Christian Church, 636 Pine Lake Road; 330-938-2561.

YOUNGSTOWN

Tri-County Chapter of Medical Assistants, education seminar, 8:30 a.m., National College, 3487 Belmont Ave.

SUN/22 CORNERSBURG

Gamblers Anonymous, meeting, 7:30 p.m., Christ Church Presbyterian, 3425 Hopkins Road; 330-505-5060.

DAMASCUS

Colonial City Quartet, concert, 6 p.m., Damascus United Methodist Church, 300 Valley Road; free will offering taken.

LISBON

Stage Left Players auditions for "Barefoot in the Park," 6 p.m., Trinity Playhouse, 234 E. Lincoln Way.

SALEM

"A Few Good Men," 2 p.m., Salem Community Theatre; tickets, 330-332-9688.

Auditions for Neil Simon's comedy "God's Favorite," 7 p.m., Salem Community Theatre; 330-332-9688.

"Soup-to-Go," 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 436 E. Second St.; turkey noodle soup, \$5 per quart; use the Second Street entrance.

WASHINGTONVILLE

Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Washingtonville VFW Post 5532; carryouts, 330-427-2533.

MON/23

BOARDMAN

Alzheimer's Network family support group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Easter Seals Adult Day Care Center, 721 Boardman-Poland Road; 330-788-9755.

COLUMBIANA

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

EAST LIVERPOOL

"Sacred Dance" classes for ages 8-adult, 4:30-5:15 p.m., East Liverpool Salvation Army, 413 E. Fourth St.; 330-385-2086.

LISBON

National Alliance on Mental IIIness, support group meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Counseling Center, 40722 state Route 154, wing

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

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

PERRY TWP.

Gas aggregation public hearings for Perry Township residents, 3 and 6 p.m., township administration building, North Ellsworth Avenue.

Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m., township administration building, North Ellsworth Avenue.

SALEM

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

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

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

Banquet in Salem, 5-7 p.m., Memorial Building, 785 E. State St.; tomato soup, meatloaf, buttered noodles with gravy, green beans, cole slaw, fresh fruits and vegetables, assorted cakes. TOPS 1380, 6:15 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 251 S. Broadway Ave.; 330-584-7952.

Auditions for Neil Simon's comedy "God's Favorite," 7 p.m., Salem Community Theatre; 330-332-9688.

WELLSVILLE

Wellsville High School Class of 1962, lunch, 1 p.m., Wellsville Roadhouse.

TUE/24 COLUMBIANA

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

LEETONIA

Leetonia High School classes 1958-61, breakfast, 9 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

LISBON

Job and Family Services Planning Committee meeting, 9-11 a.m., 7989 Dickey Drive, suite two.

... ON THE Calendar THIS WEEK ...

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

Columbiana County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, meeting, 6 p.m., 27 Vista Drive.

NORTH LIMA

Beaver Township Police Crime Watch meeting, 7 p.m., activity center, Shepherd of the Valley; speaker, Roxann Sebest, director of marketing and communications for the United Way of Youngstown.

SALEM

Salem High School Class of 1946, breakfast, 9 a.m., Adele's Place.

Rotary Club, lunch, 11:45 a.m., Salem Community Center. Food distribution, 5-7:30 p.m., Salem Community Pantry, 794 E. Third St.

Alzheimer's Network family support group meeting, 6:30 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran Education Building, 251 S. Broadway; 330-788-9755.

Bingo, St. Paul School; early birds start at 6:50 p.m. Kitchen opens and card sales start at 5 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion Group meeting, 7-8 p.m., Salem Public Library's Quaker Room; "Light Between Oceans" by M.L. Sted-

WED/25

EAST PALESTINE

Food pantry, Grace Lutheran Church, open from 9:30-11 a.m. for East Palestine School District residents

LEETONIA

Pierogie sales, noon to 3 p.m., St. Patrick Church; \$6 per dozen; potato and cheese, potato, cheese and jalapeno, kraut and potato, cheese and bacon.

LISBON

National Alliance on Mental IIIness Connection, support group meeting, 4:15-5:45 p.m., Counseling Center, 40722 state Route 154, wing B boardroom.

SALEM

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

City Health Board meeting, 10 a.m., KSU City Center.

Free lunch and devotions for senior citizens, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Realife Church, 12824 Salem-Warren Road.

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

Wings, 4-7 p.m., Salem Eagles

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

SEBRING

Al-Anon meetings, Pine Lake

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

THU/26 COLUMBIANA

"Investigation Day," 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Heartland Christian School, 28 Pittsburgh St.; reservations, 330-482-2331 or lbrandenstein@heartlandschool.org.

Food distribution, 4-6 p.m., Oasis Food Ministry at First Christian Church, 39 Cherry St.

Free community meal, 4:30-6 p.m., Activity Center at St. Jude Church, 180 Seventh St.

DAMASCUS

TOPS Chapter 1329, 9:30 a.m., **Damascus United Methodist** Church; 330-537-3796.

EAST LIVERPOOL

National Alliance on Mental IIIness Connection support group meeting, 5-6:30 p.m., Carnegie Public Library, Fourth Street, lower level.

HANOVERTON

Redeemed Recovery support group meeting, 6:30 p.m., Hanoverton Christian Church, 10251 Plymouth St.; 330-223-1561.

LISBON

Free income tax preparation assistance for senior citizens, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Lepper Public Library; appointments required, 330-424-3117.

Parent-teacher conferences, 3-9 p.m., Columbiana County Career and Technical Center; schedule appointments at 330-424-9561, select "0" for the operator.

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

David Anderson High School Class of 1955, breakfast, 9:30 a.m.. Iron Rails Cafe in Leetonia.

SALEM

Kaiser/National retirees and past employees, breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

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

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

Salem High School Class of 1962, monthly luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Salem Hills Golf and Country Club.

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

Pistol League, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

FRI/27 LEETONIA

Pierogie sales, noon to 3 p.m., St. Patrick Church; \$6 per dozen; potato and cheese, potato, cheese and jalapeno, kraut and potato, cheese and bacon.

Fish fry, 5-8 p.m., Leetonia Italian American Club; carryouts

LISBON

Haddock fish dinner. \$11. 4:30-7 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4111, 210 E. Lincoln Way; dine in or carryout, 330-424-7586.330-427-9900.

SALEM

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

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

Benefit spaghetti dinner and 50/50 raffle for Kelli Hurley, 4-7 p.m., Salem High School cafeteria, 1200 E. Sixth St.; \$8 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-12, free for under 5. Carryouts available.

Fish fry, 4-7 p.m., Salem Eagles Club; fish, \$10, chicken, \$8.

Fish fry, 5-7 p.m., Salem Saxon Club, 1980 Newgarden Road (state Route 9); choice of baked or fried ocean cod, or breaded pork chops, scalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce or cole slaw, homemade cake, coffee/tea, iced tea or punch; \$11 for adults, \$6 for children, free for under 5. Carryouts available at 330-222-1770 after 4:30 p.m.

Indoor .22 rifle matches, 6 p.m., Salem Hunting Club.

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

"A Few Good Men," 8 p.m., Salem Community Theater; tickets, 330-332-9688.

Saxon Retirees reservations due today for the March 4 meeting; call 330-533-5154.

WASHINGTONVILLE

Fish fry, 4-7 p.m., Beavercreek Sportsman Club, 14480 Washingtonville Road; \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. Carryouts available; 330-402-9481.

Haddock fish fry, 4-7:30 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5532; carryouts, 330-427-2533.

SAT/28 HANOVERTON

United Community Scholarship Foundation's all-you-can eat omelet breakfast and silent auction, 7 a.m.-noon, high school cafeteria; \$7 for adults, \$5 for ages 4-12, free for 4 and under.

NORTH LIMA

All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet, 7-10 a.m., North Lima Mennonite Church, 90 Mennonite Drive. Donations accepted; eggs, pancakes, french toast, sausage, potatoes, homemade rolls, sausage gravy and biscuits, peppers and mushrooms, beverages.

ROGERS

Round and square dance sponsored by Farmer's Pride 4-H Club, 7-10 p.m., Baer's Den Restaurant at the Roger's Auc-

SALEM

Public breakfast buffet, 7:30-10 a.m., Masonic Building, 788 E. State St.; \$6 for adults, \$3 for under 10, free for under 2; pancakes, waffles, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, homemade sausage gravy, biscuits, homefries, toast, fruit cocktail, orange juice, coffee, tea.

Free grandparenting class, 1-2:30 p.m., Salem Regional Medical Center; register at 330-337-4989.

"A Few Good Men," 8 p.m.,

Salem Community Theater; tickets, 330-332-9688.

Rough Edges, 9 p.m.-midnight, Salem Eagles Club; kitchen open 8-10 p.m.

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Finger-pointing, lawsuits likely to follow 'superbug' scare

LOS ANGELES (AP) — With an antibiotic-resistant "superbug" outbreak connected to its facility, Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center stopped short of pointing a finger at the manufacturer of a medical instrument believed to have spread the deadly germs. The maker of the product was careful not to blame the hospital as it issued new cleaning instructions emphasizing meticulous manual sterilization.

Things may not be so polite once lawyers get involved.

Lawsuits are expected to follow the outbreak tied to two deaths and several infections, with the hospital and manufacturer pointing fingers at each other.

That's exactly the kind of skirmishing you're going to see," said John Culhane, co-director of the Family Health Law & Policy Institute at the Widener University School of Law in Delaware. "The bottom line is that the two defendants will be hauled into court.

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things: One, they didn't do anything wrong; the second thing is to pin the blame on the other defen-

Two people have died at UCLA, and five others have been infected with the bacteria known as carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, or CRE, after undergoing similar endoscopic procedures to diagnose and treat pancreatic and bile-duct problems between October and January, hospital officials said. More than 170 other patients also may have been exposed.

The family of an 18-year-old student in grave condition from the bacteria is considering suing the endoscope's manufacturer, Olympus Corporation of the Americas, an arm of Japan's Olympus Corp, attorney Kevin Boyle said.

ment Thursday that meticulous manual sterilization is needed. The company said it was issuing new instructions and working with federal officials.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration warned doctors Thursday that the device's complex design and tiny parts make complete disinfection extremely difficult. Even when cleaning instructions are followed, germs may linger, the FDA said. Between January 2013 and December 2014, the FDA received 75 reports involving 135 patients in the U.S. who may have been infected by tainted scopes.

The blame game has played out across the country where some patients are believed to have died from infections and hundreds of others have been shocked when notified they could have been inprocess of being screened over months for diseases such as HIV and hepatitis they may have been exposed to.

Pittsburgh medical malpractice lawyer Brendan Lupetin currently represents more than 200 patients in a class-action suit against a Pennsylvania clinic that he said didn't properly clean its endoscopes.

He envisions lots of lawsuits coming from the UCLA outbreak, with lawyers targeting both the hospital and Olympus and possibly third parties who may have been responsible for maintaining equipment used for cleaning and sterilization.

"It looks like someone dropped the ball," Lupetin said. "Whether it's the manufacturer or UCLA, you can almost guarantee there

care and sterilization expert, said he'd be surprised if there's litigation because he doesn't know of any lawsuits tied to outbreaks he has closely followed at four other U.S. hospitals.

Few lawyers have taken on the hospitals because it can cost hundreds of thousands of dollars to prepare a case, and there's no guarantee of success when it's hard to prove what caused an infection, he said. Doctors rarely list the infection as the cause of death, and some hospitals have said patients entered their facility with the antibiotic-resistant bacteria, a notion he dismisses.

"Proving causation is impossible," he said. "You can't prove you didn't have that organism when you came into the hospital."

Culhane, the law professor, said that if cases do proceed to court, defendants probably won't blame the victim for their role, as often happens in negligence cases. In these cases, the patient was probably unconscious.



Ohio: Prison food vendor exceeded cost savings

COLUMBUS (AP) -Ohio's contract with a prison food vendor has saved taxpayers more than expected and resulted in relatively few problems, the state said Friday in a review of the company's performance following criticism over the contract last year.

Many problems tied to Philadelphia-based Aramark Correctional Services' contract in Ohio, which included understaffing, running out of food, and maggots near food prep areas, were also common when food services were state-operated, the state said.

Aramark is now serving 50 million meals each year with fewer than five daily documented concerns, according to the review provided to The Associated Press through a records request.

"The contract has exceeded financial expectations as it relates to savings and the majority of the prisons are experiencing few, if any incidents," said the review by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.

The state says Aramark is on track to save \$17 million this year, compared to original estimates of \$14 million annual savings.

Aramark said the report reflects its efforts to provide the state "with the services it needs while delivering taxpayer savings."

The state has recommended a two-year contract renewal that would take effect later this year.

The prisons agency last year levied \$272,000 in fines on Aramark for contract violations, including running out of main courses, understaffing, inappropriate relationships between inmates and Aramark employees and a few cases of maggots near food preparation areas.

The company's performance in Michigan also has been under scrutiny over misconduct by some of its employees and food contamination issues.

Aramark has significantly improved its operations and will continue to undergo close monitoring, the state has said. The current two-year contract ends June 30.

Parts of the fines were spent on training to ensure Aramark complies with its contract. The company also agreed to an eight-hour food service training program for company supervisors, and to send supervisors to a six-day prisons training academy.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

PREP BASKETBALL — NBC ACTION



Salem's D.J. Pullie looks to dribble around Canton South's Malik Campbell. Looking on is Salem's Alec Economous and Canton South's Garrett Crum. (Salem News/Steve Rappach)

Quakers caught in cat trap

By STEVE RAPPACH Staff Writer

CANTON — The Salem boys basketball team wrapped up its Northeastern Buckeye Conference season Friday against Canton South, and it was far from an easy experience.

Right out of the gate, Canton South scored 42 points in the first half and the Quakers were turned back by the Wildcats, who celebrated their senior night with a 69-35 win at Charles "Red" Ash Gymna-

We did some better

things in the second half, but we just can't have those efforts like we did in the first half," Salem coach Rich Hart said.

The Quakers drop 8-12 overall, and finish in seventh place at 4-10 in NBC action. The Wildcats are currently 15-6 overall and finished second in the league at 12-2 to Louisville, which wrapped up the outright title Friday.

The Quakers found themselves in a hole very early on in which they couldn't get out of as the Wildcats capitalized on

dominant defense with accurate offense, and put the Quakers in a 16-0 hole early on. Eventually, junior D.J. Pullie scored the Quakers' only first-quarter basket with a little more than a minute in that quar-

After an equally lopsided second quarter, the Quakers got their act together on defense as they held the Wildcats to just 12 points in the third quarter.

"We did a much better job in the second half," Hart said. "I was proud of the way we played in the

second half. We can't give up a half. We looked like deer in the headlights in the first half.'

Pullie led the way for the Ouakers with 19 points, while Dan Laut was next in line with five.

Hart recalls the opposite occurrence happening at the Jan. 16 game when the Quakers trailed by 12, and then were blown out by the Wildcats in the fourth quarter during the 69-40

"That game (on Jan. 16) was close right down until

See TRAP. 2B

Buckeye teams freshen up

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{COLUMBUS (AP)} - \text{The} \\ \text{top freshmen basketball} \end{array}$ scorers in the nation both play for Ohio State — just on different teams.

Kelsey Mitchell and D'Angelo Russell are fast friends who have gotten off to fast starts for the Buck-

"She's probably one of my best friends," said Rus-sell, a 6-foot-5 point guard averaging 19.1 points, 5.5 assists and 5.8 rebounds a game to leap into the conversation for men's national player of the year. "It's just crazy to know that the same thing that I'm doing, she's doing." Mitchell, a left-hander

(just like Russell) who is averaging 24.9 points, 4.1 assists and 4.2 rebounds a game for Ohio State's women, said the two point guards come to each other's games and trade texts in between.

"It's weird, the relation-ship," she said, smiling. "I can't even describe it. We don't even talk about accolades, points, what I did or what he did. It's 'I need to work on this.' It's always stuff like that."

Mitchell grew up in Cincinnati, Russell in Louisville, Kentucky. They've known each other for quite a while and have grown closer since both decided to come to Ohio State.

Both have led flawed teams to potential NCAA tournament bids. The Ohio State men (19-7), lacking a presence in the post, play at Michigan on Saturday. The women (18-9), with just eight scholarship players, host No. 13 Iowa on Saturday.

Looming over both Russell and Mitchell is the fact that their friendship may



D'Angelo Russell, a 6-foot-5 native of Louisville, is considered a likely candidate for a one-anddone season at Ohio State since several mock drafts have him going in the top five picks, if not No. 1 overall. (AP Photo/Mel Evans, File)

rely on long-distance communication very soon.

Russell is considered a top-five pick by many NBA experts and mock-draft gurus. Some have him going as high as No. 1 over-

all.
"Somebody texted me after the game the other night and said, '(Russell) is pretty good," coach Thad Matta said. "I said, 'Can you imagine what he's going to be like when he's a senior?"

Then he laughed a know-

ing laugh.
Mitchell said Russell's decision has never come up in their conversations.

"That's something I've never asked before, something I'll never ask. That's his business," she said.



(Minerva's Connor Wright goes up for the ball along with West Branch's Kip DeShields on Friday at West Branch High School. (Salem News/Gary Leininger)

West Branch dribbles around Minerva to gain ninth

BELOIT — The West Branch boys basketball team controlled the second half against Minerva to pick up the 64-56 victory in the Northeastern Buckeye Conference finale Friday.

Jerian Thomas led the Warriors (9-12, 5-9 NBC) with 20 points, followed by Kyle Zeigler with 17 points and Jeremy Gorby with 11. Kip DeShields also had eight points and 10 rebounds.

For the Lions (4-17, 2-12 NBC), Joey Gill and Derek McNutt both led with 10 points, followed by Austin Catlett and Dakota Hudy each with seven points.

Minerva won 46-29 in junior varsity action. West Branch will play at South Range on Tuesday.

MI 17-19-9-11-56 WB: 21-11-13-18-64

MINERVA SCORING: Austin Catlett 2-2-7, Derek McNutt 4-0-10, Billy Eyer 2-0-5, Kristian Knight 2-0-5, Logan Coe 1-0-3, Joey Gill 4-0-10, Connor Wright 1-0-3, Dakota Hudy 3-1-7, Adam Gross 2-0-6. TEAM TO-TALS: 21, 2-9: 56.

WEST BRANCH SCORING: Matt Meiter 3-1-7, Jerian Thomas 7-4-20, Kyle Zeigler 3-10-17, Austin Smith 0-1-1, Kip DeShields 3-2-8, Jeremy Gorby 5-0-11. TEAM TOTALS: 22, 18-24: 64.

Three-point goals: Minerva 11 (McNutt 2, Gill 2, Gross 2, Catlett, Eyer, Knight, Coe, Wright), West Branch 4 (Thomas 2, Zeigler, Gorby).

> Springfield 49, Girard 43

NEW MIDDLETOWN — State-ranked Springfield is within a game of an unbeaten season after downing Girard, 49-43, Friday.

Graham Mincher was 4for-4 from the foul line in the fourth quarter as the Tigers held to improve to 21-0 on the season.

It gave Springfield's Eric Fender his 100th career victory as head coach. He is 100-34 in six seasons with the Tigers, a winning per-

centage of 75 percent. Springfield, ranked sixth in the Division III state poll, led 17-14 in the first quarter, 28-25 at halftime

See NINTH, 2B

East Palestine stuns Leetonia

By BILL DRAGOMIR

Staff Writer

EAST PALESTINE -The East Palestine Bulldogs celebrated senior night with their four seniors contributing in the 84-71 win over the Leetonia Bears on Friday night.

The Bulldogs end the regular season with a 6-16 record. The Bears are 11-9 with a pair of games left.

Seniors, Nick Monteleone, Colin Reidy, Brandon Murray and Ryen Kemp started the game and combined for 50 points.

Monteleone led the way with 23 points, including 11 of 11 from the free throw line. Brandon Murray scored 13 points and Colin Reidy had 11. Ryen Kemp tallied three points.

"The whole year we wanted to start together so that was fun," Monteleone said. "I honestly think it was the best we played as a unit.'

The Bulldogs were down early 23-14, but outscored the Bears 30-14 in the remainder of the first half for a 44-37 advantage at the intermission. After the teams were tied in the second half, the Bulldogs gained the upper hand and were able to pull away.

"The effort changed," East Palestine coach Sean McKeown said. "I think early we came out we were a little tentative, we were a little unaggressive and they capitalized on some early mistakes. Once we kind of calmed down and started playing team basketball and started giving the effort that

we're capable of, the game changed."
The Bears trailed by just

a bucket entering the final stanza, but were unable to cope with the defensive pressure and presence on the offensive boards by the Bulldogs.

"They played well, it was their senior night," Leetonia coach Eric Whitmer said. 'Give them credit, but I have to look at us honestly. If we're not going to play defense better than that, we're not going to win

The Bulldogs also prevailed in the junior varsity game, 62-40. Owen Reidy and Cameron Mitchell each scored 12 points to pace the Bulldogs. Danny McCool had 14 for the Bears.

The Bears close out the regular season with home games against Crestview and McDonald on Tuesday and Wednesday.

LE: 20-17-19-15-71 EP: 14-30-14-26-84 LEETONIA SCORING: Evan Davis

0-0-0, Shayne Rhodes 4-0-11, Drew Turney 5-4-14, Devin Champney 0-0-0, Trent Ferry 4-14-23, Tanner Barr 0-0-0, Danny McCool 1-0-2, Josh Faulkner 5-0-11, Isaac Stecker 5-0-10. TEAM TOTALS: 24, 18-28: 71. EAST PALESTINE SCORING:

Colin Reidy 4-0-11, Alex Robb 1-0-2, Josh Pickett 2-2-6, Jamie Molnar 4-2-12, Ryen Kemp 1-0-3, Nick Monteleone 6-11-23, Owen Reidy 0-0-0, Branden Kemp 1-0-3, Tom Daumbauld 0-0-0, Grant Wagner 0-0-0, Trevor Kimmel 5-0-10, Adam Klein 0-0-0, Brandon Murray 6-1-13, Cameron Mitchell 0-1-1. TEAM TOTALS: 30, 17-

Three-point goals: Leetonia 5 (Rhodes 3, Ferry, Faulkner), East Palestine 7 (C. Reidy 3, Molnar 2, R. Kemp, B. Kemp).

NBA

Wizard spells have no effect on Cavaliers

WASHINGTON (AP) -LeBron James was not about to let teammate Kevin Love's flubbed attempt at a driving, twohanded dunk — the basketball smacked off the front of the rim — happen without some ribbing.

Especially not when James set aside first-half foul trouble to finish with 28 points in only 25 minutes Friday night, helping the surging Cleveland Cavaliers overwhelm the Washington Wizards 127-89 in a possible Eastern Conference playoff pre-

"I said something to him at halftime. Locker-room talk," James said with a smile, thinking about Love

and his missed slam, about the only thing that went wrong for the Cavs on a night they handed the Wizards their biggest loss of the season.

"He laughed it off," James added. "We all laughed it off."

Easy to do on an evening like this.

Cleveland led by as many as 22 points before halftime and as many as 40 after to win for the 15th time in its past 17 games.

"I'm the leader of this team and I set the tempo. I set the pace," James said. "I set the aggressiveness and I just wanted the guys to follow me."

After the Wizards briefly made things interesting by

pulling within 12 early in the third quarter, James hit consecutive 3-points to make things comfortable

for the visitors. "That," said John Wall, the All-Star point guard who had 18 points and nine assists for Washington, "was kind of devastat-

ing."
The Cavaliers held the Wizards to 1-of-16 shooting on 3s while going 14 for 33 themselves and produced the most points by a Washington opponent in a first quarter (35) and first half (65).

"They came to send a message, no question. Absolutely. That's what good teams do," Wizards coach Randy Wittman said about the Cavaliers. "That's where we've got to get."

Washington is 14-16 over its last 30 games, following a 19-6 start that prompted talk about whether the club was ready to be a real factor in the East.

Entering the first game for both teams after the All-Star break, the Wizards were fourth in the conference standings, and the Cavaliers were fifth. They now swap spots. If the clubs were to stay seeded 4-5 the rest of the way, they would meet in the first round of the playoffs.

And if Friday was any indication, the Wizards probably ought to hope that doesn't happen -

even if they were without starting shooting guard Bradley Beal (right leg injury) and reserve forward Kevin Seraphin (flu-like symptoms) from the tipoff, then had starting forward Nene leave in the third

quarter because of cramps. Fact is, this one was not much of a contest at all.

Coming out of the All-Star break, Cavs coach David Blatt said, "I saw a rejuvenated group, a team that was very, very focused cognizant of what's ahead of us in these last, now, 26 games. And it did

Blatt pointed to Cleve-

land's 91-78 loss at Wash-

us well." **GOOD CHANGE** ington in November as an example of how much progress his team has

made. "What a difference a few months make," Blatt said. "We definitely were not

the together unit that we

are now." JR AT MSG

Cleveland's J.R. Smith will get to play at his old stompin' grounds Sunday when the Cavs are at Madison Square Garden; he was traded by the Knicks last month.

Carmelo Anthony is "hurt, so it takes away from it a little bit," Smith said. "It's going to be fun to be playing in front of the home crowd a little bit."

NASCAR suspends Kurt Busch after domestic violence details

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — NASCAR suspended Kurt Busch indefinitely Friday after a judge said the former champion almost surely choked and beat a former girlfriend last fall and there was a "substantial likelihood" of more domestic violence

In a stunning move two days before the season-opening Daytona 500, NASCAR said Busch would not be allowed to participate in any series activities until further notice given the "serious nature of the findings and conclusions" made by a Delaware judge involving the driver known as "The Outlaw."

"Kurt Busch and his Stewart-Haas Racing team are fully aware of our position and why this decision was made," NASCAR said in a statement. "We will continue to respect the process and timetable of the authorities involved." Busch attorney Rusty Hardin said the driver will appeal, and NASCAR said it will be expedited.

"We assure everyone, including NASCAR, that this action against Mr. Busch will turn out to be a travesty of justice, apparent to all, as this story continues to unfold," Hardin said in a statement. "It is important for everyone to remember that the Commissioner's report has to do with a civil, family law matter and no criminal charges have been filed against Mr. Busch.

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and 39-37 after three quarters. The Tigers went on a 10-6 run in the final period.

Graham Mincher scored 12 of his game-high 18 points in the first half. Mark Schuler added 14 points.

Dylan O'Hara topped Girard with 18 points. Deonte Brown followed with 12

points and Chaston Williams 10.

Girard moves to 17-5. Springfield will close out the regular season at Salem next Friday.

GI: 14-11-12- 6-43 SL: 17-11-11-10-49 GIRARD SCORING: Deonte Brown 5-1-12, Christian Bello 0-0-0, Dylan O'Hara 7-3-18, Chaston Williams 4-2-10, Tyler Kilbourne 0-0-Deonte 0, Guyer 0-0-0, Logan

Cochran 1-0-3, Mark Standohar 0-0-

0. TEAM TOTALS: 17, 6-8: 43.

SPRINGFIELD SCORING: Mark Schuler 6-2-14, Graham Mincher 6-4-18, Nate Simboli 2-0-4, Hunter Snyder 2-0-4, Jordon Peterson 3-0-6. Brandon Chamberlain 1-0-3, Neil Sofranec 0-0-0. TEAM TOTALS: 20,

Three-point goals: Girard 3 (Brown, O'Hara, Cochran), Springfield 3 (Mincher 2, Chamberlain).

W. Reserve 52, **Jackson-Milton 38**

NORTH JACKSON -Western Reserve topped Jackson-Milton, 52-38,

Friday to retain the rivalry trophy for the third time in a row.

Joe Falasca guided the Blue Devils with 14 points. Nolan Snyder and Lance DeZee each had nine

The Blue Devils have won four games in a row to improve to 15-6 overall.

Leading 21-19 at halftime, the Blue Devils outscored the Bluejays 19-9 in the third quarter to take

a 40-28 advantage. John Voland paced Jack-

son-Milton with 10 points. Western Reserve also

won the junior varsity game, 65-29. Western Reserve will wrap up the regular season

by hosting Rootstown on Tuesday.

WR: 12-9-19-12-52 JM: 10-9- 9-10-38 WESTERN RESERVE SCOR-ING: Joe Falasca 3-8-14, Nolan Snyder 3-3-9, Walker Marlowe 1-2-4,

Lance DeZee 2-3-9, Jack Cappabanca 2-1-5, Wyatt Larimer 2-2-8, Cody Hilles 0-0-0, Drew Slaven 0-0-0, Kyle Hilles 1-1-3. TEAM TOTALS: 14, 20-41: 52.

JACKSON-MILTON SCORING: Jeff Voland 1-2-5, Alex Thornburg 2-0-4, John Voland 5-0-10, Mike Assion 1-0-2, Tyler Totani 4-0-8, Braden Nagy 0-0-0, Clayton Markornick 0-0-0, Austin Christopher 2-0-4, Nick Householder 1-0-3, Sean Bartek 0-0-0. TEAM TOTALS: 16, 2-9: 38.

Three-point goals: Western Reserve 4 (DeZee 2, Larimer 2), Jackson-Milton 2 (Jeff Voland. Housedholder).

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the end," Hart said. "They've been running over the same stuff we've been going over the last two days. I think they were just hitting everything, and then we missed a few shots and then felt sorry for our-

selves. You can't let up on a team like that. You have to be very sharp in order to maintain.'

Everything seemed to work just right for the

Wildcats early on as Matt Nicoletti and Gunner Tharp took charge on offense to lead the Wildcats to a 16-0 run in the first quarter, and dominated

just as much in the second quarter, leading 44-14 by halftime.

"Everything seemed to click. We hit a lot of easy shots," Canton South

coach Frank Spotleson said. "I challenged them at the end of the quarter. I said 'OK, same story. Give me a better quarter two.' They were just able to do Nicoletti and Tharp both

led with 18 points, while Tharp had seven rebounds while Nicoletti had six. Kole Ickes also scored 11. The Quakers, mean-

while, will wrap up their season next week, traveling to United Tuesday and hosting sixth-ranked and unbeaten Springfield in the season finale Friday.

"We got to get to 10 wins. That's our goal before we get to tournament," Hart said. "We still got some goals we need to achieve. We got to keep getting better.'

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GAME NOTES

· Louisville beat Marlington 62-55 Friday to clinch the Northeastern Buckeye Conference outright. The Leopards improve to have one final NBC game remaining against Alliance. West Branch beat Minerva 64-56 Friday to take sixth place in the NBC. Minerva finished last at 2-12.

· Salem's next opponent, United, has only faced one NBC team so far this season, falling to West Branch 71-53 on Dec. 5. The Eagles will face Minerva tonight.

· Canton South won the junior varsity game 41-30. Deven Neal led the Quakers with nine points, while Stephen Mattise led the Wildcats with 14.

SA: 3-11-10-11-35 CS: 20-22-12-15-69

SALEM SCORING: D.J. Pullie 7-1-19, Jake Bezon 1-0-2, Dan Laut 2-1-5, Jon Gerace 0-0-0, Matt Weingart 0-0-0, Garrett Dickey 1-0-2, Mike Ciotti 0-0-0, Cameron Turney 0-0-0, Trev Toothman 0-0-0, Brandon Weikart 1-0-2. Alec Economous 1-0-2, Tyler Holenchick 0-0-0, Nick Rusyn 1-1-3. TEAM TOTALS: 14, 3-6: 35.

CANTON SOUTH SCORING: Malik Campbell 1-0-2, Kole Ickes 4-2-11, Jake Daniska 1-0-2, Savon Terrell 1-0-2, Brooks Herrington 1-0-2, Caden Jeter 2-0-6, George Lexington 1-0-2. Garrett Crum 2-0-4. Gunner Tharp 7-0-18. Matt Nicoletti 8-1-18. Davis McCue 1-0-2, Stephen Mattice 0-0-0. TEAM TOTALS: 29, 3-7: 69.

Three-point goals: Salem 4 (Pullie 4), Canton South 8 (Tharp 4, Jeter 2, Nicoletti, Ickes).

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Montreal

Girls BB tournaments

SECTIONALS Steubenville Div. II: Steubenville 68. Claymont 56.

Wednesday, Feb. 18 Dresden Div. II: Cambridge 38, John Glenn 34; Dover 65, Beaver Local 38.

Thursday, Feb. 19 Steubenville Div. II: Indian Creek 70

East Liverpoo 45; Zanesville Maysville 83, Saturday, Feb. 21

Austintown Div. II: Niles at West Branch, 1 n.m.: Salem at Bayenna Southeast, 1 n.m.: Streetsboro at Mogadore Field, 1 p.m.; Mantua Crestwood at Cortland Lakeview, 1 p.m. Steubenville Div. II: Carrollton vs. Buckeye Local, 3 p.m.; Minerva vs. Steubenville, 5

Dresden Div. II: West Holmes vs. Mc-Connelsville Morgan, 1 p.m.; Edison vs. Cam-

Tuesday, Feb. 24

bridge, 3 p.m.

Dresden Div. II: Duncan Falls Philo vs. Gnadenhutten Indian Valley, 6 p.m.; Byesville Meadowbook vs. Dover, 8 p.m

Wednesday, Feb. 25 Mineral Ridge Div. III: Southern Local at Columbiana, 7 p.m.; Sebring at Jackson-Milton, 7 p.m.; Wellsville at Youngstown Christian, 7 p.m.: McDonald at Lordstown, 7 p.m.: Heartland Christian at Louisville St. Thomas Aquinas, 7 p.m.; Lowellville at Crestview, 7

Struthers Div. IV: Youngstown Mooney at Youngstown Ursuline, 7 p.m.; Liberty at South Range, 7 p.m.; United at Girard, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 26 Austintown Div. II: Hubbard vs. Niles-

West Branch winner, 7 p.m.; Struthers vs. Salem-Ravenna Southeast winner, 7 p.m.: Poland vs. Streetsboro-Mogadore Field winner. 7 p.m.: Ravenna vs. Mantua Crestwood Cortland Lakeview winner, 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28

Mineral Ridge Div. III: Leetonia vs. Southern Local-Columbiana winnner, 1 p.m. Sebring-Jackson Milton winner vs. Wellsville Youngstown Christian winner, 1 p.m.; Mc-Donald-Lordstown winner at Lisbon, 1 p.m. Heartland Christian-Western Reserve winner vs. Lowellville-Crestview winner, 1 p.m.

Struthers Div. IV: Youngstown Mooney-Youngstown Ursuline winner at Springfield, 1 p.m.; East Palestine vs. Liberty-South Range winner, 1 p.m.; Campbell Memorial at Brook field, 1 p.m.; Mineral Ridge United-Girard win-

DISTRICTS Thursday, Feb. 28

Dresden Div. II: West Holmes-Mc-Connelsville Morgan winner vs. Edison-Cambridge winner, 7 p.m.

Prep schedule

REGULAR SEASON (All games subject to change) Saturday, February 21 Boys Basketball

United at Minerva, 5 p.m. Girls Basketball Crestview at East Palestine, 2:30 p.m Wrestling

Inter-Tri County League Tournament at Crestview, 9:30 a.m. West Virginia Class AA/A Region I tournament at Oak Glen Multi Sports Complex, 11

NFL today

WINSTONS ANSWERS QUESTIONS INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jameis Winston responded to all the lingering questions with

ing to Win cerns that dogged him at Florida State are history. The comparisons to Johnny Manziel are irrelevant. The supposed throwing shoulder injury is a non-issue. And anyone who thinks the 2013 Heisman Trophy winner can't be successful in the NFL is sorely mistaken.

Now the league's decision-makers must determine whether they believe the charismatic Florida State quarterback can pull it off.

"What I do tell them is, 'I have to earn your trust," Winston said. "I can't talk about situations or anything like that in the past but what I can do is prove to them and let you watch me grow into being the face of your fran-

Baseball today

Remaining Free Agents

NEW YORK (AP) — The 27 remaining free agents:

AMERICAN LEAGUE BALTIMORE (2) — Johan Santana, Ihp;

Joe Saunders, Ihp. BOSTON (1) — Ryan Dempster, rhp. CHICAGO (1) — Paul Konerko, 1b. CLEVELAND (1) — Jason Giambi, 1b. DETROIT (2) - Joba Chamberlain, rhp; Phil Coke, Ihp.

KANSAS CITY (2) - Raul Ibanez, of; Josh Willingham, of.
LOS ANGELES (2) — Sean Burnett, Ihp;

NEW YORK (2) - Rich Hill, Ihp; Derek

SEATTLE (2) - Joe Beimel, Ihp; Chris

TORONTO (1) — Dustin McGowan, rhp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE ATLANTA (1) - Ryan Doumit, c

LOS ANGELES (2) — Josh Beckett, rhp; Kevin Correia, rhp.

MIAMI (1) — Rafael Furcal, ss

MILWAUKEE (2) - Lyle Overbay, 1b; Francisco Rodriguez, rhp. NEW YORK (1) — Bobby Abreu, of. PHILADELPHIA (1) — Mike Adams, rhp. ST. LOUIS (1) — Mark Ellis, 2b. WASHINGTON (2) — Scott Hairston, of; Rafael Soriano, rhp.

On this date

February 21

1970 - Pete Maravich scores 64 points but Louisiana State still loses to Kentucky 121-105. Dan Issel scores 51 for the Wild-

2002 - U.S. figure skater Sarah Hughes jumps from fourth to first to win the Olympic gold after a near-flawless performance, leaving teammate Michelle Kwan to settle for a bronze. The powerful Americans lose a 3-2 gold-medal game to a Canadian team that it had beaten eight consecutive times in women's hockey.

2003 - Michael Jordan becomes the first 40-year-old in NBA history to score 40 or more points, getting 43 in the Washington Wizards' 89-86 win over the New Jersey

NBA standings

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Philadelphia New York	10	44	.185	25 27								
Southeast Division												
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Washington	33	22	.600	10								
Miami	23	30	.434	19								
Charlotte	22	30	.423	191/2								
Orlando	18	39	.316	26								
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Chicago	34	21	.618	_								
Cleveland	34	22	.607	1/2								
Milwaukee	31	23	.574	21/2								
Detroit	22	33	.400	12								
Indiana	22	33	.400	12								
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Memphis	39	14	.736	_								
Houston	36	18	.667	31/2								
Dallas	37	20	.649	4								
San Antonio	34	20	.630	51/2								
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Sacramento	18	34	.346	15 24½								
L.A. Lakers	13	34 40	.245	30								
L.A. Lakeis	13	40	.243	30								

Thursday's Games Oklahoma City 104, Dallas 89 L.A. Clippers 119, San Antonio 115

Friday's Games Indiana 106, Philadelphia 95 Orlando 95, New Orleans 84 Toronto 105, Atlanta 80 Detroit 100, Chicago 91 Miami 111, New York 87 Minnesota 111, Phoenix 109 Cleveland 127, Washington 89 Dallas 111, Houston 100 Milwaukee 89, Denver 81 Utah 92, Portland 76 Boston at Sacramento, (n) San Antonio at Golden State, (n) Brooklyn at L.A. Lakers. (n)

Saturday's Games Oklahoma City at Charlotte, 7 p.m. New Orleans at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m. Toronto at Houston, 8 p.m. Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games Cleveland at New York, 1 p.m. Atlanta at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m. Washington at Detroit, 3:30 p.m Philadelphia at Orlando, 6 p.m. Golden State at Indiana, 6 p.m Denver at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m. Charlotte at Dallas, 7:30 p.m. Memphis at Portland. 9 n m Boston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Cavs-Wizards

CLEVELAND (127) James 12-21 1-3 28, Love 3-8 2-4 8, Moz-

gov 3-5 2-2 8, Irving 9-18 6-6 25, Smith 6-12 0-0 15, Thompson 2-5 2-2 6, Shumpert 4-8 1-2 12, Dellavedova 3-6 1-2 8, Miller 0-1 0-0 0, Jones 3-4 1-2 10, Harris 1-2 3-3 5, Haywood 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 46-90 21-28 127. WASHINGTON (89)

Pierce 3-10 3-3 9, Nene 8-11 2-2 18, Gortat 4-8 0-0 8, Wall 8-16 2-2 18, Porter 3-8 2-2 9, Humphries 3-5 1-1 7, Butler 1-6 0-0 2 Webster 1-5 2-4 4, Temple 1-4 0-2 2, Gooden 2-4 0-0 4, Blair 4-7 0-0 8, Sessions

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0-2 0-0 0. Totals 38-86 12-16 89.

Washington 26 25 20 18-89 3-Point Goals — Cleveland 14-33 (Jones 3-James 3-5, Shumpert 3-6, Smith 3-8, Dellavedova 1-2, Irving 1-4, Miller 0-1, Love 0-3), Washington 1-16 (Porter 1-5, Webster Wall 0-2, Pierce 0-4, Butler 0-4). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Cleveland 56 (Thompson 9), Washington 47 (Humphries, Gortat 6). Assists - Cleveland 28 (Irving 7), Washington 22 (Wall 9). Total Fouls - Cleveland 17, Washington 23. Technicals – Webster. A-20,356 (20,308).

CSU-Green Bay

CLEVELAND ST. 66, GREEN BAY 61, OT CLEVELAND ST. (17-11)

Grady 9-15 2-4 20, Mason 1-5 2-4 4, Lewis 7-15 4-4 21, Keane 3-5 1-1 7, Lee 4-11 2-2 12, Sloan 0-0 0-0 0, Yates 1-3 0-0 2, Flannigan 0-0 0-0 0, Zollo 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-55 11-15 66.

GREEN BAY (21-7)

Fouse 2-6 0-2 4, McKinnie 3-6 1-2 7, Mays 8-19 1-1 19, Love 2-8 1-2 6, Sykes 7-14 3-5 18, Francis 2-3 1-2 5, Lowe 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 25-59 7-14 61.

Halftime - Green Bay 33-32. End Of Regulation — Tied 55. 3-Point Goals — Cleveland St. 5-17 (Lewis 3-7, Lee 2-5, Keane 0-1, Zollo 0-1. Mason 0-1. Yates 0-2). Green Bay 4-11 (Mays 2-3, Sykes 1-3, Love 1-4, McKinnie 0-1). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Cleveland St. 36 (Grady 11). Green Bay 35 (Sykes 9). Assists - Cleveland St. 12 (Lee 6), Green Bay 17 (Fouse 7). Total Fouls - Cleveland St. 16, Green Bay 15. A-4,674.

College basketball

All Times EST Saturday's Games

No. 1 Kentucky vs. Auburn, 7 p.m. No. 3 Gonzaga at Saint Mary's, 10 p.m. No. 4 Duke vs. Clemson, 4 p.m. No. 5 Wisconsin vs. Minnesota, Noon

No. 6 Villanova at Marguette, 2:30 p.m. No. 7 Arizona vs. UCLA, 9 p.m.

No. 8 Kansas vs. TCU, 4 p.m. No. 10 Notre Dame at Boston College, 4 No. 11 Northern Iowa vs. Bradley, 4 p.m.

No. 12 Louisville vs. Miami, 2 p.m. No. 14 Iowa State at Texas, 2 p.m. No. 15 North Carolina vs. Georgia Tech,

No. 17 Oklahoma at Texas Tech. Noon No. 18 Arkansas at Mississippi State, 4 No. 19 Butler at Xavier, 2 p.m.

No. 20 Baylor vs. Kansas State, 1 p.m. No. 22 Oklahoma State vs. No. 23 West Virginia, 2 p.m. No. 25 VCU vs. UMass, Noon

Sunday's Games

No. 2 Virginia vs. Florida State, 6:30 p.m. No. 9 Utah at Oregon, 3 p.m. No. 13 Wichita State vs. Evansville, 4 p.m. No. 24 Ohio State at Michigan, 1 p.m.

NHL standings

National Hockey League EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

GP W LOT Pts GF GA

Thursday's Games Vancouver 5, N.Y. Rangers 4, SO Buffalo 3, Philadelphia 2, SO Florida 3, Montreal 2, SO N.Y. Islanders 5, Nashville 2 Columbus 2, Pittsburgh 1 Washington 5, Winnipeg 1 San Jose 5, Dallas 2 Friday's Games

New Jersey 4. Vancouver 2 Carolina 2, Toronto 1 N.Y. Rangers 3, Buffalo 1 St. Louis 5, Boston 1 Colorado 4, Chicago Anaheim 6, Calgary 3 Minnesota 4, Edmonton 0 Saturday's Games

N.Y. Islanders at Washington, 12:30 p.m. Nashville at Philadelphia, 1 p.m Winnipeg at Toronto, 7 p.m. Columbus at Montreal, 7 p.m. Florida at Ottawa, 7 p.m. Carolina at New Jersey, 7 p.m. Anaheim at Edmonton, 7 p.m. Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Detroit at Dallas, 8 p.m. Tampa Bay at Arizona, 8 p.m. Los Angeles vs. San Jose at Santa Clara, CA, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games Washington at Philadelphia, 12:30 p.m Boston at Chicago, 3:30 p.m. Nashville at Buffalo, 6 p.m. Vancouver at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m Florida at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m. Tampa Bay at Colorado, 7 p.m. Columbus at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m. Dallas at Minnesota, 8 p.m

Hockey notes

MIRACLE MEMENTOES

NEW YORK (AP) — The "Miracle on Ice" was a triumph years in the making under the careful, demanding and creative guidance of ach Herb Brooks

Some of the documents that were part of the improbable U.S. victory over the Soviet Union during the 1980 Winter Olympics are now for sale, along with a bunch of other be longings of the late hockey great.

From the whistle he used to push players in practice to the 10-karat ring he received for Team USA's gold medal, close to 40 lots of Herb Brooks memorabilia will be auctioned of this weekend on the 35th anniversary of the

semifinal victory over the Soviets that's widely considered the biggest upset in sports history "Between me and my sister and my mom, having to store this stuff and track it down and babysit it was kind of a pain, quite frankly," said Dan Brooks, the son of Herb Brooks. "We decided this might be a good time to see if any-

one has an interest in the stuff to just simplify our lives." The proceeds will go toward college for the Hall of Fame coach's now-teenage grand-children as well as to the Herb Brooks Foundation, created after his death in 2003 to

increase youth opportunity in the sport, particularly in the inner cities. The gold medal isn't for sale, but there are

many other "Miracle" mementoes available in the collection, estimated by Heritage Auctions to be worth at least \$200,000. The big-ticket item is the ring, valued at \$50,000. There will be a live auction in New York tonight, with some of the items being sold online on Sunday night. Online bidding has already begun. Who knows? Maybe there will be some in-

terested Russian buyers this weekend.

"Hopefully it doesn't fall into the wrong hands," Chris Ivy, the director of sports auctions for Heritage, said with a laugh.

The items include Brooks' 1974 and 1976 NCAA championship rings from his time as coach at the University of Minnesota, the jersey he wore as a player for Team USA on the 1968 Olympic team and even the gaudy shearling jacket he rustically donned with the rest of the Americans for the 1980 opening ceremony with their cowboy hats and blue

The most unique pieces of Brooks' belongings, though, are his hand-written notes and typed letters related to the "Miracle" team that not only provide an old-fashioned snapshot of the pre-internet days but a window into the no-frills personality of the revered and

 A bound book with a complete set of box scores from the games in the 1980 Olympic · A blue ring binder with guestionnaires

filled out by prospective players, including eventual star Mike Eruzione's self-described best assets: "Two way player and penalty

· The letter Brooks wrote to the U.S. Olympic Committee declaring his candidacy for the coaching position, spelling out a detailed plan for on-ice strategy, player selection and program development in accompanying • Rosters from college conference all-star

teams, names of players in amateur leagues and the 1978 NHL draft list, with some prospects crossed out in black marker. His script notes for the screenwriters of the 2004 "Miracle" movie are for sale, too, showing some suggested adjustments to the

dialogue to more closely represent his hard-

nosed style. Then there's his 1980 day planner, noting the visit to the White House in Washington on Feb. 25, an appearance on Johnny Carson's show in Los Angeles on Feb. 27 and his St. Paul Johnson High School 25th reunion on

PGA results

Northern Trust Open At The Riviera C.C., Los Angeles Yardage: 7,349; Par: 71 Partial Second Round

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LPGA results

Australian Open At Royal Melbourne, Australia

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Transactions

BASEBALL Major League Baseball

 Announced umpires Tripp Gibson Will Little and Mark Ripperger have beer named to the full-time Major League Umpir ing staff. Announced the retirement of umpire Tim McClelland

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL - Suspended Oakland minor league RHP Koby Gauna (Vermont-NYP) and Atlanta minor league RHP Richie Tate (Carolina-Carolina) 50 games each following second positive tests for a drug of abuse, a violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

Frontier League EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed RHP

Edgar Lopez to a contract extension. Signed C Rodney Daal and OF Kurt Wertz.

National Basketball Association PHILADELPHIA 76ERS - Signed G Tim

Frazier to a second 10-day contract SACRAMENTO KINGS - Signed G David Stockton to a 10-day contract. SAN ANTONIO SPURS - Signed F Regnie Williams

FOOTBALL

National Football League CINCINNATI BENGALS — Terminated the GREEN BAY PACKERS - Released LB **Brad Jones** ST. LOUIS RAMS - Named Chris Weinke

Canadian Football League WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS - Named

Greg Knox linebackers coach. Arena Football League

quarterbacks coach.

ORLANDO PREDATORS - Agreed to terms with DL Richard Berry

National Hockey League
DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled D

Jakub Kindl from Grand Rapids (AHL). EDMONTON OILERS — Recalled D Jor dan Oesterle from Oklahoma City (AHL) Signed Fs Rob Klinkhammer and Ryar Hamilton to one-year contract extensions. NEW YORK ISLANDERS - Recalled Kael Mouillierat from Bridgeport (AHL).

American Hockey League ALBANY DEVILS — Returned RW Alexander Carrier and D Mike Keenan to Orlando (ECHL). BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS

Signed F Cam Reid to a professional tryout contract. GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS - Recalled D

Scott Czarnowczan from Toledo (ECHL). SPRINGFIELD FALCONS - Released D Mike Little from his professional tryout con tract. **MOTORSPORTS**

NASCAR — Suspended driver Kurt Busch

indefinitely after a Delaware judge said he

committed an act of domestic violence

against an ex-girlfriend and issued a no-con SOCCER

tact order

Major League Soccer FC DALLAS — Signed F Michael Barrios.
TORONTO FC — Loaned F Gilberto to Vasco da Gama (Brazil).

COLLEGE

BARUCH — Named Carmen Pagan-Colon assistant softball coach, Milica Balandzic men's assistant volleyball coach and Vernon Patrick men's assistant tennis coach BOISE STATE - Signed football coach Bryan Harsin to a five-year contract. CARTHAGE - Named Mike Scardina

omen's golf coach EAST TENNESSEE STATE - Named Antonio Goss outside linebackers and special ILLINOIS - Announced men's redshirt

athletics for compliance.

junior basketball G Aaron Cosby will transfer N.C. STATE - Signed football coach Dave Doeren to a two-year contract extension through the 2019 season. SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE Named Shawn Green assistant director of



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Salem's treshman to play tor title

BELOIT — Salem's freshman boys basketball team beat South Range, 36-18, Wednesday to advance to the West Branch tournament championship game.

Chase Ackerman led the Quakers with 14 points. Jake Maenz followed with

Salem is now 12-3 on the season and will face Canton Central Catholic at 10:15

Winter causes some heartache

A few area boys basketball games were postponed on Friday due to weather. Oak Glen at Martins Ferry was moved to Monday, while Heartland Christian at Lisbon East Liverpool at Harrison Central were moved to Tuesday.

Sportsman's Club in Washingtonville. All CCFCC meetings are open to the pub-

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It's on: Mayweather says he and Pacquiao to fight

Floyd Mayweather Jr. will meet Manny Pacquiao on May 2 in a welterweight

showdown that will be boxing's richest fight ever. Mayweather himself announced the bout Friday after months of negotiations, posting a picture of the signed con-The long anticipated bout at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas will almost surely

break every financial record ever, and make both boxers richer than ever. Mayweather could earn \$120 million or more, while Pacquiao's split of the purse will likely be around \$80 million.

been in the making for five years. It finally came together in recent months with both fighters putting aside past differences over various issues — including drug "I promised the fans we would get this done and we did," Mayweather said.

While the fight rivals the 2002 heavyweight title bout between Lennox Lewis and Mike Tyson for interest, it comes more than five years after the first real effort to put the fighters together in their prime. Most boxing observers believe both have lost some of their skills, though Mayweather remains a master defensive fighter and Pacquiao showed in his last fight against Chris Algieri that he still has tremendous guickness in his hands.

Still, Pacquiao is 36 and has been through many wars in the ring. And while Mayweather has been largely untouched in his career, he turns 38 on Tuesday.

Pacquiao was sleeping in the Philippines when the fight was announced, but nis camp issued a statement saying the fans deserve the long awaited fight.

to the Philippines and my fellow Filipinos around the world."

MLB makes small pace of game changes

pace of games. MLB and the players' association announced an agreement Friday to enforce the rule requiring a hitter to keep at least one foot in the batter's box in many cases. MLB also will post stadium clocks timing pitching changes and betweeninning breaks starting in spring training, and it no longer will require managers to

and strikes. The fines don't start until May 1 and are capped at \$500 per offense. Many of the more radical ideas experimented with during the Arizona Fall League were not adopted, such as a 20-second clock between pitches, a limitation of pitcher's mound conferences involving catchers and managers, and no-pitch in-

Still, even the modest changes are too much for players, used to their routines

"If you rush a hamburger, it's not going to be completely done. There are going to be too many mistakes. You're going to rush the game. It would just be terrible.

Said Chicago White Sox outfielder Adam Eaton: "I'm not a big fan. There's a lot of thinking involved. When a pitcher steps on the rubber, there's a lot going on.

Baseball has been contemplating the issue for nearly a decade. In February 2005, the batter's box rule was announced as an experiment in the minor leagues.

11 a.m. (FS1) Auto racing: NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Daytona 500, at Daytona Beach, Fla.

12:30 p.m. (FS1) Auto racing: NASCAR, XFINITY Series, practice for Alert Today Florida 300, at Daytona Beach, Fla.

for Daytona 500, at Daytona Beach, Fla. 3:30 p.m. (FS1) Auto racing:

qualifying for Nextera Energy Resources 250, at Daytona Beach, Fla.

7 p.m. (ESPN2) College bas-

ketball: Hartford at Albany

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liers at Wizards. 9 p.m. (ESPNU) College basketball: Iona at Marist

9 p.m. (ESPN2) Boxing: heavyweight quarterfinals: Donovan Dennis (10-1-0) vs. Steve Vukosa (10-0-0); Razvan Cojanu (12-1-0) vs. Ed Fountain (10-0-0); Andrey Fedosov (25-3-0) vs. Nat Heaven (9-1-0); Mario Heredia (9-1-0) vs. Lenroy Thomas (18-3-0), at Verona, N.Y.

10 p.m. (SHO) Boxing: Featherweights, Claudio Marrero (17-1-0) vs. Orlando Rizo (18-5-0); light heavyweights, Humberto Savigne (12-1-0) vs. Craig Baker (15-0-0); welterweights, Sammy Vasquez Jr. (17-0-0) vs. Emmanuel Lartey (17-2-0), at Pittsburgh

10:30 p.m. (ESPN) NBA: Spurs at Warriors.

a.m. today at West Branch High School.

Conservation Clubs to meet ${\it WASHINGTONVILLE-The\ Columbiana\ County\ Federation\ of\ Conservation}$ Clubs (CCFCC) will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Beaver Creek

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The Fight is finally on.

The fight, which matches boxing's two biggest attractions in recent years, has

testing and television rights — to reach agreement.

"It is an honor to be part of this historic event," Pacquiao said. "I dedicate this fight to all the fans who willed this fight to happen and, as always, to bring glory

NEW YORK (AP) — Major League Baseball is slowly addressing the lagging

always come onto the field when they request video reviews by umpires. But the sides limited penalties to warnings and fines, and not automatic balls

and reluctant to alter them. don't think there needs to be a time limit," Miami Marlins pitcher Mat Latos said.

There's thinking in the dugout, the coaches, everyone. Why speed that up?"

TV SCHEDULE

2 p.m. (FS1) Auto racing: NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice

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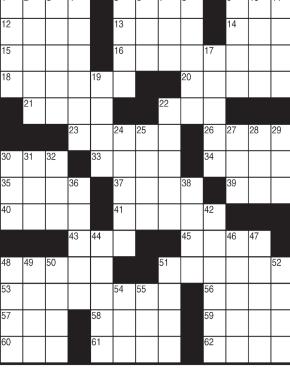
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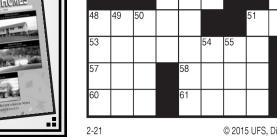
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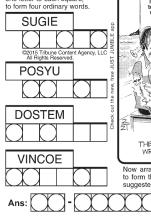
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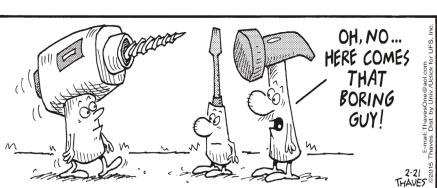
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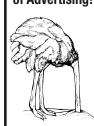
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Prosecutor defends Ferguson police shooting grand jury

ST. LOUIS (AP) — St. Louis County prosecutor Bob Mc-Culloch vigorously defended his handling of the Ferguson police shooting during a law school lecture Friday at his alma mater, ignoring protesters who repeatedly disrupted

Minutes after the lecture at a Saint Louis University academic symposium on policing began, an audience member wearing a judicial robe interrupted to accuse the elected prosecutor of misconduct for his office's role in the grand jury process that ended with Darren Wilson not being indicted for the August death of Michael Brown. Six other protesters then stood in the packed mock courtroom, chanting and holding signs with the names of other St. Louis-area police shooting victims.

Campus police escorted several protesters from the room at the request of school President Fred Pestello. Meanwhile, McCulloch continued giving his speech as people in the crowd kept making comments, their voices often competing with his. One of the lecture's organizers banged a gavel in an unsuccessful attempt to restore order.

Demonstrators also blocked a downtown street outside the law school during McCulloch's 50-minute lecture, which was followed by 30 minutes of audience questions. No arrests were reported.

"I'm always amazed at those who profess that they're exercising their rights to free speech but never allow anyone else to exercise that right," McCulloch said in one of his first public appearances since a county grand jury declined in November to indict Wilson, a white officer who has since resigned from the Ferguson police force, in the death of the 18year-old Brown, who was black and unarmed.

The grand jury decision set off looting and fires that destroyed several businesses in and around Ferguson. The shooting months earlier had already spurred weeks of sometimes violent protests and a national debate over race relations and police use of force.

McCulloch grew more combative after 10 audience members rose from their seats and sang their own version of a civil-rights standard in which they demanded "justice for Mike Brown," asked "Which side are you on?" and chanted

"Black lives matter!" as police led them away.

"I'm pretty sure all lives matter," the prosecutor said, to a smattering of applause.

Professors and students, including some members of the university's Black Law Students Association, had asked the law school's dean, former state Supreme Court chief justice Michael Wolff, to rescind the invitation. They cited several legal and ethics challenges to McCulloch's handling of the case and questioned his credentials to be the keynote presenter at an academic presentation that also featured St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar and social scientists from five other universities including American, South Carolina and Wake Forest.

Wolff declined to cancel McCulloch's involvement, citing the importance of academic freedom at the 197-year-old Catholic university.

"Our role as a law school calls ... for our community to come together for a civil discussion of discordant viewpoints on the critical issues we face," he said. "And our Jesuit mission calls us to promote free, active and original inquiry, and to promote justice in the spirit of the Gospel."

McCulloch had previously acknowledged calling witnesses whom he said "clearly lied" to the grand jury, including a woman who claimed to have seen Brown charge at Wilson. McCulloch and two assistants also face a disciplinary complaint alleging that they provided grand jurors with improper instructions on the legal standards for use of force by

He said Friday that Missouri's use-of-force statute is not inconsistent with a U.S. Supreme Court ruling in a civil case that had been cited by some, including in the ethics complaint against him. He expressed concerns about some post-Ferguson legislative remedies being considered by state lawmakers, including the use of special prosecutors in police

He joined the chorus of those calling for a reduction in the number of small-town governments and tiny municipal police departments in the county. And he prefaced his remarks by noting that "there's always room for improvement, whatever job you do."

Dietary panel suggests tax on sugary foods

WASHINGTON (AP) - A tax on sugary drinks and snacks is one way a government panel of nutrition experts thinks Americans can be coaxed into eating better. Some members of Congress are already pushing back on the idea, saying the panel has overstepped its bounds.

The panel's recommendations will help determine what gets into the new version of dietary guidelines being prepared by the Agriculture and Health and Human Services departments. The advice includes eating more fruits and vegetables and whole grains and limiting added sugars and

However, the panel goes beyond previous versions of the dietary guidelines by suggesting a broad list of possible policy changes — a tax is just one — that could make it easier for people to follow that diet advice.

Taxation on higher sugar- and sodium-containing foods may encourage consumers to reduce consumption and revenues generated could support health promotion efforts," the committee wrote as part of the recommendations re-Such taxes have mostly failed to gain traction around the

country, though voters in Berkeley, California, approved a special, per-ounce tax on sugary drinks in November. In New York City, former Mayor Michael Bloomberg tried to cap the size of sugary drinks sold in restaurants and other venues at 16 ounces, but legal challenges spearheaded by the beverage industry brought down the effort in the courts. Other ideas put forth by the committee were placing nu-

trition labels on the front of food packages and requiring public buildings to serve healthier foods. The committee also suggested incentives for eating fruits and vegetables, though it didn't detail how that could work. Panel members said incentives might be vouchers for farmers markets or subsidies for growers or grocery stores.

The panel endorsed adding a line on the nutrition facts label for added sugars, which the Obama administration has already proposed. It also backed the administration's standards for healthier school lunches.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Pat Roberts, R-Kan., criticized the report shortly after it came out Thursday, saying the committee strayed from its science-based nutrition recommendations.

"This is economic, not nutrition, policy," he said.

Congress weighed in on a draft of the report last December, noting that the dietary guidelines panel was poised to suggest a more environmentally friendly diet of plant-based foods. In a massive spending bill, lawmakers instructed Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack "to only include nutrition and dietary information, not extraneous factors" in the final

After the report was issued, Vilsack said the guidelines are supposed to be informed by the "latest and best science and medical knowledge."

He wouldn't address the content of the report specifically, but said he doesn't want the final report to have "anything outside of the lines in the guidelines that would potentially undercut the legitimacy, credibility and acceptance of the guidelines. ... The law is fairly clear to me, it's about nutrition and it's about diet."

Committee members say their panel was charged with looking at implications of its findings, and the policy changes were just suggestions.

"The idea is to stimulate thinking on how to get there," Barbara Millen, the chairwoman of the committee, said Fri-

Alice Lichtenstein, a member of the panel and a professor at Tufts University, said there is some data that similar policy initiatives have worked, like efforts to ban trans fat from the food supply. She said the policy suggestions are to raise the issue for the future.

"To bring it up as something for future consideration, I think that's appropriate," she said.

One former member of a dietary guidelines advisory panel disagreed.

Joanne Lupton of Texas A&M University, who served on the 2005 dietary guidelines advisory panel, said her committee was told just to stick to the science.

They should show us studies that taxes have a beneficial effect," she said of this year's panel.

The beverage industry argued the same point. "The committee does not have the authority to make such recommendations, nor the scientific evidence or expertise to back up its recommendations," the American Beverage Association said in a statement.

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Student brings mercury, spills at school; no injuries

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. (AP) — A student who brought mercury to his junior high school in northern Nevada spilled the hazardous substance in hallways and on a bus, but no one was injured.

At least four children had direct con-

tact with the mercury and had to be decontaminated Thursday at Winnemucca Junior High, about 170 miles east of Reno, the Nevada Division of Emergency Management said

Emergency crews evacuated the school and decontaminated the feet and shoes of 400 additional students. About a dozen students were taken to the hospital for observation, but no illnesses were immediately reported.

Mercury exposure can lead to cough, vomiting and diarrhea and, in serious

instances, kidney problems.

Humboldt County Schools Superintendent David Jensen said a student apparently got the mercury from a relative's garage and brought it in a salt shaker to show his friends. He said between 10 and 15 students were examined at Humboldt General Hospital as a precautionary measure.

"There were no student injuries or mercury poisoning," Jensen told the Reno Gazette-Journal on Friday. "Everything that was done was precautionary in nature."

The school remained closed on Friday as crews continued cleanup operations. The district also closed Lowry High School, French Ford Middle School and Winnemucca Grammar

School because the school bus involved also was transporting students to those schools, Jensen said.

The evacuation was ordered at Winnemucca Junior High shortly after 11 a.m. Thursday after authorities determined students who apparently stepped in the mercury spilled in hallways spread it throughout the building.

Officials for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency were assisting in a review of the incident, Jensen said. He said the schools are expected to reopen for classes on Monday, but a final decision was pending.

"Cleanup takes time and there have been schools that have been closed for a week for something like this," Jensen said. "But we're hoping that we'll be back on track for the majority of our schools.

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