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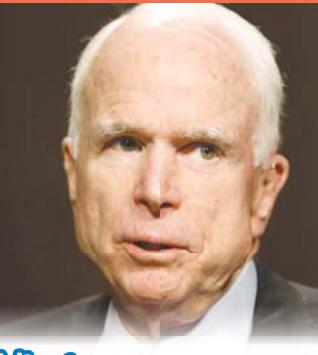
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Yurich faces months in jail

Judge finds Poland surgeon guilty of negligence charge

By JUSTIN WIER
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Sentencing is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday for Dr. Joseph Yurich, found guilty of vehicular homicide and failure to stop after an accident in the death of Neal Cuppett in a May 9, 2015, Berlin Reservoir boat crash.

Judge John M. Durkin of Mahoning

County Common Pleas Court on Wednesday found Dr. Yurich not guilty on the more serious indicted charge of aggravated vehicular homicide.

The judge, however, determined that vehicular homicide due to negligence was a

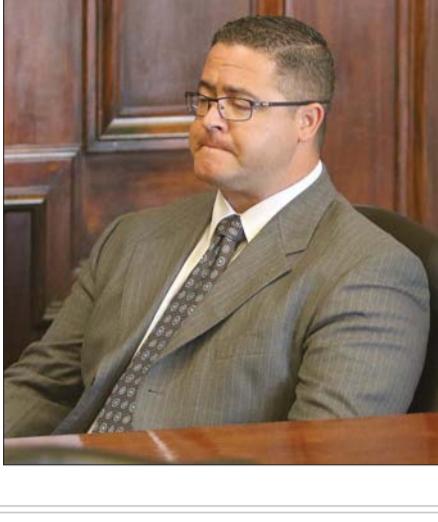


lesser included charge.

"The defendant's negligence was in fact the proximate cause of the death of Neal Cuppett," 58, of Akron, Judge Durkin ruled from the bench.

That charge, a first-degree misdemeanor, requires a minimum sentence of 15 days and up to six months in jail.

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Dr. Joseph Yurich of Poland reacts as Judge John M. Durkin of Mahoning County Common Pleas Court reads his verdict in Dr. Yurich's vehicular homicide trial Wednesday. He was found guilty of vehicular homicide by negligence.

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TWO SEEK MORE DETAILS BEFORE OK'ING CONTRACTS FOR ARENA, AMPHITHEATER

By DAVID SKOLNICK
skolnick@vindy.com**YOUNGSTOWN** Legislation to authorize the board of control to sign contract extensions with JAC Management LLC to manage the operations and food-and-beverage sales at the Covelli Centre and the proposed downtown amphitheater will face city council next week.

But it's uncertain whether enough council members will approve the proposals at next Thursday's meeting after a 90-minute finance committee meeting Wednesday to discuss the issues.

Council members Nate Pinkard, D-3rd, and Anita Davis, D-6th, said they wouldn't approve the legislation until they saw existing and proposed final contracts – along with the differences – with JAC, and questioned the urgency to approve the deals now.

That's because the existing management contract at the city-owned Covelli Centre doesn't expire until Dec. 31, 2018, and city Finance Director David Bozanich said Wednesday that the amphitheater wouldn't be finished until the latter half of next year. Bozanich said earlier

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Aaron Young, executive director of Mill Creek MetroParks, has received a pay increase in a three-year contract renewal approved this week.

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An Ohio State master gardener describes the amazing and awesome air-borne acrobatics of the barn swallow.

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**Trump rages at AG Sessions in interview**

Associated Press

WASHINGTONPresident Donald J. Trump told *The New York Times* in an interview Wednesday that he never would have appointed Jeff Sessions as attorney general had he known Sessions would recuse himself from overseeing the Russia investigation. In an extraordinary denunciation of one of his earliest backers in Washington, Trump said Sessions' decision to recuse himself from all matters related to Russia was "very unfair to

the president."

"Sessions should have never recused himself," Trump told the paper, "and if he was going to recuse himself he should have told me before he took the job and I would have picked somebody else."

Sessions' recusal, announced following revelations that he had failed to disclose meetings with Russia's ambassador to the U.S., effectively paved the way for the appointment

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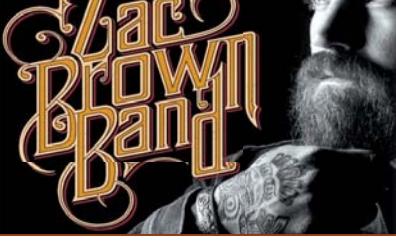
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Donald Trump will make his first visit to Youngstown as president during a rally Tuesday night at the Covelli Centre.

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METRO digest

Motorcyclist injured in Austintown collision

AUSTINTOWN

A Canfield motorcyclist is being treated at St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital after he was thrown from his bike about 6:40 a.m. Wednesday at Westchester Drive and Mahoning Avenue after reports said he was struck from behind by a car.

A news release from the Canfield Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol said Roger Mosser, 46, was traveling east on his motorcycle on Mahoning and stopped at a red light at Westchester when a car driven by Donald Weyer, 53, of Youngstown, collided with the back of the motorcycle.

Mosser was not wearing a helmet, reports said.

A state trooper cited Weyer for failing to assure a clear distance ahead.

Imagination donation

YOUNGSTOWN

The Navarro Family and the United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley are committed to helping children in Mahoning County learn how to read.

To further that mission, Shorty and Elba Navarro on Wednesday donated \$25,000 to the United Way's Imagination Library initiative during a ceremony at the Organizacion Civica y Cultural Hispana Americana Inc. at 3660 Shirley Road.

In 2014, United Way launched Imagination Library, which provides a free, age-appropriate book once a month to children from birth to 5 living in Mahoning County. Since its start, more than 4,600 children have received 125,000 books sent directly to their homes.

"We are lucky to have Shorty and Elba in our Valley, and we are honored they want to help us grow this reading initiative," said Bob Hannon, president of the local United Way.

Crash in Liberty

GIRARD

A man will be arraigned July 25 in Girard Municipal Court after police say he crashed a car while driving drunk.

Michael Harris, 26, of Warren faces charges including driving under the influence, improperly handling a firearm and failure to control vehicle.

Liberty Township police responded Tuesday to Tibbets Wick Road, where an SUV had gone into a ditch.

Police say Harris, the driver, smelled of alcohol and had difficulty keeping his balance. There was also a woman who had been sitting in the passenger seat.

Officers found a revolver in the glove box, but Harris said it wasn't his, a police report states. Harris registered a blood alcohol limit of 0.081, according to police. The legal intoxication limit in Ohio is 0.08.

Weapons charge

YOUNGSTOWN

Reports said a man arrested with a gun about 7 p.m. Tuesday told police he needed it because he had recently been shot at.

Reports said Andrew Scott, 21, was pulled over about in a drive in the 800 block of East Dewey Avenue on the South Side for running a stop sign.

Scott gave police permission to search his car. Reports said he asked officers to hurry up, and when they searched him they found a loaded .380-caliber handgun in the pockets of his shorts. Scott was taken to the Mahoning County jail on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

St. Vincent Spirit Day

YOUNGSTOWN

The St. Vincent de Paul Society invites the public to participate in Spirit Day from noon to 6 p.m. today. Go to One Hot Cookie, 112 W. Commerce St., with a flier and receive 20 percent off all sales. All proceeds go back to the dining hall and food pantry on West Front Street. The hall was closed earlier this month after a county inspection found the facility is unsafe.

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Agenda Friday

♦ Springfield Township trustees, noon, pre-construction meeting, Felger Road, New Middletown.

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YURICH

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Dr. Yurich was also found guilty of failure to stop after an accident, which also carries a sentence of up to six months and must be served consecutively to any other sentences.

The surgeon will also have to report his convictions to the state's medical board, which may take disciplinary action.

Dr. Yurich was found not guilty of aggravated vehicular assault and operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

Dr. Yurich was indicted under the specific section of the aggravated vehicular homicide and assault statutes that specify the defendant was under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the time of the crash.

"Every witness — and most importantly, Lt. [Gregory] Johnson [of the Portage County Sheriff's Department] — testified that they saw no obvious signs of impairment," Judge Durkin said.

None of the witnesses reported seeing Dr. Yurich staggering or slurring his speech.

Last year, Judge Durkin excluded blood and alcohol samples taken from Dr. Yurich on the night of the crash from evidence because they were not properly refrigerated in accordance with Ohio law.

Those samples recorded a blood-alcohol level of .152, nearly twice the legal limit of .08, a toxicologist reported at the time.

Johnson said he was unaware of the statute requiring that blood and urine samples be refrigerated unless they are being tested or in transit.

The Portage County Sheriff's Department did not respond to a request for comment.

A toxicologist also said lack of refrigeration for up to four weeks would not significantly affect the outcome, but Judge Durkin said it's up to the state legislature to change its law.

Mahoning County Prosecutor Paul Gains said his office did not consider



Bruce Lindamood of Green looks on as Judge John M. Durkin delivers his verdict in the vehicular homicide trial of Dr. Joseph Yurich. Lindamood was on his fishing boat with Neal Cuppett, 58, of Akron, who died in the Berlin Reservoir boat crash May 9, 2015.

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Angelina Rodriguez comforts her husband, Dr. Joseph Yurich, after the verdict in his vehicular homicide trial.

CONTRACTS

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this year the amphitheater would be done by May.

The new proposals to manage both facilities and handle food and beverages would start Jan. 1, 2018, and run through Dec. 31, 2022.

But Bozanich and Mayor John A. McNally said a contract for the amphitheater is needed now to finalize sponsorship and naming-rights deals for the outdoor facility. Bozanich estimated those contracts would generate about \$3 million to \$4 million over 10 years toward the facility that will cost about \$9 million to build.

Also, he said it would make sense to have contracts for the center and amphitheater starting and ending at the same time.

The existing management contract for the Covelli Cen-

tre pays JAC a \$99,200 management fee that would be increased to \$106,000 annually though that amount is still subject to negotiations. Also, JAC would receive \$12,000 a year to manage the amphitheater.

The deal also calls for the company to continue to receive a 15 percent bonus at the center for operating surpluses that exceed \$100,000 annually. JAC made a \$50,277 bonus last year.

The other proposal is for JAC to handle food-and-beverage sales at the amphitheater and continue to do so at the center from Jan. 1, 2018, to Dec. 31, 2022. JAC makes between 3 percent and 6 percent of concession sales depending on how much is sold.

City administration officials said council members would get a copy of the existing contract and all of the proposed changes by early today.

Council members will

further discuss the JAC proposals at a finance committee meeting set for 4:45 p.m. next Thursday, 45 minutes before a special council meeting.

"We'll discuss it at finance and if we can vote on it, we will or we'll keep it in committee," said Councilman T.J. Rodgers, D-2nd, finance committee chairman.

"If we can resolve it there, OK, but I doubt it," said Pinkard, a finance committee member.

For an ordinance to be approved by emergency measure, at least six council members must vote in favor of it. If Pinkard and Davis — or any two members for that matter — decide not to approve it, the contracts would sit until at least Aug. 23, the next special city council meeting. Council is on summer recess and is only having special meetings until it resumes its regular schedule Sept. 20.

KILLING

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death sentence.

They believe that children, even those charged with murder, should not be sentenced to life in prison without parole because their youthfulness and impulsiveness make a lifelong sentence too harsh.

The filing, written by attorneys Matt Pentz and David Rouzzo of the Trumbull County Office of the Ohio Public Defender, says the U.S. Supreme Court has "made it clear that juvenile life without parole cases are 'analogous to capital punishment' and require individualized sentencing."

The ruling said life without parole "cannot be imposed except upon 'the rarest of juvenile offenders, those whose crimes reflect permanent incorrigibility,'" the motion says.

To properly sentence a youthful offender convicted of murder, a judge needs sufficient information about the juvenile's background, the filing says.

And the way to get that is to allow a defendant's attorneys to question expert witnesses about the defendant's "history, character and background," the filing says.

Ordinarily, when a defendant in adult court is convicted, the county's adult probation department investigates the defendant's background, reports on it to the judge, and the judge decides on punishment.

But such a report would be "woefully inadequate for this court to rely upon in determining a proper sentence in this case," the filing says.

Chris Becker and Gina Buccino Arnaut, assistant county prosecutors, meanwhile, said in a filing this week that the Larosa motion "is not based on any existing federal or state statute nor any federal or state case law."

Prosecutors were successful in seeking to have Larosa's murder case transferred from juvenile court to adult court, but his age at the time of the offense makes him ineligible for the death penalty, they noted.

The U.S. Supreme Court considers life in prison with no parole appropriate for children whose crimes reflect "irreparable corruption," prosecutors said. It adds that Larosa's crimes meet that definition.

In a death penalty case, jurors are asked to weigh the aggravating circumstances that are part of a defendant's indictment against mitigating circumstances related to the defendant's background.

Because Larosa was not indicted on any aggravating circumstances, "there is nothing for the jury to weigh," prosecutors said.

"Should they weigh that the victim was 94 years old? That she was kind and caring to the defendant and provided cookies and other items to the defendant?" prosecutors said.

"That the defendant brutally beat her and assaulted her in three separate areas or crime scenes in the house including literally beating her hearing aid out of her head?"

The judge has not yet ruled on the motion.

ACCIDENTS

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caused damage to property. The most serious of those was a June 29 chain reaction accident in the westbound lanes of Interstate 76 that killed a 53-year-old New Castle, Pa., man.

A Utah truck driver faces charges in that accident.

On Sunday, three accidents took place in the eastbound lanes of I-76 near state Route 534 in Jackson Township, with two people taken to St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital with serious injuries.

Sutton said that troopers have been working in construction zones in several overtime details that are paid for by the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Sutton said troopers work construction zones to curtail bad driving habits.

"We want to modify their [drivers'] behavior before they get in the zone," Sutton said.

The most common violations troopers look for in the construction zones are speeding and following too closely.

"Those two go hand in hand," Sutton said.

Some people also don't pay attention when they are driving, Sutton said, adding some are on phones or other electronic devices while driving. Other factors cause driver inattention as well, such as tuning their radios.

"The recurring problem is people not paying attention," Sutton said.

Sutton said he wants drivers to get the message to make sure they know their surroundings when they are driving. He said as much as troopers can write citations, it is ultimately up to drivers to change their behavior.

"Some of them [drivers], no matter how much enforcement we do, it comes down to the driver," Sutton said.

Brent Kovacs, spokesman for the District 4 of the Ohio Department of Transportation, said work in both construction zones is expected to wrap up Friday.

He said there will then be work on the Northeast River Road Bridge, which spans both interstates.

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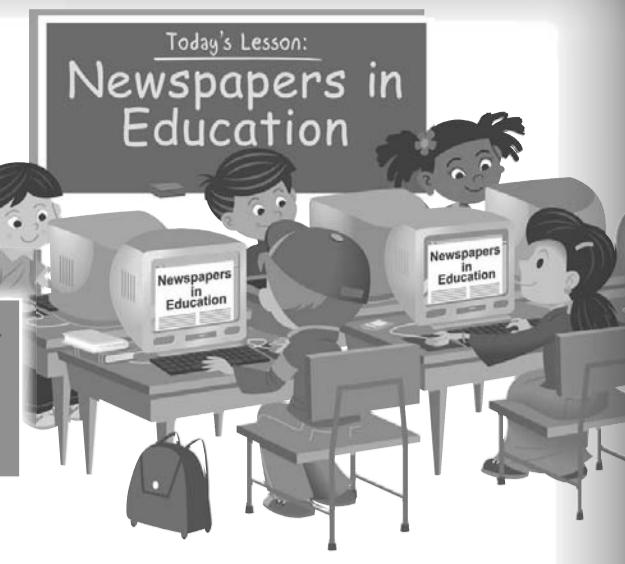
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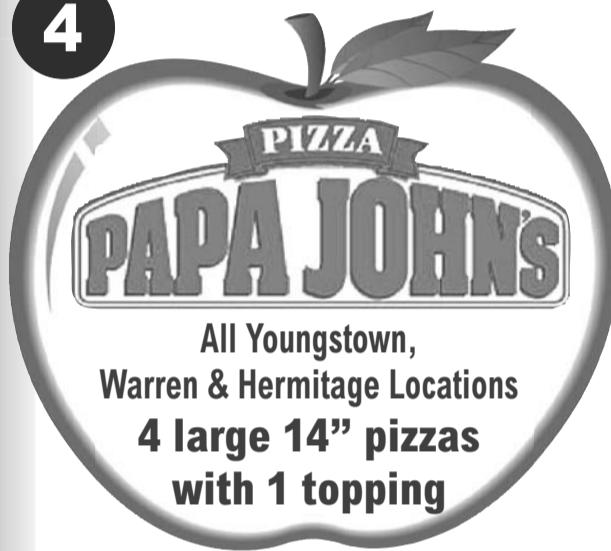
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Our VOICE

Has Niles finally found a way out of fiscal crisis?

A WEEK FROM TODAY, THE statutorily mandated Financial Planning and Supervision Commission is scheduled to vote on the latest bid to end the city of Niles' fiscal emergency—but danger lurks.

If the commission concludes that city government's plan does not provide a legitimate balanced operating budget for each of the next five years, it could impose a 15 percent across-the-board cut in spending.

Every city department that's supported by the general fund would be affected by such a move.

Layoffs would be inevitable.

Given that this is the seventh attempt by the mayor and city council to persuade Ohio Auditor David Yost to lift the yoke of state-declared fiscal emergency, it may be time for some bitter medicine.

As we've noted on several occasions since Niles' finances were placed in the hands of the financial planning commission in 2014, Yost has been clear about his expectations.

"[You can't] go on making decisions based on not wanting someone to lose a job," he said after Mayor Thomas Scarneccchia publicly pledged not to lay off city workers.

Scarneccchia said he intended to eliminate positions through attrition, to which Yost quipped, "I expect political leaders to serve their constituents and not their cronies in city hall. This is not a labor versus management problem; it's a political problem."

Thus the question: Does the recovery plan developed by the mayor and approved Monday by city council pass the sniff test?

The six previous blueprints submitted by Scarneccchia and his predecessor, Ralph Infante, fell short, which means the latest plan will be put under the microscope.

Approval not only depends on the opinion of commission members, but on the analysis of state-appointed fiscal supervisors, who are responsible for monitoring revenues and expenditures.

SUPERVISORS' COMPLAINTS

In April, the supervisors complained to the commission that some department heads and officeholders were not complying with requests to provide timely financial information.

Reacting to the complaints, commission Chairman Quentin Potter said he and his colleagues could seek a court order requiring compliance by any official ignoring such requests.

The main sticking point in Niles' recovery effort has been the payroll, since most of the money in the general fund is spent on employees' wages and benefits.

When the commission rejected the sixth version in April, a major concern was the absence of detailed information, including costs, on the upgrading of the city's 14 municipal buildings. Panel members also sought a cost estimate for hiring an outside contractor to install more than 6,000 computerized water meters the city bought some time ago.

The Scarneccchia plan approved Monday by council on a 5-2 vote contains 58 provisions, including one that would result in the city borrowing money to make improvements to the municipal buildings.

There is also a proposal to increase the Niles' license plate fee by \$10 to pay for road repairs and other improvements.

The hiring of the Regional Income Taxing Agency to take over the city's tax collections triggered the no votes on the overall plan from council members Frank Pezzano and Linda Marchese.

City Service Director Ed Stredney told 21 WFMJ-TV, *The Vindicator's* broadcast partner, he can understand why the union representing income-tax department employees would be upset. But he noted the city is projecting \$40,000 in savings a year.

"Looking at the process they use, they're much more efficient, they're much more cost effective," Stredney said of RITA. "They're matching to the state and federal databases for all the businesses and taxpayers that file or would have to file in Niles, and we can't do that now. We can't match to the state database, we can't match to the federal database. So switching and going to RITA and getting more for our dollar, I think is the fiscally responsible thing to do here."

Neither the mayor nor city council can force the state to give Niles a clean bill of health. Officials must prove their recovery plan will ensure a stable future for at least the next five years.

SCRIPTURES

But the Lord will save the people of Israel with eternal salvation. Throughout everlasting ages, they will never again be humiliated and disgraced.

ISAIAH 45:17 NLT

EDITORIAL



Behind the Trump team's bluster, there lurks a dark legal strategy

WASHINGTON

President Trump's attorney, Jay Sekulow, seems to be an adherent of the just-yell-louder school of legal argumentation.

That tactic was on vivid display again Sunday, as the blustering lawyer made the full round of talk shows. It might have been the most striking part of Sekulow's performance, but it wasn't the most ominous.

He combines obstreperousness ("I'm going to answer your question, I am, and you're going to let me answer it," he lectured/interrupted Fox News's Chris Wallace) with obfuscatory legal jargon ("I'm not in privity of contract, as we say, with the party that's responsible for the actual payment of the bill").

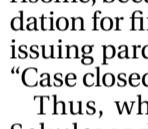
INTERNAL INCONSISTENT

Sekulow compulsively redireccts ("I wonder why the Secret Service, if this was nefarious, why the Secret Service allowed these people in," he told ABC's Jonathan Karl). The Secret Service said later in the day that Donald Trump Jr. wasn't under protection at that time. Sekulow is internally inconsistent ("I mean, opposition research in campaigns happens all the time," he told CBS' John Dickerson, just after noting that Trump Jr. had said that "if he had to do it all over again, there are things he would do differently").

So watching a Sekulow performance, it is tempting simply to ask: Why is this man shouting?

The better question is: What is this man shouting? Because if you turn down the volume and pay attention to Sekulow's words, you can deduce the disturbing outlines of where the president's legal team may be heading. He signaled the expansion of the Trump team's assault on former FBI director James Comey and, in turn, on

Ruth Marcus



the legitimacy of special counsel Robert Mueller. This is worrisome, because it lays the foundation for firing Mueller and/or issuing pardons and declaring, "Case closed."

Thus, when Wallace asked Sekulow whether the Trump team's repeated denials of dealings with Russia were now "suspect," it triggered this disquisition:

"I think it's important to put the framework here. How did we end up with a special counsel? ... Comey had a series of meetings with the president of the United States. In those meetings, he took notes. He put them on his government computer, put them in his government desk, and when he was terminated from [that] position, which you would acknowledge that the president had the authority to do, he gave them to a friend of his to leak to the press ... to get a special counsel."

In this retelling, Mueller is the fruit of the poisonous tree planted by Comey. Therefore, Mueller's appointment is illegitimate and he should go—and with him the investigation.

"So the basis upon which this entire special counsel investigation is taking place is based on what? Illegally leaked information that was a conversation of the president of the United States with the then-FBI director," Sekulow told NBC's Chuck Todd. "And I think that raises very serious legal issues as to the scope and nature of what really can take place."

Does it? In his previous round of Sunday shows, Sekulow muddied the waters by claiming Comey had violated attorney-client privilege in revealing his conversations with Trump.

As Wallace explained Sunday, this assertion was incoherent, since Comey was not acting in any way as Trump's lawyer.

Sekulow's pivot to executive privilege is scarcely more convincing. Perhaps Trump could have asserted privilege to bar Comey from testifying before Congress, especially before the firing. That's different from claiming Comey's decision as a private citizen to reveal information about his conversations with the president was "illegal," even if Comey proceeded through the distasteful cutout of a memo leaked by a friend.

If such disclosures were against the law, every administration veteran who wrote a tell-all book would be in jail.

UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Another strand of Sekulow's argument involves the notion the memo was essentially government property, not Comey's to decide to convert to his own use, even if the information contained in it is unclassified.

Irony alert: This argument requires concluding that Comey took something of value from the U.S. government, while asserting that the Trump campaign did not solicit anything of value from the Russian government.

On the Lawfare blog, Timothy Edgar and Susan Hennessey assess the argument that Comey's action violated the conversion statute as "cut-out."

Even if it weren't, what would be the relevance? Comey's alleged crime wouldn't make Mueller's appointment void or voidable. A leak of classified information that is intended to trigger a criminal investigation doesn't make the ensuing investigation improper.

But watch that space. I suspect—and fear—that we haven't heard the last of this bogus argument.

Washington Post Writers Group

Ancestry test to behold

By ALFRED LUBRANO
The Philadelphia Inquirer

It turns out I'm more complex than I thought.

There I was, believing that my red-gravy Italian-ness summed me up succinctly, the roaring stories of gesticulating relatives serving as sacred tribal doctrine that explained me to me.

But my wife bought me one of those learn-your-heritage kits and, mama mia, what a revelation.

Yes, my ancestors were Italian. But also Greek, European Jewish, Middle Eastern and from the Caucasus, a region that includes people from Russia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Turkey, Armenia and Iran.

What I'm experiencing now is what Rutgers University sociologist Eviatar Zerubavel calls a "genealogical epiphany."

It's parlor-game fun to know this stuff. But does it matter or make a difference? I can't decide yet. I'm still figuring out this gift, holding it up to the light and seeing which way the sun shoots through.

My first question was whether this is real or, like astrology, a kind of tantalizing hokum.

"Absolutely, there is science to this," said Glenn Gerhard, chair of medical genetics and molecular biochemistry at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University. And, he added, for areas like Europe, where there is a large database of people's genetic backgrounds, "there is good data that's getting better."

Gerhard tried one of the ancestor kits himself. "I'm a geneticist and needed to find out," he said.

The second thing that hit me was that I'm descended from Catholics, Jews and Muslims.

How will I get the holidays straight? And the fasting?

RELIGIOUS CONUNDRUM

Then again, how important can any single religion be if I'm everything? The more religions I am, the less religious I feel.

It's odd the thoughts that pop into your head when you learn you aren't precisely who you thought you were. I immediately recalled a girl I had a crush on in high school who refused to date me because I wasn't Jewish.

How do you like me now, Jane?

Along with Jane, I now know I proudly share a background with Albert Einstein, Philip Roth and, of course, Scarlett Johansson. But with just 10 percent of my genes being Jewish, I can't lay claim to all eight crazy nights of Hanukkah. Maybe just a raucous afternoon.

As I tried to figure some commonality among these disparate cultures, the only thing I could come up with is that most of the people in them eat lamb. I still prefer steak pizza.

It occurred to me that DNA testing is something I could use to help get my 13-year-old daughter into college. Adopted from Guatemala, my daughter is Latina and Central American Indian—Mayan, the adoption lawyer said. Universities award scholarships to Native Americans, I was told.

But my daughter's papers list only her Latina side. So I asked her to take an ancestry test to prove her Indian heritage. The one I used requires that a person spit into a test tube for a saliva sample.

My daughter will not. Too icky or something.

This has led to my making odd demands of her: "Spit! I can't afford college."

As fascinating as my new genetic preoccupation is, I think it's brought me to a basic realization: Our experiences are more important than our chromosomes.

My daughter and I share not a drop of blood. But I love her more than baseball, or cannoli or myself.

And I don't need a DNA test to tell me that.

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House panel moves ahead on budget with hopes for tax reform

WASHINGTON

A key House panel on Wednesday divided along party lines as it slogged through a daylong debate over a Republican budget that would slash safety-net programs while rewarding the military with a \$70 billion boost.

The Budget Committee plan would pave the way for Republicans to overhaul the tax code, a top priority of President Donald Trump. Passing a budget through Congress is the only way to get a GOP-only tax plan enacted this year.

But the budget outline faces opposition from both wings of the party. Republican conservatives want more of its proposed cuts to actually take effect, while moderates want to focus on tax reform instead of cuts to benefit programs like food stamps.

The nonbinding GOP plan promises to cut more than \$5 trillion from the budget over the coming decade, though Republicans only appear serious about enacting a relatively modest \$203 billion deficit cut over the same period through filibuster-proof follow-up legislation.

Trump campaign inner circle called before committees

WASHINGTON

Members of the Trump campaign's inner circle, including his eldest son and son-in-law, are being called before Senate committees next week to talk about the 2016 election.

Donald Trump Jr. is scheduled to appear Wednesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee along with former campaign chairman Paul Manafort, according to a witness list released by the panel.

Also, a lawyer for Trump's powerful son-in-law and adviser said Jared Kushner will speak to the Senate intelligence committee Monday.

Michigan woman convicted of murder in parrot case

WHITE CLOUD, MICH.

A jury has convicted a western Michigan woman of first-degree murder in the shooting death of her husband in a crime apparently witnessed by the man's pet parrot.

The Newaygo County jury deliberated about eight hours before finding 49-year-old Glenna Duram guilty Wednesday of killing 46-year-old Martin Duram. He was shot five times in May 2015. Glenna Duram suffered a head wound in what prosecutors said was a suicide attempt, but survived.

Martin Duram's ex-wife, Christina Keller, has said that after the slaying, the pet parrot, Bud, repeated "don't (expletive) shoot" in Martin Duram's voice. Keller took ownership of the bird after Martin Duram's death.

Duram is due to be sentenced Aug. 28 on the murder and a felony firearm charge.

Minneapolis police officer has yet to talk to investigators

MINNEAPOLIS

Four days after a Minneapolis police officer fatally shot a woman who had called 911 to report a possible rape, the officer has yet to talk with investigators, and his attorney has given no indication he ever will.

Some legal experts say the move is wise and well within the officer's rights. But without Officer Mohamed Noor's version of events, there's virtually no explanation for what happened Saturday when he fired a shot from the passenger seat of a squad car, past his partner in the driver's seat and killed Justine Damond, 40, who was standing outside the vehicle.

Associated Press

Doctors: McCain has brain tumor

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Arizona Sen. John McCain, the 2008 Republican presidential nominee with a well-known maverick streak that often vexed his GOP colleagues, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor, his office said in a statement Wednesday.

The 80-year-old lawmaker has glioblastoma, an aggressive cancer, according to doctors at the Mayo Clinic in Phoenix where McCain had a blood clot removed from above his left eye last Friday. The senator and his family are reviewing further treatment, including a combination of chemotherapy and radiation.

"On Friday, July 14, Sen. John McCain underwent a procedure to remove a blood clot from above his left eye at Mayo Clinic Hospital in

Phoenix. Subsequent tissue pathology revealed that a primary brain tumor known as a glioblastoma was associated with the blood clot," his office said in a statement.

About 20,000 people in the U.S. each year are diagnosed with a glioblastoma, a particularly aggressive type of brain tumor. The American Cancer Society puts the five-year survival rate for patients over 55 at about 4 percent.

The tumor digs tentacle-like roots into normal brain tissue. Patients fare best when surgeons can cut out all the visible tumor, which happened with McCain's tumor, according to his office. That isn't a cure; cancerous cells that aren't visible still tend to lurk, the reason McCain's doctors are considering further treatment including chemotherapy and radiation.

"On Friday, July 14, Sen. John McCain underwent a procedure to remove a blood clot from above his left eye at Mayo Clinic Hospital in



AP FILE PHOTO, MARCH 12, 2015
Plastic trash is compacted into bales ready for further processing at the waste-processing dump on the outskirts of Minsk, Belarus.

World's plastic waste could bury Manhattan 2 miles deep

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Industry has made more than 9.1 billion tons of plastic since 1950 and there's enough left over to bury Manhattan under more than two miles of trash, according to a new cradle-to-grave global study.

Plastics don't break down like other man-made materials, so three-quarters of the stuff ends up as waste in landfills, littered on land and floating in oceans, lakes and rivers, according to the research reported in Wednesday's journal *Science Advances*.

"At the current rate, we are really heading toward a plastic planet," said study lead author Roland Geyer, an industrial ecologist at the University of California, Santa Barbara. "It is something we need to pay attention to."

The plastics boom started after World War II, and now plastics are everywhere. They are used in packaging such as plastic bottles and consumer goods such as cellphones and refrigerators. They are in pipes and other construction material. They are in cars and clothing, usually as polyester.

Study co-author Jenna Jambeck of the University of Georgia said the world first needs to know how much plastic waste there is worldwide before it can tackle the problem.

They calculated that of the 9.1 billion tons made, nearly 7 billion tons are no longer used. Only 9 percent got recycled and another 12 percent was incinerated, leaving 5.5 billion tons of plastic waste on land and in water.

Using the plastics industry's own data, Geyer, Jambeck and Kara Lavender Law found that the amount of plastics made and thrown out is accelerating.

In 2015, the world created

448 million tons of plastic

— more than twice as much as made in 1998.

China makes the most plastic, followed by Europe and North America.

"The growth is astonish-

ing and it doesn't look like it's slowing down soon," Geyer said.

About 35 percent of the plastic made is for packaging, such as water bottles. Geyer said his figures are higher than other calculations because he includes plastics material woven into fibers such as polyester clothing, including microfiber material.

An official of a U.S. trade group said the plastics industry recognizes the problem and is working to increase recycling and reduce waste.

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Trump exhorts Senate anew to rid US of Obamacare

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Lecturing fellow Republicans, President Donald Trump summoned GOP senators to the White House Wednesday and told them face-to-face they must not leave town for their August recess without sending him an "Obamacare" repeal bill to sign. Senators responded by vowing to revive legislative efforts left for dead twice already this week.

Success was far from assured, but Trump declared "I'm ready to act," putting the responsibility on Republican lawmakers, not himself. During last year's presidential campaign he had declared repeatedly it would be "so easy" to get rid of the Obama law.

The developments Wednesday came just a day after the latest GOP health care plan collapsed in the Senate, leading Trump himself to say it was time to simply let President Barack Obama's health care law fail. Majority Leader Mitch

McConnell had indicated he was prepared to stick a fork in the Republican bill and move on to other issues including overhauling the tax code.

But in an apparent change of heart, in keeping with his erratic engagement on the issue, Trump pressured McConnell to delay the key vote until next week, and he invited Republican senators to the White House for lunch.

There, with the cameras rolling in the State Dining Room, Trump spoke at length as he cajoled, scolded and issued veiled threats to his fellow Republicans, all aimed at wringing a health care bill out of a divided caucus that's been unable to produce one so far.

"For seven years you promised the American people that you would repeal Obamacare. People are hurting. Inaction is not an option and frankly I don't think we should leave town unless we have a health insurance plan," he said.



AP FILE PHOTO, MARCH 18
The Supreme Court Building is seen in Washington.

Justices allow strict refugee ban but say grandparents OK

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court says the Trump administration can strictly enforce its ban on refugees, but at the same time is leaving in place a weakened travel ban that includes grandparents among relatives who can help visitors from six mostly Muslim countries get into the U.S.

The justices acted Wednesday on the administration's appeal of a federal judge's ruling last week. U.S. District Judge Derrick Watson ordered the government to allow in refugees formally working with a resettlement agency in the United States. Watson also vastly expanded the family relations that refugees and visitors can use to get into the country.

The high court blocked Watson's order as it applies to refugees for now, but not the expanded list of relatives. The justices said the federal appeals court in San Francisco should now consider the appeal. It's not clear how quickly that will happen.

In the meantime, though, up to 24,000 refugees who already have been assigned to a charity or religious organization in the U.S. will not be able to use that connection to get into the country.

"This ruling jeopardizes the safety of thousands of people across the world including vulnerable families fleeing war and violence," said Naureen Shah, Amnesty International USA's senior director of campaigns.

That part of the court's ruling was a victory for President Donald Trump, who rolled out a first ban on travelers and refugees after just a week in office, prompting a legal fight that has raged ever since.

But the Supreme Court also denied the administration's request to clarify its ruling last month that allowed the administration to partially reinstate a 90-day ban on visitors from Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen and a 120-day ban on refugees from anywhere in the world.

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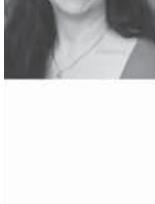
Ms. Sieman earned a master's degree in nursing, nurse midwifery, from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, and a certificate in nurse midwifery and a master's degree in nursing from Frontier Nursing University in Hyden, Ky. She earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from Youngstown State University and is certified by the American Midwifery Certification Board.



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THE OPEN

McIlroy hoping to catch his wave

World's best player begins British Open

Associated Press

SOUTHPORT, ENGLAND

Just three years ago, Rory McIlroy was the best player in the world without a trace of argument. He won the final two majors of the year, with a World Golf Championship title in between. He had reason to believe his reign would last as long as he wanted it to.

Now he's simply trying to get back into the conversation.



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The starkest reminder of the state of his game was not so much missing three cuts in his last four tournaments. It was being told on the eve of the British Open that the bookies listed him at 20-1 to win at Royal Birkdale.

"Good time to back me," McIlroy said. "I mean, look, if I was a betting company and I saw my form over

the past few weeks, yeah, that's probably a fair enough price. But again, all it takes is one week for those odds to go back."

He has been through these mini-slumps more than once in the 10 years since he first played the British Open at Carnoustie. McIlroy missed four of five cuts in 2012, including his title defense in the U.S. Open, and ended the summer by winning the PGA Championship to return to No. 1 in the world.

This one has been the most aggravating because it involves injury.

The hairline rib fracture he suffered in January during the South African Open is no longer an issue, but it forced him to sit out nearly two months, and then he played only once in two months between the Masters and the U.S. Open in part because it was acting up.

It all led to what McIlroy describes as a start-and-stop year, one that to this point doesn't include a trophy.

"But I'm in good spirits," McIlroy said. "I feel like it's all coming together. I'm just waiting for that round or that moment or that week where it sort of clicks and I'll be off and running. I've had little periods like this before in my career, and I've been able to bounce back from them. I'd say I was in worse positions than this. I feel like my game ... the pieces are all there, it's just about trying to fit them together."

As for his odds?

That speaks to a broader picture of the 146th edition of the British Open, which starts Thursday at Royal Birkdale. Dustin Johnson,

See OPEN, B4

UNITED FRONT



KaiLi Gross works the pitching mound during a practice of the Poland 13-14 Junior League state softball champions Wednesday at Poland North Elementary School. Gross pitches for Canfield High School and has joined the Poland community team for the summer.

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Poland's Junior League state champs include Canfield ace

By BRIAN DZENIS
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POLAND

One year removed from a Junior League World Series appearance, Poland is ramping up for another run to youth softball's promised land.

Poland's 13-14 year-old squad begins regional play on Saturday in South Holland, Ill., roughly a half-hour south of Chicago. Should the team emerge victorious, a trip to Portland, Ore., is in order.

Four players are back from last year's run: Brooke Bobbey, Jackie Grisdale, Camryn Lattanzio and Lexi Diaz.

"They know how some of the teams are and how it plays out. They give us advice on what to do," Poland second baseman Jordyn Olson said. "We all are good

See JUNIOR, B4

INSIDE ON B4: Canfield's 11-12 Little League baseball team is playing a winners bracket game in state play today in Maumee.

Indians limp home after 1-5 Calif. trip

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Their worst season in years has afforded the San Francisco Giants few light-hearted moments.

A second straight dramatic win against a pennant contender gave them one such moment, and it happened to coincide with a Game of Thrones promotion they were plugging anyway.

"It's comfortable," a chuckling manager Bruce Bochy said, seated in the actual throne from which he held his postgame news conference. "We haven't



GIANTS 5
INDIANS 4

Next: Toronto at Cleveland, Friday, 7:10 p.m.

Inside: Results of Wednesday's other MLB games, B3

had a lot of special moments, but you have to savor them when you have them and so we're having a little fun with this chair today."

Buster Posey pinch hit a two-out, two-run double in the bottom of the eighth inning as the Gi-

See INDIANS, B3



ASSOCIATED PRESS
Indians first baseman Carlos Santana exhales as he jogs off the field after the eighth inning of Wednesday's game against the Giants in San Francisco. The Indians fell, 5-4.

Muckdogs start strong to avoid sweep at Eastwood

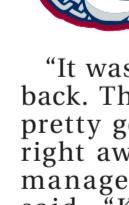
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NILES

Outscored 19-8 in the first two games of a series at Eastwood Field, the Batavia Muckdogs rebounded by jumping on the Scrappers early for Wednesday's 11-3 romp.

Batavia (11-17) avoided the sweep because of a seven-run top of the first where the Muckdogs sent 11 batters to the plate and recorded six hits and two walks.

Scrapers starting pitcher James Karinchak only lasted a third of an inning and allowed five runs on four hits and two walks.



MUCKDOGS 11
SCRAPPERS 3

Next: Mahoning Valley at Auburn, 7:05 p.m. today

"It was tough to fight back. They got out to a pretty good lead there right away," Scrappers manager Luke Carlin said. "Karinchak has some pretty good stuff, he just couldn't harness it in quick enough. He's a special kid. I don't expect to see too much of that from him."

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CLASS B

Baird, Astro

ready for NABF games

Bob Cene Park is site for 18U World Series

By GREG GULAS
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STRUTHERS

Ten teams will compete in the NABF 18U World Series that gets under way today at Bob Cene Park.

Included in this year's field are two local Class B entries representatives — league champion and automatic qualifier Baird Brothers and runner-up Astro Falcons.

It's the second consecutive year that Baird Brothers has advanced three Class B teams to World Series play (18U, 16U and 14) while Astro Falcons has qualified five teams to the same tournaments.

Overall strength of the league and competition its teams play is the key, according Scott Ruark, league president.

"To me, this is beyond words because on display is our talent level from top to bottom," Ruark said. "I might sound partial, but I honestly believe that our summer league is as good as any in the country."

"While players get plenty of exposure during the season when it comes to college and professional scouts, advancing to the World Series presents an even greater opportunity and platform for them to exhibit their skills in front of even more scouts in attendance," Ruark said.

Baird Brothers finished runner-up to Brooklyn (N.Y.) Bonnie Paws while Astro Falcons advanced to the semifinals during last week's sophomore (14U) division World Series at Cene Park. Youngstown Class B's Roth Brothers also advanced to the semifinal round.

Junior division (16U) play also begins today in Toledo with Baird Brothers and Astro Falcons among those competing.

Baird Brothers enter senior division action on the heels of Monday's emotional 1-0 win over the

See NABF, B4

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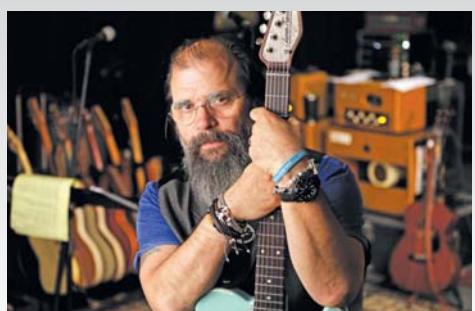
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BEST BETS ON TV

◆ "GEORGE BEST: ALL BY HIMSELF" (8 P.M., ESPN): The latest documentary to come from the "30 for 30" series is "George Best: All by Himself." The film recounts the tale of the beloved, but bedeviled, soccer superstar from Northern Ireland.

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Pitbull gave folks time of their lives



ENTERTAINING THOUGHTS
Guy D'Astolfo

Pitbull and Kesha had a huge hit with their 2013 collaboration on "Timber," and I have the dubious honor of having witnessed both artists perform the song — separately — within a four-week span.

Pitbull was the most recent, as the Miami native was at Covelli Centre Saturday. Kesha performed the song during her set at the Firefly Music Festival in Delaware on June 18.

Pitbull's concert burned hot and fast. The Latino hip hop star turned in his usual frenetic show, dazzling the packed arena for an hour — but just an hour. Then it was over, the lights came up, and there would be no encore.

I guess at that pace, the concert is going to be short. It was his standard show that he does everywhere but he definitely left them wanting more.

After a canned hype announcement that would have been an appropriate way to introduce a motivational speaker, followed by the "Miami Vice" theme song, the dapper Pitbull appeared, crisply dressed in black with a jacket.

His five-man band included two percussionists — a drummer and a Latin bongo player — which was totally necessary to drive the infectious beat.

Pitbull never leaves home without his team of six sexy dancers and they really do elevate his act, with a steamy blend of samba and Crazy Horse moves.

While a conga line didn't break out in the audience, there was definitely dancing in the aisles, even in the bowl seats, like it was a Cuban mardi gras. A frenzied girl behind me screamed "oh my gawwwd" for the 50th time at the start of "Fireball." Ditto for "Time of Your Life."

Youngstown isn't a typical market for Pitbull, and he knew he was there only because of Southwoods Health owner Ed Muransky, who helped underwrite the show. The rapper acknowledged Muransky before

ending his show, and praised him for his good business practices and generosity.

The son of Cuban migrants, Pitbull is nothing if not a hard worker and a hustler. He enjoys playing the motivator role, and he likes to recognize those qualities in others. He even gave a shout out to Youngstown's Maurice Claret, the Ohio State football star who turned around his tumultuous life and is now an entrepreneur and speaker.

As for Pitbull's version of "Timber," it was definitely better than Kesha's. It was tight and true to the original, whereas Kesha's rendition was sloppy and more rock than dance hall.

One of the opening acts for Saturday's concert was 16-year-old Alex Angelo, who has family in Niles.

The multi-talented young man is way more than a DJ. He was in total command during his 45-minute set, revving up the audience, dancing up and down the catwalk and even singing a couple of his own songs.

Angelo lived most of his life in Cleveland, but now lives in Cincinnati.

THE VINDYS DO A DRIVE-BY AT THE ROCK HALL OF FAME

Youngstown-based band the Vindys are having a big week.

The act, fronted by powerful vocalist Jackie Popovac, will headline a show at the Beachland Tavern in Cleveland at 8:30 tonight.

Then on Saturday, the band will open for the Drive-By Truckers at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$23.50 at [rockhall.com](#).

The Vindys have two gigs in Columbus the following weekend.

Guy D'Astolfo covers entertainment for The Vindicator. Follow him on Twitter at @VindyVibe.

Steve Earle enlists Lambert, Willie to revisit outlaw music

By KRISTIN M. HALL
 Associated Press

NASHVILLE, TENN.

Alt-country rocker Steve Earle and country star Miranda Lambert shared writing credit on one of Lambert's biggest hits from her debut album in 2005, but the two never actually got into a writers' room

until more than a decade later.

Lambert wrote the song "Kerosene," the album title track, which led to her first Grammy nomination. But she later decided it sounded too similar to a song penned by Earle, so she gave him credit.

"I hate telling her this, but I would have never done anything about it," said the 62-year-old Grammy-winning songwriter known for songs like "Copperhead Road."

"It's a gift from Miranda the

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◆ Who: Steve Earle, with the Mastersons

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◆ When: 8 p.m. Sunday

◆ Tickets: \$35 to \$42 at [ticketfly.com](#)

way I see it."

But that connection and a chance meeting between the two at a beauty salon led Earle to decide it was finally time to do a proper co-write with one of country music's biggest stars.

Last year the two penned a twangy breakup duet featuring fiddle and guitar that melds the two voices, one weathered and the other weary.

The two later cut the song in Austin, Texas, for Earle's new album, "So You Wannabe An

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TODAY

CHILDREN

- ◆ **Family Night Bingo**, 5 p.m., Struthers Public Library, 95 Poland Ave., Struthers; 330-744-8636.

COMEDY

- ◆ **Josh Blue**, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., Center Stage Comedy Club at Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, 655 N. Canfield Niles Road, Austintown; 877-788-3777.

DISCUSSION

- ◆ **Literary Reading and Artist Talk**, 5 to 7 p.m., YWCA of Youngstown, 25 W. Rayen Ave., Youngstown.
- ◆ **Other Worlds**, 2:30 p.m., Main Library of Youngstown,

305 Wick Ave., Youngstown; 330-744-8636.

◆ **YA Books Discussion Group**, 6 p.m., Newton Falls Public Library, 204 S. Canal St., Newton Falls; 330-872-1282.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

◆ **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Festival**, 6 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 343 Via Mount Carmel Ave., Youngstown; 330-743-4144.

LECTURES

◆ **Rebecca Rogers on "Warren Manning: Landscape Artist"**, noon, Tyler Mahoning Valley History Center, 325 W. Federal St., Youngstown; 330-743-2589.

MUSIC

◆ **Bands at the Baugh: After Dark with Howard and the Point Five Band**, 7 p.m., Stambaugh Auditorium Gardens, 1000 Fifth Ave., Youngstown; 330-259-0555.

ONSTAGE

◆ **"South Pacific,"** 7:30 p.m., New Castle Playhouse, 202 E. Long Ave., New Castle, Pa.; 724-654-3437.

◆ **"The Little Mermaid,"** 8 p.m., Kent Trumbull Theater, 4314 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren; 330-675-8887.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

◆ **Chardon Polka Band**, 7 p.m., Boardman Park, 375 Board-

man-Poland Road, Boardman; 330-726-8105.

◆ **Frank Gallo Band**, 7 p.m., Ramsay Memorial Pavilion, corner of Fifth Street and Ohio Avenue, McDonald; 330-530-5472.

◆ **Music on the Lawn: The Sensations**, 7 p.m., McKinley Memorial Library, 40 N. Main St., Niles; 330-652-1704.

◆ **The Mahoning Valley Button Box Band**, 6:30 p.m., Roosevelt Park, 800 Struthers Liberty Road, Campbell; 330-755-7445.

◆ **Wayne Tomsic Combo**, 7 p.m., Mautha Park, 156 Smithfield St., Struthers; 330-755-7977.

SPECIAL EVENTS

◆ **Senior Fun Day Luau (reservations required)**, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Boardman Park, 375 Boardman-Poland Road, Boardman; 330-726-8105.

SPECIAL INTEREST

◆ **Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint (registration required)**, 2 p.m., Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave., Warren; 330-399-8807.

FRIDAY

CHILDREN

◆ **Party with Captain Underpants**, 10 a.m., Austintown Public Library, 600 S. Raccoon Road, Austintown; 330-744-8636.

◆ **African Penguins**,

10 a.m., Main Library of Youngstown, 305 Wick Ave., Youngstown; 330-744-8636.

◆ **African Penguins**, noon, Canfield Public Library, 43 W. Main St., Canfield; 330-744-8636.

COUNTRY

◆ **Big Smo and Colt Ford**, 5 p.m., Buffalo Hollow, 51367 Dickson Road, Petersburg; 330-426-2299.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

◆ **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Festival**, 6 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 343 Via Mount Carmel Ave., Youngstown; 330-743-4144.

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Columbiana Wine Festival, 5 to 10 p.m., Firestone Farms Town Center, Columbiana.

MUSIC

Patty C and The Guys, 7:30 p.m., SNPJ Recreation Center, 270 Martin Road, Enon Valley, Pa.; 877-767-5732.

ONSTAGE

"Forbidden Youngs-town," 8 p.m., Rust Belt Theater Company, 755 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown; 330-507-2358.

"South Pacific," 7:30 p.m., New Castle Playhouse, 202 E. Long Ave., New Castle, Pa.; 724-654-3437.

"The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe," 7:30 p.m., Victorian Players Theater, 702 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown; 330-746-5455.

"The Little Mermaid," 8 p.m., Kent Trumbull Theater, 4314 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren; 330-675-8887.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

Jimmy and the Soul Blazers, 7 p.m., Waterworth Memorial Park, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem.

POP, ROCK

Pop Evil, 8 p.m., Good-year Theater, 1201 E. Market St., Akron; 1-877-435-9849.

SATURDAY**COUNTRY**

Full Circle Band and Southern Rock Super-stars, 5 p.m., Buffalo Hollow, 51367 Dickson Road, Petersburg; 330-426-2299.

EXPO**THE SOURCES**

- ◆ **Ticketmaster:** At Giant Eagle stores in Austintown, Boardman (Doral Drive), Hermitage and New Castle. Call 866-448-7849. Web address is Ticketmaster.com.
- ◆ **Covelli Centre, 229 E. Front St. Youngstown:** Tickets are also available at the box office or at Ticketmaster.

Shaker Woods Outdoor Expo, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shaker Woods, 44337 County Line Road, Columbiana; 330-482-0214.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Festi-val, 5 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 343 Via Mount Carmel Ave., Youngstown; 330-743-4144.

St. Joseph Parish Fes-tival and Ox Roast Fair, 5 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 11045 St. Joseph Blvd., Mantua; 330-274-2253.

The Great Lakes Me-dieval Faire, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., The Great Lakes Medieval Faire, 3033 State Route 534, Rock Creek.

Columbiana Wine Fes-tival, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Firestone Farms Town Center, Columbiana.

MUSIC

Cin City and the Saints, 4 p.m., St. Marguerites Club, 27 N. Liberty St., New Castle, Pa.

Jim Frank Combo, 8:30 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church festival, 343 Via Mount Carmel, Youngstown; 330-743-4144.

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1011 S. State St., Girard; 330-545-2508.

MUSIC

- ◆ **Davis and Henner,** 2 p.m., Nova Cellars Win-ery, 5253 Old Pulaski Road, Pulaski, Pa.; 724-230-6686.

Steve Vuch hosts open mic, noon to 3 p.m., Brew-tus Brewing Company, 23 Chestnut Ave., Sharon, Pa.

ONSTAGE

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"The Little Mermaid," 3 p.m., Kent Trumbull Theater, 4314 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren; 330-675-8823.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

Queen Nation with Custard Pie, 5 p.m., Warren Community Amphitheatre, 321 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren; 330-841-2601.

Stomping with the Set-tlers Bluegrass Festival, noon, Greene Eagle Win-ery, 2576 Davis Peck Road, Cortland; 330-583-9463.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Warren Communi-ty Day, 8 a.m., downtown Warren.

SUNDAY**EXPO**

Shaker Woods Outdoor Expo, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shaker Woods, 44337 County Line Road, Columbiana; 330-534-3098.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Festi-val, 1 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 343 Via Mount Carmel, Youngstown; 330-743-4144.

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MUSEUM (ONGOING)

Here Comes the Bride exhibition, 1 to 4 p.m., Barnhisel House Museum,

SPECIAL INTEREST

- ◆ **The Great Lakes Medieval Faire**, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., 3033 State Route 534, Rock Creek.

MONDAY**CHILDREN**

"The Princess and the Pea" with the Youngstown Play-house Youth Theatre, 11 a.m., Springfield Public Library, 10418 Main St., New Middletown; 330-744-8636.

Kids Garden Club (registration re-quired), 10:30 a.m., Newton Falls Public Library, 204 S. Canal St., Newton Falls; 330-872-1282.

Lego WeDo Robots, 10 a.m. to noon, Sebring Public Library, 195 W. Ohio Ave., Sebring; 330-744-8636.

LECTURES

Appy Hour (registra-tion required), 6 p.m.,

Poland Public Library, 311 S. Main St., Poland; 330-744-8636.

MOVIES

"Batman Returns," 8 p.m., Outdoors at Covelli Centre, 229 E. Front St., Youngstown.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

Jim Frank Combo, 7 p.m., Poland Village Town Hall, 308 S. Main St., Poland; 330-757-2112.

The Butch Nicho-las Band, 7 p.m., Can-field Village Green, state Routes 224 and 46, Canfield.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mah-Jongg at the Li-brary, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Canfield Public Library, 43 W. Main St., Canfield; 330-744-8636.

TUESDAY**CHILDREN**

"The Princess and

the Pea" with the Youngstown Play-house Youth Theatre, 1 p.m., Canfield Pub-lic Library, 43 W. Main St., Canfield; 330-744-8636.

DISCUSSION

Off the Shelves ... book club, 6:30 p.m., Canfield Public Library, 43 W. Main St., Canfield; 330-744-8636.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

Border Ride, 7 p.m., Austintown Township Park, 6000 Kirk Road, Austintown; 330-793-0718.

SPECIAL INTEREST

Basic Comput-er Class (registra-tion required), 3:30 p.m., Newport Public Li-brary, 3730 Market St., Youngstown; 330-744-8636.

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'Dunkirk' emerges as a victory of filmmaking

By LINDSAY BAHR
Associated Press

Christopher Nolan's "Dunkirk" is not a typical war movie. There are no brothers in arms, no flashbacks to simpler times and pretty wives and girlfriends left behind, no old men in situation rooms pontificating about politics or helping with exposition.

There's no talk of Hitler, or Germans or battlefields or trauma or mothers. In fact, there's hardly any talk at all, or, for that matter, even any characters in the traditional sense.

But don't be mistaken: Christopher Nolan's "Dunkirk" is a stone cold masterpiece.

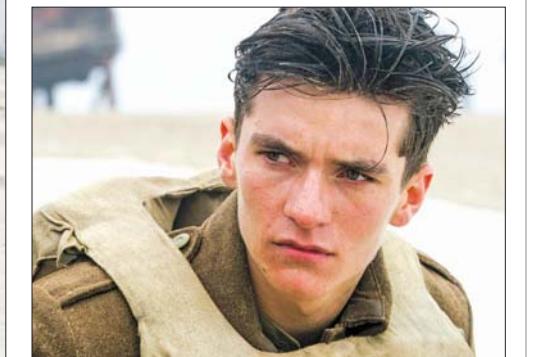
It's a stunningly immersive survival film told in 106 thrillingly realized minutes. Nolan puts the viewer right in the action whether it's on the beach with 400,000 men queued up and waiting for a rescue that may never come, on the waters of the English Channel in the little civilian ship headed into hostile waters with only an aging man and two teenage boys aboard, or in the air above in the two lone Spitfires that are quickly running out of fuel.

I've never experienced anything quite like "Dunkirk's" intoxicating immediacy. The screen and images envelope you with urgency, dread and moments of breathtaking beauty and grace as you wait with the soldiers, as the title card at the beginning says, for deliverance.

The story begins on the ground, with a young soldier, Tommy (newcomer Fionn Whitehead) wandering the deserted streets of Dunkirk looking for water and a place to relieve himself. Propaganda flyers float down to the ground reminding the soldiers of something they're already well



Harry Styles, Aneurin Barnard and Fionn Whitehead star in "Dunkirk."



WARNER BROS. PICTURES
Fionn Whitehead in a scene from "Dunkirk."

'DUNKIRK'

- ◆ **Grade:** 4 stars (out of 4)
- ◆ **Credits:** Directed by Christopher Nolan; cast includes Tom Hardy and Kenneth Branagh
- ◆ **Rating:** PG-13 for intense war experience and some language
- ◆ **Running time:** 1:46



WARNER BROS. PICTURES
Christopher Nolan's "Dunkirk" puts the viewer in the middle of the action.

aware of — that they're surrounded. "Sur-
render + Survive!" the flyers read as Hans

Zimmer's gently ominous score plays in the background telling us that while it may be calm for a moment, it is not safe. A deafening gunshot breaks the silence, and, fair warning, your racing heart will not stop for quite some time.

Nolan follows Tommy back to the beach where soldiers stand in long lines that stretch to the water, where no boats approach. His part is nearly silent, his motivations unknown. They are all haunted shells, stripped of meaningful weapons and a military purpose. He and the rest just know they need to get off the beach at any cost.

We accompany Tommy as he tries to achieve that objective which eludes him with almost comic frequency. He's the unluckiest lucky fellow out there.

Occasionally we get the sobering perspective of the higher ups, compliments of the great Kenneth Branagh as Com-

mander Bolton.

In the air there are the two Spitfire pilots, Farrier (played by Tom Hardy, whose face is once again largely obscured but who can act circles around many of his contemporaries even with just the use of his eyes and eyebrows) and Collins (Jack Lowden). They get to be the lofty, classical heroes of war films past as they shoot down the enemy. Hardly has a film ever made you feel as in the moment as this.

And on the sea, the three civilians,

Mr. Dawson (Mark Rylance), Peter (Tom Glynn-Carney) and George (Barry Keoghan) who, like so many during the Dunkirk evacuation, took it upon themselves to captain their own small vessel and journey into war dressed in their seaside knits and armed only with lifejackets and blankets to help save their country's stranded men. They're the beating heart of film, especially when pitted against a shell shocked soldier (Cillian Murphy) who is determined to stop them from go-

ing back to Dunkirk.

These narratives intertwine and loop

back and repeat from different vantage

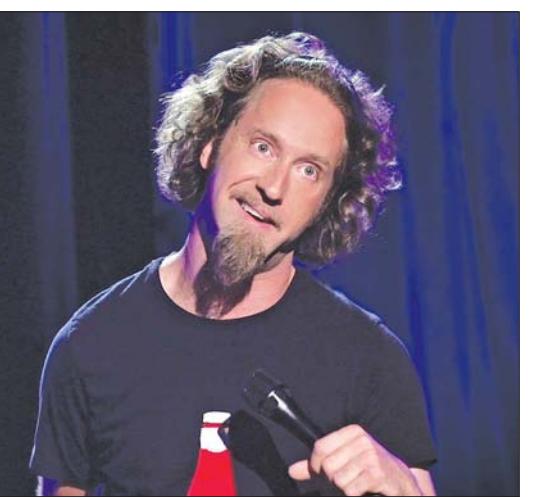
points with stunning effectiveness — never seeming redundant or dull. Nolan finds suspense at every angle, and ramps up the tension with the help of Zimmer's ticking score. While, there might not be character arcs to speak of, the performances are first-rate nonetheless (even pop star Harry Styles, who might just have another viable career option).

Nolan continues to be unparalleled in

Hollywood — working on a scope that few are able to. As many filmmakers experiment with the small screen, Nolan has only gone bigger and bolder with his commitment to film and IMAX. What a case "Dunkirk" is for the movie theater. Not only that, "Dunkirk" is far and away the best film of the year, and Nolan's finest too.

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Comedian in Mahoning Valley debut



Josh Blue

SPECIAL TO THE VINDICATOR

Josh Blue: high humor

By GUY D'ASTOLFO
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AUSTINTOWN
Josh Blue has cerebral palsy and is also an advocate for medicinal marijuana.

But those things move to the background when the comedian is on stage.

Blue — winner of NBC's "Last Comic Standing" competition show in 2006 — will focus on being funny when he makes his Youngstown debut tonight at the Hollywood Gaming casino showroom.

The Denver resident has used marijuana for years. He has even partnered with Mountain High Suckers on a blueberry and watermelon flavored sucker — called Josh Blue's Dream — that is made with cannabis extract.

When he's before an audience, Blue likes to quickly make his cerebral palsy a non-issue.

"If you don't know me, I have more work to do," he said. "I have to explain to the audience what they are seeing and then make them comfortable with cerebral palsy and the fact that I am comfortable with it here and there. I've been an advocate of weed for decades. It's a medicine for me. I feel better with it and my body relaxes and I can forget that there is a problem."

"And don't get me wrong, I like getting high, too."

As for what direction his show does take, that depends on the audience. He sizes up the crowd for each show to

determine which way to proceed.

"I never know what they're going to see," said Blue. "I have lots of jokes that I know I will do, but just not in the order. I look at every show like a snowflake. They are all different. I take in the vibe and energy of the room, the timing in there. You can't put your finger on it."

Blue is spontaneous, and doesn't mind it when the audience is, too.

"I like a heckler," he said. "I'll get a little back and forth going. It shows the audience I'm working without a net, and not just reciting a joke I wrote."

When he's before an audience, Blue likes to quickly make his cerebral palsy a non-issue.

"I definitely talk about being an advocate," said Blue, in a phone interview from the Mile High City. "But that's not what my show is about. I will have a few jokes about it here and there. I've been an advocate with cerebral palsy because I am so comfortable with it."

Blue's humor keeps him busy; he averages about 200 shows per year. But in his spare time, he is working on a script for a sitcom pilot and plans to shop it around when it's done.

IF YOU GO

◆ **Who:** Josh Blue

◆ **When:** 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. tonight

◆ **Where:** Hollywood Gaming casino, Austintown

◆ **Tickets:** Both shows are sold out

"I kind of got to the point where I realized that if I don't write something, it's never going to happen," he said. "The TV and movie industry is not real open to disabilities, or taking chances. So I'm going to do it on my own. If you can deliver something to them, they might like it."

In 2011, Blue starred in "Comedy Central Presents: Josh Blue." More recently, he debuted a one-hour comedy special on Showtime, "Sticky Change," where he cracks jokes and tells stories about everything from being a white African-American (Blue was born in Cameroon, where his father was a professor), to dealing with cabbies who think he'll pay in sticky change. The special is currently available on Netflix.

He has appeared twice on Ron White's "Comedy Salute to the Troops" on CMT and made his late-night television debut on "The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson."

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◆ “The Princess and the Pea” with the Youngstown Playhouse Youth Theatre, 10 a.m., Austintown Public Library, 600 S. Raccoon Road, Austintown; 330-744-8636.

DISCUSSION

◆ **Anglophiles Unite: Stephen Fry**, 6:30 p.m., Main Library of Youngstown, 305 Wick Ave., Youngstown; 330-744-8636.

◆ **Chapter Chat Book Club**, 6:30 p.m., Austintown Public Library, 600 S. Raccoon Road, Austintown; 330-744-8636.

◆ **Metaphysics Study Group**, 6 p.m., Yoga Center, 972 Youngstown Kingsville Road, Vienna Township.

OUTDOOR MUSIC

◆ **Canfield Community Concert Band**, 7 p.m., Buhl Farm Park, 715 Hazen Road, Hermitage, Pa.; 724-981-5522.

◆ **Muleface Brothers**, 7 p.m., Woodworth Park, North Lima; 330-549-9552.

◆ **Redline**, 7 p.m., Mill Creek MetroParks Wick Recreation Area, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown.

SPECIAL INTEREST

◆ **Basic Microsoft Office Word class (registration required)**, 6:30 p.m., Canfield Public Library, 43 W. Main St., Canfield; 330-744-8636.

**‘The Little Mermaid’ at Kent-Trumbull**

From left, Dakota Smith, Cara DeChurch and Savannah Florkowski in a scene from Kent State University at Trumbull Theater’s production of “The Little Mermaid.” The musical is based on the Disney animated film and hit Broadway musical. Performances will be at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday and Saturday, and 3 p.m. Sunday, with four more performances July 27-30. Tickets are \$18 (\$16 for seniors and students and \$14 for children 12 and under). Call 330-675-8887 for reservations.

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**EARLE***Continued from C2*

Outlaw.”

“It was a really cool experience to write with him and he’s such an amazing songwriter,” Lambert said. “I was intimidated but I learned a lot.”

Earle has the same high opinion of Lambert, calling her last effort stunning.

“The women are the strong singer-songwriters in Nashville as this point,” Earle said during a tour rehearsal in Nashville, Tenn. “Chris Stapleton is an exception. Most of the guys, their stuff is all right, but they are mostly, largely just party songs. It’s kind of hip-hop for people who are afraid of black people, I guess, as far as I can tell.”

But he doesn’t blame country radio for largely ignoring female artists.

“I think the labels have an idea of what is selling and right now the common wisdom is guys under 30 is what’s selling in country music,” Earle said.

When Earle first arrived in Nashville from Austin in the ‘70s, he was the young gun among a group of veteran singer-songwriters like Townes Van Zandt, Rodney Crowell, Guy Clark, Waylon Jennings and more. It was the beginning of the outlaw movement, which Earle attempts to revisit on his new record.

Earle, who broke out with his 1986 debut “Guitar Town,” said he still runs into fans who believe the movement was all about booze, drugs and a free-wheeling lifestyle, although Earle’s previous addictions have contributed to that lore. “Part of the point of this record was to rehabilitate the term ‘outlaw,’” he said.

In writing the record, Earle swapped out his acoustic guitar for a Fender Telecaster and spent a lot of time listening to Jennings’ “Honky Tonk Heroes.” He growls on the title track with Willie Nelson that being an outlaw meant “you can’t ever go home.”

“I was always grateful and was very aware that I had just gotten here in time to be a part of a moment,” said Earle. “A lot of the things that I am able to do at this point in my life, I am able to do because I happened to be lucky and be in the right place at the right time.”

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◆ **Barrel Run Crossing Winery and Vineyard**, 3272 Industry Road, Roots-town; 330-325-1075

Fri: Box of Squirrels, 7 p.m.
Sat: Charita Franks, 7 p.m.

◆ **Birdfish Brewing Co.**, 16 S. Main St., Columbian
Sat: Tyler Smilo, 7 p.m.

◆ **Brewtus Brewing Company**, 23 Chestnut Ave., Sharon, Pa.
Sun: Steve Vuich hosts open mic, noon to 3 p.m.

◆ **Christopher's End of the Tunnel**, 100 E. Federal St., Youngstown
Fri: Shoe Shine Boys, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

◆ **The Fireplace**, 2075 E. Western Reserve Road, Poland; 330-757-4043
Thu: Car Cruise with DJ Richie D, 5 p.m.

Fri: Guys Without Ties, 9 p.m.

◆ **Frieda's**, 381 W. Rayen Ave., Youngstown
Fri: Howard and the Point Five Band, 6-10 p.m.; DJ EZ D, 10 p.m.
Sat: Howard and the Point Five Band, 6-10 p.m.; DJ EZ D, 10 p.m.

◆ **Greene Eagle Winery**, 2576 Davis Peck Road, Cortland; 330-583-9463
Sat: Stomping with the Settlers Bluegrass Festival, noon

◆ **Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning**

Howard and band at Stambaugh event

YOUNGSTOWN

Howard and the Point Five Band will be the band at tonight's Bands at the Baugh After Dark outdoor music series event at Stambaugh Auditorium gardens at 7 p.m.

Howard Admission is \$10 at the door.

The Alternative food truck and Libs Market in Salem will offer food.

Stambaugh Auditorium is at 1000 Fifth Ave.

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The Valley's Largest Auto Showroom

◆ **Valley Race Course**, 655 N. Canfield Niles Road, Austintown; 330-423-1112

Fri: 52nd Street and Captain Fantastic, 8 p.m.
Sat: Hoss and the Juggernauts, 8 p.m.

◆ **Jr'z Pub**, 1722 S. Raccoon Road, Austintown; 330-953-1559

Fri: Aaron AK, 9 p.m.
Sat: Skull'Rz Bane, 9 p.m.

◆ **Magic Tree**, 7463 South Ave., Boardman; 330-629-2667

Fri: Bustin' Loose, 7:30 p.m.
Sat: The Classics, 8:30 p.m.

◆ **Mastropietro Winery**, 14558 Ellsworth Road, Berlin Center; 330-547-2151

Sat: Abraham James, 6 p.m.

◆ **New Manhattan**, 7262 Hubbard Masury Road, Hubbard; 330-534-7890

Sat: Chain Reaction, 9 p.m.

◆ **Nova Cellars Winery**, 5253 Old Pulaski Road, Pulaski, Pa.

Sun: Davis and Henner, 2 p.m.

◆ **Paradise Patio at Trax Lounge**, 4250 New Road, Austintown; 330-799-2249

Fri: Total Package, 7:30 p.m.

Sat: Mother Ale, 7:30 p.m.

◆ **Riser Tavern & Grill**, 1135 W. Western Reserve Road, Boardman

Tue: Steve Vuich hosts open stage, 7 p.m.

◆ **Speakeasy Lounge**, 136 N. Park Ave., Warren; 330-647-9232

Sat: Davis and Henner, 7 p.m.

◆ **St. Marguerites Club**, 27 N. Liberty St., New Castle, Pa.

Sat: Cin City and the Saints, 4 p.m.

◆ **Stambaugh Auditorium gardens**, 1000 Fifth Ave., Youngstown; 330-259-

0555

Thu: Howard and the Point Five Band, 7 p.m.

◆ **Thelma's Sports Bar**, 255 E. High St., Sharpsville, Pa.; 724-962-7493

Thu: The FX Project, 7-10 p.m.

◆ **The Vineyards at Pine Lake**, 14101 Market St., Columbiana
Sat: Steve Vuich and guests, 7 p.m.

◆ **Vintage Estate Wine & Beer**, 7317 South Ave., Boardman; 330-629-8080

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Thursday (Giovedi)
July 20, 2017
Hours: 5 - 11 PM

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5:00 - 6:30
John Gabriele

7:00 - 8:30
Little Prince & Princess Pageant

9:00 - 10:00
Jim Frank Combo

MAIN STAGE
5:00 - 6:00
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6:00 - 8:00
Butch Nichols Band

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Friday (Venerdi)
July 21, 2017
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5:00 - 6:30
John Gabriele

7:00 - 8:30
Opening Ceremonies
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8:45 - 10:45
Rex Taneri

MAIN STAGE
5:00 - 6:30
Franco Simone

7:00 - 9:00
The Cavaliers Band

9:30 - 10:45 PM
D-Major

Kid's area expanded with new crafts, more games, face & hair painting, and train rides!

Saturday (Sabato)
July 22, 2017
Hours: 5 - 11 PM

SOCIAL HALL
6:00 - 8:00
John Gabriele

8:30 - 10:45
Jim Frank Combo

MAIN STAGE
6:00 - 7:30
Gli Italiani

8:00 - 9:30
Dominic Tocco & The Brotherhood

10:00 - 10:45 PM
Mirella the Musician

Schedule subject to change

Joe Naples
Master of Ceremonies

Sunday (Domenica)
July 23, 2017
Hours: 1 - 10 PM

SOCIAL HALL
1:30 - 3:00
John Gabriele

3:30 - 5:00
Rocco Monaco

5:30 - 7:30
Butch Nichols Band

8:00 - 9:00
Rex Taneri

MAIN STAGE
1:30 - 2:30
Lowellville

3:00 - 4:30
Avanti Band

4:45 - 6:00 PM
Mirella the Musician

6:30 - 8:00
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Annie

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Texting has become a pet peeve of hers

Dear Annie: I have noticed a shift in common communication skills over the past few years in the workplace that I believe has been caused by texting, and it has quickly become a pet peeve of mine.

I work for a large insurance company on the East Coast. I have noticed that work-related emails are becoming less and less professional, to the point where some are so vague that I wonder whether the sender realizes how the end product looks to the receiver.

I need to point out that I am a 20-something woman, and I do my fair share of texting. However, when I receive an email from someone in a professional context, I expect to see more than "tks" or "u" or "mtg" in the body of the email. When I see those abbreviated words, I give the emails less importance and am often insulted by them.

When did it become accepted practice to slip into what I consider a sloppy style of communication on the job? In my opinion, people are entitled to communicate in any way they please outside the workplace; however, slang-style writing is unacceptable in a professional setting.

Thanks for letting me get this off my chest!

No TEXTING, Please

Dear No Texting: Though our society is as advanced as it has ever been, it often seems like a dark age for manners.

Shine a light by your good example.

The next time you get a lax email from a co-worker, respond extra professionally — with a formal salutation, a well-formed paragraph and a proper closing. Often this is enough to shift the tone of the whole correspondence.

It seems that today a lot of people — too many — have trouble differentiating between what's appropriate at home and what's appropriate at work. I, too, believe that in professional emails (or even text messages, if you find yourself texting a boss), it's important to maintain a degree of formality. No one ever lost a job for erring on the side of politeness.

Dear Annie: I enjoy your take on advice, for the most part, as well as your concise answers to writers' issues.

Could you, however, consider dropping the term "caretaker" in favor of "caregiver"? Many of us older folks think of cemeteries when we hear "caretaker"! The latter is so much warmer.

Russ

Dear Russ: Goodness me. You've got a point. I'll go with "caregiver" in the future (unless, of course, I'm responding to a letter about cemetery maintenance).

Email your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com, or write to: Dear Annie, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd St., Hermosa Beach, CA 90245.

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Quality furniture is investment that's built to last

Dear Readers: Buying furniture is an investment, but a necessary one. Cheap, throwaway furniture is not a good purchase. The quality is not there, and the pieces will not last.

Decide on a budget and exactly how much you can spend on new furniture, and ask family and friends for advice. Here are some hints to help:

- ◆ On wood furniture, look for solid wood. Avoid pieces labeled "particleboard," "pressboard" and "fiberboard."
- ◆ Dovetail joints are high-quality. Furniture put together with staples and glue is, of course, lower quality.
- ◆ Drawers should close smoothly.
- ◆ Cushions need to consist



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of a firm interior, wrapped in padding. Bare foam means the maker didn't take the time to do quality work.

- ◆ Upholstery patterns should match, and the pleating around the bottom should be weighted. Also, look around your home to see what pieces can be moved and repurposed. Rearranging the good-quality furniture you already have can give your room a new look, and can save you money, too!

Heloise

Dear Heloise: I have twin toddler grandchildren, and

wow, can they make a mess! Can you give me some hints to keep their clothes clean? Help!

GRANDMA FLO IN LOUISIANA

How wonderful to have two little grandkids! But I agree — it's double the work! Follow the three rules of stain removal:

- ◆ Attack the stain ASAP. Set-in stains are harder to remove.
- ◆ Give it time. Spray pre-treater, and let the cleaner do the work.
- ◆ Some stains are stubborn. You may need to repeat a treatment. Don't put clothes in the dryer until you are satisfied that the stain is gone.

spatter-free. An obvious solution, but one I didn't think of for years!

NANCY B.,
North Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Heloise: When my son was born, we took a picture of him lying on the same blanket every month on the same day. We took the picture of him in his diaper alone.

It was amazing to see his development over his first year of life. Maybe mothers-to-be would like this idea.

BEV COLLIN, Ravenna, Ohio

Send a money-saving or timesaving hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795000, San Antonio, TX 78279-5000, fax it to 210-HELOISE or email it to Heloise@Heloise.com.

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SPECIAL TO THE VINDICATOR

Above, members of the Western Reserve Rangers 4-H Club who participated in the annual airplane race were, front row from left, Olivia Reph, Isabel Schors, Kirk, Emma Reph, Collier and Cooper Selley. Back row, from left, are William Reph, Schors, Tiffany Voland, Hornberger, Sawyer Jones, Thomas Collier and Quear.

Western Reserve Rangers have busy season

At the July meeting of the Western Reserve Rangers 4-H Club, Jan Moser announced that Dr. Steve Miletta will check the large animals for the Canfield Fair on Friday. Vice president Abby Schors announced the upcoming 4-H judging events taking place this month.

Members were recognized for decorating the club's

float and other members, parents and advisers were thanked for riding on the float in Canfield's Fourth of July Parade.

Winners of the annual paper-airplane race were: seniors, first place, Bailey Hornberger; second place, Abby Schors; and third place, Brandon Quear.

The junior winners were:

first place, Cooper Selley; and second place, Evelyn Collier.

Adviser Steve Reph's airplane had the longest flight.

William Reph reported on his recent camping experience at 4-H sea camp on Kelleys Island on Lake Erie.

Refreshments were provided by Collin Meehan and Natalia Kresic.

YOUNGSTOWN

After retiring, Joe Midlick brainstormed the idea of establishing a golf outing that would benefit any Chaney High School alumni or families times of need. Midlick, a 1970 graduate, brought along fellow graduates Tom Sullivan, Patty Rogan Moran and Cathy Buehler Zimmerman.

A suggestion was made that a board of trustees be formed with the name Once a Cowboy Always a Cowboy and include not only the Class of '70, but other classes as well. It didn't take long before other CHS alumni rose to the occasion. Those on the first OACAAC board now include: Joe Fanto, '89; Joe Malys, '71; Jim Mullally, '74; Valerie Duncan Holcomb, '75; Paul Hornung, '98; and Tod Thorpe, '88.

The board plans to es-

tablish a yearly golf outing. They welcome Chaney alumni to join them in the effort. The OACAAC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

The first OACAAC golf outing will take place Aug. 26 at Pine Lakes Golf Course in Hubbard.

Sponsors are being sought for this event. Foursomes cost \$75 per person or \$300 per team, which includes 18 holes with cart, prizes, lunch, a steak dinner and beverages. The committee also is in need of donations of baskets, gift certificates and prizes for which tickets also will be sold, along with other prize opportunities, such as a 50/50 drawing.

For information, contact Joe at 330-219-5419 or by email at jmidlick13@sbc-global.net.



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Scholarships to be awarded at race

Run for Caitlin Inc. will award eight \$1,500 scholarships for Cardinal Mooney High School tuition for the 2017-18 academic year. The scholarships will be presented at the fourth annual Run for Caitlin on Saturday. The run will start at 9 a.m. at Canfield High School. Registration forms for the 2-mile run/walk and 5-mile run are available at runforcaitlin.org at Second Sole in Boardman, and on race day. The organization has awarded almost \$30,000 in scholarships in the memory of Caitlin Yager, a Cardinal Mooney High School graduate who died in an automobile accident. Above are scholarship winners and members of the Yager family. From left, front row, are Maeghan Williams, Joseph Neider, Rich and Carol Yager, Maureen Baker, Natalie Kovacs and Anna Hughes. In back, from left, are Dino D'Alesio, Stephen Bartos and Mark Armile. For more information on Run for Caitlin, visit runforcaitlin.org.

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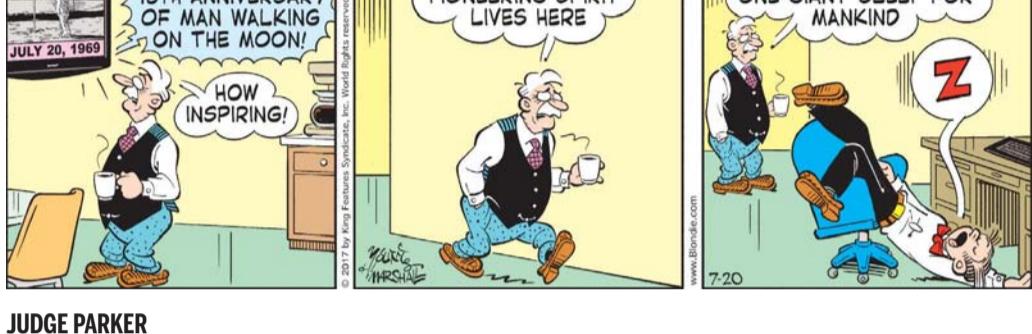
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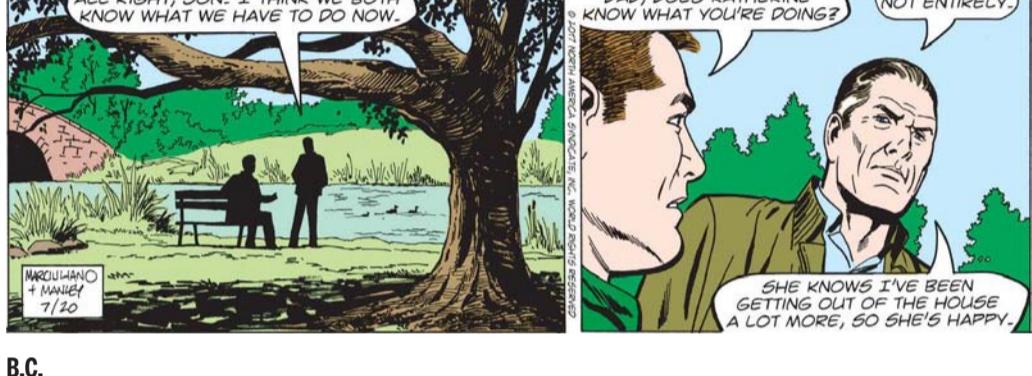
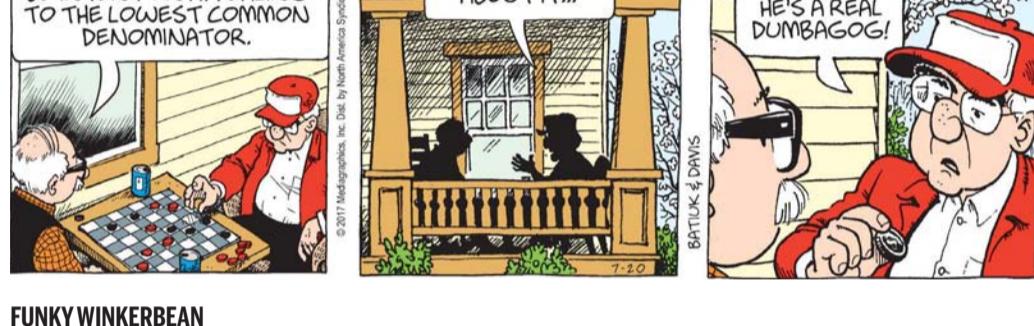
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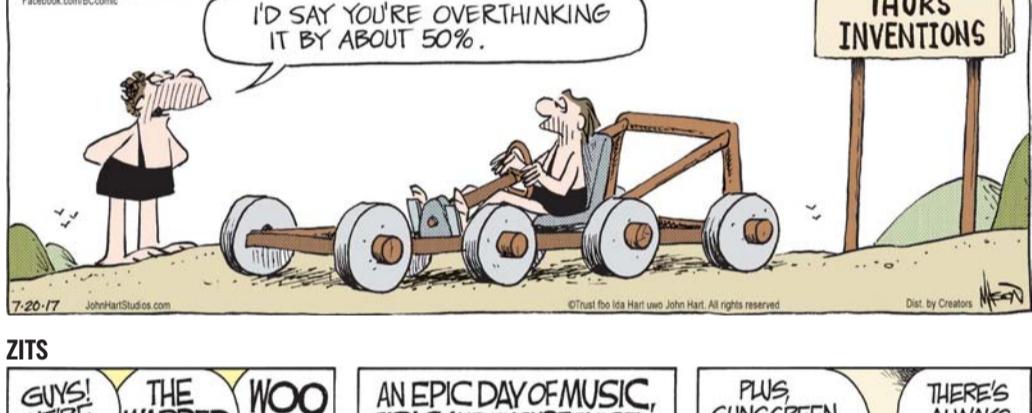
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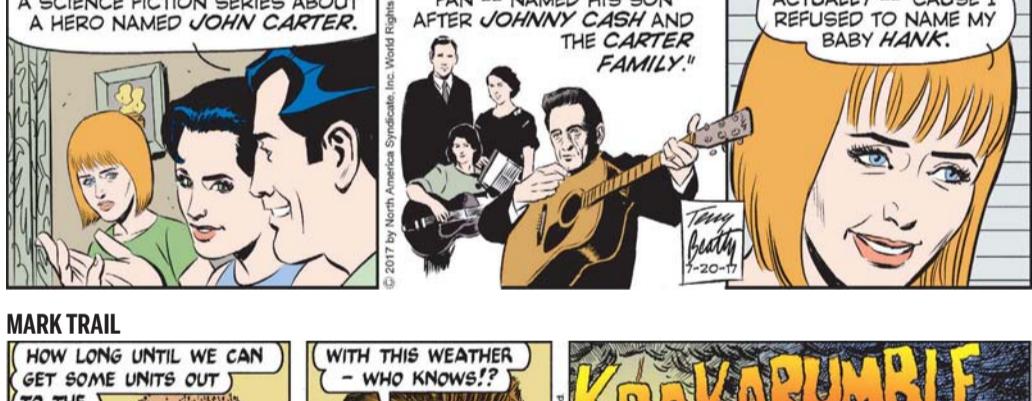
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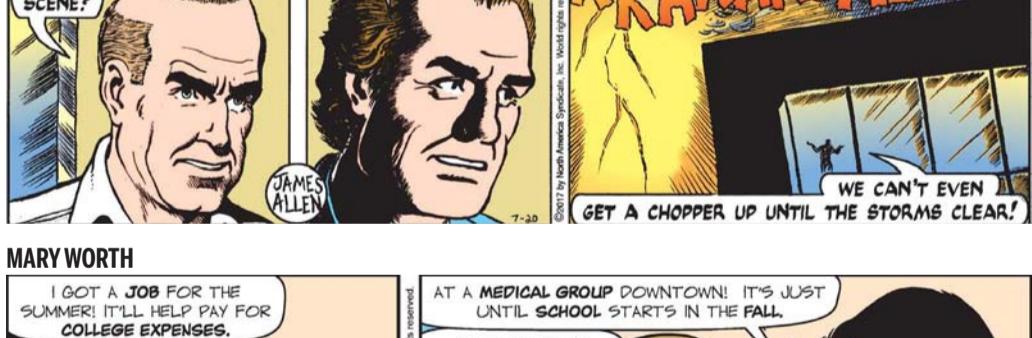
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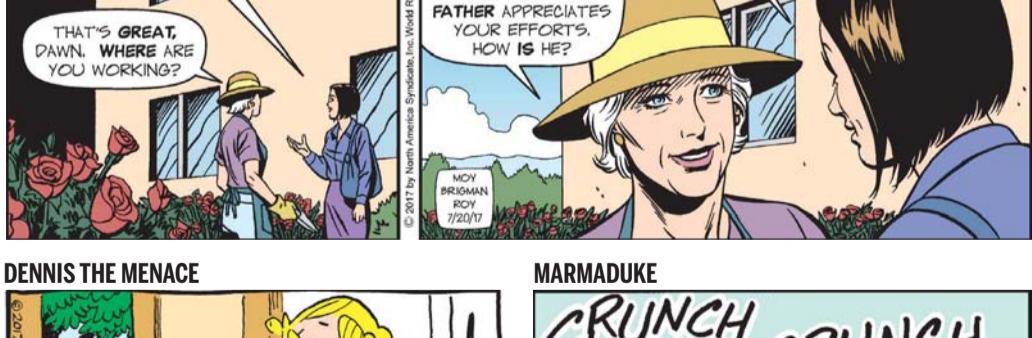
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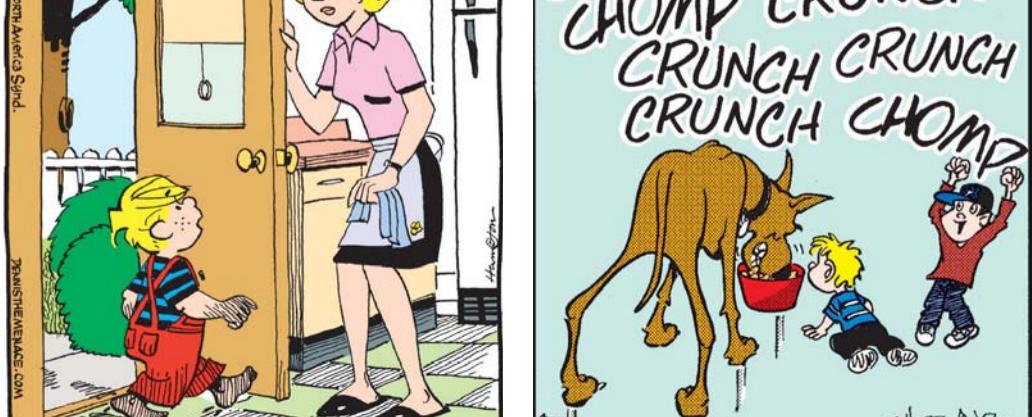
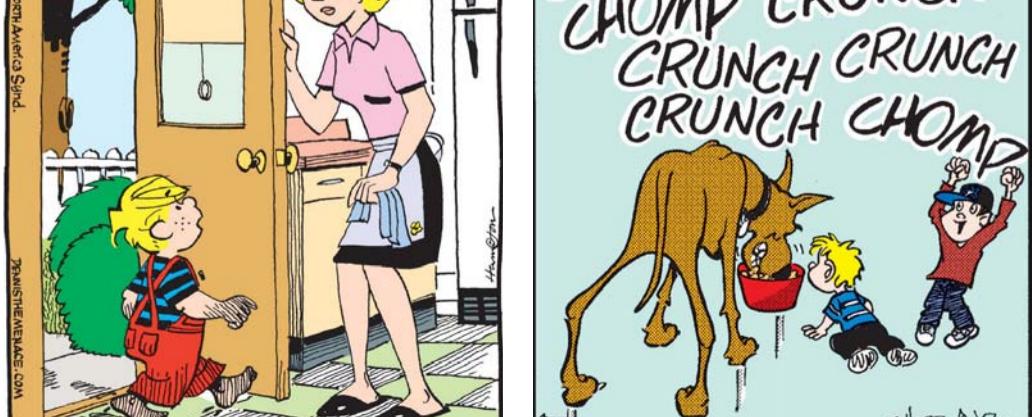
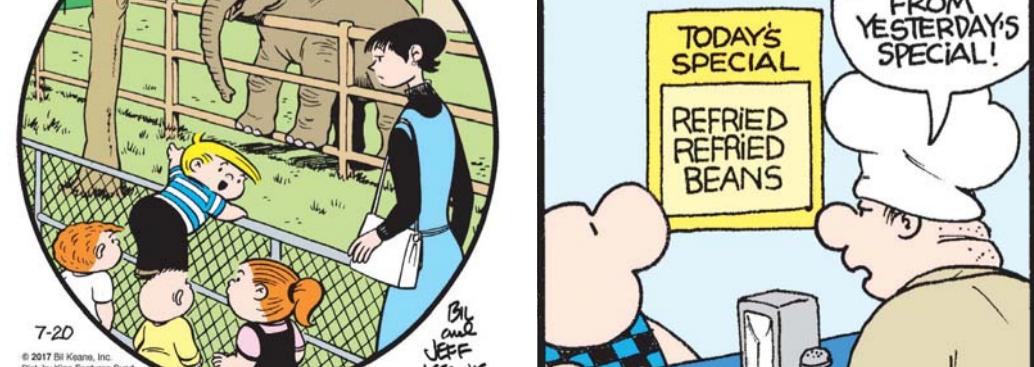
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