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TRUMP: OPIOID CRISIS IS A NATIONAL EMERGENCY

President to make official declaration; local officials hail decision, want action

Staff/wire report

BEDMINSTER, N.J.

President Donald Trump said Thursday he will officially declare the opioid crisis a “national emergency” and pledged to ramp up government efforts to combat the epidemic.

Local mental health and recovery officials applauded the declaration and want to see it implemented as soon as possible with substantial investment.

“The opioid crisis is an emergency. And I am saying officially right now: It is an emergency, it’s a national

emergency. We’re going to spend a lot of time, a lot of effort and a lot of money on the opioid crisis,” Trump told reporters during a brief question-and-answer session ahead of a security briefing Thursday at his golf course in Bedminster. He said he’d be drawing up docu-



Trump

ments to formalize the declaration soon.

A drug commission convened by Trump and led by New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie recently called on the president to declare a national emergency to help deal with the growing crisis.

An initial report from the commission noted the approximately

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♦ **The Coalition** for a Drug-Free Mahoning County conducted its first Symposium on Overdose, Grief & Healing on Thursday. **A3**

♦ **A Warren woman** who failed to cooperate with social-service agencies over her drug use was sent to jail for six months earlier this week. **A5**

Man holds car break-in suspect with gun until police arrive

By JORDYN GRZELEWSKI
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BOARDMAN

When Kenneth Veneroso, 49, got up to use the bathroom shortly after 1:30 a.m. Thursday, he took a look at the security cameras he has installed at his Devonshire Drive condominium.

“I have motion lights, and they clicked on,” he said.

Veneroso didn’t bother to get dressed.

“I was in my underwear,” he recalled.

When he went outside, he saw two people ransacking his neighbor’s vehicle. Although Veneroso didn’t

“IT’S ALWAYS BETTER TO BE A GOOD WITNESS. WE NEVER WANT TO SEE ANYONE GET HURT.”

GLENN PATTON,
Boardman detective

Veneroso held the other suspect at gunpoint until township police officers arrived.

At the scene, police arrested Jose Castro Jr., 17, of Cleveland Street, Youngstown, on charges of theft, criminal trespass, criminal tools and obstructing official business. They also cited him for a curfew violation.

According to a police report, officers also checked the area and found several other vehicles on Devonshire, located off Glenwood Avenue, had been ransacked.

Castro’s case will be handled in Mahoning County juvenile court.

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Event gets Boardman kids ready for kindergarten

It takes a village ... to teach safety



Boardman police officer Mike Salser talks with students about safety. More than 150 incoming kindergartners participated Thursday in the township’s annual Safety Village program, where kids learned about police, fire, bus and pedestrian safety.

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BOARDMAN

“W HOA!” A GROUP OF kids exclaimed as Boardman firefighter Jon Lewis showed them one of the township’s fire engines.

The fire department was one of several organizations that helped with Thursday’s Safety Village, a long-running program that teaches incoming kindergarten students about a host of safety issues.

“We’re trying to set our littlest Spartans on a road for safety and success,” said Tanna Sebrell, the Parent Teacher Association member who organized the event.

For several hours, a group of 160 kids rotated among stations about police, fire, busing and pedestrian safety set up outside Glenwood Junior High School.

At the pedestrian safety station, led by Boardman High School students, participants learned about bike/helmet safety, how to safely cross the street and how to

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Breaden Musser tries on a bicycle helmet with help from Drew Spain at the Safety Village.

YOUNGSTOWN’S WEST SIDE

Task force leader likens meth lab to a ‘small bomb’

3 face drug charges after raid of home where 6 kids also lived

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YOUNGSTOWN

The toys scattered across the front and back yards and porch of 1931 Manhattan Ave. probably would not lead passers-by to believe the home was in danger of exploding – or that methamphetamine was being made there.

Yet members of the Mahoning Valley Law Enforcement Task Force who served a search warrant about 8 p.m. Wednesday at the West Side home, where six children also lived, said they found methamphetamine being produced.

Three people were arrested, and Rob Whitted of the task force, who headed up the investigation, said the danger in the home was real.

“Basically, what we’re handling there is a small bomb,” Whitted said.

Facing drug charges in the Mahoning County jail are Glenn Lambert, 37; his wife, Nicole Lambert, 26; and Mark Cartwright, 36.

Whitted also said six children ranging in age from 2 to 13 were at the house. They

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G. Lambert



N. Lambert



Cartwright

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y.

Body found in trunk ID’d as that of suspect’s girlfriend

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YOUNGSTOWN

City police confirmed Thursday that the body found in the trunk of a North Side man’s car in Niagara Falls, N.Y., is that of Anvia Mickens.

Mickens’ boyfriend, Jeshawn Elliott, 37, of Outlook Avenue, is in custody in Niagara Falls on a charge of assault on a police officer after police looking for him there said he pulled a knife when they tried to take him into custody.

Police in Niagara Falls called the chain of events that led to his



WGRZ, BUFFALO
Elliott

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Youngstown Thermal’s receiver says he’s intent on getting finances in order

By KALEA HALL
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YOUNGSTOWN

The court-appointed receiver of Youngstown Thermal hosted a meeting with the utility’s customers, saying he is doing everything he can to turn around the company’s finances.

Reg Martin, the receiver, discussed the company’s status and future and received input from customers at Thursday’s meeting in the Covelli Centre’s community



youngstown
thermal

room.

“We are working for the benefit of the creditors,” Martin said. “We have a substantial number of them. We also have a customer base that is sensitive and in a sensitive position, and it’s very concerning. We represent everyone here.”

Martin’s job is to go in and review operations of

Youngstown Thermal, billing and alternatives for the future.

“We have a couple of large firms who handle larger utility systems in this state and around the country that are looking to make proposals,” Martin said.

The goal is to get Youngstown Thermal’s finances in order so the company can maintain service for its 45 customers in downtown Youngstown that receive

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INFLUX OF INMATES

Officials at the Mahoning County jail are preparing for a state law prohibiting felons convicted of certain fifth-degree offenses from receiving sentences in state prisons.

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MOVING TALE ABOUT AN UNUSUAL FAMILY

Based on Jeannette Walls’ 2005 best-selling memoir, “The Glass Castle” is both a tribute to parenting and a confessional of its absence, a movie reviewer writes.

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ROBERT K. YOSAY | THE VINDICATOR

FAIR ATTRACTIONS

The Canfield Fair, which begins Aug. 30, will include horse races hosted by Junior Fair and a new interactive program called Ag-Venture.

LOCAL, A3



NUMBERS IN THE NEWS

800,000

Source: Associated Press

The number of Chevrolet Silverado 1500 and GMC Sierra 1500 pickup trucks General Motors is recalling worldwide. The company says the vehicles can temporarily lose electric power-steering assist, especially during low-speed turns. If that happens, the driver could lose control of the steering wheel. The recall affects trucks from the 2014 model year.

VALLEY WEATHER

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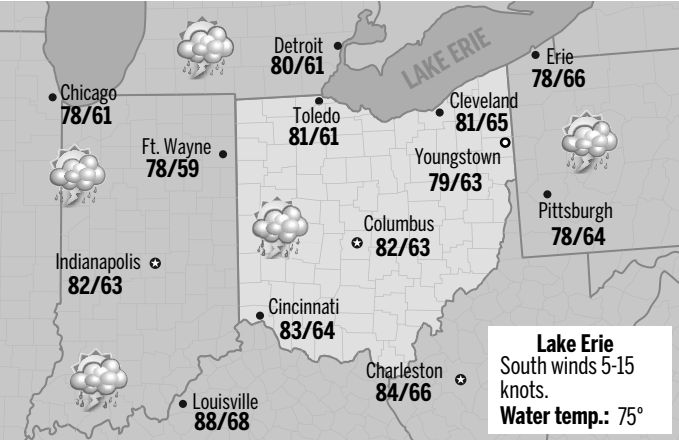
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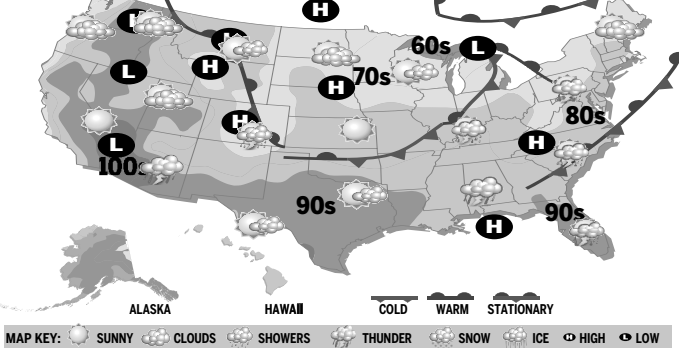
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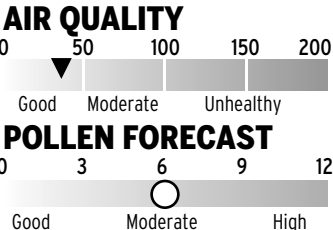
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High 77/Norm 81..... Low 55/Norm 59
Records: High 96/1930..... Low 45/1972
2016 High 88..... 2016 Low 72
Precipitation 0.06.....Normal 0.10
Precip. this month 1.22.....Normal 1.10
Precip. this year 31.90.....Normal 24.08
Average wind velocity.....6 mph
High humidity.....97% at 1:51 a.m.

NATIONAL FORECAST

CITY	Fri	Sat	Sun
Atlanta	86/72/t	89/72/t	87/73/t
Atlantic City	83/66/p	82/68/t	85/68/t
Baltimore	82/69/t	84/69/t	86/70/t
Bismarck	78/56/p	72/53/t	74/53/p
Boston	81/65/p	77/66/sh	84/66/p
Charleston, SC	89/76/t	90/77/t	90/76/t
Charlotte	86/71/t	88/72/t	87/72/t
Chicago	87/61/p	77/60/p	78/61/p
Cincinnati	83/64/t	82/63/p	82/64/t
Cleveland	81/65/t	77/63/p	77/63/p
Columbus, OH	83/64/t	81/61/p	81/62/p
Dallas	99/80/p	98/80/p	96/71/t
Daytona Beach	92/76/t	92/76/t	91/76/t
Denver	81/57/t	83/57/p	80/57/p
Des Moines	82/58/p	81/60/p	79/61/c
Detroit	80/61/t	87/76/p	87/76/p
Fairbanks	70/50/r	64/48/t	55/40/r
Honolulu	87/76/p	87/76/p	87/76/p
Houston	95/79/t	94/79/p	93/79/p
Indianapolis	82/63/t	80/61/p	79/62/t
Kansas City	83/64/p	81/66/t	79/66/t
Las Vegas	106/84/p	105/84/p	101/82/p
Little Rock	88/73/t	85/73/t	84/71/t
Los Angeles	76/68/fg	76/69/fg	75/68/fg
Louisville	88/68/t	85/66/p	85/67/t
Memphis	88/73/t	88/73/t	87/72/t
Miami Beach	91/78/t	92/80/t	90/80/t
Minneapolis	76/59/p	77/60/p	74/59/t
Myrtle Beach	85/76/t	87/76/t	86/76/t
New Orleans	89/77/t	90/78/t	90/78/t
New York	84/68/t	80/69/t	84/70/p
Oklahoma City	84/71/t	84/72/t	86/71/t
Orlando	94/76/t	94/76/t	92/76/t
Philadelphia	84/68/t	83/69/t	86/69/t
Phoenix	106/85/p	105/83/p	102/83/p
Pittsburgh	78/64/t	79/61/t	79/61/sh
Raleigh	85/71/t	87/72/t	87/72/t
Sacramento	93/62/s	93/60/s	90/60/s
Salt Lake City	95/70/p	94/72/p	94/72/p
San Antonio	98/77/p	99/76/p	100/77/p
San Diego	78/70/p	78/70/p	78/70/p
San Francisco	72/59/p	72/60/p	72/61/p
Seattle	81/59/t	75/60/p	71/57/sh
St. Louis	84/65/t	84/65/p	80/65/t
Tampa	92/79/t	92/78/t	93/78/t
Wash. DC	83/70/t	85/70/t	85/72/t

WORLD FORECAST

CITY	Fri	Sat	Sun
Athens	98/80/s	98/78/s	95/77/s
Baghdad	121/87/s	122/87/s	121/88/s
Hong Kong	90/84/t	91/84/p	91/84/p
Jerusalem	88/69/s	89/69/s	89/68/s
London	71/61/p	68/52/p	69/54/s
Mexico City	75/56/t	77/56/p	76/57/r
Moscow	76/58/r	79/57/s	82/62/s
Paris	71/56/p	69/56/p	74/55/p
Rio de Janeiro	72/63/r	75/63/s	81/65/s
Rome	84/67/s	85/65/s	91/67/s
Tokyo	81/74/r	83/75/r	85/77/r

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As North warns of missile plan, US-South Korea wargames near

Associated Press

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

U.S. and South Korean military officials plan to move ahead with large-scale exercises later this month that North Korea, now finalizing plans to launch a salvo of missiles toward Guam, claims are a rehearsal for war.

The exercises are an annual event, but come as Pyongyang says it is readying a plan to fire off four "Hwasong-12" missiles toward the U.S. island territory and major military hub. The plan would be sent to leader Kim Jong Un for approval just before or as the U.S.-South Korea exercises begin.

Called Ulchi-Freedom Guardian, the exercises are expected to run from Aug. 21-31 and involve tens of thousands of American and South Korean troops on the ground and in the sea and air. Washington and Seoul say the exercises are defensive in nature and crucial to maintaining a deterrent against North Korean aggression.

The exercises were scheduled well before tensions began to rise over President Donald Trump's increasingly fiery rhetoric and North Korea's announcement of the missile plan, which would be its most provocative launch yet. Along with a bigger set of maneuvers held every spring, the exercises are routinely met by strong condemnation and threats of countermeasures from North Korea.

The country conducted its fifth nuclear test just days after last year's Ulchi-Freedom Guardian exercises concluded. While tensions typically spike around the dates of the exercises, the situation generally calms afterward.

But the heightened military activity on the peninsula this time is a concern because it could increase the possibility of a mishap or an overreaction of some sort by either side that could spin into a more serious escalation. North Korea has been increasingly sensitive to the exercises lately because they reportedly include training for "decapitation strikes" to kill Kim Jong Un



ASSOCIATED PRESS

A man watches a television screen showing U.S. President Donald Trump, left, and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un during a news program at the Seoul Train Station in Seoul, South Korea, on Thursday.

and his top lieutenants.

Pyongyang is also switching its propaganda machine into high gear by bringing in a large number of foreign journalists to ensure it gets global attention for an event next week in honor of its ruling Kim family on Mount Paektu, a dormant volcano that straddles the Chinese border and is something of a spiritual home for the regime.

Officials in Seoul confirmed today that the exercises are expected to begin without any delays, but refused to provide further details. According to the U.S. Department of Defense, Ulchi-Freedom Guardian involves about 40,000 troops, along with civilian South Korean government personnel who train their civil-defense responses.

The possibility of escalation is made even more acute by the lack of any means of official communication across the Demilitarized Zone, though there has been no easing of the barrage of inflammatory comments in the U.S. and the North since new sanctions against North Korea were announced last week.

Keeping up his tough talk from his New Jersey golf resort where he is on a working vacation, Trump warned Kim Jong Un's government to "get their act together" or face extraordinary trouble, and suggested his earlier threat to unleash "fire and fury" on North Korea was too mild.

Trump declined to say whether the U.S. is considering a pre-emptive military strike as he spoke to

reporters before a briefing with his top national-security advisers.

The president insisted the North had been "getting away with a tragedy that can't be allowed."

"North Korea better get their act together, or they are going to be in trouble like few nations have ever been in trouble," Trump said, flanked by Vice President Mike Pence. Accusing his predecessors of insufficient action, Trump said it was time somebody stood up to Kim Jong Un.

Though tensions have been building for months amid new missile tests by the North, including the launch of its first intercontinental ballistic missile, the pace has intensified since the U.N. Security Council on Saturday passed sweeping new sanctions Trump had requested.

According to its reported plan, North Korea would fire four Hwasong-12 intermediate-range missiles over Japan and into waters around Guam, home to about 7,000 troops and 160,000 people.

North Korea said its military would finalize the plan "by mid-August," then wait for Kim's order. U.S. allies Japan and South Korea quickly vowed a strong reaction if the North were to follow through.

Trump echoed that threat Thursday, insisting if North Korea took any steps to attack Guam, its leaders would have reason to be nervous.

"Things will happen to them like they never thought possible, OK?" Trump said. He did not specify what they might be.

NEWSMAKERS

Statue of Chris Cornell planned for his hometown of Seattle

SEATTLE

Chris Cornell's widow says she has commissioned a statue of the late Soundgarden frontman to be placed in his hometown of Seattle.

Vicky Cornell told *The Seattle Times* she has hired artist and sculptor Wayne Toth to create the memorial.

Toth also created a statue of Johnny Ramone that sits atop his grave in Hollywood Forever Cemetery in Los Angeles, where Cornell is buried.

Vicky Cornell says a family friend and attorney is working with the city on finding a suitable location for the statue, which a spokesman for Seattle Mayor Ed Murray confirmed. She says it will take about seven months to complete the statue.

Cornell hanged himself in a Detroit hotel hours after a Soundgarden concert there in May. He was 52.

Taylor Swift doesn't sugar-coat testimony in groping case

DENVER

A defiant and occasionally exasperated Taylor Swift insisting during a whirlwind hour of testimony Thursday that a Denver disc jockey grabbed her bare backside and held

on for a long time during a meet-and-greet before a concert.

The pop superstar used explicit language with little sugar-coating as she recounted what happened when she posed for a picture with David Mueller in 2013.

Swift got a laugh from people in the courtroom when she said her security guard, Greg Dent, saw Mueller "lift my skirt" but someone would have had to have been underneath her to see the actual groping — "and we didn't have anyone positioned there."

Swift was more serious when asked her reaction to Mueller being fired. "I'm being blamed for the unfortunate events of his life that are a product of his decisions, not mine," she told jurors.

Mueller denies groping Swift and claims in his lawsuit that he was falsely accused and lost his job because of the allegation.

Magazine: Law didn't require consent to tape Scaramucci call

NEW YORK

Anthony Scaramucci says his profanity-laced phone call that preceded his ouster as White House communications director was recorded without his permission.

But a representative for *The New Yorker* on Thursday notes that reporter Ryan Lizza wasn't required

by law to get Scaramucci's consent to record the conversation.

Federal law permits taping telephone conversations if one party consents to the taping — in this case, Lizza. Some places require consent of both parties, but not Washington, D.C., where Lizza took the call.

Scaramucci called Lizza last month and insulted White House aides using vulgar language during

the phone interview. The former Wall Street financier was fired July 31 after only 11 days on the job.

Scaramucci used #lowlife to describe Lizza on Twitter on Wednesday.

Scaramucci begins a media tour Sunday with an interview with George Stephanopoulos on ABC's "This Week." He'll follow that up with an appearance Monday on Stephen Colbert's "The Late Show."

Associated Press

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Ex-Warren attorney sentenced for theft

CHARDON

Maridee Constanzo, a former Warren attorney who spent eight years in prison for trying to hire a hit man to kill her estranged husband, has pleaded guilty in a Geauga County theft ring.

Costanzo, 59, of Genesee Avenue Northeast in Warren, pleaded guilty in Geauga County Common Pleas Court Thursday to receiving stolen property. She will be sentenced next Thursday. She could get up to 12 months in prison.

Costanzo was among four people arrested in connection to theft of more than \$100,000 in antiques and historic artifacts from a Geauga County home.

Benefit car show to help food pantry

NEW WATERFORD

For the third-consecutive year, Abundant Life Fellowship, 46469 state Route 46, will host a Cruise Against Hunger car show from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday to raise money for the local food pantry.

Co-sponsored by the Salem Arby's Cruisin' Crew, the show has raised more than \$3,600 the past two years. Ginny Holland, a member of Abundant Life, a pantry volunteer and a car show enthusiast, is show coordinator.

The show will benefit Crestview Churches Community Concerns Food Pantry. Registration begins at 1 p.m. Owners of the first 50 car entries will receive a dash plaque commemorating the event. The show, open to all makes and models of cars, will display the vehicles in the church parking lot.

Mahoning judge gives oath to 11 new citizens

YOUNGSTOWN

Judge Anthony M. D'Apolito of Mahoning County Common Pleas Court administered the oath of allegiance to 11 new citizens at a naturalization ceremony at the county courthouse this week. One chose not to have his or her name published.

The new citizens, their country of origin, and their home towns are: Thanh Minh Vo, Vietnam, Boardman; Stefanos Nikolaos Passas, Greece, Boardman; Eliyasa Dampha, The Gambia, Austintown; Silvio Andree Gomez Santisteban, Guatemala, Campbell; Aiza Alquiza Briggs, Philippines, Berlin Center; Cassandra Melisha Lawrence, Jamaica, Youngstown; Akram Qaym, Uzbekistan, Beloit; Daniela Solomon, Romania, Youngstown; Ramesh Dangol, Nepal, Canfield; and Diana Amrit, Guyana, Boardman.

19-year-old killed in 1-vehicle accident

MERCER, PA.

A 19-year-old Grove City, Pa., man was killed and two 17-year-old juveniles seriously injured in a one-vehicle accident at 9:54 p.m. Wednesday along Amsterdam Road in Liberty Township in Mercer County.

Pronounced dead at the scene was Darrian J. Snow, a front-seat passenger. The driver and back-seat passenger were transported by ambulance to a hospital, according to officers from the Pennsylvania State Police Mercer Post.

Authorities reported one of the juveniles lost control of the pickup truck he was driving on a slight bend, went off the roadway and hit a culvert and then struck a tree head-on.

State police said seat belts were not used by anyone in the vehicle and marijuana paraphernalia was found in the truck. The investigation into the crash continues.

More Digest on A5



ROBERT K. YOSAY | THE VINDICATOR
Matt Butler leads a session called "Finding Hope in Loss: Dealing with Guilt, Blame and Shame" at the first Symposium on Overdose, Grief & Healing, hosted by the Coalition for a Drug-Free Mahoning County. Thursday's event drew 200 participants and 42 organizations.

Symposium on helping students cope with opioid abuse in family draws 200

By JORDYN GRZELEWSKI
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CANFIELD

After the Coalition for a Drug-Free Mahoning County led a program in a local school district earlier this year, it heard back from the school the next day.

"They called and said, 'Our teachers are struggling to teach kids who are dealing with

I WORK PRIMARILY WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, SO I'M SEEING A LOT OF FAMILIES TORN APART BY OPIATES."

JOLEEN SUNDQUIST, Ashtabula counselor

grief because their parents or siblings have died of an overdose," said Angela DiVito, coalition executive director.

She knew her organization

◆ **INSIDE:** A Warren woman who used heroin and failed to cooperate with social-service agencies is sent to jail for six months. **A5**

needed to do something. So, the coalition planned its first Symposium on Overdose, Grief & Healing, which took place Thursday at the Mahoning County Career & Technical Center.

What at first was supposed to be a session for teachers grew to an

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171ST CANFIELD FAIR

Focus on future



ROBERT K. YOSAY | THE VINDICATOR
The Canfield Fair takes place from Aug. 30 through Sept. 4. This year's fair includes horse races by Junior Fair, a new interactive program called Ag-Venture and other offerings to give fairgoers "Something to Crow About."

Board touts new attractions for this year, long-term improvements

By KALEA HALL
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CANFIELD

The 171st Canfield Fair will be all about remembering the past, celebrating the present and looking to the future.

The events of this year's fair, running Aug. 30-Sept. 4, coincide with the theme: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.

A piece of the past is coming back in the form of pony and horse races hosted by Junior Fair. Funds raised from the races will go toward the fair's five-year \$4.5 million capital campaign for projects including a new Junior Fair coliseum coming in 2018.

Members of the Canfield Fair board of directors discussed the capital campaign and this year's special fair offerings on Thursday.

"Things are in motion," said Andy Frost, president of the Canfield Fair Board



Andy Frost, president of the Canfield Fair board, updated the public on the fair's capital campaign for a new coliseum Thursday.

of Directors. "The office is as busy as could be."

David Dickey, fair board vice president, said \$2 million has been raised so far for the capital campaign, which the Canfield Fair Foundation launched in March.

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171ST CANFIELD FAIR
What's new in 2017?

The 171st Canfield Fair takes place Aug. 30 through Sept. 4. What's new?

- ◆ **Akron Children's Day on Aug. 31:** activities for children including a life-sized game of Operation.
- ◆ **Interactive program this year:** Canfield Fair Ag-Venture, which takes participants on a tour of the agricultural side of the fair
- ◆ **Partnership with JAC LIVE:** It makes fair concert tickets available on ticketmaster.com
- ◆ **Performances this year:** John Mellencamp on Sept. 3 with special guest Carlene Carter; and Chris Young on Sept. 4
- ◆ **Horse and pony racing:** Junior Fair Races will take place noon to 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1 to 2 p.m. Monday at the grandstand
- ◆ **For senior citizens:** Water and cooling stations at both sides of the fairgrounds Wednesday through Friday.

Source: Canfield Fair

Surplus food/clothing

- ◆ **East Side Crime Watch**, 1001 Oak St., corner of Fruit Street, Youngstown, food and clothing giveaway from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday. Recipients must bring bags and identification.
- ◆ **West Austintown First United Methodist Church**, 6749 Mahoning Ave., Austintown. Clothing giveaway for men, women and children, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Jury deliberates in child-rape case

By JUSTIN WIER
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YOUNGSTOWN

Jurors will resume deliberations at 9:30 a.m. today in the case of a Boardman man accused of raping a 12-year-old family member who has special needs.

Eric Damore, 44, of Boardman faces charges of rape and gross sexual imposition. If found guilty, he could face life in prison.

The crimes in question are said to have occurred when the victim, who has autism and developmental disabilities, spent the night at his house in October 2014.

“ W h o better to prey upon than a special-needs child ? ” Jennifer McLaughlin, an assistant Mahoning County prosecutor, asked in her closing statement Thursday.

**Damore**

McLaughlin said while there were inconsistencies in the victim's story, the sexual assault remains burned in the child's mind.

Defense attorney John Ju-

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Sheriff prepares for influx of new county-jail inmates

By JUSTIN WIER
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YOUNGSTOWN

Officials at the Mahoning County jail are preparing for a state law prohibiting felons convicted of certain fifth-degree offenses from receiving sentences in state prisons.

The law, which aims to prevent overcrowding in state prisons, affects the 10

most populous counties in the state. Mahoning is the tenth.

Sheriff Jerry Greene said the law, which will go into effect in July 2018, will put more stress on jails and county governments.

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OPIOIDS

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142 deaths each day from drug overdoses mean the death toll is “equal to Sept. 11th every three weeks.”

The reference was to the terrorist attacks in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 2001.

Trump received a briefing on the report earlier this week during his 17-day working vacation in New Jersey.

Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price seemed to suggest after the briefing the president was leaning against the recommendation, arguing the administration could deploy the necessary resources and attention to deal with the crisis without declaring a national emergency.

Still, Price stressed “all things” were “on the table for the presi-

dent.”

Trump said the nation’s addiction to opioids is “a serious problem, the likes of which we have never had.”

Mahoning Valley politicians and mental health and recovery officials were mostly supportive of the president’s announcement, although some noted it will be meaningful only if it is followed up with action.

“If that leads to some of the other things that were in the initial report being undertaken, that would be fantastic, if that allows us to speed some of these things up,” said Brenda Heidinger, associate director of the Mahoning County Mental Health & Recovery Board, referring to the drug commission’s report.

Local mental health and recovery officials have pointed to one recommendation as being particularly important to expanding treatment opportunities locally. The commission requested the president “rap-

idly increase treatment capacity” by granting waivers to states to get around a law that prohibits federal Medicaid dollars from going to mental health facilities with more than 16 beds.

That law has restricted treatment providers’ ability to meet the demand for substance-abuse treatment.

Heidinger said she hopes the declaration of a national emergency will allow that recommendation, as well as one that would expand law-enforcement officers’ access to an overdose antidote, to move faster.

April Caraway, executive director of the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board, noted county officials previously called on Ohio officials to declare a state emergency, which Gov. John Kasich has declined to do.

“So many people are dying. We feel like it fits as a state of emergency,” Caraway said. She said be-

tween January and July, Trumbull County has had 742 overdoses; 40 confirmed overdose deaths; and 29 deaths that likely will be deemed overdoses.

“If we continue at this rate, we’ll exceed the number of deaths we had in 2016,” said Caraway. “So declaring a state of emergency seems like the right thing to do, since we’re not seeing our numbers go down. We’re seeing them go up.”

U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown, a Cleveland Democrat, expressed support for the declaration but urged the administration to follow it up with “meaningful action and investment.”

U.S. Sen. Rob Portman, a Cincinnati-area Republican, too, applauded the announcement, and urged continued funding for prevention, treatment and recovery and legislation to “help stop over-prescribing, increase the number of treatment beds covered by Med-

icaid at residential treatment facilities, and help stop the flow of synthetic opioids that are shipped into this country through the postal service.”

U.S. Rep. Bill Johnson of Marietta, R-6th, issued a statement in support of Trump’s decision.

“However, despite today’s decision, this is not a problem we as a country are going to be able to arrest, incarcerate, or legislate our way out of,” he added. “We all have to be in this effort together.”

U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan of Howland, D-13th, was more critical of the president, saying the declaration is overdue.

“I am alarmed at what appears to be a dangerously uncoordinated response to the emergency unfolding in front of our eyes,” said Ryan, urging the president to “formally issue this order as soon as possible.”

Contributor: Associated Press

METH

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were given to a relative, but the county Children Services Board also is investigating.

Besides the toys, there also was a set of security cameras on the side door, which look new and are in sharp contrast to the ramshackle condition of the outside of the home.

Whitted did not say what prompted the investigation that led to the search warrant, but he did say task force members found two separate labs, or “cooks,” and they were active when they arrived.

One cook was found in a chimney in the basement. Chemicals were stored in there to make methamphetamine oil.

The other cook was found in a car in the driveway. The chemicals from the first bottle were transferred into that bottle and others were added, and those chemicals would then produce a powder than can be snorted or melted down and injected with a needle.

Both cooks consisted of two-liter bottles, Whitted said. There also was evidence of an abandoned cook in the backyard of a vacant house next door, Whitted said.

Whitted said that while heroin and fentanyl are currently the drugs of choice in the area, there are a lot of meth users. He said the opiate users actually helped the trio in the Manhattan Avenue home when it came to buying cold medicine, one of the key ingredients used in making methamphetamine. Whitted said



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This home on Manhattan Avenue was the scene of a search warrant Wednesday evening where members of the Mahoning Valley Law Enforcement Task Force found methamphetamine being made. There were six children ranging in age from 2 to 13 in the home, and three people were arrested.

because state law says a person can buy only a certain amount of cold medicine within a specific time frame, methamphetamine cooks will pay heroin addicts to buy cold medicine for them. The heroin addicts then use the money they earned from buying the cold medicine to buy more heroin, Whitted said.

It took task force members until about midnight Wednesday to finish up at the home and clean up, Whitted said. Whitted said he and two other task force members are certified to handle and dispose of methamphetamine cooks, which are made up of hazardous materials.

Whitted said the chemicals that were seized are taken to a special site designated by the state for their

disposal, and the state then destroys them. Unlike in most drug cases when drugs that are seized are not destroyed until after a case is over in the court system, chemicals used to make methamphetamine are too volatile to keep around, so they are destroyed as quickly as possible, Whitted said. He said pictures were taken of everything that was found so they can be used in court.

A neighbor mowing his lawn Thursday who did not want to give his name said the Lamberts had lived in the home for only a few weeks.

Whitted said this is only the second meth lab he can remember in the city in recent years. He said one was found a couple of years ago on North Brockway Avenue on the West Side.

ELLIOTT

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arrest “bizarre.” Police there received calls from Elliott’s brother and Youngstown police that Elliot had said he stabbed Mickens and had driven to Niagara Falls – and that she was with him.

Elliott was arrested by police there about 6 p.m. Wednesday. Police checked Elliott’s car before they found him, and they found a woman’s body with several stab wounds in the trunk.

Although Mickens’ identity was confirmed, the Niagara County Coroner’s Office had yet to rule on a cause of death.

E. Brian DalPorto, superintendent of police in Niagara Falls, said in the news conference that was live-streamed over the internet that Elliott borrowed a cellphone from someone after he reached his brother and told him what he had done.

Elliott then rented a bicycle before he was found by police.

When he pulled a knife on officers, one of them used an electronic stun weapon on him before he was taken into custody.

“The actions of the suspect when he walked away from his car were bizarre,”

DalPorto said.

What is not known yet is the future status of Elliott. Police in both Youngstown and Niagara Falls are treating the case as if Mickens was killed in their jurisdictions, DalPorto said. As for now, however, Elliott can be held in Niagara Falls on the assault charge, and that should allow investigators to figure out what happened with no danger of Elliott being freed, DalPorto said.

“We don’t know if some crime was committed in Youngstown for sure,” DalPorto said. “All we know is we have a dead woman with stab wounds in Niagara Falls.”

DalPorto said there was no indication that Elliott stopped somewhere on his way to Niagara Falls. Youngstown police Detective Sgt. Michael Lambert said he learned from cellphone data that Elliott’s phone was in northwest Pennsylvania at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Elliott asked for an attorney when he was arrested, and because of that, police have not been able to question him, DalPorto said.

Youngstown police Lt. Doug Bobovnyik said because Elliott asked for an attorney, detectives here cannot go up and talk to him unless he changes his

mind and agrees to answer questions.

Lambert also said Elliott’s neighbors reported seeing him at his home about 9 a.m. Wednesday and Mickens also went to work Wednesday. Her car was found Wednesday evening in a 25 Market St. parking lot.

City police initially went to Elliott’s home about 12:45 p.m. after they received calls from both Mickens’ mother and Elliott’s brother that Elliott had possibly harmed Mickens. When police arrived, the house was locked up, so they called firefighters to help open the house.

Police checked the house and then had firefighters wrench apart the garage door to check inside there. Officers then left, but left one cruiser to wait for detectives to check the house while police put out an alert for Elliott. They also called Niagara Falls to tell them Elliott may be there.

Niagara Falls police Detective Lt. John Conti said he has been in constant contact with Youngstown detectives and his investigators worked the case until at least 2 a.m. Thursday.

“As this investigation continues, there are new questions coming up from their end as well as from our end,” Conti said.

SAFETY

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follow traffic signs.

At another station, township police officer Mike Salsler showed students a cruiser and talked to them about the importance of wearing a seat belt.

Members of the school district’s transportation department brought a bus to the event so incoming students could learn the rules and take a practice ride.

In addition to showing students a fire engine, township firefighters led them through a trailer that simulates a fire. As students stood inside the trailer, smoke began to appear. They used the safety techniques they had just learned to safely exit, climb-

ing down a ladder and into the arms of a firefighter.

After climbing to safety, Nora Natal, 5, shared what she had learned.

“We practiced that there was a real fire,” she said. “We learned that if there’s a fire, we have to feel the door, and if the door is hot, we have to go out the window and get down low.”

Firefighter Anthony Reiter said the exercise is meant to teach children how to exit a building safely and get to a meeting spot.

“The biggest thing is, don’t come back for anything, even your favorite toy,” he said.

Safety Village was sponsored by Love This Place Inc. of Youngstown, the township police department, the PTA Safety Village Coun-

cil, Boardman schools, the township fire department, Ripped Vinyl of Salem and Xpert Designs of Boardman.

Event organizers noted the event has grown substantially in the last few years.

“It’s steeped in tradition, but it gets better every year,” said district spokeswoman Amy Radinovic.

Sebrell said she hoped students would take some of what they learned home with them.

“We have so many families that are really, really great. They do everything you’re supposed to do,” she said. “But there are some kids who are not even strapped into their car seats. Because we gave them that information, they can at least strap themselves in.”

SUSPECT

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Police said Thursday they are following up on leads they have on the other suspect.

The incident marked the second time this week someone in the township decided to intervene when they saw a crime occurring.

On Tuesday, a witness confronted two women after she saw them shoplifting from Sears, according to a police report. Police recovered approximately \$1,500 worth of merchandise at the scene and arrested the two suspects.

Reached by *The Vindicator* on Thursday, Veneroso explained why he decided to confront the car break-in suspects.

Veneroso said this was not the first time similar activity

has happened in his neighborhood. He lives in a four-unit condo where women live alone in the other units, he said. He lives with his fiancée in the fourth.

“That’s the whole thing. We’ve had some break-ins in the past,” he said. “That’s what we try to do, look out for each other.”

Township police, however, caution the public not to confront possible suspects.

“It’s always better to be a good witness,” said Detective Glenn Patton. “We never want to see anyone get hurt.”

He noted, for example, while a witness might see one or two suspects at the scene, there could be three of four people there.

“You don’t know what you’re up against,” he said.

Given the circumstances of the incident on Devonshire, Patton said what Ven-

eroso did is “not something they would recommend.”

As for the issue of vehicle break-ins, Patton said police have received reports of that kind of activity in the north side of the township.

“We have been addressing it. We’ve made several good arrests recently, and we’re hoping this activity is going to decrease,” he said.

On Sunday, for example, police arrested a suspect in connection with car break-ins and burglaries on Arlene, Meadowbrook, Gertrude and Leighton avenues. Cory Gooch, 27, of Indianola Avenue is charged with three counts of receiving stolen property in that case.

Patton urged the public to lock their vehicles, make sure they bring their car keys inside with them and keep valuables out of plain sight.

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POLICE CALLS

A summary of recent criminal activity in Girard and Hubbard:

GIRARD

Aug. 5
Recovered property: A woman found a men's wallet while she was on Church Hill Road.

Fraud: A South Davis Street couple notified 27 suspicious transactions had been made to the man's credit/debit card that totaled \$458.

Attempted burglary: An East Liberty Street man told police someone reached into his home through a broken window, tried to open the front door and attempted to enter before the would-be burglar was scared off and fled in a Ford vehicle.

Aug. 6
Burglary: To a residence in the 100 block of Stambaugh Street, from which 29 over-the-counter pills were missing.

Citation: After an officer reportedly saw several dogs fighting with one another near South Davis Street, police issued a minor-misdemeanor citation charging Jonathan McClure, 26, of Iowa Avenue, Girard, with

allowing his dogs to run loose, in violation of a local ordinance.

Domestic violence: Joshua C. Benner, 46, of East Second Street, Girard, was charged with the crime after his son alleged Benner had sent a threatening text message stating that when he returned home, he would harm the accuser. The correspondence caused the victim to fear for his well-being, a report said.

Aug. 7
Drugs: While on routine patrol close to midnight in Liberty Township Park near U.S. Route 422, an officer charged three 16-year-old boys with drug abuse and criminal trespassing. All three teens admitted having smoked marijuana; also, a bag of suspected marijuana was found in a backpack, police said.

Aug. 8
Arrest: While responding to a fight on West Wilson Avenue, authorities took Sherry Wieder, 44, into custody. Wieder, of West Wilson, Girard, was wanted on a Liberty Township warrant accusing her of failing to appear in court.

Breaking and entering: Someone broke into a structure in the 1600 block of North State Street before

taking 50 pieces of antique wood valued at about \$1,700.

Theft: An East Second Street man reported \$2,156 worth of property had been removed from his vehicle, including a spinning reel and rod as well as over-the-counter medication.

Possible fraud: A Beechwood Drive man said he received a notice from a collection agency stating he failed to pay a \$399 cable bill.

Theft: Someone entered a car in the 60 block of Crumlin Avenue and removed six to eight over-the-counter pills and a prescription.

Criminal mischief: A vehicle in the 100 block of Crumlin Avenue was found with a broken driver's-side window after someone also had rummaged through the car.

Arrest: Police charged Gail Miconi, 60, of Morris Avenue, Girard, with disorderly conduct and making a false alarm after she reportedly had called 911 to report the smell of natural gas. Miconi, who was intoxicated and refused to cooperate with authorities, had turned on the oven and opened its door herself, a report stated.

Harassment: A South Davis Street woman told officers a man she had

friendened on Facebook threatened to disseminate personal photographs of her unless she paid him \$300.

Theft: A Crumlin Avenue man reported \$60 and a portable DVD player missing from his vehicle.

Criminal mischief: While on routine patrol in the 100 block of Crumlin Avenue, an officer noticed a car's driver's-side window had been shattered.

Theft: Police received information that a man and a woman were breaking into vehicles in the 100 block of East Second Street before a woman reportedly discovered a \$300 wristwatch and a bag missing from her car.

HUBBARD

Aug. 5
Summons: Police and firefighters responded to what they believed may have been a structure fire near Elizabeth and Jones streets before issuing a summons charging Dale M. Harrison Jr., 21, of Taylor Street, Hubbard, with disposing of solid waste material via open burning, a violation of a local ordinance. Harrison reportedly had a bonfire and was burning old furniture, a report

showed.

Aug. 7
Arrest: Police in downtown Youngstown took custody of Nicholas D. Gibson of East Avondale Avenue, Youngstown. Gibson, 27, was wanted on a warrant accusing him of failing to appear for arraignment.

Theft: A West Park Avenue man reported giving a 32-year-old woman \$120 after having cashed a check in that amount and in an effort to assist her, but before his bank called and stated the check had been forged. The victim lost about \$200 that included added fees.

Theft/forgery: A West Park Avenue woman alleged her daughter took, forged and cashed a \$200 money order.

Aug. 8
Arrest: A traffic stop near North Main and School streets resulted in the arrest of Sheyla A. Such of Trumbull Avenue, Campbell. She was wanted on a Youngstown warrant charging failure to appear in court.

Criminal mischief: The owner of a North Main Street floral shop discovered someone had placed mashed potatoes, milk and bread or crust on her vehicle's hood.

METRO digest

FBI still on lookout for 3 drug suspects

YOUNGSTOWN

The FBI is still looking for three more suspects wanted in connection with a heroin and cocaine trafficking investigation.

Federal and local authorities have now arrested 18 people who were indicted this week in three separate investigations into the drug trade in the Youngstown and Ravenna areas.

The FBI announced on Thursday that 33-year-old Cornell Kennedy of Youngstown has been taken into custody, said 21 WFMJ-TV, The Vindicator's broadcast partner.

Still at-large are Qeevys Clinkscale, 26, of Cleveland, as well as Shajehan Haywood, 45, and Terrell Leonard, 38, both of Youngstown.

Leonard is named in two of the indictments. Authorities accuse Leonard and Heywood as acting as middlemen in the alleged heroin-sale conspiracy.

Boardman cops probe suspected crack, pipes

BOARDMAN

Township police are investigating possible drugs and drug paraphernalia found at a Market Street motel Wednesday, according to a police report.

According to the report, police were called to the Travelers Inn about 3:45 p.m. in reference to a drug investigation.

A maintenance worker told police that while doing routine room inspections, he found suspected crack cocaine scattered across a bed, floor and night stand of one room, according to the report.

He also reported finding two suspected crack pipes sitting on a shelf. The room's resident was not present at the time and no arrest was made.

JURY

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hasz argued the prosecutor's office did not take the case seriously. Sheets and clothing from the alleged assault were never collected.

"It's hard not to feel sorry for [the victim] for the hand that she was dealt, but this case cannot be decided on sympathy," Juhasz told the jury. "It's decided on facts."

He questioned the victim's credibility because of her medical conditions. He also outlined discrepancies between what she told investigators in 2014 and her testimony in court.

"She makes things up. She lies. She hears voices. The voices told her to do bad things," Juhasz said.

He said jurors have a responsibility to find Damore not guilty because reasonable doubts remain.

McLaughlin responded the victim should not be punished because her family waited to report the assault and police did not collect evidence.

She further argued it's unlikely the victim fabricated the allegations.

"She kept this lie going for three years to frame [a relative] that she loved?" she asked. "Does that make any sense?"

Damore's story is in ques-

tion because he consumed four beers the night of the allegations, she said.

Because the victim has special needs, McLaughlin argued she is more vulnerable and the law should protect her.

"We can't give him a pass because the victim has special needs," she said.

Earlier, Damore said he told his mother he couldn't believe what was happening to him when the accusations

surfaced.

He denied the allegations and also disputed earlier testimony from both his mother and the victim's mother. They said Damore told them in a phone conversation he couldn't remember what happened that night. He testified he did not say that.

He was emotional during the phone conversation because "I was accused of something that I did not do," he testified.

FAIR

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"We are working with very generous donors," Dickey said. "We are going to offer bids on the building the week after the fair."

The youth involved in the fair are also getting involved in raising funds.

"They are doing all they can to see that this comes to happen," said Ward Campbell, fair board director, who oversees Junior Fair.

To build the show arena/event center and ancillary buildings and barns will cost \$4 million.

Another half-million dollars will be raised and set

aside for infrastructure improvements.

To start the fundraising effort, the Canfield Fair Board of Directors pledged \$400,000 to the project.

The new buildings will be located where the antique tractors, Old McDonald's Barn and open sheep and goat barns currently are in the fairground's southeast section. Those fair features will be relocated to where the Junior Fair is in the northeast section.

The move will bring all Junior Fair participants closer together. The dairy and beef breeders in Junior Fair already were relocated to the southeast end.

Twenty or more years ago, the horse and pony racing at the grandstand was a big event, but it lost favor. Now, the Junior Fair members are bringing back the races. Junior Fair Races will take place from 12-1 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 1-2 p.m. on Monday. They will be in between the regularly scheduled harness races that take place in the grandstand.

"They really were hungry to get involved," said Elwood "Woody" Woolman, fair board director who oversees hay and grain, harness racing, honey and machinery row.

A new interactive pro-



Woolman

gram this year is Canfield Fair Ag-Venture, which takes participants on a tour of the agricultural side of the fair. Participants receive a stamp inside their Canfield Fair program for each stop they make on the 11-stop Ag-Venture. Prizes will be given at the last stop.

Also new this year is Akron Children's Day taking place on Aug. 31, the day children get in free. There will be activities for children including a life-sized version of the game "Operation."

Wednesday through Friday there will be senior health/rest stations with water and cooling areas at two stops located at each end of the fairgrounds.

Also new this year, the Canfield Fair partnered with JAC LIVE to book music acts. The partnership makes fair concert tickets available on ticketmaster.com.

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee John Mellencamp will perform in the grandstand Sept. 3 with special guest Carlene Carter. On Sept. 4, Grammy-nominated country singer Chris Young will perform.

COUNTY JAIL

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Youngstown and Meridian Health-Care, which will also be involved.

The sheriff's office has responded by expanding its day-reporting program. Those in the program will do three days of community service and two days of counseling or treatment.

"It's going to give us a lot more people to fill potholes and collect garbage," Greene said.

Louis Vega, head of the Mahoning County Green Team, said an increase in the day-reporting program will benefit his recycling programs.

"They are our division of labor, basically, and I don't think the people of Mahoning County realize that," Vega

said.

Many of the qualifying offenses are low-level, nonviolent drug crimes. The felons will provide services to the county and receive addiction and mental health services.

"Ninety percent of our population is dealing with some form of addiction or some form of mental-health problem," Greene said. "This is going to target those individuals as well."

The sheriff said he's monitoring the situation closely, but the jail currently has room, and he believes the program will be positive for the county.

Also at the meeting, commissioners approved issuing \$16.7 million in bonds, but only \$5.635 million will fund new projects. The balance will be rolled over or refunded.

Among the new projects already approved are lighting upgrades to the jail and Martin P. Joyce Juvenile Justice Center and improvements and renovations to Oakhill Renaissance Place that houses most of the county's offices.

The bonds the county will roll over funded the construction of a new county dog shelter, wastewater treatment plant improvements in Craig Beach and Boardman and the installation of sewer and waterlines in Milton Township.

The \$7.2 million the county is re-funding will result in \$600,000 to \$750,000 in savings on interest, county officials said.

OVERDOSES

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event that drew 200 participants – including teachers, religious leaders, emergency medical responders, and people grieving the loss of a loved one, among others – and 42 organizations. In all, nine counties were represented at the event.

The turnout, DiVito said, shows how great the need is for support for people whose lives are affected by the opioid epidemic.

Emily Myers, a clinical counselor who works in Lisbon, sees the impact of the crisis with the children with whom she works.

"I work mostly with children, so we see a lot of children of addicted parents," she said.

She attended a professional development class titled "The Elephant in the Classroom," where she learned about the different roles that children of people with substance-abuse problems play in the family.

Morgan Thompson, who works in Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment at a school in Ashtabula, also found the session helpful for her work.

"I work with kids who, either their parents have passed away or they're not in their lives," she said.

Joleen Sundquist, who works at an Ashtabula counseling center, said she sees children in similar situations.

"I work primarily with children and families, so I'm seeing a lot of families torn

apart by opiates," she said.

One speaker talked about how opiate addiction can be compared to a physical injury, a comparison that stuck with Sundquist.

"I think that speaks a lot to reducing the stigma around trauma," she said. "For people who are struggling with opiate addiction, recovery is a journey that is very comparable to a wound. It needs time to heal. And if it doesn't heal correctly, it can affect all areas of your functioning."

Symposium participants spent the day in professional development sessions geared toward their experience with addiction. One, for example, was for spiritual leaders and how they can help families dealing with addiction. Another focused on the experience of military

members, first responders and their families.

In addition to classroom sessions, a panel discussion and other events, the symposium featured keynote speeches from Dr. Jamie Marich, a clinical counselor specializing in trauma, addiction, and mindfulness, and motivational speaker Karen Vadino.

The day ended with a celebration of life event recognizing people who have died due to addiction.

DiVito said she hoped participants took away "a renewed sense of compassion" and "a new sense of empowerment."

"And for the family members, I really hope they walk away with a sense of peace," she said.

Warren judge sentences woman to jail as ‘attention grabber’

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WARREN

Judge Terry Ivanchak of Warren Municipal Court says he took the unusual step of sending a woman to jail earlier this week for six months as an "attention grabber" after finding her guilty of child endangering and animal cruelty.

Judge Ivanchak sentenced Brandi L. Davis, 25, of Van Wye Street Southeast to three years' probation in June after her three children were found to have "head-to-toe flea bites" and no food in a house that also contained two undernourished dogs.

Davis admitted to police she had used heroin that day.

The children, age 8, 10 and 11, were sent to live with relatives, and she signed over two of the dogs to the county dog pound. She was ordered

to have no contact with the children unless approved by Trumbull County Children Services.

But the other reason the judge sent her to jail Tuesday was that two months after he ordered her to get counseling for substance abuse and follow other social-service agency recommendations, she failed to do any of it.

"This absolutely was an attention getter," the judge told *The Vindicator*. "I told you to do these things, and you did nothing," he remembers telling Davis.

A drug-treatment facility made appointments for her to report for drug screens, and she didn't report. She also didn't attend appointments for substance-abuse assessments.

Children Services attempted to visit her home several times, but she wasn't cooperative, the judge said. Social workers say her home is still infested

with fleas.

At her sentencing in June, Davis was sentenced to 180 days in jail with all but 14 days previously served suspended.

Even at that hearing, the judge took the additional step of ordering Davis back to his courtroom two months later for a progress report because she seemed like a "high risk for noncompliance," the judge said.

Judge Ivanchak said most defendants at least make some attempt to get treatment, even if they "slip" back into substance abuse.

But by not cooperating with the agencies trying to work with her, she was making no progress toward getting her children back, the judge said.



Davis

District	% Alloc for 2018	Amount of Allocation
Columbiana Library (Columbiana School district):		
Beaver Twp		
Beaver Twp-Columbiana Village		
Springfield Twp		
Total	1.25%	\$103,994
Leetonia Library (Leetonia School District):		
Green Twp		
Washington Village		
Total	0.26%	\$21,545
Rodman Library (Alliance School district):		
Smith Twp - Alliance City		
Smith Twp		
Total	0.79%	\$65,465
Youngstown and Mahoning County Library	97.70%	\$8,095,677
Mahoning County Total Valuation	100%	\$8,286,681
Total Allocation to Mahoning County		
We, the undersigned members of the Mahoning County Budget Commission do hereby certify that the above is the official allocation of the estimated Public Library Funds for the year 2018 as per O.R.C. 5747.47(A).		
The estimated total is \$8,286,681		
Dated: July 31, 2017		
Ralph T. Meacham CPA Mahoning County Auditor		
Paul J. Gains Mahoning County Prosecutor		
Daniel R. Yemina Mahoning County Treasurer		

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Sealed proposals (bids) for purchase and removal of standing timber will be received by the Board of Directors of The Mahoning Valley Sanitary District at the office of its Chief Engineer located at the Administration Building, 1181 Ohtown-McDonald Road, Weathersfield Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, until 10:00 a.m., Daylight Savings Time, on **Tuesday, September 12, 2017** and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read. Proposals may be presented in person or mailed. Mail should be addressed to The Mahoning Valley Sanitary District, PO Box 4119, Youngstown, OH 44515-0119.

Specifications and all information dealing with the project can be found at our website www.meandewater.org under "Bid Notices". RFFs may be directed to jon.jamison@meandewater.org. Also you may send a fax requesting the bid specifications to 330-652-9869.

The standing timber for which purchase proposals are invited consists of 229 marked trees located on approximately 49.5 acres of land owned by The Mahoning Valley Sanitary District. The area is designated by a heavy boundary line on a map annexed to the form of Agreement included in the Contract Documents.

Proposals must be based upon and in conformity with the Contract Documents and must be submitted upon the form of Proposal furnished in the Contract Documents.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid guaranty, as prescribed by the Contract Documents, in the form of either a bid bond or a certified check or cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the bid price.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive irregularities in any proposal, and to award the contract as the best interest of The Mahoning Valley Sanitary District may require.

1 of 3 Warren shooting victims died of suicide

Staff report

WARREN

The Trumbull County Coroner's office has ruled that Brandy M. Joseph, 37, one of three people who died in a car on Southern Boulevard Northwest last week, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. Joseph, who had various

area addresses, was a passenger in a car driven by Devonte L. West, 24, of Hamilton Street Southwest, whose death was ruled a homicide. A ruling on the cause of death for Ju'wantae A. Harbin, 18, of Douglas Street Northwest, has not yet been released by the Mahoning County Coroner's office.

Harbin was pronounced dead at St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital. Joseph and West were pronounced dead at the scene. Warren police have said they expected at least two of the deaths to be ruled homicides. The shootings occurred last Thursday night as a Ca-

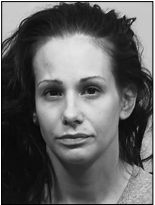
dillac containing the three went into a yard on Southern and into the side of a house. Gunshots could be heard before and after the crash, witnesses said. Police said they recovered only one gun in the car. Police have refused to discuss who they believe killed whom or what led to the

shootings but have indicated that they do not believe anyone else but the three were involved in the killings. Joseph, a Warren G. Harding High School

graduate, has five children, according to her obituary.



Harbin



Joseph



West

GIRARD

Teacher is not guilty, judge rules

By SARAH LEHR
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GIRARD

Judge Jeffrey Adler has found a Girard City Schools teacher not guilty of disorderly conduct. Girard police charged Daniel Nagle, 36, of Struthers with the minor misdemeanor last year after a Sept. 27 incident. A school resource officer had escorted Nagle from the building due to complaints he had acted in a threatening manner.

The district placed Nagle, who teaches seventh and eighth grade, on paid administrative leave Sept. 28. A teacher's union representative testified last month during Nagle's trial that, on Sept. 27, Nagle had yelled, used profanity and said "I'm gonna get her," seemingly in reference to Junior High School Principal Jennifer Santangelo.

The interaction with the teacher's union representative happened in the hallway after Santangelo ordered Nagle from her office following an argument about Nagle being written up for tardiness. Judge Adler said Thursday that while Nagle's conduct may have been "inappropriate" and "unprofessional in a school setting," it did not meet the definition of "violent or turbulent behavior" as outlined in Ohio's disorderly-conduct statute. Girard schools Superintendent David Cappuzzello said Nagle is still on paid leave pending investigation by the Ohio Department of Education. Cappuzzello said the state's investigation did not come at the district's request. The Ohio Department of Education is tasked with licensing teachers. A spokeswoman for the Ohio Department of Education said the department does not confirm or deny specific investigations.

BIRTHS

ST. ELIZABETH BOARDMAN HOSPITAL

Brenda Underwood and Carl N. Wilson, Youngstown, boy, Aug. 9. Anthony and Kelsey Moreton, Youngstown, girl, Aug. 9. Breanna Wilson and Ricky Williams, Wellsville, girl, Aug. 9. Brad and Holly Patterson, Youngstown, girl, Aug. 9. Ryan and Lindsey Roosa, Newton Falls, girl, Aug. 9. Andrew and Erin Woodward, Campbell, boy, Aug. 9. Brian and Katie Crouse, Youngstown, girl, Aug. 9. Anthony and Elizabeth Depinto, Youngstown, girl, Aug. 9. Micaela Hernandez-Gregorio and Rene Mejia, Salem, boy, Aug. 9. Brett and Brittany Seybert, Columbia, Tenn., boy, Aug. 9.

ST. JOSEPH WARREN HOSPITAL

David and Natalie Gifford, Warren, boy, Aug. 9. Joseph and Ashley Pulliam, Cortland, boy, Aug. 9. Treasure Williams, Warren, boy, Aug. 9. Terry and Megan Haight, Leavittsburg, boy, Aug. 10.

THERMAL

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either heating, cooling or both services from the utility, he said. Youngstown Thermal reached out to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio when the company's leaders realized there was a possibility of a potential energy crisis downtown. The utility reported it could not meet its utility and payroll expenses in a timely manner because it had lost a major customer in Youngstown State Uni-



VINDICATOR FILE PHOTO, FEBRUARY 2017

Workers make progress in construction of the Lordstown Energy Center in the Lordstown Industrial Park. Developers of that plant are planning to build a twin plant called the Trumbull Energy Center nearby. The president of Clean Energy Future testified in Columbus before the Ohio Siting Board on Thursday in support of that \$900 million project.

State board hears support for 2nd clean-energy plant

Documents recommend approval for Lordstown project

By ED RUNYAN
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WARREN

BILL SIDEREWICZ, PRESIDENT of Clean Energy Future, the company asking the Ohio Power Siting Board to approve construction of a second gas-fired power plant at the Lordstown Industrial Park, touted the project at a hearing Thursday in Columbus.

Siderewicz said he and an electrician from Lordstown who works on the first Lordstown Energy Center plant both spoke in favor of the proposed Trumbull Energy Center at the hearing, which took place before an administrative law judge. Matt Schilling, Siting Board spokesman, said he was not at the hearing, but documents indicate the Siting Board staff and Clean Energy Future stipulated their agreement that the project should be approved. The next step will be a hearing before the full Siting Board. That will take place as early as September, but the date won't be announced until a week before the hearing takes place, Schilling said. The \$900 million project was officially announced in January.

Siderewicz gave prepared remarks at Thursday's hearing. He touched on wastewater issues raised at a July 25 public hearing at Lordstown High School. Siderewicz said in the document none of the 25 people who testified July 25 opposed the plant's construction, but some were concerned about wastewater being discharged into Mud Creek. Some, including former Lordstown Councilman Michael Sullivan, were con-



Siderewicz

cerned the water might cause flooding in residential areas near the plant. The first plant will release the water into a sewer line, and Sullivan hopes the company will find a way to do something similar with the second plant, he told *The Vindicator*.

But Siderewicz said the water will be retained in a 2.75-million-gallon pond, allowing the water to be released under control. In fact, he said the "steady flow of clean water from the [power plant] into the creek will enhance and sustain higher-quality aquatic habitat in the creek that is currently classified as impaired due to the fluctuating and intermittent flows in the creek." Siderewicz said the water it will discharge will be storm water and cooling-tower-discharge water from the plant. He said the water will be "clean and clear." It will come to the plant from Warren's treatment plant. Documents on file with the Siting Board indicate that Vienna Investments, which filed documents July 6 with the board asking to speak about the project, has withdrawn from the case. On Wednesday, Doug Lumsden Jr., managing member of Vienna Investments of Youngstown, filed a withdrawal. He did not give a reason. Lumsden filed testimony last Friday he planned to give the Siting Board. In it, he expressed his concerns about the noise the plant will generate when operational.

Woman spat on officers, Struthers cops say

Staff report

STRUTHERS

A woman will be arraigned today in Struthers Municipal Court after police said she spat on them and made threats during a call for mental-health assistance. Jykeera Jones, 19, of Akron faces charges of disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor, resisting arrest, a misdemeanor, and harassment by way of forcing an officer to

come into contact with bodily substances, a felony. Police responded Friday to home on East Midlothian Boulevard for an apparent suicide attempt by Jones. According to a police report, Jones tried to run away when police arrived, and she used profanity and epithets against the police officers and EMTs. Officers reported they tried to restrain her by strap-

ping her down onto a cot, when she spat at two police officers. She was then transported to a hospital. She was arrested on a warrant Wednesday after police said they saw her walking in the area of East Midlothian.



Jones

By BILLY LUDT
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AUSTINTOWN

Police charged a Leavittsburg man with theft, abusing harmful intoxicants and possession of drug paraphernalia after he purportedly fled a township department store Wednesday evening. Police said Randy Pence, 34, attempted to leave Walmart, 6001 Mahoning Ave., with a shopping cart containing unpaid merchandise valued at \$1,061, when he was stopped by an employee at the exit. Police said Pence then ran to a parked vehicle without the products, entered the passenger-side door and Marie Armour, 38, of Newton Falls, drove them off the property. The report said Armour yelled, "I had nothing to do with this" to the employee as Pence left the store. Police said they stopped Armour and Pence on state Route 11.



Pence

Pence was searched, and when police advised he would be jailed, he said he was having a panic attack, the report said. Police said they called for an ambulance, and EMTs determined Pence had high blood pressure. Pence was transported to St. Elizabeth Emergency Care in Austintown. Police found 19 carbon-dioxide cartridges in a container belonging to Pence, the report said. Police said people huff the contents of the cartridges to get high. Police also cited Armour and Pence for criminal trespass and warned them not to return to the township Walmart. Pence has an arraignment on the theft and drug charges Monday afternoon at Mahoning County Area Court.

MAHONING COUNTY GRAND JURY This week's indictments

A Mahoning County grand jury indicted these people on these charges Thursday:
Jakob Aey, 23, Illinois Avenue, Jakob, menacing by stalker.
Jolessa Bevly, 25, Winona Drive, permitting drug abuse with forfeiture specification.
Jarell Washington, 18, North Osborn Avenue, felonious assault and abduction.
Morgan Osowski Parker, 20, Fairgreen Avenue, theft and misuse of credit cards.
Victor Jackson, 40, Wallace Street, illegal possession of a weapon.
Brian Schlosser, 44, Helena Avenue, operating vehicle while intoxicated.
Amontae Traylor, 24, Sunshine Avenue, failure to comply with order or signal of police officer, illegal possession of weapons and improper handling of firearm in motor vehicle.
Diamond Taylor Richardson, 26, West Princeton Avenue, theft.
Jamal Finley, 39, East Avondale Avenue, possession of cocaine with major drug of fender specification, illegal conveyance in detention facility and falsification.
Randy Johnson, 42, Burlington Street, aggravated possession of drugs, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.
Brandon Frush, 18, Weston Avenue, Poland, felonious assault.
Paul M. Botte, 19, Circle Drive, Monaca, Pa., trafficking in LSD and aggravated trafficking in drugs with forfeiture specification.

Stephen Woolfolk, 30, Lemans Drive, Boardman, and **Maria Polas**, 29, Lakeside Drive, Mineral Ridge, misuse of credit cards, four counts of receiving stolen property, three counts of forgery, identity fraud, obstructing official business and identity fraud.
Keith Richards, 24, East Parkcliff Avenue, Struthers, burglary and vandalism.
Brett J. Young, 30, West North Avenue, East Palestine, robbery.
Tiawan Clinkscale, 27, Wesley Avenue, possession of cocaine.
Jerome Givins, 55, Compton Lane, illegal possession of a weapon, tampering with evidence and improper handling of firearm in motor vehicle.
Dawan Williams, 32, East Avondale Avenue, possession of cocaine, aggravated possession of drugs, two counts of possession of drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia with forfeiture specification.
Jason Terry, 40, North Four Mile Run Road, tampering with records and forgery.
William Ross, 28, Salt Springs Road, illegal possession of a weapon.
Jessie J. Riffle, 26, West Boston Avenue, escape.
Chantez Loury, 30, East Florida Avenue, escape.

Source: Mahoning County clerk of courts

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Tributes

Area Deaths

BARNHART, Michelle Renee, 51, of Salem; Arbaugh-Pearce-Green-isen & Sons Funeral and Crema-tion Services.

CASPARY, Kim Marie, 31, of Lake Milton; calling hours Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. at Lane Family Funeral Homes, Austintown Chapel.

FANT, Vollie E. Jr., 87, of Youngstown; calling hours Tues-day from 10 to 11 a.m. at Phillips Chapel A.M.E.; L.E. Black, Phillips & Holden Funeral Home.

FIELD, Rick L., 73, Champion; calling hours Sunday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Lane Family Funeral Homes, Roberts-Clark Chapel in Warren.

GERAK, Stephen Joseph Jr., 58, of Ravenna; calling hours Satur-day from 10 to 11 a.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Hubbard; Was-ko Funeral Home in Campbell.

LOSONCY, Mary L., 91, of Can-field; calling hours Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Davis-Becker Funer-al Home in Boardman.

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CAROLYN MATTHEWS MADDAMMA, 73

MANASSAS, VA. - Carolyn Mat-thews Maddamma, 73, passed away at her home in Manassas on Aug. 1, 2017, surrounded by her loving family.

Carolyn was predeceased by the love of her life, her husband of 34 years, Gino Richard Mad-damma and her brother, Doug Matthews of Roslindale, Mass.

She is survived by her children, Ginger Maddamma Jabs and hus-band Greg Jabs, Richard Maddam-ma and fiancée Nievena "Anne" Duco, and Miki Maddamma Phelps, all of Manassas. She is also sur-vived by her sister, Pamela Mat-thews Hoffman of Manassas; grandchildren Cherie Jabs New-man and husband Greg Newman of Virginia Beach, Va., Bryan Jabs of Philadelphia, and Matthew Brewster and wife Brittany Ortiz-Brewster; and great-grandchildren Logan and Landon Brewster of Houston, Caleb Foster and wife Emily Foster of Varina, Va., Raith Phelps of Manassas, and Cory Maddamma of Centreville, Va.; sis-ter-in-law Sarah Lamitie; niece Claire Lamitie; and nephews Finley Matthews of Roslindale and Mark Hoffman of College Park, Md.

She was born Sept. 4, 1943, in New Castle, Pa., to parents Finley Arthur Matthews of New Castle and Erla Mae Studebaker Mat-thews of Slippery Rock, Pa., both deceased.

She was a graduate of Board-man High School in Boardman.

Gino and Carolyn were married on March 18, 1961, in Winchester, Va. and settled in Arlington, Va. They moved to Centreville, Va. in 1972, to raise their children and were active in the Southwestern Youth Association coaching soc-cer and softball.

Carolyn continued her college education at George Mason Uni-versity while volunteering in her children's classrooms at London

MEADOWS, Clarence, 66, of Par-is Township; visitation Sunday from 2 to 3 p.m. at Borowski Me-morial Home in Newton Falls.

MITCHELL, Betty J. (Eichelberg-er), of Youngstown; Conley & Van-den Berg Funeral Home.

MIZICKO, Kathy Lynn, 69, of Vienna; calling hours Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Lane Family Funeral Homes, Madasz Chapel in Brook-field.

SCHMITT, Dianne Lee Russell, 53, of Champion; calling hours to-day from 4 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 9 to 10 a.m. at Champion Presbyterian Church; Lane Family Funeral Homes, Roberts-Clark Chapel in Warren.

WILHELM-D'ALTORIO, Hazel Lynn, infant, of Youngstown; Kin-nick Funeral Home in Youngstown.



Town Elementary. She then joined Kaiser Permanente Mid-Atlantic Region and accepted a promotion as the center administrator for the Reston and Springfield, Va. medical centers. She continued her career with the Capital Plan-ning offices in Washington, D.C., focused on the architectural de-sign and development of the Falls Church medical center, where she retired in 1985 after a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis. Thereafter, Gi-no and Carolyn established Aquar-ius Plumbing and Remodeling of Chantilly, Va.

Carolyn authored and publish-ed a book titled *On a Wing and a Prayer*, depicting stories of her childhood, raising her family, work-life and living with multiple sclerosis.

She was always thrilled to chat and visit with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She en-joyed traveling, interior design, and reading books on the subject of social justice, believing all peo-ple should be treated fairly, equal-ly and with dignity.

Memorial services will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, at the Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center St. in Manassas.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Ameri-can Civil Liberties Union at www.aclu.org.

08-11-17

JOHN "JON" A. HAMES, 58

YOUNGSTOWN - Memorial serv-ices will be held at 11 a.m. on Mon-day at Christ the Good Shepherd Parish at St. John Catholic Church in Campbell, with Fr. John Trimbur officiating for John "Jon" A. Hames, 58, who passed away Thursday, Aug. 3, at his home.

Jon was born Oct. 10, 1958, in Youngstown, the son of Robert Sr. and Lucille "Lucy" Grima Hames.

He attended St. John Catholic Grade School and graduated from Ursuline High School.

Jon worked at St. John Catholic Cemetery and also installed car-pets. He was a member of the church and St. John's Men's Club.

He leaves to cherish his memo-ry, his mother, Lucy, with whom he made his home; daughters Ali-cia, Amanda and Angel; one son, Bob; brothers Bob and Jeff; grand-children Robert, Alexis, Savannah, Sydney, Brittaney, Taylor and Au-tumn; great-granddaughter Alai-na; godfather Walter (Martha) An-tos; cousin Jean (Bill) Tusin; aunts and uncles; and his dog, Lacy.

He was preceded in death by



his father, Robert Hames Sr.

The Hames family has entrusted their loved one to the care of the Wasko Funeral Home and will receive family and friends Monday morning from 10 to 11 a.m. at St. John Catholic Church in Campbell.

Visit www.waskofamily.com to view this obituary and send Jon's family condolences.



08-11-17

KIM MARIE CASPARY, 31

LAKE MILTON - Kim Marie Casp-ary, 31, passed away on Wednes-day, Aug. 9, 2017, following a three-year courageous battle with cancer.

Born Aug. 7, 1986, in Youngs-town, she was the daughter of Timothy J. and Linda (Rednock) Caspary. She was named after her favorite cousin, Kim Marie (Ting) Hinkson of Florida.

Kim graduated from Jackson-Milton High School in 2006.

Kim was the kind of person who could always put a smile on your face. She was known for giving big hugs, and made you feel good to be around her. She loved music and especially Mariah Carey. She loved walking to Craig Beach.

Survivors include her father, Tim of Lake Milton; brother Tim (Nicky) Rednock of Lake Milton; and a sister, Barbara Caspary; two nieces, whom she adored, Kinsey and Brooke; and numerous other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother and an infant son.

Services will be held at the Lane Family Funeral Homes, Aus-tintown Chapel on Sunday, Aug. 13,



2017, at 3 p.m., friends will be re-ceived starting at 1 p.m. until the time of service.

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BETTY J. (EICHELBERGER) MITCHELL, 76

YOUNGSTOWN - Betty J. (Eichel-berger) Mitchell met Raymond F. Mitchell in his garden while she was picking some tomatoes. They married Nov. 25, 1959, and they were happily married until he passed away Oct. 16, 1990.

She was the daughter of Harry and Mary (Eichelberger), growing up on the south side, she was the seventh of seven kids, born Jan. 25, 1941, in Lancaster, Pa.

She passed peacefully on Aug. 8, 2017, at Oasis Rehabilitation and Healing at the age of 76.

Betty enjoyed cooking, baking, and spending time with her family. She loved to spend as much time as possible at the lake, including cookouts. She was employed by Antone's as a cook for over 25 years.

She leaves to cherish her mem-ory, a daughter, June (Jack) Davenport of North Carolina; a son, David (Debra) Mitchell of Struth-ers; a daughter, Norma Mitchell of Boardman; sons Raymond Mitchell Jr. of Girard and Richard (Tina) Mitchell of Cornersburg; 10 grand-children, April, Andrea, Melissa, Davilynn, Jodie, Russell, Becky, Denise, Torrence, and Layla; along



"Together Again"

with 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; sisters; brothers; and her daughter, Brenda (Bloom).

The family will be celebrating Betty's life with a service at Green Haven Memorial Chapel, 3495 Can-field-Niles Road, Niles, OH 44406, today, Aug. 11, 2017, at 11 a.m.

Arrangement have been en-trusted to the Conley & Vanden Berg Funeral Home.



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ROBERT A. METZGER, 75

LAKE MILTON - Robert A. Metz-ger, 75, passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017, surrounded by his family.

Born July 9, 1942, he was the son of Robert Leo and Laverne (McCreery) Metzger.

Bob graduated from Cardinal Mooney High School in 1962.

He loved to hunt and fish, and enjoyed boating on Lake Erie. He also loved cats and dogs, and al-ways enjoyed his pets and other animals.

He retired in 1990 from Mill Creek Park as a police officer. He was also an officer with the North Jackson Police Department.

Bob served in the U.S. Navy for four years.

He was a member of Argus Lodge No. 545 F&AM of Canfield, York Rite, where he was Mason of the Year in 2011, Youngstown Shrine Club, Auf Mori Grotto; American Legion Post 737, AM-VETS Post 17, and the Fraternal Or-der of Eagles, Aerie No. 3298.

Survivors include his sister, Cindy Lukovski; nephews Scott and Brett (Julie) Lukovski; nieces Kelly (Ian) Lukovski-Wright and Carey Lukovski; an aunt, Sandy (Bob) Noday; in-laws Carol Askew, Alice Hoffman, Glen and Helen Beedham, and Edwin Beedham; numerous other nephews, nieces, and great-nephews and great-nie-ces.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, June L. (Beedham),



"Together Again"

who died on Feb. 19, 2015.

Services will take place at the Lane Family Funeral Homes, Aus-tintown Chapel, today, Aug. 11, 2017, at 5 p.m.

Friends will be received begin-ning at 3 p.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of the Valley.

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(INFANT) HAZEL LYNN WILHELM-D'ALTORIO



YOUNGSTOWN - Hazel Lynn Wilhelm-D'Altorio, infant daughter of Ha-ley E. Wilhelm and Ter-ence M. D'Altorio, was stillborn at 5:44 p.m., Monday, Aug. 7, 2017, at St. Elizabeth Boardman Health Center, and now becomes one of heaven's newest angels.

Besides her parents, baby Ha-zel leaves her grandparents, Ja-net Wilhelm, Lisa D'Altorio, and Terence Rager; great-grandpar-ents, Carol D'Altorio, Martha Tho-mas, Verna Rager, and Kenneth Harris; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and extended family members.

Private services took place Thursday, Aug. 10, at Kinnick Fu-

neral Home, 477 N. Meridian Road, Youngstown.

Memorial contributions may be made to Olivia's Grace, a local nonprofit providing bereavement photography for families who have experienced the loss of a child. Donations may be made through oliviassgrace.com/donate/.

Visit kinnickfuneralhome.com to view this obituary and to send condolences online to baby Ha-zel's family.



08-11-17

JENNIE DIORIO, 99

NORTH LIMA - There will be fu-neral services at 9:15 a.m. on Mon-day, Aug. 14, at the Rossi Brothers & Lellio Funeral Home in Board-man, followed by a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Luke Church for Jennie DiOrio, 99, who passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017.

She was born Sept. 12, 1917, in Youngstown, the daughter of John and Carmel (DiMaio) Felde.

She worked as a clerk for F.W. Woolworth Company.

Jennie was a charter member of St. Luke Church and its Altar and Rosary Society. She was also a member of Happy Hearts Senior Citizens and The Assumption Vil-lage Red Hat Society.

Jennie was a very kind and compassionate person. She would always send cards and flowers to family and friends for special oc-casions. She was an outstanding cook and baker and her home was always open to everyone.

Her husband, Dominic DiOrio, whom she married April 28, 1951, passed away Feb. 23, 2004.

She will always be remembered lovingly by her two daughters, Ann Marie (George) Firth of Board-man and Carmel (Greg) Mastran of Charlotte, N.C., and granddaughter Andrea (Jesse) Plaskett of Madi-son.

Besides her parents and hus-band, she was preceded in death



by brother Sam Felde and sister Jennifer Felde.

Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 13, at the Rossi Brothers & Lellio Funeral Home, 4442 South Ave. in Board-man.

The family would like to extend heartfelt gratitude to the staff at The Assumption Village, especially the Special Care Unit, and Hospice of the Valley for the kind and compassionate care shown to Jennie.

Family and friends may visit the Book of Memories at www.ross-sifunerals.com to view this tribute and to send condolences to Jen-nie's family.



08-11-17

DAVID LEON MCCONNELL, 75

BOARDMAN - David Leon McConnell, 75, passed Tuesday af-ternoon, Aug. 8, 2017, at his resi-dence, with his family at his side, after a short, but extremely cou-rageous, battle with cancer.

David was born Feb. 2, 1942, in Albany, N.Y., a son of the late Ken-neth and Jane Moore McConnell. He was raised in Needham, Mass. and lived in New York and Penn-sylvania, prior to moving to this area.

As a young boy, David played Little League baseball and in the summer of 1954, he played in the Little League World Series tourna-ment in Williamsport, Pa. As a teenager, David fell in love with the game of hockey and not only played throughout his life, but al-so coached. A 1961 graduate of Wyoming Seminary Prep in King-ston, Pa., David received his Bach-elor's Degree in Biochemistry from Davis and Elkins College in Elkins, W.Va. in 1966.

David was a sales representa-tive for Sun Oil Company and E.F. Houghton, which brought him to the Youngstown area in 1977. He retired after 25 years with Chem-N-Lube.

David was a member of the NRA and the Lowellville Rod and Gun Club. He was an avid gun col-lector and loved to hunt. He also collected coins and stamps and loved classic and sci-fi movies. He



was an avid reader and always thoroughly enjoyed a stimulating political conversation. David also enjoyed spending time with his families and friends.

David leaves his wife, the for-mer Barbara Bowen, whom he married July 15, 1967; one daugh-ter, Rebecca (Doug Levendosky) McConnell of Boardman; one son, Jason McConnell, also of Board-man; and two grandsons, Liam and Connor Levendosky.

There are no services or calling hours.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of the Valley, 5190 Market St., Boardman, OH 44512.

Visit www.beckerobits.com to send condolences.



08-11-17

KATHY LYNN MIZICKO, 69

VIENNA - Kathy Lynn Mizicko, 69, passed away Wednesday morning, Aug. 9, 2017, at Universi-ty Hospital in Cleveland.

Kathy was born Sept. 7, 1947, in Warren, a daughter of the late Lawrence and Olive (Cameron) Goodhart.

She was a 1965 graduate of Mathews High School and attend-ed Kent State University.

Shortly after school, she mar-ried the love of her life, Robert Mizicko Sr. on April 20, 1968, and started their family together with two sons, Robert and Shane.

She was a member of St. Tho-mas the Apostle Catholic Church. She was a preschool teacher at Cortland Playroom, where she loved to make crafts and games for the children, and a religious teacher and director at St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church, known now as St. Thomas the Apostle.

Kathy will be deeply missed by her husband, Robert Mizicko Sr. of Vienna; her sons, Robert (Jenni-fer) Mizicko Jr. of North Canton and Shane (Maria) Mizicko of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; two grandchildren, Logan and Sydney; her sister, Ter-ri (Rodger) Schick of Fowler; and her brother, Larry (Anita) Good-hart of Fowler.

Family and friends may visit from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Lane Fam-ily Funeral Homes, Madasz Chapel, located at 6923 Warren-Sharon Road in Brookfield on Sunday,



Aug. 13, 2017.

Closing prayers will start at 10:15 a.m. at the funeral home on Monday, Aug. 14, 2017, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle, located at 4453 Warren-Sharon Road, officiated by the Very Rev. Father Zanni V.F. Burial will follow at Dugan Cemetery in Fowler Township.

Friends and family may visit www.madaszchapel.com to send their heartfelt condolences.



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Canadian diplomat
in Cuba also suffered
hearing loss

WASHINGTON

The Canadian government said Thursday that at least one Canadian diplomat in Cuba also has been treated for hearing loss after disclosures that a group of American diplomats in Havana suffered severe hearing loss that U.S. officials believe was caused by an advanced sonic device.

Global Affairs Canada spokeswoman Brianne Maxwell said Canadian officials “are aware of unusual symptoms affecting Canadian and US diplomatic personnel and their families in Havana. The government is actively working – including with US and Cuban authorities – to ascertain the cause.”

In the fall of 2016, a series of U.S. diplomats began suffering unexplained losses of hearing, according to officials with knowledge of the investigation into the case.

Politicians blocking
people on social
media ignites debate

SALT LAKE CITY

An emerging debate about whether elected officials violate people’s free speech rights by blocking them on social media is spreading across the U.S. as groups sue or warn politicians to stop the practice.

The American Civil Liberties Union this week sued Maine Gov. Paul LePage and sent warning letters to Utah’s congressional delegation. It followed recent lawsuits against the governors of Maryland and Kentucky and President Donald Trump.

Trump’s frequent and often unorthodox use of Twitter and allegations he blocks people with dissenting views has raised questions about what elected officials can and cannot do on their official social media pages.

Politicians at all levels increasingly embrace social media to discuss government business, sometimes at the expense of traditional town halls or in-person meetings.

2016 weather
report: Extreme and
anything but normal

WASHINGTON

Last year’s global weather was far more extreme or record breaking than anything approaching normal, according to a new report.

The U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on Thursday released its annual checkup of the Earth, highlighting numerous records including hottest year, highest sea level and lowest sea ice in the Arctic and Antarctica.

The 299-page report, written by scientists around the world and published in the Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society, shows that 2016 was “very extreme and it is a cause for concern,” said co-editor Jessica Blunden, a NOAA climate scientist.

Navy secretary says
‘any patriot’ should
be able to serve

NORFOLK, VA.

The nation’s new Navy secretary says he’ll take direction from the Pentagon regarding President Donald Trump’s call for a ban on transgender service members, but he adds that “any patriot that wants to serve and meets all the requirements should be able to serve in our military.”

Richard V. Spencer made the comments Thursday in response to reporters’ questions as he visited a naval base in Norfolk, Va.

The former businessman was sworn in Aug. 3, a little more than a week after Trump declared the ban via Twitter.

Transgender people have been allowed to serve openly since June 2016. The White House and the Pentagon are working out the details of a new transgender policy under President Trump.

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UN: Smugglers throw some 280 migrants into the sea

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

Smugglers have thrown some 280 migrants into the sea off the coast of Yemen in the last two days, causing more than 50 to drown and leaving more than 30 missing, the U.N. migration agency said Thursday.

U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said the migrants who were forced from boats in two separate “deeply troubling” incidents were hoping to reach coun-

tries in the Gulf via war-torn Yemen.

The International Organization for Migration said Wednesday that up to 50 migrants from Ethiopia and Somalia were “deliberately drowned” by a smuggler off Yemen.

The U.N. agency said 160 Ethiopian migrants were violently forced into the Arabian Sea on Thursday.

The IOM said in a statement late Thursday that its staff found six bodies on the

beach – two male and four female – and 13 people are still missing. It said 84 migrants left the beach before IOM staff arrived while it provided emergency medical assistance as well as food and water to 57 surviving migrants.

Dujarric said the situation for migrants trying to cross the Mediterranean Sea and the Sahara desert is “just as heartbreaking” as the tragedy unfolds off Yemen.

He said 2,405 people have

died or disappeared during their attempts to cross the Mediterranean, and more than 265 people have died or were missing while traveling across the Sahara trying to reach the sea.

U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres “is heartbroken by this continuing tragedy,” Dujarric said.

“This is why he continues to stress that the international community must give priority to preventing and resolving a variety of situa-

tions which both generate mass movement and expose those already on the move to significant danger,” the U.N. spokesman said.

The narrow waters between the Horn of Africa and Yemen have been a popular migration route despite Yemen’s conflict. Migrants, most of them Ethiopians, try to make their way to oil-rich Gulf countries in hopes of finding jobs.



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Rain clouds gather over the New Orleans skyline Thursday.

Emergency declared as flood
threat looms in New Orleans

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS

Louisiana’s governor declared a state of emergency in New Orleans on Thursday as the city’s malfunctioning water-pumping system and the threat of more rain left some neighborhoods at greater risk of flooding.

The city scrambled to repair fire-damaged equipment at a power plant and shore up its drainage system, less than a week after a flash flood from torrential rain overwhelmed the city’s pumping system and inundated many neighborhoods.

Gov. John Bel Edwards described his emergency declaration as a precautionary measure. He and Mayor Mitch Landrieu tried to calm the jangled nerves of residents still angry about the city’s response to last weekend’s flooding.

“Obviously this is a serious situation, but it’s not something to be panicked about,” Edwards said at a City Hall news conference.

Landrieu urged residents of some

waterlogged neighborhoods to prepare for another possible round of flooding by moving vehicles to higher ground. All of the city’s public schools were closed Thursday and were scheduled to be closed again today.

Jamie Hill, a resident of the Mid-City neighborhood that has flooded twice in the past month, was clearing mud, sand, grass and other debris from the storm drain near her home. Her car flooded in an earlier downpour a few weeks ago. She said she’s learned her lesson and now moves her car anytime it rains.

“I’m doing what I can, not that it will really matter if the pumps aren’t working,” she said.

The city’s infrastructure was crumbling for years before the devastation unleashed in 2005 by levee breaches in Hurricane Katrina’s aftermath.

The federal government earmarked billions of dollars for repairs and upgrades after the hurricane, but the problems have persisted.

Streets are pockmarked with potholes and sinkholes. The city’s water system has been plagued by leaks from broken pipes and power outages leading to boil water advisories.

New Orleans’ municipal pumping system is supposed to move water out of the low-lying city. Having the system crippled in August could not come at a worse time for New Orleans, since the Gulf Coast is in the middle of hurricane season.

But officials feared that even a common thunderstorm would test the system’s reduced capacity.

“With great prayer and a lot of hard work, hopefully we’ll be OK,” the mayor said.

Landrieu’s office said in a news release Thursday the city has lost service from one of its turbines, which powers most of the pumping stations that serve the East Bank of New Orleans. Landrieu said that means the system’s capacity to drain storm water from the streets has been diminished.

Trump questions if McConnell
should remain majority leader

Associated Press

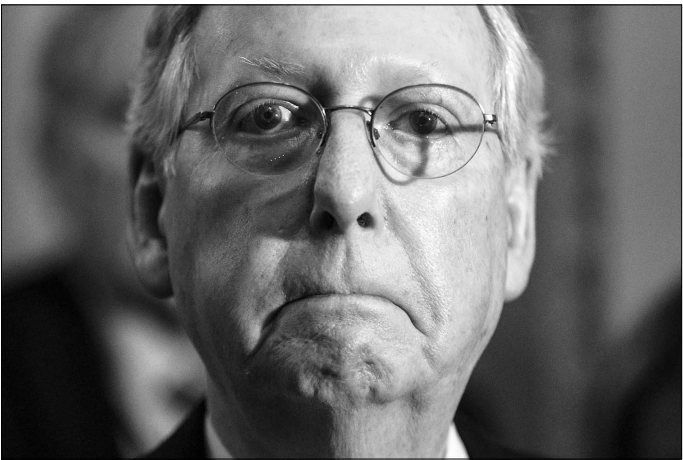
BEDMINSTER, N.J.

President Donald Trump raised the possibility Thursday that Majority Leader Mitch McConnell should step down if he can’t muscle health care and other legislation through the Senate, taking an extraordinary swipe at the man with the most power to steer the White House agenda through the chamber.

In remarks to reporters outside his golf resort, Trump escalated his attacks on the Kentucky Republican over last month’s collapse in the Senate of GOP legislation repealing and rewriting much of President Barack Obama’s health care overhaul.

Trump said he also wanted passage of measures revamping the tax code and pumping billions into infrastructure programs, two of his top remaining priorities.

Asked if McConnell should consider resigning from his leadership post, the president said, “If he doesn’t get repeal and replace done, and if he doesn’t get taxes



AP FILE PHOTO, JUNE 27

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky listens during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington.

done, meaning cuts and reform, and if he doesn’t get a very easy one to get done, infrastructure, if he doesn’t get them done, then you can ask me that question.”

Trump’s criticism gave voice to a view harbored by many hard-right conservatives about the 33-year Senate veteran, who they consider far too willing to give ground.

It’s highly unusual for a president to publicly suggest leadership changes in Congress.

It also seems unlikely that Trump’s sentiments would seriously threaten McConnell’s job.

He is strongly respected by nearly all GOP senators, who concede that with a slender 52-48 majority, it would have been difficult for anyone to steer the health care measure through the Senate.

“I don’t think any of us in the Senate blame Mitch for how this came down,” said Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., a McConnell ally.

Navy honors 102-year-old
World War II veteran

Associated Press

CORONADO, CALIF.

The Navy recognized a 102-year-old World War II veteran Thursday by inaugurating a new barracks in his name, a rare honor for a living recipient.

From his wheelchair, retired Chief Steward Andy Mills waved to the sailors attending the ceremony Thursday at the naval base, in Coronado, Calif., near San Diego. Mills told reporters softly before the ceremony that he was overjoyed by the honor.

“Oh beautiful,” he told reporters when asked to describe how he felt seeing the barracks in his name, shaking his head side to side. “That’s one of the most beautiful things I’ve ever seen so far.”

One of the maritime branch’s first black chiefs, Mills risked his life for the service despite facing discrimination in a then-segregated Navy.

In 1942, Mills volunteered to board the USS Yorktown after it was attacked by the Japanese during the Battle of Midway.

He cracked open a safe containing documents and

bills on the heavily damaged ship.

He and a paymaster stuffed them in a suitcase, got a rope and lowered it down off the ship before the Japanese attacked again, destroying the Yorktown and the USS Hammann next to it.

Capt. Stephen Barnett met Mills two years ago at an event in San Diego and said he was so moved by the man and what he had done that he wanted to honor him and have young sailors learn about the inspiring chief.

Mills vividly recalled to reporters one of the officers saying “but I need one of those black boys over there” to go back on board the ship after it had been attacked by the Japanese. Mills, one of two African American sailors on the ship, agreed to go.

When the paymaster accompanying him could not open the safe on the USS Yorktown, Mills asked if he could have a go at it.

“Click. I went up there and turned it. Click,” he said, grinning. “Money fell all out of it.”

Hideouts for law breakers

In biblical times, a sanctuary city was a place where someone who had committed unintentional manslaughter could find refuge from “the avenger of blood.” If the offender left the sanctuary city, he could be set upon by a relative of the dead person and killed. No sanctuary was available to anyone who committed murder with malice and forethought.

Modern sanctuary cities are less reflective of their ancient namesakes and more like the hideouts established by train robbers and cattle rustlers during the days of the Wild West, as the current sanctuary-city movement shields men and women who have broken federal law to reach the United States.

Threats by the Trump administration to hold back federal money from cities that harbor illegal immigrants show some promise. In July, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced new immigration compliance requirements for federal grant programs, including mandates that state and local entities must allow federal immigration access to detention facilities and provide 48 hours’ notice before authorities release an illegal immigrant wanted by federal authorities. If states comply, they get the grants. If they do not, they get nothing.

Miami-Dade County in Florida and Clark County in Nevada have changed their minds about harboring law-breakers. The Department of Justice has sent letters to both counties certifying that they are now in compliance with the law and are now cleared for federal grants.

CHICAGO FIGHTS BACK

Other sanctuary cities are not so cooperative. Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel has filed a lawsuit against the Department of Justice for threatening to withhold federal funds earmarked for local law enforcement. Given the shooting gallery Chicago has become, it’s difficult to see how more money will improve safety, especially on the city’s South Side, where an average weekend of violence often produces more casualties than in Afghanistan.

In Washington, where today’s “principled stand” can quickly be forgotten, Democrats have changed their view about an immigration plan they consistently supported for a decade. Democrats in Congress previously favored a policy that would have established a points system for selecting legal immigrants. Now that President Trump favors such a system, based on merit, Democrats suddenly oppose it. For such a U-turn the word “hypocrisy” was invented, but the left doesn’t care. They are about votes and winning elections, not actually fixing an immigration system everyone agrees is broken and needs repair.

Under regulations concerning cities of refuge established in the Book of Numbers (35:25) and the code of the Levitical priesthood, once an individual had claimed asylum, he had to be taken from the city to stand trial. If he was found innocent, he was returned under guard to the city in which he had claimed asylum. When the High Priest died, the person could return to his property. That is a far cry from what modern mayors and governors want for their illegal immigrants. For them there is to be no arrest, no charge and no trial. Name a federal law you could get away with breaking. Could you find “sanctuary” away from the government’s long arm? The lawsuit by Chicago’s mayor will likely reach the Supreme Court. That is what makes the elevation of Neil Gorsuch to that high bench so critical.

Our VOICE

Cool heads must prevail to end N. Korean standoff

ASTHECRISISURROUNDING North Korea’s nuclear ambitions and advances has escalated dramatically over the past week, so, too, has the hell-fire and brimstone rhetoric between the two bullies-in-chief in Washington and Pyongyang.

In response to a flurry of developments punctuated by a unanimous United Nations Security Council vote to slap harsh economic sanctions on North Korea and the chilling news that the North has successfully miniaturized nuclear warheads to fit its intercontinental ballistic missiles, President Donald Trump’s loose lips flapped again uncontrollably. His rancorous threats of pre-emptive strikes have damaged U.S. credibility and complicated efforts to rein in the reckless regime of President Kim Jong Un.

Trump unleashed an acidic volley aimed at Kim hours after reports first surfaced of the North’s latest stunning technical advance toward launching a nuclear attack on the United States.

“North Korea best not make any more threats to the United States. They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen,” the U.S. commander-in-chief said in off-the-cuff remarks to the press Tuesday at a work session on the opioid crisis at his country club in central New Jersey.

It did not take long for loose-cannon Kim to fire back. His official state media responded that Pyongyang is “carefully examining” a plan to strike the U.S. Pacific territory of Guam with missiles.

On Thursday, North Korea doubled down on its threat with alarmingly specific attack details: “The Hwasong-12 rockets to be launched by the [Korean People’s Army] will cross the sky above Shimane, Hiroshima and Koichi prefectures of Japan. They will fly 3,356.7 kilometers [2,085.8 miles] for 1,065 seconds and hit the waters 30 to 40 kilometers away from Guam.”

Clearly, cooler heads must prevail. The ongoing war of words between Trump and Kim has produced nothing to defuse this nation’s most grave national security confrontation in years. Fortunately, the war of words need not morph into a war of weaponry. Fortunately, too, many level-headed and seasoned military and diplomatic leaders surround the president in the White House and in Congress, and we’re hopeful those adults in the room will prevent Trump from going rogue to even more dangerous and regrettable extremes.

GUIDANCE FROM MCCAIN

Take Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, for example. No one can deny military-hero status to the valiant veteran of the Vietnam War and a prisoner of war in that conflict. Once again, as McCain did in blocking misguided health-care reform initiatives last month, the veteran senator stands as a needed thorn in Trump’s side.

“The great leaders I’ve seen don’t threaten unless they’re ready to act, and I’m not sure President Trump is ready to act. ... It’s the classic Trump in that he overstates things,” McCain said in response to the president’s threat.

Of course, such congressional common-sense alone cannot singlehandedly influence Trump to change his set-in-stone ways.

Americans must be able to count on those closest to the president in the West Wing to tone down his dangerous improvised rants.

As he has in the ongoing scandal over Russian meddling in the 2016 U.S. presidential election, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson rises again as a voice of reason among the president’s closest advisers in the expanding North Korean crisis.

Although explaining away the president’s volatile warning of a pre-emptive strike on Korea as the only language that Kim would understand, Tillerson also adopted a decidedly more diplomatic and comforting tone.

“Nothing that I have seen and nothing that I know of would indicate that the situation has dramatically changed in the last 24 hours. Americans should sleep well at night,” he said. Tillerson also reiterated his call for negotiations with Korean leaders as the best hope for peacefully ending the standoff for the long term.

Now that the president has vented his anger, he would be well advised to step back, hold his tongue and listen to the tempered advice of such leaders as McCain and Tillerson. The safety of thousands of Americans in Guam in the short term and the very security of this nation in the long term could well hang in the balance.

SCRIPTURES

How precious is Your loving kindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

PSALM 36:7 NKJV



Fracking issue in Youngstown could ignite fight in the courts

A vote from the Mahoning County Board of Elections to keep a Youngstown anti-fracking charter amendment off the Nov. 7 ballot isn’t going to happen for a few more weeks.

And the board won’t even begin discussing it until Tuesday at the earliest.

But it appears the board will decide to not put the proposal on the ballot for a seventh time.

A bill signed by Gov. **John Kasich** in January that took effect in April on revising foreclosure laws included a number of amendments.

One requires a board of elections or the secretary of state to invalidate a local initiative petition if either determines any part of the petition falls outside the local government’s constitutional authority to enact it.

If the board of elections rejects the proposal, it can be appealed to the secretary of state, under the state law. After the secretary renders a decision, it would head to court.

When that amendment was included, a state legislator said it was done largely to stop the anti-fracking proposal in Youngstown from getting on the ballot again.

The citizens initiative, backed by the Youngstown Community Bill of Rights Committee, bans fracking in the city as well as anything remotely related to it including the storage or transportation of fracking wastewater.

State law gives control over fracking to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and not municipalities.

Opponents of the proposal have long said that the requested ban isn’t enforceable because of that state law. Supporters say that would be determined after the proposal is passed and challenged in court.

UNCERTAINTY

We’ve been uncertain about this since the first anti-fracking charter amendment was rejected by city voters in May 2013.



David Skolnick

AS AN ASIDE

The Youngstown/Warren Regional Chamber’s board of directors voted to oppose a November state ballot issue that seeks to reduce prescription drug prices.

Issue 2 proposes to prohibit the state from entering into contracts in which the net cost of a prescription drug purchased by the state is more than the lowest price paid by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

“If the state government has to pay less for medicine, private insurance would have to pay more to make up the difference,” said Guy Coviello, the chamber’s vice president of government affairs. “An alternative would be for pharmaceutical companies to charge the V.A. more to raise the state prices.”

Pharmaceuticals could pull out of their state agreements or not offer certain drugs for state plans to avoid the price control, Coviello said.

It also lost in November of that year, twice in 2014, and once each in 2015 and 2016.

If the board does reject the charter amendment, supporters of the proposal say they will take the matter all the way to court.

Don’t dismiss their chances.

The Ohio Legislative Service Commission – the nonpartisan agency that provides the General Assembly with research, budget and fiscal analysis – told legislators that a court might find that the bill places an unconstitutional burden on the people’s right of initiative.

The commission added: “While it is not clear precisely how a reviewing court would interpret the act’s language, it appears that the act would, for

example, prevent an initiated city ordinance from appearing on the ballot if the board of elections determined that the proposed ordinance would be unenforceable because of a conflict with state law. Or, the act might prevent a county charter proposal from appearing on the ballot if the board determined that the substance of the proposed charter would be unconstitutional.”

There are those who complain that the anti-fracking proposal has been on the ballot – and rejected – six times already and enough is enough.

But there isn’t a state law that restricts the number of times a charter amendment, or any issue such as a tax levy, can appear on a ballot.

This new law leads to another interesting local angle as the same committee submitted a proposal to change how elections are run in Youngstown.

The proposal would restrict political contributions to only \$100 per ballot measure and candidate with those funds coming from only registered city voters.

The proposal would ban corporations, labor unions, political action committee, political parties and other campaign funding entities from giving campaign contributions.

That contribution restriction could conflict with free-speech issues and campaign-contribution decisions made by the U.S. Supreme Court, Mayor **John A. McNally** told me in June.

If the board of elections agrees, it could reject that proposal from being on the ballot.

As I mentioned, the board can discuss these issues at its Tuesday meeting, but cannot take any action.

That’s because Youngstown City Council has to first vote to accept the petitions before the board of elections can act. City council is expected to accept the petitions at its next meeting, Aug. 23.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“The opioid crisis is an emergency, and I’m saying officially, right now, it is an emergency. It’s a national emergency. We’re going to spend a lot of time, a lot of effort and a lot of money on the opioid crisis.”

PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP, in a speech Thursday at his golf club in Bedminster, N.J., in which he heeded the major preliminary recommendation of his commission on drug abuse



Call before you dig
YOUNGSTOWN

Dominion Energy Ohio is using today's date as a reminder that Ohio law requires property owners and contractors to call 8-1-1 to have underground utility lines marked at least two business days, but no more than 10 business days, before any digging project.

US stock market sees worst day since May

Brewing tensions between the U.S. and North Korea put investors in a selling mood again Thursday, dragging U.S. stocks lower for the third day in a row.

The latest sell-off was the most severe yet, amounting to the biggest single-day drop for the stock market in nearly three months.

Technology companies, which have been the biggest gainers this year as the market hit a succession of record highs, led the broad slide.

Department store chains see key sales figures fall again
NEW YORK

Macy's, Kohl's and Dillard's said Thursday that a key sales figure fell again in the latest quarter as customers increasingly shop online, at discount stores and elsewhere.

At Macy's the decrease wasn't as bad as Wall Street expected, and Kohl's managed to keep the decline to just 0.4 percent.

But shares of all three plummeted, with Macy's Inc. hitting a 7-year low Thursday.

US weekly requests for jobless aid up 3,000 to 244,000
WASHINGTON

More Americans applied for jobless aid last week. Despite the small increase, the number of people seeking benefits remained close to historic lows.

Weekly unemployment applications rose by 3,000 to a seasonally adjusted 244,000, the Labor Department said Thursday. The less volatile four-week average declined 1,000 to 241,000. The number of people collecting unemployment benefits has fallen 8.8 percent over the past 12 months to 1.97 million.

Study: Trump moves trigger health premium jumps
WASHINGTON

Trump administration moves are triggering double-digit premium increases on individual health insurance policies purchased by many people.

That's according to a new analysis by the Kaiser Family Foundation. The report says mixed signals from President Donald Trump have created uncertainty "far outside the norm" and led insurers to seek higher premium increases for 2018 than would otherwise have been the case. Premiums are going up 10 percent or more in 15 of 21 major metropolitan areas studied.

Facebook steps up video ambitions with Watch
NEW YORK

Facebook is launching a new section dedicated to live and recorded video. The idea is to have fans commenting and interacting with the videos. The new Watch section is a potential threat to Twitter, YouTube, Netflix and other services for watching video.

Staff/wire reports

Selected local stocks

STOCK	DIVIDEND	.....	CLOSE	CHANGE
Alcoa Inc.,	.12	.....	37.78	-0.84
Aqua America,	.71	.....	33.94	-0.31
Avalon Holdings,	.....	2.32	.....	-0.26
Chemical Bank,	.27	.....	46.54	-0.41
Community Health Sys.	6.07	.....	.....	-0.09
Cortland Bancorp.,	.28	.....	17.90	0.00
Farmers Nat.,	.16	.....	13.30	-0.10
First Energy,	1.44	.....	32.03	0.42
Fifth Third,	.52	.....	26.38	-0.76
FirstMerit Corp.,	.....	.....	.....	-
First Niles Financial,	1211.00	.....	0.50	0.50
FNB Corp.,	.48	.....	13.09	-0.32
General Motors,	1.52	.....	34.90	-0.38
General Electric,	.92	.....	25.28	-0.43
Huntington Bank,	.28	.....	12.81	-0.36
iHeartMedia Inc.,	.....	1.60	.....	0.15
JP Morgan Chase,	1.92	.....	92.16	-1.37
Key Corp.,	.34	.....	17.63	-0.49
LaFarge,	.34	.....	.....	-
Macy's,	1.51	.....	20.67	-2.36
Parker Hannifin,	2.52	.....	155.73	-5.29
PNC,	2.20	.....	129.12	-2.61
Simon Prop. Grp.,	6.60	.....	160.99	-2.42
Stoneridge,	.....	16.56	.....	-0.19
United Comm. Fin.,	.12	.....	8.86	-0.12

Selected prices from Thursday's 4 p.m. close.

Bocchieri, officials talk ways to get more qualified workers in trucking

By GRAIG GRAZIOSI
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POLAND

State Rep. John Bocchieri met with local and regional leaders from the trucking industry to discuss a growing problem for freight haulers: a lack of qualified workers.

Dan Zarlenga Jr., vice president of Acme Co. Trucking, and Adam Lonardo, the company's operations manager, joined Bocchieri for a news conference Thursday at the company's headquarters in Poland.

Bocchieri of Poland, D-59th, began the conference with a warning, claiming the truck-driver shortage, if left unchecked, would result in a labor shortfall of nearly 175,000 truck drivers by 2024.

He argued a shortage of drivers would negatively impact the whole of the economy, as 70 percent of U.S. freight is shipped via trucks according to the American Trucking Association.

Zarlenga Jr. and Lonardo – who are both fourth-generation owners of the company – attributed the declining workforce to a combination of high turnover rates, a lack of high-quality candidates and a general stigma associated with the industry.

Though many national trucking companies are long-haul transporters that keep drivers out for days or weeks at a time, Acme and similar regional companies provide jobs that allow their employees to return home daily. The driver shortage has impacted them nonetheless.

"We have a more than 100 percent turnover rate," Zarlenga Jr. said. "It's never been this bad."

Lonardo suggested the staffing issue was indicative of a broader societal problem. He said his company frequently dealt with prospective candidates who would work for only a day before disappearing or who would never show up at all.

According to a study released in 2015 by the ATA, the current trucking industry's workforce is generally older – the average trucker's age is 49 – and many are retiring, which is exacerbating the staffing issue.

Bocchieri, who formerly served on the U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure committee during his tenure representing Ohio's 16th Congressional District, said he planned to introduce legislation that would make commercial driver's licenses less expensive, give trucking companies tax incentives to expand their workforces and pressure insurance companies to lower their premium costs for covering a driver.

The average cost to obtain a CDL is \$6,500.

Tom Balzer, president and CEO of the Ohio Trucking Association, said recent industry trends – such as an increased reliance on regional carriers versus national, long-haul carriers – has helped improve working conditions for drivers.

"Now is the perfect time to get into the industry precisely because you can pick and choose who you work for," Balzer said.



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This truck in Florida is outfitted with a large tank used to syphon gas from gas stations using stolen credit cards.

Beware at the pump

BLACK MARKET FUEL IS MAKING MILLIONS

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, FLA.

A black market for diesel and gasoline has rapidly spread around the nation, with organized-crime gangs using fraudulent credit cards to syphon millions of dollars in fuel from gas stations into large tanks hidden inside pickup trucks and vans.

Stealing fuel can be less risky than selling drugs or other illegal endeavors, and criminals can make \$1,000 or more a day re-selling the stolen fuel at construction sites and unscrupulous gas stations, or to truckers looking to cut costs, investigators and industry experts say.

"It's pretty rampant," said Owen DeWitt, whose Texas-based company, Know Control, focuses solely on helping gas stations prevent fuel theft. He said the crime is worst along Interstate 10, from Jacksonville, Fla., to the Los Angeles area. "California and Florida are the two worst; Texas is No. 3."

Black-market diesel started becoming a big business when credit card "skimmers" became more prevalent around 2006, DeWitt said. Thieves install these devices at gas station pumps, where they record card information as unsuspecting customers fuel up. The information is later transferred to a magnetic strip on a counterfeit card. The problem has only grown as the devices become more sophisticated.

The black market has grown quickly in part because the thefts total a few hundred dollars at a time, and prosecutors were slow to prioritize them. But as fuel thefts become more organized, they have caught the attention of state and federal authorities around the country.

Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner Adam Putnam's department takes the lead on prosecuting these crimes in Florida. He said they used to be considered a "victimless" or "slap-on-the-wrist-type crime, and yet they were making more money doing this than a lot of other criminal activities that had a lot higher sentences."

Efforts to stop gas pipeline dealt blow by magistrate

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

A federal magistrate in Akron has dealt a significant blow to efforts by some Ohio property owners to stop a high-pressure natural gas pipeline from being built.

U.S. Magistrate Kathleen Burke in a written recommendation filed Monday said the U.S. District Court in northern Ohio lacks jurisdiction to consider a lawsuit filed in May by more than 60 property owners that sought to prevent the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from approving construction plans for the 250-mile-long NEXUS pipeline.

The \$2 billion project is designed to carry 1.5 billion cubic feet of gas per day from the Utica and Marcellus shale fields in Appalachia across northern Ohio and into Michigan and Ontario, Canada. NEXUS is a partnership between Calgary, Alberta-based Enbridge and Detroit-based DTE Energy.

The project originally was a partnership between DTE and Houston-based Spectra Energy, which merged with Enbridge earlier this year and is now headquartered in Calgary. Opponents say FERC shouldn't be able to violate their property rights for the benefit of a foreign corporation.

Burke's report said opponents can object administratively to FERC and then to a U.S. appeals court if the regulatory agency approves the project. U.S. District Judge John Adams will decide whether to accept Burke's recommendation, a move that would likely result in the lawsuit being dismissed.

One of the leaders in the effort to stop the pipeline acknowledges the lawsuit is now imperiled. Medina county resident Paul Gierosky said opponents aren't giving up.

"We've come too far; we've learned too much; and we're not alone," Gierosky said.

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NCAA announces sexual violence policy

Schools will be required to provide education for athletes, coaches, athletic administrators

Associated Press

NCAA member schools will be required to provide yearly sexual violence education for all college athletes, coaches and athletics administrators under a policy announced Thursday by the organization's board of governors.

Campus leaders such as athletic directors, school presidents and Ti-

tle IX coordinators will be required to attest that athletes, coaches and administrators have been educated on sexual violence.

The policy was adopted from a recommendation made by the Commission to Combat Campus Sexual Violence, which was created by the board last year in response to several high-profile cas-

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BRENDA TRACY, rape survivor and activist

es involving sexual assaults and athletic departments, including the scandal at Baylor.

The policy also requires campus leaders to declare that athletic departments are knowledgeable and compliant with school policies on

sexual violence prevention, adjudication and resolution.

Brenda Tracy, a rape survivor and activist who speaks to college teams across the country about sexual violence, is a member of the commission. She has called for the

NCAA to ban athletes with a history of sexual violence. While this policy falls far short of that, Tracy said she was encouraged.

"It's not banning violent athletes, but it's a positive policy that's going to have a big impact on our campuses," Tracy said in a phone interview from Amherst, Mass., where she was spending the day speaking to the UMass football and basketball teams.

See POLICY, B3

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Buckeyes expecting another playoff

Veteran Barrett back for fifth season with something to prove

Associated Press

COLUMBUS

Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett is an oddity in modern college football, an elite player who stuck around for five years, a guy who helped win a national championship but still has something to prove.

The 22-year-old Texan is again in the driver's seat in an Urban Meyer offense that's been a revolving door for coordinators who haven't found the right formula to get Barrett back to the kind of consistent play that propelled the Buckeyes to the 2014 national championship.

Barrett, who is 26-4 as a starter and the only three-time captain in Ohio State history, said he's been working with new offensive coordinator Kevin Wilson on tempo, footwork, accuracy and other issues that led to breakdowns last season, particularly in the humiliating 31-0 loss to eventual national champion Clemson in the playoff semifinals.

"He wants to get better," Wilson said. "He's a very mature kid who's hungry and working hard. When your best players are veterans, they've played a lot and yet they're working harder, that is a great image as a coach."

Barrett is surrounded by talent.

Junior receiver Par- ris Campbell started nine games last year and will slide into the hybrid H-back slot that made a star out of Curtis Samuel last season. He is one of a half dozen likely candidates to emerge as the deep threat that was lacking last season.

Mike Weber, who rushed for 1,119 yards as a redshirt freshman, anchors the backfield. With a year under his belt, he could be electrifying.

Meyer calls the defensive line — led by senior ends Tyquan Lewis, Jalyn Holmes and Sam Hubbard — the team's strongest unit. Line-

See OHIO STATE, B3

SEASON OPENER

♦ **Aug. 31:** Ohio State vs. Indiana at Memorial Stadium in Bloomington, Ind. Kickoff at 8 p.m. TV/radio: ESPN; WNIO-AM 1390.

INSIDE ON B3

♦ Penn State's deep roster is ready for the national spotlight.

— NFL PRESEASON —

BROWNS RALLY



Cleveland Browns cornerback Joe Haden (23) tackles New Orleans Saints tight end Josh Hill (89) during the first half of Thursday's game in Cleveland.

Garrett dominates at times; Browns win on late Kizer TD

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Myles Garrett showed flashes of dominance in his NFL exhibition debut, and Cleveland rookie quarterback DeShone Kizer threw a late touchdown pass and the Browns beat New Orleans 20-14 on Thursday night while Saints stars Drew Brees and Adrian Peterson watched.

The No. 1 overall pick in this year's draft, Garrett had a tackle for loss and blazed off the edge to pressure Saints backup

BROWNS SAINTS 20 14

Next: Cleveland vs. New York Giants, Aug. 21, 8 p.m.

haven't solved their endless QB dilemma, but Garrett appears to be a long-term answer at defensive end.

Garrett vowed to "send a message" in his first preseason game as a pro, and he did just that in limited time. On one play, Garrett timed the snap perfectly

See BROWNS, B5



Cleveland Browns quarterback DeShone Kizer passes against the New Orleans Saints during the second half of Thursday's game in Cleveland.

MORE INSIDE ON B5

♦ A roundup of Thursday's other NFL preseason games and standings

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Late homer downs Indians

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

Corey Dickerson finally delivered a big hit for the Tampa Bay Rays with men on base.

Dickerson's broke out of an 0-for-21 slump with a three-run homer in the eighth inning that carried the Rays to a 4-1 win over the Cleveland Indians on Thursday night. Tampa Bay had scored only four runs in its previous five games.

"It's been a pretty tough couple of weeks for the whole team, not

just me," Dickerson said. "I was just trying not to miss my pitch and not to think too much. When you're struggling you tend to think too much and change stuff."

Dickerson's two-out blast off Nick Goody (1-2), his 22nd, came after Adeiny Hechavarria singled and Jesus Sucre was hit by a pitch.

Tommy Hunter (2-2) worked 1²/₃ scoreless innings in relief of Blake Snell to get the win. Alex Colome

See INDIANS, B3



Cleveland Indians shortstop Francisco Lindor, right, throws to first base to complete a double play after forcing out Tampa Bay Rays' Logan Morrison (7) during Thursday's game in St. Petersburg, Fla.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Kisner, Olesen survive greens

Nightmarish putting dominates opening round at Quail Hollow

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C.

Jordan Spieth began his quest for the career Grand Slam by not making a putt longer than 5 feet. What helped was that Quail Hollow punished just about everyone at some point Thursday in the PGA Championship.

Kevin Kisner and Thorbjorn Olesen of Denmark emerged as the top survivors on a course with some of the fastest, scariest putting surfaces the PGA Championship has ever seen. And both had to watch lengthy birdie putts creep into the cup on the 18th hole to share the lead at 4-under 67.

For all the talk about this 7,600-yard course favoring the big hitters, the shortest club in the bag turned out to be just as valuable.

"Any time you have a putt down grain, downhill ... we just tap it and hope it stops by the hole," Jon Rahm said after a 70.

Spieth is among the best putters in golf, especially from long range. On consecutive holes, he ran long putts some 10 feet by the cup and made bogey. He saved his round with two late birdies for a 1-over 72 and still was just five shots behind.

The 24-year-old Texan would become the sixth, and youngest, player to complete the Grand Slam if he were to win the PGA Championship.

U.S. Open champion Brooks Koepka led five play-

See GOLF, B3

INSIDE ON B2

♦ First-round scores from the PGA Championship at Quail Hollow.

SPORTS

digest

Area umps to work Pony World Series

WASHINGTON, PA.

Mahoning Valley umpires Jeff Vrabel, Sr., Dave Smolko, Ray Parker and Jeff DeChellis will work the 2017 Dicks Sporting Goods Pony League World Series in Washington, Pa. starting today. A team of Youngstown all-stars qualified for the tournament.

Scrappers clinch 10th series

ABERDEEN, MD.

Will Benson drove in two runs in the first inning to give the Mahoning Valley Scrappers the early lead. Mahoning Valley would add on three more runs late and rode the arms of Sam Hentges and Felix Tati to a 5-1 win over the Aberdeen Ironbirds. The win is the Scrappers tenth series win of the season.

With two outs and the bases loaded in the top of the first inning, Benson singled to right to drive home Nolan Jones and Oscar Gonzalez for the early 2-0 lead.

The scoring would halt for both sides until the top of the sixth inning. Simeon Lucas started the inning with a single. Austen Wade followed with a single as well. Then with one out, Jonathan Lau-reano singled to load the bases. Lucas would come in to score on a wild pitch with Mike Rivera bat-tling to push the lead to 3-0.

In the top of the seventh inning Ernie Clement started the inning with a double. The extra base hit extended Clement's hitting streak to 21 games. Jones fol-lowed and connected on his third homerun of the season. The two run blast pushed the Scrappers lead to 5-0.

In the bottom of the ninth in-ning, the Ironbirds would get their only run on an RBI single from Mason McCoy.

Vikings fan alleges excessive force

MINNEAPOLIS

A football fan who was arrest-ed during a Minnesota Vikings game says he's focusing on his excessive-force lawsuit against police after being cleared of crim-inal charges.

Anastacio Lopez was charged after allegedly trying to grab an officer's stun gun while being escorted from the stadium on Dec. 1. He was acquitted Wednes-day of attempting to disarm an officer.

Surveillance video obtained by St. Paul television station KSTP-TV shows two officers using their stun guns on Lopez and striking him with closed fists.

Lopez tells the station he was drinking at the game and doesn't remember much. His lawyer says the surveillance footage shows the officers' actions were exces-sive. Lopez's federal civil rights lawsuit also names the city as a defendant.

Team USA is No. 26 in FIFA rankings

ZURICH

The United States climbed nine spots to 26th in the FIFA rankings after winning the CONCACAF Gold Cup.

The U.S. had dropped 12 plac-es to 35th in the July rankings, one above the Americans' low in July and August 2012. Much of that drop was attributable to a devaluation of points from last year's Copa America.

Brazil regained the top spot Thursday after a one-month absence, replacing World Cup champion Germany.

High school football player dies during drill

FARMINGVILLE, N.Y.

A high school football player performing a drill used by the U.S. Navy SEALs for conditioning was killed Thursday when the log he and teammates were carry-ing fatally struck him in the head, police said.

Joshua Mileto, 16, was tak-ing part in a preseason exercise camp with the Sachem East High School football team when the accident occurred at the school on eastern Long Island, accord-ing to Suffolk County homicide detectives. No other injuries were reported. The team was partici-pating in an exercise camp before the official start of team training on Monday. The football season begins in September.

Carlin Schledorn, a Sachem East graduate who played foot-ball as a junior, said carrying the log, which is about 12 feet long and the diameter of a utility pole, was an exercise used for "team building."

Staff/wire report

SPORTS BY THE NUMBERS

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Source: Associated Press

TV & RADIO

TODAY

11 a.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Midwest regional semifinal.
11:30 a.m. (NBCSN) Auto racing: NASCAR Monster Energy practice.
12:30 p.m. (ESPN2) (TNN) Tennis: Rogers Cup quarterfinals.
1 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: New England regional semifinal.
1 p.m. (FS1) Truck racing: NASCAR Camping World practice.
1 p.m. (TNT) Golf: PGA Championship.
3 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Northwest regional semifinal.
3 p.m. (FS1) Truck racing: NASCAR Camping World practice.
3 p.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: Arsenal vs. Leicester City, Premier League.
5 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Great Lakes regional semifinal.
5 p.m. (FS1) Truck racing: NASCAR Camping World qualifying.
5:30 p.m. (TNN) Tennis: Rogers Cup.
6 p.m. (FS1) Golf: U.S. Women's Amateur.
6:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Tennis: Rogers Cup quarterfinals.
7 p.m. (27) (NFLN) (WNIO-AM 1390) NFL preseason: Steelers at Giants.
7 p.m. (ATT) (WLLF-FM 96.7) MLB: Pirates at Blue Jays.
7 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Mid-Atlantic regional semifinal.
7 p.m. (MLBN) MLB: Red Sox at Yankees.
7 p.m. (STO) (WKBN-AM 570) MLB: Indians at Rays.
7 p.m. (WBBW-AM 1240) Baseball: Staten Island Yankees at Scrappers.
9 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: West regional semifinal.
10 p.m. (NFLN) NFL preseason: 49ers at Chiefs.
10 p.m. (Sho) Boxing: "All Access: Mayweather-McGregor."

SATURDAY

7:25 a.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: Watford vs. Liverpool, Premier League.
9:55 a.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: Chelsea

vs. Burnley, Premier League.
11 a.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Midwest regional final.
11 a.m. (TNT) Golf: PGA Championship.
11:30 a.m. (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Mid-Atlantic vs. Mid-South.
12:30 p.m. (21) Soccer: Brighton vs. Manchester City, Premier League.
1 p.m. (ATT) (WLLF-FM 96.7) MLB: Pirates at Blue Jays.
1 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: New England regional final.
1 p.m. (ESPN2) (TNN) Women's tennis: Rogers Cup semifinals.
1 p.m. (FS1) Truck racing: NASCAR Camping World L1 Printing 200.
1 p.m. (Mav) Motocross.
2 p.m. (27) Golf: PGA Championship.
2:30 p.m. (TNN) Girls tennis: USTA National Championship semifinals.
3 p.m. (21) Track and field: World championships.
3:30 p.m. (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Northwest vs. Southeast.
3:30 p.m. (NBCSN) Auto rac-ing: NASCAR Xfinity Mid-Ohio Challenge.
4 p.m. (FS1) MLB: Red Sox at Yankees.
5 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Great Lakes regional final.
6 p.m. (STO) (WKBN-AM 570) MLB: Indians at Rays.
6 p.m. (ESPN2) (TNN) Women's tennis: Rogers Cup semifinals.
6:30 p.m. (NBCSN) Horse racing: Breeders' Cup Challenge Series.
7 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: Mid-Atlantic regional final.
7 p.m. (WBBW-AM 1240) Baseball: Staten Island Yankees at Scrappers.
7:30 p.m. (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Northwest vs. Central Plains.
8 p.m. (ESPN2) (TNN) Tennis: Rogers Cup semifinals.
8 p.m. (MLBN) MLB: Cubs at Diamondbacks or Giants at Nationals.
9 p.m. (ESPN) Little League base-ball: West regional final.
9 p.m. (NFLN) NFL preseason: Cowboys at Rams.
11 p.m. (ESPN2) Soccer: New York

City FC at Los Angeles, MLS.
11 p.m. (MLBN) MLB: Padres at Dodgers or Orioles at Athletics.

SUNDAY

8:25 a.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: New Castle United vs. Tottenham, Premier League.
10:55 a.m. (NBCSN) Soccer: Manchester United vs. West Ham, Premier League.
11 a.m. (TNT) Golf: PGA Championship.
Noon (21) Ironman Triathlon.
Noon (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Great Lakes vs. Western.
1 p.m. (27) Bull riding: PBR.
1 p.m. (ATT) (WLLF-FM 96.7) MLB: Pirates at Blue Jays.
1 p.m. (STO) (WKBN-AM 570) MLB: Indians at Rays.
1 p.m. (ESPN2) (TNN) Women's tennis: Rogers Cup final.
1:30 p.m. (NFLN) NFL preseason: Lions at Colts.
2 p.m. (27) Golf: PGA Championship.
2:30 p.m. (NBCSN) Track and field: IAAF World Championships.
3 p.m. (NBCSN) (WBBG-FM 106.1) Auto racing: NASCAR Monster Energy Cup Pure Michigan 400.
3:30 p.m. (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Mid-Atlantic vs. Northwest.
4 p.m. (ESPN) Soccer: FC Barcelona vs. Real Madrid, Spanish Super Cup.
4 p.m. (FS1) Golf: U.S. Women's Amateur.
4 p.m. (TNN) Tennis: USTA National Championship.
4 p.m. (WBBW-AM 1240) Baseball: Staten Island Yankees at Scrappers.
4:30 p.m. (21) Auto racing: Global RallyCross (recorded).
7:30 p.m. (ESPNu) American Legion World Series: Southeast vs. Mid-South.
8 p.m. (ESPN) MLB: Red Sox at Yankees.
8 p.m. (ESPN2) CFL: BC at Saskatchewan.
8 p.m. (MLBN) High school base-ball: Perfect Game All-American Classic.
8 p.m. (NFLN) NLF preseason: Seahawks at Chargers.

GOLF

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP			
Thursday			
At Quail Hollow Club Charlotte, N.C.			
Purse: TBA (\$10 million in 2016)			
Yardage: 7,600; Par: 71 (35-36)			
First Round			
Thorbjorn Olesen	33-34	—	67
Kevin Kisner	33-34	—	67
Grayson Murray	36-32	—	68
Gary Woodland	32-36	—	68
Brooks Koepka	32-36	—	68
Chris Stroud	35-33	—	68
D.A. Points	34-34	—	68
Tony Finau	36-35	—	69
Jim Herman	33-36	—	69
Patrick Reed	32-37	—	69
Paul Casey	35-34	—	69
Bud Cauley	34-35	—	69
Rickie Fowler	34-35	—	69
Brian Harman	37-35	—	72
Hideki Matsuyama	35-35	—	70
Xung Kang	36-34	—	70
Tommy Fleetwood	34-36	—	70
Louis Oosthuizen	37-33	—	70
Jason Day	33-37	—	70
Dustin Johnson	34-36	—	70
Graham DeLaet	37-35	—	72
Pat Perez	35-35	—	70
Jon Rahm	33-37	—	70
Jordan L Smith	36-34	—	70
Zach Johnson	35-36	—	71
Hideto Tanihara	35-36	—	71
Satoshi Kodaira	36-37	—	71
Adam Scott	35-36	—	71
Byeong Hun An	36-35	—	71
Matt Kuchar	35-36	—	71
Ryan Moore	34-37	—	71
Sean O'Hair	38-33	—	71
Chris Wood	36-37	—	72
Jordan Spieth	36-36	—	72
David Lingmerth	37-35	—	72
Scott Hend	34-38	—	72
Yuta Ikeda	35-37	—	72
Patrick Cantlay	36-36	—	72
Anirban Lahiri	34-38	—	72
Kevin Chappell	37-39	—	72
Rory McIlroy	34-38	—	72
Chez Reavie	36-36	—	72
Cody Gribble	33-39	—	72
Dylan Frittelli	35-38	—	73
Francesco Molinari	36-37	—	73
Justin Thomas	36-37	—	73
Danny Willett	38-35	—	73
Lee Westwood	38-35	—	73
Bernd Wiesberger	36-37	—	73
Scott Brown	36-37	—	73
K.T. Kim	37-36	—	73
James Hahn	35-38	—	73
Richard Sterne	38-35	—	73
Kelly Kraft	35-38	—	73
Soren Kjeldsen	36-37	—	73
Shawn Micheel	37-36	—	73
Daniel Berger	36-37	—	73
Graeme McDowell	37-36	—	73
Jettie Lee	37-36	—	73
Bryson DeChambeau	37-36	—	73
Hao Tong Li	36-37	—	73
Peter Uihlein	37-37	—	74
Shane Lowry	38-36	—	74
Alex Noren	36-38	—	74

MINOR LEAGUES

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O'Gonz lf	5	1	2	0	Copeland 2b	2	1	2	0			
Lucas 1b	4	1	1	0	McCooy dh	4	0	1	0			
Wade cf	4	2	0	0	Brzic c	3	0	0	0			
Renon rf	5	0	1	0	Nichting rf	4	0	0	0			
Leno 3b	4	0	1	0	Craport 3b	4	0	2	0			
Rivera c	4	0	0	0	Ripken 1b	4	0	0	0			
Perez ss	4	0	1	0	Ortega ss	3	0	0	0			
					Jarrett lf	3	0	1	0			
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STANDINGS												
SHORT SEASON A												

UPDATE

THURSDAY'S TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

MINNESOTA TWINS — Recalled LHP Dietrich Enns from Rochester (IL). Optioned 1B-DH Kennys Vargas to Rochester.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Placed OF Clint Frazier on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 9. Reinstated OF Aaron Hicks from the 10-day DL.

TEXAS RANGERS — Claimed RHP Jhan Marínez from Pittsburgh (NL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CINCINNATI REDS — Reinstated C Devin Mesoraco from the paternity list. Placed RHP Lisalverto Bonilla on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 7.

NEW YORK METS — Activated OF Juan Lagares from the 10-day DL.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

NEW SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Traded RHP Charlie Rosario to Winnipeg for RHP Dan Minor, cash considerations, and four players to be named.

KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Released RHP Chris Perry.

ATLANTIC LEAGUE

LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed OF Derrick Pyles. Activated RHP Tyler Wilson. Placed RHPs John Brownell and Henderson Alvarez on the inactive list.

CAN-AM LEAGUE

ROCKLAND BOLDBERS — Released RHP Alex Farina.

SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Released RHP Kevin Kelleher.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Released RHP Blaize Whitman.

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed RHP Trevor Bauer.

BASKETBALL

Women's National Basketball Association

SEATTLE STORM — Fired coach Jenny Boucek. Named Gary Kloppenburg interim coach for the remainder of the season.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Announced WR Jake Kumerow has cleared waivers and has been placed on the reserve/injured list.

Canadian Football League

CFL — Fined Edmonton WR Vidal Hazelton, BC LB Micah Awe and Saskatchewan LB Henoc Muamba, undisclosed amounts for their actions in last week's games. Fined Hamilton DB Keon Lyn an undisclosed amount for a tourist hit on Edmonton WR Brandon Zylstra during a July 20 game.

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Released DB Bruce Johnson.

HOCKEY

American Hockey League

GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS — Signed D Kevin Tansy to a one-year contract.

MILWAUKEE ADMIRALS — Signed RW Bobby Butler to a one-year contract.

ECHL

FLORIDA EVERBLADES — Agreed to terms with D Clark Seymour on a one-year contract.

Phil Mickelson made no birdies Thursday at Quail Hollow. That's just the second time that has hap-pened in 95 career rounds at the PGA Championship. The other time was in the third round at Sahalee in 1998.

INSIDE THE ROPES WITH ...

Jason Kokrak

Thursday: The Warren JFK graduate shot a 4-over par 75 in the first round of the PGA Championship at Quail Hollow. Kokrak had four birdies, but had four bogeys as the putting surfaces were swift and dangerous. Kokrak is eight shots behind co-leaders Thorbjorn Oleson and Kevin Kisner.

Today: Kokrak tees off at 7:35 a.m. on No. 1. His playing partners are Mike Small and Satoshi Kodaira.

TV: TNT coverage at 1 p.m.

Follow Kokrak: Online at www.vindy.com/kokrak.

Staff report						
Ian Poulter	35-39	—	74	Bubba Watson	36-41	— 77
Wesley Bryan	38-36	—	74	Rod Pampling	41-36	—
Robert Streb	37-37	—	74	Hudson Swofford	37-40	— 77
Charl Schwartzel	36-38	—	74	Greg Gregory	37-40	— 77
John Daly	30-48	—	74	Brian Smock	37-40	— 77
J.B. Holmes	36-38	—	74	Branden Grace	38-39	— 77
Henrik Stenson	36-38	—	74	Tyrrrell Hatton	39-38	— 77
Xander Schauffele	35-39	—	74	Martin Laird	37-40	— 77
Keegan Bradley	37-37	—	74	David McNabb	36-42	— 78
Brendan Steele	37-37	—	74	Charles Howell III	38-40	— 78
Omar Uresti	35-39	—	74	Andy Sullivan	37-40	— 78
Jason Dufner	40-34	—	74	Davis Love III	38-40	— 78
Jonas Blixt	37-37	—	74	Emiliano Grillo	38-40	— 78
Rafa Cabrera Bello	38-36	—	74	Mackenzie Hughes	38-40	— 78
Jamie Lovemark	37-37	—	74	Jhonatan Vegas	39-39	— 78
Vijay Singh	35-40	—	75	JJ Wood	37-41	— 78
Sergio Garcia	35-40	—	75	Rich Berberian, Jr.	38-41	— 79
Charley Hoffman	37-38	—	75	Thomas Pieters	37-42	— 79
Cameron Smith	35-40	—	75	Padraig Harrington	37-42	— 79
Nicolas Colsearts	38-37	—	75	Brandon Stone	40-39	— 79
Lucas Glover	39-36	—	75	Patrick Rodgers	38-41	— 79
Jason Kokrak	38-37	—	75	Thomas Bjorn	39-40	— 79
Russell Henley	36-39	—	75	Phil Mickelson	39-40	— 79
Marc Leishman	40-40	—	75	Adam Hadwin	40-39	— 79
Steve Stricker	38-37	—	75	Jamie Broce	40-39	— 79
Bill Haas	35-40	—	75	Alex Beach	39-40	— 79
Ross Fisher	36-39	—	75	Kevin Na	40-39	— 79
Alexander Levy	39-36	—	75	Fabrizio Zanotti	43-37	— 80
Ryan Fox	41-34	—	75	Young-Han Song	43-37	— 80
Luke List	37-39	—	75	Ernie Els	40-40	— 80
Daniel Summerhays	36-40	—	76	Mike Small	40-40	— 80
Kyle Stanley	39-37	—	76	Thongchai Jaidee	42-38	— 80
Kenny Pigman	40-36	—	76	Chris Kirk	38-42	— 81
Matt Dobyns	39-37	—	76	Adam Rainaud	40-41	— 81
Joost Luiten	35-41	—	76	Jimmy Walker	39-42	— 81
Luke Donald	37-39	—	76	Chris Moody	42-39	— 82
Webb Simpson	38-38	—	76	Rich Beem	40-42	— 82
Y.E. Yang	35-41	—	76	Ryan Vermeer	43-39	— 82
Billy Horschel	39-37	—	76	Rod Perry	39-43	— 82
Matthew Fitzpatrick	37-39	—	76	Paul Claxton	40-42	— 82
Danny Lee	37-39	—	76	Scott Hebert	40-43	— 83
Justin Rose	37-39	—	76	Stuart Denchere	42-43	— 83
Jim Furyk	37-39	—	76	David Muittitt	42-42	— 84
Pablo Larrazabal	38-39	—	77	Jaysen Hansen	41-43	— 84
Russell Knox	40-37	—	77	Andrew Johnston	39-39	WD
William McGirt	38-39	—	77	Si Woo Kim	40-39	WD

Penn State has depth

Nittany Lions return nine starters and a Heisman contender for 2017

Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, PA.

Two years ago, James Franklin urged Penn State fans to be patient. He and his players believed a plan was in motion.

That patience wore thin through back-to-back 7-6 seasons, but paid off last season. After shaking off a slow start, the Nittany Lions won nine straight games, including a come-from-behind victory in the Big Ten championship game that put them within reach of a playoff berth.

“Last year’s last year, and this year’s this year,” Franklin said. “We want to take all those experiences and maturity that we gained from last year and then continue growing and evolving.”

That’s been a theme since Franklin took over a program then reeling from NCAA sanctions and reduced scholarship numbers.

Back then, Franklin committed to playing handfuls of freshmen. Now, players who were vaunted recruits at the time have formed a core of grizzled veterans who are primed to take the next step.

But the Nittany Lions have more than just experience going for them.

Nine starters, including dynamic running back Saquon Barkley, return to an offense that was among the country’s most explosive down the stretch. Six defensive starters are back to take cues from rising defensive coordinator Brent Pry and juniors and sophomores return who all have logged meaningful time or swapped starts during Franklin’s tenure. Newly arriving freshmen are looking



AP FILE PHOTO, JAN. 2, 2017

Penn State Nittany Lions running back Saquon Barkley looks for room to run against the USC Trojans during the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif. Defending Big Ten champion Penn State returns a Heisman Trophy candidate at running back and a record-setting quarterback, and the Nittany Lions are regarded as one of the 10 best teams in the country.

to earn a job right away, giving this camp a much more competitive feel than last season.

That’s what Franklin wants.

“If you go into practice and you’re screwing up, making mistakes, guys are going to pass you,” linebacker Jason Cabinda said. “It’s no longer a point where you have the first team and then with the second team there’s a drop off and then the third team after that is a bigger drop off. We have guys on the second and third teams that the coaches feel really good about playing.”

BARKLEY’S WORLD

Everyone from coaches to teammates to Heisman Trophy prognosticators feel good about Barkley.

His 2,572 rushing yards and 30 total touchdowns over the past two years have

usually come via spectacular runs and he could turn similar numbers into the school’s second Heisman win. Running back John Cappelletti won it in 1973.

“It’s something that I can truly say, we’re not really thinking about with each play,” offensive tackle Andrew Nelson said. “The thing we do think about is the fact that if we can do our job every play, it’s not if or when he’s going to make a big play, it’s he will make a big play.”

TRACE’S SPACE

Quarterback Trace McSorley quickly emerged as a dangerous player last season, not only for an ability to extend plays or smart decision-making, but for his downfield throwing ability few teams were prepared for.

Expect more from Mc-



AP FILE PHOTO, JAN. 1, 2016

Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett throws against Notre Dame during the Fiesta Bowl in Glendale, Ariz. Barrett is Ohio State’s undisputed starter and leader of a young team that is re-loading after the departure of 16 starters.

mom, Cindy Mizelle, has been a backup singer for Bruce Springsteen, Mariah Carey, Barbra Streisand and

the Rolling Stones, among others. Her other son, Devin Fuller, is a wide receiver for the Atlanta Falcons.)

KEY GAMES

Sept. 9 vs. Oklahoma; Oct. 28 vs. Penn State; Nov. 25 at Michigan.

SEASON OPENER

It’s early this year, an away game against Big Ten foe Indiana on Aug. 31. The Buckeyes will then get another early test against Oklahoma in the home opener.

PREDICTION

Meyer said he thought last season’s team made it to the playoffs a year ahead of schedule. With Barrett running the offense and one of the best defenses in the nation, Ohio State expects nothing less than to be in the playoffs for the third time in four seasons. If they can get by Saquon Barkley and Penn State at the end of October, and Michigan in the Big House four weeks later, the Buckeyes could be 12-0 heading into the Big Ten championship game.

lot of hope,” she said.

In a statement, the NCAA said: “Any discussion of individual accountability beyond the criminal justice system must address the complexities and nuances of different federal and state laws so that it can be consistently applied across the NCAA.”

The new NCAA policy defers to schools to set their own sexual violence education practices, though in 2014 the association set expectations for its members with a resolution and made recommendations in a handbook on sexual assault.

“Schools do different things,” Tracy said. “The NCAA is now saying this isn’t just an option. This is now a policy and a requirement. And not only that but you need to attest to us every year what it is that you’re doing ... Some schools are doing a great job. Some schools are not doing a great job.”

GOLF

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ers at 68. Koepka missed a half-dozen putts from 12 feet or closer, and while it looked as though he hit the ball well enough to go low at Quail Hollow, he wasn’t the least bit frustrated.

“It’s going to test your patience one way or another,” Koepka said.

“That’s just a major. You’ve got to stay patient. You can’t make doubles out here. That’s the big thing. Make sure the worst score you make is a bogey and give yourself a couple of good chances on the easier holes.”

That’s the way Kisner approached it.

It helps that he grew up in the South and loves Bermuda greens. Given the size of Quail Hollow, Kisner drew up a simple plan. He identified four or five holes where he could make birdie, and he played for par everywhere else.

“I birdied them all today,” Kisner said. “Make a lot of pars, and get to a par 5 or one of those short par 4s, I can do my wedge game and get it to 10 or 12 feet. That’s my plan. Other than that, I’m playing for par.”

The 18th was not one of the birdie holes he had in mind, especially with his ball nestled in the Bermuda rough 205 yards from the pin. Kisner thought the grass was thin enough behind the ball to get a 5-iron on it, and from there it was a matter of judging how much it would bounce. It ran up to the green about 20 feet away, and he used that rhythmic putting stroke to trickle it into the cup.

Olesen picked up birdies on most of the same holes, and he finished with a 30-

foot birdie that also sounded like an accident.

“It was a little bit of a safe shot into the green,” he said. “That’s what can happen on this golf course. When you play safe into the greens, you give yourself very tricky putts, like the one I had — downhill, left-to-right. It was very, very fast. But it was just a very good roll. So it was nice to see that one drop.”

Rickie Fowler made plenty of birdies, and he needed them to offset his triple bogey on the sixth hole.

Rory McIlroy, the betting favorite coming into the week because of his two victories at Quail Hollow, was motoring along just fine when he birdied the 10th hole to reach 2 under, just two shots behind. One swing changed everything. He hooked his tee shot into the water on the reachable par-4 14th, had to drop in nasty rough and missed a short putt to make double bogey. He failed to birdie the par-5 15th and closed with three pars for a 72.

Hideki Matsuyama, Dustin Johnson and Jason Day were among those at 1-under 70.

Quail Hollow played to an average score of 74.7, making the PGA Championship look like the toughest test of the year in the majors.

The PGA Championship typically features good scoring because it’s held in August when water has to be kept on the greens to keep them from dying.

The club switched to Bermuda grass, and with the undulation on the greens, it became a beast to play. The 67s were the highest score to lead the opening round of the PGA Championship since Matt Kuchar shot 67 at Whistling Straits in 2010.



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Tampa Bay Rays’ Brad Miller, top, watches his throw to first base after forcing Cleveland Indians’ Edwin Encarnacion out at second base during the fourth inning of Thursday’s game in St. Petersburg, Fla. Carlos Santana was out at first.

INDIANS

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pitched the ninth for his 34th save in 39 opportunities.

Francisco Lindor opened the game with a double and scored on Jose Ramirez’s single. It was the only run for the AL Central-leading Indians off Snell, who gave up four hits and two walks in 6½ innings.

“When we had opportunities, which were few, you have to cash in, and we didn’t,” Indians manager Terry Francona said.

Snell (0-6, 4.69 ERA) made his 15th start, the most of any winless pitcher in the majors this season.

“We had a chance to win the game simply because of Blake Snell’s performance,” Rays manager Kevin Cash said. “He was outstanding. A couple walks here and there, but as far as commanding the baseball (and) making big pitches when he had to, it was a huge step in the right direction.”

Logan Morrison drove in Tampa Bay’s first run with a single in the fifth.

Cleveland starter Danny Salazar pitched 5½ innings, giving up one run on seven hits and four walks while striking out eight.

BRUCE’S DEBUT

The series opener in Tampa Bay was the first game in a Cleveland uniform for Jay Bruce, a three-time NL All-Star who was acquired in a trade with the New York Mets on Wednesday night.

Bruce made it to the stadium an hour before the first pitch. He entered as a pinch hitter in the seventh and popped up on the first pitch he saw.

“It was an opportunity for me to help out,” Bruce said, “but I didn’t get the job done tonight.”

TRAINER’S ROOM

Indians: 2B Jason Kipnis left the game with a tight right hamstring after leading off the second with a double. ... OF Lonnie Chisenhall (right calf strain) will run Saturday and might be taken off the disabled list as early as Sunday.

Rays: Cash said RHP Jake Odorizzi should be fine for his next start after taking a line drive off his right foot Wednesday against the Red Sox. Odorizzi left the game with a bruise. ... 1B Lucas Duda (bruised thumb) was back in the lineup at DH after being scratched Wednesday.

OHIO STATE

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backers are fast and experienced. A couple of five-star freshmen will almost certainly see some playing time in a defensive secondary depleted by players departing for the NFL.

“We didn’t like how we finished last season, but I feel like we’ve got the guys to redeem ourselves and go harder,” Holmes said. “We know what it takes.”

Some other things to watch as the season arrives:

PROTECTING J.T.

Meyer always says that the passing game starts with the offensive line, and the Buckeyes struggled last year to give Barrett enough time in the pocket. Barrett was often forced to run from defenders crashing in from the edges. Guard Michael Jordan was the first freshman to start on Ohio State’s offensive line in two decades.

Former Austintown Fitch star Billy Price, who has started every game in the

past three seasons, moves over to center to replace All-American Pat Elflein. The competition for Price’s right guard spot will be one of the most intense of fall camp.

WHO ARE THOSE DEFENSIVE BACKS?

The Ohio State defensive secondary has been an express pass to the NFL in recent years.

Cornerbacks Marshon Lattimore and Gareon Conley, and safety Malik Hooker went to the draft from last year’s team, leaving senior safety Damon Webb as the only returning starter. Corner Denzel Ward, who was heavy in the rotation last season (468 snaps), brings valuable experience and Damon Arnette has impressed in training camp.

Freshmen Jeffrey Okudah, Shaun Wade and Marcus Williamson are expected to see time at cornerback, along with junior-college transfer Kendall Sheffield. Erick Smith and Jordan Fuller will be in the rotation at safety. (Fun fact: Fuller’s

sports information director Trevor Parks were not returned Thursday night.

Tracy has promoted a petition urging Youngstown State to not allow Richmond to play.

“I think that playing sports and playing NCAA sports is a privilege. It is not a right,” Tracy said. “If we’re going to be placing student-athletes in that position of power and influence — to drive narrative, to drive conversation, to affect culture — then behavior matters. Right now, I feel like Youngstown is sending the message that violence against women, rape all of these things are OK. It doesn’t affect your ability to play sports.”

A move toward an NCAA policy on sexual violence was given momentum by numerous issues involving athletes and athletic departments in recent years. Perhaps the most high-profile example is Baylor, where an investigation found that al-

legations of sexual assault, some against football players, were mishandled by school leaders.

Two years ago, the Southeastern Conference barred schools from accepting transfers who had been dismissed from another school for serious misconduct, defined as sexual assault, domestic violence or other forms of sexual violence.

Indiana announced in April that it would no longer accept any prospective student-athlete who has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to a felony involving sexual violence. In July, the athletic director at the University of Illinois said the school was working on a similar policy.

Tracy said the NCAA has not ruled out implementing a policy like Indiana’s.

“The fact that’s still on the table, we’re still having discussions about that, we’re still going to keep working moving forward, gives me a

Bell's homer, Cole's arm power Pirates

Associated Press

DETROIT

A few words of advice from a Hall of Famer gave Josh Bell the inner belief that someday he would harness his power.

That time has arrived for the Pittsburgh Pirates rookie first baseman.

Bell hit his 20th homer and drove in three runs Thursday, leading the Pirates over the Detroit Tigers 7-5.

"Two years ago, we were having conversations about his power," Pirates manager Clint Hurdle said. "Where was it?"

It was around that time at the All-Star Futures Game that Bell got a chance to talk with Dave Winfield. The former slugger gave Bell some insight into why his potential had yet to blossom.

"It really started with Dave Winfield a couple of years

ago at the Futures Game," Bell said. "He said, average comes first and then the power will come."

Last season, Bell hit 14 homers at Triple-A Indianapolis and another three in a brief stint with the Pirates. This season, his 45 extra-base hits are the most by a Pittsburgh rookie since Andrew McCutchen hit 49 in 2009.

"It's definitely cool," Bell said. "It's not something I would have expected out of myself a couple of years ago."

Bell's first-inning sacrifice fly gave the Pirates the lead, and his two-run homer off Drew VerHagen (0-2) in the third put Pittsburgh ahead for good.

"It was a two-seamer that

ran back out over the plate, and he jumped on it," VerHagen said.

Gerrit Cole (10-8) allowed six hits and three earned runs in a season-high eight innings. He improved to 3-1 since the All-Star break and is 6-3 in his last 10 starts.

"It was his skillset, mindset and backbone," Hurdle said. "He stayed with his gameplan. He stayed with his program, even though they scratched some runs off him early."

Detroit has lost five of six.

"I thought we'd get to Cole early, the way it started out, but it was kind of the reverse," Tigers manager Brad Ausmus said. "Cole settled in, and they got to VerHagen."

Felipe Rivero got two outs for his 11th save.

Sean Rodriguez hit a solo home run and RBI single for



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Detroit Tigers' Justin Upton (8) beats the tag from Pittsburgh Pirates second baseman Sean Rodriguez to steal second base during the third inning of Thursday's game in Detroit.

the Pirates.

Detroit scored twice in the ninth on a double by Victor Martinez and an RBI groundout by James McCann.

Adam Frazier tripled and scored on Bell's sacrifice fly in the first. The Tigers took the lead in the bottom half on a two-run triple by Nick Castellanos. Rodriguez tied it with a single in the sec-

ond.

Bell hit a two-run homer in the third for a 4-2 lead. Mikie Mahtook had a solo homer in the bottom half.

Frazier's two-out, two-run double in the fourth finished VerHagen.

TRAINER'S ROOM

The Tigers were still debating whether to have LHP Daniel Norris, currently on the disabled list with a groin

injury, throw in a simulated game. "I don't know if that's been decided yet," Ausmus said. "I know he feels good. ... RHP Michael Fulmer (right elbow), who was put on the 10-day DL on Aug. 3 after feeling tingling in his fingers, is on pace to return to the rotation next week. "He'll toss today and probably throw a bullpen on Friday or Saturday," Ausmus said.

MLB STATISTICS

STANDINGS					
AMERICAN LEAGUE					
East Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Boston	65	49	.570	—	
New York	60	53	.531	4½	
Tampa Bay	59	57	.509	7	
Baltimore	56	58	.491	9	
Toronto	54	60	.474	11	
Central Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	60	52	.536	—	
Minnesota	57	56	.504	3½	
Kansas City	57	57	.500	4	
Detroit	52	62	.456	9	
Chicago	43	68	.387	16½	
West Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	71	42	.628	—	
Seattle	59	56	.513	13	
Los Angeles	57	58	.496	15	
Texas	54	59	.478	17	
Oakland	50	64	.439	21½	

Wednesday's Scores

Colorado 3, Cleveland 2, 12 innings

Texas 5, N.Y. Mets 1

Seattle 6, Oakland 3

L.A. Angels 5, Baltimore 1

N.Y. Yankees 11, Toronto 5

Boston 8, Tampa Bay 2

Detroit 10, Pittsburgh 0

Tampa Bay 4, Cleveland 1

St. Louis 8, Kansas City 6

Minnesota 4, Milwaukee 2

Houston at Chicago White Sox, late

Baltimore at Oakland, late

L.A. Angels at Seattle, late

Thursday's Scores

Pittsburgh 7, Detroit 5

Toronto 4, N.Y. Yankees 0

Tampa Bay 4, Cleveland 1

St. Louis 8, Kansas City 6

Minnesota 7, Milwaukee 2

Houston at Chicago White Sox, late

Baltimore at Oakland, late

L.A. Angels at Seattle, late

Today's Games

Boston (Rodriguez 4-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Garcia 5-8), 7:05 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Taillon 6-5) at Toronto (Stroman 10-5), 7:07 p.m.

Atlanta (Carrasco 10-5) at Tampa Bay (Faria 5-2), 7:10 p.m.

Minnesota (Gibson 6-9) at Detroit (Sanchez 3-2), 7:10 p.m.

Houston (Morton 9-4) at Texas (Hamel 6-1), 8:05 p.m.

Kansas City (Duffy 7-7) at Chicago White Sox (Lopez 0-0), 8:10 p.m.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	68	45	.602	—
Miami	53	60	.469	15
New York	51	61	.455	16½
Atlanta	51	61	.455	16½
Philadelphia	42	70	.375	25½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	59	54	.522	—
St. Louis	59	56	.513	1
Milwaukee	57	58	.504	2
Pittsburgh	47	58	.446	3
Cincinnati	48	67	.417	12
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	80	33	.708	—
Colorado	64	49	.570	15½
Arizona	46	69	.400	30
San Diego	50	64	.439	30½
San Francisco	46	70	.397	35½

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Minnesota 4, Milwaukee 0

St. Louis 8, Kansas City 5

L.A. Dodgers 3, Arizona 2

Thursday's Scores

Cincinnati 10, San Diego 3

Pittsburgh 7, Detroit 5

N.Y. Mets 10, Philadelphia 0

Washington 3, Miami 2

St. Louis 8, Kansas City 6

Minnesota 7, Milwaukee 2

L.A. Dodgers at Arizona, late

Today's Games

N.Y. Mets (Lugo 5-3) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 4-7), 7:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Stratton 0-2) at Washington (Jackson 2-2), 7:05 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Taillon 6-5) at Toronto (Stroman 10-5), 7:07 p.m.

Colorado (Gail 4-2) at Miami (Urena 10-5), 7:10 p.m.

Cincinnati (Bailey 3-6) at Milwaukee (Nelson 9-5), 8:10 p.m.

Atlanta (Foltynewicz 10-6) at St. Louis (Wainwright 11-5), 8:15 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Lackey 9-9) at Arizona (Walker 6-5), 9:40 p.m.

San Diego (Richard 5-12) at L.A. Dodgers (Hill 8-4), 10:10 p.m.

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San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 8:10 p.m.									
BOX SCORES									
AMERICAN LEAGUE									
RAYS 4, INDIANS 1									
Cleveland					Tampa Bay				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Lindor ss	4	1	1	0	Dckson lf	5	1	1	0
Kipnis 2b	2	0	1	0	Duda dh	3	1	0	0
Urshela 3b	2	0	0	0	Lngoria 3b	4	0	2	0
JrSm 3b	2	0	0	0	Mnion 4b	4	0	3	1
Enrcno dh	3	0	0	0	S2z Jr. rf	4	0	3	1
C.Sntna 1b	4	0	0	0	B.Miller 2b	2	0	0	0
Jcksn cf-rf	2	0	1	0	Hchvra ss	4	1	1	0
Guyer rf	2	0	0	0	M.Smith cf	4	0	2	0
Bruce ph	1	0	0	0	Sucre c	3	1	1	0
B.Zimmer cf	0	0	0	0					
Gomes c	3	0	0	0					
A.Almt lf	3	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	4	1	Totals	33	4	10	4
Cleveland					Tampa Bay				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Lindor ss	51-3	7	1	1	4	8			
Shaw	12-3	1	0	0	0	1			
Goody L,1-2	1	2	3	3	0	3			
Tampa Bay					Cleveland				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Snell	61-3	4	1	1	2	4			
Hunter W,2-2	12-3	0	0	0	0	3			
Colome S,34-39	1	0	0	0	1				

AROUND THE HORN | Thursday's other MLB games

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Blue Jays 4, Yankees 0

TORONTO

Marco Estrada and two relievers combined on a six-hitter, Jose Bautista hit a solo home run and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the New York Yankees.

Estrada (5-7) pitched seven innings to win for the first time in 13 starts. Ryan Tepera worked the eighth and Roberto Osuna finished.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Reds 10, Padres 3

CINCINNATI

Scooter Gennett hit a grand slam in the seventh inning, ending left-hander Brad Hand's long scoreless streak and rallying the Cincinnati Reds to a victory over the San Diego Padres. The Reds won three of four in the series. Gennett's third career grand slam made it 6-3, the first runs allowed by Hand since June 10. Eugenio Suarez homered two pitches later. Zack Cozart and Joey Votto added homers in the eighth, with Votto's solo shot extending his hitting streak to a season-high 15 games. Drew Storen (3-2) escaped a two-out threat in the seventh.

PHILADELPHIA

Mets 10, Phillies 0

New York's Jacob deGrom pitched brilliantly until leaving in the seventh inning due to a contusion on his right triceps after being hit on a line drive by Nick Williams, and the Mets homered four times in a rout of the Philadelphia Phillies.

DeGrom (13-5) gave up four hits in 6⅔ scoreless innings with nine strikeouts and no walks. Wilmer Flores finished a triple shy of the cycle. Neil Walker had four hits with a homer and Michael Conforto and Curtis Granderson also went deep as the Mets continued their power surge at Citizens Bank Park, where they have launched 51

WASHINGTON

Cardinals 8, Royals 6

ST. LOUIS

Dexter Fowler hit a grand slam and drove in a career-high five runs to lead the St. Louis Cardinals to victory over the Kansas City Royals. St. Louis tied a season-high with its sixth straight win. Kansas City has lost four in a row and six of seven.

MILWAUKEE

Twins 7, Brewers 2

MINNESOTA

Byron Buxton and Joe Mauer each had three singles and the Minnesota Twins beat the Milwaukee Brewers. The Twins, who have won five straight and are 7-3 in August, had 12 hits — 11 singles and a double. Rookie Alan Benesit (1-0) pitched 2⅓ innings of relief for his first major league win. Milwaukee starter Zach Davies (13-6) allowed seven runs, six earned, a career-high 11 hits and two walks while striking out three in 5⅓ innings. The right-hander struggled after allowing just three earned runs and 19 hits over 28⅓ innings his past four starts.

DETROIT

Pirates 7, Tigers 5

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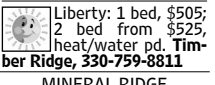
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♣10 4 2

SOUTH
♠A 7 2
♥Q 9 2
♦AK Q 4
♣J 9 7

The bidding:

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INT **Pass** **2♦-** **Pass**
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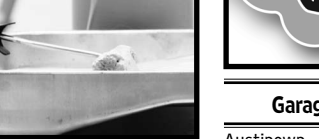
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ferred to start trumps by lead-
ing from the dummy toward their
queen. They crossed to dummy
with either a diamond ruff or a
spade to the king and led a low
heart to their queen, noting the
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Versace TV film will be respectful, says actor

- Today's entertainment picks:
- 1 Warren Italian Festival, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.:** The festival on Courthouse Square in downtown Warren will be in full swing with a bocce tournament from 5 to 11 p.m.; warren-italianfestival.com.
 - 2 Rockabilly Ruckus, noon to 8 p.m.:** A weekend-long car show, swap meet and dirt track racing event with live music and more (\$5), at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds, 899 Everett Hull Road, Cortland; therockabillyruckus.com.
 - 3 "9 to 5," 7:30 p.m.:** A solid stage adaptation (\$15, \$11 for seniors, \$9 for students) of the much-loved 1980 film starring Dolly Parton at Salem Community Theater, 490 E. State St., Salem; 330-332-9688.
 - 4 Mean Mary, 7 p.m.:** Banjo-playing lively bluegrass artist who wrote a song titled "I Found My Love at the Trumbull County Antique Tractor Show" comes to Greene Eagle Winery, 2576 Davis Peck Road, Cortland; 330-583-9463.
 - 5 "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory," 7:30 p.m.:** The Oakland Center for the Arts youth theater production (\$15, \$8 for students) continues at Trinity Fellowship Church, 4749 South Ave., Boardman; 330-406-0606.

BEST BETS ON TV

♦ **"BERING SEA GOLD" (9 P.M., DISCOVERY):** In the season premiere, the Alaskan gold-mining crews are back for the winter ice-mining season. This season, the miners will face even bigger challenges and more risks in hopes of hitting the motherlode under the ice – and not just more ice.

♦ **"SON OF SAM: THE KILLER SPEAKS" (10 P.M., CBS):** David Berkowitz terrorized New York City by killing six people and wounding seven others in seemingly random shootings from 1976 to 1977. Now, four decades after he was arrested, Berkowitz speaks out about what led him to kill, his life before he turned into a murderer and life in prison today. Using firsthand accounts from victims, this CBS News special relives the fear that paralyzed the city.

♦ **TV LISTINGS, C3**

ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Summerdance at Nelson Ledges

GARRETTSVILLE

Nelson Ledges Quarry Park will present the 10th annual Summerdance, an electronic dance music-themed Labor Day weekend festival. In addition to Friday, Saturday and Sunday night performances by headliner Lotus, Summerdance will feature Pigeons Playing Ping Pong, Broccoli Samurai, G-Nome Project, Grimace Federation, Luke the Knife, the Magic Beans, Stay At Home Dabs, SYLOCK, LaserTV and more.

Admission is \$130 (\$110 presale) for Friday through Monday, \$95 (\$80 presale) for Saturday through Monday, or \$65 (\$50 presale) for Sunday and Monday. There is no extra charge for camping. Presale tickets available at nlqp.com.

Columbiana band preview night

COLUMBIANA

The Columbiana Clipper Marching Band's preview night will take place Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the football field at Harvey S. Firestone Park. The Marching Pride will perform its pregame and half-time shows for the upcoming season, and demonstrate marching skills learned this summer, at this free event.

LYNN ELBER
AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES

Ricky Martin said he reassured Gianni Versace's longtime partner, Antonio D'Amico, that the pair will be treated respectfully in a TV drama about Versace's 1997 murder.

"I'll make sure people fall in love with your relationship with Gianni," Martin, who plays D'Amico in FX's "The Assassination of Gianni Versace: American Crime Story," recounted telling him.

Martin said he spoke by phone Wednesday to D'Amico after he had publicly criticized the series for what he called inaccuracies.

It's in production and set to air in January.

Executive producer Ryan Murphy, taking part in a panel discussion Wednesday, said D'Amico may have been judging the project based on a paparazzi photo snapped during filming outside Versace's Miami Beach mansion. It's where the famed fashion designer was shot by serial killer Andrew Cunanan.

But Murphy said the series is a drama and not a documentary, adding, "you have



Martin

to be respectful but make it your own." It's part of his "American Crime Story" anthology that began with the Emmy-winning "The People v. O.J. Simpson."

The reference to "assassination" in the title is deliberate, Murphy said.

The word has a political overtone that indicates killing to make a point, "and that's exactly what Andrew Cunanan did," he said of the man believed to have killed at least four others before Versace. Cunanan committed suicide about a week later as police tracked him.

Cunanan was targeting gay men, and Versace was among the rare celebrities who dared to be open about

"I'LL MAKE SURE PEOPLE FALL IN LOVE WITH YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GIANNI."

RICKY MARTIN, plays D'Amico in FX's "The Assassination of Gianni Versace: American Crime Story"

their sexuality at a repressive time, Murphy said. That motivation and law enforcement's failure to stop the murders, which Murphy blamed on homophobia, were chief reasons he decided to make the series.

"Versace was the last victim, and he didn't have to die," he said.

Venezuelan actor Edgar Ramirez ("The Girl on the Train") plays Versace, with Darren Criss ("Glee") as Cunanan and Penelope Cruz as Versace's sister, Donatella.

Murphy said the series honors the loss of all Cunanan's victims who were taken too soon. But Versace was a genius whose potential to disrupt society was lost, he said.

"We're in a world that Gianni Versace created," Ramirez said, one that combined sexiness, glamour and opulence in unparalleled ways.

'Glass Castle' shows parenting flaws, family loyalty



Brie Larson stars in "The Glass Castle."

LIONSGATE

Love shines through

By MARK KENNEDY
AP Entertainment Writer

Any parents of young children – or anyone thinking of hearing the pitter-patter of little feet – are urged to go to their local movie theater and see "The Glass Castle." Not as a how-to guide, mind you. No, that might actually get you thrown in jail.

They should go see it instead as a much-needed reminder that you can mess up spectacularly with your kids and still manage to have them adore you. "The Glass Castle" is steeped in crazy love, but love nonetheless.

Based on Jeannette Walls' 2005 best-selling memoir, the film is both a tribute to parenting and a confessional of its absence. Like the book, it looks back without pity or sentiment. Unlike the book, it's got Woody Harrelson and Brie Larson, acting spectacularly.

Walls created a sensation when she wrote about her destitute and nomadic youth, a childhood of hunger and privation at the hands of a pair of idiosyncratic parents who shunned schools, authority, capitalism and regular bill payments.

Hers was a childhood where she suddenly moved in the middle of the night, badly burned herself while unsupervised at the stove, had to eat butter and sugar as a meal, endured rages from her alcoholic dad and lived in homes without plumbing or electricity.

She was left in the house of an abuser to fend for herself and "learned" to swim when her father repeatedly tossed her underwater so she'd no longer cling to the side of the pool. Struggle, she was taught,

gives life beauty. Adventure was more important than comfort.

"You learn from living," her father says after steering the family's broken-down station wagon into the unforgiving desert for a night under the stars. "Everything else is a damn lie."

The film is directed by Destin Daniel Cretton, who co-wrote the screenplay with Andrew Lanham and reunites with Larson, who starred in his indie "Short Term 12." It's a mature, empathetic work of filmmaking from a young artist even if such a quirky story has a few too many grand Hollywood flourishes, as when our heroine – high heels in hand – abruptly leaves a fancy dinner to sprint to her father's bedside amid a soaring soundtrack.

Larson plays the adult Jeanette Walls who seems to have blocked out much of her hardscrabble youth as a rising magazine writer in New York City. The movie opens like the book, with the author in a taxi in 1989 happening to spy her parents Dumpster-diving on a street in the East Village.

A series of flashbacks reveal the unique way the Walls' four children were raised. They have an artistic, bohemian mother (an understated Naomi Watts as Rose Mary Walls) and a fiery, charismatic dad (Harrelson as Rex Walls) who promises to build a fantastic glass castle for the family to live in one day. Their father is brilliant and dashing but undependable. He offers them their own stars in the heavens for Christmas, but takes their last few dollars to get drunk. Warts and all are shown – yet very little blame.

'THE GLASS CASTLE'

- ♦ **Grade:** 3 stars (out of 4)
- ♦ **Credits:** Directed by Destin Daniel Cretton; cast includes Brie Larson and Woody Harrelson
- ♦ **Rating:** PG-13
- ♦ **Running time:** 2:07

The exact moment when dad goes from offbeat quirky to dangerous is never clear, but Harrelson's descent into a moody, angry, lying Walls – but one always loving – is riveting. A man who once promised thrilling freedom for his kids becomes their warden, refusing to let them leave for better lives. (The younger Jeanettes are played with real skill by Ella Anderson and Chandler Head).

Jeannette Walls' story is clearly lovingly protected by the filmmakers, from the stiff shoulder pads of the 1980s to the developing darkness of the film. There's astonishing detail rendered, down to the use of real Rose Mary Walls' paintings on the walls and the long-gone "Please Do Not Slam the Door" stickers on yellow cab windows.

In the face of a horrific childhood, the Walls kids are fiercely protective of each other, as expected. What's not as expected is that they still love their parents, too. Frustratingly, it's not clear if they became happy adults because of their upbringing or despite of it, but that almost seems beside the point. The messages here are that kids are more resilient than we think, that your parents aren't as crazy as you think, and that love always, always, wins.

Jewish film fest presents lineup

Staff report

YOUNGSTOWN

The Youngstown Area Jewish Film Festival has scheduled several films through Sept. 10.

Up next is "To Life!," an uplifting drama-romance about the bond between an aging cabaret singer who is a Holocaust survivor and a young German man. The 2015 German film will be screened at 7 p.m. Aug. 20 at Encore Cinema in Niles.

All films are \$10 at the door (\$7 in advance at jccyoungstown.org/yajff or by calling 330-746-3250, ext. 195; and \$5 for students).

The rest of the schedule is as follows:

- ♦ **"The Pickle Recipe"** (U.S.A., 2016), at 7 p.m. Aug. 23 at Encore Cinema: A family comedy about a cash-strapped party emcee and his conniving uncle, who scheme to steal a secret family recipe.
- ♦ **"Rosenwald"** (U.S.A., 2015), at 4 p.m. Aug. 27 at Movies 8, Boardman: A documentary about little-known philanthropist Julius Rosenwald, who overcame humble origins to become the top executive at Sears and Roebuck, and helped build more than 5,000 schools to help impoverished people in the South.
- ♦ **"Rock in the Red Zone"** (U.S.A./Israel, 2014), at 7 p.m. Aug. 31 at Encore Cinema: A documentary about the war-weary city of Sderot, which has managed to become an epicenter of music.
- ♦ **"Once in a Lifetime"** (France, 2014), at 7 p.m. Sept. 7 at Movies 8, Boardman: A teacher at a French high school taps lessons of the Holocaust in an effort to motivate her troubled students.
- ♦ **"In Search of Israeli Cuisine"** (U.S.A., 2013), at 7 p.m. Sept. 10 at DeYor Performing Arts Center, Youngstown: A celebrity chef travels across Israel and paints a portrait of the Israeli people through the language of food. An Israeli dinner by Jeff Chrystal Catering will precede the film at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$27 (includes film).

'Rudolph' holiday musical at Powers

Staff report

YOUNGSTOWN

The touring stage show "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical" will come to Powers Auditorium on Nov. 30 for a 7 p.m. performance.

Tickets are on sale at youngstownsymphony.com, by phone at 330-744-0264 and at the DeYor Performing Arts Center box office, 260 W. Federal St.

The show is based on the 1964 stop-motion anima-

tion holiday television special that airs every year, and features the same cast of iconic characters, including Hermey the Elf, Yukon Cornelius and the Abominable Snow Monster, who help Santa save Christmas.

The characters, including the 12-foot-tall snow monster, are brought to the stage against a backdrop of nostalgic set designs.

"It's a wonderful new way to experience this family tradition," said producing part-

ner Jonathan Flom. "This show entertains and, at the same time, helps spread the important message that we should celebrate our differences."

The story tells of a young Rudolph who, because of his bright, shining nose, is excluded from the Reindeer Games. He makes new friends at the Island of Misfit Toys, and then journeys home, where a snowstorm is threatening Christmas.

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Dear Annie

Debate deals with doing dishes

Dear Annie: This is a constant debate in my house, and I am sure it is in others. I would like to know your opinion on this.

I say that if you clean dishes under running hot water (with soap, of course), you can get them cleaner. My son believes the best method is to fill the whole sink with soapy water first and then wash all the dishes in the same water. I personally think this wastes time, because in the time it takes to wait for the sink to fill, I could have half the dishes done if I were to clean them my way. Also, I think his way is unsanitary; even though you are using hot water and soap, the water still collects residue and germs from what was on the plates previously. So I find filling the sink not only a waste of time but also unsanitary. What is your opinion? Fill the sink or clean the dishes under running fresh hot water?

WASHING WELL

Dear Washing Well: As much as I hate to be wishy-washy, I have to say it depends. Filling up the sink, as your son does, is more environmentally friendly because it uses a lot less water. So if you're concerned with saving the planet or reducing your water bill, that's the optimal method. Personally, I prefer using running water, for the reasons you mentioned. It's faster, and it just feels cleaner.

Dear Annie: Your advice to “Motherless in the Midwest,” whose mother has inexplicably always been cruel to her, was spot on. I really liked your line, “Your head must be a friend to your heart.” Having been raised by an unloving, toxic mother, I can also offer a line: “Live with no regrets.”

I was in my 40s (I'm now 64) before I finally realized that there was nothing I could do to change this unhappy woman, so I had to change how I let her get to me and had to keep a loving distance, for my sake and my family's. (I often neglected my family members over her needs and wants.) After my loving father died, I continued to check on her and address any needs she had that I could help with from a distance. I knew that if I repaid ugly with ugly, I would regret it. That's just not me, and it's just not right.

I realized I had to love my mom even though her behaviors made it impossible to like her. When she passed away, I had a most unexpected reaction: relief! How sad is that? People say I am a kind, loving and caring person. I still miss my sweet dad, but to this day, I do not miss her. On Mother's Day, when social media are blowing up with emotion, I still can't work up an “I miss her.” I know she had issues, and I did love her. I joke with my sister that I hope I can count on heaven's having “many mansions” – with mine being in a different neighborhood than our mother's.

RELIEVED IN THE SOUTH

Dear Relieved: Life is too short to live with regrets. Kudos on your positive attitude, and thanks for sharing.

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 90254.

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CLUB CALENDAR

ASSOCIATIONS

◆ **Mahoning Valley Real Estate Investors Association** will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Boardman Park. Larry Goins will speak on how to take a rundown, \$5,000 home and earn more money than a typical investor will. Admission is free for first-time guests with a meal option for \$7. Reservations are not necessary but are appreciated. Visit Mahoning Valley REIA on Facebook to make reservations.

◆ **Campbell Memorial High School Class of 1963** will meet at noon Wednesday at Cassese's MVR, 410 N. Walnut St., Youngstown. All classmates, spouses and guests are welcome. The group meets the third Wednesday of each month.

◆ **Rayen High School Class of 1962** will celebrate its 55th class reunion Sept. 2. Call 330-758-5207 or 330-502-5214 for information and reservations. All classmates are invited.

◆ **Struthers High School Class of 1954** will meet for breakfast at 10 a.m. Saturday at Denny's in Boardman. Classmates and guests are welcome. No reservations are needed. Come meet and greet old friends.

◆ **Woodrow Wilson High School Class of 1953** will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 21 at Johnny's Restaurant, Market Street, Boardman. Plans for the annual picnic that will take place in September will be discussed. Classmates, spouses and guests are welcome. For information, call Betty at 330-743-8235.

◆ **Woodrow Wilson High School Class of 1965** will celebrate its 70th birthday with a barbecue that will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Youngstown Shrine Club pavilion, 1735 W. South Range Road, North Lima. Guests are welcome.

CLUBS

◆ **Moose Club** is looking for former and prospective members in the Youngstown and Niles area to begin meetings. Any first responders, volunteers or military personnel are welcome, and the \$60 membership fee will be waived. For information, call Randy at 330-989-5149 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

◆ **Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club** will have its August monthly meeting on Tuesday at Davidson's Restaurant, 3636 Canfield Road in Cornersburg. Dinner will start at 6 p.m. with the meeting following at 7. The topic for discussion will be the club's third year of participation providing voluntary communication services to event organizers and first responders at the annual 2017 Panerathon to benefit the Joanie Abdu Breast Care Center at St. Elizabeth's Hospital to be held Aug. 27. All licensed amateur radio operators are welcome along with any individuals interested in learning more about the hobby. For information, call Bob Mitzel at 575-910-1456 or n8rcm@wrarc.net.

GUILDS

◆ **Niles Chapter of the American Sewing Guild** has scheduled the following neighborhood group meetings: **Austintown Stitch and Share** meet at Humility House, 755 Ohltown Road at 10 a.m. Thursday. Bonnie will demonstrate folded pinwheels. For information, call Bonnie at 330-402-5382; **Evening Cut Ups** meet at Grace Church of the Nazarene, 5253 W. Webb Road, Austintown, at 7 p.m. Monday. There will be a report from ASG conference. For information, call Kim at 330-545-6520; **Fancy Cutters** meet at Lake Vista, 303 N. Mecca St. (Rt. 46), Cortland, at 10 a.m. Monday. Ramona will demonstrate a project with beads. For information, call Virginia at 330-847-7549; **Howland Happy Stitchers** will meet at Living Lord Lutheran Church, 851 Niles-Cortland Road (Rt. 46), Howland, at 10 a.m.



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Junior Fair Board promotes fair at parade

The Mahoning County Junior Fair Board promoted the Canfield Junior Fair with a float in the Canfield Fourth of July Parade. The senior fair board furnished the truck and people-mover for the group.

Tuesday. On the agenda will be a philanthropic project of comfort caps. For information, call Carol at 330-856-4827; and **Sewphisticates** will meet at Shepherd of the Valley, 4100 N. River Road NE, Warren, at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The program will be on FitNice neckline variations. For information, call Diane at 234-855-7610.

POLITICAL CLUBS

◆ **Trumbull County Republican Party** will meet for its monthly breakfast at 9 a.m. Aug. 19 at the TopNotch Diner, 628 High St., Cortland. Guest speaker will be Sarah Fowler, a state board of education member who will speak about the repeal of Common Core. All participants order and pay for a breakfast from the menu. All like-minded people are welcome.

RELIGIOUS GROUPS

◆ **St. Rose Quilting Group** will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the parish house.

SERVICE CLUBS

◆ **The Girard-Liberty** Kiwanis will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at The Golf Dome, 1300 N. State St., Girard.

◆ **P.E.O. Ohio Chapter CE** will have its regular meeting at noon Wednesday at A La Cart Catering, 429 Lisbon Street. The program is “Travels in China” with presenters Marilyn and Terry Samuels. Hostesses will be Johanna Nuzzo and Karen Dennison.

SINGLES

◆ **D.A.R.E.** has scheduled the following activities: 7:30 p.m. **Saturday**, bowling at Boardman Lanes; 6 p.m. **Tuesday**, Bocce in Boardman Park; 6:30 p.m. **Wednesday**, music at Morley Pavilion, McClurg Road; 7:30 p.m. **Thursday**, small talk night at the church; and 6 to 10 p.m. **Friday**, card night at Denny's on state Route 224 in Boardman.

SOCIETIES

◆ **Poland Historical Society** will have its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Little Red Schoolhouse, 4515 Center Road, (Rt. 224) at the Struthers Road intersection. There will not be a program following this meeting. Special interest programs following meetings will resume in September with a presentation about the “History of Poland Churches”.

◆ **William Holmes McGuffey Historical Society** will meet at 10 a.m. Aug. 19 at Kravitz's Deli, 3135 Belmont Ave. Special guest, Senator Harry Meshel, retired Ohio congressman and former head of the Ohio Democratic Party, will retell growing up on Youngstown's East Side and the heyday of the Mahoning Valley.

◆ **The World War II Heritage Society** will meet at 6:15 p.m. Aug. 21 at A La Cart Catering, 429 Lisbon St., Canfield. A buffet dinner precedes the speaker at a cost of \$14. Carl Will, a local veteran, will be the speaker. Reservations must be made with David Frank at 330-757-0515.

SUPPORT GROUPS

◆ **Alzheimer Network Family**

Support Groups will meet as follows: noon **Saturday** at Sunrise Senior Living, 335 W. McKinley Way, Poland, call 330-707-1313 for reservations; 7 p.m., **Tuesday** at Girard Free Library, 105 E. Prospect St.; 10 a.m. **Friday** at Canfield Christian Church, 123 S. Broad Street, Canfield. Family members and caregivers are welcome. All meetings are offered at no charge. For information, call 330-788-9755.

◆ **Caregiver Support Group** will meet Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Yellow Brick Place, 2959 Canfield Road, Suite 10.

◆ **Codependency and Grief Support Group** will meet Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Chapel of Sheepfold Ministries, 233 North Ave. Sharon, Pa. A meeting also will take place at 7 p.m. at the care center of the Kelley-Robb-Cummins Funeral Home, North Main Street, Hubbard. Group sessions are free, but participants must register to participate. Free parking is available across from Sheepfold and at the care center. For information, call 330-534-1952 or 724-981-5683. The support group was formed to reach out to help families who have lost loved ones to alcohol or substance abuse.

◆ **Friendship Train 12-Step Support Group** meets from 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays at Rising Star Baptist Church, 2943 Wardle Ave. People who are trying to overcome any addiction are welcome and encouraged to attend. Those attending should enter through the church's lower parking lot off Wardle.

◆ **Kick Butt Colorectal Cancer Support Group** will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Yellow Brick Place, 2959 Canfield Road, Suite 10.

◆ **NAMI Mahoning Valley** offers support groups for those who deal with mental illness. Support groups meet as follows: **Girard Family Support**, first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Girard Library, 105 E. Prospect St., and **Austintown Family Support Group**, 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Alta Care, 142 Javit Court. **NAMI Connection**, a support group for people with a mental health diagnosis meets at the following locations: 1:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Community Center, 1344 Fifth Ave., Youngstown; 6 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays at Alta Care in Austintown; and **NAMI Connection for the dual diagnosed** at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Community Center, 1344 Fifth Ave., Youngstown. Visit namimv.org, call 330-727-9268, or e-mail staff@namimv.org for information.

◆ **Nar-Anon**, a 12-step program for relatives and friends affected by a loved one's addiction to drugs, meets at 7 p.m. every **Friday** at Howland Community Church, 198 Niles-Cortland Road SE, Howland, and at 7 p.m. every **Sunday** upstairs at the Sahara Club, 2345 Youngstown Road SE, (Route 422) Warren. For information, call Bill at 330-856-

3822.

◆ **Never Alone Nar-Anon Group**, a 12-step program for family, relatives and friends affected by a loved one's addiction to drugs, meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. upstairs at the Neil Kennedy Recovery Clinic, 5211 Mahoning Ave., Austintown. For information, call Cindy at 330-207-0845.

◆ **Overeaters Anonymous Groups** have scheduled the following local meetings: 10 a.m. **Saturday**, St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall, Room 2, 4453 Warren-Sharon Road, Vienna; 7 p.m. **Sunday**, Shenango Presbyterian Church, 3144 Wilmington Road (Route 18), New Castle, Pa.; 1 p.m. **Monday**, Girard Multigenerational Center, 443 Trumbull Ave., Girard; 6 p.m. **Tuesday**, Oxford house, 30 Benton Road, Salem; 7:30 p.m. **Wednesday**, Valley Care-Northside Medical Center, Medical Education Building, Auditorium A, 500 Gypsy Lane, Youngstown; and 7:30 p.m. **Thursday**, at New Life Lutheran Church, 1181 Churchill-Hubbard Road, Liberty. All locations are handicap accessible. For information, visit www.aa.org, or call Mahoning-Trumbull Counties Help Hotline at 330-747-2696, Columbiana County Help Hotline at 330-424-7767 or Lawrence County Help Hotline at 724-674-3697.

◆ **Survivors of Suicide in Columbiana County** will meet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at Columbiana Counseling Center, 40722 state Route 154, Lisbon. This support group is for families who have lost a loved one to suicide. For information, call the Help Network of Northeast Ohio at 330-424-7767.

◆ **Survivors of Suicide in Mahoning County** will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday at Disciples Christian Church, 565 Boardman-Canfield Road, Boardman. This support group is for families who have lost a loved one to suicide. For information, call the Help Network of Northeast Ohio at 330-747-2696.

◆ **TOPS 327** is seeking new members who want to Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Meeting will take place Monday at Christ Church Presbyterian, 1933 Canfield Road, Boardman. Weigh-in is from 6 to 6:30 p.m. with the meeting at 6:45. The first meeting is free. Guests are welcome. For information, call 330-799-3106.

◆ **TOPS 1237**, Austintown, will meet Thursday at Idaho Road Alliance Church, 250 Idaho Road. Weigh-in is from 5 to 5:30 p.m., followed by the meeting until 6:30. For information, call 330-758-4923.

◆ **TOPS 1497**, Youngstown, will meet from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Maron Church, 1555 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown. New members are welcome; the first meeting is free. For information call 330-974-8450.

Club news is published Friday. Please submit information about upcoming activities to the Society Department by noon Wednesday.



Heloise

Reader likes sweet smell of samples

Dear Heloise: When I travel, I like to pack those perfume samples that come in magazines. That way, I don't have to worry about my perfume bottles breaking or leaking, and I get to try different perfumes.

JAMA C.,
North Port, Fla.

Jama, I assume you rub the perfume side on your skin, which is a very clever idea. I use those same samples to keep my suitcases smelling nice.

Heloise

Dear Heloise: I just read your column in *The* (Colorado Springs, Colo.) *Gazette*, and like so many of your readers, I like to garden and get my hands in the dirt, but hate paying the price with my hands. The best solution I've found is to buy a box of (100) medical exam gloves at a pharmacy. They're sturdy, feel comfortable and are waterproof. They're also cheap enough to throw away, even if you use several pairs a day. Happy gardening!

NANCY M.,
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Nancy, that's a great idea!

Heloise

Dear Heloise: Both of our daughters got married in December, and before they stored their gowns, I snipped a bit of tulle from under their dresses and two flowers from their bouquets. I also took a small flower from the groom's boutonniere. I used material from the little birdseed bags and ribbons from the wedding. I bought two silk Christmas ornaments for each couple in the color of their wedding. I decorated the ornaments with these items and presented them to the two couples at Christmas so they could have a special memory of their wedding on their trees for years to come.

DONNA M. IN NEBRASKA

Dear Heloise: When we buy marshmallows, we put them in a 1-gallon sealable bag with a couple of heaping tablespoons of powdered sugar, and shake well. Keeps just fine, and the marshmallows don't get sticky or clump together. I read your column in the *Springfield* (Ohio) *News-Sun*.

KEN R., via email

Dear Heloise: I just exposed myself to concentrated filth! How? By once more having to empty my vacuum cleaner. Why hasn't someone come up with a “green vacuum” by now?

FRANCES M.,
Fayetteville, Ark.

Frances, they have. There are bagless vacuums now. Just remove the dust-collecting cylinder, take it out to the trash can and empty it into the trash. There also are robotic cleaners. Both work well to make that chore easier and cleaner.

Heloise

Dear Heloise: Here's a way to repurpose old place mats: Line the refrigerator shelves with them and launder when needed.

DARLENE R. IN WASHINGTON

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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SOCIETY digest

Historical Society offers August activities

SALEM

Salem Historical Society, 239 South Lundy, will be open from 9 a.m. to noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during August. Tours are given by appointment. Call 330-337-8514. At the Schell Museum, 208 S. Broadway, the Salem Historical Society features the “Sunday Go To Meeting” tour on Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. during August. The last tour begins at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Tours begin at the rear

door of the Pearce House in the old meeting room on Shaffer Way. The Garden Gift and Book Shop are also open on Sundays.

The “Sunday Go To Meeting” tour is also offered during the evening from 6 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 15. The last tour begins at 8:30 p.m.

Tony Armeni featured at outdoor gallery

YOUNGSTOWN

Fellows Riverside Gardens, 123 McKinley Ave., is currently featuring the organic steel artwork of artist Tony Armeni in the outdoor gallery. Armeni, a native Ohioan and teacher at Youngstown State University, has returned to the Gardens to showcase his work. Armeni breathes life into cold,

hard material to celebrate life figures, flowers, and celestial spheres. These dynamic structures stand tall, firmly planted, yet light on their feet.

This free exhibit is being displayed now through October, 2017. A Meet-the-Artist session is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday in the outdoor gallery. This is an opportunity to meet and visit with Armeni and learn about the techniques employed in his work. For more information, visit or call Fellows Riverside Gardens at 330-740-7116.

Knights of Columbus will sponsor golf outing

LAKE MILTON

The President Charity Foundation of the Knights of Columbus is

sponsoring a golf outing at Olde Dutch Mill Golf Course in Lake Milton on Sunday for the benefit of Akron Children's Hospital, Mahoning Valley.

Registration for the four-person scramble is from 7 to 7:45 a.m. for an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

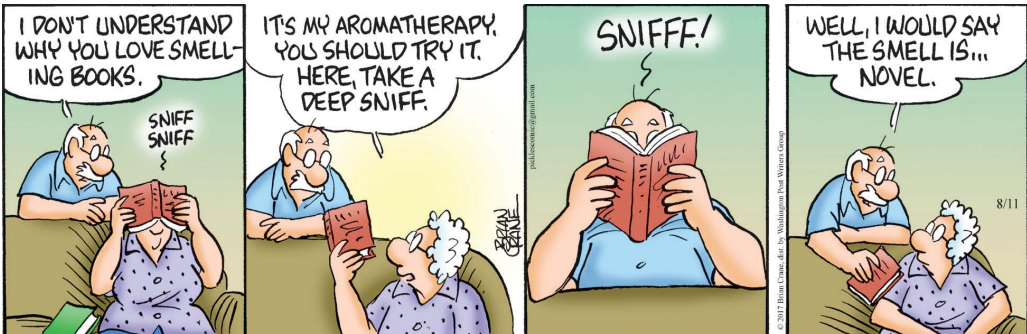
The cost is \$75 per golfer, which includes a cart, beverages, breakfast, lunch and dinner.

For tickets or more information contact: John DiPinto, member St. Rose, 330-718-2509; Joe Mackos, member St. Christine's, 330-792-7745 or 330-506-1303; Mike Jordon, member Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica-St. Anthony at 330-540-7317; and Jim Rose, member St. Patrick, Hubbard at 330-501-4388.

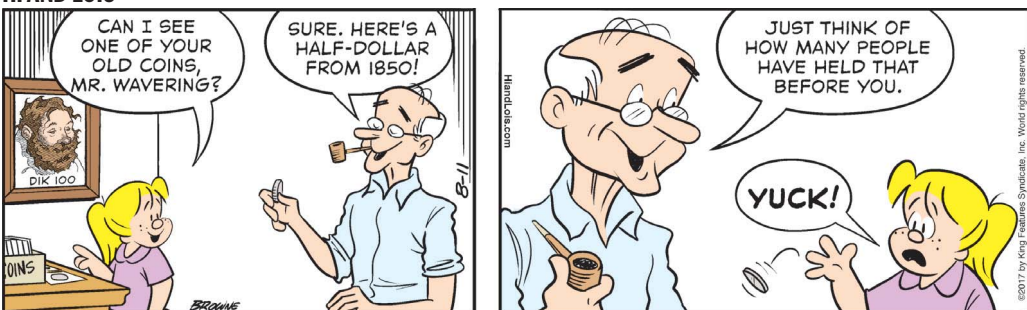
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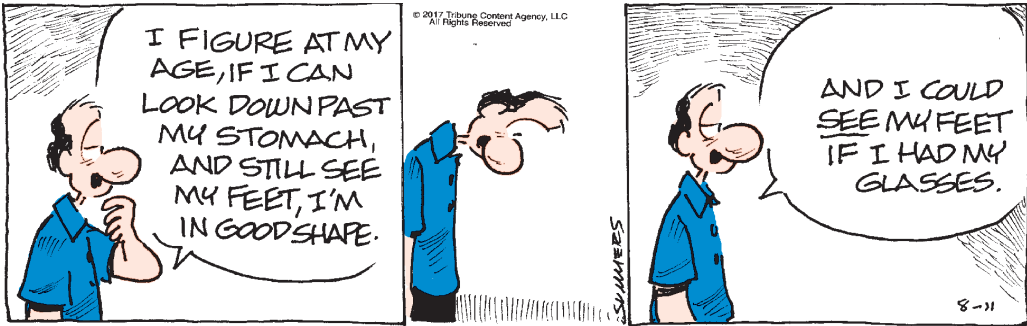
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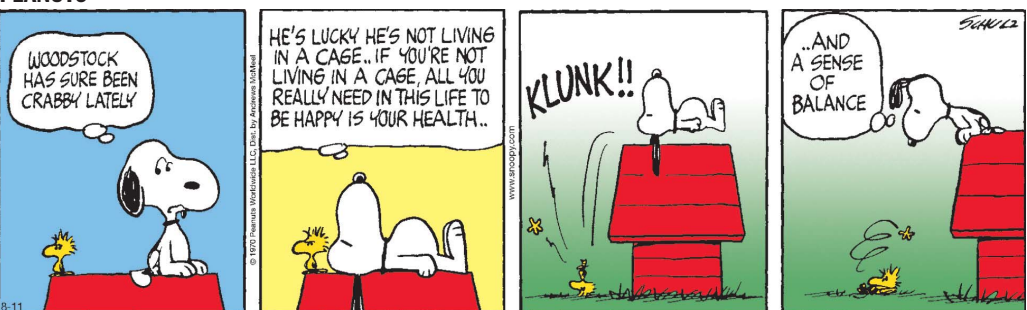
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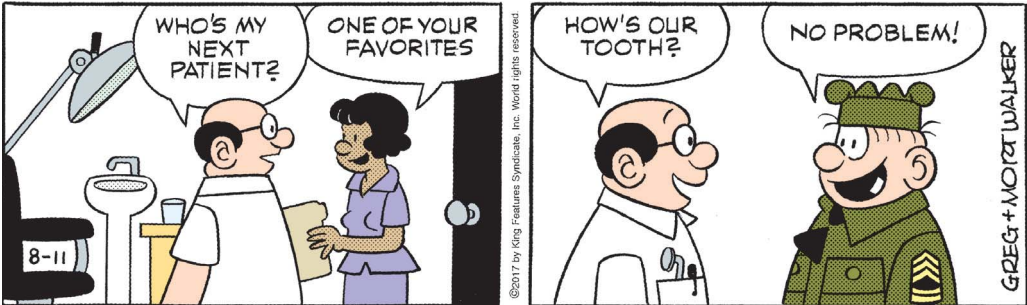
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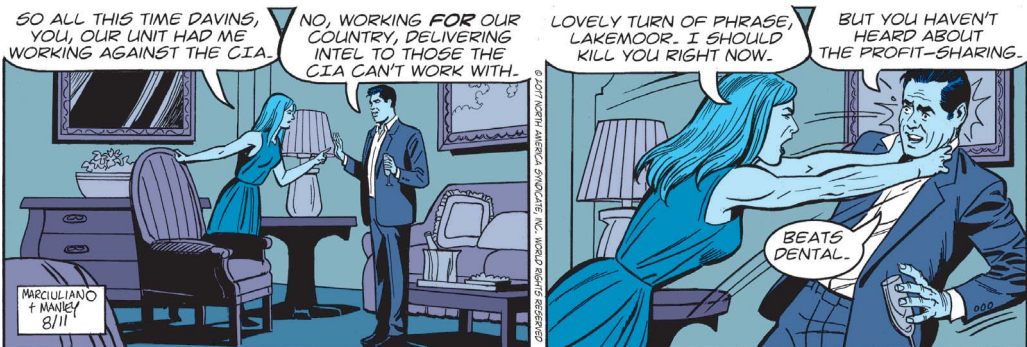
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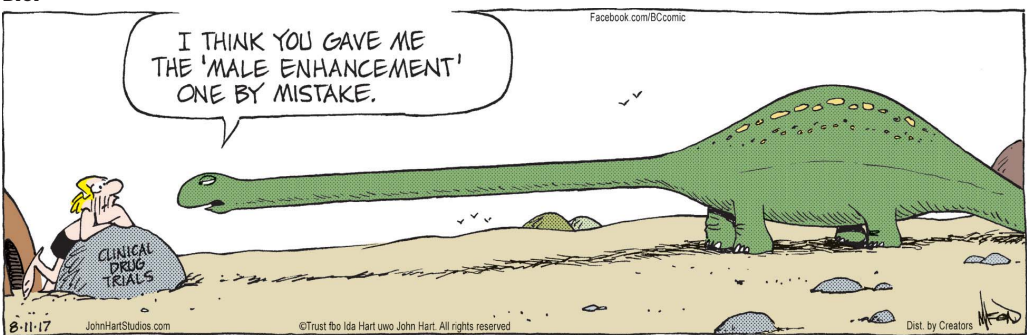
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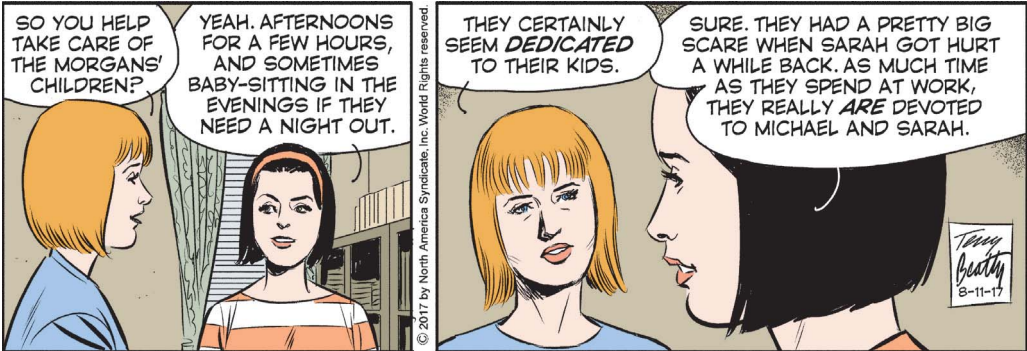
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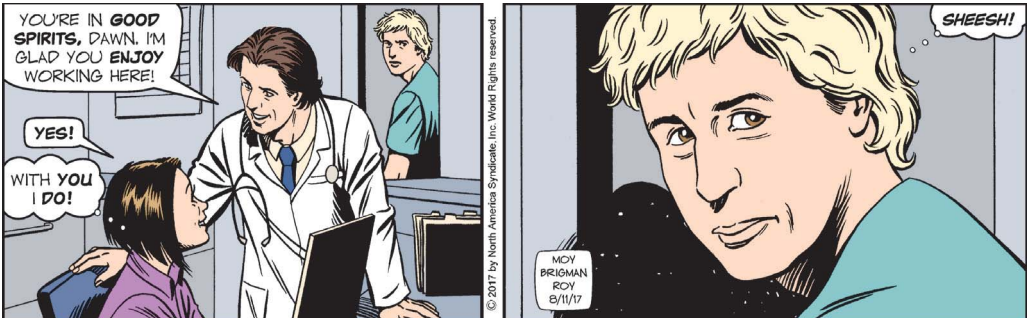
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