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## LEHIGH VALLEY PRIDE



Andre Walk, of Emmaus, shows his pride at the 26th annual Lehigh Valley Pride Festival on Sunday on the grounds of the Jewish Community Center in Allentown. PHOTOS BY SHARON K. MERKEL/SPECIAL TO THE MORNING CALL

# 'Today we are proud'

LGBT community spreads message of diversity at Allentown celebration

BY HANNAH McMULLAN

For the second year in a row, rainbow flags adorned the Jewish Community Center in Allentown, their colors matched by the clothes and glitter-covered faces of the crowds that gathered Sunday to celebrate Lehigh Valley Pride.

People applauded as local drag entertainers Sharron Ann and Carol Ann Husbands opened the drag stage with a performance of "Happy Together" by the Turtles. The crowd laughed and sang along as the duo danced down the aisle. Later, "RuPaul's Drag Race" stars Silky Ganache and A'Keria Davenport took the stage.

Children played with crafts and enjoyed a Drag Story Hour, while adults played Drag Bingo



Katherine Noll, of the Metropolitan Community Church of the Lehigh Valley, welcomed kids and adults to the children's story-telling area at the Lehigh Valley Pride Festival on Sunday.

to support FACT Lehigh Valley, a nonprofit fighting against AIDS and HIV.

That was a reminder of the more serious aspects of the annual event, which celebrates

the Lehigh Valley's LGBT community.

Following speeches from state Health Secretary Dr. Rachel Levine, who is transgender, and Shawn Bauscher, the former president of Pride of the Greater Lehigh Valley, Corinne Goodwin of Lehigh Valley Transgender Renaissance reminded the audience of the importance of equal rights for all people, and commended the persistence the LGBT community demonstrated in times of adversity.

"We honor everyone who stands with us — and most of all we celebrate our accomplishments," she said. "Today is the day we should be reveling in our culture and in our diversity. Today we are proud."

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## POCONO RACEWAY

# 'Enough,' say some drivers after crash

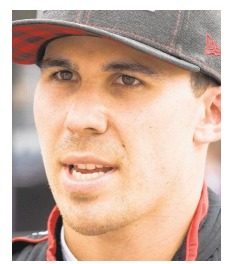
Nazareth native among those telling IndyCar to leave Monroe County track following 3rd serious smash-up in 5 years

BY KEITH GROLLER

A first-lap crash in Sunday's ABC Supply 500 that affected five drivers and red-flagged the race for 45 minutes may have ended the hopes of those who want IndyCar to return to Pocono Raceway next year and beyond.

The main prerace storyline was that Sunday's race could be IndyCar's last at Pocono because no contract had been signed for the 2020 season.

The speculative reasons why IndyCar may not come back after seven consecutive years of racing were low attendance and the emotional stress caused by racing at a track where two severe crashes unfolded over the previous four years.



Wickens

Those hoping for IndyCar to come back wanted a big crowd and a safe race.

They didn't get either. And they didn't get a full race either since a thunderstorm red-flagged the race with 128 of the scheduled 200 laps completed.

That result left Australian Will Power with his third victory in the last four races at Pocono.

The crash, which appeared to

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## ALLENTOWN

# Block party defies summer's violence

Community gathers for food, music at focal point of several shootings

BY JENNIFER SHEEHAN

Sitting on a bench Sunday in Allentown's Stevens Park, Michael Frassetto talked about growing up in the city and how his family still lives just blocks away from the park.

It's a neighborhood that's seen its share of violence this summer. Early Saturday, an 18-year-old man was shot just around the corner — the city's 28th shooting victim since

June 1.

"We are all here because the violence has been going on for too long," Frassetto said. "It's sad and unnecessary."

About 250 people gathered at the park Sunday for a #StoptheViolence Block Party, a way to show community unity in the face of a violent summer.

Frassetto was one of the organizers of the event, which featured live music, cold drinks, grilled food and more for anyone who wanted to stop by.

The event was the latest effort by community members to

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### Amazing Orefield girl earns honor

Jaylene Goodman, a 10-year-old from Orefield, became the first Pennsylvania entrant to win top honors in the Miss Amazing Summit, a gathering of young women with special needs from across the country. News 5

## JOHN 'STANKY' STANKOVIC

# Luzerne County band leader to enter polka hall of fame

At 83, frontman for the Coal Miners remains a regular at Northeastern Pennsylvania festivals

BY BOB KALINOWSKI  
The Citizens Voice

NANTICOKE — Back in his polka band's heyday, John "Stanky" Stankovic once had a globe-crossing marathon weekend by playing in England on Friday, at the Bloomsburg Fair on Saturday and in Switzerland on Sunday.

"How we did that? I don't know. But we did it," Stankovic,

83, said.

From playing at church bazaars in Northeast Pennsylvania to Musikfest in Bethlehem to performing in front of 1 million people at a festival in Tiananmen Square in China, his band, Stanky and the Coal Miners, has been a world traveler.

That's always been the plan.

When Stankovic was a boy, his coal miner father — who urged him to learn to play the accordion instead of focusing on baseball — told him if he learned 10 songs he could make a living for himself.

"I told him, 'I'll learn 11 and see the world.' And I did," Stankovic said.

Stankovic's legendary 74-year career will soon be feted when he is inducted into the International Polka Association's Hall of Fame on Aug. 31 during the organization's 51st annual convention in Buffalo, New York.

"I feel happy about that. It's a wonderful thing after all these years, and it's a great honor," Stankovic said.

Stankovic, who grew up in the Hanover section of Nanticoke, Luzerne County, where he still lives, started taking accordion lessons in 1942 and formed his first band in 1945 when he was 9.

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John "Stanky" Stankovic holds one of the many citations and awards he has been given over the years in Nanticoke, Luzerne County. He will be inducted into the International Polka Association's Hall of Fame this month.





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She encouraged the community to “go back to work” after the festivities ended and continue pushing past resistance.

“We are here, we are queer, and we are never, ever giving up,” she said.

For the festivities, equality didn’t stop with the LGBT movement. Adrian Shanker, executive director of the Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, which puts on

Pride, said he was dedicated to making the festival as inclusive as possible. Every stage included an American Sign Language interpreter, and the first row of seats was reserved for people with disabilities.

The acoustic stage was designated alcohol-free to offer those in recovery a comfortable spot to enjoy.

“Pride is for everyone,” Shanker said.

While the festival is in its 26th year, this year’s celebration featured some newcomers.

Esther Samson of Palmer Township, who was painting faces, said she was ecstatic to

see the vibrant setup and was eager to take pictures with masqueraded characters walking the fairgrounds.

“It’s my first time here, but it’s an awesome event. I am so excited to be here,” she said.

Bauscher said he was proud to see how the event has changed.

“Lehigh Valley Pride has grown every year and I am in awe at the progress it has made,” he said. “Every day is a proud day.”

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Ruth Feliz, of Allentown, shows her pride at the 26th annual Lehigh Valley Pride Festival on Sunday on the grounds of the Jewish Community Center in Allentown.



Michael Cell, left and Jack Pulcher, both of Philadelphia, wear rainbow colors at the festival.



PHOTOS BY JANE THERESE/SPECIAL TO THE MORNING CALL

Danielle Dorfis and Charles Myers, of Allentown, dance during an anti-violence event Sunday at Stevens Park in Allentown. The Stop the Violence block party featured food and music, attracting several hundred people throughout the day.

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speak out against the violence in their neighborhoods. Late last month, about 300 frustrated residents and officials took to the streets for the Walk for Life, which was organized by Promise Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley.

Gun violence has plagued the city this summer. In the most violent episode, 10 people were wounded June 20 when three gunmen opened fire on people leaving the Deja Vu nightclub on Hamilton Street. The nightclub shooters remain at large. Police have made few arrests in the other shootings.

The most recent shooting — which happened just after 4 a.m. Saturday on the 600 block of Park Street — was on the same block in which a 25-year-old man was wounded June 29 and around the corner from where a bullet was shot through a window on North Sixth Street on June 15. It occurred less than two blocks from where Lauren Gonzalez, 33, was shot and killed July 12.

“Violence has become normalized in Allentown,” Frassetto said. “It didn’t used to be this way. There was a time when everyone knew each other and cared about each other. It all starts with the relationships between neighbors. Without



Bikers show off their talents during the the Stop the Violence block party in Allentown.

that, nothing gets better.”

Frassetto is a former teacher who in 2016 was involved in student walkouts in Allentown School District over what he said then was a lack of support for minority students. He was later found guilty of three out of 417 summary counts of corruption of youth the district filed against him, and was ordered to pay \$300.

Today he leads a nonprofit, Allentown Music Scene, that’s focused on giving local young artists a platform. It was one of several groups at the block party Sunday.

As music thumped, children played on playground equip-

ment and teens zipped by on bikes. Adults of all ages watched the activity, not minding the heat of the afternoon. Brightly colored balloons were tied to the gate surrounding the park.

“We are all connected,” said Richard Lovell, who said he was a victim of gun violence in 2014. “I want the kids to see this unity.”

Bringing the community together was a goal of the event.

“Our communities are at their strongest when the generations are connected,” Frassetto said. “We can all come together.”

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POCONO

start when Takuma Sato tried to wedge in between two cars, took out Sato’s car as well as those driven by Ryan Hunter-Reay, James Hinchcliffe, Alexander Rossi and Felix Rosenqvist, although Hinchcliffe, Rossi and Hunter-Reay returned to the race and received a 10-lap penalty for working on their cars during the red flag period.

Sato, Hunter-Reay, Rossi and Hinchcliffe were checked and cleared the medical center.

Rosenqvist, whose car went airborne and skimmed the top of the fence for several yards, was diagnosed with non-life threatening injuries and taken to a trauma center at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest for further evaluation. He was later cleared as well.

IndyCar medical director Geoffrey Billows said Rosenqvist was walking and was expected to be fine.

Several of the drivers put the blame on Sato, who was looking to make a move in traffic in Turn 2.

Rossi called Sato’s maneuver “upsetting and disgraceful.”

Hunter-Reay called it “ridiculous” and said he thought all drivers would have learned a lesson after last year’s race featured an equally horrific crash that caused life-threatening injuries to Robert Wickens.

Wickens, still confined to a wheelchair by his injuries, responded to Sunday’s crash on



MATT SLOCUM/AP

Cars head into a turn during Sunday’s ABC Supply 500 IndyCar race at Pocono Raceway.

Twitter by writing: “How many times do we have to go through the same situation before we can all accept that an IndyCar should not race at Pocono. It’s just a toxic relationship and maybe it’s time to consider a divorce. I’m very relieved (to my knowledge) that everyone is okay from that scary crash.”

Nazareth native Sage Karam, whose crash into the wall at Pocono in 2015 began a freakish chain of events that resulted in the accident that took the life of Justin Wilson, also chimed in via Twitter.

“Glad to see everyone is ok,” Karam wrote. “Never a good feeling when you see something like that especially when it’s your brothers. Think the answer

is clear that we should not be here. In my opinion that question was answered awhile ago.”

Karam later added: “I don’t want people to think that I dislike pocono. I think it’s a great track it’s just not meant for indycars. We need to be smart and move on and go to tracks that fit these cars. I love oval racing and want it in Indycar I just simply don’t love Indycar at pocono.”

Sunday’s race was IndyCar’s 26th at Pocono, with the first coming in 1971. IndyCar raced at Pocono from 1971-1989 and returned in 2013.

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## Mixed reaction to truck stop plan

Turkey Hill off I-78 near Easton border would be expanded

BY CHRISTINA TATU

A Turkey Hill on Morgan Hill Road near the border of Easton's South Side would expand into a truck stop with two fast food restaurants, a car wash and temporary parking for tractor-trailers exiting Interstate 78, according to a plan pending before Williams Township officials.

The expansion of the Turkey Hill Minit Market at 55 Morgan Hill Road would necessitate buying four neighboring parcels of vacant property totaling nearly 9 acres, according to plans filed with the township.

The Turkey Hill would be expanded into an 11,908-square-foot building that would include two fast food restaurants. The first restaurant would be 1,930 square feet with 40 seats, and the second would be 1,750 square feet with 20 seats.

There would be a separate, 3,000-square-foot car wash on the property and gas pumps.

The plans also depict a traffic circle from the facility with access onto Morgan Hill Road and Belmont Street.

The preliminary plan received conditional approval from the township's Zoning Hearing Board at its meeting last month, township Supervisor Ray Abert said.

The Planning Commission must now review the plans before they are sent to the Board of Supervisors for final approval. The next commission meeting is in September, but so far township officials haven't received an updated plan from Turkey Hill.

A spokesman for Turkey Hill did not return requests for comment Thursday and Friday, nor did the engineer for the project, George Albert of G & Albert Consultants of Wilkes-Barre.

Township zoners requested the number of tractor-trailers allowed to park at the property be reduced from 40 to 30. They required overnight security at the 24-hour facility, and imposed a three-hour parking limit prohibiting tractor-trailers from staying overnight, zoning board member George Washburn said.

Even without overnight parking, the truck stop would be a welcome addition to the I-78 corridor, said Kevin Stewart, president and CEO of the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association.

"There is absolutely a lack of stops along 78. When you look at the 78 corridor, there has been some real growth there with warehousing. There's been an increase in truck traffic without an increase in parking," he said.

### PROPERTIES TO BE INCLUDED IN TURKEY HILL EXPANSION

- 15 Morgan Hill Road, 2.5 acres owned by Natalie and Anthony Amato
  - 35 Morgan Hill Road, 1.39 acres; 45 Morgan Hill Road, 0.89 acres, both owned by Richard Smith
  - 155 Morgan Hill Road, 3.95 acres, owned by Michael Agosta
- Information taken from Northampton County property records and plans filed with Williams Township

Truck drivers face regulatory requirements about when they must take breaks, so the lack of parking becomes a real challenge.

A truck driver typically works a 14-hour day. For every eight hours worked, the driver must take at least a 30-minute break, Stewart explained.

"Even though the driver may not park there for more than three hours at a time, that may be all a driver needs to establish a valid rest break, so again, it's very helpful whenever we have an expansion in truck parking inventory," Stewart said.

Easton Mayor Sal Panto Jr., however, said the project is "very concerning," and traffic is just one of several issues it will bring to the area.

The Turkey Hill is only a few hundred feet from Easton's South Side. The expanded facility would also back up to St. Joseph Cemetery.

Panto noted stormwater runoff and light pollution as concerns.

"I don't think it will drive more traffic into the city. I think people will get back on the highway, but certainly it will make that immediate area more congested than it is today," he said.

The city has no control over the project since it's outside of Easton's jurisdiction, but Panto said he's been following the plan closely and was pleased with some of the restrictions the township zoning board imposed.

From a supervisor's perspective, Abert sees the expansion as a "win-win situation for the township and school district."

It would create tax revenue without putting a burden on the district by bringing in more students, which could have been the case if a housing developer bought the surrounding properties, Abert said.

Northampton County property records show the parcels on the plans are owned by Natalie and Anthony Amato, Richard Smith and Michael Agosta.

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# Lehigh Valley girl wins Miss Amazing crown

Jaylene Goodman hopes to teach people about her disability, the value of kindness

BY KEVIN DUFFY

Even in her moment of triumph within a national spotlight, Jaylene Goodman couldn't help thinking about her peers and their feelings.

A 10-year-old from Orefield, Jaylene stood on stage at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Chicago this month and received heartwarming news — she had been crowned the Preteen Queen at the Miss Amazing Summit, a gathering of young women from throughout the country with special needs.

It was the first time an entrant from Pennsylvania took top national honors in any of the six age categories for the national program, which has grown to chapters in 35 states since its formation in 2007 in Omaha, Nebraska.

"I think that her confidence won a lot of people over," said Mel Maresca, Pennsylvania state director.

Jaylene, who has been diagnosed with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, began her path to the national competition by securing top honors during the Miss Amazing pageant held in March at St. John's United Church of Christ in Emmaus.

Miss Amazing, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is dedicated to providing opportunities for girls and women with disabilities to reach their full potential while creating a culture of celebration and empowerment, according to its website.

The national gathering Aug. 2-4 provided the entrants an opportunity to shine in categories such as formal wear and displays of talent, including song and dance.

Jaylene, who is preparing to begin sixth grade, has a knack for acrobatics, which she mixes with dance, according to her mother, Kristin Graham.

"Acro dance," combining classical dance technique with precision acrobatic elements, was the medium in which she wowed the judges during her performance, which Miss Amazing organizers and participants refer to as a "passion presentation."

Set to "Better When I'm Dancing" by Meghan Trainor, Jaylene performed her way to first place, but could only think of her friends who'd made the journey to Chicago with her, and how disappointed they must have been not to have won.

"I was really proud of myself, I



KRISTIN GRAHAM/CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Jaylene Goodman, of Orefield, who mixes acrobatics with dance, performs her "passion presentation" at the national Miss Amazing Summit in Chicago.



Miss Amazing Preteen Queen Jaylene Goodman of Orefield meets author Amy Logan, whose children's book, "A Girl With A Cape," is about lifting the spirits of others through acts of kindness, inspired by Jaylene.

was also very sad for my friends, I thought they would have won instead," she said.

But she displayed her joy when called back onstage to be recognized as the winner in her age category.

"She was glowing, hand over mouth — she just said, 'I can't believe I won,'" her mother said.

Her empathy towards others ties in with how she would like

to fulfill her obligations to the Miss Amazing program, which requires its reigning queens to perform advocacy throughout their communities.

While in Chicago Jaylene met author Amy Logan, whose children's book, "A Girl With A Cape" is about lifting the spirits of others through acts of kindness, demonstrated by a little girl who dons a scarf and becomes a

### TO HAVE JAYLENE SPEAK

Kristin Graham set up an email to organize community outreach events for her daughter, Jaylene. They can be reached at jayleneisamazing2019@gmail.com.

kind of superhero who does nice things for the people she encounters.

Logan, who tours schools across the country to read the book to children, made quite the impact on Jaylene when she read it to her, Graham said.

"She wants to take that book and read to Girl Scout troops, library groups, at nursing homes, possibly elementary classrooms — it will give her a chance to talk about her disability," she said.

Jaylene struggles with social skills due to ADHD, often blurring out what's on her mind.

"It's still a struggle when her impulsiveness takes over," Graham said. "Her brain isn't wired like ours. When she was little she always told me, 'I can't help it — mom, I just have to say it.'"

While ADHD is classified as a disability, Jaylene's mother doesn't necessarily see it that way.

"Sometimes I think it's actually her strength," Graham said. "She looks at the world a little deeper than surface value. She sees it as her disability, I see it as her ability."

And, perhaps, a pathway in which to help others.

"I can go over and talk to them and help them be happy and smile," Jaylene said.

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**EGYPT COMMUNITY CHURCH**



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**Funerals held for 4 children killed in day care fire**

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ERIE — Residents of a Pennsylvania city gathered to mourn and remember four of the five children who died when fire swept through a home child care center.

A funeral service was held Saturday in Erie for 8-year-old La'Myhia Jones, 6-year-old Luther Jones Jr., 4-year-old Ava Jones and 9-month-old Jaydan Augustyniak. All are siblings.

The funeral for 2-year-old Dalvin Pacley will be held Monday.

Three of the victims were the children of a volunteer firefighter, Luther Jones. Their mother, Shevona Overton, is also the mother of Jaydan.

An adult and two adolescent boys were able to escape. Fire officials suspect last Sunday's blaze was accidental and possibly electrical.

"There are things that happen in this life that take years to understand. There are things that happen in this life that we will never understand," said Mayor Joe Schember. "Why are bright, beautiful children taken away from us in a tragic accident in the middle of the night?"

The most important lesson from such a tragedy, Schember said, "is to really value and treasure the relatives and friends that are still with us." And, he said, "only a strong belief in God can help us humans through a loss like this."

The Rev. Charles Mock of Community Baptist Church drew an ovation as he urged the community that had come together "Don't stop now."

"Don't stop the kisses, don't stop the hugs, don't stop the warm embraces, don't stop the coming together, don't stop the partnerships that have come out of five children who have gone into heaven," he said.

The Rev. Lamont Higginbottom Sr. of Second Baptist Church said children are born "without the sting of hate in their heart" and their loss "seems to rob the community of speech."

Drawing from the biblical story of Job, he said "The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away" but "blessed be the name of the Lord."

**Spreading the word for 285 years**

**ABOVE:** Egypt Community Church Pastor Brad Roth portrays 18th-century revivalist Jonathan Edwards as the Whitehall church celebrates its 285 anniversary Sunday. The original church building sat where the cemetery now is. The present building, with foundation stone from the original, has stood for 168 years. The event included period dress, a short historical tour after the service, and a proclamation from Whitehall Mayor Michael Harakal honoring the church.



**RIGHT:** Congregants attend the 285th anniversary celebration of Egypt Community Church in Whitehall on Sunday.

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Rain fell on protesters Sunday in Hong Kong's Victoria Park as they marched to a major road, where mass pro-democracy demonstrations have become a regular activity.

Hong Kong protests huge but no reports of violence

BY KELVIN CHAN AND YANAN WANG Associated Press

HONG KONG — Hong Kong streets were turned into rivers of umbrellas on Sunday as hundreds of thousands of people marched through heavy rain down a major road in the Chinese territory, where massive pro-democracy demonstrations have become a regular weekend activity.

Organizers said at least 1.7 million participated, though the police estimate was far lower.

The assembly was peaceful, with no reports of violence, making for a rare calm weekend in a protest movement that has been marked by violent clashes with police.

Law enforcement officers kept a low profile, with no riot police seen from the procession's main routes.

When stragglers convened outside a government complex in the late evening, other protesters urged them to go home.

Demonstrators who were

shining laser pointers at a government building were convinced to leave, prompting applause from others in the group.

"We hope to see whether the government gives a response to this peaceful protest," said Michael Leung, a 24-year-old who was ushering his fellow demonstrators away. "If we get a negative response, we cannot control the next (gathering)."

Organizer Bonnie Leung of the Civil Human Rights Front said earlier in the day that she hoped there would be no "chaotic situations."

"We hope we can show the world that Hong Kong people can be totally peaceful," she said.

The Civil Human Rights Front had organized three previous massive marches in Hong Kong since June.

The movement, however, has been marked by clashes with police as demonstrators vent their frustrations over what they perceive to be the government's blatant refusal to respond to their demands.

"Peace is the No. 1 priority today," said Kiki Ma, a 28-year-old accountant who participated in the march. "We want to show that we aren't like the government."

While police granted approval for the rally, they didn't approve an accompanying march. Demonstrators nevertheless fanned out and filled the streets, as there was not enough space at the designated assembly area.

Public transit trains did not stop at stations near the assembly because of overcrowding.

Jimmy Shan of the Civil Human Rights Front said the group estimated that at least 1.7 million took part in the rally.

He said the figure did not include those who were not able to make it to Victoria Park — where the march began — due to traffic constraints.

In Beijing, You Wenze, a spokesman for China's ceremonial legislature, condemned statements from U.S. lawmakers supportive of Hong Kong's pro-democracy movement.

LOCAL NEWS

BRIEFS

SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Dorney Park security reports drug possession

A Bethlehem man is facing felony drug charges after trying to enter Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom with a vape pen, according to court records.

James Ravenell, 48, was trying to go through the employee entrance of the South Whitehall Township amusement park Saturday when park security found the vape pen, which is against company policy, according to court records. He was taken to the security office and found to be in possession of 18 bags of heroin, 24 bags of marijuana, packaging material, other paraphernalia, according to court records.

Ravenell was charged Saturday with two felony counts of possession with intent to deliver, two counts of possession of a controlled substance and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia. His bail was set at \$25,000. — Michelle Merlin

PITTSBURGH

'Unruly' crowds injure 2 officers

PITTSBURGH — Two Pittsburgh officers were injured and two men were arrested after what they call "large and unruly" crowds flooded into the street on the city's South Side, police say.

The city's public safety department said officers were called to the area just before 2:15 a.m. Sunday, where people had filled the street, surrounding vehicles and stopping traffic in both directions.

The department said one officer was writing a traffic citation in an emergency lane when a driver drove over his left foot. He and another officer who injured his knee were taken to UPMC Mercy in stable condition.

Two men, both unidentified, were arrested before police managed to disperse the crowd just before 3 a.m. The reason for the disruption wasn't immediately clear. — Associated Press

WILKES-BARRE

Juvenile threatened to 'shoot up' store, police say

WILKES-BARRE — Authorities say charges are planned against a juvenile accused of calling a Walmart in Luzerne County and threatening to "shoot up the store."

Police in Wilkes-Barre Township say in an online police blotter post that store management reported the call to police shortly before 3 p.m. Saturday.

Police say the phone was traced to a juvenile in nearby Hanover Township whose mother refused to cooperate with authorities.

They say search warrants are pending and charges are planned pending approval of the

Luzerne County district attorney's office.

Police said a terroristic threats and disorderly conduct investigation was opened. — Associated Press

SALEM, N.J.

Street corner killer gets 65 years

SALEM, N.J. — A man convicted of a New Jersey street corner slaying witnessed by police officers almost three years ago has been ordered to spend more than a half-century behind bars.

A Salem County jury convicted Paul Carter in April of first-degree murder, aggravated assault, evidence-tampering, resisting arrest and drug and weapons counts, NJ.com reported.

Superior Court Judge Linda Lawhun sentenced Carter, 35, on Friday to 65 years and ordered him to serve at least 85% of that term before becoming eligible for parole.

Salem police officers on patrol saw 33-year-old Anthony Johnson gunned down on a street corner in November 2016, and two officers arrested Carter after a foot chase, authorities said.

Assistant Prosecutor Geoffrey Gleason cited Carter's extensive criminal record and said surveillance video showed the defendant in the shadows apparently waiting for the victim. Gleason said the first shot incapacitated Johnson but the shooter continued to fire. — Associated Press

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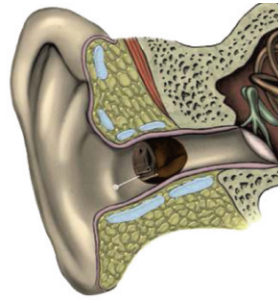
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## NATION &amp; WORLD

# IS claims Kabul wedding bombing

Afghans worry as US, Taliban close to ending long war

BY RAHIM FAIEZ AND CARA ANNA  
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — The suicide bomber stood in the middle of the dancing, clapping crowd as hundreds of Afghan children and adults celebrated a wedding in a joyous release from Kabul's strain of war. Then, in a flash, he detonated his explosives-filled vest, killing dozens — and Afghanistan grieved again.

The local Islamic State affiliate claimed responsibility for the deadliest attack in the capital this year, with 63 killed and 182 wounded, while outraged Afghans questioned how safe they will be under an approaching deal between the United States and the Taliban to end America's longest war.

Stunned families buried the dead, some digging with bare hands. One wounded survivor, Mohammad Aslim, still wore his bloodied clothes the day after the blast late Saturday. He and his friends had already buried 16 bodies, among them several close relatives, including a 7-year-old boy.

Aslim looked exhausted, and said he was waiting to bury more. Nearby, a man named Amanullah, who lost his 14-year-old son, said in anguish that the explosion had mangled the boy's face so badly he could no longer recognize it.

"I wish I could find the pieces of my son's body and put them as one piece into the grave," he cried.

The emergence of the Islamic State affiliate in recent years might be the greatest threat to Afghan civilians as the U.S. and Taliban seek an agreement to



Relatives grieve Sunday near coffins during a mass funeral for victims of the wedding hall bombing in Kabul that killed 63.

end nearly 18 years of fighting. While the U.S. wants Taliban assurances that Afghanistan will no longer be used as a launchpad for global terror attacks, there appear to be no guarantees of protection for Afghan civilians.

The Taliban, which the U.S. hopes will help curb the IS affiliate's rise, condemned the attack as "forbidden and unjustifiable."

The blast took place in a western Kabul neighborhood that is home to many in the country's minority Shiite Hazara community. IS, which declared war on Afghanistan's Shiites

nearly two years ago and has claimed responsibility for many attacks targeting them in the past, said in a statement that a Pakistani IS fighter seeking martyrdom targeted a large Shiite gathering.

The wedding, at which more than 1,200 people had been invited, was in fact a mixed crowd of Shiites and Sunnis, said the event hall's owner, Hussain Ali.

Ali's workers were still finding body parts, including hands, in the shattered wedding hall, its floor strewn with broken glass, pieces of furniture and victims'

shoes.

"We have informed the police to come and collect them," he said.

The bomber detonated his explosives near the stage where musicians were playing and "all the youths, children and all the people who were there were killed," said Gul Mohammad, another witness.

Survivors described a panicked scene in the suddenly darkened hall as people screamed and scrambled to find loved ones.

"I was with the groom in the other room when we heard the

blast and then I couldn't find anyone," said Ahmad Omid, who said the groom was his father's cousin. "Everyone was lying all around the hall."

The blast at the wedding hall, known as Dubai City, shattered a period of relative calm in Kabul.

On Aug. 7, a Taliban car bomber aimed at Afghan security forces detonated his explosives on the same road, a short drive from the hall, killing 14 people and wounding 145 — most of them women, children and other civilians.

Kabul's huge, brightly lit wedding halls are centers of

community life in a city weary of decades of war, with thousands of dollars often spent on a single evening.

Messages of shock poured in on Sunday.

"Such acts are beyond condemnation," the European Union mission to Afghanistan said. "An act of extreme depravity," U.S. Ambassador John Bass said. A deliberate attack on civilians "can only be described as a cowardly act of terror," U.N. envoy to Afghanistan Tadamichi Yamamoto said.

The explosion came just ahead of Afghanistan's 100th Independence Day on Monday. The city, long familiar with checkpoints and razor wire, has been under heavier security. A planned event marking the anniversary was postponed because of the attack, the president's office said.

The attack also comes at an uncertain time in Afghanistan as the U.S. and the Taliban appear to be within days of a deal on ending the war after several rounds of talks this year. Afghanistan's government has been sidelined in those talks as the Taliban refuse to negotiate with what it calls a U.S. puppet.

The U.S. envoy in the talks, Zalmay Khalilzad, said on Twitter Sunday that the peace process needs to be accelerated, including holding talks between the Taliban and the Afghan government and other Afghans. He said that will put Afghanistan in a "much stronger position" to defeat the IS affiliate.

Many Afghans fear that terror attacks inside the country will continue, and their pleas for peace — and for details on the talks — have increased in recent days. Few appear to believe that the Taliban will step in to protect civilians from IS or anyone else after years of killing civilians themselves.

## NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

### Far-right and antifa groups both claim victory in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore. — With both the left and the right declaring victory following a long-hyped rally that had Portland, Oregon, on edge it seems the liberal city will continue to be a flashpoint in an increasingly divided country.

City officials were relieved that a downtown gathering Saturday of more than 1,000 far-right protesters and anti-fascist counterdemonstrators wasn't as violent as feared.

"I'm grateful this was largely a peaceful event," Mayor Ted Wheeler said.

There were 13 arrests and police seized bear spray, shields, poles and other weapons. But by using barriers and bridge closures authorities were able to mostly keep the two sides apart. Six minor injuries were reported.

Joe Biggs, the organizer of the right-wing gathering that featured the Proud Boys and other far-right groups, said they accomplished their goal of drawing attention to black-clad anti-fascist protesters, known as antifa, who showed up to meet them.

President Donald Trump tweeted early Saturday that "major consideration is being given to naming ANTIFA an 'ORGANIZATION OF TERROR.'" It wasn't immediately clear what he meant by that because there's no mechanism for government to declare a domestic organization a terror group.

Biggs told The Oregonian/OregonLive he was pleased the rally attracted Trump's attention.

But Eric Ward, executive director of the Portland-based Western States Center, said the right-wing rally was a bust.

Ward said Biggs' groups cut short a planned five-hour rally after only one hour and left.

### Gibraltar rejects US request to seize Iranian oil tanker

BEIRUT — A Gibraltar court rejected a U.S. attempt to seize an Iranian oil tanker on Sunday, clearing the way for the ship to resume its journey in the Mediterranean.

The Grace 1 supertanker, renamed the Adrian Darya 1, has been anchored off Gibraltar since it was intercepted by the British navy July 4 on the grounds that it was carrying oil to Syria in violation of European Union sanctions. Gibraltar lifted the detention order last week after Britain received assurances from Iran that the tanker would not take its cargo to Syria.



In Bangladesh: A resident rests in a temporary shelter in the Mirpur slum in Dhaka on Sunday. At least 10,000 people are homeless after a massive fire swept through the crowded slum in the capital and destroyed thousands of shanties, officials said.

But late Friday, the United States intervened, issuing a warrant for the ship and its cargo, claiming it was violating not only U.S. sanctions against Syria but also those against Iran.

The Gibraltar court ruled that the U.S. sanctions on Iran do not apply in the EU.

### Bail set at \$200,000 for NYC subway scare defendant

NEW YORK — Bail has been set at \$200,000 for a homeless man from West Virginia who was charged with placing two devices that looked like pressure cookers in a New York City subway station.

The bail was set Sunday when Larry Kenton Griffin II of West Virginia, appeared in court.

A message seeking comment was left with a lawyer for Griffin.

Griffin was scheduled to return to court Friday. His bail was set by Criminal Court Judge Keisha Espinal two days after Friday morning's commute was disrupted by a police investigation that began after two large cooking pots were spotted at Manhattan's Fulton subway station.

The 26-year-old Griffin was charged with two counts of placing a false bomb. He was arrested Saturday in the Bronx.

### Funeral for lost ice: Iceland bids farewell to one of its glaciers

It was a funeral for ice. With poetry, moments of silence and political speeches about the urgent need to fight climate change, Icelandic officials, activists and others bade goodbye to what once was a glacier.

Icelandic geologist Oddur Sigurdsson pronounced the Okjokull glacier extinct about a decade ago. But on Sunday he brought a death certificate to the made-for-media memorial.

After about 100 people made a two-hour hike up a volcano, children installed a memorial plaque to the glacier, now called just "OK," minus the Icelandic word for glacier.

The glacier used to stretch 6 square miles, Sigurdsson said.

"The symbolic death of a glacier is a warning to us, and we need action," former Irish President Mary Robinson said.

### 4 Louisiana men to plead guilty in Mississippi bribe scheme

Four Louisiana men say they'll plead guilty to charges that they tried to bribe a Mississippi sheriff with \$2,000 in casino chips, seeking lucrative jail contracts.

Michael LeBlanc Sr. of Baton Rouge, Michael LeBlanc Jr. of Prairieville, Tawasky Ventroy of Opelousas and Jacque Jones of LaPlace have filed notices saying they will change their pleas.

All are accused of scheming to win contracts to sell inmates phone service and commissary goods at a jail in Mississippi's Kemper County. The indictment also says the men paid former Mississippi Corrections Commissioner Christopher Epps \$2,000 for help in getting contracts. Epps was convicted of taking more than \$14 million in bribes and is serving a nearly 20-year prison sentence. All four remain free on bail.

### Palestinians killed by Israeli forces near fence

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli troops killed three Palestinians and severely wounded a fourth near Gaza Strip's heavily guarded perimeter fence, the Gaza Health Ministry said Sunday.

The Israeli military said a helicopter and a tank fired at armed suspects near the fence overnight.

After weeks of calm, Palestinian militants have attempted a number of raids in recent days. They fired rockets into Israel on two occasions over the weekend, without wounding anyone. Israel struck Hamas targets in response, without causing casualties.

Israel holds Hamas responsible for all attacks emanating from Gaza, which the Islamic militant group has ruled since 2007. Hamas has said recent attacks were carried out by individuals frustrated by the Israeli-Egyptian blockade.

In Honduras: A fight between fans of rival soccer teams Motagua and Olimpia at the National Stadium in Honduras' capital of Tegucigalpa left four people dead and led to the suspension of the game. The violence began when fans of the Olimpia team threw stones Saturday evening at a bus carrying Motagua players to the stadium, breaking windows and injuring three players. Former Celtic player Emilio Izaguirre, a Honduran national, suffered a cut near an eye. Paraguayan Roberto Moreira and Argentine Jonathan Rougier were also injured. A fight broke out between fans of the teams, with gunfire heard. Police used tear gas to disperse the crowd, which took their fight inside the stadium as well.



# Suburban voters pressure Republicans to act on guns

GOP candidates eye new ways to address their anxieties

BY JONATHAN J. COOPER  
Associated Press

GILBERT, Ariz. — Following the news has grown stressful for Angela Tetschner, a 39-year-old nurse raising four children in this sprawling Phoenix suburb of tile roofs, desert yards, young families and voters who are increasingly up for grabs.

"Sometimes I do think about the school shootings," said Tetschner, who doesn't pay much attention to politics but has been disappointed in President Donald Trump, days after sending her 5-year-old boy to kindergarten. She'd like to see Congress tighten gun laws, but her expectations for action are low.

"You can't not put your kid in school," she said. "I just hope and pray that nothing happens."

Tetschner's worries are weighing heavy on Republicans in Arizona and elsewhere in the wake of recent mass shootings. The party has seen once-reliable suburbs turn competitive as women worry about their children's safety and bristle at Trump's harsh rhetoric on race and immigration, and they em-

braced Democratic alternatives in last year's midterm elections.

GOP candidates looking ahead at tough races increasingly are eyeing new ways to address anxieties about gun violence, and to do that without crossing the party's base, which sees gun restrictions as an infringement on the constitutional right to bear arms.

"Republicans' backs are already against the wall among suburban voters, particularly college-educated women," said Whit Ayres, a Republican consultant. "And the inability of our political system to pass what most Americans see as common-sense reforms related to gun violence only makes the matter worse."

That tension is palpable in Arizona, a state with an ardent gun culture as well as a growing population of newcomers seeking sun, jobs and affordable housing in the suburbs that ring Phoenix.

Republican Sen. Martha McCally's challenge is to navigate that divide. The freshman senator is facing a difficult reelection fight, probably against Democrat Mark Kelly, a former astronaut who became a prominent gun-control advocate after his wife, then-U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, was shot in the head in an attempted assassination in

Tucson in 2011.

While gun control often fades from the conversation weeks after a high-profile shooting, the issue is likely to be a steady presence in this race, but not determine the outcome by itself.

"It's a part of their decision-making process, but it's only a part of it," said David Winston, a Republican pollster who advises GOP congressional leaders.

Pressure on McCally has been evident since shootings in California, Texas and Ohio. She has adopted a softer tone and spoken forcefully against hate and domestic terrorism.

A vocal supporter of gun rights who once called universal background checks unconstitutional, McCally now says she is open to talking about new gun laws.

She also says she intends to introduce legislation to make domestic terrorism a federal crime.

"We all need to do our part, whether there's a federal element, a state element, a society element," McCally told reporters in Phoenix on Thursday. "Let's figure out what we can do that's meaningful, that's thoughtful, that's not political theater in order to stop these crimes."

McCally's message echoes what other Republicans are saying.



JONATHAN J. COOPER/AP

A supporter of gun rights who once called universal background checks unconstitutional, Sen. Martha McCally, R-Ariz., now says she is open to talking about new gun laws.

After two shootings killed 31 people in less than 24 hours, President Donald Trump started talking about tougher background checks on gun buyers and prominent Republicans expressed support for laws that make it easier for authorities to seize weapons from people deemed suicidal or dangerous.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., a longtime opponent of gun control laws, said the Senate could not fail to act, although he ignored a push by Democrats to call law-

makers back from summer recess to debate the issue.

McCally said her talk about changing gun laws is not new. She said that as a congresswoman, she sponsored a National Rifle Association-backed bill to improve background checks by making sure the database of people barred from owning guns is complete.

But her openness, at least rhetorically, to new restrictions is a departure from her responses to earlier large-scale shootings.

Tetschner, the mother who lives outside Phoenix, said she is not against gun ownership, but would like to see "strict rules" to ensure people with psychological issues do not buy them.

"It's kind of getting old," she said, keeping a close eye on her two younger children chasing jets of water shooting from the ground of a splash pad on a hot morning. "It's to the point where I guess I assume nothing's going to get done, because it's happened a few times and nothing's been done."

# Trump, economic adviser dismiss fears of recession

BY KEVIN FREKING  
Associated Press

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J. — President Donald Trump's top economic adviser is playing down fears of a looming recession after last week's sharp drop in the financial markets and predicting the economy will perform well in the second half of 2019.

Larry Kudlow said in Sunday television interviews that consumers are seeing higher wages and are able to spend and save more.

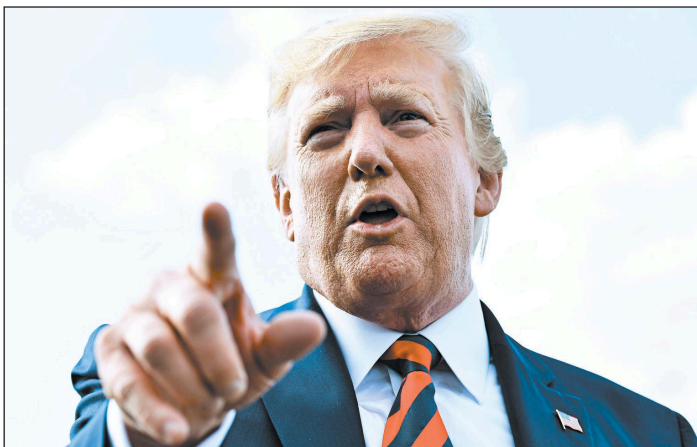
"No, I don't see a recession," Kudlow said. "We're doing pretty darn well in my judgment. Let's not be afraid of optimism."

A strong economy is key to Trump's reelection prospects. Consumer confidence has dropped 6.4% since July. The president has spent most of the week at his golf club in New Jersey with much of his tweeting focused on talking up the economy.

Kudlow acknowledged a slowing energy sector but said low interest rates will help housing, construction and auto sales.

Kudlow also defended the president's use of tariffs on goods coming from China. Before he joined the administration, Kudlow was known for opposing tariffs and promoting free trade during his career as an economic analyst.

Kudlow said Trump has



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President Donald Trump speaks to the media Sunday before boarding Air Force One in Morristown, New Jersey.

taught him and others that the "China story has to be changed and reformed."

"We cannot let China pursue these unfair and unreciprocal trading practices," Kudlow said.

Democratic presidential candidate Beto O'Rourke said the U.S. needed to work with allies to hold China accountable on trade. He said he fears Trump is driving the global economy into a recession.

"This current trade war that the president has entered our country into is not working," O'Rourke said. "It is hammering the hell out of farmers across this country."

Last month, the Federal Reserve reduced its benchmark rate — which affects many loans for households and businesses

— by a quarter-point to a range of 2% to 2.25%. It's the first rate cut since December 2008 during the depths of the Great Recession.

Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell stressed that the Fed was worried about the consequences of Trump's trade war and sluggish economies overseas.

"Weak global growth and trade tensions are having an effect on the U.S. economy," he said.

Breaking with historical norms, Trump has been highly critical of Powell as he places blame for any economic weakness on the nation's central bank for raising interest rates too much over the past two years.

# Leaked memo warns of 'no-deal Brexit' fallout

BY HANNAH KNOWLES  
The Washington Post

An increasingly likely "no-deal" Brexit could wreak far-reaching havoc on Britain's economy, infrastructure and social fabric, according to classified government documents leaked to a British paper.

Food and social-care prices would rise, while medical supplies could face severe delays given the fact that most of the Britain's medicines come through English Channel crossings, the Sunday Times says the documents indicate.

Border delays would interrupt fuel supplies. Ports would only partially recover after three months of severe disruptions, leaving traffic at 50 to 70% of the current flow.

Those are a few of the impacts predicted by "Operation Yellowhammer," which the London-based paper says was compiled this month by Britain's Cabinet Office and available to those with security clearances on a "need to know" basis.

The leak comes as Brexit critics warn that crashing out of the European Union without an agreement will damage the British economy, devalue its currency and create instability. British leaders have sought unsuccessfully since the divisive 2016 Brexit vote to negotiate and pass a "divorce" plan.

Newly elected Prime Minister Boris Johnson, a leading voice in



VUDI XHYMSHITI/AP

Anti-Brexiters demonstrate in London. Prime Minister Boris Johnson has vowed to leave the EU, deal or no deal.

the Brexit movement, has promised to get his country out of the E.U. — deal or no deal — within his first 100 days in office and said a redo of the 2016 independence vote would undercut public faith in the country's democracy. The Yellowhammer documents provide a sobering view of what Johnson's plan could mean for Britain.

According to the Times, they predict the need to restore a "hard border" with limited, controlled crossing points in Ireland, which could cause protests

and block roads. Johnson has maintained that a "can-do spirit" can help avert such a change. But the Yellowhammer findings anticipate that measures to avoid a hard border will probably "prove unsustainable."

The documents say tariffs on petrol imports could close two oil refineries, cause the loss of 2,000 jobs and further disrupt fuel supplies. The litany of anticipated impacts also includes delays at airports and protests around the country that would suck up police resources.



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White House adviser Larry Kudlow noted that President Harry Truman's administration tried to buy Greenland.

# Kudlow: US 'looking at' buying Greenland

BY FELICIA SONMEZ  
AND DAMIAN PALETTA  
The Washington Post

White House economic adviser Larry Kudlow on Sunday confirmed that the Trump administration is exploring trying to buy the country of Greenland, noting the self-governing country is a "strategic place" that is rich in minerals.

"It's developing. We're looking at it," Kudlow said on "Fox News Sunday." "Denmark owns Greenland. Denmark is an ally.

Greenland is a strategic place ... I'm just saying the president, who knows a thing or two about buying real estate, wants to take a look."

President Donald Trump's desire to buy Greenland, which is part of the kingdom of Denmark, was first reported last week by The Wall Street Journal.

Two people with direct knowledge of the directive told The Washington Post that Trump has mentioned the idea for weeks, and aides are waiting for more direction before they

decide how seriously they should look into it.

Trump is scheduled to visit Denmark in two weeks. In the days since news of Trump's interest in Greenland broke, the idea has been ridiculed by politicians in Denmark, and Greenland's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said Friday that the island is not for sale.

Kudlow noted Sunday that after World War II, President Harry Truman's administration offered to purchase Greenland from Denmark for \$100 million.

The U.S. military had a presence in Greenland during the war as a means to protect the continent if Germany tried to attack.

With melting ice making the region more accessible, the United States has been firm in trying to counter any moves by Russia and China in the Arctic.

China declared itself a "near-Arctic nation" last year and has defended its desire for a "Polar Silk Road" in which Chinese goods would be delivered by sea from Asia to Europe.



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WORD GAME

Can you find 18 or more words in CORSET

(CORSET: KOR-set: A woman's close-fitting supporting undergarment.) Average mark 13 words. Time limit 20 minutes. The list will be republished tomorrow.

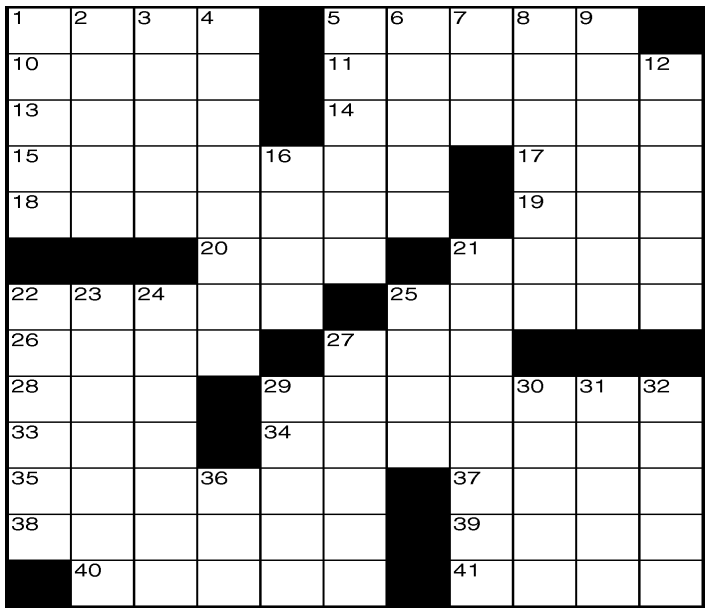
SATURDAY'S WORD — PLIANTLY

pail pain paint pall pant panty pill pint piny pita pity plain plainly plaint plait plan plant plat play pliant plain laity lily lilt lily lint linty liny litany illy inapt inaptly inlay inly alit ally anti aptly nail tail tall tally till tiny

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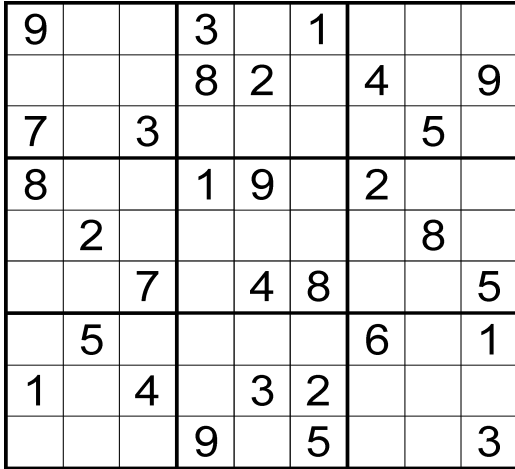
1. Words must be four or more letters. 2. Words which acquire four letters by the addition of "s," such as "bats" or "dies," are not used. 3. Only one form of a verb is used. For example, either "pose" or "posed," not both. 4. Proper nouns are not used. 5. Slang words are not used.

CROSSWORD BY THOMAS JOSEPH



ACROSS 1 Close with a bang 5 Takes it easy 10 Mother of Castor and Pollux 11 Brings to bear 13 Lab aide of film 14 Clip 15 Kind of bliss 17 Keats poem 18 Swanky 19 Diner dessert 20 Make a choice 21 Taunt 22 Lustrous gems 25 Appliance parts 26 Audacious 27 Fellow 28 "My country — of thee" 29 Giza sight 33 GI-entertaining org. 34 Pizzeria herb 35 Most angry 37 Test type 38 Tooth coating 39 Script unit 40 Sleep sound 41 Title paper DOWN 1 Snail trail 2 Court-related 3 Find darling 4 Bright flower 5 Take back 6 Be jubilant 7 Ready to go 8 Highway cop 9 Prepared for finals 12 Takes the wheel 16 Lights-out tune 21 Apple variety 22 Slow-witted 23 Toxicology samples offshoot SATURDAY'S ANSWER LIBELS FAVER ANEMIA EVER BARELY MESA ENTURY HURTS LESS CARAFE ZINFANDEL TIC TITTO OPENER MASH OCCUR CIRCA KOOK TANKER IDLE ENGINE NEDS ATONES

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU



Difficulty Level ★

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Sudoku solution grid.

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CRYPTOQUOTES

XI X YKZ FG TKG, X'Z FKJB

YBKEMY SKMSYXCP XCUMBKZ VI

ZXUBKUB. — D.P. XCPBDUVEE

One letter simply stands for another

SATURDAY'S CRYPTOQUOTE: WE HERD SHEEP, WE DRIVE CATTLE, WE LEAD PEOPLE. LEAD ME, FOLLOW ME, OR GET OUT OF MY WAY. — GEORGE S. PATTON

GOREN ON BRIDGE BY BOB JONES

Q 1: Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠K Q 8 3 ♥6 ♦J 6 5 4 3 ♣J 10 5

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

2♣ Pass ?

What call would you make?

A: You may have a better spot somewhere, but there is nothing you can do about it. You're out of gas. Pass.

Q 2: North-South vulnerable,

as South, you hold:

♠8 4 ♥A K ♦A K Q 10 8 6 4 ♣6 5

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1♣ Pass 2♦ Pass

4NT Pass 5♥ Pass

5NT Pass ?

What call would you make?

A: Partner's bid asks for kings, but it is also a promise that your side holds all of the aces. You are free to bid a

grand slam if you think it's a good idea. Bid 7D.

Q 3: East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠K J 9 2 ♥A K 9 5 ♦9 7 4 ♣J 4

Right-hand opponent opens 1D. What call would you make?

A: It's OK to double, in the modern game, when you are off shape in the other minor.

4-4 in the majors is good enough. Double.

Q 4: Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠10 7 6 ♥9 3 2 ♦K 10 5 3 ♣Q J 10

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

1♣ 1♠ 1NT ?

What call would you make?

A: The enemy auction is a little intimidating, but you still must take responsibility for your values. Bid 2S with an air of confidence.

JUMBLE BY David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NCALK OLAKA RODFIB DEXOUT

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

Answers tomorrow: KUDOS CRIMP SURELY ORIGIN Answer: The rooster had been working out and the result was — GOOD "PECKS"

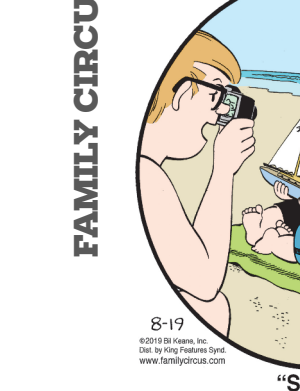


MARMADUKE BY Jeff Knurek



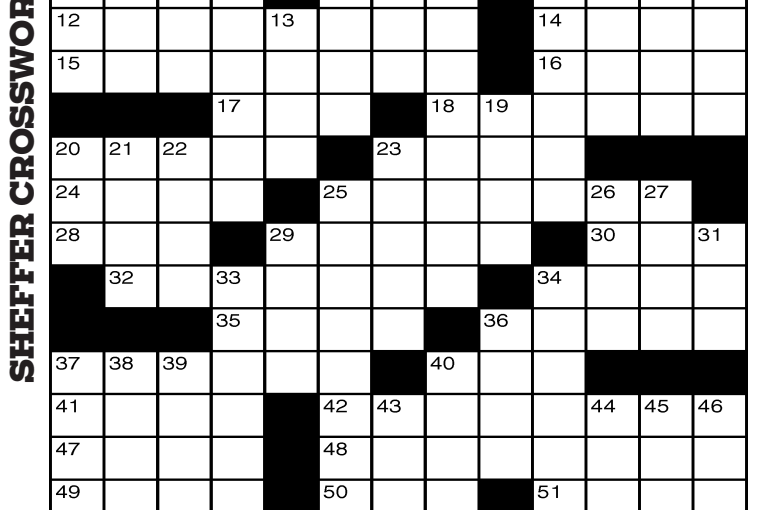
"We're washing some bones Marmaduke just dug up."

FAMILY CIRCUS BY Jeff Keane



"Smile!"

SHEFFER CROSSWORD



ACROSS 1 Taj Mahal city 5 Media mogul Turner 8 Did the crawl 12 Chinese city 14 Carton sealer 15 Trendy types 16 "Born Free" lioness 17 Triumphed 18 Hauled (away) 20 Ceremonies 23 Dossier 24 "Believe — not!" 25 Angler's wear 28 TiVo precursor 29 Workshop array 30 Slapstick missile 32 Pelvis part 34 Penny 35 "May I — favor?" 36 Sill pieces 37 Bacon pieces 40 Sushi fish 41 Persia, today 42 On-the-go beverage holder 47 Loony 48 Evenly matched 49 911 responders 50 Menlo Park monogram 51 Trudge 13 Classic Pontiacs 19 Priests' garments 20 Body of water (Abbr.) 21 Craving 22 Actress Spelling 23 "Shrek" princess 25 Basketball maneuver 26 Pundit's piece 27 Crystal-tapping sound SATURDAY'S ANSWER SAAB ERRS RAF ESPY SOAR OWL RHEA COHO AAAA FERN AFRR ONYX DITP ANN ORELSE HOT TUB PUMAS THESE STIRUP TEETHE GELSSW ZONE ETH HAVE AMO MAUI OBIT PIS ORDER LEAN STY PSST ELLA

HOROSCOPE By Magi Helena

TRIBUNE CONTENT AGENCY

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Your attention may be riveted by romance and social affairs, but financial matters should take precedence now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Try something new or let yourself deviate from the old norm, because a change of pace may spur your creativity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Hobbies or creative projects that you initiate over the next few days could spark lots of fun and satisfaction.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You may believe that you and a partner are in perfect agreement on finances or possessions, but that could be wishful thinkin.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

It might be tempting to just hope and dream that everything will turn out

for the best, but nothing is likely happen unless you take decisive action.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

The beach or the pool might sound cool and refreshing during the summer heat, and you might want to spend your time in relaxation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Go ahead and indulge in romantic fantasies, but don't act on them without getting considerably more information.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

It might be difficult to keep a low profile today because everything that is happening seems to be occurring in the public eye.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

The friends and colleagues who come through for you at the crucial moment can make a real difference.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Find a constructive way to air your grievances. Fear, discontent and

irritation can then quickly dissipate. Someone may seem more attractive than usual and pique your interest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You have better judgment than usual and can be counted upon to offer support and a well-reasoned opinion.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Someone might point out potential pitfalls in your plans, but this is because they care and want to help. Listen to the wise advice of others.

IF AUGUST 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:

Your social activities could prove distracting as the next three to four weeks unfold. Be sure to follow the rules and fulfill your obligations at the end of August. In late September and October, you may be filled with an adventurous spirit and enjoy a positive change of heart. Things will look up even more in the first half of November, when helpful people and benevolent influences may give both your spirits and your wallet a boost.

**BETTER OR WORSE**  
 THIS LOOKS LIKE A GOOD SPOT! WHAT SAY WE PUT DOWN THE ANCHOR RIGHT HERE!  
 LET'S FIRE UP THE HIBACHI, INFLATE THE AIR MATTRESS... AN' PUT ON A FEW TUNES!  
 THUMPA THUMPA BOOMTA BOOMTA BLA-ZANGGGG  
 YOU'RE RIGHT, DAD. THERE'S NOTHING LIKE GETTING CUT INTO THE SILENCE OF NATURE!  
 THUMPA THUMPA BOOM... THUMPA THUMPA BOOM... THUMPA WHAM BLAM!

**BABY BLUES**  
 I HATE MONDAYS.  
 EVEN ON VACATION?!!  
 MONDAYS DON'T TAKE VACATIONS.  
 HELGA SAYS I'M NO WORSE THAN ANY OTHER HUSBAND!  
 GLOB  
 YOU LET HELGA HAVE OTHER HUSBANDS?!!

**ZITS**  
 I'M GOING TO ZUMBA. WANT TO COME ALONG?  
 SURE.  
 REALLY?  
 YEAH. WHY NOT?  
 THAT QUESTION JUST ANSWERED ITSELF.

**PEANUTS**  
 YOU'RE LAZY, DO YOU KNOW THAT?  
 YOU'VE BEEN LAZY SINCE THE DAY YOU WERE BORN!  
 NOT "BORN"... "WHELPED."  
 SOME PEOPLE NEVER GET ANYTHING RIGHT.

**BLONDIE**  
 I'D LIKE YOU TO CATER A BIG SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR ME.  
 A SURPRISE PARTY FOR YOURSELF??  
 WHERE'S THE SURPRISE IN THAT?  
 WELL, I WAS HOPING YOU COULD THINK OF SOMETHING.

**PEARLS BEFORE SWINE**  
 RAT'S INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE FOR THE DAY  
 THERE ARE NO LIMITS TO WHAT YOU CAN DO!  
 Except your lack of skill. That will stop you cold.  
 I LIKE TO KEEP PEOPLE GROUNDED.

**BEETLE BAILEY**  
 BEETLE! CLEAN UP THAT MESS NOW! OR ELSE!  
 OR ELSE WHAT?  
 I FORGOT THIS WAS ON HIS "OR ELSE" LIST.  
 GREG, HARRY, WALKER.

**MUTTS**  
 HELGA SAYS I'M NO WORSE THAN ANY OTHER HUSBAND!  
 GLOB  
 YOU LET HELGA HAVE OTHER HUSBANDS?!!

**HAGAR**  
 WANNNA HAVE SOME FUN? LOOK HIM IN THE TAIL!  
 HELLO, WEEKEND!  
 BLINK!  
 HELLO, MONDAY.

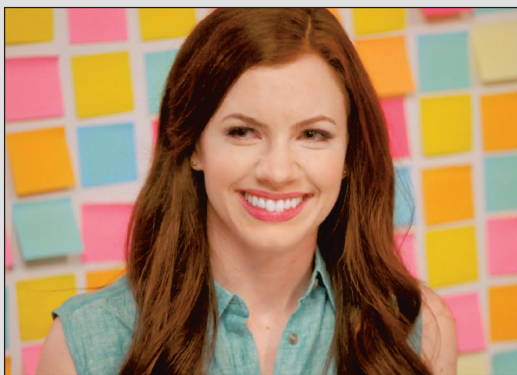
**BOUND & GAGGED**  
 MARK, I THINK IT WAS ADMIRABLE OF YOU TO PUT A GOOD WORD IN WITH THE POLICE ON JU'S BEHALF SO THAT HIS PUNISHMENT WOULDN'T BE SO SEVERE!  
 JJ FELT LIKE HE WAS DROWNING IN DEBT AND WAS WILLING TO TAKE A RISK IF WE HAD ACTUALLY FOUND GOLD!

**GARFIELD**  
 HELLO, WEEKEND!  
 BLINK!  
 HELLO, MONDAY.

**MARK TRAIL**  
 COULD YOU HELP ME HERE? I NEED SOME RUNNING SHOES.  
 OK, FOR WHO?  
 FOR WHO? FOR ME?  
 RIGHT, WHATEVER. DO YOU KNOW YOUR SIZE?  
 YES, IT'S ABOUT THE SAME AS YOUR AGE.

**LUANN**  
 COULD YOU HELP ME HERE? I NEED SOME RUNNING SHOES.  
 OK, FOR WHO?  
 FOR WHO? FOR ME?  
 RIGHT, WHATEVER. DO YOU KNOW YOUR SIZE?  
 YES, IT'S ABOUT THE SAME AS YOUR AGE.

WATCH THIS:



Helen Highfield

**"I Ship It"** (9:30 p.m., CW): Picking up the musical-comedy mantle previously held by the cult favorite "Crazy Ex-Girlfriend," this new half-hour show follows the adventures of Ella (Helen Highfield), who pays the bills by working in a boutique shipping agency. Her private passion, however, is a TV show called "Superstition," for which she writes fan fiction in her off hours. Riley Neldam and Yasmine Al-Bustami also star.

**"American Ninja Warrior"** (8 p.m., NBC): Tonight's new episode takes the show to Cincinnati for the City Finals round of competition, wherein the competitors are scheduled to include Grant McCarthy, Jesse "Flex" Labreck and Michelle Warnky. The athletes will confront as many as 10 challenging obstacles, including Slam Dunk, which is new to the course this year. Matt Iseman and Akbar Gbajabiamila are hosts; Zuri Hall provides sideline commentary.

**"Beat Shazam"** (8 p.m., FOX): Host Jamie Foxx closes out Season 3 of his hit game show with a finale called "Air... Sea... Hawaii," in which he welcomes teams made up of flight attendants, members of a Navy family and co-workers from the Hawaiian island of Oahu. As always, they'll compete to identify popular songs in as few notes as possible for a chance to go up against the song-identification app Shazam and a shot at winning a million dollars.

**"Penn & Teller: Fool Us"** (8 p.m., CW): Anca & Lucca, Tom Stone, Horret Wu, and Jon & Owen — The Passing Zone are among the guest magicians who try to stump Penn & Teller with one of their tricks, since anyone who succeeds gets to perform with the two veteran illusionists at their hit show in Las Vegas. Alyson Hannigan serves as host for a new episode titled "Magic Meatballs."

**"Fast N' Loud"** (9 p.m., 12 a.m., Discovery): As an urgent deadline looms, the Monkeys are confronted by a grave hot-rod dilemma as they realize their 1950s flat-head isn't customized for the '33 Ford they're working on in the new episode "Monsters and Monkeys." Later, after Richard travels west to buy a truly far-out '70s-era van, the garage team packs up and heads to the Monster Jam.

**"Family Restaurant Rivals"** (10 p.m., 1 a.m., Food): Valerie Bertinelli hosts this delightful new culinary competition series in which three families face off to prove which of their family-run restaurants offers the best food, while coping with real-world complications, with the results evaluated by a panel of judges. Clinton Kelly, Antonia Lofaso and Jet Tila are the judges.

TALK SHOWS

**"Conan"** (11 p.m., 12:30 a.m., TBS): Actor Gerard Butler.\*

**"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon"** (11:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Dwayne Johnson; actress Issa Rae; Eddy Grant performs.\*

**"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert"** (11:35 p.m., CBS): Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.); Incubus performs.\*

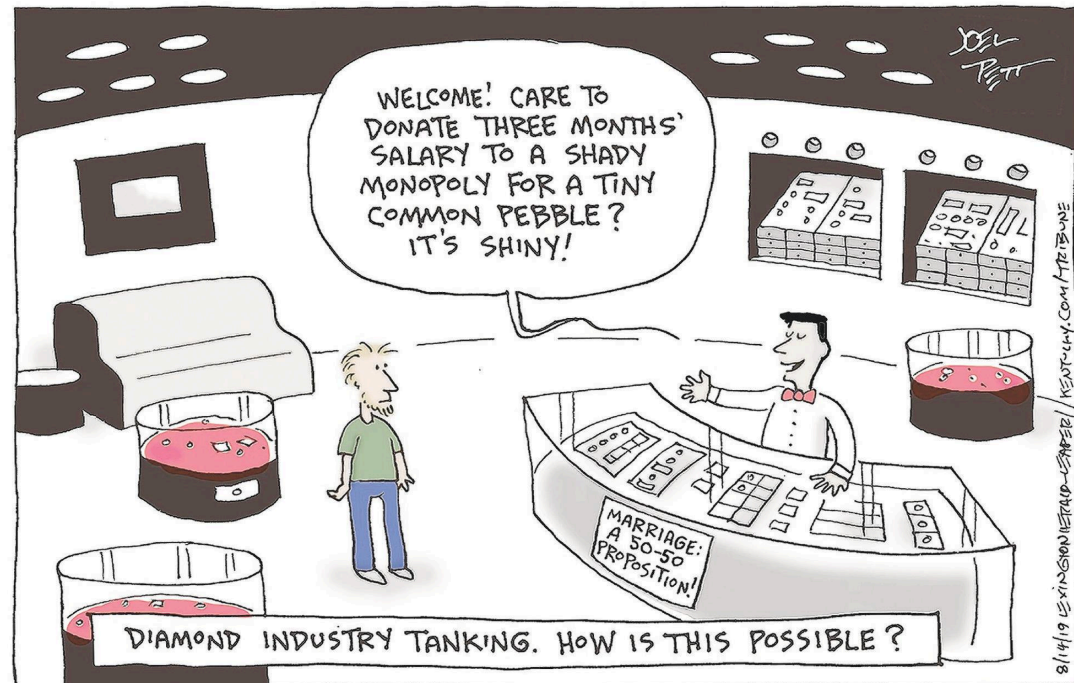
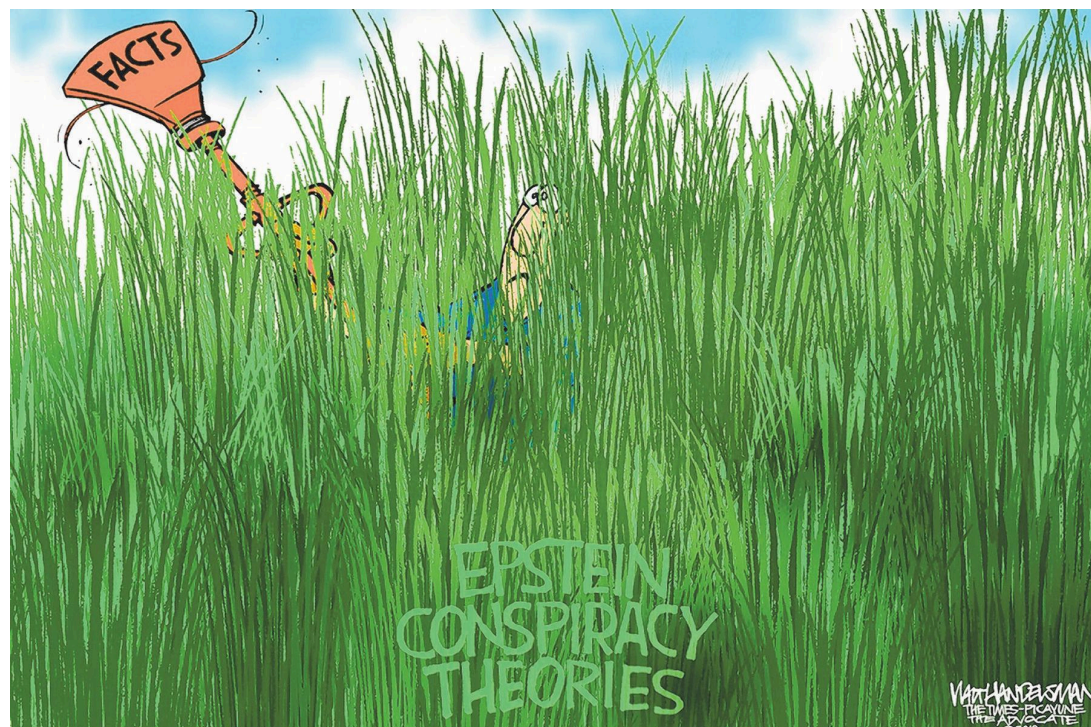
**"Jimmy Kimmel Live"** (11:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.\*

\* Subject to change

	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
69	Father Brown		Midsomer Murders	Schooled in Murder	Midsomer Murders	Schooled in Murder
2 3	The Neighborhood	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Mom	Carpool Karaoke-McCartney	
4	American Ninja Warrior 'Cincinnati City Finals'				Dateline NBC	
5	Beat Shazam 'Air... Sea... Hawaii'		So You Think You Can Dance		Fox 5 News at 10	
6	Bachelor in Paradise '603A'				10:01 Grand Hotel 'Suite Little Lies'	
9	Law & Order: Criminal Intent 'Shandeh'	Law & Order: Criminal Intent 'Con-Text'			Family Feud	Family Feud
10	American Ninja Warrior 'Cincinnati City Finals'				Dateline NBC	
11	Penn & Teller: Fool Us 'Magic Meatballs'	Whose Line Is It?	I Ship It		PIX11 News at Ten	
12	Reconstruction: America After the Civil War					Reconstruction
16	Bachelor in Paradise '603A'				10:01 Grand Hotel 'Suite Little Lies'	
17	Modern Family 'Mom'	The Goldbergs	black-ish		Action News at Ten on PHL17	
22	The Neighborhood	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Mom	Carpool Karaoke-McCartney	
23	American Ninja Warrior 'Cincinnati City Finals'				Dateline NBC	
28	Beat Shazam 'Air... Sea... Hawaii'		So You Think You Can Dance		Fox 29 News at 10	
44	Bee Gees: One Night Only		The O'Jays: Live in New York			
48	Praise	Overcomer	BillyGraham.TV	GregLaurie.TV		
57	Penn & Teller: Fool Us 'Magic Meatballs'	Whose Line Is It?	I Ship It		Eyewitness News	2 Broke Girls
60	Grace to You	PA Newsmakers	Your Health with Dr. Richard		Digging for Truth	CBN Newswatch
69	The Doctors	Dr. Phil			69 News at 10:00	Berks Edition
A&E	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live Rescue 'Live Rescue -- 08.19.19'			
AMC	6:00 "American Sniper" *** (R, '14)		The Terror		10:01 Lodge 49 'The Slide'	
ANPL	Alaska: The Last Frontier 'Earning Seven'	Alaska: The Last Frontier			Alaska: The Last Frontier 'Coming of Age'	
BBC	"Gladiator" *** (R, '00) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix.					
BET	6:30 "Alex Cross" * (PG-13, '12)	"American Gangster" *** (R, '07) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe.				
BRAV	Below Deck Mediterranean	Below Deck Mediterranean 'Don't Cry for Me, Sicocco'	Below Deck			
CMT	Last Man Standing 'Last Man Standing'	"Varsity Blues" ** (R, '99) James Van Der Beek, Jon Voight.				
CNBC	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed 'The Fyre Festival'			
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Cuomo Prime Time	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon			
COM	The Office	The Office	The Office 'China'			
DIS	Bunk'd 'It's a Blast!'	Bunk'd	Raven's Home	Raven's Home	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami
DSC	Fast N' Loud: Revved Up	Fast N' Loud 'Monsters and Monkeys'			10:02 Aaron Needs a Job 'At Your Service'	
E!	Growing Up Chrisley 'Chrisley Knows Best'	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best
ESP	NFL Preseason Football San Francisco 49ers at Denver Broncos					
ES2	2019 Little League World Series Game 20: Teams TBA				Baseball Tonight	
FOOD	Kids Baking Championship	Kids Baking Championship			Family Restaurant Rivals	
FREE	7:00 "WALL-E" **** (G, '08)	"The Princess and the Frog" *** (G, '09) Voices of Anika Noni Rose.				
FS1	NHRA Drag Racing Lucas Oil NHRA Nationals					
FX	"Passengers" ** (PG-13, '16) Jennifer Lawrence, Chris Pratt.					"Passengers" **
FXM	7:30 "The Other Woman" ** (PG-13, '14) Cameron Diaz.		9:45 "The Other Woman" ** (PG-13, '14) Cameron Diaz.			
FXN	Tucker Carlson Tonight	Hannity	The Ingraham Angle			
GSN	Family Feud	Family Feud	America Says	America Says	America Says	Family Feud
HALL	7:00 "Summer Love" (NR, '16)	"Summer of Dreams" (NR, '16) Debbie Gibson, Robert Gant.				
HGTV	Love It or List It	Hidden Potential	Hidden Potential		House Hunters	Hunters Int'l
HIS	American Pickers 'California Picking'	American Pickers 'Say Soho'			10:03 Pawn Stars	
ION	Criminal Minds 'Profiling 202'	Criminal Minds 'Seek & Destroy'			Criminal Minds 'Surface Tension'	
LIFE	"Unfaithful" *** (R, '02) Richard Gere, Diane Lane.				"Nanny Watch"	
LIFEM	"Seduced by My Neighbor" (NR, '18) Andrea Bogart, Trevor St. John.				"The Killer Downstairs" (NR, '19)	
MSNB	All In With Chris Hayes	The Rachel Maddow Show			The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell	
MTV	Teen Mom OG 'Handle with Care'	Teen Mom OG 'The Weight of the World'			10:01 The Hills: New Beginnings	
NBCSPA	7:00 The Mike Missanelli Show					
NGEO	Drain the Great Lakes	Drain the Oceans	Drain the Oceans	Disasters at Sea'		
NIK	"Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel" ** (PG, '09) Zachary Levi, David Cross.				Friends	Friends
OXY	Buried in the Backyard 'Garden of Evil'	Snapped 'Laura Stelmasek'			Buried in the Backyard 'Garden of Evil'	
PARMT	Cops	Cops	Cops		Cops	Cops
SYFY	"The Hunger Games" *** (PG-13, '12) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson.					
TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy		American Dad	Final Space
TCM	"The Great Buster: A Celebration" *** (NR, '18) Narrated by Peter Bogdanovich.				"The General" **** (NR, '27)	
TLC	90 Day Fiance: The Other Way	90 Day Fiance: The Other Way			The Family Chantel 'Pack Your Bags'	
TNT	"Horrible Bosses" ** (R, '11) Jason Bateman, Charlie Day.				10:15 "Horrible Bosses 2" ** (R, '14)	
TOON	American Dad	American Dad	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy
TRUTV	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers
TRVL	Paranormal Survivor 'Animal Nightmares'	Paranormal Survivor 'Voices of the Dead'			Paranormal Emergency 'It Wanted to Feed'	
TVL	Everybody Raymond	8:45 Everybody Loves Raymond	Everybody Raymond		Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men
UNI	La reina soy yo	Juntos, el corazón nunca se equivoca			Sin miedo a la verdad	
USA	WWE Monday Night RAW					
VH1	Love & Hip Hop: Hollywood		Girls' Cruise		Love & Listings	
WE	Law & Order 'Brother's Keeper'		Law & Order 'School Daze'		Law & Order 'Judge Dread'	
HBO	6:40 "Bohemian Rhapsody" (PG-13, '18)		Our Boys		Our Boys	
HBO2	The Righteous Ghosstones	9:05 "Boy Erased" *** (R, '18) Lucas Hedges, Nicole Kidman.				
CIN	"Quantum of Solace" ** (PG-13, '08) Daniel Craig, Olga Kurylenko.				9:50 "Blindsighting" *** (R, '18)	
CIN2	7:25 "The Darkness" * (PG-13, '16)	"Bigger" * (PG-13, '18) Tyler Hoechlin, Aneurin Barnard.				
TMC	"Money Train" * (R, '95) Wesley Snipes, Woody Harrelson.				"I Spy" ** (PG-13, '02) Eddie Murphy.	
SHO	City on a Hill	Escape at Dannemora 'Part 2'			"Mile 22" ** (R, '18) Mark Wahlberg.	
STARZ	7:30 The Rook	8:25 Sweetbitter	8:56 Sweetbitter	9:29 "The Equalizer 2" ** (R, '18) Denzel Washington.		
STZNC	7:28 "Proud Mary" * (R, '18) Billy Brown		Power 'Everyone Is Implicated'		9:58 Power 'Damage Control'	

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### 'TOONS TO TALK ABOUT



### COMMENTARY

# Is Fredo really the equivalent of the N-word?

By JOHN KASS  
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

Like many American families that have Italian members, mine was at once horrified and confused by the recent terrifying outburst of CNN's Chris Cuomo on a viral video.

Cuomo was so angry about being called Fredo — like the weak, sniveling brother in “The Godfather” — that he said it was akin to using the N-word. Then he threatened to break the guy's bones.

“It's an insult to your [expletive] people. It's like the N-word for us,” Cuomo said before threatening to throw the guy down the [expletive] stairs.

What Cuomo forgot to mention is all the times left-leaning CNN hosts and guests have used Fredo as an insult to Republicans. Even Cuomo used it in an interview with Curtis Sliwa, who had referred to the New York political family as “la Cuomo nostra.” Cuomo responded, “Who am I then, Fredo?”

Yes, henceforth, you shall be known as Fredo Cuomo. No further questions, your honor, except for one thing: Is Fredo really the equivalent of the N-word?

All this prompted a lively discussion at the dinner table over what should have been veal saltimbocca the way it's done at Bruna's Ristorante on Oakley Avenue, with linguini on the side. Instead we had boring pork loin. Finally, my lovely Sicilian bride ended the discussion, her black eyes flashing.

“Cuomo?” Betty said. “All he wants is publicity. Who cares what that spacone [showoff] says? And don't quote me.”

But honey, I'm a journalist, and as the political left grows crazier by the day, I'm bound to chronicle its crackup on the Intersectional Highway, where everything is about race and identity politics and more race. And Fredo.

Only a spacone would scream that he'd “throw you down these stairs like a [expletive] punk” for calling him Fredo and then saying Fredo was the N-word. And then not do anything at all.

In that crazy video gone wild, Fredo



John Cazale played the weaker brother Fredo in “The Godfather Part II.”

Cuomo displayed uncontrolled Fredo-like emotional outbursts. President Donald Trump's campaign is now reportedly selling T-shirts with Cuomo's photograph and the words, “Fredo Unhinged.”

I defended Cuomo on Twitter, because he was out with his family and a guy got in his face and provoked him by calling him Fredo.

Don't provoke people, I always say. Yet CNN has already authorized the use of Fredo as a perfectly acceptable insult. Then it was OK. Now it's not OK? Come on, CNN, what happened to being fair and balanced?

Many Americans of Italian descent are split on whether Cuomo should

have been provoked, but on one thing they're clear: Calling a guy Fredo is not the same as using the N-word.

Down at the cigar store where the philosophers gather, I asked two Italian guys, Pete and Joe, who grew up in 100% Italian families, about it.

Joe doesn't say much, but he made it clear that of the two words, Fredo can be uttered out loud and the other shouldn't ever be said.

“Case closed,” said Joe with a shrug. Pete agreed that it wasn't a slur on all Italians.

“But anyone familiar with ‘The Godfather’ movies knows that being called a Fredo is worse than a slur,” said Pete, listing off the other slurs that I won't

use. “But being called Fredo means you're a back-stabbing piece of [deleted].”

Perhaps, but just to be clear I called upon Raffaele Raia of Naples, my barber, whom I've just named as chairman of the Authentic Italian Club.

He's amused that so little about the real Italy is known in America. And he recommends that you watch “My Brilliant Friend” on HBO, saying that is truly authentic. I do, and I love it.

“Me too,” Raia said. “It's authentic down to the dialect of that part of Naples. And it's not only about Mafia. It's about family, locals, who's cheating who, the neighborhood stories, the smart girls, it's all very original. You

want to know about Italians? Look there.”

If there's one thing that drives him crazy it's inauthentic Italian stuff. Like American journalists insisting that the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia made a vulgar gesture by flicking his own chin at a reporter rather than answer a question, outside church.

“It's like saying, literally, nothing,” Raia said. “As in, if I ask you, ‘You want more marinara sauce?’ And you flick your chin, with the fingers, you're saying no, nothing, you don't want any. But that didn't stop journalists.”

When I reached him, he was researching ways to make proper limoncello at home. He hadn't heard of the Fredo Cuomo business.

“In Italy nobody would care,” Raia said. “You call someone Fredo? The name is Alfredo. People will shrug. If you get upset about being called Alfredo, they'll think you're crazy.”

“This Fredo paranoia is an American Italian thing. He's worried about Fredo? That's his thing. But nobody in Italy would understand the man. They'd just look at him.”

With pity.  
Poor Fredo.

John Kass is a columnist for the Chicago Tribune. Readers may send him email at [jskass@chicagotribune.com](mailto:jskass@chicagotribune.com)

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# FORECAST

## LEHIGH VALLEY FORECAST

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MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING	NIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
73	87	90	79	92 72	90 70	84 60	82 57	83 62	85 63
Partly sunny with a t-storm this afternoon today. Winds SSW at 4-8 mph. POP: 55%. High 94. Partly cloudy, warm and humid tonight. Winds NW at 3-6 mph. POP: 25%. Low 73.				Some sun, hot, humid; a p.m. t-storm	Clouds and sun with a t-storm; very warm	Partly sunny, a t-storm in spots; humid	Sun and some clouds	Plenty of sun	Clouds to start, then sunshine returns

## ALMANAC

Allentown through 5 p.m. Sunday  
**TEMPERATURES**  
Sun. Normal Record  
High .. 93° .. 82° .. 95° (2002)  
Low .. 71° ... 61° ... 47° (1981)

**PRECIPITATION**  
24 hours through 5 p.m. Sun. ... 0.00"  
Month to date Year to date  
Actual 2.49" Normal 2.30" Actual 43.99" Normal 28.38"

**WIND**  
Average speed .. 5.2 mph  
Peak gust ..... 10 mph  
Direction ..... SW

**POLLEN INDEX**  
Sunday's pollen  
Trees Grass Weeds Ragweed Molds  
Absent Very low Low Moderate High Very high  
Pollen counts supplied by Dr. Eric Schenkel of Valley Allergy Care 610-954-9260

**AIR QUALITY INDEX**  
Sunday's reading  
40  
Good Moderate Unhealthy Sensitive Unhealthy Very Unhealthy Hazardous  
Source: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

**CONDITIONS TODAY**  
UV INDEX AND REAL FEEL TEMPERATURE  
8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.  
The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection. 0-2 Low; 3-5 Moderate; 6-7 High; 8-10 Very High; 11+ Extreme. The patented AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature™ is an exclusive index of effective temperature based on eight weather factors.

**THE SKY**  
The Sun Rise Set  
Today ..... 6:16 a.m. .... 7:55 p.m.  
Tuesday ..... 6:17 a.m. .... 7:53 p.m.  
The Moon Rise Set  
Today ..... 10:13 p.m. .... 9:56 a.m.  
Tuesday ..... 10:38 p.m. .... 10:54 a.m.  
Last New First Full  
Aug 23 Aug 30 Sep 5 Sep 14

**The Planets** Rise Set  
Venus ..... 6:22 a.m. .... 8:04 p.m.  
Mars ..... 6:38 a.m. .... 8:10 p.m.  
Jupiter ..... 3:25 p.m. .... 12:48 a.m.  
Saturn ..... 5:36 p.m. .... 2:58 a.m.

**RIVER LEVELS**  
In feet as of 7 a.m. Sunday  
Lehigh River Sun. Flood Stage  
White Haven ..... 3.55 ..... 8  
Lehigh ..... 3.51 ..... 10  
Bethlehem ..... 1.73 ..... 16  
Delaware River  
Tocks Island ..... 5.56 ..... 21  
Riegelsville ..... 3.51 ..... 22

**WEATHER TRIVIA™**  
Q: What was the strongest August hurricane to hit the United States?  
A: Camille on Aug. 17, 1919

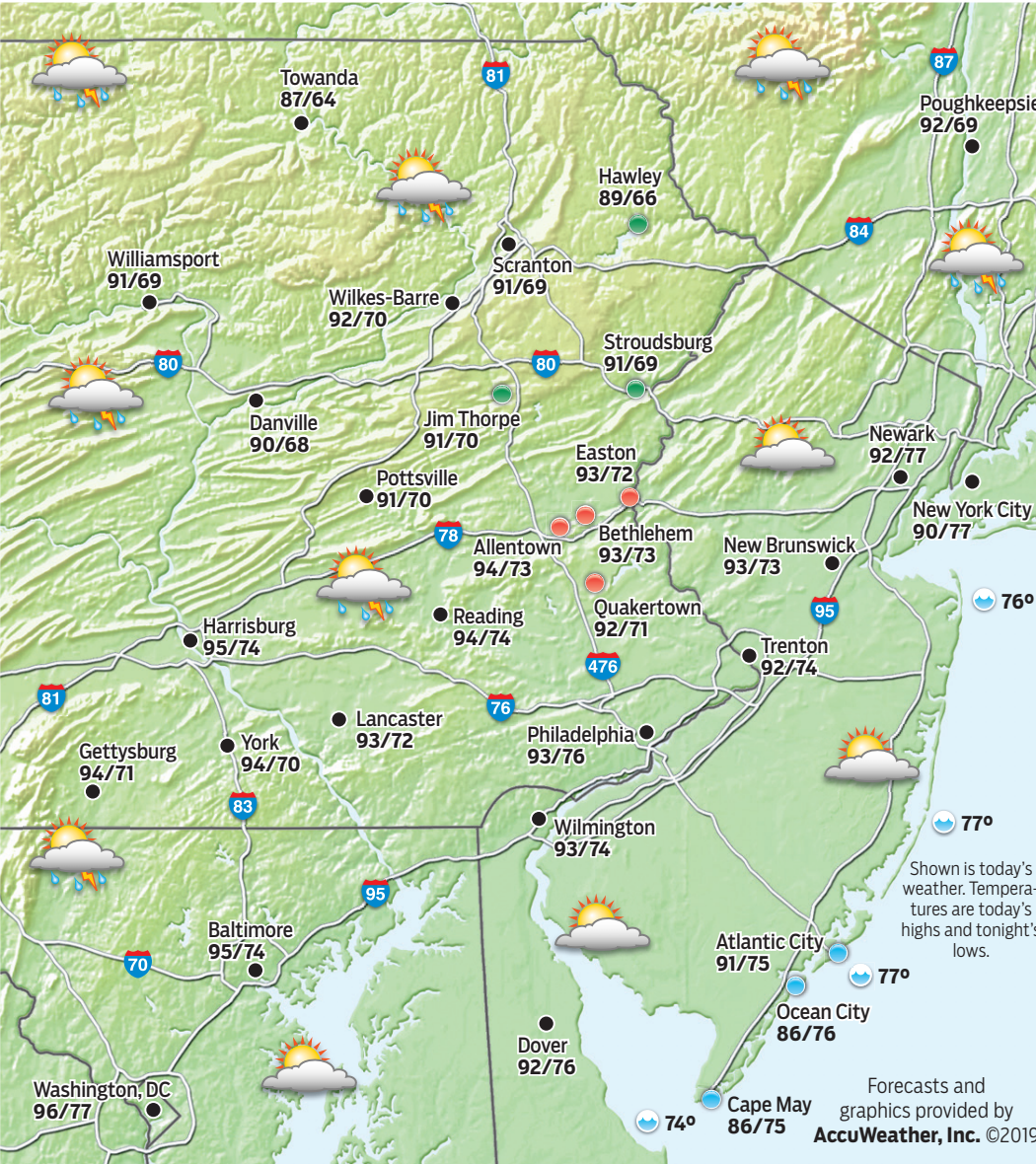
**WEATHER HISTORY**  
After dumping 2.6 inches of rain on Cape Hatteras, N.C., the day before, Hurricane Bob moved north-northeastward on Aug. 19, 1991. The storm ripped through eastern New England during the afternoon.

## REGIONAL WEATHER

**LEHIGH VALLEY**  
Partly sunny and hot today with a shower or thunderstorm around in the afternoon. Partly cloudy, warm and humid tonight. Hot and humid tomorrow with a shower or thunderstorm around in the afternoon.

**THE POCONOS**  
Fog this morning; otherwise, partly sunny, a thunderstorm in the afternoon. Hot toward Stroudsburg; humid near Mount Pocono this morning. Very warm toward northern areas.

**THE SHORE**  
Partly sunny and humid today; hot toward Atlantic City. Partly cloudy and humid tonight. Humid tomorrow with times of sun and clouds; hot toward Atlantic City. Wednesday: a shower or thunderstorm around.



## REGIONAL CITIES

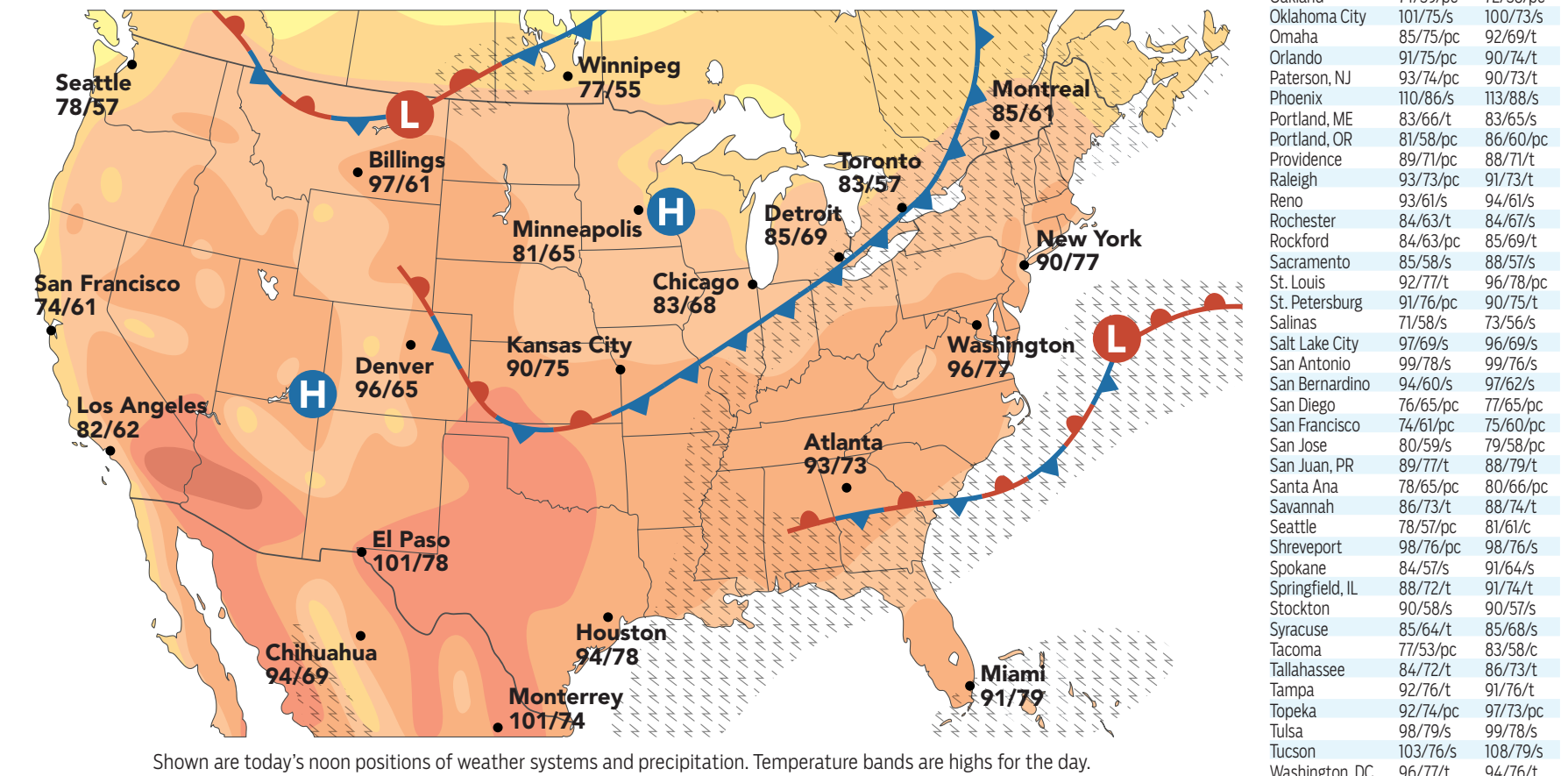
CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W	CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W
Albany, NY	89/67/pc	86/69/t	Indiana, PA	87/67/pc	86/67/t
Alexandria, VA	98/76/t	95/74/t	Islip, NY	86/72/pc	86/73/pc
Atlantic City, NJ	86/76/pc	87/76/pc	Lake Placid, NY	81/52/t	81/57/s
Altoona, PA	89/66/pc	86/66/t	Lebanon, PA	93/70/t	90/70/t
Asbury Park, NJ	88/74/pc	85/74/pc	Martinsburg, WV	93/69/t	90/70/t
Baltimore, MD	95/74/t	94/73/t	Middletown, NY	90/68/t	86/68/t
Binghamton, NY	84/64/t	82/66/t	Morgantown, WV	90/67/s	88/68/t
Bradford, PA	82/61/pc	82/63/t	Newark, NJ	92/77/pc	89/75/t
Cape May, NJ	86/75/pc	87/76/pc	New York City	90/77/pc	90/75/t
Chambersburg, PA	93/70/t	90/70/t	Ocean City, MD	85/75/pc	86/75/pc
Charleston, WV	94/68/s	91/69/pc	Philadelphia, PA	93/76/t	91/75/t
Cherry Hill, NJ	94/75/t	91/74/t	Phillipsburg, NJ	93/72/t	90/72/t
Cumberland, MD	93/68/t	90/68/t	Pittsburgh, PA	87/68/pc	85/68/t
Dover	92/76/pc	91/75/pc	Reading, PA	94/74/t	93/73/t
Elmira, NY	88/64/t	85/66/t	Richmond, VA	95/74/pc	94/73/pc
Erie, PA	91/68/t	84/70/t	Roanoke, VA	94/70/s	92/71/pc
Frederick, MD	96/72/t	93/71/t	Salisbury, MD	94/75/pc	93/75/pc
Frostburg, MD	87/66/t	85/67/t	Scranton, PA	91/69/t	89/70/t
Gettysburg, PA	94/71/t	90/71/t	Selinsgrove, PA	91/67/t	87/68/t
Hackensack, NJ	94/75/pc	92/74/t	State College, PA	89/65/pc	86/65/t
Hagerstown, MD	94/71/t	90/71/t	Syracuse, NY	85/64/t	85/68/s
Hanover, PA	94/70/t	91/70/t	Toms River, NJ	92/73/pc	88/73/pc
Harrisburg, PA	95/74/t	92/73/t	Watkins Glen, NY	88/66/t	85/68/t
Hershey, PA	94/72/t	90/71/t	Wildwood, NJ	87/75/pc	88/75/pc

## WORLD CITIES

CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W	CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W
Acapulco	87/78/t	87/78/t	Kingston	90/79/t	91/79/pc
Amsterdam	68/55/pc	67/53/pc	Lima	64/59/pc	64/59/pc
Athens	89/74/s	89/73/s	Lisbon	75/61/s	83/66/s
Auckland	56/49/s	57/51/c	London	70/52/pc	71/55/pc
Baghdad	111/81/s	114/83/s	Madrid	91/69/pc	87/63/s
Bangkok	94/80/t	90/79/t	Manila	88/80/t	88/80/t
Beijing	89/71/pc	79/66/t	Melbourne	53/47/sh	60/51/sh
Beirut	87/73/s	86/76/s	Mexico City	76/53/t	76/55/pc
Berlin	76/56/pc	76/57/c	Monterrey	101/74/pc	99/72/pc
Bogota	67/47/c	65/47/r	Montreal	85/61/t	84/62/s
Brussels	68/52/pc	68/49/pc	Moscow	71/57/t	79/63/s
Budapest	90/63/pc	91/66/pc	New Delhi	89/79/t	93/79/s
Buenos Aires	49/36/c	52/39/c	Paris	73/56/pc	73/53/pc
Cairo	93/74/s	94/77/s	Rio de Janeiro	71/69/c	74/67/sh
Caracas	87/75/t	87/74/t	Riyadh	108/79/s	110/77/s
Colombo	86/77/t	85/79/t	Rome	84/63/s	86/68/s
Copenhagen	69/57/pc	68/55/pc	Santiago	64/46/c	76/45/c
Damascus	95/61/s	97/61/s	Singapore	90/81/c	90/81/pc
Dublin	63/47/pc	63/53/sh	Stockholm	69/53/pc	68/52/pc
Geneva	75/60/t	66/57/r	Sydney	62/46/s	65/51/s
Guatemala City	73/59/t	75/61/t	Tel Aviv	88/74/s	87/76/s
Havana	90/73/t	90/73/pc	Tokyo	90/79/t	89/77/t
Hong Kong	90/81/sh	89/80/t	Toronto	83/57/pc	82/65/s
Jerusalem	84/65/s	83/67/s	Vancouver	72/55/pc	73/60/c
Johannesburg	74/45/s	72/43/s	Vienna	85/66/pc	86/63/pc
Kabul	89/58/s	93/59/s	Warsaw	87/62/t	80/61/c

## NATIONAL WEATHER

CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W	CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W	CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W	CITY	Today HI/LO/W	Tuesday HI/LO/W
Albuquerque	95/69/s	91/67/t	Burlington, NC	94/71/c	92/72/t	Detroit	85/69/pc	87/72/pc	Huntsville, AL	96/73/s	94/72/pc
Amarillo	100/70/t	98/69/s	Charleston, SC	88/75/pc	89/74/t	El Paso	101/78/s	99/76/pc	Indianapolis	87/71/t	89/73/pc
Anchorage	65/52/s	64/52/pc	Charlotte, NC	93/71/s	90/70/t	Evansville	91/74/pc	92/75/pc	Irvine, CA	78/63/pc	81/63/pc
Atlanta	93/73/pc	89/71/t	Chattanooga	96/72/pc	95/72/pc	Fairbanks	59/40/c	59/41/r	Jackson, MS	93/72/t	94/73/t
Austin	100/76/s	99/74/s	Cheyenne	93/59/pc	88/58/pc	Flint	84/62/pc	89/68/pc	Kansas City, KS	92/77/pc	91/75/pc
Baltimore	95/74/t	94/73/t	Chicago	83/68/pc	87/72/t	Fort Myers	92/75/t	90/74/t	Kansas City, MO	90/75/pc	96/74/pc
Baton Rouge	91/74/t	91/75/t	Cincinnati	90/70/t	90/72/pc	Fort Wayne	84/68/pc	87/70/pc	Knoxville	93/70/pc	93/69/pc
Billings	97/61/s	90/60/pc	Cleveland	84/70/t	87/72/t	Fresno	94/64/s	96/64/s	Lansing	84/61/pc	88/67/pc
Birmingham	97/72/pc	95/73/t	Colorado Springs	93/63/s	92/61/pc	Grand Rapids	85/60/s	87/67/s	Las Vegas	105/81/s	107/82/s
Bismarck	87/61/t	77/51/pc	Columbus, OH	90/72/t	89/72/pc	Greensboro	92/72/s	90/72/t	Lexington	94/73/s	93/72/t
Boise	95/62/s	98/64/pc	Dallas	100/80/s	99/80/s	Hartford	92/69/t	90/69/t	Lincoln	87/74/pc	93/69/t
Boston	90/74/pc	84/71/t	Dayton	89/72/t	89/73/pc	Honolulu	90/75/s	89/78/pc	Little Rock	95/75/pc	96/75/s
Buffalo	82/64/t	85/68/s	Denver	96/65/s	94/61/pc	Houston	94/78/t	95/78/pc	Los Angeles	82/62/pc	84/63/s



T-storms	Rain	Showers	Snow	Flurries	Ice	Cold Front	Warm Front	Stationary Front					
-10s	-0s	0s	10s	20s	30s	40s	50s	60s	70s	80s	90s	100s	110s

Weather (W): s=sunny, pc=partly cloudy, c=cloudy, sh=showers, t=thunderstorms, r=rain, sf=snow flurries, sn=snow, l=ice

# Obituaries

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### Frances J. Anthony



Frances J. Anthony, 77, of Allentown, passed away in her home on August 17, 2019. Born in Elizabeth NJ, she was raised by the late Clarence Sr. and Dorothy (McGuiness) Moyer. Frances was married to Kenneth W. Anthony, and on August 19 they would have observed their 58th wedding anniversary. She was a member St. Paul's UCC, Allentown.

Survivors: Husband; Daughter, Karen Moyer (Thomas Doyle);

Brother, Clarence Moyer Jr.; Grandchildren, Kevin Werkheiser and Jason Moyer; Great Granddaughter, Jolie Lanning-Werkheiser.

Services: Funeral 11:30 AM Thursday August 22, at St. Paul's UCC, 340 E. Hamilton St., Allentown, PA 18109. There will be a viewing from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. Interment will follow at Cedar Hill Memorial Park. Arrangements by Bachman Kulik & Reinsmith Funeral Homes.

Contributions: In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the church.

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### Agnes Eisman



Agnes Eisman, 105, of Allentown, passed away August 17, 2019, at Luther Crest. She was born January 12, 1914 in Brooklyn NY, to the late Karl and Emma (Hirschowitz) Teger. Agnes was married to the late Abe Eisman.

She was a partner with her parents at Emma's Dress Shop in Allentown. She also worked at Gentry's Men's Store. Agnes was a member of Temple Beth El, and the past president of the Friendship Circle at the Allentown JCC, which her father helped to start.

Survivors; Sons, Martin M. Eisman (Carol), Philip C. Eisman, Gary S. Eisman (Brent); Granddaughter, Sara Davis (Nicholas).

Services: Graveside 10:30AM Wednesday August 21, at Beth El Memorial Park on Mechanicsville Rd, Whitehall. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Bachman Kulik & Reinsmith Funeral Home, Allentown.

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### Lillian M. Fluck



Lillian M. Fluck, 92, formerly of Coopersburg, died Saturday, August 17, 2019 at Rittenhouse Village, Allentown. She is the wife of the late Lester K. Fluck, Jr. who died September 8, 2010. She was born in Miller Heights on May 21, 1927 to the late Earl and Florence (Schoenenberger) Seifert.

SURVIVORS: Sons: Robert E. (Wendy) of Breinigsville, James A. (Lana) of Brooklyn, PA, Richard W. of Bethlehem Twp.; 7 grandchildren;

Robert, Eric, Heather, Brent, Seth, Austin, Alycia; 7 great grandchildren.

SERVICE: Family and friends are invited to call 10-11 a.m. Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the Heintzelman Funeral Home, Inc. 326 Main Street - Hellertown followed by the service at 11 a.m. The interment will conclude services at Union Cemetery of Hellertown. Online expressions of sympathy can be recorded at: [www.heintzelmancares.com](http://www.heintzelmancares.com).

CONTRIBUTIONS: In lieu of flowers: memorials to Alzheimer's Association, 617 Main St. A, Hellertown, PA 18055.

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### Joseph E. Moser



Joseph Edward Moser, 90, of Hereford, passed away August 18, 2019. He was the beloved husband of Ann Louise (Huber) Moser. Born in Bally, he was a son of the late James & Ada (Bauer) Moser. Joe began his career at the Bally Pants Factory. Later, he was a fork-lift operator for Bally Case & Cooler. In addition, he was a self-employed painter for many years. Joe was a member of St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, Pennsburg. He was

an avid vegetable gardener, of which he was very proud. His greatest joy, however, were his children and grandchildren whom he loved to talk about.

Surviving with his wife, are children: Roxanne, wife of Keith Tornetta, of Palm; Joanne, wife of Dana Gery; and Cindy Rock, all of Huffs Church; David Moser, and his wife, Trudy, of Zionsville; and Suzy, wife of Al Samson, of Byram, NJ; 12 grandchildren: Greg, Chad, Ben, Danny, Andrew, Justin, Tyler, Danielle, Gina, Quincy, Rachel, and Emily; and 11 great-grandchildren. He was pre-deceased by a granddaughter, Tracy; and his siblings: Anna Fronheiser, Wilbur Moser, Mary Rutz, and Sue Brown.

A Funeral Mass will be 11 AM on Thursday, Aug. 22nd at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, 1325 Kliner Road, Pennsburg. Friends may call from 9:30-11 AM at Church. Interment will follow at Most Blessed Sacrament Cemetery, Bally.

The family suggests memorial contributions to BAYADA Hospice, 100 Schaeffer St., Suite 4, Boyertown, PA 19512. To offer on-line condolences, please visit his "Book of Memories" at [falkfuneralhomes.com](http://falkfuneralhomes.com).

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### Roseann F. (Eddinger) Rickard



A resident of Allentown, passed away peacefully on Saturday morning August 17, 2019. Born in Allentown to the late F. Pierson and Ernestine R. (Jerant) Eddinger, she was the wife of Reginald H. Rickard, Jr. for 55 years. A graduate of Central Catholic High School, she was a pharmacy technician at The Phoebe Home until retiring. Surviving beside her husband are son Reginald J. Rickard;

daughter Lisa A. wife of Robert Rindock; grandsons Nicholas and Logan; sister Jeanne Ebert with husband G. Michael; brothers Dennis with wife Lucille, Michael with wife Terry, Joseph with wife Tammy; nieces, nephews, and extended family; predeceased by grandson Alex and sister Susan Lucci. Visitation with her family will be 6:00 to 8:00 pm Wednesday August 21, 2019 in the Gilbert Funeral Home, 444 Pershing Blvd Whitehall, PA 18052, located 1 block south of the Fullerton Ave exit of Route 22. Memorial contributions honoring Roseann are suggested to Lil' Le-Hi Trout Nursery 2901 Fish Hatchery Road, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18103

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### Francis J. Stimpfl



Francis J. "Smokey" Stimpfl, 79, of Schnecksville, passed away Saturday, August 17, 2019. He was the husband of the late Patricia A. (Reinert) Stimpfl. Born in Fogelsville, September 4, 1939, Smokey was the son of the late Frank J. and Agnes R. (Yurasits) Stimpfl. He faithfully and honorably served his country in the U.S. Army during a peacetime era. Smokey was employed as a line

operator at the former Stroh Brewery in Fogelsville for 22 years before retiring in 2002. He was a member of St. Joseph the Worker Roman Catholic Church, Orefield. To all who knew him, he will always be remembered for his love of story-telling, the outdoors, and listening to polka music. He loved his family, and his granddaughters who were the light of his life.

Survivors: Daughter, Michele L. Fisher and her husband, Paul with whom he resided; granddaughters, Kailee and Kirsten; siblings, Helen Fichter, Mary Balco and her husband, Joe, Scott Stimpfl and his wife Kathy; predeceased by a brother, Alfred Stimpfl.

Service: Private and at the convenience of the family. No calling hours. The Heintzelman Funeral Home, Inc. in Schnecksville is in charge of arrangements. Online expressions of sympathy may be recorded at [heintzelmancares.com](http://heintzelmancares.com).

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### Joseph D. Glendenmeyer



Joseph D. Glendenmeyer 80 of Catasauqua, passed away on Saturday August 17, 2019. Joseph was the husband of the late Nancy M. Hess Glendenmeyer who passed in 2005. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late Roy and Matilda M. Sparr Glendenmeyer. Joe worked for many years at the Fuller Company prior to his retirement. He was a member of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Allentown. Joe liked

to play pickle ball with his friends at the Catasauqua YMCA. Surviving is her daughter; Mary James of Catasauqua and his sister Jean Longtin of Salisbury Twp. Preceded in death by his brother James and sisters Joan Haines and Jeanette Kratzer. Services will be Friday August 23, 2019 at 11:00AM in the O'Donnell Funeral Home 1064 Fifth Street N. Catasauqua, PA 18032. Calling hours will be 9:30-11:00AM on Friday. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Joe's memory to his Church 2510 Livingston St. Allentown, PA 18104.

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### Gene T. Thrash, Sr.



Gene T. Thrash, Sr., 76, of Northampton, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 16, 2019 at Phoebe Home, Allentown surrounded by his loving family. Gene and his wife, Rosemarie (Knappenberger), would have celebrated 54 years of marriage on October 16th. Born November 16, 1942 in Hazelton, he was a son of the late Cleatis, Sr. and Irene (Gregg) Thrash. Gene drove truck

for UPS for more than 30 years and retired in 2002. He then drove school bus for 12 years for the Northampton School District. Gene honorably served his country in the United States Navy. He was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Northampton and was active on the church council. Gene was also a member of the Northampton Borough Fire Police. In addition to his wife, Gene is survived by sons, Gene, Jr. and wife, Christina, Troy and wife, Jody, and Jason; daughter, Melissa Hughes and husband, William; grandchildren, Amanda, Jada, Ayden, Gavin, Evan, Brynnica, Logan, Bryce, Luke, Dawson, Quinn, Evangeline; sisters, Marion Ayre, Marie Kotansky, Judy Krouse; brother, Harold; and sister-in-law, Marlene Knappenberger. Gene was predeceased by 5 brothers. Services: Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 22nd at 11a.m. in the Reichel Funeral Home, 326 E. 21st St., Northampton. Family and friends may call Wednesday night from 5 to 7p.m. and Thursday from 10 to 11a.m. in the funeral home. Burial with military honors will follow in Fairview Cemetery. Online condolences may be submitted at [www.reichel-funeralhome.com](http://www.reichel-funeralhome.com). Memorials may be presented to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church or the Northampton Boro Fire Police in loving memory of Gene.

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### Michael R. Wagner

Michael R. Wagner, 62, of Bethlehem, died August 16, 2019 in his residence. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late Nevin N. and Lois S. (Danenhower) Wagner. Michael worked in the clean room for Agere for 26 years, retiring in 2003. He was a member of the Emmaus Mercantile Club, NRA, and Heights Athletic Association. He will be remembered for decorating for the holidays and for his love of animals. Michael is survived by his brother, James E. Wagner of Emmaus; sister, Lori A. wife of Ronald D. Call of Macungie. He was predeceased by his longtime companion, Karen M. Haas. Funeral Services will be held on Thurs., Aug. 22, 2019 at 11:00 AM in Jerusalem Western Salisbury Church, 3441 Devonshire Rd., Allentown, PA 18103. Viewing 10:00 to 11:00 AM in the church. Interment will follow in Western Salisbury Cemetery. Schantz Funeral Home, P.C., Emmaus is handling arrangements. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Jerusalem Western Salisbury Church.

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# Churches arm up in wake of shootings

Cottage industry helps train congregants in weapons, security

BY JAKE BLEIBERG  
Associated Press

HASLET, Texas — Acrid gun smoke clouded the sunny entrance of a Texas church on a recent Sunday.

Seven men wearing heavy vests and carrying pistols loaded with blanks ran toward the sound of the shots, stopping at the end of a long hallway. As one peeked into the foyer, the “bad guy” raised the muzzle of an AR-15, took aim and squeezed the trigger.

The simulated gunfight at the church in Haslet was part of a niche industry that trains civilians to protect their churches using the techniques and equipment of law enforcement. Rather than a bullet, the rifle fired a laser that hit Stephen Hatherley’s vest — triggering an electric shock the 60-year-old Navy veteran later described as a “tingle.”

The shootings this month killed more than 30 people at an El Paso Walmart and Dayton, Ohio, entertainment district. But gunmen have also targeted houses of worship in recent years, including a church in rural Sutherland Springs, Texas, where more than two dozen people were shot dead in 2017.

The anxiety of one mass shooting after another has led



Chris Graves, left, and Bryan Hetherington train in security at the Fellowship of the Parks campus in Haslet, Texas.

some churches to start training and arming their worshippers with guns. Not all security experts support this approach, but it has gained momentum as congregations across the country grapple with how to secure spaces where welcoming strangers is a religious practice.

“Ten years ago, this industry was not a thing,” said David Riggall, a Texas police officer whose company trains churchgoers to volunteer as security guards. “I mean, sanctuary means a safe place.”

In 1993, Doug Walker said security wasn’t at the fore of his mind when, as a recent Baptist seminary graduate, he founded Fellowship of the Parks church in Fort Worth. But six years later, after a gunman killed seven people and took his own life at another church in the Texas city, the pastor said his thinking changed.

Today, the interdenominational church has four campuses and 3,000 worshippers on an average Sunday, Walker said. It has increased security as it

has grown, asking off-duty police to carry weapons at church events. And it recently hired Riggall’s company, Sheepdog Defense Group, to train volunteers in first aid, threat assessment, de-escalation techniques, using a gun, and tactical skills such as clearing rooms during an active shooting.

Walker, 51, said there wasn’t a single event that prompted his church to decide its guards needed more training. But Riggall said that after mass shootings congregations reach out.

“Every time the news comes on and there’s another shooting in a school or church or something like that, the phone starts ringing,” Riggall said.

The 46-year-old police officer said that he and a colleague had the idea for the company after the 2012 mass shooting at an elementary school in Newtown, Connecticut. They started doing firearms trainings with parents and, after Riggall became certified under Texas law to train security guards, transitioned to churches.

The company incorporates Christian teachings into its courses, and more than 90 people at 18 churches have completed the 70 hours of initial training and become state-licensed guards through its program, Riggall said. The so-called sheepdogs are insured and technically employed by the company. But they volunteer doing security at their own churches, which in turn pay Riggall.

On a Sunday in July, Brett Faulkner stood with an AR-15 in hand and his back to the cross in the sanctuary of the Fellowship of the Parks campus in Haslet, a community about 15 miles north of Fort Worth. He pointed the rifle at a young woman’s back and yelled at the armed men advancing into the room: “I’m going to kill this woman. It’s going to happen right now.”

Faulkner, a 46-year-old information technology worker, already completed a Sheepdog session but came to another

church’s to play the bad guy and keep his skills sharp.

“It really just comes down to caring about the people in that building,” Faulkner said of choosing to guard his small Baptist church.

Faulkner said his congregation re-evaluated its security after recent mass shootings and went with Riggall’s company as a cost-effective option. “This is a good balance between the cost of paying professionals and relying on untrained volunteers,” he said.

Security professionals differ on what balance is right.

After 11 worshippers were shot dead during Shabbat morning services at a synagogue in Pittsburgh, the city’s Jewish community added layers of defenses.

Since that October attack, congregations that once felt guns were unnecessary or inappropriate have welcomed armed security, said Brad Orsini, security director for The Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh. But arming worshippers is not an approach the former FBI agent recommends.

“Carrying a firearm is an awesome responsibility,” said Orsini, who served in the Marine Corps before his nearly three decades with the FBI. “Because you have the ability to have a carry concealed permit does not make you a security expert. Because you have a firearm doesn’t necessarily mean you should be carrying it at the church on the weekend.”

## CELEBRITIES

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## Movie a family affair for Julianne Moore

Julianne Moore, above, is accustomed to working with her husband, director Bart Freundlich, on set, but it was a real family affair when their daughter joined them for their latest collaboration.

Liv Freundlich, 17, was a production assistant on “After the Wedding,” which was released earlier this month.

“We loved having her around more than she loved being around,” Freundlich said. “The best part of it was just getting to be with each other constantly.”

The film, written and directed by Freundlich, is a remake of director Susanne Bier’s hit Dutch movie of the same name. To put his own stamp on it, Freundlich swapped the gender of the two leads to women, using Moore and Michelle Williams. Billy Crudup plays a role that was portrayed by a woman in the original.

In the movie, Williams plays Isabel, an orphanage volunteer living in India who comes to the United States to ask Moore’s character, Theresa, to fund her organization. She ends up attending a wedding for Theresa’s daughter and meets Theresa’s husband, played by Crudup, whom she has a history with.

Moore also served as a producer.

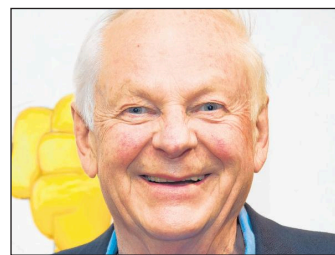
“I’m usually used to going home and dropping it,” Moore said. “But for a director it’s constant. The amount of work that they have to do is really extraordinary. So, we would talk about it in the car on the way home, we would talk about it before we would go to bed, we would talk about it first thing in the morning. But, like I said, it was a shared passion, too, so that was wonderful.”

— Associated Press

## Box office

1. “Good Boys,” \$21 million
2. “Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw,” \$14.1 million
3. “The Lion King,” \$11.9 million
4. “The Angry Birds Movie 2,” \$10.5 million
5. “Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark,” \$10.1 million
6. “47 Meters Down: Uncaged,” \$9 million
7. “Dora and the Lost City of Gold,” \$8.5 million
8. “Once Upon a Time ... in Hollywood,” \$7.6 million
9. “Blinded by the Light,” \$4.5 million
10. “The Art of Racing in the Rain,” \$4.4 million

SOURCE: Associated Press  
Estimated sales,  
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VALERIE MACON/GETTY 2013

**‘Roger Rabbit’ animator dies:** Richard Williams, a Canadian-British animator whose work on the bouncing cartoon bunny in 1988’s “Who Framed Roger Rabbit” helped blur the boundaries between the animated world and our own, has died. He was 86 years old. The Oscar-winning artist died of cancer at his home in Bristol, England, on Friday, his daughter said Saturday. “Who Framed Roger Rabbit” was a commercial and critical hit, and helped revitalize Disney’s flagging animation department.

**Aug. 19 birthdays:** Actor L.Q. Jones is 92. Actress Debra Paget is 86. Actress Jill St. John is 79. Singer Ivan Neville is 60. Actress Kyra Sedgwick is 54. Actor Matthew Perry is 50. Rapper Fat Joe is 49. Actress Erika Christensen is 37.

## KATHLEEN BLANCO 1942-2019

# La.’s 1st female governor, served during Katrina

BY MELINDA DESLATTE  
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — Former Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, who became the state’s first female elected governor only to see her political career derailed by the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, has died.

After struggling for years with cancer, Blanco died Sunday in hospice care in Lafayette. She was 76.

“Our hearts are broken, but we are joyful in knowing that she is rejoicing in her heavenly reunion with Christ. Please pray for God’s peace to carry us through the coming days and months of sorrow as we mourn her absence from our lives,” Blanco’s family said in a statement released by Gov. John Bel Edwards’ office.

Blanco had a rare eye cancer that she battled successfully in 2011, but it later returned and spread to her liver. Her death came more than a year after the Democrat who served in state government offices for more than two decades announced in December 2017 that she was being treated for the incurable melanoma. Blanco described being in a “fight for my own life, one that will be difficult to win.”

Blanco held Louisiana’s top elected job from 2004 to 2008. Until her campaign for governor, she spent much of her political career moving steadily and quietly through state politics, rarely creating waves or controversy.

Katrina raised her profile nationally and forever impacted her legacy. The devastating August 2005 hurricane killed more than 1,400 people in Louisiana, displaced hundreds of thousands and inundated 80 percent of New Orleans.

Historians will continue to debate whether any governor



BILL HABER/AP

Former Gov. Kathleen Blanco held Louisiana’s top job from 2004 to 2008.

could have been prepared for such a catastrophe, but Blanco shouldered much of the blame after images of thousands stranded on rooftops and overpasses were broadcast to the world, and the government was slow to respond. Blanco was criticized as unprepared, overwhelmed and indecisive. The recovery she guided moved ploddingly.

As the devout Catholic asked in the letter announcing her terminal condition for prayers in her final months, she also thanked Louisiana residents for their “abiding love” during her years of service, and described the challenges of responding to Katrina and the follow-up blow of Hurricane Rita a month later.

“Katrina certainly left its mark and Rita left her mark on Louisiana. It made us tougher people though. It made us stronger,” the former governor said in July.

Edwards, a Democrat in his first term as governor, called Blanco a mentor to him and a

trailblazer to women. He ordered flags at state buildings around Louisiana flown at half-staff through Blanco’s funeral, scheduled for Saturday.

“She led Louisiana through one of our darkest hours, when hurricanes and the failure of the federal levee system devastated much of our state,” he said in a statement Sunday. “I hope history will remember Gov. Blanco as a tireless advocate for Louisiana, who fought fiercely for our state to rebuild.”

A former high school business education teacher from the small Cajun village of Coteau, Blanco launched into politics as a consultant with her husband Raymond on local redistricting issues before going on to serve 24 years in elective office. Her first, in 1984, was a seat in the state House. Then came positions on the state utility regulatory commission and as lieutenant governor.

Political insiders dismissed Blanco as a lightweight — honest and hardworking but lacking in substance as a serious gubernatorial contender. She dropped out of the governor’s race in 1991, then stunned many political prognosticators in the 2003 election by defeating Republican Bobby Jindal. She successfully attacked Jindal’s record as a former state health official and made a memorable final debate appearance when — asked about a defining moment in her life — she tearfully recounted the 1997 death of her 19-year-old son Ben in an industrial accident.

Jindal later succeeded Blanco as governor after Katrina stopped her plans to seek a second term.

“Kathleen loved Louisiana and served the state for decades. She faced every struggle, including her last, with good cheer and a strong will. She will be missed,” Jindal said on Twitter.

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# HEARING LOSS: The Hidden Danger When the Brain Can't Hear

The consequences of an untreated hearing loss are real. Since we collect sound with our ears and process the sound in our brains, over time and without hearing assistance. We can lose the ability to understand the spoken word. This documented process is called "auditory deprivation."

According to Teri James Bellis, PhD., in her landmark book on Auditory Processing Disorder, Where the Brain Can't Hear, "As sound travels through an imperfect auditory pathway, words spoken to the afflicted listener may become jumbled, distorting original meaning

and rendering those words unintelligible." When you think about a conversation with all the sounds, the infections and temp changes, it makes communication extremely complicated. When a hearing loss has been present and untreated, the ability to follow a conversation can become extremely difficult.

Without receiving the appropriate stimuli the brain stops processing sounds like background noise and can no longer filter speech clearly. You may answer a question incorrectly, withdraw, smile and pretend you understood the

conversation. This can be particularly troublesome when you are visiting the doctor, and important information is being relayed. In some cases, people have been "misdiagnosed" with Alzheimer's disease because they were unable to follow the conversation.

According to world renowned Otolaryngologist, Dr. John Shea Jr., of the famed Shea Ear Clinic, "If a person is hard of hearing and they don't get amplification, they are not hearing and they have the ability to understand." Once familiar sounds, slowly fade like the hum of

a refrigerator and become unrecognizable noise, competing with spoken words.

Dr. Shea went to say, "When presented with amplification, or hearing aids, speech understanding becomes clearer. However, it is a continual process of improvement. Stimulating the brain with sound may help to overcome the auditory deprivation process, and getting help early is critical to a long term success." Now, the goal is to do everything we can to maintain the speech recognition you have. You need to wear the best hearing aids you can afford, fulltime in both ears to

hear correctly. Hearing aids solve the problems people have with communication, and the help to preserve and protect the brain's ability to recognize. Hearing loss ranks number three behind hypertension and arthritis. Often called the invisible disability, hearing loss happens slowly over time and may go unnoticed for years. According to an article in Post Graduate Medicine, by Dr.'s Shebet and Bent, "Loss of hearing is national health problem with significant physical and psychological repercussions." Although there is no cure for certain forms

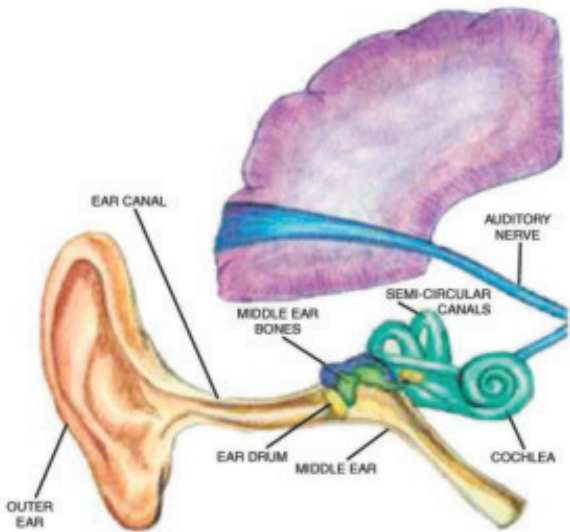
of hearing loss, many patients can be helped, especially when the problem is recognized early. Wearing amplification (hearing aids) has been shown to help preserve the remaining hearing and speech clarity.

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## POWER UP AT POCONO



MATT SLOCUM/AP

Will Power, driving Sunday in the IndyCar Series race, won for the third time in four years at Pocono Raceway. A thunderstorm shortened the scheduled 200-lap race to just 128.

## Will Power's win in rain-shortened race is his 3rd in 4 years

BY KEITH GROLLER

If Sunday's ABC Supply 500 was the final NTT IndyCar Series at Pocono Raceway, Will Power may be the one who misses the Monroe County track the most.

Power won for the third time in four years at Pocono on Sunday in a race shortened to 128 of the scheduled 200 laps by a thunderstorm.

The race was marred by a major crash that took out five cars on the first lap, including the one driven by Andretti Autosport driver Alexander Rossi, who entered the race second in the points standings.

The accident, which began when Takuma Sato tried to wedge his way between two drivers on Turn 2, red-flagged the race for 45 minutes and sent

all five drivers to the medical center. Four of the five — Sato, Rossi, James Hinchcliffe and Ryan Hunter-Reay — were immediately cleared.

Rookie Felix Rosenqvist, whose car went airborne and skimmed the top of the wall for several seconds, was taken to the trauma center at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest for further evaluation and later released.

Power, who got his first win of the season and the 32nd of his career, led 31 laps. With dark clouds looming to the northwest, he took the lead from Scott Dixon on Lap 115.

The Penske team member also made it 13 consecutive years on the circuit with at least one victory.

"It's a big relief because it has been one of those years that really hasn't flowed very well for me," he said. "I've

been quick, I've been there, but a few errors on my part and a few things haven't fallen my way. But I am absolutely over the moon to finally win a race this season. The guys working on the car have worked their butts off and we've just had bad runs. So this is awesome."

Chip Ganassi Racing driver Dixon finished second and Power's Penske teammate Simon Pagenaud was third after leading a race-high 64 laps.

"I was very determined today, especially knowing I had the car to do it," Power said. "I kind of sat back and tried to save fuel a lot and got shuffled back. We were able to move forward pretty quickly and got back up with these guys. The car was very fast and when the

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KEITH GROLLER/THE MORNING CALL

Will Power stands with the trophy after winning the ABC Supply 500 IndyCar race at Pocono Raceway on Sunday.

## PHILLIES

## A wasted weekend

Dropping series to Padres could be costly for Phillies

BY TOM MOORE  
GateHouse Media

PHILADELPHIA — The Phillies averaged 5.8 runs during their six-game homestand that ended with Sunday's 3-2 loss to the Padres.

That was an improvement from the four runs they averaged en route to going 2-5 against the Diamondbacks and Giants on the road during the forgettable previous week, but there's still work to do.

Former manager Charlie Manuel has helped as the team's hitting coach since his arrival Wednesday, especially his emphasis on swinging at a good pitch regardless of the situation instead of the analytics-based idea of trying to take pitches to increase the pitch count and get to the bullpen earlier.

Top off-season acquisitions Bryce Harper and J.T. Realmuto were particularly productive. Realmuto went 10 for 24 (.417) against the Cubs and Padres, with four home runs, nine RBIs and five runs scored, while Harper was 7 of 20 (.350) with four homers, 10 RBIs and five runs before



MATT ROURKE/AP

Jean Segura, following through on a hit, provided all of the offense for the Phillies on Sunday with a pair of RBI doubles.

leaving after five innings Sunday due to dehydration.

Sweeping a three-game set from the Cubs was impressive and a 4-2 homestand sounds good, though surrendering two of three to San Diego is hard to swallow. That caused the 64-60 Phils to drop off the pace a bit in the race for the National League's second wildcard spot.

"It's frustrating to lose the game and the series," said manager Gabe Kapler, who emphasized the positives after a second consecutive disappointing result.

While that is true, the Phillies must win games like Saturday night's 5-3 defeat if they plan on making the playoffs.

Kapler's team had an early 3-0 lead against a mediocre club at home, but couldn't finish the job. Fill-in starter Zach Eflin was unable to get through the fourth inning and demoted starter Nick Pivetta allowed two runs out of the bullpen in the fifth. Ballgame.

While the offense only produced six hits and three runs Saturday, that

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## EAGLES

## Brooks takes next step

Injured right guard cleared for 1-on-1 drills; Thorson prepping for Thursday start

BY NICK FIERRO

PHILADELPHIA — He's been saying from the start that he's going to be ready to go for the season. And doggone it if Eagles right guard Brandon Brooks, all 335 pounds of him, is not still on pace to make good on that prediction after suffering a ruptured Achilles tendon in last January's playoff loss at New Orleans.

Surprisingly, Brooks has been practicing from the start of training camp, though he has been held out of team sessions and is not expected to see any preseason action whatsoever regardless of his health.

But on Sunday he was cleared for 1-on-1 drills for the first time. That's the next-to-last hurdle in his recovery, and it could signify that he'll be ready for their season opener.

"Everything is on schedule," he said. "I'm excited. We'll see how it goes in this next phase."

To put Brooks' fast recovery in perspective, fellow offensive lineman Jason Peters suffered the same injury in February of 2012 and was forced to sit out the whole season. Brooks may not miss any time.

Truly incredible.

Brooks and his teammates were not



PHELAN M. EBENHACK/AP

Rookie Clayton Thorson took all the reps that didn't go to Carson Wentz on Sunday — a sure sign that they're getting him ready to start and play most of Thursday night's game.

on the field very long during Sunday's 10-10-10 session that coach Doug Pederson hopes will set the stage for longer, padded, joint practices with the Baltimore Ravens on Monday and Tuesday. The teams will meet in a preseason game at Lincoln Financial Field on Thursday night.

"We'll get great work, much like we did a couple years ago with Miami here," Pederson said. "We'll go pads

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**American Legion WS**  
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY

**SOCCER**  
**SCHOLASTIC BOYS**  
 Tamaqua at Weatherly (4:15)  
**SCHOLASTIC GIRLS**  
 Liberty at Stroudsburg (11 a.m.)

**TENNIS**  
**SCHOLASTIC GIRLS**  
 Central Catholic at PM West (10 a.m.)  
 Emmaus at Bethlehem Catholic (10 a.m.)  
 ES South at Parkland (10 a.m.)  
 Allen at Nazareth (10 a.m.)  
 Liberty at Whitehall (11 a.m.)  
 Pope John Paul at Upper Perk (11 a.m.)  
 Pennridge at CB South (12)  
 Tamaqua at Pottsville (2:30)  
 Northampton at Pleasant Valley (3)  
 Freedom at ES North (3:30)  
 PM East at Easton (3:30)  
 Stroudsburg at Dieruff (3:30)  
 Tamaqua at Jim Thorpe (3:30)

**GOLF**  
**SCHOLASTIC BOYS**  
 Moravian Academy at Northwestern (10 a.m.)  
 Palisades at Pennridge (10 a.m.)  
 Wilson at Salisbury (10:30 a.m.)  
 Jim Thorpe at Lehigh (10:30 a.m.)  
 PM West at Notre Dame ES (11:30 a.m.)  
 Saucon Valley at Notre Dame GP (10 a.m.)  
 Pen Argyl at Palmerton (2:30)

## ON THIS DATE ...



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In 1921, Detroit's Ty Cobb gets his 3,000th career hit at age 34, the youngest player to reach that plateau.

**1909** — The first race is held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Twelve-thousand spectators watch Austrian engineer Louis Schwitzer win a five-mile race with an average speed of 57.4 miles per hour. The track's surface of crushed rock and tar breaks up in a number of places and causes the deaths of two drivers, two mechanics and two spectators.  
**1934** — Helen Hull Jacobs wins the women's title in the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association championships.

## BOYS OF SUMMER

## BML still going strong after 74 seasons

BY KEITH GROLLER

It was one of the last Saturdays of the summer and a hazy, hot day more suited for the beach, a lake or a swimming pool.

But a few hundred baseball fans were at Lisetski Field at Northampton High School for the fifth and final game of the Blue Mountain League Championship Series on Saturday and wouldn't have wanted it to be anywhere else.

More than just wives, girlfriends and parents were in the stands as Limeport got a three-run home run from Jorge Montes to take a 5-0 lead and held off the Northampton Giants 5-3 for its fourth title in five years.

While the Bulls took their place along with Allentown (five straight titles from 1980-84), the Catasauqua Black Sox (four straight crowns from 1997-2000) and the Hellertown Royals (four straight championships from 2009-2012) as one of the BML's dynasties, there is plenty of evidence this is a golden era for the amateur league.

Are the crowds as large as they were in the 1950s and 1960s?

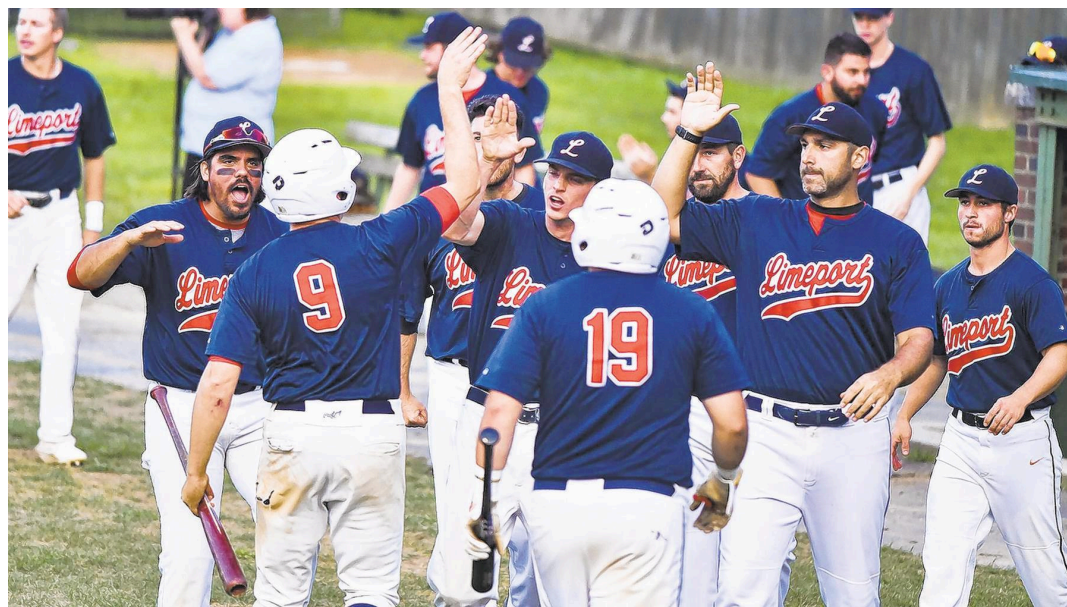
No, but remember there are many more entertainment options available in the Lehigh Valley to siphon away large numbers of people ... Musikfest, the IronPigs, the Wind Creek Casino and ArtsQuest to mention a few.

Plus, those who like baseball can get about a dozen games per day through an MLB television package and other outlets.

Yet, despite living in a world where sitting in a lawn chair and watching a bunch of former high school and college players play a game may not have much sizzle, the BML has maintained its audience and appeal.

Saturday's game completed the BML's 74th season and there's little doubt there will be a 75th season starting in May.

"We had another great sea-



APRIL GAMIZ PHOTOS/THE MORNING CALL PHOTOS  
 The Limeport Bulls' Dan Hemberger (9) is greeted by his team after scoring a run against the Northampton Giants during Game 4 at Limeport Stadium on Thursday.

son," league president Bob Varju said. "We had 11 teams in the league this year and we anticipate all 11 back. We just had a fantastic championship series between the No. 1 seed and the No. 2 seed and it attracted great crowds and quality baseball. There are a lot of positives."

Varju said the league is open to expansion, but he hasn't heard of a potential new team expressing interest so far.

"If you want to play quality baseball, the Blue Mountain League is still the place to play," Varju said. "The one concern is that the commitment level of the players isn't what it was 30 years ago. A lot of teams have 11 players, but what we're looking for is that 12th guy through the 16th guy."

"Guys have to be willing to sit and learn the game before they can excel. There are a lot of veterans in this league who play the game at a very high level. They play very competitively and you just can't expect to come in this league and play right away. It's like starting out as a freshman in college and



Andrew DeCew of the Limeport Bulls is out at first as the Northampton Giants' Steve Sulcoski tries to make a double play during Game 4 of the Blue Mountain League Championship Series.

earning your chance."

Ed Wandler, the Giants manager, has been in the league since 1976 and still enjoys it.

"It's still a great league," he said. "The six-team playoff format works well. It keeps almost every team alive all season. The biggest thing is the commitment level. The younger guys need to understand that. There were times we had to play with 10 or

12 guys this season. The college guys will want to take a vacation during the regular season and I understand that as long as they're (here in) the playoffs."

Though the season didn't end the way he wanted it to, Wandler said the league is still one of the best things in Lehigh Valley sports.

"More people should know about it," he said.

## POCONO

Continued from SPORTS 1

spotter said the rain is coming, I just turned the fuel up and went as hard as I could. I was able to find a gap and go."

Dixon, the defending series champ and the winner of the 2013 race at Pocono, said: "Will was extremely strong today and it was good to see him get another victory. Had we gone back out even with the headlights, Will was going to take the race."

Nazareth's Marco Andretti finished 15th in the race.

Pagenaud said the Penske cars were the strongest on Sunday and his car could have been a factor had the race gone the distance.

"Did I think we could have done better?" Pagenaud said. "Yes, and we would have tried. We had the car to do so. Who knows what would have happened? But I think we could have challenged. At the end of the day, it's still not a bad day."

As for the first-lap accident that ultimately doomed the race from going the full 200 laps with rain in the forecast, Power said of Sato: "You just can't do that."

"There are seams down the back there and you'll see the cars move around a lot," he added.

"Maybe that's what happened. But when you're three-wide, it's tough going down there being so close. I don't know what happened but it really sucked to see the yellow flag again on Turn 2 of the first lap.

"I feel bad for the guys taken out, especially those in the championship hunt like Rossi.



MATT SLOCUM/AP

Nazareth's Marco Andretti finished 15th at Pocono on Sunday. He started from the 17th position.

You have to respect these places in every situation. You can't screw around much."

**Praise for Pocono:** With a decision looming soon on whether or not Pocono will be on the 2020 IndyCar schedule, the top three finishers offered their support for the track even though the first lap crash drew a reaction Robert Wickens and Sage Karam, who were both involved in crashes at Pocono. They tweeted that IndyCar shouldn't return.

"The crowds are up 15 percent every time we come back and it's a good track for racing," Power said. "I really hope we come back, I do. These guys here do a great job and it's hard

to find good ovals these days."

Dixon said: "Honestly, I feel bad for Pocono. They have a group of people here who work extremely hard. The crowd today at the start of the race was fantastic. It was getting some good momentum. The weather and some mistakes on the track that have happened could happen anywhere. It kind of gets a bad taste in that scenario. The drivers in a lot of situations could do a lot to help, so honestly, I hope we come back because it's a tough place, but so rewarding to win here."

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**ABC Supply 500**  
 Sunday at Pocono Raceway  
 Long Pond, Pa.  
 Lap length: 2.500 miles  
 (Start position in parentheses)  
 1. (5) Will Power, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 2. (4) Scott Dixon, Dallara-Honda, 128 laps, Running  
 3. (3) Simon Pagenaud, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 4. (13) Santino Ferrucci, Dallara-, 128 laps, Running  
 5. (1) Josef Newgarden, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 6. (15) Ed Carpenter, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 7. (11) Sebastien Bourdais, Dallara-Honda, 128 laps, Running  
 8. (19) Tony Kanaan, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 9. (8) Graham Rahal, Dallara-Honda, 128 laps, Running  
 10. (21) Charlie Kimball, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 11. (22) Conor Daly, Dallara-Chevrolet, 128 laps, Running  
 12. (16) Marcus Ericsson, Dallara-, 128 laps, Running  
 13. (18) Zach Veach, Dallara-Honda, 127 laps, Running  
 14. (20) Matheus Leist, Dallara-Chevrolet, 127 laps, Running

**15. (17) Marco Andretti, Dallara-Honda, 126 laps, Running**  
 16. (14) Colton Herta, Dallara-, 72 laps, Contact  
 17. (12) Spencer Pigot, Dallara-Chevrolet, 39 laps, Contact  
 18. (2) Alexander Rossi, Dallara-Honda, 39 laps, Running  
 19. (6) Ryan Hunter-Reay, Dallara-Honda, 25 laps, Contact  
 20. (10) James Hinchcliffe, Dallara-Honda, 19 laps, Contact  
 21. (7) Takuma Sato, Dallara-Honda, 0 laps, Contact  
 22. (9) Felix Rosenqvist, Dallara-, 0 laps, Contact  
 Race Statistics  
 Average Speed of Race Winner: 168.771 mph.  
 Time of Race: 01:53:45.8296.  
 Margin of Victory: 5.4688 seconds.  
 Cautions: 4 for 23 laps.  
 Lead Changes: 12 among 4 drivers.  
 Lap Leaders: Pagenaud 1-36, Dixon 37, Newgarden 38, Power 39-40, Pagenaud 41-47, Power 48-50, Pagenaud 51-70, Power 71-77, Dixon 78-105, Pagenaud 106, Power 107-111, Dixon 112-114, Power 115-128.  
 Points: Power 51, Dixon 41, Pagenaud 38, Ferrucci 32, Newgarden 31, Carpenter 28, Bourdais 26, Kanaan 24, Rahal 22, Kimball 20, Daly 19, Ericsson 18, Veach 17, Leist 16, Andretti 15, Herta 14, Pigot 13, Rossi 12, Hunter-Reay 11, Hinchcliffe 10, Sato 9, Rosenqvist 8.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Top awards could feature repeats

BY STEVE MEGARGEE  
AP Sports Writer

The race for the top individual awards in college football this season will have some standout players seeking repeats.

Wisconsin's Jonathan Taylor won the Doak Walker Award as the nation's top running back last season, while Alabama's Jerry Jeudy earned the Fred Biletnikoff Award as the most outstanding receiver. Both players are back for their junior seasons.

Taylor discussed his award candidacy by talking about the advice he's received from former Heisman Trophy winner Baker Mayfield and former Doak Walker Award winner Bryce Love.

"The thing that they mentioned to me about the award was they're just going out there to try to win games," Taylor said. "Now I feel I'm taking that into consideration. As long as I'm going out there and trying to win games, everything will fall into place."

Taylor is trying to become the first player to win the Doak Walker in back-to-back seasons since Arkansas' Darren McFadden in 2006-07. The only other player to win this award in consecutive years was Texas' Ricky Williams in 1997-98.

The only player to win the Biletnikoff Award in back-to-back seasons was Oklahoma State's Justin Blackmon in 2010-11.

Syracuse's Andre Szmyt and Texas A&M's Braden Mann also are looking to win annual position awards in back-to-back seasons. Szmyt won the Lou Groza Award as college football's top kicker and Mann won the Ray Guy Award as the game's best punter last year.

Some of the top preseason candidates for various college football awards:

HEISMAN TROPHY  
(top overall player)

**Trevor Lawrence, Clemson:** Lawrence's dominant performance in last year's College Football Playoff establishes the sophomore quarterback as a Heisman front-runner.

**Tua Tagovailoa, Alabama:** The junior quarterback was the Heisman favorite for most of last season but ultimately finished second to Oklahoma quarterback Kyler Murray.

**Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin:** Taylor has rushed for 4,171 yards over the last two seasons and was the nation's top rusher a year ago. His Heisman hopes could depend on whether Wisconsin improves upon last year's 8-5 finish.

## DAVEY O'BRIEN (top quarterback)

**Jake Fromm, Georgia:** Fromm ranked fifth nationally in passing efficiency last year and has finished in the top 10 in that category each of the last two seasons.

**Trevor Lawrence, Clemson:** He threw 30 touchdown passes with only four interceptions as a freshman last season and wasn't picked off in his last 169 attempts.

**Tua Tagovailoa, Alabama:** Tagovailoa was a finalist for this award last year while throwing for 3,966 yards and 43 touchdowns with only six interceptions.



JOSHUA L. JONES/AP

Georgia quarterback Jake Fromm (11) has a chance at the Davey O'Brien Award as the top quarterback in the nation. He ranked fifth nationally in passing efficiency last year and has finished in the top 10 each of the last two seasons.

**ENO BENJAMIN, ARIZONA STATE:** Benjamin rushed for 1,642 yards on 300 carries last season to earn Associated Press All-America third-team honors.

**Travis Etienne, Clemson:** Etienne ran for 1,658 yards and averaged 8.1 yards per carry last season as a second-team AP All-America selection.

**Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin:** Taylor rushed for 2,194 yards last year - 285 more than anyone else

## BILETNIKOFF (top receiver)

**Jerry Jeudy, Alabama:** Jeudy caught 68 passes for 1,315 yards and 14 touchdowns as a sophomore last season.

**Laviska Shenault, Colorado:** Shenault played just nine games last year due to injury but still had 86 catches for 1,011 yards. He ranked fourth in yards receiving per game.

**Tylan Wallace, Oklahoma State:** Wallace was one of three finalists for the Biletnikoff last season and earned second-team AP All-America Honors. He caught 86 passes for 1,491 yards and 12 touchdowns while ranking third in yards receiving per game.

## OUTLAND (top interior lineman)

**Tyler Biadasz, Wisconsin:** He's the leader of an offensive line that clears the way for Jonathan Taylor. The junior center is a third-year starter who earned consensus first-team all-Big Ten honors last season.

**Walker Little, Stanford:** Two years ago, Little became the first Stanford true freshman to start at left tackle since 2000. Now he's a junior regarded as a likely first-round draft pick.

**Andrew Thomas, Georgia:** This junior tackle is a third-year starter who earned second-team AP All-America honors last season.

BEDNARIK/NAGURSKI  
(separate awards for the top overall defensive player)

**Grant Delpit, LSU:** Delpit was a Nagurski finalist and earned first-team AP All-America honors as a sophomore last season.

**A.J. Epenesa, Iowa:** Epenesa is coming off a 2018 season in which he collected 16 tackles for loss and 10 sacks.

**Chase Young, Ohio State:** Young had 15 tackles for loss and 10 sacks last year.

## BUTKUS (top linebacker)

**Paddy Fisher, Northwestern:** Fisher has collected at least 113 tackles and has forced four fumbles each of the last two seasons. He earned AP All-America third-team honors last year.

**Dylan Moses, Alabama:** Moses was one of three finalists for this award last season as he collected 86 tackles, including 10 for loss.

**Isaiah Simmons, Clemson:** This converted safety had a team-high 97 tackles for the national champions last year. He had 9 tackles for loss and seven pass breakups.

## JIM THORPE (top defensive back)

**Grant Delpit, LSU:** Delpit had 74 tackles, five sacks and five interceptions last season. He hopes to follow the lead of former LSU teammate Greedy Williams, who was a Thorpe Award finalist last year.

**Bryce Hall, Virginia:** Hall led the nation in pass breakups (22) and tied for the lead in passes defended (24) last season.

**C.J. Henderson, Florida:** This junior cornerback already has made 18

career starts. He made a game-clinching interception against South Carolina and had 14 tackles for loss in a Peach Bowl win over Michigan.

## JOHN MACKEY (top tight end)

**Albert Okwuegbunam, Missouri:** He was a finalist for this award last year even though injuries limited him to nine games. Okwuegbunam has caught 17 touchdown passes over the last two seasons.

**Colby Parkinson, Stanford:** This junior has 11 career touchdown catches. He caught four touchdown passes against Oregon State last November.

**Jared Pinkney, Vanderbilt:** This fifth-year senior is coming off a season in which he caught 50 passes for 774 yards and seven touchdowns.

## LOU GROZA (top kicker)

**Rodrigo Blankenship, Georgia:** Blankenship made 14 straight field-goal attempts during one stretch last season and has a career long of 55 yards.

**Cooper Rothe, Wyoming:** Rothe was a Groza Award finalist last year who went 16 of 17 on field-goal attempts and 28 of 28 on extra points.

**Andre Szmyt, Syracuse:** He won the Groza Award and was a first-team AP All-American last year. He was 30 of 34 on field-goal attempts with a long of 54.

## RAY GUY (top punter)

**Braden Mann, Texas A&M:** The reigning Ray Guy winner averaged 51 yards per attempt and landed 19 of his punts inside the opponent's 20.

**James Smith, Cincinnati:** Smith was a Ray Guy Award finalist last year. He averaged 46.6 yards per punt and put 20 of his 59 attempts inside the opponent's 20.

**Brandon Wright, Georgia State:** His average of 48.2 yards per punt last season set a Sun Belt record.

## HEISMAN WATCH

## Arizona QB Tate among '19 longshots

BY JOE REEDY  
AP Sports Writer

Last season, Khalil Tate was on the short list of preseason favorites for the Heisman Trophy.

As Arizona prepares to open this season on Aug. 24 at Hawaii, the junior quarterback is a longshot.

Tate rushed for 1,411 yards and 12 touchdowns in 2017, including two games of 230 yards or more. Last season, he had only 224 yards and two scores on the ground as he dealt with a myriad of injuries, including a sprained ankle suffered in the second game that hampered him for the rest of the year.

If there was a bright spot to Tate's season though, it was that he threw for 2,530 yards with 26 TDs against eight interceptions. If Tate is able to stay injury free and emerge as the dual-threat quarterback many thought he would be last year, he could find himself in the Heisman discussions again.

"I'm 100 percent healthy right now. When I'm healthy, I can do a lot as you guys have seen in the past," Tate said following a recent scrimmage.

Besides Tate, there are some other players who can be considered dark-horse contenders to be in New York on Dec. 14:



From left are three players who could be among darkhorse contenders for the Heisman: Oklahoma State wide receiver Tylan Wallace, Ohio State running back JK Dobbins and Utah State quarterback Jordan Love in 2018.

**CAM AKERS, RB, FLORIDA STATE:** With new offensive coordinator Kendall Briles still struggling to find a quarterback, the Seminoles will be counting on Akers a lot early in the season. Akers was considered one of the nation's top running back prospects when he arrived in 2017, but averaged only 4.4 yards and had only one 100-yard game last season.

**KELLY BRYANT, QB, MISSOURI:** Bryant was also a Heisman favorite last year, but he lost the starting job at

Clemson and ended up transferring. He is trying to adapt to more of a pro-style offense, but if offensive coordinator Derek Dooley can find a way to utilize Bryan's dual-threat capabilities, he could become the second transfer in three seasons to win the Heisman.

**JT DANIELS, QB, USC:** Daniels started as a freshman and struggled as the Trojans were one of last season's disappointments. Grant Harrell is the new offensive coordinator and is bringing the Air Raid to the Trojans, which

should take advantage of Daniels' abilities.

**JK DOBBINS, RB, OHIO STATE:** The junior rushed for 1,053 yards last season, but averaged only 4.6 yards per carry while sharing the backfield with quarterback Dwayne Haskins and running back Mike Webber. With Haskins and Webber gone, as well as questions about who will be the starting quarterback, Dobbins could be a focal point early.

**JORDAN LOVE, QB, UTAH STATE:** Love passed for 3,567 yards with 32 touchdowns and six interceptions. He was 10th in the nation in passing efficiency, but isn't known by many because he doesn't play for a Power Five school. If Love is going to emerge as a contender, he is going to need big games against Wake Forest (Aug. 30) and LSU (Oct. 5).

**TYLAN WALLACE, WR, OKLAHOMA STATE:** Not only did the junior make many highlight-worthy catches last season, but he averaged 168 yards and two touchdowns in three games against Top 10 programs. No receiver has won the Heisman since Michigan's Desmond Howard in 1991, but there will be plenty of attention on the Big 12.

## COMMENTARY

## Boxing pays a price for chasing dollars in Saudi Arabia

BY TIM DAHLBERG  
AP Sports Columnist

There's nothing new about those who make their living in sports chasing every dollar they can.

NFL owners do it every time they threaten to devastate a city by moving a team to greener pastures. Baseball does it by signing lucrative broadcast agreement that make it more expensive — and sometimes impossible — to follow the team you love.

So in a perfect world, what Eddie Hearn is doing with the big heavyweight fight in Saudi Arabia he is promoting isn't particularly groundbreaking or outrageous. It has a rich history in boxing, most notably when Muhammad Ali led a caravan to what was then Zaire during Mobutu Sese Seko's dictatorship to knock out George Foreman in a 1974 fight that will live forever as the "Rumble in the Jungle."

Somehow, "Clash on the Dunes" just doesn't have the same ring. And it's not a perfect world, particularly in a country noted for human rights abuses.

Unfortunately, Hearn just doesn't seem to get it when asked why — outside of the obvious answer of money — Anthony Joshua and Andy Ruiz Jr. will find themselves fighting their heavyweight title rematch on Dec. 7 in, of all places, Saudi Arabia.

Selling out to the highest bidder sometimes comes with a price of its own.

"That's well beyond my head as a sports organizer," Hearn said Monday in London as questions swirled about the propriety of holding the heavyweight championship of the world in a country that is at odds with the rest of the world in so many ways. He later added, "We knew the criticism we may face when we announced the fight."

It would be hard not to know. A quick glance at news sites not controlled by the Saudi government shows that despite recent relaxations on rules banning women from driving and attending sporting events, there are still reports of serious human rights abuses in the country.

But boxing promoters — actually, most people in sports — tend to gloss over those kinds of issues when there is money involved. And the Saudis, Hearn said, offered more money than could have been generated at the Principality Stadium in Wales — where Ruiz didn't want to fight — or at Madison Square Garden, where Ruiz scored a major upset over the previously undefeated Joshua in their June 1 fight.

Still, Hearn would have served himself better had he not tried to pretend he's merely a sportsman and that political things are too complicated for him to worry about.

If he needs a quick lesson, Amnesty International calls it "sportwashing," which basically means the use of big sporting events to burnish a country's image. And, no doubt, the rematch in a temporary outdoor stadium in Riyadh, on the outskirts of the capital, Riyadh, is a big event that would have drawn 80,000 rabid boxing fans in Wales.

Hearn said he was unfamiliar with the term. He came prepared with his talking points at hand, saying other organizations like the WWE, Formula One and golf's European Tour had staged successful events recently in the country. They made money, so why shouldn't he?

Why, even women will be allowed inside the temporary 12,000-seat stadium. Isn't that progress enough?

The argument being made is that sports are different, sports should stand on their own and sports — even boxing — should somehow be pure. It's nonsense, of course, as evidenced when Russian President Vladimir Putin spent billions to host a tainted Olympics in Sochi and the Chinese did the same in 2008 to deliver the message they were a world power.

Just how much the Saudis paid has not been revealed, though Hearn said it wasn't the \$40 million some speculated. What they'll get for their money is an intriguing heavyweight rematch, though Hearn tries to sell it as far more.

"I think it's going to be mind-blowing for the sport of boxing," he said. "This could change boxing forever. This will be a boxing event that will go down in history."

It will, but probably for all the wrong reasons. The only vision Hearn has is the same vision that has ruled boxing for more than a century — pure greed.

This is a money grab, nothing more and nothing less.

## COMMENTARY

## 76ers' defense mixes potential, questions

Matchups could be difficult, particularly in transition

By TOM MOORE  
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Much has been made of the 76ers' length and potential to be an elite NBA defensive team.

Projected starters Ben Simmons, Josh Richardson, Tobias Harris, Al Horford and Joel Embiid possess an average wingspan in excess of 7 feet, which should really help when closing out on shooters, as well as playing the passing lanes and being disruptive in the basket area. Defensive and offensive rebounding should be among their strengths.

Defense is extremely important to Brett Brown, who has repeatedly said players won't get on the court if they don't defend.

Richardson is a significant upgrade over JJ Redick as a wing defender. Richardson is clearly more athletic than Redick, a 3-point specialist, and better able to stay in front of his man.

But there are some question marks with the new-look Sixers at the defensive end, too.

First of all, Tobias Harris is going to have to begin games on opposing small forwards. Harris has been a decent defender against power forwards, but now will be forced to deal with quicker, more dangerous 3s much of the time.

At this juncture, you can't say is Harris a better defender on 3s than last year's small forward, Jimmy Butler, who signed a four-year, \$141 million deal with the Heat.

I initially thought Harris could remain on the 4-man and Simmons could slide over to handle the 3, but then who would the 33-year-old Horford guard? Horford has primarily been a center during the past three seasons, so expecting him to consistently defend small forwards would probably be asking too much, despite how well he fared on Simmons during stretches in the 2018 Eastern Conference semifinals.

Brown doesn't want Embiid chasing stretch 4s at the 3-point line because that'd negate his game-changing interior defensive abilities — though Horford tends to have a significant impact in the paint — so Horford is probably going to have to stick with power forwards.

Simmons and Richardson would earn the guard assignments. I could see the 6-foot-10 Simmons drawing the point guard on some or most nights,

but Richardson's skill set would give Brown the option to put him on the primary ball-handler if the coach thinks that's a more favorable matchup.

It'll be interesting to see how the Sixers' starters respond to teams with a lot of speed.

For example, the Celtics could end up starting Gordon Hayward and Jayson Tatum at the forward spots. Tatum would be an especially tough cover for Harris or ex-Boston teammate Horford. The Sixers open the 2019-20 regular season Oct. 23 against Boston.

The Bucks, who are widely perceived as the only conference team with better odds than the Sixers to reach the NBA Finals, could be a challenge.

Eric Bledsoe is one of the league's fastest point guards. Let's say Richardson is handed that assignment. Wings Wesley Matthews and Khristian Middleton would be defended by Simmons and Harris, with Horford and a rotating cast of Sixers trying to prevent defending MVP Giannis 'Greek Freak' Antetokounmpo from dominating. Embiid should be able to give Brook Lopez fits in the middle.

If Brown's first substitution midway through the first quarter is to bring in James Ennis and give Embiid a rest, Harris could slide over to power forward and Horford to center. But unless Embiid is taking the night off, Brown could have some intriguing choices to make.

Another area in which the Sixers could be susceptible is transition defense.

Once Richardson or Simmons stop the ball, the other four guys must get back to avoid giving up easy baskets. Horford and Embiid don't always immediately turn and run down the court, which at least one of them is going to have to do when they're playing together.

Actually, all five guys need to hustle to find their man in an effort to prevent 3-on-2 and other disadvantageous situations.

These concerns don't mean the Sixers aren't capable of being a high-level defensive team in 2019-20. It's just that there are a few areas requiring some adjustments between now and when the conference finals roll around in late May and early June.

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## NBA

## Magic stay patient with ex-Sixers No. 1 pick Fultz

By ROY PARRY  
The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. — As the start of training camp draws closer for the Orlando Magic, point guard Markelle Fultz continues to recover from the Thoracic Outlet Syndrome issue in his right shoulder that forced him to miss nearly all of last season.

Fultz was acquired last season in a trade deadline deal with the Philadelphia 76ers, who picked Fultz No. 1 overall in the 2017 NBA draft. Fultz last appeared in an NBA game on Nov. 19, 2018, when he played seven minutes against the Phoenix Suns.

Having played in just 14 games as a rookie, Fultz has appeared in only 33 NBA games in what have been two injury-filled seasons.

At the time of the trade, the Magic pledged to bring Fultz along slowly and not rush his return. And while Fultz has been working closely with coaches and training staff this offseason, Magic president of basketball operations Jeff Weltman this week reiterated the cautious approach.

"I'm not going to put a timetable on it, as we haven't before, but he continues to work hard and make progress, and he's in a good place working with the coaches and rehab guys," Weltman told the Sentinel.

Fultz has been working closely with Magic coaches and training staff this offseason. He recently has been seen putting up shots in videos posted to social media, sparking speculation that he's nearing a return.

Weltman, however, threw up a caution flag.

"Again, we're not going to put timelines or expectations on how that all unfolds. It will come as it comes," Weltman said. "As I've been saying, he continues to be in a good place and get better and improve. I can't predict exactly how that's going to look when it unfolds, but we're very excited about the progress that he's made."

As he pointed out, Fultz just turned 21 in May and has played in what amounts to less than half an NBA season. There's little question about Fultz's talent and abilities, but the fact remains that he's a young player still learning and trying to develop in the NBA.

"He's a tremendously talented guy and he's a hard worker and he's a team-first guy and he's got intelligence and he's got awareness. He's got everything that it takes to be a great player in this league," Weltman said.

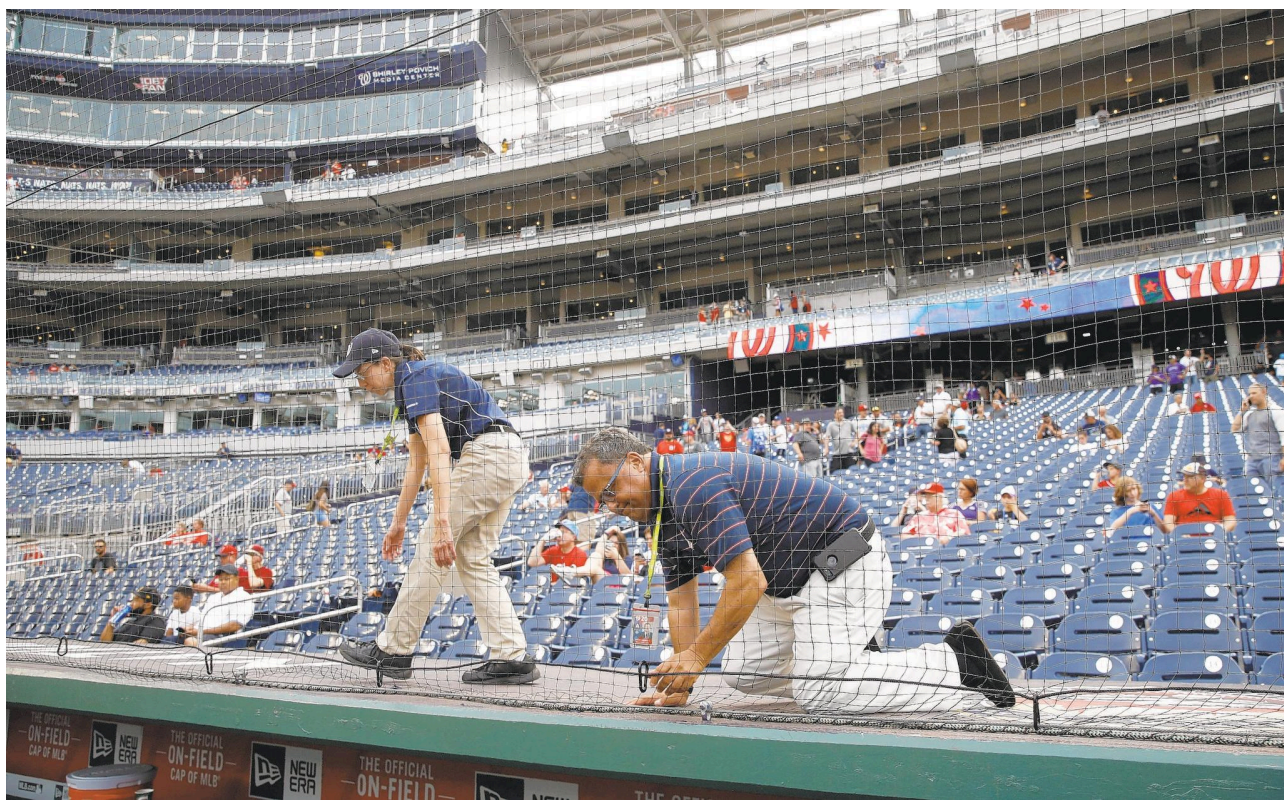
While that may not be what Magic fans want to hear, Weltman remains confident the team's patience will pay off.

Weltman said he understands that fans are champing at the bit for any news nuggets on Fultz. Weltman said fans can be certain that Fultz is "really all about helping us win."

"I know that the fans are eager for information, and we have the best fans, and I just want them to know that they'd be really proud of him with how hard he's working and how much he wants to help the team," Weltman said.



Fultz



PATRICK SEMANSKY/AP

Workers adjust new netting that separates the infield from lower-bowl seating at Nationals Park in Washington.

## COMMENTARY

## For safety's sake

MLB should install more netting at all parks to shield fans

By PAUL NEWBERRY  
Associated Press

ATLANTA — There's always a surge of excitement when a foul ball comes your way, mixed with a sense of dread.

It's a thrilling souvenir to take home from the ballpark.

Yet too many fans have been left bloody and maimed by these projectiles hurtling into the stands.

No one has died.

Yet. But Major League Baseball is playing a dangerous game by dragging its feet on requiring all teams to put up protective netting from foul pole to foul pole.

"I think everybody that's got a uniform on would like to see that," Atlanta Braves manager Brian Snitker said. "You look up there, you can't even see the nets. I've got to think once people get there and start watching the game, they won't even notice it."

Commissioner Rob Manfred is leaving it to the individual teams to decide what should be done, saying there's no one-size-fits-all solution given the different dimensions of each ballpark. We can also safely assume that MLB is doing a cost-benefit analysis, given that extra netting would have to be installed in front of some of the best seats in the stadium, which might make them harder to sell if fans believe their view is obscured.

Given the attendance woes that baseball already is facing, the owners are sure to be resistant to any changes that might further cut into their bottom line.

You know what's a potentially bigger drag on attendance?

Watching someone being hauled out of the stadium on a stretcher, blood pouring from their head after being struck by a ball that left the bat at more than 100 mph.

No one will forget that excruciating scene in May, when Chicago Cubs outfielder Albert Almora Jr. sent a screamer into the stands that struck a 4-year-old girl. He immediately put his hands on his head and took a cou-

ple of steps toward the stands. Then, he sank to his knees near home plate, breaking down as he was consoled by teammate Jason Heyward and manager Joe Maddon.

"Right now, obviously, I want to put a net around the whole stadium," Almora said.

Some teams have already moved in that direction.

Over the All-Star break, the Chicago White Sox became the first team to extend the netting all the way down each foul line after a liner at Guaranteed Rate Field opened up a bloody gash on a female fan's head, sending her to the hospital. The Washington Nationals followed suit, and several teams, including the Baltimore Orioles, Los Angeles Dodgers and Toronto Blue Jays, have announced they will extend their netting by the 2020 season.

That's a good start, but MLB should order all 30 teams to install the extra protection as soon as possible. No need to wait until next season if it can be done now.

And while we're at it, pass along the same edict to all minor league affiliates, which have been overlooked in this debate but where fans are just as much at risk.

This is hardly a new issue. Remembering his days as a third-base coach, Snitker said, "I stopped watching balls go in the stands because I did not want to turn around and see a young kid get hit. Because I did a couple of times. It makes you sick to your stomach to see that."

After several fans were injured by foul balls during the 2017 season, MLB ordered teams to extend the netting behind home plate to the far edge of each dugout.

But there are still far too many fans in the line of fire, especially when there's clearly a greater risk of being seriously injured these days.

The players are bigger and stronger. The pitchers are throwing harder. Every hitter in the lineup is swinging for the fences. There is speculation that the ball is livelier than it once was, which only increases the danger.

Stadium design is another factor. The stands are much closer to the field in pretty much every new ballpark that has gone up in recent years, in both the majors and minor leagues. Not to mention the times we live in, where attention spans are short and

fans are mesmerized by the glare of their smartphones rather than keeping an eye on the batter's box.

During a recent Braves game at SunTrust Park, where the netting only meets the minimum MLB requirements, I watched a couple of innings from unprotected seats along both the first- and third-base lines. While many kids were wearing gloves in hopes of catching a foul ball, and plenty of fans were locked in on the game, it was astonishing to see how many weren't paying a lick of attention.

They were texting on their phones, or watching the giant video boards, or yucking it up with their friends, or flagging down the constant stream of vendors going up and down the aisles, peddling soft drinks and beer and popcorn.

Only once did a foul ball even come in my vicinity, but the reaction of the crowd made it clear that plenty were caught off guard. A rising cheer from fans suddenly leaping from their seats, hoping to grab one of the prized souvenirs, was offset by a bit of a gasp from those who weren't watching the swing but merely reacting to those around them.

"There's all sorts of things going on," Braves catcher Tyler Flowers said. "It's a challenge to be attentive for an entire game, especially when you're talking about kids. There's no way they're going to be paying attention the whole game. C'mon, it's boring between pitches."

One fan, sitting alongside his 8-year-old grandson in prime seats down the first-base line, said there are pros and cons to extra netting.

"The screen cuts down on the visualization out there. It makes you a little bit distant from the game," said the fan, who would only give his name as Jeff.

"But it's certainly a protector. I've seen too many examples of people getting hit with bats, much less balls."

Glancing over at his grandson, he said it's time for baseball to come down on the side of safety.

"I've got a little guy here," he said. "A couple of balls already came out here. His father is on that side and I'm on this side. We're kind of keeping an eye on him just in case."

C'mon, baseball, there's no need for this carnage.

Do the right thing.  
Before someone dies.

## PHILLIES

Continued from SPORTS 1

should be enough vs. San Diego, a team that, prior to the weekend, had won one series since July 4-7. The problem is Aaron Nola remains the only starter the Phils can rely upon to consistently give them more than five solid innings, thereby calling upon a shaky bullpen for 12 outs or more on a regular basis. That's probably not going to change during the final 38 games of the regular season.

If the Phillies had prevailed Saturday, it'd have been easier to deal with Sunday's setback. The offense had just two runs, with both coming on RBI doubles by shortstop Jean Segura, and four hits. Players not named Segura

were 2 for 27 in the series finale.

That means the Phils only managed five runs and 10 hits during the past two outings. That won't get it done if Nola isn't on the mound.

"We feel like we are playing good baseball here," said first baseman Rhys Hoskins on Sunday. "We hit some balls hard today that found gloves. Sometimes that happens. We keep pitching the way we've been and you've seen how hot we can get. ... Tough loss today, but we'll be all right."

Hoskins is mired in a 6-for-61 slump (.098) in which he has one home run, two RBIs and 16 strikeouts in 18 games. He went 1 for 17 on the homestand, though Hoskins nearly tied the game in the ninth with a drive to the deepest part of Citizens Bank Park.

The lineup isn't strong enough to excel with Hoskins struggling mightily,

so the Phils desperately need him to start hitting and the upcoming five-game road trip would be an ideal time for it to happen.

After a pair against the Red Sox on Tuesday and Wednesday, the Phillies face the Marlins Friday through Sunday. Kapler's club is inexplicably 6-7 vs. Miami, the worst team in the NL. Taking two of three from the Marlins should be the worst-case scenario.

"They're all big weeks all season, but obviously we're getting down to the nitty gritty here," Hoskins said.

For the games in late September to matter, the Phils must do more than go 1-2 against clubs like the Padres.

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BASEBALL

American League

Table with columns: EAST, CENTRAL, WEST, W, L, PCT, GB, WCGB, L10, STR, HOME, AWAY. Lists standings for various teams like New York, Tampa Bay, Boston, Toronto, Baltimore, etc.

Late games noted below

MONDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

Table with columns: NATIONAL LEAGUE, AMERICAN LEAGUE, TEAM, PITCHER, TIME, W-L, ERA, TR, 2019 VS. OPP., LAST 3 STARTS. Lists probable pitchers for various teams.

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS: Seattle 7, Toronto 0; Tampa Bay 5, Detroit 4; Boston 13, Baltimore 7; Cleveland 8, N.Y. Yankees 4; N.Y. Mets 11, Kansas City 5; Minnesota 6, Texas 3; Houston 4, Oakland 1; L.A. Angels 9, Chi. White Sox 2; TUESDAY'S GAMES: Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.; Cleveland at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.; Philadelphia at Boston, 7:10 p.m.; Seattle at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.; G1: L.A. Angels at Texas, p.m.; G2: L.A. Angels at Texas, 8:05 p.m.; Chi. White Sox at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.; Detroit at Houston, 8:10 p.m.; N.Y. Yankees at Oakland, 10:07 p.m.; Toronto at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.; SATURDAY'S RESULTS: N.Y. Yankees 6, Cleveland 5; Seattle 4, Toronto 3; Oakland 8, Houston 4; Tampa Bay 1, Detroit 0 (13); N.Y. Mets 4, Kansas City 1; Boston 4, Baltimore 0; Minnesota 12, Texas 7; L.A. Angels 6, Chi. White Sox 5

NATIONAL LEAGUE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS: Colorado 7, Miami 6 (10); St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 4; San Diego 3, Philadelphia 2; Atlanta 5, L.A. Dodgers 3; Washington 16, Milwaukee 8; N.Y. Mets 11, Kansas City 5; Arizona 6, San Francisco 1; Chi. Cubs at Pittsburgh, late; TUESDAY'S GAMES: Washington at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.; Cleveland at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.; Philadelphia at Boston, 7:10 p.m.; San Diego at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.; Miami at Atlanta, 7:20 p.m.; Milwaukee at St. Louis, 7:45 p.m.; San Francisco at Chi. Cubs, 8:05 p.m.; Colorado at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.; Toronto at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.; SATURDAY'S RESULTS: Chi. Cubs 2, Pittsburgh 0; Cincinnati 6, St. Louis 1; N.Y. Mets 4, Kansas City 1; San Diego 5, Philadelphia 3; Atlanta 4, L.A. Dodgers 3; Colorado 11, Miami 4; San Francisco 11, Arizona 6; Milwaukee 15, Washington 14 (14)

Aug. 31: Last day to be contracted to an organization and be eligible for post-season roster. Sept. 1: Active rosters expand to 40 players. Oct. 1-2: Wild-card games. Oct. 3: Division Series start.

BOX SCORES

Box scores for L.A. ANGELS 9, CHICAGO WHITE SOX 2; COLORADO 7, MIAMI 6 (10); TAMPA BAY 5, DETROIT 4; SAN DIEGO 3, PHILADELPHIA 2; ATLANTA 5, L.A. DODGERS 3. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats.

Chicago 000 100 001 - 2 7 0; Los Angeles 030 101 22x - 9 15 0; a-struck out for McCann in the 9th. LOB: Chicago 5, Los Angeles 7. 2B: Arenado (20), Sánchez (12), Calhoun (22), Goodwin (2), Torvar (4), Rengifo (15), Thaiss (2). 3B: Jiménez (0). HR: Jiménez (21), off Mejia; Thaiss (5), off Cease; Calhoun (26), off Cease; Ohtani (15), off Detwiler; Bemboom (0), off Detwiler. RBIs: Jiménez 2 (49), Thaiss 4 (14), Calhoun (60), Ohtani 2 (50), Bemboom 2 (1). Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 2 (Skole, Abreu); Los Angeles 4 (Upton, Fletcher, Goodwin). RISP: Chicago 0 for 4; Los Angeles 2 for 10. Runners moved up: Jay, Tovar. GDP: Anderson, Calhoun. DP: Chicago 1 (Sánchez, Anderson, Skole); Los Angeles 1 (Tovar, Rengifo, Thaiss). CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO ERA; Los Angeles IP H R ER BB SO ERA



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Alonso also had an RBI double and scored three times during his second consecutive three-hit game. Rosario had three hits and three RBIs in the leadoff spot, and Joe Panik added three hits as the top four batters in the Mets lineup combined to go 11-for-18 with nine RBIs and seven runs.

The Mets scored six times in the seventh to turn a 4-3 deficit into a 9-4 lead. J.D. Davis tied it with a pinch-hit RBI single and Rosario had the go-ahead single two batters later. Alonso, Conforto and Wilson Ramos added RBI base hits later in the inning.

The Mets battered reliever Kevin McCarthy (2-2), who was charged with four runs in just one-third of an inning. Jeurys Familia (4-1) got the win, throwing two innings and allowing one run.

SATURDAY: SAN DIEGO 5, PHILADELPHIA 3

Box scores for San Diego and Philadelphia. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats.

a-lined out for Pivetta in the 5th. b-popped out for Hughes in the 7th. LOB: San Diego 9, Philadelphia 5. 2B: Renfro (18), Naylor (8), Machado (17), Segura (26), Kingery (28), Dickerson (2). HR: Realmuto (19), off Lamet. RBIs: Margot (28), Naylor (2), Frana (11), Urias (11), Kingery (36), Eflin (2), Realmuto (66). CS: Machado (2). S: Lamet. Runners left in scoring position: San Diego 6 (Mejia 3, Machado, Margot); Philadelphia 2 (Bregman, Haseley). RISP: San Diego 4 for 12; Philadelphia 2 for 10.

AL LEADERS

Table with columns: BATTING, HOME RUNS, NL LEADERS. Lists top performers in various categories.

STOLEN BASES

Table with columns: Smith, Villar, Ramirez, etc. Lists stolen bases for various players.

SLUGGING PERCENTAGE

Table with columns: Trout, Los Angeles, Houston, etc. Lists slugging percentages for various players.

ON-BASE PERCENTAGE

Table with columns: Trout, Los Angeles, Houston, etc. Lists on-base percentages for various players.

NL LEADERS

Table with columns: BATTING, HOME RUNS, NL LEADERS. Lists top performers in various categories.

AROUND THE HORN

Indians: Two-time Cy Young winner Corey Kluber was removed from a minor league start after one inning with abdominal tightness. The team said Kluber, who hasn't pitched in the majors since breaking his arm during a start May 1, was taken out of Sunday's game for Triple-A Columbus in Charlotte, N.C., for precautionary reasons. Kluber, 33, was making his third start as he attempts to return from the injury. He's scheduled to spend Monday in Cleveland — an off day for the Indians — before re-joining the club in New York. ... Mike Clevinger struck out 10 in five shutout innings, Mike Freeman had three extra-base hits and the Indians beat the Yankees 8-4 in New York for a four-game split between AL pennant contenders. Freeman hit a three-run HR and a pair of doubles, Oscar Mercado homered and drove in three runs and Francisco Lindor also connected for the Indians. Clevinger (8-2), who won his seventh straight decision, limited the Yankees to three hits and walked two.

Braves: Rafael Ortega hit his first career grand slam in the sixth to lift the Braves to a 5-3 win over the Dodgers in Atlanta. Braves manager Brian Snitker pulled OF Ronald Acuna Jr. out of the game before the fifth because he didn't run out a drive off the right field wall in the third. The ball bounced off the wall for a long single instead of an easy double.

Phillies: OF Bryce Harper left the Phillies' 3-2 loss to the Padres in Philadelphia after the fifth inning because of dehydration. Manager Gabe Kapler said Harper had blurred vision and received an IV for hydration. The temperature was 90 degrees when Harper was lifted. After the game, Harper said he was feeling better.

Nationals: Juan Soto and Brian Dozier each hit a pair of HRs and the Nationals matched a team record with eighth in a 16-8 rout of the Brewers in Washington. ... Nationals closer Sean Doolittle was placed on the 10-day IL with right knee tendinitis less than 24 hours after blowing a three-run lead in the ninth inning of Saturday night's 15-14 loss in 14 innings.

Astros: Zack Greinke threw seven smooth innings for his 200th career win, pitching the first-place Astros past the A's 4-1 in Oakland, Calif., to avoid a four-game sweep. Alex Bregman had a go-ahead, three-run HR among his four hits to back Greinke, who won his third straight start since joining the Astros from the Diamondbacks at the July 31 trade deadline. Greinke (13-4) allowed four hits and one run with three walks and six strikeouts. The 35-year-old became the 115th pitcher in MLB history to reach 200 career wins, and the second in the Astros rotation along with Justin Verlander.

Mariners: Rookie Yusei Kikuchi pitched his first career MLB shutout, throwing a two-hitter to help the Mariners beat the Blue Jays 7-0 in Toronto. Kikuchi (5-8) struck out eight, walked one and retired the final 14 batters. The 28-year-old was a star in Japan before signing with the Mariners in the offseason. Tom Murphy hit a two-run HR in the win.

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## JETS

# Man in black

## Intense is only way Williams knows

BY DENNIS WASZAK JR.  
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FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Gregg Williams has made a career out of using an intense approach on defense. It's something he makes sure is reflected through his players on the field. The New York Jets defensive coordinator preaches a "next-man up" mentality to make up for injuries and so the team is never short-handed. Williams has each of his defensive players learn multiple spots on the defense.

Gregg Williams has been described in many ways during his 30-year NFL coaching career — several flattering, and others not exactly appropriate for young ears.

But there's one adjective used by most anyone you ask, love him or hate him.

Intense.

That's how Williams goes about his business, and the New York Jets defensive coordinator expects his players to do the same.

"When we have to worry about the intensity of the players, we have the wrong players," Williams said Tuesday. "When we have to worry about the competition and the lack of competition in practice or games, we have the wrong people — coaches and players."

Decked out in his dark Jets shirt and pants in the scorching summer heat, Williams is the Jets' man in black.

It's visually fitting for a guy known for devising aggressive defenses — and for being at the center of the New Orleans Saints' Bountygate scandal seven years ago for which he was suspended a season.

He's the defensive mad pro-

fessor to head coach Adam Gase's matching persona on offense.

"I told him the first time I met him: 'to game plan for, so it's nice to have you in the same locker room and meeting room as me,'" Jets offensive line coach Frank Pollack said with a big grin.

Williams is an intimidating presence with his menacing scowls, incessant shouting on the field and tendency to call out players right in front of teammates.

The 61-year-old coach certainly knows how to make his point.

"Well, it's been that way my whole life, and it's say what I mean, and mean what I say," he said. "You can't B.S. players. The thing that is easily convinced when you go to a new place is find the best guy there and make him do it. And, everybody else says, 'Mom and Dad didn't make you do that stuff. Mom and Dad couldn't play, either.'"

Williams wants mentally tough players because of the pounding every week.

That's why he insists on having them run after every loose ball, even if it's clear it's an incomplete pass. That's why he'll get on even the most experienced of guys when they drop a sure-thing interception or miss an assignment. He's big on "caused penalties," whether it be a false start or a holding call drawn by the defense, and other plays that don't appear on normal postgame stats sheets such as caused sacks and interceptions.

"Otherwise, I tease them all the time," Williams said, "I could just throw a highway



JULIO CORTEZ/AP

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cone out there and let that guy get in the way."

No matter what it is, Williams wants winners.

"There has been a smile on my face since I walked in here," said Williams, who spent the past two years in Cleveland. "These young men want to compete, whether it's an argument, whether they're playing chess or checkers in the room, anything. They want to compete, and they want to know that I'm there to pull them back if they go too far. That's what I'm supposed to be doing."

"But, if they won't do that, we've got the wrong people, OK? And, you can't win at this level without that kind of competition."

Williams has his work cut out for him at one position in particular: cornerback. Top starter Trumaine Johnson is "week to week" with a hamstring injury, the same thing ailing Kyron Brown, an undrafted rookie who was having a solid summer. Derrick Jones and Jeremy Clark have already been cut, and the starters at the moment are Darryl Roberts, mostly a career backup, and Arthur Maulet, who couldn't stick with Indianapolis or New Orleans the past two years.

Pro Bowl safety Jamal Adams has even offered to play the

position if needed.

"He could do it," Williams said. "There's no doubt about it. He's a good enough athlete to do that. We haven't even crossed that bridge with him because he's learning other positions, too."

While Jets fans and the media scan the depth chart and wonder how they'll manage, Williams refuses to sweat it. He subscribes to a "next-man up" approach that sounds like a bunch of coach-speak, but Williams truly believes in it.

"That's how you battle the injuries, that's how you battle through a game and not having to change drastically within a game because it's next man up," he said. "Who's the next man or the next-best athlete we have to have? It doesn't have to be on the depth chart."

Williams has been thinking that way since he was an assistant with the then-Houston Oilers. When the Jets got started in the offseason, every player on defense needed to learn their position inside and out. Then, Williams makes it mandatory to learn a second position. He has seen it work, and points to the success New England coach Bill Belichick has had plugging guys into spots in what others deem to be dire situations.

## EAGLES

Continued from SPORTS 1

both days, keep it to about two hours both days and get some good work in."

Here are some observations from Sunday's session:

■ New quarterback Josh McCown didn't get any work in full team (11-on-11) sessions. Rookie Clayton Thorson took all the reps that didn't go to Carson Wentz — a sure sign that they're getting him ready to start and play most of Thursday night's game even if Cody Kessler is cleared to return from his concussion by then.

■ Though still a roster long shot, running back Donnel Pumphrey worked in quite a bit with the first team on this day. He's been having a very good and healthy camp, which gives him a chance to land work elsewhere if there's no room for him on this year's 53-man roster.

■ Third-year receiver Mack Hollins, who is not believed to have a spot locked up, beat Josh Hawkins down the right side for what would have been a sure touchdown catch but dropped the ball delivered accurately

over his shoulders by Wentz. It's just one of hundreds of things he will be evaluated on, but it doesn't look good when combined with the full season he missed last year and the time he's missed already this preseason with injuries.

■ Don't know if 6-foot-6 receiver Carlton Agudosi is going to make the team, but when the ball is delivered at the proper height on a fade pattern in the red zone, it's basically a guaranteed touchdown. Doesn't matter who is defending him or where a pain in they may be doing it. Agudosi just rises up and plucks the ball from a space above the ground that no defender can realistically reach, as he did again on Sunday when Thorson hit him for a touchdown.

■ A couple minutes earlier, linebacker L.J. Fort was in prime position in front of Zach Ertz for an interception, but dropped the pass from Wentz.

■ Roster move. The Eagles released LB Paul Worrlow on Sunday, opening up a spot on the roster for another addition.

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BUTCH DILL/AP

Eagles offensive lineman Brandon Brooks, being taken off the field after injuring his Achilles on Jan. 13, is making a fast recovery.

## NFL NOTES

## Former RB Benson dead at 36

No. 4 pick in 2005 killed in Texas motorcycle crash

News services

Former NFL running back Cedric Benson, one of the most prolific rushers in NCAA and University of Texas history, has died in a motorcycle accident in Texas. He was 36.

Benson's attorney, Sam Bassett, said Austin law enforcement told him that Benson was killed in the wreck Saturday night. He had no details about the accident.

Benson was a key player in the Longhorns' resurgence under coach Mack Brown, who said Sunday that Benson's death has left him grief-stricken.

"He was as good as you'll ever see as a football player and as tough as they come," said Brown, who recently returned to coach North Carolina following a long run at Texas.

Benson played at Texas from 2001-2004 and his 5,540 yards ranks second at the university and ninth in NCAA history. He scored 64 career touchdowns with the Longhorns and won the Doak Walker award, given to the nation's top running back, in 2004.

Benson was drafted No. 4 overall by the Bears in 2005 and helped the team reach the playoffs the following season. He had his finest years with the Bengals from 2008-11, taking over as the featured back on a team that made the playoffs twice but lost in the first round each time.

Benson played one season with the Packers, where he started the first five games in 2012 before suffering a season-ending Lisfranc fracture.

Benson finished his NFL career with 6,017 yards and 46 touchdowns.

**Bears waive kicker:** The Bears' kicking competition is over, for now, with Eddy Pineiro the winner.



SCOTT BOEHM/GETTY 2009

Cedric Benson, the No. 4 overall pick in 2005 from Texas, played eight seasons with the Bears, Bengals and Packers.

The Bears announced Sunday that Elliott Fry was released after an offseason and preseason competition with Pineiro and several other kickers to replace Cody Parkey.

The Bears had been looking for a kicker since cutting Parkey following his "double-doink" field goal miss of 43 yards in their 16-15 playoff loss to the Eagles.

Coach Matt Nagy said Pineiro had not necessarily won the job for the regular-season opener against the Packers on Sept. 5.

"I want (players) to have the mentality that Eddy is going to be that guy, but we're getting to that point right now where you're getting toward the end of the training camps where there's going to be transactions for a lot of different teams at a lot of different positions," Nagy said.

Fry came in after the Alliance of American Football folded. He kicked in college for South Carolina and had kicked in the AAF for Orlando. The Bears acquired Pineiro in a trade with Oakland for a conditional seventh-round draft pick in 2021.

**Raiders GM calls out Brown:**

Raiders general manager Mike Mayock told disgruntled wide receiver Antonio Brown it's time to decide whether he's "all in or all out" about playing this season.

Mayock issued a statement the team released in a video on Twitter expressing frustration that Brown didn't practice Sunday despite being healed from the frost-bitten feet that have sidelined him for most of camp. Brown also lost a grievance with the league to allow him to use a helmet that is no longer certified as safe.

Mayock said Brown is still upset, but the Raiders have done everything they could to help him.

**Extra points:** The Patriots granted veteran WR Dontrelle Inman's request to be released, ESPN reported. Inman, 30, spent last season with the Colts and signed a one-year contract with the Patriots in May. ... Buccaneers coach Bruce Arians confirmed Saturday night that the team had given GM Jason Licht, 48, a four-year contract extension in January. The deal includes a fifth-year club option in 2023.

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South Chungcheong (South Korea) 4,	Willemstad (Curacao) 0
South Riding (Va.) 11,	Coon Rapids (Minn.) 0
Chofu City (Japan) 5,	Guadalupe (Mexico) 0
G16: Waialuku (Hawaii) vs. Elizabeth (N.J.), suspended	

**MONDAY'S GAMES**

GmA: Sydney (Australia) vs. Bowling Green (Ky.), 11 a.m.
G17: Maracaibo (Venezuela) vs. Guadalupe (Mexico), 1 p.m.
G18: Barrington (R.I.) vs. G16 loser, 3 p.m.
G19: Coquitlam (B.C.), vs. Willemstad (Curacao), 6 p.m.
G20: River Ridge (La.) vs. Coon Rapids (Minn.), 8 p.m.

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EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	13	8	6	45	48	40
Atlanta	13	9	3	42	43	30
N.Y. City FC	11	5	8	41	45	32
D.C. United	10	8	9	39	34	33
N.Y. Red Bulls	11	10	5	38	44	39
New England	9	9	8	35	38	45
Montreal	10	13	4	34	39	50
Orlando City	9	11	7	34	35	35
Toronto FC	9	10	7	34	41	43
Chicago	8	11	9	33	42	40
Columbus	7	14	6	27	29	41
Cincinnati	5	18	3	18	26	61

WESTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	18	3	4	58	67	25
Minnesota	12	8	6	42	44	36
LA Galaxy	13	11	2	41	35	38
Real Salt Lake	12	10	4	40	38	34
Seattle	11	8	7	40	40	39
San Jose	11	9	5	38	42	38
Portland	11	9	4	37	41	36
FC Dallas	10	10	7	37	39	36
Houston	9	13	4	31	37	43
Sporting KC	8	11	7	31	39	45
Colorado	7	13	6	27	43	52
Vancouver	6	12	9	27	27	45

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

**SUNDAY'S RESULT**  
Atlanta at Portland, late

**NWSL**

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Portland	9	3	6	33	36	22
Chicago	9	6	2	29	28	21
North Carolina	8	4	4	28	31	17
Utah	8	6	3	27	19	15
Reign FC	7	4	6	27	16	19
Houston	6	7	4	22	17	26
Washington	6	7	3	21	20	18
Sky Blue FC	3	11	4	13	13	24
Orlando	3	11	2	11	16	34

**SUNDAY'S RESULT**  
Reign FC 1, Sky Blue FC 1

**WNBA**

EASTERN	W	L	PCT	GB
x-Washington	20	7	.741	—
x-Connecticut	19	8	.704	1
Chicago	15	11	.577	4½
Indiana	9	17	.346	10½
New York	8	18	.308	11½
Atlanta	5	21	.192	14½

WESTERN	W	L	PCT	GB
x-Las Vegas	18	9	.667	—
Los Angeles	15	10	.600	2
Seattle	15	13	.536	3½
Phoenix	13	13	.500	4½
Minnesota	13	14	.481	5
Dallas	9	18	.333	9

x-clinched playoff spot

**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

Connecticut 78, Dallas 68  
Washington 107, Indiana 68  
as Vegas 100, Chicago 85  
Phoenix 78, New York 72  
Seattle 82, Minnesota 74

**TUESDAY'S GAMES**

New York at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
Chicago at Atlanta, 7 p.m.  
Phoenix at Las Vegas, 10 p.m.  
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

**AUTO RACING**

**NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY CUP**

**BASS PRO SHOPS/NRA RACE**

Saturday night at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway; Lap: 533 miles

FP	SP	DRIVER	M	LAP	PT
1	1	Denny Hamlin	T	500	40
2	7	Matt DiBenedetto	T	500	41
3	13	Brad Keselowski	F	500	40
4	31	Kyle Busch	T	500	40
5	6	Chase Elliott	C	500	46
6	2	Kyle Larson	C	500	41
7	20	Clint Bowyer	F	500	30
8	18	Daniel Suarez	F	499	38
9	4	Kurt Busch	C	499	40
10	12	Ryan Blaney	F	499	32
11	14	Ryan Newman	F	499	34
12	17	Daniel Hemric#	T	499	27
13	3	Martin Truex Jr.	T	498	37
14	22	Bubba Wallace	C	498	23
15	10	Alex Bowman	C	497	22
16	11	Joey Logano	F	497	21
17	29	Chris Buescher	C	497	20
18	23	Ryan Preece#	C	497	19
19	30	Jimmie Johnson	C	496	18
20	24	Ty Dillon	C	496	17
21	21	William Byron	C	496	22
22	9	Erik Jones	T	495	23
23	25	Paul Menard	F	495	14
24	26	Corey LaJoie	F	494	13
25	32	Landon Cassill	C	490	0
26	39	Ross Chastain(i)	C	490	0
27	27	Matt Tifft#	F	487-sp	10
28	36	JJ Yeley	F	485	9
29	5	Aric Almirola	F	482	9
30	34	Quin Houff	C	478	7
31	38	Kyle Weatherman	C	474	0
32	33	BJ McLeod	C	410-fh	0
33	15	Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	F	391-d	4
34	19	Austin Dillon	C	387	3
35	35	Josh Billicki	C	373-v.	0
36	16	David Ragan	F	371-a.	1
37	28	Michael McDowell	F	368-a.	1
38	37	Reed Sorenson	C	269-cl	1
39	8	Kevin Harvick	F	244-cl	8

a-accident; cl-clutch/d-DVP; sp-suspension; v-fatigue; fh-front hub; C-Chevrolet; F-Ford; T-Toyota

Winner's average speed: 94.531 mph.  
Time: 2:49:09. Margin: 0.02 sec.  
Caution Flags: 8 for 61 laps.  
Lead Changes: 23 among 10 drivers.

**NASCAR CUP DRIVER POINTS**

932: Kyle Busch	686: Ry. Blaney
893: J. Logano	675: Al. Bowman
855: D. Hamlin	665: Ky. Larson
838: Truex Jr.	664: W. Byron
830: K. Harvick	654: A. Almirola
794: Keselowski	646: Erik Jones
757: Ch. Elliott	603: Ry. Newman
741: Kurt Busch	591: D. Suarez

**NFL PRESEASON**

AFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	0	0	1.000	51	30
New England	2	0	0	1.000	53	20
Miami	1	1	0	.500	48	43
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	41

AFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	1.000	47	35
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	55	13
Cleveland	2	0	0	1.000	51	28
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	40	51

AFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Tennessee	1	1	0	.500	44	32
Houston	1	1	0	.500	56	51
Jacksonville	0	2	0	.000	10	53
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	34	45

AFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	47	29
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	45	34
Denver	1	1	0	.500	28	32
L.A. Chargers	0	2	0	.000	30	36

NFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1.000	63	35
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	23	27
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	34	37
Washington	0	2	0	.000	23	53

NFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	34	25
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	41	52
Chicago	0	2	0	.000	26	55
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	26	61

NFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Carolina	1	1	0	.500	37	40
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	44	44
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	44	51
Atlanta	0	3	0	.000	47	70

NFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	17	9
Seattle	1	0	0	1.000	22	14
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	43	46
L.A. Rams	0	2	0	.000	13	28

**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**  
New Orleans 19, L.A. Chargers 17  
Seattle at Minnesota, late

**MONDAY'S GAME**  
San Francisco at Denver, 8 p.m. (ESPN)

**TENNIS**

**WESTERN AND SOUTHERN OPEN**

At The Lindner Family Tennis Center; Mason, Ohio; outdoors-hard

**MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**  
#9 Daniil Medvedev d. #16 David Goffin, 7-6 (3), 6-4

**WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**  
#16 Madison Keys d. Svetlana Kuznetsova, 7-5, 7-6 (5).

**ATP WINSTON-SALEM OPEN**

At Wake Forest Univ courts; Winston-Salem, N.C.; outdoor-hard  
Roin Haase d. Denis Kudla, 6-4, 7-6 (3)  
Prajnesh Gunneswaran d. Cedric-Marcel Stebe, 6-3, 6-4  
Floyd Harris d. Jaume Munar, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-1  
Tomas Berdych d. Andreas Seppi, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3  
Marius Copil vs. Martin Klizan, late

**WTA NYJTL BRONX OPEN**  
At Cary Leeds Center; New York; outdoors-hard  
Bernarda Pera d. Veronika Kudermetova, 6-0, 6-2

**GOLF**

**FEDEX: PGA BMW CHAMPIONSHIP**

4th of 4 rounds; Medinah (Ill.) CC (#3); 7,613 yards, par 72

Justin Thomas	65-69-61-68	\$1,665,000
Patrick Cantlay	66-67-68-65	\$999,000
Hideki Matsuyama	69-63-73-63	\$629,000
Tony Finau	67-66-68-69	\$444,000
Jon Rahm	68-69-66-69	\$351,500
Brandt Snedeker	66-71-67-68	\$298,313
Corey Conners	69-66-69-69	\$259,000
Lucas Glover	66-69-69-69	\$219,100
Kevin Kisner	68-68-69-69	\$148,000
Adam Scott	67-71-69-67	\$131,000
Tommy Fleetwood	70-66-70-69	\$106,000
Rickie Fowler	67-70-68-70	\$72,000
Sungjae Im	70-72-66-67	\$68,000
Louis Oosthuizen	70-69-68-68	\$67,000
Kevin Tway	69-67-70-69	\$67,000
J.T. Poston	68-74-66-68	\$66,000
Rory Sabbatini	67-68-67-74	\$66,000
Vaughn Taylor	73-70-67-66	\$66,000
Jason Kokrak	65-73-70-69	\$66,000

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## legals, public notices

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**PROPOSAL FOR: 2019 SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM MANHOLE MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION PROJECT**

**CONTRACT "A" - LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP**

**CONTRACT "B" - UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP**

**CONTRACT "C" - COPLAY-WHITEHALL SEWER AUTHORITY**

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Each of the Owners will enter into separate individual Contracts with the successful Bidder(s). However, Contracts "A", "B" and "C" will be awarded as a collective whole.

Each bid must be accompanied by Bid Security made jointly payable to the Owners in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid price and in the form of a certified or bank check or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Paragraph 5.01 of the General Conditions. The successful bidder must individually furnish Performance, Payment Bonds and Insurance per Contract - each in the amount equal to the individual Contract Amounts and meeting the requirements of Paragraph 5.01 of the General Conditions - for each respective Owner.

All projects are subject to the requirements of the Public Works Employee Verification Act. Only the Work involving full depth lining is subject to the minimum wage rates in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act. The Owners reserve the right to waive any informality in, and to reject, any or all bids. No bid will be accepted if not bid through the PennBid system.  
Lower Macungie Township  
Bruce Beitel, Township Manager

Upper Macungie Township  
Robert Ibach, Jr., Township Manager

Coplay-Whitehall Sewer Authority  
David Harleman, Authority Manager

#6175795 - 3/8, 3/12/2019

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## legals, public notices

**SEALED BIDS**  
The Pen Argyl Area School Board will receive sealed bids for Athletic equipment and supplies until 10:00 a.m., on August 23, 2019. Bids will be publicly opened in the District Office at the Wind Gap Middle School. Specifications may be obtained at the Office of the Secretary of the Board, Pen Argyl Area School District Office, 620 Teels Road, Pen Argyl, PA 18072. 610-863-3191. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any part or parts, or all bids.

Pen Argyl Area School Board

Jamie N. Achenbach, Secretary  
#6386551 - 8/5, 8/14, 8/19/2019

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

### BID# 2019-06 RESIDENTIAL MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING SERVICES

Sealed bids to furnish Residential Municipal Solid Waste Collection, Disposal, and Recycling Services from January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2022 (or December 31, 2024 if five (5) year option selected by the Township), will be received until 10:00 a.m., Monday, September 9, 2019, by South Whitehall Township in the office of the Township Manager, 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Copies of the Bid Documents and complete specifications may be obtained from the office of South Whitehall Township beginning immediately between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The fee to obtain one copy of the Bid Documents shall be Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per the Township's fee schedule. All bids shall be tendered on the forms provided by the Township in a sealed envelope bearing the bidder's name and address and shall be marked "Bids for Residential Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Collection, Disposal, and Recycling Services."

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting shall be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Township Building. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is strongly encouraged but is not required for a bid to be considered.

Each bid must be accompanied by either a cashier's check or bid bond, payable to the Township, in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the highest sum of the "Total Prices" bid amount set forth in the bid for 2020-2022 inclusive (or 2020-2024 inclusive if a Bidder submits a bid for the five (5) year optional term), as more fully set forth in the Instructions to Bidders and on the Price Sheet. Said amount shall guarantee that in the event the contract is awarded to the bidder, such party will execute the contract in good faith. Checks or bonds will be returned to all bidders within ten (10) days after the contract is executed by the successful bidder. Attorneys-in-fact who sign bid bonds must file with each bond a certified and currently dated copy of their power of attorney which effectively provides the necessary legal authority to execute all such documents.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Non-Collusion and all other documents as specified in the Instruction to Bidders.

The successful Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Non-Discrimination Clause of the Contract.

The Board of Commissioners of South Whitehall Township reserves the right to waive any irregularities in any bid, and to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid which is in the best interest of South Whitehall Township, as more fully set forth in the Instructions to Bidders. Following the opening of the bids, no bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days.

RENEE BICKEL  
TOWNSHIP MANAGER  
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP  
#6411177 - 8/19, 8/23/19

## SEALED BIDS FOR

### The Parkland School District Parkland High School Purchase of a MGTC-600-3 Triple Parallel Softener System

Sealed Bids for the purchase of a MGTC-600-3 Triple Parallel Softener System for the Parkland School District will be received until 9:00 AM, Thursday August 22, 2019 at the Parkland Administration Business Office, 1210 Springhouse Road, Allentown, PA. Sealed bids will be publicly opened and read at 9:00 AM, Thursday August 22. Bidders shall be solely responsible for the delivery of their bids in the manner and time prescribed in the specifications. All bids must be received by Parkland School District Business Office, prior to the Bid Deadline. Bids received after the Bid Deadline shall be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Copies of the specifications and other contract documents may be obtained at the Office of the Secretary, 1210 Springhouse Road, Allentown, PA.

The Board of School Directors reserves the right to reject any or all bids or award the bid to the best interest of the School District as judged by the Board of School Directors.

BY ORDER OF THE  
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JOHN A. VIGNONE  
BOARD SECRETARY  
#6399039 - 8/9, 8/12, 8/19/19

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  - Crystal Torres D116
  - Donna Kulp E113
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  - Josa Fajardo E118
  - Ken Thompson 3 F126
  - Stanley Lorkowski G111
  - Marcy Davis G142
  - Bjorn Straker I101
  - Hillary Kleinz I190
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  - Jose Verissimo J127
  - Anne Tsuma K113
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**THE REGISTRATION NUMBER MUST APPEAR IN ALL ADVERTISEMENTS CIRCULATED WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.**

The law defines advertisements as any statement promoting home improvement services in a newspaper, periodical, pamphlet, circular, billboard, sign, letterhead, business card or other printed materials.

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