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200 county roads patched this year

And the list goes on...

By **ZOE HAGGARD**
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Road Superintendent Mark Clanton recently released the county's current pothole patching plan. The Highway Department has patched potholes on over 200 roads since the first of February and crews are still patching until we have covered the county road system. This will take some time to complete with over 700 miles of roads we have in the County road system," Clanton recently stated.

He said drainage crews are working on road side drainage in areas. Crews are also working in the Flat Creek toward the Wheel area and then onto the Unionville area.

Paving schedule through July

1. Warners Bridge Road
2. Halls Mill Road from Wheel Road to Highway 270
3. Woodland Drive from city limits to Highway 82
4. New Center Church Road

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Residents at the intersection of Unionville-Deason Road and Tyler Drive have a bumpy ride daily right now as they ride over potholes and crumbling asphalt. T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

Union Ridge area has history of water issues

By **ZOE HAGGARD**
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Union Ridge residents have been asking for "clean city water" since the mid-1980s.

Lack of funds delayed the project, so between 1998 and 2009, residents started a petition to local officials to move toward getting them much needed waterlines through grants. "This [petition] was not something that was obtained by the city of Wartrace or any political figure, this was leg work done by members of the community trying to better themselves and their families," said Amanda Whitney, whose in-laws live on the Ridge.

According to a letter from "Bedford County Water Petition Residents" to the Utility Board of Bedford County in January 2006, a petition began in 2001.

By 2005, no waterlines had been constructed for Union Ridge. Instead, waterlines to a new subdivision on Sim Street and a new subdivision on highway 64 were constructed. Another letter was written in March of 2006. It reads, "At that time [in 2001] our petition[s] were presented to State Rep and a grant

was approved."

Whitney's mother-in-law, Mary, was one of the petitioning residents. The letter continues, "We were told to wait it takes time [sic.] We have waited for five years and watched new subdivision[s] go up and they would receive a water supply."

According to Bedford County Commissioner Don Gallagher, both builders for the subdivisions on Sim Street and on Highway 64 are required to build the waterlines themselves, which they did as per Wartrace developer policy.

As for grants, "During this period, around 2006, Wartrace received grants to replace the water line on Bugscuffle Road and to replace the water lines in the town of Normandy because of excessive water leak."

According to Gallagher, getting water to Union Ridge has been delayed as some of Wartrace's waterlines began to experience water loss. Many of the pipes were clogged while the lead joints that had been installed in the 1930s and 40s were leaking, Gallagher recalled.

"Therefore, fixing the existing

waterlines became a priority since Wartrace was losing more than 50 percent of its water due to leaks."

Gallagher said when he was chairing a water board meeting around the spring of 2008, he wanted to finally run waterlines up to Red Hill Road and Union Ridge. "However, in March 2008, the state condemned Cascade Spring and the ball game changed," Gallagher said. This is when Wartrace hooked on to Tullahoma water.

Previously, water from Cascade Spring was "free." "I would have liked at that time seen us be able to run waterlines to Red Hill Road and Union Ridge, but that cash money we had setting there began to be sucked down the waterlines because now we're paying for water," Gallagher said. Thus, Union Ridge had to wait yet again.

"Wartrace had never received a grant before this current grant," Gallagher said. This current grant is a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that will help fund the building of a 50,000-gallon storage tank.

Lorie Fisher at South Central Development District has been

putting grants together for the Town of Wartrace for nearly two decades. She said one of the main reasons for the difficulty in obtaining grants for Union Ridge is because of the elevation, which makes installing water lines and tanks challenging and expensive.

Contaminated water

Most Union Ridge residents near Wartrace rely on well water. However, a recent Duck River Utility Commission (DRUC) laboratory bacteriological sample report from February of 2020, out of 45 residencies, 24 tested positive for E. coli.

According to the Mayo Clinic, exposure to E. coli can cause diarrhea, stomach cramping or pain, and nausea and vomiting for some people. Ground water is typically not "pristine, never touched by man." Randal Braker, general manager of DRUC said more likely than not, E. coli contamination comes from surface water intrusion into the groundwater. The source of the E. coli comes from

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FIREFIGHTERS BATTLE BLAZE



T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

Smoke billows from a home owned by Odis Bailiff on Warners Bridge Road west of Shelbyville at midday Monday. Bedford County firefighters were told the home was "completely engulfed" when the call was dispatched. Emergency personnel called in Shelbyville Power to shut off one of the lines that had fallen and was still "hot." Exact cause of the fire was still being investigated at the time. There were no injuries.

Bell Buckle Daffodil Day and Best of the Butts BBQ Cook-Off

Held the third Saturday in March annually, this quaint little festival began in 1978 to celebrate the coming of Spring and the thousands of daffodils that line the roads and farmlands for a six mile stretch of highway leading into Bell Buckle.

This year's event is Saturday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Local lore says that ol' Sawney Webb (who founded the renowned Webb School in 1870) began the mass plantings over a hundred years ago as a 'character-building' discipline for some of the school's more challenging students. In the mid-1940's, a former Webb School janitor named Eugene Brady, Sr. launched an ambitious five-year planting program to further beautify the town.

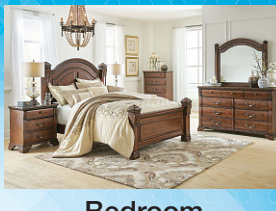
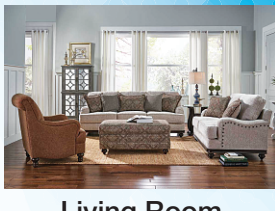
Now, every March, Bell Buckle bursts into full bloom with a colorful explosion of daffodils, and marks the arrival of spring by inviting everyone to come enjoy a day full of fun, family-friendly activities.

National Trainers' Show

The 54th show at Calsonic Arena is planned

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DEATH NOTICES

Josephine Hord

March 9, 2022

Josephine Hord, 73, of Wartrace died Wednesday, March 9, 2022.

Funeral services were scheduled Monday, March 14 at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel with Elder Paul Rippy as eulogist. Burial was to follow in the Hord Family Cemetery near Wartrace on Union Ridge.

Kathleen Ioma Posten

March 10, 2022

Kathleen Ioma Posten, 74, of Wartrace, died Thursday, March 10, 2022 at St. Thomas-Rutherford Hospital in Murfreesboro.

In accordance to her wishes, there will be visitation or services scheduled.

Lawrence Funeral Home, Chapel Hill, is handling arrangements.

OBITUARIES

James Alfred Curtis

March 11, 2022

James Alfred Curtis, age 77, of Shelbyville, passed away Friday, March 11, 2022, at the Nashville Veterans Hospital.

Jimmy, or as many knew him, Jim, was born in Shelbyville to the late William Allen Curtis and Daisy Reed Curtis.

Up until his retirement in 2009, he was owner/operator of Randolph and Vandergriff in Tullahoma. Prior to that, he worked at Western Auto, General Felt, and Dial's Superette, in Shelbyville. He was recently a faithful member of Edgemont Baptist Church, and before that, a faithful member, and Deacon, at Bible Presbyterian Church.

A veteran of the United States Army, 1st Signal Battalion, he served during the Vietnam War. As a veteran, he held membership in the American Legion Post 23 and Veterans of Foreign War Post 5019. Following his service, he became an amateur radio operator, with the handle KA4PWS. He was also a volunteer with the Bedford County Emergency Management Agency.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Linda Heflin Curtis, of Shelbyville; a son, James Steven Curtis, of Shelbyville; sisters, Sylvia Curtis Warren, of Shelbyville, and Janyce Curtis Duncan, of Winchester; grandchildren, Delaney Curtis and Aubrey Curtis, of Shelbyville.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 at Edgemont Baptist Church. Pastor Jimmy West will officiate. Burial, with full military honors, will follow in Willow Mount Cemetery.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to Edgemont Baptist Church.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.



T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

The new water lines planned to bring Union Ridge city water would most likely run past the decaying Hord's Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church at the intersection of Lazy Branch and Union Ridge.

Water

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numerous sources of fecal matter from cattle, squirrels, and deer.

The topography in this Southern Middle Tennessee area is considered "karst," which means that the ground is full of chunks of rock and clay, versus a solid sheet of rock like limestone shelves (like Rutherford County), Braker explained. "So, what happens, when it rains, it soaks into the ground and very easily gets down into the ground water table because the ground is not a shelf of limestone," said Braker. "That's a very common thing in this whole area—Coffee County and parts of Bedford—so that contamination from E. coli is common. It's not a surprise," he said.

Typically, 80 percent of wells test positive for either E. coli or total coliform bacteria. Contaminated

residential water is usually treated with a filtration system or ultraviolet disinfection (the light kills bacteria but does not remove it). This contaminated water makes selling and moving off the ridge a challenge, according to Amanda Whitney.

She's felt no one in the community had spoken up or done anything about this issue because of further delay or destroying any chance of getting clean safe water to their homes. That is, "the mentality you can't beat city hall," she said. "We have gone this long with the hopes 'this time will be different' and every time we are informed it can't happen," Whitney said.

Last Thursday opened up bids for contractors to build a new 50,000-gallon elevated water tank. The project will be funded by a CDBG. The lowest bidder will be voted and approved on at the next Commission meeting in April, Gallagher said.

Roads

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Oil/chip road schedule:

- 5. Substation Road
- 6. Old Center Church Road
- 7. Hook Leverette Road
- 8. D. Martin Road
- 9. Palmetto Road
- 10. Trott Road
- 11. Thompson Lane
- 12. Walker Road
- 13. Ray Road
- 14. Martin Lane
- 15. Bobby Dodd Hix Road

The Times-Gazette will have more road information in a future edition.



Old Nashville Dirt Road is beginning to resemble an actual dirt road in some spots with sunken asphalt.



T-G Photos by Zoe Haggard

Drew Lane, near Tyler Drive, has only been worsened by the recent snowy and rainy weather.



Despite some patch jobs, El Bethel Road off 41A is still a bumpy ride for residents.

Russian missile strike near NATO's Poland stirs anxiety

By **MONIKA SCISLOWSKA**

Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland — A Russian missile attack that killed at least 35 people in western Ukraine, some 15 miles from NATO member Poland, has stirred anxiety and spurred Poles to rush to passport offices and stockpile essentials amid fears the war could cut off supplies, or even spill over into Poland.

A long line of appli-

cants, unseen for decades, formed Monday outside Warsaw's main passport office on Krucza Street. Canned food, bottled water, flashlights and batteries filled shoppers' baskets. People in the street talked of the latest news and their worries for the future.

In the street, outside the passport office, Justyna Winnicka, 44, was filling out the passport form for her 16-year-old daughter, Michalina.

"We want to have a passport because the last one expired and we want to be able to go on vacation, but also want to be able to travel abroad in case something happens here in Poland," Winnicka told The Associated Press.

Asked if she was afraid because of the fighting just across Poland's border, she said "Everybody is a little bit afraid today."

"We all believe that the fact that we are in NATO will protect us in some

way, but each of us also remembers the history of World War II and the (failed) alliances of those times," Winnicka said.

"Things can turn out in different ways. In Poland people are a bit afraid," she said.

On Sunday, Anna Kwiatkowska, 42, a mother of two, said a friend working for a foreign firm had advised the family to have their passports ready and some dollars, too.

Happenings

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for Wednesday through Saturday, March 16-19, and will showcase classes ranging from fine harness to the riders' cup trail pleasure championship.

Shows begin at 6 each evening.

General admission tickets are \$5. For RV spots, stalls, etc., contact The Celebration office at 931-684-5915.

Hall of Fame passes

are available. Concessions will be open.

Grounds parking is available for all four nights for \$30. Contact WHTA at 931-684-5866 for those reservations.

Carlyle Johnson, co-chair of this year's event, along with Dee Cantrell, said committee members organizing this year's show have a lot of "fun" planned throughout the week. An extra night was added to the schedule this year, but only 19 classes planned for each night, according to Johnson.

"This is a new trend . . . With better time management, we hope to get people home early each night." That is aimed to be 10:30 to 11:00 p.m., versus 2 a.m., the seasoned horse trainer added.

Tennessee Walking Horse enthusiasts with a dream of being an amateur show judge could possibly get the chance through this year's trainers' event. They too will be working aside the professional judging team.

Johnson explained that WHTA will allow

3 amateurs to judge Wednesday and 3 to judge on Thursday. Each amateur will be allowed to judge four classes—two flat shod and two performance.

Registration for amateur judging closes noon Monday, March 14. Names will be randomly drawn by WHTA officials.

Call the Walking Horse Trainer's Office at 931-684-5866 or email whtrainers@gmail.com for more information about this show.



Emily Suttle and McKinley Farese are crowned Miss Tennessee USA and Miss Tennessee Teen USA 2022 in Clarksville.

Emily Suttle crowned Miss Tennessee USA 2022

Pageant celebrates 21 years in Clarksville

CLARKSVILLE — Emily Suttle, Miss Franklin, was crowned Miss Tennessee USA Saturday at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tennessee. McKinley Farese, Miss Memphis, was crowned Miss Tennessee Teen USA.

The new titleholders and the runners-up received numerous prizes and scholarships.

Both Miss Tennessee USA and Miss Tennessee Teen USA will have the opportunity to represent Tennessee at the Miss USA and Miss Teen USA pageants in 2022.

Rounding out the top five finalists among the 32 contestants in the Miss Tennessee pageant were first runner up Miss Knoxville Emma Conn, second runner up Miss Heart of Nashville Regan Ringler, third runner up Miss Greenfield Macy Garner, and fourth runner up Miss Downtown Nashville Elise Stein.

The outgoing Miss Tennessee USA, Elizabeth Graham Pistole, is a Nashville fitness instructor at two local barre studios. She is also continuing her education by pursuing a master's degree in marketing with a concentration of social media strategies online at the University of Alabama.

Pistole was driven to pursue a master's degree so that she could have the knowledge to grow and develop her nonprofit, The Dancing Divas and Dudes. The Dancing Divas and Dudes is a dance team for individuals with special needs and was inspired by her sister, Natalie, who has Down Syndrome. Pistole started Divas and Dudes at 14 years old and has grown it by over 600% over the past seven years. Pistole knows the difficulties and obstacles that accompany enacting change. This has driven her to want to utilize her year as Miss Tennessee USA to be a resource and inspiration to young adults who want to make a difference.

Other finalists among the 28 contestants in the Miss Tennessee Teen competition included first runner up Miss Music City Natalie Anderson, second runner up Miss Marble City Blye Allen, third runner up Miss Franklin Kendall Raye Kuczen, and fourth runner up Miss McMinnville Grace Sparkman.

Outgoing Miss Tennessee Teen USA Annie Zhao is a high school senior and the first Asian titleholder in Tennessee USA system history. Annie wants to become a leader in medicine as an OBGYN and advance healthcare for women and children through a more

matured lens of womanhood. Incredibly fascinated by science, she has interviewed, shadowed, and assisted doctors and scientists since middle school! On her voyage to becoming a healthcare professional, she has won several science competitions, conducted environmental health research with the University of Memphis, and edited genes through CRISPR-CAS9 with the University of Tennessee.

Annie is also passionate in community service, music, and journalism. She enjoys helping her community and spreading joy in any way she can. Whether that is through direct volunteering or creating music on her violin, she has devoted over 400 hours to the people around her. You can catch her playing in symphonies, leading music groups, or practicing a variety of repertoire in her free time.

As a strong advocate for childhood literacy and racial injustice, Annie has committed to impacting as many people around her as possible. Having struggled with literacy as a child, she is determined to mitigate the obstacles she had experienced for others. Annie has instructed English to students in and outside of the US since she was 14.

Advancing from learning basic English out of TV shows and books as a child to making the highest possible scores on testing or winning at every Model United Nations conference she has attended, Annie has grown to become an English and public speaking enthusiast. One of her most important events was the deliverance of the Stop Asian Hate speech regarding racism to hundreds of Tennesseans. She hopes her message representing AAPI youth made a difference in changing hearts and minds.

Judging the 2022 event were Season XV American Idol Trent Harmon, Head of Programming and Development for Reach TV Networks Holly Firfer, U.S. Government Senior Special Agent Derrick LeBlanc, CEO of Jeff Ruby Culinary Entertainment Britney Ruby Miller, and former Miss Texas Scholarship Organization Director Gregg McCoy.

The Miss Tennessee USA pageants, under the direction of Greenwood Productions, Inc., are affiliated with the Miss Universe organization and have been hosted in Clarksville since 1999. Information about all delegates can be found at www.misstennesseeusa.com

Two suspects deny marijuana belonged to them

By DAVID MELSON
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Two men who denied ownership of marijuana found in their vehicle were both arrested during a traffic stop Saturday, police said.

The driver, Zachary Adam Rogers, 20, of Railroad Avenue allegedly ran a stop sign at Railroad Avenue and North Hillcrest Drive as Officer Ramon Castillo observed.

Castillo stopped Rogers and was told before asking about the marijuana he smelled that it was in the vehicle.

Two small bags were found. Rogers and Zachary Lee Bradley, 23, also of Railroad Avenue, told Castillo the marijuana belonged to the other and were both charged with simple possession. Rogers was also charged with running the stop sign and held on \$2,500 bond. Bradley posted \$1,500 bond.

A strong odor alerted Sgt. David Dye to marijuana in a vehicle during a traffic stop Saturday night, police said.

Jordan Donte Perkins, 19, of Memphis handed over one blunt and two already-smoked blunts, Dye's report said. Perkins was cited for simple possession.

A bag of marijuana was found in a car during a traffic stop Friday, police said.

Tony Hord told Officer Brandi Merlo he had the bag. He was cited for simple possession.

Theft

A work trailer containing tools was stolen Friday from a home in the 500 block of Kingree Road, police said.

Attempted theft

Nothing was taken when a home in the 800 block of Longview Road was entered early Friday night, a sheriff's office report said.

A newer model blue truck parked across the street with lights off left as the resident arrived at the home. A door jamb had been broken.

Jail intake

The following were charged since Friday by the Shelbyville Police Department, Bedford County Sheriff's Office,

Tennessee Highway Patrol or 17th Judicial District Drug Task Force. They are only charged; guilt or innocence will be determined by the courts.

•Samantha Marie Ahnefeld, 28, homeless, Shelbyville; public intoxication; held, \$1,000 bond

•Pedro Mendoza Alonso, 26, King Arthur Court; no driver's license; held, \$1,500 bond

•Zachary Lee Bradley, 23, Railroad Avenue; simple possession of schedule VI drug; released, \$1,500 bond

•Domingo Pablo Castro, 27, King Arthur Court; shoplifting, failure to appear; released, \$500 bond

•Odilo Pablo Castro, 25, King Arthur Court; shoplifting; released, \$500 bond

•Alejandro Cruz, 25, Lewisburg; probation revocation; held, \$1,000 bond

•Watson Thibaud Davis, 28, Sunlite Road; simple possession, possession of drug paraphernalia; released, no bond

•Kaytrina Nye-Ann Foster, 22, Reese Street; DUI, possession of drug paraphernalia, simple possession of schedule VI drug, light law, open container; released, \$3,750 bond

•Justin Seth Guinn, 20, El Bethel Road; violation of order of protection; released, \$5,000 bond

•Jose Santiago Fernandez Flores, 41, Cherokee Trail; no driver's license, speeding; summons issued

•Jordan Carl Newsom, 20, Deery Street; criminal trespassing, aggravated assault (two counts); held, \$202,500 bond

•Jordan Donte Perkins, 19, Memphis; speeding, simple possession; summons issued

•Mario Alexander Ramos Majano, 20, Sevier Street; no driver's license, speeding, financial responsibility; released, \$2,000 bond

•Joshua Leon Rich-

ardson, 46, Russell Street; driving on suspended license, financial responsibility, registration violation; released, no bond

•Zachary Adam Rogers, 29, Railroad Avenue; simple possession, no driver's license, failure to obey traffic control device; held, \$2,500 bond

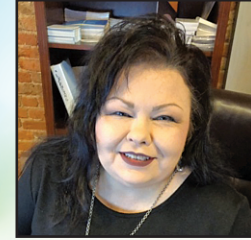
•Brian Vernon Sanson, 43, Henderson Road; failure to appear, financial responsibility; released, \$1,000 bond

•Frank Tristan Scott, 25, Haley Road; violation of probation; released, \$2,500 bond

•Jennifer Lynn Smith, 45, Madison Street; violation of probation; released, \$1,000 bond

•Jeffrey Tyler Waters, 29, Midland Road; driving on revoked license; summons issued

Get to know the Times-Gazette Staff



Sherri Frame
Circulation Clerk

- 1 What is your favorite part of your job?
My favorite part of my job is interacting with our subscribers and knowing that our small-town newspaper is still important to people.
- 2 What is your favorite vacation destination?
I can't pick a favorite vacation destination. I've loved travelling to Disney World, Mexico, and Las Vegas. My dream is to travel to Ireland and see it's lush countryside and castles.
- 3 What is your favorite holiday and why?
My favorite holiday is Christmas. Of course, it is about celebrating Jesus' birth, first and foremost. But, I also love to curl up on my couch watching It's A Wonderful Life or Frosty the Snowman while my lights blink on my tree and my house smells of cinnamon and pine. I'm a new Gigi and am very excited that I get to experience Christmas all over again through my grandchildren's eyes and hearts.

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Added hint to tracking shipped boxes

Dear Heloise:
Today's paper had a great hint from Sharon in California about making sure that when moving to add a number to each container loaded by the trucking company.

My added tip to that great idea is to keep a small journal of each box number, noting the items packed in each. That way, if a box doesn't make it to the final destination, you'll have a detailed list of what was in the lost box.

Years ago, I moved from Alaska all the way across the country to Ohio. I had my journal in hand when my boxes arrived. If anything had been missing, I could easily identify it. And all my items successfully traveled by truck and train across the U.S.!

NAPKIN TUCK

Dear Heloise: I enjoy your column very much in the Colorado Springs Gazette newspaper.

Today I saw your response that napkins tucked into the collar of a shirt should be for those under 6 years old, as if not proper etiquette. I, too, was taught napkins should be placed on the lap.

However, I have dined at very fine restaurants in the U.S. where the waiter placed a large napkin around my neck. One was outside of Philadelphia. My meal was \$100 with several courses (no alcohol). The other restaurant was in North Carolina, which happened to be my best dining experience ever!

Observing diners overseas, I have seen a variety of napkin placements and uses. I just wanted to bring my observations to your attention, as there are many cultures and American subcultures that napkin etiquette differs from what you and I had been taught. Thank you. -- Theresa N., Colorado Springs, Colorado

BEING ORGANIZED

Dear Heloise:
Whenever I buy something and need to return it, I place the item and its receipt in the original bag so I have it with me whenever I have time to return it. I also put any documents or other items in the car (such as medical forms) after they are prepared so I don't forget to take them when I depart. In addition, I place clothes, shoes, coupons, gift cards, tickets, documents such as passports, etc., in the car that I might need. This habit has been so helpful and relieves stress, especially as I age and become more forgetful. -- Nancy, Dayton, Ohio

Nancy, we could all use help remembering to bring things with us. But it

Hints from Heloise

Heloise



might not be a good idea to keep important documents and valuables in the car when they're not needed. -- Heloise

REPLY TO CAREGIVER SUGGESTIONS

Dear Heloise: I wish I could reach out and give Eileen H. a big hug. I've been there, too, as a caregiver for my husband and was astonished by the thoughtlessness of friends who came empty-handed, expected me to wait on them and stayed for hours. After my husband died, many of those "friends" disappeared. Stay strong. -- Nancy M., via email

HOSPICE CAREGIVER INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Heloise: In response to visiting instructions for hospice or any at-home caregiver situation, I would add that when someone wants to schedule a visit to the home, they be respectful of the caregiver, who needs sleep, and not expect the caregiver to be able to accommodate times that would be unreasonable, like late evening or too early in the morning. Be aware that the caregiver needs to be able to get sleep in order to do his or her job, and, yes, this is a job. -- Susan in Ohio

Send a money-saving or timesaving hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001, or you can fax it to 1-210-HELOISE or email it to Heloise@Heloise.com. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

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FAST FACTS

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-- Place all dirty dishes in the dishwasher.

-- Fluff pillows on the sofa and chairs.

-- Put away clutter on your bathroom counter.

Heloise

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TUESDAY

Bell Buckle history

Bell Buckle Historical Commission will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 in Town Hall.

THURSDAY

Bell Buckle meeting

Bell Buckle Beautification Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 17 in Town Hall.

SATURDAY

Craft fair

Bedford County Fair is hosting a Spring Fling Craft Show & Flea Market on Saturday, March 19 at Bedford County Agricultural Center. Sign up at bedfordcountytfnair.org/spring-fling.

SUNDAY

Food giveaway

St. Paul United Methodist Church, U.S. 41A between Unionville and Rover, is holding a food giveaway at noon Sunday, March 20.

MARCH 22

SCV meeting

Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Cheatham Camp 72 of Sons of Confederate Veterans will have their regular dinner meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday,

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 22 at the Oak Restaurant in Manchester. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

MARCH 24

SCHRA meetings

South Central Human Resource Agency's Governing Board will meet 11 a.m. Thursday, March 24 at the central office, 1427 Winchester Highway in Fayetteville. Subcommittees will meet at 10 a.m.

CANCELLATIONS

Historical Society

Due to continuing Covid concerns, the Bedford County Historical Society will not meet on March 21 for its usual Spring Quarter meeting. The Society Board is hopeful that the June Summer Quarter meeting will be held; a decision will be made at its April Board meeting and announced soon thereafter.

VFW Music Night

VFW Post 5019, 1320 E. Depot St., has cancelled its monthly third-Saturday of the month music night through March. Plans are to resume the third Saturday in April. For more information, call 931-607-3149 or 931-684-2523.

ONGOING

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays at the old Save-A-Lot building on South Cannon Boulevard. One take-away meal per person present, with come-and-go service only. Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, 122 Public Square N., Shelbyville, TN 37160 and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation.

Head Start signups

All Head Start and Early Head Start Centers are taking applications for fall 2022 enrollment. For more information or to complete an application, contact any Head Start Center. Phone numbers are Wartrace 931-389-6406, Harris Head Start 931-773-0033, North Side Head Start Center 931-773-0141 and Bedford Early Head Start 931-685-0876.

For Head Start, the child must turn 3 before Aug. 15, 2022. For Early Head Start pregnant women make weekly educational visits and for the center children 6 weeks up to 3 years old are eligible.

Seniors meals

Shelbyville-Bedford County Senior Citizens Center will have meals available for curbside pickup until further notice. Call Melissa, 931-684-0019 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. weekdays for more information or to place an order. A two-day notice is required.

County meetings

Bedford County Courthouse is closed for government meetings until at least March due to remodeling. Meetings of the full County Commission are held at Shelbyville Central High School auditorium on Eagle Boulevard and committee meetings at Bedford County Office Complex on Dover Street.

Medicaid assistance

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)/Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) is a state-wide program that provides free and objective counseling and assistance to people with questions or problems regarding Medicare and other related health insurance. They do not sell insurance. New volunteers are needed in Bedford County. Training is provided both online and in person. Call 1-877-801-0044 or 931-379-2927, or email Mike David at m david@sctdd.org.

Senior moments

Editor's note: If you have taken a trip or plan to take one soon, please share your photos. We like to show all aspects of senior life from trips to the Holy Land to gardening in your backyard. Send to dhankins@t-g.com.

ST. PADDY PARTY

Shelbyville-Bedford County Senior Citizens Center will conduct its St. Patrick's Day party 9:30 a.m. Thursday. Games, prizes and snacks are planned. Sign up by calling 684-0019. Space is limited.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Daily transportation is available to stores, doctors, hairdressers, etc. Call 684-0019 for more information or to schedule a ride. A minimum two-day advance notice is required.

BC OLYMPICS

Bedford County Senior Olympic Advisory Board is celebrating its 14th annual Bedford County Olympics for the "Young at Heart" April 1-9. The goal is to maintain the health and wellness of Bedford County residents aged 40 and older by providing athletic, recreational and creative experiences for seniors. Call Cindy Allen at 684-9780 for more information.

LOW INCOME ENERGY HELP

LIHEAP can help with main heating and cooling bills for seniors. The maximum annual income for a one-person household is \$22,843 and \$29,871 for a household size of two. Bedford County residents should contact South Central Human Resources Agency (SCHRA) at 931-685-9962 for more information and to apply.

Enjoy a taste of the sea

Traditional Irish stew may get a lot of fanfare, but another hearty, stick-to-your-ribs dish can chase away the chill after a day spent cheering along St. Patrick's Day parade participants: Seafood Chowder.

Ireland is an island nation, and many delicious dishes have been inspired by its surrounding seas (sa fharraige in Irish.) One bowl of seafood chowder may really convince peo-

ple to revere it as much as other broth-based dishes.

Chowder is a type of stew or soup prepared with milk or cream and thickened with other ingredients. Seafood is often a protein of choice in these dishes, and this recipe for "Seafood Chowder With Crispy Bread Crumbs," courtesy of "Real Simple Easy, Delicious Home Cooking" (Time Home Entertainment) from the Real Simple Kitchens, delivers all of the classic chowder flavors.

Seafood Chowder With Crispy Bread Crumbs

Serves 4
1 slice sandwich bread, torn into pieces
3 Tbsp. olive oil
2 leeks (light green and white parts only), thinly sliced
1/2 C. dry white wine
1 8-oz. bottle clam juice
1 1/2 lbs. skinless cod, halibut, or sea bass fillet, cut into 2-inch pieces



12 littleneck clams and/or 1/2 pound cockles
1 C. half-and-half
Kosher salt and black pepper
2 tablespoons chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
Heat oven to 400 degrees. In a food processor, pulse the bread and 2 tablespoons of the oil to form coarse crumbs. Spread on a rimmed baking sheet and toast, tossing once, until golden, 6 to 8 minutes. Then heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a large saucepan or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add the leeks and cook, stirring occa-

sionally, until tender, 4 to 5 minutes. Add the wine to the saucepan and cook until reduced by half, about 2 minutes more. Add the clam juice and 1 1/2 cups water and bring to a boil. Add the cod and clams to the saucepan, reduce heat and simmer gently, covered, until the cod is opaque throughout and the clams have opened, 4 to 6 minutes. (Discard clams that remain closed.) Stir the half-and-half, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper into the chowder, and cook until heated through, 1 to 2 minutes. Serve sprinkled with the parsley and bread crumbs.

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 3/7/2022 - Final

AUCTION	This Week	Last Reported 2/28/2022	Last Year
Total Receipts:	970	508	1,466
Feeder Cattle:	820(84.5%)	411(80.9%)	1,264(86.2%)
Slaughter Cattle:	145(14.9%)	80(15.7%)	185(12.6%)
Replacement Cattle:	5(0.5%)	17(3.3%)	17(1.2%)

Compared to last week, Feeder Steers 5.00-15.00 lower with instances of 20.00 lower; Feeder Heifers 2.00-5.00 lower; Feeder Bulls 2.00-7.00 higher; Slaughter Cows 3.00-8.00 higher; Slaughter Bulls 5.00 higher. Supply included: 85% Feeder Cattle (31% Steers, 0% Dairy Steers, 49% Heifers, 19% Bulls); 15% Slaughter Cattle (94% Cows, 6% Bulls); 1% Replacement Cattle (100% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 29%.

FEEDER CATTLE

STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	540	540	166.00	166.00

STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	248	248	200.00	200.00
7	250-280	269	175.00-200.00	182.82
8	300-340	330	172.50-205.00	187.48
1	350	350	190.00	190.00
5	400-445	417	188.00-197.50	193.50
5	413-430	419	200.00	200.00
9	455-498	477	180.00-190.00	186.61
3	458	458	199.00	199.00
7	500-545	524	166.00-174.00	170.50
7	521	521	190.00	190.00
9	555-595	570	155.00-166.00	159.61
28	610-649	638	158.00-166.00	162.28
3	607	607	170.00	170.00
1	690	690	146.00	146.00
1	660	660	167.00	167.00
5	740-748	745	135.00-146.00	142.21
6	703-745	719	149.00-150.00	149.49
2	755-790	773	142.00-143.00	142.49
1	850	850	130.00	130.00

STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	310-330	323	150.00-175.00	159.16
4	350-365	359	150.00-172.50	160.71
5	403-440	422	160.00-170.00	165.38
3	465-485	472	140.00-172.50	158.57
3	500-530	513	144.00-160.00	154.01
2	550-565	558	142.00-150.00	145.95
1	610	610	142.00	142.00
1	915	915	102.00	102.00

STEERS - Small 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	625	625	130.00	130.00

DAIRY STEERS - Large 3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	735	735	88.00	88.00

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	240	240	175.00	175.00
3	250-285	272	165.00-172.50	169.02
10	300-345	324	150.00-165.00	157.77
31	353-395	368	147.50-164.00	156.04
27	400-445	425	146.00-160.00	153.74
10	450-495	469	143.00-156.00	149.35
30	501-539	521	138.00-152.00	144.92
13	515-528	527	155.00-156.00	155.92
12	565-595	580	136.00-146.00	142.75
8	600-645	625	127.00-138.00	133.10
29	650-687	676	125.00-136.00	133.27
5	708-745	718	131.00-136.00	133.22
6	759	759	125.00	125.00
2	818	818	126.00	126.00
2	868	868	125.00	125.00

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	295	295	145.00	145.00
4	305-345	318	130.00-145.00	139.08
3	355-390	377	140.00-145.00	141.73
6	415-440	424	125.00-144.00	136.99
5	461-470	463	127.50-140.00	137.46
3	535-545	540	112.00-130.00	123.94
2	560-570	565	117.50-134.00	125.68
1	735	735	115.00	115.00

BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
9	355-395	375	175.00-194.00	183.46
3	410-440	428	182.50-196.00	188.50
6	460-495	468	181.00-192.00	187.76
5	505-530	520	160.00-175.00	168.98
6	550-580	566	160.00-169.00	165.46
4	600-630	609	138.00-146.00	141.30
5	655-680	665	138.00-149.00	145.43
7	700-735	722	130.00-141.00	137.32
3	815-845	832	116.00-125.00	120.95
1	865	865	116.00	116.00

BULLS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
7	350-395	381	155.00-170.00	164.20
10	400-440	420	160.00-172.00	164.24
5	460-490	477	146.00-170.00	158.33
6	500-530	512	130.00-155.00	143.98
2	585-595	590	130.00-140.00	134.96
1	610	610	134.00	134.00
2	700-725	713	122.00-130.00	125.93
1	845	845	110.00	110.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
13	1155-1775	1453	72.00-83.50	78.70	Average
5	1200-1780	1540	85.00-89.00	86.76	High
1	1410	1410	63.00	63.00	Low

COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
37	905-1650	1269	68.00-83.00	74.39	Average
6	1195-1780	1380	85.00-91.00	89.03	High
2	1120-1145	1133	58.00-61.00	59.52	Low

COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
35	795-1470	999	53.00-64.00	59.16	Average
3	1060-1345	1163	65.00-69.00	66.85	High
7	740-1240	974	44.00-51.00	48.65	Low

BULLS - 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
4	1440-2245	1861	93.00-103.00	97.08	Average
1	2060	2060	123.00	123.00	High
2	1485-1515	1500	86.00-89.00	87.52	Low

Please Note: The above USDA LPMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

AG NOTES

By **JOHN TEAGUE**
UT/TSU Extension
COLD DAMAGE

Well, we had a 'late freeze', didn't we? Any way you look at it, the weather got very cold. We were participating in a cattle event at Lebanon over the weekend, and I can vouch for the fact it was cold and blizzard conditions coming back on Friday night and then miserably cold on Saturday.

What about the damage to crops? We had damage to wheat a couple of years ago, but that crop was further along and was in the pollination stage. This year, the wheat should have missed any significant damage to this point. Let's hope that does not happen in the weeks to come.

But the fruit crop is another story. Dr. David Lockwood, our fruit and nut specialist at UT Extension, sent out a last-minute warning on Friday, with the sad news that there was not anything that could be done to prevent fruit damage. Here is a shortened version of what he said. It is really a good educational piece to read.

"We are anticipating what I would describe as a classic 'advective freeze.' An arctic air mass is moving across the country, affecting an entire portion of the country. With it, daytime conditions may be cool to cold, cloudy to clear and windy. At night, temperatures will continue to drop and the wind will continue to blow. Advective freeze conditions may persist for more than one day. With an advective freeze, the ability to protect crops is very limited.

As buds progress from dormancy to bloom, they become more sensitive to cold damage and the gap between minor damage and severe damage nar-

rows. Buds on healthy plants are somewhat more tolerant of cold than on stressed plants. Conditions leading up to the cold event, the duration of the cold event and the severity of the cold will all impact the actual amount of bud damage received.

The relatively sudden change from warm weather to cold and the magnitude of the temperature drop are significant factors and could result in greater damage than if temperatures over the past few days had been lower.

As mentioned above, protecting crops during an advective freeze event is difficult and the options are few. Active control techniques often associated with radiation frost events are worthless in an advective freeze. With the absence of an inversion layer plus the presence of wind, heating and wind machines are not options.

Using irrigation to "ice down" plants likewise is not advisable during an advective freeze. The wind will distort discharge patterns from emitters resulting in erratic coverage. Failure to continuously wet an area will result in evaporative cooling of the wetted surface. If this occurs, the actual temperatures that the plant is exposed to will drop below air temperatures, resulting in greater damage than if nothing had been done.

If the weather forecasts are even close to being accurate, the ability to protect crops is virtually non-existent. The stage of bud development on your crops will give some idea as to what kind of damage may occur.

This article is being written in early March. Additional cold events this spring certainly could occur. If such events are in the form of radia-

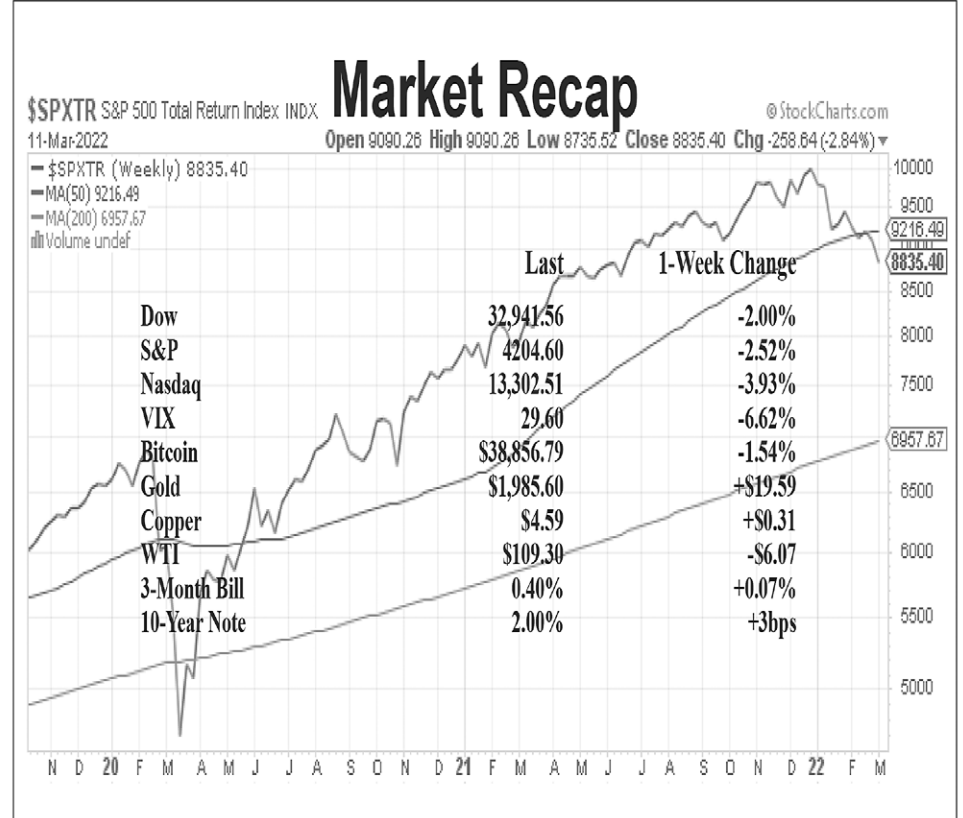
tion frosts, several things can be done to lessen the potential for damage. In some crops such as grapes, delayed pruning may be beneficial in that it can delay bud development in the desired fruiting zone of the vine for spur-pruned vines.

Anticipate future cold events. While a spring frost is not a certainty, their frequency is great enough to merit preparation. Radiation frosts are more common than advective freezes. There are several things that can be done in anticipation a radiation frost. Maximize air drainage from the site by removing grown up fencerows, cleaning up ditch banks and by closely mowing between rows and around the outside of the planting. Do not cultivate soils. If soils are dry, irrigate a few days in front of a predicted cold event. If you have active frost control techniques, make sure they are operational prior to needing them."

Dr. Lockwood attached some charts with temperature damage points for several crops. I looked at them to try to determine the extent of damage that we might have experienced, and it's not good news.

For apples, peaches, grapes, strawberries, blueberries, and blackberries, we saw low temperatures for an extended time that could cause extensive damage to the buds. How much damage is to be determined, but I would expect it to be close to the 100 % damage range for all of the above fruits. The low temperatures coupled with the wind chill and the length of time that these conditions lasted has caused a tremendous loss.

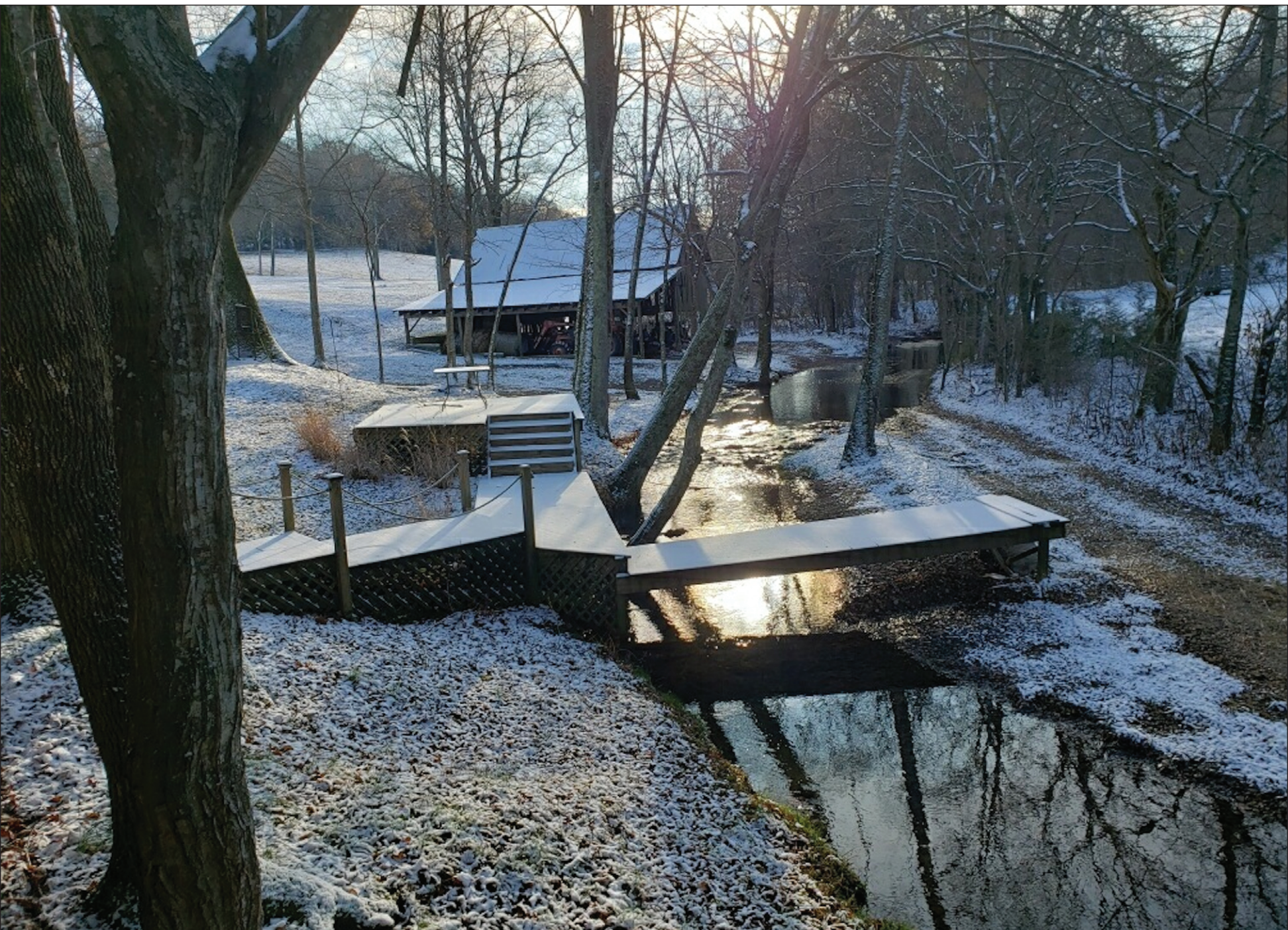
Let's hope that we don't see any more late freezing conditions this spring.



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These photos taken by Grady Cunningham of Shelbyville show that perhaps March came in like a 'lamb' with warmer temps, then offered us a short spell of the 'lion' last weekend with snow. We're back on top today with pleasant temps. At least it seems, for now, spring has sprung.

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The National Trainers' Show begins Wednesday and runs through Saturday at Calsonic Arena. Shows start at 6 p.m. each evening and general admission is \$5. Though shorter class schedules this year, each of the four nights include such events as auxiliary equitation, amateur trail pleasure and amateur stallions. There are 76 total classes planned.

Fresh, Healthy Family Meals

Recipes to help boost iron levels, aid plasma donation recovery



Marinated Skirt Steak

FAMILY FEATURES

Chef Nate Appleman knows how important it is to serve healthy meals to your family – ones they actually want to eat. Before having his first child, he transformed his eating and exercise habits and lost 85 pounds to get on a healthier path.

Now, he's cooking meals for his family, including 14-year-old Oliver who was diagnosed with Kawasaki Disease as a toddler – an inflammation of the blood vessels that can cause damage to coronary arteries – as a healthy lifestyle is important to help manage the disease. Since Oliver's diagnosis, Appleman made it his personal mission to create awareness of Kawasaki Disease and for the critical need for plasma donations that many people with the disease rely on for treatment, which is why he partnered with Abbott to bring attention to the need for plasma donations.

Plasma is a powerful part of your blood that supports essential bodily functions. It's a lifeline for thousands of people who are immune-compromised and live with a variety of chronic and complex diseases. In fact, more than 125,000 Americans rely on medication made from plasma every day, according to the Plasma Protein Therapeutics Association (PPTA).

The COVID-19 pandemic led to a serious shortage of plasma donors – average donations per center in the United States were down approximately 11% during the first few months of 2021 compared to the previous year, further deepening the nearly 20% decline in donations in 2020 compared to 2019, according to the PPTA.

Donating plasma is a safe and relatively easy process. Since plasma is replaced in the body within about 24 hours, it can be donated up to twice per week. With a donation that typically takes between 1-3 hours, you can make a lasting impact by providing lifesaving medicine for patients like Oliver.

It's a good idea to fuel up with iron-rich foods before and after donating, so Appleman created these fresh, nutritious recipes he loves to serve his family: Marinated Skirt Steak, Lemon Chicken with Roasted Red Onions and Potatoes, and Cheesy Frittata with Veggies.

Learn where you can donate at bethedonor.abbott.

Marinated Skirt Steak

Recipe courtesy of chef Nate Appleman on behalf of Abbott

Vinaigrette:

- 1/4 cup oil
- 1/4 cup fish sauce
- 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons raw sugar
- 1 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 lime, juice only
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 small Thai bird chile or serrano chile, chopped
- 1/4 head finely shaved green cabbage
- 1/4 head finely shaved purple cabbage
- 2 carrots, thinly julienned

Skirt steak:

- 1 1/2 pounds trimmed skirt steak
- 1/2 cup coconut milk

- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 tablespoons sriracha
- salt, to taste
- 3 cups cooked brown rice
- 1/2 cup crushed peanuts
- 1 lime, quartered, for garnish

To make vinaigrette: In large bowl, mix oil, fish sauce, rice wine vinegar, water, sugar, cilantro, lime juice, garlic and chile. Toss cabbage and carrots in vinaigrette; refrigerate until ready to serve.

To make skirt steak: Marinate steak in coconut milk, garlic, lime juice, cilantro, sriracha and salt, to taste, at least 1 hour, or up to 24 hours.

Heat grill to high.

Grill 3-4 minutes each side until medium rare.

Let rest 3 minutes.

Thinly slice steaks against grain and serve with vinaigrette, rice and crushed peanuts; garnish with lime wedges.

Lemon Chicken with Roasted Red Onions and Potatoes

Recipe courtesy of chef Nate Appleman on behalf of Abbott

Lemon chicken:

- 1 whole chicken, cut into eight pieces
- 1 ounce minced garlic
- 1/4 teaspoon granulated garlic
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon ground fennel seed
- 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt

Potatoes:

- 2 1/2 pounds Yukon gold potatoes
- salted water
- oil

Cauliflower:

- 1 head cauliflower
- salted water
- ice
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon tamari or soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Roasted onions:

- 1 red onion
- salt
- oil

For serving:

- 3 ounces pitted Castelvetrano or green olives, cut into quarters
- 5 ounces wild arugula
- 1 lemon, quartered

To make lemon chicken: Marinate chicken in mixture of minced garlic, granulated garlic, paprika, smoked paprika, fennel pollen, dried oregano, coriander and salt; let sit overnight.

To make potatoes: Boil potatoes in heavily salted water until tender. Cool, peel and cut into 1 1/2-inch chunks. Toss with oil to coat; reserve.

To make cauliflower: Cut cauliflower into florets and blanch in salted water 1 minute; shock in ice bath. Remove from ice and dry. Toss with mayonnaise, tamari and parsley; reserve.

To make roasted onions: Preheat oven to 450 F. Peel onion and slice into 1-inch rings. Toss with salt and oil; roast until slightly caramelized with texture. Chill and reserve.

Preheat oven to 450 F. Bake chicken on sheet pan approximately 15 minutes. Add potatoes and cauliflower. Bake approximately 15 minutes then switch oven to broil approximately 10 minutes. Squeeze lemon over reserved onion.

When chicken is crispy and reaches internal temperature of 165 F, remove from oven and add onions and olives. Plate chicken, potatoes, onions, olives and cauliflower on top of arugula and garnish with lemon.



Lemon Chicken with Roasted Red Onions and Potatoes

Cheesy Frittata with Veggies

Recipe courtesy of chef Nate Appleman on behalf of Abbott

Roasted garlic:

- 2 heads garlic
- olive oil
- salt

Frittata:

- oil
- 2 medium leeks, sliced
- 8 ounces blanched, chopped broccoli
- salt, to taste
- 9 eggs
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 2 ounces grated Parmigiano Reggiano
- 2 tablespoons heavy cream

To make roasted garlic: Preheat oven to 400 F.

Slice 1/4 inch off entire heads of garlic and place cut sides down in 1-liter casserole dish. Drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with salt; cover with lid.

Bake 35-45 minutes until heads of garlic are soft and light brown. Let cool then use back of knife to squeeze garlic from pods.

To make frittata: Lower oven to 375 F. In saute pan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Cook leeks until soft; add broccoli then season with salt, to taste, and remove from heat.

In mixing bowl, mix roasted garlic, sauteed leeks and broccoli, eggs, parsley, Parmigiano Reggiano and cream; place in 9-inch pie dish and bake approximately 20 minutes until top of frittata is brown. Remove from oven and let cool slightly before cutting and serving.



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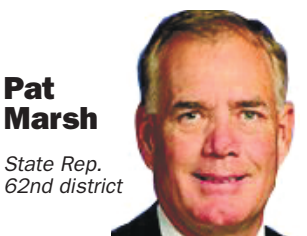
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Area Leadership groups visit legislature



Pat Marsh
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"Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties."
 — Helen Keller

Last week, on Thursday morning, we had the Leadership Lincoln group come up for a visit and Sen. Shane Reeves, Rep. Todd Warner, Rep. Clay Doggett, and I got to meet with them and tell them about how to pass a bill. They were able to watch a little bit of Session in both Chambers and then we had a nice visit and picture with Governor Lee. The Leadership groups from many different counties come to the Legislature most weeks while we are in Session. This is a wonderful program and lets them see how our state government works. Jim Malone, of Fayetteville, has been heading this up ever since I have been here and he is passionate about this great program. We are looking forward to seeing Leadership Bedford next week.

A bill to help protect our teachers from being assaulted moved forward in committee on Wednesday. HB 1934 expands the offenses of assault and aggravated assault against first responders or nurses to also include teachers. It's estimated that the legislation would result in an estimated 69 convictions annually. Assaulting a teacher would be a Class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$5,000 and mandatory minimum sentence of 30 days in jail, according to the bill. Aggravated assault of a teacher would be a Class C misdemeanor punishable



Speaker Pro Tempore Pat Marsh occasionally fills in as Speaker at state House meetings.

by a fine of \$15,000 and a mandatory minimum sentence of 90 days in jail.

Sadly, suicide is the second leading cause of death for our young people between the ages of 15-24. House Bill 2062, also known as the Save Tennessee Students Act, requires local education agencies to include the telephone number for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline as well as contact information for at least one additional crisis resource on all new student identification cards issued for grades 6-12 beginning with the 2022-23 school year. The legislation also requires the information to be posted in visible places throughout schools that serve students in those grades. There were 45,979 Americans who died by suicide in

2020, according to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, and an estimated 1.2 million attempts that same year. Hopefully this will help provide struggling youth with some extra support. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline number is 1-800-273-TALK (8255).

We received a study from the Department of Tourism that showed that District 62 (currently Bedford and part of Lincoln Counties) had a tourist and travel economic impact of \$41.8 million, with almost \$3.5 million in state and local tax receipts. Their report showed that in 2021, there were 91 million adult US trips into TN and this was up 19% from 2019- our previous strongest year. Tonya Davis, the

Bedford County Trustee, was up for their Trustee Association's annual meeting and some of her associates came by my office for a short visit. Also, on Wednesday, the State Fire Chiefs were all here from around the state for a visit. They filled the hallways of the Cordell Hull Building and had their picture taken with the Governor at the Capitol that morning. Mark Neal, the Chief of Moore County, stopped by for a visit. I got to meet new Chief Tony Kimbrough, of Fayetteville, when he came up with the Leadership Lincoln group Thursday morning.

Late Wednesday afternoon, The Treasurer of the State, David Lillard, had a celebration for the 50th Anniversary of the TN Consolidated

Retirement System. The state's retirement system has 220,772 active members and 149,260 retired members. It was started in 1972. Treasurer Lillard told us that over 70% of every \$1 in retirement benefits is paid from investment earnings. When Treasurer Lillard was elected to office by the Tennessee General Assembly in January 2009, the TN Consolidated Retirement System had \$25,360,843,946 in assets. Under his leadership, this amount has grown to \$65,814,371,005. We are very fortunate to have him and his team working hard for all of us. To learn more, you can visit www.TCRS50.org where you can view the economic impact of TCRS and share your own TCRS story. Lincoln County Mayor

Bill Newman came up on Wednesday with Paul Rosson, the South Central Human Resources Agency Director. They talked to several area legislators about their services and are asking for the State's help with a new building project they are working on to store a lot of their food and to be able to further expand their offerings.

As you can see, I enjoy getting to meet with people from the district when they are in Nashville. You are welcome to visit me in Suite 610 of the Cordell Hull Building or give me a call at 615-741-6824 or email at rep.pat.marsh@capitol.tn.gov if you ever need assistance. I'm honored to serve as your state representative and want to continue to do my best to serve you well.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

High school plays

Living close to Community High School, I greatly enjoy the two plays they regularly offer each year, most recently the one last night. I appreciate the write ups often provided in Times-Gazette, such as the one March 5 about "Spirit Level". Think Community High plays are listed in the paper's "events" column as well.

Do the other two public high schools in the county also provide plays which the public may enjoy for the price of a ticket? If timely information about such became readily available in T-G I could broaden my horizons.

Once again, thanks for the coverage provided for the Community High School plays.

Charles Brumbelow 37160

Addressing: 'We don't care'

I wanted to take a minute today to address a Facebook post (something I don't really do much) in which a follower commented in reference to T-G post: 35 Cases of COVID in Bedford County. She plainly stated, 'We don't care.'

This one really bothered me more than the last post, "Must be slow news day."

I'm addressing the 'we don't care' post here, because this is my venue for writing such responses. I prefer not to make a lot of comments on FB, well, because I have some issues with the way people handle their responses (not as constructive criticism but many times uninformative and vulgar.)

I choose to be more

informative on such serious topics as COVID-19. So I say this merely because I believe we as a society need to be concerned until this thing ends all together.

"We" in the newsroom have read charts, graphs, statistics, over the last year relating to COVID. But we've never stated once that 'we don't care.'

When someone says, 'We don't care,' in response to a near-end to a pandemic that has killed many people in the world, United States, state and certainly here in Bedford County, I take some offense. What ever happened to positive outlooks, thinking about those still suffering or yet to suffer? It's possible, maybe even to the person who posted this

comment.

Actually, who is the "we" the person is referring to? You see, there's a lot of open-ended stuff regarding Facebook comments.

I've had friends to survive, others to die from COVID-19. I've made new friends as a result of COVID in the last 2 years. I've heard their struggles and seen the pain in their eyes.

I have family who've worked the front lines, been exposed but were blessed to survive.

Many have succumbed to the pandemic in various ways. Many are still reeling from the depression.

We should really care that Bedford County is down to 35 cases (some other surrounding counties

now much lower) because too, it means we're not out of the woods yet. But it is certainly worth a count down, considering that we had thousands of cases since the onset.

Are we really at the point 'we don't care?' about what happens to someone else? That's sad.

Since March 2020 in Bedford County, we've had over 14,000 COVID cases and 221 documented COVID-related deaths.

For me, I plan to trudge on with the numbers. I plan a huge headline when we get to '0' COVID cases. Yes, some people say we may never get to zero. I choose to pray and think positively that we will.

This county is to be commended for how

people have stayed strong and literally weathered the pandemic nightmare. (Ask local businesses.) Yes, for many, that's the best way to describe it.

I compassionate to the fact that people are getting tired of hearing about 'it.' At the T-G, we've worked the entire time of the pandemic, never ceasing operations. No one is more tired of writing about it than 'we' are; we even have categories in our Tennessee Press Association (TPA) contest for COVID-related features.

If there is possibly a small group of heroes (not by any means putting us above nurses, doctors, etc.) that might be the journalist who've worked and potentially exposed themselves

Dawn Hankins
Pencil Shavings

during the pandemic. Thank you, fellow journalists.

So when people say 'we don't care' be careful how you use first person reference when talking about the coronavirus. Do people even realize how serious those words are?

Some of us do still 'care' about this dreadful virus coming to an end. To me, there's a great celebration coming. As I've said before, I long for the day we can in effigy, burn those dreaded masks.

Until then, let's keep counting down.

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The Extra Point

Brady back in game

He just couldn't stay away.

Tom Brady barely made it 40 days into retirement before announcing on Sunday that he's coming back for a 23rd season, which is unprecedented in itself.

But really, he's got a chance to script the perfect ending to what's been the best career of anyone who has played the game.

Let's take a trip back about seven weeks ago:

Brady orchestrated yet another terrific comeback and nearly knocked off the eventual Super Bowl champion Los Angeles Rams in the NFC Divisional round.

The Rams led 27-3 at one point in the second half, but Brady did what he's done his entire career and tied the game after a Los Angeles fumble in Bucs' territory when he gave a hand off to Leonard Fournette.

The Rams eventually won the game on a walk-off field goal by Matt Gay.

It just didn't seem real that that was Brady's final time stepping on a field.

Now fast forward through the several weeks after the Super Bowl.

The NFL never truly has an off-season anymore and all focus is on the upcoming NFL Draft and blockbuster trades.

Now here's where it gets interesting where it seems highly-plausible that Brady felt the urge to return to Tampa Bay.

After his initial "retirement," the quarterback carousel was in full swing and there was plenty of speculation about who coach Bruce Arians would get to replace Brady.

Then the trades and mega deals came.

Just last week, Russell Wilson was traded to the Denver Broncos and Aaron Rodgers signed a mega deal with Green Bay.

These are two key storylines that happened among NFC quarterbacks.

Wilson now will be in a loaded AFC West division and will no longer be a roadblock for Brady in the NFC.

Rodgers, while returning to Green Bay still stands as a potential hurdle for Brady, the Packers now have substantially less cap space to work with in getting Rodgers protection up front and weapons to work with.

With two of the best NFC quarterbacks altering their status in the NFL, it seems only plausible for Brady to make a triumphant return for his swan song.

However his 23rd year goes, it's a safe bet that he'll once again have Tampa Bay lined up and ready to roll for another Super Bowl contending season.

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Photo by Logan Riely/Getty Images

Chase Briscoe won his first career Cup race on Sunday at Phoenix.

Briscoe races to first Cup win, pulls away late in Phoenix

By DAVID BRANDT
AP Sports Writer

AVONDALE, Ariz. — Chase Briscoe jumped out of his car and was obviously emotional, kneeling by his No. 14 for a few seconds before a couple voice cracks during his postrace television interview.

The 27-year-old Briscoe took his lumps last season as a NASCAR Cup Series rookie. Now, he's a winner.

"It's unbelievable — I was crying the whole last lap," Briscoe said.

Briscoe raced to his first Cup Series victory, executing two great restarts over the final 20 laps to pull away from Ross Chastain and Tyler Reddick on Sunday at Phoenix Raceway. Briscoe's childhood idol was NASCAR great Tony Stewart and the Indiana native now drives Stewart's car for Stewart-Haas Racing.

Briscoe channeled some of Stewart's late-race moxie during an intense battle between three drivers who had never won in the Cup Series. It's more evidence of the parity across the series in the Next Gen cars, with four drivers winning the first four races this season.

Chastain and Reddick — both driving Chevrolets — made things interesting over the final laps but Briscoe's Ford was simply too strong. On the final restart with four laps left, the 27-year-old Briscoe started on the inside, dipped low on the dogleg apron, and was able to hold off the rest of the field.

Briscoe was one of the top drivers in the Xfinity Series in 2019

and 2020 before getting the invitation from Stewart-Haas Racing to take over the No. 14. He had just three top 10s as a rookie and finished 23rd in the season standings.

But got off to a good start this season with a third-place finish at Daytona in February.

Now, a victory. "You get humbled really quickly in the Cup Series and learn just how good everybody is," Briscoe said. "These guys, even who are running 30th, are some of the best race car drivers in the world. You learn really quickly you've got to go to work and figure it out."

Briscoe — who said Phoenix was one of his least-favorite tracks before his Sunday success — acknowledged there were some white-knuckle moments late, especially on the restarts.

Even though he didn't get the win, it was a breakthrough for Chastain's TrackHouse Racing team. Chastain credited crew chief Phil Surgen for providing him with a car that was comfortable running up front.

"He gave me exactly what I needed," Chastain said. "We came up one spot short. But I'm so happy."

Reddick's been among the fastest drivers in the Cup Series all season but fell just short of his first win. He battled leg numbness in the Next Gen car over the first few weeks but didn't appear to have any problems Sunday. He's had two straight top 10 finishes after finishing seventh at Las Vegas last week.

Ryan Blaney started on the pole

and dominated the first half of the race, winning the second stage after leading 138 of the first 185 laps. He settled for fourth. Kurt Busch was fifth.

Kyle Larson won the series championship last year after a fall victory at Phoenix, but engine trouble ended his day early. He finished 34th. It was the end of a frustrating day for Larson, who qualified seventh but had to move to the rear of the starting grid because of unapproved steering wheel changes.

Harrison Burton (unapproved adjustments) and Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (engine) also started from the back.

Busch takes the plunge

One of the hot topics before the race was how much drivers would use the 110-foot wide apron on Phoenix Raceway's dogleg turn.

Most said they would wait to see how others fared with the Next Gen car. The waiting didn't take long: Kyle Busch plunged down onto the apron on the opening few laps, picking up some spots in the process. From that point forward, it was business as usual with several cars on the apron, particularly on restarts.

Stewart's big day

Tony Stewart's team not only won a Cup Series race on Sunday, but also was victorious in drag racing.

Three-time Funny Car season champion Matt Hagan gave Tony Stewart Racing its first NHRA Camping World Drag Racing Series win in the Gatornationals

in Gainesville, Florida. Briscoe said he briefly talked to Stewart by phone after his win in Phoenix.

"He was pretty excited," Briscoe said. "You could hear dragsters going off in the background. I just told him, 'Thank you.'"

Harvick in top 10, again

Veteran Kevin Harvick — who has won nine times in Phoenix — couldn't find victory lane Sunday. But he did finish in sixth place, which was his 18th straight top 10 at the track.

That tied Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt for the most top 10s in a row at one track.

Odds and ends

There was a planned competition caution at Lap 25, which was about halfway through the first stage. Hamlin, Blaney, Ricky Stenhouse Jr. and Michael McDowell were all penalized for speeding on pit road during the caution. ... William Byron won stage one, which was 60 laps. It was his ninth career stage win. ... Martin Truex Jr., who won last season's Phoenix spring race, finished 35th after a flat tire caused him to smack the wall in Turn 2. ... The final restart in each of the four Cup races this season has come with four or fewer laps remaining. ... Briscoe is the Cup Series' 200th winner.

Up next

Now that the annual three-week West Coast swing is over, the series moves back across the country to Atlanta Motor Speedway next weekend.

Braves open camp with Freeman still absent

By JAKE SEINER
AP Baseball Writer

VENICE, Fla. — Braves manager Brian Snitker held court in front of a "2021 World Champions" banner, peaking occasionally at the nearby bullpen, where World Series hero Charlie Morton threw a side session. Around the corner, Ronald Acuña Jr. and Cristian Pache pulled up in matching, glitzy-gold SUVs and posed for a photo.

"It's like the first day of school," October star Tyler Matzek said.

With one notable absence: All-Star free agent Freddie Freeman.

Big leaguers filed into camps across Florida and

Arizona on Sunday for the first official day of spring training following a 99-day lockout. Fans rejoiced over sights familiar and new — Astros ace Justin Verlander returning from injury, All-Star Marcus Semien fielding grounders in Rangers red and blue.

It's been over a decade since Freeman wasn't in Atlanta's camp, but the 2020 NL MVP remains a free agent — one reportedly being courted by the big-money Dodgers and Yankees. New York made its first post-lockout move, acquiring former AL MVP Josh Donaldson and Isiah Kiner-Falefa from Minnesota for catcher Gary

Sánchez and third baseman Gio Urshela.

Snitker texted Freeman shortly after the firewall preventing management from speaking with players dropped at the end of the lockout Thursday. He's unsure what his former first baseman will do, and didn't ask. He just wanted to speak to an old friend.

"I hadn't talked to him since we left the parade," Snitker said. "I just said, 'Man, I can talk to you now.'"

"I was just asking how family was. There was nothing professional or business or anything. Just checking in on him. Let's face it, he's going to be a

good friend the rest of my life, regardless of professionally what happens."

The Braves are coming out of the work stoppage with more uncertainty than most. Acuña has been rehabbing from a torn ACL, Morton is back on the mound after breaking his leg in the World Series opener and Mike Soroka is progressing after re-tearing his right Achilles tendon last summer.

"I'm ready," Acuña said on his way into the clubhouse.

Not quite, but the Braves are pleased with his progress. The 2018 NL Rookie of the Year suffered a season-ending right knee

injury last July and missed Atlanta's October run.

Acuña has said he's eyeing a return to game action in May. The Braves haven't announced a timeline yet, but Snitker is encouraged by what he's heard and excited to see Acuña in action when workouts begin Monday.

"I know the reports are really good," Snitker said. "I mean really good. I guess that he's worked his rear off."

Morton had a plate and several screws surgically placed in his leg after being hit by a 102 mph comebacker in Game 1 of the World Series — he threw

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16 more pitches after that, saying Sunday “it wasn’t until the bone actually separated, like I actually felt separation of the bone, that’s when I was like, all right.”

The 38-year-old has resumed throwing and isn’t far off track from his normal spring regimen, although he wanted to gauge his progress a little more before committing to being ready for opening day April 7.

Soroka, an All-Star in 2019, hasn’t pitched since early in 2020 after tearing his Achilles tendon for the first time. He re-tore it last year during the rehab process. Snitker said he’s progressing well and that doctors are encouraged by his recovery.

“I know he’s excited about getting back down here and starting this thing up again,” Snitker said. “But I know a year ago today, he probably was, too.”

Verlander’s return

Verlander says he feels great following his first bullpen session at spring training.

The 39-year-old threw around 40 pitches in two simulated innings on the first day of Houston’s camp, a positive sign for the two-time Cy Young Award winner in his return from Tommy John surgery.

“I’m on cloud nine,” Verlander said.

Verlander, manager Dusty Baker and general manager James Click say they haven’t established a spring or regular-season workload expectation for

the right-hander.

Deep pockets

New York Mets owner Steve Cohen is unfazed by a new spending restriction in baseball’s labor contract that seems aimed directly at hits deep pockets.

The contract agreed to by owners and players last week includes a fourth threshold for the sport’s luxury tax system for teams that exceed \$290 million in payroll. Mets outfielder Brandon Nimmo referred to it as the “Cohen Tax” on Saturday.

Asked if his Mets would spend past the new threshold, Cohen said, “we probably will.”

“The way I describe it is that it’s better than a bridge being named after you or something like that,” he added. “It’s still a lot of money to spend on a payroll. I don’t feel like it’s so confining that I can’t live with it.”

Twins are in

The Minnesota Twins took their first significant step toward restocking their starting pitching by acquiring right-hander Sonny Gray in a trade with the Cincinnati Reds.

The Reds included minor league right-hander Francis Peguero in the deal for Twins pitching prospect Chase Petty. The 18-year-old Petty was Minnesota’s first-round draft pick last year.

Gray will slot right in at the top of the rotation for the Twins. The 32-year-old Gray is a two-time All-Star and went 7-9 with a 4.19 ERA in 26 starts last season, his third with the Reds. This will be his 10th year in the major leagues.

March Madness brings back feel of the good ol’ days

By **EDDIE PELLIS**

AP National Writer

Any hoops fan hungering for a return to normal this March might have looked at the bracket when it finally came out and wondered what ever changed.

Gonzaga is the tournament’s top seed. Kansas and Arizona are No. 1s, as well. Duke and Kentucky are right up there as No. 2s and the defending champion, Baylor, is the other top seed and a force to be reckoned with again, too.

But all that sameness felt like more of a celebration when the pairings were set this Selection Sunday. The most-anticipated reveal of the year felt like a party again, even if it might have been pushed down a notch on the ticker by the unexpected return of Tom Brady to the NFL in an announcement that came just as Dick Vitale and Co., were starting to break down the 68-team draw.

“This was a really special year because we all realized what we missed,” Villanova coach Jay Wright said.

For the first time since 2019, the teams will scatter across the country to eight cities for 48 games over the first four-day weekend of America’s unofficial hoops holiday. Then, they will move to four cities for the Sweet 16. And they will cut down the nets in New Orleans, where the Final Four runs April 2-4.

It figures to be a much different atmosphere than in Indianapolis last year, where all 67 games were held in a makeshift bubble with limited fans. A year after COVID-19 scrubbed

the event completely, 2021 offered a tournament that put the NCAA under the glare of the spotlight for a number of reasons, not the least of which was the inequities between the men’s and women’s events.

This year, the women’s tournament is being branded as “March Madness,” just like the men’s. That bracket was revealed on Sunday, just like the men’s. The No. 1 seeds in that one: South Carolina, Louisville, North Carolina State and Stanford.

As always, there was a decent-sized menu of snubs and oversights to debate. On the men’s side, Xavier didn’t make it despite four wins against teams that qualified for the 68-team field. Texas A&M made the final of the SEC Tournament but got snubbed, too. Among those making the cut were Michigan, despite 14 losses, and Indiana and Rutgers, which had 13 each.

The Big Ten got its fair share of love, with a nation-high nine teams, which made it surprising to some that the conference’s tournament champion, Iowa, was stuck with a 5 seed.

Leading the Hawkeyes this year is Keegan Murray, a 23-point-per-game scorer who is one of the best inside-outside threats in the game.

Kansas guard Ochai Agbaji is something rare in college — a senior, and one who averages around 20 points and five rebounds a game and also plays great defense. He withdrew from the NBA draft last season and has led the Jayhawks to their first No. 1 seed since 2018.

Also, Kentucky’s Oscar Tshiebwe, one of dozens who switched schools

via the amped-up transfer portal that is displaying a penchant for reshaping college hoops — and college sports — in the blink of an eye.

“It’s all about staying in the moment and having more fun than anybody in the tournament,” said Tshiebwe’s coach, John Calipari.

The best way to have fun, of course, is winning it all. Baylor did that last year in a title-game romp over Gonzaga. Just like last year, both are No. 1 seeds again, with the Zags the 3-1 favorite to win the title, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

Arizona was next at 6-1, followed by Kentucky (17-2) and Baylor (10-1).

“A great learning experience,” Gonzaga’s Drew Timme said on ESPN of last year’s second-place finish. “Obviously, things didn’t go the way we wanted. But it allowed for a lot of self-growth for the program. We’re excited for the challenge.”

So many storylines in this tournament will revolve around Duke’s Mike Krzyzewski. The 75-year-old coach is calling it quits after this season, his 42nd with the Blue Devils. He needs four wins to reach his 13th Final Four, but the road is not easy.

It could include a matchup with Tom Izzo and Michigan State in the second round, then a trip to San Francisco for a possible matchup with Gonzaga in the Elite Eight.

“It’s the last time I’m going to be able to do this,” Krzyzewski tweeted after the brackets came out, “and to be a No. 2 seed is terrific.”

Brady announces return for 23rd season

By **ROB MAADDI**

AP Pro Football Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — Tom Brady’s retirement lasted 40 days.

Brady said Sunday he’s returning to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for his 23rd NFL season.

The seven-time Super Bowl champion announced his decision on Twitter and Instagram, saying he has “unfinished business.” The news stole the spotlight from the NCAA’s Selection Sunday.

“These past two months I’ve realized my place is still on the field and not in the stands,” Brady wrote. “That time will come. But it’s not now. I love my teammates, and I love my supportive family. They make it all possible. I’m coming back for my 23rd season in Tampa.”

Brady led the Buccaneers to a Super Bowl title following the 2020 season and NFC South championship last season. He teamed with coach Bill Belichick to win six Super Bowls during 20 seasons with the New England Patriots.

The 44-year-old Brady led the NFL in yards passing (5,316), touchdowns (43), completions (485) and attempts (719) in 2021, but the Buccaneers lost at home to the Los Angeles Rams in the divisional round.

“Tom Brady loves to play

football as much as anyone I have ever been around,” Buccaneers coach Bruce Arians said. “As Tom said, his place right now is on the football field. He is still playing at a championship level and was as productive as anyone in the league last season. We are ecstatic that he decided to continue playing and working toward winning another championship.”

Brady cited his desire to spend more time with his wife, supermodel Gisele Bündchen, and three children when he decided to walk away from the game on Feb. 1. But he changed his mind about staying home, a day after attending the Manchester United match against Tottenham Hotspur. Brady sat with the Glazer Family, who own Manchester United and the Buccaneers.

His reversal sent shock waves throughout the sports world, and his teammates and Buccaneers fans reacted with jubilation.

All-Pro right tackle Tristan Wirfs called it “unreal.” Receivers Mike Evans and Chris Godwin shared their joy in emojis.

Giants safety Logan Ryan said Brady’s return is “good for football.” Rams star cornerback Jalen Ramsey tweeted: “THANK YOU! throw that last touchdown on somebody else.”

Many Hall of Fame players across several sports returned to playing after retiring, including Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson and Bob Cousy in the NBA, Brett Favre and Reggie White in the NFL, Guy Lafleur and Mario Lemieux in the NHL.

The Buccaneers are hopeful star tight end Rob Gronkowski also returns. Brady convinced his buddy to unretire to join him in Tampa in 2020. The team lost Pro Bowl guard Ali Marpet, who retired at age 28. But Godwin is staying after getting the franchise tag.

Brady’s decision comes right before the NFL free agency period begins. The Bucs have several key players set to hit the open market: running back Leonard Fournette, cornerback Carton Davis, safety Jordan Whitehead, linebacker Jason Pierre-Paul, defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh, Gronkowski and others.

They kept one of those key players when Pro Bowl center Ryan Jensen agreed to a three-year contract late Sunday night, his agent Mike McCartney said on Twitter.

Brady’s return should impact their decisions and the team’s plans. Tampa’s odds for winning the Super Bowl went from 25:1 to 7 1/2:1, tied with Green

Bay for second-best behind Buffalo at 7:1, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

“We are thrilled that Tom has decided to come back this season,” Bucs general manager Jason Licht said. “We said we would leave all options open for him should he reconsider his retirement and today’s announcement is something we have been preparing for in recent days.”

“Bruce and I have had plenty of conversations with Tom recently that led us to believe there was a realistic chance he would want to come back. Tom is the greatest quarterback of all time who is still playing at an elite level. With this decision now made, we will continue to move forward with our offseason plans to reload this roster for another championship run.”

Brady is the NFL’s career leader in yards passing (84,520) and TDs (624). He’s the only player to win more than five Super Bowls and has been MVP of the game five times.

Brady has won three NFL MVP awards, been a first-team All-Pro three times and selected to the Pro Bowl 15 times. He is 243-73 in his career in the regular season and 35-12 in the playoffs.

He’s back to build on all those numbers.

Georgia plucks coach from major SEC rival

By **CHARLES ODUM**

AP Sports Writer

Georgia lured Mike White away from Southeastern Conference rival Florida on Sunday, a surprising hire by the Bulldogs’ moribund basketball program only three days after Tom Crean was fired.

White’s hiring was approved by Georgia’s athletic association’s executive board in a conference call that was held just as the NCAA Tournament men’s selections were being announced.

The Bulldogs haven’t received an NCAA bid since 2015 and are coming off perhaps the worst season in school history.

They hope White can change that.

“We have witnessed Coach White to be a leader of men, as well as a proven winner with an impressive postseason body of work,” Georgia athletic director Josh Brooks said in a statement.

The 45-year-old White was 142-88 in seven seasons at Florida, including a 72-52 mark in SEC games. The Gators were 19-13 this season with a 9-9 conference record.

Florida finished .500 or better in conference games in each season under White, who guided the Gators to four NCAA Tournament appearances.

Taking over in Gainesville after Billy Donovan’s 19-year tenure that included two national titles, White’s most successful campaign was in 2016-17. Florida went 27-9 and reached the East Regional final before losing to fellow SEC school South Carolina, one win short of the Final Four.

The Gators failed to advance past the second round in their other three NCAA appearances under White, sparking a bit of discontent from a fan base that was used to far more success under Donovan.

“I believe in the limitless future of Georgia basketball,” White said. “I’m ready to get to work.”

it’s healthy.”

How does an NCAA Tournament with all 351 D-I schools sound?

“You could have an all-comers tournament with just one more weekend,” Big 12 Commissioner Bob Bowlsby said. “I think it’s an idea that might have the nuggets of compromise that could be satisfactory.”

The men’s field of 68 for March Madness was set Sunday night. The games begin with a First Four appetizer on Tuesday and Wednesday before the basketball bonanza commences Thursday across the country.

To be clear: The NCAA’s Division I transformation committee, a group of 21 administrators and university presidents co-chaired by Southeastern Conference commissioner Greg Sankey and Ohio athletic director Julie Cromer, has not been tasked with remodeling March Madness.

The committee’s charge is far broader, tackling issues such as membership requirements, governance and what the NCAA calls

the “student-athlete experience.” They are expected to return a report to the Division I Board of Directors in August.

“At this point, I think it’s more likely the committee would identify a minimum standard to be in Division I and within that, a minimum standard, to have full access to Division I benefits,” Cromer said. “And from there, the sport-by-sport review could emanate.”

Buried beneath the bureaucracy are a few essential questions that will determine the not-so-distant future of March Madness: What schools should be in Division I? Can schools with massive disparities in athletic budgets and resources continue to compete against each other for national championships? If so, what type of access to championship events should schools from conferences that have no realistic chance to win them receive?

And, of course, there is a question of money. The Division I men’s basketball tournament accounts for most of the NCAA’s more than \$1 billion in revenue, with the payout

projected to be about \$870 million in 2022. That revenue funds NCAA operations and championship events in dozens of other sports and is distributed to the schools through conferences.

How that pie should be divided in the future will no doubt be a point of contention. For basketball fans, the most obvious changes would be how the size of the bracket and who gets in.

Currently, each of 32 Division I conferences receives an automatic bid for its champion. The majority of those conferences, from the American East to Western Athletic, usually get just their automatic qualifier into the field, access that also comes with several million in revenue. Last year, one unit earned for making the NCAA men’s tournament was worth \$2.02 million paid out over six years.

That’s not a much for a Power Five league such as Bowlsby’s Big 12, the SEC or Big Ten, which have media rights deals worth billions based mostly on their strong football programs. For smaller confer-

ences, that money is significant.

“There are a lot of leagues and a lot of schools that are going to fight to the death to keep their access,” Bowlsby said.

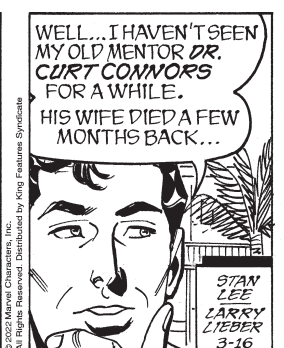
While those mid-major conference schools are mostly one-and-done in the tournament, the occasional upsets fuel the excitement of the opening weekend. The teams that pull them off such as UMBC, Oral Roberts and Florida Gulf Coast get to bask in the national spotlight for a few days and carve out a place in college basketball history.

And regardless of the results, simply getting the opportunity to compete against the teams that play most of their games on TV is a reward for the athletes who don’t.

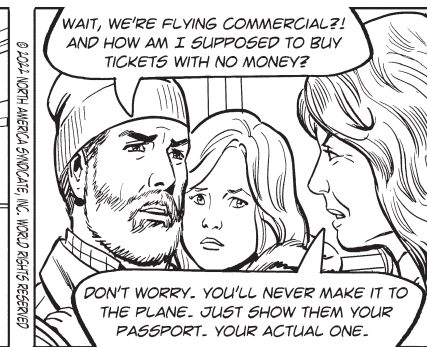
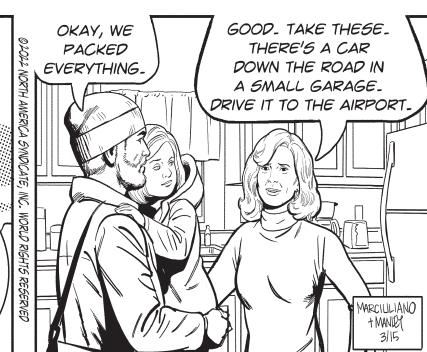
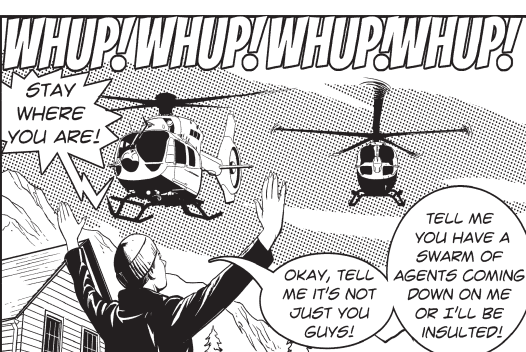
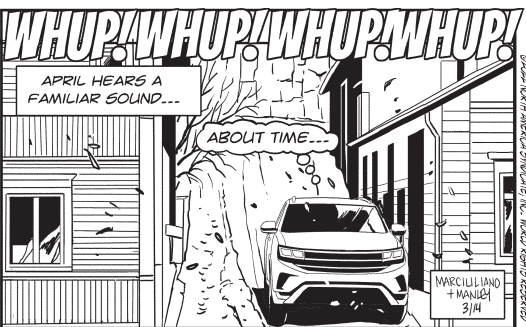
“They wanted that opportunity. They wanted that stage,” said Stony Brook athletic director Shawn Heilbron, who was with the school in 2016 when the Seawolves won the America East and played Kentucky in the first round. The Wildcats won 85-57.

A bigger bracket? NCAA transformation could lead to changes

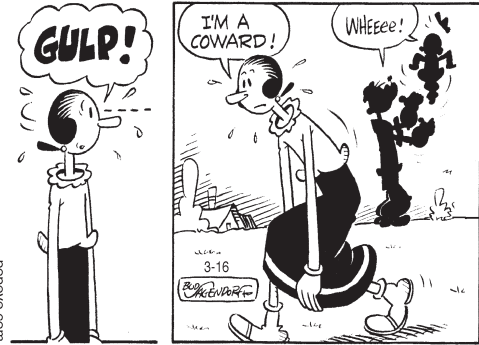
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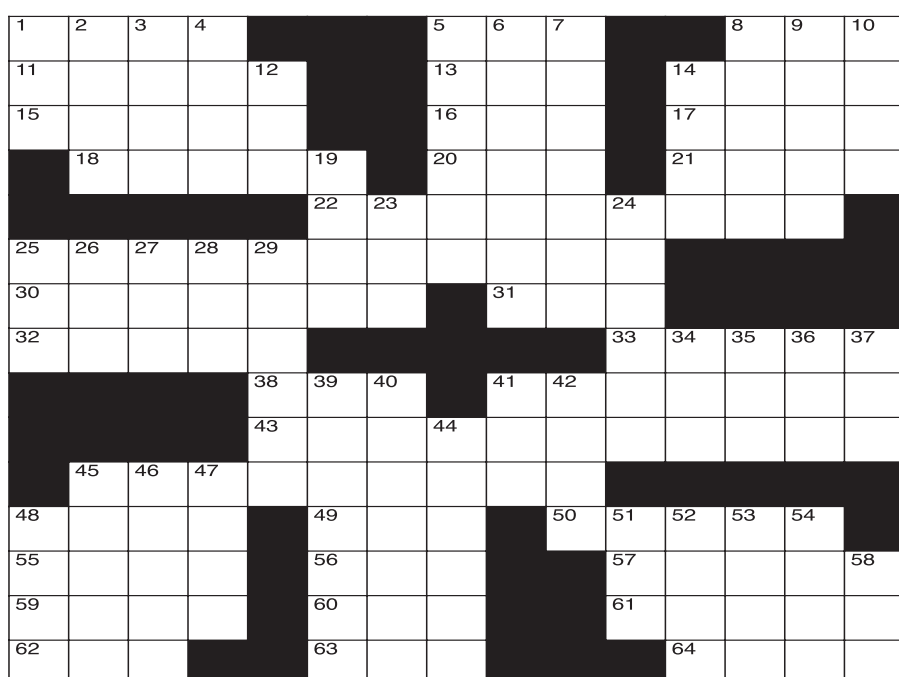
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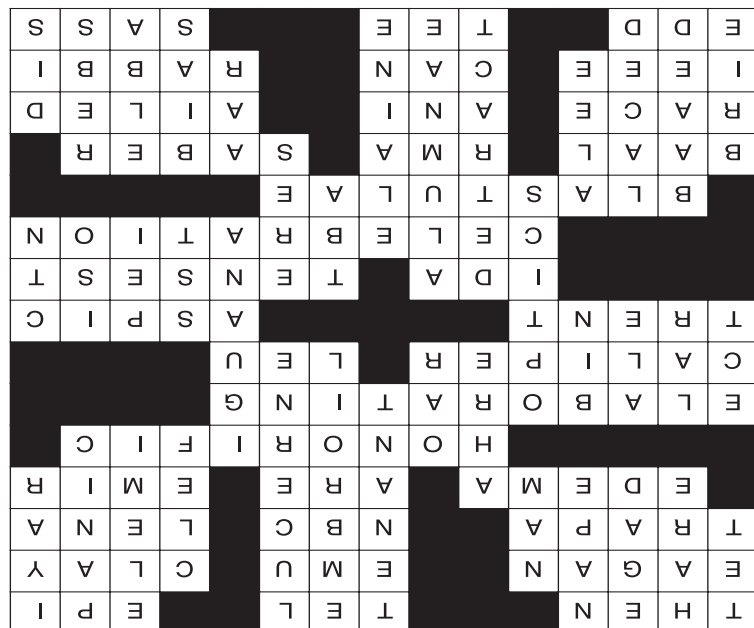
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5. Israeli city __ Aviv
8. Indicates near
11. Minneapolis suburb
13. Large Australian flightless bird
14. Fine-grained earth
15. Plant genus that includes water caltrop
16. Peacock network
17. TV writer Dunham
18. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
20. They __
21. Muslim ruler title
22. Position given in respect of
25. Explaining further
30. Measuring instrument
31. Romanian monetary unit
32. Council of __, 1545-1563
33. Savory jelly made with meat stock
38. Journalist Tarbell
41. Most suspenseful
43. Festivity
45. Animal embryos
48. Fertility god
49. Medical patients' choice (abbr.)
50. Type of sword
55. Competition
56. Bird of the cuckoo family
57. Afflicted in mind or body
59. Engineering organization
60. Beverage receptacle
61. Spiritual leader
62. Doctor of Education
63. Where golfers begin
64. Impudence

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Vietnamese offensive
2. Fast mammal
3. Oh goodness!
4. The back of one's neck
5. One who lives in another's property
6. Involve deeply
7. Alfalfa
8. Tropical tree resin
9. Sudden fear
10. Jewish religious month
12. Veterans battleground
14. Musical symbol
19. German river
23. Paddle
24. Lizard
25. Shock treatment
26. The common gibbon
27. Brew
28. Usually has a lid
29. Lenses in optical instruments
34. Time zone in Samoa (abbr.)
35. Wrinkled dog: Shar __
36. Denotes equal
37. TV network for children
39. Take the value away from
40. Female graduates
41. Don't know when yet
42. "__ tú": Spanish song
44. "Seinfeld" character
45. Bleated
46. Entwined
47. Away from wind
48. Soft creamy white cheese
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. Actor Idris
54. They resist authority (slang)
58. Speak ill of

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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
This week you will have an opportunity to see things how they are and not necessarily as you imagine them to be, Aries. This clarity could require some restructuring.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Long-term goals are nearing completion, Taurus. You have gained so much from your pursuits and you have made plenty of friends along the way. Take time to appreciate that.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21
Communication difficulties arise this week, Gemini. Someone can coach you into getting your point across with sufficient finesse. Seek a com-

munication mentor.
CANCER - June 22/July 22
Cancer, there may be some passionate discussions coming up this week with family members. Everyone wants his or her point of view to be heard.
LEO - July 23/Aug 23
Leo, you need to be flexible, especially over the next few days. People may put you to the test with a perceived unwillingness to compromise, but cooperate when possible.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, in order to reach a destination you have in mind, you may have to rethink the route you're taking. A direct course just may not be the way to go in

this instance.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Always be honest with yourself and others, Libra. That means being true to you and never putting on masks just to hide others from how you are truly feeling.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, you want to do things for others out of the goodness of your heart, and you will not need anything in return. Good deeds are their own reward.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, dining out too many days in a row may leave you feeling sluggish. Reassess

your eating habits and commit to making more meals at home for a bit.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, recognize that not everyone has your best interests at heart. Others' intentions may not be sinister, but your own interest and the interest of others may not align.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Sometimes you are a bit proud and do not like asking for or accepting others' help, Aquarius. You deserve the breaks that others are willing to offer you, though.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
This is a good time of the

month to nurture loved ones, Pisces. Play with your kids or sit and chat with an elderly relative who needs you.
FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS
MARCH 13
William H. Macy, Actor (72)
MARCH 14
Simone Biles, Athlete (25)
MARCH 15
will.i.am, Rapper (47)
MARCH 16
Alexandra Daddario, Actress (36)
MARCH 17
Hozier, Singer (32)
MARCH 18
Lily Collins, Actress (33)
MARCH 19
Glenn Close, Actress (75)

TUESDAY EVENING

MARCH 15, 2022

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WEDNESDAY EVENING

MARCH 16, 2022

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 WHEREAS, said John A. Smith and wife, Freda Smith, conveyed in trust the property described in said deed of trust to Chasity Hindman, Trustee, to secure the indebtedness therein described, including said note;
 WHEREAS, said note has been declared due and payable, as provided in said deed of trust and note, and payment has not been made as demanded;
 WHEREAS, William E. Shofner, as set forth in Trust Deed Book 1039, page 995, said Register's Office, has been appointed as Substitute Trustee in the place and stead of Chasity Hindman, Trustee under said deed of trust;
 WHEREAS, notice is hereby given that William E. Shofner, Substitute Trustee, having been requested to do so by the lawful owner of said indebtedness, will, on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at 12:00 Noon**, at the south door of the Courthouse in Bedford County, Tennessee, sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead and dower and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which are expressly waived in said deed of trust, that certain real estate in Bedford County, Tennessee, as encumbered by said deed of trust and as fully described in special warranty deed in Deed Book 322, page 315, said Register's Office, as well as deed of record in Deed Book 325, page 239, said Register's Office. This property is improved property located in the 18th Civil District of Bedford

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 William E. Shofner, Esq.
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 Shelbyville, TN 37160
 931-684-2632
 (Mar. 1, 15, 22, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Ginnie Beatrice Cole Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on February 23 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Ginnie Beatrice Cole** who died 01/27/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the decedent's date of death.

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 Human Resources
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 (Mar. 12, 15, 19, 22, 2022)

Public Notice
 The 231 North Business Park Committee will meet in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 12:00 PM, at the Bedford County Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Public Square to discuss the following items:
 I. Call to Order
 II. Roll Call
 III. Approval of the Agenda
 Business:
 IV. Budget
 V. Open Items Pertaining to the 231 N. Business Park
 VI. Adjourn
 (Mar. 15, 2022)

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Finance, Attn: New Elementary School Construction Management Services, 200 Dover Street, Suite 102, Shelbyville, TN 37160
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 The Elk Valley Forestry Association is having a tree seedling giveaway on Saturday March 26 at the Fayetteville/Lincoln County Farmers Markets from 9:30 to 12:30. Up to ten seedlings will be provided to each party. The seedling type to be given away is white oak. EVFA members and tree enthusiasts will be on hand to answer any questions about trees, forest management, and planting instructions. The Farmers Market in Fayetteville is located at 414 Lincoln Ave South. For those who wish to help at the giveaway, please arrive at 9:00. For further information, EFVA may be contacted at evfa.tn@gmail.com or through the Elk Valley Forestry Association Facebook page.
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Russia keeps up attacks in Ukraine as two sides hold talks

By YURAS KARMANAU
 Associated Press

LVIV, Ukraine — Russia and Ukraine kept a fragile diplomatic path open with a new round of talks Monday even as Moscow's forces pounded away at Kyiv and other cities across the country in a punishing bombardment that the Red Cross said has created "nothing short of a nightmare" for civilians.

Meanwhile, a convoy of 160 civilian cars left the encircled port city of Mariupol along a designated humanitarian route, the city council reported, in a rare glimmer of hope a week and a half into the lethal siege that has pulverized homes and other buildings and left people desperate for food, water, heat and medicine.

The latest negotiations, which were held via video conference, were the fourth round involving higher-level officials from the two countries and the first in a week. The talks ended without a breakthrough after several hours, with an aide to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy saying the negotiators took "a technical pause" and planned to meet again Tuesday.

The two sides had expressed some optimism in the past few days. Mykhailo Podolyak, the aide to Zelenskyy, said over the weekend that Russia was "listening carefully to our proposals." He tweeted Monday that the negotiators would discuss "peace, ceasefire, immediate withdrawal of troops & security guarantees."

Previous discussions, held in person in Belarus, produced no lasting humanitarian routes or agreements to end the fighting.

Overall, nearly all of the Russian offensives remained stalled on Monday after making little progress over the weekend, according to a senior U.S. defense official who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the Pentagon's assessment. Russian troops were still about 15 kilometers (9 miles) from the center of Kyiv, the official said.

The official said that Russian President Vladimir Putin's forces have launched more than 900 missiles but that Ukraine's airspace is still contested, with Russia not achieving total air superiority.

Overnight, air raid alerts sounded in cities and towns around the country, from near the Russian border in the east to the Carpathian Mountains in the west, and fighting continued on the outskirts of Kyiv. Ukrainian officials said Russian forces shelled several suburbs of the capital.

Ukrainian authorities said two people were killed when the Russians struck an airplane factory in Kyiv, sparking a large fire. The Antonov factory is Ukraine's largest aircraft manufacturing plant and is best known for producing many of the world's biggest cargo planes.

Russian artillery fire also hit a nine-story apartment building in the northern Obolonskyi district of the city, killing two more people, authorities said. Firefighters worked to rescue survivors, painstakingly carrying an injured woman on a stretcher away from the blackened and smoking building.

And a Russian airstrike near a Ukrainian checkpoint caused extensive damage to a downtown Kyiv neighborhood, killing one person, Ukraine's emergency agency said.

Kateryna Lot said she was in her apartment as her child did homework when they heard a loud explosion and ran to take shelter.

"The child became hysterical. Our windows and the balcony were shattered. Part of the floor fell down," she said. "It was very, very scary."

A town councillor for Brovary, east of Kyiv, was killed in fighting there, officials said. Shells also fell on the Kyiv suburbs of Irpin, Bucha and Hostomel, which have seen some of the worst fighting in Russia's stalled attempt to take the capital, local authorities said.

Airstrikes were reported across the country, including the southern city of Mykolaiv, and the northern city of Chernihiv, where heat was knocked out to most of the town. Explosions also reverberated overnight around the Russian-occupied Black Sea port of Kherson.



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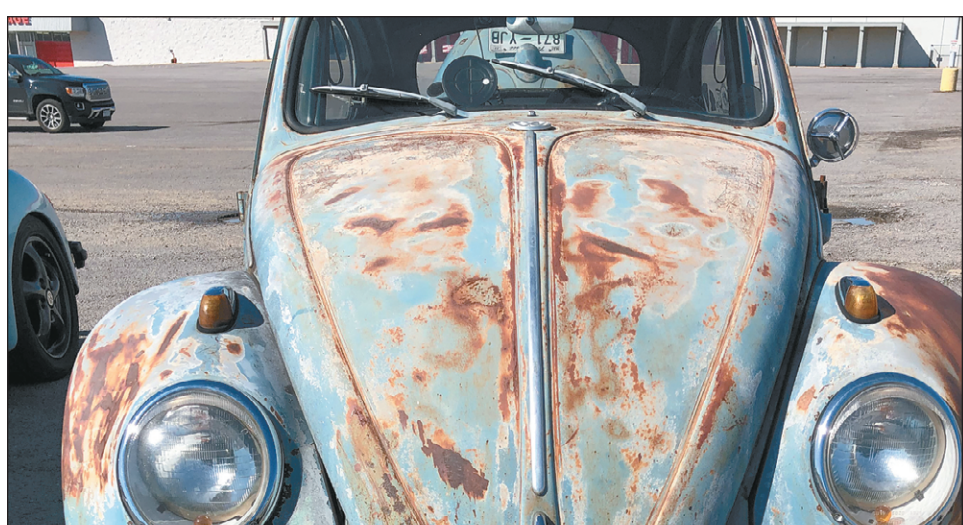
Stickers show this daily-driven "Bug" has ridden the Tail of the Dragon, also known as U.S. 129 in the Smoky Mountains. The highway has 318 curves in 11 miles.

Bugs 'n Beetles cruise through Shelbyville

Volkswagen enthusiasts from the Music City Aircoolers stopped by a Shelbyville restaurant during a Sunday afternoon cruise. They took time out for a few photos.



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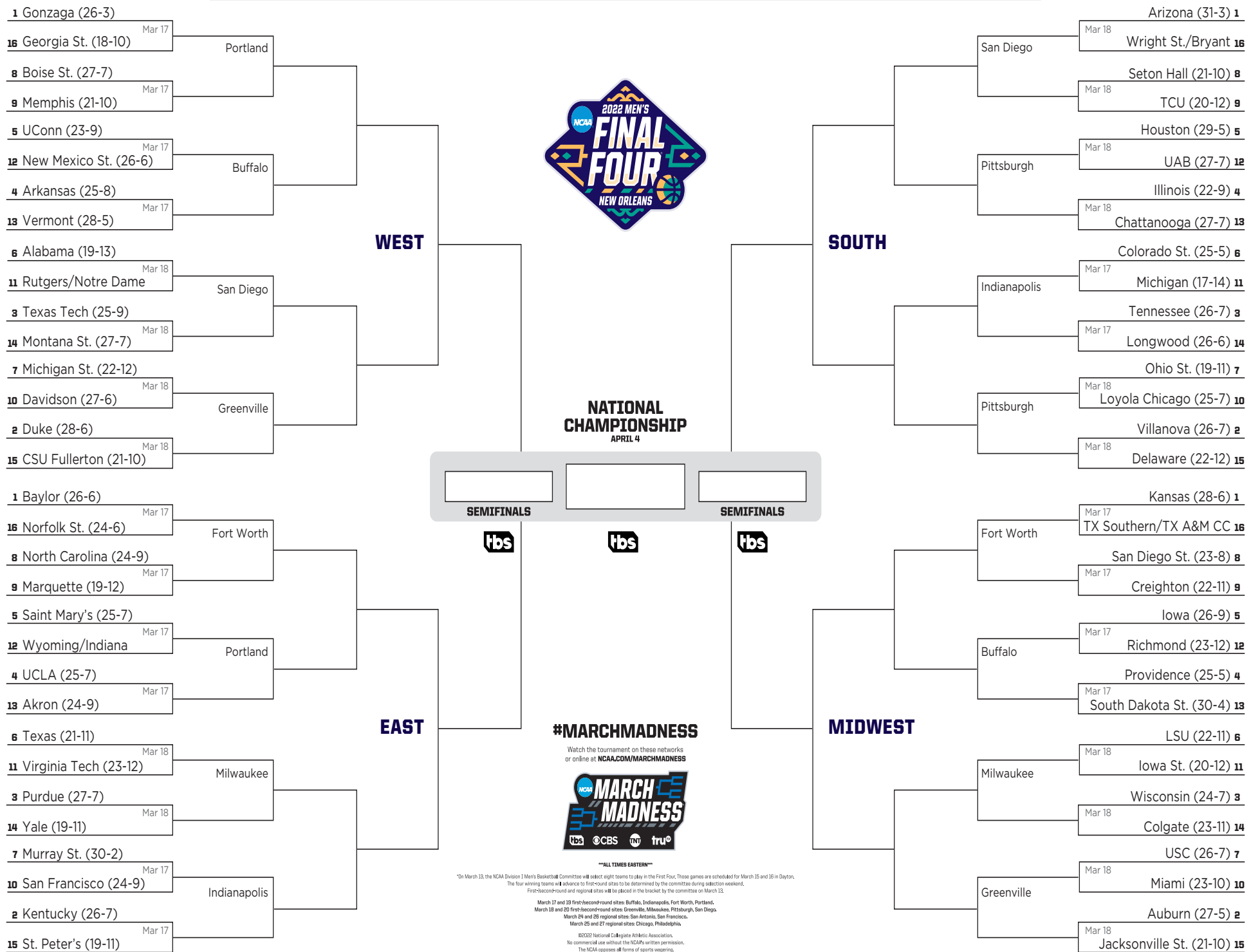
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Usual suspects ready for NCAA

By **CHRIS SIERS**
sports@t-g.com

Last season, the NCAA tournament marked a tremendous period in sports.

It was exactly one year after the breakout of the COVID-19 pandemic and one of the most exciting times in all of sports was allowed to take place.

In 2020, the tournament, along with the vast majority of sports in the world, was cancelled.

In the past few seasons, there's been a handful of challengers to the traditional blue bloods of the hardwood.

While the blue bloods are still hanging around, newcomers like Baylor, Gonzaga, Texas Tech and Auburn have made a push at becoming perennial basketball powers.

This should make for one of the most memorable and entertaining tournaments we've seen in several years.

No. 1 Gonzaga

For the better part of the last five years, the Gonzaga Bulldogs have dominated their schedules, have lived in the top 10 rankings of the AP poll and in the past two seasons, finished the regular season as the nation's top-ranked team.

Just a year ago, Gonzaga looked like it could be one of the greatest teams to ever play the game and put forth one of the most amazing runs in sports history.

Gonzaga suffered just one loss, which came at the hands of Baylor in the NCAA championship.

While the 2020 tournament was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Gonzaga lost just two games.

That's a run of 63-3 in two years — rather incredible.

Amazingly, even in that run, the best Gonzaga has finished in the NCAA tournament was runner-up, in 2017 and 2021.

The problem with Gonzaga is the perception of a lack of a strong sched-

ule as the Bulldogs play in the lower-tiered West Coast Conference.

But still, there's no reason to think Gonzaga won't have a say in how the 2022 season shapes up.

Forward Drew Timme leads the Bulldogs with 17.5 points per game and Chet Holmgren has been the all-around man in the paint, averaging nearly 10 rebounds and over three blocks per game.

That's a tough draw for anyone to match up against in the West region.

Gonzaga gets No. 16 Georgia State in the first round.

No. 1 Baylor

Baylor hopes to defend its 2021 national title, the first in school history, and all season long, the Bears have battled injuries along with a brutal Big 12 schedule.

The Big 12 has emerged as perhaps one of the toughest, if not toughest, Power 5 conference in the nation.

Kansas stands as a traditional blue blood power, Texas Tech has emerged as one of the top programs in the nation and has made the Final Four and a national championship in 2019.

They added an Elite Eight appearance in 2018 as well.

While Baylor fell short in the Big 12 tournament and was upset by Oklahoma, Baylor is a team that can catch fire in a hurry and play with the best teams in the nation.

The Bears split wins with Kansas and Texas Tech this season, but swept Texas.

Baylor also notched wins over No. 6 Villanova and No. 8 Iowa State.

Baylor went on to finish the season ranked No. 3 in the AP poll and by all accounts, had a No. 2 seed locked up for the NCAA tournament.

But Baylor got a huge help from Texas A&M as Auburn, a presumed No. 1 seed, was upset in the SEC semifinals.

While Baylor also lost in

its conference tournament, the Bears' body of work, along with a brutal schedule, helped the Bears lock up a No. 1 seed.

Led by James Akinjo's 13.4 points and 5.7 assists per game, the Bears could make a run, but should be cautious of a potential Elite Eight matchup against Kentucky.

Blue Blood Powers

It's Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski's final season on the bench for the Duke Blue Devils, Kentucky is hungry after being knocked out of the SEC tournament by Tennessee, and the Kansas Jayhawks are playing as well as anyone in the nation after winning their sixth Big 12 tournament championship in the last 12 years.

It would be fitting for Duke to put together a tournament run to give its legendary coach a fine sendoff into retirement. In his final game at Cameron Indoor Stadium, arch-rival UNC stunned the crowd in Krzyzewski's final game in Durham.

Duke then dropped an inexplicable ACC tournament loss to Virginia Tech.

Duke has the star power to make a run in the NCAA tournament, but a loaded West region could make it tough for the Blue Devils to reach the Final Four.

Kentucky, like Duke, was knocked out of its conference tournament in an upset loss, but is poised to make a run behind big man Oscar Tshibwe.

Tshibwe has been a one-man machine for the Wildcats, leading the team in points, rebounds, steals and blocks.

In fact, he's averaging 17 points and 15 rebounds per game.

Kentucky has a much more favorable road to the Final Four and with Tshibwe playing among the nation's best, it isn't until the Wildcats would face Texas or Purdue in the Sweet 16 that there could be bump in the road.

Finally, Kansas had some up and down moments in the regular season, but after falling to TCU, the Jayhawks rattled off five straight wins to win its sixth Big 12 title in 12 years.

Big 12 Player of the Year Ochai Agbaji has Kansas playing at such a high level with his 19.7 points per game, it's clear the Jayhawks will ride as far as he can carry them.

While Kansas locked up the No. 1 seed for the Midwest region, the Jayhawks could eventually have to contend against perhaps the most dangerous No. 2 seed in Auburn or No. 3 Iowa, who is fresh off its Big 10 tournament title.

SEC surge

While Kentucky has been a SEC power for years and years, Rick Barnes has

the Tennessee Volunteers capable of facing anyone in the nation, much in the same way Bruce Pearl has the Auburn Tigers slated as perhaps the most dangerous No. 2 seed in the NCAA tournament.

Auburn has been in the top five of the AP poll for most of the season, and for good reason.

Jabari Smith has been lights out for Auburn, leading the Tigers with 17.1 points per game.

Back in November, Auburn lost to No. 22 UConn in double-overtime, but then rattled off 19-straight victories, including wins over No. 16 LSU, No. 24 Alabama, and No. 12 Kentucky.

That's a heck of a tournament resume.

Even when they eventually lost to Arkansas in

February to snap the streak, it took overtime to finally beat the Tigers.

But in their final six games stretching into the SEC tournament, Auburn dropped three, including losses to unranked Texas A&M and Florida, and to No. 17 Tennessee.

Like Auburn, Tennessee put together an impressive streak, going 12-1 in their last 13 games, including their first SEC title in 43 years.

During their February 26 meeting, Tennessee beat Auburn in a 67-62 thriller.

The Vols recorded three wins over AP top 5 ranked teams this season en route to their tournament title.

While it wouldn't be until the Final Four that Auburn and Tennessee would meet, both teams are completely capable of making a push.

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Trivia Questions

1. Who won the NCAA tournament in 2021?

- A. Duke
- B. Baylor
- C. Gonzaga
- D. Kansas

2. Who was the first No. 1 seed to lose to a No. 16 seed?

- A. UNC
- B. Michigan State
- C. Virginia
- D. Kentucky

3. What was the lowest-seed to ever win a NCAA tournament prior to 2022?

- A. No. 8
- B. No. 7
- C. No. 6
- D. No. 5

4. Who won the first-ever NCAA tournament, held in 1939?

- A. UCLA
- B. Oregon
- C. Kansas
- D. Kentucky

5. Which school finished No. 1 in the final AP poll of the season?

- A. Baylor
- B. Auburn
- C. Kentucky
- D. Gonzaga

6. Which school holds the record for most NCAA tournament championship wins?

- A. UCLA
- B. Kansas
- C. Kentucky
- D. Duke

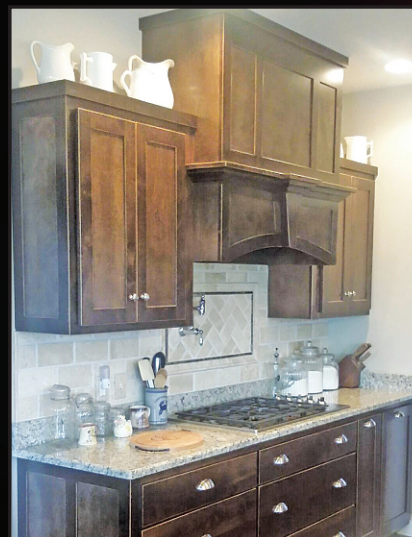
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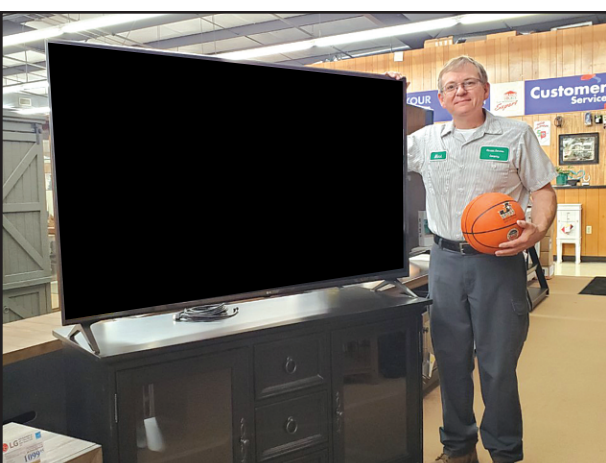
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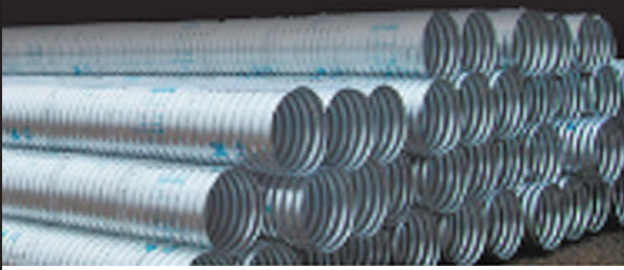
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