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The groundbreaking for the former Carver Park, renamed for Charles Driskell, brought out a large crowd. The \$8 million renovation at the community center was completed last year.

South Albany natives giving back to honor ‘Doc’ Driskell

By Alan Mauldin
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ALBANY – For Carl Route and his generation, the path of the straight and narrow led through the community center where Charles “Doc” Driskell kept them busy with swimming, ball games and pool tournaments, helping them escape the housing projects and poverty that were part of growing up in south Albany.

Now retired, Route, who was born in Albany in 1957, and some of the others who were among Driskell’s boys are looking to give back to the community in which their bleak environment was brightened by the activities at Carver Park.

On Saturday, some of Driskell’s former charges will return to the new city recreation center to hand out bookbags and other school supplies from noon to 4 p.m. They’re also hoping to cook some hot dogs and burgers for the community.

“It just literally saved our lives,” Route said. “I used to throw bricks. My momma used to say: ‘You’re throwing bricks at the chain gang,’” meaning his involvement in street

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Camilla residents divided over removal of Mayor Kelvin Owens from office

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CAMILLA – The suspension of Camilla Mayor Kelvin Owens has divided this southwest Georgia community with a population of about 5,100.

Gov. Brian Kemp issued the suspension on Thursday after a review commission appointed by the governor reported on Owens’ indictment on charges of election interference and conspira-

cy in connection with the Nov. 6 election.

In his executive order, Kemp said that the review commission found that the May indictment “does relate to and adversely affect the administration of the office of the mayor of Camilla such that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected.”

Owens was indicted on charges of interference with elections and two counts of conspiracy to

commit election fraud.

Also indicted at the same time by the Mitchell County Grand Jury were former Camilla Election Superintendent Rhunette Willi-

Ford and City Clerk Cheryl Ford. Ford was indicted on three counts of interference with elections, conspiracy to commit election fraud and two counts of failure of a public officer to perform her duties.

Williford was indicted on two

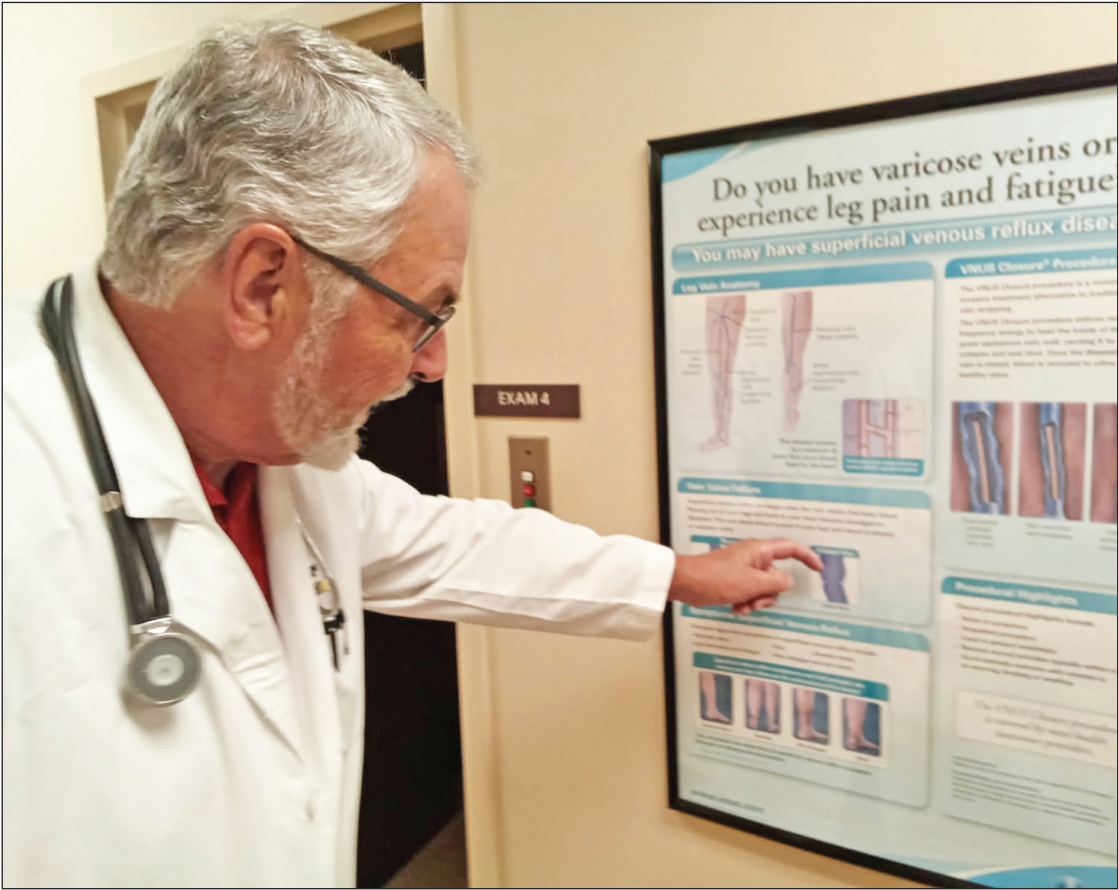
counts of interference with elections, conspiracy to commit election fraud and failure of a public officer to perform her duties.

Ford and Williford are accused of resigning the day prior to the election to prevent voting in the special election for two Camilla City Council positions.

Prior to the election, a Superior Court judge ordered that signs be placed at Camilla City Hall stating

See **OWENS**, 2A

Albany Surgeon Price Corr offers insight on Chronic Venous Insufficiency



Staff Photo: Carlton Fletcher

Surgeon Dr. Price Corr of Albany Surgical explains how Chronic Venous Insufficiency, which has been diagnosed in President Trump and affects more than 30 million patients in the United States, can become a serious health issue if left untreated.

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ALBANY -- When news spread that President Trump had been diagnosed with Chronic Venous Insufficiency, essentially swelling of his legs, there was an immediate uproar. Prayer groups were organized, people wanted to know if they could somehow offer help, and the governmental line of succession was outlined by over-eager “journalists.”

But an Albany physician, concerned about the overreaction to Trump’s diagnosis by many in the country, explained that the ailment is fairly common, especially in people in their 70s and 80s.

“It’s kind of like gray hair, pretty common,” Albany Surgeon Price Corr said. “It’s more common in women, 2-to-1, but it’s basically common in people who do either a lot of standing or a lot of sitting in their daily activities.

“That’s not to say the disorder is of no concern. If it isn’t treated, the person can get ulcers or it could lead to blood clots. Then you have a serious

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Albany attorney accused of ethics violations in petition to Supreme Court

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ALBANY – An Albany attorney is being accused of falsifying affidavits, misappropriating client funds and harassing private citizens with frivolous lawsuits among other things in formal complaints to the Georgia Supreme Court by the State Bar of Georgia.

Joseph Durham Jr., who’s been a member of the State Bar since 2003, is named in

three separate complaints, alleging probable cause that he committed three separate ethics violations. The Albany Herald obtained these documents and has interviewed multiple people connected to the cases both on and off the record, including alleged victims and local attorneys who said they wish to warn others about Durham’s violations.

Durham is still able to practice law as the judicial process

unfolds, action that could take up to a year.

The first petition, filed on Nov. 15, 2024, alleges that Durham falsified affidavits from clients. These allegedly falsified affidavits were submitted to opposing counsel in a lawsuit Durham filed against a family he was suing for defamation on behalf of a client. This client alleged the family created a GoFundMe account

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Staff Photo: Lucille Lannigan

Joe Durham Jr., an Albany attorney, has been accused of multiple ethics violations in a complaint filed by the State Bar of Georgia.

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that any votes cast for former council member Venterra Pollard would not be counted in the contest. Earlier, a judge had ordered that Pollard, who was ruled not to be a city resident, a ruling upheld by the Georgia Court of Appeals, should withdraw his candidacy, which he refused to do.

Due to the resignations of Ford and Williford, the election was initially canceled, but a judge appointed new election officials and voting started shortly before 4 p.m. and was extended to 3:50 a.m. on Nov. 7.

According to the indictment, Owens canceled the election on Nov. 5, and on election day ordered Camilla police officers to prevent poll workers and officers from entering city hall.

He also is accused of ordering the removal of election signage and personally placing a sign at the polling place announcing the cancellation.

Speaking with a Herald reporter while picking up his mail on Friday, Camilla resident Tony Redden said he did not agree with the governor’s decision. He also said he thinks the election was not legitimate since the city’s election officials had resigned.

“You can’t have an election without an election supervisor,” he said. “That’s when (Owens) said: ‘I can’t have an election. I can’t open the doors.’ You had them resign the day before, and you don’t have anybody there. You can’t have an election.”

“I think they suspended him (Owens) for the wrong reasons. It came from the state. The mayor can’t run an election. He can’t be an election

superintendent.”

The Camilla resident also said he thought that Owens had done a good job as mayor, including bringing new businesses to the city.

“Mayor Owens has been a pretty fair mayor since he’s been here,” Redden said. “There’s been a lot of changes since he’s been here.”

In one instance, he said, Owens had a fence separating the black and white sections of a cemetery on Martin Luther King Jr. Road removed and ensured that the cemetery is kept clean.

“You see him walking around, in stores, he talks to people,” Redden said. “He’s a very friendly person. I like that. That’s something that every official needs to do, talk to people. He talks to everyone, and that’s nice. He’s a good mayor.”

Online, the opinions about the mayor were mixed.

On the Camilla for Transparency Facebook page, the author said that Owens gave a television interview prior to the election in which he stated he had voted for Pollard and that “his vote better count,” showing impartiality and a willingness to disenfranchise voters.

“Every order issued by the Mitchell County Superior Court has been appealed and upheld,” it said.

In an unrelated post, Timothy Lee Miller Sr. wrote that the damage caused by the suspension may be “irreparable.”

“The bitterness, hatred and division may never be healed,” he said in the post. “Many of us finally saw Camilla moving forward for everyone. But now our city council will be locked in (gridlock), useless with silent animosity filling the chamber. I mourn for our city to have statesmen instead of politicians. I mourn for authorities



Staff Photo: Alan Mauldin

The suspension of Camilla Major Kelvin Owens last week by Gov. Brian Kemp is the talk of the city. Owens was indicted earlier on charges of interference with elections and conspiracy to commit election fraud.

to have a care about the whole city rather than a few that hunger and desire power.”

In downtown Camilla on Friday, Wilma Gray said that she has no side in the conflict. Gray, who said she attends nearly every council meeting, is leaving it in other hands.

“I put that in the Lord’s hands,” she said. “I’m pray-

ing for his will to be, whatever is done. I’m praying for everybody concerned.

“If I were to say something, it would be my opinion, and my opinion don’t mean anything. We just want hearts changed. I’m interested in the city. I want to see the city grow. I want to see it grow in the right way.”

From 1A
CORR

problem.”

The surgeon, who is a principal at Albany Surgical, said claims that “there is no treatment” for CVI are wrong. The initial treatment, he said, is the use of compression hose, which “even out the pressure” of blood flow in the legs.

“The heart pumps blood that goes to the feet,” Corr said. “It’s the movement of the legs that allows the blood to flow back to the heart. Without much movement -- the inactivity of sitting or standing over long periods -- ‘back pressure’ can develop, which causes swelling.”

Corr said CVI is a fairly

common disorder, occurring in more than 200 million patients worldwide and 30 million-plus in the U.S. alone.

“Everyone says this disorder generally happens in patients in their 70s, but we see a lot of cases in people as they reach their 40s,” Corr said. “What’s frightening is that, of the 30 million affected in this country, only around 2 million seek treatment. People need to be seen.

“What concerns me about this disorder affecting the president is that John Smith will hear that ‘there is no treatment,’ and he’ll say, ‘Well, if there’s nothing they can do for the president, there’s nothing I can do.’ That’s wrong. There are ways to treat CVI. People should seek treatment.”

From 1A
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implying Durham’s client had a mental disorder.

The petition further alleges that Durham used confidential information obtained from his clients during their attorney-client relationship to their disadvantage and to his own benefit in the lawsuit against the family. Additionally, the petition claims Durham filed a frivolous lawsuit against the family, made false statements to a third party and made false statements during the disciplinary proceedings.

The complaint alleges Durham sent a letter to the family threatening to “publicize scandalous allegations (all of which appeared irrelevant to the lawsuit)” if the family failed to pay Durham \$250,000. The peti-

tion also reads that the family incurred about \$145,000 in legal fees defending the lawsuit.

The petition states that the appropriate discipline for these violations would be disbarment.

The second petition was filed Nov. 18, 2024. The accusations in this petition stem from an incident on March 4, 2023, on Lake Eufaula, where Durham allegedly engaged in disturbing behavior, including profanity and physical threats toward an angler. He also is charged with impersonated another individual.

Following this incident, Durham filed a lawsuit against people who shared a video of the event that became viral online, engaging in actions deemed frivolous and without merit by the trial court. He is accused of harassing and maliciously injuring another party through unwarranted legal claims, improperly communicating with a represented party, and making dishonest and misleading statements to the court.

Durham was sanctioned by the trial court to pay \$49,918.36 in attorney’s fees and costs for one of the individuals in the lawsuit.

This petition called for Durham to be “appropriately disciplined.”

The third petition was filed on April 2, finding probable cause that Durham violated numerous Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct. These include those related to client communication, diligence, fees, handling client funds, termination of representation, truthfulness in court and communication with represented parties.

He is accused of misappropriating \$1.5 million in settle-

ment funds pertaining to a medical malpractice lawsuit regarding a wrongful death.

“Respondent was ‘kiting,’ using new money to pay old obligations, when he should have been holding the other clients’ money in trust all along,” the petition reads.

More alleged victims of Durham rallied together in a Facebook group, called “Victims of Joe Durham,” which has since been removed from the platform. The private group had more than 50 members and at least 100 requests to join.

One of these members was Jim Harrod, who has a family member involved in a case with Durham. Harrod alleged that Durham was using false affidavits in the case. Harrod said there are dozens of other stories of wrongdoing by Durham in the group, dating back to three years ago; although, he said he hasn’t been able to confirm all of them, as not all of them have been filed as official legal complaints.

“I wanted to make this public because he’s constantly ... using people, taking advantage of people and stealing from them,” Harrod said. “My goal is to make people aware of what he’s been accused of so he can stop.”

Harrod said Durham is known to threaten victims who speak out against him with lawsuits. This became clear as numerous people requested to speak off the record to The Albany Herald about their history with Durham.

The Albany Herald tried to reach Durham on his cell number but did not receive a response.

Durham’s attorney, Lester Tate, released this statement

to the media:

“Joe Durham Jr. has been a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia for over 20 years. During that time, he has faithfully and effectively represented his clients and served his community. It costs nothing to file a Bar complaint. Even individuals who have no connection to a lawyer or a case in which the lawyer is involved can file a complaint. That doesn’t mean those complaints have merit or are truthful. Lawyers are frequent targets of such allegations because any case that is tried has a winner and a loser. Fortunately, the State Bar has a process for hearing and deciding complaints. We look forward to defending against those claims in that forum, instead of through news or social media.”

The Supreme Court of Georgia appointed LaRae Dixon Moore as the special master in this matter on April 3. Kathleen Joyner, the public information officer of the Supreme Court of Georgia, pointed to this website to explain the process of lawyer disciplinary matters within the State Bar.

“Georgia lawyers are bound by strict rules of ethics in all of their professional dealings,” the site reads. “The Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct help define a lawyer’s obligations to clients, to the judicial system, and to the public. Although the Supreme Court of Georgia retains ultimate authority to regulate the legal profession, the State Bar of Georgia’s Office of the General Counsel serves as the court’s administrative arm to investigate and prosecute claims that a lawyer has violated the ethics rules.”

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activities put him at risk of landing in prison.

“We’re Albanians who wanted to do something for the area where we grew up. For me, I’m a baby boomer. I grew up in the ‘60s, ‘70’s and ‘80s when a lot of transition was taking place.”

The neighborhood then was known for its housing projects and violence, the Albany native said. The park, with a teen center and sports, helped keep him and many others out of trouble while they were growing up.

“In the Driskell community, there was a lot of killing,” Route said. “In our neighborhood, we had a lot of illegitimacy, kids having babies. A lot of us were coming out of the projects. It was a hard time.

We had few resources. Doc Driskell was one of them.”

The idea to hold the back-to-school event came from former residents. Several, like Route, are in the Atlanta area and regularly get together to talk about the old neighborhood. Others who are supporting the event are in Florida, North Carolina and other states.

“We’ve been talking about this for a while,” Route said. “We were there for the rededication when they renamed Carver Park Driskell Park. We’re former Albanians living elsewhere. About half of us are retired.”

In addition to the new name, the Driskell Community Center got an \$8 million renovation. The facility has a gym, pool, basketball courts and football field, as well as space for meetings and after-school programs.

The group of Albany natives

is encouraged that Driskell Park will be available for future generations, Route said. In its original incarnation, it was a place that held special memories.

“We had pool tournaments, ping-pong tournaments, spades tournaments,” he said. “They gave out trophies. My momma said, ‘Don’t bring no more of those trophies here.’ I used to swim every day.

“We really are honoring our ancestors like Doc Driskell and Ms. (Mary) Jenkins, who ran the teen center. They left something memorable. They left something that will stay on our hearts forever.”

The group is still looking for some assistance to provide hamburgers, hot dogs and additional school supplies. Those interested can email Route at carlroute@ymail.com or donate at arpd.recdesk.com.

Horoscopes

Truth will be difficult to detect. Listen carefully, ask questions and verify the accuracy of information before sharing or making use of it. Temptation will surface if you feel let down or left out. Avoid following the crowd. Recognize your attributes and consider how to make the most of what you've got. It's time to change how you live and how you handle your cash.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Emotions will be difficult to control. Refuse to let outside influences tempt you into something bad or costly. Arguing over what you cannot change is useless; instead, focus on what you can do to enhance your life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Jump into action and take charge. Your leadership skills will help you win favors and make allies. Don't expect everyone to agree with you. Prepare to offer incentives. Love and personal improvements are favored.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Refuse to let the little things get to you. Select your destination and strive to achieve your dreams. Don't give in to someone trying to bait or intimidate you. Consider how to reach your goal and focus on what matters most.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Think before you speak or act. You'll tend to let your emotions take the lead if you are too quick to respond. Discipline, courtesy and seeking out people who share your beliefs and goals will pay off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Avoid risky ventures and environments that can affect your physical or emotional well-being. Focus on your accomplishments, and don't hesitate to move forward. Walk away from temptation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Knowing

what you want and being able to act fast are important, but not all deals are equal. Hit the reset button if something doesn't feel right. Think before you act to avoid unnecessary loss.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Charismatic individuals will draw your attention. Listen, ask questions and determine what has value and what doesn't. Opportunity is within reach, along with the promise of emotional stability.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Get the ball rolling. Pick up the pace and take steps toward positive change. Looking and doing your best will help you present or market yourself and your skills. Rely on your native charm.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Attend functions or events that excite you. An open mind will allow you free rein when dealing with possibilities; however, before you jump into someone else's gig, consider doing your own thing.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Be careful what you wish for. Domestic problems require restraint. It's best to set your emotions aside and focus on positive ways to address any issues that surface. Overreacting will only make matters worse.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Explore the possibilities. Travel, seek knowledge and information, and update your skills. Make positive domestic changes. Let your actions speak for you. Be cautious regarding joint ventures and shared expenses.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Participate in events that shed light on your goals. The information you gather will push you down an enlightening and educational path. New beginnings look gratifying.

DO JUST ONE THING

by Danny Seo

Many decorating blogs suggest using fishing line to hang up outdoor decorations, since it can hold a lot of weight and is nearly invisible. But that lack of visibility can be problematic, too, as the clear plastic wire can be hazardous to birds that fly through your yard. While it may be aesthetically pleasing, avoid using fishing line to rig up lights, wreaths and other outdoor decor. Birds can entangle themselves in it, or worse, die when they fly directly into the taut wire.

Today in History

Today is the 203rd day of 2025 and the 33rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1587, roughly 115 English colonists arrived at Roanoke Island, near the coast of present-day North Carolina, to reestablish an earlier, deserted colony.

In 1934, FBI agents shot and killed notorious bank robber John Dillinger as he attempted to escape arrest outside a Chicago movie theater.

In 2004, the 9/11 Commission issued its final report, stating that the U.S. government had not been fully prepared for a terrorist attack.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Emma Lazarus (1849-1887), activist/poet; Edward Hopper (1882-1967), artist; Oscar de la Renta (1932-2014), fashion designer; Terence Stamp (1938-), actor; Alex Trebek (1940-2020), TV personality; George Clinton (1941-), musician; Ron Turcotte (1941-), race horse jockey; Danny Glover (1946-), actor; Albert Brooks (1947-), actor/screenwriter; Don Henley (1947-), singer-

songwriter; Willem Dafoe (1955-), actor; Rufus Wainwright (1973-), singer-songwriter; Selena Gomez (1992-), actress; Prince George of Cambridge (2013-).

TODAY'S FACT: The fates of the second Roanoke colony and Virginia Dare, the first English child born in the Americas in 1587, remain undetermined.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1996, Naim Suleymanoglu of Turkey, known worldwide as "Pocket Hercules," became the first weightlifter in Olympic history to win three gold medals.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It's better to be known by six people for something you're proud of than by 60 million for something you're not." -- Albert Brooks

TODAY'S NUMBER: 15,596 -- miles flown during the first solo flight around the world, completed on this day in 1933 by aviator Wiley Post.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter moon (July 17) and new moon (July 24).

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience."

George Washington, U.S. president (1732-1799)

CORRECTION

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SQUAWKBOX

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Wait a d**n minute. In the days of unbridled unethical political behaviors, maneuverings and conspiracies, the "lieutenant governor" running for governor conveniently announces a plan to eliminate Georgia income tax. He just lost my vote. Think people, think!

These small towns who operate in obscurity are pretty much all crooked. It takes people pointing out their misdeeds to bring any attention to these places. Camilla's in the spotlight now; who's next?

It is time to go back to school. And all of the free stuff starts, school supplies and other stuff. But mama had money for tats and fireworks and god-awful smelling perfumes.

Affordable housing projects scare away businesses, job opportunities, economic growth, and home ownership. Albany has too many projects today that have all destroyed jobs in their neighborhoods. How is it possible that Albany and Dougherty commissioners still don't understand that they make bad decisions over and over?

I'm sure that by now most Trump supporters believe the Epstein list controversy is a conspiracy theory, and one thing we all know about Trump and his supporters is they won't tolerate conspiracy theories. (Note: That's what we anti-MAGA folks call "sarcasm.") That Man Without a Family

How many of you remember the Worth County football touchdown cannon?

The recent pit bull mix left tied overnight at Albany Humane Society on front page of herald: Dogs are left abandoned all over the county. It just goes to show that most of the Dougherty population does not deserve a dog. We know why they think they can breed these pits. A sad commendatory on Dougherty County.

Your columnist tried to make the Camilla mayor out to be this just and righteous man. Another example of somebody speaking up when they don't have a clue what they're talking about.

I can remember teaching hunter safety classes at Albany State. We had several weapons with us for demonstrations. Never a problem. I would hate to try and do that now. The world is changing, and not for the better.

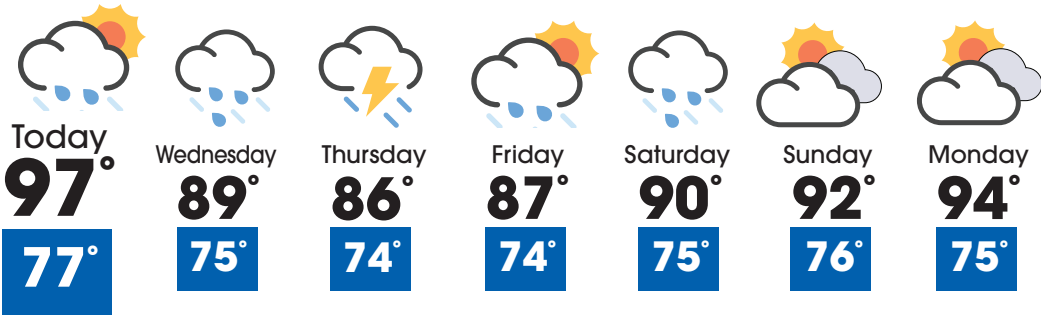
Jon Howard is always in the paper talking about how bad things are for people in Ward I. He's been their commissioner for two decades: At what point does this become something he owns? If you're so concerned about the people of your ward, do something for them other than gripe to the media.

Its a sham. No, under the so-called release documents that Trump is proclaiming a judge in the case against Epstein's girlfriend must decide if they are to be released. The most important caveat to this so-called release is the statement by his toady Bondi that "most relevant parts" will be released. Yes, and we know that what is most relevant won't be released, will it?

Here's the thing about the situation in Camilla. People are crying "race" simply because the man is black. It's like they're saying, "We don't care if he did illegal things, we insist on having a black mayor." Careful who you call racist ... you might just turn out to be a hypocrite.

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BRIDGE ■ PHILLIP ALDER

KEEPING A TRUMP AS A LATE ENTRY

Iveta Radicova, a former prime minister of Slovakia, said, "In some countries, we have had the right to vote for less than 100 years, so the entry of women into political leadership has caused a tsunami."

That sounds melodramatic; surely it is nothing more than a very choppy sea.

This week we are looking at the handling of trump suits. In today's deal, South is in four hearts. West leads the club king. When East encourages enthusiastically with his nine, West continues with the club queen and his last club. East wins with his ace and shifts to the diamond 10. How should South steer from there?

On the second round of the auction, North bid what he

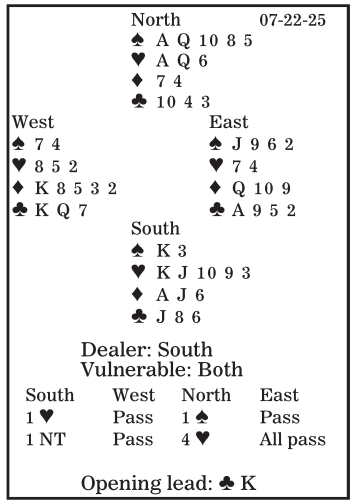
thought would be the best contract. Yes, here three no-trump is easy, but it is never easy to reach that contract with assurance when holding an eight-card major-suit fit.

If South just assumes everything will be favorable, he will draw trumps, take his spade king, play a spade to the ace, and cash the spade queen. Here, though, he will lose one diamond and three clubs to sink without a trace.

Although South is a slight favorite to gain five spade tricks, he needs only four. He should draw only two rounds of trumps, leaving an honor on the board, cash his spade king, play a spade to dummy's ace, and ruff a spade in his hand. Then he can lead a trump to

the dummy and cash the last two spades, discarding his diamond losers. South sails his ship triumphantly into port.

Think through the play when the dummy comes down, not later.



ADVICE COLUMNIST ■ ERIC THOMAS

Manager's affair causes chaos in the office



Dear Eric: I work at a small bank with nine co-workers, including myself. We have a dilemma going on in the office. The president and his assistant are sleeping together. They were caught on video after hours in the office. They also rush a few of us out of the office at the end of the day and stay back to do who knows what.

They have been confronted by one co-worker to stop doing their mess in the office and that everyone, with the exception of one person who was just hired, knows what they're doing. They also take multi-hour lunch breaks every day.

The problem is the other co-workers are salaried, with the exception of one, and some are taking advantage of work hours. They're always leaving early by one hour or coming in late, and the president doesn't say anything because he's afraid of them going to HR and letting them know what he has done. This leaves some of the other employees, who don't abuse their time, reeling and wanting to go to HR, but it would probably shut the whole office down because no one here is capable of taking over.

So are we just out of luck, or do we say something?

— Helpless

Dear Helpless: You have to say something to HR. This is a mess and the mess — not the whistleblowing — is endangering your job and your customer's well-being. Human Resources is not going to shut down your office. However, it may become necessary for the president to be replaced. If that's the case, there are people who are trained as interim or

crisis leaders who can step in and help right the ship.

Being a part of a small office can sometimes make it harder to call out bad behavior because there's a fear of being labeled "not a team player" or creating huge waves in a small pond. But the waves are already there. The workplace is toxic. The president of your bank is clearly not exercising good judgment. What you need is someone or something that will calm the seas. That's where HR can step in.

Dear Eric: I am recently widowed and have been living in our home in our quiet neighborhood for more than 50 years. My husband and I had a friendship with a female neighbor for five years or so.

When Jack became ill and close to death, Mary became very helpful to me.

We used to email each other every day. I told her I had traded my car for a small luxury SUV. What I got was "Well, I hope you feel good about yourself." The daily emails fell off and I asked why. She said we are from two different worlds and are very different people and then proceeded to evaluate my character.

She said she couldn't understand why I complained about the workers I had called to the house to do things for me. I didn't complain about them; I was just surprised by the cost. The man who came and removed furniture for Jack's hospice had an obnoxious smelling cologne that I mentioned to her, and she reacted by asking how I could think ill of someone who had done something so kind for me.

I told her I was done with this assessment of my character. I feel bad about all this, but I didn't start it. Mary is in poor financial condition and I'm not, so maybe this is envy of some sort? Though I feel badly, I'm not inclined to fix what I thought was a friendship. Am I wrong?

— Lost Friend

Dear Friend: An unsolicited character critique is not good friend behavior. Now those who are close to us can sometimes see things about us that we can improve. And, with permission, they can share them. But that's not what Mary is doing.

It sounds like she's working through some resentments — perhaps about money, perhaps about class, perhaps about something else entirely. But it's up to her to be up-front with that, rather than resorting to passive-aggression. If you want to see if there's something to resurrect in this friendship, you tell her, "Something changed in our relationship, and I'd like to talk about why. Are you open to having a conversation about it?" You'll both want to use "I" statements — she should focus on how she felt rather than what you did wrong in her eyes. And you should do the same. Sometimes, the things that we say can take on different meanings to others because of who they are, where they're from and what they're going through. That doesn't make one person more right or more wrong. But with conversation and openness, these conflicts can be doorways to empathy and understanding.

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COLUMNIST ■ KING RANDALL

The truth behind the politics of poverty

One of the hardest things I’ve had to come to terms with as a man working in this city is realizing that not all poverty is accidental. Some of it is manufactured. Some of it is managed. And some of it ... is monetized.

In Albany, we’ve spent decades creating positions, programs and panels in the name of fighting poverty. Yet if you take a drive down certain streets, walk through certain schools, or spend time with the young men I serve, you’ll see that too many of the same problems are still standing exactly where we left them.

It’s not that we don’t have the resources. It’s that too often, we lack the will.

Because poverty, as sad as it sounds, has become a political strategy. There’s money in brokenness. There’s funding in failure. There are jobs, contracts and career advancements tied to statistics that, if actually improved, would eliminate the very need for some of those positions.

We throw money at the same “solutions” over and over again, but the lives of the people rarely change. And then, when folks get frustrated and start asking questions, they’re told to wait — to be patient, to understand that change takes time.

But my question is: Whose clock are we on? The children I serve don’t have time. The single mothers trying to raise boys into men don’t have time. The elderly citizens living on fixed incomes, in homes they can barely afford to heat or cool — they don’t have time either.

We’ve allowed poverty to become a permanent condition, instead of a temporary challenge we fight to overcome.

And meanwhile, the meetings continue. The press conferences are held. The funding gets announced. The buildings get built. And the people stay poor.

Now let me be clear: I’m not against programs. I run one myself. But the difference is — our results are public, our work is daily,

and our mission is freedom, not dependence.

The true goal of any program should be to work itself out of a job. To equip people with what they need so they no longer need you.

But in too many cases, poverty management has become a career path. And that’s the part we don’t want to talk about. Because if these young men had structure, trade skills, discipline and direction — if families had access to real resources, not just temporary assistance — a lot of the old systems would collapse.

And that scares people. Not because it would hurt the community — but because it would expose how much of this was never really about the community in the first place.

Poverty has become political currency. It’s used to stir up votes. It’s used to justify budgets. It’s used to sell success stories that don’t always exist.

But if you ever want to know the truth, just follow the outcome — not the headline. Are the children reading better? Are the families stronger? Are the neighborhoods safer? If the answer is no, then it’s not working. Period.

We cannot keep protecting what feels familiar at the expense of what actually produces results.

Albany deserves better than that. We deserve leadership that doesn’t see poverty as a talking point, but as a battle to be won. We deserve systems that are judged by impact, not paperwork. We deserve to invest in solutions that build people up — not just manage their struggle.

And most of all, we deserve to be honest about what’s really going on. Because at some point, we have to stop saying “it’s complicated” and start saying “it’s unacceptable.”

Let’s change the politics. Let’s change the priorities.

And let’s finally change the outcome.

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COLUMNIST ■ WAYNE FOWLER

Converging on the truth of the ‘word’

On his podcast, Justin Brierley has conversations with people who tell interesting stories about their spiritual journeys. It’s the story, the process, that interests him more than anyone’s fame.

A British chap, Mark Baldwin, was one such guest. Baldwin’s philosophy had centered on three aspects of reality. He believed in a First Cause, “but not an entity you could pray to.” Second, he embraced Greek philosophy, the Logos-Sophia (word-wisdom) “through which reality is held together and made intelligible.” His third belief was in meditation, “a sense of communing with something.”

One day Baldwin began reading the gospel of John looking for ways to disprove its authenticity. He was aware that John, speaking to a culture influenced by Greek philosophy, used “logos,” or “word,” to describe Jesus as the center of reality. His reading introduced the possibility of a relationship with the logos, challenging his prior beliefs. This speaks of Jesus: “The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.” (John 1:14) This started to change Baldwin’s thinking.

Baldwin had come to understand by philosophy that an intelligence, a reality, precedes the material universe. This is not unlike the conclusion reached by theoretical physicist John Wheeler. Wheeler published in the fields of general relativity, nuclear fission, and quantum information. In 1990, 58 years after earning a PhD, he caused quite a stir in the scientific community. He published a report showing that



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something had to exist before the material universe.

“Every physical quantity, every ‘it,’ derives its ultimate significance from bits,” he wrote. “It from bit symbolizes the idea that every item of the physical world has at bottom an immaterial source and explanation.”

In other words, there must be a logos. Yet again, science arrives at a place where the Bible has been all along.

“In the beginning was the Word (logos) ... and the Word was God. All things came into being through Him.” (John 1:1,3)

The thought of personally knowing the Word captured Baldwin’s imagination. One day while walking and meditating in an English garden, he had a sudden awakening.

“I just looked up and said, ‘Thank you Lord.’ It was like something burst in me,” he wrote. “I was filled with overwhelming joy. I found a bench and cried my eyes out. I had been living in active rebellion against God. I just gave myself to Jesus. The essential difference between my atheistic philosophical kind of logos thing and Christianity was a two-way relationship.”

Science and philosophy converge on the truth that a rational mind pre-existed the material universe. The good news is you can have a relationship with your Creator through faith in Jesus Christ. To Baldwin’s point, anything else is active rebellion. You can find the logos. He is very near. Read about Him in John’s gospel.

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“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” —Matthew 18:20

LETTER TO THE EDITOR ■ NAME WITHHELD

Austin Scott is no leader; he’s a puppet

Mr. Editor;

What’s done in the dark will always come to the light. Welcome, Austin Scott, to the light you have been eluding this summer. For some reason, Scott is hesitant to address (or have his interns address) his vote against releasing the Epstein files.

Scott talks tough on crime and claimed in a 2018 speech to the House to be working to “combat actions of transnational

criminal organizations, particularly those close to home.” His recent voting record tells a different story.

Scott, along with fellow spineless House Rules Republicans, voted against releasing the Epstein files that would reveal the sickening criminal actions taken by the deceased fraudster and his associates. Is Florida not close enough to home for Scott? Sex trafficking of underage girls across borders would certainly count as

transnational crime, right? One has to wonder what could possibly motivate a church-going family man to protect such sinister actors in our country.

Scott has spent over 20 years in local and national politics and at least the last year avoiding taking any accountability for his actions in D.C. Just this year, Scott has refused to attend a citizen-called town hall meeting in Warner Robins, has failed to take or return calls from constituents,

and has not even seen it fit to have a staffer write a statement regarding his clandestine vote to protect the identities of internationally-connected pedophiles.

So who exactly is Scott protecting? Not the women and children of the 8th District. Spineless Scott is no leader, he is a puppet.

8th District Constituent
Name withheld on request

COLUMNIST ■ KYLE DOMINY

From a plane: Thoughts from 30,000 feet

The man spent more than three hours staring straight ahead, clutching a cardboard box that was, from what I could tell, his only piece of luggage. He declined all food and beverage from the crew of the Delta flight headed to Phoenix, Ariz., at roughly 500 mph at more than 30,000 feet in the air. He didn’t take advantage of the on-board entertainment conveniently located in the back of the seat in front of him. He didn’t even stand up to stretch his legs or use the restroom. He sat perfectly still, staring straight

ahead and guarding his mysterious parcel.

I wondered what could be inside. He held it like it was his last earthly possession. I attempted to make small talk, seeing if I could figure out something about this strange character, who, like me, had spent the morning going through security and fighting the crowd at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. There’s a TSA agent there who knows, but that’s

the only person because I was unheard or ignored by the gentleman. I settled in for a little in-air television time on the otherwise uneventful flight.

On the return flight a week later, I sat next to an older woman who was more pleasant, but clearly did not like flying. At takeoff and landing, as well as at every bump of turbulence, she braced herself against the seat. I could hear the sigh of relief when the 757 came to

a stop at the gate.

Nobody likes flying. If people were meant to move through the air, the good Lord would have given us wings, and we all know the unfortunate tale of Icarus, who fell to his death after his man-made wings melted because he flew too close to the sun.

That being said, you can’t beat the convenience of flying, and I’m always surprised to meet someone who has never been on an airplane, though I know there are still a great many of them. A lot of folks still say they are afraid of flying.

That’s not true, they are afraid of crashing. Some of these same people will tell you that while cruising 80 mph down the interstate while eating a cheeseburger and catching up on text messages. There is danger everywhere if you look for it.

My kids are great airline passengers. It seems security agents are much more patient with you when traveling as a family. Once on board, in less than four hours they can be across the country, plus there’s TV and WIFI. What’s not to like? My car certainly can’t hold up to a Boeing. On the plus

side, though, there’s no stranger hugging a mystery box.

I’m fortunate enough to have been on several flights on different kinds of aircraft. From WWII-era bombers to modern jet airliners, I’ve trusted pilots and their crews to take me up to the blue, and I’ve always made it back to terra firma safe and sound. I’m not afraid of flying, but I’m happy not to have any tickets booked for the foreseeable future.

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BUTLER DRIVE	310	BATES LEE	000UJ-00028-012		2021-2024	E ROOSEVELT AVE	1421	000TT-00025-020		2022-2024	502	FORTUNE ACQUISITIONS GROUP LLC	0000E-00005-022		2022-2024
BYRON RD	801	HENDERSON JEFF	0000D-00041-019		2023-2024	E ROOSEVELT AVE	1115	000TT-00004-007		2024	504	MITCHELL MARLON	0000E-00005-023		2022-2024
BYRON RD	826	JDH PROPERTIES LLC	0000D-00043-040		2024	E SECOND AVE	1200				518	MITCHELL MARLON	0000E-00005-031		2022-2024
CANAL ST	750	TRINITY METHODIST BAPTIST CHURCH INC	00240-00009-001		2024		PRESSLEY MATTHEW ROBERT & ISABELLA NATOLI-PRESSLEY (VIA TAX SALE) AND ACREE MAW H ESTATE AND ALL HERS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000TT-00008-007		2022-2024	615	BAULDWIN	0000D-00008-06A		2021-2024
CANE MILL DR	3145	WALKER CORNELIUS & ANDRIEPI SIMONE	00348-00024-048		2024	E SECOND AVE	1414	000TT-00037-010		2024	625	SOLOMON DYNASTY LLC (VIA TAX DEED) AND SHABAZZ GROUP LLC TAZ SHABAZZ (VIA TAX DEED) AND MILES CYNTHIA	000DD-00008-005		2023-2024
CANNON AVE	300	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000Y-00012-032		2023-2024			000TT-00035-01B		2024	925	PACE ZAKARI	000DD-00006-003		2024
CANNON AVE	301	WARE RICHARD E SR	0000Y-00014-022		2024	E SOCIETY AVE	1207	000TT-00011-008		2021-2024	707	A & A ALBANY GROCERY #2 LLC	000DD-00007-022		2024
CANNON AVE	307	THE VICTORY GROUP LLC	0000Y-00014-019		2023-2024	E SOCIETY AVE	1214				317	THE VICTORY GROUP LLC (VIA TAX DEED) AND BROOKS ROSA LEE	0000C-00017-005		2023-2024
CASON ST	804	THE VICTORY GROUP LLC	0000Q-00015-003		2024	E SOCIETY AVENUE	1512	000TT-00012-016		2022-2024	319	DAVIS MATTIE P ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000U-00013-003		2024
CASON ST	812	DAILEY SANDRA & TOWNSELL TRACY	0000Q-00015-007		2024	E TIFT AVE	1219	000TT-00011-09B		2022-2024	406	GUEST KWJALEEN M	0000U-00017-023		2024
CEADAR AVE	1015	POTAT FUNERAL HOMES LLC	00212-00001-088		2024	E TIFT AVE	1303	000TT-00014-015		2021-2024	418	THORNTON SAMUEL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000U-00017-029		2022-2024
CEADAR AVE	412	PROSPERITY MIAMI ESTATES LLC	0000U-00024-029		2024		KAFORO ACQUISITIONS GROUP LLC	000GG-00006-005		2023-2024	420	THORNTON SAMUEL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000U-00017-030		2022-2024
CEADAR AVE	512	ETHRIDGE MICHAEL SCOTT	000HH-00046-028		2023-2024		GRIGG BRENT ESTATE & LISA AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00001-00013-014		2022-2024	424	THORNTON SAMUEL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000U-00017-031		2022-2024
CEADAR AVE	514	BARNEY YATOYA (VIA TAX DEED), GREYFIELD RESOURCES INC (VIA TAX DEED) AND BONNER JEROME, WALTER ESTATE AND CHARLIE MAE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000HH-00046-029		2023-2024		PETERSON HAROLD	00001-00013-016		2023-2024	512	WILLIAMS JEFFERY MARC	000HH-00027-022		2022-2024
							LEE & LEE INDUSTRIES LLC	000TT-00032-001		2024	704	WILLIAMS BETTY	000HH-00030-012		2022-2024
							TAYLOR ROSALYN W	000TT-00011-09B		2022-2024	404	TORI LYNN HOLDINGS LLC	0000Y-00005-015		2024
							FOWLER HATTIE	000TT-00014-015		2021-2024	1000	DUKES WILLIUM BEATRICE	00308-00002-023		2024
							CARR ADELL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000TT-00013-014		2022-2024	700	MITCHELL RAY ANTHONY			

PROPERTY ADDRESS	CURRENT OWNER	MAP BLOCK	PARCEL	YEAR(s)	PROPERTY ADDRESS	CURRENT OWNER	MAP BLOCK	PARCEL	YEAR(s)	PROPERTY ADDRESS	CURRENT OWNER	MAP BLOCK	PARCEL	YEAR(s)
LINCOLN AVE	1506 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000H-00035-015		2023-2024	PARK LN	517 GENERATIONAL WEALTH LEGACY (VIA TAX DEED) AND EMILION CAPITAL LLC (VIA FC DEED)	000CC-00008-002		2024	SUNNY LN	1621 TRENT OLA MAE ESTATE AND BOOKER TRENT ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000HH-00061-019		2023-2024
LINCOLN AVE	1705 WILLIAMS FREDRICK	0000Q-00044-010		2024	PARKWOOD AVE	HIGHTOWER VERASEE T ESTATE AND TEEMER JANICE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00008-033		2023-2024	SUNNY LN	1631 GREENE ROSIE	000HH-00061-024		2023-2024
LINCOLN AVE	1811 BURNETTE JENNIFER & WIMBERLY GLORIA ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000Q-00046-007		2024	PARKWOOD AVE	619 HIGHTOWER VERASEE T ESTATE AND TEEMER JANICE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00008-032		2023-2024	SUNRISE DR	1638 WILLIAMS LILLIE MAE	000HH-00062-029		2024
LINCOLN AVE	305 LAMAR EUGENE ESTATE (VIA TAX DEED) AND NEALY GERTRUDE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000E-00021-008		2023-2024	PARKWOOD AVE	619 TEEMER JANICE	000BB-00008-047		2023-2024		202	GAY JUANITA E ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00024-012	2024
LINCOLN AVE	502 CARTER ERNEST ESTATE & ANNIE LOU AND ALL HEIRS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000E-00024-010		2022, 2024	PARKWOOD AVE	621 MCGAHEE DELORSE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00008-031		2023-2024	SUNRISE DR	209 HALL LUCILLE H ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00023-025		2024
LINCOLN AVE	508 TEEMER JANICE	0000E-00024-05A		2024	PARTRIDGE DR	703 MCDONALD ROBERT D	00303-00009-010		2024	SUNRISE DR	216 BOSTON WILLIE CLINTON & DORIS VIRGINIA ESTATES	000BB-00024-015		2023-2024
LINCOLN AVE	625 LINDSEY CHARLES S ESTATE & RALPHEEN R ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00019-004		2024	PATROL DR	113 THE MACKIE GROUP LLC	0000Y-00014-44A		2023-2024		218	ALEXANDER PATRICIA DOUGLAS	000BB-00024-016	2024
LINCOLN AVE	807 FORTUNE RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00021-014		2023-2024	PHILLIPS DR	2723 QUALITY PLUMBING & SEWER INC	00306-00001-06G		2023-2024	SUNRISE DR	230 LAMARR BRODIS J ESTATE, LAMARR MYRTICE ESTATE, LAMARR BRODIS JR, LAMARR KENNETH, LAMARR ECTRIMY AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00024-021		2024
LINCOLN AVE	821 JAMES REGINALD DAVID	000DD-00021-007		2023-2024	PHILLIPS DR	2806 THE ALIVE CENTER INC	00364-00020-013		2023-2024		1912	SUDDETHER ALVIN A	00348-00025-003	2024
LINCOLN AVE	923 POPE JOHNINNE LEE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00022-005		2023-2024	PINE AVE	426 PASCHAL MEIKLE & PATRICIA	000AA-00005-027		2024		1001	KES DAY INC	0000U-00030-001	2024
LINCOLN AVE	924 WILLIAMS JOHNNY L ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00025-029		2022, 2024	PINE AVE	533 DEAD FLOWERS LLC	000AA-00003-001		2024		2609	GHAZI 2 CORPORATION	0000X-00007-01A	2023-2024
LIONEL LN	2211 CLAY DALESIA R	0000D-00026-004		2024	PINE AVE	615 NOMI PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00039-012		2023-2024		2302	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000N-00003-018	2023-2024
LIPSEY DR	431 LOTUS CAPITAL LLC	0000D-00030-074		2024	PINE AVE	617 NOMI PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00038-029		2024		205	RANGEL EVA	000BB-00019-074	2024
LOUIS AVE	415 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000A-00033-020		2023-2024	PINE AVENUE	807 SULLIVAN DANNY CARROLL	000DD-00038-015		2024		1002	SCRUGGS SHIANNA & ANTWAN	000FF-00005-011	2024
LOUIS AVE	503 JACKSON LUCILLE B ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000I-00033-014		2022-2024	PINE AVENUE	619 NEWTON NORMAN AND NOMI PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00039-013		2023-2024		1004	SCRJGGS SHIANNA & ANTWAN	000FF-00005-011	2024
LULLWATER RD	2201 EZELL JESSLYN GARBUIT	0000P-00003-001		2024	PINECREST DR	410 JAMES JR AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00039-010		2023-2024		528	MCRRAY KYNARD SR	0000F-00004-035	2023-2024
LULLWATER RD	2917 SMITH ROGER ESTATE & BRENDA SUE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00018-00002-018		2023-2024	PRINCETON DR	2103 HEMS DAJENKA & KAWANDA D & DARYLL K JR	00230-00019-016		2024		613	EIKOU & EIKI GROUP LLC	000FF-00001-06H	2022-2024
MADISON STREET	704 BLAKE ALEX & PATRICIA	000HH-00001-036		2021-2024	PRINCETON DR	2106 CHESTER MELVIN G	00230-00021-007		2019-2024		906	JOHNSON BESSIE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND KNOWN	000FF-00004-015	2023-2024
MAIDENSTONE COURT	2200 RAMBO ORLANDO R & SHAJANDA B	044-2-00001-019		2024	QUEENS RD	1905 DIRKSEN SHERRY LEMOYNE BRENTON ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000D-00008-010		2023-2024		632	DOWDEN INVESTMENTS LLC	000FF-00038-023	2024
MARBURY LN	1710 HARVEY CHLOE	000PP-00003-013		2024	RADIUM SPRINGS RD	1108 JACKSON WILLIE FRANK SR & JACKSON YVONNE WRIGHT	0000Y-00025-003		2023-2024		808	LOVE DEMETRIUS & LISA	000FF-00044-007	2024
MARTIN LUTHER KING J DR	1706 LANE JOE H ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000I-00035-039		2023-2024	RADIUM SPRINGS RD	2003 MOORE JAMES ESTATE & GLENDA AND WHITFIELD LAQUANNA AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00185-00001-03A		2024		709	WALKER NICKY	000FF-00036-007	2024
MARTHUR ST	1633 HOLT JOHNNY L	000HH-00065-023		2022-2024	RADIUM SPRINGS RD	924 WASHINGTON MARK	00001-00012-018		2023-2024		1108	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000N-00027-021	2023-2024
MCCRAY DR	216 SOLOMON DYNASTY LLC (VIA TAX DEED) AND BRITTON OSCAR ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00019-113		2023-2024	RADIUM SPRINGS RD	928 WASHINGTON MARK	00001-00012-19A		2023-2024		1110	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000N-00027-020	2023-2024
MCCRAY DR	220 SOLOMON DYNASTY LLC (VIA TAX DEED) AND BRITTON EMANUEL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00019-111		2023-2024	RELSWOOD TER	1005 JAMES RODRECIUS MONTREL	0000G-00039-012		2023-2024		1113	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000N-00027-028	2023-2024
MEADOWLARK DR	MEADOWLARK DR	000BB-00019-111		2023-2024	RELSWOOD TER	1005 JAMES RODRECIUS MONTREL	0000G-00039-012		2023-2024		1114	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000N-00027-018	2023-2024
MEADOWLARK DR	420 MARBURY LOVIC J ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00305-00011-228		2022-2024	RESIDENCE AVE	814 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	000DD-00030-062		2023-2024		118	LAMAR EUGENE ESTATE (VIA TAX DEED) AND SCOTT GRACE ANETTE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000II-00022-005	2023-2024
MEADOWLARK DR	420 MARBURY LOVIC J ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00305-00011-228		2022-2024	RESIDENCE AVE	909 FORTUNE RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00025-011		2023-2024		306	BRIDGES NAI JA	000CC-00025-017	2024
MELROSE DR	1803 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000P-00013-010		2023-2024	RESIDENCE AVE	921 FORTUNE RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC	000DD-00025-006		2023-2024		417	MILLS SHIRLEY ANN	000CC-00021-007	2024
MELROSE DR	1812 GREYFIELD RESOURCES INC (VIA TAX DEED) AND FRANKLIN AAA HOLDING LLC	0000Q-00009-010		2023-2024	RESIDENCE AVE	923 LOYAL VELVEY & CAZEAU YONIE	000DD-00025-005		2024		926	WADE RICKY	000DD-00025-026	2023-2024
MELROSE DR	1901 TEEMER JANICE	0000Q-00010-009		2024	RILEY ST	913 THE MACKIE GROUP LLC	00001-00015-010		2023-2024			JAMES VERNORIS	00154-00007-006	2023-2024
MERCEDES ST	925 GOBUCKS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FIRM LLC	00001-00012-025		2024	RILEY ST	916 WRING MELVIN AND JASMINE	00001-00016-005		2023-2024		TOLEDO DR	TAYLOR AUSTIN	00154-00007-004	2023-2024
MERRITT ST	304 LAMAR EUGENE ESTATE (VIA TAX DEED), MATHIS KENYA, MATHIS JAN-NEE S AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000C-00013-029		2023-2024	ROADWAY ST	625 DANIELS DEMONE	00012-00002-078		2022-2024		TOLEDO DR	WIDIOY LLC (VIA TAX DEED) AND A1 BRANTLEY SEPTIC	00154-00007-007	2023-2024
MITCHELL AVE	202 HOLMES MIKE	00001-00013-003		2023-2024	ROADWAY ST	415 DRUMMER REGINAL P	00012-00002-079		2024		TOLEDO DR	2247 TAYLOR AUSTIN	00154-00007-003	2023-2024
MITCHELL AVE	302 GREGG DEBORAH ANN	00001-00014-002		2024	ROBINSON AVE	809 ETHRIDGE MICHAEL SCOTT	00001-00006-005		2023-2024		TOLEDO DR	JAMES ULYSEE JR & DOWN L	00154-00007-005	2024
MITCHELL AVE	505 HOLMES FLORENCE A ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00001-00006-04A		2024	ROD AVE	910 EMILION CAPITAL LLC	00001-00017-004		2022-2024		TREMONT AVE	210 HALL CLARA M ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00019-95H	2021-2024
MITCHELL AVE	707 JULIO VICTOR	00001-00004-005		2022-2024	ROD AVE	912 SECURITY INVESTMENTS INC (VIA RAX DEED) AND SHEFFIELD BOB RAY ESTATE AND GLENDA G ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00001-00017-04A		2024		306	MC GEORGIA HOLDINGS LLC	000BB-00025-019	2023-2024
MLK DR	2024 PLATT CHARLIE ESTATE & MARY ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00018-045		2023-2024	ROD AVE	912 SECURITY INVESTMENTS INC (VIA RAX DEED) AND SHEFFIELD BOB RAY ESTATE AND GLENDA G ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	00001-00017-04A		2024		322	HIGHTOWER MELVIN SR ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000BB-00019-94C	2024
MOBILE AVE	1102 SECURITY INVESTMENTS INC	00001-00026-009		2022-2024	ROSEDALE AVE	1000 QUMBLEY CHARLIE	000DD-00014-009		2024		326	MARTIN KEITH THOMAS	00354-00005-009	2024
MOBILE AVE	1305 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	00001-00029-028		2023-2024	ROSEDALE AVE	809 WIDIOY LLC (VIA TAX SALE) AND DIV TAX VENTURE II	000DD-00009-010		2023-2024		221	SEYMORE DANIEL	000II-00005-017	2024
MOBILE AVE	837 LUKE BRANDI LEA	00001-00002-004		2017-2024	S CARROLL ST	200 WALKER WILLIE BELL	000EE-00040-001		2024		1106	LEE TOMMY (VAX TAX INTEREST) AND JOHNSON BESSIE , CARTER EDDIE B JR	00001-00027-06A	2023-2024
MOBILE AVE	917 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	00001-00020-008		2022-2024	S CLEVELAND ST	500 WILLOUGHBY MARK & FREDERICK TYNER NATALIE	000DD-00022-032		2023-2024		837	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	00001-00004-009	2023-2024
MORNINGSIDE DR	87 EMILION CAPITAL LLC	0000Y-00016-016		2023-2024	S CLEVELAND ST	502 WILLOUGHBY MARK & FREDERICK TYNER NATALIE	000DD-00022-033		2023-2024		404	HILL CECILIA ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000RR-00006-003	2024
MOULTRIE RD	604 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000Y-00021-005		2023-2024	S CLEVELAND ST	504 WILLOUGHBY MARK & FREDERICK TYNER NATALIE	000DD-00022-034		2023-2024		501	BRADLEY COREY & PATRICIA	000RR-00010-001	2024
MOULTRIE RD	606 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000Y-00021-004		2023-2024	S DAVIS ST	1102 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	000HH-00022-029		2023-2024		514	DRUMMER GREGORY P & ALFREDIA P	000RR-00009-008	2024
MOULTRIE RD	608 GLOBAL GROUP PROPERTIES INC	0000Y-00021-03A		2024	S DAVIS ST	215 A & A ALBANY GROCERY #2 LLC	000DD-00007-023		2022-2024		1021	DAVIS LYMSOSKI & KESHA	000DD-00036-020	2024
MOULTRIE RD	800 GORDILLO ARMANDO	0000Y-00020-005		2024	S DAVIS ST	504 WARREN ELEANOR ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00019-028		2023-2024		1314	MARSHALL BRANDON & PATRICIA A	000HH-00002-005	2024
MOULTRIE ROAD	200 MOULTRIE YUMONICA	0000Y-00025-012		2023-2024	S DAVIS ST	711 EVERETT FERRECE DEVAUGHN	000DD-00019-010		2023-2024		1514	THE FAITH CENTER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	000HH-00003-001	2024
MULBERRY AVE	1110 HAYES BARBARA	000EE-00025-027		2023-2024	S HARDING ST	109 DAVIS LEON	000DD-00003-08A		2024		333	SINGH ACQUISITIONS LLC	0N301-00005-013	2024
MULBERRY AVE	1111 HAYES CHARLIE MAE ESTATE, MARSHALL BERTA ESTATE, COLE ESTELLE, JOHNSON BESSIE JOYCE, PRESLEY FRANCES, GILCHRIST TIMOTHY, PERSON DENISE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000EE-00025-028		2023-2024	S HARDING ST	204 L C REPAIR LLC	000DD-00007-058		2024		520	CANUGA PROPERTIES LLC	000BB-00002-018	2023-2024
MULBERRY AVE	1113 MARSHALL BERTHA ETAL, COLE ESTELLE, JOHNSON BESSIE JOYCE, PRESLEY FRANCES, HAYES CHARLIE MAE ESTATE, GILCHRIST TIMOTHY, PEARSON DENISE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOW	000EE-00025-28A		2022-2024	S INGLSIDE DR	200 COTTONTAIL RENTALS LLC	000QD-00019-001		2024		533	BRIDGES NAI JA	000AA-00006-001	2024
MULBERRY AVE	1115 COLE, EDDIE ESTATE (VIA TAX INTEREST) AND ALL HEIRS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN & COOK JOHN JR	000EE-00025-029		2023-2024	S JACKSON ST	1701 WRIGHT WILLIE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000I-00035-021		2022-2024		826	HUBBARD ALTRASEY	000DD-00002-051	2023-2024
MULBERRY AVE	1117 COLE, EDDIE ESTATE (VIA TAX DEED) & COOK JOHN JR AND ALL HEIRS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000EE-00025-030		2023-2024	S JACKSON ST	1803 DIMANCHE GOLDONY & THANAELE, JEROME (VIA TAX DEED) AND HILL JOHNNY ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000I-00035-012		2022-2024		509	HARRISON & WALKER PROPERTIES LLC	000EE-00006-010	2021-2024
MULBERRY AVE	1315 PATRICK INVESTMENT CORP	000EE-00023-006		2023-2024	S JACKSON ST	2200 RECESSION PROOF PARTNERS LLC	000BB-00026-004		2023-2024		511	HARRISON & WALKER PROPERTIES LLC	000EE-00006-009	2021-2024
MULBERRY AVE	1407 WALDEN MICHAEL	000EE-00022-004		2022-2024	S JACKSON ST	609 JONES RICHARD ALLEN ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000E-00026-10A		2022-2024		513	HARRISON & WALKER PROPERTIES LLC	000EE-00006-008	2021-2024
MULBERRY AVE	1410 RIMPEL PAUL ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000EE-00030-024		2023-2024	S MADISON ST	1703 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	0000E-00022-016		2024		525	HILLERY WILLIS JR & MCNEIL SHEBA	000EE-00006-004	2023-2024
MUSE AVE	701 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	000CC-00009-005		2023-2024	S MADISON ST	517 POTTEAT ERIC	0000E-00022-016		2024		611	HERNANDEZ FREDDY CHAVEZ	000DD-00018-008	2023-2024
N AUDUBON DR	517 SOUTH MERIDIAN HOMES LLC	00305-00007-005		2024	S MADISON ST	1106 HARRIS PROFESSIONAL CARE (VIA TAX DEED) AND BROWN GEORGE	000HH-00027-036		2023-2024		821	JUBILEE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC	000DD-00016-007	2024
N CARROLL ST	106 LAMAR EUGENE ESTATE (VIA TAX DEED), BRIDGES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000EE-00032-022		2023-2024	S MADISON ST	1300 HOWARD ALFRED	000HH-00045-001		2023-2024		827	ALLEN ROSIE & WATSON ALICE MAE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	000DD-00016-004	2023-2024
N CARROLL ST	203 GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	000EE-00029-011		2023-2024	S MADISON ST	1718 BENYARD WILLIE CLARENCE ESTATE AND ALL HEIRS KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000H-00045-001		2023-2024		1805	GREENLEO RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LLC	000DD-00017-009	2023-2024
N CENTRAL ST	301 WASHINGTON CONSTANCE E	000EE-00024-013		2021-2024	S MADISON ST	1811 CLARK MARY L ESTATE, AS ADMINISTRATOR, AND ALL HEIRS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN	0000I-00034-052		2024		825	PIKE JIMMY G	000DD-00002-006	2024
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Phoebe honors Cynthia Merchant with Lemuel Griffin Service Award

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ALBANY — A community servant who has spent much of her life working to improve the health and well-being of people in the Albany area was honored by the Phoebe Putney Health System with the Lemuel Griffin Community Service Award at a ceremony on Phoebe's main campus. Cynthia Merchant is the second recipient of the award Phoebe created to honor the late Lem Griffin, a long-time chair of the health system's board of directors.

“Like Lem, Cynthia has an impressive decades-long record of community service, and she truly embodies his spirit of service above self,” Board Chair Bruce Melton said. “Our awards committee reviewed some outstanding nominations, but Cynthia certainly stood out as a deserving recipient of this prestigious recognition.”

For the last seven years, Merchant has served as CEO of Horizons – South Georgia’s Cancer Coalition, leading the organization’s work to provide uninsured and underprivileged residents of southwest Georgia access to cancer screenings, education, treatment and other resources. Merchant also founded the anti-poverty organization Strive2Thrive and has a long history of civic involvement, serving as chair of the Albany-Dougherty Economic Development Commission, sitting on the boards of multiple nonprofit organizations and being actively involved with the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club



Special Photo: Phoebe
Phoebe Putney Health System President/CEO Scott Steiner shares a moment with Lem Griffin Community Service Award winner Cynthia Merchant.

and Charity League. She was also the first woman elected to serve on the Lee County Commission.

“Cynthia is a shining example of living your life in constant service to others and placing the needs of others ahead of your own,” Ashley Heredeen, the quality assurance coordinator at Horizons, who nominated Merchant for the award, said. “Cynthia has a vision not only for today, but a vision for the future.”

The intent of the Lem Griffin Community Service Award is to honor one individual each year for their lifetime of volunteerism and service. Each honoree should have made an uncommon impact on southwest Georgia by serving with purpose, solving pressing problems and acting with utmost integrity. The recipient should embody core values that made Griffin the man he was – including generosity, resourcefulness, vision, selflessness, caring and concern.

"It is such an honor to receive this award from both Phoebe and the Lem Griffin family," Merchant said.

“Phoebe Putney encouraged and allowed me to learn about community service first-hand during my career there. For that, I will be forever grateful. Lem exemplified selfless giving, integrity, impeccable leadership and all outstanding qualities of leadership.”

The award comes with a \$10,000 donation made by Phoebe in honor of the recipient to the nonprofit of their choice. Merchant chose Horizons.

“We’re pleased to invest in our community by supporting the causes that are close to the hearts of the Lem Griffin Award winners,” PPHS President and CEO Scott Steiner said. “Phoebe has had a long and productive partnership with Horizons, and we know the organization will use this donation to help reduce the devastating impact cancer has on our community.”

Nominations for the 2025 Lemuel Griffin Community Service Award are now open. To nominate a deserving community servant, go to www.phoebehealth.com/lemgriffinaward.



Special Photo
The Georgia South Family Medicine Residency Program graduated its seventh class recently. Attending the ceremony were Georgia South Family Medicine Program Director Dr. Kirby Smith, graduates Drs. Monica Drummond, Charles Haddad and Bayan Suleiman, along with Associate Program Director Dr. Kayla Batchelor.

Georgia South Family Medicine Residency Program graduates seventh class

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MOULTRIE — Georgia South Family Medicine Residency Program recently graduated its seventh class of residents. The ceremony took place at Ameris Bank Medical Education Center, where graduates were recognized for their accomplishments and presented with diplomas.

The Class of 2025 included Drs. Monica Drummond, Charles Haddad and Bayan Suleiman.

"This is the seventh year that we have had the privilege of honoring our graduating family medicine residents and celebrating the continued growth of graduate medical education in southwest Georgia," Colquitt Regional Hospital President and CEO Jim Matney said. "Georgia South has grown from a vision to a thriving program that not only trains the next generation of physicians, but also meets a critical need for health care access in our region. We are proud of what we have accomplished — and even more excited about what lies ahead."

Drummond, Haddad, and Suleiman began their resi-

dency training in the summer of 2022.

Drummond said he plans to practice outpatient medicine in south Florida. Haddad will practice family medicine at Millennium Physician Group in Jacksonville, Fla. Suleiman plans to practice family medicine in Corpus Christi, Texas.

"It is always rewarding to see our residents graduate and transition into independent practice," Georgia South Family Medicine Residency Program Director Dr. Kirby Smith said. "These physicians have trained tirelessly over the past three years and are more than ready to make a lasting impact in their communities. Whether they stay local or move on to serve elsewhere, we are confident in the quality of care they will provide and the professionalism they will uphold."

Residency is the final step before doctors begin practicing on their own. The three-year program allows its participants to gain knowledge on various specialties by completing focused rotations in areas such as radiology, orthopedics, critical care, practice management, dermatol-

ogy and more. Residents also are given the opportunity to work at the Georgia South Family Medicine Residency Clinic, which allows them to build relationships with their patients.

“Graduate medical education continues to be one of the most impactful initiatives we have ever undertaken,” Hospital Authority Chairman John Griffin said. “Through our residency programs, we are creating a sustainable solution to physician shortages in rural areas and offering high-quality training that prepares doctors for the real-world demands of modern medicine.”

Georgia South also introduced its tenth class of family medicine residents and fourth class of psychiatry residents during its annual Residents Celebration. The incoming family medicine residents include Drs. Allyson Pel, David Green, Melissa Joseph, and Dylan Patel. The new psychiatry residents include Drs. Mailylyn Cruz, Sami Khan and Caleb Rowan.

GEORGIA, DOUGHERTY COUNTY TAX SALE

There will be sold before the courthouse door in Dougherty County, Georgia on the first Tuesday in August in 2025, between the legal hours of sale, for **CASH or CERTIFIED FUNDS** to the highest bidder the following described property to satisfy tax fifa together with interest, penalty, recording and advertising cost, all as provided by Official Code of Georgia, section 48-1-1 et seq., with the owner, the address, the location of the property, the year(s) as follows: For additional information call The Albany/Dougherty Tax Department at 431-3208. Pursuant to Georgia Law, payment will be required within one (1) hour of the completion of the tax sale. **In the event a bid is not properly paid or there is a no sale the property will be re-offered at 2:00 PM on the day of the sale.** To register to bid at the Dougherty County Tax Sale please go to <https://www.gtsweb.com/contact-4> and select Dougherty County from the drop-down menu.

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What to watch TUESDAY

July 22, 2025

All times Eastern. Start times can vary based on cable/satellite provider. Confirm times on your on-screen guide.

‘Trainwreck: P.I. Moms’ Netflix

In 2010, Lifetime commissioned a reality series about a private investigation agency staffed by soccer moms. Everyone thought they had the next big hit on their hands ... until the production crew started to notice something was off. The moms’ investigations kept falling apart, leading to allegations of sabotage. At the same time, a mysterious informant accused the agency’s boss of running an illegal drug operation on the side, abetted by a corrupt cop. For both the series and the drug dealers, it was only a matter of time before things fell disastrously apart.

Shark Week 2025 Continues

Discovery Channel, 8 p.m.

Three new hourlong specials air tonight. First, *Great White Northern Invasion* looks into how great white sharks have found a new home off the shores of Nova Scotia. With the waters now frothing with these predators, interactions with humans are on the rise, and a team of scientists works to uncover the sharkiest locations before there is a fatal attack. Next, in *How to Survive a Shark Attack*, survivor Paul de Gelder attempts the



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unthinkable — getting attacked by a shark again. Under the supervision of experts, Paul provokes sharks to attack him in multiple scenarios, where they bite and tear off prosthetic limbs, to teach lifesaving tactics for surviving an encounter with these predators. Finally, in *Black Mako of the Abyss*, a group of experts try to lure up from the depths what shark tagger Keith Poe saw — an aggressive, 13-foot-long shark with very dark skin — and determine if the creature is a mako, a mutant or possibly a mako/great white hybrid.

The 1% Club FOX, 8 p.m.

A professional mascot, a psychic and a rabbi are among 100 contestants competing for the chance to win up to \$100,000 in the new episode “A Rabbi, a Mascot and a Psychic Walk Into a Bar.” Joel McHale hosts.

America’s Got Talent NBC, 8 p.m.

Take a look back at great Golden Buzzer moments in the talent competition series.

Renovation Resort Showdown

HGTV, 9 p.m. ■ Season Premiere

In “3...2...1...Go!,” with a charge from Scott McGillivray and Bryan Baeumler to create the ultimate destination resort, four teams hit the ground running with a grueling renovation relay race, followed by a week of non-stop designing and building. Bragging rights and points are on the line as four incredible primary bedroom and bathroom reveals are judged.

Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty

PBS, 9 p.m. ■ Series Finale

As Michelangelo (Charles Dance) sets to work on the Sistine Chapel, his rival Raphael (Joshua Duffy) is working on the pope’s private residence nearby. Each man is determined to outdo the other and win the favor of the pontiff. Meanwhile, Raphael unveils the iconic work *The School of Athens*.

Destination X NBC, 10 p.m.

In the semifinal episode, “How’s Your Poker Face?,” the four remaining players each receive cryptic clues. Should they share them or try to figure out Destination X alone? A high-stakes game aboard a yacht determines the finalists, and one player is left out to sea.

Welcome to Plathville TLC, 10 p.m. ■ Season Premiere

The blond, blue-eyed Plath family of 11, who share a passion for music, religion, family life and traditional roles, return for Season 7 beginning tonight.



METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER

CATCH A CLASSIC

Star of the Month: ‘80s Ladies

TCM, beginning at 8 p.m.

Best Actress winner Cher kicks off tonight’s lineup as Turner Classic Movies’ celebration of some of the terrific performances by actresses in memorable 1980s movies continues. She leads 1987’s **Moonstruck**

(pictured), which also stars Best Supporting Actress nominee Olympia Dukakis. After that are **Mystic Pizza** (1988), led by Julia Roberts, Annabeth Gish and Lili Taylor; the TCM premiere of **For Keeps** (1988), with Molly Ringwald; and **Who’s That Girl** (1987), headlined by Madonna, who also cowrote and performed the title tune. Following this lineup, in late night, you can enjoy some more notable female performances in an ‘80s movie with *Fame* (1980), starring Irene Cara and Debbie Allen.

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What to watch WEDNESDAY

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Critical: Between Life and Death

Netflix ■ New Series

With exclusive access, this docuseries embeds 40 cameras across the entire London Major Trauma System for 21 days, following trauma units as they treat the most severely injured, from critical emergencies to the operating room.

Who Wants to Be a Millionaire

ABC, 8 p.m. ■ Season Premiere

Jimmy Kimmel returns for a fourth season as host of the rebooted popular trivia game show, with celebrity contestants Drew Carey, Aisha Tyler, Matt Damon and Ken Jennings appearing in the hot seat.

CATCH A CLASSIC

TCM Spotlight: Mythology Movies

TCM, beginning at 8 p.m.

Turner Classic Movies continues its month-long Wednesday lineups of films based on mythology with four titles, three of which are making their network premieres. Those TCM premiere titles are **Oedipus Rex** (1967), an Italian adaptation of the Greek tragedy by Sophocles; another Italian production, 1969’s **Medea (pictured)**, based on the myth of Jason and the Argonauts and the events in the tragic play by Euripides, with legendary opera singer Maria Callas, in her only film role, as the title character; and **Iphigenia** (1977), the Best Foreign Language Film Oscar-nominated epic drama from Greece based on the myth and a Euripides play about the



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Family Law

The CW, 8 p.m. ■ Season Premiere

In Season 4 of the series, Abigail’s (Jewel Staite) home, work and romantic life are all in flux. Her boyfriend Ben (Benjamin Ayres) has fallen off the wagon, Sofia (Eden Summer Gilmore) has written a devastating essay about her mother’s alcoholism, and Harry (Victor Garber) has passed her over for equity partnership.

MasterChef: Dynamic Duos

FOX, 8 p.m.

The eight duos are halfway through the competition and the challenges are getting tougher by the week. In the new episode “Train to Table,” they face another intimidating team challenge outside of the kitchen, as they must prepare a VIP dining experience aboard a moving steam train.



JANUS FILM UND FERNSEHEN

title character (Tatiana Papamoschou), the daughter of Agamemnon (Kostas Kazakos) and Clytemnestra (Irene Papas), who was ordered by the goddess Artemis to be sacrificed. The last film was written and directed by Michael Cacoyannis, who also directed the film airing after *Medea* tonight: *Electra* (1962), another Best Foreign Language Film-nominated adaptation of a Euripides work based in Greek myth, with Papas as Elektra and Giannis Fertis as Orestes.

Shark Week 2025 Continues

Discovery Channel, beginning at 8 p.m.

Three new hourlong specials air tonight. First, in *Expedition Unknown: Shark Files*, adventurer Josh Gates solves some of the strangest and most disturbing shark mysteries of all time, including the bloody real-life inspiration for *Jaws* and the gruesome case of the tiger shark that vomited up an arm while living in captivity and ultimately helped police solve a murder. Gates returns in *Expedition X: Malpelo Monster Shark*, where he sends Phil Torres and Heather Amaro on their most perilous mission yet — tracking a legendary monster shark lurking in the eerie waters off Malpelo Island, 300 miles off Colombia’s coast. Finally, in *Alien Sharks: Death Down Under*, wildlife biologist Forrest Galante injects himself with shark venom after diving in Australia’s dangerous waters, home to some of the weirdest, most alien-like and deadliest sharks. He hopes the risky experiment will bypass years of red tape and finally discover the potency of the venomous Port Jackson shark and the ghost shark.

Match Game

ABC, 9 p.m. ■ New Series

Martin Short will host this newest relaunch of one of TV’s oldest game shows, featuring contestants attempting to match celebrity answers in a fill-in-the-blank format. In the premiere episode, celebrities include Kevin Nealon, Selena Gomez, BD Wong, Anthony Anderson, Cara Delevingne and Ziwe.

Human Footprint

PBS, 9 p.m.

In “Damned If You Do,” biologist Shane Campbell-Staton travels from ancient aqueducts to modern mega-dams, following our age-old quest to tame water. On a journey down the Colorado River, he discovers how humanity’s thirst for control has reshaped rivers — and civilization itself.

MOVIES YOU’LL LOVE



20TH CENTURY STUDIOS

National Security (2003, Comedy) Martin Lawrence, Steve Zahn **BET, 6 p.m.**

Rambo III (1988, Action) Sylvester Stallone, Richard Crenna **BBC America, 6 p.m.**

The Hangover Part II (2011, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms **TNT, 6:30 p.m.**

All Eyez on Me (2017, Biography) Demetrius Shipp Jr., Danaï Gurira **VH1, 7 p.m.**

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005, Children) Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore **SYFY, 7:30 p.m.**

Checkin’ It Twice (2023, Romance-comedy) Kim Matula, Kevin McGarry **Hallmark, 8 p.m.**

Jack Reacher (2012, Action) Tom Cruise, Rosamund Pike **AMC, 8 p.m.**

The Goonies (1985, Family) Sean Astin, Josh Brolin **Paramount, 8 p.m.**

Big Daddy (1999, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Joey Lauren Adams **VH1, 9:30 p.m.**

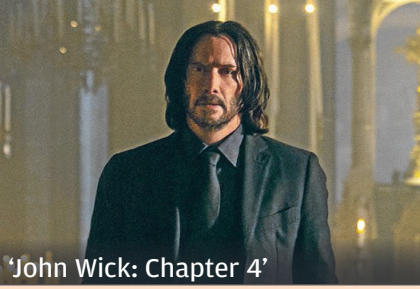
Do You Trust Your Boyfriend? (2021, Suspense) Lawson Greyson, Kendall Cato **LMN, 10 p.m.**

The Goonies (1985, Family) Sean Astin, Josh Brolin **Paramount, 10:30 p.m.**

Daredevil (2003, Action) Ben Affleck, Jennifer Garner **FX, 11 p.m.**

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Jack Reacher (2012, Action) Tom Cruise, Rosamund Pike **AMC, 5 p.m.**

The Perfect Guy (2015, Suspense) Sanaa Lathan, Michael Ealy **BET, 6 p.m.**

Deadpool 2 (2018, Action) Ryan Reynolds, Josh Brolin **FX, 6:30 p.m.**

Monsters, Inc. (2001, Children) John Goodman, Billy Crystal **Freeform, 6:30 p.m.**

50 First Dates (2004, Romance-comedy) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore **VH1, 7 p.m.**

John Wick: Chapter 4 (2023, Action) Keanu Reeves, Donnie Yen **USA, 7 p.m.**

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971, Children) Gene Wilder, Jack Albertson **SYFY, 7:30 p.m.**

Django Unchained (2012, Western) Jamie Foxx, Christoph Waltz **Paramount, 8 p.m.**

My Son Didn’t Do It (2023, Crime drama) Gina Holden, Jason Cermak **LMN, 8 p.m.**

Pearl Harbor (2001, War) Ben Affleck, Josh Hartnett **AMC, 8 p.m.**

Lemonade Mouth (2011, Children) Bridgit Mendler, Adam Hicks **Disney, 8:30 p.m.**

Mr. Deeds (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder **VH1, 9:30 p.m.**

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CLOSE TO HOME John McPherson



Lombard Medical Center's current crop of med students was a particularly enthusiastic bunch.

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GARFIELD Jim Davis



PICKLES Brian Crane



SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

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WHATZIT?

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

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SUDOKU INSTRUCTIONS: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

TODAY'S WHATZIT SOLUTION:

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Patti Varol

ACROSS

1 Sounds from a chicken coop
7 Spew forth, as oil
11 Cleverness
14 Sell every last copy
15 Not for
16 Slip up
17 Film edition typically longer than its theatrical release
19 Female sheep
20 Performing
21 Mardi Gras city nickname
22 Et ___ and others
23 Mine output
24 Big name in nonprescription reading glasses
27 "I inhaled it!"
28 Little kiddos
29 Broadway "Auntie"
32 Courteous
36 Dance venue with a mirror ball
39 Opinion formed when shaking hands, perhaps
42 Scent
43 British baby stroller
44 French head
45 Café au ___
47 Anger
49 Wrestling event with a series of combatants
54 PC "oops" key
57 "Your Friends & Neighbors" actor Jon
58 Insurance co. for mil. families
59 "Inside Out" studio
61 Medium's claim, for short
62 Sister Sledge classic whose second line is "I got all my sisters with me," and a hint to the starts of 17-, 24-, 39-, and 49-Across
64 Sundial three
65 Busy, busy, busy
66 Increasingly rare web access method
67 Surveillance org.

DOWN

1 Set of beliefs
2 Pyramid-shaped hotel in Las Vegas
3 Open, as a knot
4 " Fargo" filmmakers Ethan and Joel
5 Martial art practiced by a panda in an animated franchise
6 Time zone wd.
7 Actress Gal
8 Dad's brother
9 E.B. White's " Little"
10 Punch
11 Little girl, in the Highlands
12 "Crocodile Hunter" Steve
13 Pay for
14 Nav. rank
22 Adept performer
25 Potent prefix
26 Divine beings

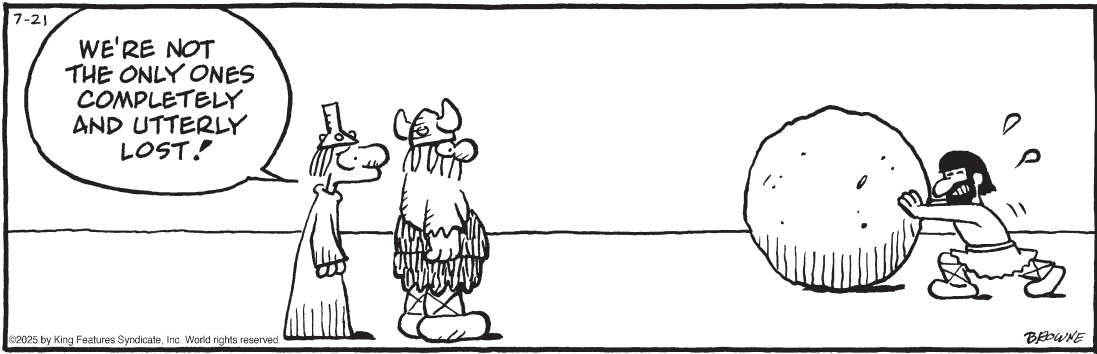
48 Put back together
49 Deutschland river
50 Caravan refuge
51 Sprinter Bolt
52 Small shops
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62 Bundle of dollars
63 HHS agency

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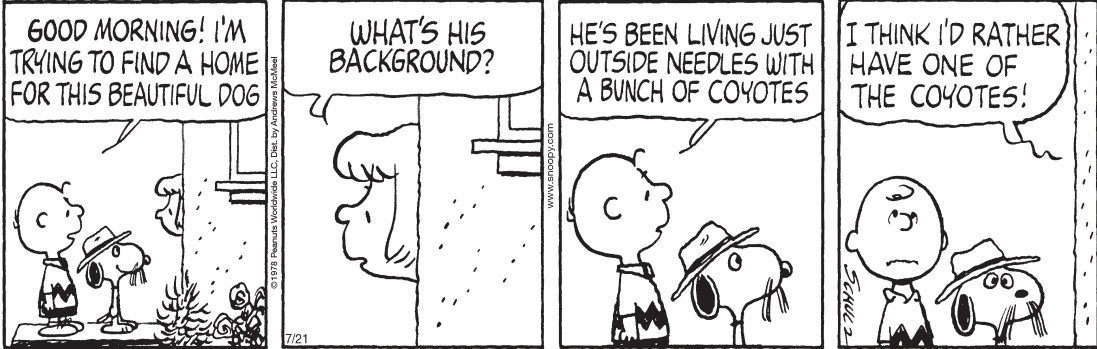
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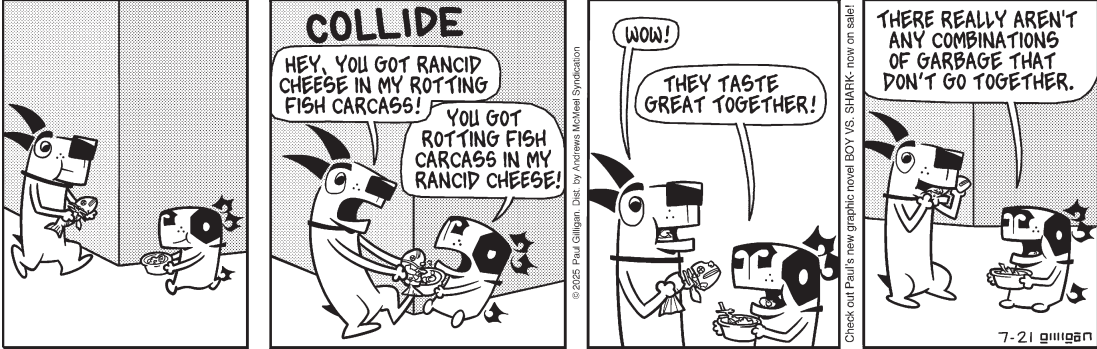
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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

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COFFEE TABLE

Solution: 8 letters

A	E	B	F	L	O	W	E	R	S	W	I	V	E	L
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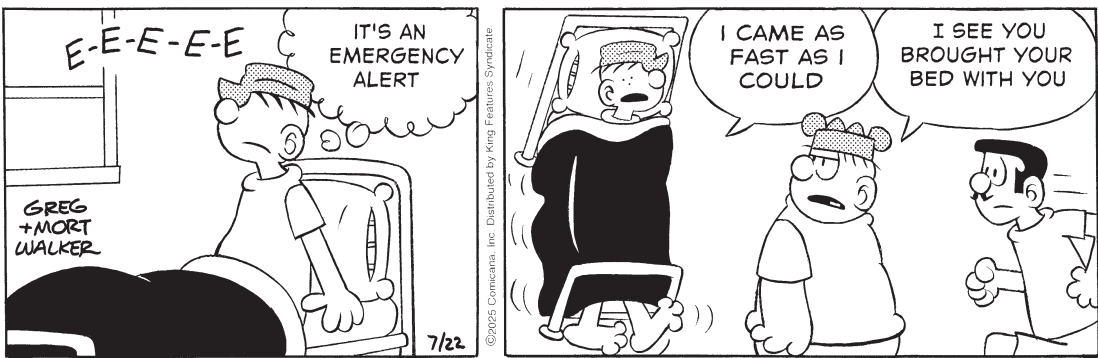
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TODAY'S ANSWER: Beverage

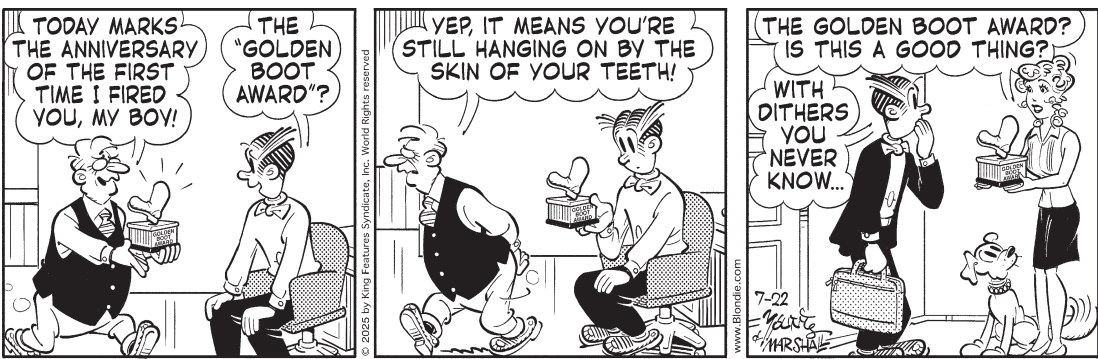
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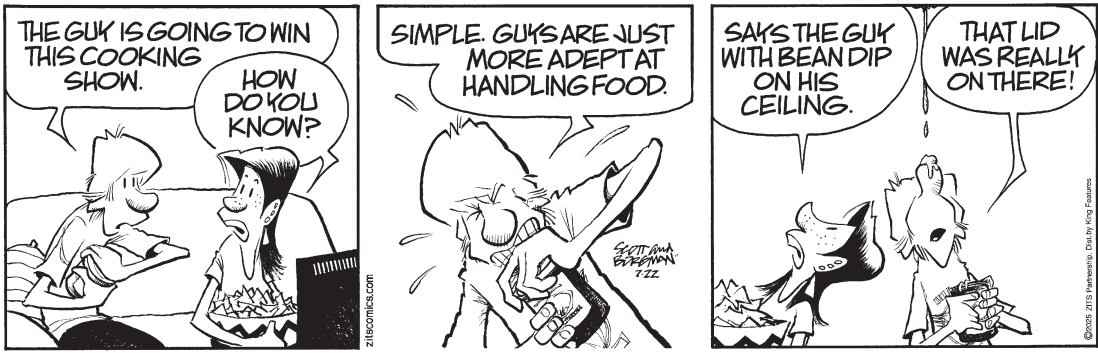
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SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS Bil Keane



CROSSWORD

TODAY'S SOLUTION:

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7 Goof
8 Talk on and on
9 Vegas alternative
10 Bouquet
11 Cornbread
19 School org.
20 Costa del —

22 Country singer — Williams
23 Thunderous sound
24 Timber wolf
25 Sign on a door
26 Dossier
27 Like the Sahara
28 Inlet
29 River in France
31 Droop
34 Small pastry
38 Howl
39 Heavenly beings
40 Excavate
42 Broadcast portion
43 Film genre
44 Altar's place
45 Caps for Scots
46 Dwell
47 "Planet of the —"
48 Heredity unit
49 Compass point
51 DVR button

ACROSS
1 Fitting
4 One and only
8 Support
12 "Go, team!"
13 Help desk client
14 Change the decor
15 Actress — Farrow
16 Coffin stand
17 Soon
18 Soft shoe
20 Keep for later
21 — and feather
22 "Some Like It —"
23 Lucid
26 False belief
30 Smoked salmon
31 Triumph
32 Love god
33 "This won't hurt —!"
35 Kind
36 "— Got a Secret"

DOWN
37 Safe to drink
39 Venomous snake
41 — -a-tat-tat
42 Black cuckoo
43 Dapper
46 Traveler's burden
50 Precious gem
51 Go on
52 Legume
53 "Woe — —!"
54 Up to no good
55 Print measures
56 Sleep
57 Corporate VIPs
58 Harden

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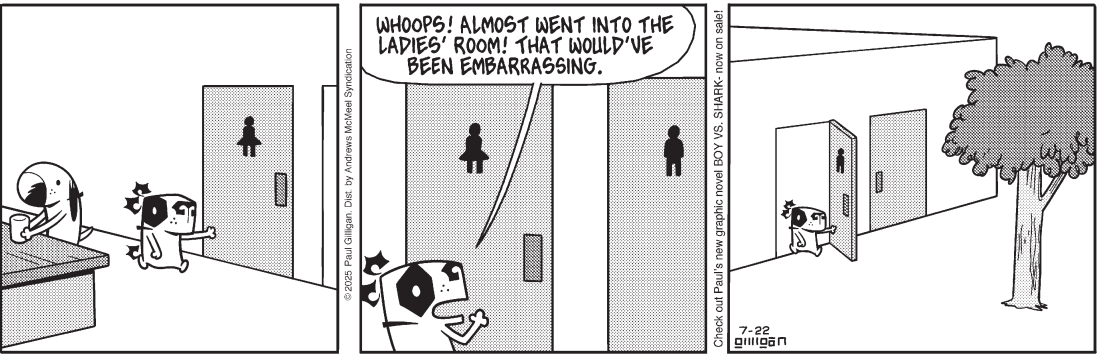
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HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

WEARING A CHEMISE Solution: 8 letters

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Airy, Babydoll, Beauty, Blouse, Breathable, Dainty, Delicate, Elegant, Embroidery, Flatter, Lace, Layer, Length, Lightweight, Linen, Lingerie, Marie Antoinette, Medieval, Model, Neckline, Night, Ruffles, Shape, Sheer, Silhouette, Simple, Sleep, Sleeveless, Slip, Smooth, Style, Sweet, Timeless, Trim, Waist, Wardrobe, Women

TODAY'S ANSWER: Feminine

WHATZIT?

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

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SUDOKU INSTRUCTIONS: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

TODAY'S SUDOKU SOLUTION:

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9	2	1	2	5	8	7	4	6

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Diamond in the rough

Congress Votes

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WASHINGTON -- Here’s a look at how Georgia’s members of Congress voted over the previous week.

Along with roll call votes this week, the House also passed these bills: the Precision Agriculture Satellite Connectivity Act (H.R. 1618) to require the Federal Communications Commission to review certain rules of the commission and develop recommendations for rule changes to promote precision agriculture; the Sinkhole Mapping Act (H.R. 900) to direct the U.S. Geological Survey to establish a program to map zones that are at greater risk of sinkhole formation; and the NTIA Policy and Cybersecurity Coordination Act (H.R. 1766) to establish the Office of Policy Development and Cybersecurity.

The Senate also passed the Illegal Red Snapper and Tuna Enforcement Act (S. 283) to require a standard methodology for identifying the country of origin of seafood to support enforcement against illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing.

HOUSE VOTES:

CYBERSECURITY OF MOBILE NETWORKS: The House has passed the Understanding Cybersecurity of Mobile Networks Act (H.R. 1709) sponsored by Rep. Greg Landsman, D-Ohio, to require a report on cybersecurity and mobile telecommunications networks by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. The vote, on July 14, was 360 yeas to 10 nays.

NOT VOTING: Loudermilk R-GA (11th)

YEAS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), Scott, David D-GA (13th), Greene R-GA (14th), McBath D-GA (6th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

NAYS: McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND REGULATION: The House has passed the Consumer Safety Technology Act (H.R. 1770) sponsored by Rep. Darren Soto, D-Fla., to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to study its potential use of artificial intelligence (AI), as well as ways to use blockchain technology and concerns involving digital tokens. The vote, on July 14, was 336 yeas to 36 nays.

NOT VOTING: Loudermilk R-GA (11th)

YEAS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, David D-GA (13th), Greene R-GA (14th), McBath D-GA (6th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

NAYS: Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS: The House has passed the Communications Security Act (H.R. 1717) sponsored by Rep. Robert Menendez, D-N.J., to authorize the Federal Communications Commission to establish the Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council, which advises the FCC on the security and reliability of communications networks. The vote, on July 15, was 380 yeas to 33 nays.

NOT VOTING: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Carter R-GA (1st)

YEAS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Scott, David D-GA (13th), McBath D-GA

(6th), Jack R-GA (3rd), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th), McCormick R-GA (7th)

NAYS: Clyde R-GA (9th), Greene R-GA (14th), Collins R-GA (10th)

BLOCKCHAIN DIGITAL ASSETS: The House has passed the Digital Asset Market Clarity Act (H.R. 3633) sponsored by Rep. J. French Hill, R-Ark., to assign the Commodity Futures Trading Commission responsibility for most regulation of markets in digital commodities that utilize blockchains, and establish various regulatory requirements for digital commodity markets. The vote, on July 17, was 294 yeas to 134 nays.

YEAS: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), Greene R-GA (14th), McBath D-GA (6th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

NAYS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Scott, David D-GA (13th), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

REGULATING CRYPTOCURRENCY STABLECOINS:

The House has passed the Guiding and Establishing National Innovation for U.S. Stablecoins Act (S. 1582) sponsored by Sen. Bill Hagerty, R-Tenn. The bill would outline standards for federal regulation of stablecoins, which

are digital cryptocurrencies intended to have a relatively static value by tying them to another asset, such as gold or the dollar. The vote, on July 17, was 308 yeas to 122 nays.

YEAS: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Allen R-GA (12th), Clyde R-GA (9th), McBath D-GA (6th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

NAYS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Scott, David D-GA (13th), Greene R-GA (14th), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCIES: The House has passed the Anti-CBDC Surveillance State Act (H.R. 1919) sponsored by Rep. Tom Emmer, R-Minn., to bar Federal Reserve banks from selling products or services directly to individuals, and bar them from issuing a central bank digital currency. The vote, on July 17, was 219 yeas to 210 nays.

YEAS: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), Greene R-GA (14th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

NAYS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Scott, David D-GA (13th), McBath D-GA (6th), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

FINALIZING RESCISSIONS ACT: The House has passed a resolution (H. Res. 590) sponsored by Rep. Virginia Foxx, R-N.C. The vote to pass the resolution and concur in the amendment, on July 18, was 216 yeas to 213 nays.

YEAS: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), Greene R-GA (14th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

NAYS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Scott, David D-GA (13th), McBath D-GA (6th), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

2026 MILITARY BUDGET: The House has passed the

Department of Defense Appropriations Act (H.R. 4016) sponsored by Rep. Ken Calvert, R-Calif., to provide \$832 billion of Fiscal 2026 funding for the military, including increases in spending on building ships, and a so-called Golden Dome for America domestic missile defense effort. The vote, on July 18, was 221 yeas to 209 nays.

YEAS: Loudermilk R-GA (11th), Allen R-GA (12th), Scott, Austin R-GA (8th), Clyde R-GA (9th), Carter R-GA (1st), Jack R-GA (3rd), McCormick R-GA (7th), Collins R-GA (10th)

NAYS: Bishop D-GA (2nd), Scott, David D-GA (13th), Greene R-GA (14th), McBath D-GA (6th), Johnson D-GA (4th), Williams D-GA (5th)

SENATE VOTES:

APPEALS COURT JUDGE: The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Whitney D. Hermandorfer to be a judge on the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Hermandorfer was most recently a strategic litigation director for Tennessee’s attorney general; she has clerked for two Supreme Court justices and two federal courts in Washington, D.C. The vote, on July 14, was 46 yeas to 42 nays.

NAYS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

OVERSEEING FINANCIAL COMPANIES: The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Luke Pettit to be the Treasury Department’s Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions. For the past three years, Pettit had been a policy advisor to Sen. Bill Hagerty, R-Tenn. Previously, he was a Federal Reserve staffer, economist on the Senate Banking Committee, and employee at the Bridgewater Associates hedge fund. The vote, on July 15, was 69 yeas to 30 nays.

NAYS: Ossoff D-GA

YEAS: Warnock D-GA

MILITARY OFFICIAL: The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Anthony Tata to be the Defense Department’s Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness. Tata was an Army officer for nearly three decades, then a public schools official, North Carolina’s Transportation Secretary, and a policy official at Defense during the first Trump administration. The vote, on July 15, was 52 yeas to 46 nays.

NAYS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION: The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Joseph Edlow to be Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at the Homeland Security Department. Edlow, a lawyer, acting director, and deputy director for policy at the agency in the second half of the first Trump administration, had been at the Justice Department, a lawyer in the House, and, for most of the Obama administration, was an Immigration and Customs Enforcement lawyer. Since 2021, The vote, on July 15, was 52 yeas to 47 nays.

NAYS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER AID: The Senate has rejected an amendment sponsored by Sen. Christopher Coons, D-Del., to the Rescissions Act that would have removed \$496 million of funding for international disaster aid from the bill. The vote, on July 16, was 49 yeas to 50 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

PUBLIC BROADCASTING: The Senate has rejected an amendment sponsored by Sen. Tammy Baldwin, D-Wis., to the Rescissions Act that would have eliminated the bill’s cancellation of funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. The vote, on

July 16, was 47 yeas to 52 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

AID TO AFRICA: The Senate has rejected a motion sponsored by Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., to recommit the Rescissions Act to the Senate Appropriations Committee with instructions to restore funding to African countries under the State Department’s Economic Support Fund. Warner said: “Rescinding these economic support and development funds is harmful today, but it is, in the long run, a clear and avoidable catastrophe, one that mortgages our strategic interests, our credibility, and our security.” The vote, on July 16, was 48 yeas to 51 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: The Senate has rejected an amendment sponsored by Sen. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., to the Rescissions Act that would have reduced the amount of cancelled funding for global health programs by \$434 million. Schiff said the amendment was needed “to ensure that funding for HIV, tuberculosis, malaria, and maternal health and nutrition programs remain.” The vote, on July 16, was 46 yeas to 51 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS ON PBS: The Senate has rejected a motion sponsored by Sen. Ed Markey, D-Mass., to recommit the Rescissions Act to the Senate Appropriations Committee with instructions to restore funding for children’s educational programs broadcast on public television stations. Markey said the bill’s cuts “will cause stations that deliver this essential children’s programming to go dark. These cuts will be

especially devastating to millions of children and families in rural and underserved and low-income communities that don’t have access to a high-speed network.” The vote, on July 16, was 47 yeas to 50 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

AID TO EUROPE, ASIA: The Senate has rejected an amendment sponsored by Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, D-N.H., to the Rescissions Act that would have reduced the amount of cancelled funding for aid to European and Asian countries by \$200 million. Shaheen said: “Now is not the time to cut funds that have rebuilt Ukraine’s energy grid, sustained Ukraine’s ability to export agricultural goods, and supported efforts to keep the Ukrainian government accountable to its anti-corruption commitments and reform efforts.” An amendment opponent, Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said there would still be abundant aid to Ukraine, and that the aid fund had been used for numerous dubious programs.

The vote, on July 17, was 49 yeas to 50 nays.

YEAS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA

RESCINDING GOVERNMENT FUNDING: The Senate has passed the Rescissions Act, sponsored by Rep. Steve Scalise, R-La., to withdraw \$9.4 billion of unobligated funding for various government agencies, including the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and about a dozen State Department programs. A supporter, Sen. Eric Schmitt, R-Mo., called the bill a step toward reducing wasteful deficit spending and asserting Congressional control over the budget. An opponent, Sen. Brian Schatz, D-Hawaii, said agreeing to the president’s requested spending withdrawals would be a retreat from Congressional budget authority and would cause harm by reducing support for vital emergency broadcast and public health measures. The vote, on July 17, was 51 yeas to 48 nays.

NAYS: Ossoff D-GA, Warnock D-GA



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Cookies, lemonade reception planned for Albany Museum of Art campers

Staff Reports

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ALBANY — It has been a creative summer at the Albany Museum of Art. On Thursday the museum will celebrate the work of young artists from kindergarten through high school with a special Cookies & Lemonade Art Camp Gallery Reception. The event takes place from 5:30-7 p.m.

“This will be a special evening hosted by our amazing summer camp kids,” AMA Director of Education and Public Programming Annie Van Oteghem said. “Friends, families, and com-

munity members can come together to admire the incredible artwork created by campers all summer long.”

Examples of the artworks created at each of the 11 AMA art camps will be on view in the West Gallery. The camps began the week of Memorial Day and have continued all summer.

“It will be a colorful showcase filled with work from all of our summer camp sessions,” Van Oteghem said. “Each work of art tells a story of imagination, exploration, and personal expression, and we’re so proud to share them with everyone.”

The reception is free and open to the public, she said.

“We hope everyone will come by and enjoy refreshing lemonade and cookies while celebrating the talent and hard work of these young artists,” Van Oteghem said. “It’s a perfect way to close out our summer camp season and highlight the unique voices of every camper who made this summer so special.”

The Albany Museum of Art is located at 311 Meadowlark Drive, adjacent to Albany State University’s West Campus just off Gillionville Road. The museum is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is open to the public 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Admission is free.



Special Photo:

OBITUARY



Dr. Barbara Jean Kupka-Smith

Barbara Jean Kupka-Smith, 66, of Camilla died Thursday, July 17, 2025 at her residence in Camilla.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, July 24 at Parker-Bramlett Funeral Home with private interment to follow.

Born September 27, 1958 in Marshalltown, Iowa. Dr. Kupka-Smith was the daughter of the late Charles James Kupka and Celeste Laurene Hoover Kupka. She was raised in Tama, Iowa and graduated from South Tama County High School in 1977. Dr. Kupka-Smith received her bachelor’s degree at Loras College, her master’s degree at Iowa State, and graduated from Des Moines University College of

Osteopathic Medicine in 1987. She interned at SSM Health St. Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City, OK in 1987-88 and completed her residency at Corewell Health East Beaumont in Farmington Hills, MI in 1988-89. Dr. Kupka-Smith moved to Camilla in 1990 and ran a private practice in Pelham. She was affiliated with Archbold and worked the Emergency Room at Archbold Mitchell until 2021. In May of 2000, she moved to Phoebe Primary Care of Camilla where she worked until her retirement in May of 2025, after 25 years of service. She was an avid Georgia Bulldog fan and enjoyed supporting her children through football, dance and tennis. She supported the arts in multiple areas such as oil paintings and playing flute, where she received first chair in college. As an outdoor lover, she frequented the beach, enjoyed the mountains, loved cats and horses, and shared a love for hunting and fishing with her husband, children and family. Dr. Kupka-Smith was a fighter with a strong will and was a passionate advocate for

her patients. She loved her friends and family full heartedly and deeply.

Survivors include her husband of 30 years, Gerald Ansley Smith of Camilla; son, Connor Ethan Smith (Irene) of Cumming; daughter, Erin Joy Smith of Camilla; four siblings, Susan Davis (Shawn) of Charles City, IA, Joseph Kupka (Rhonda) of Braselton, Thomas Kupka (Colleen) of Fountain Hills, AZ, and Carol Paige (Mark) of Mesa, AZ; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Visitation will be from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 23 at Parker-Bramlett Funeral Home in Camilla.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society (donate.cancer.org) or Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta (give.choa.org).

Parker-Bramlett Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

To sign the online guest registry, visit our website at www.parkerbramlett.com.

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CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos
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“ LVKH IVWHTJG SVH MWP H
JWSZCTJG — OVWRYL, OHSKLWIKM,
ESMKSO MH, STJ S MBSNG WT GLNMH. ”
— TWDCMH VWDYWH
Previous Solution: “What you lack in talent can be made up with desire, hustle and giving 110 percent all the time.” — Don Zimmer
TODAY’S CLUE: M sjenb g
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7 LITTLE WORDS
Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 like cut flowers, eventually (6)	_____
2 songs for several singers (6)	_____
3 very small residence, say (7)	_____
4 what’s in a book’s table (8)	_____
5 speak up (7)	_____
6 without attire (9)	_____
7 give a campaign speech (5)	_____

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Monday’s Answers: 1. FINANCIAL 2. TWINS 3. EDUCATORS 4. TOURISTS 5. DOGGIES 6. SNIPPET 7. BOUNTIFULLY 7/22

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Marx brother known for silent gags
6 Laborious process
10 In style
14 “Rush Rush” singer Paula
15 Uncontaminated
16 Walesa of Poland’s Solidarity movement
17 Burn with steam
18 Recedes slowly
19 ___ Day vitamins
20 Indonesian archipelago now known as the Moluccas
23 “Fiddlesticks!”
26 Targeted, with “at”
27 Thorny garden flowers
30 Mardi Gras, for one
31 Alpo rival
32 Tire inflation abbr.
33 Currency of Montreal and Toronto: Abbr.
34 Fuel additive brand
35 Shake, rattle, and roll at a concert
37 Six-pack in a gym
40 Vietnamese New Year
41 Move like a kangaroo
42 “Enchanted” girl in a fantasy comedy
43 Lab container
45 Absorb, as spilled milk
47 Blown sign of affection
50 Hybrid big cats
51 “Nothing to it!” and what each circled letter literally is?
54 Egg container
55 Soon, to Shakespeare
56 Most suitable
60 Teen sleuth Nancy
61 Diet-friendly, on labels
62 Sculpture trunk
63 Canadian gas brand

DOWN
1 “Everything Changed”: Taylor Swift song
2 Alphabet starter
3 Food stat
4 Some neutron stars and analog watches
5 Seasoned vet
6 Architectural detail, for short
7 Jiffy ___: chain that specializes in oil changes
8 Once around the world
9 Artist’s primer
10 Concealed
11 Reddish brown dyes used in body art
12 Clinched the win
13 Deep divide
21 Trendy place
22 Diet-friendly, on labels
23 R&B legend Redding
24 Frozen food directive
25 Like clothes put out to dry

ANSWER TO TODAY’S PUZZLE:
07/22/25

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By Ed Sessa
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Braves’ pair of solo shots not enough to overcome Yankees

Field Level Media

Aaron Judge homered to move up a notch on New York’s all-time list and the Yankees beat the Atlanta Braves 4-2 on Sunday to win their three-game interleague series.

It was New York’s first series win against Atlanta since 2021, and its first series win on the road since June 10-12 at Kansas City.

Judge hit a solo shot, his 36th, came against Grant Holmes in the first inning. It was Judge’s first homer in Atlanta’s Truist Park, the 32nd major league park in which he has homered.

The blast was the 351st of his career and moved Judge into a tie with Alex Rodriguez for sixth place on the team’s all-time list. Judge went 1-for-4 with a walk on the day.

The winning pitcher was Marcus Stroman (2-1), who worked six innings, his longest stint of the season, and allowed one run on five hits with four strikeouts. In four starts since returning from the injured list, Stroman is 2-0

with a 3.00 ERA.

Devin Williams earned his 14th save.

Holmes (4-9) pitched six innings and allowed three runs on seven hits, two walks and two strikeouts.

The Yankees scored twice in the first inning. Paul Goldschmidt followed Judge’s home run with a two-out RBI single.

New York added a run in the sixth. After third baseman Nacho Alvarez Jr. saved a run with an aggressive throw to the plate to nail Giancarlo Stanton at the plate, Holmes hit Jorbit Vivas with a pitch to force home a run.

Atlanta cut the lead to 3-1 in the sixth on Matt Olson’s 18th homer, a blast measured at 442 feet that landed on the roof of the restaurant in right field and bounced out of the ballpark.

New York got the run back in the seventh when Jazz Chisholm Jr. lined a double to left-center that scored Judge.

Atlanta’s Ronald Acuna Jr. hit his 13th homer in the ninth, a shot to center field that carried 456 feet.



Special Photo: Dale Zanine-Imagn Images

New York Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge rounds the bases after hitting a solo home run in the first inning Sunday at Truist Park. Judge’s 36th homer of the season helped lift the Yankees to a 4-2 win over the Atlanta Braves and a series victory.



Staff Photo: Joe Whitfield

Lee County wide receiver Jaden Upshaw hauls in a one-handed touchdown catch during Thursday’s OTA session against Perry. A four-star prospect in the Class of 2027, Upshaw holds 23 Division I offers — including Georgia, Alabama, Auburn, and Tennessee — before the start of his junior year. Additional photos from Thursday’s work are on AlbanyHerald.com.

Lee County Trojans work against Perry

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor

LEESBURG — Lee County’s football team wrapped up two days of organized team activities (OTAs) against Perry High School this week, gaining valuable summer reps as preparations ramp up for the 2025 season.

The two programs met Tuesday in Perry and again Thursday in Leesburg for a second round of competition.

“It was great work for us,” said Lee County head coach Dean Fabrizio. “Perry has a really good program, and this is, I think, the fifth year in a row we’ve done an OTA with them in July.”

Both teams are coming off playoff seasons and used the padded summer sessions to rotate starters, build depth, and simulate game-like situations without keeping score.

Fabrizio said he was encouraged by the

Trojans’ performance and progress.

“Really pleased with the progress of this team,” he said. “Obviously, we have a lot to work on, but we’ve got some really talented players and we’re excited for the coming season.”

Lee County will host Carver-Columbus in a preseason scrimmage on August 8 before opening the regular season on August 15 at Warner Robins.

Georgia commit Seven Cloud charged with domestic battery

Field Level Media

High-profile JUCO recruit and University of Georgia commitment Seven Cloud has been charged with domestic battery, according to the Butler County Times-Gazette.

The top junior college prospect in the 2026 class, according to 247Sports, Cloud

is a 6-foot-4, 300-pound defensive lineman for Butler County Community College and a product of Powder Springs, Georgia.

Cloud is accused of knowingly causing “physical contact with another person in a rude, angry or insulting manner” with a romantic/domestic partner.

At a recent hearing on July 14, the JUCO All-American was charged with a Class B

misdemeanor, stemming from the April 20 incident. Cloud is also facing additional misdemeanor charges of criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct, both designated as domestic violence offenses.

Cloud was recruited by several major programs, including North Carolina, Auburn, LSU and Kentucky before choosing the Bulldogs.

Lea Henry’s 41st camp is complete

By Joe Whitfield
Sports Editor

ALBANY — The basketballs echoed once again through the halls of W.T. Henry and Grace gyms at Deerfield-Windsor as more than 300 young athletes packed the courts for the 41st annual “Camp of Champs,” hosted by Olympic gold medalist Lea Henry.

Held over the past two weeks, the long-running summer camp welcomed boys and girls ages 5 to 16 from across southwest Georgia. Campers rotated through skill stations each day, learning fundamentals from an experienced staff before squaring off in games that were as fun as they were competitive.

“We had a wonderful two weeks of basketball camp,” Henry said. “Our staff worked hard to make sure the 300 campers not only had a great time, but learned about the game and how to be good teammates. It is so neat to see boys and girls ages 5–16 all together for camp.”

See **CAMP**, 14A



Staff Photo: Joe Whitfield

Anderson Mathis stretches toward the basket for two points with Joseph Hatcher on defense during Thursday’s final day of work in the 41st annual Lea Henry “Camp of Champs,” which was held at Deerfield-Windsor. More than 300 young athletes took part in the two weeks of activities. Additional photos from the camp are on AlbanyHerald.com.



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Ole Miss freshman Corey Adams killed in shooting

Field Level Media

Ole Miss freshman edge rusher Corey Adams was shot and killed in Cordova, Tenn., late Saturday night. He was 18. The Shelby County Sheriff's Office said Sunday that it was investigating a shooting that occurred outside of a residence around 10:14 p.m. on Saturday night. Five men were shot, with four of the victims listed in non-critical condition. Deputies performed life-saving measures on Adams, until Shelby County Fire personnel arrived and pronounced him deceased on the scene. There is now an active homicide investigation into the case. "We're heartbroken by the passing of Corey Adams. Our

thoughts are with his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him," Ole Miss wrote in a social media post. The program shared a statement on his passing below that. "We are devastated to learn that Corey Adams, a freshman on the team, passed away last night in Cordova, Tennessee. While our program is trying to cope with his tragic loss, our thoughts are with his loved ones during this incredibly difficult time," the statement read. "Out of respect for his family, we will not be commenting further at this time. We ask the Ole Miss community to keep Corey in their thoughts and respect the privacy of everyone involved."



Photo from Ole Miss football
Corey Adams was a three-star recruit in the Class of 2025 and played high school football at Edna Karr in New Orleans.

Falcons' Ray-Ray McCloud says Atlanta is built for Super Bowl run

From Pro Football Network

As the host of the Pre-ESPY Charity Celebration in Hollywood, Atlanta Falcons wide receiver Ray-Ray McCloud III wasn't just making an appearance -- he was making a statement. McCloud, who played in Super Bowl LVII with the San Francisco 49ers before signing with Atlanta in 2024, is entering his seventh NFL season with a renewed sense of belief, and he's not shy about where he thinks the Falcons are headed.

The 28-year-old speedy wideout and returner spoke with PFSN's Taylor Hartman for an exclusive interview that touched on football, music, legacy, and more.

Ray-Ray McCloud Believes the Falcons Are Built for a Super Bowl Run

When asked how he thinks the Falcons stack up against the rest of the league and what excites him most about second-year quarterback Michael Penix Jr., McCloud didn't hesitate.

"Boy, I'm excited, and I'm not gonna be surprised by any of it," McCloud told PFSN. "I've watched [Penix] every day for the last year at practice, and I'm just ready to see him go into an experienced year, a polished year, and see how it goes -- go all the way to the Super Bowl."

McCloud is expected to reprise his role as Atlanta's No. 3 receiver after a career-best season in 2024 in which he recorded 62 receptions for 686 yards.

With Penix having a full offseason to prepare as the Falcons' starter and a supporting cast that includes Bijan Robinson, Drake London, Darnell Mooney, Kyle Pitts, and himself, McCloud sees a team that's ready to contend as soon as this season.

Falcons WR Reflects on Charity, Community, and Giving Back

The Pre-ESPY Charity Celebration was held at Sun-

set Room Hollywood and raised funds for victims of the Eaton Fire in Altadena, CA. For McCloud, the event was more than a red-carpet moment, it was a reminder of what matters.

"Just the opportunity to put joy in someone's life," McCloud told PFSN. "Times is hard, [so it's nice] to smile with things like this. Just doing this, having the opportunity to give back to all the people. Just seeing everything that went on, it's a reminder that life can be taken, opportunities can be taken."

McCloud hosting the event was both personal and purposeful. He's long been involved in community work, and his commitment to showing up for others continues to define his off-field legacy.

McCloud Teases New Music and Creative Collaborations

Known on stage as "Ray-Ray," McCloud also performed at the event, giving fans a taste of what's next in his music career.

"I got my artists going up with me as well," McCloud said. "It's just vibes, you know what I'm sayin'? Some of this music is not even out yet."

His single "Stand On It" is set to release on August

14, following the success of his EP "Stars Amongst Stars." With a distribution deal through Virgin Music and placements on BET soundtracks, McCloud's music career is quickly gaining traction.

As CEO of Legend Tribe Entertainment, McCloud leads a roster of five emerging artists. Also, he recently landed a supporting role in a major studio film that is set to release in 2026, and his Paris-crafted eyewear line PRCPSHONis is set to launch later this year as well. And during Super Bowl LIX, he made waves at the GQ Bowl Fashion Show by wearing a custom Bode Rec design.

When asked how his legacy has evolved as he branches into music, film, and fashion, McCloud kept it raw and real.

"Life is about leaving a legacy. Do what you want," McCloud said. "At the end of the day, we all gotta go, and we all gonna have our day, and so just put it all on the table."

Whether catching passes, returning kicks, performing on stage, or turning heads with his fashion designs, McCloud is chasing greatness in every lane.



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Scottie Scheffler tees off on the 12th hole during the final round of The Open Championship on Sunday in Portrush, Northern Ireland. Scheffler shot a 3-under-par 68 to win his first Open title by four strokes.

Scottie Scheffler cruises to win at Open, captures third leg of Grand Slam

Field Level Media

Scottie Scheffler completed another dominant week with a 3-under-par 68 to win his first Open Championship by four shots on Sunday in Portrush, Northern Ireland.

The best golfer in the world since 2022, Scheffler notched his 17th career PGA Tour victory and his fourth since May, a run that included the PGA Championship. Boosted by a 64 on Friday, Scheffler finished all four days in the 60s to post a 17-under 267.

Scheffler, 29, won his fourth major since the 2022 Masters and joined the likes of Jordan Spieth and Phil Mickelson as players one leg away from the career Grand Slam. Like Mickelson, Scheffler is only missing the U.S. Open.

Harris English won the race for second place, recording an eagle and back-to-back birdies over his last seven holes to shoot 66. Chris Gotterup -- who won the Scottish Open last week just to get into the field at Royal Portrush -- placed third at 12 under after a 67.

Wyndham Clark made eight birdies en route to a 65 to climb to 11 under, tied for fourth with England's Matt Fitzpatrick (69) and China's Haotong Li (70). Clark's finish was similar to that of Bryson DeChambeau, whose bogey-free 64 early in the day boosted him to 9 under.

Rory McIlroy, meanwhile,

saluted the Northern Ireland crowds singing his name as he walked down the 18th fairway. A double bogey at No. 10 stymied any chance he had of pursuing Scheffler, but McIlroy shot 69 and tied Xander Schauffele (68) and Scotland's Robert MacIntyre (67) at 10 under.

Scheffler set the tone for the day at the first hole. He missed the fairway, continuing a mediocre week with his driver, but his approach from the rough caught a ridge on the green and trickled down to the cup for a 16-inch birdie tap.

Four holes into his round, Scheffler had grown the lead to an insurmountable seven strokes. Playing partner Li had birdied No. 1 but bogeyed Nos. 2 and 4 -- he'd totaled just three bogeys Thursday through Saturday -- while Scheffler birdied again and the rest of the field seemed

stuck in neutral behind them.

Scheffler's misfire at the par-4 eighth kept him from running away with the Claret Jug too soon. His first attempt to get out of a fairway bunker caught the top lip and stayed in. He needed four shots to reach the green and two-putted for double bogey, dropping to 15 under.

Around that time, Gotterup made his third birdie of the day to move to 11 under. But Scheffler immediately bounced back with a 5-foot birdie putt at No. 9.

The Texan added a birdie at No. 12 and parred everything the rest of the way, missing chances to extend the lead even further. It didn't matter to Scheffler as he embraced caddie Ted Scott after tapping in his last par at No. 18, before raising both fists into the air and tossing his hat in celebration.



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Eli Willits, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2025 MLB Draft, sprints out of the batter's box during his senior season at Fort Cobb-Broxton High School in Oklahoma. The Washington Nationals signed the 17-year-old shortstop to a record \$8.2 million bonus on Saturday

Nationals sign No. 1 overall pick Eli Willits to \$8.2 million bonus

The Washington Nationals signed first overall draft pick Eli Willits to an \$8.2 million bonus on Saturday.

The bonus amount is a record for a high-school player. The old mark was the \$8.19 million Jackson Holliday received from the Baltimore Orioles in 2022.

Willits, a shortstop who doesn't turn 18 until December, doesn't plan on it taking long to reach the majors.

"I've set a goal to be in the big leagues by the time I'm 20, and that's something I'm really excited to do," Willits said during a news conference. "Hopefully, I get out there and start playing well and that can be something I can accomplish in the next few years."

Willits took batting practice prior to the Nationals' Saturday game against the San Diego Padres. He will travel to West Palm Beach, Fla., on Sunday to begin workouts. No decision has been made on which level he will begin his pro career.

The switch-hitter batted .473 with eight homers, 34 RBIs and 47 steals this season for Fort Cobb-Broxton High in Oklahoma.

Willits is the son of Reggie Willits, who batted .258 with 58 RBIs in 414 games with the Los Angeles Angels from 2006-11.

Willits is the third player to be the No. 1 overall pick for the Nationals since the franchise moved to Washington for the 2005 season. The others were Stephen Strasburg (2009) and Bryce Harper (2010).

Moving the Chains: Catch

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The sound of a ball hitting a glove between father and son is the soundtrack of summer.

Growing up, it didn't cost a lot of money to have a good time. You might say that my childhood was a forerunner of the KISS principle.

Keep it simple, stupid. The simpler the better.

Here are just a few examples from when I was a boy, when I was able to spend my free time:

- In my room absorbing every last detail of the latest issue of Spiderman, then dreaming throughout the night that one day, I too, would be bitten by a radioactive spider.

- Trading baseball cards with friends, once even getting a Sandy Koufax rookie card for just giving up two Rocky Colavito's and a Boog Powell, which I still think of as the best trade in the history of baseball card collecting.

- Going outside to catch tadpoles in the creek during the day -- and then trapping lightning bugs in a jar at night.

- Drawing a circle in the dirt and shooting marbles until a blood blister on the back of my right thumb screamed for a band-aid.

- And my favorite of all, playing catch with a baseball in the back yard with my dad. I always wore my leather Louisville Slugger glove -- the 'Ma-



Scott Ludwig

gician' model -- while dad just used his bare hands.

I would like to think I was successful in passing on some of the simpler things to our two boys. I still remember them:

- Shooting free throws in the driveway late at night, with the street light at the far end of our street providing the only hint of light.

- All bundled up and playing outside in the snow that first Christmas with Magic, our black lab puppy, who was utterly fascinated with whatever that white stuff was that fell from the sky.

- Sitting in front of the television watching the antics of their favorite cartoon superheroes, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, and dressing up like their favorites -- whichever two wore the orange and purple headbands.

- Catching lizards in the backyard and bringing them inside the house to terrorize their fa-

vorite target, dear old mom.

- Dressing up at Halloween and going door-to-door-to-door until their pillow cases were either overflowing or before it turned pitch black outside -- whichever came first.

My favorite of all, of course, is when one of them asked me to play catch with them in the front yard. I always wore that same leather Louisville Slugger glove -- the 'Magician' model -- that I'd held onto since I was a boy playing catch with my own dad.

After our sons grew up, I didn't play catch for a long time. That is, until one of them produced a son of their own.

However, now that our grandson is just about grown as well, it's probably time for me to put up my old leather Louisville Slugger glove -- the 'Magician' model -- for the last time.

Here's the thing about the simple things -- trading baseball cards, chasing lightning bugs, and playing a game of catch. They all come -- almost poetically -- with a catch of their own.

That is to say, that life is always going to be a victim of time. Eventually those simple things -- those we almost take for granted -- will one day come to an end.

And if you don't already know this, prepare yourself.

Because there's no way of knowing how much you're going to.

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A former Team USA stand-out who won gold at the 1984 Olympics, Henry recently retired as the athletic director for Dougherty County Schools. But even with more time now to enjoy the golf course and sandy beaches, she has no plans to step away from the summer camp that has become a local tradition.

"Greg and I are so appreciative to Deerfield-Windsor for allowing us to continue to host camps at the W.T. Henry and Grace gyms," she said. "Always a special two weeks for us. Already looking forward to year 42."