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## Winter storm watch in effect

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A group of Moravia Junior High School students were to come to Lime Hollow Nature Center today to learn primitive fire building, snow sculptures, first aid, tracking and other winter survival skills.

They may need to put what they learned to use quickly.

The National Weather Service posted a winter storm watch beginning

at 7 a.m. today and continuing until 7 a.m. Wednesday. The watch area includes southern Cayuga County and all of Cortland, Onondaga, Madison, Chenango and Broome counties.

Three to 6 inches of snow are possible, according to the weather service.

Perhaps more troublesome will be the wind and frigid weather that follows, according to the National Weather Service.

Gusts are expected to reach 35 mph as dangerous wind chills stretch through Thursday.

As temperatures fall and wind speeds increase Wednesday morning, wind chills will dip to about 10 degrees below zero during the day and continue to fall to negative 20 overnight.

Temperatures are forecast to fall to 3 degrees tonight and not climb above 11 on Wednesday before dipping to negative 7 Wednesday night.

The high Thursday is expected to reach only 7 degrees, followed by negative 5 overnight.

After a high of 14 degrees Friday, the high Saturday will be 25 followed by a relatively warm 40 on Sunday as the cold spell is expected to break.

Travel may be very difficult, especially for the evening and morning commutes Wednesday, according to the severe weather alert.

Glenn Reisweber, executive director of Lime Hollow Nature Center, said the skills he will teach can be used by anyone in winter weather.

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Jacob DeRochie/contributing photographer

Eric Flynn, an employee at David Yaman Realty Services and resident of the Crescent Commons building, stands next to a century-old fire door in the building at 165 Main St. Many historic features were saved in the renovation of the former corset factory, including the fire doors and a brass hand railing for stairs.

## They're filling up fast

80 percent of units rented at new Crescent Commons

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David Yaman sees the work at a century-old building on Main Street like a painting on canvas — the design may be tedious, but the payoff is worth it.

For four years, work has been going on both behind the scenes and on the forefront for the former Crescent Corset Co. factory. Renovations are done and properties owners are on to the next step — filling the building with tenants.

“We’re actually complete with phase one and two,” said Yaman, owner of David Yaman Realty Services, and co-owner of the former Crescent Corset Co. factory now known as Crescent Commons.

There are 47 apartment units — both one and two bedrooms — as well as four office suites and a 9,700-square-foot area within the Crescent Commons building at 165 Main St.

Eighty percent of the apartments have been rented out since August, said Michael La Flair, director of marketing and community relations with Housing Visions of Syracuse. Housing Visions is partnered with Yaman on the \$16.5 million project.

The apartments are upscale loft-style, Yaman said. Monthly rents start around \$950, and Yaman expects to have the remaining apartments filled by the end of February.

The project has created a supply of market-rate housing, which has been lacking in Cortland, said Garry VanGorder, executive director of the Cortland County Business Development Corp. and Industrial Development Agency.

VanGorder said the success Yaman has had in filling the space proves people are looking for the affordable space in Cortland. and it’s not just people in Cortland, VanGorder said it is also people from Tompkins County who commute; employees at SUNY Cortland; and even employees at Guthrie Cortland Medical Center.

The project also made use of a building in distress. “It was a couple of bad winters away from being a pile of bricks,” VanGorder said.

The whole project was a huge shot in

the arm for the community, VanGorder said. “It’ll help stabilize the neighborhood.”

Eric Flynn, an employee of David Yaman Realty Services, lives in an apartment at Crescent Commons. He likes the functionality of the layout with an open kitchen that allows for conversation with guests in the living room area.

Flynn, originally from Syracuse, joined Yaman while the building was well underway. “How can you not fall in love with the building,” he said.

Part of the payoff Yaman likes is being able to bring a turn-of-the-century building back to use. “If we didn’t do this, it’d be a big burden to the community,” he said.

Crescent Commons was originally the Crescent Corset Factory built in 1923, where Lady Luke corsets were made for the JC Penney department store chain. The site is listed on both the state and national registers of historic places.

In 2015, Yaman joined with Housing Visions Unlimited to transform the property into joint office and apartment space.

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## DOJ: Russia probe ‘close’ to done

WASHINGTON (AP) — The special counsel’s Russia probe is “close to being completed,” the acting attorney general said in the first official sign that the investigation may be wrapping up.

Acting Attorney General Matthew Whitaker’s comments Monday were a departure for the Justice Department, which rarely comments on the state of the investigation into whether President Donald Trump’s campaign coordinated with Russia during the 2016 presidential election.

“The investigation is, I think, close to being completed,” Whitaker said Monday at the end of an unrelated news conference in Washington. He said he had been “fully briefed” on the probe.

Whitaker did not elaborate or give any timetable for the end of a nearly two-year investigation.

So far, special counsel Robert Mueller has charged 34 people, including several close to the president. But he has yet to accuse anyone close to the Trump campaign of conspiring with the Kremlin to help Trump win the election.

Whitaker, who is seen as a Trump ally, took over the Justice Department — and oversight of the Mueller probe — after Jeff Sessions resigned as attorney general in November at Trump’s request.

Whitaker has drawn criticism for not recusing himself from the Russia investigation, even though he has publicly criticized it in the past. A top Justice Department ethics official advised him to step aside out of an “abundance of caution,” but Whitaker declined to do so.

According to Justice Department regulations, Mueller has to provide a report to the attorney general at the conclusion of his investigation laying out his prosecution decisions.



Whitaker

## Search warrant attempt triggers Houston shooting; 5 officers hurt

HOUSTON (AP) — It started as an attempt to serve a search warrant at a suspected drug house and quickly turned into a gun battle that killed two suspects and injured five officers, including four who were shot, Houston’s police chief said.

The suspects were killed Monday after firing at narcotics officers who were trying to enter a home on the city’s southeast side where authorities allege black tar heroin was being sold, Chief Art Acevedo said. Four of the officers were shot and a fifth suffered a knee injury.

Acevedo said two of the officers who were shot were hit in the neck by gunfire and were in critical but stable condition at a Houston hospital.

“We’re hopeful that they will recover,” Acevedo said.

Two other officers, including the one who injured a knee, were in good condition at the hospital Monday night. Another officer who was shot was released after being treated for a shoulder wound.

Acevedo didn’t immediately have additional information about the suspects. The names of the injured officers were not immediately released.

The chief said a group of about a dozen officers with the Houston Police Department’s narcotics unit were attempting to serve the warrant when they forced open the home’s front door and immediately faced gunfire from one or two individuals. He said officers had gotten a tip from a neighbor that the heroin was being sold there.

“Once the officers breached the door

and the gunfire began from the suspects, one of the suspects actually retreated momentarily to the back of the room and then that suspect came back and again engaged the officers in gunfire,” Acevedo said.

It was not immediately known how many officers returned fire but the two suspects were later found dead after SWAT officers used two robots to go into the home and determine that it was safe to enter after the gunfire stopped.

“This has been a tough day for our city,” said Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner. “Pray for (the injured officers) and pray for their families.”

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said in a statement that the shooting was a “solemn reminder” of the service and sacrifices made by officers.



Mark Mulligan/Houston Chronicle via AP

Officers listen to Houston Police Chief Art Acevedo outside of the emergency department at Memorial Hermann Hospital after he visited injured officers Monday in the Texas Medical Center.

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## Weather

### Local

**Rest of today:** Cloudy. A chance of snow. Accumulation up to 4 inches. Highs around 30.  
**Tonight:** Cloudy. Snow. Accumulation up to 6 inches. Lows near zero.  
**Wednesday:** Mostly cloudy. A chance of snow showers. Highs 5 to 10 above. Wind chill values as low as 22 below.  
**Wednesday night:** Cloudy Lows 5 to 10 below.

### Temperatures

January 28-29			
9 a.m.	3	6 p.m.	18
10 a.m.	9	7 p.m.	16
11 a.m.	12	9 p.m.	23
Noon	16	Mid	27
1 p.m.	18	3 a.m.	23
2 p.m.	19	5 a.m.	21
3 p.m.	19	7 a.m.	23
4 p.m.	21	8 a.m.	23

### City Snowfall

January 28-29	Trace
Season to date	56 inches

### Extended

**Thursday:** Partly sunny. Highs around 5 above. Wind chill values as low as 30 below.  
**Thursday night:** Partly cloudy. Lows zero to 5 below. Wind chill values as low as 20 below.  
**Friday:** Partly sunny. Highs 10 to 15.  
**Friday night:** Mostly cloudy. Lows zero to 5 above.  
**Saturday:** Partly sunny. Highs in the lower 20s.  
**Saturday night:** Mostly cloudy. Lows 10 to 15.

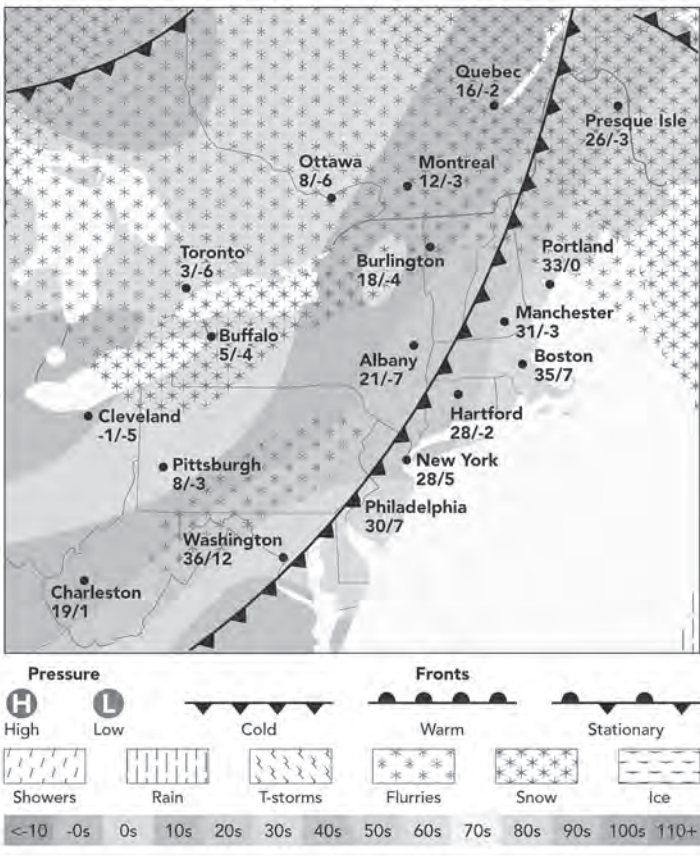
### Skies Today

Tuesday, January 29, 2019	
Sunset today	5:13 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	7:22 a.m.
Normal high temperature	30
Normal low temperature	13
Average temperature	22
New moon	February 4

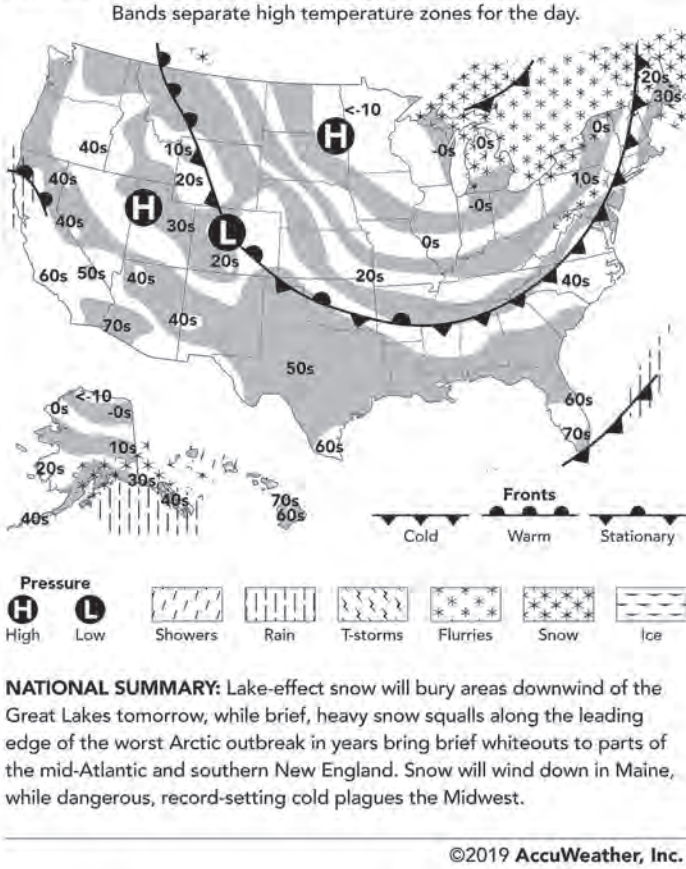
### Precipitation

January 28-29	0.01 inches
Month to date	3.75 inches

Forecast for Wednesday, January 30, 2019



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## Lottery Winners

ALBANY (AP) — Here are the winning numbers selected Monday in the New York State Lottery:  
**Numbers:** Midday: 9-5-7, Evening: 2-4-3; **WinFour:** Midday: 3-7-5-2, Evening: 4-0-6-5; **Pick 10:** 2-9-11-12-16-22-24-25-33-34-46-49-56-59-64-70-71-74-76-80; **Take Five:** 8-12-35-36-39; **Cash-4Life:** 22-24-26-42-51. Cash Ball: 3

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# Records

# New York Legislature expected to pass gun-control bills today

By CHRIS CAROLA  
Associated Press

ALBANY — The Democrat-controlled New York Legislature today is set to pass several bills aimed at making the state's already tough gun laws even stricter.

At least eight measures are expected to pass the Assembly and Senate, including legislation to prohibit schools from allowing teachers and other school employees to carry guns in schools.

Lawmakers passed Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo's Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act in early 2013, when Republicans controlled the Senate. The tougher gun laws known as the SAFE ACT passed just weeks after the mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut.

With Democrats now in control of the Senate as well as the Assembly, another round of gun-control legislation is expected to easily pass in Albany.

"We are taking action that will keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people, ensure safe storage of guns, keep our schools safer and give law enforcement the proper tools to help stop this growing gun crime epidemic," said Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, a Yonkers Democrat.

Tom King, president of the New York State Rifle and Pistol Association and a National Rifle Association board member, called the measures "disingenuous" and said they would only hurt people who adhere to current firearms laws.

"It's a violation of their Second Amendment rights and these are lawful gun owners who are not committing the crimes," King said.

## Doctor in trouble after prescribing pot to boy, 4

By SOUMYA  
KARLAMANGLA  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — A Hollywood physician has lost his medical license after recommending that a father give his 4-year-old son marijuana cookies to control temper tantrums, according to California's medical board.

Dr. William Eidelman, a natural medicine physician, improperly diagnosed the boy with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and bipolar disorder before recommending marijuana as the treatment, the medical board said in a decision announced last month.

Eidelman's license was revoked as of Jan. 4, but he maintains that it is active and he continues to practice.

The penalties against Eidelman stem from his treatment of

a young boy who was misbehaving in school and brought to the doctor's office by his father in September 2012, according to the medical board report.

Much of Eidelman's practice centers on writing letters for patients to obtain medical marijuana, which he said he began doing in 1997, shortly after the state first legalized the drug for medical use.

After a 30-minute visit with the boy and his father, the doctor wrote in his chart that the child had a "probable combination of ADD/ADHD and bipolar disorder" and should "try cannabis in small amounts in cookies," according to the medical board's decision.

The boy appeared nervous and agitated but not "abnormal," according to an interview with the doctor that was included in

## State lawmakers ease statute of limitations for molestation

ALBANY (AP) — After years of frustration and failed attempts, survivors of childhood sexual abuse prevailed Monday in Albany when lawmakers overwhelmingly voted to loosen one of the nation's tightest statutes of limitations on molestation to give victims more time to seek criminal charges or file lawsuits.

The measure, known as the Child Victims Act, would also create a one-year litigation window for victims to file lawsuits now barred by the statute of limitations. Gov. Andrew Cuomo, a Democrat, has said he will sign the measure into law.

Long a priority for abuse victims and their advocates,

the bill was blocked for years by Republicans in the state Senate. That changed last fall when Democrats won a Senate majority and the chamber's new leader made good on her promise to put the bill to a vote. When the roll was called, the vote in the Senate was unanimous, with every Republican senator voting yes.

New York currently has one of the nation's most restrictive statutes of limitations when it comes to molestation, giving victims until they're 23 to file lawsuits or seek criminal charges against their abusers.

Victims and their advocates say it often takes years or decades to speak out about abuse after it occurred.

## Obituaries

### John C. Hoffman

John C. Hoffman, 69, of Moravia, N.Y., formerly of Dixon Road, Aurora, died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019, at home after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 12, 1949, in Middletown, N.Y., a son of the late Ralph and Helen Winkenbach Hoffman. He was a former resident of Willet and graduated from Cincinnati Central School, Class of 1968.

John was a farmer all his life. Moving to southern Cayuga County in 1974, he worked the family farm until 1984. He began working for William Cook in 1986 at the Aurora Ridge Dairy until his retirement in 2011 due to cardiac problems. He was dedicated to the farm, doing herd health work and always interested in improving the Holstein breed. He was a former member of the New York Holstein Association and the Holstein Association of America.

He was a devoted fan of Syracuse basketball and the New York Yankees.

As his health failed, it became his goal to attend his 50th class reunion in 2018, which was the high point of his summer in 2018.

John is survived by his wife of 42 years, Penny Karn Hoffman of Moravia; daughter, Jill (Richard III) VanFleet of Scipio; son, Ben (Melissa Lorah) of Genoa; six grandchildren, Richard IV, Travous and Victor VanFleet, Jessica Hoffman, Daniel Hoffman-Sheets and Lazzriz Hoffman; four step-grandchildren, Tiffany (Chico) Vasquez, Abigail Merrill, Brett Roeder (Jasmine) and Jazmine Peterson; a sister, Kathleen Robison of Sempronius; a brother, Gerald (Alice) Hoffman of Scipio Center; and several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019, at the Wade Funeral Home, 22 Church St., Moravia. Calling hours will precede the service from noon to 3 p.m. A reception at the Moravia Fire Department will follow the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Four Town First Aid Squad or The American Heart Association.

### Harold B. Jones

Harold B. Jones of Jacksonville, Fla., passed away Monday, Jan. 21, 2019, at the Life Care Center at Wells Crossing, Orange Park, Fla., after an extended illness.

Born Feb. 3, 1939, in Cortland, N.Y., he was the son of the late H. Burgess and Vera Jones. He is survived by his wife, Erika; sons, Michael and Mark; and daughters, Tamara and Tracey; and sisters, Shirley Nadge and Betsy Bregard. In addition to his parents, Harold was predeceased by his sisters, Dorothea Jones and Winona Marie Dedrick; and brothers, David and Howard.

A memorial service will be held in Orange Park, Fla., at the Life Care Center at Wells Crossing.

## Death Notices

**HOFFMAN** — John C. Hoffman, 69, of Moravia, N.Y., died Jan. 26, 2019. A celebration of life service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Wade Funeral Home, 22 Church St., Moravia. Calling hours precede the service from noon to 3 p.m.

**JONES** — Harold B. Jones, of Jacksonville, Fla., died Jan. 21, 2019. A memorial service will be held in Orange Park, Fla., at the Life Care Center at Wells Crossing.

**NIELSEN** — Mary E. Nielsen, 93, of Cortland, N.Y., died Jan. 27, 2019. Funeral services will be private. Interment will be in Bird Cemetery, Locke. There are no calling hours. Zirbel Funeral Home, 115 Williams St., Groton, has care of arrangements.

## Judge seeks to end standoff over access to crashed limo

By MARY ESCH  
Associated Press

SCHOHARIE — Federal safety inspectors are going to court to remove a roadblock in their investigation of a limousine crash that killed 20 people nearly four months ago.

Schoharie County Judge George Bartlett will hear arguments Tuesday over National Transportation Safety Board access to the limousine that crashed Oct. 6 in rural Schoharie. He scheduled the hearing after a sometimes testy series of letters between the court, the NTSB and Schoharie County District Attorney Susan Mallery failed to resolve what Bartlett termed an "untenable situation."

At the heart of the issue is a turf battle between local and federal investigators. Mallery, who has declined numerous media requests for comment, said in her letters to the court that criminal trials take precedence and her office dictates access to all evidence, including the wreckage.

"It is concerning that politics are seemingly of much greater concern to some than justice for the victims and grieving families of the tragic limousine crash," Mallery said in a Jan. 16 letter to the court. She accused the NTSB of spreading "legal and factual inaccuracies" through an "extensive press campaign."

NTSB lawyer Kathleen Silbaugh said Mallery has blocked federal investigators from getting any closer than 15 feet from the wreckage and that evidence critical to the safety evaluation may have been lost.

"The court cannot comprehend how law enforcement pre-

cluding access to the vehicle by the NTSB serves the public interest," Bartlett said in a Jan. 18 letter.

The 2001 Ford Excursion that was modified into a stretch limo blew through a stop sign at a T-intersection and crashed beside a country store, killing the driver, 17 passengers on a birthday outing, and two pedestrians. The vehicle had failed a state inspection that examined such things as the chassis, suspension and brakes.

Prosecutors allege the limo company's operator, Nauman Hussain, allowed an improperly licensed driver to operate an "unserviceable" vehicle. He has pleaded not guilty to criminally negligent homicide and his lawyer has said investigators rushed to judgment.

"Both the district attorney and the NTSB have separate, but equally important functions," Bartlett wrote. "Law enforcement to bring anyone criminally responsible to justice and the NTSB to ascertain the cause of the accident, recommend any remedial action so as to, hopefully, prevent future accidents and, thus, protect the public."

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## Liesl Turns 50 Tomorrow!

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# Community



*Jacob DeRochie/contributing photographer*

Cortland County District Attorney Patrick Perfetti asks questions Monday of Richard Brunt, a state police forensic investigator, who examined hair samples found within cracked wallboard at 11 Elm St., McGraw, where Kassidy Dains died April 19, 2018. Brunt testified during day four of the trial for Dorain Bohn, who faces murder and manslaughter charges.

## Experts testify about bodily fluids at scene

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Forensic experts testified Monday they found blood in 2-year-old Kassidy Dains' genital areas, fecal matter in her mouth, and identified her hair next to a hole in a wall, as the trial of Dorain Bohn on murder charges continued in Cortland County Court.

Dorain Bohn, 29, originally from Buffalo, is charged with second-degree murder and first-degree manslaughter, felonies, in the April 19 death of Kassidy Dains. He was also charged with endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor.

The prosecution continued calling witnesses Monday; including Cortland County sheriff's investigators and state police forensics experts.

State police forensic scientist Michelle Maura said swabs taken from Kassidy Dains' mouth contained blood and

very low levels of prostate specific antigen, a substance that can either be found in seminal fluid or found naturally post-mortem.

She also testified to finding blood on swabs taken from several locations among Kassidy's genitals, though no evidence of seminal fluid was found on those swabs.

Public Defender Keith Dayton pointed out most of the tests are not conclusive — with the finding of sperm on one blanket being the only conclusive one.

“Our screening test doesn't tell us for sure there is blood,” Maura said. Tests can be thrown off by certain bacteria or detergents, she said. And the weak positive PSA finding could either be linked to high concentrations of seminal fluid, or sometimes found in post-mortem samples.

New York state police forensic investigator Cheryl Moorehead said fecal matter was

found in Kassidy Dains' mouth and blood and seminal fluid on a zebra-striped blanket found in the living room.

She also identified a hair as Kassidy's found next to a hole in the drywall of a hallway — a section of wall that Cortland County sheriff Sgt. John Gallagher showed to jurors. The hole was 29 inches from the floor, and about 5 inches in width.

“The DNA profile of the hair matched the DNA profile of Kassidy Dains,” Moorehead said.

Cortland County sheriff's Sgt. Chad Burhans testified he found five empty 15-milliliter vodka bottles in a torn paper bag as well as partially full beer cans and antihistamine medication at the McGraw residence after Kassidy's death, when the death was considered accidental.

Dayton questioned why investigators photographed only evidence that could be incrimi-

nating to Bohn, rather than also looking for evidence that could tend to exonerate him.

He questioned why DNA wasn't taken from the top bunk bed, from where Bohn said Kassidy fell, or why photos that Bohn suggested Kassidy may have reached for from the bunk bed, precipitating a fall, weren't taken into evidence for fingerprints. He also questioned why investigators didn't try to find the DNA of Krystal Dains, Kassidy's mother, on the bottles.

Burhans said the DNA and fingerprints of residents of the house would be expected on these items.

At one point, Burhans pulled a pair of pink, zip-up pajamas out of an evidence bag. Samples revealed blood stains that matched Kassidy's DNA profile.

Krystal Dains, watching from the front row, wiped away tears.

Testimony continued today.

### Police/fire log

#### 2 men found after gun, crack seized

Two Cortland men are in jail following their arrest Friday on charges stemming from a drug raid that seized 46 bags of crack cocaine, marijuana, two handguns and \$5,000 in cash.

Carlos Planas, 34, of 41 Hubbard St., and Jeremiah Pless, 57, of 20 Pendleton St. were arrested at 5:15 p.m. Friday after they were found in a vehicle.

That followed a search warrant executed about 3 p.m. Dec. 24, when Cortland police and the Cortland County Drug Task Force search Planas's residence and found crack. One of the weapons was later found to have been stolen about a year ago during a Tompkins County burglary, city police said. Based on that, a warrant was issued for Planas' arrest.

Police found Planas on Friday, with cocaine and marijuana in his possession, as was Pless, who was in the vehicle with Planas.

Planas has been charged with third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, fourth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, felonies; fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon, seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, misdemeanors; two counts of unlawful possession of marijuana, a violation.

Pless was charged with seventh-degree possession and unlawful possession of marijuana.

Both were arraigned in Cortland City Court and sent to jail; Planas on \$7,500 bail or \$15,000 bond and Pless on \$1,000 bail or \$2,500 bond, pending an appearance Monday in Cortland City Court.

#### Five charged after drug raid

FREEVILLE — Five people were charged following a raid Sunday of a methamphetamine lab in Freeville, state police said Monday.

Police executed a search warrant at 35 Bills Way, the Congers Mobile Home Park and seized materials used to make meth and about 300 grams of marijuana, troopers said. Five people were charged with third-degree unlawful manufacture of methamphetamine:

- Antonio A. Bentley, 32, of Ithaca.
- Tanya M. Leonard, 46, of Freeville.
- Michelle L. Davis, 43, of Ithaca.
- William B. Oliver, 44, of Freeville.
- Jacob A. Bennett, 19, of Freeville.

Leonard was also charged with third-degree criminal possession of marijuana.

All five were arraigned Monday in Ithaca Town Court. Bentley, Bennett and Davis were sent to Tompkins County Jail on \$5,000 bail or \$10,000 bond. Leonard and Oliver were released without bail.

The state police Contaminated Crime Scene Emergency Response Team, state police Community Narcotics Enforcement Team and members of Troop C's Bureau of Criminal Investigation took part in the raid with help Tompkins County Sheriff's Office and the Dryden Ambulance Service.

#### City man faces drug felony

**Accused:** Eric Brayton, 41, of 10 Church St., Cortland

**Charges:** Fifth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, a felony; second-degree criminal use of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor

**Details:** State parole officers conducted a search of Brayton's room Friday. He was arrested about 10:20 a.m. after officers found him with bath salts and an electronic scale.

**Legal Actions:** Brayton was arraigned in Cortland City Court and sent to jail without bail.

#### Woman found with drugs, scale

**Accused:** Dulce Brown, 25, of 192 County Road 20, Sherburne

**Charges:** Seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, second-degree criminal use of drug paraphernalia, misdemeanors.

**Details:** Cortland police found Brown at 10:59 a.m. Friday with methamphetamine and an electronic scale.

**Legal actions:** Brown was arraigned in Cortland City Court and sent to jail in lieu of \$100 bail or \$200 bond.

#### Man charged with drunken driving

**Accused:** Steven Vesseli Jr., 53, of 5 Lexington Ave., Toms River, N.J.

**Charges:** Driving while intoxicated, a misdemeanor; refusal to take a breath test, drinking alcohol in a motor vehicle on a highway, violations.

**Details:** Cortland police found Vesseli in his vehicle at 1:24 a.m. Sunday on Central Avenue with an open container of alcohol. Police said he was intoxicated.

**Legal Actions:** Vesseli was arraigned in Cortland City Court and released without bail pending an appearance Feb. 20 in city court.

## Journalists as jurors: It could be interesting

I remember the case well, given how many homicides I've reported on or edited over the decades:

It was 1990, and I was a young editor in Binghamton. Joanne Ripic and her son, Roy Rowe Jr., were accused of conspiring to kill Ripic's husband, who they told police was abusive. Rowe shot him on the porch, and Ripic fainted when police arrived.

Police interviewed her in her hospital bed through an interpreter because Ripic is deaf. At some point, Ripic signed (or perhaps said) “I had to kill him.” Pretty incriminating. But she was deaf, and the interpreter wasn't actually certified to translate in the sign language Ripic used.

Did Ripic understand her Miranda rights against self-incrimination? Was she, in fact, in custody because she couldn't leave the hospital? The statement was later ruled inadmissible.

It comes to mind because I was called for jury duty for Ripic's trial in Broome County Court.

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Two *Cortland Standard* employees were called last week for jury duty in the case of whether Dorain Bohn is guilty of murdering 2-year-old Kassidy Dains.



By TODD R. McADAM

**EDITOR'S NOTES**  
*How a daily newspaper works every day.*

It's a citizen's responsibility to respond to a jury summons and do one's civic duty. I'm not about to tell employees to weasel out of it even if it means losing two people for the duration of the trial. We live in this community as much as the next guy, and we understand our responsibility as citizens.

So Living and Leisure Editor Katie Keyser and Digital Guru (I think that's a real job title) Casey Austin, who oversees our website and social media, sat in the Cortland County Courtroom for their chance to be questioned.

It's an intriguing juxtaposition that I think is part of the reason I've never known an active journalist to serve on a criminal jury.

■ Journalists are trained to separate opinion from fact, emotion from logic. We try to detach ourselves from the stories we report.

Much of that is because we pursue objectivity in our reporting, so we have to understand where our biases are and neutralize them. Some of it is because, frankly, we sometimes deal with the uglier aspects of life — like police or firefighters or medical providers or many other people — and we can't afford to let our emotions get in the way of doing the job.

That would suggest we can sort out the detail from the distraction in a trial and render a fair assessment of the facts.

■ However, journalists also spend more time than the average Joe poring over the details of a crime, considering bits of evidence, background and comments — not all of which will be put before a jury. Even if Katie and Casey weren't directly involved in reporting the story, we don't consider these things in private; it's easy for them to overhear things.

Is it possible to un-know a fact? If not, is it possible to not consider a piece of evidence because rule of law means it's not admissible in court? Could I have discounted Ripic's self-incriminating statement?

I'd like to say “yes,” but I've been guilty of hubris before. I can see how an at-

torney for either defense or prosecution wouldn't want to take that chance.

So we'll continue our policy. Our journalists will do their civic duty. They'll answer the jury summons, sit in the box, answer questions honestly and — probably — be excused, just as Katie and Casey both were.

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And the Ripic case? I spent the entire day in the courtroom watching people called into the jury box. At the end of the day, the judge told the rest of us to come back the next day, but not to talk to the media.

I approached the bench. Clearly, I said, I can't go to work tonight; do I get to call my boss or will someone from the court do that?

Further, I asked, can I go home? My wife is an editor, too. If I can't go home, can I at least kiss her goodnight?

Oh, and can you tell the reporter sitting over there how long he can write his story? I'm in charge of it tonight, and now I can't talk to him.

I was excused.

Ripic was convicted of murder, even without her statement.

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## GOP backs Masler for Supreme Court

The Cortland County Republican Committee has endorsed lawyer Mark Masler for a state Supreme Court seat on November's ballot over Cortland County Judge Julie Campbell.

Masler is the principal law clerk to Justice Phillip R. Rumsey, who serves with the Supreme Court's Appellate Division.

Lawyer Oliver Blaise of Binghamton, the Broome County Republican elections commissioner, and Chemung County Judge Chris Baker are the other GOP candidates for the three seats open in the 10-county judicial district.

“Mark, an attorney for 25 years, has been principal law clerk to Justice Rumsey for the past 10 years and preceding that was in private legal practice,” GOP Chairwoman Connie White said in a news release. “We are confident that Mark has the right experience to be a superb Justice.”

Masler received the endorsement over Campbell.

The 6th Judicial District includes Broome, Chenango, Chemung, Delaware, Madison, Otsego, Schuyler, Tioga and Tompkins counties.

## Dryden village Dems select 3 candidates

DRYDEN — Dryden Democrats selected three candidates Monday to run for village offices March 19: Mike Murphy for mayor, and Jason Dickinson and Clay Converse for village board.

Murphy rejoined the board in 2013 after many years; he first served in the 1980s. He worked closely with Mayor Reba Taylor on the water project and succeeded her last year.

Dickinson was elected in 2018 to complete a trustee term and

will now run for a two-year term. He is a teacher at George Junior Republic and has three sons who attend Dryden schools. His particular focuses have been public safety and civil engineering.

Converse is running for the seat held by Deputy Mayor Tom Sinclair, who is not running again. Converse is retired from the Air Force. He and his wife have been villagers since 1994 and saw two children graduate from Dryden schools.



# ‘Hidden beauty’ at Dowd

► Art Show lets you see wonders beyond obvious

The Dowd Gallery at SUNY Cortland is presenting a multidisciplinary project through Feb. 22, “Hidden Beauty” and “Beyond Obvious: Exploring the Aesthetics of Medical Science,” two exhibitions based on the aesthetic of medical research.

An opening reception will be 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the gallery, Prospect Terrace and Graham Avenue.

The show is a traveling exhibition organized by Norman Barker of John Hopkins University and Dr. Christine Iacobuzio-Donahue of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, featuring photographic images that show a visual aspect of medical and scientific research.

The exhibit explores the aesthetics of human disease, both within and beyond the context of social systems and asks the viewer to consider the aesthetics of the human body, disease and biology.

The gallery also will showcase a related exhibition, “Beyond Obvious,” featuring four artists who create within the realm of medical science: Emily Culver, Holland Houdek, Lionel Maunz and Boryana Rossa.

Culver is multimedia objects maker whose works reference tangible objects that question their perceived purpose.

Houdek’s three-dimensional work focuses on medical implants, the body and experience.

Maunz’s figurative works

expose a psychological process associated with anti-natalism, compacting the indignities of corporeal existence with the torment of consciousness.

Rossa is an interdisciplinary artist and curator who works in electronic arts, film, video, performance and biotech art. “Beyond Obvious” is also a one-day symposium Feb. 6 at the Dowd Gallery. Barker, a professor of pathology and art as applied medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, will speak at 10 a.m.

Houdek, a professor of Metalsmithing at Nazareth College, will give a workshop at 1 p.m. in Old Main sculpture studio and a presentation at 11:30 a.m. at Dowd about her work.

Boryana Rossa, assistant professor of art, video and transmedia core at Syracuse University, will speak at 3 p.m. at Dowd about her recent experience during a residency for the research and development of the bio-art project “The Mirror or Faith” related to the genetic predisposition of spirituality.

The program will conclude with a 4:30 p.m. panel discussion at Dowd with Christa Chatfield, associate professor at SUNY Cortland Biological Sciences, Jaroslava Prihodova, Dowd Gallery interim director and several honor students. Their art will be on display in the Hallway Gallery.

All programs are free and open to the public.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and by appointment.

For details, contact gallery interim director Jaroslava Prihodova at 607-753-4216 or [jaroslava.prihodova@cortland.edu](mailto:jaroslava.prihodova@cortland.edu).



Photos provided by Dowd Gallery

“Gallstones” is one of the works that can be seen at Dowd Gallery at SUNY Cortland.



Holland Houdek, Mechanization, 2015, Cast iron, detail.

## Stranger digs up lost engagement ring

By THEODEN JANES  
The Charlotte Observer

If only clouds and rain had hung over the beach on Dec. 11 in Costa Rica, like the forecast had predicted, none of this would have happened.

Sure, Doug Cotty and his brand-new fiancée, Michele Arias, might still have decided to hang out on Playa Chaman, and might still have spotted the baby olive ridley sea turtles nesting in the sand.

But the Charlotte couple would never have needed to borrow a bottle of sunscreen from the staff at their hotel. She never would have needed to take off the engagement ring to apply that lotion and never would have tucked the ring into the front pocket on Cotty’s tank top for safe keeping.

“My ring is in your pocket,” Arias said, patting him on the chest. It didn’t help them remember.

Within moments, as the couple hurried to join the growing group of tourists marveling at the turtles, Cotty did something he never would have done if it had been cloudy and rainy: He stripped off his tank top, hung it from a tree branch and slathered himself with sunscreen.

And suddenly, the ring he’d put on her finger just three days earlier — a custom-made piece built around a one-carat diamond that had been in his mother’s family for generations — was no longer in his pocket.

At least a half-hour passed before Arias’ stomach tied itself into a knot as she realized they’d lost track of the treasure. Another hour passed before they gave up digging in the scorching-hot sand, Arias with blisters on her knees and feet. Another hour before both became resigned to the fact someone had probably spotted it and snatched it. Another before Arias was able to stop crying.

The next day, they flew back to Charlotte in a daze.

They were happy to be engaged and trying to look on the bright side, but there’s no question the loss stung. So did the fact Cotty hadn’t had the ring appraised or insured. So too did forking over \$4,400 for a new stone.



Photo courtesy Michele Arias

Doug Cotty’s proposal to Michele Arias at the top of a volcano, captured by their tour guide.

Then on Jan. 9 — nearly a month after it dropped onto the sand in a foreign country — Arias received a Facebook message from a man she’d never met.

Five words and six exclamation points: “I just found your ring!!!!!!”

“You are KIDDING!!!! Omg seriously?!!?” she replied.

“It is in my hand,” he wrote.

‘He’s been known to recover things’

Two days after the ring disappeared, Arias posted a plea to a Facebook group for residents of Costa Ballena, the southern Pacific region of Costa Rica that includes Playa Chaman, explaining their misfortune.

“We are hoping someone found it and is holding onto it so we can possibly get it back,” she wrote.

It was a Hail Mary, and it yielded a litany of predictable responses that congratulated them on their engagement, oohed and ahhed over the pretty ring, expressed sympathy for their loss and promised to keep an eye out.

But one comment popped up that hung to the thread.

“David Harris has been known to recover things.”

Harris is a 67-year-old Ameri-

can expat who spent more than two decades as a firefighter in Atlanta — where he says one of his specialties was using underwater metal detectors as leader of a rescue diving team. In 2005, he sold everything and retired to Central America to surf and photograph nature and wildlife.

If prompted about being “known to recover things,” he’ll launch into a story about helping a distraught beach-goer find his keys by lending him a metal detector.

There’s more: Back in the ’70s, when he was living in Asheboro, Harris says he found a class ring in about a foot of water at low tide on Myrtle Beach and — with less effort than you’d think — tracked down the owner via the manufacturer. It had been missing for 40 years.

On Jan. 9, Harris says he woke up, put on a pot of coffee, and was struck by the sudden feeling that he should go take a look on the beach. So he dusted off his metal detector, bought new batteries, then went to the location she’d described.

“I probably had searched for 20 minutes, maximum,” he says. “I picked up several Costa Rican coins, and of course a lot of beer caps and nails and stuff — which, on a metal detector, is a really dull thud kind of a noise.

Then I got this really high-pitched ping. And I thought, This might not be her ring, but this is damn sure somebody’s property. Something that’s valuable.”

So he started digging.

‘Like a beacon’

He had to dig nearly a foot deep to get to it.

“When I looked down in there, the sun was up and was shining, and the ring was sitting still in some sand, but it was sitting straight up and down,” Harris says. “And that center stone was just like a beacon.”

Still, getting the ring safely back onto Arias’s finger presented new challenges.

Harris didn’t trust the country’s postal service. She was seriously considering flying back to get it when — in another stroke of luck — a close friend told Arias her parents were vacationing in Costa Rica and would be happy to bring it home with them. They did.

She tried to send Harris \$500 for his trouble; he said the same thing he told the man whose class ring he found in Myrtle Beach back in the ’70s, when he tore up and returned a \$200 check the guy had mailed him: “I appreciate that, but I don’t sell people’s own property to them.”

## Ask Amy By Amy Dickinson

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## Husband spys on text-flirting wife

DEAR AMY: My wife and I have been married for 15 years. About four years ago I was suspicious of her relationship with a former co-worker and “friend,” whom she had grown very close to.

I began reading her texts (bad, I know) and found some incriminating stuff.

While she was very angry at me for looking at her phone, she also confessed that they had a longstanding, flirty relationship that had become “physically inappropriate” (her words). She said the two of them agreed to scale things back.

She told me that she felt comforted by his flirting during a rough patch in our marriage, but that she would never break her marriage vows. We moved on. I did not demand she stop hanging out with him. I want my wife to choose me freely. My wife says she loves me; we’re still intimate, and things seem OK.

A few months ago, I was a little disturbed to learn that while she physically doesn’t see this man very often, she chats with him over IM for long portions of her workday, every day.

Even though I know I shouldn’t, I began spying on her texts again.

Most of it was pretty innocent. But many of these were not. In one text, he suggested they get a “big, cozy sleeping bag” and go look at the stars together. They also texted late at night about how much they missed each other and wanted to slip away together.

So what is going on here? Is she just letting off steam? Wanting not to feel like a woman who’s tied down with a husband/house/kids?

I don’t like the idea of being married to someone who’s constantly sharing fantasies with another man, but if she never acts on them, should I not worry about it? Is this my own fault for spying on her phone?

— What’s Ap(propriate)

DEAR WHAT’S: You present yourself as a pretty cool customer.

Your attitude regarding not wanting to limit your wife’s “friendship” is commendable.

It’s a shame that you don’t actually feel this way.

How do I know that you don’t feel this way? Because your lack of trust is inspiring you to spy on her — not that I blame you.

You created an expectation that she should scale back the “physical” portion of this relationship. She seems to be complying. So ... case closed? Obviously not.

There is no one way to have a marriage. Each party in a marriage has the right to live

out their own personal dreams. If this friendship is important and makes her happy, and if she takes this fulfillment and happiness back to you and the kids — then great! But these late-night texts, endearments and fantasies seem to take her away from you. And this is not quite the marriage that YOU want to be in.

True intimacy requires a pulling together around your little circle. You two should talk about it. Don’t worry about being Mr. Cool. If this behavior wounds you, then say so. If you want to be her fantasy guy, then make your bid.

DEAR AMY: I’m responding to a question from “Upset,” a second wife who was wondering why her husband’s first wife was making a claim for his pension.

The Pension Rights Center ([pensionrights.org](http://pensionrights.org)) is a national consumer organization working to protect and promote the retirement rights of workers, retirees and their families.

While you were definitely correct in saying that Upset’s “husband might have agreed to this beneficiary arrangement as part of his divorce settlement,” it is unlikely that the husband could have simply changed the beneficiary choice in his plan (especially if it’s a traditional defined benefit plan and not a 401(k) plan. The exact answer depends on when the husband retired, when he divorced and the type of pension he had (company, federal government, state government, etc.).

Remember that the pension is often the largest asset in a marriage and is treated generally as marital property and we at PRC have fought to ensure that spouses are treated fairly in divorce.

The Pension Rights Center is now organizing a new Initiative on Women and Retirement at Divorce. Divorced women over 65 are three times more likely to live in poverty than their married counterparts. And often women who were awarded a portion of their ex-spouse’s pensions find it difficult to obtain the pensions they rightfully deserve.

— Karen Friedman, Pension Rights Center, Washington, D.C.

DEAR KAREN: Thank you for your advocacy, and for clarifying this complicated topic.

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## Notebook

### Pitch standings

The Cortland Fraternal Pitch League will meet as follows Wednesday:  
Cortland Elks at V.F.W.  
Homer Elks II at Homer Legion S.A.L. at Homer Elks I.

The league standings:

Homer Elks I	11-4
V.F.W.	10-5
S.A.L.	10-5
Cortland Elks	7-8
Homer Elks II	4-11
Homer Legion	3-12

### Storytelling at Dryden library

DRYDEN — A storytelling adventure, “Ceridwen’s Cauldron” with Jay Leeming will take place 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Southworth Library in Dryden.

Experience a magic cauldron, shape-shifting wizard and a perilous sea-journey to celebrate National Library Lover’s Month at the 24 W. Main St. library.

### Is drinking a problem?

Perhaps Alcoholics Anonymous can help. Call 607-753-1344. AA meetings take place every day in Cortland:

■ **The Cortland Morning Group** takes place 9 a.m. daily, except for Sunday, at Grace and Holy Spirit Church, 13 Court St.

■ **The Cortland Noon Group** meets noon Monday through Friday at the United Presbyterian Church, 25 Church St.

■ **The Serenity Circle Group** meets at 6:30 p.m. Fridays for a beginner’s group and at 7:30 p.m. for a speaker meeting at the basement auditorium of Guthrie Cortland Medical Center’s nursing facility on Alvena Avenue.

### A thought

We are all now connected by the Internet, like neurons in a giant brain.

— Stephen Hawking



Our Opinion

No time to dawdle over jail

For decades, Cortland County lawmakers dawdled over dealing with a woefully deficient county jail in a gamble that the state wouldn’t force them to spend tens of millions of dollars. Except now the weather — and a leaky roof — has just called the bet and the county has virtually no cards to play.

A snowstorm followed by a thaw dropped a lot of water on the oft-patched county jail roof, which promptly dripped through to the jail floor, forcing the evacuation Thursday of at least 60 inmates to other facilities.

The costs are steep to begin with, and get steeper every day:  
■ Expect to spend a couple of million dollars to rip off and replace the roof.  
■ Water got into the heating and ventilation systems, and that’s not going to be cleaned up easily.  
■ County officials reported water got into some of the electrical systems, too.

■ Boarding out an inmate costs about \$90 a day, plus transportation. That’s \$5,500 a day to start, but expect that cost to rise as the weather warms up and a seasonal lull in crime dissolves.

Virtually every penny of that money is a waste. If the county spends all that — and don’t forget the engineering and design fees — and makes those repairs, it will still be left with a woefully deficient jail, just one with a water-tight roof. We’re not sure it’s worth the effort.

The jail is too small, with about half the permanent capacity of what it needs today, much less what it needs 30 years from now. Its infrastructure — plumbing, kitchen, laundry and the like — are likewise undersized and overstressed.

While the Legislature has in recent years allocated more money to maintenance — about \$300,000 a year from casino revenue — it suffered from neglect in the years before that.

The problem is this: In order to make a good decision on whether to build a new jail, or expand the one it has, legislators need to know what their capacity needs will be like in the next three decades or so. They don’t have that figure.

They also do not yet know what changes in the state’s bail structure, parole systems or court processes might mean to the future jail population.

Now they don’t have time, either. Every day they delay a decision costs \$5,500 — rising to \$10,000 once the weather and crime warm up. That’s between \$2 million and \$3.5 million a year.

The choice was painful, no matter what: Build a new jail, something more than \$50 million, but cheaper to operate; or expand the existing jail, still probably tens of millions of dollars, but more expensive to operate. It has preliminary drawings of a new jail and a good estimate of costs, but no real clue regarding an expansion. That was waiting on a jail needs study.

Our worry is that county legislators after dawdling for so many decades will now jump to a decision without essential information. They’d be spending tens of millions on what amounts to a random guess.

We think that’s a bad bet. A better bet is to get the data it needs to complete a facilities need study — both are several weeks overdue — and get back to work on making a decision.

Good Old Days

January 29, 1969

Miss Sandra Coye of Cortland, a student at Robert Packer Hospital School of Nursing, was on the winning team in the Area 3 SNAP (Student Nurses of Pennsylvania) Nursing Bowl held recently in Kingston, Pa.

The Nursing Bowl is patterned after the College Bowl, televised show, and tested the student nurses on their knowledge of subjects related to nursing.

Miss Coye is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coye of 64 Wheeler Ave.

January 29, 1994

The Cortland High School Class of ‘94 held its “Staff Appreciation Breakfast” at the high school cafeteria yesterday.

This marks the fourth year of the tradition, started in 1990 as a way for graduating students to say thank you to many of those who contributed to their education both inside and outside the classroom.

In addition to faculty from all over the school district, city police and firefighters also received invitations to the breakfast.

January 29, 2009

POLKVILLE — Laborers hired by Marvin Windows are forming the structure of the company’s new facility on Route 11.

Marvin Windows of New York supplies windows and doors manufactured by Warroad, Minn.-based Marvin Windows and Doors.

The company is leaving its facility on Elm Street in Cortland for one more than twice the size to accommodate its growth in recent years, said Jim Pelowski, general manager of Marvin Windows of New York.

Its facility at 128 Elm Street is 11,000 square feet. The new facility, being built at 3901 Route 11 in Polkville, will be 28,000 square feet, Pelowski said.

The company began construction in early October, and Pelowski said the goal is for completion by late March or early April.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 29, the 29th day of 2019. There are 336 days left in the year.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On Jan. 29, 1936, the first inductees of baseball’s Hall of Fame, including Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth, were named in Cooperstown, New York.

On this date:

In 1820, King George III died at Windsor Castle at age 81; he was succeeded by his son, who became King George IV.

In 1845, Edgar Allan Poe’s famous narrative poem “The Raven” (“Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary...”) was first published in the New York Evening Mirror.

In 1856, Britain’s Queen Victoria introduced the Victoria Cross to reward military acts of valor during the Crimean War.

In 1861, Kansas became the 34th state of the Union.

In 1863, the Bear River Massacre took place as the U.S. Army attacked Shoshone in present-day Idaho. The New York Stock & Exchange Board changed its name to the New York Stock Exchange.

In 1919, the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which launched Prohibition, was certified by Acting Secretary of State Frank L. Polk.

Letters

The Cortland Standard welcomes letters from readers for publication on this page. All letters submitted must be signed by the writer and include the writer’s home address and daytime telephone number. Letters may be edited for length and content.

Letters are limited to 300 words in length. Letters endorsing or opposing the election of candidates for public office are limited to 200 words. Thank-you notes will not be accepted.

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“ You may intimidate Michael Cohen...”

Let them eat cake

Kathleen Parker



When F. Scott Fitzgerald wrote, “Let me tell you about the very rich. They are different from you and me,” he inadvertently foreshadowed the government shutdown of 2018-19.

Fitzgerald was alluding to the wealthy class, which he had earlier portrayed in “The Great Gatsby,” the great American novel. *Old* money is also different from newly made fortunes, as Jay Gatsby himself discovered during his futile attempts to buy acceptance.

But Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross’ recent comment about furloughed government employees — that he didn’t “really quite understand” why unpaid workers were visiting food banks — confirmed Fitzgerald’s point. The very wealthy are different — and they think differently.

Ross furthered his disassociation from reality, saying that “the obligations that they [federal employees] would undertake — say, borrowing from a bank or a credit union — are, in effect, federally guaranteed, so the 30 days of pay that some people will be out is no real reason why they shouldn’t be able to get a loan against it.”

Yes, quite, quite.

Then again, if you’ve never lived paycheck to paycheck, as nearly 80 percent of Americans do, you might not be expected to *really quite understand* what it’s like. Although some banks have, indeed, been helping out with zero- to low-interest loans, it wasn’t clear that everyone would be eligible. Even the fully employed suffer less-than-perfect credit.

The notion, meanwhile, that

all will be rectified in due course is cold comfort when you can’t meet your financial obligations. Now that the government is reopened — for three more weeks, at least — federal employees are still likely to face days of paperwork and telephone roulette as they try to correct their credit history and satisfy debtors.

This isn’t end-of-world stuff, obviously, but the shutdown certainly wasn’t a “vacation,” as President Donald Trump’s chief economic adviser, Kevin Hassett, suggested. Ross, who made his billions partly by buying distressed debt further revealed his own cluelessness by dryly noting that the 800,000 furloughed and unpaid workers represent only one-third of 1 percent of our gross domestic product.

Why all the sad faces?

Thanks to Fitzgerald, we learn that being blessed with wealth “does something to them ... that, unless you were born rich, it is very difficult to understand.” Which is to say, we have a failure of mutual understanding.

Ross and Trump are primarily businessmen and, thus, perhaps see people more as commodities than human beings. Despair is a market fluctuation that cool investors simply wait out. And massive inconvenience for the ordinary working stiff is represented as dots and jagged lines on a spreadsheet.

Nevertheless, Trump, whose philanthropic pursuits end where the casino parking lot begins, felt compelled to rich-splain the commerce secretary, saying that although he hadn’t heard Ross’ statement, “I do understand that perhaps he should have said it differently. Local people know who they are when they go for groceries and everything else. And I think what Wilbur was probably trying to say is that they will work along.”

Here’s the sad part: I know what Trump meant. After two or more years of listening to “Trumphish,” a linguistic pattern of half-thoughts, sentence fragments and primary word-play, one begins to get the hang of it. In this case, there’s actually some consolation folded

into Trump’s translation of Wilburnomics: “Local people know who they are,” even if Ross doesn’t.

Locals and nonlocals alike also know who forced the government to shut down over an unpopular, expensive and likely ineffective border wall. Compute this: Landowner lawsuits and appeals over eminent domain could last years; construction of 1,000 miles of steel barriers could take a decade; and technology gallops along. How soon before passenger drones are delivering migrants to Oklahoma?

This may seem far-fetched, but so, too, were mobile phones not so long ago.

Meanwhile, we face problems more pressing than our dysfunctional government. Recent polling shows that America may be drifting away from capitalism and toward socialism. In 2018, Gallup found that fewer than half of young Americans view capitalism positively and 51 percent view socialism favorably.

A Fox News poll released Thursday found that 40 percent of Democrats think a move toward socialism would be a good thing and only 34 percent disagreed.

Republicans are against a socialist shift (80 percent), but they also tend to correspond to a graying demographic.

When the very rich are exposed as removed and oblivious to American daily life, it becomes far easier for socialists to make their ideas, such as wealth redistribution, attractive. Ironically, Trump’s true legacy may not be the wall but the fall.

Really? LA mayor for president?

Susan Estrich



feet, you might say. Teachers took to the streets. It wasn’t just class size they were protesting; it was also charter schools. Few charter schools in the city are affiliated with their union. Of course they all picketed.

As part of the deal, the district — read it: the mayor — agreed to vote on a resolution asking the state to put a cap on charter schools in Los Angeles.

The teachers union left more than 500,000 kids with no classes to attend so they could walk the streets demanding a limit on charter schools — even though most charter schools do a much better job of educating kids than the ones at which they teach. And Garcetti is running for president?

It gets more ridiculous. The excuse for the limit on charter schools: inadequate supervi-

sion. Last November, the union spent tens of millions of dollars that it collected to defeat the candidate for superintendent of public education who got his MBA from Harvard and served as president of Green Dot Public Schools and built some of the most successful charter schools in the county and then supervised even more as CEO of the Partnership for Los Angeles Schools, a school district-city initiative that runs 18 district schools. Actually, Green Dot (I served on its board for many years) is unionized, just not with United Teachers Los Angeles, which is why UTLA managed to get a social worker elected to the position instead.

Feedback

Oh, yes, and while the drug-gies have taken over the beach, low-income families huddle in

two-room apartments because there is a housing crisis facing people who actually work, or want to, not to mention all the folks who spend 25 percent of their waking hours in their car every day because of the cost of housing and the lunacy of traffic. And then it rains.

Big-city mayor, Hispanic heritage, progressive politics — I get it. But before Eric heads to Iowa, he needs to deal with the problems right here.

Community meetings have turned ugly. Liberal strongholds have turned against him. No one is talking about the Olympics coming someday, Garcetti’s great triumph. Maybe everything will be nice and tidy by then. But people are talking about what’s happening right here, right now.

I can just see the ads: Venice Beach and the druggies, the cops walking right by, the shouts at the community meetings, a few clips from the strike and the endless miles of traffic — in the rain.

Will he do for America what he’s done for Los Angeles?

They ran ads like that against a candidate of mine, years ago. And they worked, even though he had actually done a pretty great job at home. The last few months in Los Angeles under Eric Garcetti make it way too easy to rain on his Iowa parade.



## Trump, Pelosi agree on Feb. 5 for SOTU

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump on Monday accepted House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's invitation to deliver his State of the Union speech on Feb. 5, a week later than originally scheduled because of the partial government shutdown.

"It is my great honor to accept," Trump said in a letter to Pelosi. "We have a great story to tell and yet, great goals to achieve!"

The speech had initially been scheduled for Jan. 29, but Pelosi postponed it amid what turned into a 35-day partial government shutdown over Trump's demand for border wall funding. It was the first known time that a speaker had rescinded an invitation to deliver the State of the Union.

"When I wrote to you on January 23rd, I stated that we should work together to find a mutually agreeable date when government has reopened to schedule this year's State of the Union address," Pelosi wrote. "In our conversation today, we agreed on February 5th."

"Therefore," she continued, "I invite you to deliver your State of the Union address before a Joint Session of Congress on February 5, 2019 in the House Chamber."

Pelosi's office and the White House told The Associated Press that the House speaker and president had spoken by phone Monday afternoon. A Pelosi spokesman said she placed the call at 3:55 p.m. and it lasted about 12 minutes.

The House and Senate still must pass a resolution officially inviting Trump to speak to a joint session of Congress.

Pelosi had postponed the speech, first as a "suggestion" and later, after Trump declared his intent to appear anyway, as a formal rescission. The president then refused to allow her to lead a delegation overseas on the military jets he commands. The president said he was considering an "alternative" plan.

Finally, last Friday, Trump capitulated. All sides agreed to fund the government through Feb. 15 to give negotiators time to discuss border security. And on Monday, Pelosi confirmed the State of the Union was back on — on her schedule.



William Glasheen/The Post-Crescent via AP

Gary Verstegen clears a sidewalk Monday in Little Chute, Wisconsin.

## Record-breaking cold settles across Midwest

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Extremely cold, record-breaking temperatures are settling across parts of the Midwest after a powerful snowstorm pounded the region overnight Monday, and forecasters are describing the subzero weather on the way as potentially life-threatening.

Minneapolis Public Schools announced there would be no classes through Wednesday, when the region will experience frigidly low temperatures not seen in a quarter century.

"You're talking about frostbite and hypothermia issues very quickly, like in a matter of minutes, maybe seconds," said Brian Hurley, a meteorologist with the Weather Prediction Center.

The cold also prompted officials to close some schools in eastern Iowa, while Chicago Public Schools officials said that Wednesday's classes have been canceled due to the anticipated cold snap.

The Chicago Zoological Society, meanwhile, said it's closing the Brookfield Zoo on Wednesday and Thursday to ensure the safety of employees and animals. It's only the fourth time the zoo has closed during its 85-year history.

Subzero temperatures will begin Tuesday but Wednesday is expected to be the worst. Wind chills in northern Illinois could fall to negative 55 degrees, which the National Weather Service called "possibly life threatening." Minnesota temperatures could hit minus 30 degrees with a wind chill of negative 60. The potentially record-breaking low temperature forecast in Milwaukee is negative 28 degrees, with a wind chill as low as negative 50. The current record of minus 26 degrees was set in 1996.

## STORM

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The 75 sixth-graders will learn advanced primitive skills after an introduction to the subject as fifth-graders. The program is based on a book, "Brian's Winter," by award-

winning author Gary Paulsen.

"It should the perfect weather for this," Reisweber said of the forecast for 20 degree temperatures and snow.

"The kids usually come in and they are not prepared," he said. "We teach them about proper layering. The right clothing to wear is the key: no cotton, heat pockets of air with your body heat, mittens instead of gloves."

The same precautions go for everyone in the winter, Reisweber said.

The high temperature forecast at O'Hare on Wednesday is negative 14 degrees, which would break a record set on Jan. 18, 1994.

Homeless shelters were preparing for the onslaught of cold. The Milwaukee Rescue Mission's call volume was "unusually high," but there should still be enough beds for those who need them, said the mission's president, Pat Vanderburgh. Charitable groups that operate warming places and shelters in Minneapolis were expanding hours and capacity as the cold moved into the city where 1,500 people typically are sheltered on a given night.

"The charitable organizations responsible for operating shelters are adding emergency capacity as they do whenever dangerous extreme temperature events occur," said Hennepin County Emergency Management Director Eric Waage. He said ambulance crews in the city were handling all outside response incidents as being potentially life-threatening.

Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel urged residents to check on their neighbors and take safety precautions. He said city agencies are making sure homeless people are in shelters or offered space in warming buses.

Cold weather advisories are in effect across a broad swath of the central U.S., from North Dakota to Missouri and spanning into Ohio. Temperatures will be as many as 20 degrees below average in parts of the Upper Great Lakes region and Upper Mississippi Valley, according to the National Weather Service.

## US hits Venezuela with oil sanctions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration on Monday sanctioned Venezuela's state-owned oil company, ratcheting up pressure on socialist President Nicolas Maduro to cede power to the U.S.-backed opposition in the oil-rich nation in South America.

The action means Maduro's embattled government would lose access to one of its most important sources of income and foreign currency along with around \$7 billion in assets of the state-owned company, Petroleos De Venezuela S.A.

Hours after the White House announced the sanctions, Maduro went on state TV and called the U.S. action "immoral, criminal." In words directed at President Donald Trump, he said, "Hands off Venezuela!"

The sanctions follow the unusual decision by more than 20 countries, including the U.S., to recognize the opposition leader of the National Assembly, Juan Guaido, as the interim president of Venezuela. Maduro was re-elected last year in an election widely seen as fraudulent. The once prosperous nation has been in an economic collapse, with several million citizens fleeing

to neighboring countries.

"We have continued to expose the corruption of Maduro and his cronies, and today's action ensures they can no longer loot the assets of the Venezuelan people," national security adviser John Bolton said at a White House news conference to announce the sanctions with Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin.

Bolton said he expects Monday's actions against PDVSA, the acronym for the state-owned oil company — will result in more than \$11 billion in lost export proceeds during the next year.

Oil production — the lifeblood of Venezuela's economy — has been collapsing for years. Despite sitting atop the world's largest reserves, Venezuela currently pumps just a third of the 3.5 million barrels a day it did when the late Hugo Chavez took power in 1999.

The nation's refining capacity has also declined because of poor maintenance and lack of skilled personnel. That has left it reliant on Citgo, the Houston-based refining arm of PDVSA, to refine the oil and send gasoline back to Venezuela to meet domestic needs.

## Afghans wary of US-led peace talks with Taliban

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghans are wary of peace talks with Taliban militants, even as the country's president expressed hope that U.S.-led negotiations could successfully end the long-running civil war.

U.S. envoy Zalmay Khalilzad said Monday there had been "agreements in principle" toward a framework for peace with the Taliban.

The Islamic militant group now controls almost half of Afghanistan and carries out attacks on an almost daily basis, mainly targeting security forces and government officials.

Nawid, a 21-year old student, said that after so many years of violence, "peace will be meaningless." Nawid lost his brother and was himself wounded in a deadly Taliban suicide attack in the capital, Kabul, earlier this month. Four people were killed and 113 others were wounded in the attack, according to security officials.

Khalilzad has held several rounds of negotiations with the Taliban in recent months. The Taliban refuse to meet directly

with the Afghan government, which they view as a U.S. puppet.

Faridoon Khwazoon, a deputy spokesman to Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah, said Khalilzad is briefing the government on all the developments in the talks.

"Right now peace talks are going on with full intensity," said Khwazoon.

President Ashraf Ghani, in a televised address Monday, sought to reassure Afghans that no deals would be made without Kabul's awareness and full participation.

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## Top court in Pakistan frees Christian woman

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Pakistan's top court today upheld its acquittal of a Christian woman sentenced to death for blasphemy, clearing the last legal hurdle and freeing Aasia Bibi to leave the country in a move that dealt a blow to radical Islamists who had demanded her execution.

Following the landmark decision, Bibi will finally be able to join her daughters who earlier fled to Canada where they have been given asylum.

Bibi's lawyer, Saiful Malook, who returned to Islamabad after fleeing the country amid death threats, called the decision a victory for Pakistan's constitution and rule of law.

The three-judge Supreme Court panel had "insisted on very strict proofs of blasphemy" and found none, Malook said, expressing hope that Bibi's acquittal will deter false blasphemous allegations in the future.

From her secret location, Bibi watched the decision reported live on local television, according to a friend who spoke to her as it was being announced.

Bibi's first thoughts were for her daughters, the friend said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he fears reprisals from radical religious militants.

"I am really grateful to everybody, now after nine years it is confirmed that I am free and I will be going to hug my daughters," he quoted Bibi as saying.

Pakistan's Chief Justice Asif Saeed Khan Khosa led the panel of judges that dismissed the petition asking the court review its Oct. 31 acquittal of Bibi and send her back to prison and eventual execution.

## CRESCENT

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Details of the project were revealed in July 2016. Construction began Sept. 13, 2017.

Office space was occupied by June 2018 with apartments beginning to lease in August, Yaman said.

There has been an uptick in apartment leases since then, he added. "Word of mouth got out as the population upstairs increased," he said.

In October 2018, The Preservation Association of Central New York awarded Yaman and Housing Visions the Pat Earle Award for their work in preserv-

ing the building.

The city of Cortland contributed \$250,000, National Grid gave \$300,000 and the New York Regional Economic Development Council gave \$1 million.

The rest of the funding comes from the equity of state and federal historic tax credits and a permanent mortgage with the Community Preservation Corp.

The developers also received a payment in lieu of taxes from the Cortland County Industrial Development Agency in September 2016, which will save them more about \$1.6 million in property taxes over 15 years.



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College Basketball

Williamson helps No. 2 Duke rout ND

By The Associated Press

Zion Williamson flew unimpeded again.

For Notre Dame, there was no chance at grounding him. For Mike Krzyzewski, there's no need to even think about grounding him.

"What do you mean "grounded"? So he doesn't jump, or what?" the Duke coach said Monday night, repeating a reporter's word used during a question about keeping the Blue Devils' freshman sensation level-headed.

"The kid's like one of the best kids in the whole world," Krzyzewski said. "No way (his head is going to get too big). I mean, he is so good, is such a great kid."

Williamson scored 26 points, grabbed nine rebounds and blocked four shots, and fellow freshmen RJ Barrett and Cam Reddish combined for another 30 points as No. 2 Duke rolled to an 83-61 victory over the Fighting Irish.

Williamson made 10 of 12 shots from the field for the Blue Devils, who were in control all the way.

Duke (18-2, 7-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) won its fourth straight game while sending Notre Dame (11-10, 1-7) to its sixth straight loss.

Barrett tallied 17 points for the Blue Devils to go with nine rebounds. Reddish had 13 points.

"Our guys, the two games in three days (with) travel, you never know what's going to happen," said Krzyzewski, whose club was coming off a 13-point home win Saturday over Georgia Tech, "but our guys really handled tonight well. Proud of them."

John Mooney scored 14 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Irish. It was his seventh consecutive double-double, but he finished just 4 of 15 from the field.

Prentiss Hubb added 13 points, while



Notre Dame's TJ Gibbs (10) fights for a rebound with Duke's Cam Reddish, center, and Javin DeLaurier during Monday's game in South Bend, Indiana. Duke routed the Irish, 83-61.

T.J. Gibbs had 12 points and four steals, but they, too, struggled with their shots, going a combined 9 of 28.

"I told our guys I think we had the two best teams in the country roll through our building in the last (three) days," said Notre Dame coach Mike Brey, whose club lost 82-55 to No. 3

Virginia on Saturday.

"I like how we competed against this one tonight," said Brey, who had expressed disappointment in the effort against the Cavaliers. "Let's see if that can be a better habit for us. It's kind of been a habit for us — it was just disappointing Saturday."

Duke, which led by as many 24 points in the second half, was up 46-28 by halftime.

The Blue Devils roared to a 17-2 lead in the opening six minutes, with Williamson scoring nine points during the spree, and were up 26-7 by the time 10 minutes had elapsed.

Notre Dame trimmed its deficit under double digits just once, at 32-23. The Blue Devils' immediate response to that was a 10-0 run over a span of 2:22.

BIG PICTURE

**Duke:** The Blue Devils moved into sole possession of the lead in the hotly contested ACC for the moment by virtue of their seventh league win. No. 3 Virginia (6-1), No. 15 Louisville (6-1) and No. 9 North Carolina (5-1) each have one league loss as well, and all were idle Monday. Duke still has road assignments remaining against each of those other three clubs, plus a home date with the Tar Heels.

**Notre Dame:** Teetering at just over .500, the Irish are in danger of missing out on postseason for just the second time during coach Brey's 19 years in South Bend. ND has made 12 NCAA Tournament appearances and five in the NIT under Brey. The lone time his Irish were shut out of either was in 2014, when the team closed at 15-17.

YOUTH SERVED

While Notre Dame's young players aren't the recognized blue chippers that Duke's are, youth was decidedly the rule in Monday's game on each side. The Blue Devils, as is typical, started four freshmen, including Tre Jones, who in his second game back from an injury scored nine points and dealt five assists. The Irish started two freshmen, while neither team started a senior.

Of the 16 players used by the two sides in the first half — eight apiece — eight were freshmen and none were seniors.

**No. 16 Texas Tech 84, TCU 65:** Jarrett Culver scored 12 of his 18 points after halftime, including two punctuating dunks in the closing minutes, and Texas Tech snapped a three-game Big 12 losing streak with a win over TCU.

Super Bowl LIII

How will exciting young Rams cope with the wily ol' Patriots?

By PAUL NEWBERRY  
AP Sports Columnist

ATLANTA — The guys from LA seemed to enjoy the spectacle.

The silly questions. The ridiculous antics. The carnival-like atmosphere.

Why wouldn't they?

It's all new to most of them.

"I'm 37 years old and I'm big-eyed right now," said offensive tackle Andrew Whitworth, the oldest player on the Los Angeles Rams. "This is amazing. It's something that excites you and makes you realize how special this game is."

For the other guys at Super Bowl Media Night, there might as well have been a collective yawn.

The New England Patriots have been through it all before.

Over and over again.

Bill Belichick looked out on the assembled media — sprinkled with an array of comics, TV personalities and riff-raff — with his usual disdain.

Tom Brady smiled at all the right times but might as well have been on auto-pilot.

It will be interesting to see how it all plays out next Sunday.

Will the brash young Rams — with a sweatsuit-wearing coach, Sean McVay, who is half Belichick's age and a quarterback, Jared Goff, who doesn't remember Brady's first Super Bowl because, well, he was only 7 years old the time — find themselves overwhelmed on the big stage?

Are the wily ol' Patriots — making their ninth Super Bowl appearance in 18 seasons and already possessing enough rings to fill out an entire hand — simply too experienced to slip up against a team that has virtually no track record at this time of year to fall back on?

"Probably throughout the week, it gives them an advantage," Whitworth conceded. "They kind of know this week. They know when things are a little anxious, when to kind of, hey, turn it on and get ready to play. They probably have a process and a plan for the week.

"But you know what?" he quickly added. "I'm just a firm believer that when you get out there and you snap that football, at some point the nerves are going to go away. You're going to have to settle in and be the team you are."

Those who are quick to declare that the Rams are just happy to be here, perhaps after watching McVay toss balls toward a kid hoisted onto an adult's shoulders and wearing a goalpost-shaped hat, might want to consider



Patriots head coach Bill Belichick listens during Opening Night for Super Bowl 53 on Monday night in Atlanta.

all they've been through.

A season ago, they suddenly emerged as one of the NFL's most exciting young teams, improving from 4-12 in 2016 — their first season back in Los Angeles after two decades in St. Louis — to 11-5 and a division championship. Then, in the first-round of the playoffs, they were upset at the Coliseum by the Atlanta Falcons.

"We felt like we could've made it (to the Super Bowl) last year," said John Johnson III, the Rams' second-year safety. "We were really disappointed."

This season, Los Angeles stared down a pair of off-the-field tragedies without batting an eye. There were the wildfires that raged in Southern California, forcing them to cancel a practice and creating some anxious moments for those closest to them. There was a mass shooting that claimed 13 lives at a bar not far from their Thousand Oaks training base.

They also spent a week training in Colorado Springs, preparing to play a game in the high altitude of Mexico City, only to have that contest moved back to Los Angeles on short notice because of poor field conditions at Estadio Azteca.

"It was like one thing after another that we can't control," Whitworth said. "We really had to just settle in — even though we were

worried about our families and our friends and people around us — and just play football."

They went 13-3 to capture another division title and a first-round bye. They knocked off the Dallas Cowboys for the franchise's first play-off victory in 14 years. Then, playing in one of the league's most hostile road environments, they rallied from an early 13-point deficit to beat the New Orleans Saints in overtime.

Sure, the Rams needed a blown call in the closing minutes of regulation just to get to overtime. But considering all they had been through, there was probably a bit of karma in that outcome.

Now, they face the ultimate test.

Belichick, Brady and the Super Bowl-tested Patriots.

New England is not unbeatable, of course. They've actually lost three of those eight previous Super Bowls, and every single one has been a nail-biter, the average margin barely more than four points.

But the Patriots carry themselves with a haughty aura that they've more than earned. A team that shows the least bit of timidity or uncertainty will likely find itself beaten before taking the field. Even with all those titles on their resume, Belichick and Brady seem as driven as ever.

CCL Roundup

McGraw scores boys' court win

The host McGraw boys' basketball team improved to 9-1 atop the Central Counties League and 13-3 overall Monday night with a 58-40 win over visiting Brookfield.

DeRuyter scored a 36-34 CCL girls' basketball win over host Cincinnatus while visiting McGraw beat Stockbridge Valley 54-29. The Cincinnatus volleyball team fell to host Tully 25-12, 25-20, 25-11 in a non-league match.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

**McGraw 58, Brookfield 40:** Chase Pickert led the way for the Eagles with 20 points to go with six rebounds while Caleb Smith scored 13 points and Chase Curtis had a double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds, plus four steals.

The Beavers (5-4, 6-7) were led by Kodie Abrams with 15 points and Cody VanNort with nine.

McGraw led 16-15 after one quarter, expanded its advantage to 24-17 at halftime and had a comfortable 35-21 lead entering the high scoring fourth, the winners with a 23-19 advantage over those last eight minutes.

"Chris has rebounded and defended strong all year but today he put together a complete offensive game as well," McGraw coach Derek Allen said. "He was able to go 12-for-12 from the foul line. He has been putting in the work in practice and it paid off. Chase was big inside. Caleb, after missing the first half, played the second half and handled the ball well for us at the guard position. Xiao Lin provided some excellent bench production from us, dishing out three key assists and making a couple of big buckets to end Brookfield runs."

The Eagles meet Blessed Virgin Mary Academy Thursday at Cazenovia College following the 5 p.m. JV game.

**The McGraw JVs** improved to 8-7 Monday night with a 52-45 win over Brookfield, led by Zach Lamarre with 20 points and Michael Levitskiy with 11 points. Ondrako had 21 points and Crespo 13 for Brookfield, with no first names reported.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

**DeRuyter 36, Cincinnatus 34:** Madison Russell scored 11 points, Terricka Glisson added 10 points and Madelyn Pforter scored nine points for the Rockets, who improved to 5-3 in the CCL and 6-6 overall.

McKayla Maroney led all scorers with 14 points and also had seven rebounds for Cincy (1-7, 1-13), which also got 11 points plus eight steals from Delaney Rutan and 11 rebounds, four points and four steals from Alexia Abbatiello.

DeRuyter led 11-5 after the first eight minutes and 19-15 at halftime. Cincy used an 11-8 third-quarter advantage to close the gap to 27-26 after three, the winners with a 9-8 edge in the fourth.

The Rockets host Morrisville-Eaton Wednesday in a 5:30 p.m. non-leaguer and the Red Lions visit CCL foe Brookfield Thursday at 6 p.m.

**McGraw 54, Stockbridge Valley 29:** Karissa Wilbur poured in 31 points while Elyssa Fish added eight points and Alexis Stiles scored seven points for the Eagles, who improved to 4-4 league and 4-9 overall. The winners led 17-6 after one quarter, 29-13 at halftime and 41-21 heading into the fourth quarter.

Hannah Greene led the Cougars (2-6, 3-11) with 13 points and Alissa Mazzye added 10 points.

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# Scoreboard

## Basketball

PROFESSIONAL					AP DIVISION I TOP 25				
NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION					Records through Jan. 27				
EASTERN CONFERENCE					Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Toronto	37	15	.712	—					
Philadelphia	32	18	.640	4					
Boston	31	19	.620	5					
Brooklyn	27	24	.529	9 1/2					
New York	10	39	.204	25 1/2					
Southeast Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Miami	24	24	.500	—					
Charlotte	24	25	.490	1/2					
Washington	21	28	.429	3 1/2					
Orlando	20	30	.400	5					
Atlanta	16	33	.327	8 1/2					
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Milwaukee	35	13	.729	—					
Indiana	32	17	.653	3 1/2					
Detroit	21	27	.438	14					
Chicago	11	39	.220	25					
Cleveland	10	41	.196	26 1/2					
WESTERN CONFERENCE					Southwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Houston	29	20	.592	—					
San Antonio	29	22	.569	1					
Dallas	22	27	.449	7					
New Orleans	22	28	.440	7 1/2					
Memphis	20	31	.392	10					
Northwest Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Denver	34	15	.694	—					
Oklahoma City	31	18	.633	3					
Portland	31	20	.608	4					
Utah	29	22	.569	6					
Minnesota	24	26	.480	10 1/2					
Pacific Divisio									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Golden State	36	14	.720	—					
L.A. Clippers	28	23	.549	8 1/2					
L.A. Lakers	26	24	.520	10					
Sacramento	25	25	.500	11					
Phoenix	11	41	.212	26					

**Monday's Games**  
Charlotte 101, New York 92  
Golden State 132, Indiana 100  
Boston 112, Brooklyn 104  
Denver 95, Memphis 92  
Atlanta 123, L.A. Clippers 118  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Milwaukee at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
Oklahoma City at Orlando, 7 p.m.  
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m.  
Chicago at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.  
New Orleans at Houston, 8 p.m.  
Phoenix at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday's Games**  
Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Chicago at Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
Dallas at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
Denver at New Orleans, 8 p.m.  
Indiana at Washington, 8 p.m.  
Memphis at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
Atlanta at Sacramento, 10 p.m.  
Utah at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

**COLLEGIATE MEN**  
**SUNYAC**  
**Tuesday (7:30 p.m.): Oneonta at Cortland,** Buffalo State at Geneseo, Plattsburgh at Potsdam, Fredonia at Brockport, Oswego at New Paltz.  
**Standings:** Oswego 11-0 (16-2 overall), **Cortland 8-3 (14-4)**, Plattsburgh 8-3 (14-4), Potsdam 7-4 (12-6), Brockport 6-4 (10-7), New Paltz 5-5 (10-7), Oneonta 3-7 (8-9), Geneseo 2-8 (5-12), Buffalo State 2-9 (4-13), Fredonia 1-10 (2-16).

**ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE**  
Duke 83, Notre Dame 61  
**Tuesday:** North Carolina at Georgia Tech (7 p.m.), Virginia at North Carolina State (7), Pittsburgh at Clemson (9 p.m.).  
**Wednesday:** Virginia Tech at Miami (7 p.m.), Louisville at Wake Forest (8), **Syracuse at Boston College (8)**, **Standings:** Virginia 6-1 (18-1 overall), Duke 6-1 (17-2), Louisville 6-1 (15-5), North Carolina 5-1 (15-4), Virginia Tech 5-2 (16-3), **Syracuse 5-2 (14-6)**, Florida State 3-4 (15-5), North Carolina State 3-4 (15-5), Pittsburgh 3-4 (13-7), Georgia Tech 3-4 (11-9), Boston College 2-4 (11-7), Clemson 1-5 (11-8), Miami 1-6 (9-10), Wake Forest 1-6 (8-11), Notre Dame 1-7 (11-10).

**IVY LEAGUE**  
**Standings:** Yale 2-0 (12-3 overall), Princeton 2-0 (10-5), Dartmouth 1-1 (10-9), Harvard 1-1 (8-7), **Cornell 1-1 (8-9)**, Columbia 1-1 (6-10), Brown 0-2 (12-6), Penn 0-2 (12-6).

**SOUTH**  
Alabama A&M 71, Alcorn St. 62  
Alabama St. 69, Southern U. 65  
Coppin St. 95, Bethune-Cookman 91  
Florida A&M 72, Morgan St. 66  
Howard 72, Md.-Eastern Shore 57  
Kentucky St. 99, LeMoyne-Owen 77  
NC Central 82, Savannah St. 78  
Texas Southern 65, MVUSU 62

**SOUTHWEST**  
Baylor 77, Oklahoma 47  
Prairie View 84, Ark.-Pine Bluff 63  
Texas Tech 84, TCU 65

**FAR WEST**  
N. Arizona 80, S. Utah 77, UT

**D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25**  
**Records through Jan. 27**  
1. Augustana (43 1st place votes) 18-1, 2. Nebraska Wesleyan (9) 18-1, 3. Whitman (2) 18-1, 4. Wisconsin-Oshkosh (1) 18-1, 5. St. Thomas 17-1, 6. Williams 17-2, 7. MIT 17-2, 8. Marietta 17-2, 9. Randolph-Macon 18-2, 10. Whitworth 16-3.  
**11. Hamilton** 16-3, 12. St. John's 15-3, 13. Wooster 16-3, 14. Wabash 17-2, 15. Pomona-Pitzer 18-1, 16. Swarthmore 16-3, 17. Christopher Newport 16-3, 18. Loras 16-4, 19. Capital 16-3, 20. Wisconsin-Stevens Point 13-5.  
21. Lynchburg 17-3, 22. North Central, Illinois (17-3), 23. Amherst 15-3, 24. Nichols 18-2, 25. Wisconsin-La Crosse 14-5.  
**Others receiving votes:** Oswego 47; **Plattsburgh 29; Rochester 21;** Centre 16; Emory 14; Gordon 10; Wesleyan 9; Wittenberg 9; Middlebury 9; Colby 9; Guilford 9; Wheaton (Ill.) 6; New Jersey City 5; Arcadia 3; Occidental 3; Scranton 3; Eastern Connecticut 2; WPI 2; La Roche 1.

**AP DIVISION I TOP 25**  
**Records through Jan. 27**  
1. Tennessee (48 1st place votes) 18-1, 2. Duke (12) 17-2, 3. Virginia (4) 18-1, 4. Gonzaga 19-2, 5. Michigan 19-1, 6. Michigan St. 18-3, 7. Kentucky 16-3, 8. Nevada 19-1, 9. North Carolina 15-4, 10. Marquette 18-3.  
11. Kansas 16-4, 12. Virginia Tech 16-3, 13. Houston 20-1, 14. Villanova 16-4, 15. Texas Tech 16-4, 17. Purdue 14-6, **18. Buffalo 16-2**, 19. LSU 16-3, 20. Iowa State 15-5.  
21. Maryland 16-5, 22. Mississippi State 15-4, 23. N.C. State 16-4, 24. Wisconsin 14-6, 25. Florida State 15-5.  
**Others receiving votes:** Auburn 85, Cincinnati 76, Washington 75, Kansas St. 73, Oklahoma 41, Iowa 28, Wofford 10, **Hofstra 9**, TCU 7, Mississippi 7, Nebraska 6, Davidson 5, **Syracuse 3**, Minnesota 1.

**COLLEGIATE WOMEN**  
**SUNYAC**

**Tuesday (5:30 p.m.): Oneonta at Cortland,** Buffalo State at Geneseo, Plattsburgh at Potsdam, Fredonia at Brockport, Oswego at New Paltz.  
**Standings:** New Paltz 9-1 (13-4 overall), Geneseo 8-2 (15-2), Oneonta 8-2 (14-3), Fredonia 6-5 (9-9), Plattsburgh 5-6 (10-10), Brockport 5-5 (7-10), **Cortland 5-6 (9-9)**, Potsdam 3-6 (6-11), Buffalo State 3-8 (9-9), Oswego 1-10 (2-16).

**NEW YORK STATE**  
CCSU 63, LIU Brooklyn 57  
Fairleigh Dickinson 63, Bryant 53  
Mount St. Mary's 78, St. Francis Brooklyn 75  
St. Francis (Pa.) 107, Wagner 70

**EAST**  
Robert Morris 64, Sacred Heart 46  
Alabama A&M 87, Alcorn St. 69  
Alabama St. 78, Southern U. 61  
Bethune-Cookman 71, Coppin St. 65  
LeMoyne-Owen 71, Kentucky 53  
Lindsey Wilson 76, Wilberforce 52  
Md.-Eastern Shore 80, Howard 73  
Morgan St. 75, Florida A&M 71  
NC Central 71, Savannah St. 67  
South Carolina 80, Vanderbilt 69  
Texas Southern 68, MVSU 50

**SOUTHWEST**  
Prairie View 80, Ark.-Pine Bluff 41  
West Virginia 84, Texas 58

**FAR WEST**  
N. Arizona 78, S. Utah 69

**D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25**  
**Records through Jan. 27**

1 Bowdoin (16 1st place votes) 19-0, 2. Thomas More (9) 23-0, 3. St. Thomas 18-1, 4. Tufts 19-1, 5. Amherst 17-2, 6. Mary Hardin-Baylor 19-1, 7. Scranton 18-1, 8. Trine 18-2, 9. Messiah 19-1, 10. St. Joseph's (Maine) 19-0.  
11. Hope 16-3, 12. Wisconsin-Oshkosh 17-2, 13. Illinois Wesleyan 16-3, 14. George Fox 16-3, 15. East Texas Baptist 17-2, 16. Wartburg 17-2, **17. Geneseo 16-1**, 18. DeSales 16-2, 19. Chicago 14-4, 20. DePaul 16-4.  
21. Texas-Dallas 15-4, 22. Transylvania 17-2, 23. Gettysburg 15-3, 24. Whitman 15-4, 25. Misericordia 17-1.  
**Others receiving votes:** UVA-La Crosse 34, Wheaton (Ill.) 31; Augsburg 27; Emory and Henry 23; Babson 17; **Ithaca 9;** Washington U. 9; Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 7; Johns Hopkins 5; Austin 3; Christopher Newport 3; Loras 2; Trinity (Conn.) 2; Trinity (Texas) 2; **New Paltz 1**; UW-Eau Claire 1.

1. Baylor (24 1st place votes) 17-1, 3. Connecticut (2) 18-1, 3. Louisville (2) 19-1, 4. Oregon 19-1, 5. Notre Dame 19-2, 6. Mississippi State 19-1, 7. N.C. State 20-0, 8. Stanford 17-2, 9. Oregon State 17-3, 10. Marquette 18-3.  
11. Maryland 18-2, 12. Texas 17-3, 13. Iowa 16-4, 14. Utah 18-1, 15. Gonzaga 19-2, 16. South Carolina 13-5, 17. Rutgers 16-4, **18. Syracuse 16-4**, 19. Kentucky 17-4, 20. Texas A&M 16-4.  
21. Arizona State 14-6, 22. Michigan State 15-5, 23. Iowa State 15-5, 24. Florida State 17-3, 25. BYU 17-3.  
**Others receiving votes:** Miami 34, Drake 30, South Dakota 10, DePaul 7, Missouri 7, New Mexico 4, California 2, Clemson 2, Minnesota 2, Rice 1, UCF 1.

**SCHOLASTIC BOYS**  
**OHSL LIBERTY AMERICAN DIVISION**  
Chittenango 53, Mexico 49  
**Standings:** Westhill 6-1 (9-4 overall), Mexico 6-4 (11-5), Solvay 5-4 (8-6), Syracuse Institute of Technology 5-4 (6-9), Chittenango 6-6 (7-9), **Homer 2-6 (3-11)**, Phoenix 2-8 (6-11).

**OHSL LIBERTY NATIONAL DIVISION**  
A-P-W 60, Pulaski 52  
**Standings:** Skaneateles 12-0 (15-0 overall), Jordan-Elbridge 5-5 (8-6), Marcellus 5-5 (7-7), Cazenovia 4-6 (6-9), Hannibal 3-6 (4-7), A-P-W 1-5 (5-8).

**CENTRAL COUNTIES LEAGUE**  
**McGraw 58, Brookfield 4**  
Central Valley Academy 79, Madison 33  
Manlius-Pebble Hill 70, Otselec Valley 29  
Remsen 43, Stockbridge Valley 38  
**Standings:** **McGraw 9-1 (13-3 overall)**, **DeRuyter 7-1 (13-3)**, Brookfield 4-4 (6-7), Stockbridge Valley 5-5 (5-11), Madison 3-6 (3-12), Otselec Valley 3-7 (4-12), **Cincinnati 0-8 (0-12)**.

**IAC NORTH DIVISION**  
**Large School Standings:** Whitney Point 7-2 (10-5 overall), Lansing 6-3 (9-5), **Dryden 5-4 (9-6)**, Trumansburg 3-6 (3-10).  
**Small School Standings:** Moravia 9-1 (13-2 overall), **Marathon 6-4 (9-5)**, Union Springs 5-6 (8-7), **Groton 3-7 (3-10)**, Southern Cayuga 2-8 (4-11).

**IAC SOUTH DIVISION**  
**Large School Standings:** Watkins Glen 7-2 (10-4 overall), Elmira Notre Dame 5-4 (6-7), Newark Valley 4-5 (7-9), Waverly 3-6 (5-8), Elmira Heights Edison 1-9 (1-16).  
**Small School Standings:** Newfield 9-2 (10-6 overall), Spencer-Van Etten 8-2 (12-2), Tioga 5-6 (9-8), Candor 4-6 (8-9), Odessa-Montour 1-8 (4-11).

**NEW YORK STATE POLLS**  
**Records through Jan. 27**

**CLASS AA**  
1. Long Island Lutheran-AIS (15-2 overall), 2. Brentwood-11 (16-0), 3. St. Raymond's-CHSAA (16-4), 4. Bishop Loughlin-CHSAA (17-1), 5. South Shore-PSAL (19-3), 6. Cardinal Hayes-CHSAA (14-4), 7. Thomas Jefferson-PSAL (17-5), 8. Niagara Falls-2 (12-2), 9. Bethlehem-2 (15-0), **10. Corcoran-3 (15-0)**, 11. Christ the King-CHSAA (10-7), 12. North Babylon-11 (16-0), 13. Mount Vernon-1 (11-3), 14. McQuaid-5 (10-3), 15. Brooklink Collegiate-PSAL (12-6), 16. Suffern-1 (4-0), 17. Kingston-9 (13-2), 18. Longwood-11 (15-1), 19. Xavierian-CHSAA (14-4), 20. Mount St. Michael-CHSAA (12-7).  
21. Uniondale-8 (13-2), 22. Thurgood Marshall-PSAL (15-4), 23. Saratoga Springs-2 (13-2), 24. St. Peter-CHSAA (14-5), 25. Curtis-PSAL (17-6).  
**Among mentions:** Bishop Ludden 8-4, Rome Free Academy 13-3, Utica Notre Dame 10-6, West Genesee 12-2.

**CLASS A**  
1. Albany Academy-AIS (13-2 overall), 2. Buffalo Park School-MMAA (12-2), 3. Pittsford Mendon-5 (12-0), 4. Tappan Zee-1 (15-0), 5. Brooklyn Law and Tech-PSAL (17-3), 6. Nazareth-CHSAA (13-4), 7. Rochester East-5 (14-1), 8. Northstar Christian-5 (16-0), 9. Fordham Prep-CHSAA (15-4), 10. Poughkeepsie-1 (13-3).  
11. Byram Hills-1 (12-3), 12. Monsignor Farrell-CHSAA (14-3), 13. Greece Athena-5 (13-2), 14. Troy-2 (12-2), 15. Whitesboro-3 (13-2), 16. Xavier-CHSAA (14-4), 17. New Dorp-PSA-1 (14-4), 18. Elmont-8 (11-3), 19. Beacon-PSAL (15-1), 20. Lehman-PSAL (20-2), 21. Horace Greeley (13-2), 22. Gloversville-2 (13-1), 23. New Paltz-9 (10-2), 24. Canarsie-PSAL (15-3), 25. Chaminade-CHSAA (11-5).  
**Among mentions:** Bishop Grimes 10-3, Central Square 11-2, East Syracuse Minoa 12-4, Jamesville-DeWitt 13-2, Maine-Endwell 12-3.

**CLASS B**  
1. Olean-Section 6 (14-0 overall), 2. Schalmont-2 (15-0), 3. Cardinal O'Hara-MMAA (16-0), 4. Glens Falls-2 (14-1), 5. Malverne-8 (14-1), 6. Summit Academy-PSAL (17-3), 7. Uncommon Charter-PSAL (15-1), 8. Putnam Valley-1 (13-0), 9. Ogdensburg-10 (12-1), **10. Skaneateles-3 (15-0)**, 11. South Bronx Prep-PSAL (14-2), 12. Knox School-AIS (11-4), 13. Lawrence-Woodmere-AIS (13-4), 14. Fannie Lou Hamer-PSAL (18-3), 15. Center Moriches-East-11 (12-5), 16. Bronx School of Law-PSAL (15-1), 17. Dobbs Ferry-1 (12-3), 18. Greece Odyssey-5 (12-2), 19. Ellenville-9 (11-1), 20. Southwestern-6 (12-3).  
**21. Owego Free Academy-4 (13-2)**, 22. Wellsville-5 (10-4), 23. Allegany-Limestone-6 (11-2), 24. Watervliet-2 (10-5), **25. Lowville-3 (14-1)** & Regis-CHSAA (12-2).  
**Among mentions:** Binghamton Seton Catholic 13-3, General Brown 15-2, Holland Patent 11-4, Mexico 11-4, Norwich 10-4, Oneonta 9-5, Sherburne-Earlville 12-4, Wilson 9-4.

**CLASS C**  
1. Lake George-Section 2 (16-0 overall), 2. **Cooperstown-3 (16-0)**, 3. Greenport-11 (13-1), 4. Lyons-5 (14-1), 5. Hoosick Falls-2 (12-1), **6. Utica Academy of Science-3 (15-0)**, 7. C.G. Finney-5 (13-2), 8. Buffalo Tapestry-Charter-6 (9-4), 9. Avon-5 (12-2), 10. Caledonia-Munford-5 (13-1).  
11. Alexander Hamilton-1 (10-4), 12. Marcus Whitman-5 (12-1), 13. **Weedsport-3 (14-1)**, 14. Madrid-Waddington-10 (13-3), 15. Maple Hill-2 (14-2), 16. Buffalo East-6 (10-4), 17. Buffalo Middle College-6 (11-4), 18. Randolph-6 (11-3), **19. LaFayette-3 (11-2)**, 20. Northern Adirondack-2 (4-4).  
**Among mentions:** Delhi 11-4, Greene 10-3, Lansing 9-5, Moravia 13-2, Oriskany 11-5, Spencer-Van Etten 12-2, Unadilla Valley 11-5, Walton 11-4, Watkins Glen 10-4, West Canada Valley 13-3, Whitney Point 10-5.

**CLASS D**  
1. Prattsburgh-Section 5 (15-1 overall), 2. **South Kortright-3 (14-1)**, 3. Avoca-5 (14-2), 4. Elba-5 (14-2), **5. LaFargeville-3 (14-2)**, 6. Lyne-3 (12-2), **7. Edmeston-4 (15-3)**, 8. **DERUYTER-3 (13-3)**, 9. Oppenheim-Ephra-tah-St. Johnsville-2 (13-3), 10. Harrisville-10 (9-4), 11. **McGraw-4 (12-3)**, **12. Morris-4 (14-2)**, 13. Bridgehampton-11 (9-6), 14. Mount Morris-5 (10-3), 15. Cha-teaugay-10 (13-4).  
**Among mentions:** Copenhagen 10-6, Hamilton 11-4, Hunter-Tannersville 10-4, Jefferson 12-2, **Marathon 8-5**, Milford 13-4, New York Mills 10-5.

**SCHOLASTIC GIRLS**  
**SCAC EMPIRE DIVISION**  
Auburn 58, Chittenango 52  
Corcoran 55, Central Square 29  
**Standings:** Jamesville-DeWitt 7-0 (8-3 overall), Auburn 6-0 (10-3), Central Square 5-4 (7-7), **Cortland 4-5 (9-7)**, Oswego 3-3 (6-7), Fulton 1-6 (2-9), East Syracuse-Minoa 0-8 (3-12).

**OHSL LIBERTY AMERICAN DIVISION**  
Westhill 86, Mexico 23  
**Standings:** Westhill 8-1 (14-3 overall), Chittenango 4-3 (6-6), **Homer 3-4 (6-9)**, Solvay 3-5 (6-7), Phoenix 2-6 (3-10), Mexico 2-8 (3-13), ITC-Fowler 0-7 (0-12).

**CENTRAL COUNTIES LEAGUE**  
**DeRuyter 36, Cincinnatus 34**  
**McGraw 54, Stockbridge Valley 29**  
Brookfield 69, Otselec Valley 19  
**Standings:** Brookfield 7-0 (11-1 overall), Madison 7-1 (13-1), **DeRuyter 5-3 (6-6)**, **McGraw 4-4 (4-9)**, Stockbridge Valley 2-6 (3-11), Otselec Valley 1-6 (2-13), **Cincinnati 1-7 (1-13)**.

**OHSL PATRIOT AMERICAN**  
**Standings:** Onondaga 9-1 (13-2 overall), Tully 8-1 (11-4), Weedsport 3-4 (5-9), Fabius-Pompey 3-5 (7-9), Faith Heritage 1-7 (2-12), Manlius-Pebble Hill 0-8 (2-12).

**CENTRAL COUNTIES LEAGUE**  
**Tully def. Cincinnatus 25-12, 25-20, 25-11.**  
**Standings:** **DeRuyter 6-1 (11-3 overall)**, Stockbridge Valley 6-1 (8-5), **Cincinnati 3-4 (3-10)**, **McGraw 2-4 (2-8)**, Brookfield 0-7 (0-9)

## Hockey

PROFESSIONAL

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	49	37	10	2	76	199	140
Toronto	49	30	17	2	62	174	140
Montreal	51	28	15	8	61	154	149
Boston	49	27	17	5	59	143	128
Buffalo	48	24	18	6	54	140	144
Florida	48	20	20	8	48	152	170
Detroit	51	19	25	7	45	145	172
Ottawa	49	19	26	4	43	156	187

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	49	29	15	5	63	147	122
Washington	50	27	17	6	60	171	162
Columbus	48	28	17	3	59	154	146
Pittsburgh	49	26	17	6	58	172	152
Carolina	48	24	20	4	56	141	149
N.Y. Rangers	48	21	20	7	49	139	164
Philadelphia	49	20	23	6	46	142	170
New Jersey	49	19	23	7	45	146	167

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Winnipeg	49	31	16	2	64	168	137
Nashville	49	28	18	3	64	161	135
Minnesota	50	26	21	3	55	142	142
Dallas	48	24	21	4	52	126	128
Colorado	50	22	20	8	52	169	162
St. Louis	49	22	22	5	49	139	149
Chicago	51	18	24	9	45	156	190

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	51	33	13	5	71	190	145
San Jose	52	29	16	7	65	187	167
Vegas	52	29	19	4	62	157	140
Vancouver	51	23	22	6	52	147	161
Anaheim	51	21	21	9	51	120	153
Arizona	50	23	24	3	50	132	142
Edmonton	50	23	24	3	49	132	142
Los Angeles	50	20	26	4	44	114	150

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.



## Youth Hockey

The H&H Financial Group Bantam Travel team played to a pair of 3-3 draws at home this weekend.

On Saturday, Cortland received a two-goal performance from Ben McGrath and one from Tanner Douglass against Camillus. Gabby Cranfield, Ryan Spalding and Tyler Collins each chipped in with an assist. Garret Clark made 16 saves and John Wallace stopped 3 shots. Cortland held a 27-22 shot advantage.

On Sunday, McGrath again collected two goals while Chris Yang netted the third. Douglass had two helpers and Spalding one. Wallace and Clark made four and 10 saves, respectively. Cortland held a 32-17 shot advantage.

### BANTAM

The Heritage Realty Bantam team dropped a pair of home games this weekend.

Cortland gave up four first-period goals in a 6-2 loss to Fulton Saturday. Jacob Couture had one goal and one assist for the home team. Padraic Andrews scored the other Cortland goal. Aidan Farron and Phoenix Simonds each dished out one assist. Andrew Kristof recorded 26 save in the Cortland goal.

On Sunday, Midstate use two third period goals to break a 2-2 tie and go on to a 4-2 victory over Cortland. Couture and Max Walder netted the Cortland goals while Andrews and Gabby Cranfield each handed out an assist. Kristof made 15 saves for Cortland.

### SQUIRT RED

The WXM Auto Squirt Red team lost on the road and at home. Eli McCutcheon made 10 saves as Cortland dropped a 3-0 contest at Whitestown Saturday.

McCutcheon made 12 saves Sunday during a 3-1 lost to visiting Clinton. Two second-period goals broke a scoreless tie and propelled Clinton to the win. Owen Rizzo scored a goal in the third period for Cortland.

BANTAM TRAVEL Camillus 3, Cortland 3	Midstate 4, Cortland 2
By periods: Camillus 0 2 1 — 3 Cortland 1 1 1 — 3	By periods: Midstate 1 1 2 — 4 Cortland 1 1 0 — 2
<b>Goals-assists: Camillus-</b> Jeremy Keyes 2-0, Ryan Kemp 1-0, Joe Snyder 0-1, Jack Mellon 0-1. <b>Cortland-</b> Ben McGrath 2-0, Tanner Douglass 1-0, Gabby Cranfield 0-1, Ryan Spalding 0-1, Tyler Collins 0-1.	<b>Goals-assists: Midstate-</b> Joseph Ilacqua 3-0, Noah Owsiany 1-1, Brendan Rielly 0-1. <b>Cortland-</b> Jacob Couture 1-0, Max Walder 1-0, Padraic Andrews 0-1, Gabby Cranfield 0-1.
<b>Saves:</b> Derek Desena (Ca) 24, Garret Clark (Co) 16, John Wallace (Co) 3.	<b>Saves:</b> Sean Honeywell 33 (M), Andrew Kristof 15 (C).
Ithaca 3, Cortland 3	SQUIRT RED Whitestown 3, Cortland 0
By periods: Ithaca 1 1 1 — 3 Cortland 1 1 1 — 3	By periods: Cortland 0 0 0 — 0 Whitestown 1 1 1 — 3
<b>Goals-assists: Ithaca-</b> Noah Kissiloff 2-0, Eli Simons 1-0, Sean Albertsons 0-1. <b>Cortland-</b> Ben McGrath 2-0, Chris Yang 1-0, Tanner Douglass 0-2, Ryan Spalding 0-1.	<b>Goals-assists: Whitestown-</b> Sal Mazzei 1-0, Matthew McLaughlin 0-1, Kyle Parent 1-0, Nolan Potasiewicz 0-1.
<b>Saves:</b> Tyler Kirk (I) 29, Garret Clark (C) 10, John Wallace (C) 4.	<b>Saves:</b> Eli McCutcheon (C) 10, Whitestown (no name reported) 10.
BANTAM Fulton 6, Cortland 2	Clinton 3, Cortland 1
By periods: Fulton 4 2 0 — 6 Cortland 1 0 1 — 2	By periods: Clinton 0 2 1 — 3 Cortland 0 0 1 — 1
<b>Goals-assists: Fulton-</b> Fred White 4-0, Nic Schremp 1-0, Carter VanBuren 1-0, Tanner Tetto 0-2, Lucas Nelson 0-1. <b>Cortland-</b> Jacob Couture 1-1, Padraic Andrews 1-0, Aidan Farron 0-1, Phoenix Simonds 0-1.	<b>Goals-assists: Clinton-</b> Tyler Grube 1-0, Antimo Pellecchia 1-0, Jack Ryan 1-0, Cole Campbell 0-1, Dylan George 0-1. <b>Cortland-</b> Owen Rizzo 1-0.
<b>Saves:</b> Mike Doney 27 (F), Andrew Kristof 26 (C).	<b>Saves:</b> Eli McCutcheon (Cort) 12, Cameron Maxam (Clin) 5.

## Bowling

**COURTNEY MCKALLIP** was the top female league bowler Monday night with a 652 series on games of 201-193-258 for Scented For Success in the Save A Lot Ladies League at Cort-Lanes.

Lisa Mostert earned honors at 576 on 191-215-170 while Heather McCaskill had 568 on 216-159-193 and Donna Partigianoni 568 on 161-202-205.

**TINK ROOT** was the top scorer overall with a 713 series on games of 190-276-247 for Root team in the Senior Men's League at Cort-Lanes.

Honors went to Jim Grant with 695 on 214-256-225, Chuck Pitts 672 on 219-227-226, Jason Schumacher 662 on 226-235-201 and Chet Prusinowski 657 on 183-238-236.

John Busch converted a 6-7-10 split while Bruce Wood picked up a 6-7 and Kris Clark swept away a 5-10.

**Ned Converse** led the way with a 649 series on games of 254-178-217 as the Cortland Sport Singles League bowled on the 48' Eiffel Tower pattern again this week. Les Richmond had 587 on 191-190-206 and Tom Pietrasz 584 on 188-211-185.

John Busch converted a 6-7-10 split while Bruce Wood picked up a 6-7 and Kris Clark swept away a 5-10.

CORT-LANES Save-A-Lot Ladies	CORT-LANES Cortland Sport Singles
Palm Garden 56 Scentd For Success 46 John's Girls 39 MAB Roofing & Siding (1); Scented for Success (3), <b>C. McKallip 201, 193, 258-652</b> , C. Thompson 179. Palm Garden (4), <b>L. Mostert 191, 215, 170-576, A. Hamilton 200-503, H. McCaskill 216, 193-568</b> ; Happy Three (0). John's Girls (3), <b>D. Partigianoni 202, 205-568</b> , C. Thomas 185, 172; Gutter's R Us (1), K. Clark 187, <b>R. Baine 177, 168, 183-528</b> .	T. Pietrasz 17.5 Myers 12.0 Converse 17.0 Sheng 11.0 Blaker 13.0 Pratt 11.0 Kallas 12.5 Richmond 7.0 Peaslee 12.0 E. Pietrasz 7.0 <b>N. Converse 265, 178, 217-649</b> , L. Richmond 191, 190, 206-587, T. Pietrasz 188, 211, 185-584, A. Sheng 202, W. Sherwood 200, R. Peaslee 199, J. Myers 194.
CORT-LANES Senior Men's	281 BOWL Monday Night Pearl Harbor
Rosato Team 51 Prusinowski Team 46 Warren Team 45 Dewey Team 44 McNeill Team 43 McEuen Team 39 McEuen Team (1), P. Sheridan 210; Prusinowski Team (3), <b>C. Prusinowski 238, 236-657</b> . Dewey Team (4), A. Pahlke 214, <b>C. Dewey 217, 214-622</b> ; Moore Team (0), D. Barber 211. Thomas Team (1), R. Marvin 200, <b>D. Thomas 200, 248-643</b> , G. Loudan 214; McNeil Team (3), B. Epp 203, J. McNeil 200. Pitts Team (1), <b>C. Pitts 219, 227, 226-672</b> ; Warren Team (3), J. Rosato 215, 208, E. Graves 201, L. Warren 246. Rosato Team (4), <b>T. Terry 216, 247-626, R. Rosato 203, 208-604, R. Foster 214, 246-622</b> , R. Epp 200; Bye (0). Grant Team (4), <b>C. Parkin 201, R. Moreland 215, J. Grant 214, 256, 225-695</b> ; Root Team (0), <b>T. Root 276, 247-713</b> .	NMFP 47 Mishaps 42 3 and 1 40 Bipolar Bowlers 38 Fingerlakes Elec. 38 Dryden Queen Diner (1), L. Stevens 305; NMFP (3), <b>M. Cullip 211, 226-620, K. McGowan 187, 179, 177-543, B. McGowan 209, 195-541</b> . Mishaps (3), <b>L. Bell 194-501, J. Grant 215, 237-618, T. Root 213, 230, 202-645</b> ; Fingerlakes Electric (1), D. Miller 167, D. Tuttle 208, 211. Conway Construction (3), G. Mueller 201, R. Harris 193; Bipolar Bowlers (1), R. Vliet 172. No F in Ten Pin (1), M. Phalen 202, <b>G. Root 224, 202-608, S. Stout 179, 191-527, J. Schumacher 226, 235, 201-662</b> ; 3 and 1 (3), J. Cole 207, <b>B. McGowan 246, 234-638</b> . PMF's (3); Screwballs (1), R. Russell Jr. 215, P. Russell 169.

# McGraw

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McGraw meets Otselic Valley at Madison Saturday in a 2:45 p.m. start as part of the CCL Girls' Basketball More Than A Game Day program.

### VOLLEYBALL

**Tully 3, Cincinnatus 0:** Olivia Byron had six digs, two aces, a kill and an assist for Cincy, now 3-10 overall. Sierra Metcalf had two kills and three digs and MaKenzie Rice chipped in with three digs, a kill, an aces and an assist.

Emma Byrne had 17 assists,

two aces, a kill and a dig, Gemma Guy six kills and two aces and Erin O'Mara four kills, three aces and an assist for the Black Knights (12-4).

"We were really tested on our defense tonight and Tully runs a very good offense," Red Lions coach Mallory Cobb said. "We couldn't match their aggressiveness and it really showed in the first and third sets. We had some good defensive plays and hustled for every ball."

Cincy visits Sherburne-Earlville Wednesday, the JV game set to start at 5:30 p.m.

## NBA

# Warriors win 11th straight

By The Associated Press

Stephen Curry's first-half shooting clinic was virtually flawless.

His championship teammates pitched in, too.

Curry scored 23 of his 26 points in the first half Monday and Golden State ran away with a 132-100 rout at Indiana for its league-leading 11th consecutive victory. The two-time defending champions still aren't satisfied.

"I feel like we can," Curry said when asked if the Warriors can get even better. "We're not playing perfect basketball, by any stretch, but we're playing consistent, focused basketball and we're still working out some kinks with rotations and stuff like that."

It's a scary thought for the rest of the league, especially after the two-time MVP turned in another head-turning performance.

Curry made his first eight shots and his first six 3-pointers, including a demoralizing 27-foot buzzer-beater that gave the Warriors a 69-48 halftime lead. He finished 10 of 13 from the field with six rebounds, three assists and two steals in just 27 minutes.

DeMarcus Cousins had a season-high 22 points on a night five players scored in double figures and the Warriors had 39 assists.

And all that came on the final leg of a five-game road trip without Draymond Green, who rested, and against the league's No. 1 scoring defense.

"I was a little worried about this game. Everybody's anxious to get home," coach Steve Kerr said. "But we finished off the trip the right way. We've been more dialed in the last month than we have all season."

Golden State has won a league-high 10 consecutive road games and swept a five-game trip for the first time since November 2014.

The Pacers played without All-Star guard Victor Oladipo, who had season-ending surgery on his right knee Monday, and Tyreke Evans, Oladipo's replacement, because of a sore back. But even at full strength, they may have struggled to weather the Warriors' flurry.

Indiana gave up a season-high 40 points in the first quarter, and never got closer than 16 after Curry broke a 16-16 tie by scoring eight points to start a decisive 24-6 quarter-closing run en route to its most lopsided loss this season.

"There's no doubt in my mind that this



Michael Conroy/Associated Press

**Pacers center Kyle O'Quinn (10) goes up with Warriors center Kevon Looney (5) and guard Damion Lee for a rebound during the second half of Monday's game in Indianapolis. The Warriors won, 132-100.**

team is going on the up track," Pacers guard Darren Collison said. "I think we saw tonight, playing against a team like that, how to execute and we can take something from that."

Myles Turner scored 16 points and Bojan Bogdanovic had 15 but Indiana lost for the second straight time since Oladipo was injured last week. It was the Pacers' worst loss this season.

**Nuggets 95, Grizzlies 92:** Nikola Jokic scored 24 points and made a go-ahead basket with 28.9 seconds left, and Denver overcame a 25-point, second-half deficit to beat Memphis.

Will Barton's 3-pointer with 43 seconds remaining gave the Nuggets their first lead of the game at 91-89. After a 3-pointer from Memphis' Justin Holiday, Jokic scored inside to put Denver ahead to stay.

Malik Beasley had 18 points, 13 in the fourth quarter to key Denver's rally. Barton had 20 points, and the Nuggets moved to 34-15, the best start in franchise history.

Marc Gasol led Memphis with 28 points and nine rebounds, and Mike Conley had 23 points and 11 assists.

It was the largest deficit that Denver has overcome this season.

**Celtics 112, Nets 104:** Jaylen Brown and

## MSAC Basketball

# TC3 women's streak ends; men fall in OT again

SYRACUSE — The Tompkins Cortland CC women's basketball team's winning streak ended on Monday when the Panthers lost to nationally fifth-ranked host Onondaga Community College, 86-58.

The road loss was the first loss for the Panthers since December 8, a span that saw four straight wins. TC3 is now 6-7 overall and 4-3 in the Mid-State Athletic Conference. Onondaga is 15-5 overall and 6-0 in the MSAC.

The Panthers enjoyed an early lead before Onondaga closed the first quarter on a 12-4 run to lead 23-16. The next two quarters saw the Lazars again put up 23 points to take leads of 46-25 at the half and 69-37 after three quarters. With the verdict already settled, the Panthers won the final quarter with a 19-17 scoring advantage.

Reynayah Brown battled foul trouble to finish with 15 points and 14 rebounds. Taylor Day also had to miss time with fouls before finishing with 11 points and five steals. Homer graduate Macy Boice chipped in

with 10 points and four rebounds.

### MEN

For the second time in three days, the TC3 men gave one of the top teams in the conference as much as it could handle, but for the second straight time, came up short in overtime. On Monday, the Panthers were even with Onondaga CC at the end of regulation, only to see the Lazars pull away to a 91-83 win in overtime.

The loss puts the Panthers at 4-10 overall and 2-5 in the Mid-State Athletic Conference. Onondaga is now 13-7 overall and 4-2 in the MSAC.

A back-and-forth first half ended with Onondaga up 41-38. The Panthers rallied in the second half, out-scoring the Lazars 23-12 over the first 13 minutes to hold a 61-53 lead, but Onondaga chipped away, eventually tying the score at 65-65 with 2:44 left. A runner in the lane by Derek Brower put the Panthers back in front, only to see the Lazars respond with a three-pointer to lead 68-67 with 1:36 left.

After the teams traded unproductive pos-

sessions, Onondaga scored to move ahead 70-67 with 47 seconds left. The Panthers had a reply, this time with Devonte Henry scoring a bucket and drawing a foul, completing the three-point play to tie the score at 70-70 with 30.7 left on the clock. Neither team could break the tie over the final half minute, sending the Panthers to overtime yet again.

Onondaga wasted no time taking the lead, scoring on the opening possession of overtime. Brower again had the answer, draining a three pointer to put the Panthers up 73-72. The Lazars answered with their own three ball, and this time the Panthers replied with a deuce to tie it at 75-75 with under four minutes to play. While Onondaga continued to score, the Panthers went dry, turning the ball over and missing their shots during a nearly two-minute drought. Meanwhile, Onondaga scored seven straight to take control at 82-75, and then closed the door, finishing the five-minute overtime period having scored 21 points to 13 for the Panthers.

## IAC Bowling

# NV teams roll past Groton

NEWARK VALLEY — The Groton Central boys' and girls' bowling teams were both swept at Newark Valley Monday in Interscholastic Athletic Conference action.

It was the first time the Indian boys have been swept all season.

**Newark Valley boys 4, Groton 0:** Newark Valley beat Groton 894-728, 922-916, 990-659 for a total of 2,806-2,303.

Cam Hamilton had the high series for Groton with his 498 series and 215 high game. For Newark Valley, Kyle Pratt rolled a 634 series and 238 high game. Alex Umiker added a 627 series with a 256 high game.

The Groton boys are 39-17 for the year and have up locked second place in their division.

**Newark Valley girls 4, Groton 0:** Newark Valley won by scores 590-516, 552-502, 532-524 for a total of 1,674-1,542. Dililla Hall led the Groton girls with a season and career high of 384 series and 150 game. The Groton girls are 19-37 for the season.

# SUNY Cortland hosting Girls' Day Out on Saturday

The SUNY Cortland Athletics Department and the YWCA of Cortland, in conjunction with the National Girls & Women in Sports Day, will be hosting Girls' Day Out on Saturday from 8:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at SUNY Cortland's Bessie L. Park Class of 1901 Physical Education and Recreation Center.

Girls in grades 4-7 are invited to a unique day of activities designed to engage and motivate young leaders. Ac-

tivities include gymnastics, swimming and project adventure games, as well as a health education component with SUNY Cortland student-athletes.

There will also be an interactive career fair with women from the Cortland community and surrounding areas, and an opportunity to watch the Red Dragon women's ice hockey and swimming and diving teams compete.

Participants are asked to wear comfortable clothes, clean/dry sneakers and

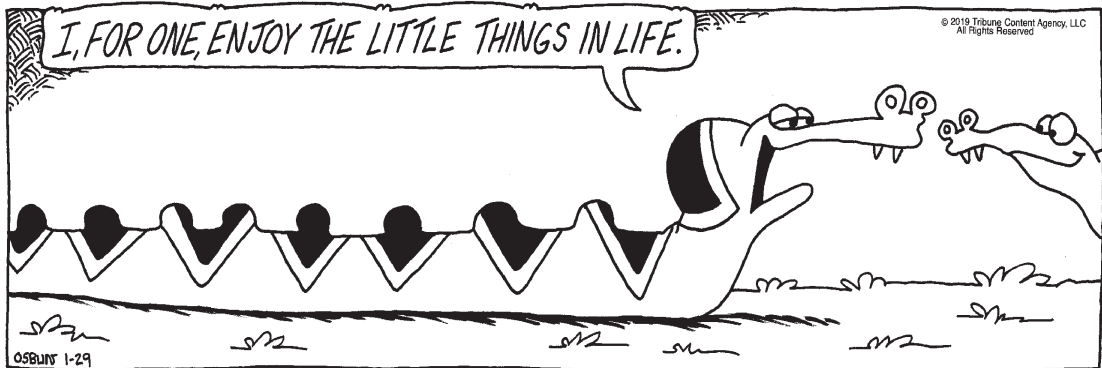
bring a bathing suit and towel. All valuables should be left at home.

A registration fee is involved, with a sibling discount available for the second child attending from a family. A boxed lunch, snack, drawstring bag and water bottle are included in the price. Checks should be made payable to YWCA Cortland.

For more information, contact the YWCA of Cortland at (607) 753-9651 or info@cortlandywca.org.



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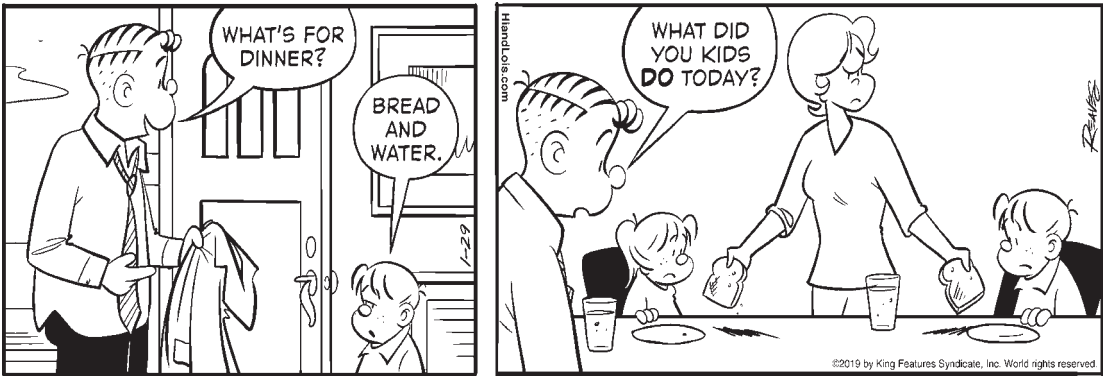
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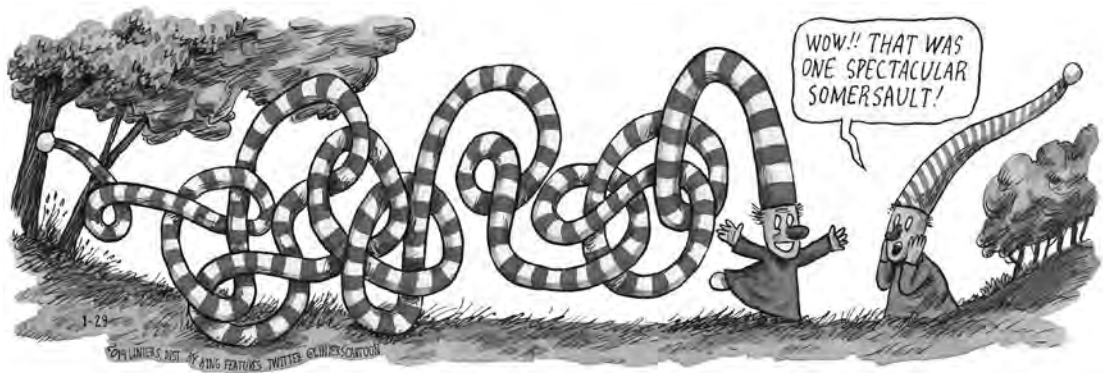
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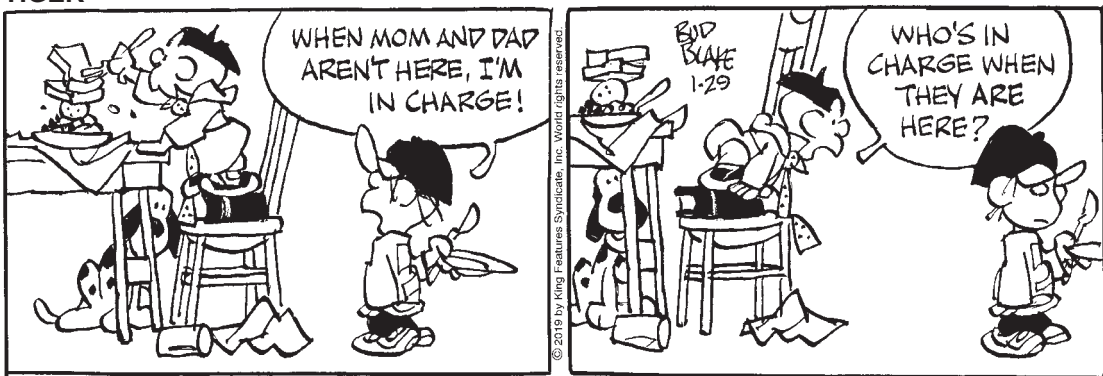
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Astrological Forecast

By Jeraldine Saunders

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

**BIRTHDAY GUY:** Actor Wilmer Valderrama was born in Miami on this date in 1980. This birthday guy has starred as Nick Torres on “NCIS” since 2016. He also played Kyle Diaz on “Grey’s Anatomy,” Ricardo on “Raising Hope,” and he co-starred as Fez on “That ‘70’s Show.” On the big screen, Valderrama’s film resume includes “The Adderall Diaries,” “The Girl in the Trouble,” and “School Dance.”

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Put your belligerence back in your pocket. Don’t let a temper tantrum disrupt your day if you don’t get your way.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Consider yourself to be a quick-change artist. You can alter your mood, appearance or demeanor to suit the crowd. Just don’t make drastic changes with your cash or investments or significant purchases.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): It isn’t necessary to back down from a confrontation. Stand up for yourself; don’t feel you must shy away simply for the sake of decorum.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Wait and see whenever someone becomes angry. Being patient and not rising to the bait could be your best plan of action.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Be a team player. Any task can be completed with ease if everyone works together as part of the whole. Reinforce your commitment by showing complete devotion and overlooking petty or insignificant aggravations.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take advantage of a peak in your social cycle by spending more time with co-workers or entertaining friends at home. Surround yourself with friends, family or meet new folks at community gatherings

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If you are wrapped up in minutia you may limit your view of the big picture. Too many new

ideas or technological gadgets could vie for your attention.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Friends may offer suggestions, but you can think for yourself. Listen to your conscience and act according to your own best judgment.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Exercise discipline when money is in question. Bills must be paid before you spend on anything else.

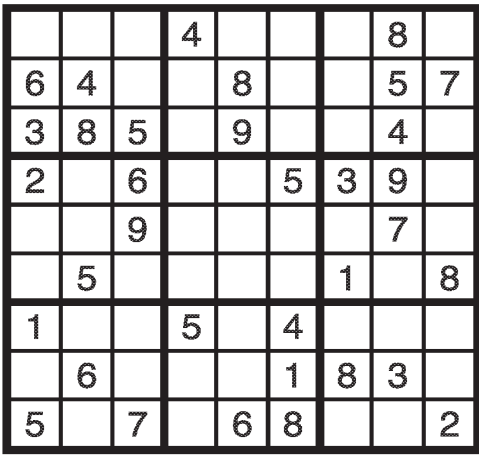
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Good natured teasing goes a long way. You may “turn on” the opposite sex but feel unable to “turn off” the seductive charm. Don’t let things get out of hand.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Most people are willing to forgive and forget; bury the hatchet before someone uses it to bury you. Go out of your way to make things right. Focus on making others feel comfortable, cherished, and welcome.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Friendship trumps fantasy. An inviting glance may get the heart racing but that doesn’t mean a new romance is on the horizon. Don’t gamble with your heart or your cash or read too much into a flirtation.

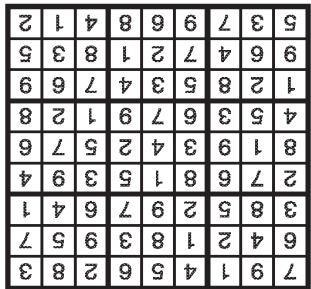
**IF JANUARY 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Romance, friendships, and the social whirl can be a motivating factor in your life in the next four to five weeks. A chance meeting or casual opportunity can change your life for the better. Put plans into motion or make key decisions and if your actions are in your best interest they will run smoothly. A vacation or break from routines can restore your vitality in March. Your business sense is at its best in June, a time when you can make the best moves to obtain financial security. Lay low in July when you are more susceptible to trickery and wishful thinking and should avoid new investments and romantic entanglements.

Sudoku



Level: Beginner

**Here’s How It Works:** Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



ANSWER:

Cryptoquote

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L’s, X for the two O’s, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

1-29 CRYPTOQUOTE  
SLOFBFIHX QOTHR RHZRH MG  
MIL VORF, YLBZSR VHOAH  
GML FMXOP, OZX ALHOFHR O  
D B R B M Z G M L F M Q M L L M U .

— QHKMXP YHOFFBH  
Yesterday’s Cryptoquote: WE GAIN THE STRENGTH OF THE TEMPTATION WE RESIST.  
— RALPH WALDO EMERSON

CROSSWORD

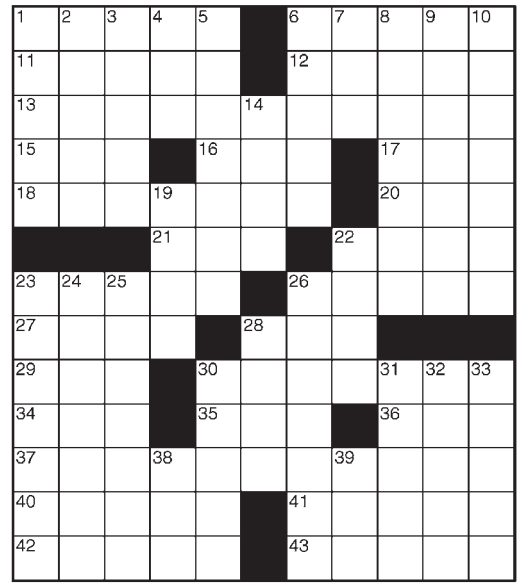
By THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**  
1 Apple centers  
6 Lukewarm fur  
11 Dancer tycoon  
12 Sports site  
13 Outdoor gathering  
15 — loss (baffled)  
16 Take to court  
17 Old hand  
18 Tourists’ cars  
20 Swelled head  
21 Symbol of wisdom  
22 Small songbird  
23 Mocks  
26 Aquarium fish  
27 Florence’s river  
28 Mercury or Mars  
29 Carpet cleaner, for short  
30 Autumn apples  
34 Fire remnant  
35 Braying beast  
36 Obtained  
37 Police-led group  
40 Banks of the Cubs

41 Cager Shaquille  
42 Famed fur  
43 Owner’s paper

DOWN

1 Humidor item  
2 Speak  
3 Showed over  
4 Finish  
5 Play-ground sights  
6 Uses a VCR  
7 Memo-rable time  
8 Misapply  
9 Whole number  
10 Florida’s — 500  
14 Empty  
19 Bull, in Barcelona  
22 Ties the knot  
23 Borneo neighbor  
24 Pencil ends  
25 Charm  
26 Drunkard  
28 Be effusive  
30 Indy entrant  
31 Snowy bird  
32 Add up  
33 Flair  
38 Carnival city  
39 Singer DiFranco



Word of the Day

sleuth (SLOOTH)

**Definition:** (verb) to act as a detective: search for information; to search for and discover

**Example:** “For more than five decades, Morse has sleuthed out long-lost family trees for a living. ... Morse travels the world tracking down missing heirs.”

— Becky Johnson, The Mountaineer (Haywood County, North Carolina), Nov. 20, 2018  
— Courtesy Merriam Webster Online



## PLACING A CLASSIFIED AD

e-mail your classified ad to: [classified@cortlandstandard.net](mailto:classified@cortlandstandard.net)  
**BY PHONE:** 756-5665 Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., except holidays.  
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 Corner Main Street and Tompkins St., Cortland.  
**BY MAIL:** The Cortland Standard, Classified Department, PO Box 5548, Cortland, NY 13045.  
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 If It Doesn't Sell We'll Give You  
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\*Value Of Items Must Appear In Ad

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4 LINES / 7 DAYS

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Extra lines on above specials 75 cents additional

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## EMPLOYMENT



## 151 HELP WANTED

### Bus Drivers

Retired, need a career change or looking for a job that works around your children's schedule? Have you considered driving school bus? Homer Central School District is looking for drivers. Training provided.

Interested applicants should apply at the Homer Bus Garage on Copeland Ave., Homer or call 607-749-1221 and ask for Jeff.

**CHILD CARE CENTER PRESCHOOL ASSISTANT:**  
 Full Time Position,  
 Hours Available Between 8:30am-5:30pm.  
 Monday - Friday

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
 Assisting with the care and supervision of preschool age children. Assisting with the maintenance of a safe and healthy environment.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Minimum High School Diploma with Child Care related experience preferred.

Please send letter of interest and resume by **January 30, 2019.**

**YWCA**  
 Here We Grow Child Care Center  
 16 Miller Street  
 Cortland, NY 13045  
 Attn: Camille Goyette

The YWCA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

### Class B TRUCK DRIVERS

Detail oriented and safety conscious. Must have clean MV abstract. 4 DAY WORK WEEK! Full Time drivers guaranteed 37-40 hours week. Part time Drivers will vary. Paid holidays, vacations and retirement plan. Fill out application in person at Leach's Custom Trash, 1834 Rt. 13 North.

### DRYDEN HOTEL NOW HIRING:

Line Cook, Pizza Cook  
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## EMPLOYMENT

### 151 HELP WANTED

**CHILD CARE CENTER PRESCHOOL TEACHER:**  
 Full Time Position, Hours between 8:00am-5:30pm.  
 Monday - Friday

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
 Providing care and supervision of preschoolers in an integrated program. Planning and implementing daily activities. Maintaining a safe and healthy environment.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education or Preschool Child Development Associate Credential 1-3 years of child related experience.

Please send letter of application and resume by **Wednesday, January 30, 2019.** Position to begin immediately

Learning Adventure Child Care Center  
 5 Huntington Street  
 Cortland, NY 13045  
 Attn: Terisa O'Gorman

The YWCA is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

**CHILD CARE CENTER SUBSTITUTE AND PART TIME AIDE POSITIONS**  
 Hours Between 6:30am-5:30pm  
 Monday-Friday  
 (substitutes on call-in basis)

**RESPONSIBILITIES**  
 Aiding in the care and supervision of infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Aiding in the implementation of daily activities and maintaining a safe & healthy environment.

**QUALIFICATIONS**  
 Minimum High School Diploma. Childcare experience preferred.

Now accepting application (available at YWCA, Here We Grow and Learning Adventure).

**YWCA**  
 14 Clayton Avenue  
 Cortland, NY 13045  
 Attention: Child Care

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### Experienced Full Time Auto Tech

Must have own tools, NYS Inspection License. Apply in person, Rick & Rich Towing, 30 Copeland Ave., Homer.

### Family Support Specialist

Full-time, Non-Exempt, for 37.5 hours per week with benefits. Responsible for establishing a trusting relationship with families through initiating and maintaining regular, long term contact with families for the purpose of strengthening the parent-child relationship, providing child development information, offering support in the areas of goal setting and problem solving. Associates degree in human services or related field and at least 1 year experience working with at risk families and/or children or high school diploma / GED plus three years life/work experience caring for young children or providing family development services required. Interested candidates should forward a resume and letter of interest to the HR Director, Greg Richards, no later than Thursday, February 7, 2019 via email at [hiring@capco.org](mailto:hiring@capco.org) or at the Main Office, 32 N. Main St., Cortland, NY 13045.

### Full Time Reception/ Insurance Authorization

with experience for busy PT office. Prefer experience with medical terminology, Excel and good interpersonal skills. Benefits include, Medical, Dental insurance, HSA, Pension, Paid Holidays, Vacation and Sick days.

Fax: 607-758-3416 or email: [faddenp3@cnyemail.com](mailto:faddenp3@cnyemail.com)

**Classifieds** GET THE JOB DONE!

## EMPLOYMENT

### 151 HELP WANTED

★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
**ADD THIS TO THE TOP OF YOUR AD**

**New Today!**

**THE FIRST TIME IT RUNS FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$2**  
**AND DRAW THAT ADDED ATTENTION TO YOUR AD!!!**  
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**CHECK OUT THE CORTLAND STANDARD CLASSIFIED Help Wanted Ads**  
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**Classified Hours Monday thru Friday 8AM-4:30PM Closed Saturday and Sunday**  
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**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS - SARANAC CSD**

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 1,480 STUDENTS-PreK-12

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 e-mail: [Jackstadi\\_louise@cves.org](mailto:Jackstadi_louise@cves.org)  
**DEADLINE: 3/15/19**  
**START: 7/1/19 EOE/AEE**

## EMPLOYMENT

### 151 HELP WANTED

**Lecturer Economics Department SUNY Cortland**

The Economics department at SUNY Cortland is accepting applications for a lecturer to teach undergraduate courses in management core including Principles of Management and Human Resource Management for the fall 2019 semester. SUNY Cortland is an engaged learning community that is committed to promoting a diversity of thought and experience. We believe that an equitable, inclusive and diverse campus and curriculum are critical to our educational mission. Faculty are expected to maintain a routine presence on campus to support our Campus Values of Focusing on the Students, Integrity, and Intellectual Life and serve our Campus Priorities of Academic Excellence, Transformational Education, Well-being, and the Maximization of Resources. Qualifications: MBA or other Masters' degree in a related field is required. Preference will be given for experience teaching Human Resources Management and/or Principles of Management and for work experience in the Management field.

For details and to apply: <http://jobs.cortland.edu/postings/2706>

The State University of New York College at Cortland is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity/Americans with Disabilities Act (AA/EO/ADA) employer. The College actively seeks applications from women, veterans, individuals with a disability, members of underrepresented groups or anyone that would enrich the diversity of the College.

### ★★ LPN ★★

Full time/Part Time for busy family practice.  
 Send resume to:  
 Attn: Chris, PO Box 1167, Tully, NY 13159 or Email [csabre@fcmg.org](mailto:csabre@fcmg.org).

## LEGALS

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **RICHARDS ENTERPRISES I, LLC**. An Article of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York on 1/3/19. Office location: Cortland County, Secretary of State of New York designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served, Secretary of State of New York shall mail process to P.O. Box 137 Homer, New York 13077. The principal office of the limited liability company is located at 137 South Main Street, Homer, New York 13077. The limited liability company was formed for any lawful business purpose.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE**  
 STATE OF NEW YORK  
 SUPREME COURT  
 COUNTY OF CORTLAND

**QUICKEN LOANS INC.** Plaintiff,

vs. **SUBDRINK, ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AS LIMITED ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF LOREN M. SHERMAN A/K/A LOREN MATTHEW SHERMAN, DECEASED;**

Any unknown heirs to the Estate of LOREN M. SHERMAN A/K/A LOREN MATTHEW SHERMAN, DECEASED, next of kin, devisees, legatees, distributees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, trustees, executors, administrators or successors in interest, as well as the respective heirs at law, next of kin, devisees, legatees, distributees, grantees, assignees, lienors, trustees, executors, administrators or successors in interest of the aforesaid classes of persons, if they or any of them be dead, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the Plaintiff.

**NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE**  
**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE:**  
**LOREN SHERMAN;**  
**BRYANN DORA SHERMAN**  
 and "JOHN DOE" and "MARY DOE"

(Said names being fictitious, it being the intention of plaintiff to designate any and all

occupants, tenants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises being foreclosed here.

Defendants.

Filed: 08/28/2018  
 Index No.: EF16-952

Mortgaged Premises: 7146 Route 41

Homer, (Town of Scott) NY 13077.

**NOTICE TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:**  
 YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

**NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT**  
 THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is for the foreclosure of:

Mortgage bearing the date of January 21, 2016, executed by Loren M. Sherman, an unmarried man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as "MERS" as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. duly assigned said Note and Mortgage to Quicken Loans Inc. to secure the sum of \$159,035.00 as evidenced by a promissory note and mortgage in the Office of the Clerk of Cortland County on January 22, 2016 in Instrument No.: 2016-00398.

That Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. duly assigned said Note and Mortgage to Quicken Loans Inc. to secure the sum of \$159,035.00 as evidenced by a promissory note and mortgage in the Office of the Clerk of Cortland County on January 22, 2016 in Instrument No.: 2017-00404.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the Mortgaged Premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

Plaintiff designates Cort-

land County as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the County in which the Mortgaged Premises is situated.

Section: 15.00  
 Block: 01  
 Lot: 27.000

DATED: 08/24/18  
 Rochester, New York

**NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME**

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to your Mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action.

**YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.**

**WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

### SCHEDULE A LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**REFEREE'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE**

**SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF CORTLAND BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.** Plaintiff

- against - **TINA L. CAMPBELL, et al** (Section: 86.64, Block: 01, Lot: 01.000)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on November 28, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction, at the first floor rotunda, Cortland County Courthouse, 46 Greenbush Street, City of Cortland, Cortland County, New York on the 19th Day of February, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Cortland, County of Cortland and State of New York. Premises known as 116 Broadway Street a/k/a 116 Broadway Avenue, Cortland, (City of Cortland) NY 13045. (Section: 86.64, Block: 01, Lot: 01.000)

Approximate amount of lien \$161,394.29 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. EF16-857.

James Baranello, Esq., Referee. Davidson Fink LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street, Suite 1700 Rochester, NY 14614-1990 Tel. 585/760-8218

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## High-class defense

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♦ A K  
♥ K J 8 2  
♦ 9 6 4  
♣ A K J 10

**WEST**  
♦ J 8 7 4 2  
♥ 5  
♦ A 10  
♣ 9 8 6 5 3

**EAST**  
♥ Q 10 6 3  
♦ Q 10 9  
♦ K Q 7 2  
♣ 7 2

**SOUTH**  
♦ 9 5  
♥ A 7 6 4 3  
♦ J 8 5 3  
♣ Q 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1 ♣	Pass
1 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	Pass

Opening lead — four of spades.

**Good defense** often requires  
meticulous care to achieve the desired  
goal. Take this case where East-West  
must function perfectly to defeat four  
hearts.

**South wins the fourth-best spade**  
lead in dummy and plays the A-K of  
hearts, West discarding the spade  
deuce. For whatever it's worth, this  
discard tells East that West started  
with precisely five spades.

**Declarer next plays three rounds**

**Tomorrow:** A shadow on the horizon.

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of clubs, discarding a diamond as  
East ruffs the third club with the  
queen. East must now return a low  
diamond, not the king; if he returns  
the king, the suit becomes blocked,  
and South makes the contract.

**Actually,** East has all the clues he  
needs to justify the low diamond  
return. He knows South started with  
two spades, five hearts and two clubs,  
and therefore with four diamonds.  
East's only hope thus lies in assum-  
ing that his partner has the ace of  
diamonds; if declarer has the ace, the  
contract cannot be defeated. So East  
returns the deuce of diamonds, hop-  
ing to score three diamond tricks.

**The burden of the defense** now  
shifts to West, who must not win the  
ten after declarer follows low. Win-  
ning with the ace may seem abnor-  
mal when the trick can be won with  
the ten, but it is the right play none-  
theless.

**West is in a similar position** to  
gauche the situation accurately. He  
knows his side cannot win any tricks  
in the black suits, so three diamond  
tricks must be taken before South can  
discard another diamond on dummy's  
remaining club. The only way this  
can happen is if East holds the K-Q  
of diamonds. West therefore wins the  
diamond with the ace and returns the  
ten to defeat the contract.

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## Famous New Yorker

## Dorothy Schiff



Paul Sann and Dorothy Schiff in the Post's  
South Street newsroom in 1971.  
Source: New York Post file photo.

When Dorothy Schiff became a newspaper  
publisher, Manhattan had a multitude of daily  
English-language newspapers. When she re-  
tired only a handful were left — and hers was  
one of them.

Heiress to a family of bankers and financiers,  
Dorothy Schiff was born in New York City on  
March 11, 1903. She attended elite women's  
schools but dropped out of Bryn Mawr after  
only one year. During the Great Depression she  
began taking an interest in politics. Influenced  
by her second husband, Democratic politician  
George Backer, Schiff ran for a seat at a state  
constitutional convention, but lost. She had more influence on politics as the owner of the  
*New York Evening Post*, beginning in 1939.

Founded in 1801, the *Post* was New York City's oldest newspaper. It had changed own-  
ership five times in the 21 years before Schiff took over. She bought the struggling paper to  
give George Backer an editorial platform. Many people thought he was the paper's actual  
owner, but Schiff had ideas of her own about newspapers. Her *Post* would support liberal  
causes, but it would also have plenty of non-partisan features for readers who didn't care  
about politics. After her personal and professional partnership with Backer ended, Schiff  
made herself the city's first female newspaper publisher in 1942, in partnership with her  
new husband, Ted Thackrey.

Dorothy Schiff's *Post*, now in a smaller tabloid format convenient for subway commut-  
ers, gradually gained subscribers and began turning a profit. Ted Thackrey served as editor-  
in-chief and briefly as publisher, but when he disagreed with Schiff on editorial policy, she  
had the last word. By the end of the 1940s Thackrey had quit the *Post* and the marriage.  
Schiff's control of the paper was undisputed, and her political influence continued to grow.  
In 1958, her retraction of the *Post*'s endorsement of a Democratic candidate helped clinch  
Republican Nelson Rockefeller's election as governor. By the 1970s, Schiff was widely  
seen as the most powerful woman in New York.

After World War II, the newspaper industry faced major challenges from the rise of  
television, rising production costs and powerful labor unions. Rival papers began merging  
with one another in an increasingly desperate struggle for survival. A major crisis came in  
late 1962, when a strike against four dailies and a lockout of employees by the others shut  
down all the Manhattan papers. In March 1963 Schiff broke ranks with the other owners,  
made her own deal with the unions, and resumed publication. As the only paper in town  
for several weeks, the *Post* gained a crucial competitive advantage. After three rival pub-  
lications merged into one, only to fold in 1967, the *Post* was Manhattan's only evening  
newspaper, and one of four English-language dailies altogether, along with *The New York*  
*Times*, the *Daily News* and *The Wall Street Journal*.

When the *Post* started losing money in the mid-1970s,  
Schiff decided it was time to get out of the newspaper  
business. She sold the *Post* to the Australian publisher  
Rupert Murdoch, who has kept the paper going into the  
21st century. Dorothy Schiff died on August 30, 1989. To-  
day's *New York Post* bears little resemblance to her news-  
paper, but the fact that the *Post* exists at all, when so many  
other newspapers folded, is due to her more than anyone  
else.

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