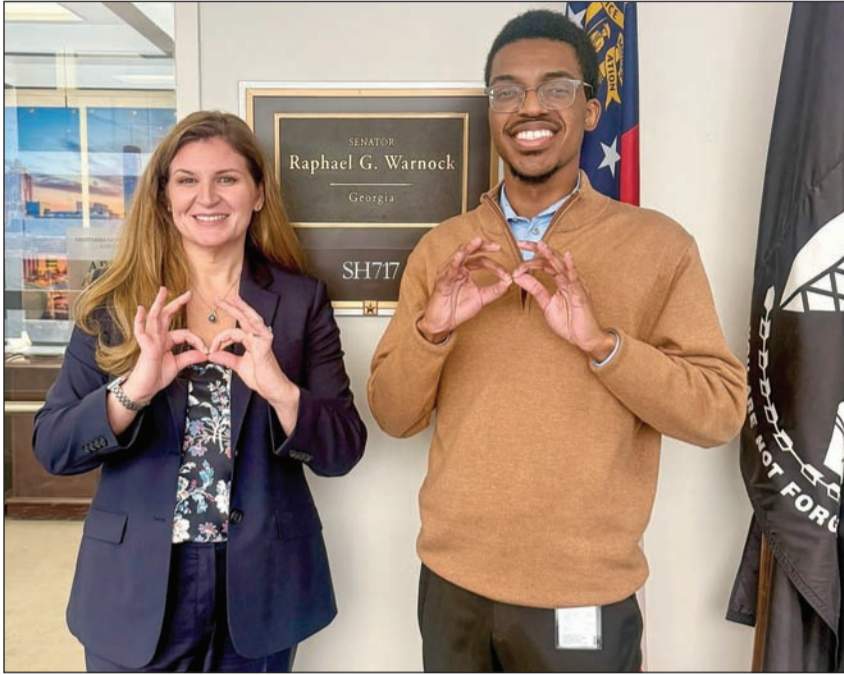


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Darius Knight (right), and KSU professor of public administration Jennifer Purcell show off their "owl eyes" in front of Sen. Raphael Warnock's office/SPECIAL PHOTO

KSU student from East Dublin trades campus tours for Senate internship

SPECIAL TO THE COURIER HERALD

Kennesaw State University student Darius Knight is putting his education to work on the nation's biggest stage, one legislative memo at a time.

Knight was in the middle of giving a campus tour when his phone rang. On the other end was a staffer from the office of U.S. Senator Raphael Warnock, calling to let him know he had been selected from a pool of more than 300 applicants to serve as a spring intern in Washington, D.C. Knight stepped away from his tour group, took the call, and tried to quickly compose himself so he could finish the tour.

It was the kind of moment Knight had been working toward for years. A political science major with a minor in international affairs, he carried a fascination with government since a sixth-grade field trip to the nation's capital. Now, that dream has become his daily reality.

Each morning in Senator Warnock's office begins with reviewing overnight constituent voice-mails—logging the issues, concerns and calls to action that Georgians want their senator to hear. From there, Knight's days shift quickly into legislative work, assigned to policy teams covering education, labor, foreign policy and more.

Among his most meaningful assignments has been working with the office's education team to analyze legislation affecting college students; everything from federal student loan policy to proposed changes in the FAFSA process.

"These bills can impact students who receive federal financial aid at colleges across the country," Knight said. "Being on a team who helps organize information so the senator can decide which bills he should support is a task I don't take lightly because I

know it can have a direct impact on my peers back home at KSU."

Knight credits the foundation built at Kennesaw State with preparing him for the demands of Capitol Hill. His international affairs coursework in the Norman J. Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences, covering topics like globalization and military policy, equipped him with the vocabulary needed to contribute meaningfully when summarizing legislation in his memos. Similarly, a class on the U.S. Congress last semester has taken on new meaning now that he's watching those processes unfold from the inside.

He also points to KSU's Department of Student Leadership, where involvement in KSU's Student Government Association and other campus organizations helped him identify and develop his strengths as a leader. Knight said his program coordinator and mentor, Leon Humphrey, played a pivotal role in keeping his spirits up after a disappointing setback earlier in the year. When Knight did not receive a different internship, Humphrey encouraged him not to be discouraged and that a better opportunity might be just around the corner.

"Through his positions as a tour guide and orientation leader with New Student Programs, I knew Darius possessed the ability to be a high-character leader, one with both the interpersonal and strategic skills needed to succeed in roles involving advocacy, community engagement, and public service," Humphrey said.

The D.C. Owls Scholarship, which helps fund housing and

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FESTIVAL FANATICS: LIBRARY HOSTS DUBLIN FANCON

The Laurens County Library hosted Fantastic Futures: Dublin FanCon, a celebration of science fiction, fantasy, anime, cosplay, LEGO and more. Many participants showed up for the St. Patrick's Festival event in costume to enjoy speakers, vendors, games, activities and food trucks/RODNEY MANLEY



DUBLIN DEALERSHIP GIVES BIG DONATION TO UNITED WAY

Dublin Chevrolet GMC Nissan general manager Don Carswell presents a donation of \$3,525 to Denise Creel of Heart of Georgia United Way on Friday, March 20. This donation was part of Dublin Chevrolet GMC Nissan's February Month of Love Giving Campaign/SPECIAL PHOTO



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OBITUARIES



Jonathan Eugene Carr

Funeral services for Mr. Jonathan Eugene Carr of Dublin, Georgia, were held on Sunday, Mar. 29, 2026, at 3 p.m., at the Faith Center, 617 South Washington Street in Dublin.

A proud 2006 graduate of Dublin High School, Jay lived life with the strength of a wrestler and the heart of a teammate. While he made his mark on the football field in his youth, his true "pro-bowl" moments happened at home with his children.

Family was his top priority, his "North Star," and his reason for everything. But he also knew how to live. He was the king of the kick-back—the one who could turn any day into a celebration just by showing up. Whether he was playing the game or just catching a vibe with his friends, his energy was the glue that held the room together.

He leaves behind a legacy of laughter, loyalty and a reminder to always "turn up" for the people you love.

Jonathan Eugene Carr was preceded in death by both of his Paternal Grandparents, his father John Henry Carr, and brother Va'Darian LaVianta Carr. He leaves to cherish his fond and loving memories his wife, Dominique Carr, three children, JaCari, JaKhara, and Jayceon Carr of Dublin, Georgia; a God Daughter, Desiree Abrams; His mother: Mrs. Angela (Hiram) Johnson of Jackson, Georgia; Maternal Grandparents, Mr. Walter Jones of Dublin, Georgia and Ms. Wylene Jones of Montrose, Georgia; Siblings: Quivonda (Lynell) Boone of Perry, Georgia; Jahmel Carr, Kevonta Watkins, Nicholas DeVoe, J'Kandice Carr of Dublin, Georgia; Devontae Blackshear of Augusta, Georgia; Alaina Carr of Soperton, Georgia; and a host of aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends

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Services by Dudley Funeral Home and Cremations of Dublin.

Wendell Killingsworth

Memorial services for Wendell Killingsworth, 80, will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Mar. 31, 2026, in the Chan Stanley Memorial Chapel of Stanley Funeral Home and Crematory. Mr. Dennis Waldrep will officiate.

Mr. Killingsworth was born on Oct. 16, 1945, in Cadwell, Georgia. He was the son of the late John Thomas "J.T." Killingsworth and Vita Pearl Dixon Killingsworth. He was a retired sales manager for Cordell Lumber Company. He was an avid drummer and

Georgia Senate votes for rapid move to paper ballots

By MARK NIESSE
Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA — A proposal for a quick switch to hand-marked paper ballots cleared the Georgia Senate on Friday, an idea that election officials say would disrupt this year's elections.

The Senate's 32-21 party-line vote sets up a showdown over competing bills that would change Georgia's voting system. The Senate bill would take effect this summer, while a House proposal would delay the transition until the 2028 election year.

The measure that advanced Friday would require voters to fill out ballots by bubbling in ovals instead of making their choices on touchscreens. Millions of ballots would need to be preprinted and stored until voters fill them out.

Immediately replacing Georgia's statewide voting system would be "irresponsible and unrealistic," said Joseph Kirk, president of the Georgia Association of Voter Registration and Election Officials.

"It's just not enough time" for training, testing, and implementation, Kirk said. "You don't want to do it for the first time in a Georgia 2026 gubernatorial election, when we're going to have lines and have a bunch of folks there. That's a really heavy lift."

The bill follows a state law legislators passed two years ago that set a deadline to remove computer QR codes from ballots by July 1 of this year. Critics of Georgia's election system say voters can't read QR codes to verify that their ballots accurately reflect their choices.

The House's proposal would move that deadline until 2028, before voters decide on the next U.S. president.

Sen. Greg Dolezal, R-Cumming, said now is the time to change to hand-marked paper ballots.

Hand-marked ballots are the main election day voting method in two-thirds of the United States, according to the election technology organization Verified Voting.

"Democrats tell you on one hand we should move to paper ballots. But now that we're trying to do it, it's a threat to democracy: Bloody Sunday, voter suppression, Donald Trump," Dolezal said. "All that we're asking is for Georgians ... to vote the way that the vast majority of people in America vote."

Critics of Georgia's elections, including election security advocates and Republicans disillusioned by Trump's loss in 2020, say Georgia's



Sen. Greg Dolezal, R-Cumming, speaks in support of House Bill 960 on the Senate floor, which would move Georgia to hand-marked paper ballots before this fall's election, in the Georgia Capitol in Atlanta on Friday, March 27, 2026/ASHTIN BARKER, Capitol Beat News Service

touchscreen voting system is untrustworthy and insecure.

But election officials and Democrats say Georgia's elections are accurate, and allegations of widespread fraud have never been proved.

Sen. Kim Jackson, D-Stone Mountain, said the bill's requirement to print so many ballots before elections introduces new problems.

"We have built in all kinds of opportunities for human error, let alone the major security risks and concerns that I have when you have thousands and thousands of preprinted ballots sitting in someone's fellowship hall," Jackson said. "Georgia is moving in a direction of changing our system because there has been so much doubt seeded into our system, even though we've proven that they are safe and secure."

Under the competing bill in the House, the state would purchase new ballot-on-demand printers that would create ballots when voters arrive rather than require blank ballots in ad-

vance.

The Senate bill also includes new provisions that would fine county governments \$100 for each voter registration they fail to cancel after receiving information those voters might have moved away, require election officials to post the names of all voters by midnight on election day, and mandate recounts by hand.

Senators previously voted down a similar version of their elections bill earlier this year, but Republicans mustered enough votes Friday to override Democratic opposition.

With just two business days left before this year's legislative session ends, Georgia lawmakers will need to decide how to resolve their difference.

The House could consider the bill that passed the Senate on Friday, House Bill 960. Or the House could move forward with its legislation, Senate Bill 214, that would replace Georgia's voting system before the 2028 election.

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

Diabetic ulcer still hasn't healed properly

By DR. KEITH ROACH
King Features

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have a diabetic nonhealing ulcer on my right heel. I was told that the blood circulation in my foot isn't very good, which is why the ulcer isn't healing.

Five years ago, I had a nonhealing ulcer in my left heel. It got infected, and the infection went into my heel bone. After several months, I agreed to an amputation. But this time, I was prescribed antibiotics with bandage changes that happen every two or three days. The ulcer hasn't healed now for over a month. Is it still possible that healing could take place? -- L.H.

ANSWER: I hope so. Most diabetic ulcers can be healed if they are treated the right way early enough. We really want to avoid amputations as they are bad for your function and cause worse outcomes later on.

One major issue is poor blood flow to the area. People with diabetes may develop poor blood flow due to large arteries being blocked, or when the small vessels aren't working well. If there are blockages in the large vessels, such as the

femoral artery or one of its branches, then a vascular surgeon may be able to bypass the blockage. Newer techniques of angioplasty and stents may also be used and are less invasive and risky. An angiogram is usually necessary to determine whether this approach would be useful.

If the poor blood flow is due to the small vessels, then surgical approaches aren't as important as medication and proper wound care. Diabetes needs to be meticulously managed with blood sugar levels kept in the normal range as much as possible; a continuous glucose monitor can help determine if your regimen is adequate.

I cannot recommend highly enough an experienced wound care nurse, who is the expert in managing nonsurgical wounds (and postsurgical wounds, too). The pressure must come off of the heel.

Nonhealing diabetic foot ulcers are one of the clearest indications for hyperbaric oxygen therapy. This therapy isn't available to everyone, but it can be

very useful in addition to standard therapy. Finally, antibiotics are guided by the results of wound cultures. These cultures need to be done by an expert to get the correct results.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Sammy Wright Jr.

Mr. Sammy Wright Jr. of Dublin, passed Saturday, Mar. 28, 2026. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later. Family will receive friends at the family residence 308 Akerman Street - Dublin.

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Lawmakers exempt 'bona fide' media from proposed police video access restrictions

By TY TAGAMI
Capitol Beat

ATLANTA — Legislation that raised alarms about public access to police videos passed through a House committee Thursday with amendments that eased access for members of two Georgia media associations.

Senate Bill 482 started out as a way to restrict the free flow of mugshots online, where unscrupulous operators are reportedly violating a state law that requires removal upon request, free of charge when the person depicted was not convicted.

Along the way, the bill morphed into a broader restriction on the release of police body-worn camera footage and other law enforcement videos. Free speech advocates worried that videos showing police misconduct could be withheld from the public if the legislation were to become law. On Thursday, the House committee charged with vetting the bill exempted certain media organizations from many of the bill's provisions: "bona

fide credentialed" members of the Georgia Association of Broadcasters and of the Georgia Press Association, which has 139 newspaper members and operates Capitol Beat.

Everyone else, except those depicted or their next of kin, would have to go in person with a notarized document to obtain a mugshot or video. And no one except next of kin and association members would have access to state recordings depicting death.

No one would be exempt from a core requirement: that they be able to identify either a person depicted or, in the case of a video, alternative information about the time, location or officer who recorded it. Police would be authorized to redact images in videos of people the requester cannot identify, except for law enforcement personnel.

Sen. Brian Strickland, R-McDonough, said he introduced the legislation because of the harmful invasion of privacy by a rogue mugshot industry.

He said the video com-

ponent was hastily added in a Senate committee and, in retrospect, was not properly vetted. He said he opted to include videos because police should not be compelled to release them to be exploited "for some kind of sick entertainment."

During a hearing earlier this week, one public commenter challenged the notion of a video industry profiting from grief. That prompted Rep. Terry Cummings, D-Mableton, to describe a video of a friend's husband, decapitated in a motorcycle crash, circulating on YouTube. She said the person who posted it demanded money to take it down.

On Thursday, Sarah Hunt-Blackwell, with the ACLU of Georgia, said the new restrictions combined with a prohibition in another bill would "completely gut" public scrutiny of police activity through video.

The other bill she referenced, Senate Bill 268, would require the observing public to remain 25 feet away from police and other first responders doing their

duty.

"We understand the sensitivities around exploiting people's most vulnerable moments," she said, "but placing an almost impenetrable shield around observation of law enforcement actions is not the solution."

Lobbyists for the two media associations asked for the media exemption on access to videos depicting death.

Both Cummings and Rep. Bill Werkheiser, R-Glenville, asked why those associations were singled out to decide which media organizations get access, and Strickland said it was because they are known to the state and have a credentialing process. Their members are known entities that would be subject to enforcement of Georgia law governing use of the material, he said, adding that nothing would prevent the General Assembly amending that provision later "if these two groups are being too exclusive." Another amendment expanded the definition of next of kin, giving courts more latitude to decide if a familial relationship exists.

The bill then passed the committee unanimously.

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living expenses for KSU students interning in Washington, D.C., has made a meaningful difference in Knight's ability to be fully present in his role.

With the financial pressure of housing relieved, he has been able to focus on building relationships, attending committee meetings, and exploring the city that has always felt like somewhere he belonged.

Beyond the work itself, Knight has fully embraced everything living in D.C. has to offer: networking over coffee with fellow interns who may one day be law school classmates, browsing the striking architecture of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library and discovering the city's vibrant neighborhoods. Knight recalled calling his mother after his first week in Washington and telling her he could see himself living there one day, cold weather and all.

Reflecting on his own path from KSU to Capitol Hill, Knight offered pointed advice for students considering similar opportunities.

"This is your moment," he said. "Your experience at KSU has prepared you for this moment and equipped you with everything you need to succeed. The only thing you have to do is take advantage of the opportunities in front of you."

As the semester comes to an end, Knight is weighing his next steps. He sees himself as a public servant, someone who wants to return to his community and hold a position that makes a real difference. This spring in Washington hasn't just confirmed that vision, it has sharpened it.

Students interested in applying for the D.C. Owls Scholarship can learn more by contacting KSU's Office of External Affairs at externalaffairs@kennesaw.edu, or by visiting go.kennesaw.edu/DCOWls.

Georgia Senate puts stamp on 2026-27 budget

By TY TAGAMI
Capitol Beat

ATLANTA — The Georgia Senate approved its version of the \$38.5 billion fiscal year 2027 budget Friday, sending it to the state House for negotiations over the disagreements.

The House started the budget process, passing its version earlier this month.

Among the big differences: the Senate reduced the House's increase in funding for the state's public colleges and universities by just over \$110 million, increased the amount for private K-12 school vouchers by \$31 million and added \$100 million to the state employee pension system.

"I think this is one of the most important lines in the budget," Sen. Blake Tillery, R-Vidalia, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, told senators before Friday's unanimous vote for passage.

Pensions have been eroded by decades of inflation as increases have failed to keep pace, he said. The extra money is intended to trigger regular annual cost of living increases.

The Senate agreed with the importance of the

House's focus on literacy but amended the way that new program would be funded. Instead of building money to hire 1,313 literacy coaches for K-3 classrooms into the public school funding formula, the Senate chose a \$70 million grant. The Sen-

ate made myriad smaller changes. It cut the \$11 million the House had allocated to hire staff to confirm all food stamp enrollees are eligible. Georgia has one of the highest "error" rates in the country, which can mean loss of federal funding.

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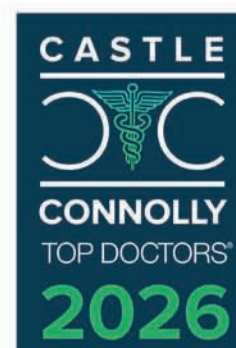
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OUR TAKE...

Cell phone ban a good thing

There is little to debate when it comes to smartphones and how they are a distraction to everyday life. From work to home, and everywhere else you can imagine, people find themselves constantly reaching for a cell phone, itching to check notifications and sometimes out of sheer habit.

Cell phone addiction has become such a serious matter that healthcare researchers have been studying how these devices, designed to make our lives easier, are actually hurting us, particularly social media.

"The constant stream of notifications and triggers from mobile devices can interrupt attentional processes, leading to difficulty maintaining focus and cognitive performance," stated one report cleverly titled "Phone in the Room, Mind on the Roam: Investigating the Impact of Mobile Phone Presence on Distraction. The report concluded that even the presence of a cellphone altered the way our brains work and hindered our ability to concentrate and focus on a task.

Georgia lawmakers have already banned cellphones for younger students, and now they have their aim on high schoolers, recently passing a bell to bell ban on mobile phones in the for ninth through 12th graders. The bill has already passed both chambers of the General Assembly and is headed to the Governor's desk for signature.

The hope of this law is get students off their screens and back to the books, with the added bonus of cutting down on social media time, therefore improving mental health for students. There's plenty of evidence to prove that young people need to cut down on the screen time.

Opponents of the cell phone ban point to the troubling number of high school shootings and argue that students need to be able to contact their parents, or emergency personnel, in the event of the unthinkable.

When a gunman opened fire in North Georgia's Apalachee High School in 2024, students were the first to make contact with police. Four people were killed and seven others were injured before authorities apprehended the 14-year-old suspect. The incident, in Barrow County, is the worst such shooting in Georgia history.

Maybe more could be done on the security front to ensure the safety of students and teachers and ease the worried minds of parents. But a cell phone ban in the classroom would be a boon for education, and Georgia needs all the help it can get when it comes to improving student outcomes. Teachers have it hard enough and they shouldn't have to compete with the platforms that clamor for young people's attention.

So we say Mr. Governor, sign the ban.

— Kyle Dominy

THOUGHT FOR TODAY...

"Too many people people don't care what happens so long as it doesn't happen to them."

- William Howard Taft

DAILY SCRIPTURE...

"Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions; and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard."

- Nahum 2:13

EVERY DAY'S A HOLIDAY...

March 31, 2026 is...

- Terri Schiavo Day
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- National Crayola Crayon Day
- National Bunsen Burner Day
- Dance Marathon Day
- Farm Worker's Day

When it gets dark just wait for the light

The power was out, but thankfully, that was the only bad news.

It did not take long for my mother to make her way to our room with a small light to check on us. Of course my brother and I woke up when in the middle of the night when we heard the loud thunder. Our mom had made her way to us to make sure we were okay before checking on our sister.

As we entered the front room, the ceiling fan slowly came to a stop. We then gathered with our sister as the sounds of thunder could still be heard in the distance. The sound of light rain could be heard hitting the top of our house until it finally slowed down before completely stopping.

We sat with the one battery-operated light that took those big-sized batteries. It was placed in the middle as we sat on the floor not really saying much of anything. We were tired. We were



By PAYTON TOWNS III

getting hot. We wanted the power to return. We were in a waiting game that seemed like it would take forever. A few minutes later, the power came back and we were able to go back to bed.

Many years later, I sat in the front room of my house with the drapes pulled back to let what little light from outside come in. It was a late September morning. Just a

few hours earlier, Hurricane Helene had rolled through our area.

Slowly as the time got closer to 7:30 a.m., a small sliver of light started to peak from the horizon. Soon, the sun was rising up as the light showed what the darkness once hid. It was a great example that what is done in darkness always comes to light. We cannot see so well in the dark - but when the lights are turned on - everything is clearly visible.

This week we will celebrate Good Friday. The name does not reflect good news in a way. It is the day Jesus Christ - God's son - was crucified for our sins. He hung on a cross, between two thieves, taking our place. He was buried in a dark grave with a stone rolled in front of it.

The next three days were a dark time for Jesus' followers. The man they knew was the son of God had died. Even after everything he

had shown and told them, the disciples were in a dark place.

But the good news was the fact that Sunday was on the way. On that Sunday morning, not only did the sun rise, but God's Son rose too, defeating the grave. Jesus came out and our world went from dark to light - a light that cannot be vanquished.

For many of us, life's events have put us in a dark place. We cannot see the good. But this Easter - let us remember the joy of Jesus' resurrection from the sacrifice he did for every one of us.

I like to call Easter - Victory Sunday. Imagine how our community, nation and even our world would be if we all took this day of celebration and shared it with others every day of our lives. Let us do our best to be the light so that darkness will never damper the good news of our risen savior.

Going back to a hometown that is no longer home

The American novelist Thomas Wolfe wrote, "You Can't Go Home Again." He was correct. You can't. I tried it along with my friend, Philip.

A near-fatal attack of sepsis has made driving an automobile a challenge for me and a firm no-no to my kids. Through a mutual friend, I was introduced to Philip, who has driven for some of the rich and famous and has been kind enough to cart me around from place-to-place, as needed.

Over the course of several trips and conversations, Philip and I discovered we were from the same hometown, East Point, and had graduated from the same high school, Russell High. Small world. But a much different world. My East Point was white. His was Black.

I was born in East Point and spent part of my adult years there, but I had no earthly idea of Philip's East Point - where it was or how to get there. This was, after all, the segregated South.

On our various trips, we decided that we should go back to East Point one day and visit our collective haunts. That day came a few weeks ago. It had been a long time for me and the East Point I saw was not the East Point I knew as a youngster. As Gertrude Stein said of Oakland, "There is no there there."

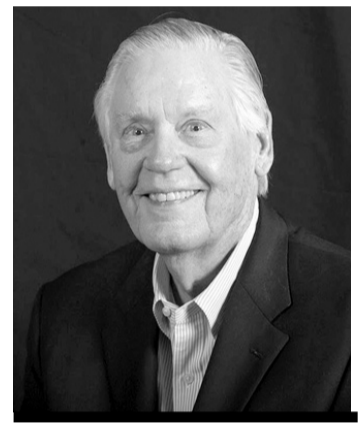
A lot of familiar landmarks have been razed and nothing in their place.

Time hasn't been kind to the home I grew up in and the surrounding neighborhood. A number of boarded-up houses and weed-infested lawns. A few fixer-uppers, but not many. Our first home as a married couple looked sadly decrepit. Our last home as a family has held up but it sits under the flight path to and from Hartsfield-Jackson, which was the impetus for us to leave.

From there, it was on to Philip's East Point, literally across the railroad tracks. But if I was looking for a bunch of rundown shacks and trash-infested sidewalks, I was in for a surprise. What I saw were brick houses and neatly trimmed lawns. In the segregated days, the area had been home to Black professionals - doctors, attorneys, businesspeople. Frankly, his old neighborhood looked better than mine. But my life was easier.

Philip was in the first class to integrate Russell High School and dealt with the indignities that came with the experience. But this was nothing new for him. Being Black in the segregated South was full of indignities.

When I was growing up, there was an amusement park known as Funtown:



By DICK YARBROUGH

rides, miniature golf, skating rink, etc. I went there often. Philip and his friends could not go. They could only peek over the fence. If park employees saw the group's hands on the top of the fence, they would rap their knuckles with a stick.

Music was Philip's passion and he quickly became a part of the marching band at Russell High School and the school's music program. He faced the typical racism he expected from teachers and students but even back then, the occasional white teacher or white classmate was willing to help him adjust to this new environment. Thankfully, not everybody was a racist.

I asked Philip if he suffered any physical abuse in those days. He recounted being jumped by a group of white boys while attending

band camp. The attackers were not a part of the camp. They were attending a nearby church retreat. A Christian church retreat.

There were some points of pride in Philip's East Point. When his grandfather, Will Tinch, a longtime city employee, died at the age of 113 (that's not a typo), the city's dignitaries served as escorts for his service.

I left my East Point for life in corporate America. Philip left his and joined the Navy. Two different people. Two different backgrounds. Two different eras. But we realized something that united us. When I was in high school, a Dairy Queen opened just off campus. It was a gathering place for me and my friends. It was for Philip and his friends, too. What better way to end our excursion to East Point than lunch together at the Dairy Queen.

East Point is no longer home for Philip or me but it is where we grew up and despite the divide of race and age and experiences, it is responsible for creating a lasting friendship between the two of us. That made it worth the trip.

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Wendell Wilkie and the 1940 presidential election

The 1940 presidential election was a remarkable chapter in American political history. To challenge formidable President Franklin Roosevelt the Republican Party nominated dark horse Wendell L. Wilkie, a lawyer and corporate president with no experience in government, and virtually none in campaigns and elections. Though largely forgotten, Wilkie measured up when it counted - in an era of growing crises.

A lifelong Democrat, the nominee registered as a Republican only weeks before the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia. The convention was the first to be televised, and President Roosevelt was the first and only U.S. President elected to a third term. Wilkie, himself, was the first inexperienced candidate until the election of Donald Trump in 2016.

The candidate was a unique public figure. The native of Elwood, Indiana was a precocious student who graduated with highest honors from both Elwood High School and Indiana University Law School. Wilkie became a voracious reader and a deep thinker.

His biographer, Steve Neal, described his as "... a man of compelling energy and driving force."

From private law practice and from Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., Wilkie joined and then became president of Commonwealth and Southern Corporation, C&S, in New York. Commonwealth was a huge holding company of private corporations engaged in the generation and transmission of electric power.

Roosevelt's New Deal included the Tennessee Valley Authority, a federal agency intent upon transmitting electric power to rural America. For example only one in 35 Georgia farms was electrified. Wilkie and C&S became adamantly opposed to the TVA.

Moreover, with war erupting in Europe, Wilkie had become convinced that America's involvement in the defense of England was inevitable. His multiple articles in leading magazines and his numerous public speeches caught the attention of moderate Republicans looking for a presidential candidate.

Drawing upon his spreading publicity, the

crowd estimated at 250,000 people. The event marked a high point in the campaign.

The difficult campaign that followed still focused upon the issue of America's involvement in the war in Europe. Of equal gravity was a widespread resistance to Roosevelt's unprecedented third term. Wilkie's inexperience soon surfaced. He lost his voice at one point, and he had trouble coordinating a national campaign. Though a dauntless campaigner, he lost the election by 5 million votes.

Wilkie was no sore loser. Instead he grew in stature. He became an international personage as President Roosevelt's special envoy to England, Russia and the Far East. After traveling 31,000 miles he returned to the United States in 1943 and published the book "One World." It became an immediate best seller. Critics maintained it was the most important book published during World War II.

Wendell Wilkie suffered an untimely death in Oct. 8, 1944. He was 52. The New York Times devoted its entire front page to his obituary.

He delivered his acceptance speech on Aug. 17, 1940, before a hometown

GUEST COLUMN

By JIM THOMAS

Wilkie bandwagon gained steam. A cooperative effort of businessmen, organized politicians, advertising executives - even amateurs - catapulted their man to fame. They portrayed Wilkie as a dynamic free enterpriser who helped reduce the depression's impact; as a friendly hard-working, small town boy of the Horatio Alger type.

Going into the Republican National Convention, Wilkie remained a long shot. However, his handlers proved skillful in working their candidate on the convention floor. Also, the fall of France that summer is believed to have weakened Wilkie's isolationist opponents. He won on the sixth ballot.

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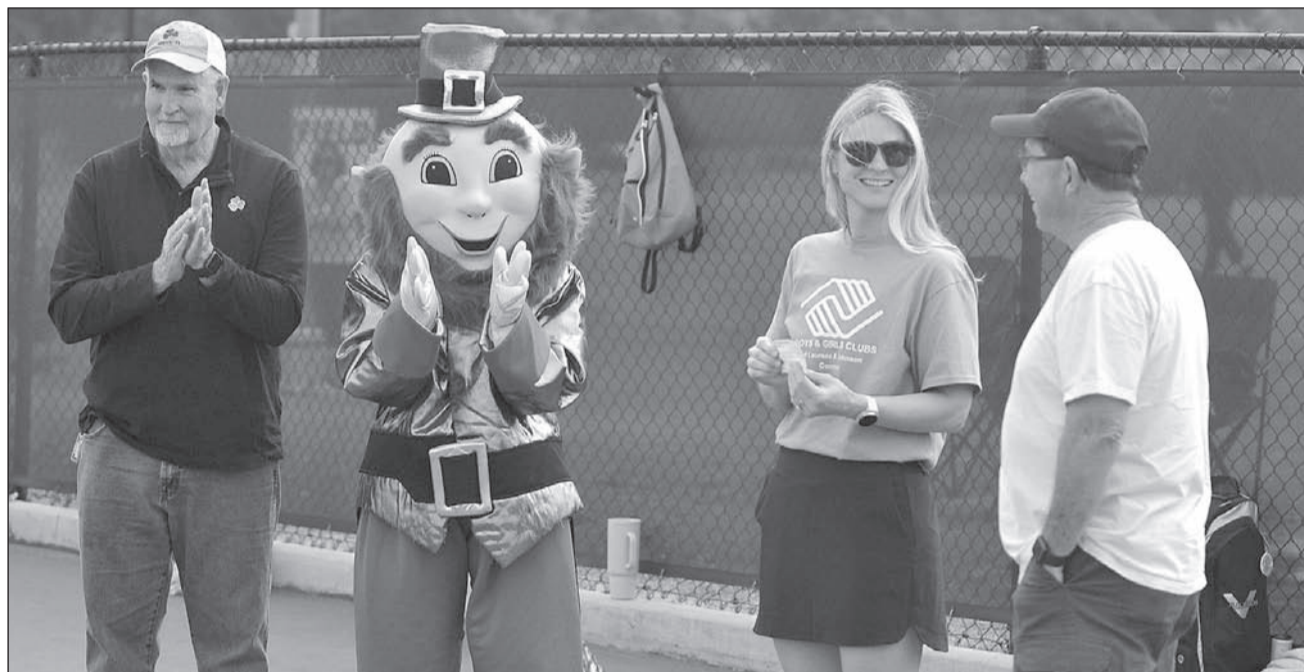
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AN ALL-AROUND GOOD TIME: LOCAL PICKLEBALL PLAYERS ENJOY ROUND ROBIN AT SIXTH-ANNUAL SHAMROCK SMASH, BENEFITTING BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

Playing partners were mixed and matched over the course of the morning as the Dublin pickleball community got together Saturday for some friendly competition at Southern Pines during the sixth annual Shamrock Smash. The event, which has taken the form of a full-on tournament in years past, was reimagined this year as a round-robin that was free to all, and rotated players into different pairings for each of multiple matches. Top left: Horace Austin, alongside Dawn Rizzo, gets some big air on a leaping return. Top right: Though one team in this nearby match had to prevail over the other, neither seemed to be able to get the best of a crosswind that was gusting into the teens all morning, and had a comical effect on both these players as they reacted with a smile after another reachable shot got inexplicably blown out of reach. Bottom left: Shelley Baumann with a forehand. Bottom right: Jeff Cannon and Lucky the Leprechaun deliver the St. Patrick's committee's official blessing just before Dublin Pickleball Association president Joey Wilson presents Katelin Warnock, representing Boys & Girls Clubs of Laurens and Johnson counties, with a \$4,500 donation of proceeds from Shamrock Smash sponsorships/CLAY REYNOLDS



SOCCER ROUNDUP...

Dublin boys have big week with wins over WACO, JeffCo EL blanked at Bleckley; WL boys stay perfect as Raiders go 3-for-4 in latest matches

From STAFF REPORTS

Urick Andrews put on a show with six goals out of... erm, seven... for the Dublin boys soccer team over a midweek homestand that featured two huge wins over Washington and Jefferson counties.

Andrews scored all five as the Irish took down WACO 5-2 Tuesday night, then one of a couple in a 2-1 thriller with JeffCo to finish senior night with a bang Tuesday at the Shamrock Bowl.

Dublin, whose girls fell 2-0 to the Golden Hawks and 1-0 to the Warriors in splits both nights, will play just one this week as it hosts Bleckley County Tuesday night.

The Irish senior was in top form for both matches, with his elite quickness and ball skills on particular display during the second half against WACO, in which his string of four goals – just one answered by the visitors – helped them put away a tight one.

The first three were simple fast-break situations, as the ball was thrust ahead to find him in great spots to move into position for a shot. But Andrews' last, a casual left-footed lob right over the top of the Golden Hawks' goalkeeper and into an open net off a throw-in, was especially artful as he put the finishing touches on the amazing performance.

Jashum Carswell provided three of his assists, while Dorian Carcamo and Mathias Baker set up his other two.

Both of Thursday's goals for the Irish unfolded via similar flips of the field with Andrews streaking through Jefferson County defenders like a hot knife through butter.

But he gave the ball up to assist the night's opening score, shifting it wide for a teammate's shot from the right-hand side that got Dublin (3-6, 2-4 region 2-High A) on the board late in the first half.

The Warriors would equalize



SORCERY!: With WACO's goalkeeper obstructing a direct shooting line, Dublin's Urick Andrews opted to use the left foot as a lob wedge, and went over the top with an arcing pitch shot that easily cleared his reach and bounded into the net for the craftiest of his five goals in a first of two region wins for the Irish Tuesday night/CLAY REYNOLDS

five minutes after halftime on a long strike from 20 yards or more.

But the Irish were back up by the final score not long after, as Andrews outmaneuvered five white shirts going at hyperspeed from midfield.

He crossed up the last remaining defender before punching it to the right of a crashing goalkeeper to deliver the difference-maker.

WACO scored once before halftime, and once after, for the final advantage in Tuesday's match with the Lady Irish (3-8, 2-4 region). Jefferson County pinballed one in off a corner with about 15 minutes left before halftime for the only score of an even more defensive battle on Thursday.

East Laurens came up empty in a couple of key matchups with Bleckley County Thursday, in which its girls fell 3-0 and boys 2-0.

Freshman Braylee Cobb scored

two of the Lady Royals' three, with goalkeeper Jana Tomlin – who also recorded four saves – adding the other via penalty kick.

Greyson Arnold, in the first half, and Will Dean, in the second, had Bleckley's goals in the boys contest.

East's girls (8-7, 5-2 region 2-High A) and boys (9-5, 4-2) will visit ACE Charter this coming Thursday.

The West Laurens boys' unbeaten streak survived a stiff challenge on the road Tuesday as the Raiders (15-0, 11-0 region 4-AAA) defeated Harlem in a 3-2 thriller.

They'd return to help complete a sweep of Baldwin with a 2-0 shutout on Thursday back at the SHU.

The Westside girls (10-5, 8-3 region 4-AAA) fell 3-0 in Tuesday's rematch with the Bulldogs, but did away with the Bravettes by the same final later in the week.



PREYING DEFENDERS: Dublin's Kevasia Evans works to keep the ball in bounds, and away from a couple of swooping Hawks who had eyes on it, early in Tuesday's second half/CLAY REYNOLDS

Kyle Simmons had two of the Harlem girls' three goals, and Kamryn Simmons the other, as Maggie Crozier offered two assists Tuesday night.

Thursday, the Lady Raiders' Landry Hall opened the scoring off a first-half corner kick of Malone Poole. Chandler Malone had the clincher later as she knocked one past the challenge of the Baldwin keeper on a drive off of Poole's feed midway through the second half.

The Harlem boys, which had a few lineup additions from the first time the teams met (likely including a few holdovers from their state basketball championship team) gave the Raiders a different look that necessitated some adjustments.

Their defense was solid despite an early Harlem goal that would be answered later in the first half, and a breakthrough, as a subsequent West Laurens score was nullified and the teams traded one more each through the end of reg-

ulation, was elusive. The Raiders got the winner in overtime.

"We absolutely had them dead to rights in the first half, but couldn't put the ball in the net," said head coach Nate Smith. "We have a target on our backs, and if we can't put teams away, they are very much in the game, which is a problem with teams as good as we have in our region this year."

Thursday, West Laurens scored first about nine minutes in as a ball played to the wing came back inside and found Jack Yearwood for a short punch-in.

The score remained 1-0 until a Raider was tripped in the box to set up a penalty kick for Yearwood that made it 2-0. And that was the final.

West Laurens' teams have a region match with Richmond Academy and non-region pickup against Stratford on the schedule for this Tuesday and Thursday in the continuation of their season-ending homestand.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL
Friday
ACE Charter 17, Dublin 8
East Laurens 26,
Southwest Macon 3

PREP SCHEDULE

BASEBALL
Monday
Wilcox Co. at Dublin/6 p.m.

Tuesday
Bleckley Co. at Dublin
West Laurens at Harlem
/5:30 p.m.
EL at Washington Co.
Trinity at Brentwood
/6 p.m.

Thursday
EL at Hawkinsville
Harlem at WL/5:30 p.m.
Dublin at Bleckley Co.
/5:45 p.m.
Brentwood at Trinity
/6 p.m.

Friday
Washington Co. at EL
/6 p.m.

SOCCER
Tuesday
Bleckley Co. at Dublin
ARC at WL/5 p.m.

Thursday
Trinity at FPCA/4 p.m.
EL at ACE Charter
Stratford at WL/5 p.m.

Friday
Claxton at Dublin/5 p.m.

TENNIS
Tuesday
WL at Jeff Davis/4 p.m.

GOLF
Monday
WL at FPD Invitational
(River Forest GC, Macon)
/1 p.m.
Robert Toombs at Trinity
(Dublin CC) /3 p.m.

Tuesday
Trinity at Gatewood/3 p.m.



TELL IT!

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So the Dublin City School board no longer has the money or confidence from the state board of education due to the board's foolish decisions. Now the board wants to whine and say they've been working hard to fix things...while paying coaches \$30,000 supplements. The city will get exactly what it deserves, a padlock on DCS doors.

Linda wanted nothing to do with curly fries.

I'm not too bright so help me understand this: the DCS board facing millions in debt, considered their options and decided the best solution and in the students' best interest was to eliminate teachers from the classroom while continuing to fund athletic programs, coaches plus supplements. As a school board, this seemed like a good idea to you. If so, you have the decision making skills of a tomato plant.

The staff, the taxpayers and teachers have all tried to express, to the Dublin City School Board of Education, that the Irish Gifted Academy needed to be cut. Why don't they go ahead and do it? I keep hearing people say that it is an acad-

emy, and that is where all of the money is going along with the coaches. So, why not just cut them all out and have the teachers teaching the students the way they should be?

Back some time ago, there was a person who came forward as an anonymous donor who was going to pay the coaches salary for the remainder of the school year. So why, does the taxpayers in the city of Dublin have to pay \$30,000 for the coaching when an anonymous donor said he was going to pay it? Tell me that!

I believe someone at city hall is a year behind. The notice in the paper says that the city of Dublin will be closed on April 18, 2025 to observe Good Friday. Good Friday is April 3, 2026.

Y'all need to leave those curly fries alone. They are loaded with saturated fat and that causes the cholesterol. But pass the tater salad please.

I suspect that those in the community opposed to replacing the 4-way on Claxton Dairy Road with a roundabout are likely the same ones that blow through the current 4-way intersec-

tion.

Is there anyway for Dublin Police to monitor red light intersections? Just this week I've witnessed people completely blow through a red light at three separate intersections!

PSA: When stopped, waiting to cross a divided highway, it is not correct to pull into the median in front of someone turning left off of said divided highway. That driver has the right of way.

I guess Curry will be moving his new school into the vacated Dublin City School facilities?

Even the state thinks Dublin City is incompetent - continued excuses and slipping right back into their delusions.

The Dublin City school board is evidently the problem. They pandered to the former superintendent and continue to pander to a select few, while refusing to take good advice from the state.

We have two versions of what happened with the state board of education/superintendent and Dublin

City Schools. The state says they have no confidence in the system and DCS is running amok with finances again. Marcel Pool says it's simply "miscommunication" and DCS isn't paying supplements etc. Whom should we believe? DCS who for years has lied, cheated, stolen, minimized and covered up or the state superintendent who has no reason to lie? My money is on the superintendent's version.

Marcee Pool you can dispute the state BOE actions all you want, but at the end of the day you've lost the state financial advisors and payments. The superintendent didn't withdraw this support for no reason. He says you prioritized supplements for coaches and you say they were cut. Why DCS is still funding an athletic program given the financial disaster is another argument, but why would he lie? Post the unedited minutes from the board meeting. And why should he meet with DCS face-to-face again? You are the ones being uncooperative and returning to old accounting games.

The state cares about the hogs now but not deer. There can only be one explanation. The state is in bed with the insurance companies and they don't want the deer problem to away. Making money off us.

Mrs. Pool, sounds like all the rest now. Making ex-

cuses, miscommunications and not being transparent. How can you dig in and not follow state's advice. Time for you to go.

IGA and end up tanking the whole system. Everyone knows it needs to go. Are y'all embarrassed yet?

Prepare to celebrate Jesus, not the Easter Bunny this week!

Local 7-day Forecast:

The next 48 hours:

TUESDAY: Partial sunshine with a thundershower in spots in the afternoon. **83°**
Sunrise: 6:46 a.m.

TUESDAY NIGHT: A thundershower in spots in the evening. **57°**
Sunset: 6:54 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Mostly cloudy with a thunderstorm in spots in the afternoon. **84°**
Sunrise: 7:20 a.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT: Mostly cloudy. **58°**
Sunset: 7:52 p.m.

Thursday 4/2 HIGH/LOW 85/59 Mostly sunny and very warm. Sunrise: 7:19 a.m. Sunset: 7:52 p.m.	Friday 4/3 HIGH/LOW 82/61 Pleasantly warm with more sun than clouds. Sunrise: 7:18 a.m. Sunset: 7:53 p.m.	Saturday 4/4 HIGH/LOW 83/60 Pleasant with periods of clouds and sunshine. Sunrise: 7:16 a.m. Sunset: 7:54 p.m.	Sunday 4/5 HIGH/LOW 83/54 Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Sunrise: 7:15 a.m. Sunset: 7:54 p.m.	Monday 4/6 HIGH/LOW 70/51 Sun and some clouds. Sunrise: 7:14 a.m. Sunset: 7:55 p.m.
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River levels...
Oconee (at Dublin) 3.75'
Ocmulgee (at Macon) 7.03'

POLICE BEAT...

Dublin Police Department

- A man was charged with sexual battery at Fairview Park Hospital on Industrial Boulevard, around 8:22 a.m. on March 13. An officer responded to a patient hitting a staff.

Upon arrival, the officer met with hospital staff who said a patient under mental health review and medical hold hit one of the nurses. The nursing staff said the man was assigned to the hospital under a 1013. Around 8:15 a.m. the man attempted to flee the hospital and was caught by an employee. When the man was caught, he turned around and knelt the employee four times in the groin. When asked if he wished to press charges, the nurse said, "yes."

The officer was able to calm the man down, place him in restraints and transport him to the sheriff's office with no issues.

- Tavaris DeAndre Wright, 27, was charged

with driving while license suspended or revoked at Checkers on Veterans Boulevard around 5:24 p.m. on March 21. An officer responded to the location in response to a car fire.

Wright said she smelled smoke and noticed something was wrong with his car. The fire department responded to put out the fire under a black Cadillac. The officer received information that Wright had a suspended license for failure to appear on traffic citations. A firefighter said the fire was caused by a faulty fuel line. Wright was released on summons.

Laurens County Sheriff's Office

- Around 8:50 a.m. on March 23, a deputy responded to Ed Beckham Road at Altamaha EMC in reference to property damage. A deputy met with the district manager who said around 6:30 a.m. a Dublin Glass Company truck attempt-

ed to drive underneath the awning of the front of the building, but damaged the roof and a camera.

- On March 23, a deputy received a phone message at the sheriff's office in reference to a theft by deception.

- Whitney Kemp, 35, of Dudley, was charged with criminal trespass at the Friendly Gus on Highway 80 West around 2:39 p.m. on March 19.

Editor's note: This information is public record and was taken from reports of local law enforcement agencies. These reports do not reflect guilt or innocence. An "arrest" does not always indicate incarceration. Readers are cautioned that people may have similar names. Police Beat does not identify minor children, victims of sexual assault, suicide attempts or medical conditions. Cases dismissed do not appear if the newspaper is notified before deadline.

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For Rent/Lease

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NEWS DIGEST

The Dublin City Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. in the International Room in city hall on Thursday, April 2. The city council will then meet at Henry "Bud" Hicks Jr. Memorial Chamber at 5:30 p.m. The agenda follows:

- Call to order
- Invocation and Pledge to Flag
- Special presentation
- Approval of March 19 city council meeting minutes
- Approval of bills over \$15,000
- Approval of purchases over \$15,000
- Presentation regarding the Downtown Development Authority
- Presentation regarding the Dublin-Laurens Land Bank Authority
- Presentation regarding the Dublin-Laurens County Economic Development Authority
- Discussion and action

on resolution #26-18 to provide local government support to WINGS (Women In Need of God's Shelter) for a grant application through DCA

- Discussion and action on resolution #26-19 to approve the acceptance of a proposal for water meter replacement to Utility Solutions of America and to authorize a contract for the same

- Discussion and action on resolution #26-20 to amend the permit fees and other associated fees for certain residential construction projects

- Discussion and action on board appointments (if needed)
- Citizens comments
- Council comments
- Executive session if needed to discuss real estate, pending litigation or personnel
- Adjournment

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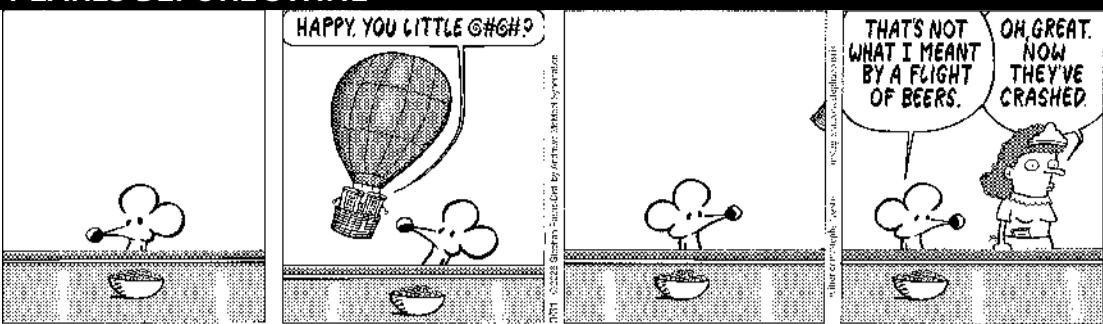
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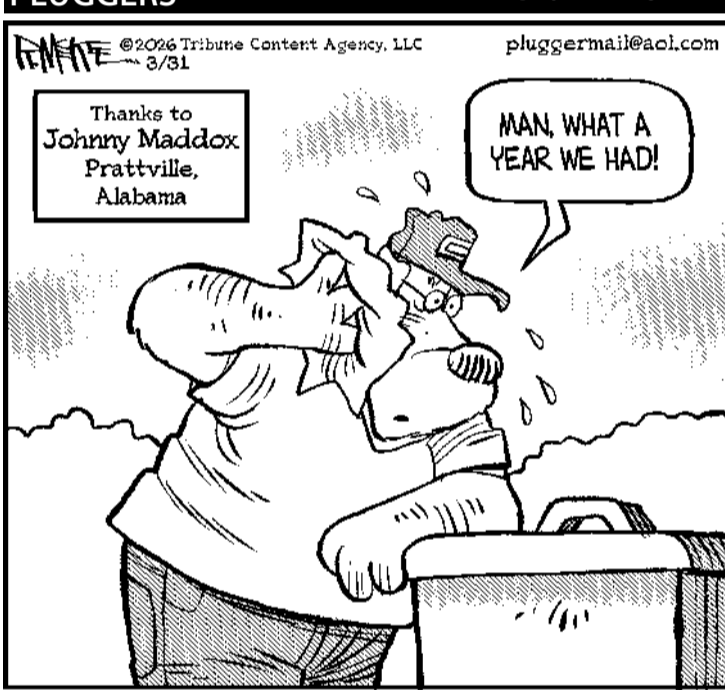
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PLUGGERS



Pluggers can't believe it's still only March.

Women leaves little to the imagination with comment to Son!

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are disgusted by something we (and our grandson) have never before encountered. Our ex-daughter-in-law of 10 years recently told our 16-year-old grandson she kicked her latest boyfriend out because he would not have sex with her. Our grandson was very upset (as were we). Isn't this considered some sort of abuse?

Our grandson and his brother haven't lived with their mother for the last five years because they were tired of her smoking, drinking and revolving door of boyfriends. They live happily with their father and have little to do with their mother. -- DISGUSTED IN COLORADO

DEAR DISGUSTED: Your grandson is a teenager; he isn't 8. That his mother would say what she did to him is surprising, but it wasn't "abuse." Could she have been tipsy when she said it? Fortunately, your grandson no longer lives under her roof and has a father with better judgment. Count your blessings and let this pass.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend carries his keys and several metal accessories on a carabiner, which is always clipped to his belt loop. He lives in my home and is a frequent passenger in my



DEAR ABBY

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

car. I have noticed that his key clip and other items are damaging the paint on my car and door frames at the house as he exits and enters. I have asked him to please remove the clip or make another arrangement for his keys, and although he says he's "working on the problem," nothing changes. I'm ready to refuse entry to this key monster. Advice? -- DINGED IN OHIO

DEAR DINGED: Only this. It seems that your irresponsible boyfriend lacks respect for other people's property or he would have dealt with this promptly. Estimate the cost of refinishing your car and door frames, and then offer him the opportunity to settle up what he owes you, or tell him it's time to move.

DEAR ABBY: One of our co-workers doesn't want to be a closer friend even though at work we say we love each other. We want to take the friendship to a deeper level, but she hesitates when we try to hang out outside of work. She has a mansion that many people in our office have seen, but she hasn't invited us over. She'll only go to the movies with us. We are worried it is because, in a movie theater, we can't talk to her. Are we getting mixed messages or coming on too strong? -- GIRLS AT WORK IN MICHIGAN

DEAR GIRLS: You are coming on way too strong. There are work relationships and personal relationships. They are not always interchangeable. The woman may "love" working with you. But to assume that it's OK to pressure her into inviting you to her home or to be grilled about her personal life is wrong. You may mean well, but you girls need to accept the relationship as it is.

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GOREN BRIDGE

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WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ ANSWERS

Q 1 - North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠AK63♥AK1092♦J6♣93

The bidding has proceeded:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
3♠ ?
What action would you take?
A - Bid 3H or make a take-out double? Bidding 3H might lose the spade suit, so we prefer double.

Q 2 - Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠974♥J87♦9♣AJ7542

The bidding has proceeded:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
1♠ Pass INT Pass
2NT Pass ?
What is your choice?
A - You have too much trick taking potential to pass. Bid 3NT. Playing in clubs might be better but there is no way to know.

Q 3 - Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠KJ1065♥A3♦4♣KJ763

What is your opening bid?
A - Some experts will open 1C, hoping to be able to bid and rebid spades while keeping the bidding at a low level. Others insist on opening 1S. We would open 1S on this hand.

Q 4 - Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠AK753♥107♦AK1054♣8

The bidding has proceeded:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
1♠ ?
What call would you make?
A - Don't double, just bid your suits. Bid 1S now and bid diamonds next, even at the three level if necessary.

Q 5 - East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠K9862♥3♦Q105♣AJ43

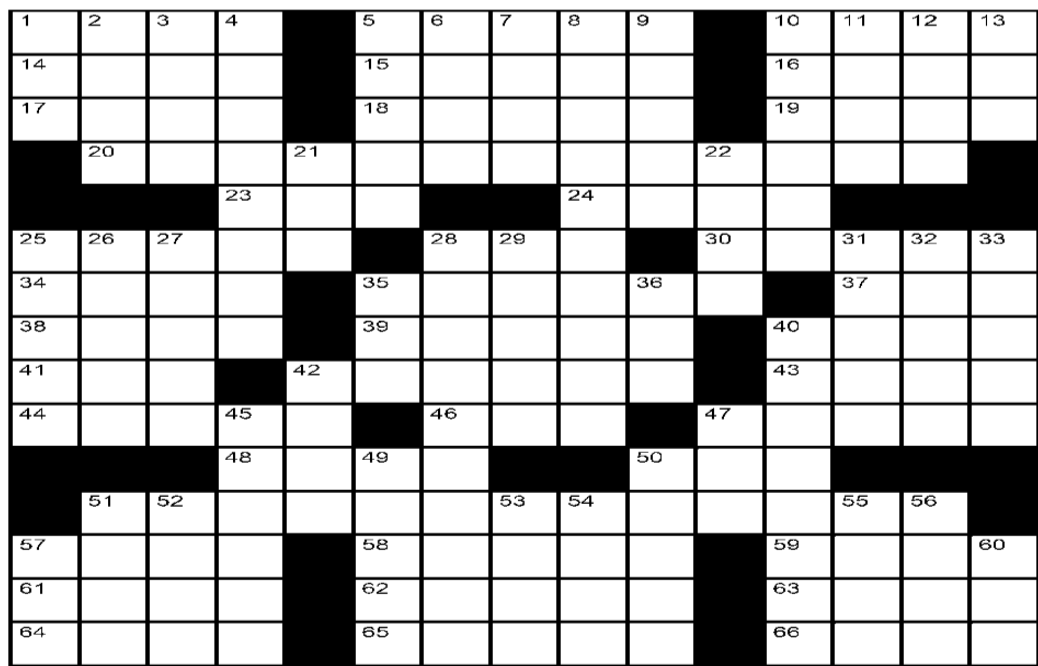
The bidding has proceeded:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
2♥ Pass ?
Partner's bid shows a decent six-card suit and less than an opening bid. What call would you make?
A - When partner pre-empts in your shortest suit, stay out of the auction unless you have a strong no trump or the equivalent. Pass.

Q 6 - Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠AKQ52♥Void♦AJ1084♣AJ10

What opening bid would you choose?
A - The choice is between one spade and two clubs. You should not open two clubs with a two-suited hand unless the high-card points are overwhelming. Open one spade.

THE Daily Commuter Puzzle by Stella Zawistowski

- ACROSS
- 1 End of a shirt sleeve
 - 5 Castles' protective ditches
 - 10 As well
 - 14 Largest continent
 - 15 Habituate (to)
 - 16 Beloved
 - 17 "Sporty Spice": 2 wds.
 - 18 "Get outta here!"
 - 19 Horse's hair
 - 20 Underwater pastime: 2 wds.
 - 23 Might
 - 24 "That true?": 2 wds.
 - 25 Natural hat material
 - 28 Very popular
 - 30 Writing assignment
 - 34 Even scores
 - 35 VCR button
 - 37 Color variation
 - 38 General, corporal, or private
 - 39 Lake boat
 - 40 "Smooth" singer
 - 41 Museum works
 - 42 Natural gift
 - 43 "Divergent" heroine
 - 44 Macaroni, e.g.
 - 46 NFL plays: Abbr.
 - 47 Profundity
 - 48 Curved doorway
 - 50 Take to court
 - 51 Latin rice dish: 3 wds.
 - 57 Scheme
 - 58 Meat (carnivore)
 - 59 Very long times
 - 61 Marching band instrument
 - 62 Actor Russell
 - 63 Reign
 - 64 "So be it"
 - 65 Novelist Hermann
 - 66 River in Greek myth
- DOWN
- 1 Former QB Newton
 - 2 "This ___ to be fun"
 - 3 Dossier
 - 4 Goalie's headgear: 2 wds.
 - 5 Rapper Elliott
 - 6 Some time ago
 - 7 Halo glow
 - 8 Cultural customs
 - 9 Tractor-trailers
 - 10 Fesses up
 - 11 ___ and mean
 - 12 Did the vocals
 - 13 Mined resource
 - 21 Dog's foot
 - 22 Competed
 - 25 Handbag part
 - 26 Small crown
 - 27 Leases
 - 28 Hospital's business: 2 wds.
 - 29 Held the deed to
 - 31 Mentally acute
 - 32 Accounting review
 - 33 "Holy moly!"
 - 35 SZA's record label
 - 36 After costs
 - 40 Pittsburgh's NFL team
 - 42 Hawaiian tuber
 - 45 Kilt pattern
 - 47 Pair
 - 49 Prague native
 - 50 Shopping binge
 - 51 Grad, for short
 - 52 Judge's attire
 - 53 Some native Nebraskans
 - 54 The latest reports
 - 55 Unmannerly fellow
 - 56 "If ___ I'd listened!"
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 - 60 Lovemaking

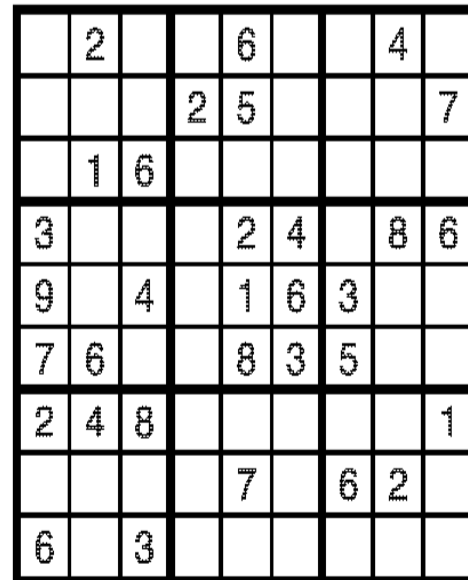


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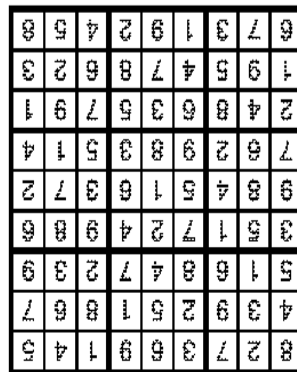
SUDOKU



Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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



KIDS' CORNER

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Class of the week: Mr. Hurst's second grade class at Susie Dasher

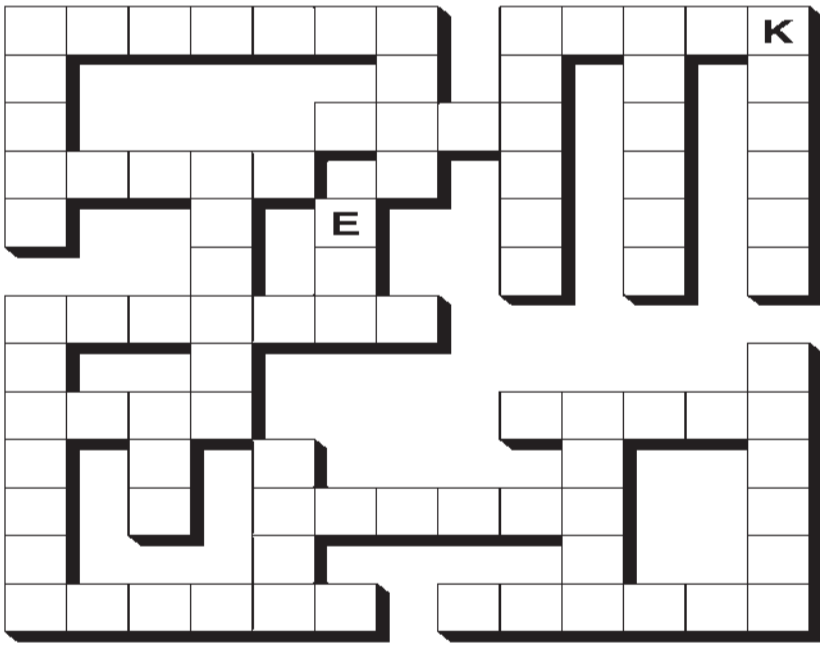
The students in Mr. Keshawn Hurst's class at Susie Dasher Elementary School proved a knack for puzzles by making short work of the games in last week's Kids' Corner. After hearing the story "Max the Brave" and learning about the newspaper the students showed Herald the most attention of any class yet, each wanting a turn to pet and hug the book-loving dog, which he greatly appreciated (see bottom right). Be on the lookout as Herald continues his trek to classrooms across the area



Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS – PROPER NOUNS
Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

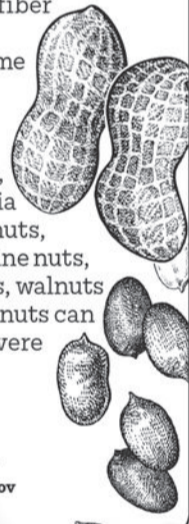
- 3 Letters**
EVA
MAY
- 4 Letters**
ALPO
LEGO
ROME
YALE
- 5 Letters**
CHILE
MARCH
PARIS
SHREK
SPAIN
- 6 Letters**
ANDREW
EASTER
KANSAS
LASSIE
MOSCOW
OREGON
RED SOX
SNOOPY
- 7 Letters**
MERCURY
TORONTO
TUESDAY



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Fun Fact

Nuts can be great sources for protein, vitamins, minerals, fiber and more. But for some people, almonds, cashews, hazelnuts, Macadamia nuts, peanuts, pecans, pine nuts, pistachios, walnuts and other nuts can trigger severe or deadly allergic reactions.
Source: nih.gov



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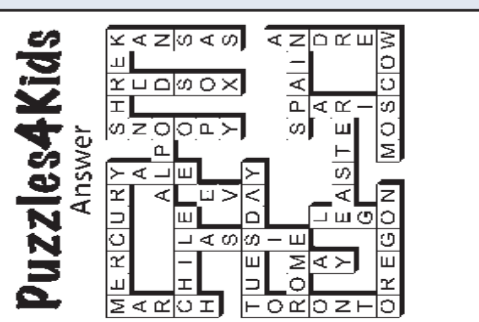
5				1
	1		5	2
		6		3
2				
	2	1		
6				

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 6-box square contains all of the numbers from one to six.
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MINI SUDOKU ANSWERS

5	4	2	3	6	1
3	6	1	4	5	2
1	5	4	6	2	3
2	3	6	5	1	4
4	2	5	1	3	6
6	1	3	2	4	5



TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Teachers, do you want us to visit your classroom next? Students, do you have artwork, poems or stories you want to submit for possible publication? Email us at read@courierheraldtoday.com.

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