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## Southwick regional school district to present proposed budget

By GREG FITZPATRICK  
Correspondent

SOUTHWICK – The Southwick-Tolland Granville Regional School District is holding a public hearing on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Powder Mill School to review their proposed Fiscal Year 2020 budget.

The public, Select Board's and Finance Committee's from Southwick, Tolland, and Granville are all invited and encouraged to attend.

After the FY 2020 budget is reviewed on Tuesday night, a vote will be taken at an upcoming school committee meeting to see if the committee will approve the proposed budget. If the budget happens to be passed by

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## Westfield 350 lecture series brings discussion of the early university

By PETER CURRIER  
Correspondent

WESTFIELD- The next speakers for the Westfield 350 Historical Lecture Series will delve into the history of Westfield State University on Wednesday, March 6th, at 6:30 p.m. in Parenzo Hall's Dever Auditorium.

Dr. Beth Ann Rothermel, Dr. Mara Dodge, and Walter Fogg will lead the presentation about the early history, and struggles, of what we now know as Westfield State University. While the city of Westfield itself celebrates its 350th birthday, Westfield State University, once called Westfield Normal School, celebrates its 180th birthday.

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A group photo of the college's 'Euphoria' club from 1896. (Image submitted)

## Southwick Senior Center receives new van

By GREG FITZPATRICK  
Correspondent

SOUTHWICK – On Thursday, the Council on Aging received their new transportation van. According to Council on Aging Director Cindy Sullivan, the van was ordered in late December.

The new van is a result of the Baker-Polito Administration announcing in August of 2016 that they would be awarding \$28 million in Community Development Block Grants to 57 cities and towns throughout Massachusetts. Southwick and Granville received a combined grant of \$900,000 with a portion of the funds to be used for the reconstruction of Veteran Street. That project received \$479,000 of funding.

Since the Veterans Street project was completed and came in \$69,000 under budget, a line item was created to transfer the remaining money to a project that is on the Town's capital replacement list.

On November 13, Erica Johnson of the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission

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The advisers to the Builders Club this year are, Alex Brennan, Lauren Alben and Donna Doiron who are pictured today with the Builders club members, Teagan Chisholm-Godshalk, Lauren Connor, Shalini Sundararajan, Makayla Catellier, Brandon Barnes, Owen Ritchie, Ava Green, Jordan Hanechak, and Kierstin St. Lawrence. Also in the club but not pictured today are Kaela Peich and Jill Battles. (Photo courtesy of the Westfield Intermediate School Kiwanis Builders Club)

## News from the Kiwanis Builders Club at Westfield Intermediate School

WESTFIELD – The Westfield Intermediate School Kiwanis Builders Club held its Pajama Program fundraiser for the month of February. All homerooms were challenged to "Fill The Pajama Pants" with cash to be donated to the Pajama Program of Western Mass. This program brings brand new, warm pajamas and nurturing books to kids living in homeless shelters in Springfield, Holyoke and all surrounding areas. The total amount raised for the Pajama Program was \$1,519.77. In third place bringing in \$305 dollars was Mrs. Brennan's 5th grade homeroom. The

second place homeroom bringing in \$328 dollars was Mrs. Alben's 5th graders. The homeroom that won the challenge and the prize of a limousine ride to Amelia Park Ice Arena and back to school was Mr. Wroth's 6th grade, which collected \$500 dollars.

The prizes were generously donated by Michael's Limousine of Agawam. Brian Barnes of Amelia Park donated the one-hour block of ice time. The Kiwanis Builders Club is grateful for the generous donations from our area businesses to help build excitement for the homeroom challenge.

## Westfield Fire Commission preview 3/4/19

By PETER CURRIER  
Correspondent

WESTFIELD- The Westfield Fire Commission will convene Monday evening for their first meeting since the appointment of Commissioner C. Lee Bennett.

The meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. at the Little River Fire Station, will also be the first meeting since the appointment of Patrick Egloff as temporary Fire Chief. The February meeting was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts for the commission.

The first major item on the agenda will be the reading of the record of the minutes from the special meeting on January 18th, during which Egloff was appointed. They will also read the record of the lengthy executive session minutes from that same meeting.

The agenda item detailing that January 18th executive session reads that the commission would discuss, "the character, reputation, as opposed to professional competence, and/or complaints or charges brought against Deputy Fire Chief Patrick Egloff for the purpose of determining viability for either temporary or permanent promotion to chief of the fire department."

Under Old Business, the commission will discuss the Human Resources Department Certification Fire Chief Civil Service List and the promotion of a Fire Chief. Whether a vote will take place for a permanent chief during the meeting is not clear. The only name on the list of people eligible to be promoted to the position is Temporary Chief Egloff.

Under New Business, the commission will talk about two active grievances against the commission filed by Firefighter Kyle Militmore and Fire Captain Rebecca Boutin on January 16th. Other grievances had been filed by both individuals against the Fire Commission last year.

The commission will then enter executive session at the end of the meeting. According to the agenda, they will do so, "For the purpose 'to discuss strategy with respect to litigation' where the Chair of the Westfield Fire Commission, at the advice of the City Law Department, believes that public discussion would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position, regarding resolution considerations as directed by Chairman Christopher Bowman in the bypass appeals both already filed by Leon Morin 'Civil Service Bypass Appeal Commission Case No. G1-18-130' and imminent anticipated as was disclosed at the aforementioned hearing."



The brand new transportation vehicle for the Southwick Senior Center arrived on Thursday. (Photo from Cindy Sullivan)

## Grand Prix International Donates Games to MHA

SPRINGFIELD – Mike Fisher, owner of Grand Prix International, Inc., an Indian Orchard based product management company for the toy industry, has made a donation of nearly 300 games to MHA to encourage creative and imaginative interaction for the agency's clients with an Acquired Brain Injury

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Mike Fisher, owner of Grand Prix International, Inc., boxes up toys for MHA's clients with an Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) or intellectual disability. (Photo courtesy MHA)

## What is the Iditarod Sled Dog Race?

By STEVE WILLIAMS  
A Westfield resident on assignment in Alaska and contributing to The Westfield News

ANCHORAGE, AK – The snowcapped Chugach Mountains loom below the clouds in the east and the frozen, slushy water of the Knik Arm trickles slowly to the west. As I make the journey from the airport into downtown Anchorage, the sheer beauty of the land has me grabbing my jaw off the cab floor. These aren't the Berkshires or the White Mountains so prominently known in New England. These are "real" mountains. The kind that people tell stories about climbing. The kind that take your breath away when you reach the top and peer down at the valley below. These are the type of mountains you write home about. This is Alaska. Well, sort of.

The real story of Alaska can't be told from the sprawling city limits of Anchorage. One has to venture out much further to see the real Alaska.

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Iditarod hopeful winner Aliy Zirkle and her team of 16 dogs are seen traveling through the woods in Willow, AK as she leaves the race start during the 2018 race. (Photo by Steve Williams)



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## History of the Westfield Normal School

Panel Lecture Presentation and Historic Photography Exhibit, Wednesday, **March 6** at Westfield State University. Lecture: Dever Stage, Parenzo Hall 6:30 p.m. Historical photography exhibit: Arno Maris Gallery, Ely Hall 2nd floor (open Wed. March 6 from 5:00-9:00 p.m., dessert reception and in gallery following lecture).

Spending an evening on the Westfield State University Campus for a special "Westfield Wednesdays" historical lecture series event offering a lecture and photography exhibit focused on the history of the Westfield Normal School. The lecture presentation at 6:30 on Dever Stage, Parenzo Hall, features three speakers who will discuss the history of the Westfield Normal School. Before or after the lecture, visitors are invited to an exhibit of historical photos in the Arno Maris Gallery, Ely Hall 2nd floor. A dessert reception and raffle will be hosted in the gallery following the lecture.

The lecture will include three panelists. Professor Beth Ann Rothermel will present "Dig Where You Stand: Lessons from the WSU Archive." From her research work in the WSU archives, Prof. Rothermel will share a few of her more interesting observations about the Westfield Normal School's history. Walter Fogg will present "Westfield's Little Known School of Observation," a brief history of the Wyben schoolhouse from 1931 to 1939, when it served as a school of observation for Westfield State Teachers College. Students studying in "Rural Education" were transported to the Wyben Schoolhouse to observe and to practice teach. During this period of time, the schoolhouse was turned over to the College, which assumed all administrative responsibilities for the school's daily operations. Professor Mara Dodge will present "Westfield State University: Evolution & Transformation, 1839-2010." From its open-

ing days in Barre, MA as the nation's first public, co-educational "normal" school, Prof. Dodge will trace the institution's growth while addressing some popular myths and misperceptions about its storied history.

The photography exhibit in the Arno Maris Gallery, Ely Hall 2nd floor, will feature historic photos of the Normal School and downtown buildings. Also featured will be photos by the Allen sisters, who graduated from Westfield Normal School in 1876 pursuing a teaching career which they eventually gave up due to loss of hearing. In 1884 they began a very successful career in photography. They were pioneers in respect to being women in the arts. Their nostalgic mood was coveted in an age of increasing industrialization. Their technique of developing platinum prints enhanced this direction of nostalgia. The "Westfield State University Revisited: Archival Photographs and Artifacts" collection focuses on the inception and growth of Westfield State University. Highlighted are various presidents starting with Horace Mann and continuing with those of high expectations and amazing drive bringing the Normal School forward to become Westfield State College and now Westfield State University. Continuing where "Westfield State University Revisited" leaves off is a photographic essay featuring many of the original buildings still existing in Westfield showcasing a visual evolution of the town and many links it has to the university. Catalogs of the historic photo collections will be available for purchase. The exhibit will be up during the week of March 4-9 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00 - 2:00). On Wednesday evening, March 6, directly following the lecture, guests are invited to walk over to Ely Hall to visit the gallery, enjoy dessert, and participate in a raffle. To accommodate Wednesday's events the gallery will also be open from 5:00-9:00 pm.

## Greater Westfield Chamber of Commerce Upcoming March Chamber Events

**March 4:** March Mayor's Coffee Hour, 8-9 a.m., please join us for coffee with Westfield Mayor Brian Sullivan hosted by Westfield Gas & Electric at the Operations Center, 40 Turnpike Industrial Rd., Westfield, MA 01085. The event is free and open to the public. To register, visit [www.westfieldbiz.org/events](http://www.westfieldbiz.org/events) or call (413) 568-1618 so we may give our host a proper head count.

**March 15:** St. Patrick's Day Breakfast, 7-9 a.m., hosted by Westfield State University, Scanlon Hall, 577 Western Ave., Westfield, MA. Join us for our annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast as we honor our 2019 Sons of Erin Colleen, Hannah Elizabeth Jury and her court; Irishwoman of the Year, Terri Broderick Hathaway; Irishman of the Year, Jim Rood, and Parade Marshall, Bo Sullivan. Thank you to our sponsors. Platinum Sponsor: Westfield State University; Small Business Sponsor: Puffer Printing; In-Kind Sponsor: Flowers by Webster. Breakfast tickets \$25 for members, \$40 for non-members. For more information and to register visit [www.westfieldbiz.org/events](http://www.westfieldbiz.org/events) or contact the chamber at (413) 568-1618.

**March 20:** Big Honkin Business After Hours 3-Chamber event with Greater Westfield, Chicopee and Holyoke Chambers, 4:30-7 p.m., hosted by Marcotte Ford, located at 1025 Main St., Holyoke. Tickets are \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members. Hearty appetizers, food stations, beer, and wine provided. Live jazz music and valet parking. Bring your truck load of business cards to make connections and enter to win raffle prizes. 50/50 raffle to benefit our Chamber Scholarship fund. Pre-registration is recommended at [www.westfieldbiz.org/events](http://www.westfieldbiz.org/events) or call the chamber at (413) 568-1618.

## 22 STORM NEWS TEAM LOCAL FORECAST

TONIGHT



Chance of Snow.

27-28

SUNDAY



Rain and Snow mix.

36-38

MONDAY



Snow, Mostly Cloudy.

32-34

Today, A chance of snow, mainly before 2pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 37. Light and variable wind becoming southeast around 6 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 30%. Little or no snow accumulation expected. Tonight, A slight chance of snow before 3am. Patchy fog between 1am and 2am. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 27. Sunday, rain with snow after 5pm. Partly sunny, with a high of 38. Sunday Night, Snow likely, mainly between 9pm and 3am. Cloudy, with a low around 26. Monday, A chance of snow before 11am. Mostly cloudy, with a high of 34. Gusts up to 24 mph.

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## Mars lander starts digging on red planet, hits snags

By The Associated Press

NASA's newest Mars lander has started digging into the red planet, but hit a few snags, scientists said Friday.

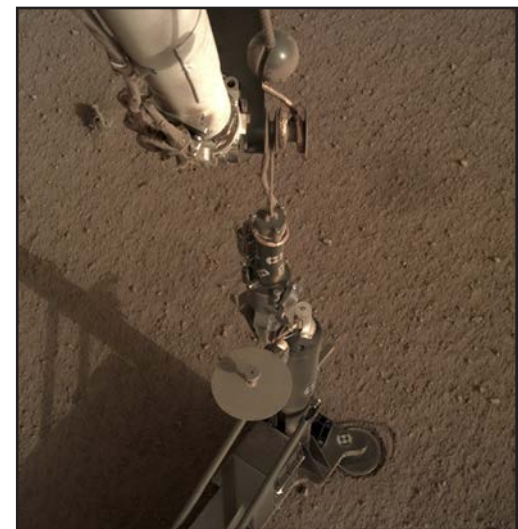
The German drilling instrument on the InSight lander struck what appeared to be a couple of stones. It only managed to burrow between half a foot (18 centimeters) and about 1 1/2 feet (50 centimeters), far short of the first dig's goal, said the German Aerospace Center.

The hammering device in the "mole" was developed by the Astronika engineering company in Poland.

"This is not very good news for me because although the hammer is proving itself ... the Mars environment is not very favorable to us," said the company's chief engineer, Jerzy Grygorczuk.

Over time, the team is shooting for a depth of up to 16 feet (5 meters), which would set an otherworldly record. The lander is digging deep to measure the planet's internal temperature.

InSight landed on Mars last November. Flight controllers at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California sent commands to the lander Thursday to begin digging. It'll rest for a bit before burrowing again.



*This photo provided by NASA/JPL-Caltech shows an image acquired by NASA's InSight Mars lander using its robotic arm-mounted, Instrument Deployment Camera (IDC). The image was acquired on March 1, 2019, Sol 92 where the local mean solar time for the image exposures was 16:53:31.055 PM. Scientists say NASA's newest Mars lander has started digging into the red planet, but has hit a few snags. (NASA/JPL-Caltech via AP)*

The spacecraft already has a seismometer on the surface, listening for potential quakes. The lander is stationary, but has a robot arm to maneuver these two main experiments.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS SATURDAY, MARCH 2, THE 61ST DAY OF 2019. THERE ARE 304 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

On March 2, 1933, the motion picture "King Kong" had its world premiere at New York's Radio City Music Hall and the Roxy.

### ON THIS DATE:

In 1793, the first (and third) president of the Republic of Texas, Sam Houston, was born near Lexington, Virginia.

In 1836, the Republic of Texas formally declared its independence from Mexico.

In 1877, Republican Rutherford B. Hayes was declared the winner of the 1876 presidential election over Democrat Samuel J. Tilden, even though Tilden had won the popular vote.

In 1917, Puerto Ricans were granted U.S. citizenship as President Woodrow Wilson signed the Jones-Shafroth Act.

In 1939, Roman Catholic Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli (puh-CHEL'-ee) was elected pope on his 63rd birthday; he took the name Pius XII. The Massachusetts legislature voted to ratify the Bill of Rights, 147 years after the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution had gone into effect. (Georgia and Connecticut soon followed.)

In 1943, the three-day Battle of the Bismarck Sea began in the southwest Pacific during World War II; U.S. and Australian warplanes were able to inflict heavy damage on an Imperial Japanese convoy.

In 1962, Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points for the Philadelphia Warriors in a game against the New York Knicks, an NBA record that still stands. (Philadelphia won, 169-

147.)

In 1978, the remains of comedian Charles Chaplin were stolen by extortionists from his grave in Cosier-sur-Vevey, Switzerland. (The body was recovered near Lake Geneva 11 weeks later.)

In 1985, the government approved a screening test for AIDS that detected antibodies to the virus, allowing possibly contaminated blood to be excluded from the blood supply.

In 1989, representatives from the 12 European Community nations agreed to ban all production of CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons), the synthetic compounds blamed for destroying the Earth's ozone layer, by the end of the 20th century.

In 1990, more than 6,000 drivers went on strike against Greyhound Lines Inc. (The company, later declaring an impasse in negotiations, fired the strikers.)

In 1995, the Internet search engine website Yahoo! was incorporated by founders Jerry Yang and David Filo.

### TEN YEARS AGO:

President Barack Obama introduced Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius as his choice to be secretary of health and human services. Soldiers assassinated the president of Guinea-Bissau, Joao Bernardo "Nino" Vieira.

### FIVE YEARS AGO:

The historical drama "12 Years a Slave" won best picture at the 86th annual Academy Awards; one of its stars, Lupita Nyong'o, won best supporting actress. Matthew McConaughey was named best actor for "Dallas Buyers

Club" while Cate Blanchett was honored as best actress for "Blue Jasmine"; Alfonso Cuaron received best director for "Gravity."

### ONE YEAR AGO:

At a funeral before an invitation-only crowd of approximately 2,000 in Charlotte, North Carolina, the children of the Rev. Billy Graham remembered "America's Pastor" as a man devoted to spreading the Gospel, and one who lived his life at home as he preached it in stadiums. A nor'easter pounded the Atlantic coast with hurricane-force winds and sideways rain and snow, grounding flights and leaving more than 2 million homes and businesses without power from North Carolina to Maine.

### TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:

Actor John Cullum is 89. Former Soviet President and Nobel peace laureate Mikhail S. Gorbachev is 88. Actress Barbara Luna is 80. Author John Irving is 77. Actress Cassie Yates is 68. Actress Laraine Newman is 67. Former Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., is 66. Former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is 64. Singer Jay Osmond is 64. Pop musician John Cowsill (The Cowsills) is 63. Former tennis player Kevin Curren is 61. Country singer Larry Stewart (Restless Heart) is 60. Rock singer Jon Bon Jovi is 57. Blues singer-musician Alvin Youngblood Hart is 56. Actor Daniel Craig is 51. Actor Richard Ruccolo is 47. Rock musician Casey (Jimmie's Chicken Shack) is 43. Rock singer Chris Martin (Coldplay) is 42. Actress Heather McComb is 42. Actress Rebel Wilson is 39. Actress Bryce Dallas Howard is 38. NFL quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is 37. Musician Mike "McDuck" Olson (Lake Street Dive) is 36. Actor Robert Iler is 34. Actress Nathalie Emmanuel is 30. Country singer Luke Combs is 29. Singer-rapper-actress Becky G is 22.

# Former US Rep. Michael Capuano lands new job at law firm

BOSTON (AP) — Former U.S. Rep. Michael Capuano has landed a new job.

The law firm Foley & Lardner LLP announced Friday that the Democrat has joined the firm as a public affairs director and will be splitting his time between the firm's Boston and Washington offices.

Capuano will join Foley's team of former members of Congress, which includes public affairs directors Dennis Cardoza and Scott Klug, both previously members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Scott Klug, co-chair of Foley's Federal Public Affairs Practice, said in a statement Capuano will be a "valued and trusted advisor for our government solutions clients spanning all regions and industries."

The longtime lawmaker lost a re-election bid to fellow Democrat Ayanna Pressley last year. Pressley is Massachusetts' first black woman elected to the U.S. House.

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MARCH 6, 2019 • **History of the Westfield Normal School**

WSU: Lecture: Dever Stage, Parenzo Hall

*Presented By: Dr. Beth Ann Rothermel, Dr. Mara Dodge, and Walter Fogg*  
Photo Exhibit After Lecture: Arno Maris Gallery, Ely Hall 2nd Floor

MARCH 13, 2019 • **One Room Schoolhouses in Westfield**

First Congregational Church • *Presented By: Walter Fogg*

MARCH 20, 2019 • **Where the Two Worlds Meet: Native Americans of Western MA**

WSU: Dever Stage, Parenzo Hal • *Presented By: Gail White Usher*

MARCH 27, 2019 • **Rev. Edward Taylor's Westfield: the poet, pastor & his congregation 1671-1721**

First Congregational Church • *Presented By: Walter Powell*

APRIL 17, 2019 • **Wayfinding through GPS:**

**Planning Perspectives for the City of Westfield** • WSU: Dever Stage, Parenzo Hall  
*Presented By: Dr. Dristi Neog and Dr. Robert Bristow*

APRIL 24, 2019 • **How Westfield Became Known as the "Baseball Town"**

First Congregational Church • *Presented By: Dan Genovese*

MAY 1, 2019 • **Whips of Westfield:**

**The Rise and Decline of an American Industry**

WSU: Scanlon Banquet Hall • *Presented By: Bruce Cortis*

**FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019 • 1-4 PM**

**WSU Student Research on Westfield**  
WSU: Ely Hall • *Presented By: WSU Students*

MAY 8, 2019 • **Things Change:**

**The Lost Homes of Westfield**

First Congregational Church  
*Presented By: Dr. Robert Brown*

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## GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

SATURDAY, MAR, 2

### SOUTHWICK:

FY 2020 Budget Hearings at 8 am

MONDAY, MAR, 4

### GRANVILLE:

Selectboard Meeting at 7 pm  
Planning Board Meeting at 7 pm  
Planning Board Meeting at 7:30 pm

### BLANDFORD:

Assessor's Meeting at 6 pm  
Police Department Meeting at 6 pm  
Special Town Meeting at 7 pm  
Selectboard Meeting at 7 pm  
Zoning Board Meeting at 7 pm

### CHESTER:

Board of Selectmen Meeting at 6 pm

TUESDAY, MAR, 5

### WESTFIELD:

Planning Board at 7 pm

### GRANVILLE:

STGRSD School Committee Meeting at 5:30 pm

### HUNTINGTON:

Board of Assessors at 6 pm  
Historical Commission at 6:45 pm

WEDNESDAY, MAR, 6

### BLANDFORD:

Public Hearing  
– George Millard Solar 2 Project at 6 pm  
Board of Health Meeting at 6 pm  
Fire Department Meeting at 7 pm  
Planning Board Meeting at 7 pm

MONDAY, MAR, 11

### GRANVILLE:

Selectboard Meeting at 7 pm

### BLANDFORD:

Conservation Commission Meeting at 6 pm  
Selectboard Meeting at 7 pm  
Zoning Board Meeting at 7 pm

### CHESTER:

Conservation Commission Meeting at 5 pm  
Board of Selectmen Meeting at 6 pm  
Board of Health Meeting at 6 pm  
Public Hearing: Proposed  
Adult Use Marijuana Bylaw at 7 pm  
Planning Board Meeting at 7:30 pm

TUESDAY, MAR, 12

### CHESTER:

Municipal Light Department Meeting at 6 pm

WEDNESDAY, MAR, 13

### BLANDFORD:

Fire Department Meeting at 7 pm

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# Threatening graffiti found at Curry College

MILTON, Mass. (AP) — Threatening graffiti has been found at a Massachusetts college, prompting officials to step up police patrols.

Curry College spokesman Terence Burke says the graffiti was found inside a restroom in an academic building on its Milton campus Thursday.

Burke says Milton police were notified, and they found no immediate threat. He did not elaborate on what the graffiti said.

The graffiti has since been removed, and police are increasing patrols throughout campus.

Burke says the college is committed to creating a "safe, inclusive and bias-free environment."

Milton Deputy Police Chief James O'Neil says the person responsible for the graffiti could face up to one year in prison or a \$1,000 fine.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the college's Department of Public Safety.

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## Eyeing 2020, White House steps up 'socialism' attack on Dems

By ZEKE MILLER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the White House gears up for the 2020 campaign, it's pressing the case that Democrats are rallying behind what it's calling the policies of "socialism."

Trying to portray Democrats as out of step with ordinary Americans, Vice President Mike Pence said in a speech Friday at the Conservative Political Action Conference that the choice in the next election is "between freedom and socialism, between personal responsibility and government dependence."

It was the latest step in a coordinated effort by President Donald Trump and his allies to drive up enthusiasm among the GOP base by sowing fears about the policies pushed by Democrats.

"The moment America becomes a socialist country is the moment America ceases to be America," Pence told the crowd of conservative activists.

Pence also took aim at "Medicare-for-all" and the Green New Deal, policy proposals prominent in the crowded Democratic contest for the presidential nomination.

The Medicare proposal really means "quality health care for none," Pence said. And "the only thing green" about the Democrats' environmental framework to combat climate change, the vice president said, "is how much green it's going to cost taxpayers if we do it: \$90 trillion."

The American Action Forum, a Republican-linked think tank, has estimated that the Green New Deal could cost \$51 trillion to \$93 trillion over 10 years. Democrats have not specified a price tag, though Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York, who introduced the plan along with Massachusetts Sen. Ed Markey, said it would be "the same way we paid for the original New Deal, World War II, the bank bailouts, tax cuts for the rich and decades of war — with public money appropriated by Congress."

The health care and climate proposals have become litmus tests in the race for the Democratic nomination, with many liberals embracing the ideas even as some pragmatists raise questions about cost and feasibility.

White House economic adviser Larry Kudlow said at the conference Thursday that Americans should "put socialism on trial and then convict it." Trump was expected to deliver a similar message when he addresses the conference on Saturday.

A Trump campaign official said the campaign was explor-

ing ways to use the "socialism" message to drive a wedge between Democratic voters and independents. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe internal planning.

The campaign also believes that the attacks will activate Trump's base, which may have lost some motivation because the president has run into congressional opposition as he tries to fulfill his U.S.-Mexico border wall promise.

The head of the Republican National Committee, Ronna McDaniel, told the conference on Thursday that the GOP would look to "go out and educate" voters about socialism.

Responding to Pence's socialism accusation, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren said: "This is no surprise. It's nonsense, but Donald Trump and Donald Trump's minions will do whatever they think helps Donald Trump. That's all that's going on here."

Pence called Sen. Bernie Sanders, the Vermont independent who is making a second run for the Democratic presidential nomination, an "avowed socialist," though Sanders identifies as a "democratic socialist," calling for sweeping social programs to help reduce income inequality. Pence added Sanders that epitomized Democratic candidates and officials who "have papered over the failed policies of socialism with bumper-sticker slogans and slick social media campaigns."

Sanders fired back in a missive to his vast small-dollar donor list, encouraging them to give to his campaign in Pence's "honor" and saying Pence was targeting them because his "campaign is the strongest and most powerful challenge to Trump's re-election."

The White House has tried to cite the political chaos in Venezuela, where moderates backed by the Trump administration are challenging the socialist government of Nicholas Maduro after years of economic collapse, as a warning sign about the consequences of Democratic policies in the United States.

A Gallup poll from last August found that 37 percent of Americans feel positive about socialism, a share little changed over the past decade. Nearly 6 in 10 Democrats (57 percent) reported having a positive view of socialism, more than three times the share of Republicans (16 percent).

According to Gallup, young adults are especially likely to view socialism positively. About half of Americans under 30 (51 percent) and 41 percent of those age 30 to 49 reported feeling positive on that topic, compared with about 3 in 10 of those 50 and older.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### To the Editor

Hello Westfield: first of all I want to apologize for being remiss and leaving out the mention of the passing of David Bannish. Again, a stalwart member of the community has left us. But, let us remember them for their contributions, and commitments. It is hoped that others may take to the campaign trail, or in some way become involved in our civic and civil affairs as they had been. That would be the best way to honor their memory.

On a different subject: many of you know my love for my dog, Ollie, and others. While talking with people at our Animal Rescue Shelter, I noticed a flyer re: items needed. In that the shelter is remote, I asked if people could drop things off at the Police Station, and YES, I will ask the chief first... But, I did ask Lt. Eric Hall if things could be dropped off at the Community policing station on Elm St.; (across from the bus station) he said yes: from 2 PM-6 PM on week days. As said, he and his team, are great people; they even put up with my humor, and other antics. I will try to get that list of stuff that the animals at the shelter need out to the general public ASAP.

On a very different level, have you been to Stop and Shop lately? They have a robot that spots a mess, and calls for some to clean it up. Her name is MARTY! She does not talk to people. Though I have been making that suggestion, or having her have a price checker attached. She gets the attention of the kids real easily. Some have expressed: creepy, but is not. Others: "our replacement." But, only if we do not evolve our skills, and abilities; actually a whole lot more as how we define and apply a new set of economics, education, etc. That is it for now; I do want to get back to politics, and us stuff very soon.... Your former Ward 3 City Councilor, Brian Hoose ... brhoose@comcast.net.

## Parents blame North Korea's 'evil regime' for son's death

By DAN SEWELL and DARLENE SUPERVILLE

Associated Press

CINCINNATI (AP) — Unlike President Donald Trump, Otto Warmbier's parents don't believe North Korea's leader.

The parents of the American college student who was sent home from North Korea in a vegetative state spoke out Friday, after Trump's comment this week that he takes Kim Jong Un "at his word" that he was unaware of any mistreatment during the young man's 17 months of captivity. Warmbier died at age 22 soon after his return in June 2017.

Fred and Cindy Warmbier, who have expressed appreciation of Trump in the past and were guests at his 2018 State of the Union address, said in a statement Friday they had been respectfully silent while Trump and Kim met in Vietnam.

But no longer. "Kim and his evil regime are responsible for the death of our son Otto. Kim and his evil regime are responsible for unimaginable cruelty and inhumanity," they said. "No excuses or lavish praise can change that."

The president said Friday afternoon he was being misinterpreted.

"Of course I hold North Korea responsible for Otto's mistreatment and death," he tweeted, without mentioning Kim.

Trump praised the Warmbiers as "a tremendous symbol of strong passion and strength" and said he loves Otto and thinks of him often.

The Republican president also took credit for gaining his release along with three other detainees and noted that Democrat Barack Obama was in office when Warmbier was seized.

Democratic Sen. Chuck Schumer, of New York, said in a tweet that Trump owes the Warmbiers an apology for "simply

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Vice President Mike Pence speaks at Conservative Political Action Conference, CPAC 2019, in Oxon Hill, Md., Friday, March 1, 2019. (AP Photo/Jose Luis Magana)

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# OBITUARIES

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## Genevieve M. Cheika

CHICOPEE: Genevieve M. (Bragiel) Cheika, 100, (1918 – 2019) a lifelong Chicopee resident, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at Baystate Medical Center, with her loving family by her side. Born April 28, 1918, daughter of the late Peter and Mary (Zajchowski) Bragiel, she retired in 1984 after working twenty years as an administrative clerk for Springfield District Court. Genevieve was a graduate of Chicopee High School, Class of 1935, and Bay Path Business Institute, Class of 1936. She was a communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, and a member of its Rosary Society, St. Vincent de Paul Society and Beautiful Years Club. She served her parish as a bingo worker and pierogi maker. Genevieve enjoyed knitting, reading, and swimming in her backyard pool, as well as trips to Foxwoods and rooting for the Celtics, Red Sox and Patriots. Genevieve was predeceased in 1979 by her beloved husband, Stanley T. Cheika, and in 2005 by a son, Alan L. Cheika. Genevieve is survived by her loving children, Carol A. Gonzalez and husband Thomas of Westfield, and Stanley T. Cheika, Jr. and girlfriend Carmina Provost of Chicopee; daughter-in-law, Diane Cheika Cartwright of Feeding Hills; dear friend, Josephine Cheika; cherished grandchildren, Peter Gonzalez and wife Nikki, Nicole Nelson and husband Jon, Judith Peabody and husband Scott, Cristina Avgoustakis and husband Manny, and Andrew Cheika; step-grandchildren, Stacy Tabb and Nathan Westcott; great-grandchildren, Jack, Sam, Joshua, Leah, CJ, Julia, Ryan, Jacob and Alyse; and step-great-grandchildren, Morgan and Olivia; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers, Henry, Stanley and Edward Bragiel. Funeral services for Genevieve will be held Tuesday at 9AM from Kozikowski Funeral Home, 565 Front St., Chicopee, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10AM in St. Stanislaus Basilica. Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Cemetery. Calling hours are Monday from 3-6PM. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Stanislaus School, 534 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013. kozikowskifuneralhome.com



## Donald R. Clark

WESTFIELD – Donald R. “Don” Clark, 87, (1931-2019) a longtime resident of Westfield, MA, passed away peacefully on February 27, 2019. Born in Windsor, CT on July 24, 1931 to Raymond and Alice (nee Thrall) Clark, he graduated from Loomis School in 1949 and Trinity College in 1953. Donald is a US Air Force and Air National Guard veteran, having attained the rank of Captain. He joined the Air Force immediately after graduating from College. After he was honorably discharged, he joined the family business, owned by his father and an uncle. Clark



Brothers, Inc. grew Connecticut Valley shade tobacco and potatoes in Westfield. After selling the farm in 1975, Don worked for Consolidated Cigar Corporation at the Bissell Farm in Suffield, CT. He then became involved in real estate investing and development. A Freemason and a Shriner, Donald was a member of Washington Lodge #70 in Windsor, CT for more than 50 years. He was on the board of the Connecticut Valley Tobacco Museum in Windsor. He was also on the board of the Shurtleff Foundation in Westfield and was Chair of Westfield’s Republican City Committee from 1988-1994. Don was a longtime member of the Westfield Rotary Club. In 2016, the club awarded him with its 90th Paul Harris Fellow award. He was also an avid bowler and an occasional golfer. He leaves his children, Morgan Clark of Agawam, Glenna Clapp (Kevin) of Pipersville, PA, and Heather Clark (Mytili Jagannathan) of Philadelphia, PA; a sister-in-law, Olga Ottaviano of Cheshire, CT; two grandchildren, Violet Fortier of Brooklyn, NY and Benjamin Fortier of Pittsburgh, PA; and seven nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his wife, Deanna Leiss Clark, his brother-in-law John Ottaviano, and his sister-in-law Yolanda Davis. Calling hours will be Monday, March 4 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Firtion-Adams Funeral Home, 76 Broad Street, Westfield. The funeral will be held on Tuesday, March 5 at 12:00 pm at the funeral home. Burial in Palisado Cemetery, Windsor, CT will take place in the spring. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children or The Trustee Deanna L. Clark/175th Anniversary Scholarship, Westfield State University.

## Former gymnastics instructor facing child porn charges

MARLBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — Authorities in Florida say a former Massachusetts gymnastics instructor faces child pornography charges.

The Broward County Sheriff’s Office says 37-year-old Hassan Jawad was arrested at his home in Deerfield Beach, Florida, on Thursday. They say he had worked at the New England Academy of Gymnastics in Marlborough from 2015 to 2017, and was working at a gymnastics studio in Boca Raton.

Investigators said a computer belonging to Jawad allegedly contained photos and videos of boys who appeared to be aged 7 to 13 engaged in sex acts with each other or with men.

It could not immediately be determined if Jawad had a lawyer authorized to speak on his behalf.

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deciding to take a cruel and brutal dictator at his word.”

Warmbier’s parents have accused North Korea of torturing the University of Virginia student, who was detained for allegedly stealing a propaganda poster as he prepared to end a visit to the country with a tour group.

Fred Warmbier described to Fox News in 2017 Otto’s condition when he returned: making an “involuntary, inhuman sound,” “staring blankly into space, jerking violently,” and was blind and deaf, with his head shaved.

Doctors in Cincinnati said he had suffered severe brain damage, although they weren’t sure what led to it. North



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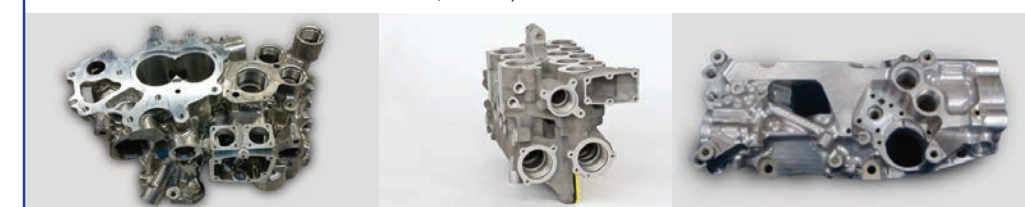
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 Sunday: 7, 8:30, 11 A.M.  
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 day  
 & Friday: 7 A.M.  
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 Parsonage.  
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 (2nd and 4th Sunday) (off for summer 5/20)  
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 O.A. Meeting  
 Tuesday  
 6:30 PM  
 Boy Scouts Meeting  
 6:30 PM  
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 Wednesday  
 6:30 PM  
 Cub Scouts Meeting  
 7:00 PM  
 Voice Choir Rehearsal  
 Thursday  
 6:30 PM  
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 Friday  
 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
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 6:00 PM  
 O.A. Meeting  
 7:30 PM  
 A.A. Meeting  
 Saturday  
 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
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 Friday  
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## Proposed Budget

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the school committee, it will then be reviewed by the Select Board and Finance Committee and drafted up as a warrant article for the annual town meeting in May.

At last year's budget hearing for FY 2019, the district asked for \$24,873,518, which was a 1.39% increase from the FY18 budget of \$24,532,362. The school committee then approved the requested FY 2019 budget.

Last year's budget focused on educational initiatives like reduced class sizes for kindergarten thru second grade, increased professional development, investing in technology, and increasing instructional coaching positions.

## New Van

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(PVPC) presented the program amendment to the Select Board which the Select Board then approved.

When the Select Board was informed of the proposed program amendment by Johnson and the PVPC, they had a list of projects and items that fall under the CDBG and chose to upgrade the van for the senior center.

It was decided by the town and Johnson that the \$69,000 would go towards purchasing a new accessible passenger van for the Southwick Senior Center.

The old van was 13-years-old and lacked some basic safety measures such as back up cameras and navigation systems, items the new van will have.

The 14-passenger van is handicap accessible and cost \$77,120.10. Sullivan said that the old van was becoming a safety concern and the brand new van will be a much smoother ride for both the driver and passengers.

"It's very exciting," said Sullivan. "It's a nice van, it's brand new."

An important feature that new van has is a wheel chair ramp for handicapped seniors using the van. The older van wasn't handicapped accessible, making it tougher on those who need a ramp to get into the van.

Mainly used to bring seniors to activities and monthly trips, the new van isn't registered yet, but is expected to be registered and ready to go on the road at some point next week.

# Superintendent's Corner



Gateway Regional School District Superintendent Dr. David B. Hopson.

The Public Hearing on the 2019- 2020 school year budget will be held on Wednesday, March 6, at 7 p.m. in the Gateway Performing Arts Center. This is the second year that budget development has been done with town officials playing an important role in all of the discussions. I feel that this has improved the budget process, allowed town officials to participate and provide suggestions, and resulted in a budget that is better understood by all involved. As mentioned in earlier columns, this is also the first year that the line item budget has been available to the public through "ClearGov", which allows everyone the opportunity to delve into the budget in detail that has never been available before. We've gotten positive feedback on this format and you can find the link to this site on the district's website (www.grsd.org ) on the yellow 'Quicklink' buttons to the left.

Since we started working on the budget, we've continuously updated it with better and more accurate numbers on various costs such as insurance; as a result, our cost increase is just under two percent. The revenue side of the budget is much more difficult to predict and plan for as we currently only have the Governor's House One budget. Under the Governor's budget, we would receive less from the state, resulting in a 3.8% increase in assessments to the towns. We are hopeful, and planning for, an increase in state revenue based upon the House and Senate budget process. In part, this hope is based upon much work being done on three specific areas. First, the Small and Rural Schools Coalition is again asking for rural school aid and Senator Hinds has introduced legislation to include a 'rurality' factor in Chapter 70 funding in the state budget. We encourage local residents to contact their legislators to support this bill SD2292. Senator Hinds has also proposed to increase rural school aid next year to \$9 million, an increase from the \$1.5 million allocated to rural school aid in the current fiscal year; this is also important to support through the budget process. Second, we're hoping

that the legislature will fund regional school transportation at a higher level than the Governor given the history of this line item over the years. The third and final area that we're hoping to make progress on is having the state provide \$1.1 million in aid to Gateway to cover payments to MSBA (Massachusetts School Building Assistance) for their recoupment of costs for the closing of schools in the district.

In order to make the assessments better fit the financial needs of the towns, the school committee is looking at putting this additional aid into the budget. In doing so, town assessments would be a level 1.9% increase across all of the towns over this year. While this makes the assessments more palatable to the towns, it also puts the district at risk because Gateway will be

forced to cut if the additional funds don't become available. This would be disappointing in a year when we've had town officials ask what else we'd like to see in the budget due to the small increase in expenditures, while at the same time being very supportive of the investment this budget makes in moving our students forward.

We've suggested this option for this year because the funding picture for education is very fluid with competing budget suggestions from the executive and legislative branches of state government. Given this uncertainty, it's likely that we won't have any solid idea of what Gateway will get in state educational aid until late June—well after the towns have all held their annual town meetings. Knowing that our expenditure budget is well supported by town officials, we thought it best to factor in that additional state aid during the budget process, rather than after town meetings are over. While no one wants to see the budget cut later on if this aid doesn't come through—and much may rely on the willingness of area residents to call their legislators—both town and school committee officials seem to be supportive of anticipating state aid for the FY'20 budget.

## MHS

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(ABI) or intellectual disability.

"Grand Prix International acts a value-added middleman between customers who want to focus on the design and marketing of games, and the factories that want to focus on manufacturing games," Fisher explained. "Our help can involve design, packaging, materials, costing, contracting with the factory in China to manufacture it, and managing functions such as trade forwarding, importing and independent product safety testing."

As Fisher explained, in the process of helping customers bring their games to market, Grand Prix International routinely receives samples and inventories of the products. "We frequently send these samples to other customers or prospects, as a product resume of sorts. At the end of the year we donate any games we still have to nonprofit organizations that we think can benefit from them. After talking with Kim Lee from MHA and learning about their programs for people with an acquired brain injury, I realized we had games involving words, storytelling, counting and matching colors that could be helpful because they all involve cognitive skills. We had three different games that fit the need, including Bananagrams, Rory's Story, and Tenzi, and we donated them all—close to 300 games—to MHA."

Sara Kyser, Vice President of Acquired Brain Injury Services for MHA, said that every day at The Resource Center, MHA staff see firsthand the great benefits that games like those being donated can offer. "The social engagement alone is valuable, but not nearly the end of it," she explained. "Memory, dexterity, and speech are major areas affected by brain injuries and rebuilding these skills happens best when done in fun, creative

ways. Board games allow these skills to be worked on in a socially typical manner, with the added benefit of engaging with others. This donation of games is going to provide a lot of people with the opportunity to rebuild some of their independence."

Kimberley A. Lee, VP of Resource Development and Branding for MHA, said the cognitive and physical elements involved in playing the games, along with the fun aspects of socialization, can combine to provide potential therapeutic benefits. "MHA's Resource Center already hosts clients with ABI or intellectual disabilities for therapeutic and socialization programs for people who vary in age from young adults to seniors, and these games will help us offer them an even better experience," Lee explained. "We are also opening two ABI residences in Wilbraham early in 2019. I can envision MHA's residents and program participants sitting together at the kitchen table, listening to music, enjoying some refreshments and, with facilitated support from MHA's staff, enjoying a game night with friends and family. The donation of games from Grand Prix and the Fisher family makes this opportunity possible and we are thankful for their thoughtfulness and generosity."

Paul Walting, MD, a Springfield-based neurologist board-certified in clinical neurophysiology, neurology, and sleep medicine, said he believes people with brain injury can benefit from rehab that includes occupational therapy and physical therapy enhanced by playing games. "Games such as those donated by Grand Prix International could be used to help people with language or speech problems or aphasia to modify their behavior through memory challenges, object recognition, naming, or creating a story and keeping



Mike Fisher, owner of Grand Prix International, Inc., center is seen with Kimberley A. Lee, VP of Resource Development and Branding for MHA, right, and Emily Good with some of the toys donated by Fisher's company. (Photo courtesy MHA)

a story line evolving," said Walting. "The games are based on common, day-to-day skills involving math, spelling, memory, and storytelling, which may help persons with an ABI to 'retrain their brain' and prepare them for greater involvement in their lives and community."

Walting added that playing with others introduces a socialization element, which may help people with an ABI to reinforce various cognitive attributes in ways that are more fun than simply counting coins or doing rehab exercise on a computer. "For people with social deficits, there is the opportunity for social engagement, taking

turns, cooperating, and sharing," Walting said. "I think game play is a good idea to strengthen executive functioning skills, such as paying attention, planning, organizing, and staying focused on a task to completion, and doing it in a social atmosphere rather than alone keeps people engaged. Challenging people, getting them thinking and interacting in different settings where fun is part of the experience—all of that can figure in. There is not a lot of formal research dedicated to the impacts of this kind of game play on persons with ABI, but empirical evidence is that game-based rehab in general helps the process."

## Iditarod

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The real Alaska is told from the bush. The Native Alaskan Villages. The real story of Alaska is told through "The Last Great Race on Earth", The Iditarod.

On Sunday March 3rd, 52 dog sled teams from around the world will embark on a 1,000-mile journey from Willow to Nome. Musher and sled dogs will travel through some of the most pristine and brutal stretches of land known to man. Through jagged mountains, wind-swept tundra, and over frozen rivers and lakes, danger lurks around every corner. Sled dogs as well as their musher need to be prepared for anything. Each sled will be led by a team of 14 energetic, and ready to run huskies followed by a sled of supplies and their musher.

The race will follow it's "southern route" again, just as it did last year. Iditarod Race Director, Mark Nordman noted there's "lots of snow" on most stretches of the 1,000-mile trail to Nome. Up to six or seven feet in some areas. Deep, soft snow can slow a team down and this same route proved difficult for mushers last year as the winner finished with a time of 9 days and 12 hours. The longest first place finish

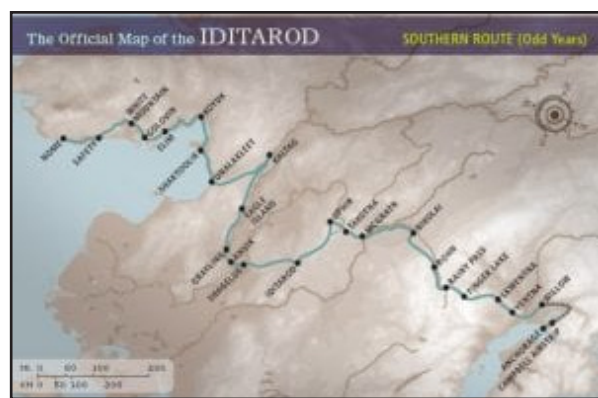
since 2009.

Teams will make their way from the tailgate party on Willow Lake Sunday to the deep snow surrounding the checkpoint of Finger Lake. From there mushers and their teams will make the ascent across the Alaska Range gunning for the highest checkpoint on the trail, Rainy Pass. Overflow and open water due to milder temperatures during the winter months lead to potentially hazardous conditions along the trail. Nordman noted trail breakers have been working tirelessly over the last few days building bridges out of snow, trees, and brush to help alleviate the harsh conditions.

From Rainy Pass, teams will push forward to the interior Alaska Native checkpoints of Nikolai, Takotna, Iditarod, and Shageluk. It is here where temperatures become brutally cold, often dipping below -30 degrees Fahrenheit. Next is the trek across the frozen Yukon River to the checkpoints of Anvik, Grayling, Eagle Island, and Kaltag. The windiest stretches of trail from Unalakleet to Elim often carry blizzard like conditions and can derail teams as the vision of the dogs and mushers is obscured by the conditions. The final

stretch awaits as teams are just 100 miles from Nome through the checkpoints of White Mountain and Safety. As they cross the ice on the Bering Sea and make their way to Front Street in Nome a sense of accomplishment and joy begins to set in. Fans, media, family and friends await at the finish line to congratulate them on their great accomplishment.

The Iditarod is rich with history. In 1925 numerous dog sled teams traveled to Nome in order to deliver medication in the midst of a diphtheria outbreak that threatened to wipe out the entire community. As a tribute to that quest and as a way to keep the tradition of dog mushing alive Joe Redington Sr. started the first Iditarod race in 1973. Dog mushing has long been an essential mode of transportation in Alaskan winters where harsh conditions prohibit other forms of travel. But dog mushing in Alaska has become so much more than just a means for travel. At its core, The Iditarod is about a human relationship with a team of dogs all working towards one common goal, to complete a 1,000 mile trek across the toughest terrain in the world and cross that fin-



Seen here is the Iditarod trail that all 52 mushing team will follow during the 2019 race. The trail is marked with thousands of trail markers to help teams along the way.

ish line in Nome.

This year's field features five Iditarod Champions in Lance Mackey (4), Jeff King (4), Martin Buser (4), Mitch Seavey (3), and last year's champion Joar Leifseth Ulsom (1), as well as Iditarod Champion hopefuls Aaron Burmeister, Richie Diehl, Jesse Holmes, Pete Kaiser, Nic Petit, and fan favorite Aliy Zirkle. Perhaps a dark horse will rise to the top and claim their stake as champion. Maybe one of the ten rookie mushers will make a push for the top as Jesse Holmes did last year finishing 7th. Time will tell, but if the Iditarod has taught its fans anything, it is to expect the unexpected.

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Women and children exit the back of a truck as they arrive to a U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) screening area after being evacuated out of the last territory held by Islamic State militants, in the desert outside Baghouz, Syria, Friday, March 1, 2019. (AP Photo/Felipe Dana)

## Final assault on last IS-held pocket in Syria resumes

By SARAH EL DEEB  
Correspondent

OUTSIDE BAGHOUZ, Syria (AP) — U.S.-backed Syrian forces on Friday resumed military operations to liberate the last piece of territory held by the Islamic state group in Syria after evacuating thousands of civilians and hostages who have been besieged inside, a spokesman said.

Mustafa Bali said fighters from the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces have begun clashing with the militants and advancing after the last batch of civilians left the territory.

“Those left inside are fighters who do not wish to surrender,” he told The Associated Press.

The military campaign to uproot the militants from the eastern banks of the Euphrates River began in September, pushing them down toward this last corner in the village of Baghouz, near the Iraqi border. The military operation was halted on February 12 as the SDF said a large of civilians and hostages were holed up in the territory, which sits atop caves and tunnels where they had been hiding.

The remaining speck of IS-controlled land in Baghouz village is also along the Euphrates from one side and the desert near the Iraqi border from the other. Thousands of civilians were living in a tent encampment and houses along the riverside.

Over the last two weeks, thousands of civilians have been evacuated, many of them women and children in desperate conditions. The only aid group at the evacuation site, the Free Burma Rangers, estimated that at least 10,000 civilians have left the IS pocket since Feb. 20, in trips organized by the SDF.

The evacuees, who included IS family members, said food was running low and clean water and medicine were scarce. Despite its demise, many defended what remained of the group’s territorial hold, which once spanned a third of Iraq and Syria.

As they trickled out, SDF and coalition officials screened them. Women and children were transferred to camps miles away. Men suspected of



A woman holding a child exits the back of a truck as they arrive to a U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) screening area after being evacuated out of the last territory held by Islamic State militants, in the desert outside Baghouz, Syria, Friday, March 1, 2019. (AP Photo/Felipe Dana)

links to the militant group were taken into custody at other facilities.

U.S. President Donald Trump said Thursday that IS has lost “100 percent” of the territory it once controlled in Syria, but officials estimate there are hundreds of militants left in the small patch of territory in Baghouz, and that they will likely fight till the end.

Bali would not speculate on how long the military operation might take but said he expects a “fierce battle.”

He said the battles are expected to take place in a very small area that includes a complex network of tunnels, as well as suicide bombers and land mines.

“The battle to finish off what is left Daesh has started,” said SDF commander Adnan Afrin, using the Arabic acronym for IS.

Afrin said he expects “resistance” from the remaining fighters who are likely to deploy all their weapons, including suicide bombers.

He said most of the remaining fighters are Europeans, Asian, Iraqi and Arabs from the area.

On Friday, the smallest batch of evacuees, just over 200, came out of the pocket in around six trucks used to transport sheep. About 10 trucks sent to the perimeter of the IS pocket came back empty, and drivers said no more evacuees came out after hours of waiting.

The evacuees Friday included wounded men but were mostly

women and children. There were Russians, Indonesians, Bosnians, Dagestani, Kazaks, Egyptians, Syrians and Iraqis. They dragged along few belongings, distraught children and broken spirits.

Umm Mohammed — or mother of Mohammed — a 38-year-old Syrian, left Baghouz with her three children Friday but her husband stayed behind in support of IS. “There are many fighters and families inside,” she said. “The Islamic State is weak only in Baghouz but elsewhere it is expanding and growing.”

The capture of the last pocket still held by IS fighters in Baghouz would mark the end of a devastating four-year global campaign to end the extremist group’s hold on territory in Syria and Iraq — their so-called “caliphate” that at the height of the group’s power in 2014 controlled nearly a third of both Iraq and Syria.

It would allow U.S. President Donald Trump to begin withdrawing the estimated 2,000 U.S. troops from Syria, as he declared in December he would do. Though last week he partially reversed course and agreed to keep a residual force of perhaps a few hundred troops as part of an international effort to stabilize northeastern Syria.

The resumption of military operations against IS breaks a dayslong standoff while the civilians were being evacuated. In the last week alone, 13,000 people, most of them women and children, arrived at the al-Hol camp in Hassakeh province which now houses approximately 45,000 people, according to the United Nations.

In a statement Friday, the U.N. cited reports that more than 84 people, two thirds of them young children under five years of age, have died since December on their way to al-Hol camp after fleeing the extremist group in Syria’s Deir el-Zour province.

“Many of the arrivals are exhausted, hungry and sick,” according to Jens Laerke, spokesman of the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, at a news briefing in Geneva.

## Rocker Jerry Lee Lewis suffers stroke

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Rock ‘n’ roll pioneer Jerry Lee Lewis is recovering after a minor stroke, but he’s expected to make a full recovery.

A statement from his publicist says the 83-year-old Rock & Roll Hall of Famer had a stroke Thursday night and is recuperating in Memphis. His publicist, Zach Farnum, said no scheduled shows have been affected.

Nicknamed “The Killer,” Lewis is known for his outrageous energy and piano skills on songs like “Great Balls of Fire” and “Whole Lotta Shakin’.”

He is scheduled to perform at the 50th anniversary of the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival in April and his publicist said he has plans to record a gospel album soon.

## Don’t panic: How parents can deal with internet hoaxes

By MAE ANDERSON  
Correspondent

NEW YORK (AP) — The latest parental panic on social media — over a purported challenge for kids to complete harmful tasks — elevates the importance of establishing an open dialogue with children and taking advantage of online parental controls.

Warnings about the “Momo challenge” swept Facebook and other social media in recent days, as parents worried about purported videos that encourage children to hurt themselves or do other harmful tasks such as turning on stoves without telling their parents. The parental warnings were accompanied by a disturbing image of a grinning creature with matted hair and bulging eyes.

But the challenge is believed to be a hoax. It’s unclear how many videos exist or to what extent they have circulated, among children or elsewhere. Some of the videos might have been made in response to media attention surrounding the challenge. Meanwhile, the image of the grinning creature is reportedly from a Japanese sculpture.

Fact-checking site Snopes said the challenge first appeared in mid-2018 linked to suicide reports without actual evidence. YouTube said it hasn’t received “any recent evidence of videos showing or promoting the Momo challenge” on its service.

So why the panic? Experts say internet hoaxes focused on children tap into fears that parents have about protecting their children online and elsewhere. In addition to anxiety about “screen time” in general, there is certainly plenty of problematic videos that children shouldn’t watch. It’s hard for parents to police everything children do online. Fears were compounded when some school systems, local media and even police sent out their own warnings, accompanied by fuzzy facts.

“All moral panics feed on some degree of reality, but then they get blown out of proportion,” said Steve Jones, a professor of communications at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

These hoaxes echo panics from decades past, like the false belief in the 1980s that teenagers were hearing Satanic messages in rock song lyrics, he said.

“Once the internet is involved in the mix, things get speeded up and they get more widespread,” Jones said.

The most important thing parents can do is to establish an open dialogue with their children about what they’re seeing online and hearing from other children, said Jill Murphy, editor-in-chief at Common Sense Media, a San Francisco-based nonprofit group focused on kids’ use of media and technology.

“Parents are increasingly frustrated with feeling surprised or caught off guard by what is being put in front of their kids,” she said. Whether the “challenges” are real or not, she said, “they elevate the idea that they may or may not know exactly what their kids are absorbing through these platforms.”

That’s why talking to children is important, she said. “Take the right time to have an age-appropriate conversation, and help your kids understand not everything on the internet is real.”

She said parents should also take advantage of parental settings built into many products and services. Most web browsers can block certain websites, limit what children can see and provide a report about what sites a child visited. Smartphones and tablets can limit screen time and access to apps. YouTube Kids lets parents disable search and turn off “autoplay.” Murphy said these free tools are good enough; no need to pay for third-party parental apps.

Another option is to download apps from shows or channels directly rather than going through streaming services such as YouTube. PBS, Peppa Pig, Nick Jr. and other popular services for kids have their own apps, with pre-screened videos deemed appropriate for kids.

And though it may seem contradictory, going online to research the hoaxes could also help. The Momo hoax was debunked fairly quickly after people questioned it, Jones said. Give weight to trusted news sources and fact-checking sites like Snopes.com.

“Take a deep breath and go online as strange as that may seem in some sense,” he said. “Do some research and try to figure it out for yourself.”

## Early University

“I am going to highlight some of the myths surrounding Westfield Normal School,” said Dodge, a professor of history at the university, “I will also go into the struggle of what should have been taught to the teaching students in the early days of the school.”

The school was originally founded by Horace Mann to train prospective teachers in primary and secondary education. It was also one of the earliest co-educational institutions in the state. The original location of the school was in Barre, Massachusetts because the town’s residents did not object to a co-educational school being established. However, the school eventually moved to Westfield due to a lack of infrastructure and local support. Even after the move, it was not until 1956 that the university was brought to its current location.

At the time, in 1839, the school offered courses ranging from Latin,

Greek, and German to an advanced science curriculum comprising of eight classes. The debate at the time was largely about the necessity of some of these classes to future teachers and the notion that women could handle more advanced courses.

“If the purpose of these normal schools was to train teachers, then why did they need Greek, Latin, and Advanced Literature,” said Dodge, “The students and faculty of the time wanted these classes, but the state stepped in and said it would cost too much.”

The lecture will be split into three parts led by each of the three presenters. Dodge will discuss the early stages of the institution while Rothermel will read papers written by students of the university from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Rothermel’s section is titled, “dig where you stand: lessons from the westfield state archive.”

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She will discuss what she learned about the art of teaching during that time period and how it compares and contrasts with teaching today. Walter Fogg’s portion of the presentation will detail the experience of teachers and students in Kindergarten through eight grades at the time. Fogg will also be the main presenter the following week for his lecture titled, “One Room Schoolhouses in Westfield” set for March 13 at the First Congregational Church on Park Square.

Following the lecture, the audience will be brought to the Arno Maris Art Gallery in the Ely Campus Center, where images of students and teachers from the 19th century university will be on display. The presentation was originally supposed to take place in the gallery, but the popularity of previous lectures prompted the organizers to move the talk to the larger auditorium.



An image of college students and faculty from 1860. (Image submitted)

# SPORTS

## Braceland to perform national anthem at Bruins home game

WESTFIELD – Shea Braceland, of Westfield will perform the national anthem at the Boston Bruins home game against the Carolina Hurricanes on Tuesday, March 5.

Braceland, 12, is a seventh-grader attending The Ethel Walker School in Simsbury, Conn. She has been performing since the age of five with the Dan Kane Singers throughout Western Massachusetts and has performed the national anthem for the NCAA lacrosse semifinals at Gillette Stadium, Fenway for the Red Sox, TD Bank Garden for NCAA 2018 Elite 8 Tournament, and was selected to represent Boston College at 2019 Beanpot tournament at TD Bank Garden.

Braceland also plays lacrosse, soccer, and basketball while excelling in her class work at The Ethel Walker School. Braceland was born in Plano, TX and has lived in Westfield since the age of one.

With the retirement of Garden legend, Rene Rancourt, at the conclusion of the 2017-18 season, the Boston Bruins held live auditions on August 8 to find a rotating group of singers who would perform the anthem at home games during the 2018-19 season. Braceland was selected as a result of her recent performance of the national anthem at the Beanpot tournament on February 4.



SHEA BRACELAND

## Laing Named NEISDA Coach Of The Year; Several Owls Named To All-New England Team

WESTFIELD, Mass. - Westfield State swim and dive coach Dave Laing was named the New England Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Association's (NEISDA) women's dive coach of the year, while several of his team members achieved All-New England honors following the NEISDA championships on February 21st-24th at M.I.T.

Laing coached senior Monique Groux (Agawam, Mass.) to a perfect meet, as she placed first overall in both the 1-meter and 3-meter dives, earning her the Senior High Point Diver and Diver of the Meet awards.

Westfield State was well represented at the championship meet with four athletes being named to the 2019 NEISDA All-New England team, which requires a top eight individual finish or a top four relay finish. Shannon Fitzsimmons (Andover, Mass.), Kelly Johnstone (Southwick, Mass.), and Kait Kelly (Hampden, Mass.) and Groux were all named to the All-New England team.



## Saturday's Games Against Springfield Postponed

The baseball team's two scheduled games for Saturday at Springfield College have been postponed due to inclement weather.

Instead of a doubleheader at Springfield, the teams will take part in a home and home series. The first game is scheduled for 12:00 noon on Sunday, March 31 at Bud and Jim Hagan Field in Westfield. The second will be played at Springfield College on Wednesday, April 24 at 3:30 p.m.

The Owls' scheduled game for this Sunday, March 3 against Western New England is still on. As a reminder, the game will be played at Trinity College.



St. Mary's skiers' sophomore Manny Umama Kimura, junior Jack Masciadrelli, Coach Andrew Lussier, junior Hayden Lussier and freshman Collin Freeman. Coach Brian Freeman and Chloe Lussier were missing from the photo. (Submitted photo)

## Masciadrelli finishes 9th in state ski championships

By CHRIS PUTZ  
Staff Writer

PRINCETON – St. Mary's junior skier Jack Masciadrelli finished ninth on the Giant Slalom out of the top 124 racers this past week at the state championships at Wachusett Mountain in Princeton.

Masciadrelli crossed the finish line in 59.28 seconds. St. John's Raymond Dennehy won the race in 57.51.

St. Mary's sent four boys skiers and girls skier, Chloe Lussier, whose season was cut short due to injury. The Saints' boys team placed ninth overall.



St. Mary's junior skier Jack Masciadrelli and Saints ski coach Andy Lussier.

## Owls Fall Late To Mount Saint Mary, 85-80 in NCAA Tournament

GETTYSBURG, Pa. – Mount Saint Mary (NY) College rallied from a 12-point first half deficit to get past Westfield State, 85-80 in the opening round of the NCAA Division III national championship tournament at the Bream Gymnasium at Gettysburg College on Friday evening.

The Owls grabbed a 12-point lead, 46-34 late in the second quarter with back to back triples from Lucy Barrett and Chelsea Moussette, and Barrett added an off-balance three-pointer at the first half buzzer to take a 49-41 lead into the intermission.

The Knights slowly climbed back into the game in the third quarter, as their shooting from the floor heated up just as the Owls started to cool down.

Westfield finished with an NCAA record 18 made three pointers (on 61 attempts), but Mount Saint Mary took the Owls best shot.

"Down 10 or 12 in the first half, we needed to keep the lead around that 10 range. If we got down 15 or 18 would be really tough. We did a good job holding our own AND keeping it within striking distance," said MSMC head coach Mike Coppolino.

"They were shooting the ball tremendously well, added Coppolino. "They hit six threes in the first quarter, and I hoped the law of averages would catch up. Six times four is 24 threes and that would have been a major issue. They still had 18 but they did cool off a little bit."

"I didn't feel like we ever had a big lead," said Westfield State head coach Andrea Bertini. "Our leads are deceptive because we shoot so quick, and give up looks when we don't steal the ball. But I never felt like we were going to blow them out."



Westfield led 67-64 going to the fourth quarter after Kierra McCarthy knocked down a corner three with 10 sec left in the third.

Mount Saint Mary took their first lead of the second half at 69-67 MSMC on three pointer by Desrats with 7:45 left in game.

The Knights went up five on a baseline jumper from Toriana Tabasco with 3:05 left in the game to lead

77-72, but a McCarthy 3 pointer tied the game at 78-all with 2:00 left.

After a Tabasco baseline drive gave the Knights an 80-78, Barrett drove the lane and was fouled, hitting both shots to tie the game at 80 all with 1:28 to play.

On the decisive possession, Desrats hit a left corner three off an inbounds play with 16 seconds left to give the Knights an 83-80 lead.

Westfield saw McCarthy get off a contested step back three with Cleare guarding, but Annie Keenan grabbed the rebound and fouled with 9.3 seconds left to all but seal the Owls fate.

"Last couple of possessions we went what we thought was our best defensive lineup," said Bertini. "Because you're worried about giving up a three, but more

concerned about the big kids inside, because we had to stick in a little bit and try and get a rebound. There are a couple of possessions you'd like to get back from a defensive perspective, but I didn't feel good about going man and letting them get that good look in the paint or a chance for an and one."

"They extended a lot more on the wings on the second half," said Barrett "I was surprised in the first half that we kept getting open looks on the three point line, but they addressed it. We were taking what they were giving us in the first half, and that why we were getting threes. But then they took it away a little because they had that presence inside, when they extend, once you get by you still had the big posts. They made good adjustments and we didn't capitalize or move the ball as much as we could have."

Barrett led Westfield with 21 points on 6-15 shooting from three point range. Gray added 17 points on 5-12 from down town, and McCarthy finished with 12 points and a team high seven rebounds. Junior point guard Chelsea Moussette handed out nine assists without a turnover in the game.

Four the Knights, Lauren Desrats led with 19 points while shooting 5-8 from three point range. Annie Keenan added 14 and 11 rebounds, and Kayla Cleare finished with 13 points and 13 boards.

Westfield's (18-9) season comes to an end in the first round of the NCAA Tournament for the fourth straight season.

Mount Saint Mary (23-5) plays Saturday at 6:00 p.m. in the regional final against the winner of tonight's second game, between hosts Gettysburg College and Christopher Newport (Va.).



# NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

## NHL CONFERENCE GLANCE

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

|                | GP | W  | L  | OT | Pts | GF  | GA  |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Tampa Bay      | 65 | 49 | 12 | 4  | 102 | 253 | 173 |
| Boston         | 64 | 38 | 17 | 9  | 85  | 193 | 161 |
| Toronto        | 64 | 39 | 21 | 4  | 82  | 228 | 184 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 64 | 37 | 20 | 7  | 81  | 186 | 153 |
| Washington     | 65 | 37 | 21 | 7  | 81  | 223 | 206 |
| Montreal       | 65 | 35 | 23 | 7  | 77  | 200 | 188 |
| Carolina       | 64 | 35 | 23 | 6  | 76  | 192 | 173 |
| Columbus       | 63 | 36 | 24 | 3  | 75  | 201 | 188 |
| Pittsburgh     | 64 | 33 | 22 | 9  | 75  | 221 | 201 |
| Philadelphia   | 65 | 31 | 26 | 8  | 70  | 197 | 218 |
| Buffalo        | 64 | 30 | 26 | 8  | 68  | 185 | 202 |
| Florida        | 63 | 28 | 25 | 10 | 66  | 202 | 217 |
| N.Y. Rangers   | 64 | 27 | 27 | 10 | 64  | 188 | 215 |
| New Jersey     | 65 | 25 | 32 | 8  | 58  | 188 | 222 |
| Detroit        | 64 | 23 | 32 | 9  | 55  | 178 | 220 |
| Ottawa         | 64 | 22 | 37 | 5  | 49  | 191 | 239 |

|             | GP | W  | L  | OT | Pts | GF  | GA  |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Calgary     | 64 | 41 | 16 | 7  | 89  | 230 | 182 |
| San Jose    | 64 | 37 | 19 | 8  | 82  | 229 | 201 |
| Winnipeg    | 64 | 38 | 22 | 4  | 80  | 217 | 191 |
| Nashville   | 67 | 37 | 25 | 5  | 79  | 199 | 178 |
| St. Louis   | 64 | 34 | 24 | 6  | 74  | 186 | 177 |
| Vegas       | 65 | 34 | 26 | 5  | 73  | 195 | 187 |
| Dallas      | 64 | 32 | 27 | 5  | 69  | 162 | 169 |
| Minnesota   | 64 | 31 | 27 | 6  | 68  | 176 | 186 |
| Colorado    | 64 | 28 | 24 | 12 | 68  | 212 | 202 |
| Arizona     | 64 | 31 | 28 | 5  | 67  | 173 | 182 |
| Chicago     | 64 | 27 | 28 | 9  | 63  | 215 | 239 |
| Vancouver   | 65 | 27 | 29 | 9  | 63  | 180 | 203 |
| Edmonton    | 64 | 27 | 30 | 7  | 61  | 179 | 213 |
| Anaheim     | 64 | 24 | 31 | 9  | 57  | 142 | 199 |
| Los Angeles | 64 | 23 | 33 | 8  | 54  | 152 | 204 |

\* 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.

#### Thursday's Games

N.Y. Islanders 6, Toronto 1  
 Columbus 4, Philadelphia 3, OT  
 Edmonton 4, Ottawa 2  
 Boston 4, Tampa Bay 1  
 Arizona 5, Vancouver 2  
 Vegas 6, Florida 5, SO  
 Dallas 4, Los Angeles 3, OT

Philadelphia 6, New Jersey 3  
 Montreal 4, N.Y. Rangers 2  
 Carolina 5, St. Louis 2  
 Winnipeg 5, Nashville 3  
 Vegas at Anaheim, 10 p.m.  
 Colorado at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Ottawa at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.  
 Carolina at Florida, 7 p.m.  
 Buffalo at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
 Dallas at St. Louis, 8 p.m.  
 Detroit at Arizona, 8 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Colorado at Anaheim, 4 p.m.  
 Ottawa at Florida, 5 p.m.  
 Winnipeg at Columbus, 7 p.m.  
 Nashville at Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.  
 Chicago at San Jose, 10 p.m.

#### Friday's Games

Buffalo 4, Pittsburgh 3, OT  
 Washington 3, N.Y. Islanders 1

#### Saturday's Games

Edmonton at Columbus, 1 p.m.  
 Chicago at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at Montreal, 7 p.m.  
 New Jersey at Boston, 7 p.m.

#### Sunday's Games

Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 12:30 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. N.Y. Islanders at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 3 p.m.  
 Vancouver at Vegas, 4 p.m.

#### Monday's Games

Edmonton at Buffalo, 7 p.m.  
 Toronto at Calgary, 9 p.m.

# Im, Mitchell share 36-hole lead at Honda Classic

By TIM REYNOLDS

Associated Press

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Sungjae Im was in the first group to tee off on the first hole Friday at The Honda Classic. He'll be in the final group Saturday.

Im, the 20-year-old South Korean rookie who around this time last year was winning the first Web.com Tour start of his career, shot a 6-under 64 in the second round at PGA National. He shared the 36-hole lead at 6-under 134 with Keith Mitchell (66).

It could be considered a surprise final pairing: Combined, Im and Mitchell have zero PGA Tour wins.

"It's just nice to kind of feel like you're in contention and playing well," Mitchell said. "You're out there actually trying to make birdies instead of trying to salvage and trying to make a cut ... trying to make a birdie and force it. Today we were just out there trying to hit good shots."

Mitchell had five birdies and bogey Friday; Im had seven birdies and a bogey to match the low round of the week so far. First-round leader Jhonattan Vegas shot a 64 on Thursday, and Adam Svensson had one Friday.

Im got through the second round on only 25 putts. He was the leading money-winner on the Web.com Tour last year, was atop the money list for the entire season and played his way into two majors.

"I was hitting the ball really well today, so all my putts were under 10 feet," said Im, who had a 6:45 a.m. tee time. He'll be able to sleep in much later Saturday, with his tee time scheduled for 1:35 p.m.

Even though the Honda is played in an area of South Florida where a number of PGA Tour players live — including Tiger Woods — the field includes only three of the top 20 players in the most recent world rankings.

Im grew up watching Woods, staying up until the middle of the night in many cases to see him play on television.

"Just watching him makes me nervous," Im said.

He's got a 36-hole lead to be nervous about now.

Lucas Glover (69) was third at 5 under. Svensson and Brooks Koepka were among those in a group at 4 under, and 42 players

were within five shots of the lead. "Can't be too upset with 1 under around here, to be honest," said Glover, the 2009 U.S. Open champion who has three straight rounds in the 60s at PGA National going back to his final-round 66 last year. "Wind picked up a little towards the end. I didn't hit it great, but got myself into the thing."

Justin Thomas also is still in the thing, though the defending champion has a lot of work to do if he's going to go back-to-back.

Thomas, playing with a sore right wrist after a wayward swing against a tree Thursday, had an eagle, a double-bogey and a triple-bogey on his way to an eventful 74. He got in right on the 36-hole cut line, 2 over.

"Hopefully, I'll at least have a chance where I can make something up this weekend," Thomas said.

Vegas reached 7 under briefly, then finished in a group tied for 13th at 3 under after shooting a 73.

Gary Woodland extended his streak of consecutive made cuts to 21 with an eventful birdie on the par-5 18th. He went over the green with his second shot, ran his third well past the hole and coolly rolled in a 15-footer for birdie to get to 2 over. Woodland hasn't missed a cut since at The Players Championship last May.

DIVOTS: In all, 83 players made the cut for Saturday, which means a second cut to top-70-and-ties will happen before Sunday's final round. With an odd number of players, there's 41 twosomes and Drew Nesbitt goes off by himself at 7:15 a.m. ... Rickie Fowler and the sixth hole continued their thorny relationship. Fowler drove into a fairway bunker — right where he was aiming, it turned out — but made a 4-footer to save par. He's made one birdie in his last 22 tries on the par 4. ... Billy Horschel bogeyed his opening hole, the par-4 10th, after his tee ball got stuck in a tree. ... Cameron Smith had five consecutive 5s on the front, and nearly did it again on the back — except for a birdie 2 on the 15th. He shot 79 and missed the cut. ... Sergio Garcia reached 6 under, then finished with three bogeys in his final four holes. Asked what he was going to work on before Saturday, Garcia just smiled and said "Nothing. I'm going to rest."



Washington Capitals' Alex Ovechkin (8) celebrates with Jakub Vrana (13) and other teammates after scoring a goal during the third period of the team's NHL hockey game against the New York Islanders on Friday, March 1, 2019, in Uniondale, N.Y. The Capitals won 3-1. (AP Photo/Frank Franklin II)

# Ovechkin scores 45th as Capitals top Islanders 3-1

By SCOTT CHARLES

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Alex Ovechkin added to his lengthy list of accomplishments with another big goal.

Washington's captain became the first player in NHL history with 10 seasons of 45 goals or more, scoring in the Capitals' three-goal third period as they rallied to a 3-1 victory over the New York Islanders on Friday night.

Jakub Vrana and T.J. Oshie also had goals, Braden Holtby stopped 20 shots and the Capitals extended their winning streak to three while tying the Islanders for first place in the Metropolitan Division.

"His ability to score goals, create offense is something that I have never seen before," Oshie said of Ovechkin. "There are greats in the league, but none that I have seen that are such a natural prolific goal scorer. It goes to show how special of a player he is."

Tom Kuhnackl scored for the Islanders and Thomas Greiss made 26 saves, but New York fell for the second time during its current five-game homestand (1-2-0).

"It's hard to match the night before," said Islanders captain Anders Lee, referring to New York's 6-1 win Thursday night over former star John Tavares and the Toronto Maple Leafs. "We were up, we were ready to go. We put ourselves in a position to win and then things got away from us."

Ovechkin improved his individual point streak to eight games with his 45th of the season at 4:34 of the third period. Lee was serving a two-minute interference penalty when Ovechkin batted the puck out of midair to help the Capitals take a 2-1 lead. Oshie and Evgeny Kuznetsov assisted on the play.

Just 1:08 before Ovechkin's record-setting tally, Vrana evened the score at 1 with his 19th of the season. The Czech forward found a loose puck during a scramble in front of the net. Niklas Backstrom and Michal Kempny assisted on the play.

"It was an extremely competitive game," Capitals coach Todd Reirden said. "We didn't have success to start the game, but we stayed the course. We didn't change how we played. We continued to play the same way the rest of the game till we were rewarded. It was an important team win for us."

The Islanders — coached by Barry Trotz,

who led the Capitals to the Stanley Cup title last season — opened the scoring at 2:43 of the first period when Kuhnackl converted a nifty forehand backhand to deke after intercepting a pass from Washington defenseman Dmitry Orlov. It was Kuhnackl's fourth of the season.

The play was close to being offside, but it appeared Kuhnackl did not touch the puck while entering the offensive zone until teammate Leo Komarov cleared the blue line. The Capitals' coaching staff elected not to challenge the play.

"He (Kuhnackl) stopped skating, our guy stopped skating, the crowd went silent, it just kind of froze me a little bit, I didn't know what was going on," Holtby said of the odd sequence. "Strange play. We are lucky it didn't hurt us."

Kuhnackl dressed for the game instead of veteran Andrew Ladd. The alternate captain skated in the previous two games for the Islanders, since returning from a lower-body injury which sidelined the veteran since mid-November.

Islanders forward Josh Bailey inadvertently passed the puck into his own net at 18:32 of the third period when New York pulled its goalie in favor of an extra attacker. Oshie got credit for the goal.

The Capitals have earned a point in 16 of their last 21 games against the Islanders, and are 23-10-4 against Eastern Conference Opponents this season.

NOTES: The Islanders announced before the game that F Matt Martin suffered an upper-body injury and is day-to-day. ... New York D Thomas Hickey was scratched for a second straight game after returning from an upper-body injury earlier this week. ... Islanders F Ross Johnston was in uniform for the first time since Jan. 12. ... This was the Capitals' first trip to Nassau Coliseum since Game 6 of the first round of the 2015 Stanley Cup playoffs. ... Capitals scratched D Christian Djooos, F Dmitriy Jaskin and F Chandler Stephenson.

#### UP NEXT

Islanders: Host Philadelphia Flyers on Sunday.

Capitals: Visit New York Rangers on Sunday.



Sungjae Im, of South Korea, hits from the fairway of the 10th hole during the second round of the Honda Classic golf tournament, Friday, March 1, 2019, in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. (AP Photo/Wilfredo Lee)



*Boston Celtics guard Kyrie Irving (11) makes a move against Washington Wizards center Thomas Bryant (13) during the first quarter of an NBA basketball game Friday, March 1, 2019, in Boston. (AP Photo/Elise Amendola)*

# Celtics beat Wizards to end 4-game slide

By DOUG ALDEN  
Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Kyrie Irving had 13 points and 12 assists, Al Horford scored 18 points and the Boston Celtics beat the Washington Wizards 107-96 on Friday night to snap a four-game losing streak.

Marcus Morris added 17 points and nine rebounds, Marcus Smart scored 16 points, and Jaylen Brown added 13. The Celtics won for the first time since the All-Star break to avoid their first five-game skid in more than four years.

Boston held Washington scoreless for more than four minutes in the fourth quarter.

Bradley Beal had 29 points and 11 rebounds for the Wizards, and Tomas Satoransky and Jeff Green each had 15 points.

Washington had a 53-46 rebounding advantage, but had 18 turnovers and couldn't overcome a cold stretch in the fourth quarter. The Wizards losing for the fifth time in six games.

Jabari Parker hit a 3-pointer at the third-quarter buzzer to pull the Wizards to 82-81,

then opened the fourth with a 16-foot jumper. The lead didn't last long. After shooting 62.5 percent (15 for 24) in the third quarter, Washington opened the fourth 3 for 11 and went 4:21 without scoring.

Brown scored five points during a 9-3 run that put Boston up 91-86.

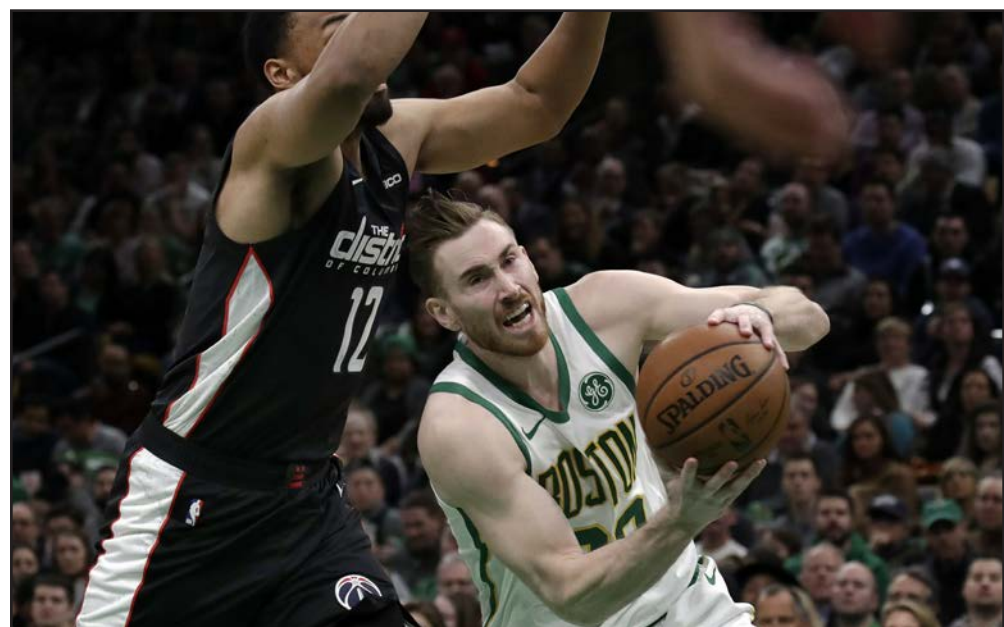
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Wizards: Entered the game three games back of the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference. ... Beal had 10 points in the first quarter to account for half of Washington's scoring. ... Beal averaged 30.9 points in February while shooting 52.2 percent from the field. ... The Wizards didn't get a field goal until Beal's dunk with 6:16 left in the first quarter.

Celtics: Haven't lost five straight since Nov. 21-Dec. 2, 2014. ... C Aron Baynes (foot contusion) missed his 11th straight game.

**UP NEXT**

Wizards: Host Minnesota on Sunday night.  
Celtics: Host the Houston Rockets on Sunday.



*Boston Celtics forward Gordon Hayward (20) ducks under the defense of Washington Wizards forward Jabari Parker (12) during the first quarter of an NBA basketball game Friday, March 1, 2019, in Boston. (AP Photo/Elise Amendola)*

## NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

|              | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  | L10 | Str | Home  | Away  | Conf  |
|--------------|----|----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Milwaukee    | 47 | 14 | .770 | —   | 9-1 | W-6 | 25-5  | 22-9  | 32-8  |
| Toronto      | 46 | 17 | .730 | 2   | 9-1 | W-2 | 27-6  | 19-11 | 28-11 |
| Indiana      | 41 | 22 | .651 | 7   | 7-3 | W-1 | 24-8  | 17-14 | 28-12 |
| Philadelphia | 40 | 22 | .645 | 7½  | 6-4 | W-2 | 24-8  | 16-14 | 22-15 |
| Boston       | 38 | 25 | .603 | 10  | 4-6 | W-1 | 24-9  | 14-16 | 28-13 |
| Brooklyn     | 32 | 32 | .500 | 16½ | 4-6 | L-2 | 18-16 | 14-16 | 22-19 |
| Detroit      | 29 | 31 | .483 | 17½ | 7-3 | L-1 | 18-13 | 11-18 | 20-19 |
| Charlotte    | 29 | 33 | .468 | 18½ | 3-7 | W-1 | 20-12 | 9-21  | 22-18 |
| Orlando      | 29 | 34 | .460 | 19  | 7-3 | W-1 | 17-16 | 12-18 | 20-17 |
| Miami        | 27 | 34 | .443 | 20  | 3-7 | L-1 | 12-18 | 15-16 | 14-21 |
| Washington   | 25 | 37 | .403 | 22½ | 3-7 | L-1 | 17-12 | 8-25  | 18-26 |
| Atlanta      | 21 | 42 | .333 | 27  | 3-7 | L-1 | 11-19 | 10-23 | 12-29 |
| Chicago      | 18 | 45 | .286 | 30  | 6-4 | W-2 | 7-24  | 11-21 | 13-26 |
| Cleveland    | 15 | 47 | .242 | 32½ | 4-6 | W-1 | 9-23  | 6-24  | 11-29 |
| New York     | 13 | 49 | .210 | 34½ | 3-7 | L-1 | 6-25  | 7-24  | 8-35  |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

|               | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  | L10 | Str | Home  | Away  | Conf  |
|---------------|----|----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Golden State  | 43 | 19 | .694 | —   | 6-4 | L-2 | 23-8  | 20-11 | 26-12 |
| Denver        | 42 | 19 | .689 | ½   | 6-4 | L-1 | 27-5  | 15-14 | 27-11 |
| Oklahoma City | 38 | 23 | .623 | 4½  | 5-5 | L-3 | 21-9  | 17-14 | 22-17 |
| Portland      | 38 | 24 | .613 | 5   | 6-4 | L-1 | 24-8  | 14-16 | 20-19 |
| Houston       | 37 | 25 | .597 | 6   | 7-3 | W-4 | 22-9  | 15-16 | 22-17 |
| Utah          | 35 | 26 | .574 | 7½  | 6-4 | W-3 | 20-10 | 15-16 | 22-17 |
| San Antonio   | 34 | 29 | .540 | 9½  | 3-7 | W-1 | 23-7  | 11-22 | 24-19 |
| L.A. Clippers | 34 | 29 | .540 | 9½  | 5-5 | L-1 | 17-12 | 17-17 | 22-20 |
| Sacramento    | 31 | 30 | .508 | 11½ | 5-5 | L-2 | 19-12 | 12-18 | 17-23 |
| L.A. Lakers   | 30 | 31 | .492 | 12½ | 4-6 | W-1 | 18-12 | 12-19 | 21-20 |
| Minnesota     | 29 | 33 | .468 | 14  | 4-6 | L-2 | 20-10 | 9-23  | 18-22 |
| Dallas        | 27 | 34 | .443 | 15½ | 4-6 | W-1 | 21-10 | 6-24  | 14-23 |
| New Orleans   | 28 | 36 | .438 | 16  | 5-5 | W-1 | 18-12 | 10-24 | 18-22 |
| Memphis       | 24 | 39 | .381 | 19½ | 4-6 | L-1 | 15-17 | 9-22  | 16-22 |
| Phoenix       | 12 | 51 | .190 | 31½ | 1-9 | L-1 | 7-23  | 5-28  | 7-32  |

**Thursday's Games**

- Indiana 122, Minnesota 115
- Orlando 103, Golden State 96
- Cleveland 125, New York 118
- Houston 121, Miami 118
- Philadelphia 108, Oklahoma City 104
- Utah 111, Denver 104

**Friday's Games**

- Charlotte 123, Brooklyn 112
- Chicago 168, Atlanta 161, 40T
- Boston 107, Washington 96
- Toronto 119, Portland 117
- New Orleans 130, Phoenix 116
- L.A. Clippers at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
- Milwaukee at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

**Saturday's Games**

- Detroit at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
- Orlando at Indiana, 7 p.m.
- Brooklyn at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
- Golden State at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.
- Memphis at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Oklahoma City at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

- L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
- Milwaukee at Utah, 9 p.m.
- New Orleans at Denver, 9 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**

- Portland at Charlotte, 1 p.m.
- Atlanta at Chicago, 3:30 p.m.
- Houston at Boston, 3:30 p.m.
- New York at L.A. Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
- Minnesota at Washington, 6 p.m.
- Orlando at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
- Toronto at Detroit, 6 p.m.
- Memphis at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.

**Monday's Games**

- Atlanta at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
- Dallas at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
- Denver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
- Milwaukee at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
- New Orleans at Utah, 9 p.m.
- New York at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
- L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

# Silver: Changes to NBA All-Star Game 'an earring on a pig'

By JIMMY GOLEN  
Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — NBA Commissioner Adam Silver says he would consider shortening the regular season, but only if the league could develop something meaningful to do to replace the games — and revenue — they would be giving up.

Speaking at the MIT Sloan Sports Analytics Conference on Friday, Silver raised the idea of replacing the All-Star Game with a midseason or preseason tournament in which teams would compete for a separate championship, like they do in European soccer. Or groups of teams could compete in mini-tournaments in Asia or Europe.

The problem, Silver said, is how to make these other events meaningful.

"The All-Star Game didn't work," he said, calling it "an afterthought" of the weekend despite changes like tinkering with the rosters through a player draft that was made public for the first time. "I get it. We put an earring on a pig."

The league is unlikely to make any changes — at least not any time soon — if only because a 70-game schedule like the one Silver discussed would require each team to give up six home games. Although players and coaches would love to see a shorter season, none is excited about taking a 20 percent pay cut.

But the analytics conference in Boston's Bay Bay convention center gives Silver the opportunity to think aloud about ways to make the NBA better. In past years he has addressed possible changes to the draft to discourage teams from tanking, but this year's hot topic was New Orleans Pelicans star Anthony Davis.

Silver said Davis' public trade request (through his agent) was a problem for the league, but not all that different than other players



*In this Feb. 16, 2019, file photo, NBA Commissioner Adam Silver speaks during NBA All-Star festivities in Charlotte, N.C. A person with knowledge of the matter says that the NBA recently sent a proposal to the National Basketball Players Association about lowering the minimum age to enter the NBA Draft from 19 to 18, as the sides continue moving toward eliminating the "one-and-done" policy that has many elite players going to college for one season. (AP Photo/Gerry Broome, File)*

who made the request behind the scenes. The more frequent shuffling of stars among teams was an unintended consequence of a collective bargaining agreement that was designed to shorten contracts so players wouldn't be earning huge salaries long after they were productive.

"Maybe that was a mistake," Silver said.

Davis told the Pelicans he would not accept an extension, but the team did not trade him before the deadline and then mulled whether to sit him out to minimize the risk of injury — and maximize its draft position. He is expected to be traded over the summer.

"It's a bad dynamic," Silver said. "It's a bit of a mess."



# Dear Annie

By ANNIE LANE

## A Stinky Performance

**Dear Annie:** My companion and I recently went to a very popular play that had no intermission. We were sitting in the first row of the balcony seats, and there was a short wooden wall in front of us to keep things from falling over the edge. But the result was that there was no room to move my feet and legs. In fact, my knees were pressed into this wall, causing great pain because I have arthritis and sciatica.

To make matters worse, the woman sitting on the other side of my friend had uncontrollable flatulence that was smelly and disgusting. My companion tried to lean away, into me or over the balcony, but could not escape the smell. I could smell it, too, but was far enough away that it was milder. My companion finally couldn't take it anymore, and we had to leave halfway through the performance.

The expensive show was sold out, so we could not change seats. These balcony seats were as expensive as the ones downstairs.

Flatulence is a very embarrassing topic to talk to anyone about, so we didn't search for an usher. When we got out, we wondered whether we should buy antacids and bring them back to everyone who was seated in that area. I'm thinking of asking for my money back. -- Stuck in a Seat

**Dear Stuck in a Seat:** That stinks! Passing gas in public is to be avoided, especially when we are seated in confined quarters, such as at live performances or on airplanes. One suggestion would be to politely ask people who are passing gas to excuse themselves and go to the nearest restroom. The hope is that their awareness that you smell their unpleasant odor is enough to put an end to it. If not, you can complain to the theater or the flight attendant or whoever the appropriate person is. As for the discomfort you felt in the seats, you could relay your experience to the theater's management. A manager might have suggestions for how to make it up to you.

**Dear Annie:** My co-worker recently mentioned to me that his wife attended her friend's wedding alone because the invitation didn't allow a guest. The same was apparently true for other invitees. Regardless of whether my co-worker had any interest in attending, I thought it tacky to exclude guests. If the newlyweds' goal was to save money, wouldn't proper etiquette call for inviting fewer people so that everyone invited could bring a guest? Furthermore, isn't the whole point of a wedding to share the experience with friends and family and, by extension, their loved ones? Maybe wedding etiquette has changed since I got married 12 years ago. -- Just Wondering in Wisconsin

**Dear Wondering:** Wedding etiquette has not changed over the past 12 years. Proper wedding etiquette states that spouses, fiancées, fiancés and live-in partners should be invited as guests even if the bride and groom have never met them. I'm hoping that this was an unintentional oversight on the part of his wife's friend. If not, then it was more than tacky; it was downright rude. One of my favorite quotations about rudeness is from Eric Hoffer: "Rudeness is the weak man's imitation of strength."

"Ask Me Anything: A Year of Advice From Dear Annie" is out now! Annie Lane's debut book -- featuring favorite columns on love, friendship, family and etiquette -- is available as a paperback and e-book. Visit <http://www.creator-publishing.com> for more information. Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com).

## HINTS FROM HELOISE

### TELL THE DOCTOR

Dear Heloise: Please tell your readers to never withhold information about their health or about any medication they might be taking when seeing their doctors. As physicians, we've heard and seen it all, so there is no need to feel embarrassed about a health concern. No matter how unimportant it may seem, tell your doctor about any and all medications you're taking, including birth control (no matter what kind you use), and vitamins or food supplements. This is very important because one drug may cancel out another drug or cause a severe interaction with bad outcomes. -- Doctor G. in Oregon



### FALSE ALARM

Dear Heloise: We get phone calls saying the grandchildren are hurt or some other reason why we should wire money quickly. However, our family has a password, and when scammers call, we say, "What is the password?" They usually hang up quickly. Never use a family name or pet's name, but perhaps a comical name that no one else would guess correctly. -- K.K. in Anaheim, Calif.

This is a clever idea. Recently, we've noticed calls from people who claim to be from well-known companies here in the U.S. However, when you ask them to recite your address, or other pertinent information, they can't. It's just another moneymaking scam. -- Heloise

### GERM KILLER?

Dear Heloise: Can vinegar really kill germs? -- Pam F, Dillon, S.C.

Pam, if you're looking for a cheap, safe, green cleaner, try white vinegar. It's been a common disinfectant for several centuries. Researchers found that the acetic acids in vinegar kill bacteria by destroying their cell structure. -- Heloise

## UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
|   | 5 | 7 | 1 |   |   |   |   |  |
|   |   | 2 |   | 8 |   | 3 |   |  |
|   |   |   | 3 | 8 |   | 6 |   |  |
| 2 | 9 |   |   |   | 3 |   | 6 |  |
|   | 1 | 2 |   | 7 |   |   |   |  |
| 5 | 7 |   |   |   |   | 9 | 8 |  |
|   | 1 | 3 | 4 |   |   |   |   |  |
| 7 | 2 |   | 6 |   |   |   |   |  |
|   |   | 7 | 1 |   | 5 |   |   |  |

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

### Previous puzzle solution

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 3 |
| 5 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 4 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 8 |
| 3 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 1 |
| 7 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
| 9 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 6 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 7 |
| 8 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 1 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 4 | 5 |

## TV Sports Listings

**Saturday, Mar. 2**  
**AAF FOOTBALL**  
 8 p.m.  
 NFL — Orlando at Salt Lake

**AUTO RACING**  
 11:30 a.m.  
 FS1 — NASCAR MONSTER Energy Series, practice, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 12:30 p.m.  
 FS1 — NASCAR Xfinity Series, qualifying, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 2:30 p.m.  
 FS1 — NASCAR MONSTER Energy Series: final practice, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 4 p.m.  
 FS1 — NASCAR Xfinity Series: The Boyd Gaming 300, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 7 p.m.  
 NBCSN — Monster Energy Supercross: round 9 of the AMA Supercross, Atlanta, Ga.

**BOXING**  
 9 p.m.  
 SHO — Showtime Championship Boxing: Lara-Castano, Brooklyn, N.Y.

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)**  
 12 p.m.  
 CBS — Kansas at Oklahoma State  
 CBSSN — Army at Bucknell  
 ESPN — LSU at Alabama  
 ESPN2 — North Carolina State at Florida State  
 FOX — Michigan State at Indiana  
 1 p.m.  
 BTN — Penn State at Wisconsin  
 SEC — Ole Miss at Arkansas  
 2 p.m.  
 CBS — Kentucky at Tennessee  
 CBSSN — Illinois State at Southern Illinois  
 ESPN — Ohio State at Purdue  
 ESPN2 — Iowa State at Texas  
 ESPNU — West Virginia at Oklahoma  
 FOX — Butler at Villanova  
 3 p.m.  
 NBCSN — George Mason at St. Louis  
 3:30 p.m.  
 SEC — South Carolina at Missouri  
 4 p.m.  
 CBS — Miami at Duke  
 CBSSN — VCU at Richmond  
 ESPN — UCF at Houston  
 ESPN2 — Texas Tech at TCU  
 ESPNU — Mississippi State at Auburn  
 5 p.m.  
 BTN — Rutgers at Iowa  
 NBCSN — La Salle at St. Joseph's  
 6 p.m.  
 ESPN — North Carolina at Clemson  
 ESPN2 — Bradley at Loyola-Chicago  
 ESPNU — Utah at Colorado  
 SEC — Vanderbilt at Texas A&M  
 6:30 p.m.  
 CBSSN — Seton Hall at Georgetown  
 8 p.m.  
 ESPN2 — Baylor at Kansas State  
 ESPNU — Memphis at Cincinnati  
 8:30 p.m.  
 CBSSN — Nevada at Utah State  
 SEC — Georgia at Florida  
 10 p.m.  
 ESPN — Gonzaga at St. Mary's  
 ESPN2 — Arizona at Oregon  
 ESPNU — Colorado State at New Mexico  
 10:30 p.m.  
 CBSSN — Boise State at UNLV

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)**  
 3 p.m.  
 BTN — Nebraska at Penn State

**COLLEGE GOLF**  
 11:30 a.m.  
 BTN — Big-10 Match Play: Championship (taped)

**COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)**  
 9 p.m.  
 BTN — Michigan at Wisconsin

**COLLEGE LACROSSE (MEN'S)**  
 12 p.m.  
 ESPNU — Virginia at Syracuse

**GOLF**  
 1 p.m.  
 GOLF — PGA Tour Golf: Honda Classic, third round, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.  
 3 p.m.  
 NBC — PGA Tour Golf: Honda Classic, third round, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.  
 4:30 p.m.  
 GOLF — PGA Tour Champions: Cologuard Classic, second round, Tucson, Ariz.  
 10:30 p.m.  
 GOLF — LPGA Tour Golf: HSBC Women's World Championship, final round, Singapore  
 3 a.m. (Sunday)  
 GOLF — European Tour Golf: Oman Open, final round, Oman

**GYMNASTICS**  
 1 p.m.  
 NBC — American Cup Gymnastics: From Greensboro, N.C.  
 11 p.m.  
 NBCSN — Nastia Liukin Cup: From Greensboro, N.C. (taped)

**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS**  
 8 p.m.  
 ESPN — UFC 235 Prelims: Jones-Smith, Las Vegas, Nev.

**NBA BASKETBALL**  
 8:30 p.m.  
 ABC — Golden State at Philadelphia

**NFL FOOTBALL**  
 10 a.m.  
 NFL — NFL Combine: quarterbacks, wide receivers, tight ends, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 1 p.m.  
 ABC — NFL Combine: quarterbacks, wide receivers, tight ends, Indianapolis, Ind.

**NHL HOCKEY**  
 4 p.m.  
 NHL — Chicago at Los Angeles  
 7 p.m.  
 NHL — Buffalo at Toronto

**RUGBY**  
 9 a.m.  
 ESPN2 — HSBC World Rugby Sevens: Day 1 action, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 12 p.m.  
 ESPNEWS — Pro14: Munster vs. Scarlets  
 4 p.m.  
 ESPNEWS — Rugby Sevens World Series

**SKIING**  
 1 a.m. (Sunday)  
 NBCSN — FIS Alpine World Cup: women's downhill, Russia (taped)

**SOCCER (MEN'S)**  
 7:25 a.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League: Tottenham vs. Arsenal  
 9:30 a.m.  
 FS1 — Bundesliga: Nürnberg vs. RB Leipzig  
 FS2 — Hoffenheim vs. Frankfurt  
 9:55 a.m.

NBCSN — Premier League: Manchester United vs. Southampton  
 10 a.m.  
 CNBC — Premier League: Bournemouth vs. Manchester City  
 12:20 p.m.  
 FS2 — Bundesliga: Bayern Munich vs. Borussia Mönchengladbach  
 12:25 a.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League: West Ham vs. Newcastle United  
 8 p.m.  
 FS1 — MLS: Los Angeles vs. Chicago  
 10 p.m.  
 FS1 — MLS: Seattle vs. FC Cincinnati

**SOCCER (WOMEN'S)**  
 4:30 p.m.  
 FOX — SheBelievesCup: U.S. vs. England, Nashville, Tenn. ---

**Sunday, Mar. 3**  
**AAF FOOTBALL**  
 4 p.m.  
 CBSSN — San Antonio at Birmingham  
 8 p.m.  
 NFL — Atlanta at Arizona

**AUTO RACING**  
 3:30 p.m.  
 FOX — NASCAR MONSTER Energy Series: The Pennzoil 400: Las Vegas, Nev.

**BOBSLEDDING/SKELETON**  
 5:30 p.m.  
 NBCSN — IBSF World Championships: two-man bobsled, British Columbia (taped)  
 11 p.m.  
 NBCSN — IBSF World Championships: women's, British Columbia (taped)

**BOWLING**  
 5 p.m.  
 FS1 — PBA Bowling: Arkansas Open, Jonesboro, Ark.

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)**  
 12 p.m.  
 CBSSN — South Florida at UConn  
 FS1 — St. John's at DePaul  
 1:30 p.m.  
 CBS — Notre Dame at Louisville  
 2 p.m.  
 CBSSN — Wichita State at SMU  
 3 p.m.  
 FS1 — Creighton at Marquette  
 3:45 p.m.  
 CBS — Michigan at Maryland  
 4 p.m.  
 ESPN2 — Washington at Stanford  
 ESPNU — East Carolina at Tulsa  
 6 p.m.  
 ESPNU — Boston College at Georgia Tech  
 6:30 p.m.  
 BTN — Northwestern at Illinois  
 8 p.m.  
 ESPNU — Arizona State at Oregon State

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)**  
 12 p.m.  
 BTN — Purdue at Indiana  
 ESPN2 — North Carolina at Duke  
 1 p.m.  
 SEC — Kentucky at Georgia  
 2 p.m.  
 BTN — Rutgers at Ohio State  
 ESPN2 — Mississippi State at South Carolina  
 ESPNU — Tulane at Temple  
 FS2 — DePaul at Creighton  
 3 p.m.  
 SEC — Florida at Vanderbilt  
 4 p.m.  
 BTN — Northwestern at Iowa  
 5 p.m.  
 SEC — Arkansas at Texas A&M

**COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S)**  
 1 p.m.  
 ESPN — UCLA at Oklahoma

**COLLEGE LACROSSE (MEN'S)**  
 12 p.m.  
 ESPNU — Maryland at Notre Dame

**CYCLING**  
 3 p.m.  
 NBCSN — UCI Track Cycling World Championship: Day 3, Poland (taped)

**GOLF**  
 1 p.m.  
 GOLF — PGA Tour Golf: Honda Classic, final round, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.  
 3 p.m.  
 NBC — PGA Tour Golf: Honda Classic, final round, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.  
 4:30 p.m.  
 GOLF — PGA Tour Champions Golf: Cologuard Classic, final round, Tucson, Ariz.

**MARATHON**  
 12 a.m. (Monday)  
 NBCSN — Tokyo Marathon: From Tokyo, Japan

**NBA G LEAGUE BASKETBALL**  
 3 p.m.  
 NBA — Northern Arizona Suns vs. Oklahoma City Blue

**NBA BASKETBALL**  
 3:30 p.m.  
 ABC — Houston at Boston  
 7 p.m.  
 NBA — Memphis at Oklahoma City

**NFL FOOTBALL**  
 9 a.m.  
 NFL Combine: defensive linemen, linebackers, Indianapolis, Ind.

**NHL HOCKEY**  
 12 p.m.  
 NBC — Washington at NY Rangers  
 7:30 p.m.  
 NBCSN — Nashville at Minnesota

**RUGBY**  
 7 a.m.  
 ESPN2 — HSBC World Rugby Sevens: Day 2 action, Las Vegas, Nev.  
 6 p.m.  
 ESPN2 — HSBC World Rugby Sevens: The Finals, Las Vegas, Nev.

**SKIING**  
 4 p.m.  
 NBCSN — FIS Alpine World Cup: women's super-g, Russia (taped)

**SOCCER**  
 6:55 a.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League: Watford vs. Leicester City  
 9 a.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League: Fulham vs. Chelsea  
 9:30 a.m.  
 FS1 — Bundesliga: VfB Stuttgart vs. Hannover 96  
 11:10 a.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League: Everton vs. Liverpool  
 11:50 a.m.  
 FS2 — Bundesliga: Werder Bremen vs. VfL Wolfsburg  
 11:55 a.m.  
 ESPNEWS — Serie A: Internazionale vs. Cagliari  
 6 p.m.  
 ESPN — MLS: D.C. United vs. Atlanta United  
 8 p.m.  
 ESPN — MLS: Los Angeles FC vs. Sporting KC



# NASCAR THIS WEEK

## SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

### Are we any smarter now than we were before Daytona Speedweeks?

**GODSPEAK:** Ask me on March 18 after they get done with the Wild West Tour — Las Vegas, Phoenix and California.  
**KEN'S CALL:** I'm not. Hopefully after this week we'll have a better feel for things.

### Kyle Busch is now at 195 combined wins. When does he reach 201?

**GODSPEAK:** I'm going to put my chip on before the Cup Series returns to Daytona in July. Spin the wheel.  
**KEN'S CALL:** Something tells me Memorial Day Weekend at Charlotte, probably in the 600.

## FEUD OF THE WEEK

### MARTIN TRUOX JR. VS. RICKY STENHOUSE JR.:

Stenhouse was a lap down in the closing laps and blocked Truex, who was racing for the win against Brad Keselowski. Truex finished a close second.

**GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE:** I feel the Truex pain here. Lapped cars should be more respectful. "It completely killed us for 25, 30 laps to the point my front tires were gone once I finally got by him," Truex said.

## GODWIN'S PICKS FOR LAS VEGAS

**WINNER:** Joey Logano  
**REST OF TOP 5:** Kyle Busch, Chase Elliott, Kevin Harvick, Clint Bowyer  
**FIRST ONE OUT:** Ty Dillon  
**DARK HORSE:** Chris Buescher  
**DON'T BE SURPRISED IF:** Logano wins in some sort of bizarre, late-race scenario.

## MOTOR MOUTHS PODCAST

Two races down, 34 to go. The Pod is just getting warmed up.

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# LAS VEGAS

## THREE THINGS TO WATCH

### 1. JJ's Funky Town

Jimmie Johnson is in a funk. Yes, the 43-year-old driver did win the Daytona Clash, but he hasn't won a points race since 2017. He was 24th at Atlanta. The good news for Johnson is that the Cup Series is going to one of his favorite tracks, Las Vegas, where he stands as the all-time winner with four career triumphs. Nevada's "Sin City" may hold the cure for what ails the seven-time NASCAR champ.

### 2. Real test

Before Cup Series drivers ever set foot in Atlanta for Sunday's race, they said the 1.54-mile course would not be a good indicator of the new aero/body package. Most said Las Vegas, which has a much smoother surface, would provide a true tell. "There is no track that we go to anymore that is as slick as this and as hard on tires," Clint Bowyer said of Atlanta. "It will be interesting to see what Las Vegas brings."

### 3. Pit-road madness

Two races and two weird pit-road incidents, which begs the question: Is this a trend? At Atlanta, BJ McLeod seemed to get lost



**Jimmie Johnson hopes to find Victory Lane soon and put the brakes on his losing streak.** [AP/JOHN RAOUX]

on pit road. His No. 52 Chevy came to a virtual dead stop four pit boxes from where he was supposed to get service. He got hammered by Ryan Preece in the No. 47 Chevy. "I looked up, he was

coming in the pits," Preece said. "So, it's a mistake. What are you going to do? It's just unfortunate."

— Godwin Kelly, [godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com](mailto:godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com)

# ATLANTA

## THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

### 1. Sick win

Brad Keselowski had the stomach flu so bad, he needed two bags of IV fluids for relief. Despite being under the weather, "Kez" won at Atlanta while symbolically fading in the closing laps. He is now car owner Roger Penske's all-time win leader with 60, surpassing Mark Donohue.



**Brad Keselowski drives into Victory Lane after winning at Atlanta.** [AP/JOHN AMIS]

### 2. New package

There was no revolt by NASCAR drivers over the new aero/body package that debuted at Atlanta. "I don't think there was any more passing, I don't think there was any less passing," driver Erik Jones said. "I think it was kind of the same. It's just different."

### 3. Trucking

Kyle Busch pushed his way to the top of the NASCAR Truck Series all-time win list. He now has 52 career wins after his triumph at Atlanta. "It means a lot,"

Busch said. "It's a big deal for me and a big deal for this team." He holds the same title in NASCAR Xfinity.

— Godwin Kelly, [godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com](mailto:godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com)

## QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

### Is Kez truly the new king of Penske Mountain?

Statistically speaking, you have to give it to him. His 60th win for Team Penske came at Atlanta. He's up to 27 Cup wins and 33 Xfinity wins in Roger Penske's equipment. That puts him one ahead of Mark Donohue, who first teamed with Penske in the 1960s and won races across a very broad spectrum of the sport, including late-'60s domination of Trans Am in their acid-dipped Camaro. That's right, acid-dipped

### Why acid-dipped?

Penske and Donohue were a lethal combination when it came to setting up a race car. As a topper, Donohue was a fabulous all-around racer. When they learned they could soak the pieces of their Camaro in acid and make unnecessary ounces of weight disappear all over, they had the fastest car on the circuit. It was dubbed "The Unfair Advantage," which turned out to be the title of Donohue's 1974 autobiography. It's a great read for gear-heads of all ages.

— Ken Willis, [ken.willis@news-jrnl.com](mailto:ken.willis@news-jrnl.com)

## NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| 1. Denny Hamlin        | 87 |
| 2. Kevin Harvick       | 79 |
| 3. Kyle Busch          | 78 |
| 4. Kyle Larson         | 77 |
| 5. Joey Logano         | 75 |
| 6. Brad Keselowski     | 72 |
| 7. Erik Jones          | 68 |
| 8. Kurt Busch          | 63 |
| 9. Clint Bowyer        | 60 |
| 9. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. | 60 |
| 11. Aric Almirola      | 58 |
| 12. Martin Truex Jr.   | 57 |
| 12. Alex Bowman        | 57 |
| 14. Ryan Blaney        | 54 |
| 15. Ryan Newman        | 49 |
| 16. Jimmie Johnson     | 46 |
| 17. Chase Elliott      | 45 |
| 17. William Byron      | 45 |
| 19. Ty Dillon          | 44 |
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## WHAT'S ON TAP

**CUP SERIES:** Pennzoil 400  
**SITE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway (1.5-mile quad-oval)  
**SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 3 p.m.), qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 7:30 p.m.). Saturday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.). Sunday, race (Fox, coverage begins at 3 p.m., racing at 3:30 p.m.)

**XFINITY:** Boyd Gaming 300  
**SITE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway  
**SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.). Saturday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 12:30 p.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 4 p.m.)

**GANDER OUTDOORS TRUCKS:** Strat 200  
**SITE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway  
**TV SCHEDULE:** Friday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 5 p.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 9 p.m.)

## 2019 CUP SERIES SCHEDULE AND WINNERS

**Feb. 10:** Clash at Daytona (Jimmie Johnson)  
**Feb. 17:** Daytona 500 (Denny Hamlin)  
**Feb. 24:** Folds of Honor 500 at Atlanta (Brad Keselowski)  
**March 3:** Pennzoil 400 at Las Vegas  
**March 10:** TicketGuardian 500 at Phoenix  
**March 17:** Auto Club 400 at Fontana  
**March 24:** STP 500 at Martinsville

**March 31:** O'Reilly Auto Parts 500 at Texas  
**April 7:** Food City 500 at Bristol  
**April 13:** Toyota Owners 400 at Richmond  
**April 28:** Geico 500 at Talladega  
**May 5:** Dover 400  
**May 11:** Kansas 400  
**May 18:** All Star Race at Charlotte  
**May 26:** Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte  
**June 2:** Pocono 400  
**June 9:** FireKeepers Casino 400 at Michigan  
**June 23:** Toyota/Save Mart 350 at Sonoma  
**June 30:** Overton's 400 at Chicagoland

**July 6:** Coke Zero 400 at Daytona  
**July 13:** Quaker State 400 at Kentucky  
**July 21:** Foxwoods 301 at New Hampshire  
**July 28:** Gander Outdoors 400 at Pocono  
**Aug. 4:** Go Bowling at Watkins Glen  
**Aug. 11:** Consumers Energy 400 at Michigan  
**Aug. 17:** Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race at Bristol  
**Sept. 1:** Southern 500 at Darlington  
**Sept. 8:** Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis  
**Sept. 15:** South Point 400 at Las Vegas

**Sept. 21:** Federated Auto Parts 400 at Richmond  
**Sept. 29:** Bank of America 500k at Charlotte  
**Oct. 6:** Delaware 400 at Dover  
**Oct. 13:** 1000Bulbs.com 500 Talladega  
**Oct. 20:** Hollywood Casino 400 at Kansas  
**Oct. 27:** First Data 500 at Martinsville  
**Nov. 3:** AAA Texas 500  
**Nov. 10:** Can-Am 500k at Phoenix  
**Nov. 17:** Ford EcoBoost 400 at Homestead-Miami



## KEN WILLIS' TOP 10 NASCAR DRIVER RANKINGS

|   |   |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| <b>KYLE BUSCH</b><br>It's a home game this week | <b>BRAD KESELOWSKI</b><br>The IV must've included some horsepower | <b>KEVIN HARVICK</b><br>Showed usual good form at Atlanta | <b>MARTIN TRUOX JR.</b><br>No Ricky Stenhouse fan right now | <b>ERIK JONES</b><br>Back-to-back top-seven finishes | <b>KURT BUSCH</b><br>Will win multiple races this year | <b>JOEY LOGANO</b><br>Runs well at Vegas but never wins | <b>CHASE ELLIOTT</b><br>Poor start, but too early to judge | <b>KYLE LARSON</b><br>Last three in Vegas: second, third, second | <b>DENNY HAMLIN</b><br>Still sweeping off Daytona confetti |
| <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>   | <b>6</b>   | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>   | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b>  |

# 2019 SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Saturday, March 2

Baltimore vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. Tampa Bay (ss) at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Miami vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay (ss) vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 Houston vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Texas vs. San Francisco (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Chicago White Sox at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels vs. Cincinnati at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco (ss) vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.

### Sunday, March 3

Minnesota (ss) vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Houston vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Detroit (ss) vs. N.Y. Yankees (ss) at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. Minnesota (ss) at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Miami vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees (ss) vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 Detroit (ss) vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Texas (ss) vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. Texas (ss) at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.

### Monday, March 4

N.Y. Mets (ss) vs. Houston (ss) at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Washington vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Houston (ss) vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Boston vs. N.Y. Mets (ss) at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels vs. Chicago White Sox at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. Cincinnati (ss) at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati (ss) vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 5

Boston vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay (ss) vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Texas vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox (ss) vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Diego (ss) vs. Chicago White Sox (ss) at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. San Diego (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 South Florida vs. Tampa Bay (ss) at Port Charlotte, Fla., 6:05 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 8:05 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 6

Pittsburgh vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta (ss) vs. Miami (ss) at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Miami (ss) vs. Houston at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Detroit vs. Atlanta (ss) at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.

Philadelphia vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. Cincinnati at Phoenix, 8:05 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 8:40 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 9:05 p.m.

### Thursday, March 7

Minnesota vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Houston vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia (ss) vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees vs. Philadelphia (ss) at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Chicago White Sox at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (ss) vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Texas vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers vs. L.A. Angels (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. Cincinnati at Phoenix, 8:05 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 9:05 p.m.

### Friday, March 8

Boston vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Washington vs. St. Louis (ss) at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto (ss) vs. Pittsburgh (ss) at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh (ss) vs. Toronto (ss) at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 Miami vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. Kansas City (ss) at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Texas vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 6:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis (ss) vs. Houston at West Palm Beach, Fla., 6:05 p.m.  
 Detroit vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 6:35 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 8:10 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 8:40 p.m.  
 Kansas City (ss) vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 9:05 p.m.

### Saturday, March 9

N.Y. Mets vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore (ss) vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Houston vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado (ss) vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee (ss) vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (ss) vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (ss) vs. Chicago Cubs (ss) at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City vs. Arizona (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Milwaukee (ss) vs. L.A. Angels (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Arizona (ss) vs. Colorado (ss) at Monterrey, Mexico, 3:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees vs. Baltimore (ss) at Sarasota, Fla., 6:05 p.m.  
 Miami vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 6:35 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 8:40 p.m.  
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### Sunday, March 10

L.A. Dodgers vs. Colorado (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., TBA  
 Colorado (ss) vs. Arizona (ss) at Monterrey, Mexico, TBA  
 Atlanta vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Boston vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Washington vs. Houston at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (ss) vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.  
 Texas vs. San Francisco (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
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 Oakland (ss) vs. Chicago White Sox at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. Seattle (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.  
 Seattle (ss) vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.

### Monday, March 11

N.Y. Mets vs. Houston at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Washington vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Detroit vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels vs. Texas (ss) at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.  
 Kansas City (ss) vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.  
 Kansas City (ss) vs. Texas (ss) at Surprise, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 12

Detroit vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. Chicago White Sox (ss) at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox (ss) vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Houston vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 6:35 p.m.  
 Baltimore vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 6:35 p.m.  
 San Diego (ss) vs. Cincinnati (ss) at Phoenix, 9:05 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. San Diego (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.  
 Texas vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati (ss) vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 13

Minnesota vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Houston vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Cleveland (ss) at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Cleveland (ss) vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.  
 Philadelphia vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 6:35 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 9:10 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. L.A. Dodgers at Phoenix, 10:05 p.m.

### Thursday, March 14

Philadelphia (ss) vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota (ss) vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Miami vs. Houston at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia (ss) vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Boston vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Washington vs. Minnesota (ss) at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:07 p.m.  
 Texas (ss) vs. Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Texas (ss) vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. L.A. Dodgers (ss) at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers (ss) vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.

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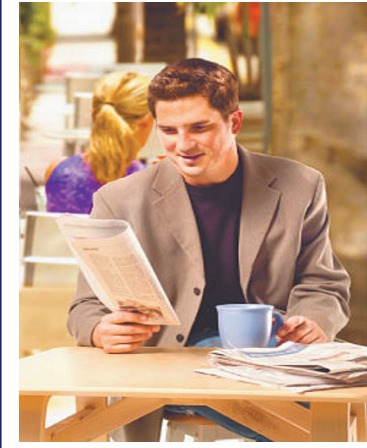
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