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St. Jacques seeking Southwick Town Moderator position

By HOPE E. TREMBLAY
Editor

SOUTHWICK – Celeste St. Jacques is seeking the Southwick Town Moderator seat in the June 9 election.

Longtime Moderator James Putnam announced earlier this year he would not seek re-election to the position. With his announcement, St. Jacques began taking a close look at how town government works and the role the moderator plays.



CELESTE
ST. JACQUES

“Over the past few months, I have observed how the Select Board and the Finance Committee make informed decisions,” she said. “In addition to conducting the Town Meetings, the Town Moderator plays an important role in the selection of members of the Finance Committee, who aid in developing the town budget. In this time of so much change and economic uncertainty, I believe that Southwick needs to continue to be fiscally conservative while maintaining the great small town feeling.”

St. Jacques and her husband Jayson have lived in Southwick for 17 years. She said they chose to set their roots in Southwick because it was a place where they could grow with the community.

“We wanted to be part of a small community that provides a great place to raise children,” said St. Jacques. “As our three girls, Nicole, Annette, and Michelle grew up and started school, I became involved in many town activities, including serving as a Girl Scout Leader, coaching and organizing athletic activities, and I currently serving as a member of Southwick Dollars for Scholars.”

St. Jacques has a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from the University of New Haven and said she has always had an interest in serving her community.

“Now that our daughters are all in high school, and my schedule is flexible (my job as a wellness coach for WW, Weight Watchers, Reimagined includes making presentations and facilitating meetings), I finally have time to fully dedicate to public service and I look forward to working as your Town Moderator,” stated St. Jacques in a press release.

St. Jacques believes she knows the purpose of the moderator and the role she would serve if elected.

“I understand that our moderator’s most important responsibility is to ensure that everyone in Southwick has a platform to be heard, a right we all deserve as citizens of this country and members of this community,” she said. “The benefit of being a newcomer to the political environment is that I will bring an unbiased view of past politics and relationships to this position.”

St. Jacques said she looks forward “to meeting the challenges of the job, to ensuring that our town meetings run fairly, to meeting more members of this vibrant community, and to making sure you all have a voice in our town government.”

The town election is June 9, with voting for the first time in the Southwick Senior Center at Town Hall.



North Elm Butcher Block manager Dan Puza stands in front of a full meat case in the North Elm Street store in March. Beef prices are on the rise due to a nationwide shortage, but North Elm has a solution – bulk beef purchases. (THE WESTFIELD NEWS FILE PHOTO)

North Elm Butcher Block beats back beef shortage

By CHRIS PUTZ
Staff Writer

WESTFIELD – Back in the 1980s, “Where’s the beef?” was a catchphrase made popular by the fast food chain Wendy’s. In 2020, that question has taken on a more dire meaning.

With coronavirus running rampant in meatpacking plants across the country, impacting meatpacking and food-processing workers and forcing nearly two dozen temporary closures, a beef shortage is driving up food prices. Some stores are restricting the amount of beef customers can purchase at one time, while some fast food chains have removed hamburgers off their menus entirely.

“We’re hearing that it’s going to be about two to three months before things level out,” North Elm Butcher Block manager Dan Puza said.

There is not a shortage of cows, but rather a sharp decrease in the amount of workers needed to process the animals. According to Puza, demand is far outweighing supply by close to a 10-to-1 margin. Wholesale price for a pound of boneless ribeye is more than \$13 per pound while boneless chuck roast is nearly \$7 per pound.

Cows that are not being slaughtered and processed for wholesale consumption are being thrown away.

To combat skyrocketing beef prices, North Elm Butcher Block has partnered with Hudson River Valley Farm CoOp in New York to offer bulk beef buyers the option of purchasing half-cows at the cost of \$3.79 per pound for a retail cost of about \$1,500.

Anyone who purchases the back half of a cow will receive 150-200 pounds of grilling steaks like porterhouses, T-Bones, and tenderloins. People who purchase the front half a cow will get ground beef for hamburgers, stew meat and prime rib, also totaling between 150-200 pounds.

North Elm Butcher Block has already pre-sold five cows.

“We’re bringing back the old school days of cutting,” said Puza, who comes from a long line of proud butchers whose expertise has earned them a solid reputation in the community. “You’re going to save yourself money in the long run.”

According to Puza, beef from a half-cow will routinely feed a family of four 1-2 times a week for close to a year.

Anyone who makes a bulk beef purchase will be able to have all of the meat divided into quantities of their choice and wrapped in heavy grade freezer paper.

Interested bulk beef buyers are urged to contact the North Elm Butcher Block at 413-562-6759. The North Elm Butcher Block is located at 37 North Elm St.

Humason considering reopening city hall in phases

By AMY PORTER
Staff Writer

WESTFIELD – Mayor Donald F. Humason Jr. said that he has been meeting with several department heads on how and when to reopen Westfield City Hall, which has been closed to the public since mid-March. “We will have a gradual phase-in,” he said, although they haven’t yet determined the date to start.

Humason said he has been meeting with Board of Health Director Joseph Rouse, City Clerk Karen Fanion, Facilities Director Bryan Forrette, Purchasing Director Tammy Tefft, Auditor Christopher Caputo and Thomas Curran, building maintenance, to find a balance between providing access to the taxpayers, and keeping residents and staff safe.

“As a group, whatever we do, we’ll be phasing in slowly over the next couple of weeks,” Humason said at the May 18 School Committee meeting.

He said they will work with a skeleton staff, so for example the full staff is never in the collector’s office all at once. “The staff is not that big,” Humason said, adding that if one person in a small office were to get sick, the whole department could be impacted negatively.

Humason also gave the example of the mayor’s office, which has two staff people at desks right outside his door. Currently there is nothing stopping anyone from going into either office. Humason said he’s been imagining putting a rope in the foyer outside the front office, like the ones in a movie theater or bank, to have people wait for service.

He said they will also look into putting in some plexiglass screens in individual offices, so there’s something in between residents and the staff person they are talking to.

Another idea by Fanion that the group is exploring is to put a tent outside with a staff person who is able to find out what a resident’s question or need may be, and using a computer, telephone or two-way radio, contact the appropriate department to assist them.

The mayor also said right now, anyone wishing to pay a bill may put it in the black dropbox on the parking lot side of city hall.

As for when meetings may return to City Council Chambers, Humason said that may happen sooner than opening the building during the day to residents.

“The ultimate goal is to get meetings back in the Chambers, which we may be able to do before full reopening. We can actually see a way to do that, where folks can get in the Chambers at night, as long as members determine it’s ok,” he said. People would be asked to wear a mask and keep a distance between them.

Humason said this will all be based on people’s comfort level. He said they will also be continuing to track Westfield’s numbers of COVID-19 cases, and any spike that may occur.

“Rouse will keep a close eye on that,” Humason said.



MAYOR
DONALD F.
HUMASON JR.

Democrats grab pair of Senate seats from Republicans

By MICHAEL P. NORTON
State House News Service

BOSTON — Democrats claimed victory in two special elections Tuesday, seizing Senate seats that had long been held by Republicans in races that party chair Gus Bickford said reflected a rejection of President Donald Trump’s politics.

John Velis of Westfield prevailed to take the seat that Don Humason gave up after he was elected mayor of that city, and Susan Moran of Falmouth was elected to serve in a district formerly represented by Plymouth Republican Vinny deMacedo.

The wins leave Republicans with just four seats in the 40-member Senate. The party, whose top officeholders in Massachusetts are Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, holds 31 seats in the 160-seat Massachusetts House, where veteran GOP Reps. Randy Hunt and Elizabeth Poirier are not seeking re-election.

Both special elections had been scheduled for March 31 but were postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and were carried out with

both traditional in-person voting and the use of mail-in voting, an option that lawmakers are weighing for the Sept. 1 primary and Nov. 3 general election.

“Two areas that were strong for Donald Trump a few years ago came back home and voted blue tonight,” Democratic Party Chair Gus Bickford said in a statement Tuesday night. “Democrats and independents are united now more than ever, and we will continue to work together through the fall. These two flipped seats are a sign of things to come in a few months.”

Moran, an attorney and select-board member, beat James McMahon of Bourne, an attorney and supporter of President Trump. McMahon made a bid for state Senate after running in 2018 as the GOP nominee for attorney general, losing that race to Attorney General Maura Healey.

The Cape Cod Times reported that Moran took 55 percent of the vote to 45 percent for McMahon, riding voting margins in Falmouth and Sandwich to victory even though McMahon prevailed in Bourne, Kingston, Pembroke and Plymouth.

Velis, a state representative, veteran and attorney from Westfield, defeated John Cain of Southwick to give the Democrats a seat that had been held for more than two decades by Republicans. Humason had joined the Senate after Republican Michael Knapik, who was elected to the Senate in 1994, gave up the seat. Moran’s win in the Plymouth and Barnstable Senate district enabled the Democrats to take back a seat that was long held by Therese Murray, the former Senate president. In 2014, deMacedo, a longtime state representative, snagged that Senate seat for the Republicans. Last year, deMacedo resigned his Senate seat to take a job at Bridgewater State University.

“Not only is this a great day for Senator-elect Moran, it’s a great day for her new constituents and their fellow Bay Staters,” said Rebecca Hart Holder, executive director of NARAL Pro-Choice Massachusetts. “Her victory flipped a seat that had been previously held by a staunch anti-choice politician and prevented it from falling into the hands of another.”

On the Horizon

On June 2, voters are scheduled to settle two House special elections to fill seats held until recently by Jennifer Benson of Lunenburg and Shaunna O’Connell of Taunton. Benson left the House to work as president of the Alliance for Business Leadership and O’Connell resigned after being elected as mayor of her hometown last November.

Democrat Carol Doherty and Republican Kelly Dooner, both of Taunton, are competing in the Third Bristol House district. In the 37th Middlesex district, Democrat Danillo Sena of Acton faces Republican Catherine Clark of Lunenburg.

The deadline for prospective candidates to turn in nomination signatures to qualify for the 2020 ballot passed in early May. Republican officials are still awaiting final certifications, but expect they will be able to run candidates in at about 55 House districts and eight Senate districts.

Republican Party Chairman James Lyons, who lost his House seat to Democrat Tram Nguyen in 2018, told the News Service this month

that party officials have their eyes on the seat that Democrat Rep. Theodore Speliotis of Danvers is giving up, and the district covering Tewksbury and Wilmington that is currently represented by Democrat Rep. David Robertson.

The MassGOP is also planning to compete in the 12th Worcester District, where Democrat Rep. Harold Naughton of Clinton is giving up his seat to join a law firm based in New York. Republican State Committeewoman Susan Smiley is running there.

The MassGOP also sees a chance to be competitive against Rep. Jonathan Zlotnik of Gardner, Rep. Kathleen LaNatra of Kingston and Rep. Josh Cutler of Pembroke. And Lyons said he expects to have five or six candidates running in the state’s nine Congressional districts and two for U.S. Senate.

Democrats are hoping the turnout surge that accompanies presidential elections will help them build on super-majorities in both branches and return an all-Democrat delegation to Washington D.C.

Mercy LIFE Supports Vulnerable Seniors at Home During COVID-19

WEST SPRINGFIELD — Older adults with underlying health conditions are at higher risk for severe complications from COVID-19. Mercy LIFE, a Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), has risen to the challenges of the pandemic by providing medical care and social services to keep seniors safe at home.

Traditionally, Mercy LIFE's all-inclusive care model provides coordinated and comprehensive medical and social services at the Mercy LIFE Day Center, in the community and at home to help frail, medically compromised seniors remain living in their own homes. Since COVID-19 first hit our region, Mercy LIFE has transformed service delivery to its more than 300 participants in their home settings.

"During COVID-19, the safety of our participants remains our top priority," said Emmanuel Cheo, who recently became Mercy LIFE's Executive Director. "And for now, staying home is the safest way to minimize their risk of contracting the virus."

Although Mercy LIFE continues to be operational, its day center has been closed with the implementation of stay-at-home and social distancing mandates. Early on in the pandemic, Mercy LIFE's inter-disciplinary team acted quickly to augment its all-inclusive services and innovatively meet its participants' needs at home.

- Medical care: nurses and primary care providers visit participant homes for hands-on care, as needed; physicians and nurse practitioners are utilizing telehealth technologies for virtual visits; medications, medical supplies, and cloth masks are delivered to participant homes
- Rehabilitation therapy: physical therapists and occupational therapists have implemented telephonic or virtual therapy sessions; therapists visit participant homes for hands-on care, as

needed

- Nutritional care: meals are delivered to participant homes; Mercy LIFE staff are connecting participants with food banks and assisting with online grocery shopping
- Social work services: The Mercy LIFE social work team breaks down socioeconomic barriers for our participants; caregivers can turn to Mercy LIFE social workers for guidance and support; social workers connect participants with community resources via telephone call
- Social engagement: isolation resulting from stay-at-home orders can be challenging for seniors; Mercy LIFE's recreational therapy teams have group calls with participants; telephonic activities like BINGO and trivia, along with activity packets delivered to participant homes, keep participants engaged and socially connected
- Participant and caregiver education: Mercy LIFE serves as a source of truth for COVID-19 facts with participants and caregivers; the program keeps participants informed of signs and symptoms, how to avoid getting sick, and other topics like how to avoid fraud and scams during COVID-19
- Spiritual care: participants can choose to participate in prayer and reflections via telephone with Mercy LIFE staff and other participants; many seniors are seeking spiritual support to cope with the impact of COVID-19

"Mercy LIFE is uniquely positioned to provide comprehensive care for seniors during this time," said Cheo. "The Mercy LIFE team is dedicated to serving our senior population and keeping them safe. We look forward to seeing our participants together at the Day Center when it safely reopens." To learn more about the PACE model and Mercy LIFE, call 413-748-7223 or go to www.mymercylife.com.



Wielgus honored
Don Wielgus received an award at the Westfield Moose Lodge 1255 in appreciation for his efforts on behalf of the Volunteer Firing Detail at the Agawam Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Don is a member of American Legion Post 124, Marine Corps League 141, Vietnam Veterans Chapter 219, and VFW member at large. At the ceremony, members of the Westfield Purple Heart Trail accepted a financial donation from the lodge for up keep of the Westfield Purple Heart Trail. Wielgus is pictured with Allan Ardito. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

POLICE LOGS

Major crime and incident report Thursday, May 14, 2020 WESTFIELD

4:53 p.m.: community service, Grove Avenue, a patrol officer reports he participated in a birthday parade;

5:46 p.m.: larceny, East Silver Street, a caller reports her grandson's bicycle was stolen while he was briefly inside a supermarket, the responding officer reports an incident report was filed;

6:25 p.m.: document service, Cedar Lane, an officer detailed to serve a protective order reports the order was served in hand;

8:40 p.m.: noise complaint, Hopkins Road, a caller reports hearing several loud explosions or gunshots, the responding officer reports he learned that fireworks had been discharged in the neighborhood but he was unable to determine the source;

11:20 p.m.: suspicious activity, Cycle Street, a caller reports

hearing noise and seeing flashlights at a house under foreclosure, the responding officer reports the homeowner's daughter and friends were in the house but left when the owner came to the house;

11:42 p.m.: noise complaint, Mechanic Street, a caller reports neighbors gathered around an outdoor fire are playing music loudly, the responding officer reports the tenants had been advised earlier to extinguish their fire, the fire was extinguished and the tenants went indoors.

SOUTHWICK

8:02 a.m.: animal complaint, Granville Road, loose dogs were reported running in the area, the dogs were returned to their home on South Loomis Street;

10:20 a.m.: traffic control, College Highway, police assisted with traffic control and moving cones by Meadow View Farm;

9:53 p.m.: officer wanted, College Highway, a citizen at the Mobul station was asking patrons for a ride, police officers

gave the person a courtesy transport to Depot Court;

11:33 p.m.: fire, College Highway, Southwick Fire Department responded to an alarm and discovered a faulty valve on a propane tank.

COURT LOGS

Westfield District Court Thursday, May 14, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, cases will be heard only on an emergency basis. Generally, only cases involving defendants in custody will be heard, remotely, utilizing videographic and telephonic technology. No comprehensive system for reporting the results of such hearings has been established.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

THURS., MAY 21, 2020 IS THE 142ND DAY OF THE YEAR. 224 DAYS REMAIN UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR.

ON THIS DAY

1403 – Henry III of Castile sends Ruy González de Clavijo as ambassador to Timur to discuss the possibility of an alliance between Timur and Castile against the Ottoman Empire.

1554 – Queen Mary I grants a royal charter to Derby School, as a grammar school for boys in Derby, England.

1659 – In the Concert of The Hague, the Dutch Republic, the Commonwealth of England and the Kingdom of France set out their views on how the Second Northern War should end.

1660 – The Battle of Long Sault concludes after five days in which French colonial militia, with their Huron and Algonquin allies, are defeated by the Iroquois Confederacy.

1674 – The nobility elect John Sobieski King of Poland and Grand Duke of Lithuania.

1703 – Daniel Defoe is imprisoned on charges of seditious libel.

1725 – The Order of St. Alexander Nevsky is instituted in Russia by Empress Catherine I. It would later be discontinued and then reinstated by the Soviet government in 1942 as the Order of Alexander Nevsky.

1758 – Ten-year-old Mary Campbell is abducted in Pennsylvania by Lenape during the French and Indian War. She is returned six and a half years later.

1792 – A lava dome collapses on Mount Unzen, near the city of Shimabara on the Japanese island of Kyūshū, creating a deadly tsunami that kills nearly 15,000 people.

1851 – Slavery in Colombia is abolished.

1856 – Lawrence, Kansas is captured and burned by pro-slavery forces.

1863 – American Civil War: The Union Army succeeds in closing off the last escape route from Port Hudson, Louisiana, in preparation for the coming siege.

1864 – American Civil War: The Battle of Spotsylvania Court House ends.

1864 – The Ionian Islands reunite with Greece.

1871 – French troops invade the Paris Commune and engage its residents in street fighting. By the close of "Bloody Week", some 20,000 communards have been killed and 38,000 arrested.

1871 – Opening of the first rack railway in Europe, the Rigi Bahnen on Mount Rigi.

1881 – The American Red Cross is established by Clara Barton in Washington, D.C.

1894 – The Manchester Ship Canal in the United Kingdom is officially opened by Queen Victoria, who later knights its designer Sir Edward Leader Williams.

1904 – The Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) is founded in Paris.

1911 – President of Mexico Porfirio Díaz and the revolutionary Francisco Madero sign the Treaty of Ciudad Juárez to put an end to the fighting between the forces of both men, concluding the initial phase of the Mexican Revolution.

1917 – The Imperial War Graves Commission is established through royal charter to mark, record, and maintain the graves and places of commemoration of the British Empire's military forces.

1917 – The Great Atlanta fire of 1917 causes \$5.5 million in damages, destroying some 300 acres including 2,000 homes, businesses and churches, displacing about 10,000 people but leading to only one fatality (due to heart attack).

1924 – University of Chicago students Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold, Jr. murder 14-year-old Bobby Franks in a "thrill killing".

1927 – Charles Lindbergh touches down at Le Bourget Field in Paris, completing the world's first solo non-

stop flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

1932 – Bad weather forces Amelia Earhart to land in a pasture in Derry, Northern Ireland, and she thereby becomes the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

1934 – Oskaloosa, Iowa, becomes the first municipality in the United States to fingerprint all of its citizens.

1937 – A Soviet station, North Pole-1, becomes the first scientific research settlement to operate on the drift ice of the Arctic Ocean.

1939 – The Canadian National War Memorial is unveiled by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

1946 – Physicist Louis Slotin is fatally irradiated in a criticality incident during an experiment with the demon core at Los Alamos National Laboratory.

1961 – American civil rights movement: Alabama Governor John Malcolm Patterson declares martial law in an attempt to restore order after race riots break out.

1966 – The Ulster Volunteer Force declares war on the Irish Republican Army in Northern Ireland.

1969 – Civil unrest in Rosario, Argentina, known as Rosariazo, following the death of a 15-year-old student.

1972 – Michelangelo's Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome is damaged by a vandal, the mentally disturbed Hungarian geologist Laszlo Toth.

1976 – Twenty-nine people are killed in the Yuba City bus disaster in Martinez, California.

1979 – White Night riots in San Francisco following the manslaughter conviction of Dan White for the assassinations of George Moscone and Harvey Milk.

1981 – The Italian government releases the membership list of Pro-paganda Due, an illegal pseudo-Masonic lodge that was implicated in numerous Italian crimes and mysteries.

1982 – Falklands War: A British am-

phibious assault during Operation Sutton leads to the Battle of San Carlos.

1991 – Former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi is assassinated by a female suicide bomber near Madras.

1992 – After 30 seasons Johnny Carson hosted his penultimate episode and last featuring guests (Robin Williams and Bette Midler) of The Tonight Show.

1994 – The Democratic Republic of Yemen unsuccessfully attempts to secede from the Republic of Yemen; a war breaks out.

1996 – The ferry MV Bukoba sinks in Tanzanian waters on Lake Victoria, killing nearly 1,000.

1998 – In Miami, five abortion clinics are attacked by a butyric acid attacker.

1998 – President Suharto of Indonesia resigns following the killing of students from Trisakti University earlier that week by security forces and growing mass protests in Jakarta against his ongoing corrupt rule.

2001 – French Taubira law is enacted, officially recognizing the Atlantic slave trade and slavery as crimes against humanity.

2003 – The 6.8 Mw Boumerdès earthquake shakes northern Algeria with a maximum Mercalli intensity of X (Extreme). More than 2,200 people were killed and a moderate tsunami sank boats at the Balearic Islands.

2005 – The tallest roller coaster in the world, Kingda Ka opens at Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson Township, New Jersey.

2006 – The Republic of Montenegro holds a referendum proposing independence from the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro; 55% of Montenegrins vote for independence.

2010 – JAXA, the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency, launches the solar-sail spacecraft IKAROS aboard an H-IIA rocket. The vessel would make a Venus flyby late in the year.

2011 – Radio broadcaster Harold

Camping predicted that the world would end on this date.

2012 – A bus accident near Himara, Albania kills 13 people and injures 21 others.

2012 – A suicide bombing kills more than 120 people in Sana'a, Yemen.

2017 – Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus performed their final show at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

1972 – The Notorious B.I.G., American rapper (d. 1997)

1973 – Stewart Cink, American golfer

1973 – Noel Fielding, English comedian, musician and television presenter

1974 – Fairuza Balk, American actress

1974 – Havoc, American rapper and producer

1976 – Deron Miller, American singer-songwriter and guitarist

1977 – Ricky Williams, American football player and coach

1978 – Max B, American rapper and songwriter

1978 – Briana Banks, German-American porn actress and model[55]

1979 – Scott Smith, American mixed martial artist

1981 – Craig Anderson, American ice hockey player

1981 – Edson Buddle, American soccer player

1981 – Josh Hamilton, American baseball player

1984 – Brandon Fields, American football player[59]

1985 – Andrew Miller, American baseball player

1986 – Myra, American singer and actress[64]

1986 – Greg Stewart, Canadian ice hockey player

1992 – Hutch Dano, American actor

1992 – Lisa Evans, Scottish foot-

Pandemic rules put brake on energy efficiency efforts

By COLIN A. YOUNG
State House News Service

BOSTON - The energy efficiency program run by the state's utilities has been somewhat successful at continuing to promote efficiency during the pandemic and officials plan to follow the steps outlined by the Baker administration this week to eventually resume in-home and in-business appointments.

Patrick Woodcock, commissioner of the Department of Energy Resources, said Tuesday that he has been in touch with utility companies about how the Mass Save program can eventually get back to conducting work that requires interaction with a homeowner or business owner.

"We are working with all the utilities on utilizing the phased approach that the governor announced and applying it to Mass Save," he said during a meeting of the Mass. Clean Energy Center's board. "As we can continue to expand additional measures that get into homes, we'll certainly be balancing this clear-

ly critical work but also one that does have a customer interaction to it."

The utilities that administer the Mass Save program have suspended "any non-essential work and appointments that require a contracted vendor to enter a customer's home ('in-home') or business ('on-premise') or come in close, physical contact with other individuals." The group said that it has been "looking for ways to assist contractors in order to support their continued workforce and mitigate the impact of COVID-19-related work slowdowns and stoppages."

Woodcock said Tuesday that he is paying particular attention to employment issues in the energy efficiency sector, where contractors frequently visit homes and offices to assess efficiency or help an owner make improvements. He said he is mindful that the efficiency industry includes "a lot of small businesses that don't have the same level of amplitude that some of these larger energy companies might."

Fish and Game chief satisfied with reopening plan

By CHRIS VAN BUSKIRK
State House News Service

BOSTON - With Gov. Charlie Baker's plan to return the state to some semblance of normal life out in full view, the state's top fish and game official said his department received nearly all of what he asked for in the first phase of reopening.

Department of Fish and Game Commissioner Ronald Amidon said Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito and Baker asked him to participate in an outdoor recreation hunting and fishing working group for reopening the state. He said services and activities like fishing, trapping, and outdoor shooting ranges were some of things on his mind when thinking about reopening.

"Yesterday, we got almost, I would say 95 percent of everything we asked for in phase one, with a lot of limited restrictions, but moving forward we'll continue to work with the Lieutenant Governor on reopening the state for phase two, three, and four," he said at a Fisheries and Wildlife Board meeting on Tuesday.

In phase one of Baker's plan, dubbed "Start," outdoor adventure activities, and most fishing, hunting, and boating can open on May 25 with restrictions and guidelines. Campgrounds will have to wait until the state enters phase two, also known as "Cautious," to begin operations.

While some indicators for the reopening process are trending in the right direction, state government officials can revert to a previous stage if the COVID-19 situation worsens.

MassWildlife Director Mark Tisa said his department is planning to operate remotely for the next six to eight months, a fact most businesses and government entities have had to face as COVID-19 rapidly shut down offices.

"It's likely that we're going to be dealing with the coronavirus certainly through now, most likely through the winter and into early next spring," he said at the start of the meeting. "We continue to make plans for, like I said, limited re-entry at some point, what technology upgrades we may need to continue to operate remotely."



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Hoose looks to the birds

To the Editor,

Hi folks, first of all; sorry for the morbidity of my last edit. But, I know a lot of us are a bit depressed and it is better to get it out than keep it in.

OK, back to me being me. I want to give the greatest praise and appreciation to our police, fire, and other first responders for their acts of "community service" by enabling children, and others to celebrate their birthdays. Innovative thinking at its best.

As I said, I no longer have Ollie, and my cat, Poe; I have gone to feeding the birds near my house. Just as when Mr. Bear, and then later with Ollie when we went to Allen Park, and fed the birds...the birds would gather as we approach, and quietly waited then as we left swooped down to get the food. At times there was a distinctive call that they made. Even though having a big dog with me, they knew I was there to leave food. Now, the local birds do the same, even without the big dog. I added a chipmunk to the crowd. They often have a look out sitting on a stump. I hear them get close. I even had them escort me to my door and sit on each side of the steps, unafraid of my approach. Not much, but is something positive, and for me NEAT.

Oh, I started doing something else in the afternoon, sitting out front, enjoying the warm sun with my radio, and an ice tea and chat and wave with people who come by. That too is neat. And more neat is that if the music is good, I get up and do a little dance. Hey, when alone I have to entertain myself. Hopefully sometime some may join me, and they are more than welcome. If this happens, I'll have to consult with the neighbors, PD, and of course Emma's and Dunn and Phillips; across the street.

OK, the serious part. I am getting more concerned about efforts to privatize the Post Office. NO! As well, major cuts in Medicaid/Medicare, and Social Security. Hasn't the Prez gotten the message there are a lot of seniors being harmed by COVID? OK, I am bored and I am thinking, and that can be an interesting combo. Hey, I am 71, not much of a future left, so why not? So, until next time stay healthy, YOU ARE IMPORTANT!

Your former Ward 3 City Councilor, and current Community Advocate Brian Hoose. brhoose@comcast.net

Virus trends may enable Cape to salvage season

By KATIE LANNAN
State House News Service

BOSTON - If Memorial Day traditionally starts the summer season on Cape Cod, this year's unofficial kickoff will come with much of the hospitality industry there and throughout the state still shuttered to customers and visitors amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The dining and lodging establishments that make up major pillars of Cape Cod's seasonal economy aren't included in the first phase of the reopening plan Gov. Charlie Baker laid out on Monday, and the earliest they could reopen under that plan is June 8.

With more specifics of Baker's plan now public and the Memorial Day holiday days away, officials on a Cape Cod Reopening Task Force are advising business owners to begin planning now for how they'll reopen, with public health precautions in place, when they are allowed to do so, in order to make the most of the summer season that many of the region's businesses rely on for their profits.

"I am cautiously optimistic that we will have a summer season," Sen. Julian Cyr told reporters Tuesday. "It's going to look different than prior summer seasons and it's going to be delayed. It's going to start later than we traditionally have with Memorial Day weekend."

Cyr, who serves as a spokesman for the local task force, said its members have been highlighting to Baker's reopening advisory board the seasonal nature of the local economy and its reliance on tourism.

The task force is also emphasizing to residents and visitors the importance of adhering to public health guidance around practices like wearing masks, washing hands frequently and maintaining distance from others, including on beaches.

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Walsh uncomfortable with state's office reopening plan

Boston Mayor urges seniors to hold off on worship services

By MATT MURPHY
State House News Service

BOSTON - With the state's economy beginning to wake up on Tuesday, Boston Mayor Marty Walsh said he has no plans right now to lift the city's curfew and worries that allowing offices to reopen at a quarter of normal capacity next month might be "too much" to start, drawing one of the brightest lines between the city and state approaches to reopening.

Walsh stressed the importance of moving cautiously in the capital city into this first phase of jump-starting the economy. The mayor outlined a more deliberate approach to resuming construction activities in Boston, and said the city was working on a plan that could be ready in the next week or two revolving around outdoor dining once restaurants are allowed to reopen.

The mayor spoke outside City Hall on Tuesday for the first time since Gov. Charlie Baker detailed his four-phase strategy to reopen the Massachusetts economy after two months of being mostly shut down due to fears over the spread of COVID-19.

The mayor said he thought Baker took a "thoughtful approach" to reopening, but differed with the governor over the reopening of offices downtown. The governor said offices in Massachusetts can bring 25 percent of their workforce back starting next Monday everywhere except Boston, where activity can resume on June 1.

"I'm personally not comfortable with the 25 percent, to be quite honest with you, and we're looking at it now. I just had a conversation before I came down about what the number would be, but I think 25 percent on the first day would be too much," Walsh said, noting that some large companies like State Street have said they won't reopen offices right away.

The mayor said that Boston is unique in that it is the third most densely populated major city in the country, and roughly doubles in population size every day as people commute in to work. The city's diversity and identity as a hub of tourism, higher education and health care also creates unique challenges, he said.

"Overall, the data tells us that we're moving in the right direction on new cases, on positive tests and in hospitalization for about three weeks here now, and that is good news. But every day the trend also gives us reason for caution in the terms of how gradual it is, in how necessary our precautions have been and how much potential there is for new outbreaks if we don't keep doing the right thing," Walsh said.

The city of roughly 700,000 people has had 11,958 cases of COVID-19 and 587 deaths attributed to the disease. The most recent report showed a daily uptick of 92 positive cases and 10 deaths. Boston's positive test rate over the past week of 13.9 percent is slightly higher than the state's overall 10.2 percent rolling seven-day average, but it has been trending downward.

The first phase of Baker's reopening plan began Tuesday with manufacturing,



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh said Tuesday that "every day the trend also gives us reason for caution in the terms of how gradual it is, in how necessary our precautions have been and how much potential there is for new outbreaks if we don't keep doing the right thing." [Photo: Courtesy/City of Boston]

construction and houses of worship allowed to reopen under strict hygiene, capacity and social distancing guidelines.

In Boston, Walsh said construction on schools, hospitals, smaller residential projects and open-air construction will begin this week with contractors required to submit COVID-19 safety plans before returning to work, while all other work allowed by the state won't resume until next Tuesday, after Memorial Day.

The city is also working with employers to develop more specific guidance and support structures to help businesses bring workers safely back to office buildings throughout the city on June 1, but Walsh said he may reduce the initial capacity to lower than 25 percent.

In addition to the risk of viral transmission with more people commuting into Boston for work, Walsh said he worried that the return of 25 percent of the office workforce to the city could overwhelm the city's child care capacity as day care centers remain closed under the governor's order.

As for churches, Walsh said choir singing "should not happen" and house of worship should not feel compelled to reopen if they can't do it safely. The governor's protocols require masks and strict social distancing between households seated in places of worship, but Walsh urged older residents vulnerable to COVID-19 to stay away for now.

"I want to speak directly to seniors today, including my mother and aunt and uncles. I know for many of you your place

of worship is the heart of your community, and you're missing it. I want you to hold off," Walsh said.

Baker on Monday described his reopening plan as a balancing act between protecting public health and the health of the economy, on which families depend to pay their rents and mortgages and buy food. Walsh reinforced that tension on Tuesday, saying he wouldn't do anything to risk the health of Boston residents, but also talking about his concern when he sees long-time city establishments like Stella restaurant in the South End closing for good.

"We have to get it right because I don't think we can afford a second closedown," Walsh said.

Restaurants won't be allowed to open until the second phase of Baker's plan, which won't be for at least three weeks, depending on the public health trends. But Walsh said City Hall was working on a plan to help restaurants be ready for outdoor dining, if possible, and did not rule out closing down portions of city streets to make space for tables and chairs.

The city's barber shops and hair salons will also begin to reopen on Monday, and though Walsh said he feared those businesses, as well as churches, mosques and synagogues, could be the most at-risk for outbreaks as they reopen, he did not rule out a trim for himself.

"I certainly would like to get a haircut," Walsh said. "I haven't gotten one in awhile, so the answer to the question is you'll see me Monday."



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No timeframe available on State House reopening

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BOSTON - The governor's reopening plan on Monday didn't address when the people's house, and the governor's workplace, will reopen to the public. And House and Senate leaders are also not committing to any timeframe for reopening the State House.

"In order to follow the parameters of CDC guidelines and public health best practices, the State House will continue to remain closed to the public," Senate President Karen Spilka and House Speaker Robert DeLeo said in a joint statement.

Gov. Charlie Baker outlined Monday a four-phase reopening plan that would gradually revitalize the state's economy and move the commonwealth into a "new normal." Construction projects and houses of worship got the green-light to begin operations immediately while businesses such as night clubs and large venues will have to wait until phase four, dubbed "new normal," to open up.

Offices in Boston are currently scheduled to reopen on June 1, but at 25 percent of capacity. However, it's unclear where the State House falls under the reopening timeline. Baker said he and the Legislature, which share control of the building, are talking about "how they want to handle this place and space."

The governor did address the status of government agencies that serve the public.

"But state government generally is, on the executive side, has been open all the way through here and the big challenge for us, and it will roll out over the course of the next couple of weeks and we'll obviously make sure people have notice, is we're going to have to open up some stuff that we either started doing online or dramatically reduced the amount of customer-facing activity that we did, and we'll be rolling that out over the course of the next few weeks, but we fully expect to put as much of what we possibly can back in service," he said at Monday's news conference.

The State House closed to the public the evening of March 16 and since then the once bustling hallways have been



sparingly populated save for a few legislators attending House and Senate sessions and during the governor's daily press conferences.

A spokesperson for the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance deferred to the governor's comments from Monday. The division oversees the Bureau of the State House which is responsible for the operation of the building.

Drug consumption pilot netted 13 votes on committee

By CHRIS LISINSKI
State House News Service

BOSTON - More than two-thirds of lawmakers on a legislative committee endorsed a bill that would launch medically supervised drug-use facilities in Massachusetts, underlining what one sponsor described as a long-running effort to overcome discomfort with the controversial but life-saving proposal.

Thirteen of the Joint Committee on Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Recovery's 19 members supported legislation creating a 10-year pilot program for at least two supervised consumption sites, where individuals could consume controlled substances, including illegal drugs, without threat of arrest and could be revived from any potential overdose or medical emergency.

Four representatives voted against advancing the bill, which now moves to another legislative committee with an uncertain future and opposition from Gov. Charlie Baker. Two senators declined to support or oppose it.

Every lawmaker who backed the committee's redraft (H 4723) is a Democrat, but the vote did not break down exactly along party lines: votes against it came from Republican Reps. William Crocker and Alyson Sullivan, independent Rep. Susannah Whipple and Democratic Rep. Angelo Scaccia, an aide to co-chair Rep. Marjorie Decker told the News Service.

Fellow co-chair Sen. Julian Cyr's office said that five senators voted in favor of the bill and two reserved their rights, but refused to say which two lawmakers did not take a position.

Of the committee's seven senators, four -- Cyr, John Keenan, Cindy Friedman and Brendan Crighton -- either cosponsored an earlier version of the legislation or confirmed they voted in support of the rewritten version.

The remaining three, Democratic Sens. Jo Comerford and Walt Timilty and Republican Sen. Patrick O'Connor, [a] could not be reached Tuesday.

The committee's endorsement is a major step for the proposal, which has floated around Beacon Hill for years.

The Senate adopted language calling for a pilot program in its version of a 2018 opioid bill, but dropped it during private negotiations with the House. Both branches set up an expert panel, which included Friedman, to study the idea further.

Supporters argue that supervised consumption facilities, sometimes referred to as safe injection sites, will give people struggling with addiction a safe place to consume heroin or other drugs without risk of overdose.

According to the most recent Department of Public Health data, 2,023 Massachusetts residents are confirmed or suspected to have died from opioid-related overdoses in 2019.

Fentanyl has become increasingly common in overdose cases, and because it is so potent -- according to the CDC, it is 50 to 100 times more powerful than morphine -- it can trigger a fatal overdose in a matter of seconds. Public health experts who support supervised consumption sites say they allow for immediate intervention with the overdose-reversing drug naloxone, a timely response that is critical to preventing death.

"This is a notion that makes people really uncomfortable, and I started out being uncomfortable, too," Friedman said in a Tuesday interview. "But then when you look at the data and realize it's not about me, it's not about us, it's about saving people's lives. It's a really important thing to do, and I'm so glad they did it. I think it's a big step."

The committee's bill would pilot at least two sites over the next decade. Any community would need to opt in to open a site.

Drug users would have to acquire substances outside the facilities. Workers would provide sterile syringes and other injection supplies, and they would also refer users to addiction treatment whenever possible.

It is unclear if there is enough support among legislative leaders to bring the proposal to a full vote in either chamber this session, particularly because the COVID-19 pandemic is consuming almost all attention.

Neither House Speaker Robert DeLeo nor Senate President Karen Spilka indicated Tuesday whether they support or oppose the bill, or what their plans may be for the legislation.

"In this time of crisis, we must be very cautious of the most vulnerable around us, and certainly, that includes those struggling with addiction," Spilka said in a statement. "I was pleased to see regulatory rules modified during this public health crisis to streamline the availability of medication assisted treatment and I look forward to working with my colleagues to continue the conversation on the committee proposal."

A DeLeo spokesperson said the bill that cleared the Mental Health Committee "will continue to be reviewed as it goes through the process."

Baker previously described the idea as a non-starter -- even after the panel chaired by his health and human services secretary, Marylou Sudders, recommended piloting one or more sites as part of a statewide

harm-reduction strategy -- because U.S. Attorney Andrew Lelling has stressed such facilities would violate federal law and draw enforcement.

In October, a federal judge ruled that Pennsylvania non-profit Safehouse would not violate the so-called "crack house statute" of the Controlled Substances Act by opening a supervised consumption site in Philadelphia.

One day after the ruling, Lelling said he "respectfully disagrees" with the judge's decision and renewed his argument that the sites are illegal under federal law. "Efforts to open injection facilities, including here in Massachusetts, will be met with federal enforcement," he said.

Friedman cited the ruling as a key step toward the committee's embrace of legislation, and she said she hopes the decision will help bring Baker on board.

"We need to be willing to take a chance," she said. "I think saving these lives is worth it, and I'm going to try to convince people that if we have to go to court, then we'll let the courts decide. But I think we have a very, very good argument that this is health care. We're not encouraging people to use drugs. There's no data that this encourages people to use drugs. We're keeping people safe."

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Baker's plan allows beaches to reopen on Monday, May 25. Cyr said communities on the Cape will be reminding beachgoers not to gather in groups of more than 10 and to keep a 12-foot space between different groups' towels or blankets.

The administration's new standards for beaches also prohibit organized ball games and require beachgoers to comply with the state order mandating that masks or other face coverings be worn if a distance of six feet from others cannot be maintained. Masks are not required when swimming.

"We're really going to need the public to comply with and adhere to the public health and safety precautions that are advised," Cyr said. "How quickly we are going to be able to open the rest of our economy here is going to depend on people's compliance and adherence to those guidelines."

The Baker administration's reopening plan does not attach specific dates to transitioning to new phases, when additional activities are allowed to resume. The movement instead hinges on public health data measuring progress in curbing COVID-19. Baker has said each phase will last at least three weeks but could be longer.

In the first phase, which began Monday, restaurants remain limited to takeout and delivery service, hotels can only house essential workers, travelers from out-of-state are asked to quarantine themselves for 14 days after arriving in Massachusetts, and a "safer at home" advisory encourages residents to limit their trips out.

In Phase 2, travelers would still be urged to self-quarantine and business and recreational travel would be discouraged, but lodging could open with new restrictions in place. Restaurants and traditional retail could also reopen, with capacity limits and other restrictions.

Previously, members of the Cape Cod task force have said they're expecting a muted season this year in light of the pandemic and the corresponding public health restrictions.

Wendy Northcross, CEO of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, said Tuesday that they're concerned about the fate of small businesses and restaurants who need their summer income to stay afloat the rest of the year.

A fluke of the calendar this year has Memorial Day landing on its earliest possible date and Labor Day at its latest, Northcross said, adding an extra two weeks of summer that could serve as a "cushion" and blunt the pain of a less fruitful season.

Businesses like restaurants and hotels are modifying their plans, she said, looking at new variables like anticipated capacity limits, added cleaning costs, and an unclear timeline for resuming operations.

"The sooner we have that date certain for restaurants and accommodations to fully accept reservations is going to take a great burden off them," she said.

Northcross said all fields on the Cape -- from its health care system to fishing industry to village shops -- have felt the economic pinch, and some businesses may go under if they didn't have enough capital to make it through a period of mandated closures and restrictions.

Restaurants are expecting their interior capacity to be

reduced, she said, and many are looking to expand outdoor seating to make up for that loss.

"We've been working with our communities to try to accelerate that process for them, to make it easier for them to expand to the outside, even temporarily, for a year or two," she said.

She said her organization has asked federal officials for \$3 million to create a revolving loan fund for seasonal businesses, similar to a step that was taken after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Cyr said state lawmakers are working to figure out what more can be done to help small businesses, but that financial assistance will most likely need to come from the federal government, given the state's own financial constraints.

"Without federal stimulus aid, we're going to be very limited in our ability to help not only small businesses, but also their employees," he said.

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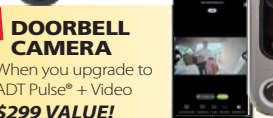
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Davignon, Cole Alexander
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Diaz, Jake Ramon
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Downs, Kailey Alexis
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Florek, Andrew James
Fouche, William Moore
Fontaine, Elizabeth Anne
Galczynski, Elizabeth Jane
Gallo, Isabella Meg
Gamache, Amanda Erin
Gardner, Hannah Lynne
Gardner, Noah Robert
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Glynn, Elliott Frances
Gogol, Ethan Andrew
Gonzalez, Nicholas Galaleo
Goyette, Sydney Amber
Guay, Alexis Olivia
Haleemdeen, Salma Fazil
Hevey, Troy Joseph
Hitchcock, Aleksandra Zofia
Hooper, Jasmine Theresa Chang
Isler, Jessica Elizabeth
James, Carly
Janusz, Mikolaj Gabriel
Johnson, Kaela Mae
Kane, Elise Anne
King, Dylan Nicholas
Kiniry, Race David
Klee, Cameron Denis
Klyuchits, Daniel Jason
Kotfila, Matthew Timothy
Krawiec, Nicholas Matthew
Krupiensi, James Ryan
Kuhn, Grace Emily
Kusnierz, Max Adam
Lambert, Ryan Elyse
LaMountain, Grace Elizabeth
Langford, Isabella
LaPoint, Emma Mabel
LaPoint, Ryan Joseph
Latshaw, Melody Crystal
Lemelin, Isabelle Cecile
Lindsay, Emaleigh Paige
Lisowski, Cameron Michael
Lujan, Livia
Makonahally, Pratham Devansh
Mastroianni, Ella Rose
McCormick, Jeremy William
Menzel, Abigail Joan
Metcalf, Emma Grace
Mohammed Zakir, Fathima Fazna
Morash, Grace Frances
Natario, Matthew John
Ninotti, Walter Attilio
Page, Michael Thomas
Panasluk, Angela Julie
Pantus, Philana
Patridge, David Carl
Pchelka, Jeanette Jessica
Peloquin, Isabella Rose
Petrovych, Daniil Oleksandrovych
Petzold, Emma Rose
Phaneuf, Antonio James
Poirier, Aiden Andrew
Porter, Tyler Raymond
Powers, Madelyn Mackinnon
Price, Kaitlin Elizabeth
Rawson, Sean Thomas
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Rowell, Kailey Anne
Ruffo, Morgan Paige
Ruiz, Ricardo
Ryan, Cassidy Gail
Samoylenko, Vitaliy Yevgenevich
Sanders, Sydney Rose
Sanford, Logan James
Sardinha, Vasco Andrade
Saunders, Cassidy Rose
Scanlon, Samantha Casey
Schabowski, Anthony Thomas
Scherpa, Jay
Scherpa, Kyle
Scott, Andrew Robert
Shvetsov, Arthur Stanislav
Siart, Brooke Louise
Slivca, Roman Petru
Slonka, Isabella Angeline
Szostek, Vivian Elizabeth
Therrien, Andrew Michael
Urban, Martyna Justyna
Urbanski, Cara Elizabeth
Urbanski, Leah Marie
Valeri, Nathan Edward

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Adamites, Matthew Kiet
Al Nassar, Maram Zaid
Allen, Alyssa Marie
Al-Rekaby, Ameera Deanne
Altieri, Rylee Elizabeth
Alvalle, Josiah Ignacio
Alvarado, Megan Ann
Ares, Aileen
Arooth, Dylan Michael
Bates, Peyton Christopher
Bean, Destiny Lynn
Biskupic, Mia Angelina
Byers, Madison Jean
Calderella, Joseph Elliott
Callahan, Patrick Thomas
Carboneau, Sophie Grace
Carey, Tucker John
Casey, Abigail Victoria
Chrisanthopoulos, Anna Rose
Cintron Alvelo, Angel Gadiel
Clark, Jack Ryan
Collins, Matthew Robert
Collins, Michael Kenneth
Eidinger, Andrew Scott
Fortier, Jack Joseph
Fryar, Alyssa Marie
Gall, Aidan Mckay
Guarente, Kristen Margaret

Gusiev, Denys Ievgeniiovych
Haley, Alexis Jade
Hosmer, Kevin Hautin
Hoynoski, Cameron David
Jachym, Jake James
Jorgensen, Gracia Chella Dawn
Kestler, Drew Olivia
King, Hunter Matthew
Klein, Harrison David
Kudrya, Mark Aleksandr
Lafeer, Ilma Fathima
Laiho, Jada Anne
Laquerre, Carly Elizabeth
LeBlanc, Hannah Marie
Leclair, Cooper Stephen
Liquori, Thaddeus Joseph
McGlynn, Aidan Michael
McKenzie, Caroline Kathleen
Mendoza Perez, Isaac Noel
Miller, Kyle Allen
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Mulvenna, Gina Rose
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O'Connor, Carly Ann
Ovdychuk, Kristina Diana
Packard, Rachel Rose
Parks, Collin James
Popoli-Pickett, Bryan Jeffrey
Povar, Milana
Provost, Alexander Crane
Ramos Osorio, Leniel Lee
Rodriguez, Carlos Victor
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Rosado, Kayleana Sandra
Rosado, Sujailee Marie
Russell, Allyson Jill Jianjuan
Saikin, Olga
Sarmiento, Dayanara Lizeth
Savoy, Julia Patricia
Seleznev, Ivan Alexandrovich
Solopa, Nichita
Stackpole, Samantha Ann
Tomczak, Jordan Lynn Gail
Usher, Emily Anne
Vega, Jolena Anne
Wallace, Shanaevia Monet
Williams, Julianna Jade
Yesu, Silas James
Zuev, Simeon Yuryevich

FIRST HONORS GRADE 11
Aguiar, Noah Alexander
Anjos, Morgan Paige
Ayala, Jonathan Joseph
Bardakova, Julia Vitaliy
Barouxis-Kroll, Zachary Miles
Bartlett, Eve Kathrine
Beardsley, Griffin Alan
Bilodeau, Andrew James
Boisseau, Annie Lynn
Bonacci, Steven Francesco
Bowen, Matthew Ryan
Brutskiy, Derek
Burek, Melanie Rose
Burns, Kelly Elizabeth
Burzynski, Katharine Marie
Cabral, Ambar Mery
Cherepanova, Marharyta
Chhetri, Bibas
Clauson, Rebekkah Janelle
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Cook, Miles Robert
Croteau, Colette Paige
Czarnecki, Christian James
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Feary, Marissa Ann
Ferrara, Jessica Laurel
Finnie, Lara Gray
Foyle, Emma Kathleen
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Gorman, Matthew William
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Houle, Coral Lin
Hudson, Ananda Marie
Hutchison, Abbey Rose
Hynes, Mason Bradley
Ivanova, Angela Natalya
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Jarvis, Brennan Jeffery
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Jury, Ellen Michaelina
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Kravchuk, Evelyn
Kukharchuk, Khristina Ilona
LaCourse, Alex John
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Loper, Max Jakob
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McMahon, Matthew Ryan
Mihalek, Emily Nancy
Miller, Wade Jess
Moniz, Emily Jeannette
Morash, Ryan Alexander
Morrissey, Catherine Elizabeth
Narkiewicz, Ethan David
Navarro, Solimar Michelle
O'Connor, Kathryn
O'Dea, Derek
Oliver, Kieran Brice
Osowski, Cayla Beth
Pavlyuk, Viktoriia
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Persuittie, Isabel Cosette
Pighetti, Ashton Edward
Pikulskiy, Borys
Piper, Alyssa Sheileen
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Prystowski, Maggie Vera
Puza, Alexis
Rae, Mackenzie Alice
Regan, Grace Elizabeth
Regnier, Elizabeth Louise
Richter, Alexa Marie
Rinaldi, Dominic Matthew
Ritchie, Makenzi Christina
Robitaille, Alexander James
Rowbotham, Sean Edward
Santaniello, Aimary Joy
Scarpa, Isabella Star

Serafinski, Madison
Shutt, Matthew David
Silvia, Anita Gail
Slivka, David Ivan
Slowik, Jessica Elizabeth
Smith, Saige Kathleen
Sokolov, Svetlana
Spiller, Kelsey Alexandra
Stern, Karenna Eliana
Stovall, Aaron Christopher
Stucenski, Trent Robert
Stucenski, Troy Jeffrey
Sundararajan, Suvin
Taupier, Joseph Alan
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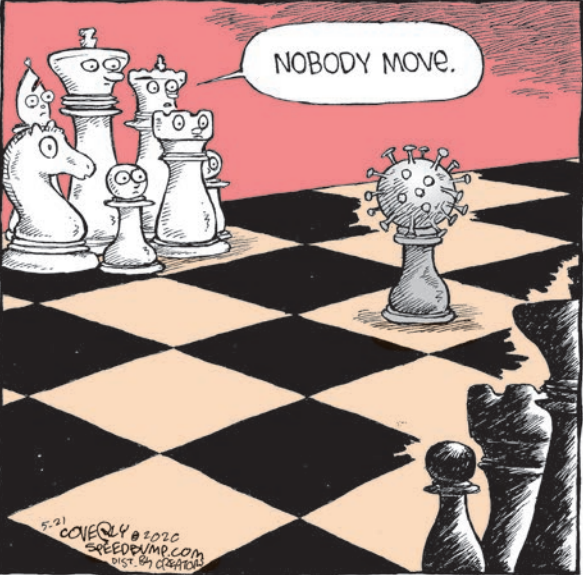
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Barber, Christopher Howard
Bean, Catherine Victoria
Bellows, Brooke Ellen
Bertone, Michael Anthony
Bradley, Clay Jameson
Breault, Jade Reanne
Brewster, William David
Brown, Olivia Cameron
Brumley, Emma Catherine
Bruno, Hannah Rose
Bucalov, Anastasia Iosif
Burek, Kirsten Beth
Burgos, Joshua
Cardoza-rebollo, Angelou Baltazar
Cheney, Hannah Claire
Chumakova, Yana Igorevna
Cline, Amber Lynn
Collier, Jamie Renee
Colon, Hannah Liz
Colon, Jordan Kirby
Connor, Keely Lynn
Connors, Genesis Jeanette
Dargie, Luke James
Darjee, Anisha
Dellapenna, Robert Anthony
Diaz, Gianpaul
Dintzner, Shaelee Ann
Drugan, Shea Daniel
Edelson, Zachary Julian
Edwards, Raeana LIESHA
Farnham, Rebecca
Felix, Jasmin Alicia
Fillion, Katelynn Leeann
Fox, Madison Julia
Franco, Carina
Fraser, Abigail Grace
Gosselin, Jayne Marie
Hardie, Mackenzie Olivia
Hernandez, Leeana Nicole
Houck, Katherine Barbara
Jones, Logan Clash
Kostecki, Jacob David
LaBombard, Jake Alan
Laquerre, Gillian
Little, Rayan Lewis
Masotti, Julia Grace
Masso, Jeremiah
McClenahan, Jesse Morgan
Melchionne, Daniel Vincent
Michaud, Faith Elizabeth
Niyogushima, Eraston
Noel, Jared Andrew
O'Kane, Donovan Joseph
Povar, Karyna
Provost, Daniel Fischer
Quarterley, Aiden Race
Rodriguez Escobar, Irellis Zaiyan
Romanelli, Julia Marie
Smith, Nola Adele
Soto, Alyssa Evette
Sotolongo, Melody Rose
Taddia, Sophia Marie
Torres, Eilin Marie
Vaughan, Toran Charles
Vazquez, Shanaya
Ventrice, Aliyah Rayann
Waltt, Autumn Skye
Walker, Andrea Marie
Yvon, Megan Rose
Zaghloul, Kareem

FIRST HONORS GRADE 12
Adamczyk, Madison Emma
Adamtsev, Garrett Samuel
Alvarado, Kyana Marie
Alvord, Sean Peter
Arona, Adrianna Marie
Asselin, Janet Merylina
Bacon, Matthew Joseph
Baker, Hannah Mary
Balland, Alexis Jordan
Barakhtenova, Karina Leonidovna
Barcomb, Caroline Anne
Barnachez, Garrett Austin
Barnas, Kirsten Anne-Marie
Barouxis-Kroll, Alexander Steven
Baush, Ethan
Berezuns, Mark
Blackwelder, Emily Rose
Blair, Adam Patrick
Bollenbach, Noel Ann
Bone, Emily Catherine
Boyle, Aidan Joseph
Brusa, Julia May
Brutskiy, Jimmy
Buckelew, Daniel William
Cameron, William Douglas
Carnes, Allyson Mary
Champagne, Tyler Normand
Clemons, Megan Julianna
Coloske, Emily Margaret
Conroy, Jillian Rose
Cree, Kaleb Joseph
Curbelo, Madison Elizabeth
Danahey, Megan Lee
Daury, Luna Liang
Diaz, Nicholas Ramon
Doiron, Melissa Anita
Dolat, Nicole Marie
Drewnowski, Francesca Helen
Engley, Collin Donovan
Feyre, Shaunna Elizabeth
Fiordalice, Althea Sage
Fitzgibbons, Megan Patricia
Flaherty, Isaac Lane
Flaherty, Katelyn Joan
Flores-Skribiski, Carlos Javier
Fodor, Daniel
Foster, Cameron Matthew
Foster, Chase Michaela
Gage, Christopher Ted
Gelinas, Benjamin Samreth
Gelinas, Emily Kathryn
Ghalayini, Samir Zakaria
Goodwin, Madeline Augustine
Goretskiy, Stefan
Hannan, Reid Douglas
Heenehan, Felicia Jade

Houck, Enders Frederick
Jarrell, Clarissa Shannon
Johnson-Corwin, Connor Edward
Jurczyk, Owen Patrick
Kaubris, Samantha Lynne
Kayzakian, Imma Sarine
Kelso, Maia Joelle
Kiltonic, Mckenzie Grace Augustine
Knowlton, Jeffery Fernand
Kovalski, Erika Noelle
Kukharchuk, Rebecca Suzanna
Lafeer, Fathima Aqela
Lally, Kristen Kelly
Lamarche, Claire Elizabeth
Langlois, Emily Marie
Leclair, Hadleigh Beth
Liptak, Mackenzie Christine
Little, Raynaisha Jo
Madsen, Alexis Marie
Maniscalco, Rachael Devorah
Martell, Patrick Philip
Matuszczak, Kealyn Cecile
McCann, Madison Victoria
McGrady, Colin Daniel
McGrievy, Chloe Madeleine
Menzel, Lauren Elizabeth
Mikhailinchik, Solomia
Miller, Jessica Ann
Misseri, Justin Paul
Mochak, Kaela Adelaide
Monti, Rebecca Paige
Moorhouse, Ryan Lorenzen
Morash, Matthew Paul
Moriarty, Brigid Mary
Muldrew, Aaron Christian
Nesmelova, Victoria Vasilyevna
Nolan, Jeffrey Allen
Osovski, Rebecca Nicole
Pease, Hannah Constante
Phillips, Hailey Elizabeth
Phillips, Kaitlyn Nichole
Philpott, Margaret Kathleen
Piper, Robert James
Pitoniak, Emily Sophie
Rawson, Brian Charles
Reyes, Alexis Leigh
Rivera, Gianna Charline
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Roberts, Darrin Jon
Rowell, Shelby Koren
Scanlon, Colin Joseph
Servetnik, Nicole A
Spafford, Cloe Lynn
Spear, Emily Rhea estelle
St Onge, Megan Alyssa
Stathatos, Nicolas Dmitri
Stefano, Harrison Deane
Suhocki, Anthony Vincent
Sullivan, Shannon Rowan
Taglieri, Sophia Teresa
Thiam, Paulina Amimata
Towle, Jaelyn Cecile
Towle, Jordan Audreylee
Vysotska, Veronika
Warren, Alyssa Lie-ann
Ziblim, Mashkur Wunnam

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Adamczyk, Joseph Leslie
Archer, Sam
Asselin, Jacqueline Marian
Bean, Hannah Elizabeth
Beaulieu, Jack Dalton
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Berard, Emily Marie
Bernatchez, Matthew Daniel
Bhujel, Shanil
Bilodeau, Jordan Robert
Carboneau, Gerald William
Carrasquillo, David Alexis
Carzello, Jack Joseph
Chepureenko, Aleksandr
Chrisanthopoulos, Peter Alexander
Cigal, Miles Cameron
Cioch, Aidan Michael
Clark, Marisa Phyllis
Clauson, Samantha Breanne
Clemons, Jack Ethan
Coughlin, Riley John
Croteau, Adam James
Cruz, Anarilees Marie
Daniels, Caitlin Frances
Darjee, Roji
Dolan, Kylie Ann
Dubiel, Abigail Anne
Fisher, Asha Marie
Forkey, Shane Wayne
Foster, Gavin Frederick
Galarza, Aaliyah May
Garfield, Amber Rae
Garstka, Adam James
Gaugh, Alexander Michael
Gentle, Elizabeth Slade
Gourde, Cameron Michael
Grabowski, Amaya Michelle
Guerra, Jaylene Alise
Guiel, Avery Danielle
Gustafson, Samantha Lyn
Guzman, Tatiana Jaily
Hall, Lauren Elizabeth
Henry, Yanaira Mariz
Jacobs, Lindsey Marie
Jasmin, Cole Alexander
Jenney, Erikah Elizabeth
Jimenez Rios, Alondra Cristal
Judycki, Zachary Ryan
Katuwal, Anusha
Kondratyuk, Victoria Sergei
LaCross, Maya Frances Teresa
Leonchyk, Iryna
Lewis, Sophie Rachel
Lively, Hunter Allan
Lussier, Jack Robert
Lynch, Jack Garreth
Maldonado, Yarelis
Mata, Erika
McNeill-Chambers, Ayanna
Morales, Hugo Leoneal
Nalepinski, Christian David
Ocasio Santiago, Oscar Johel
Orzechowski, Emma Rose
Pallotta, Mario Vincent
Park, Woohyun
Paroline, Jagger Richard
Patridge, Ashlyn Mae
Phillips, Ryan Michael
Pilecki, Amy Paige
Przechocki, Charles Benjamin
Rivera Matos, Noslen Jair
Rodriguez, Nathanael Luke
Salih, Ritaj Ahmed
Saunders, Ethan Robert
Schnopp, Cameron Robert
Schumacher, Chloe Anne
Shink, Joseph Charles
Shrewsbury, Tyler Brennan
Stone, Andrew Barry
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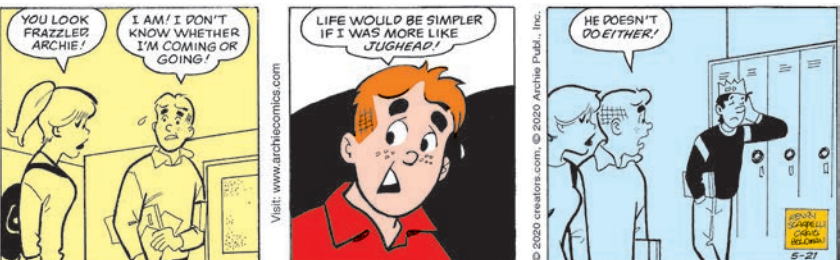
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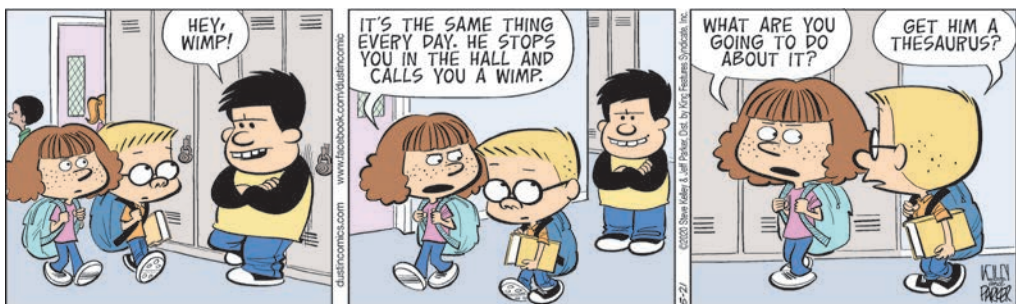


The first and last time Professor Rittenberg would ever observe Bring Your Kids to Work Day.

DADDY'S HOME Tony Rubino and Gary Markstein



DUSTIN By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



SCARY GARY Mark Buford



DOGS of C-KENNEL Mick and Mason Mastroianni



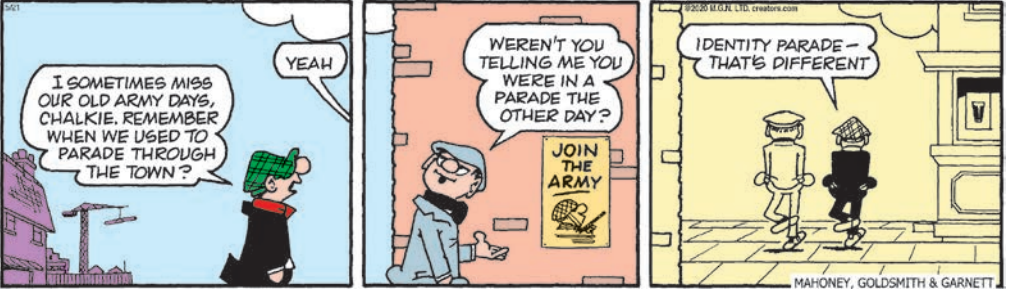
B.C. Mastroianni and Hart



ONE BIG HAPPY Rick Detorie



ANDY CAPP Mahoney, Goldsmith and Garnett



ZACK HILL John Deering and John Newcombe



JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS YOUR HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, May 21, 2020:
Visionary and dauntless, you fight for what you believe in. The funds for your project come through at the last minute, and all you need to do is get better at accepting help. If single, your standards may be too high, so you must learn tolerance if you are to find a mate. If attached, allow yourself to be more vulnerable with your partner, and romantic bliss is your destiny. LEO wants to give to you more.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:
5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Your security is fluctuating. Family members or household members are affecting your cash flow. Seek additional income. High overhead means it is best not to overextend or gamble now. Pursue a position of leadership or rise to other new challenges. Tonight: Return calls first.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Your charm and agreeable manner add to the general aura of good luck today. Invest in art, jewelry or collectibles. Seek favors from those in authority. Romantic involvements bring a deep happiness. Tonight: You could be delighted by what you hear from friends.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Inner healing and a sense of peace will be generated today. Service to others and to the planet brings you a profound happiness. Visit or call an ill or elderly person, or clear away debris from a park or seaside. Tonight: Spend time in meditation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ It is a day to develop nurturing friendships. Your charm and popularity are emphasized. You are responsive to peer pressure, especially from those who are in pursuit of all kinds of pleasure. Enjoy yourself, but keep your goals and priorities in sight. Tonight: Early bedtime.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You are motivated and enthused about your work, but diplomacy and patience are a must to ensure success today. Separate family and personal issues from professional responsibilities. Tonight: You can only gain from being open and expressive with a child.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Today finds you applying spiritual teachings to daily life situations. You will be vital and creative. Your appearance even improves, lending strength to your self-esteem. This results in good fortune affecting your personal life as well as professional status. Tonight: You receive deep and loving acceptance.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You display a flair for research and detective work. Today draws a mystery into the open. Your desires are directed toward making a special acquisition or establishing a relationship. Tonight: You always come through for others. Give yourself the gift of a night off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Others are preoccupied and distracted. Be patient if you have to repeat questions or wait for phone calls to be returned. Your beloved is easier to understand. You successfully guide the course of your close relationship. Tonight: Relate on a one-on-one basis.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ It is an ideal time to implement new habits. You feel an urge to be productive. Your job and projects bring deep satisfaction. Get organized with a schedule that enhances your well-being and productivity. Tonight: A loved one is only too delighted to join in.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19)
★★★★ There is rapport with those you care for most. Communicate your deepest desires and concerns, and you will be understood. You feel some divided loyalties among acquaintances. Remain impartial if there are conflicts and competitive feelings brewing. Tonight: Tolerance carries you a long way.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ There is a new aura of love and contentment coming into your residence and family life. Be kind and tactful when conversing with loved ones. It is better to speak less and listen more. Tonight: Organize a gathering with relatives by Zoom or FaceTime.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Today brings clarity and focus. You produce impressive writing and speak eloquently. Word skills are in top form. Enlist support and seek information. You develop more self-confidence and marvelous persuasive talent. Tonight: Be careful what you wish for, as you very well might get it.
BORN TODAY
Reformer Elizabeth Fry (1780), musician Fats Waller (1904), director Nick Cassavetes (1959)

CONTRACT BRIDGE

Voyage of discovery

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K 10 7 2
♥ A 9 5
♦ K J 6
♣ Q J 3

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

EAST
♠ 4
♥ 10 8 6 4 3
♦ 9 8 4 3 2
♣ 6 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q 9 5
♥ K Q J
♦ A Q 10
♣ A K 5

The bidding:
East 3 NT Pass
South 3 NT Pass
West 7 NT
North 7 NT
Opening lead — ten of clubs.

A player doesn't often get the chance to bid seven notrump at his very first turn, but that's what happened to North on this deal. Considering the circumstances, though, he was on very firm ground. South's three-notrump bid indicated 25 or 26 high-card points, which in turn meant that the most East-West could have

was one point, so North could hardly have done less than raise to seven.

West led the ten of clubs, and South could see at once that he had 12 absolutely sure tricks, with a probable 13th in spades.

But since either opponent might have been dealt four (or five) spades to the jack — which could easily be overcome if declarer knew which opponent had the spade length — South had to play carefully. He began by cashing three club tricks, learning that West had started with five cards in that suit.

Then, continuing the exploratory process, South next cashed three heart tricks and three diamond tricks, revealing in the process that West had been dealt exactly two hearts and two diamonds. These developments proved conclusively that West had started with four spades.

Accordingly, South next played the A-Q of spades, East showing out, as expected, on the second spade. It was then a simple matter to lead another spade toward dummy and score the K-10 to bring in the grand slam.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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CROSSWORDS

ACROSS

1 Avocado dip, for short
5 NYPD alert
8 Over-confident
12 Author Ferber
13 Trio after R
14 Luau entertainment
15 Katy Perry hit song
16 La —, Bolivia
17 Doctrines
18 Hire
20 Galvanizing metal
22 Dated record?
26 World
29 Squealer
30 Golf prop
31 Curds' partner
32 Morning moisture
33 Hammer part
34 Ad —
35 Museum-funding org.

DOWN

1 "Arbitrage" star Richard
3 Japanese noodle
3 Scrambled wd.
4 Rye bread seed
5 Colorado ski resort
6 School org.
7 Noisy wood cutter
8 Glisten
9 Sweet variety of wine
10 Einstein's birthplace
11 Petrol
19 Some fridges
21 Hairy Addams cousin
23 Pick up the tab
24 Consider
25 Hankering
26 "Horton Hears —!"
27 Grand
28 Educational talks
32 Blueprints
33 Like some earlobes
35 Super Bowl org.
36 Winter ailment
38 Leers at
39 You'll get a rise out of it
42 Sea predator
43 Crony, out West
44 Flightless birds
45 Tool set
46 Hubbub
48 Cattle call

Solution time: 24 mins.

Yesterday's answer 5-21

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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53				54				55		

CRYPTOQUIP

P F E Q X P B O A V U E D L O
M O Y G E D L A K D Q E A W M G B U B
B I B U W K D B R V A Y K D A O D X
A K R Y : " Y F B B I B F B Y Y E D
Y B O A A F B . "

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THAT TRAVEL AGENT LADY IS TOUTING VACATIONS TO A CERTAIN ISLAND COUNTRY. SHE SELLS SEYCHELLES.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: P equals F

Dear Annie

By ANNIE LANE



Let Go of First Love

Dear Annie: I've been seeing this guy, "David," on and off for almost a year and a half and we have this long-distance relationship going on. This is my very first relationship, but he's been with a few women in the past. While we can't see each other as often as we'd like, I intend to fix that this fall semester, since I'll be transferring to a college that is closer to where he lives. I'm really looking forward to watching football games together and bringing him to college parties with me.

The bottom line is that I've grown to really have feelings for him. In fact, I think I love him. But sometimes when we talk, he reminds me that I'm not going to be the only woman in his life. He tells me that he plans to come home one day to children -- and two women.

He says he would like to start seeing someone else while still dating me. Although it kind of breaks my heart, I'd still want to be in that relationship with him. I said I'd be there for him no matter what happens because I love him so much. And I said that I'm fine with another woman. But really, I don't think I am.

There are many great things about David: He does his "boyfriend duties." He's there for me when I'm sad, when I need to rant, when I just need to feel loved. We text each other a lot when we're both not too busy. I know he has work, and he works on recording music after work, which can make life pretty busy. So some days we don't talk to each other, which I totally understand.

I don't want to let go of him because he's become such a big part of my life already.

I want him to be happy and achieve his dream of living with two women, so I wouldn't mind if another woman is involved. And if it ever got to be

too much for me, I could just leave him (and take any children we have with me and be a single mom), right?

I don't know what I really feel. I want to be with him, but I don't want to fight for his attention. Am I selfish in a way for wanting my man to myself, to not have to share him with another woman? What should I do? -- *In Between*

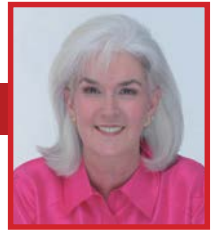
Dear In Between: This will never work, no matter how hard you try. You are clearly not OK with the idea of Mark having a second girlfriend (and who would blame you). Break it off, and the sooner the better. You'll feel lonely for a little while, but not nearly as lonely as you would beside someone who can never love you the way that you need.

I know this is your first relationship, and you can't imagine yourself with anyone else. But there will be someone else -- someone who will think it's a dream come true to date just you.

Dear Annie: I received my stimulus check in my account two days ago. I feel very blessed. Though I'm not rich by any measure, I am retired, so I have a steady income, my house is paid for and I have no outstanding debt. Yes, I have expenses: I just paid almost \$2,000 for car problems. But I am only losing my "cushion" during this economic crash. I'm not afraid of losing my home, struggling to feed my children or paying my bills. I am donating at least a part of my check to Dare to Care Food Bank and have challenged my friends to do the same -- to donate to their preferred charities. Will others join in? -- *Grateful and Want to Share*

Dear Grateful: Your generosity is inspiring. This is a wonderful idea for those who can manage it. Thank you for writing.

HINTS FROM HELOISE



Stop the spread

Dear Heloise: At the start of cold and flu season, I got in the habit of washing my hands when I came home after doing errands. But I also added the extra step of wiping down the steering wheel, gear shift, car door handle and anything else I touched with a sanitary wipe. It would seem especially more important to take this extra precaution during the present health crisis.

I enjoy reading your tips in The Villages Daily Sun and passing them on to family! -- *Virginia B., Fruitland Park, Fla.*

MESSY EATER

Dear Heloise: My dog is a sloppy eater and drinker, so there was always a mess to clean up. I put a rubber bathmat under his bowls to catch all the spills. I scrub it clean with a brush in the sink using some dishwashing soap and water. -- *Gloria in Maine*

Gloria, great idea! A designated cloth, dish-drying mat would work as well. Just throw it in the washing machine to clean. -- Heloise

WRITE IT DOWN

Dear Heloise: I write the model and serial number for any electronic device or appliance, such

as computers, printers, etc., on a sticky label and put it at an easily accessible place on the item.

There's nothing worse than having to try to turn a heavy printer or other appliance over to see the numbers needed to contact service for help. -- *Sherri H., Statesville, N.C.*

Sherri, I agree! Appliances and printers can be heavy, and searching for any needed information for a service call when you are already frustrated is no fun. -- *Heloise*

SAFE LANDING

Dear Heloise: I love watching birds visit my birdbath, but I was having a problem with algae growth due to the birdbath being in the direct sun. So I moved the birdbath under a tree. The birds loved the new location! The tree branches not only blocked the sun's rays, but also provided a safe landing spot out of predators' view. -- *Robyn in Texas*

RECYLING OLD TIRES

Dear Heloise: I would like to suggest that people use old tires for planters if they're growing flowers, but not for growing edibles. Plants can pick up chemicals from the tire in the soil, and veg-

etables, such as potatoes, can end up tasting like old tires. -- *Kathy in Bozeman, Mont.*

MELTED MESS

Dear Heloise: Help! I left my plastic grocery bag too near a hot burner on my stove. The bag melted and stuck to the burner. How can I safely remove the melted plastic? -- *Phyllis in Texas*

Phyllis, I've certainly heard this one before. It's a very common problem. Don't worry. It's easy to fix. Fill the sink with enough hot water to completely cover the burner, and let it soak until the water cools. After draining the water, sprinkle salt on the melted plastic. Scrub with the rough side of a kitchen sponge. The salt should serve as a mild abrasive. Then rinse away the plastic. -- *Heloise*

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 131, SECTION 40 (WETLANDS PROTECTION ACT) A PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON: May 26, 2020 at 7:30 PM FOR A DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY by virtual meeting.

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

Previous puzzle solution

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9	6	4	7	1	3	8	5	2
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