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'Good' to 'Excellent'



PHOTOS BY BRUCE MILLS / THE SUMTER ITEM

Alice Drive Elementary School teachers hold up signs honoring the school's "Excellent" rating on Wednesday in the school's media center during a celebration event.

District administration and Alice Drive Elementary principal honor a job well done by teachers in annual report card ratings

BY BRUCE MILLS

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"Good To Great" was a bestselling management book from 2001 describing how some companies transition from being good companies to great companies and how most fail to make the transition.

Alice Drive Elementary School could be a case study for that achievement in the classroom after going from a "Good" rating on its school report card in 2022 to an "Excellent" rating in 2023.

Sumter School District adminis-

trators and the school's principal held a celebration event for teachers and other staff in the school's media center on Wednesday after the state Department of Education released all schools' report card ratings on Tuesday.

In his second year now leading the school, Alice Drive Elementary Principal Eric Masaitis said essentially it was a total team effort in moving the school up the ratings ladder in distinction in his re-

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DID YOU KNOW?

Alice Drive Elementary is the first elementary school in Sumter School District to receive an Excellent rating on the school Report Cards since 2012. This year it ranked in the top 4% of all 660 public elementary schools in the state in

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U.S. cities boost security as fears spread over Israel-Hamas war despite lack of threats

BY ALANNA DURKIN RICHER Associated Press

BOSTON — Police in New York, Los Angeles and other U.S. cities increased patrols, authorities put up fencing around the U.S. Capitol and some schools closed Friday amid fears of violence inspired by the Israel-Hamas war. But law enforcement officials stressed there were no credible threats in the U.S.

A former Hamas leader's call for a "day of rage" put American Jew-

ish communities on edge and sparked heightened security around houses of worship, schools and cultural institutions. The jitters were a sign of just how much the war between Israel and Hamas is reverberating around the world, striking fear in communities even in the absence of a credible threat.

Law enforcement officials said they were on high alert for violence driven by antisemitic or Islamophobic sentiments after the Hamas attack on Israel. Jewish

and Muslim groups have reported an increase of hateful and threatening rhetoric on social media.

We cannot and do not discount the possibility that Hamas or and other foreign terrorist organizations could exploit the conflict to call on their supporters to conduct attacks here on our own soil," FBI Director Christopher Wray told Jewish community leaders at a security briefing on Thursday.

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Clarendon district says it won't waive *Item* FOIA fees to help inform public

BY ASHLEY MILLER

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Clarendon County School District has declined a request by *The Sumter Item* to waive Freedom of Information Act fees.

On Sept. 26, The Sumter Item reached out to not only the communications director Keisa Carr, but also copied in an email CCSD Superintendent Shawn Johnson and all board members including Chairman Arthur Moyd, Vice Chair Alex Craven, Ceth Land, Secretary Linda Lemon, Ron Wingard, Falecia Miller, Luther Faulk, Joseph Postell and Robert Fleming.

The email requested all fees resulting from a FOIA request submitted by *The* Sumter Item be waived.

The email to the district states: "[*The* Sumter Item reporter Ashley Miller] recently attended an education beat reporting roundtable with the South Carolina Press Association. Another media lawyer also said once a document is reviewed by a school board member, a county council member or anyone on a governing board, that document is then public record for the reporter and the residents who request to

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3 Sumter students receive full tuition from foundation's Harmon Scholarship

Sumter's Next Generation's Mihlbauer among the trio

BY ALAYSHA MAPLE

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Four years of tuition-free schooling sounds too good to be true, right? Not for these three Sumter students.

Central Carolina Community Foundation awarded the Harmon Scholarship to three outstanding Class of 2023 students from Sumter.

Established in 2015 by Fred Harmon, the Harmon Scholarship is a four-year renewable scholarship that covers the balance of a student's tuition, on-campus housing, meal plan fees and essential items such as textbooks and a laptop. Harmon, who co-founded the South Carolina-based safety technology firm SixAxis, created the fund to "help students achieve the American Dream through higher educational opportunities, encouragement and financial assistance.'

'Rather than giving a small amount of money to a number of people, I choose to give a very generous amount to select individuals, to make sure that they could actually go to school and have a productive and

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Clarendon administrator updates council on projects

BY ASHLEY MILLER

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Clarendon County will now take over building inspections for the Town of Turbeville after two resignations and the termination of the town inspector.

During the Oct. 9 Clarendon County Council meeting, County Administrator/Attorney David Epperson announced in his monthly administrative report that the Town of Turbeville recently selected the county to oversee its building inspections. The county did this already for the City of Manning and the Town of Summerton.

'We look forward to working with the town on this endeavor," Epperson

This comes after the Sept. 22 reporting from The Sumter Item on the resignations of the now-former mayor of Turbeville, Kathryn Turbeville, and now-former Town Administrator Bill Taylor. Their resignations came after the termination of the town's building inspector, Curt Whaley, during the Sept. 12 town council meeting.

The Town of Turbeville town council also looked at another option through an outside company, CC&I, which also provides building inspections and code enforcement services for local governments across the

According to Taylor, they have certified and licensed building officials who can do the work and rebate those jurisdictions with a percentage of the fees —which is why Taylor suggested the town go with that route.

Despite this option, the Town of Turbeville decided to use the county to conduct all its inspections.

Epperson also updated council members on projects and facilities along with some miscellaneous items.

He said the Wyboo Wastewater **Treatment Plant Diversion Project** work continues; contractors are currently working on the pump stations. Epperson also said completion of the project is expected by December.

'We are excited about the growth potential this will bring to the Highway 260 corridor," he said.

Facilities updates included Project Clarendon (911/EOC Center, Turbeville Fire Station. Public Works Facility. Fleet Maintenance Facility and Law Enforcement Annex), Turbeville Library, North Shore Sewer Project and the Lake Marion/Palmetto Trail Trailhead.

Epperson said due diligence work on all the properties for Project Clarendon has been completed. Offers for Architectural and Construction services have also been solicited for the fire station and the 911/EOC Complex.

"Once a location has been secured for the PW, fleet and law enforcement facilities, a solicitation for architectural services will be released," he said.

The new unofficially named library is still projected to be completed in 2025. Epperson said the design of the library is moving along well and site work should begin soon.

"We are expecting a cost estimate on the project any time," Epperson explained.

Because the intergovernmental agreement between Summerton and the county has been officially accepted for the North Shore project, a solicitation for a new "w/s (water/sewer) engineer should be advertised soon with final design and construction to follow," Epperson said.

In September, the Town of Summerton and Clarendon County entered

into an agreement that once the improvements are made, ownership will be turned over to the Town of Sum-

The last facilities update was about the Lake Marion/Palmetto Trail Trail-

"This project will be located at the foot of the Old Highway 301 pedestrian bridge at Lake Marion," Epperson

It is being funded through a grant from Clarendon County's portion of Watercraft Tax Funds and the Palmetto Trail. Project details and costs have been finalized, and construction should begin soon.

"We are excited to have this type of facility available to our citizens and visitors," he said.

According to his report, the Old Highway 301 bridge crossing Lake Marion has been opened to the public for pedestrian and bike traffic.

"I would encourage citizens and visitors to utilize this walking path to exercise and enjoy a breathtaking view of the lake," Epperson said.

Clarendon County offices will be closed Nov. 10 in observance of Veterans Day.

Coin enthusiasts to gather in Sumter for annual show

BY BRYN EDDY

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Coin collectors, both novice and seasoned, will be gathering in Sumter on Oct. 21 for a coin show.

The Sumter Coin Club and its annual coin show have been around for about 20 years.

'It's open to anybody of any knowledge," said Glenn Heimburger, president of Sumter Coin Club. "It's for either seasoned collectors or novices or people that just have something that a family member gave them that they're curious about how much it's worth."

He said there will be about 15 dealers present wno will be happy to take a gander at anything to do with coins or coin

collecting. The event is for buying, selling and trading.

"Coins not only serve as a

means to purchase goods, but also can be a way to preserve the memory of someone or some historical event. Not only by the design on the coin, but by remembering the personal experience you had with the person that gave you the coin," Heimburger wrote in a release. "The U.S. Mint produces annual sets that contain one coin of each denomination for the year. These make great gifts to commemorate someone's birth year. Coins for a specific event like a birth date or anniversary can be readily obtained at a coin show or coin shop. Coins depicting a famous person, place or thing may require a DIT MORE EHORT TO HING.

Last year, the show attracted more than 60 attendees and definitely more than double that in coins.

This year, attendees can bring up to 10 coins to get ap-



SUMTER ITEM FILE PHOTO

Mitch Johnson, treasurer of the Sumter Coin Club, looks through some of his collection he planned to show at the club's annual coin show in 2016. Attendees will be able to buy, sell and trade coins and currency, get free appraisals and could win a gold coin during this year's show on Saturday, Oct. 21.

praised for free, and there will be a raffle for a gold coin.

And Sumter Coin Club is always accepting new members. They meet on the third Tuesday of every month at Patriot Park Pavilion at 7 p.m.

The coin show will be on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bethesda Church of God fellowship hall on Broad Street. Admission is free.

SCDOT to close bridge on Bethel Church Road in **Sumter County for** maintenance on Monday, Oct. 16

STAFF REPORT

According to a news release from the South Carolina Department of Transportation, beginning on Monday, Oct. 16, SCDOT will close the bridge on Bethel Church Road (S-43-77) over Bush Branch for maintenance and repairs.

During this closure, drivers should follow the signed detour route using Starks Ferry Road (S-251), Cox Road (S-43-531) and Furman Road (S-43-32).

Signage will be in place to alert drivers of the closure and detour route. SCDOT asks drivers to use caution in the area during this time.

Test scores, 'master plan' ad hoc committee before school board Monday

Public participation also listed on agenda

BY BRUCE MILLS

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Official district test scores and board appointments to an ad hoc committee to develop a long-term "master plan" for Sumter School District's facilities headline school board topics for the trustees' next meeting.

Financial reports and public participation are also included on Monday night's agenda that was posted late this week by a district staff member, and board Chairman the Rev. Ralph Canty spoke briefly on Friday concerning Monday night's meeting.

The board majority seems to favor a

visionary "master plan" for considering building new facilities for some schools that have passed their service life and consolidating others where needed, Canty said. That new plan is opposed to a project study from two years ago approved by the previous school board to rezone attendance lines to balance all schools' enrollments that was hotly debated in the community.

A couple months ago, Superintendent William Wright Jr. brought that former "realignment" project study before the board again for consideration for implementation next school year as was proper protocol, but the trustees have not acted on it to date.

The long-term "master plan" will require the formation of a new committee to develop the concepts, and Canty hopes to start that process

Monday, he said.

As far as district test scores are concerned, the state Department of Education released schools' Report Card ratings this week and the administration will discuss those scores more in-depth with the board. Like most school districts across the state and nation. Sumter has made progress and gains over 2022 scores, but getting back to pre-pandemic levels in core subjects, especially math, continues to be a challenge.

"We are excited that there has been some movement in the right direction with our scores," Canty said. "Hopefully with the report we will get more indepth information about our total academic picture, and we anticipate discussing with administration on Monday or as soon as possible — some major strategies for building upon the progress we have made and pushing the excellence needle to a new level.

Because the meeting is the board's regular monthly meeting, public participation is at the top of the agenda. Any member of the public wanting to make a comment to the board on any topic must arrive before the 6 p.m. start time — as early as 5:30 p.m. and complete a form to speak.

Monday's meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at the district office, 1345 Wilson

For those not physically attending, the district continues to broadcast meetings live on YouTube.

Anyone wanting to attend the meeting virtually can do so via YouTube Sumter School District Board Meeting and the district's Facebook page, @SumterSCSchools.

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A Palmetto College Campus



McLeod Health donates \$25,000 to CCTC nursing program

SUBMITTED BY MCLEOD HEALTH

FLORENCE — As a partner in nursing education for the region, McLeod Health has made a contribution to an area nursing school. Support of valuable educational offerings is reflected in this year's \$25,000 gift to Central Carolina Technical College.

Nursing represents the nation's largest health care profession and the largest single component of hospital staff. By the year 2030, South Carolina will be one of four states with a nursing shortage of more than 10,000, according to an analysis by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Additional nurses will be needed to care for the aging population, who typically have more medical problems than younger people.

"The need for health care services is increasing as the number of aging baby boomers continues to grow," stated Kim Jolly, chief nursing officer for McLeod Health Clarendon. "As a result, more nurses are needed to educate and care for patients than ever before. It is crucial for our health care organization to support the education program at Central Carolina Technical College so that we can continue to educate nurses for years to come."

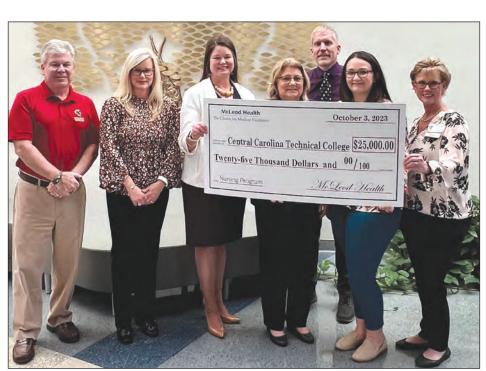


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"We value our partnership with CCTC as they prepare our future nurses to provide compassionate medical care to our patients and families," stated Jolly. "We are honored to invest in our students, our employees and our community as CCTC continues advancing educational opportunities."

According to Jolly, nurses serve an important role in the delivery of quality health care. "McLeod Health recognizes the value of our nurses' contributions to patient care," said Jolly. "They do so much to keep operations running smoothly and efficiently in our hospitals. Providing patient advocacy, promoting a safe

environment and participating in shaping health policies and patient education are also key nursing roles. With competent nurses as part of the medical team, McLeod Health is capable of carrying out its mission of providing quality health care for patients in the region."

Central Carolina Technical College offers multiple stackable credential certifications in the area of allied health, allowing students to progress in the field of nursing. CCTC students can choose to go directly into the two-year ADN program to become a registered nurse. With the stackable credentials models, students can start with the Medical Assistant and/or Phlebotomy program, move on to earn higher certification and then transition into the college's ADN program, which prepares students for the Registered Nurse (RN) boards.

"We are extremely grateful for this generous gift from McLeod Health," said Dr. Kevin Pollock, Central Carolina Technical College president. "With the hospital's continued support, we will be able to create a mutually beneficial academic-practice partnership where we maximize our resources, maintain cost-effective education and continue supplying frontline health care workforce to the communities we serve."



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My own point of view

sit on my front porch in the afternoons when I can and marvel at the western sky as the sun sets and the night comes on. The colors glow pink and orange in the fading light. It is the ending of yet another day, and we only have so many days in this world.

Sometimes, when I'm sitting there, I think about the events of the day, and other times I think about things to come. I don't dwell too much on the past. It is a small part of my life and is a little bit of what makes me who I am.

I grew up hunting and fishing and developed a love for the outdoors and the natural world. A lifetime of outdoor activities has shaped me. I love the cool, crisp mornings of fall and the warmth of the day before it gets too hot. I love a soft breeze on my face and the quiet of stillness. I dread the heat of midday summer and the sweat that runs in my eyes and blurs my vision.

Cold weather has always meant the hunting season is here. It is my favorite time of the year. When I was a youngster, we hunted quail and squirrels and rabbits. Then duck hunting and deer hunting. We hunted coons at night. There were no turkeys yet to hunt.

Dark nights are my friend. A sky full of stars is a wonder to me. The sounds of a darkened woodland in the night can send my mind into a state of imagination. But there is no fear. Never has been. A full moon on a cold, crisp predawn morning is a



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wondrous sight. It bathes the woods in a soft blue light.

A blaze of color on the horizon of a sunrise is a special treat, but it does not last long

enough. The light that comes is a welcome sight. The light gives color and shadow to the world around us. A blue sky is a beauty to behold. Soft, white puffy clouds are a perfect accent to the heav-

Sometimes there are dark clouds and wind and rain. A thunderstorm is a wonder to me. The lightning that dances across the sky in an instant and the thunder that rumbles is something that I love to see and hear and feel. It is a power beyond our grasp. Rain comes when it will.

After most of the hunting seasons have ended, there

are a couple of late winter months that have given me time to explore and scout. I tell people that I pay attention to things. What it means is that I notice the scenery as I drive around. There are changes to the landscape, the woodlands and the waters over a large-scale area. I notice timber operations, dirt road conditions and water levels in the creeks. On a closer scale, I walk the woods and look at the signs of wildlife. There are deer paths and trails that are easier to see now. Turkey sign seems to show up everywhere. There are scratchings and tracks where none existed for months. These scouting trips can happen any time of day, and there is no pressure to perform or any

To me, spring is a special time. The weather is nice. The bugs are not yet bad. The snakes are not out yet, except on some nice warm days. The air just seems

outcome that must happen.

It happens as a bonus for me.

clearer and cleaner. Birds are singing in the woodlands. It is a good time to be outside. The turkey hunting season is the highlight of the year for me. For some people, it is time to fish, but I think for me the fish can wait a little longer.

Turkey hunting is the highlight of all the hunting seasons. It is the supreme challenge to an avid outdoorsman. Turkey hunters must be good woodsmen and practice patience and perseverance. It is something that can be perplexing and seemingly hard to do, then it will unexpectedly pay off in success. To me, it is the best outdoor activity.

These thoughts are my own point of view, and I know some of you may have similar ideas but not everyone. And that's OK, too. My point is that we should all do what we love the most if possible. I know I will.

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Fun on the farm

Guests enjoy time with friends and family at Old Mc-Caskill's Farm in Rembert on Saturday, Oct. 7, as part of the farm's annual Fall Family Farm Day. Families were able to choose a pumpkin, hold baby animals, taste farm-fresh foods and take part in activities around the grounds.

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Lee, Wateree parks offering Halloween events this month for campers, visitors

STAFF REPORT

Join the park rangers at Lee State Park, fellow campers and ghouls and goblins as the park celebrates Halloween with a campsite decorating contest and trick-or-treating. Trickor-treating will run from 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28. Both campers and visitors can trick-or-treat in the campground but must be 15 and under. Campsite decorations will be judged beginning at 7 p.m. The park will announce the winner at 9 a.m. Sunday morning at the Ranger "campsite" — the picnic tables at the self-registration building at the campground entrance. There will be three winners this year, and the entire campground (sites 1-48) is competing in the same contest. The prize is a free two-night camping stay at next year's Camp-and-Treat.

The park is also hosting a pumpkin-carving session the same day from 3 to 4 p.m. Meet at picnic tables near the campground entrance and bring your own pumpkin to carve. The park will supply limited carving tools and stencils. Register with the park at https://tinyurl.com/3n3247w4. All ghouls and goblins under 18 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian.

Lake Wateree's annual Creepy Campout will be the "treat" of the season, held Oct. 28 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy trick-or-treating with park campers, visit and see the decorated campsites, and participate in many Halloween-themed activities throughout the day. Scavenger hunt and games will begin and end at the Tackle Shop. Activity times: 3:30 p.m. -

scavenger hunt raffle will take place at event tent; 5:30 p.m. — golf cart decoration contest parade will start and end at the Tackle Shop (all interested participants in the golf cart parade should be at the Tackle Shop around 5:10 p.m.); 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. — trick-or-treating for anyone with disabilities or accessibility issues; 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. — trick-or-treat in the campground; and 7:30 p.m. — campsite decoration contest winner will be awarded. Cost is \$5 for adults; \$3.25 for S.C. seniors/disabled and S.C. National Guard members; \$3 for students (ages 6 to 15); and ages 5 and under are free. Bring your Halloween costume and snacks if you stay all day, and if you plan on trick-or-treating, use a flashlight for safety and something to collect treats.





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see it "

"The FOIA allows the school district to waive charges for making records available when the request is in the public interest," said media lawyer Jay Bender.

The Sumter Item said the requested documents should already be available to the public. The email also states *The Item* waits days after a school board meeting to receive any board packet involving information listed on the agenda.

"Before the CCSD investigation was announced, [Miller] had no issues of FOIAing a document and receiving it for free through an electronic copy. The suggestion from the media lawyer was to request that any documents that [Miller] have to submit a request for should not be charged for, as these are documents that should be readily available for the public's knowledge," the email to the district stated.

The Item also requested the school district send all documents related to agenda items for a school board meeting before the meeting, which was not done for the last school board meeting on Oct. 2.

On Oct. 4, *The Sumter Item* followed up with the same individuals, seeking whether CCSD had acknowledged the previous email requesting a waiver of the FOIA request fees. No response was given to either email until Oct. 9.

The response letter was sent from Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Kathy Brown but was signed by Johnson.

"From our review of your request, the changes you are seeking differ from the district's current protocols and procedures in making public information available," the letter stated.

Under the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act S.C. Code 30-4-10(a) a person has a right to inspect or copy public records; fees; notification as to public availability of records; presumption upon failure to give notice; records to be available when requestor appears in person. In section (A)(1) a person has a right to inspect, copy or receive an electronic transmission of any public record of a public body, except as otherwise provided

by Section 30-4-40, or other state and federal laws, in accordance with reasonable rules concerning time and place of access.

South Carolina Freedom of Information Act S.C. Code 30-4-30 section B states a public body may establish and collect reasonable fees not to exceed the actual cost of the search, retrieval and redaction of records. Copy charges may not apply to records that are transmitted in an electronic format; however, if documents are not in electronic format and it is requested as electronic, the public body may charge for the staff time required to transfer documents. However, the records must be furnished at the lowest possible cost to the person requesting the re-

Although *The Sumter Item* has requested documents in electronic format, appeals to waive copying expenses have been submitted to the district on numerous occasions. During the past year, *The Item* has filed eight FOIA requests with CCSD alone. The district has sought a total payment of slightly more than \$300 to provide certain documents, with one fee amounting to nearly \$200.

"It has been my experience over the years that public bodies, and school districts particularly, spend a great deal of time and money figuring out how to keep information from the public," Bender said.
"Raising barriers to access to public records undermines the credibility of the school board and the district."

The response letter from Johnson stated they understand the waiver fee request but "the District believes that its protocols comply with FOIA and that your suggestions, without indicating a change in law, do not warrant a review of the District's protocols at this time."

"The school district's refusal to commit to waiving fees indicates that the district is using fees to discourage requests for records, and it suggests the district lacks a commitment to keeping its constituents informed of school district actions," Bender said.

The Sumter Item will continue to send requests for information through FOIA to keep the public informed.

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"Good is what we can get when we are working individually," he said. "It's when we all come together, which is what we did last



year and we will continue to do, that is what makes us Excellent, and I truly mean that. I am not going to bring this school to excellence by myself and neither are you. No one is. It is all of us working together that is going to make us Excellent, and you

did that."
Alice Drive Elementary has traditionally been a popular school with Sumter families because of its achievement levels, and he added that the total team effort also included the students and their families who did a lot of work.

The school is the only one in the district to earn an Excellent rating in the state Report Cards this year. To put the ranking in perspective, only 22.5% of public schools in South Carolina received an overall rating of Excellent, according to the state department.

Alice Drive is also the first elementary school in Sumter School District to earn an Excellent rating in 11 years, dating back to 2012

COVID-19: A HARD ROAD FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

It has been a hard road for a few consecutive years now for all teachers across the state and nation, given the COVID-19 pandemic and also protracted teacher shortages.

With the onset of the pandemic in March 2020, essentially the last nine weeks of school were wiped out locally and everywhere.

The pandemic lingered across the U.S. for the remainder of 2020 and also 2021, causing high levels of needed remediation for students in what has been termed as the "COVID slide."

Face masks and student quarantines at home were common in the 2020-21 school year and also in the first half of the next year in districts across the nation. That meant virtual learning at home for students through a laptop with their teachers, who were at school.

Impacts were even harder locally and in some other districts with a slow return to five-day, in-person instruction. Sumter did not return to the traditional learning model until April 19, 2021, 13 months after the start of the pandemic.

Then with the high levels of student quarantines still to start the 2021-22 school year, essentially last school year (2022-23) was the first "normal year" for teachers and students locally in three years.

TEACHERS UNITED LAST YEAR

Alice Drive Elementary fifth-grade math and science teacher Kim Johnston said the return to normalcy last school year brought peace and excitement back for teachers and students and that was important.

Given gaps and learning loss from the pandemic, she said there was a sense of urgency among teachers at the school to get students back to performing on grade level in math and reading and that was a goal.

Daily instruction included intentional teaching, collaboration and working in groups in the classroom.

She also credited the students and their families as part of the recipe for success last year.

"We have great families here," Johnston said. "Our parents are the best."

However, an Excellent rating on the school report card was not necessarily a targeted goal, she said.

"It's funny because we achieved something great, but we were really just looking at what was at hand and needed to be done," Johnston said. "Our focus was on the math and reading instruction in the classroom every single day."

She said all teachers felt honored to be recognized in Wednesday's celebration that included a cake.

First-grade teacher Elizabeth Keefe added that the celebration was just what the doctor ordered.

"It's easy to feel overwhelmed in education right now and discouraged very often," she said, "but I think this was a great boost for us to just feel motivated and to keep doing what we are doing. It was just assurance that what we are doing is making a difference. Hearing that positive feedback just kind of made it all worthwhile what we do every day."

April Geddings, a fourth-grade English language arts teacher, said teachers, students and families at the school continued to work hard during COVID-19 with the various remote learning models that included asynchronous learning on their own schedule and synchronous learning, where students learned live online with their teachers.

The pandemic was a time that helped build parents' support for teachers that is so essential for all children to learn and grow, she added.

Geddings said the Excellent rating illustrates all the hard work through COVID-19 and last year's return.

"I think this is a great indicator that they kept learning and kept working through it all, and they are doing well," she said.

MORE ON THE REPORT CARD RATINGS

As mentioned, Alice Drive Elementary was the only school in the district to receive an "Excellent" rating in the report cards released Tuesday. Two district schools earned "Good" ratings in Alice Drive Middle School and Hillcrest Middle School in Dalzell. A total of 13 schools received "Average" ratings, three were "Below Average," and four scored "Unsatisfactory."

The Sumter Item will report more on the state report card ratings and student achievement in the district and Clarendon and Lee counties soon.

WHAT IS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT?

According to the Freedom of Information Act website, the main purpose of the Freedom of Information Act law is to ensure an informed citizenry and provide a check against corruption by holding the government or public body accountable.

Since 1967, FOIA has provided the public with the right to request access to records from any public body. It is often described as the law that keeps citizens in the know about their government.

Q&A provided by the FOIA website:

Who can make a FOIA request?

Any person

What can I ask for under the FOIA?

A FOIA request covers any agency's records, and you can indicate your preferred format (e.g., printed or electronic). Agencies are not obligated to generate new records or conduct research, analysis or answer questions in response to requests.

Can I ask that fees be waived?

You may request a waiver of fees. Under the FOIA, fee waivers are limited to situations in which a requester can show that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester. Requests for fee waivers from individuals who are seeking records themselves usually do not meet this standard. In addition, a requester's inability to pay fees is not a legal basis for granting a fee waiver.

Are there any exemptions?

Not all records are required to be released under the FOIA. There are nine exemptions that allow this. 1. Information that is classified to protect national security. 2: Information related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency. 3: Information that is prohibited from disclosure by another federal law. 4: Trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is confidential or privileged. 5: Privileged communications within or between agencies, including those protected by the Deliberative Process Privilege, Attorney-Work Product Privilege, Attorney-Client Privilege. 6: Information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy. 7: Information compiled for law enforcement purposes that could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of a confidential source, would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law or could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual. 8: Information that concerns the supervision of financial institutions. 9: Geological information on wells.

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pleasant experience," Harmon said.
Those who qualify are graduates of a
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Clemson University or the University of South Carolina Columbia campus as a fultime student and are required to pursue a degree in accounting, business administration, computer science, education, engineering, math or other traditional sciences.

The Class of 2023 recipients are Kaitlyn

The Class of 2023 recipients are Kaitlyn Kopp, an engineering major at Clemson University; Paisley Williams, an art education major at the University of South Carolina Columbia; and Alyssa Jordyn Baker-Mihlbauer, an information science major also attending the University of South Carolina Columbia.

Kopp shared with CCCF that as a recipient of such a scholarship, "I will now always be looking to give back to the community that has given so much to me and has made me who I am today."

The Harmon Scholarship allows students to focus and succeed in academics, social life and extracurricular activities in college, without the added pressure of financial stressors.

"Receiving the Harmon scholarship is an incredible honor," Williams said. "This scholarship will only push me to work harder and be more active in my community as a

college student."

"Recently, there have been some financial challenges in my household, but receiving this scholarship will allow me to pursue my education debt-free," expressed Mihlbauer.

Mihlbauer was also featured in *The Item*'s new Gen-Z-centered series, Sumter's Next Generation. Created to celebrate Sumter's Generation Z and their accomplishments in and out of the classroom, Mihlbauer received more than 100 acceptance letters from universities across the country before proudly choosing USC Columbia as her home for the next four years.

She told *The Item* earlier this year that she feels most comfortable outside her comfort zone. She gives credit to her mom for pushing her to be open minded to what lies beyond her bubble and try her hand at everything in order to find what her passion is. To the next generation, she encouraged them to "broaden your horizon" and to fill their plate with enough opportunities to challenge them, give them backup plans, give them joy and give them comfort.

and give them comfort.

High school seniors can complete one online application to see if they qualify for the Harmon Scholarship and more than 200 other scholarship opportunities administered by CCCF. Scholarship applications, which can be found on *yourfoundation.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships*, open on Jan. 1, 2024, and close March 5, 2024.

SECURITY

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Ashley Reyes, 40, who is Jewish and lives in Montclair, New Jersey, said the escalating conflict has made her feel less safe and has sparked worries for her 10-year-old son.

"This is the first time in my life that I have actively thought of saying to my son, 'If someone asks you if you're Jewish or if your mom's Jewish, you say no,"' Reyes said.

At the Palestinian American Community Center in Clifton, New Jersey, Executive Director Rania Mustafa said there has been an increase in harassing phone calls, emails and messages on social media. Mustafa

said the group has closed its doors and is only letting in people they know or who identify themselves.

"It's been a very stressful week in all regards, from one end trying to convince the world that we're human and that our lives are as sacred as anyone else's lives and on the other end, trying to protect our own from being targeted. And protecting freedom of speech, of expressing opinions and solidarity with the Palestinian people," she said.

New York City Mayor Eric Adams told reporters Thursday that police would do extra patrols in some city neighborhoods and send additional resources to schools and houses of worship. There has been a large police presence at protests, rallies and vigils in the city during the past week. Some synagogues have also said they would have private security guards.

Adams and New York Gov. Kathy Hochul stressed that law enforcement wasn't aware of any credible threats against the state or the city. "We want to reiterate to

"We want to reiterate to New Yorkers: There's no reason to feel afraid. No one should feel they have to alter their normal lives or their routines; and indeed when we change our behavior without a serious credible threat, then we're letting the terrorists win," Hochul said.

"I want all New Yorkers to feel confident going to a synagogue, going to school, walking in the streets of New York and throughout our state." **A6** OCTOBER 14, 2023 - OCTOBER 16, 2023

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Recollections of Sumter in early 1900s

"Nothing is so constant as change."

o, too, has Sumter changed with the times. This issue of Reflections remembers the writings of E. M. Hall and his recollections of the city of



Sammy Way REFLECTIONS

Sumter and the changes wrought with the passage of time.

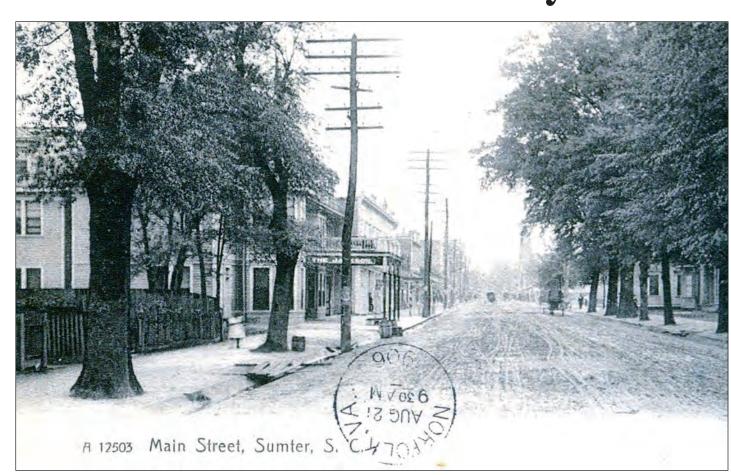
Hall recalls myriad people and places as he escorts the reader from the point of his arrival in the city and concluding with

his journey at Canal Street adjacent to the courthouse. Information and photos from *The Sumter Item* archives, including the writings of Hall and Cassie Nicholes, were used in this piece. Because of the length of this paper, a modicum of editing was required; our feature will be presented in two parts.

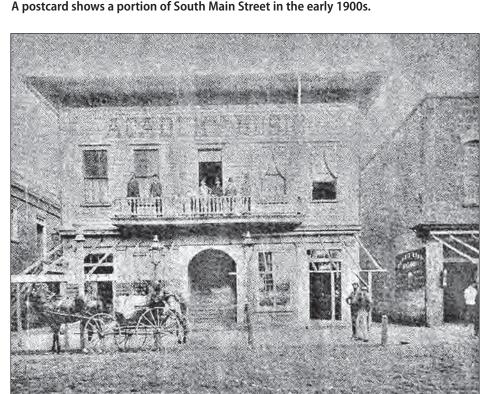
Hall notes that he and his family arrived in Sumter in 1897. He recalled, "Sumter was a quiet, sedate and lovely town of friendly, hospitable people. Sumter, at that time, was largely dependent on agriculture. In the late 1890s and early 1900s, there was scarcely a street in town not lined with lovely trees." The streets and sidewalks consisted of sand, and the children went home at night tired but happy only to go through that nightly ceremony of washing their dirty feet before bed.

Coming to Sumter at that time required the visitor to arrive at the passenger station of the Atlantic Coast Line at the foot of Main Street. The station was situated in front of and east of the freight warehouse which had been recently removed. Chances are that visitors would come to town on a train drawn by one of the old "wood burners" or coffee pot smokestack engines. When travelers embarked from the passenger station, they came to town on a sandy sidewalk with the streets in the same condition, except that the road was wagon rutted. (McAdam paving had not reached this part of the country at that time.) Main Street was lined with oak trees, one row on each side with a few down the middle. In those days, trains were met by hacks (carriages) as well as by many residents. One of the big Sunday afternoon events was meeting the Sunday trains at six o'clock arriving from Columbia and Florence.

The hacks, two-seated buggies or phaetons, were drawn by horses, some of which had been on the job so long that one of the older citizens remarked that the horses finally acquired the looks and expressions of the drivers. Mail was also hauled to and from the passenger station to the post office by a horse-drawn wagon or cart. As one traveled up Main Street toward town, the first building of any size was the old Curtis House. This boarding house was adjacent to South Main Street to the right of the overhead bridge. The Curtis House was managed by two Curtis brothers who were relatives of the city clerk and treasurer of the city government. Main Street and Manning Avenue joined Oakland Avenue at the foot of the present overhead bridge. Both of these streets continued south and crossed the railroad tracks at track level. Going up Main Street on the west side, beyond the Curtis House near where Job's Mortuary and Palmer Funeral Home were located, stood several small



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The Academy of Music was on Main Street in 1872.



Church Street is seen looking south from the corner of Hampton and Church streets circa 1920.

one-story wooden houses. The store building on the corner of Main and Oakland was a grocery store run by a man named Stewart.

On the next block, still traveling on the west side approaching town, were some small buildings. These were later replaced by a house built by J.R. Ligon; this house was later moved from the corner lot and turned to face Oakland Avenue. Ligon noted he wanted a basement for his house; when the house was moved and rebuilt, the basement was added. On the next corner, northwest on Bartlette Street, was an old brick store. This building was torn down, and a service station operated by Julius Chandler was operational on the corner. Next to the Woodmen

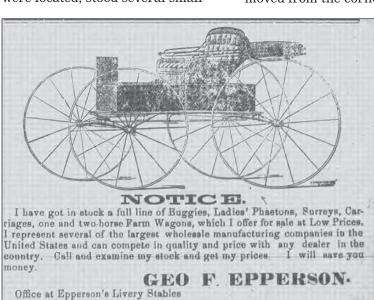
of the World building next to the station was an old house which sat back in the yard with a brick wall across the front of the lot. The Manheim family lived there. This site was approximately where a barber shop and Hill Furniture Co. would be.

Three old Charleston-style houses were on the street with porches on the south side. Following them were a couple of wooden houses adjacent to the Nixon House. The Nixon House was the leading hotel in this city and possibly in this part of the country. Travel was mostly by train, and Sumter was one of the layover towns. The Nixon House was situated about where Galloway and Moseley, Savage Drug, the NBM Shoe Shop, Henry P. Moses Co. and Home Furniture Co. were once located. This was a two-story primary building with a long porch across the front, with possibly one of two smaller houses being used as annexes.

On the corner, Kimbrell's once occupied a two-story wooden building; this was where a theater once stood. Sumter did have a Playhouse and a Music Academy which burned in 1872. A replacement was built at the site of the Sumter Theater or Town Clock Building. This burned also and was rebuilt in 1893 as the present Opera House and remodeled in 1936 to accommodate the Sumter Theater.

Clara Louise Kellogg was an outstanding singer. She was born in Sumter when it was known as Sumterville on July 12, 1842. Her father was principal of Sumterville Academy. The house in which she was born once stood on Dugan Street where Cato's Dress Shop was once located and about where the Dugan Street entrance of the parking lot is now located. The location of the house when Clara Louise Kellogg was born is uncertain; however, supposedly this house was at one time back from Main Street about where J.C. Penney Co. was. Later the house was moved from there to Dugan

Kellogg made her debut as a singer in Rigoletto in 1861. She then toured and sang across the country and in Europe. She even attempted to produce an opera in the English language. How long her family remained in Sumter is unknown, but she mentions in her memoirs that she had a Black "sitter" who sang to her and rocked her to sleep. She died in 1916.



Epperson Stables published this ad in November 1895 for buggies, farm wagons and other transportation equipment.



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Cotton Day is seen in Sumter in 1910.

YESTERYEAR

Clemson Extension hosts Christmas program; Morris dedicates new buildings

75 YEARS AGO — 1949

March 22 – 28

· Twenty-nine candidates for positions on Sumter's Tri-State League baseball club will report for spring training, and Manager Wes Livengood was ready to get down to business right away. The first drill has been set for tomorrow morning and will probably last until the early afternoon. Thirteen pitchers, three catchers, seven outfielders and six infielders are on the roster, but chances are one of the pitchers won't be around for several days yet.

• The program to be given by Arthur Whittemore and Jack Lowe, duo pianists, when they appear in concert at Edmunds High School auditorium was announced by Harry R. Bryan, president of Sumter Community Concert association, sponsoring organization. The entire program, with the exception of the Brahms and Stravinsky works, was arranged for two pianos by Whittemore and Lowe.

· LeNud's ferry, over the Santee river at Jamestown, is one of the oldest ferries in South Carolina, according to Rene Ravenel, who has made extensive research in the old Acts of South Carolina and elsewhere. Formal opening of the first bridge over the Santee at this point is to be celebrated March 30. Ravenel points out that although the name of LeNud has clung to it, the ferry has been known by that name since 1813.

• Maj. Horace D. Harby, local National Guard officer, will leave Sumter on Thursday for two months' active duty with the regular Army. Maj. Harby, who is executive officer of the 3rd Battalion, 118th Infantry, which has its headquarters at the Sumter armory, is one of 10 officers of the South Carolina National Guard selected to go on maneuvers with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and it is there that the National Guard officers are to report.

 The annual convention of the Palmetto State Teachers' Association is scheduled tomorrow and Friday of this week, and more than 250 members of the local teachers' association have made plans to attend. The local association will be represented officially in the house of delegates, the governing body of the state association, by E J. Thompson, J.R. Bowen and Isaac C. Bracey. The alternates elected to serve if needed are J.C. Prioleau Jr. and John Thompson.

 Conflicting claims were voiced here this week concerning storage facilities for cotton in South Carolina. T.J. Mitchell, representing the Florence Chamber of Commerce Agriculture committee, conferred with PMA officials at the USDA, in an effort to get government aid in the construction of cotton storage facilities in or near Florence. Mitchell said that the 6th District of the state, or the Pee Dee area, produced 300,000 bales of cotton and had storage facilities for only 55,700

 About a dozen candidates for positions with the Sumter Chicks got in an early workout yesterday afternoon as they arrived ahead of time for the spring training which will officially get underway this morning. Facing The Item's cameraman after a workout yesterday were catcher Rufus Jackson and pitchers Raymond Pate, "Crutch" Crutchfield, Hal Abernathy, Francis Davis, Raymond Spaugh and Manager Wes Livengood.

 Wholesale houses, merchants and industrial plants will be contacted by teams composed of members of the Sumter Junior Chamber of Commerce and encouraged to purchase blocks of tickets for the opening home game of the Sumter Chicks. The tickets may be disposed of as employers see fit, but the block purchases are primarily aimed to benefit employees, according to Jaycees drawing up plans.



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Rufe Jackson, veteran minor league catcher, was being counted on in March 1949 to help out the Sumter club in the Tri-State League campaign that summer. He managed in two cities the previous season and was with Knoxville in 1947.

 "We're hucksters of culture." That's how Mrs. Francis C. Stuart and Mrs. Ben Gordon, her assistant, explain their operation of the Carnegie Library bookmobile in Sumter's rural areas. For the past 12 years, their little "library on wheels" has been helping thousands of Sumter's rural readers who never owned a library card — as well as those who do — get acquainted with good books.

 The exhibition and sale of watercolor paintings of camellias being held in the educational building of Trinity Methodist Church by the Women's Society is attracting a great many flower and art lovers. A tea was held yesterday afternoon for the opening of the showing, which will

last until 9 o'clock tonight. • Edna Wells, 17, a junior at Edmunds High School, won the \$25 first prize for the best essay written in the contest "Why Democracy Works" sponsored by the Sumter Elks' Lodge, Exalted Ruler Ed T. Gulledge announced. Edna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wells of Sumter. Edna's essay was judged the best of six essays submitted in

50 YEARS AGO — 1973

Dec. 1 − 7

• Hal Smith scored 24 points and John Holloman added 21 more to lead Bishopville to a convincing 91-59 win over C.E. Murray. Smith, the Dragons' 6-8 center, also snared 18 rebounds as Bishopville dominated the board throughout the game. While Smith and Holloman scored more than 20 apiece, Eugene Bracey added 18 more, and Leon Smith scored an additional 12.

 As far as openers go, it was a typical one at Sumter High School as the Gamecocks hit the trail in quest of a third region championship and hopefully this time a state basketball crown. But it wasn't easy, and like most of the players and coaches pointed out after a tight 49-47 victory over a very determined Lancaster team, it was mainly because of "first-game jit-

 The only people who really cared who won the 37th-annual Shrine Bowl were the players themselves, and after they found out what it was all about, they didn't really care either. The contest pitting high school stars from North Carolina and South Carolina is performed each December in Charlotte's Memorial Stadium before a sellout crowd of some 20,000 and is supposed to give college scouts one final look at the high school crop before they decide who they want to recruit. But what the game is really all about is revealed at the half when the head Shriner presents the Shriner's hospital in Greenville a check. This year it was worth more than \$815,000, and that is what the Shrine Bowl is really all about.

· Sumter city police have organized a Police Explorer Club for male and female high school students, which will start meeting regularly. Lt. M.D. Collins, head of the Police Department's Youth Division, said the purpose of the club is to "create better communications between the young people of Sumter and the police department." An objective of the club is to familiarize the young person with a policeman's job.

 William Millett, executive director of the Santee-Wateree Regional Planning Council, announced the council will aid Gov. John C. West's Energy Commission in the distribution of home fuel oil this winter in each of the four counties the council serves. A ommittee for each of the four counties served by the council Sumter, Lee, Clarendon and Kershaw — will be formed with the planning council's aid, Millett said, to deal with any home heating oil shortages which might occur.

 A Christmas program demonstrating various ideas was held by Clemson University Extension Service. In conjunction with the Christmas program, Sharon Stroud with Carolina Power and Light Co. presented a program on the energy crisis. Susan Tomlinson, associate county extension leader for Clarendon County, held three separate programs during the day in order to reach all those inter-

· Members of the City-County Planning Commission reportedly gave unanimous preliminary approval on the 533-lot Twin Lakes Subdivision, Action on the subdivision had been deferred from the last meeting when commission members requested the S.C. Highway Department survey crews to pin down the exact location of the proposed Outer Belt freeway. The Outer Belt is now proposed to pass through the southern tip of this subdivision across the land north of where the sewage treatment plant is to be located.

· Lars Forssenius, chairman of the education committee of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce, has announced that a concentrated drive to collect more books for the library at Morris College is currently underway. The public is being requested to donate books suitable for college youth reading. Books in every category are needed, including fiction as well as scientific and historical material.

· A veteran of 21 years as sheriff of Sumter County and current president of the National Sheriffs' Association, I.

Byrd Parnell was scheduled today to become the first sheriff ever to address the graduating class of the FBI Academy at commencement exercises in Quantico, Virginia. Parnell began his law enforcement career in 1938 pounding a beat as a town policeman in Lamar. He later moved to Hartsville and soon joined the South Carolina Highway Patrol. It was in 1952 that he first offered for sheriff of Sumter County, and his victory that year has been repeated every four years since then.

25 YEARS AGO — 1998

Oct. 11 – 17

• The "This is Cotton Country" bumper sticker on the wall at the Lee County Clemson Agricultural Extension office is a testament to the days when cotton was king in the area. "Cotton has certainly been a mainstay of Sumter County as well as Lee and Clarendon counties," said Les Tindal, commissioner of the S.C. Department of Agriculture. "Since the beginning of South Carolina, and those counties, cotton has been a very important crop." Cotton production reached its height in South Carolina in 1918 when more than 2.82 million acres were harvested, said Charles Curtis, a professor in the College of Agricultural economics at Clemson Univer-

• "If you forget what you ought to remember you lose track of the fact that these institutions are as important in 1998 as they were in 1908," said William H. Gray III, president of what had been known as the United Negro College Fund. Gray was the featured guest speaker as Morris College dedicated six buildings and a prayer garden. The \$8.6 million projects include a \$3.6 million women's residence hall and a \$1.8 million student center that are currently under construction, plus a new men's residence hall, academic success center and a human development center.

 Cities Supply Co. just lost two of its former owners to renrement, and a new era nas begun. For the first time, it's run by a large corporation. Dan Lyles and Alvis Bynum retired in July and August, respectively. Lyles and Bynum, along with fellow owner Kent Mims — who's still with the company — sold it last year to Ferguson Enterprises. But the Cities Supply "family" is just now changing, taking on a new face as a result of the retirements. What started as primarily a repair company for water meters has evolved into a company that sells new products and helps municipalities determine which products best suit their water sys-

tems. · Lee County Cotton Festival officials expect to have the largest attendance ever this year, the 21st for the celebration of the county's cotton-growing heritage. Highlighting the Oct. 16-17 festival are the inauguration of the South Carolina Cotton Museum's new home and the opening of the South Carolina Heritage Cotton Trail, which begins in Bishopville, location of the festival.

• Health agencies across the nation are encouraging people to get flu shots this year with an emphasis placed on senior citizens 65 and older and diabetics of all ages. Doctors are advising the elderly patients to have flu shots because they have weaker immune systems and are more vulnerable to complications that arise from the flu.

 Mounted police from South Carolina and North Carolina galloped into Sumter this morning for training and demonstrations. Sponsored by the Carolinas Mounted Patrol Association, the four-day event culminates in a public parade to show how horse and rider can act as a team to protect and serve. After checking in today, the 25 police riders saddle up Tuesday and most

of Wednesday for certification courses and practice at the Sumter Exhibition Cen-

• She knows she's asking for something that may be impossible to deliver, but Dawn Vititoe wants it nonetheless: a stray-free community. Vititoe, who's dedicated her time and energy for years to rescuing unwanted animals from certain death, realizes, however, it will take a combined effort of government, private groups and the public to bring significant change to the steadily increasing number of stray cats and dogs roaming the county.

 Students who have traditionally had difficulties learning may receive special help next year if the school district secures a grant and state approval for a charter school. Clarendon County School District 2 board members unanimously decided to authorize a grant request and application for a charter school, effectively giving the go-ahead to proceed with plans for a new approach to teaching students who routinely perform below their grade levels.

 Everybody has a wish list, and no matter how large or small the community, state superintendent of education candidate Inez Tenenbaum says the lists read about the same. "People in South Carolina — whether they are in education or a member of the general public — want to have good schools," she said. "They want to make sure students leave school with the ability to have a successful life, whether that's going on to higher education or on to work."

• Art, music, poetry, food and drink at the art galleries of Sumter will begin the city's autumn celebration of the fine arts. Galleria '98, a tour of six local galleries, is set for Oct. 16. The "gallery crawl" is being presented this year in conjunction with Fall for the Arts, Sumter's autumn weekend dedicated to the visual, performing and literary arts.

· As Sumter County Council moved on to the next item on its agenda, 83-year-old Sue Rand smiled and pumped her fist in the air triumphantly. Tuesday, Rand and about 25 other senior citizens who use the Spectrum Senior Citizens Center on Pinewood Road approached the council with a message: Please don't sell our home away from home. Council members listened. In the end, they voted unanimously to abandon plans to sell the building where seniors have been gathering for fellowship and programs for more than 20 years.

· "Write what you know." For 28 years, that has been the message USC Sumter professor Lee Craig has impressed on her students. Always in the back of her mind was the desire to expose them to writers who were doing just that. "I wanted to do my part to let (my) students see and hear writers." In the mid-1980s, that idea began to gel into a firm plan. It began when Craig and Ellen Arl, also an English professor at the University of South Carolina's local campus, attended a writers' conference at Dock Street Theater in Charleston called the "Carolina Connection," where they heard authors reading and discussing their works and their creative processes.

 Construction is back on schedule at three of Sumter School District 17's elementary schools — Lemira, Crosswell and Alice Drive. Construction crews were expected to have finished or be near the completion of several school renovation projects by the start of this school year, but unpredictable weather, heavy rainfall and unforeseen snags caused delays at those schools. The delays caused some minor inconveniences. As construction continues, school officials continue to find creative ways to work around the clutter.

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'MAYBE I REALLY AM HARRY BOSCH'

Renaissance man Titus Welliver on his love for jazz, art and acting — and what it's like to channel the ornery L.A.P.D. detective for nearly a decade

BY PAULETTE COHN

Editor's note: Interview conducted before the SAG-AFTRA strike.

No TV character could be more of an Angeleno than Harry Bosch; born and raised in the foster care system in the city of Angels, a member of the L.A.P.D. who rises to the rank of detective, a lifelong Los Angeles Dodgers fan.

But the actor who so perfectly embodies him — Titus Welliver — is actually a dyed-in-the-wool New Englander who was born in New Haven, Connecticut, attended school in New York City, Maine and Vermont and is a Boston Red Sox fan through and through.

Welliver, going for casual in a black, V-neck T-shirt that showed off the numerous tattoos he has inked on his arms, Zoomed in from a bedroom in Connecticut to talk about the second season of "Bosch: Legacy" (Oct. 20 on Freevee and Prime Video) before heading out to the art studio in his barn to paint.

The son of Neil Welliver, a well-known American landscape painter, initially had his sights set on following in his father's footsteps. In fact, he had studied painting with his father from ages 12 to 14.

"And then I got to art school, and I was undisciplined and young, and I was more interested in having fun," Welliver admits. After a year at Bennington College — during which he cut art classes to play Danny Zuko in a school production of "Grease" — he was asked, "Do you really want to be here? Because we never see you in class."

It was a moment that gave Welliver pause, but it wasn't until his father asked, "What do you think about when you're not thinking about girls, beer and misbehaving?" And Welliver responded, "I think about acting." To which his father said, "Not painting? Well, then that's what you have to do."

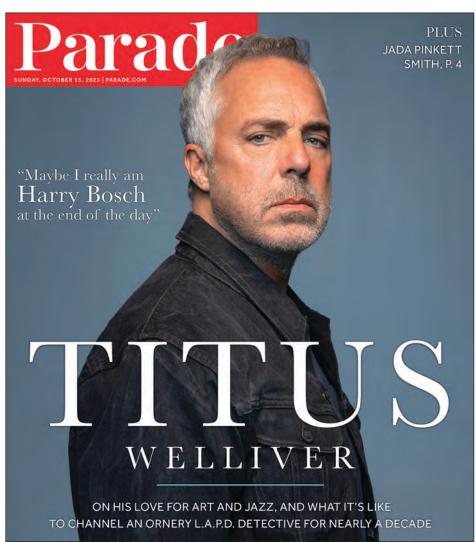
From that moment on, Welliver turned his focus to acting, with no Plan B. He wasn't an immediate success; rather his has been a long road full of twists and turns with no shortcuts, and he wouldn't have it any other way.

"I think progression is a humble journey, as it should be," he says. Eventually, the roles came, and starting with 1990's "Navy Seals" he began to earn a living as an actor. Today, he is best known for his portrayals on the TV series "Lost," "Deadwood" and "Sons of Anarchy" and four films directed by Ben Affleck — "Gone Baby Gone," "The Town," "Argo" and "Live by Night."

And then came a career-changing moment: Welliver was spotted in the TV series "Touch" by Michael Connelly, the author of the series of "Harry Bosch" novels, when he was casting for an Amazon show about the tenacious L.A.P.D. detective. Connelly realized he had found his leading man. "Bosch" ran for seven seasons before segueing to "Bosch: Legacy," which is heading into its second

"I'm very excited for it to come out because I feel the first two episodes are some of the best work we've ever done on the show," Welliver says. "Fans of the show have been waiting so long I feel bad for them, but what I say to them is, 'You will be happy. It will be worth the wait." Read on for more of Welliver's inside scoop on the new season.

Bosch is a complicated man. After 10 years, what still makes



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you want to play him?

I always try to find some sense of buoyancy in him because he's not a one-note character. He's a very complex guy. What brings him some sense of joy is primarily observing his daughter and her success. That's a relationship which has developed and matured. Harry's very set in his ways. He doesn't evolve. We're never going to find him at a meditation retreat in Topanga or listening to new age music and trying to find his center. His center is a balance between emotional and internal suppression and chaos and trying to be expressive to the one person that he loves the most, his daughter. He never gets boring, that's the thing.

As I've said to Mike Connelly, I love all the books, but I really enjoy the books when Harry is older. In the latest book, "Desert Star," he's an older man. And yet, while Harry's trapped in an older man's body, he's all muscle memory. And the thing with Harry is the older he gets and the more vulnerable he might feel, the more dangerous he becomes. He's like the old dog under the porch guarding the house. He's just always fun to play. Also, the writers push him forward a little bit, but it's never something that's so blatant like a red Corvette and he's dyeing his hair all of a sudden.

How does it make you feel that Michael Connelly saw you in the 'Touch' series and saw Bosch in you?

I was deeply touched. He's the maestro, and it's his character. To be able to please the master, for lack of a better word, pleases me very, very much. One of the first things that Mike said was, "Is there anything that you would want to do differently? Is there anything that doesn't feel right?" I just said to him, "Look, when it ain't broke, there's no need to fix it." Obviously, we're not doing the books chronologically, and we're finding Harry in the middle of his career rather than at the beginning. And we're having to move it forward, change up his age and all of these things. But I said the character, at his core, is what's important to me. It's to serve the character.

Harry lost his mother at a young

age, and you've also had loss: your baby sister, your brother, your stepmom. Does that connection help you find who he is?

I never use experiences from my actual life as a way to move myself in a performance. I found at a very early age that I was re-experiencing emotional trauma that then ceased to be acting. Doing that I felt wasn't healthy for me.

But I do completely understand where Harry's head is at and his prolonged processing of that loss and of that trauma. Harry is a guy who is very, very careful and the person closest to him, he guards. I get that; I have children [Cora, 17, Quinn, 21, and Eamonn, 24]. I've never been what I would call a helicopter parent, but I do think when you experience the trauma of loss it makes you apprehensive and extremely observant and careful. I definitely share that with Harry. I said to my wife [Samantha Edge] recently, "Maybe I'm losing my mind; maybe I really am Harry Bosch at the end of the day. Maybe it's just he's been dormant. I'm running around, but I don't have a badge and a gun."

Your children, Cora, Quinn and Eamonn, have all appeared on Bosch.

Yes, all three are actors. Quinn played Harry first in a flashback with his mother, which is the last time that Harry saw his mother alive. And then he came back in a beautiful scene at the Musso & Frank Grill, where he goes in to have a meal on Thanksgiving. I was very proud. I hung way back on the set. I never ventured into the work zone with him and the director, Ernest Dickerson, because I didn't want my presence to be a distraction or some kind of pressure. Cora, my youngest, plays Sam the dog walker, and my eldest son, Eamonn, plays Harry when he's older. He had a marvelous scene where he goes to find his father.

I'm very proud of all three of them. They work very hard and are trying to learn and to grow, like anyone who's going to make the wildly irresponsible choice to enter the world of acting, or any pursuit of the arts. But I understand it because I didn't want to do anything else.

Bosch is a big fan of jazz. Has that converted you?

I don't have the encyclopedic knowledge of jazz like Mike Connelly does, but I grew up listening to all different kinds of music and a lot of jazz. My father was friends with a lot of very big jazz musicians. So, I had the privilege of getting to meet them and see them play at places like The Blue Note. So, I always really loved jazz. But jazz is an integral part to who Harry is. It really is Harry's rhythm.

Prior to Bosch, you're probably best known as the Man in Black, aka the Smoke Monster from 'Lost.' What does that show mean to you?

Well, to be a part of something that is some of the most iconic television in the past 30-something years; it's a show that still holds up. And there are newer audiences. It's constantly in a forward motion. I just did Comicpalooza in Houston, Texas. There were a lot of Losties there asking questions.

You've picked up the paintbrush again?

When we get off of the Zoom, I'm going right up to my studio. I'm in Connecticut at my home here, and I have a studio in a barn. I'm painting, and I've been showing my work. I'm now represented by the Georges Berges Gallery in New York and Berlin. I've got four prints that are in the mezzanine collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. It's all kind of come full circle.

The difference between painting and acting is one is a very solitary experience, and the other is collaborative. So, they're using two very, very different parts of my brain. I guess it's about having your cake and eating it, too.

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS



U.S. says N. Korea delivered 1,000 containers of equipment, munitions to Russia for Ukraine war

BY AAMER MADHANI

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House said on Friday that North Korea has delivered more than 1,000 containers of military equipment and munitions to Russia for its ongoing war in Ukraine.

Speculation about a possible North Korean plan to refill Russia's munition stores drained in its protracted war with Ukraine flared last month, when North Korean leader Kim Jong Un traveled to Russia to meet President Vladimir Putin and visit key military sites.

White House National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said that the U.S. thinks Kim is seeking sophisticated Russian weapons technologies in return for the munitions to boost North Korea's military and nuclear program.

The White House released images that it said show the containers were loaded onto a Russian-flagged ship before being moved via train to southwestern Russia. The containers were shipped between Sept. 7 and Oct. 1 between Najin, North Korea, and Dunay, Russia, according to the White House.

'We condemn the DPRK for providing Russia with this military equipment, which will be used to attack Ukrainian cities and kill Ukrainian civilians and further Russia's illegitimate war," Kirby said, using the initials for Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the country's official name. "In return for support, we assess Pyongyang is seeking military assistance from Russia including fighter aircraft, surface-to-air missiles, armored vehicles, ballistic missile production equipment or other materials and other advanced tech-

The U.S. has accused North Korea of previously providing ammunition, artillery shells and rockets to Russia. North Korea has previously denied providing weaponry to Moscow.

The Center for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington think tank, last week published satellite photos that showed a sharp increase

in rail traffic along the North Korea-Russia border.

The report said satellite images as of Oct. 5 captured "a dramatic and unprecedented level of freight railcar traffic" at the Tumangang Rail Facility. It said images show approximately 73 railcars while a review of previous satellite images during the past five years shows about 20 railcars at this facility at most.

Kim last month, after he had met with Putin, called for an exponential increase in production of nuclear weapons and for his country to play a larger role in a coalition of nations confronting the United States in a "new Cold War," North Korean state media said.

The Korean Central News Agency said Kim made the comments during a two-day session of the country's rubber-stamp parliament, which amended the constitution to include his policy of expanding the country's nuclear weapons program.

In Russia, Kim deepened "comradely fellowship and friendly ties" with Putin, North Korean state

media reported.

During Kim's six-day trip to Russia, his longest foreign travel as a leader, the two countries said they discussed boosting their defense ties but didn't disclose any specific steps. Foreign experts speculate the two countries, both locked in confrontations with the West, were pushing to reach arms transfer deals in violation of U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The trip to Russia was also Kim's first foreign trip since the pandemic, during which North Korea imposed tight border controls for more than three years. After decades of hot-andcold relations, Russia and North Korea have drawn closer since Moscow's invasion of Ukraine in 2022.

Meanwhile, U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken, who is in the Middle East to consult with allies in the aftermath of last week's Hamas attack on Israel, spoke by phone on Friday with Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmvtro Kuleba.

The two leaders discussed he latest battlefield developments, according to the State Department.

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Is it time to buy long bonds?

BY TODD CAMPBELL

TheStreet Smarts

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A vicious Treasury bond rout may create a trading opportunity.

• Treasury yields have soared since July.

• The sell-off in long bonds may be short-term overdone.

· Risk-tolerant investors can consider ETFs that hold long-term notes and bonds.

Higher long bond interest rates and resulting strength en the stock market's weakness. This is unsurprising to Smarts readers because we often discuss the relationship between bond yields, the dollar and equi-

For new readers, remember Treasury yields (often the 10-year note) are used as the risk-free rate in equity valuation models. The higher the rate, the less willing investors are to pay for future earnings. Since interest rates are essentially the return on the dollar, rising rates support dollar strength, which is negative for multinationals because it reduces overseas demand and financial results when foreign currencies are converted back into green-

The rise in yields has been vicious on the long end of the Treasury yield curve. The 10-year note yield has increased from below 3.4% in April to nearly 4.75%. It's risen about 1% since mid-July, when the S&P 500 SPY peaked just shy of \$460. The dollar index UUP is up over 8% since the middle of July, while the S&P 500 is down around 7.5%.

The trend in interest rates remains higher, but, like stocks, long bond yields don't move in a straight line. Since rates move inversely to bond prices, increasing rates has caused the 20+-year Treasury ETF

(TLT) to tumble by over 16%. The rapid descent in the TLT has been painful, but a relief rally could be on deck. If so, investors may want to pick up some TLT long for a trade.

TREASURY BONDS GET **OVERSOLD**

Top Stocks' Helene Meisler has been navigating markets using technical analysis since the early 1980s. Meisler has a tool chest of indicators she uses to help determine when investors have become overly greedy or fearful, including the Daily Sentiment Index.

Daily Sentiment Index readings are based on shortterm trading activity, reflected by 3-, 5-, 9- and 18day moving averages. The Index ranges between 1 and 100, and Meisler considers single-digit readings to be coincident with oversold conditions likely to presage a rally.

Meisler writes:

"What you are most interested in is the Daily Sentiment Index for bonds, which finally limped into single-digit territory at 9. The last time the bonds saw a single-digit DSI was just about a year ago, in November, when we had readings of 8 and 9. It's hard to believe it's only at 9, but here we are."

While the DSI could go lower, levels similar to last November are encouraging because the TLT rallied 17% from its low on Nov. 7 to its peak on Feb. 2. The iShares 7-10-year Treasury ETF (IEF) rallied about 8% over that span.

Meisler isn't alone in sug-



a Real Money post, FS Insight's Tom Lee recently suggested that the belief that the decline in bonds has driven stocks lower has become so mainstream that a reversal trade is more "When a trade becomes

obvious, that's often when the trend can reverse," wrote Lee. "In fact, the latest trading commentary from JPMorgan Fixed Income trading desks highlights this. Their latest client survey shows clients the most short since April 2023. And as they noted, this is mistoricany a very good contrarian indicator."

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Another potential reason why the bond sell-off may have run its course shortterm is that the decline this past week has happened on heavy volume that may signal capitalization.

"There is the volume component of bond fund (TLT)," writes Meisler. "It has been rising for over a week now, and on Tuesday, it went even higher with a reading that clocked in at nearly 3.5 times regular volume levels. .. if you have been waiting to dip a toe into bonds, this is the first concrete sign they are truly due a bounce."

THE SMART PLAY

If you've been eyeballing the long end of the Treasury curve for an opportunity to trade from the long side, mounting evidence suggests that now is an excellent time to put the trade on. The 20-year ETF TLT will be more volatile than shorter-maturity ETFs, like the IEF. So, aggressive investors can consider it, while less risk-tolerant investors may want to focus

In both cases, consider using a stop loss on a closing basis that's below this past week's intraday lows to protect against outsized losses. Most brokers don't charge to trade ETFs, so you can always put the trade back on later if the ETF breaks below, stops you out but then recovers again.

Investors should also remember that if yields retreat, it should be good news for stocks and bad news for the dollar. Those with a risk appetite may also want to go long stocks and short the dollar. Again, protecting against big losses with stop loss orders, because pre-election year Octobers are typically tough, and correlations like down yields/up stocks can deviate in the short-term.

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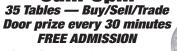


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Tuesday, 6 p.m., planning commission office, 411 Sunset Drive, Manning

ARIES (March The last word 21-April 19): in astrology **EUGENIA LAST**

Take a fresh look at an old situation and

evaluate your next move. Relationships will require nurturing and changes that will enforce equality. Communication can be a passage to a better connection if you keep the peace and are willing to meet halfway. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A change is overdue. Decide what you want to keep and what you want to discard. An orderly attitude will help you make hard decisions. Give birth to new opportunities, and don't skip a beat; follow through with your plans. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Speak up, but don't share your secrets. You'll draw a crowd, but not everyone will be supportive. Watch your back and gain experience by observing those trying to derail your plans. Examine what you are up against. 5 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look at what's happening around you. Distance yourself from people offering negativity or trying to take advantage of you. Keep your finances to yourself, and put your heart and soul into making a difference. 2 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Stop, look and listen before moving. Examining and choosing the path that takes you where you want to go is in your best interest. Verify the information you receive and proceed with confidence. Communication will be telltale of what's to come. 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Pay attention, take notes and apply what you discover on your journey today. Redesigning your approach to situations you want to address will positively impact the results. Offer incentives with change and you'll gain acceptance. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Share your thoughts, present what you have to offer and get involved in causes that concern you. Your

input will parlay into opportunities that invite controversy and the thrill of doing something that makes a difference. Let intelligence and experience be your guide. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get your juices flowing and your body fine-tuned. Check out the changes others are making, and aspire to do whatever it takes to reach your desired excellence. Refuse to let temptation intervene or someone's jealousy ruin your day. Do what pleases you. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be careful who you trust or rely on to be supportive. Someone will lead you astray if given a chance. Be observant, ask questions and remain dominant in what you are trying to achieve. Avoid fake information, bullies and negative people. 4 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Research, and you'll find what you need to make a comfortable decision regarding your next move. Take the time to reinvent yourself, update your looks and strive for a healthier lifestyle. The personal changes you make will determine who you attract. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Listen to suggestions. Do what makes you happy, live in the moment and follow your heart. Gathering information that confirms your thoughts and intentions will give you something worthwhile to work toward. 5 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Concentrate on hard work, honesty and fair play. Use your imagination to devise unique ways to get your plans up and running. A relationship with someone special will offer stability. Choose opportunity over temptation and focus on your savings. 3 stars

1 star: Avoid conflicts; work behind the scenes. 2 stars: You can accomplish, but don't rely on others. 3 stars: Focus and you'll reach your goals. 4 stars: Aim high; start new projects. 5 stars: Nothing can stop you; go for gold.

The SPCA relies heavily on community support and donations. Currently, the biggest needs are for dry puppy and kitten food, wet cat food, cat litter and cleaning supplies. The following are also appreciated: Newspapers, stuffed animals, heavy duty trash bags (30 gallon or larger), dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, bleach, paper towels, sheets and comforters, baby blankets, canned dog and cat food, dry dog food, treats, leashes and collars, disinfectant spray, all-purpose cleaner, air freshener, no scratch scrubbers, two-sided sponges for dishes, litter freshener and, of course, monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.

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Precipitation	
24 hrs ending 2 p.m. Fri.	0.01'
Month to date	1.13'
Normal month to date	1.95'
Year to date	39.92'
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LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hi chg
Murray	360	354.61	+0.06
Marion	76.8	73.76	+0.16
Moultrie	75.5	75.54	+1.15
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RIVER STAGES

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River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	3.69	+0.80
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Atlanta	77/55/pc	61/47/pc
Chicago	56/49/r	56/47/r
Dallas	73/52/s	71/51/s
Detroit	52/45/r	53/46/c
Houston	78/55/s	75/52/s
Los Angeles	82/62/s	89/62/s
New Orleans	81/60/s	74/57/s
New York	56/50/r	59/50/pc
Orlando	88/71/pc	83/61/s
Philadelphia	57/51/r	60/48/pc
Phoenix	96/67/s	101/71/s
San Francisco	73/60/pc	73/57/pc
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Asheville	75/49/pc	57/40/c
Athens	79/53/pc	67/46/pc
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Cape Hatteras	74/63/t	68/58/pc
Charleston	81/58/t	72/54/s
Charlotte	74/53/c	67/45/c
Clemson	78/53/pc	67/46/pc
Columbia	79/54/c	70/48/pc
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Elizabeth City	71/58/t	64/49/pc
Elizabethtown	78/57/t	70/52/pc
Favetteville	75/57/t	69/53/nc

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Florence	77/56/t	71/51/pc
Gainesville	85/62/pc	79/55/s
Gastonia	75/51/c	66/42/pc
Goldsboro	75/57/t	66/51/c
Goose Creek	80/57/t	72/51/s
Greensboro	68/53/sh	63/44/pc
Greenville	79/51/c	64/45/pc
Hickory	76/55/sh	63/46/c
Hilton Head	81/60/t	74/54/s
Jacksonville, FL	84/60/pc	76/53/s
La Grange	77/52/pc	60/46/c
Macon	82/52/c	68/47/pc
Marietta	74/53/pc	59/46/pc

Today

Marion	76/53/pc	61/45/sh
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Myrtle Beach	81/60/t	71/52/s
Orangeburg	79/55/pc	71/51/pc
Port Royal	81/58/pc	72/57/s
Raleigh	69/56/t	63/50/pc
Rock Hill	75/51/c	67/46/pc
Rockingham	72/53/t	69/48/pc
Savannah	81/57/pc	72/55/s
Spartanburg	77/53/c	64/45/pc
Summerville	80/56/t	71/52/pc
Wilmington	81/61/t	70/52/pc
Winston-Salem	69/55/sh	63/46/pc

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Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice



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SEASONALS: With a meaning not in the dictionary by Billie Truitt

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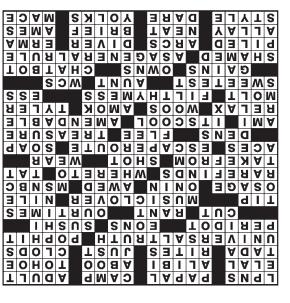


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The Wilson Hall volleyball team celebrates during their win over Hammond on Thursday. Before the game, the Lady Barons celebrated their four seniors who have been integral leaders on the team both on and off the court

Wilson Hall volleyball celebrates seniors, Ripley's 300th win in sweep of Hammond

BY TIM LEIBLE

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The Nash Student Center was a house of celebration on Thursday as Wilson Hall volleyball played host to Hammond.

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Before the game, the Lady Barons celebrated their four seniors, a group that has been integral to their recent run of success. After a thunderous 25-5 win in the opening set, Wilson Hall stopped the match to recognize

head coach Rip Ripley, who previously earned his 300th win during the Baron Bash.

As Wilson Hall finished off a comfortable win, even though things got a little hairy in the third set, Ripley's attention was fully on the seniors who played a massive role in his journey to 300 vic-

"I'm thankful they wanted to recognize me, but I'm just lucky to get to coach at a place like Wilson Hall, lucky to coach these kids who have bought into our program over the last 13 seasons at Wilson Hall and Orangeburg Prep," Ripley said, noting his head

coaching start at OP. "This senior group is really special, and I'm glad we got to celebrate them tonight. I think it was great that they got a chance to be a part of that coaching milestone for me because they have been such a

big part of it, so it was pretty cool to celebrate that with them."

The victory mirrored so many from the Lady Barons this season, as their four seniors continued to lead the way. They followed a convincing victory in the opening set

with a similar one in the second, rolling 25-6. The third set was much more competitive, but Wilson Hall held on for a 25-21 score to advance to 34-6-1 on the season.

"Hammond had a big win last week over Heathwood and, unfortunately, in the process probably lost their best hitter in the game, so they were moving stuff around as they get ready for state, as well," Ripley said. "Us being able to jump on them early with our serving kinda set the stage. I thought we played pretty efficiently, especially in the first two sets. The third got a little sloppy. But over the



The Wilson Hall volleyball team celebrates the 300th win of head coach Rip Ripley, center, on Thursday.

last two days with Calhoun and Hammond, I'm really excited to see our focus coming in and really taking care of business."

Ripley has said all season how much the senior class of Rylee Bath, Maggie Norris, Aubrey Payne and Sullivan Jarecki have meant to him on and off their court. Their leadership is something that won't be forgotten, so he was thrilled to highlight the quartet on senior night.

"This group is a really special group, not only with what

SEE BARONS, PAGE A14 Wilson Hall's Maggie Norris dives for a ball against Hammond.

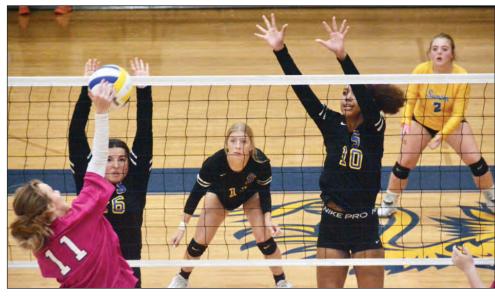


AREA ROUNDUP

Sumter High closes regular season with win over East Clarendon

Sumter High's Bailey Champion (10) and McKenzie Geddings reach up for a block against East Clarendon on Thursday.

PHOTOS BY NICH PITTS / ITEM CONTRIBUTOR



STAFF REPORT

The Sumter High volleyball team wrapped up regular season play against East Clarendon on Thursday, earning a three-set sweep.

The Lady Gamecocks got out to a hot start with a 25-13 win before outlasting the Lady Wolverines in two tight sets 25-18, 25-22.

McKenzie Geddings kept the ball moving in the win, dishing out 30 assists for Sumter High. Lyla Young led the offense with 13 kills, adding a block. Bailey Champion wasn't far behind with 12 kills and two blocks. Anna Puzewski added four aces, two kills and two digs. Kate Noonan chipped in with seven kills. Melissa Cornwell led the defense with 18 digs.

East Clarendon was led by Jaylnn Odom, who had 15 assists, two aces and seven digs. Hayden White had eight kills and 10 digs. Eden Huth had 10 digs, seven assists and an ace. Lani Kirby, Sarah

SEE **ROUNDUP,** PAGE A14







Young, winless Panthers visit Tua's Dolphins in former Alabama QBs' 1st matchup

BY ALANIS THAMES

Associated Press

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Bryce Young has been watching Tua Tagovailoa for a long

The 2021 Heisman Trophy winner saw Tagovailoa excel at Alabama and help transform the Crimson Tide's runfirst offense into a pro-style scheme that pushed the ball down the field. That, in turn, influenced Young's decision to go to Tuscaloosa.

'It was a big transition from when he was there," the Carolina Panthers' rookie quarterback said, "just what the offense looked like and what Alabama moved to offensively. It's flourished since then, and I was a recruit when all that was happening, so that was a really big reason for me being there.

Tagovailoa said he didn't know he had that impact on Young, who became Alabama's starter a year after Tagovailoa was drafted by the Dolphins, but he remembers being a part of Alabama's offensive evolution.

"It's one of those things that, 'Yeah, Alabama is not just a ground-and-pound team," Tagovailoa said. "They do throw the ball, and they throw it a lot.' I would say with the supporting cast that I had, we definitely had some say in, I think, recruit-

Young and Tagovailoa will meet on the field for the first time as professionals when the Panthers visit the Dolphins on Sunday.

Miami (4-1) boasts one of the NFL's best offenses, but Tagovailoa has been in a similar situation to Young and the



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Carolina quarterback Bryce Young (9) and the Panthers face the Miami Dolphins on Sunday.

winless Panthers (0-5).

The Dolphins lost five straight games last year, a stretch that jeopardized their chances of making the playoffs. The year before, Tagovailoa fielded questions about Miami's long-term commitment and confidence in him as the team lost seven consecutive games.

"That is something that we have direct recall on, just very recent," coach Mike McDaniel said, "and you know how powerful that is. The bottom line is that this is the National Football League, so I know one thing: The Carolina Panthers have everything to gain."

The Panthers have lost to Atlanta, New Orleans, Seattle, Minnesota and Detroit. Miami

will be their toughest test. The Dolphins are beating opponents by an average of 18 1/2 points.

McDaniel believes the Panthers' losing streak makes them a dangerous opponent.

"Maybe teams like to look at win, loss or whatever. We just look at the bottom line," he said. "The tape shows a team that's going to come, not only compete, but they're going to do it in a physical fashion. They are sick of having that feeling. They're going to want to change it. So that's the force that we're facing this week."

HUBBARD'S WORKLOAD

Chuba Hubbard could be the Panthers' primary running back if Miles Sanders is

unable to play. Sanders was battling a groin injury last week before sustaining a shoulder injury on Sunday in a 42-24 loss to the Detroit Lions. Hubbard has seen his workload increase with 23 carries over the past two weeks compared to 20 for Sanders.

It didn't help that Sanders fumbled for the second time this season on Sunday, leading to a Lions touchdown.

The Panthers are also working in wide receiver Laviska Shenault Jr. at running back. He's viewed as a power back.

PANTHERS SECONDARY

The Panthers are getting a little help in the secondary. Cornerback Donte Jackson said he plans to play this week

after missing last week with a shoulder injury.

Jackson was one of three starting defensive backs to miss last week's game, along with cornerback Jaycee Horn and safety Xavier Woods, who remain out with hamstring injuries. Horn and Woods are expected to miss this week's game as well.

Carolina's pass defense allowed Detroit's Jared Goff to throw for three touchdowns last week.

SIMPLIFYING THINGS

The Panthers have tried simplifying their offense for Young, honing in on the plays he feels most comfortable with while also streamlining the play-calling process.

The No. 1 overall draft pick is off to a rough start. Young, who has started four of the team's five games, ranks 25th in the league in QB rating (82.1). He has thrown five touchdown passes and has turned the ball over six times.

UP TO SPEED

Miami wide receiver Chase Claypool was a healthy scratch in last Sunday's win over the Giants, having been acquired from the Chicago Bears just days prior. Since then, the Dolphins have been working to get Claypool up to speed on their offense.

Claypool said he doesn't believe it will take too long to grasp Miami's playbook. He practiced with the team for the first time Wednesday.

"There's a lot of motion, shifts, two motions before the ball is snapped," he said. "I've been doing a lot of studying, and I don't think it'll be too long. It is a complex playbook, but I feel pretty good.'

Howell, struggling Commanders visit Ridder, Falcons in matchup of 2nd-year quarterbacks

BY CHARLES ODUM

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Atlanta's Desmond Ridder and Washington's Sam Howell are coming off career-best passing games as they prepare to face each other Sunday in a matchup of second-year quar-

The Commanders (2-3) will try to snap a three-game losing streak. Washington has allowed 33 or more points in four consecutive games, including last week's 40-20 home loss to Chicago. The poor defensive showing overshadowed Howell's career-high 37 completions and 388 yards.

Ridder, meanwhile, posted his first 300-yard game, setting career highs with 28 completions and 329 yards in the Falcons' 21-19 win over the Houston Texans. Ridder passed and ran for touchdowns and led a last-minute drive to set up Younghoe Koo's 37-yard field goal as time expired.

It was a rebound performance by Ridder one week after his three turnovers in a loss to Jacksonville led to questions about his hold on the starting job. The Falcons (3-2) have an opportunity to move two games over .500 for the first time since 2017, their last winning sea-

Ridder said good protection from Atlanta's offensive line put him in position to flourish against Houston and will be the key against Washington's pass rush led by Montez Sweat. Ridder was sacked 16 times in the first four games and was not dropped behind the line by the Texans.

'First, with everything we do, it starts up front," Ridder said Wednesday. "Those guys gave me a great amount of time back there to sit back, make my reads, and deliver a ball. The challenge this week is their front four, front five, or some good dudes up there rushing the passer."

The Commanders' offense was one-dimensional against Chicago. Washington dropped back to pass on its final 55 snaps, starting at the midpoint of the second quarter.

'Obviously, I think we've been in some situations where we've been down more than we'd like to be down," Howell said. "We got to



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Atlanta guarterback Desmond Ridder (9) and the Falcons host the Washington Commanders on Sunday.

do a better job of starting faster and not putting ourselves in those situations."

SECONDARY CONCERNS

The Commanders lost one of their starting safeties, Darrick Forrest, for at least the next four games with a fractured shoulder. It was a blow to the NFL's 21stranked defense.

It also doesn't help that reserve safety and All-Pro special teams player Jeremy Reaves also landed on injured reserve with a partially torn ACL. Forrest's spot will fall to rookie Quan Martin and sec ond-year pro Percy Butler.

"Let's get ready to roll and we don't have time to worry about those things," Washington coach Ron Rivera said. "But we drafted Percy for a reason. We got Quan for a reason, and this is why.'

Washington arguably has a bigger worry at cornerback. Rookie Emmanuel Forbes has been picked on by opponents so much it led to the first-round pick getting benched in the Bears game.

NEW TARGET FOR RIDDER

Ridder's success in finding wide receiver Drake London and tight ends Jonnu Smith and Kyle Pitts provided balance in Atlanta's offense, which had relied heavily on running backs Bijan Robinson and Tyler Allgeier.

Ridder completed passes to 10 players and now has another target after the Falcons acquired wide receiver Van Jefferson from the Los Angeles Rams on Tuesday. Jefferson joined practice on Wednesday, though it's not clear whether he'll be active against Washington.

HOME-FIELD ADVANTAGE

The Falcons' average of 69,436 tickets distributed for their first three home games ranks 16th in the NFL, slightly lower than their 2022 average of 69,583. Even so, Ridder says fans are making a bigger impact.

The Falcons are 3-0 at home and Ridder credits crowd noise at Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

'Oh, 100 percent, it is way louder than last year," Ridder said.

SACK SHOWDOWN

Howell was sacked five times last week to raise his total this season to a league-high 29. The Falcons have only five sacks in five games, tied for last in the league with the New York Giants, including no sacks last week against Houston.

Watson out again for Browns, Walker to start against 49ers

BY TOM WITHERS

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — Deshaun Watson's shoulder bruise hasn't healed enough for him to

Cleveland's quarterback Watson will miss his second straight game with an injury that initially didn't seem serious, and the Browns (2-2) will elevate P.J. Walker from the practice squad to start Sunday against the San Francisco 49ers.

Watson didn't practice all week and was officially ruled out Friday as his teammates prepared for the Niners (5-0).

Walker, who was signed to the practice squad in August, was elevated to Cleveland's No. 2 quarterback earlier this week. He leapfrogged rookie Dorian Thompson-Robinson, who started for Watson on Oct. 1 and threw three interceptions in his NFL debut against the Baltimore Ravens.

Walker went 4-3 in seven starts over the past three seasons for the Carolina Panthers. In 15 career games, he's completed 131 of 228 passes (57.5%) with five touchdowns and 11 interceptions.

After Watson sat out two weeks ago, the Browns were confident he'd be back on the field following their bye. But the 28-year-old hasn't been able to practice with the injury he sustained on a run against Tennessee on

The team has maintained Watson did not suffer any tears and that his shoulder is structurally intact.

Also, Browns All-Pro left guard Joel Bitonio didn't practice again and is expected to miss Sunday's game, ending his streak of starting 102 straight regular-season games.

Tight end David Njoku returned to practice after missing three days. He's still recovering from burns to his face and hand suffered when he was starting a fire pit at his house. Despite his injuries, Njoku played two days later and caught six passes in a loss to Baltimore on Oct. 1.



Cleveland **Browns** quarterback Deshaun Watson will sit again this week due to injury. **ASSOCIATED**

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Atlanta Braves starting pitcher Spencer **Strider reacts** after giving up a home run to Philadelphia Phillies shortstop **Trea Turner** during Game 4 of the NLDS on Thursday in Philadelphia.

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Braves lose to Phillies for 2nd-straight season, 100 wins again not enough in NLDS exit

BY DAN GELSTON

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Spencer Strider could not watch Nick Castellanos' second home run off him in Game 4. The 20-game winner simply accepted his fate - he gave the ball to Atlanta Braves manager Brian Snitker and awaited a reception almost as rude as the homers.

Strider put his head down and walked toward the dugout as 45,000 fired-up, towel-waving Phillies fans that had heckled and derisively chanted his name since he warmed up — pointed fingers at the pitcher and gave him the business one more time.

Strider never broke stride, never looked up. If he had, Strider might have read the sign that read "Bye-Bye Strider.'

It was soon bye-bye Braves - once again an October departure in Philly.

When the bats in a lineup that hit 307 homers this season fell silent, so did Atlanta in a 3-1 loss to Philadelphia in Game 4 of the National League Division Series on Thursday night.

"You look at the playoff format, you don't need to be a great team all year," Strider said. "You need to get to the playoffs and then it's a different game."

One the Braves haven't yet mastered.

A year after the 101-win Braves were eliminated in Game 4 in Philly, this season's 104-win edition suffered the same cruel fate. They scored a total of eight runs in the series.

"Pretty much just told them they have nothing to hang their heads about. It stinks what just happened," Braves manager Brian Snitker said. "We wanted to go deep into this postseason, but I said it my first meeting every year, it's like we want to check the first box, win the division because you

never know what might happen. And we hit 300 some homers and didn't happen in this playoff series."

Maybe it was the short break from the regular season to the start of the NLDS that cooled off the Braves. Ronald Acuña Jr., one of the front-runners for NL MVP, was 2 for 14 in the four games. Marcell Ozuna and Orlando Arcia each went 2 for 13. Michael Harris II went hitless in 13 at-bats.

Austin Riley homered in the fourth inning of Game 4, but that was it for the Braves.

Trailing 3-1 in the seventh, Atlanta loaded the bases on three two-out walks. Craig Kimbrel then retired Acuña on a deep fly ball that was run down by rookie center fielder Johan Rojas.

Rally, over.

Strider allowed two homers to Castellanos, a goahead shot to Trea Turner who entered 0 for 17 lifetime against Strider — struck out seven and threw 96 pitches in 52/3 innings.

"They didn't have a cheat code," Strider said. "If you ask them, I'm sure they'll tell you I nung a couple of slid-

Just one month earlier, the Braves took three of four and clinched their sixth straight NL East title in Philadelphia. The Braves went 8-5 against the Phillies in the regular season.

Those numbers were as empty as the Braves offense.

The franchise that put together an unprecedented streak of 14 straight division titles in the 1990s and 2000s tried for one more memorable run just two seasons removed from winning a World

But outside of a fantastic Game 2 rally, little went right for the Braves.

Phillies fans had saved the worst for Strider, who is 8-0 in the regular season against the Phillies and a disaster in the postseason against them.

Phillies fans chanted "We Want Strider" in Game 3, and then reserved their loudest pregame boos for him in Game 4.

Strider, perhaps tongue-incheek, had said in an interview "there should be no fans" at the ballgame.

"Get rid of the fans, it's too loud," he told MLB Fits. "It's too loud, everybody be quiet. We don't need the cheering, we know you're watching. I don't need the fans.'

Joking or not, the Phillies needed little incentive to jump all over the ace righthander. Some fans wore T-shirts that read "Is This Too Loud For You Spencer?" and others held signs with the same message.

It was part of quirky series overall for the Braves.

The social media user behind the account for the mascot Blooper oddly took aim on the Phillie Phanatic, writing "his last highlight was recorded with a flash." Phillies fans spent the rest of the remaining games roasting Blooper.

But Blooper was far from the only error.

After Philadelphia star Bryce Harper committed a baserunning blunder that closed out Atlanta's Game 2 win, Arcia cracked "Attaboy, Harper!" inside of the Braves' jubilant clubhouse. Harper responded with two homers in Game 3, staring at the shortstop as he rounded the bases after each drive.

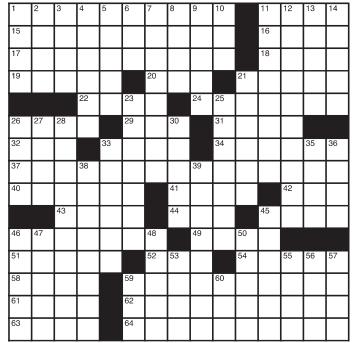
Atlanta joins this year's list of playoff teams that tore through the regular season only to flop in October.

The teams with the five best regular-season records - the Braves, Baltimore (101 wins), Dodgers (100), Tampa Bay (99) and Milwaukee (92) - all failed to reach the LCS.

"We got beat and didn't play good enough to win the series. It's as simple as that," Snitker said. "We got beat by a really good club that has a penchant for it this time of year."

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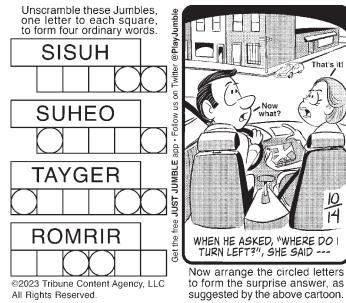
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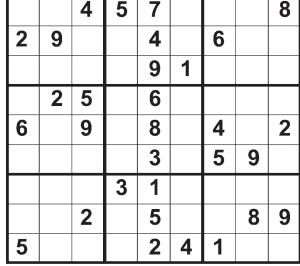
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THE ANSWERS TO THESE PUZZLES CAN BE FOUND ON **TODAY'S DAILY PLANNER PAGE.**

FLORIDA @ SOUTH CAROLINA

COLUMBIA (AP) - Florida (4-2, 2-1 Southeastern Conference) at South Carolina (2-3, 1-2), Saturday at 3:30 p.m. (SEC Network) Line: South Carolina by 2 1-2, according to FanDuel Sportsbook. Series record: Florida leads 30-10-3.

WHAT'S AT STAKE?

The Gators, ranked earlier in the season after defeating Tennessee, hope to win consecutive SEC games for the first time since last season. The Gamecocks need a win if they hope if they hope to contend for the postseason and to build on their eight-win season from a year ago.

South Carolina QB Spencer Rattler against Florida's stellar secondary. When the Gamecocks have had success this season, it's Rattler and the passing game that have led the way. Rattler has completed 67 percent of his throws and has 12 TDs despite getting sacked 22 times. The Gators lead the SEC in fewest yards given up through the air (144 a game) and are tied for fewest passing TDs allowed

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Florida: RB Trevor Etienne. The Gators sophomore had a breakout game in a win over South Carolina a year ago with 100 yards rushing including an 85-yard TD run. The Gamecocks have likely had enough of the Etienne family. Trevor's brother, Travis, accounted for 248 yards and five TDs in three games for Clemson - all wins - vs. rival South Caro-

South Carolina: WR Xavier Legette. The fifthyear player has been one of the SEC's biggest surprises this season with 32 catches for 606 yards. Legette has also had three touchdown

FACTS & FIGURES

Florida has lost four of its past six games at South Carolina, including a 40-17 defeat two years ago in the debut seasons of Gators coach Billy Napier and Gamecocks coach Shane Beamer. ... Napier has plenty of connections to the Palmetto State. He played quarterback at FCS school Furman, then got his first assistant job at South Carolina State. He joined Clemson's staff in 2006 and served as offensive coordinator with the Tigers for two seasons (2009-10). ... Florida quarterback Graham Mertz has completed 70 percent or more of his passes in each of his first six starts with the Gators. He's the only Florida passer to accomplish that over the past 20 seasons. ...Rattler has completed 36 of 41 passes (87.8%) for 393 yards and two TDs in his five first quarters this season. ... Gamecocks tailback Mario Anderson, who transferred from Division II Newberry, had 101 rushing in a loss at Tennessee last time out. It was the team's first game with over 100 yards on the ground.



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Wilson Hall's Rylee Bath celebrates during the Barons' win over Hammond on Thursday.









BARONS

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they're doing on the court, but what they're doing off the court," Ripley said. "Their ability to lead and lead by example and hopefully continue to leave an impact on this program for years to come with the things that they've done and precedents they've set.

"Senior nights are always tough with the emotions involved. It's a tough moment as a high school kid; you really can't understand it until you're a senior and you're going through it, but we did a good job of getting those emotions back under control and really focused and ready to play as we highlighted their skills throughout the night."

Bath, now a four-year varsity player for the Lady Barons, did a little bit of everything. After transitioning from libero to hitter this season, she racked up seven kills to go with a teamhigh five aces.

"She's been a huge part of our success over the years. She's like a second coach out there, literally with the JV. She helps and volunteers with the JV group," Ripley said. "She'll sit on the bench and keep stats and help give them feedback and coach them up. She's super knowledgeable about the game.'

Pavne was once again a consistent offensive weapon, leading the team with 11 kills to go along with strong defense on the back line, racking up 14 digs.

"Aubrey is obviously super talented; she's been kind of our go-to over the past few years on the front row, but she's also a really skilled passer," Ripley said. "She's kind of our girl; she's who we go to when we need it."

Norris continued to be an offensive facilitator, dishing out 14 assists in the victory.

"Maggie's ability to grow in the sport and take on setting, re-

ally her sophomore year. She'd done it a little bit before that but really took off that year and bought into it and has grown into one of the better setters in the state, certainly in our area," Ripley said.

Jarecki, who moved to libero as Bath shifted roles, continued to be a defensive presence, leading the team with 16 digs.

"Sully is kind of the unsung hero sometimes," Ripley said. "She took the libero role halfway through the year. She's a phenomenal leader. She's a coach's kid. We've got a few of those, which helps. They just kinda get it a little differently sometimes, just how to communicate with me as a coach and even communicate with the girls and how to get them to understand things. Sully has been incredible. Her leadership is incredible.'

Before the varsity victory, the JV cruised to a 25-10, 25-12 sweep.

Wilson Hall now has just one regular season game left, a trip to Ripley's old stomping grounds, Orangeburg Prep, on Monday. From there, they will await the playoff brackets, which are expected to be released on Tuesday. The SCISA state tournament will run on Friday and Saturday next week at the Myrtle Beach Sports Cen-

"We'll just use next week to get ready for state," Ripley said. "The thing with SCISA this year. at the end of the day, there's Cardinal Newman, they're kind of a step above everybody, then Porter-Gaud has emerged as a clear No. 2. There's a group of six right behind them where, I hate to say the draw doesn't matter, but we've got to go through each other. It's going to be really competitive. Whoever plays really well on Friday and Saturday is going to put themselves in a position to make a run at one of the two big dogs and try to knock them off."











ROUNDUP

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Bell Barrineau and Megan Brown each had two kills.

Sumter High now will wait to see if they receive an atlarge bid for the postseason, while East Clarendon will host a playoff game on Thursday.

CRESTWOOD 0 DARLINGTON 3

The Crestwood volleyball team traveled to Darlington needing a win to earn a home playoff game on Thursday. The Lady Knights put up a fight but were swept 3-0 and now have to settle for third place in Region VI-3A.

CHS was slow out of the gate, falling 25-13 in the first set. Crestwood battled in the second set, but Darlington was able to cling to a 29-27 win. With momentum on their side, Darlington took the third set 25-16 to end the match.

Taliya Harris led the Lady Knights with eight blocks and six kills in the defeat. NaLaya Singleton had four kills and five blocks. MaKayla Leonard had three kills and two aces. N'Tallyah Bell dished out six assists, and Laniya Rouse had one assist.

SUMTER CHRISTIAN 1 MULLINS-MARION 3

The Sumter Christian volleyball team fell to Mullins-Marion 3-1 on Thursday,

falling to 5-9 on the season. The two squads split the first two sets, with MM winning the first 25-22 before

Sumter Christian took the



PHOTOS BY NICH PITTS / ITEM CONTRIBUTOR

West had an assist. Jona-

than Kannon had 13 steals.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

The Alice Drive football

team defeated Furman 26-0

on Thursday, improving to

Reggie Shannon put on a

ALICE DRIVE 26

5-0 in the process.

FURMAN 0

Larry Wayne Rodgers had 15

The Sumter High volleyball team huddles during their match against East Clarendon on Thursday.

second 25-19. Mullins-Marion fought hard to claim the final two sets 25-17 and 25-23.

Emani Hammett led SCS with 10 kills, six aces and five assists. Eleana Barboza had seven assists, six aces and three kills. Laurie Koehler added six kills and an ace. Kelcy Padgett had three aces and three kills. Reese Atkinson had three kills and an ace.

BOYS SOCCER

SUMTER CHRISTIAN 4 EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN 3

The Sumter Christian boys soccer team earned its second win of the season 4-3 in overtime over Emmanuel

Christian on Thursday. Jordan Rodriguez scored twice in the win, while Jackson French and Caden At-

kinson each added a goal.

Atkinson also added an as-

sist. Joshua Kannon had 13

steals and an assist. Devan

show. He scored three total touchdowns. One came on a 75-yard interception return for a score, while he added touchdown runs of 36 and 12 yards. He also intercepted a second pass and had a twopoint conversion. Brode Stanfield also added a rushing touchdown.

Aiden Smetanko had four special teams tackles, while Joshua Peebles, Ronmair Robinson, Jazir Govan and Kingston Stukes each had multiple stops.

Smart marveling at Grizzlies' defensive mindset

BY TERESA M. WALKER

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Marcus Smart sees no reason why the Grizzlies can't be the NBA's best defensive team this

It's not just bold talk from a brash player. Smart knows exactly why Memphis traded for him in June.

Not only did the Grizzlies rank third in the NBA in defensive rating last season behind the play of Jaren Jackson Jr., the 2023 Defensive Player of the Year, but Smart won that same award in 2022. That makes Memphis the first NBA team to pair back-toback defensive players of the year since the award was first handed out

It has Smart marveling at the possibilities that could be on the horizon.

"As a defensive guy coming on a team who thinks just like you and has guys such as Jaren in the same boat (that) understand the defense and how important it is ... they'll take you to a new level," Smart said.

Even as good as the Grizzlies have been on defense, this is an upgrade.

They traded Dillon Brooks, who was named to the NBA All-Defense second team, to Houston after he wore out his welcome in Memphis. During the offseason, the Grizzlies had a short shopping list to fill the void — headed by Smart and 2011 MVP Derrick Rose.

General manager Zach Kleiman didn't think Boston would part with Smart, the first guard to win NBA Defensive Player of the Year since Gary Payton in 1996.

Smart was an integral contributor to the success of the Celtics, who



Memphis guard Marcus Smart, a former Defensive Player of the Year, has been impressed by the defensive talent of the Grizzlies early in his tenure with the team.

ranked a spot ahead of Memphis for defensive rating. Smart also is a threetime NBA All-Defensive First Team selection and has won the NBA Hustle Award three times, including last season. The Grizzlies acquired Smart in a three-team trade.

'There's one goal, and that goal is to win the championship," Kleiman said.
"That hasn't changed. We haven't wavered on that. We feel really good about the group that we have.'

Jackson embodies Memphis' defen-

He set franchise records averaging a league-best 3 blocks a game while blocking 189 shots last season. Jackson joined Hakeem Olajuwon, David Robinson and Ben Wallace — all NBA Defensive Players of the Year — as the only players to average 3 blocks and a steal a game.

The fourth overall pick in 2018 out of Michigan State spent his summer with the U.S. team in the FIBA World Cup, playing center. Jackson, who turned 24 last month, knows he needs to be "that guy" going into his sixth season with Memphis.

"I got to be able to use it the right way," Jackson said of his 6-foot-11, 242-pound frame. "There's really no more talk about me growing into my body. ... That's how it's got to be now. You're grown completely."

Asked how he can help Jackson, Smart joked he can keep his new teammate out of foul trouble. Though it's no laughing matter; Jackson too often finds himself sitting out crucial minutes trying to avoid a final sixth foul — though he fouled out only four times last season.

That comes with it as a defensive guy," said Smart, adding you have "to be able to manage that.'

With two-time All-Star Ja Morant suspended for the first 25 games, Smart is expected to pull double-duty: running Memphis' offense while helping on defense. Memphis coach Taylor Jenkins said he's talked repeatedly with Smart about simply being himself and expects the veteran to make a seamless transition.

"Marcus experienced it at the highest level, playing in numerous conference finals, All-Defensive player, played in the NBA Finals," Jenkins said. "None of our guys have been there, you know, So we've got to learn from him."

Smart cautions anyone questioning his abilities or whether he adds much to a team that earned the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference each of the past two seasons only to lose early in the postseason. He said he hasn't lost his chameleon-like skills and is more than capable of doing whatever is asked of him.

"I'm still me," Smart said. "My arm length still the same, wingspan still the same, you know, my hair's still long, so it's fine. That's fine. Let them do the talking. We'll see at the end of the year and a couple months if they still talking.'

Hornets' Bridges turns himself in after arrest warrant issued over protection order

BY STEVE REED

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE — Charlotte Hornets forward Miles Bridges turned himself in on Friday after an arrest warrant was issued for an alleged protection order violation stemming from a domestic violence case last year.

Bridges turned himself in early in the morning in Lincoln County, a suburb of Charlotte. He was accompanied by his attorney, according to Larry Seagle, the public information officer for the Lincoln County Sheriff's Of-

Bridges appeared before a aistrict court juage and was released on \$1,000 bond.

The 25-year-old Bridges had been in Washington, D.C., on Thursday night as the Hornets played the Wizards in a

preseason game, according to a team spokesman. Bridges did not play because he is

been issued on Jan. 2, but had not previously been served.

lating a protection order, misdemeanor child abuse and in-

That criminal summons had not yet been served as of Friday morning, per court documents.

ing three years of probation

She departed this life on

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023, in Co-

The family is receiving

Sumter, from 2 to 6 p.m. daily.

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A public viewing for James

Graveside ser-

vices will be held

on Saturday, Oct.

14, at 11 a.m. at

Congruity Pres-

byterian Church

Cemetery, 3750

Gable, with

Prophetess Barabara Snider

James was born Oct. 6, 1983,

He departed this life on Fri-

in Sumter to Norma Jean Bell

and James Anthony Polite.

day, Oct. 6, 2023, in Sumter.

The family is receiving

friends at 46-B Highland Ave.,

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MANNING — Willie Mae

Oct. 7, 2023, at

She was born

Jan. 1, 1940, in

daughter of the

late Isaac and

Manning, a

McLeod Hospice

House, Florence.

Johnson, 83, widower of Jes-

sie Johnson, died Saturday,

Services are entrusted into

Congruity Road,

Bell will be held today from 1

to 6 p.m. at Whites Mortuary.

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JAMES BELL

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officiating.

saulting her in front of the children. It was ruled that he must adhere to a 10-year criminal protection order for the woman, weekly narcotics and marijuana testing, and restitution, according to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office.

The AP does not normally identify alleged victims unless they have granted permission for their name to be

Bridges is currently serving a 10-game suspension from the NBA to begin the season. It remains to be seen if Bridges could face further discipline from the league.

Messages left for Bridges attornev were not immediate ly returned.

The NBA and the Hornets have both said they are looking into the situation and gathering more information.



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Charlotte Hornets forward Miles Bridges turned himself in to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office after an arrest warrant was issued for an alleged protection order violation.

OBITUARIES

JAMES BOLDEN

A public viewing for James Bolden will be held today from 1 to 6 p.m. at Whites



BOLDEN

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 14, at 2 p.m. at Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church,

805 S. Harvin St.,

Sumter. Interment will follow in

Bradford Cemetery. James was born Aug. 25, 1959, in Sumter to Queen Elizabeth McDuffie and the late Isaac Bolden.

He departed this life on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, in Sumter.

The family is receiving friends at 2234 Garrison St., Sumter, from 2 to 6 p.m. daily.

Services are entrusted into the care of Whites Mortuary LLC - Dedicated to Excellence Committed to Service.

BERTHA MAE CALHOUN

A public viewing for Bertha Mae Calhoun will be held today from 1 to 6 p.m. at



Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 14, at 2 p.m. at Saint James Holiness Church, 3655 Myrtle Beach

Whites Mortuary.

Hwy., with the Rev. Alfreda Johnson, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Church Cemetery.

Bertha, the wife of the late Jesse Richard Calhoun Jr., was born April 22, 1942, to the late Samuel B. and Geneva

suspended by the league. The warrant had originally

No details have been made Bridges is also set to be served a criminal summons for an Oct. 6 allegation of vio-

jury to personal property.

Bridges is currently servafter pleading no contest in exchange for no jail time in the June 2022 domestic violence case involving the mother of his two children, who accused Bridges of as-

Green Galloway.

lumbia.

Mary James Pearson. Public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023, at Hayes F. Samuels Sr. Memorial Chapel, 114 N.

Church St., Manning. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023, at Hayes F. Samuels Sr. Memorial Chapel. Burial will follow in the Carolina Johnson Cemetery.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

WILLIAM ALAN HENSLEY

William Alan Hensley, 34, husband of Jonee LaVern



HENSLEY

(DuBose) Hensley, died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2023. Born Feb. 16, 1989, in Sumter, he is the son of William A. Hensley Jr. and Pame-

> la Reed Hensley. Survivors in ad-

dition to his wife and parents include one daughter, Aylee Jane Hensley; one son, Jason Alexander Hensley; two sisters, Krysten Hassler and Victoria Hensley (Robert); one brother, Christopher Hensley (Jessica); six nieces, Paris Jackson, Kaidence Jackson, Avery Hensley, Mia Hensley, Paisley Young and McKenna Young; two nephews, Corben Hassler and Archer Hensley; paternal grandparents, Bud and Mildred Hensley; and maternal grandmother, Jeanette Reed.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, William D. Reed.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, in the Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home Chapel

officiated by the Rev. Jim Johnson. Burial will be in Evergreen Memorial Park Ceme-

tery. Pallbearers will be Christopher Hensley, Daniel DuBose, Curtis Sanders, Jerry Sanders, Morgan Ward, Peyton Ward, Robert Player and James Young.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and other times at his parents' home.

Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter is in charge of the arrangements.

MARCUS TREVAINE JAMES

Marcus Trevaine James, 41. son of William Gordon James and Treva Taylor James, was born on Jan. 9, 1982, in Sumter. He departed this life on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital in Columbia.

Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter is in charge of arrangements.

REX E. RIDDLE

Rex E. Riddle, 88, widower of Patricia Hutson Riddle, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2023, at McLeod Health Clarendon.

Services will be announced by Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter.

ELLA MAE BROWN

Ella Mae Brown departed this life on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023, in Prince George's County, Maryland.

She was born April 17, 1951, to the late James Cooper and Ella Ceasar.

At the request of the family, for visitations, please contact (301) 395-0412.

Services are incomplete and will be announced later by

Whites Mortuary LLC. **BERTHA MAE SPENCER**

A public viewing for Bertha Mae Spencer will be held today from 1 to 6 p.m. at Whites Mortuary.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023, at 1 p.m. at Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, 155 Wall St.

Interment will follow in Old Good Hope United Methodist Church Cemetery, Rembert.

Bertha was born Nov. 30, 1941, to the late Lucile Spen-She departed this life on

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023, in Sum-

The family is receiving friends at 1026 Nottingham Drive, Sumter, from 2 to 6 p.m.

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SHY'AIR A'NORI-LYNN **SINGLETON**

Shy'Air A 'Nori-Lynn Singleton, daughter of Shikeem Singleton and Na'Air Choice, was born on Sept. 24, 2023, in Lexington. She departed this life on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital in Columbia.

Family will receive friends at her grandmother's house, Shakeya Bell, from 6 to 8 p.m.

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GATSON MARGARETTA P GAY ALLEN GAYMON MILTON TROVOY & STAFFORD BRIDGET	01002 01004 01009	012385223 012393223 012431223	189-01-02-027-00 267-00-01-026-00 172-00-00-017-00	0 0 0	0 0 0	-	0 0 1
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GEORGIA DAVID GERST ROBERT & GERST ASHLEY GERST WILLIAM W SR, BARTO ROBERT R &	01025 01028 01029	012578223 012630223 012632223	078-07-02-001-00 197-07-01-015-00 197-07-01-016-00	0 0 0	U 1 1		1 2 0
GERST ASHLEY GIBBINS THOMAS A, WILKERSON VICKI AKA GIBBINS VICKI	01030	012647223	078-11-01-008-00	11	1	0	3
GIBBONS ED ENTERPRISE LLC GIBBONS ED ENTERPRISE LLC GIBBONS ED ENTERPRISE LLC	01047 01048 01049	012688223 012689223 012690223	120-00-02-067-00 122-00-04-005-00 126-00-00-002-00	0 0 0	0 1 0	1 0 0.69	0 1 1
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GIBSON ROSA P HEIRS OF GIST DAMIEN GLOVER BETTY J ETAL	01096 01103 01104	012951223 013050223 013088223	273-00-02-009-00 169-11-04-001-00 120-00-02-016-00	0 21 0	0 1 0	0	0 1 0
GLOVER EMMA & BOOKER T GLOVER WILLIE LEE & HARLEAN GLOVER	01104 01105 01108 01109	013093223 013101223	263-00-01-001-00 085-00-02-039-00	0	0 0	6 3.1	0
GOBEYN JAMES GODWIN SHEREE W GOODMAN JESSIE	01110 01115	013110223 013135223 013229223	238-00-00-027-00 124-00-02-026-00 189-01-02-024-00	0 0 0	0 0 1	1 1 0	0
GRAHAM CHRISTOPHER LEE GREEN ARCHIE GREEN ARCHIE L	01119 01127 01128	013342223 013459223 013460223	078-10-05-007-00 168-16-06-009-00 168-16-03-007-00	11 21 21	1 1 1	0 0 0	υ 0 1
GREEN TERRANCE GREENE ROXANA GREENS LANDSCAPING & IRRIGATON	01146 01152 01153	013642223 000338225 013705223	013-00-03-023-00 279-00-01-006-00 188-00-03-019-00	0 0 0	1 1 1	0 0 0	0 2 0
GUEST JARRAD GUNN SUSAN	01163 01165	013818223 013836223	078-08-02-030-00 038-00-02-012-00	0	1 0	0 1.4	1
HALEY SHARRON A HALL BILLY J & NEW OWNER: BLACUCH DARIAN & HIGGINS	01174 01175	013926223 013934223	242-00-03-001-00 034-12-01-003-00	0 0	0 0	12 1.16	0
AMBER HAMMETT LEVI & ESSIE M HAMPTON KIMBERLY A	01193 01198	001465225 014090223	169-06-03-027-00 196-01-02-017-00	21 0	1	0 0	1 2
HARDY GEORGE W JR HARVIN JAMES	01205 01224	014177223 014434223	309-00-01-032-00 019-00-02-008-00	0 0	0	1 1.92	0 0
HARVIN JAMES & BETTY L HAVE FAITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP HAVE FAITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP	01226 01235 01236	014436223 014551223 001561225	019-00-02-047-00 172-14-02-050-00 172-00-00-001-00	0 0 0	0 1 0	2.33 0 91.01	0 0 0
HAYNIE CYNTHIA HELMS TOMMY HEMINGWAY THERESA	01238 01241 01244	014610223 014680223 014702223	189-08-00-003-00 101-00-02-028-00 119-00-05-013-00	0 0 0	1 0	0	1 0 0
HENRY SHAROME D ETAL HERITAGE UNILIMITED LLC	01249 01252	014762223 014795223	196-00-02-033-00 140-00-05-154-00	0	0 0 0	3.33 5	0 2 0
HERRING JOSEPH C III & CAROL J HERRING HICKMAN BRENDA	01258 01268	014837223 014899223	147-00-01-015-00 323-00-02-047-00	0 0	1 0		0 2

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HICKS ELLA J HILTON ALFONSO	01291 015	1953223 5124223	140-00-01-054-00 209-00-01-034-00	0 0	0	1.9 1	1 0
HILTON ALFONSO HODGE ELIZABETH M HOLLADAY MILTON R	01314 015	5125223 5389223 5612223	209-00-01-035-00 260-00-02-046-00 168-00-03-017-00	0 0 0	0 0 0	1 2.3 166.1	1 0 1
HOLLADAY MILTON R HOLLADAY MILTON R LE HOLLADAY MILTON R JR	01323 015	5613223 5614223	166-00-03-008-00 190-00-01-008-00	0 0 0	0 0 0	100.1 101 27.27	1 0
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HOLLIDAY HOWARD JR HOLLIDAY JAMES ANDRE	01327 015 01328 015	5641223 5644223	169-11-04-012-00 094-00-01-019-00	21 0	1 0	0 7.3	2 0
HOLLIDAY MARY E ETAL HOLLIDAY SARAH M	01335 015	5659223 5666223	141-00-01-020-00 044-00-01-032-00	0 0	0	4.9 0	1 0
HOLLOWELL CHIRSTOPHER JOHN TRUSTEE, HOLLOWELL LORI WESCOAT TRUSTEE & HOLLOWELL FAMILY TRUST	01336 015	5683223	194-11-02-004-00	0	1	0	0
HOLLOWELL FAMILY TRUST HOUSE LONEY HOWARD CONSTANCE		5861223 5917223	120-00-05-032-00 169-03-01-004-00	0 21	0	0.69 0	0
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HUCKS RICHARD A & IVAN W HUCKS HUGGINS WILLIS ETAL	01356 015 01364 016	5993223 6068223	159-07-04-008-00 347-00-02-017-00	0 0	1 0	0 1.3	0
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JAMES ALLEN JR JAMES RENA M	01402 016	6683223 6780223	077-00-00-032-00 077-00-00-039-00	0 0	0	1.1 0	0 1
JAMES SYLVIA L JAMES THOMAS JR ETAL JAMES THOMAS JR	01407 016	5807223 5813223 5819223	077-14-02-037-00 169-14-02-002-00 169-14-02-013-00	0 21 21	1 1 1	0	0 2 1
JAMES I HOMAS JR JOHNSON BRITTANY & JOHNSON ALEXIS JOHNSON EVA ETAL	01429 017	7106223 0425225	020-00-01-029-00 011-00-01-007-00	0 0	1 1 0	0 0 58.56	1 0
NEW OWNER: BROWN PAMELA DENISE ETAL JOHNSON RICHARD LEE JR	01458 017	7454223	238-00-00-040-00	0	0	1	0
JOHNSON ROBERT & COLLINS ANNIE JOHNSON VANESSA	01460 017 01465 017	7457223 7538223	238-00-00-097-00 013-01-01-011-00	0 0	0	5 0	0
JOHNSON VANESSA JONES BERTHA NEW OWNED: TIMBER STREET INVESTMENTS		7539223 7594223	013-01-01-023-00 101-00-01-023-00	0	1 0	0 1.3	0
NEW OWNER: TIMBER STREET INVESTMENTS OF SC LLC JONES CHRISTOPHER LANE	01473 017	7608223	081-00-01-023-00	0	0	5.2	0
JONES CHRISTOPHER LANE JONES EYVONE 0 & JAYSHAWN JONES JONES FRANCIS DAVID	01474 017		145-00-01-029-00 053-00-01-089-00	0 0 0	0 0 1	0.75 0	1 0
Jones Hortense Eyvonne New Owner: Jones Jayshawn	01476 017	7697223	145-00-01-028-00	0	0	0.48	1
JONES HORTENSE EYVONNE NEW OWNER: JONES JAYSHAWN			145-00-01-045-00	0	0	0.42	0
JONES HORTENSE Y NEW OWNER: JONES JAYSHAWN		7699223	160-00-01-032-00	0	0	4.38	4
JONES JAMES & ETAL JONES JAYSHAWN JONES JAYSHAWN	01482 017	7708223 7715223 7716223	145-00-01-043-00 160-00-01-045-00	0 0 0	0 0 0	0.21 0.69	1 0 0
JONES JAYSHAWN JONES JENNIFER W JONES MICHAEL H	01484 017	7716223 7721223 7764223	160-00-01-046-00 147-00-02-038-00 078-12-02-006-00	0 0 11	U 1 1	0.69 0 0	0 0 3
JORDAN WANDA L JUDY ODELL SR LE JUDY ODELL JR REM	01493 017	7886223 7937223	034-11-03-007-00 035-00-00-017-00	0	0	1 6.38	0
JUDY TOM JR KALMAR JACK R & MARGARET J KALMAR	01507 018	7941223 3064223	185-08-01-005-00 036-09-00-003-00	0 0	0 1	3.3 0	1 3
KEELS MACK KEELS PAUL & SARAH & SIDNEY JTWRS	01510 018	3108223 3110223	294-00-03-008-00 294-00-03-014-00	0 0 0	0	3 0.69	0
KENNEDY ROBERT KENNEDY WILLIE JAMES KING CORIE ETAL	01519 018	3311223 3316223 3414223	283-00-01-039-00 309-00-01-027-00 169-12-06-006-00	0 0 21	0	1 1 0	0
KING WESLEY D KINGERY MICHAEL D & KINGERY KIMBERLY	01530 018	3545223 1209225	075-00-00-015-00 120-00-03-011-00	0	0	22 6.13	0 2
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KISER KAY S KNOWLTON WAYNE	01541 018	3621223 3700223	160-15-00-026-00 312-00-01-005-00	0 0	1 0	0 2.2	3 0
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KNOX PEGGY H KOEPPEN RONALD P NEW OWNER: FILYAW GAVIN ROGERS		3711223 3721223	169-11-04-002-00 161-07-01-007-00	21 0	1	0	2
KOLB ANDREA J LANEY DANNY & KATHY G LANEY	01546 018 01553 019	3723223 9071223	129-00-03-031-00 196-03-00-074-00	0	0	1.73 0	0
LAWRENCE DALE LAWSON DARYL	01558 019 01560 019	9182223 9208223	087-00-01-018-00 101-00-02-013-00	0	0 0	2.64 1.2	1
LAWSON HALVERT C & PHYLLIS C BELL LAWSON LAWSON HENRY	01564 019	9235223 9237223	078-13-02-004-00 077-09-01-001-00	11 11	0	4.3 0	1 2
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LAWSON RASHILIN LAWSON MELVIN & LAWSON ANGELA H LEASURE DANNY J	01576 019	9284223 9376223	169-15-03-007-00 162-09-00-092-00	21 0	1 0	0 0	2
NEW OWNER: CASO RODNEY MARTIN LEE JAMES A		9484223	023-00-00-001-00	0	0	0	18
LEMON JEROME AKA RICHARD LEMON LEVY JOHNNY & BARBARA	01613 019	9630228 9747223	116-00-02-116-00 169-15-06-009-00	10 21	0	0	0
LEWIS JANICE K LEWIS KATIE H	01619 019	9809223 9823223	187-01-06-002-00 324-00-08-018-00	21 0	1 0	0 1.1	0 2 0
LINCOLN VINCENT LINCOLN VINCENT LINCOLN VINCENT	01629 019	9897223 9898223 9899223	020-00-01-054-00 053-00-02-015-00 094-00-01-003-00	0 0 0	0 0 0	0.84 1 1	0 0
LIVINGSTON JANIE L LIVINGSTON SHELDON & KAIDEN C MICHAEL	01633 019	9953223 9962223	039-00-02-057-00 039-00-02-093-00	0	0 0	1.89 12.5	0
ETAL LOW COUNTRY PROPERTIES & INVESTMENTS LLC	01641 020)138223	159-00-00-002-00	0	1	0	0
LOWERY CAROL & SAMUEL M LYNCH ALBERT W & LYNCH WAYNE W	01645 020)194223)286223	216-00-03-061-00 161-10-04-001-00	0	1	0	0 5
MARIGNEY EDDIE MARTIN THOMASYNE MARTIN VIRGINIA I	01671 020)653223)796223)809223	077-14-02-021-00 160-13-01-007-00 014-04-02-005-00	0 0 0	0 1 0	2 0 2	0 3 0
MATHIS YANA K MAYHEW EDWIN	01682 000	0812225 0994223	168-15-01-013-00 084-00-02-017-00	21 0	1 0	0 1.4	1 0
MCALISTER LEROY & HASCO & GWEN DOLYN N SCOTT AS TRUSTEE OF APOSTOLIC		1017223	216-00-04-019-00	0	0	1.9	1
FAITH MISSION MCBRIDE ALVIN MCCURRY CARCURY & MIRIAM		1039223	139-00-02-042-00	0	0	1	1
MCCURRY CAROLINE & MIRIAM NEW OWNER: LASON BRYANT TAWAN MCELVEEN ISABELLE S. LE		1334223	078-15-04-010-00	11	1	0	0
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 ${\bf MILLER}\;{\bf MALISA}\;{\bf S}$

MIMS LILLIE P

MILLER PEARLINE H

MCKOY JOHNNIE MAE ETAL

MCINTOSH HARRISON L III

MCINTOSH HARRISON LEE III

MCKINNEY LOUISE & MACK TALVER

MILES EDWARD L & MILES LAMAR C

MERCEDES DEIDRE & COCHRAN THOMAS E

NEW OWNER: PACK CLAYTON B MCFADDEN HARMON JR & CASSANDRA

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l	MURRAY FREDERICK & JANA	01865	001968155	241-00-02-017-02	20	0	0	0
l	MURRAY HESTER	01866	023505223	187-01-07-049-00	21	1	0	0
l	NELSON ANTHONY ONEIL	01878	023777223	014-00-01-078-00	0	1	0	1
l	NELSON DEMETRIA ETAL	01880	023794223	184-00-02-012-00	0	0	4	0
l	NELSON FREMONT	01884	023822223	086-00-02-002-00	0	0	10	0
l	NELSON FREMONT	01885	023823223	086-00-02-003-00	0	0	6.3	0
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l	NELSON FREMONT	01887	023825223	086-11-00-013-00	22	0	1.3	0
l	NELSON STACEY	01894	023951223	187-01-06-010-00	21	1	0	0
l	ODOM E W	01901	024266223	081-00-01-034-00	0	0	0.29	0
l	OLIVER TIMOTHY P	01918	024385223	148-00-00-002-00	0	0	282.32	1
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l	ONLY GODS WORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH	01932	024432223	078-09-08-010-00	11	i	Õ	0
l	NEW OWNER: LAWSON BRYANT TAWAN	0.00=	00		• •	•	•	
l	OWEN GARY & KAY	01943	024556223	208-00-01-022-00	0	0	0.73	0
l	OWNES DANIEL J	01944	000374228	323-00-02-075-00	30	0	0	0
l	PACK JUANITA VELTA	01948	024628223	089-00-00-024-00	0	0	19.6	0
l	PACK JUANITA VELTA	01949	024629223	089-00-00-029-00	0	0	1	0
l	PACK SADIE	01950	024638223	169-10-03-020-00	21	1	0	1
l	NEW OWNER: CANTEY FARILY, PACK							
l	CLAYTON B & PACK TYRELL							
l	PANCHECO MICHAEL GARCIA	01951	024739223	126-00-00-172-00	0	0	1.5	0
l	PARKER MORRIS ORELL & PARKER BETTY ANN	01959	024900223	195-09-04-001-00	0	1	0	2
l	PARKER MORRIS ORELL & PARKER BETTY ANN	01961	001332215	195-09-04-001-01	20	0	0	1
l	PARKER WILLIAM JR ETAL	01966	024942223	044-00-02-019-00	0	0	1	1
l	PATTERSON SONIA VANESSA	01977	025075223	168-16-06-037-00	21	1	0	1
l	PEARSON EARNEST	01982	025169223	189-01-02-026-00	0	0	1	0
l	PEARSON ERNEST	01985	025178223	189-01-02-035-00	0	1	0	0
l	PEARSON ETHEL LEE	01986	025182223	119-00-06-019-00	0	0	1	1
l	NEW OWNER: PADILLA KATRINA PEARSON &							
l	ANDREWS TAMARA							
l	PEARSON LUCAS JR	01987	025213223	327-00-02-017-00	0	0	1	1
l	PEARSON LUCAS WASHINGTON & WINNIE DORA B	01988	025214223	327-00-02-018-00	0	0	1	1
l	PEARSON MICHAEL L & PEARSON SONYA M	01989	025236223	162-00-01-103-00	0	1	0	0
	PEARSON SHIRLEY G, PEARSON DAVID H &	01992	025275223	197-12-06-002-00	Ō	1	0	0

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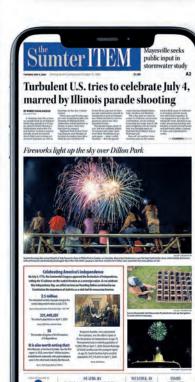




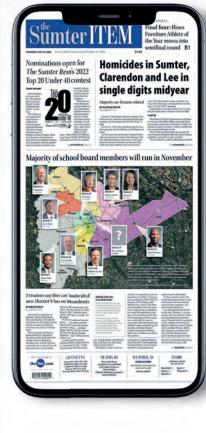








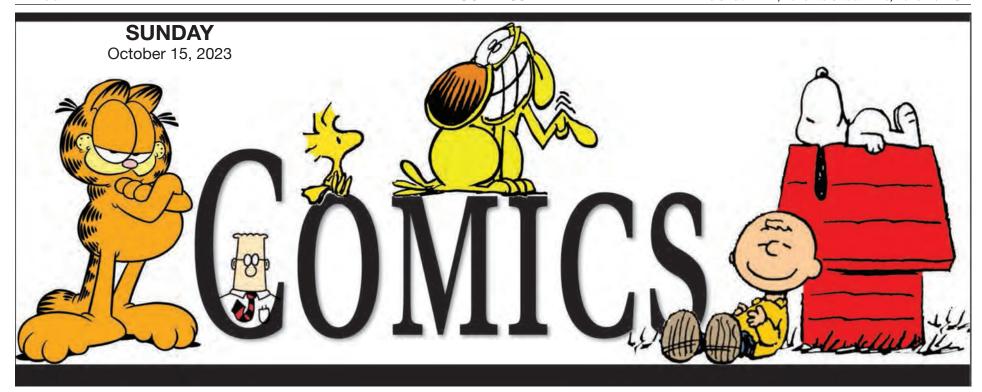


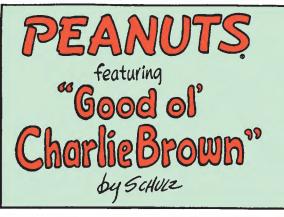




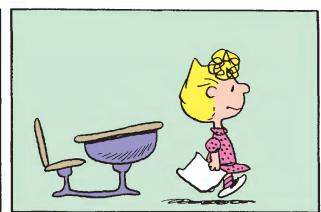




















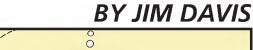




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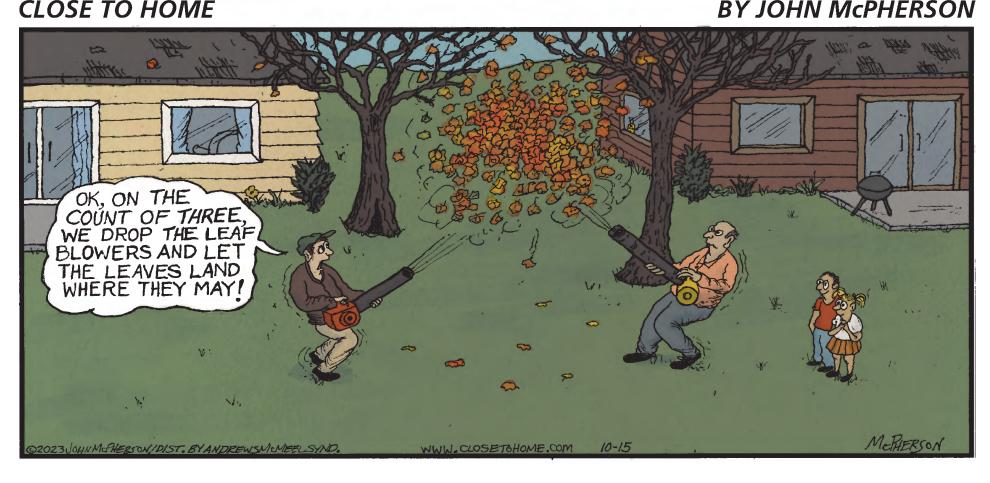






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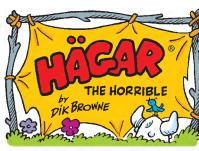






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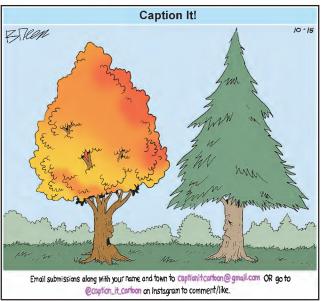


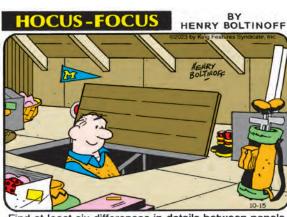








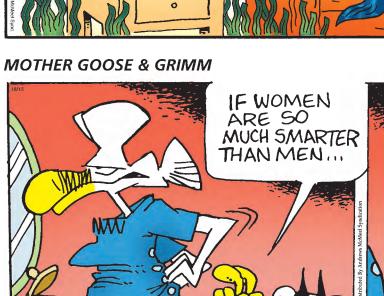




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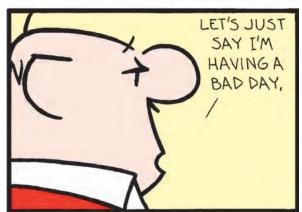


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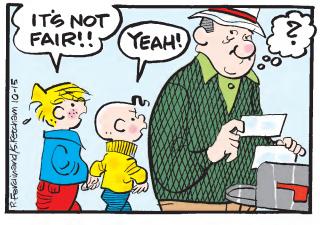




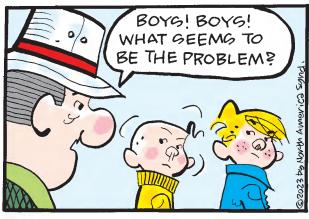


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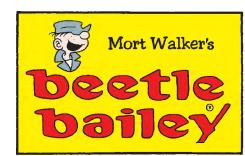


























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PLUS JADA PINKETT SMITH, P. 4

"Maybe I really am Harry Bosch at the end of the day"

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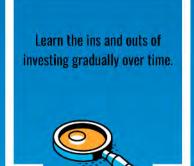
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Here's what's on our radar this week. Go to **Parade.com/entertainment** for more.

JODIE, JODIE,

Jodie Foster plays coach Bonnie Stoll in the memorable real-life story of Diana Nyad in Nyad (in select theaters Oct. 20, streaming on Netflix





Nov. 3). At age 28, Nyad (Annette Bening) attempted to swim from Cuba to Florida and failed. At 60, Nyad decided to revisit her dream and make the 110-mile open-ocean swim with the help of Stoll. Here's some intel on Foster, 60, who is a Los Angeles native, and a peek at her magazine covers from the Parade Vault.



→ Her acting debut was in a Coppertone Suntan Lotion commercial when she was 3 years old.



→ As a child, Foster was attacked by a lion and carried briefly in its mouth while filming Disney's Napoleon and Samantha (1972). She still has the scars from the attack.

For her role as Iris in Taxi Driver (1976), Foster was hired from among 18,000 applicants (200 auditioned). She was 12.

→ Foster earned her bachelor's degree in

literature, magna cum laude from Yale University. During her time there, Foster was stalked by John Hinckley Jr. who attempted to assassinate President Ronald Reagan to impress her.

An asteroid, 17744 Jodiefoster, was named for her in 1998, after she played an



- → Foster came out publicly in December 2007 during an acceptance speech at The Hollywood Reporter's Women in Entertainment breakfast.
- → She was awarded a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame on May 4, 2016.

At age 29, she became the second-youngest person to win two Academy Awards, behind Luise Rainer (28). Foster won for Best Actress in a Leading Role for The Accused and The Silence of the Lambs.



With Annette Bening in Nyad.



Personality



Your book opens with you contemplating suicide and trying to come up with a way to do it so that it looks like an accident for your children's sake. That's such a bold start. Well, I think for me it's just to let everybody know from the gate, A., you don't know my story; B., we're going to do a deep dive, this is not going to be fluffy; and C., that it's going to be different than the Red Table [a show Pinkett Smith hosts with her mother and daughter]. Because I'm sure a lot of people are like, "Well, what are we going to learn in your memoir that we don't know?" It's a lot because there's so much context that one needs to have in order to go into stories a certain way. Without that context it's just like. what?!

Why the word "worthy" for the title?

Worthy because this is a journey to my self-worth, and I think that we are all struggling with wanting to feel worthy and finding what real worth means for ourselves individually. I use the word "unlovable" a lot, too. I was like, Oh, maybe I should speak more from a posiWALTER SCOTT ASKS...

PINKETT SMITH

In Worthy (on sale Oct 17), the star of three Matrix films and host of Red Table Talk, 52, shares her passage from a rebellious kid on the streets of Baltimore to building a successful career, and becoming the wife of Will Smith and mother to Jaden, Willow and Trey (Will Smith's son from his first marriage). In this painfully honest memoir, Pinkett Smith takes readers from the depths of her suicidal depression to the heights of self-acceptance in her journey to self-worth and spiritual healing.

tive than a negative. I used the word "worthy" a lot, so I was like, Ah, that's a more positive approach.

Talk about how your grandmother's influence was the impetus for your selfdiscovery and spiritual seeking. My grandmother would always say, "Jada, I want you to be well-rounded." So, my formative years were about exploration, about finding answers in the world. And so, I'm very lucky that I had my grandmother to really show me that there are answers there, you just have to search for them, and they're going to be in the most unexpected corners but constantly keep your mind open towards learning new things and experiencing new things. And so, I really do believe that if I didn't have that, I don't know where I would be today.

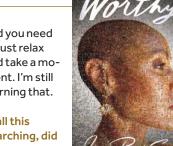
At some point, I wanted to say to you, just take a moment, relax, breathe. Oh, listen, I think that taking deep breaths and slowing down is so absolutely important. I've had to learn over the years that, no, chaos is actually not normal

and you need to just relax and take a moment. I'm still learning that.

In all this searching, did you recognize your talent? I

always recognized that I had talent, but that talent could never substitute the need for soul nourishment, and that was an imperative thing for me to find.

Today, you and Will may not be living together, but you are still connected. Is not having a prenup a symbol of your strong connection? Listen, weddings are beautiful, but they can be very romanticized. I feel that was a very real moment for the two of us to look each other in the eyes, recognize that there would be tough times in this journey and to say to each other, "No matter what, we're going to figure it out and that's why we don't need a prenup because I'm making a promise that divorce



won't be necessary, that we will figure this out." And we made that promise to each other without all of the bridal wedding beauty, it was just sitting on a log in his mother's backyard, and going, "Hey." Having to really look at the possibility of us not being together.

You also talk about how the "holy slap" at the Oscars brought you closer. Why? Look, everybody wants to ride in the limo, right? Everybody wants to be down when everything's lovely. What happens when things aren't so lovely? What happens when people who love you need you, and when you need people that you love? And so that was a moment that I feel like we recognized once again, Oh, snap, we are just made for this journey together. And I was like, "No matter what, I am here with you. I don't care what is going on." And I think that is the moment for both of us when we looked at each other and said, "Wow, we're really what we got."

It's nice to have somebody in your life like that. Absolutely. That's what we all want. We all have our romanticized ideas of how it all should be, and it might not show up in that way. But at the end of the day, do you have someone at your side that you're willing to go through tough times with and they're willing to go through tough times with you? I'm very lucky that I can say, "Yes, I have someone that's willing to do that."

Tell us about your alopecia. It does its thing; like, right now I'm good. We don't know what next week is going to look like. There are some people that their hair doesn't grow back, and it's just gone forever, right? But

was a rough patch there. There are so many people who feel so much shame around alopecia and I'm like, "Man, with my hair or without my hair, I'm going to love what is." I have to say that that I feel honored to be a part of

yeah, I shaved my head because it

Did you write the book now because

that clan.

you're in a good place? Yeah, it was December 2021 where I was like, I'm going on this journey. Definitely after the Oscars I was: Maybe this is telling me I shouldn't. And I was like, No, this is part of the process. I had gotten to a place in my life where I was ready to share my journey from feeling unworthy to worthy.

What do you want people to take away from Worthy? I feel like women sharing the depths of their journey is still very taboo. Women are still often really judged for the truth of what we endure and what we go through to become the women we want to be. It's not a pretty path, and a lot of times women are expected to have very pretty paths, very pretty, conventional, conformed paths.

I've been through the gauntlet of the harshest criticism, and I am here standing 10-toes-down in my self-worth, right? And so, I felt that if anybody can share a lot of the truth of her journey, it would be me, so that other women who might not have that courage yet can feel seen and shed whatever shame or whatever judgment that they might have on their journey.

When you look back, what qualities do you think women need to possess to be in the world successfully today? To be in the world successfully, know thyself. Know thyself and

don't allow others to dictate who you should be. No institution, no person, no nothing. Know you, embrace you, completely and wholly.

Red Table Talk was such a groundbreaking show. It covered subjects that were considered taboo or too personal. Why did you want to be the woman to lead the way, to say, "It's okay to talk about these things?" I'm not afraid of the criticism because I've been through it. So I just wanted to say, "Hey, it's okay." I'm not going to say it's easy but do know that it's okay and that your journey is worthy.

Do you plan to continue acting and producing stories that support women? That's the trajectory I've been on the last couple of years, and that's the trajectory I'm going to stay on through projects that I'm producing. I feel like any roles that come my way, that's the first thing I look at. How does this sit in the value scope of how I want to assist in the overall narrative of what a woman is? I'm open to it all, but I will say that definitely it takes a lot.

When you talk about things that you've produced, it seems the thing that you're most proud of is your children? Honestly, my kids have given me so much life, literally. If it weren't for them, I don't know if I would have had the wherewithal to get through some of the darkest moments of my life. And they've just been great teachers, and they are my joy.

And as I talked about in the book, one of the reasons that Will and I decided to get married is I was pregnant with Jaden, and we wanted to create the family that we never had, and we did that. He and I talk about it all the time, how lucky we are that we just got three of some of the greatest kids. We love our kids; we don't always like them. You know what I mean? But I just love my family. It's the greatest gift of my life.

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THE AMERICAN BUFFALO

(OCT. 16 AND 17, PBS)

Ken Burns turns his documentary lens on the American buffalo in a two-part film about the near demise and the ultimate return of our national mammal.

"It is a quintessentially American

story," Burns, 70, says. "It's filled with unforgettable stories and people. But it is also a morality tale encompassing two historically significant lessons that resonate today: how humans can damage the natural world and also how we can work together to make choices to preserve the environment around us."

The species that numbered 50+ million dwindle over the course of the 19th century to the mid-'80s to under a thousand, Burns says. "The fact that we have brought the bison back from extinction is itself an accomplishment."

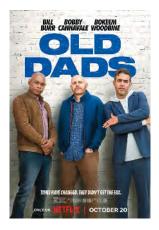


(OCT. 20 ON NETFLIX)

"Write what you know," they say, and that's what stand-up comedian Bill Burr did for his directorial debut in Old Dads, a movie about later-in-life parenthood and friendship. "It's about three friends in different stages of their lives," Burr, 55, says. "They have little kids—they're older dads—and they have a business together. The three of them are trapped in the '80s, early '90s. In their heads, that was the greatest time to be alive. The whole world has changed, and they haven't." When they

sell their company to a millennial, they realize they finally have to "get with the times or life is going to pass them by," he says.

In addition to directing and writing Old Dads, Burr stars as Jack. To play his buddies, he cast Bobby Cannavale as Connor, who tries way too hard to be cool.



and Bokeem Woodbine as Mike, the most levelheaded of the threesome...until he finds out his much-younger girlfriend is pregnant.

"I learned through watching Jerry Seinfeld talk about his show that if you surround yourself with great actors, you're going to look good. So, I basically cast a bunch of actors around me that are way out of my league," Burr says.

He also channels his own life for scenes when Jack doesn't get along with the younger parents at his son's progressive preschool. "My daughter is finishing up kindergarten and I was in kindergarten 50 years ago. When I showed up, everything was different. [I said] 'You're on the jungle gym.' She's like, 'It's called the structure.' And then I got all paranoid. I said 'jungle,' is there something wrong with that? As an older person, you can be resistant to new things. It's something I'm working on."



Written by and starring Siohban Fallon Hogan (Rushed, SNL, Wayward Pines). this touching comedy-drama set in a small town during COVID times brings together a death-row prisoner (Peter Macon), a tough warden (Robert Patrick) and Val, a wannabe country singer-turned-prison guard (Hogan).

"It's a very human story about three broken people," says Hogan, who has never been interested in playing "perfect" characters. Her Val is rough around the edges (and an aspiring cougar to boot), but is full of heart, making a prisoner's last days as rich and meaningful as they can be with baked goods, scripture and friendship.

"She's never had a respectful, mature relationship with a man until this prisoner," Hogan says. "This is not a great white hope story where the woman saves a Black man. He teaches her so much, including what a real relationship can be. It's a human story that goes beyond politics and judgment about this faith or that faith. America really needs this right now."

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A SALUTE TO SUMMER STOCK

A 1950 musical with Gene Kelly and Judy Garland finally gets the credit it deserves.

hen you think of Judy Garland or Gene Kelly movies, Summer Stock may not spring to mind. After all, both stars have other classic musicals to their names: Garland notably starred in The Wizard of Oz, Easter Parade and Meet Me in St. Louis and Kelly in Singin' in the Rain and An American in Paris. But 1950's Summer Stock—the third and final pairing of Garland and Kelly—deserves a closer look, according to authors David Fantle and Tom Johnson.

In their new book, C'mon, Get Happy: The Making of Summer Stock, the film historians tell the backstory of the film, which is about a group of New York actors who invade a Connecticut farm to rehearse their show. And they argue that despite the backstage troubles (Garland was rumored to have been struggling with a prescription drug addiction), the resulting film is filled with musical gems, including two of the most impressive solo numbers ever: Kelly may have done the best tap dancing of his career in the "newspaper/squeaky floor" number and Garland knocked everyone's socks off with "Get Happy," the film's rousing finale. The book also shares insights about the

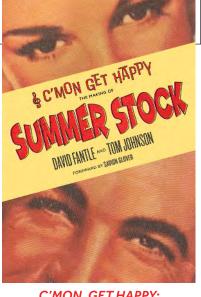


Garland and Kelly with Nick Castle, who helped Kelly choreograph the film.

pair's duet—a tap-dance challenge in the barn—that is still admired by choreographers today.

As they did with their book, Hollywood Heyday: 75

Candid Interviews with Golden Age Legends (2018), the authors interview actors, directors, choreographers and



C'MON, GET HAPPY: THE MAKING OF SUMMER STOCK

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family members (including Garland's daughter, Lorna Luft, and Kelly's daughter, Kerry Kelly Novick) to go behind the scenes of the production. They even include interviews from the 1970s and early 1980s when, as University of Minnesota college students, they traveled to Los Angeles to sit down with Gene Kelly, director Charles Walters and the film's principal composer, Harry Warren.

After reading this homage, fans of musicals just may be convinced to give *Summer Stock* another chance. If nothing else, the relationship between Garland and Kelly is fascinating. He may have held her hand to get her through *Summer Stock*, but seven years earlier, in 1942, it was Garland, then MGM's golden child, who mentored Kelly in *For Me and My Gal*, his first movie.—*Anne Krueger*

'MAYBE I REALLY AM HARRY BOSCH'

Renaissance man

TITUS WELLIVER

on his love for jazz, art and acting and what it's like to channel the ornery L.A.P.D. detective for nearly a decade.

BY PAULETTE COHN

o TV character could be more of an Angeleno than Harry Bosch; born and raised in the foster care system in the city of Angels, a member of the

L.A.P.D. who rises to the rank of detective, a lifelong Los Angeles Dodgers fan.

But the actor who so perfectly embodies him—Titus Welliver—is actually a dyed-in-the-wool New Englander who was born in New Haven, Conn., attended school in New York City, Maine and Vermont, and is a Boston Red Sox fan through and through.

Welliver, going for casual in a black, V-neck T-shirt that showed off the numerous tattoos he has inked on his arms, Zoomed in from a bedroom in his Connecticut home

that is lined with shelves full of books—the kind where the covers don't match so you know they've been read rather than put in color-coordinated place by a decorator—to talk about the second season of *Bosch: Legacy* (Oct. 20 on Freevee and Prime

Video) before heading out to the art studio in his barn to paint.

"Both of my parents were avid readers, so I grew up that way," Welliver says. "When I was a kid, I

would read anything, including pamphlets in the dentist's office, because I just liked to read, and that's carried over into my adult life."

The son of Neil Welliver, a well-known American landscape painter who was a professor of fine art at Yale University before becoming dean of the University of Pennsylvania's Graduate School of Fine Art, initially had his sights set on following in his father's footsteps. In fact, he had studied painting with his father from ages 12 to 14, learning what he says he needed to know.

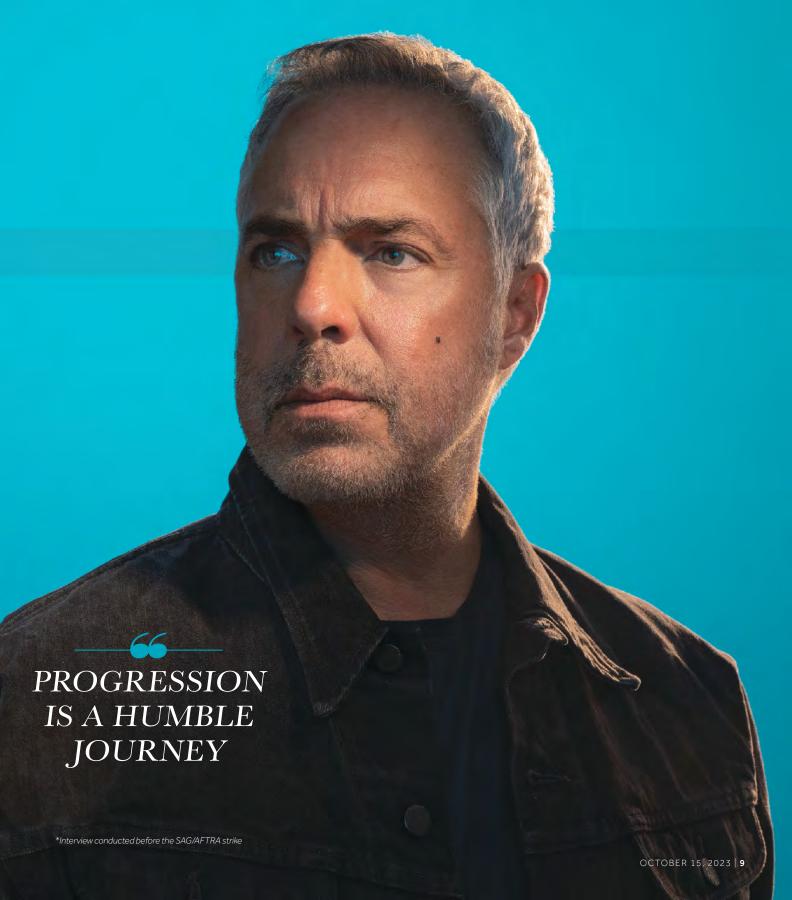
"And then I got to art school, and

I was undisciplined and young, and I was more interested in having fun," Welliver admits. After a year at Bennington College—during which he cut art classes to play Danny Zuko in a school production of *Grease*—he was asked, "Do you really want to be



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here? Because we never see you in class."

It was a moment that gave Welliver pause, but it wasn't until his father asked, "What do you think about when you're not thinking about girls, beer and misbehaving?" And Welliver responded, "I think about acting." To which his father said, "Not painting? Well, then that's what you have to do."

From that moment on, Welliver turned his focus to acting, with no Plan B. Why acting? He got a taste of it in 1976 while spending the summer with his mother in Boston. Because there were only so many films and Red Sox games he could take in, she enrolled him at the Actors Workshop. "I audited the class and I was immediately hooked. I took to it very quickly and spent the entire summer immersed."

Once he decided to pursue acting seriously, Welliver packed his belongings in an Army duffle bag and moved to New York City in 1980. He studied at HB Studio and New York University.

"I felt this was the time to learn how to experiment and fail because when you get out into the real world, it's a different ball game," Welliver says. "I saw a lot of people who were focused on other things, like getting headshots, but I became very focused and very disciplined because that's what I was there to do."

Welliver wasn't an immediate success; rather his has been a long road full of twists and turns with no shortcuts, and he wouldn't have it any other way.

"I think progression is a humble journey, as it should be," he says. Eventually, the roles came, and starting with 1990's Navy Seals he began to earn a living as an actor. Today, he is best known for his portrayals on the TV series Lost, Deadwood and Sons of Anarchy, and four films directed by Ben Affleck—Gone Baby Gone, The Town, Argo and Live by Night.

And then came a career-changing moment: Welliver was spotted in the TV series *Touch* by Michael Connelly, the author of the series of Harry Bosch novels, when he was casting for an Amazon show about the tenacious L.A.P.D. detective. Connelly realized he had found his leading man. Bosch ran for seven seasons before segueing to Bosch: Legacy, which is heading into its second season.

"I'm very excited for it to come out because I feel not only are the first two episodes some of the best work that we've ever done on the show, but the season overall has a lot going on," Welliver says. "Fans of the show have been waiting so long I feel bad for them, but what I say to them is, 'You will be happy. It will be worth the wait." Read on for more of Welliver's inside scoop on the new season.

Bosch is a complicated man, a little broody. After ten years, what still makes you want to play the role? I always try to find some sense of buoyancy in him because he's not a one-note character. He's a very complex guy. What brings him some sense of joy is primarily observing his daughter and her success. That's a relationship which has developed and matured. Harry's very set in his ways. He doesn't evolve. We're never going to find him at a meditation retreat in Topanga or listening to new age music and trying to find his center. His center is a balance between emotional and internal suppression and chaos and trying to be expressive to the one person that he loves the most, his daughter. He never gets boring, that's the thing.

As I've said this to Mike Connelly, I love all the books but I really enjoy the books when Harry is older. In the latest book, Desert Star, he's an older man. And yet, while Harry's trapped in an older man's body, he's all muscle memory. And the thing with Harry is the older he gets and the more vulnerable he might feel, the more dangerous he becomes. He's like the old dog under the porch guarding the house. He's just always fun to play. Also, the writers push him forward a little bit, but it's never something that's so blatant like a red Corvette and he's dyeing his hair all of a sudden.



Welliver with Bosch author Michael Connelly.

The one thing that always stays true about Harry is his strong moral compass: Everybody counts, or nobody counts. Do you stack up next to that?

I do believe that. I was raised that way. And I identify with his work ethic and/ or sort of obsessive nature in how he approaches what he does. I tend to do that myself in every aspect in the pursuit of making art, from acting to painting to writing. I understand that. That's his sustenance that really keeps him going. When you take him out of the police department, he still has to do something, so being a private eye; when he gets these cases, they start out as one thing and, of course, in typical Harry Bosch land, they grow until they become very, very high stakes.

That's what's beautiful about the way that the writers develop those storylines. People might look at them at face value and think that's a fairly simple story, but it's never simple because it all comes from Connelly, and he's the master of what I call "literary judo." It's like aikido; he leads you in one direction and you feel like you know where you're going and then all of a sudden, you're like, "I'm on my back."

How does it make you feel that Michael Connelly saw you in the Touch series and saw Bosch in you? I'd be less than truthful if I said that I wasn't deeply touched. He's the maestro and it's his character. To be able to please the master, for lack of a better word, pleases me very, very much. One of the first things that Mike said was, "Is there anything that you would want to do differently? Is there anything that doesn't feel right?" I just said to him, "Look, when it ain't broke, there's no need to fix it."

Obviously, we're having to reconfigure stuff. We're not doing the books chronologically, and we're finding Harry in the middle of his career rather than at the beginning. And we're having to move it forward, change up his age, and all of these things. But I said the character, at his core, is what's important to me. It's to serve the character.

You had loss at a young age: your baby sister, your brother, your stepmom. Harry also lost his mother at a young age. Does that connection help you find who he is? I never use experiences from my actual life as a way to move myself in a performance. I found that to do that meant that I wasn't acting, that I was re-experiencing emotional trauma that then ceased to be acting. Doing that, I felt, wasn't healthy for me.

But I do completely understand where Harry's head is at and his prolonged processing of that loss and of that trauma. We've touched on that, and I think you see a lot of that. Harry is a guy who is very careful and the person closest to him, he guards. I get that, I have children [Cora, 17, Quinn, 21, and Eamonn, 24]. I've never been what I would call a helicopter parent, but I do think when you experience the trauma of loss that it makes you apprehensive and it makes you extremely observant and careful. I definitely share that with Harry. I said to my wife [Samantha Edge] recently, "Maybe I'm losing my mind, maybe I really am Harry Bosch at the end of the day, maybe it's just he's been dormant. I'm running around but I don't have a badge and a gun."

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ROLE PLAY

Welliver got his career start as "redneck in the bar" in Navy Seals (1990) and went on to recurring roles in NYPD Blue (1995-1998) and Brooklyn South (1997-1998). He was Silas Adams in the popular *Deadwood* series (2004-2006) and Jimmy O'Phelan in Sons of Anarchy (2009-2010). He had a three-episode arc as the Man in Black on Lost (2009-2010) and another as Dominic Barone in Suits (2011-2015). Welliver appeared in four directed-by-Ben-Affleck films: Gone Baby Gone (2007), The Town (2010), Argo (2012) and Live by Night (2016) and came to the notice of Bosch author Michael Connelly in *Touch* (2012). Since 2014 he has played LA detective Harry Bosch in Bosch (2014-2021) and Bosch: Legacy (2022-).









Your children, Cora, Quinn and Eamonn, have all appeared on Bosch.

Yes, all three are actors. Quinn played Harry first in a flashback with his mother, which is the last time that Harry saw his mother alive. And then he came back in a beautiful scene at the Musso & Frank Grill, where he goes in to have a meal on Thanksgiving. At that point, he's deep into being on the streets. It was a beautiful moment because the waiter is talking to him, and he remembers him. I was very proud. I hung way back on the set. I never ventured into the work zone with him and the director, Ernest Dickerson, because I didn't want my presence to be a distraction or some kind of pressure.

When we were bringing in the dog walker character, there was a discussion of: What do we do with the dog while Harry works? I said, "Of course, he'd have a dog walker. What do you think?" So, Cora, my youngest, plays Sam the dog walker. The evolution of that is that my wife's name is Sam. As a little Easter egg for her, I put a Post-it up in Harry's cubicle when he was still a detective that said, "Call Sam." It was almost like *Where's Waldo?* People would go on Twitter and say, "Did Harry ever call Sam? Who's Sam?" Then my eldest son, Eamonn, plays Harry when he's older. He had a marvelous scene where he goes to find his father.

I'm very proud of all three of them. They will definitely continue to be on the show. They work very hard and are trying to learn and to grow, like anyone who's going to make the wildly irresponsible choice to enter the world of acting, or any pursuit of the arts. But I understand it because I didn't want to do anything else, and it wasn't an option.

Would you say season 2 of Bosch: Legacy is more female skewed with Bosch interacting with his daughter Maddie (Madison Lintz) and defense attorney Honey Chandler (Mimi Rogers)? Mimi, Madison and I are now moving into our tenth year of playing these characters. I think Harry softens with Maddie. But the ferociousness of Chandler is somewhat parallel to Harry's. Despite their dance that they do, they work quite well together. I felt it allowed some very small, nuanced evolution for the character of Bosch. Also, when you have worked with two artists for as long as we've all worked together, it's a lot of fun. Sure, hours are long, but I always say it's like doing a flashlight play in your backyard when you're a kid with your friends, except we have better costumes and equipment.

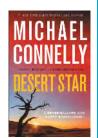
What is it like for Bosch to be retired in *Legacy*?

I think to a certain degree Harry is busying himself. He's not good at being idle and sitting in that space. He's dealing with his house [which needs repairs] and so, he's not in his eagle's nest. He's down in his little office and it's isolating to a certain degree. When he's up on his perch, that's his safe place. Now he's down on the ground. As we discovered in the first season, that makes him vulnerable.

Bosch is a big fan of jazz. Has that converted you? I don't have the encyclopedic knowledge of jazz like Mike Connelly does, but I grew up listening to all different kinds of music and a lot of jazz. My father was friends with a lot of very big jazz musicians. So, I had the privilege of getting to meet them

TITUS QUICK TAKES

Favorite Michael Connelly book? *Desert Star*, the latest one. I've actually burst into tears at two different occasions when I was doing the audiobook for it. You see Bosch in a deeply vulnerable place.



Hardcover or Kindle? Having [hardcover] books in my house

is very much a part of who I am. I'll just be scanning around on a rainy day and I'll pull Moby Dick down, which I intend to reread once a year, or the collected works of Faulkner or J.M. Coetzee. I read everything. I'm an avid comic book reader. I'll probably still read pamphlets in the dentist's office.

What are you watching? My wife just discovered *Suits*. I had a recurring character on that over a couple of seasons. And I hadn't watched it in a long time. So, we've been binging *Suits*. And I blitzed the new season of *Black Mirror* and thought it was a really good season.

Favorite L.A. restaurant? Musso & Frank and a restaurant Basta out in Agoura Hills.



Favorite vacation spot?

It used to be Tulum. Now I would say one of the islands in Hawaii.

Baseball Team? I'm a die-hard Red Sox fan. I'm also a Dodgers fan. I love going to Dodgers' games. I love the Phillies. I like to watch baseball, so



I'm not too persnickety. But I wear a Red Sox hat and I fly the flag with great pride.

Have you ever been starstruck? All the time. I met Bruce Springsteen and stammered my way through that conversation. Musicians tend to put me on my back foot because I love music. My father-in-law was the late, great Graeme Edge, who was the drummer and founding member of the Moody Blues. When I met him for the first time, I was nervous, but he was very deeply sweet and a lovely man and I quickly discovered that he loved *Star Trek* and poetry. We talked about the poets laureate and Mr. Spock.

and see them play at places like The Blue Note. So I always really loved jazz. But jazz is an integral part of who Harry is. We have a character, Mo [Stephen A. Chang], who is equally obsessed with jazz. He and Harry have some fun banter about the music. So, the music is coming back more in the forefront [on the show] as it was originally, so that pleases me. Because it really is Harry's rhythm.

The record store where Bosch goes to buy Mo records, is that real? Yes, The Record Parlour. Of course, everybody in the crew, because a lot of people listen to vinyl, we were all going through. None of that was prop vinyl. We were finding gems in there. Then, if you remember several seasons ago there was a scene where Bosch was dating a prosecutor. They had a date, and they were in Amoeba Music [also in LA]. That's one of my favorite places to go.

Prior to Bosch, you're probably best known as the Man in Black, aka the Smoke Monster from Lost. What does that show mean to you? Well, to be a part of something that is some of the most iconic television in the past 30-something years; it's a show that still holds up. And there are newer audiences. It's constantly in a forward motion. I just did Comicpalooza in Houston, Texas. There were a lot of Losties there asking questions.

The experience of doing that show, because I was a fan long before I was ever cast on it, it was very original. It's really good storytelling. I think Damon [Lindelof] and company, they did a beautiful job of creating these characters. At first, they couldn't tell me what [my character] was going to be; I had to sign on in good faith. It didn't really dawn on me until I was shooting a scene with Néstor Carbonell [Richard Alpert] where he says, "The black smoke took my wife," and my character says,

"No, no." He says, "How do you know this?" I had this great line where I said, "I am the black smoke."

When we were doing the rehearsal, Néstor was shaking his head. I said, "What? What?" He said, "You're just being so calm about this." I said, "What?" He said, "Saying I am the black smoke. That's like saying 'Luke, I am your father." Then it really dawned on me.



Welliver with wife Samantha Edge.

What was it like working with Ben Affleck, with whom you've done four films? Were you his good luck charm? I had said that I was his rabbit's foot and that he had to have me in his movies or there was going to be a problem at the box office. So, we were always joking about that. So, I got the nickname "Rabbit's Foot."

I came in for Gone Baby Gone and the script was incredible. It was one of those things where I really wanted that role. But I felt like I was 10 to 15 years too young to play it. I didn't talk myself out of it, but when I met with him, he was so effusively warm and charming and very, very bright that it made me want it even more. When I was cast in the role, I was thrilled.

There's always the thing where people get very, very snooty about, "It's an actor and now they're directing their first film and blah, blah, blah." I have to tell you that when I was on that set, and certainly when Ben showed me his first cut, I remember thinking to myself, Oh, my God, this is not the work of a first-time director. This could be their fifth movie or their tenth film or their 20th film. He's an inordinately intelligent guy, extremely well-prepared, knows how to talk to actors, knows how to talk to cinematographers. He has the whole film in his head. He's a very holistic guy in that

Also, despite the amount of work and time and patience that comes with it, it's a tremendous amount of fun working with him. Those sets are just pure pleasure. As it should be. If it ain't fun, no point in doing it. Also, to experience and work with actors like Ed Harris and Amy Madigan, who were heroes of mine... Great cast.

Yeah, working with Ben, those experiences, I think, pound-for-pound honestly, he's probably the best director, certainly in the feature arena, that I've ever worked with.

Now that you have had success as an actor, you've picked up the paintbrush again. When we get off of the Zoom, I'm going right up to my studio. I'm in Connecticut right now at my home here and I have a studio in a barn. I'm painting and I've been showing my work for years. I just was in a group show that's still going on here in Connecticut. I'm now represented by the Georges Berges Gallery in New York and Berlin. I've got four prints that are in the mezzanine collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. It's all kind of come full circle.

The difference between painting and acting is one is a very solitary experience and the other is collaborative. So, they're using two very, very different parts of my brain. I guess it's about having your cake and eating it too.



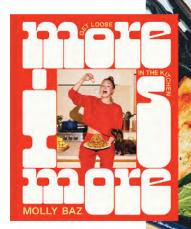
PIMA NIGHT

Featuring store-bought dough for ease, these two over-the-top pizza creations adapted from the

new cookbook

More is More: Get Loose in the Kitchen, by Molly Baz, are fab additions to your next game-day or movie-night gathering.

—Alison Ashton



GRANDMA PIE WITH MORTY-D AND PEPERONCINI PESTO

"I gotta tell you, this pizza recipe is more impressive than it ought to be, given we're using store-bought dough and baking it in a conventional home oven," says Baz. "Mortadella, ricotta and a bang-a-langin' pistachio and pickled pepper pesto do some seriously heavy lifting." Don't skimp on the basil garnish. "It's a lot of basil, and that's what makes it special," Baz promises. "It will lend a spicy, fresh element to a very rich, indulgent pie."

Knead 2 (1-lb) balls store-bought pizza dough to form 1 large, taut ball of dough. Return dough to one of the bags it came in; let come to room temperature. (This can take up to 90 minutes.)

Tear 10 oz fresh whole-milk mozzarella cheese into bite-size pieces (the size of a quarter); place in a medium bowl. Add ½ cup whole-milk ricotta cheese and 2 cloves garlic, grated; toss to combine. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Position rack on lowest rung of oven. Preheat oven to 500°F. Generously grease an 18 x 13-inch sheet pan with about 3 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil.

Place dough in center of baking sheet. Use your hands to dimple and stretch dough toward edges, working from the middle outward. If dough feels tight, cover with plastic wrap and let rest a few minutes. Repeat process until dough stretches to edges of pan without springing back.

Scatter mozzarella mixture and \mathcal{V}_3 small **red onion**, thinly sliced, evenly over dough. Drizzle with more olive oil; season with salt and pepper. Bake 10 minutes.

Remove pizza from oven. Tear 6 oz thinly sliced mortadella and scatter in mounds on pizza. Return pizza to oven, rotating pan, and bake 6-10 minutes or until crust is deeply golden brown at the edges and mortadella is crisp on top.

While pizza bakes, make pesto. Finely chop ³/₄ cup **peperoncini** and ¹/₄ cup **roasted pistachios**, shelled. Coarsely chop ¹/₂ cup **pitted Castelvetrano olives**. In a medium bowl, combine peperoncini, pistachios, olives, ¹/₂ cup olive oil, ¹/₄ cup grated **Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese** and 3 Tbsp peperoncini brine.

Let cooked pizza cool a few minutes. Spoon pesto over top. Scatter leaves from 1 small bunch basil over the pizza. Serves 4-6.



Position rack in lower third of oven. Place a pizza stone or overturned rimmed baking sheet on rack. Preheat oven to 500°F.

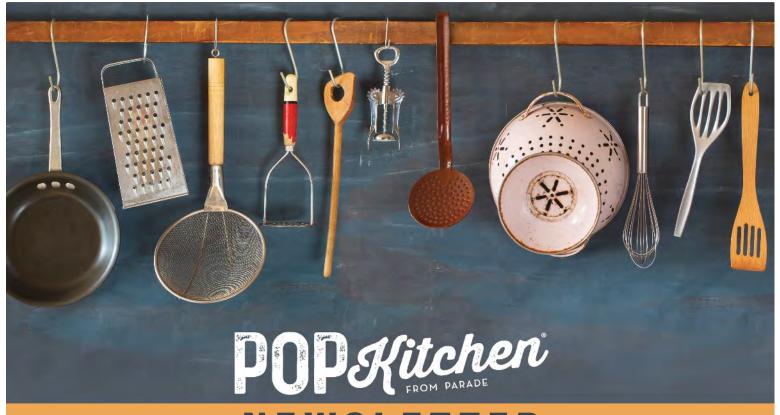
Thinly slice 4 inches of dark greens from 1 large leek (9 to 12 oz). Cut white and light-green parts of leek crosswise into 4-inch pieces, discarding the hairy root. Slice 4-inch pieces in half lengthwise, then thinly slice them.

In a small skillet, heat a few big glugs of extra-virgin olive oil over medium. Add leek greens and 3 cloves garlic, smashed and peeled; season with kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper. Cook 3-4 minutes or until softened and translucent (do not brown). Add ³/₄ cup heavy cream and 4 thyme sprigs; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to maintain a brisk simmer; cook, stirring, 4-5 minutes or until cream has reduced and slightly thickened. Remove from heat. Zest 1 lemon directly into pan (halve lemon and reserve for serving). Stir to combine; season with salt and pepper. Lightly smash the now-softened garlic cloves into the sauce. Transfer sauce from heat to cool, about 10 minutes.

In a small bowl, toss leeks and a few glugs of oil. Season with salt and pepper. Generously dust a pizza peel or the back of an overturned large, rimmed baking sheet with **semolina** or **fine cornmeal**. With floured hands, stretch 1-lb room temperature dough into a 15×9 -inch rectangle; place on peel. Give it a shake to make sure the dough isn't sticking.

Remove and discard thyme sprigs from cream sauce. Spread sauce on dough in an even layer, leaving a 1-inch border. Rip 4 oz fresh whole-milk mozzarella cheese, thinly sliced, into ragged pieces; scatter over top of pizza, along with 4 oz fontina cheese, cubed. Dust with grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese. Top with leeks. Drizzle the whole pie, including crust, with oil; sprinkle on more Parmigiano (be careful not to get oil on the peel or baking sheet, or dough may stick). Slide dough onto preheated stone or baking sheet. Bake 16-20 minutes or until crust is blistered and leeks are frizzled and browned on the edges. If crust is browning more on one side than the other, rotate pan halfway through.

Remove pizza from oven; top with a drizzle of oil, a grating of Parm and lots of black pepper. Sprinkle with leaves stripped from 5 thyme sprigs. Let pizza cool before cutting and squeezing lemon halves over the top. **Serves 4**.



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Dear Marilyn,

Over the years, I've learned that other people have what they call their "mind's eye." In other words, they can see images in their minds. I can't see any images that way at all, and when I mention it to others, they don't believe this is possible. Can you explain?

—Carl Coker, Paris, Texas

The belief that one cannot see mental images that one should be able to see has been given a name only recently: aphantasia. This does not mean that one cannot recognize a person or place that should be familiar. It means simply that one cannot conjure up an image of that person or place in his or her mind.

In my opinion, it may also mean that you think you cannot see images in your mind the way others do when, in fact, they can't see images, either. Rather, what they describe is a more like a mental impression (called the "mind's eye").

In other words, you may close your eyes and try to envision the face of a loved one the way you think others do but see only black. That's normal. Can you remember what the loved one looks like well enough to describe him or her? That's what we call our "mind's eye." It's more like a memory. The difference between you and those others is that you think you're missing something.

CLASSIC ASK MARILYN

THE QUESTION OF COLOR

DEC. 4, 2005

What is the next color in this sequence:

WHITE YELLOW GREEN BLUE PURPLE RED BROWN

—Pete Hughes, Alexandria, Va.

From Marilyn: The first color is the most important hint!

THE DESERT ISLAND PROBLEM

MARCH 17, 1996

You are going to be stranded comfortably on an island with everything you need to live your life fully and independently. However, you must live with one other person. (This person cannot harm you in any way.) Person no. 1 is everything you would want in a friend yet is your enemy. Person no. 2 is the opposite of person no. 1 yet is your friend. Which person would you choose?

Find solutions to Marilyn's puzzles and this week's Numbrix on the next page!

Ask Marilyn BY MARILYN VOS SAVANT

SOLUTIONS

THE QUESTION OF COLOR

The answer: The next color in this puzzle's sequence—white, yellow, green, blue, purple, red, brown—is **BLACK**. Most modern martial arts use a sequence of colored belts to designate rank. The colors may vary by school and style, but all start with white and progress to black.



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THE DESERT ISLAND PROBLEM

Marilyn's answer: I would choose person no. 1.

If he or she is everything I would want in a friend,
yet is my enemy, something must be wrong with me.
Then I'd go to work on changing myself.





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