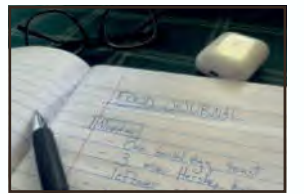




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ENVIRONMENT

2023 marked as busy year for forest fires in West Virginia

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CHARLESTON — The start of 2024 will bring to a close the fall outdoor burning restrictions in West Virginia bringing to a close a busy year when more than 300 forest fires were recorded across the state.

West Virginia State Forester Jeremy Jones told MetroNews starting Jan. 1 people are permitted to start controlled fires during daylight hours.

“Our burning restrictions go away for the months of January and February, and then they come back in for our spring fire burning season which would be March 1,” Jones said.

Jones said he cautions the public that while they are allowed to burn during the day in January and February, people should make sure that burning does not occur on a very dry day with a lot of sun and wind. He said it’s better to wait for a day when conditions are more moist.

Jones said it was a busy fall for the state Division of Forestry. He said the busiest portion came during the first few weeks of November when the division, along with local fire departments, had to extinguish over 80 forest fires, most of which occurred in the southern coalfields region of the state.

He said a major blaze took place in the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve during that time — called the Steep Mountain Fire — which occurred in addition to what they were already having to respond to.

“When the Park Service had that fire, the one that got all of the press, we were actually managing about 42 fires throughout the state that were essentially just as big, or what we would consider

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COMMUNITY

Bridges, exits and ‘panhandling’: 2023 in Monongalia County

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The Monongalia County Commission maintains the lowest tax rate in West Virginia and lowered its budget by roughly 7% in 2023.

That, in and of itself, would constitute a year end story in an age when government has

seemingly embraced its role as everyone’s favorite extraction industry.

But there’s more. “I honestly believe this was one of the best years ever for our community and for Monongalia County,” Monongalia County Commission President Tom Bloom said.

Bloom points to the start of production at Mountaintop Beverage, which promises to be one of the state’s largest industrial players, as well as progress on county-wide broadband, an unprecedented three-way agreement to upgrade water and sewer services out toward Mylan Park, expansion of its industrial

kitchen in the Mon County Center to include a food preservation component, and so on.

“Looking back, it’s 99% positive, and these are things that will affect everyone for years to come,” Bloom said. “We’re always looking forward. I’m excited to see what we can do in 2024.”

But, again, there’s more.

The drive for 155

The county got a rather sizable holiday gift on Dec. 15 when Sens. Shelley Moore Capito and Joe Manchin jointly announced

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Battlefield to big screen



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Martha and Tony Zack with Sam Fuller (wearing cap) on the set of “The Steel Helmet,” a movie based on Tony Zack’s battlefield experience.

Former MHS teacher Tony Zack’s combat experience inspired movie

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Tony Zack never lost his head on the battlefield that day, even as an enemy bullet pierced his helmet — only ricocheted around, in a relatively harmless way.

It was in France, at the height of the fighting in World War II.

Zack was dazed, but not dead. He didn’t have a hole in his skull to match the one in his helmet.

The skin wasn’t even broken.

His unit, which had been entrenched in the countryside, was overrun, and Zack was one of the few survivors of the skirmish.

A little boy named Jean-Paul helped lead the once-and-future Morgantown High School teacher and coach to safety.

The act of bravery by a child of war ensured that Zack would live to tell about it.

Not that he did tell very many people about the miracle-alchemy of battlefield physics in a big war — coupled with the even bigger empathy of a little kid — that melded to save his life.

Don’t think he wasn’t grateful.

There just wasn’t time for such reflection in the tumult of the struggle against Hitler’s Third Reich.

Still, the story became legion.

Especially in a unit that did a lot of heavy lifting in heavy combat.

Zack took it all very personally, to begin with.

He was born and raised in Uniontown, Pa., a son of Italian immigrants who sailed across the Atlantic in the pursuit of their American dream

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STATE

Counties, cities begin to receive direct opioid settlement payments

BY JEFF JENKINS
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CHARLESTON — Cities and counties across West Virginia are beginning to receive their first direct payments from opioid settlement funds.

The Kanawha County Commission received a \$2.9 million settlement check Thursday. Commission President Kent Carper said it’s the first time in history local governments are receiving a direct share in these types of cases.

“Unlike the tobacco settlement and many other settlements, which go to the state, this goes directly to counties and cities,” Carper said.

The cities and counties filed their own lawsuits against drug makers and distributors in connection with the opioid epidemic. The cases settled along with state cases. A memorandum of understanding allows for direct payments along with allocations from the West Virginia First Foundation.

Carper said his county and others have discretion on how the direct payments can be spent. Kanawha County could reimburse itself for what it spent on jail bills related to the opioid epidemic, enforcement needs along with mitigation of damages caused by the widespread drug use. The commission will discuss the possibilities at its next meeting scheduled for Jan. 11.

Carper said the important thing is counties can make their own decisions.

“A lot of times these funds go directly to the state and we have to go get in line and ask for our money back. Here, this portion of the settlement, albeit fairly small compared to what the state gets, goes directly to counties. There’s a reason for this,” Carper said.

According to a news release from the commission, “As part of the West Virginia First Memorandum of Understanding, a quarter of the settlement dollars

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\$53.32 million for the Chaplin Hill Gateway Project, which includes bridge improvements, a new interchange and pedestrian and bicycle connections between I-79 Exit 155 and Mylan Park.

The funds come in addition to \$66 million already promised by the state to reconfigure the primary vehicular connection from I-79 and Morgantown, Star City, Granville and WVU.

The overall project has multiple components, including replacing I-79 bridges over Chaplin Hill Road, reconstructing the interchange to a divergent diamond with a west-bound flyover, and a pedestrian and bicycle connection between the Star City bridge and the regional rail-to-trail network.

The funding comes from the U.S. Department of Transportation Mega Grant Program — an infrastructure funding program in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act — to the Monongalia County Commission.

In addition to ...

Everyone, local leadership included, was caught off guard in July when the state announced it was not only going to push forward with construction of a new Harmony Grove interchange off I-79, also but build a \$70 million bridge across the Monongahela River to the Morgantown Industrial Park in the meantime.

That's two projects, currently estimated at a total of about \$100 million, to provide interstate access to the MIP.

Gov. Jim Justice and the West Virginia Division of Highways have said construction of the bridge will begin in spring 2024 with the new interchange beginning as early as 2025.

During the November meeting of the Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board, three Transportation Improvement Program amendments were approved.

All three pertained to the Harmony Grove project, including: \$3.7 million in engineering work to be done in the current fiscal year; \$550,000 in right-of-way acquisition in FY 2024-'25; and \$25 million in construction in FY 2025-'26.

However, Department of Transportation Secretary Jimmy Wriston stoked lingering doubts earlier this month when he expressed his doubts to

state lawmakers.

"We have always committed to [Harmony Grove]. We know that it's feasible. ... I would bet you a dollar against a doughnut that the minute we start that other bridge project, the federal agencies may take a harder look at the interchange," he said.

Bloom called on Wriston to clarify his comments during the Dec. 13 commission meeting but has yet to get a response.

Don't say panhandling

As evidenced above, the county commission spent a lot of time talking about roads in 2023.

It also spent a lot of time talking about people standing in roads.

After about six months working with local municipalities, and a number of lawyers, the commission voted unanimously on Oct. 25 to adopt the Ordinance Regulating Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety in what was likely the county's most controversial issue of 2023.

What began as an ordinance tailored to stop panhandling was rebranded mid-stream in an effort to skirt the free speech pitfalls that often doom such legislation.

The ordinance includes a number of prohibitions for both pedestrians within a right-of-way and vehicle passengers that would make it illegal activity for pedestrians to stand, sit or physically remain within a roadway for any reason apart from crossing the road. It also makes it illegal for both pedestrians and vehicle passengers to interact and pass or exchange items.

While the commissioners insist the law is solely about safety on local roads, opponents have said it unfairly targets the poor.

The day the ordinance was adopted civil rights groups including the ACLU of West Virginia and Mountain State Justice penned a joint letter stating, in part:

"You can slap a horn on a pony and call it a unicorn, but a unicorn this does not make. The Commission's ordinance is equally fantastical, premised on the idea that sweeping bans on speech make a community safer or more inclusive. We tried to tell them; now we'll see them in court."

Bloom said the county has yet to be notified of any legal challenges.

"That could still happen," he said, "But the law is working, and I think the community sees it's working."

WARFARE

Netanyahu says Gaza war on Hamas will go on for 'many more months,' thanks U.S for new weapons sales

Associated Press

DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Saturday that Israel's war on Hamas in Gaza will continue for "many more months," pushing back against persistent international cease-fire calls after mounting civilian deaths, hunger and mass displacement in the besieged enclave.

Netanyahu thanked the Biden administration for its continued backing, including approval for a new emergency weapons sale, the second this month, and prevention of a U.N. Security Council resolution seeking an immediate cease-fire. Israel argues that ending the war now would mean victory for Hamas, a stance shared by the Biden administration, which at the same time urged Israel to do more to avoid harm to Palestinian civilians.

In new fighting, Israeli warplanes struck the urban refugee camps of Nuseirat and Bureij in the center of the territory Saturday as ground forces

pushed deeper into the southern city of Khan Younis.

The Health Ministry in Gaza said Saturday that more than 21,600 Palestinians have been killed in Israel's unprecedented air and ground offensive since the deadly Oct. 7 Hamas attack on southern Israel. The ministry, which does not distinguish between the deaths of civilians and combatants, said 165 Palestinians were killed over the past 24 hours. It has said about 70% of those killed have been women and children.

The number of Israeli soldiers killed in Gaza combat rose to 170, after the military announced two more deaths Saturday.

The war has displaced some 85% of Gaza's 2.3 million residents, sending swells of people seeking shelter in Israeli-designated safe areas that the military has nevertheless bombed. Palestinians are left with a sense that nowhere is safe in the tiny enclave.

With Israeli forces expanding their ground



AP photo
Palestinians look at the destruction after an Israeli strike in Rafah, southern Gaza Strip on Friday.

offensive this week, tens of thousands more Palestinians streamed into the already crowded city of Rafah at the southernmost end of Gaza.

Thousands of tents and makeshift shacks have sprung up on Rafah's outskirts next to U.N. warehouses. Displaced people arrived in Rafah on foot or on trucks and carts piled high with mattresses. Those who did not find space in overwhelmed shelters pitched tents on roadsides.

"We don't have water. We

don't have enough food," Nour Daher, a displaced woman, said Saturday from the sprawling tent camp. "The kids wake up in the morning wanting to eat, wanting to drink. It took us one hour to find water for them. We couldn't bring them flour. Even when we wanted to take them to toilets, it took us one hour to walk."

In the Nuseirat camp, resident Mustafa Abu Wawee said a strike hit the home of one of his relatives, killing two people.

WORLD

Shelling kills 21 in Russian city of Belgorod following Moscow's aerial attacks across Ukraine

Associated Press

Shelling in the center of the Russian border city of Belgorod Saturday killed 21 people, including three children, local officials reported.

A further 110 people were wounded in the strike, said regional governor Vyacheslav Gladkov, making it one of the deadliest attacks on Russian soil since the start of Moscow's invasion of Ukraine 22 months ago.

Russian authorities accused Kyiv of carrying out the attack, which took place the day after an 18-hour aerial bombardment across Ukraine killed at least 41 civilians.

Images of Belgorod on social media showed burning cars and plumes of black smoke rising among damaged buildings as air raid sirens sounded. One

strike hit close to a public ice rink in the very heart of the city, which lies 25 miles north of the Ukrainian border and 415 miles south of Moscow. While previous attacks have hit the city, they have rarely taken place in daylight and have claimed fewer lives.

Russia's Defense Ministry said it identified the ammunition used in the strike as Czech-made Vampire rockets and Olkha missiles fitted with cluster-munition warheads. It provided no additional information, and The Associated Press was unable to verify its claims.

"This crime will not go unpunished," the ministry said in a statement on social media.

The Kremlin said Russian President Vladimir Putin had been briefed on the situation, and that the country's health minister,

Mikhail Murashko, was ordered to join a delegation of medical personnel and rescue workers traveling to Belgorod from Moscow.

Russian diplomats also called for a meeting of the U.N. Security Council in connection with the strike. Speaking to Russia's state news agency, Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said that Britain and the United States were guilty of encouraging Kyiv to carry out what she described as a "terrorist attack." She also placed blame on EU countries who had supplied Ukraine with weapons.

"Silence in response to the unbridled barbarity of Ukraine's Nazis and their puppeteers and accomplices from 'civilized democracies' will be akin to complicity in their bloody deeds," the ministry said in a statement.

Earlier Saturday, Moscow officials reported shooting down 32 Ukrainian drones over the country's Moscow, Bryansk, Oryol, and Kursk regions.

They also reported that cross-border shelling had killed two other people in Russia. A man died and four other people were wounded when a missile struck a private home in the Belgorod region late Friday evening and a 9-year-old was killed in a separate incident in the Bryansk region.

Cities across western Russia have come under regular attack from drones since May, with Russian officials blaming Kyiv. Ukrainian officials never acknowledge responsibility for attacks on Russian territory or the Crimean Peninsula.

FOREST

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large fires; they were 1,000 acres or bigger," he said.

Jones said since July 1, the forestry division and fire crews battled a total of 322 fires that had burned approximately 32,317 acres, with both of those numbers, particularly the acreage, resting well above the typical yearly average.

He said it was a particularly challenging season, because, the fires seemed to happen all at once, and the warmer than average temperatures that a portion of

the fall experienced didn't help alongside the shedding of the leaves.

"Once our leaf canopy falls off you know it doesn't take long for an 80-degree day and sunshine to dry those out, and when they dry out they burn fairly easily unfortunately," he said.

Jones said a little over a third of those fires were caused by debris burning that could have been prevented by using burning safety strips, not leaving the fire unattended, as well as following the other guidelines provided by the

Division of Forestry.

He said it all turned out well in the end despite the series of challenges the increased number of blazes brought.

"The Division of Forestry did a tremendous job, along with our fire departments," Jones said. "We were thankful we didn't have any major injuries or anything of that nature this fall."

He implores people to follow those guidelines during times of outdoor burning restrictions and to use common sense when starting controlled fires.

Jones said if people have any questions about the restrictions and guidelines, or when it's safe to burn, to call the Division of Forestry's office headquarters in Charleston at 304-558-2788, or call any of the regional offices.

It was also a tragic year for the Division of Forestry with the spring death of Fayette County Forester Cody Mullens. He died while battling a blaze in the Armstrong Creek area. Investigators determined the fire was intentionally set and a man has been charged.

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WORLD

Mexico and Venezuela restart repatriation flights

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Mexico and Venezuela announced Saturday that they have restarted repatriation flights of Venezuelans migrants in Mexico, the latest move by countries in the region to take on a flood of people traveling north to the United States.

The move comes as authorities say at least 10,000 migrants a day have been arriving at the U.S.-Mexico border, many of them asylum seekers. It also comes as a migrant caravan of thousands of people from across the region — largely Venezuelans — has trekked through southern Mexico this week.

The repatriation flights are part of an agreement made between regional leaders during a summit in Mexico in October that aimed to seek solutions for migration levels that show few signs of slowing down.

Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Relations said the two countries began repatriations with a flight on Friday and a second on

Saturday in an effort to "strengthen their cooperation on migration issues." The statement also said the two countries plan to implement social and work programs for those repatriated to Venezuela.

"Mexico and Venezuela reiterate their commitment to address the structural causes that fuel irregular migration in the region, and to achieve a humanitarian management of such flows," the statement read.

Mexico's government said it previously carried out a similar repatriation flight last Jan. 20 with 110 people.

As migration has soared in recent years, the U.S. government has pressured Latin American nations to control the movement of migrants north, but many transit countries have struggled to deal with the quantities of people.

This week, U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken and other Biden administration officials were in Mexico City to meet with Mexican

President Andrés Manuel López Obrador about the high levels of migrants landing on the U.S.-Mexico border.

López Obrador said he also spoke about the issue in a phone call with President Joe Biden on Dec. 20.

"He asked — Joe Biden asked to speak with me — he was worried about the situation on the border because of the unprecedented number of migrants arriving at the border," Mexico's leader said. "He called me, saying we had to look for a solution together."

López Obrador has said he is willing to help, but in exchange he wants the U.S. to send more development aid to migrants' home countries and to reduce or eliminate sanctions against Cuba and Venezuela.

Mexico's president and other critics of American foreign policy have cited the sanctions on Cuba and Venezuela as one of the root causes of high migration.

SCREEN

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on these shores.

His mother died young, and the dutiful son dropped out of school for a time, to help care for his younger siblings.

Then, he dropped back in — after the grieving eased and after the household had become more financially stable, with the help of the extra paychecks.

By then, Zack was across the state line in West Virginia.

He was studying industrial arts and playing football at New River State College (now WVU Tech) in Montgomery when he got he got his draft notice.

Matchbook movie deal

Zack mustered into the "Big Red One," the famed 1st Infantry Army division that fought across Europe and slogged headlong onto Omaha Beach, smack in the middle of the ocean chop and bullets of D-Day.

One of his platoon mates was Sam Fuller, who was just as coiled as Zack was mellow — and who would eventually become a Hollywood screenwriter and filmmaker.

Fuller had already been at work in the movie town, in fact, as a rewrite man on B-movie scripts when the news crackled across his car radio of the attack at Pearl Harbor.

He quickly enlisted. According to lore, Fuller was either in the field or in a foxhole with Zack — he never could quite remember if it was France or Germany or Africa or Sicily, or if it was in 1943 or 1944, even — when he made a pitch for a movie.

With Zack's celluloid blessing, he wanted to give a big-screen treatment of that helmet and that bullet and that little boy.

"If we make it out of this thing, Sarge," Fuller said.

Fuller, amazingly, even got it in writing.

Zack scrawled his intellectual consent, in pencil, on the back of a matchbook cover.

Then, just like that, it was 1951.

Casting call

Zack by then was teaching mechanical drawing and coaching football at Morgantown High when a communication from a buddy, on Twentieth Century Fox letterhead and dated May 16 of that year, landed in his mailbox.

Its author was Fuller. "Dear 'Sgt.' Zack," it began.

The movie director had tracked him down and was telling him about that movie and its title, "The Steel Helmet," that was shooting in Los Angeles.

"Anyway, am happy you're alive," Fuller wrote. "When are you coming out to Hollywood?"

Soon, as it turned out.

Same account, different war

He and Martha Jane Rowe had just married, and Fuller paid for their honeymoon trip to sunny California.

It was a trip to the soundstage, where that movie they kibbitted on, was in production, with the then-ongoing Korean War as the backdrop.

Said film told the story of a protagonist simply named, "Sgt. Zack," who survived being shot in close quarters — with a bullet that bounced around his helmet, and back out again.

A soldier, befriended by a little boy on the battlefield.

"Jenny did some amazing sleuthing," Zack's daughter, E.J. Mahoney, said last week from her home in St. Petersburg, Fla.

She was referring to Jenny Secreto, who teaches English at the school on Wilson Avenue and knows a compelling narrative when one comes her way.



Submitted photo

Tony Zack and Gene Evans, a then-unknown character actor who was starring as "Sgt. Zack," in the film.

A detective story, too ...

Zack, who left the area in 1964 for a teaching job in Ohio, and died in 1999, was before everyone's time at MHS, Secreto said.

"I never knew he existed," she said.

"Then, when I found out, well, you know me - I had to learn everything I could about him. I was obsessed."

Secreto went on the Google and ancestry.com trail. She found an online obituary that may have been him (it was).

Then, she found another item that may have referred to his daughter (it did).

"That got me to Florida," the Morgantown High teacher said. "So I wrote a letter to E.J."

And Mahoney, who also had a career in education like her dad — she became a school principal at the age of 29 on her way to earning a doctorate — wrote back.

"I was so impressed by Jenny's effort," Zack's daughter said.

"And so touched that she would want to recognize my dad in Morgantown."

Thank the Morgantown High School Foundation, Secreto said.

An outside company that publishes promotional materials for the foundation was compiling blurbs from past graduates on their favorite memories and favorite teachers of MHS.

One came from an alum living in Texas after a career in the military.

He wrote about "Coach Zack," and how people didn't know about what he did in the war until the movie came out — which the teacher and coach likely wouldn't have mentioned either, had it not been for an account carried in an earlier incarnation of this newspaper.

It got out the way these things always get out.

Someone, probably in the family who knew about the trip and its reason, called the newsroom after Tony and Martha got back.

A short story in the paper talked about the movie and featured a photograph of the newlyweds posing with Fuller and Gene Evans, a then-unknown character actor who was starring as "Sgt. Zack," in the film.

Reel life — real life

Evans was a big guy, with a height and build like an NFL linebacker.

He was also a World War II veteran, who came home with a Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Fuller was drawn by Evans' Everyman vibe.

The actor was legitimately authentic, the director and screenwriter said — which is why he wouldn't buckle, even as the studio was pushing for John Wayne in the lead role.

Like all of Fuller's other war films to follow, "The Steel Helmet," with a pardon to reviewer-speak, was gritty and unflinching.

It touched upon the basic training-infused, conditioned hatred of the person in the other uniform.

And, the prevailing race relations in America at the

time in the late 1940s and early 1950s, when it was still a "Whites Only/Coloreds Only" world at home.

There was also the tested telling of young people shipping out to war: to fight, bleed and die for causes they may not fully understand.

The movie is still available for the viewing on YouTube.

Mahoney has seen it more than once — but she can't always watch it, she said.

That's because her father, who spoke sparingly about the war, still said the battlefield tension the movie depicts was pretty much accurate.

"The Sgt. Zack on the screen was different than the Sgt. Zack in my house," she said.

"Dad wasn't coarse or prejudiced at all, like Gene Evans played him. But Sam Fuller gave a real sense of what he still went through."

Reporting for (domestic) duty

She appreciates that it was a former student who put Secreto onto her dad's life and times.

Mahoney was 12 when the family moved from Morgantown to Ohio, in the Parma area of Cleveland, where Zack continued on professionally, as an industrial arts educator who also coached the varsity on the side.

She loved her time Morgantown, she said. She remembers living in a big house in the South Park area, above MHS.

She remembers riding on the float with cheerleaders during Homecoming parades and accompanying her dad to school, watching him in his classroom, with his students.

He was everyone's favorite teacher and coach in Parma, too, his daughter said.

"When your kids come up to you, after they've been out of school, and they're actually glad to see you, well, that's your legacy as a teacher," she said.

"That happened all the time with Dad."

Her favorite moments with her dad, however, came when her daughter, Meghan, now an educator herself, was a little girl.

That's when a certain doting grandfather would happily enlist for babysitting duty.

Zack, who was relaxed, friendly and approachable, still carried himself with a quiet kind of dignity — which is why some of the things Mahoney witnessed were priceless, she said.

She'd come home from work, and there the teacher, coach and combat veteran would be.

Reading the sports section of the Cleveland Plain Dealer with curlers in his hair, as it turned out, because little Meghan decided she wanted to play makeup artist that day.

"That's how he was," a daughter said.

"He was just ... my dad."

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NEWS BRIEFS

Associated Press

Google settles \$5B privacy lawsuit

Google has agreed to settle a \$5 billion privacy lawsuit alleging it spied on people who used the “incognito” mode in its Chrome browser — along with similar “private” modes in other browsers — to track their internet use. The lawsuit filed in 2020 says Google misled users into believing that it wouldn’t track their internet activities while incognito. The settlement was reached Thursday. It must still be approved by a federal judge. Terms weren’t disclosed, but the suit originally sought \$5 billion on behalf of users. Plaintiffs’ lawyers said they expect to present the court with a final settlement agreement by Feb. 24. Google did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

British actor Tom Wilkinson dies at 75

LONDON — Tom Wilkinson, the Oscar-nominated British actor known for his roles in “The Full Monty,” “Michael Clayton” and “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel,” has died at age 75, according to his family. A statement shared by his agent on behalf of the family said Wilkinson died suddenly at home on Saturday. It didn’t provide further details. Wilkinson was nominated for a best actor Academy Award for 2001’s family drama “In The Bedroom” and in the best supporting actor for his role in the “Michael Clayton,” a 2007 film which starred George Clooney. He is remembered by many in Britain and beyond for playing former steel mill foreman Gerald Cooper in the 1997 comedy “The Full Monty.”

Climate activists target bank and block highway

AMSTERDAM — Climate activists have blocked part of the main highway around Amsterdam for hours near the former headquarters of ING bank. They’re protesting the bank’s financing of fossil fuels. Amsterdam Municipality says that traffic author-

ities closed part of the road early Saturday afternoon and diverted traffic “to prevent a life-threatening situation.” It’s the latest road blockade organized by the Dutch branch of Extinction Rebellion. Earlier this year, the activist organization repeatedly blocked a highway leading into The Hague. Late in the afternoon police moved in to end the protest, peacefully detaining dozens of activists who ignored orders to leave the road.

Floods kills 21 people in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG — A South African police spokesperson says flash floods killed 21 people in the small town of Ladysmith in KwaZulu-Natal province. The floods hit the town on Christmas Day, destroying about 1400 homes, with the death toll expected to rise as an unconfirmed number of people are still missing, he said. Search and rescue teams have been scouring rivers to recover bodies with the operation expected to continue throughout the weekend. KwaZulu-Natal province has witnessed devastating floods lately. In June, heavy rainfall triggered deluges that killed seven people and in April last year, devastating floods killed more than 440 people.

Earthquake shakes Indonesia

BANDA ACEH, Indonesia — A strong and shallow undersea earthquake has shaken part of Indonesia’s Aceh province, but there were no immediate reports of serious damage or casualties. The U.S. Geological Survey said Saturday the magnitude 5.9 earthquake was centered 225 miles east of Sinabang, a coastal town in Aceh province at a depth of 6.2 miles. Indonesia’s Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysical Agency said there was no danger of a tsunami but warned of possible aftershocks. The agency put a preliminary magnitude at 6.3. In 2004, an extremely powerful Indian Ocean quake set off a tsunami that killed more than 230,000 people in a dozen countries.

HOLIDAY

Revelers set to pack into Times Square for annual New Year’s Eve ball drop

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The confetti has been tested for airiness. The giant numerals — 2024 — are in place. And the luminous ball, bedazzled in 2,688 crystal triangles, is fixed to the pole from which it make its 60-second descent at 11:59 p.m. With throngs of revelers set to usher in the new year under the bright lights of Times Square, officials and organizers say they are prepared to welcome the crowds and ensure their safety.

At a security briefing on Friday, New York City Mayor Eric Adams said there were “no specific threats” to the annual New Year’s Eve bash, which is expected to draw tens of thousands of people to the heart of midtown Manhattan on Sunday.

The celebrity-filled event will include live performances from Flo Rida, Megan Thee Stallion, LL Cool Jm as well as televised appearances from Cardi B and others.



AP photo

From left, Josh Weinstein, President, CEO, and Chief Climate Officer of Carnival Corporation, Tom Harris, President of the Times Square Alliance and Jeffrey Straus, President of Countdown Entertainment prepares to push the switch to test the Times Square ball on Saturday for annual New Year’s Eve ball drop in New York.

Organizers said in-person attendance is expected to return to pre-COVID levels, even as foot traffic around Times Square remains down slightly since the pandemic.

Amid near-daily protests in New York sparked by fighting between Israel and Hamas

militants in Gaza, police said they would expand the security perimeter around the party, creating a “buffer zone” that will allow them to head off potential demonstrations.

Pro-Palestinian marches have disrupted recent events in New York, including the Macy’s

Thanksgiving Day Parade and the ceremonial lighting of the Rockefeller Christmas Tree.

“We will be out here with our canines, on horseback, our helicopters, our boats,” Adams said. Officials will also monitor protests with drones, he said. “But as we saw last year, after having no specific threats we get a threat.”

During last year’s New Year’s Eve party, a machete-wielding man attacked three police officers a few blocks from Times Square.

Tom Harris, the president of the Times Square Alliance, said there would always be security concerns, but praised the police department’s measures to ensure participant safety. Backpacks, duffel bags and alcohol are banned inside the security perimeter, and all attendees must pass through police checkpoints.

His advice for those planning to attend the countdown: “Come early.”

NATION

Maui’s economy needs tourists. Can they visit without compounding wildfire trauma?

Associated Press

LAHAINA, Hawaii — The restaurant where Katie Austin was a server burned in the wildfire that devastated Hawaii’s historic town of Lahaina this summer.

Two months later, as travelers began to trickle back to nearby beach resorts, she went to work at a different eatery. But she soon quit, worn down by constant questions from diners: Was she affected by the fire? Did she know anyone who died?

“You’re at work for eight hours and every 15 minutes you have a new stranger ask you about the most traumatic day of your life,” Austin said. “It was soul-sucking.”

Hawaii’s governor and mayor invited tourists back to the west side of Maui months after the Aug. 8 fire killed at least 100 people and destroyed more than 2,000 buildings. They wanted the economic boost tourists would bring, particularly heading into the year-end holidays.

But some residents are struggling with the return of an industry requiring



AP photo

Tourists get off of a Trilogy Excursions boat arriving on Kaanapali Beach in front of a flag of Hawaii planted in the sand, Dec. 6, 2023, in Lahaina, Hawaii.

workers to be attentive and hospitable even though they are trying to care for themselves after losing their loved ones, friends, homes and community.

Maui is a large island. Many parts, like the ritzy resorts in Wailea, 30 miles south of Lahaina — where the first season of the HBO hit “The White Lotus” was filmed — are eagerly welcoming travelers and their dollars.

Things are more complicated in west Maui. Lahaina is still a mess of

charred rubble. Efforts to clean up toxic debris are painstakingly slow. It’s off-limits to everyone except residents.

Tensions are peaking over the lack of long-term, affordable housing for wildfire evacuees, many of whom work in tourism. Dozens have been camping out in protest around the clock on a popular tourist beach at Kaanapali, a few miles north of Lahaina. Last week, hundreds marched between two large hotels waving signs read-

ing, “We need housing now!” and “Short-term rentals gotta go!”

Hotels at Kaanapali are still housing about 6,000 fire evacuees unable to find long-term shelter in Maui’s tight and expensive housing market. But some have started to bring back tourists, and owners of timeshare condos have returned. At a shopping mall, visitors stroll past shops and dine at an open-air oceanfront restaurants.

Austin took a job at a restaurant in Kaanapali after the fire, but quit after five weeks. It was a strain to serve mai tais to people staying in a hotel or vacation rental while her friends were leaving the island because they lacked housing, she said.

Servers and many others in the tourism industry often work for tips, which puts them in a difficult position when a customer prods them with questions they don’t want to answer. Even after Austin’s restaurant posted a sign asking customers to respect employees’ privacy, the queries continued.

CRIME

Oakland, Calif., officer killed while answering burglary call; shooter being sought, police say

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — An Oakland, Calif., police officer was shot and killed Friday while answering a report of a burglary at a marijuana dispensary, authorities said.

Tuan Le, 36, was one of several who responded to a report of a burglary in progress at the cannabis business near Jack London Square at about 4:30 a.m., about 3 1/2 hours after an earlier burglary was reported at the same business, authorities said.

The arriving uniformed and plainclothes officers saw several people leaving the business and one opened fire several times, hitting the officer, who was in plainclothes and driving an unmarked car, interim Police Chief Darren Allison said at a news conference.

Other officers took the wounded officer to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead about four hours after the shooting.

“Officer Le was surrounded by his wife, mother, and members of his OPD family when he died,” a statement from the city said.

No officers returned fire, the chief said.

No arrests were immediately made, but Allison said investigators were following up on a lot of “actionable” evidence. He didn’t provide details.

“The dangers and demands of this profession are real, and come with significant sacrifice,” the chief said. “Sadly, today, one of our officers paid the ultimate sacrifice.”

Le was born in Saigon in Vietnam and later moved to

Oakland, becoming a naturalized citizen in 2001, the city’s statement said.

He graduated from the police academy in 2020 and for the past two years served as community resource officer in West Oakland, the statement said.

“He will be remembered for his kindness, his smile, and the positive change he brought to the lives of those around him,” the statement said. “He is a true hero who dedicated his life to making our community safer.”

Mayor Sheng Thao called the killing a senseless act of violence and said she was devastated by the officer’s death.

“I know the entire Oakland community feels the profound impact of this loss,” she said in a statement.

“I am proud of the officers who responded this morning and carried their brother to the hospital on their shoulders,” Barry Donelan, president of the Oakland Police Officers’ Association, said in a statement. “Their actions personified what it means to be an Oakland police officer. As we mourn, rest assured that we are also determined to bring this cop killer to justice.”

It was the 54th death of an Oakland officer in the line of duty, coming amid a robbery-driven rise in violent crime. Robberies where a gun was used increased 37% this year over the same period last year, according to police department figures cited by the San Francisco Chronicle.

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Hastings

OBITUARIES

Wilbur "Wil" J. Smith, a cherished son, husband, brother, and uncle, passed away peacefully on Dec. 22, 2023, at J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown, at the



Wilbur Smith

age of 87.

Born on Dec. 11, 1936, in Fayetteville, Wil was the son of Walter and Lizzie M. Smith. Wil lived a life rich in experiences, touching the hearts of those around him. His passing is preceded by his parents; his brothers, Dietz, Edgar, Paul, and Garrel; and his sisters, Ethelda, Zeldia, and Anna.

Wil is survived by his

devoted wife, Dr. Sarah Xie of Morgantown, who stood by his side through the journey of life. He is also survived by his sisters, Donzella (Donnie) Atha of Fayetteville, and Clara White of Millwood, who shared a lifetime of memories and love with him. Wil leaves a lasting legacy in the hearts of his nieces and nephews, including Ian Smith of Pittsburgh, and Jacob Smith of Beckley, along with many more whom he held dear.

A graduate of Alderson Broaddus and the University of Wisconsin, Wil devoted his career to helping others through education and service. Wil's formative career started in 1967 when he joined the West Virginia University Office of Research and

Wilbur Smith

Development. Wil's career spanned four decades during which he educated and mentored numerous students as a tenured Associate Professor in the College of Business and Economics, was a prolific grant writer who helped secure significant funding for WVU's alternative fuels research, and supported working West Virginians through labor education and housing/economic development research as a faculty member in WVU Extension's Institute for Labor Studies and Research. Wil retired with Emeritus status in 2004 but remained actively connected to his beloved department and program even in retirement.

Known for his kindness, warm spirit, and unwaver-

ing love for his family, Wil will be remembered as a pillar of strength and a source of inspiration to those who were fortunate to know him. His focus and wisdom left an indelible mark on the lives of all who crossed his path. Wil was endowed with a passion for music and often shared that passion through song while playing the guitar in his spare time.

May Wil J. Smith rest in eternal peace, surrounded by the love and memories he created throughout his remarkable journey on this earth.

In death, Wil donated his own body to the WVU Human Gift Registry for scientific research. There will be no funeral or memorial service. Thank you all!

Forrest Boyce

Forrest Vernon Boyce, 94, of Morgantown, passed away Dec. 30, 2023, battling dementia at Morgantown Health and Rehabilitation Center, with family at his side.



Forrest Boyce

Forrest was born Aug. 5, 1929, in Connellsville, Pa., son of the late Forrest L. Boyce and Nora (O'Neal) Fuller.

Forrest worked many jobs throughout his young adulthood and settled as a Coal miner by trade with Consolidation Coal Company retiring in 1993. His neighbors referred to him as Mr. Fixit because of his personal skills and experience as a, mechanic, electrician, welder, masonry, and carpenter. He enjoyed playing guitar, dancing, singing, playing pool, NASCAR races, watching WWF wrestling and spending time with family. He was also a lifetime member of the Independent Hunting Club.

He is survived by his four children, Donna Carter and

her husband John, Pam Youst and her husband Ken, Kenny Boyce and his wife Kim, Melisa Baker and her husband, Doug; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and siblings, Gladys Collins, Mary Paugh, and Harold Boyce.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, of 58 years Juanita (Nicklow) Boyce, who passed away in 2007; daughters, Barbara Skidmore and Jan King; son-in-law, Ward Skidmore; grandson, Nathan Youst; and several siblings.

Family and friends will be received at Hastings Funeral Home, 153 Spruce St., from 11 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 4, until the time of the service at 1 p.m. with Pastor John Sommers officiating. Burial will follow at Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to the Dementia Society of America, P.O. Box 600, Doylestown, PA 18901

Condolences:
www.hastingsfuneralhome.com

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Britta Kiger

Britta Kathryn Kiger, 75, of Westover, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2023, at Mon Health Medical Center.



Britta Kiger

Britta was born in East Brady, Pa., on July 27, 1948, the daughter of the late Keith and Bessie Mortimer.

In her free time Britta enjoyed horseback riding and socializing with friends at some of her favorite local places such as Gene's and Mundy's. Britta also enjoyed traveling, playing solitaire, and volunteering with meals on wheels.

Britta is survived by her significant other, Hutch Neal; and four cousins,

Joyce Zimmel, Cathy Cherry, Donna Rogers, and Karen Zdunich.

In addition to her parents, Britta is preceded in death by her loving husband of 39 years, John Kiger; and her sister, Mary Kay Mortimer.

Hastings Funeral Home will be in charge of cremation arrangements. Following cremation private inurnment will take place at Lawnwood Cemetery in Morgantown. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Britta's name may be made to an Alzheimer's research association of your choice.

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David Allen Lemley, 86, of Mount Morris, Pa., passed away on Monday afternoon, Dec. 25, 2023, at at Mon Health Medical Center in Morgantown.



David Lemley

David was born on Nov. 17, 1937, in Mount Morris, Pa., at home, a son of the late Frederick and Hazel Donley Lemley.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Rebecca Harvey Lemley, whom he married June 8, 1968; his two sons, John David Lem-

ley and his wife Stephanie of Morgantown, and their children, Kathryn and Ryan Lemley, and Joseph Patrick Lemley and his fiancé Michelle Miller, of Whitely Township, Pa., and his children, Jaxon, Maddoc and Kaden; his brother, Donald Lemley of Mount Morris, Pa.; as well as several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Carrie Lee Furman, Ailene Kennedy, James Lemley, Jack Lemley, Robert Lemley and Walter Lemley.

Mr. Lemley was a 1955 graduate of the former Mount Morris High School,

a 1959 graduate of California State Teacher's College, and received his two masters degrees from West Virginia University in education and English. He was a Certified School Administrator. He was a teacher at Mount Morris and Waynesburg Central High School, where he was also a School Administrator in a career spanning 37 years.

Above all, David was a loving husband and father, a devoted and cherished grandfather, and loving brother. Spending time with his grandchildren was of paramount importance to him, and he will be dearly missed by all who

knew him.

David's family has elected to honor his life and legacy with a celebration of his life at a later date. He will be laid to rest at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to his memory to the American Diabetes Association.

Smith Funeral & Cremation Care and SFCC Crematory of Westover/Morgantown is providing care and guidance to the Lemley family.

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David Lemley

Richard Weinheimer Jr.

Richard Eugene Weinheimer, Jr., known affectionately as Rick to his family and friends, departed this life on Dec. 30,



Richard Weinheimer Jr.

2023, at J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital after a determined battle with a lengthy illness. Born on April 20, 1960, in Morgantown, Rick's journey was one marked by courage, resilience, and an unwavering spirit.

Rick is lovingly remembered by his mother, Mary Ann Gutta Weinheimer; his brothers, John F. Weinheimer (Tina) of Centerville, Va., and Chris Weinheimer of Morgantown; and his nephew, Tony Weinheimer of Virginia. He was preceded in death by his father, Richard E. Weinheimer, Sr.; his infant brother, Charles; and his nephew, Philip Weinheimer.

With hands skilled as a carpenter, Rick shaped the world just as meticulously as he shaped the wood he worked with. His craftsmanship lives on in

the toy cars, trucks, and crosses that bear his touch—a testament to his artistry and attention to detail.

Having served in the U.S. Marine Corps, Rick brought to life the virtues of discipline and honor, serving his country with the same dedication he gave to all his endeavors. His dry sense of humor could catch you off guard and remind you to smile even on the most challenging of days.

Richard "Rick" Weinheimer, Jr.'s legacy is a beacon of perseverance and joy, showing us that each day is

an opportunity to build, to laugh, and to cherish. He lived fully and leaves behind a blueprint of a life well-lived—may his story inspire us all to approach our days with the same fervor and heart.

Rick's request for a private service will be honored by his family. He will be laid to rest with honors at the West Virginia National Cemetery. The Fred L Jenkins Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements.

Condolences:
www.fredjenkinsfuneralhome.com

Michael Todesko

Michael Angelo Todesko, age 72, of Arthurddale passed away Friday, Dec. 29, 2023, at home surrounded by his family. He was born Oct. 8, 1951, in Morgan-



Michael Todesko

town, a son of the late Angelo and Maxine (Knotts) Todesko. His wife, Catherine Marie "Cathy" (Fletcher) Todesko survives.

Mike was a member of St. Sebastian Catholic Church. He was retired

having worked as a Track Maintenance Foreman/Inspector for Monongahela Railway, Conrail, and Norfolk Southern Railroad. He was a member of the Tri County Bass Club, and the Kingwood Pike Coon Hunters. He was a member of the Preston County Senior Citizens where he served as the executive secretary, and a board member at the Valley Senior Center. He was a coach, for many years, for his son's baseball and basketball teams.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Joseph Michael "Joe" Todesko and wife Lauren,

of Arthurddale; two grandchildren, Joseph Michael "JJ" Todesko, Jr., and Colt Stephen Todesko, both of Arthurddale; two sisters, Becky Lesnett and children Jamie, Michael, and Angie, of Radford, Va., and Brenda Simms (George), and daughters Liz and Allie, of Morgantown.

Friends may call at Morgan Funeral Home, 13411 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Reedsville, from 3-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 3. A prayer service will be conducted at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 4, at St.

Sebastian Catholic Church, 322 E. Main St., Kingwood. Father Dominic Athishu as celebrant. Interment will follow, cemetery location will be announced.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be made to Amedysis Hospice, 5006 Mid Atlantic Drive, Morgantown 26508.

A special thanks goes out to the Amedysis nurses and healthcare workers; your excellent care and heartfelt compassion is unsurpassed and will not be forgotten.

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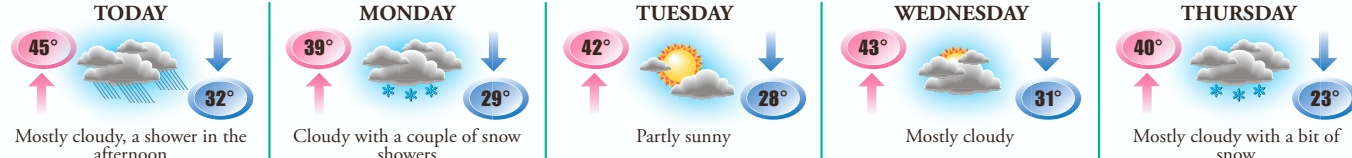
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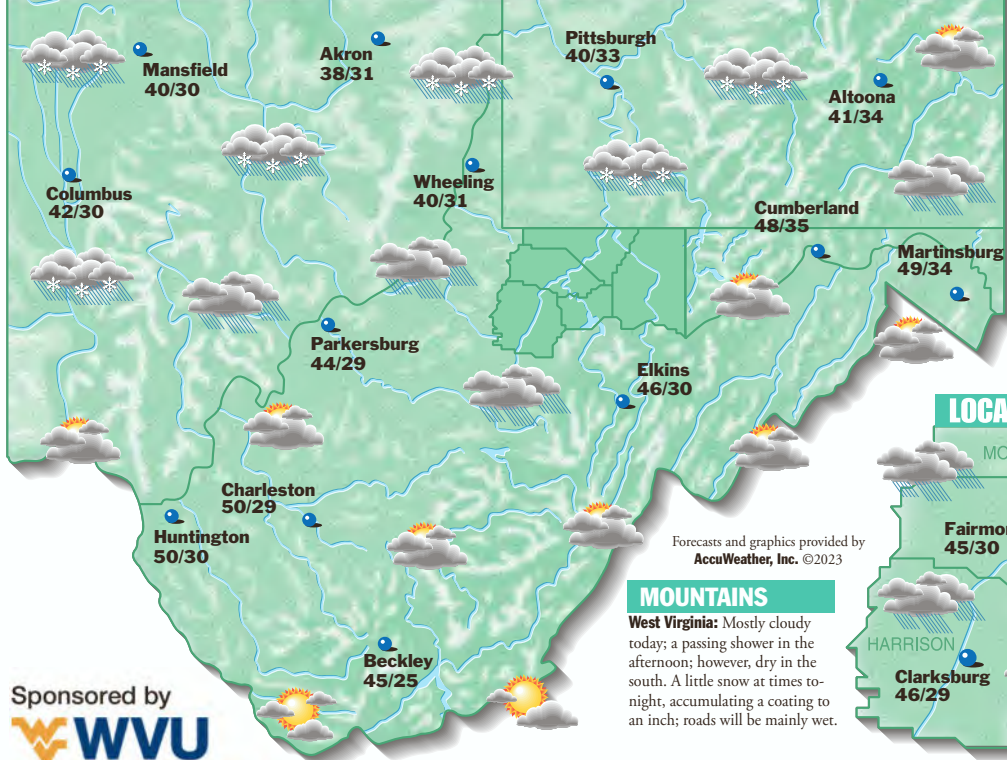
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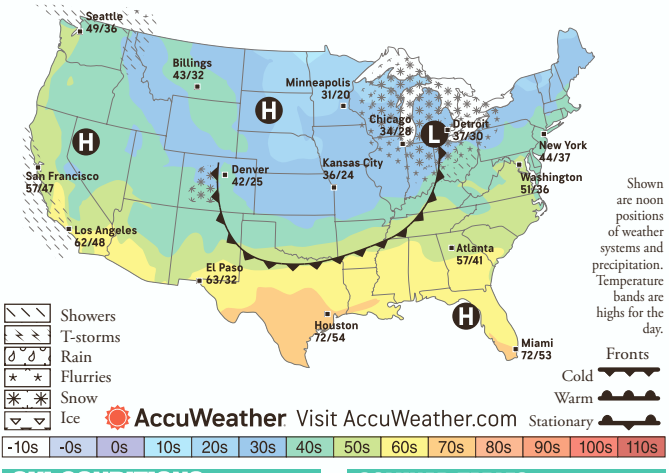
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SUN AND MOON
 Sunrise today 7:40 a.m.
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 Moonrise today 9:40 p.m.
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Phase: Last (Jan 3), New (Jan 11), First (Jan 17), Full (Jan 25)

NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



SKI CONDITIONS

Ski Area	New snow (in)	Base (in)	Trails Open
Canaan Valley	1	20-42	8
Seven Springs, PA	1	18-18	12
Snowshoe/Silver Creek	3	46-46	28
Timberline Four Seasons	0	16-50	17
Wisp, MD	0	8-10	10

SOLAR TABLES

Five-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.

Day	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Sun.	2:39 a.m.	8:50 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	9:11 p.m.
Mon.	3:26 a.m.	9:36 a.m.	3:46 p.m.	9:56 p.m.
Tue.	4:10 a.m.	10:19 a.m.	4:29 p.m.	10:39 p.m.
Wed.	4:51 a.m.	11:01 a.m.	5:10 p.m.	11:20 p.m.
Thu.	5:30 a.m.	11:40 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	---

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Sun. H/L/W	Mon. H/L/W
Beckley, WV	45/25/pc	30/26/sn
Charleston, WV	50/29/c	37/28/af
Columbus, OH	42/30/c	37/27/c
Cumberland, MD	48/35/c	45/31/af
Fairmont, WV	45/30/c	37/28/c
Grafton, WV	45/29/c	36/28/af
Huntington, WV	50/30/c	40/30/c
Kingwood, WV	43/29/c	34/26/af
Pittsburgh, PA	40/33/c	40/28/af
Wheeling, WV	40/31/c	37/29/af

LAKES AND RIVERS

Lake	7 a.m. Yes!	24-hour Change
Cheat Lake	868.76	-0.08
Deep Creek, MD	2457.29	+0.05
Jennings Randolph	1432.77	+0.85
Stonewall Jackson	1067.85	+0.03
Tygart	1047.46	+2.98
Youghiogheny	1331.22	none

River Stages
 Fld: flood stage. Prs: stage in feet at 7 a.m. yesterday. Chg: change in previous 24 hours. M: missing.

Monongahela	Fld.	Prs.	Chg.
Morgantown	22	10.20	+0.19

ALMANAC

Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Dec. 31, the 365th and final day of 2023.

Highlight:
In 2019, the health commission in the central Chinese city of Wuhan announced that experts were investigating an outbreak of respiratory illness and that most of the victims had visited a seafood market in the city; the statement said 27 people had become ill with a strain of viral pneumonia and that seven were in serious condition.

On this date:
In 1879, Thomas Edison first publicly demonstrated his electric incandescent light by illuminating some 40 bulbs at his laboratory in Menlo Park, New Jersey.

In 1904, New York's Times Square saw its first New Year's Eve celebration, with an estimated 200,000 people in attendance.

In 1995, the syndicated comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," created by Bill Watterson, came to an end after a 10-year run.

In 2021, Betty White, a television mainstay for more than 60 years on series including "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" and "The Golden Girls," died less than three weeks before she would have turned 100.

Today's Birthdays:
 TV producer George Schlatter is 94. Actor Sir Anthony Hopkins is 86. Rock musician Andy Summers is 81. Actor Tim Matheson is 76. Pop singer Burton Cummings is 76. Actor James Remar is 70. Actor Bebe Neuwirth is 65. Actor Val Kilmer is 64.

Newlywed quickly discovers man's overt possessiveness

DEAR ABBY: I have been married three years. The man I married is not the person I fell in love with. After our wedding, he demanded that I take his last name. I am proud of my last name, and I didn't want to drop it. (If only that were the sole problem.) I am no longer allowed to go out to lunch with my friends or even to see my family unless it's on one particular day. Abby, my family means a lot to me and my friends do, too.

I don't like being controlled. I have tried talking to him about it, but he blames everything on me. He is old-fashioned, so all my time "needs" to be here at home. I have children outside of this marriage, and my husband insists he comes first, no matter what. I do not feel that way. My children always come before anyone.

How do I fix this? If I can't resolve it, it means a divorce. I don't want that, but my children and my family matter, and I don't believe a couple must spend every second together. Please give me your advice. — CONTROLLED IN TENNESSEE



JEANNE PHILLIPS

DEAR CONTROLLED: Your husband has made clear that things are his way or the highway. He isn't going to mellow. Please take the hint. Contact a lawyer and set yourself free. The alternative is to continue being treated like a hostage.

DEAR READERS: As I reflect back on this year, I would like to wish you a happy, healthy and successful 2024. Did 2023 fly by for you as quickly as it did for me? I will join you tonight in "toasting" a new year that, I pray, will be less stressful for all of us. If you are celebrating tonight, please take measures to protect not only your own health, but also the safety of others. Happy New Year, everyone! — LOVE, ABBY

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12	WBOY	12 News	NBC News	Football Night (L) (N)	NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Minnesota Vikings (N)							
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COMMUNITY

State Parks to welcome hikers for First Day Hikes this New Year's Day

MetroNews staff

CHARLESTON — More than half a dozen state parks across West Virginia plan to offer a First Day Hike on New Year's Day.

The free guided hikes, which are held annually on Jan. 1, are part of a nationwide effort to encourage more people to get outdoors.

Officials at seven state parks will host First Day Hikes. It's part of a nationwide initiative led by America's State Parks with hundreds of free, guided hikes in all 50 states.

The following state parks will offer hikes on Monday:

■ Blackwater Falls State Park — 10:30 a.m. begins at the Blackwater Falls lodge. Naturalist Paulita Cousin will lead the two-mile hike.

Leashed dogs are welcome.

■ Bluestone State Park — Naturalist and educator Jonathan Lipscomb will lead the hike, which will last about an hour.

■ Cacapon State Park — 10 a.m. begins at the Nature Center will be led by naturalists Valerie Chaney and Allen Miller.

■ Cass Scenic Railroad State Park begins at the Cass Company Store for a stroll along the Greenbrier River Trail led by Park Naturalist Jaimie Shearer and volunteers.

■ Cedar Creek State Park offers a half-mile hike doable for all ages and skill levels.

■ Kanawha State Forest has multiple hikes planned beginning at 1 p.m..

■ Tygart Lake State Park will have a hike on the School Bus Loop Trail at 10 a.m. beginning at the campground. The hike is about 2 miles round-trip and led by naturalist Jacob Jackson.

Hikers will get an opportunity to meet with naturalists, take a hike on a winter day through West Virginia's state parks and learn about the environment. It's also a chance for people to try a new hobby like hiking and to explore the state's natural beauty.

Warm clothes and sturdy hiking shoes are needed. Water and snacks are recommended for longer hikes, and items such as binoculars are welcome.

All hikers who participate will receive a West Virginia State Park First Day Hike patch.

MCHD

New year, new drinking outlook?

DEC. 31 IS A GREAT TIME TO DISCUSS IMPAIRED DRIVING.

After all, during the New Year holiday, drunk driving fatalities generally spike, sometimes only rivaling the Fourth of July as the most dangerous holiday in this regard.

That's why the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has designated December as National Impaired Driving Prevention Month.

And then Jan. 1 is not only National Hangover Day but also the beginning of Dry January, an observance that has been gaining steam as individuals forgo drinking for a month to give their bodies a break and their minds the ability to see what changes can take place when not imbibing alcohol.

Of course, alcohol and impaired driving isn't just a holiday issue. According to the National Highway Traffic Administration, about 37 people die every day in the United States in drunk-driving crashes ... one person every 39 minutes.

In 2021, a total of 13,384 people died in alcohol-impaired driving traffic deaths, a 14% increase from 2020.

But few holidays are as



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alcohol-oriented as New Year's Eve. After all, for many, it's customary to ring in the new year with a glass of champagne, and it's not always the first and only drink of the evening for some.

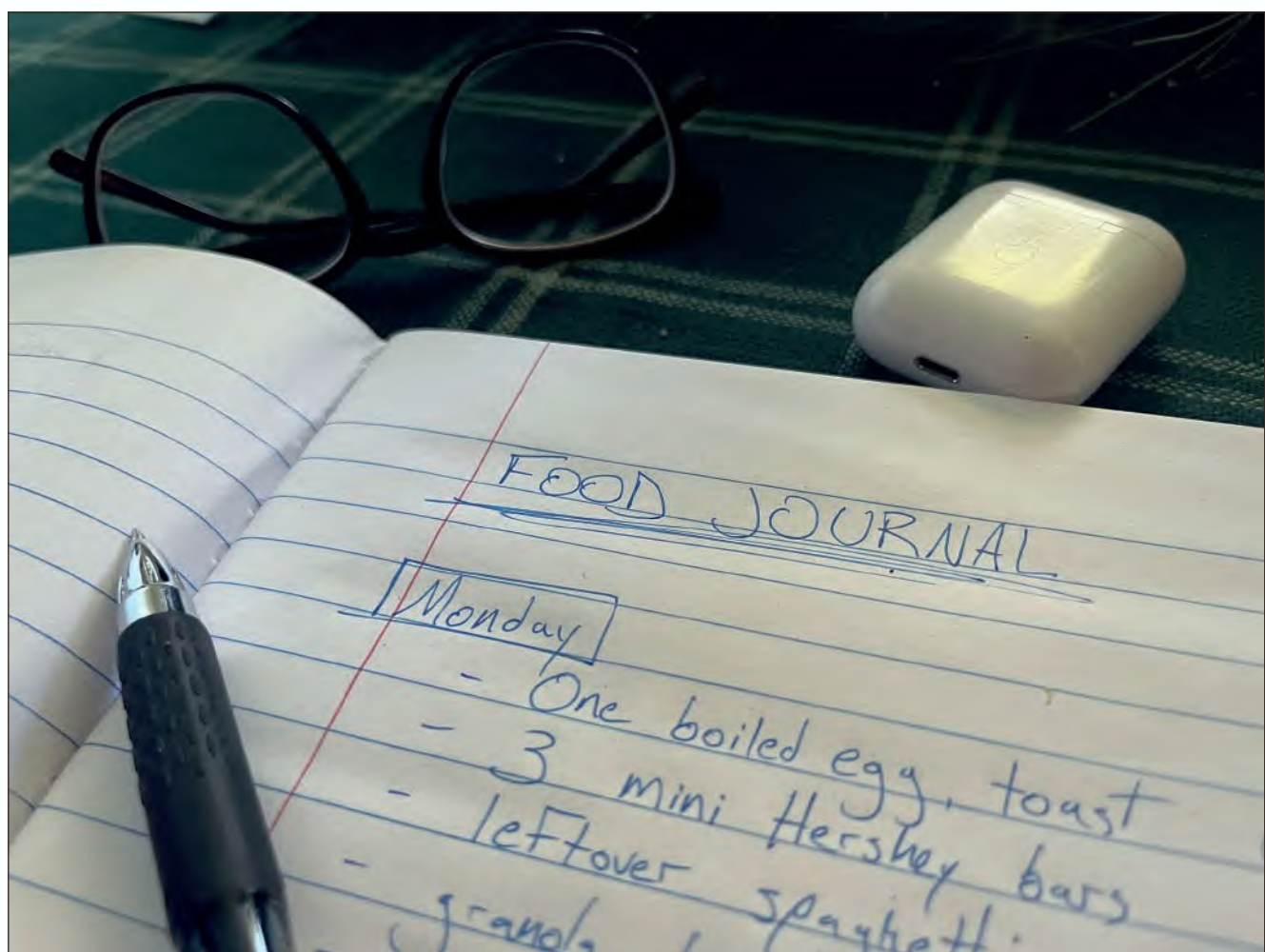
If you are parents of teenagers, not only do you need to think about your celebration, but you'll also want to go over the dangers of underage alcohol and substance misuse with them.

SAMHSA offers a campaign called "Talk. They Hear You," that includes information on a mobile app to help parents with these conversations. You can download the app by typing "Talk. They Hear You" in the space where you get your apps.

Offering to drive your child to and from whatever event they might be attending can also help them avoid bowing to peer pressure and accepting a ride from someone who is

SEE NEW, B-2

Adopting healthy habits



WVU Photo/Zackary Harold

A WVU expert suggests rather than trying a fad diet for your New Year's resolution hoping for lasting weight loss, consider adopting healthy habits instead like making a food journal which can have a larger impact on long-term health.

WVU expert recommends small, consistent dietary changes for an effective New Year's resolution

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In a recent survey conducted by Forbes Health, losing weight and improving diet rank among the top five New Year's resolutions for 2024.

However, nutrition experts at WVU warn against making drastic changes or following diet trends in order to achieve these goals.

Forbes Health found the typical New Year resolution is maintained for just over three months, and Harvard Health Publishing reports that many popular diets are only temporarily effective, with benefits diminishing after six to 12 months.

Gina Wood, a specialist and coordinator for the WVU Extension Family Nutrition Program's Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program, suggests the answer might be simpler than popular diet regimens suggest.

One issue with fad diets is the significant lifestyle changes they demand. Some diets suggest eliminating entire food groups or dramatically decreasing calorie intake as weight loss "hacks," often resulting in monotonous, uninspired meals that require time and energy to plan and carry out. This approach not only proves ineffective due to the human body's reliance on a

varied diet to fulfill nutritional needs, but also demands too many changes, too quickly.

"Diets typically ask people to make drastic changes. They are either asking you to cut out an entire food group or drastically reduce your calorie intake. The chances of that working are pretty slim," said Wood. "Every food group has its role. The more of those things you cut out, the less nutritious your diet is going to be. It is difficult to maintain health without a full array of nutritious foods. Variety is the key."

Wood recommends assessing your baseline and understanding your current habits before attempting any changes. Keeping a food or physical activity journal reflecting your daily habits can help identify small, manageable changes to expand on later.

"Pick something small. If you notice you are only eating vegetables twice a week, start by adding another serving once or twice a week," said Wood. "Do something small that is realistic, because once you have one small success, you're going to be able to build on that."

Both Harvard Health Publishing and Forbes Health highlight consistency and realistic, proactive goals as the key to maintaining New Year's resolutions and achieving results. If a healthier diet is part of your 2024 resolutions, Wood recommends MyPlate.gov as a base resource for nutritional information and recipes.

"People who are successful in terms of weight loss and improving lifestyle, it's not the drastic changes — it's the small changes you are able to maintain over time. Consistency leads to success," said Wood. "It's about progress, not perfection."

MOVIE REVIEW

Film adaptation of musical 'Color Purple' sings

I DIDN'T REALIZE "THE COLOR PURPLE" had been adapted into a musical until word of the film adaptation of that movie was announced. However, the popularity of Alice Walker's novel and the 1985 Stephen Spielberg movie seem to make it somewhat inevitable. Still, I was looking forward to another trip with Celie and Shug in Blitz Bazawule's most recent adaptation of "The Color Purple."

Young Celie (Phylicia Pearl Mpsi) and Nettie (Halle Bailey) are sisters living with their father, Alfonso (Deon Cole), who has twice impregnated Celie. She is giving up her second child when Mister (Colman Domingo) comes asking to marry Nettie. Alfonso refuses Nettie but says he can marry Celie — promising that even though she's ugly, she can work hard. Mister agrees and takes Celie to his home, where Nettie soon joins when their father tries to rape her as well. When Nettie refuses Mister's advances, he throws her out and promises the sisters will never see one another again. Now an



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adult, Celie (Fantasia Barrino) endures regular beatings from Mister, with her only relief coming from her friendship with Sofia (Danielle Brooks) and her fascination with the electric Shug Avery (Taraji P. Henson).

As one can see from the synopsis, this is a difficult film to watch, though the musical elements soften the edges of the tragedy while still allowing Celie's pain and resilience to shine through. And they do shine through. From the early moments when Celie hands her son over to her father, not knowing where he will be taken or if he is even alive, the story shows a woman who clings to hope in the most impossible

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SCIENCE

U.S. military space plane blasts off on another secretive mission

Associated Press

The U.S. military's X-37B space plane blasted off Thursday on another secretive mission that's expected to last at least a couple of years.

Like previous missions, the reusable plane resembling a mini space shuttle carried classified experiments. There's no one on board.

The space plane took off aboard SpaceX's Falcon Heavy rocket from NASA's Kennedy Space Center at night, more than two weeks late because of technical issues.

It marked the seventh flight of an X-37B, which has logged more than 10 years in orbit since its debut in 2010.

The last flight, the longest one yet, lasted 2 1/2 years before ending on a runway at Kennedy a year ago.

Space Force officials would not say how long this orbital test vehicle would remain aloft or



U.S. Air Force via AP, File

This undated photo provided by the U.S. Air Force shows an X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

what's on board other than a NASA experiment to gauge the effects of radiation on materials.

Built by Boeing, the X-37B resembles NASA's retired space shuttles. But they're just one-fourth the size at 29 feet long. No astronauts are needed; the X-37B has an

autonomous landing system.

They take off vertically like rockets but land horizontally like planes, and are designed to orbit between 150 miles and 500 miles high. There are two X-37Bs based in a former shuttle hangar at Kennedy.

STATE

West Virginia's elk herd grows slowly and remains overall very young

BY CHRIS LAWRENCE
WVMetroNews.com

CHARLESTON — West Virginia's elk herd stands at around 100-110 in the coalfields of southern West Virginia.

The approximate figure was offered up to an interim committee of the Legislature during a December meeting in Charleston by the Division of Natural Resources Elk Project Leader Randy Kelley.

Kelley gave an update on the health of the herd and the progress made since reintroduction began in West Virginia in 2015. Kelley noted the state of Virginia started its elk reintroduction just a couple of years before West Virginia. But the Virginia program has benefited from Kentucky's elk program. Due to the proximity and terrain, a large number of Kentucky elk have roamed into the Old Dominion much more frequently than they've crossed the Tug Fork River.

"We were getting a few elk passively moving in from Kentucky, but nothing like what is moving into Virginia. Mostly it's our southern coalfield counties, which border Kentucky, although there was one that was noticed to be in as far as Boone County," Kelley said in his address to lawmakers.

DNR Director Brett McMillion told lawmakers there are explorations being made to import more elk from other locations to the Mountain States. But movement of any cervid species has become a complicated process due to the fear of chronic wasting disease as

well as other diseases.

Kelley told lawmakers West Virginia's herd was still trying to recover from the impact of a loss of a large number of animals rounded up in Arizona and sent to West Virginia.

"We were under a 120-day holding rule and had to keep them penned up. No matter how much food we gave them or how gently we handled them, they became extremely stressed," he said.

Crews captured 60 elk in Arizona to transfer to West Virginia. Eight died in captivity while being held in Arizona for the first 30 days. They were then trucked to West Virginia where they had to be kept in a holding facility on the Tomblin Wildlife Management area for the duration of the 120-day quarantine. Efforts to get a waiver from the USDA for the quarantine were unsuccessful and six more of the Arizona elk died before they were released onto the landscape in West Virginia.

Kelley said it didn't end there.

"We ended up releasing 46 animals, but because of the added stress another 33% were lost to a parasite called brain worm. When your body is stressed, you're more susceptible to parasites or disease. After they recovered from that, it's calmed down and we are starting to recover from that loss," he said.

A typical loss to brain worm is about 4% to 10% in a common year. Kelley said one of the issues now is the age structure of the state's elk herd skews rather young.

"They're not consistent breeders until they are 3 and they only have one calf a year. Where we had 15, 20, or 30 cows to breed in the past, now we're up to about 40 so hopefully it will start growing a little faster," he said.

Some lawmakers inquired about what level the herd would need to reach before a limited hunt could be allowed. Delegate Amy Summers noted Virginia had just completed its first elk hunt with tags to harvest a small number of bulls and the population in the range of 200-250.

Although Kelley was reluctant to put any number on the herd that would trigger conversations for a controlled hunt, he agreed 200-250 was at least where West Virginia's herd needs to be before a first hunting opportunity.

"We're still at a really young age structure, even our bulls are young. We don't want to do it too early because you can affect reproduction, so we want to be cautious, but I'd say that 200 to 250 range," he said.

Kelley also told lawmakers since the situation with the Arizona elk, they've learned a lot more about handling the animals and using better techniques and equipment to minimize stress on them.

"I think we learned a lot on our first transfer. More recently working with the USDA things have been a little more cordial, so hopefully we wouldn't be forced in that again, but if we that's the case we've done things to improve our methodology," he added.

WEATHER

Powerful Pacific swell brings threat of more dangerous surf to California

Associated Press

VENTURA, Calif. — Bulldozers built giant sand berms Friday to protect beachfront homes in one of California's coastal cities hit hard this week by extraordinary waves generated by powerful swells from Pacific storms.

Dozens of people watched construction of the emergency barriers in the Pierpont area of the city of Ventura, where a rogue wave on Thursday smacked spectators and vehicles as it overran the beach and flowed into a neighborhood.

"We have had water down the lane once before but never like this," said Karris Kutivan, a 9-year resident of the scenic shoreline city about 60 miles northwest of Los Angeles.

"What it has taught me is I want to live by the beach, not on the beach," Kutivan said.

Eight people were

taken to hospitals for treatment of injuries after the Pierpont incident, according to Ventura County authorities, who closed beaches, piers and harbors through Dec. 31.

Similar waves overran beaches elsewhere Thursday on the California coast, flooding parking lots, streets and triggering evacuation warnings for low-lying areas.

The ocean was less violent Friday but the National Weather Service warned that another round of extremely dangerous surf conditions would return Saturday.

The Los Angeles-area weather office wrote that powerful cyclones over northern Pacific waters were sending 12- to 17-foot swells, creating "tremendous wave energy across coastal waters."

At some points along California, breaking waves were predicted to reach 25 feet. Astronom-

ical high tides were adding to a significant risk of more coastal flooding, forecasters said.

"Overall, this is expected to be an exceptional high-surf and coastal flooding event that has not occurred in many years," the weather service wrote. "Take caution and heed the direction of local authorities and lifeguards. Never ever turn your back to the water as damaging and life-threatening sneaker waves are likely to occur."

In Hawaii, which also was slammed by the huge swells this week, the weather service downgraded a high surf warning to an advisory Friday. Large breaking waves of 18 to 22 feet along some north-facing shores and strong currents will make swimming dangerous, the weather service said.

PURPLE

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of circumstances.

The film is stacked with spectacular performances. Domingo is having an impressive year with both this and "Rustin," showing his impressive range. Barrino gives a beautiful performance as Celie, inviting us into her story with a reserved strength. Brooks electrifies the screen whenever she is on, and Henson is an absolute delight as Shug.

The music and the dancing bring a whole dif-

ferent element to the story. Relying heavily on the music of Black Americans, particularly gospel and blues, it ties this film to the Black experience in a way that was missing in the 1985 version. From the opening up-tempo Black church song to the quiet reflection in the final piece, we immerse ourselves in the Black experience.

In one scene, Celie advises her son to beat his wife to get her to stay in line. That pain and humiliation is all that she has known, and she passes it on to another woman. The author, Alice Walker, has

given us a beautiful story about remembering people's humanity. Still, she has engaged in anti-Semitic and transphobic language, proving that you can see some flaws in the system while upholding others. The greatest gift that this film gives us is the reminder that it is never too late to make right what we made wrong.

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NEW

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not in shape to drive.

That said, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the safest way to celebrate New Year's Eve is to stay home.

Of course, not everyone will choose to do that. If you do plan to go out and if drinking is on the agenda, make sure to have a designated driver or be prepared to call an Uber to get you home.

After the potential for the indulgences of the holiday season, Dry January might sound like a really good idea to some individuals.

Even for those who don't have a drinking problem, or who don't

think they do, a month without alcohol gives them the opportunity to see how not drinking makes them feel.

They might find pounds coming off or sleep patterns improving.

Those who plan to avoid alcohol in January might consider doing some planning to help set themselves up for success.

George F. Koob, the director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, suggests identifying why you drink and then thinking of ways you could accomplish the same goal without alcohol. Maybe meet friends to go for a hike or to play games instead of to drink at a party.

Also, let your friends and family know you plan

to abstain from alcohol during Dry January so they can support you, and perhaps even join you, he added.

For those who need more support, consider Alcoholics Anonymous meetings or calling Ascension Recovery Services at 304-241-4585 or WV Sober Living at 304-413-4300.

You can also Google "online alcohol support groups" to find other people whose journeys might be similar to yours and who could provide help, from the comfort of your home.

Dry January is a great opportunity for a reset and it might change your relationship with alcohol for the better.

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NATION

Civil rights leader removed from movie theater for using his own chair

Associated Press

A civil rights leader was escorted by police out of a North Carolina movie theater after he insisted on using his own chair for medical reasons, prompting an apology from the nation's largest movie theater chain.

The incident occurred Tuesday in Greenville during a showing of "The Color Purple." The Rev. William Barber II said he needs the chair because he suffers from ankylosing spondylitis, a disabling bone disease.

Barber, 60, leads a nonprofit called Repairers of the Breach, which focuses on issues including voter suppression and poverty. He also co-chairs the national Poor People's Campaign, which is modeled after an initiative launched in 1968 by the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

During an hourlong news conference on Friday, Barber spoke in support of people with disabilities and the need for businesses to provide the accommodations required under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"I know that if I cannot sit in my chair in a theater in Greenville, North Carolina ... that there are thousands of other people who will be excluded from public spaces in this nation," Barber said.

Barber said managers at the AMC theater asked an armed security guard and



AP photo

William Barber, Founding Director, Repairers Of The Breach & The Yale Center For Public Theology And Public Policy speaks during the Clinton Global Initiative, Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023 in New York.

local police officers to remove him after he stood firm on using the chair. Barber said he agreed to be escorted out after officers said they'd have to close down the theater and arrest him.

Barber said he left his 90-year-old mother behind with an assistant to watch the film. Video of the incident shows Barber talking to an officer before walking out of the theater.

"This is not about me personally," he said. "Though it happened to me personally, this is about what systemic changes, policy changes (and) training needs to be done to ensure this happens to no one."

Greenville police said in a statement that a caller from the theater said a customer was arguing with employees and the theater

wanted him removed. After a brief conversation with a responding police officer, "Barber agreed to leave the theater voluntarily," police said. No charges were filed.

AMC apologized in a written statement, saying it welcomes and works hard to accommodate guests with disabilities, WRAL reported.

"We are also reviewing our policies with our theater teams to help ensure situations like this do not occur again," the statement said.

Barber said he'll meet next week with the chairman of AMC Entertainment Holdings, Adam Aron, after Aron reached out to him. Barber said he is "hopeful it will lead to just and good things for those with disabilities."

HEALTH

For transgender youth in crisis, hospitals sometimes compound the trauma

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Four days of waiting in UNC Hospitals' psychiatric emergency room left Callum Bradford desperate for an answer to one key question.

With knots in his stomach, the transgender teen asked: "Will I be placed in a girls' unit?"

Yes. The answer provoked one of the worst anxiety attacks Callum had ever experienced. Sobbing into the hospital phone, he informed his parents, who fought to reverse the decision they warned would cause their son greater harm.

Although they succeeded in blocking the transfer, the family had few options when a second overdose landed Callum back in UNC's emergency room a few months later. When the 17-year-old learned he was again scheduled to be sent to a girls' inpatient ward, he told doctors the urge to hurt himself was becoming uncontrollable. The exchange is documented in hospital records given by the family to The Associated Press.

"I had an immense amount of regret that I had even come to that hospital, because I knew that I wasn't going to get the treatment that I needed," Callum said.

As the political debate over health care for transgender youth has intensified across the U.S., elected officials and advocates who oppose gender-affirming



AP photo

Callum Bradford rows during a club team practice at Jordan Lake, Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, in Apex, N.C. Bradford, a transgender teen from Chapel Hill needed mental health care after overdosing on prescription drugs. He was about to be transferred to another hospital due to a significant bed shortage.

medical procedures for minors have often said parents are not acting in their children's best interest when they seek such treatment.

Major medical associations say the treatments are safe and warn of grave mental health consequences for children forced to wait to access puberty-blocking drugs, hormones and, in rare cases, surgeries.

Youth and young adults ages 10-24 account for about 15% of all suicides, and research shows LGBTQ+ high school students have higher rates of attempted suicide than their peers, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

North Carolina lacks uniform hospital treatment standards and runs low on

money and staff with proper training to treat transgender kids.

Sending a transgender child to a unit that does not align with their gender identity should be out of the question, said Dr. Jack Turban, director of the gender psychiatry program at the University of California, San Francisco, and a researcher of quality care barriers for trans youth in inpatient facilities.

"If you don't validate the trans identity from day one, their mental health's going to get worse," Turban said.

When North Carolina lawmakers allocated \$835 million to shore up mental health infrastructure earlier this year, none of the money was allocated to meet the specific needs of trans patients.

CRIME

Police searching for Colorado mother suspected of killing her 2 children, wounding third

Associated Press

DENVER — Police were still searching Friday for a Colorado woman suspected of killing her two young children and wounding a third after police initially responded to a report of a burglary in their home.

Kimberlee Singler, 35, was cooperative at first with police investigating the Dec. 19 deaths but then went missing as the probe, which eventually determined the burglary report was unfounded, continued, according to Colorado Springs Police Department spokesperson Ira Cronin.

Police were able to present evidence to obtain a warrant for Singler's arrest on Tuesday but police believe she had already disappeared by then, Cronin said.

Singler, who was not

under surveillance, was last seen on Saturday in Colorado Springs, he said.

"In the initial stages of the investigation, we were treating her as a victim of a burglary," Cronin said.

The children's deaths came amid an ongoing legal battle between Singler and her ex-husband over parenting time and other issues, according to court filings. Court hearings had been scheduled for next month.

Rex Harris, a lawyer for the ex-husband, did not immediately return a telephone call or email.

Police said they answered a 911 call reporting a burglary at an apartment complex at around 12:30 a.m. on Dec. 19 and found the bodies of Singler's 9-year-old daughter and 7-year-old son.

Singler and her 11-year-old daughter were also injured and taken to hospitals for treatment.

Cronin said he could not release details about how the children or Singler were injured. The 11-year-old girl was hospitalized for a few days and then released. She is recovering well physically in Colorado Springs and is not with her mother, Cronin said. Singler's injuries were minor, he said.

He declined to say whether Singler herself had reported the burglary.

The FBI is assisting in the search for Singler at the request of police, Vikki Migoya, a spokesperson for the agency's Denver office, said Thursday.

AP researcher Rhonda Shafner in New York contributed to this report.

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January 11th	In memory of Marie Potts-Deakin. Paid for by Spencer Deakin.
January 12th	In loving memory of our mother, Celia Bray. Patricia Toothman, Joann Faggert, Pam Guariglia
February 23rd	In loving memory of Lance Wagner on his birthday. You are dearly missed.
February 27th	From the family of Anthony "Ty" Bartley. Paid for by Dianne Bartley
March 12th-18th	Happy March Madness! Give A Hoop Foundation - Da'Sean Butler
March 18th	In memory of Shawn Tucker #TuckerTough. Doug and Mary Tucker
March 20th-24th	In celebration of Courage and Caring. Judith Gold Stizel
April 9th	In loving memory of Anthony "Ty" Bartley
April 19th-23rd	With lots of love to remember the amazing Grandma Hilda. In honor of her great-granddaughter and namesake Samantha "Rose," who is turning 13 this week. The Jones Family
April 24th	In memory of Kyong O. Drain by Dr. George F. Drain
May 18th	In memory of Shawn Tucker #tuckertough
June 1st	In loving memory of Debbie Lattanzi by her family, Donna, Jamie and Julie Lattanzi
July 4th-9th	With lots of love to remember the amazing Grandma Hilda. The Jones Family
July 24th-28th	The WVU Medicine Transplant Alliance is honored to work with the Rosenbaum Family House to help provide supportive care to caregivers and the patients. Solid Organ Transplantation takes a Team, and we are honored to work with the team of the Rosenbaum Family House to make this possible.
July 26th	There is no "right time." There is just time and what you choose to do with it. Happy Anniversary. In loving memory of Jack Hayes
August 23rd-27th	With lots of love to remember the amazing Grandma Hilda. In honor of her daughter Debbie's birthday. The Jones Family
September 1st	In memory of Carol Murphy by her daughter Debbie Murphy
September 10th	Thank you to Car Mart Used Cars of Parkersburg, WV for adopting today in honor of WVU Football's first home game!
September 8th	Happy 1st Birthday, Zane! Love, Grandma
October 4th-8th	With lots of love to remember the amazing Grandma Hilda. In honor of her great-granddaughter Sydney who is turning 15 this week. The Jones Family
November 4th	In memory of Ted Heuston
November 19th	In loving memory of Anthony "Ty" Bartley
November 20th-24th	In memory of our wonderful sister Doreen Hall from your sister Veenanne and brothers Charlie, Larry and Kerry.
December 3rd	In memory of Rob Paboucek - Greatly missed on his birthday and every day. Love his wife, children and grandchildren
December 14th-18th	With lots of love to remember the amazing Grandma Hilda. In honor of her favorite son-in-law, Joe Jones, and his birthday this week. The Jones Family

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YEAR IN REVIEW

Huggins' saga was top story in 2023

Our top 10 includes new heights reached by athletes, teams

BY CODY NESPOR

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There has been a great sense of newness with sports in 2023.

There are new coaches for the West Virginia men's and women's basketball teams, new expectations for the football team and new heights reached by individuals and collectives alike.

Bob Huggins' pair of controversies over the offseason expedited his departure from the university and opened the door for Josh Eilert to step in as interim head coach. Dawn Plitzuweit's abrupt exit from the women's team led to the hiring of Mark Kellogg.

Along with new faces, there were also new achievements.

The Mountaineer football team smashed its preseason last-place prediction to finish with the best season in Neal Brown's tenure, raising expectations for even better things to come in 2024.

Morgantown distance runner Irene Riggs became the first-ever Gatorade National Player of the Year winner from West Virginia.

The Morgantown boys' basketball team won its second straight state title and the Morgantown girls' soccer team completed its own back-to-back feat a few months later.

WVU baseball's JJ Wetherholt led the nation in batting average in what was the Mountaineers' best season ever on the diamond which included its first Big 12 title.

Finally, the WVU men's soccer team capped its best season in history with the program's first-ever trip to the College Cup.

SEE SAGA, B-7



Benjamin Powell/The Dominion Post

WVU announced the resignation of Bob Huggins (left) as the school's men's basketball coach on June 17. On June 24, the school announced that Josh Eilert (right) would take over as the interim head coach for the 2023-24 season.

WHAT ELSE HAPPENED?

■ Dawn Plitzuweit resigned as the WVU women's basketball coach after one season with the program to become the head coach at Minnesota. On April 3, WVU announces it has hired Mark Kellogg to replace her.

■ University High wrestler Brock Kehler won the state championship at 215 pounds and finished a perfect 54-0 on the season. It was Kehler's second state title.

■ For the fifth consecutive season, the University High boys' cross-country and Morgantown High girls' cross-country teams won the state championships. MHS had its top five all finish in the first 12, while UHS had its five all place in the top 13.

■ For the first time since 2011, the Backyard Brawl football rivalry returned to Milan Puskar Stadium. WVU beat Pitt 17-6 with running back C.J. Donaldson rushing for 102 yards and a touchdown.

■ The WVU baseball team won 40 games for just the second time in school history and won a share of its first-ever Big 12 title, along with Texas and Oklahoma State. The Mountaineers reached the school's highest national ranking at No. 7 during the season.

■ The Morgantown High girls' track team finished tied for the Class AAA state title with Jefferson. Both schools finished with 111 points.

■ The West Virginia Black Bears, behind manager David Carpenter, won the 2023 MLB Draft League championship with a 9-4 victory against Trenton. It was the Black Bears' second consecutive championship.

■ Morgantown High boys' basketball guard Sharon Young signed a Division I scholarship to play at Akron next season.

■ WVU men's basketball forward Akok Akok collapsed to the floor during an exhibition game and was rushed to the hospital. He returned to action five weeks later in a game against Pitt.

■ The Clay-Battelle boys' basketball team advanced to the Class A state semifinals for the third time in school history. The Cee-Bees finished with a 20-7 record.



William Wotring/The Dominion Post

WVU second baseman J.J. Wetherholt had one of the best individual seasons ever in program history. He became the first WVU player to lead the country in hitting, finishing with a .449 batting average. He also had 16 home runs, drove in 60 runs and added 36 stolen bases.



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WVU men's soccer coach Dan Stratford (right) hugs a WVU player after the Mountaineers advanced in the 2023 NCAA tournament. The Mountaineers set a program record with 17 wins and advanced to its first-ever College Cup. WVU fell to Clemson 1-0 in the national semifinals.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Fighting Mountaineers fall to Ohio State in 78-75 overtime loss

BY JUSTIN JACKSON

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CLEVELAND — You never would have known Roddy Gayle Jr. just had the game of his life Saturday.

Cool, calm and collected, Gayle took a hectic moment Saturday and turned it into a highlight reel, leading Ohio State to a 78-75 overtime victory against West Virginia inside Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse.

"It's tough to rattle him," Ohio State head coach Chris Holtmann said. "He's always been that way. He's got a disposition about him to where sometimes you go, 'Roddy, hey, let's go.' But, it's just how he is as a player."

Gayle, a sophomore, had 23 of his 32 points in the second half and overtime, as the Buckeyes (11-2) survived a major scare from the Mountaineers (5-8).

Gayle's performance was just one way to tell this story, in a game that had more key moments

than any mystery novel.

There was the fact WVU kept battling back and got the game into overtime only after Patrick Suemnick became an unsung hero.

His lay-up with 31 seconds left in regulation tied the game at 65 and came off a pick-and-roll with Noah Farrakhan, as Farrakhan drew the defense to him and simply flipped the ball back to Suemnick for the score.

"We had trouble with their backup center the whole night," Holtmann said.

In the overtime, WVU guard RaeQuan Battle's 3-point attempt with 1:04 left came up well short.

The reason? WVU head coach Josh Eilert believed Battle was fouled and Eilert rushed out near midcourt to let his feeling known.

"I was three feet away from the play," Eilert said after the game. "It was pretty clear what happened."

Had Battle, who finished with 24 points on 9 of 19 shooting, been given three free-throw attempts, he may have been able to cut into Ohio State's 78-73 lead at the time.

Instead, Eilert was whistled for a technical, but nothing came of that, because Gayle missed both free throws — his only setback of the game — and then Battle intercepted a tipped pass and turned it into a dunk.

The final 45 seconds of overtime was just missed opportunities for WVU.

Gayle missed a jump shot, but the offensive rebound went to teammate Evan Mahaffey.

Mahaffey was fouled, but missed both free throws.

Still trailing 78-75, WVU guard Kerr Kriisa was fouled with eight seconds left, but he missed the front end of the one-and-one free throw and Ohio State ran out the clock after getting the rebound.

SEE WVU, B-5

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Barr, Luzader lead Clay-Battelle to inaugural Santa Series championship

BY MICHAEL GRIFFITH

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BLACKSVILLE — The 2023 Santa Series basketball tournament concluded on Saturday at Clay-High School in Blacksville with the Cee-Bees and Greenbrier West Cavaliers battling for the tournament championship.

The Cee-Bees (6-2) used a dominant frontcourt display from duo Colby Barr and Preston Luzader, who combined for 59 points, to race past the Cavaliers (2-3) by a final score of 79-50.

Barr led the way with 31 points, while Luzader added 28. The two shot 24 for 38 from the field and 11 for 15 from the free-throw line.

C-B started hot out of the gate with a layup from the opening tip-off in the first five seconds of

the game and didn't look back from there. A 12-0 run to start the game set the tone early on as GW struggled to make a shot, starting the contest 0 for 8 from the field.

"We didn't start very well (Friday), (Saturday) that was one of our goals; come in and try to get ahead early and see what we could do," CB head coach Josh Kisner said. "We knew Greenbrier West wouldn't give up, they're a tough team and in the top ten. Our boys just put on a show today."

Luzader made his presence known in the paint on both ends as well, grabbing nearly every rebound and finishing the second chances on the offensive side.

A 19-7 lead after the first

SEE C-B, B-6

SCOREBOARD

ON TV

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
 2 p.m.: PAC-12N — Washington St. at Colorado
 3 p.m.: CBSSN — Omaha at South Dakota
 4 p.m.: PAC-12N — Arizona at Stanford
 SECN — Bryant at Mississippi
 6 p.m.: PAC-12N — Washington at Utah
 8 p.m.: PAC-12N — Arizona St. at California

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)
 12 p.m.: ACCN — Wake Forest at Florida St.
 CW — Clemson at North Carolina
 12:30 p.m.: BTN — Illinois at Indiana
 1 p.m.: CBSSN — S. Dakota St. at North Dakota
 2 p.m.: ACCN — Notre Dame at Syracuse
 SECN — Radford at Vanderbilt
 2:30 p.m.: BTN — Maryland at Nebraska
 4 p.m.: ACCN — Louisville at Miami
 6 p.m.: ACCN — NC State at Virginia

COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)
 3 p.m.: ESPN — Harvard at UConn

HORSE RACING
 2:30 p.m.: FS1 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races

IIHF HOCKEY (MEN'S)
 6 a.m.: NHLN — World Junior Championship Group Stage: Slovakia vs. U.S., Group B, Gothenburg, Sweden
 8:30 a.m.: NHLN — World Junior Championship Group Stage: Sweden vs. Finland, Group A, Gothenburg, Sweden
 11 a.m.: NHLN — World Junior Championship Group Stage: Switzerland vs. Czech Republic, Group B, Gothenburg, Sweden
 1:30 p.m.: NHLN — World Junior Championship Group Stage: Germany vs. Canada, Group A, Gothenburg, Sweden

NBA G-LEAGUE
 4 p.m.: NBATV — G-League Ignite at Sioux Falls

NFL
 1 p.m.: CBS — Regional Coverage: New England at Buffalo, Atlanta at Chicago, Las Vegas at Indianapolis, Carolina at Jacksonville, Miami at Baltimore
 FOX — Regional Coverage: LA Rams at NY Giants, Arizona at Philadelphia, New Orleans at Tampa Bay, San Francisco at Washington, Tennessee at Houston
 4:05 p.m.: FOX — Pittsburgh at Seattle
 4:25 p.m.: CBS — Regional Coverage: LA Chargers at Denver, Cincinnati at Kansas City
 8:20 p.m.: NBC — Green Bay at Minnesota

RODEO
 8 p.m.: CBSSN — PBR: Round 2 and Championship Round, Albany, N.Y.

SOCCER (MEN'S)
 9 a.m.: USA — Premier League: Bournemouth at Tottenham Hotspur

TENNIS
 6 a.m.: TENNIS — United Cup Group Stage; Brisbane-ATP/WTA Early Rounds
 6:30 p.m.: TENNIS — United Cup Group Stage; Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Auckland-WTA, Hong Kong-ATP Early Rounds
 6 a.m. (Monday): TENNIS — United Cup Group Stage; Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Auckland-WTA, Hong Kong-ATP Early Rounds

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

2023-24 Bowl Glance

All Times EST
 Saturday, Dec. 16
 Myrtle Beach Bowl
 Conway, S.C.
 Ohio 41, Georgia Southern 21
 Celebration Bowl
 Atlanta
 Florida A&M 30, Howard 26
 New Orleans Bowl
 New Orleans
 Jacksonville St. 34, Louisiana 31, OT
 Cursu Bowl
 Orlando, Fla.
 Appalachian St. 13, Miami (Ohio) 9
 New Mexico Bowl
 Albuquerque, N.M.
 Fresno St. 37, New Mexico St. 10
 LA Bowl Hosted
 Inglewood, Calif.
 UCLA 35, Boise St. 22
 Independence Bowl
 Shreveport, La.
 Texas Tech 34, California 14
 Monday, Dec. 18
 Famous Tastyery Bowl
 Charlotte, N.C.
 W. Kentucky 38, Old Dominion 35, OT
 Tuesday, Dec. 19
 Frisco Bowl
 Frisco, Texas
 UTSA 35, Marshall 17
 Thursday, Dec. 21
 Boca Raton Bowl
 Boca Raton, Fla.
 USF 45, Syracuse 0
 Friday, Dec. 22
 Gasparilla Bowl
 Tampa, Fla.
 Georgia Tech 30, UCF 17
 Saturday, Dec. 23
 Camellia Bowl
 Montgomery, Ala.
 N. Illinois 21, Arkansas St. 19
 Birmingham Bowl
 Birmingham, Ala.
 Duke 17, Troy 10
 Armed Forces Bowl
 Fort Worth, Texas
 Air Force 31, No. 24 James Madison 21
 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
 Boise, Idaho
 Georgia St. 45, Utah St. 22
 68 Ventures Bowl
 Mobile, Ala.
 South Alabama 59, Eastern Michigan 10
 Las Vegas Bowl
 Las Vegas
 Northwestern 14, Utah 7
 Hawaii Bowl
 Honolulu, Hawaii
 Coastal Carolina 24, San Jose St. 14
 Tuesday, Dec. 26
 Quick Lane Bowl
 Detroit
 Minnesota 30, Bowling Green 24
 First Responder Bowl
 Dallas
 Texas St. 45, Rice 21
 Guaranteed Rate Bowl
 Phoenix
 Kansas 49, UNLV 36
 Wednesday, Dec. 27
 Military Bowl Presented

Annapolis, Md.
 Virginia Tech 41, No. 23 Tulane 20
 Duke's Mayo Bowl
 Charlotte, N.C.
 West Virginia 30, North Carolina 10
 Holiday Bowl
 San Diego, Calif.
 Southern Cal 42, No. 16 Louisville 28
 Texas Bowl
 Houston
 No. 22 Oklahoma St. 31, Texas A&M 23
 Thursday, Dec. 28
 Fenway Bowl
 Boston
 Boston College 23, No. 17 SMU 14
 Pinstripe Bowl
 New York
 Rutgers 31, Miami 24
 Pop-Tarts Bowl
 Orlando, Fla.
 Kansas St. 28, No. 19 NC State 19
 Alamo Bowl
 San Antonio, Texas
 No. 14 Arizona 38, No. 12 Oklahoma 24
 Friday, Dec. 29
 Gator Bowl
 Jacksonville, Fla.
 Clemson 38, Kentucky 35
 Sun Bowl
 El Paso, Texas
 No. 15 Notre Dame 40, No. 21 Oregon St. 8
 Liberty Bowl
 Memphis, Tenn.
 Memphis 36, Iowa St. 26
 Cotton Bowl
 Arlington, Texas
 No. 9 Missouri 14, No. 7 Ohio St. 3
 Saturday, Dec. 30
 Peach Bowl
 Atlanta
 No. 11 Mississippi 38, No. 10 Penn St. 25
 Music City Bowl
 Nashville, Tenn.
 Maryland 31, Auburn 13
 Orange Bowl
 Miami
 No. 6 Georgia 63, No. 4 Florida St. 3
 Arizona Bowl
 Tucson, Ariz.
 Wyoming 16, Toledo 15
 Monday, Jan. 1
 ReliaQuest Bowl
 Tampa, Fla.
 No. 13 LSU vs. Wisconsin, noon
 Citrus Bowl
 Orlando, Fla.
 No. 20 Iowa vs. No. 25 Tennessee, 1:00 p.m.
 Fiesta Bowl
 Glendale, Ariz.
 No. 8 Oregon vs. No. 18 Liberty, 1:00 p.m.
 Rose Bowl
 College Football Playoff Semifinal
 Pasadena, Calif.
 No. 1 Michigan vs. No. 5 Alabama, 5:00 p.m.
 Allstate Sugar Bowl
 College Football Playoff Semifinal
 New Orleans
 No. 2 Washington vs. No. 3 Texas, 8:45 p.m.
 Monday, Jan. 8
 CFP National Championship
 Houston
 Semifinal winners, 7:30 p.m.

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FRIDAY'S GAMES
 New Jersey 6, Ottawa 2
 Florida 4, N.Y. Rangers 3
 Detroit 5, Nashville 4, OT
 Columbus 6, Toronto 5, OT
 N.Y. Islanders 5, Washington 1
 Colorado 2, St. Louis 1
 Dallas 5, Chicago 4, OT
 Seattle 2, Philadelphia 1, OT
 Arizona 2, Anaheim 0

SATURDAY'S GAMES
 Winnipeg 4, Minnesota 2
 Buffalo 3, Columbus 2, OT
 Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 2
 Boston 5, New Jersey 2
 Florida 4, Montreal 1
 N.Y. Rangers 5, Tampa Bay 1
 Carolina 3, Toronto 2
 Nashville 3, Washington 2, SO
 Edmonton at Los Angeles, night

SUNDAY'S GAMES
 Winnipeg at Minnesota, 2 p.m.
 Boston at Detroit, 5 p.m.
 Buffalo at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
 Montreal at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
 Chicago at Dallas, 8 p.m.
 Edmonton at Anaheim, 8 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Calgary, 8 p.m.
 San Jose at Colorado, 8 p.m.

MONDAY'S GAMES
 Vegas vs. Seattle at T-Mobile Park, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
 Boston at Columbus, 7 p.m.
 Carolina at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
 Washington at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
 Calgary at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
 Chicago at Nashville, 8 p.m.
 Montreal at Dallas, 8 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
 Florida at Arizona, 9 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Colorado, 9 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
 Ottawa at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
 Detroit at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
 Toronto at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Boston	34	21	7	6	48	109	89
Florida	36	22	12	2	46	107	93
Toronto	34	17	10	7	41	124	119
Tampa Bay	37	17	15	5	39	121	130
Detroit	36	17	15	4	38	129	133
Montreal	35	15	15	5	35	99	121
Buffalo	37	15	18	4	34	110	127
Ottawa	31	12	18	0	28	106	111

METROPOLITAN DIVISION

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
N.Y.	35	25	9	1	51	123	95
Rangers	37	20	13	4	44	125	117
Carolina	35	19	11	5	43	106	95
Philadelphia	35	17	9	9	43	109	116
N.Y.	35	17	9	9	43	109	116
Islanders	34	17	11	6	40	82	101
Washington	34	17	11	6	40	82	101
New Jersey	35	19	14	2	40	122	125
Pittsburgh	34	17	13	4	38	105	92
Columbus	38	12	18	8	32	119	140

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Colorado	36	22	11	3	47	131	110
Winnipeg	34	21	9	4	46	114	86
Dallas	34	21	9	4	46	120	106
Nashville	37	20	16	1	41	118	117
Arizona	35	19	14	2	40	110	99
St. Louis	36	18	17	1	37	105	119
Minnesota	34	16	14	4	36	108	110
Chicago	35	11	22	2	24	86	129

PACIFIC DIVISION

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Vancouver	36	23	10	3	49	126	93
Vegas	37	22	10	5	49	127	103
Los Angeles	32	20	8	4	44	114	77
Seattle	37	14	14	9	37	99	114
Edmonton	32	16	15	1	33	103	106
Calgary	35	14	16	5	33	113	117
Anaheim	35	13	22	0	26	91	115
San Jose	36	9	24	3	21	74	150

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

West Virginia opens Big 12 play with dominant win over Kansas

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The No. 25-ranked WVU women's basketball team (12-0, 1-0 Big 12) defeated Kansas, 85-60, inside Allen Fieldhouse in Lawrence on Saturday afternoon. The win is the first for head coach Mark Kellogg in the Big 12 Conference. The Mountaineers controlled play in the game, out-rebounding the Jayhawks 34-28, and made use of a 44-36 advantage in the paint. Red-shirt junior guard Kyah Watson spearheaded the effort on the glass with 11 rebounds as fifth-year senior and junior Tirzah Moore each collected five. The Mountaineers controlled play in the game, out-rebounding the Jayhawks 34-28, and made use of a 44-36 advantage in the paint. Red-shirt junior guard Kyah Watson spearheaded the effort on the glass with 11 rebounds as fifth-year senior and junior Tirzah Moore each collected five. Sophomore guard Jordan Harrison, playing in her first Big 12 conference game, recorded a WVU career-high 21 points. Watson finished with 11 points to collect her second double-double this season. Junior guard JJ Quinerly finished with 13 points as Moore chipped in with 10.

As a team, WVU shot 54.2% (32-of-59) from the floor, including 50% (9-of-18) from 3-point range. It marks the third and fifth time this season WVU has shot over 50% from beyond the arc and the field, respectively. The Jayhawks shot 23-of-53 (24.4%) from the floor and 15-of-13 (38.5%) from beyond the arc. WVU also led in points from turnovers (21-14) and second-chance points (14-6). The Mountaineers forced Kansas into 21 turnovers, marking the 11th time this season they have reached the mark. Senior forward Kyle Blacksten and Watson each knocked down 3's over the opening five minutes, but Kansas attacked the paint, jumping out to a 9-6 lead at the first media. WVU chipped away, trailing 12-11 with just over a minute to play, when a Jayla Hemingway three pushed WVU into the lead at 14-12. WVU never trailed in the contest again.

The Mountaineers maintained its two-point lead over the first three minutes of the second quarter. A Quinerly three and five straight points for Harrison pushed the WVU lead to eight, at 28-20, approaching the five-minute mark. The Jayhawks pulled back within five points before WVU outscored KU 10-2 over the final four minutes to a 38-25 lead at halftime. Harrison paced all scorers in the half, dropping all 11 of her points during the second frame. WVU knocked down seven 3's over the 20 minutes and limited the Jayhawks to a 0-of-3 mark from beyond the arc. West Virginia extended its lead out of the break to 16 points at 6:40 off a Blacksten layup. The Jayhawks outscored WVU 8-2 into the media timeout, to trail the Mountaineers 52-42. The Mountaineers held KU scoreless, 0-of-4 from the field, over the final three

minutes of the quarter. The effort gave WVU a 62-44 lead entering the final frame. The fourth quarter was all WVU, as the Mountaineers extended their lead to as many as 26 points. The win is the 13th straight for WVU and marks the fourth-best start in program history. With the win, West Virginia moves to 18-7 all-time against Kansas, including 9-4 in games played in Lawrence. Also of note, the 25-point victory is the largest margin that WVU has used to beat the Jayhawks. West Virginia returns home for their first of two straight conference matchups of the season at the WVU Coliseum. The Mountaineers' play against Cincinnati on Wednesday, Jan. 3. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. ET, and the game will be broadcast on Big12Now on ESPN+ and the Mountaineer Sports Network, including 100.9 WZST-FM.

OUTDOORS

Some thoughts on feeding birds



DAVE SAMUEL

Two of my good friends have given me their thoughts on feeding birds in your back yard. Dr. Edwin Michael was a fellow wildlife professor with me at WVU for many years. He's been feeding birds for over 50 years and his ideas are based on lots of history in our area. Kevin Armstrong is a fellow Cheat Lake Rotarian, and loves to photograph birds that come to his various feeders. Here are some of their thoughts. Thousands of people feed birds, and when the pandemic hit, feeding birds really went up. People were stuck in their homes, and they wanted to see out the windows. Today, the cost of seed has skyrocketed and feeding birds has gone down a bit. Both Dr. Michael and Kevin Armstrong note that their hobby is now not for everyone because of cost. Even so, lots of people feed birds. One book author on this topic states that we

don't feed birds to save the birds, we do it to feed out soul. We do it for us. I agree with that book. Feeding birds is good for us because it gets people into learning about nature. We sit at our windows with bird book in hand and identify every species that come. The more the better. Then we watch bird behaviors at the feeders. Great for adults and even better for kids. There can be benefits for the birds too. For example, migrating birds come to feeders to replenish their energy as they move north in the spring, and south in the fall. Dr. Michael has nine different feeders around his yard. Most have black oil sunflower seeds and he believes that these seeds bring in the best variety of birds. He prefers these seeds to striped sunflower seeds and he prefers these seeds over the bird seed mixes, though cheaper, because the mixes contain cracked corn that bring in house sparrows and starlings. If you like seeing these alien species (they came from Europe) then the mixed seeds will work for you at less cost. In fact Kevin Armstrong buys seed mixes from Wild Birds Unlimited and says

that the fruit and nuts and other things in those seed mixes are quality foods. Dr. Michael states that the best change he has made "in 50 years of feeding birds", is to feed meal worms. "I don't know why it took so long for me to make that change," he noted. Kevin also feeds birds meal worms. The Carolina wrens and tufted titmice love them. But he also feeds meal worms for the bluebirds that nest in boxes he has nearby. He notes that he spoils the bluebirds during the nesting season by feeding them live meal worms, but most of the time he feeds dry meal worms. He notes that the meal worms are \$20 for a 1.25 pound bag. Dr. Michael states that he orders 20 pound bags of meal worms on line. However he does recommend that whenever possible, buy your products locally to help local businesses. In the winter Kevin switches to safflower seeds because the starlings can't open those. He also puts out Nyjer (thistle) for finches in winter. I used to use that but found the thistle invaded my flower beds. But finches and other species come to it. Then there is suet cakes that are available locally. These attract a variety of

birds including pileated woodpeckers, chickadees, nuthatches and all the local woodpecker species. Dr. Michael also mentions providing water. The plastic bases for flower pots work great for water. He uses an electric heater in the water in winter to prevent freezing. Clean your feeders often to prevent disease. Kevin feeds year-round as does Dr. Michael. Kevin lives near the Botanic Garden and in the summer, the first indication that bears have visited his feeders, he takes his all down for a few weeks. Otherwise, the bears become a problem, both for you and for them. Bears that become used to humans putting out food, can become habituated and then get into trouble. Not good as problem bears have to be removed. As my two friends noted, feeding birds is a fun hobby, so set up a feeder or two in your back yard and enjoy watching birds. DR. SAMUEL is a retired wildlife professor from West Virginia University. His outdoor columns have appeared, and continue to appear, in Bowhunter magazine and the Whitetail Journal. If you have questions or comments on wildlife and conservation issues, email him at drdave4@comcast.net

WVU
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"We could probably look back at the film and see several things we can correct and kick ourselves for not correcting some things in the game," Eilert said. "Regardless, it's a game of inches and it was a possession-to-possession game. We just couldn't find a way to catch a break down the stretch." West Virginia survived a cold shooting stretch to open the game and then saw Battle summoned to the bench with two early fouls. Along the way, Ohio State was dominating on the glass and with second chance points. "I think we were down 13 in rebounding at one point," WVU head coach Josh Eilert said. "I challenged them. We had to be better. We began to change defenses and made it a back-and-forth game." By the time it ended, the Mountaineers had nearly pulled even in rebounds (47-46), but Ohio State nailed nine 3-pointers in the sec-



AP photo

Ohio State Buckeyes guard Roddy Gayle Jr. (1) scores with a dunk during the second half of the Legends of Basketball Showcase game between the Ohio State Buckeyes and West Virginia Mountaineers on Saturday at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse in Cleveland. ond half with Gayle leading the way. "It was just mainly doing what we do in practice and then take it out to the game," Gayle said. "So much of what we ran, we work on in practice. We played our best in the second half." Battle added 10 rebounds to go with his 24 points for WVU. In his first three games at the school, he's totaled 82 points. Farrakhan added 19 points, but he fouled out in the final minutes of overtime. Quinn Slazinski had 11 points and eight rebounds.

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NHL

Venerable coaches lead Steelers and Seahawks into key Week 17 matchup

Associated Press

SEATTLE — On the list of the NFL's winningest coaches, Pete Carroll and Mike Tomlin are linked by proximity and success.

Carroll ranks 13th all-time with 180 wins between the regular season and the playoffs. Right behind him is Tomlin, with 179 victories.

Despite being among the league's longest-tenured coaches, the two have met only four times previously heading into today's matchup between the Steelers and the Seahawks.

Even though their teams have rarely crossed paths, there's a healthy respect between the two leaders.

"He's a really good man," Carroll said. "They've had the good fortune of having him for years; 16 years and never had a losing season. That's a pretty good mark, that's hard to get that done. I have the ultimate respect for him."

This fifth matchup between the coaches is arguably the most important to date because of what is at stake. Both teams have playoff hopes, although the path for Seattle is clearer.

The Seahawks (8-7) need wins over the Steelers and

at Arizona to make the playoffs for the 11th time in Carroll's 14 seasons.

The route for Pittsburgh (8-7) to the playoffs is more complicated. But after snapping a three-game losing streak last week against Cincinnati, the Steelers at least have a possible path to navigate. Beating the Seahawks and knocking off Baltimore in Week 18 would put the Steelers in a good position. But even a loss to Seattle wouldn't entirely eliminate Pittsburgh, depending on what happens elsewhere in the AFC.

A win would also ensure yet another season finishing at or above .500 for Tomlin.

This season has featured striking similarities for both teams — some unexplainable losses, a bunch of close wins and an untimely losing streak. The Seahawks lost four straight before salvaging their playoff chances with consecutive 20-17 wins over Philadelphia and Tennessee the past two weeks.

After starting 7-4, the Steelers lost three straight before reviving their playoff hopes with last week's 34-11 thumping of the Bengals.

"The bottom line, it's



AP photo

Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin walks the sideline during the first half of an NFL football game against the Cincinnati Bengals, Dec. 23, 2023, in Pittsburgh.

late December, the road is getting extremely narrow and it's a big football game," Tomlin said.

LATE DRAMATICS

The Seahawks have not made their victories easy on fans. Each of Seattle's last four wins has been decided by a score either in the final minute of the fourth quarter or in overtime. The Seahawks beat Cleveland in Week 8 on a touchdown from Jaxon Smith-Njigba with 38 seconds left. In Week 10, Seattle needed overtime to beat Washington 29-26.

The last two weeks have been the most dramatic. Drew Lock's 29-yard touchdown pass to Smith-Njigba with 28 seconds left beat Philadelphia, and last week it was Geno Smith throwing a 5-yard TD to Colby Parkinson with 57 seconds remaining.

MORE MASON

Longtime backup quarterback Mason Rudolph will likely get a second straight start after throwing for 290 yards and a pair of long touchdowns to George Pickens last week. While starter Kenny

Pickett's surgically repaired right ankle felt good enough for him to practice this week, Rudolph's ability to generate the kind of big plays that have been lacking for long stretches this season made Tomlin inclined to stick with the hot hand. Not bad for someone who hadn't started a game in more than two years.

"Performing (in practice) and performing in stadiums are two different things," Tomlin said. "And so, it was good to see it show up in the stadium, but I don't think any of us were shocked by it. We've all seen it in stadiums with him before."

FAMILIAR FACE

The Steelers could see a familiar face playing a prominent role for Seattle's defense today. Former first-round pick Devin Bush could be in line for his first start since signing with the Seahawks in the offseason. Seattle is uncertain whether starting linebacker Jordyn Brooks will be able to play after he aggravated an ankle injury last week against Tennessee.

Bush played 40 defensive snaps against the Titans. It was the second time in a

month he got extensive playing time after after Brooks was initially hurt in Week 13 at Dallas. Bush has not started a game since Week 15 of last season while still with the Steelers.

"You have to balance the emotions of playing your former team, but also locking in and knowing what you have to do and what you have to get done," Seattle linebacker Bobby Wagner said. "I feel like he'll be good."

PATCHWORK UNITS

The Steelers have endured plenty of roster churn at inside linebacker this season after opting not to keep Bush. Free agent signees Cole Holcomb and Kwon Alexander are both out for the season with injuries, and Elandon Roberts is also likely done for the year after sustaining a pectoral injury last week.

Enter Mychal Walker, Myles Jack and Blake Martinez. Walker and Martinez joined Pittsburgh's practice squad in October, and the Steelers lured Jack out of retirement a couple of days before Thanksgiving.

There are also issues at safety, with Minkah Fitzpatrick, Keanu Neal and Damontae Kazee all unavailable due to injury or suspension. Eight-time Pro Bowler Patrick Peterson moved from cornerback to safety full-time last week, helping the Steelers generate three interceptions against Cincinnati's Jake Browning.

NHL

Evgeni Malkin and Sidney Crosby score as the Penguins beat the Blues 4-2

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Evgeni Malkin had a goal and an assist, helping the Pittsburgh Penguins top the St. Louis Blues 4-2 on Saturday night.

Malkin scored his 14th of the season on the power play. It was his third goal in two games. Malkin also set up Drew O'Connor's fourth of the year.

Jeff Carter scored his fourth goal for Pittsburgh in the third period, and Sidney Crosby's 20th of the season was an empty-netter. Tristan Jarry made 25 stops.

Crosby is one point from tying Joe Thornton for 12th place on the NHL's career points list. He became the 19th player in NHL history to score 400 even-strength goals and 22nd in NHL history with 16 seasons of 20 or more goals.

The Penguins improved to 6-1-1 in their last eight games.

Robert Thomas scored his team-leading 15th of the season for the Blues, while former Penguin Kasper Kapanen added his fourth.

Joel Hofer stopped 26 shots for the Blues, who have lost two straight following a three-game winning streak. St. Louis is 5-3 under interim coach Drew Bannister.

Carter gave Pittsburgh a 3-1 lead at 4:48 of the third period. Hofer tried to play the puck up the boards, but Jansen Harkins intercepted and sent a pass to Carter, who redirected a one-timer across the line.

Kapanen scored on a deflection at 10:21 to make it a 3-2 game. Kapanen, who was picked 22nd overall by Pittsburgh in the 2014 draft, stopped a 21-game drought with his first goal since Nov. 14.

O'Connor opened the scoring for Pittsburgh at 15:32 of the first. He took a pass from Malkin and fired a one-timer past Hofer from between the circles.

Valtteri Puustinen appeared to give Pittsburgh a 2-0 lead at 19:30. But the goal was waived off after Puustinen was whistled for high-sticking Brayden Schenn before his shot.

Thomas tied the game with 25 seconds left on the Puustinen penalty at 1:06 of the second. He one-timed a Jordan Kyrrou pass behind Jarry from a sharp angle near the side of the net.

Malkin put Pittsburgh in front 2-1 with a power-play goal at 6:50 of the second. Jake Guentzel's pass hit off Malkin's right skate while he stood at the side of the crease near the left post.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

No. 6 Georgia routs No. 4 Florida State 63-3 in Orange Bowl matchup of teams missing out on CFP

Associated Press

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Kirby Smart didn't need to do much to convince his Georgia Bulldogs of the importance of the Orange Bowl.

"As long as winning matters, we're gonna compete like hell at Georgia," Smart said.

The Bulldogs entered Saturday night's matchup against Florida State essentially at full strength. The Seminoles, who were missing at least a dozen of their key contributors because of opt outs and players in the transfer portal, did not.

The result was what you might expect: The sixth-ranked Bulldogs crushed previously undefeated and fourth-ranked Florida State 63-3 in the Orange

Bowl in a matchup of teams missing out on the College Football Playoff.

Smart said the result of the game was indicative of a larger problem in the sport.

"People need to see what happened tonight, and they need to fix this," he said. "It needs to be fixed. It's very unfortunate that they (the Seminoles), who have a good football team, are in the position they're in. Everybody can say it's their fault. Everybody can say that we had our guys and they didn't have their guys. I can listen to all that. But college football has got to decide what they want."

"It's really unfortunate for those kids on that side of

the sideline that had to play in that game that didn't have their full arsenal. And it affected the game, 100 percent."

Carson Beck passed for 203 yards and two touchdowns and backup QB Gunnar Stockton passed for two more scores for Georgia, which scored touchdowns on nine of 12 drives and gained 673 total yards against the short-handed Seminoles.

The Bulldogs (13-1) were used to competing for championships this time of year, having won the last two national titles. But Georgia lost to Alabama in the Southeastern Conference championship game — the Bulldogs' first loss since the 2021 season — and missed out on one of the

four spots in the CFP rankings. Instead, they settled for the seventh New Year's Six bowl appearance in program history.

Florida State (13-1) failed to make the CFP cut despite winning the Atlantic Coast Conference title, and because of transfers, opt-outs and injuries, the Seminoles were without players who were responsible for 97% of their passing yards, 88% of their rushing yards and 84% of their receptions this season.

The Bulldogs charged out to a 39-point halftime lead, the largest in the bowl's 90-year history, beating West Virginia's 29-point halftime lead over Clemson in 2012. It was also the largest margin of defeat in Florida State's history.

C-B

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quarter became 49-23 by halftime behind a 30-point frame for the Cee-Bees. Luzader scored 20 of his 28 total points in the opening half. The 2-3 zone by CB defensively disrupted GW all afternoon and allowed the hosts to keep the speed of the Cavaliers at bay.

"They are an up-tempo team that likes to get after it, but I think we took them out of their game a little today," Kisner said. "We wanted to take care of the basketball today and our young guards did a great job of that and passed the ball well to the inside. If the outside shots aren't falling we know the big guys are there to clean up."

The advantage remained over 20 points after the third quarter, 66-31, as

Luzader and Barr each went over 20 points during the frame. Despite shooting effort from 3-point range of 2 for 13, the Cee-Bees made 29 of 44 attempted shots from inside the arc, much of those coming from inside the paint. 24 of those came from either Barr or Luzader.

"Preston is only a junior but he doesn't play anything like that," Kisner said. "He is our leader out there and an upperclassman in our eyes. The work he does during the offseason has shown early in the season and he and Colby just complement each other so well."

The Cavaliers managed to outscore the Cee-Bees 19-13 in the final quarter, but it was too little, too late as the hosts captured the 2023 Santa Series championship 79-50.

The Cee-Bees improved



Ron Rittenhouse/The Dominion Post

The Clay-Battelle boys' basketball team won the inaugural Santa Series Holiday Tournament championship over Greenbrier West Saturday afternoon.

to 6-2 and will play three games in three days next week, Tuesday through Thursday.

BOX SCORE

Clay Battelle 79, Greenbrier West 50
 GW 7 16 8 19 - 50
 C-B 19 30 17 13 - 79
 Greenbrier West - McClung 7 2-3 17 Hagy 2 1-4 5 Agee 1 0-0 3 Davis 1 0-2 2 Dunbar 2 0-0 4 Dixon 4 0-0 11 Crane 2 0-0 6 Ramsey 1 0-0 2
 Clay Battelle - Barr 14 3-4 31 Luzader 10 8-10 28 Poylton 3 2-2 8 Morgan 2 0-0 5 Panceroff 2 0-0 5 Moats 0 2-2
 3pt goals - Greenbrier West 7 (Dixon 3 Crane 2 McClung 1 Agee 1); Clay Battelle 2 (Panceroff 1 Morgan 1)

Spring Mills 53, Morgantown 49

MARTINSBURG -- The Morgantown boys' basketball team suffered its first in-state loss in over two years, losing by four to Spring Mills on the road Saturday.

A 20-point second quar-

ter made the difference for the Cardinals, who were led by 25 points from Loakhae Uth-Smith. Caleb Thomas was next for SM with 18 points.

Brady Savage led Morgantown with 14 points, followed by J. Shrewsbury's 13. Sharron Young and Marcus Goins each scored 12.

Newport Harbor (Ca.) 78, University 58

CHARLESTON, S.C. -- University dropped its final game into the Carolina Invitational Saturday afternoon to Newport Harbor (Calif.) 78-58. Ethan Jackson led UHS with 14 points.

University returns home to host John Marshall on Friday, Jan. 5.

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With all those achievements, however, it is with Huggins' downfall that we begin our top 10 sports stories of 2023:

1. Huggins' final chapter

The final chapter of Bob Huggins' legendary tenure at WVU was long, confusing and most of all, disappointing to the fan base which adored him so.

It began in May when Huggins used homophobic and anti-Catholic slurs on a Cincinnati radio show. That resulted in a suspension, pay cut and plenty of questions about his future.

Just over a month later, Huggins was arrested for a DUI after being picked up in downtown Pittsburgh.

The university was quick to release a resignation letter it attributed to Huggins.

The following month saw another twist in the story as Huggins began to claim that he had never resigned and demanded his reinstatement as head coach.

Both sides' lawyers traded letters and by the end of the summer, the story finally cooled off.

In that time, Josh Eilert had been elevated to interim head coach and given the reigns of a program that was in turmoil.

"I look at it as an opportunity," Eilert said at the time. "I'm excited to show what I can do and what our staff can do and what our players can do in a difficult situation."

2. Riggs goes national

Morgantown High's Irene Riggs accomplished just about everything she could in the Mountain State.

A three-time state cross-country champion, six-time individual, track champion, two-time McCoy Award winner, a Hardman Award winner and a six-time Gatorade State Player of the Year recipient.

It should come as no surprise that when Riggs started to take her show on the road, the success followed.

Riggs won a Nike Regional in North Carolina and then the Nike National Championship in Oregon. She followed that up with a win at the U-20 USATF Cross-Country Championships and eventually a trip to Australia as part of Team USA for the World XC Championships.

That all led to her becoming the first-ever West Virginian to be named a Gatorade National Player of the Year, winning in girls' cross-country.

"I'm just really honored to be able to represent the state this way," Riggs said after receiving the Gatorade award. "If you look back, especially in distance running but in all sports in general, we've really grown as a state in athletics and I think sometimes we get a little bit overshadowed. I think it's really important to try our best to represent the state well."

Riggs matriculated to Stanford this fall, where she is a member of the Cardinal's cross-country and track and field teams.

3. WVU football won't finish last

Preseason prediction polls really have no bearing on how a season will play out. Unless, of course, if your team is picked last and it becomes a rallying point for the entire season.

The WVU football team being picked 14th in the Big 12 preseason poll was maybe the best thing to happen to the Mountaineers and head coach Neal Brown, as the team used that perceived disrespect as its main motivation for the entire season.

"We're looking forward to proving everybody wrong on that front," Brown said at Big 12 media days. "We won't finish (last)."

The number 14 became synonymous with the Mountaineers. Players brought it up frequently in interviews and on social



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Morgantown's Lily Jordan (21) celebrates with her father Wali Jordan after winning the Class AAAA State Championship over Wheeling Park.



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Morgantown's Sharron Young (5) cuts down the net after winning the Class AAAA Championship game over Parkersburg South. Young later signed to play Division-I basketball at Akron.

media and it was displayed all around the football facilities.

In the end, the Mountaineers proved themselves right and everyone else wrong. WVU had its best season under Brown and finished in a tie for third in the conference standings.

With powerhouses Texas and Oklahoma moving to the Big 12, fans are starting to wonder if this positive momentum could carry the Mountaineers all the way to their first Big 12 title game.

4. WVU makes 1st College Cup

Speaking of a program with positive momentum, no one has been on a clearer upwards direction than the West Virginia men's soccer team.

Under the tutelage of program alum Dan Stratford, the Mountaineers won 17 games, a single season high, finished No. 3 in the rankings, beat No. 1 Marshall in front of a record-setting home crowd and ran through the national tournament to make the team's first appearance in the College Cup semifinals.

"It's a special feeling for everyone and our program," Stratford said. "Being able to host at home throughout the tournament and do it in front of multiple record crowds is special and I'm so proud of everyone involved." Now that we're here I hope we can continue to make a statement and be fearless going into the final four."

West Virginia men's soccer coach Neal Brown said the team's first appearance in the College Cup semifinals was a special moment for everyone involved.

5. Battle against the NCAA

All RaeQuan Battle wanted to do this season was play for the WVU men's basketball team.

After transferring for the second time and landing at WVU last spring, Battle needed a waiver from the NCAA to be able to play in the 2023-24 season.

His waiver was denied in October and his appeal met a similar fate the following month.

A "reconsideration" phase started in December, all while the Mountaineers were playing games without Battle.

That's when seven state attorney generals, including West Virginia's Patrick Morrisey, brought a lawsuit against the NCAA questioning the organization's right to enforce its transfer

rule.

A Wheeling judge granted a temporary restraining order that will allow all student-athletes to play through the 2024 spring season.

The lawsuit has the possibility to make major changes to the world of college athletics with Battle becoming the face of it all.

"I don't think he wanted to be (the face) by any means," WVU coach Josh Eilert said. "This isn't the route he chose. I was very forthright through the whole process saying this was going to be an open-and-shut case. I thought it would be a rubber-stamp issue from the NCAA from the specifics of this particular case. By no means do I think RaeQuan wanted to push this thing this far, but he's fighting for what he believes is right."

6. Mohigans take volleyball throne

Musselman is the cream of the crop when it comes to Class AAA volleyball in West Virginia.

The Lady Applemen won three state titles in a row from 2020-22, defeating Morgantown in 2022 to complete the three-peat.

That was the Mohigans' first state championship appearance. When they made it back to the title game this season, they weren't going home empty-handed again.

MHS dethroned Musselman in a five-set thriller, winning the first two sets, losing the next two and finally winning set five 15-9.

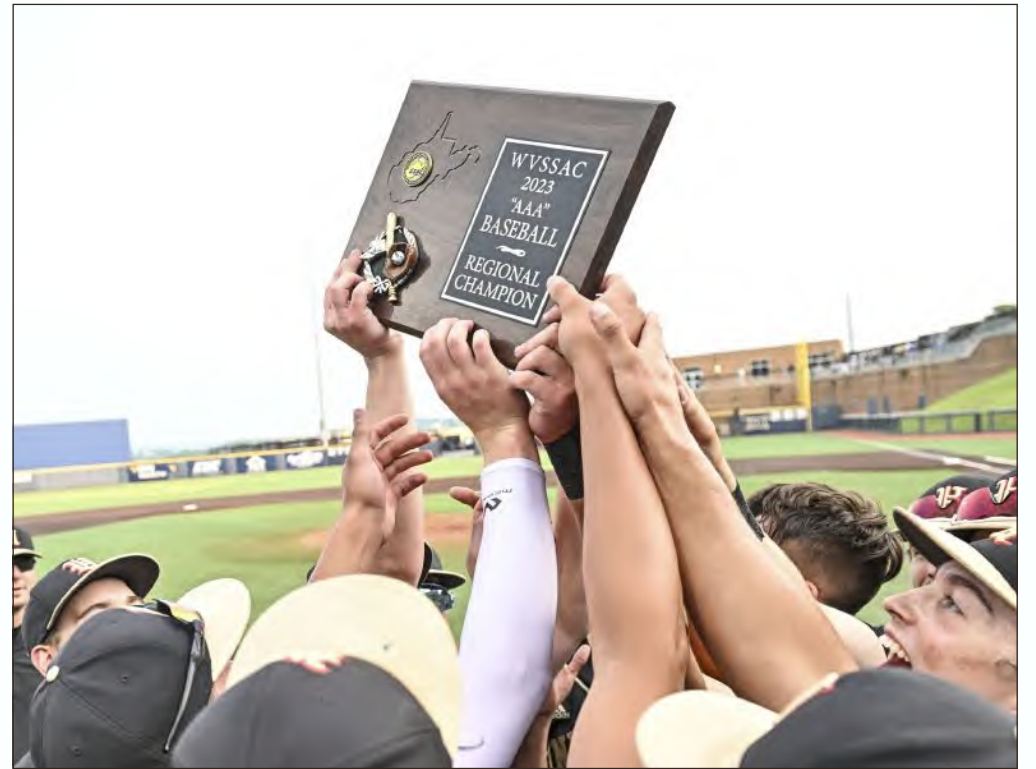
"I am so proud of the players and everyone on our team, this is so exciting for the program to be able to win our first championship ever," MHS head coach Erica Manor said. "For us to be able to stamp that into the history books for our program is so special."

The Lady Applemen may still be the team to beat in Class AAA, but the Mohigans are now the defending champs.

7. MHS sweeps basketball titles

March was the Mohigans' month in Charleston.

On March 11, the MHS girls claimed their 10th state title in a 54-50 win over Wheeling Park at the



William Wotring/The Dominion Post

University players react after defeating Morgantown in the Regional Championship. The win sent the Hawks to their first baseball state tournament since 2004.



William Wotring/The Dominion Post

West Virginia football coach Neal Brown hoists the trophy after defeating North Carolina Tar Heels in the Duke's Mayo Bowl. The Mountaineers finished with nine wins despite being picked to finish last in the Big 12.

9. MHS girls' soccer goes back-to-back

The Morgantown girls' soccer team was seeing double this season, as the Mohigans doubled up by winning their second straight Class AAA state championship, 1-0 over Parkersburg South in double overtime.

"After the game when we circled up I told them they saved their best game of the season until now, which was the right moment," said first-year coach Frontuto. "They've earned every single thing to get here and if I could I would coach all 16 of these girls again. Hats off to them for such an incredible effort all season."

Vanja Mueller, an exchange student from Germany, scored the golden goal for the Mohigans by putting a rebound just under the crossbar and into the goal.

In the process, senior Gracie Brown also went back-to-back, being named the state player of the year for the second season in a row.

"We always believed in ourselves from the beginning," said Brown, who scored 26 goals with nine assists in 2023. "I think the team connection and chemistry started coming together early and that became stronger every week."

Brown is the daughter of WVU women's soccer coach Nikki Izzo-Brown and plans to follow her sister, Sammie Brown, and play her college soccer at

Auburn.

10. Braham leads UHS to state tournament

The University baseball team was going nowhere fast to start its spring schedule. The Hawks were 6-8 in mid-April with a state tournament appearance looking more and more like a longshot.

That was until senior first baseman Noah Braham hit his stride.

Braham, who now plays for WVU football, put together a stellar offensive season, leading the Hawks back to the state tournament for the first time since 2004 and being named state player of the year in the process.

"Noah is a great kid and probably one of the hardest workers I've ever been around," UHS head coach Brad Comport said. "It's been an absolute pleasure coaching him and especially this year, having one of the best high school seasons that I've ever witnessed."

Braham hit .529 with 66 RBI, 13 home runs and 15 doubles on the season.

In the playoffs, the Hawks knocked off state tournament regular Bridgeport in the sectional championship and went on to top rival Morgantown for the regional title.

With Braham leading the way, UHS made its first state tournament appearance since 2004, when a player named Jeff Gyorko was just a freshman.

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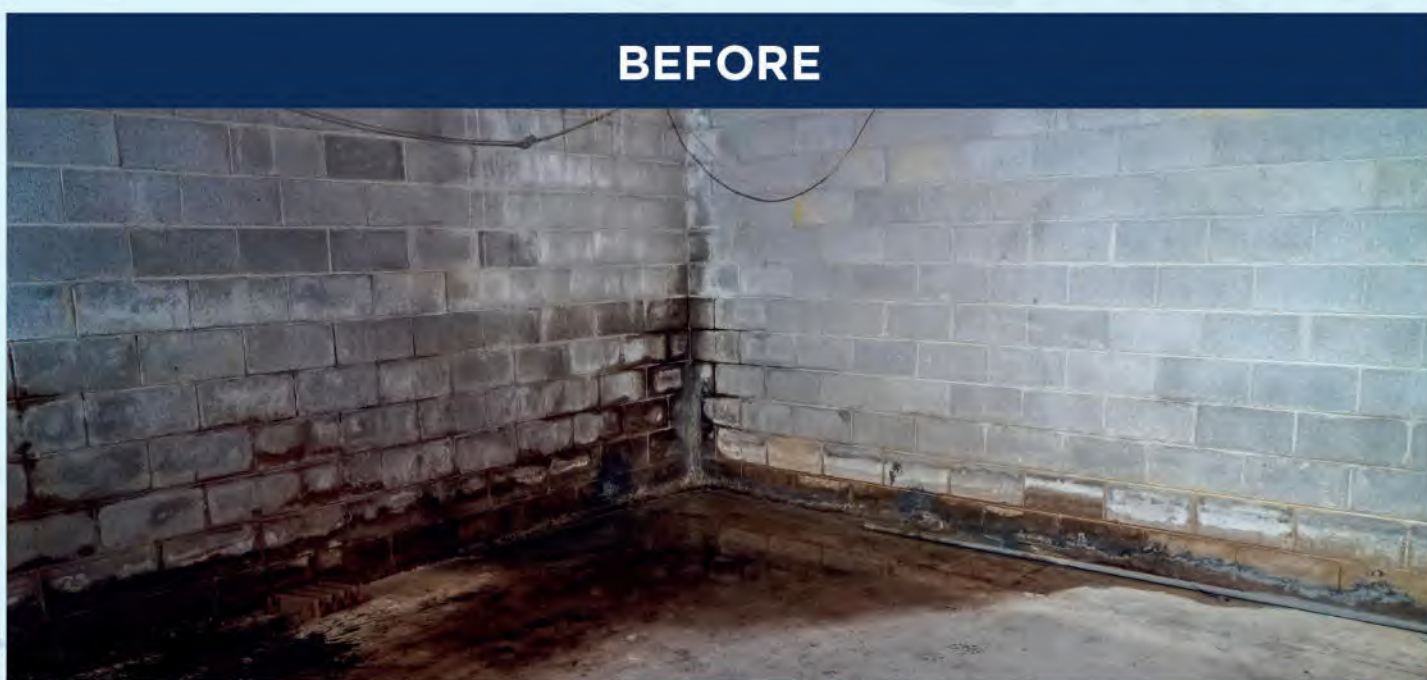
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EDITORIAL

How to keep your New Year's resolutions

If you haven't already seen a bunch of blogs, articles or op-eds telling you how to — insert synonym for “achieve” here — your New Year's resolution(s), then you probably will. And it's easy to get overwhelmed by all the (sometimes conflicting) guidance. So we're going to distill the most important advice for you here.

■ Big dreams are good, but small goals are better. There is nothing wrong with shooting for the stars. For your resolutions, however, it's better to set specific, achievable goals that can help you reach your big dream.

Often, our resolutions are kind of vague: wanting to lose weight, wanting to exercise more, wanting to eat healthier, wanting to read more, wanting to be more creative. But you can't measure progress when your goal is so nebulous. Instead, set specific outcomes and benchmarks you want to hit, like losing X-number of pounds by the end of the year, exercising a set number of minutes per day, reading 20 books in a year, completing a certain amount of a creative project by a specific date, etc.

It's better to set the bar too low and consistently overachieve than to set the bar too high and get discouraged when you can't reach it. If you can consistently reach that goal, start inching the bar upward. Because, more often than not, completing our New Year's resolution is less about hitting one specific objective than it is about developing good habits.

■ It's not all or nothing. Let's face it: We all fall short at some point. Fortunately, life is not like one of those games where if you make one mistake, you have to go all the way back to the beginning. So if you do mess up, you don't have to give up and wait to start again next year. Just pick up where you left off.

Now, you might have to put in a little extra work if, say, your goal was to lose a set number of pounds or read a certain number of books by the end of the year. But if your goal was to create habits, like eating more vegetables or spending X minutes exercising, or writing so many words per day, then forgive yourself for getting sidetracked and get back on course.

■ Make it fun. No one is going to stick to a New Year's resolution that is absolutely miserable, so make reaching your goal an enjoyable process. Put on your favorite music or podcast or invite a friend to do it with you.

■ Celebrate your wins. When you reach a goal or a benchmark, celebrate it! Take pleasure in every small win, because that's what will keep you motivated. Whenever you get overwhelmed by how much is left to do, look back and see how far you've come.

Think of the New Year as the starting line of a 365-day marathon, but the only person you are competing against is yourself. Remember, every step is progress. Even when you get sidetracked, even when you stop to rest — every step is progress.

We believe in you. So get ready, get set ... and — when the clock chimes midnight — go.

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NEW YEAR'S PREDICTIONS

Here's what 2024 might look like ...

2024 LOOMS AS A VERY VOLATILE YEAR. Here is what might happen — or maybe not:

■ **JANUARY** — Alabama defeats Washington for college football national championship. Supreme Court overturns Colorado's ouster of Donald Trump from GOP primary ballot but rejects Trump's argument that he has immunity from criminal prosecution. Former president easily wins Iowa caucuses, but Ron DeSantis does better than expected and claims the “Big Mo.” In New Hampshire primary stunner, independents help Nikki Haley edge Trump, with Chris Christie third and DeSantis fourth. Trump claims fraud. President Joe Biden wins Democrats' non-binding primary on write-ins but with only 58%. Congress fails to renew government spending, shutting six agencies. Israel declares victory in war against Hamas.

■ **FEBRUARY** — Speaker Mike Johnson averts full-scale shutdown by accepting another bipartisan funding measure, including aid for Ukraine, Israel, Taiwan and the border. Conservative critics introduce resolution to oust him, but it fails, due to Democratic abstentions. Despite protest from San Francisco 49ers, Taylor Swift is picked to sing national anthem at Super Bowl. Kansas City Chiefs beat Niners on last-minute pass to Travis Kelce; in post-game interview, he proposes to Swift. Trump routs Haley in South Carolina primary; DeSantis, a distant third, drops out. Biden approval hits new low at 31%.

■ **MARCH** — With Super Tuesday victories in California, Massachusetts, Texas and eight other states, Trump extends lead over Haley. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ousted, replaced by opposition leader Benny Gantz. Trump clinches GOP nomination with victories in Arizona, Florida, Illinois and Ohio as his trial for his role in the Jan. 6 insurrection begins in Washington. New York jury convicts Trump of paying “hush money” to former porn star before 2016 election.

■ **APRIL** — Washington jury convicts Trump on three of four counts; Trump claims vindication in acquittal (and appeals the three convictions). His lead over Biden increases to 8 points. Pro-Trump hackers disrupt No Labels virtual convention, giving most votes to Russian President Vladimir Putin. Group awards its nomination to second place finisher Liz Cheney. Across-the-board government spending cuts take effect as Congress fails to resolve its year-long impasse;



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House Republicans celebrate.

■ **MAY** — Hunter Biden convicted in California on two counts of income tax evasion. President Biden abruptly abandons his re-election bid. “I do not believe that I should devote an hour or a day of my time to any personal partisan causes,” he says, citing situations in Ukraine and the Middle East. California Gov. Gavin Newsom promptly announces candidacy. Biden says he won't endorse a successor. That leaves the choice to Democratic delegates, most already selected as Biden supporters. Trump condemns decision as anti-democratic.

■ **JUNE** — Initial Democratic delegate polls show a wide-open race among Vice President Kamala Harris, Newsom and Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. Congress deadlocks on spending levels for the year starting Oct. 1. Her fellow Great Lakes states Democratic governors endorse Whitmer to head Democratic ticket. Top House Democrats back Harris, while most Senate Democrats support Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar. Toronto Maple Leafs win Stanley Cup; Milwaukee Bucks capture NBA title.

■ **JULY** — Polls show Harris, Klobuchar and Whitmer all beating Trump. At Republican National Convention in Milwaukee, Trump spurns runner-up Nikki Haley as an “ultra-moderate RINO” (Republican in name only), picks moderate-turned-MAGA enthusiast New York Rep. Elise Stefanik as his running mate. GOP platform backs Trump's priorities: repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act, complete the border wall, round up illegal immigrants, enact more corporate tax cuts, revamp the “deep state civil service” and end the “Biden politicization” of the Justice Department.

■ **AUGUST** — In the first contested presidential nomination since 1952, the Democratic National Convention in Chicago chooses Whitmer on

the third ballot. She picks Georgia Sen. Raphael Warnock as her running mate. Biden and Harris back ticket, join traditional platform unity celebration after Whitmer's acceptance speech lists Cabinet choices, including Harris as attorney general. Liz Cheney drops out and endorses Whitmer.

■ **SEPTEMBER** — First post-convention poll shows Whitmer leading Trump by 3 points with independent candidate Robert Kennedy Jr. at 18%. Trump announces he will participate in debate commission's debates. Kennedy qualifies for the first debate. DeSantis challenges legality of abortion initiative on ballot in Florida. In debate, Kennedy echoes Trump's attacks. Congress fails to approve spending past Sept. 30. President Biden wins Nobel Peace Prize for “standing up for democracy.”

■ **OCTOBER** — Another month, another government shutdown. Florida Supreme Court rejects DeSantis plea to stop abortion initiative. Kennedy's support drops sharply after debate. Trump says he won't debate any more. Warnock-Stefanik debate draws highest rating of any vice presidential debate in history. Putin says Russian people look forward to “return of President Trump.” Yankees win Game 7 of World Series on a Juan Soto home run off the Dodgers' Yoshinobu Yamamoto. House reluctantly extends spending authority to Jan. 31, 2025.

■ **NOVEMBER** — Whitmer elected first woman president, 333-205, carrying Pennsylvania, Michigan, Wisconsin and — thanks to big turnout spurred by abortion initiative — Florida. Kennedy votes help Whitmer carry New Hampshire. Trump refuses to concede. Democrats regain House and, with an upset victory in Florida, retain 51-seat Senate majority. House GOP ousts outgoing Speaker Johnson as their leader, names Ohio Rep. Jim Jordan. Sen. Mitch McConnell steps down as Senate Republican leader, succeeded by South Dakota Sen. John Thune.

■ **DECEMBER** — Democrats elect New York Rep. Hakeem Jeffries as first Black speaker. Putin accuses Ukraine of resisting peace talks. Yankees reach 15-year, \$600 million extension with Soto. Trump rejects Electoral College verdict, vows to “fix things” in 2028.

DeSantis says he is reconsidering his abortion position. Vivek Ramaswamy becomes first 2028 GOP hopeful to visit Iowa. Swift accepts Kelce's proposal.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

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THE WEST VIRGINIA CONSTITUTION (ARTICLE 6-16) REQUIRES MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE TO TAKE THIS OATH BEFORE ENTERING INTO THEIR DUTIES: “I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, and faithfully discharge the duties of Senator (or Delegate) according to the best of my ability.”

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These are promises sworn by every representative in the West Virginia Legislature to serve the citizens of West Virginia with integrity and fairness.

The 2024 regular session of the Legislature kicks off Jan. 10. Limited to 60 days, it is a sprint, not a marathon.

The League of Women Voters (LWV) will be advocating for four legislative priorities.

First, we support ways to increase voter turnout and oppose barriers to voting. Election integrity is of the utmost importance, but voter access and election integrity are not at odds. We object to false allegations against the integrity of past elections, as our secretary of state trumpeted recently. It is not in the interests of the American public or West Virginia voters to question the election's results after the people have performed their civic duty and election officials have certified the outcome.

Second, the LWV is committed to safeguarding equal rights. This means advocacy for the rights of women and members of the LGBTQ+ community, as well as reproductive freedom. We oppose legislation that restricts private health care decisions. Health care providers also take oaths: to make the best health care decisions for their patients. Legislators should not interfere in those decisions.

Third, the LWV advocates for the protection of children and families, groups especially at risk in our state. We support legislation that promotes self-sufficiency and provides for effective programs to prevent or reduce poverty. That means adequate funding, not just rhetoric.

The path to self-sufficiency also includes “a thorough and efficient system of free schools” (Article 12-1). Such a system requires a competitive wage for teachers, motivation for teachers to establish a career in West Virginia and certified and accredited teaching and support staff. If we must expend public funds for “school choice” (as the courts have ruled), account-

SEE OATH, C-2

Top retail trends to keep and ditch in 2024

THE RETAIL INDUSTRY HAS BEEN THROUGH DRAMATIC CHANGES IN RECENT YEARS DRIVEN BY COVID-19 AND RAPIDLY CHANGING CONSUMER TASTES. With the height of the pandemic largely behind us, retail businesses have been focused this year on restoring profit margins and bracing for what is sure to be an unpredictable economy next year.

Big challenges are on the horizon, from high interest rates to a shift in consumer spending toward experiences and geopolitical conflicts snarling supply chains. While retailers have proven nimble in the past, there are two big trends the industry should consider keeping to help weather the storm and two they should ditch.

Trends to keep in the new year:

- **Generative AI.** Shopping may seem more digitally focused than ever, but retailers have yet to incorporate and stretch the full potential of technology, namely generative artificial intelligence to improve everything from their marketing to supply chains. Generative AI is like ChatGPT in that it generates text, images or audio based on data. For instance, Instacart Inc. partnered with OpenAI this year on a function



that lets consumers ask open-ended questions such as “what should I have for dinner?” to get product recommendations. It then makes a recommendation and connects consumers to specific products. Wayfair Inc.’s recent investments in generative AI tools such as Decorify, which allows shoppers to see a digital version of a re-designed room, will help the company return to mid- to high-single-digit earnings gains beginning in 2024, according to Bloomberg Intelligence’s retail analysts.

- **Physical stores.** Despite the growth of e-commerce, people still really like shopping in person out of pure convenience and pent up demand to socialize following the pandemic. That made it a big year for retail real estate. Heading into 2023, grocery stores, discount stores and restaurants rushed to grow their physical footprints. Shopping mall owner Simon Property Group Inc. reported a 95.2% occupancy rate at the end of the third quarter, up 70 basis points from a year earlier. Rents rose 2.9% from a year ear-

lier, Simon Property Chief Executive Officer David Simon told investors in October. With more retailers experimenting with in-store exclusives and experiences, retail real estate is likely to continue to be a big part of how people shop.

Trends to ditch in the new year:

- **Drone delivery.** As the character Regina George says in the cult classic movie Mean Girls, “stop trying to make fetch happen.” For retailers, that means drone delivery. Walmart Inc. and Amazon.com Inc. have tried to get drone delivery off the ground, but it never quite takes off. It’s a neat idea: some flying contraption delivers your order right to your door from out of the sky. But it’s one of those innovations that seem more like a tech flex than something that actually solves any problem. Amazon’s drones can only safely deliver packages weighing up to five pounds that don’t include anything breakable (deliveries are dropped from about 12 feet in the air). They also are limited by harsh weather: Walmart’s drones only operate during certain hours and can only deliver packages that weigh less than three pounds. The

largest US retailer says its drones lower packages to the ground with a tether. This all seems very inconvenient.

- **Self-checkout only stores.** Kroger Co. and Dollar General Corp. experimented over the last year with stores that only have self-checkout as retailers sought ways to reduce labor costs and speed up transactions. But the promise of self-checkout as a time and cost saver has proved to be a bit overblown. Shopper complaints mounted over errors, waiting times as associates helped other customers or even finding no one was available to address problems. The frustrations with self-checkout even inspired a gag event called “Walmart Self-Checkout Employee Christmas Party” on Facebook that caught the interest of more than 41,000 people. What’s more is self-checkout is also contributing to retailer “shrink” from theft. Shoppers sometimes scan a cheaper item for a more expensive one or skip scanning certain items altogether. Self-checkout might seem cheaper than labor, but ultimately retail thrives on a human touch.

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New Year’s resolution: Appreciating silence in conversation

MY NEW YEAR’S RESOLUTION FOR 2024 WAS SHAPED BY A RANDOM MOMENT. I was coming out of the shower, full of thoughts about a novel I’m working on. I suddenly noticed seven small makeup bags, replete with sample giveaways that I’ve accumulated for way too long, tucked away in a corner.

Then, I thought that I had many small corners in my life needing cleanup. I was looking at only one. “It’s time,” I told myself. “My novel and its characters will have to await their fate. Mine is happening right here and now.”

And just like that, I was on my way to a new year’s resolution. In my fictional character’s world, “Alfred” would call it “a perfect twofer.” I would combine cleaning with a thoughtful resolution that serves a higher purpose.

If my resolution were just about purging makeup, that would seem shallow. Instead, I decided to expand the concept of cleaning the small corners of my

life to “creating space,” not just physical space.

Who doesn’t need more space in their lives? Space to explore, space to be, space to accept. Space means simplicity. Space means honoring the essentials. And then, while cleaning my corner of pouches, I identified the most important space of all to preserve.

The space to listen.

This would be a continuance of a long-sought goal of mine to improve communication skills, only taking it one level higher. It’s beyond the need to interrupt less or not formulate your response while others are still making their point.

Making the space to listen means suppressing a tendency to fill the space when a conversation goes silent. Since I am a good conversationalist, it’s not difficult for me to seamlessly interject something that fits. However, we lose something in the process.

When we let the silence linger, we allow shy people to jump in. We think a little more before stating our views. We demonstrate humility by acknowledging that answers aren’t always quick or easy.

At its core, respecting the silent moments is about adjusting our attitude of sharing what we know and learning from others. Bodies of research have shed light on the value of letting the silence linger. There is the so-called “Rule of Awkward Silence” for helping to build emotional intelligence, which goes ...

When faced with a challenging question, instead of answering, you pause and think deeply — for 5, 10, or even 15 seconds or more — about how you want to answer.

The same researcher cites some of our most successful business leaders — think Jeff Bezos and Tim Cook — as practicing some version of the Rule of Awkward Silence.

There is also a practice called “intentional silence,” where one holds one’s response for four seconds of thoughtful deliberation. Counting to four seems easy enough, but some habits would need changing for the speaker and the listener. I would need to abandon my practice of quick responses, a byproduct of growing up in a large family and wanting to get my words in. Listeners’ habits would also need changing in a world where attention spans are short and patience is shorter.

This year’s resolution for respecting a lingering silence seems particularly important given the times. It is likely that 2024 will start like 2023 went out — filled with turmoil, angst and heightened sensitivities. Building a tolerance for the silent pause means there is a greater chance we will pick our words and cull our ideas more carefully, and we will give space for others to do the same. Or, as Winston

Churchill once said, “We are masters of unsaid words, but slaves of those we let slip out.”

I like my new goal of making space for silence. It started in the simplest of ways — taking a shower and noticing a pile — and will finish with an awareness of sanctifying a particular space. My new commitment to respect the silent pause in conversation is simple only on the surface. It might be my hardest resolution yet.

When I get wobbly, I will think of 19th century poet Thomas Carlyle, who adapted the old Arabic proverb, “Speech is silver. Silence is golden,” and shortened it to, “Silence is golden.” What was true in the 19th century is true now, too.

So, 2024, I am ready! But you might see me before you hear me.

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ability is essential. In other words, the citizens of West Virginia deserve better than an educational system that ranks consistently at or near the bottom of all states for education.

Fourth, the LWV supports legislation to create a sustainable future. While climate change is a growing threat everywhere, we must recognize that fossil fuels have always been a threat to West Virginians in particular. When the natural resources are gone and the profits and jobs have left the state, we are left with uninhabitable land, contaminated water and unhealthy people.

We deserve a sustainable future for our youth and our economy. Therefore, the LWV supports expanded renewable energy sources in our state, reliable energy grids and infrastructure, clean water and protections for human health from the destructive impacts of harvesting fossil fuels.

Those are our priorities. With the legislative session almost here, what can ordinary citizens do?

As we have written before (DP-09-24-23), transparency in our Legislature may be limited by procedural shenanigans. Therefore, it falls to citizens to follow the Legislature’s actions in real time. Go to <https://www.wvlegislature.gov/> to monitor bills and legislative actions.

We urge you to reach out to your elected representatives and let them know you are following their votes and where you, their constituents, stand on the issues. Start now.

Don’t forget — they work for you.

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The ghosts of columns left unwritten

THE YEAR SLOUCHES TO AN END, NO ONE MOURNING ITS PASSING, NONE AMONG US HESITATING TO TURN THE CALENDAR PAGE. What lies ahead is more misery in the Middle East, a dispiriting presidential campaign between two old men the country would rather not see compete again, and more debate about what constitutes hate in a country that once liked to use the phrase “good neighbor.”

We columnists, like our neighbors, look to a new year as a blank slate. Over the past several months, I’ve been accumulating notes — scratchings on little shards of paper, typed reminders in my computer files — with material that might someday provide the basis of a column. It’s illuminating to look back and see what never became an essay. Here are some oddments, revealing in their messages, that I never got to use. You might think of them as scraps of holiday wrapping paper:

- I thought I might write a column suggesting that our era, with our complaints about national leadership, is not unique, and use as evidence a 1778 letter to Gov. George Clinton of New York in which Alexander Hamilton bemoaned, “America once had a representation that would do honor to any age or nation. The present falling off is very alarming and dangerous.”

- If Hamilton could complain about the “falling off” of leadership only two years after the Declaration of Independence, then we surely have the right to complain 246 years later: The young people of the Revolutionary age — James Monroe was 18, Nathan Hale and Hamilton were 21, Betsy Ross 24 and Thomas Jefferson 33 at the moment of independence — would be astonished that our presidential candidates are more than three-quarters of a century old, worn out and alienating to all but their most ardent adherents.

- I found in Alistair Horne’s captivating 2005 “La Belle France: A Short History” this reflection from Marie-Amelie, the last queen of France: “I do not know



where I am anymore.”

This quote from a woman who died in 1866 captured the great transformations underway a century and a half later, when changes in media and manners swept away a world that seemed stable and fixed. This remark became especially poignant when thinking about Joe Biden, who entered the Senate when Democrats Sam Nunn, Frank Church, Birch Bayh, Russell Long, Edmund Muskie, Mike Mansfield, Hubert Humphrey and Walter Mondale served alongside Republicans Edward Brooke, Pete Dominici, Jacob Javits, Mark Hatfield, Howard Baker, Bob Dole, Lowell Weicker and Barry Goldwater. They were giants, bigger than our contemporary figures.

During the year, I had a conversation with my friend Stephen Farnsworth, director of the Center for Leadership and Media Studies at the University of Mary Washington, and in the course of discussing Biden, he said, “He’s operating in a much different world.” There was a column in Marie-Amelie’s remark and in Farnsworth’s observation. Maybe if he’s reelected, I’ll write it.

- I squirreled away this quote in reaction to the 1973 revelation that Richard Nixon had kept an “enemies list”: “Let me make it clear, because I have got to have

my partisan moment,” said Weicker, who died this year. “Republicans do not cover up; Republicans do not go ahead and threaten; Republicans do not go ahead and commit illegal acts; and, God knows, Republicans don’t view their fellow Americans as enemies to be harassed.”

It’s a pity I never got to use this one. The reigning Republican calls Biden “Sleepy Joe,” labeled his challenger Nikki Haley “Bird-brain,” former Secretary of State James Mattis “the world’s most overrated general,” Barack Obama a “criminal” and former House Speaker Nancy Pelosi “crazy.”

- I still think there’s a good column in historian John William Ward’s characterization of the seventh president in his classic 1955 “Andrew Jackson: Symbol for an Age”: “The age was not his. He was the age’s.”

Ward, the former president of Amherst College, died 38 years ago, long before the great reevaluation of Jackson, a slaveholder and battler of Indigenous peoples. The description also applies to Donald Trump, who believes he’s the avatar of our age but who is instead a skilled reader of the temper of our times. Virtually alone among American figures, Trump understands the great divides in the country even though he resides on the privileged side of those divides.

- I worry that the historian Margaret Leech was speaking not only of the atmosphere as the Civil War approached but also of our own time when she wrote, in her marvelous 1941 “Reveille in Washington,” “The country was sleeping on a volcano that was ready to burst.”

No one reads Leech, who died in 1974, anymore, but she won two Pulitzer Prizes — the first woman to win a single one in history — and her observations are trenchant and, often, terrifyingly relevant. This year, the term “civil war” became part of contemporary commentary rather than historical reflection — a measure of the parlous nature of our politics and the polarization of our polity.

- If you’re wondering what my approach to columnizing is, you could do little better than to have a look at the Author’s Note at the end of David Halberstam’s 1972 “The Best and the Brightest,” which you might think of as a modern version of Theodore Dreiser’s “An American Tragedy.” At the end of the book, Halberstam, who died in 2007, offered a reflection about the Vietnam era that I thought might be the grain of sand around which the pearl of a column might grow: “So I set out to study the men and their decisions. What was it about the men, their attitudes, the country, its institutions, and above all the era which had allowed this tragedy to take place?”

That question haunts me, and perhaps you, as this year comes to an end. What is it about our leaders, about their and our attitudes, the country, its institutions, and above all the era in which we live that has allowed this American tragedy to take place? That is the question I hope we confront next year — in columns like this one, on the campaign trail, at the debates and in the quiet of the polling place.

One more thing: I reserve the right to use these themes, and these quotes. Join me in 2024 to see if I do, and if circumstances justify their use. Happy new year.

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Proper New Year's thoughts are in the works, promise

I JUST RETURNED FROM one of the outstanding vacations of my life.

Given how great it all was, I'd love to sit here and share the wonder with you today.

I'd tell you all about each adventure and the lessons I learned along the way.

Back at the keyboard after a blissful 10 days apart, I would do my best to couch it all into a pithy missive of what it means to be alive and how I plan to take that experience into 2024.

After all, it's New Year's — high time to be introspective; ground zero for putting all those intentions for the future out into the universe.

But as I said, I just returned. As in, very late last night. My head and my heart are still processing — and the cold I somehow managed to catch in the tropics is zapping the last of my post-trip energy reserves.

So, while I plan to delve into the Big Picture soon, I pray you'll indulge me another list this week, as I gather thoughts, ideas and Kleenex.

In the meantime, here are some of the intriguing documentaries that dropped while I was in paradise, which I hope to binge as I recover and recoup.

1.) "Great Photo, Lovely Life," Max. The hosts of one of my regular rotation podcasts, "Crime Writers On," gave this offering a unanimously enthusiastic thumbs up, putting it at the top of my catch-up-on-TV queue. In it, photojournalist Amanda Mustard examines the sins of her sexual predator grandfather and the pain his behavior has wrought upon his victims and his loved ones. According to the CWO crew, it's an unflinching look at a heartbreaking and all-too-common family tale.

2.) "The Mission," National Geographic, available on Hulu. I remember reading about John Chau, the American missionary who was killed by arrows during an attempt to contact an isolated tribe on North Sentinel Island. Nat-Geo's description does a better job summarizing this film than I can, as I haven't seen it yet — and also ensures I will watch it very soon: "Through exclusive interviews and with unprecedented access to Chau's secret plans, personal diaries, and video archives, 'The Mission' examines the mythology of exploration that inspired him, the evangelical community that supported his quest, and reveals his own father's heartbreak as Chau's youthful thirst for adventure became a fatal obsession."

3.) "Bad Surgeon: Love Under the Knife," Netflix. The streamer takes its turn telling the story of Dr. Paolo Macchiarini, a physician who boasted of being able to cure people by performing "stem-cell infused windpipe transplants." Unfortunately, Macchiarini turned out to be a fraud — and a deadly one, at that. This docuseries goes into detail about his claims, his crimes and his affair with the journalist who eventually exposed him.

4.) "The Garden: Commune or Cult," Max. I attempted to download this series to watch on the plane, but sadly didn't manage to get it done before the in-flight internet dropped out over the ocean. The episodes take us inside a controversial off-the-grid community that apparently gained popularity on TikTok — and has since faced accusations of being a cult from some social media users. Funny how that happens.

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What we're over from 2023

Time to say goodbye to extreme weather, guilt tipping and, yes, Barbie



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Gabrielle Roitman (from left), Kayla Seffing, Maddy Hiller and Casey Myer take a selfie in front of an "Oppenheimer" movie poster before they attended an advance screening of "Barbie," Thursday, July 20, 2023, at AMC The Grove 14 theaters in Los Angeles. Barbie madness and Oppenheimer obsession were big in 2023.

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NEW YORK — All things Barbie, going pantless, humungo Stanley Cup bottles and pressure tipping. There's plenty from 2023 to leave behind come the new year.

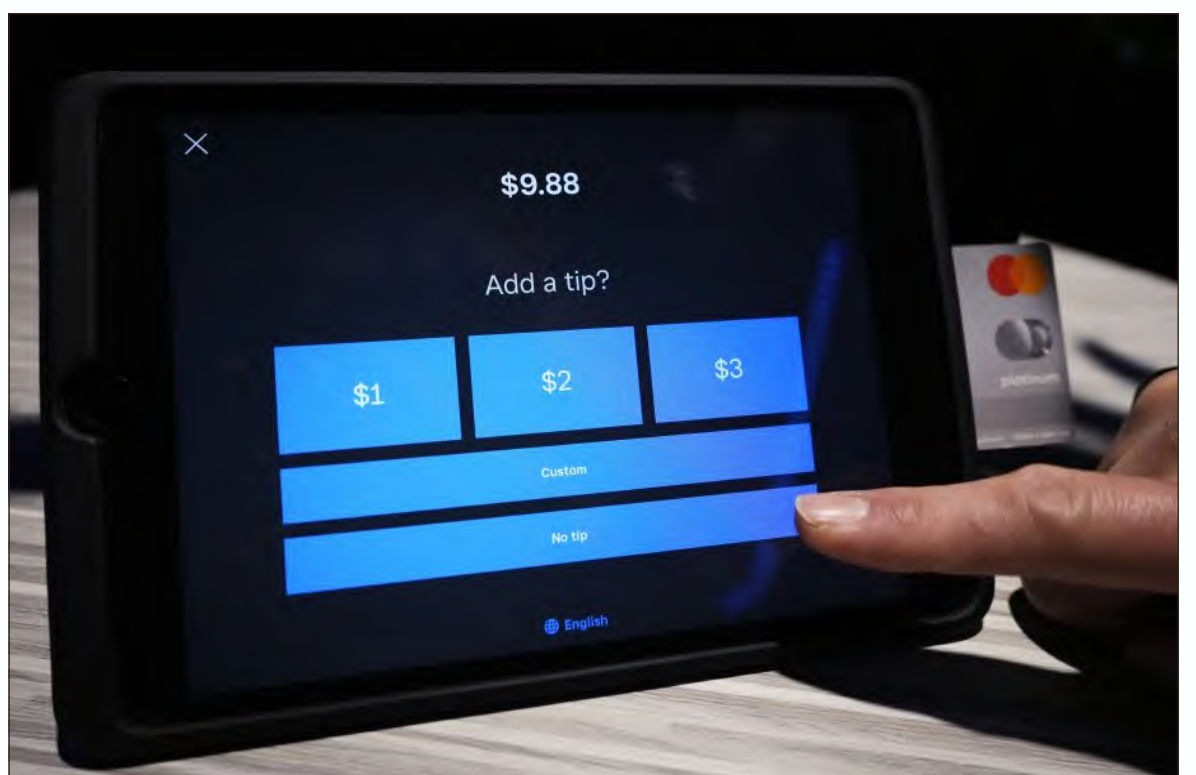
Extreme weather hit historic heights. Fakeness took a huge turn with the rise of AI. The rudeness epidemic continued with the help of FaceTime. Here's a less than all-inclusive list of what we're over as we look ahead to 2024:

Barbiecore, aka all things hot pink and playful and hyper-feminine, has been around since the dawn of Paris Hilton and Britney Spears. Pierpaolo Piccioli at Valentino added some high-fashion oomph in 2022 with a buzzy Barbie pink collection. And there's Nicki Minaj, of course, and her army of fans dubbed the Barbz.

Then along came Barbenheimer and bam! July 2023 was nuts with the conflation of the films "Barbie" and "Oppenheimer." They shared an opening weekend. Big Barbie (and "Oppenheimer") money was made. It was fun. We needed that feel-good frenzy.

Now, please, let's put Babs back in her box and hop on over to some other aesthetic and spot on the color wheel to get all crazy about. Enough with the high profile for our senior gal and her pink. Pink for breast cancer awareness is a whole other story. So is millennial pink, if that ever was an actual thing people generally cared about.

On to Gen Z yellow, people! Kendall Jenner. Hailey Bieber. Ariana Grande. Rihanna. Kim Kardashian. The list goes on of celebs who decided colored but still sheer



AP file photo

Tipping fatigue, it seems, is swarming America as more businesses adopt digital payment methods that automatically prompts customers to leave a gratuity.

pantyhose are pants.

They're not pants. They're not leggings. And they're definitely not naked dresses, which make some kind of sense on a red carpet or runway for a sheer, sexy vibe.

There are lots of other ways people go pantless, for sure. Bare legged. Leotarded, like the bedazzled Marc Jacobs number Jenner wore to the Met Gala. All just look like one forgot one's pants, leaving behind a tuxedo jacket or a long bulky sweater or ill-fitting sweatshirt.

Isn't this what assistants are for? To make sure one remembers one's pants?

"The dog days of summer are not just barking, they are biting. Climate breakdown has begun."

So said U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres of the summer

of 2023 and its devastating outbreak of extreme weather.

Wicked ocean storms, wildfires, flooding and droughts. The planet suffered through them all. Earth experienced its hottest Northern Hemisphere summer ever measured. The world's oceans were the hottest on record, according to the World Meteorological Organization and the European climate service Copernicus.

We know this is a big ask, in a climate change sort of way, but extreme weather, be gone!

At the height of the pandemic, and during the early throes of rebuilding our lives, we were happy to tip generously and often. That included an onslaught of new tip requests from a brave new world of workers armed with little screens

that prompt for tips just before we pay. Because, as you remember, we were contactless.

The problem? It never went away. The pre-pay tip prompts are still there, in our faces.

Tipping fatigue is real. The idea of tipping isn't new, of course. But the disgruntled took to social media in protest of the guilt trip for non-traditional tipping, when we're handed coffee and a muffin, say, or cruising through a drive-through.

The new normal doesn't look or feel anything like the tip jars of yore that were easily ignored.

Let's pay workers more to begin with and stop the pressure tipping.

Fake eyelashes the size of caterpillars persisted in 2023. Lab-

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80TH BIRTHDAY

Baca



Verna Campbell Baca of Kingman, Ariz., formerly of Morgantown, will celebrate her 80th birthday on Jan. 10, 2024, with her husband Fermin and her sister Mary Husted of Kingman and friends. Her sister Norma and Harold Sowers and sister-in-law Jean Campbell live in Morgantown. If you would like to send cards, send to 3159 E. Leroy Ave., Kingman, AZ 86409

Pierre learns a lesson and gives us a surprise



IRENE MARINELLI

happens to find one. More than once I've had to brush his teeth and wash his muzzle after his "treasure" had been prized out of his mouth.

On this particular day Rob happened to be looking out the patio doors when he called me. "Pierre has something in his mouth again," he said. Knowing it could be anything from a mouthful of bird seed to a dead animal, I quickly joined Rob at the patio doors. Pierre was standing at the top of the stone wall that runs the width of our back yard. Even from the distance of the patio doors I could see he obviously had something sizeable in his mouth, as his mouth was only partially closed.

Getting something away from Pierre when he has decided it belongs to him or it might be fun to play with, is no simple task. We knew from experience if we walked toward him he would only tease us by backing away. Even knowing it was a useless endeavor, we went out and called him, and, as expected, got only a disdainful look for a response. I brought out a tidbit of his boiled chicken, a favorite treat, and pretended to take a bite. This usually brings Pierre on the run, since he thinks someone is enjoying a delicious morsel without sharing it with him. No luck.

Finally Rob went inside to find one of Pierre's squeaky toys. He brought it out and squeezed out a couple of squeaks. Pierre came immediately to attention. His ears came up, his eyes focused on that toy. Rob continued squeaking the toy while he slowly walked toward

Pierre, who was still at the top of the wall, a good distance away. Even I could see the consternation in those doggy eyes. Pierre wanted his toy, wanted to play his favorite game of throw-and-fetch, but stubbornly refused to let go of whatever was in his mouth.

Finally, the squeaky toy won the day. Pierre opened his mouth to drop his cargo and grab his toy. To our great surprise a little bird flew out of his mouth and up to one of the trees! Obviously no one was more surprised by this turn of events than Pierre. The little bird, unharmed but no doubt disgusted with its imprisonment in a mouth full of saliva, found freedom and safety among the branches. I was petting and praising Pierre but Rob had a different take on the situation. "Pierre hates cold food," he said. "He was just warming up that bird before he ate it."

Answers to puzzles on page C-6

Answer to Sunday Crossword Puzzle No. 2,175 published today.

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Answer to Sunday, Dec. 31, 2023 Cryptoquip: IF A MAN WITH ALLERGIES WERE FORCED TO GIVE AWAY HIS DEAR CAT, HE MIGHT SAY, "I'LL NEVER FORGET MEW."

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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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SENIOR NEWS

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Senior Monongalians

HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

LOCATION: 5000 Green Bag Road, Mountaineer Mall

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LUNCH IN CENTER

We invite you to join us for a hot meal, served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Adults aged 60 or older eat for a suggested donation rate of \$2.

Menus can be found on our website, Facebook page, or at our agency. Lunch is on a first-come first serve basis.

MENU

Monday: CLOSED for New Year's.

Tuesday: TBA
Wednesday: TBA
Thursday: TBA
Friday: TBA

Menus are subject to change without notice. All meals are served with a carton of 2% white milk. Daily menus were not supplied in time of this report this week.

DAILY ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

These are subject to change.

POOL TABLES:

Monday — 8-11 a.m. and 12:30-3:45 p.m.
Tuesday — 12:30-3:45 p.m.

Wednesday — 8-11 a.m. and 12:30-3:45 p.m.
Thursday — 8-11 a.m. and 12:30-3:45 p.m.

Friday - 12:30-3:45 p.m.

COMPUTER LAB:

Monday-Friday —

8 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Must sign consent form DOMINOES:

Tuesday and Thursday — 12:30-3:45 p.m.

Nutrition room MAHJONG:

Monday and Wednesday — 12:30-3:45 p.m., Nutrition Room

SPONSORED BINGO:

Friday — 10-11 a.m.

EXERCISE ROOM:

(Must sign a release form)

Monday, Friday — 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Tuesday — 1-3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, 8 a.m.-1:45 p.m.

Thursday — 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-3:45 p.m.

VITAL SIGNS CLINIC:

Wednesday — 10-11 a.m., Nutrition Room

One of our registered nurses will be available to check your blood pressure, pulse, and weight. These levels are monitored and recorded for your convenience to share with your doctor or for your personal monitoring.

GROUP EXERCISE CLASS:

Tuesday and Thursday — 10-11 a.m.

The exercises focus on promoting range of motion, flexibility, and balance. They can be done standing or sitting in a chair.

Please bring your own equipment — hand weights, ball and stretch strap.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY & FELLOWSHIP:

Thursday — 1-2:30 p.m., Exercise Room, non-denominational

POETRY GROUP

Friday — 2-3 p.m., Exercise Room

FOOT CARE CLINIC

Mountaineer Sole Care will host a foot care clinic monthly, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Friday of the month, at Senior

Monongalians. Anita, a registered nurse, will offer toe nail clipping, massage, exam and/or treatment of corns and calluses.

Appointments are 30 minutes long. The fee for this service is \$35. Appointments can be made directly with Anita by calling 304-368-8924

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday: CLOSED for New Year's Day

Friday: 10 a.m., Bingo with Renaissance Care.

Alex from Renaissance Care will lead a few games of bingo. She will award prizes to the winners. Bring a friend to add to the fun.

**Keep watching our Facebook page for updates and announcements.

MOUNTAINEER FOOD BANK FOOD BOX

With the rise in the cost of food, do you find your pantry is a little more empty than normal? Would a box of shelf-stable food help? Senior Monongalians are distributing food boxes from the Mountaineer Food Bank. These boxes are available to Monongalia County residents aged 60 years or older that meet household income guidelines. Participants can choose to receive a food box on a once a month or twice basis. If you would like more information about our food box program, please call 304-296-9812.

DONATING

Senior Monongalians is a 501 (3)(c) nonprofit organization. programs and services are offered to all Monongalia county residents aged 60 years of age or older. There is a saying "It takes a village to raise a child" for many older adults it takes a generous community to live a life filled with dignity. As the economy becomes more uncertain,

governmental funding sources decrease or end. These funding cutbacks have a direct effect on the availability of programs and services for older adults. And their families.

How can you help on an individual basis? Monetary donations are accepted via cash, check, money order, or through PayPal. Remember Senior Monongalians in your will. Donations of estate or assets can help continue the services that helped you or your loved one. Senior Monongalians and our clients thank you for your generosity.

THE SENIOR PANTRY

Homebound seniors must rely on others for rides, assistance gathering items, and more. Understanding this difficulty, Senior Monongalians has established The Senior Pantry.

This pantry helps fulfill the needs of our home delivered meals clients. If a home bound client has a need, they fill out a request form and return to our home delivered meals driver. Once we can fulfill the request, the driver will deliver the item during their next delivery.

To make the Senior Pantry a success, we ask for the help of our generous community. Donations of items or money to purchase items for the pantry are greatly appreciated.

The most requested items include: mops, brooms, buckets, bathtub grab bars, cleaning products, and more. If you would like to donate to the Senior Pantry, please call 304-296-9812.

The homebound seniors that we have been able to help thus far are very

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OVER

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grown diamonds made their way into the mainstream as cheaper alternatives to the real thing. Fake marriages hit the A-list, or at least those that secretly reached expiration dates years before the world found out (looking at you Will, Jada, Meryl and Don).

The relentless onslaught of fake news and disinformation continued in the lead-up to elections in 2024. Influencers and celebs rocked on with their "natural look" makeup tutorials that require a counter full of products. Kim Kardashian's fringe at the Council of Fashion Designers of America awards was, yes, fake.

Was 2023 a big year for fake everything? Counting AI, the answer is, definitely. Talk about creating an illusion. Let's not forget about real. Real just may get us through.

Hydration is important. Reducing water bottle plas-

tic is a worthy cause.

HOWEVER, there's a world of reusable water bottles out there, not just the ginormous and pricey Stanley Cup kind that earned cult status on TikTok and Instagram in 2023.

People wait in lines for these things. Some come as large as 40 ounces in a variety of colors at \$40 a pop. Stans (apropos slang) put up unboxing videos. Starbucks, Target and other retailers have been selling out. And there's bling to be had: Name plates and straw tips fill the new TikTok shop, along with suspected fake Stanleys.

Stanley-related hashtags have been shared millions upon millions of times.

Who's behind it all? Social media marketing, of course. Thanks mom influencers. And score one for Stanley parent Pacific Market International. And while we're at it, score one for inventor William Stanley Jr.

He created the things in 1913 when, through his work

on transformers, he hit on a welding technique to insulate his vacuum bottles with steel instead of glass.

Would he approve of all the virtue signaling, which is not unlike all the virtue signaling we had already experienced via Hydro Flasks and their VSCO Girls? Before that it was Nalgene.

It's likely Stanley would be ecstatic.

FaceTime is great. FaceTime is fun. FaceTime keeps us connected. The thing is, we like our FaceTimes. Not your FaceTimes.

FaceTiming in public (along with good ole speaker phone talk) reached cataclysmic proportions on the annoyance scale in 2023. On trains and buses, in streets, stores, doctors' offices. In public restrooms. Nowhere is spared. Sometimes, the camera's not remotely pointed at the phone user's face.

What's the deal? What's the point? Is it a, "I do it

because I can" thing? What you do because you fat-finger all your texts or hang up a call with your face when the phone is, um, at your face? Don't know what Bluetooth is? Can't stand things in your ears or on your head?

Don't make us rue 2010, when Apple introduced FaceTime alongside the iPhone 4. Figure something out, unless there's a legit reason you can't use your phone all the other more considerate ways in public.

Weed, of the marijuana variety, is ubiquitous. Weed stinks. Somebody please genetically alter a variety that smells better. Much appreciated.

Social media speak: "I was today years old." "So let's get into it." "Yas, bestie, it's giving." Be original. You'll love it.

The comings and goings of Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce. Let them live unfettered by media drooling over their every move, presuming their romance lasts come 2024.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Do you rub your eyes too much? It might be demodex

Q: I realize everyone rubs their eyes at times, like waking up in the morning, but I think I'm rubbing mine too much. I guess they itch a little, or I would leave them alone. My eyes are kind of gritty and dry at times also. What may be causing this?



DR. THOMAS STOUT

A: I almost hate to tell you about the most likely cause, but here we go: Very commonly, during our routine eye health examination we find evidence of demodex in the eyelids. Most people have never heard of demodex, but they are very common, tiny mites. Think of

dust mites that like to live deep in the base of our eyelashes. Just as dust mites are ubiquitous — living in our pillows and mattresses — these little guys are virtually everywhere, too.

These tiny mites live at the base of our eyelash follicles, literally inside

our eyelids. We rarely see them on our patients eyelids, even though our biomicroscope gives up to a 40x magnified view of the tissue. What we actually discover is the residue the mites leave on the base of the lashes. This biological residue irritates the delicate skin along the edges of our lids, causing low grade itching. Technically, we generally see vascular inflammation along the lid edges as well, making the eyelid margins look a little pink or red for some patients. And some patients can even see the debris on their eyelashes

with the magnification of their makeup mirror.

Good news — finally — these are curable. For years we used a natural remedy: Dilute tea tree oil to treat demodex. It works pretty well, but applying it along your eyelid edges is tedious and it burns. A word of caution: Do not use regular tea tree oil in or near your eyes. Full strength, it can damage or “burn” the delicate tissues of your eyelids, and would certainly damage your eye surface.

We now have a new ophthalmic medication called “xdemvy” that is more effective and more

comfortable to use. You will need to see your eye doctor for an accurate diagnosis, and for the actual prescription, but this is fairly straightforward and very effective.

Most patients have immediate relief from itching/rubbing, and most tell me their eyes feel better in general. The secondary symptom of dry eyes, or grittiness, is generally relieved as well once the demodex infestation is solved.

Some studies found that most people do have some degree of demodex infestation, and we do see it very commonly in our

practice as well. Lastly, I suppose most people have tried some over the counter eye drops before they come to see us. Usually no harm done, but those drops at the pharmacy are not effective and just waste your money in dealing with demodex. Dry eyes can have many causes and the best treatment can be specifically chosen for you based on your in-office exam and often lab results from tiny samples of your tears.

DR. THOMAS STOUT, OD, FFAO is an eye physician in private practice at Morgantown Eye Associates. Info: MorgantownEye.com

SPIRITUALITY

A cup of kindness: Auld lang syne this year

MY NEW YEAR'S PRAYER FOR YOU, dear readers, is a prayer for any year but this one. The wars in Ukraine and Gaza are only the lead prayers in our worldwide litany of woe. Let us agree to gather on New Year's Eve with hope in our hearts that the year ahead will be kinder to humans on planet earth than the year that has just come to its exhausted end.



RABBI MARC GELLMAN
THE GOD SQUAD

Of course, it was not the year that was not kind to us, it was us who were not kind to us. Which leads me to the musical plea “let's take a cup of kindness now” embedded in everyone's favorite New Year's song, Auld Lang Syne.

The history of Auld Lang Syne is not widely known. Even those who know that the famous Scottish poet Robert Burns wrote the text in 1788 do not know that Burns wrote it based upon an even older Scottish folk song.

According to the Wikipedia summation of

all things knowable, “The poem's Scots title may be translated into standard English as “old long since” or, less literally, “long, long ago”, “days gone by”, “times long past” or “old times.” Consequently, “For auld lang syne”, as it appears in the first line of the chorus, might be loosely translated as “for the sake of old times.”

So, the meaning buried in the Scottish Gaelic of Burn's poem/song is that we should not forget old friendships just because they may be strained in the bad weather of modern civilization.

I am thinking of the long friendships between Arabs

and Jews from the 7th century until the 16th century when Jews were welcomed into the Islamic empire from Arabia to Spain.

When Jews were persecuted by Christians in Europe, Jews like Maimonides attained high positions in Muslim society. When Jews were expelled from Christian Spain in 1492 we were warmly welcomed into Muslim Turkey by the Sultan. The works of all the Greek philosophers were translated from Greek into Arabic by the Muslim philosophers called the Mutakallimun. Those centuries preserved the legacy of ancient Greece until the Renaissance took them up in Europe again.

The period of time the Jewish community lived in Muslim Spain was so glorious it was called the Golden Age of Spanish Jewry. Modern geopolitics and the founding of the State of Israel have obviously strained these his-

toric ties of faith and friendship, but now, above all other times, we must remember them especially when we fall into the understandable despair of the present moment.

Personally, I hope we can also take to heart the meaning of this emotional and heartfelt song that fills our homes at the stroke of midnight. If we live long enough, we all will experience old friendships that have worn thin over time. Let us also take a cup of kindness yet and try to remember and revitalize these old friendships. My experience is that most friendships die through simple inadvertence and not through bitter acrimony. For no good reason we just lose track of those we used to love. Perhaps this year we can get back to the task of enfolding old friends in the love of our lives.

This year will be an election year and auld lang

syne is particularly relevant for our nation as we enter an election cycle.

There were days of old when political rivals and competing political ideologies did not produce caustic vituperation and slanderous invective. We can, as the old saying goes that is not a song, disagree without being disagreeable. The key is a cup of kindness.

So, whether or not the song evokes historical or political or personal memories of the good old days, let us remember them together and let us sing together...

*Should old acquaintance be forgot,
and never brought to mind?*

*Should old acquaintance be forgot,
and auld lang syne?*

*For auld lang syne, my dear,
for auld lang syne,
we'll take a cup of kindness yet,
for auld lang syne.*

*And surely you'll buy your pint cup!
and surely I'll buy mine!
And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet,
for auld lang syne.*

*We two have run about the hills,
and picked the daisies fine;
But we've wandered many a weary foot,
since auld lang syne.*

*We two have paddled in the stream,
from morning sun till dine;
But seas between us broad have roared
since auld lang syne.*

*And there's a hand my trusty friend!
And give me a hand o' thine!
And we'll take a right good-will draught,
for auld lang syne.
Happy New Year!*

SEND ALL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS to The God Squad via email at godssquadquestion@aol.com. Rabbi Gellman is the author of “Religion for Dummies,” co-written with Fr. Tom Hartman.

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appreciative.

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

The Home Delivered Meals program was designed to offer a delicious and nutritious meal to older adults who are homebound due to age, illness, and/or circumstance. Drivers not only deliver the meal, but they make well-checks as they speak to the clients. Deliveries are made on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Clients will receive a hot or cold meal on each of these days. They will also receive a cold meal on Tuesdays and Thursdays to be used for the next day.

Who is eligible to receive meals? Monongalia county residents at least 60 years of age or older and meet other requirements. This service can be used on a long-term or a temporary basis. To make sure that seniors don't go hungry, our HDM program is available to the client for a suggested donation.

If you have questions or are interested in the Home Delivered Meals program, call 304-296-9812.

Monetary donations to help support this crucial program are greatly appreciated. Send your tax-deductible donation to Senior Monongalians, P.O. Box 653, Morgantown, WV 26505.

ZOOM TO SENIOR MONONGALIANS

Our agency offers a variety of activities and services that older adults can take advantage of throughout the week. Seniors can come in to socialize and have a delicious hot lunch. Would you like to get out and interact with others your own age or follow your fitness goals?

If you answered yes, but you no longer drive, you may be eligible to take advantage of the Zoom service. This is a free service to adults 60 years or older. For more information, call

304-296-9812.

Westside Senior Center

500 Dupont Road, Westover
Phone: 304-296-6583
HOURS: 9 a.m.-noon
Monday to Friday and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Closed most holidays and when schools are closed due to weather.

The large pavilion is available for rent. The pavilion has six 12-foot picnic tables and can easily accommodate a large crowd. Other tables are available for food service and there are several benches in the pavilion area. There is also a corn-hole area available. There is a stage area and restrooms nearby. Call 304-296-6583. Dates for 2023 are filling up fast. Call soon.

Exercise room available when the center is open.

BINGO: Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Doors and kitchen open at 5 p.m. with the first game starting promptly at 6 p.m. Food is available for

sale including chili dogs, nachos, soft pretzels, chips, candy, soda, and usually another sandwich. We use paper cards and daubers. Join in the fun.

CARDS AND GAMES:

Tuesday and Thursday mornings are especially active for our card plays and anyone is invited to join in. Playing usually starts around 9:30. If you are interested in other days of the week, get a group together and stop in.

DULCIMERS: They get together on Tuesday mornings to play and practice. They welcome anyone who would like to learn also. Judy Werner leads this group, and they are enjoyable to just sit and listen.

SWING DANCE: Morgantown Swing Dance has joined us, and they give lessons and dance at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. These lessons are free, but donations are accepted.

MOUNTAINEER WATCH PARTIES: Join us whenever the Mountaineers play. We have a

big screen TV and ESPN+ so that we have you covered whether they are home or away.

Clay-Battelle Senior Center

5977 Mason Dixon Highway, Blacksville.
Phone:304-432-8177. New members welcome. Dues are \$2 annually or \$20 For a lifetime membership.

Hours: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday (closed most holidays). Closed when schools are closed due to inclement weather.

The exercise room is open when center is open. Cards, magazines, puzzles and pool table available, or just come and socialize.

HOME-COOKED MEALS: served in dining area at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Suggested donation \$5 for all ages. Carry-outs available. Call between 8:30-10 a.m. to reserve your carry-out.

The center has formed a sewing circle/quilting bee

and meet at 10 a.m. each Wednesday. If you like to sew or quilt, or are interested in learning to quilt, please bring your thimble and needle and join us. (The center has two or three portable sewing machines on site for sewing). Questions: Diana Dittman @304-685-8913.

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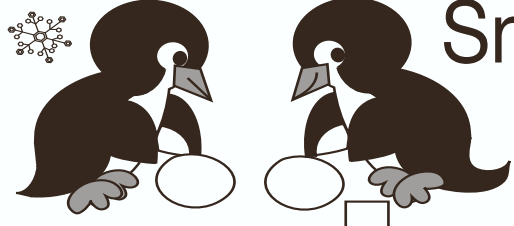
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Schedule for the week of Dec. 31:


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- Wednesday — OLLI Virtual Open House
- Thursday — Walking Outdoors with Campus Club — OLLI Winter Open House

Sn ❄️ w! Sn ❄️ w! Sn ❄️ w!



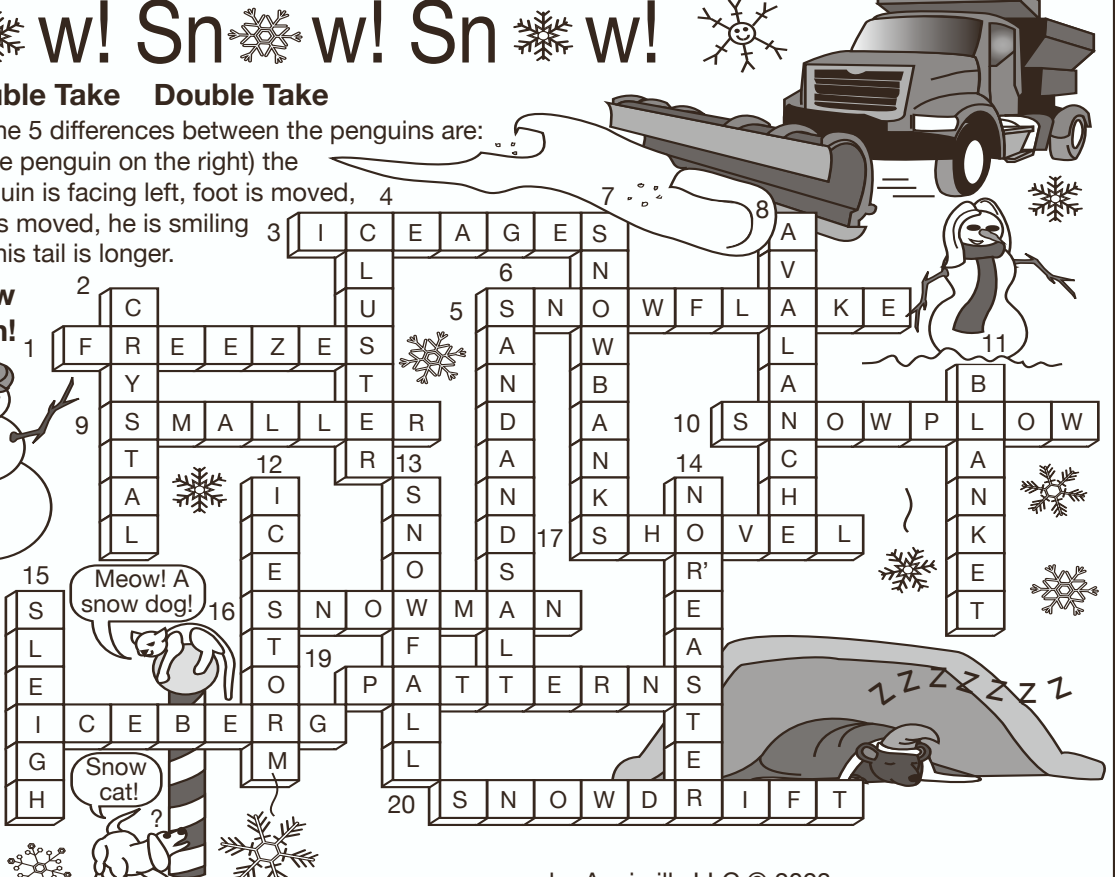
Double Take Double Take
The 5 differences between the penguins are:
(in the penguin on the right) the penguin is facing left, foot is moved, eye is moved, he is smiling and his tail is longer.

Snow Math!



1. snowsuit
2. snowmobile
3. snowball
4. snowbank
5. snowplow

I found these words that begin with the consonant blends: **bl, cl, fl, gl, pl and sl:** blanket, blends, blown, clear, cluster, clues, fluffy, floats, globes, playing, sleep, sliding, slobbery and sleigh. And in the penguin puzzle: **blizzard, cloudy, flurries, glaze and sleet.**



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There's s'no fun under the sun...

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Do you know that bears sleep during the winter? In the fall, we eat extra food and store up fat, which we live off of while sleeping. We find a cave or hollow tree, or we dig out a burrow under the ground. Then, we make a nest of leaves, branches and grass. Our fur keeps us warm. We usually sleep from October until April, but we sometimes wake up. I know I should be sleeping, but I love playing in the snow too much to sleep!

Sn❄w! Sn❄w! Sn❄w!



Read the clues to fill in this crossword all about "snow!":

1. water _____ on the ground, making slippery patches
2. snowflakes have more _____ shapes than we can count
3. periods of time when Earth is covered in snow and ice
4. when falling crystals group together
5. water in air condenses around bit of dust, freezes, forms this
6. we put these on walkways to keep us safe
7. large piles of snow on sides of road
8. snow sliding down mountainside
9. snowflakes formed in colder and drier air are usually _____ and leave a fluffy snowfall
10. scoop on the front of trucks to help clear the roads
11. snow covering the ground is called a _____ of snow
12. raindrops hit the earth and instantly freeze, coating items
13. amount of snow dropping in a season
14. large storm that hits along the upper east coast
15. has smooth runners on its underside for snow travel
16. 3 globes made of snow placed on top of each other; face made with carrot nose and charcoal eyes
17. hand-held tool for moving snow
18. enormous mass of snow and ice that floats in the ocean
19. crystals of snowflakes form fascinating _____
20. wind-blown pile of snow

Illustrations within the crossword include: a snowplow (4), a sleigh (2), a snowman (11), a dog (16), a cat (15), a snowflake (19), a snowman (17), a snowflake (18), a snowflake (14), a snowflake (13), a snowflake (12), a snowflake (11), a snowflake (10), a snowflake (9), a snowflake (8), a snowflake (7), a snowflake (6), a snowflake (5), a snowflake (4), a snowflake (3), a snowflake (2), a snowflake (1), a snowflake (15), a snowflake (16), a snowflake (17), a snowflake (18), a snowflake (19), a snowflake (20), a snowflake (21), a snowflake (22), a snowflake (23), a snowflake (24), a snowflake (25), a snowflake (26), a snowflake (27), a snowflake (28), a snowflake (29), a snowflake (30), a snowflake (31), a snowflake (32), a snowflake (33), a snowflake (34), a snowflake (35), a snowflake (36), a snowflake (37), a snowflake (38), a snowflake (39), a snowflake (40), a snowflake (41), a snowflake (42), a snowflake (43), a snowflake (44), a snowflake (45), a snowflake (46), a snowflake (47), a snowflake (48), a snowflake (49), a snowflake (50), a snowflake (51), a snowflake (52), a snowflake (53), a snowflake (54), a snowflake (55), a snowflake (56), a snowflake (57), a snowflake (58), a snowflake (59), a snowflake (60), a snowflake (61), a snowflake (62), a snowflake (63), a snowflake (64), a snowflake (65), a snowflake (66), a snowflake (67), a snowflake (68), a snowflake (69), a snowflake (70), a snowflake (71), a snowflake (72), a snowflake (73), a snowflake (74), a snowflake (75), a snowflake (76), a snowflake (77), a snowflake (78), a snowflake (79), a snowflake (80), a snowflake (81), a snowflake (82), a snowflake (83), a snowflake (84), a snowflake (85), a snowflake (86), a snowflake (87), a snowflake (88), a snowflake (89), a snowflake (90), a snowflake (91), a snowflake (92), a snowflake (93), a snowflake (94), a snowflake (95), a snowflake (96), a snowflake (97), a snowflake (98), a snowflake (99), a snowflake (100).

Snow Math!

There's no math like snow math! Add the words in the snowman to the word 'snow' to make new words: (The shapes of the spaces will give you clues.)

1. snow + _____ = _____
2. snow + _____ = _____
3. snow + _____ = _____
4. snow + _____ = _____
5. snow + _____ = _____

Can you find and circle words on this page that start with these consonant blends: bl, cl, fl, gl, pl, and sl?

Can you help me fall gently to the ground?

Where's Arid? Can you find her? She's never seen snow before!

Whoooooaaa!!! Whoosh!

Hmm... No phone out here in the snow!

I wanted to see snow up close, but this is ridiculous!

DoubleTake



Draw a snowflake here →

Find and circle these 16 winter weather words or terms:

snowflake drifts icicle hail frozen cloudy glaze sleet cold frost flurries blizzard wind chill temperature water ice

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Study the playing penguins. Can you find 5 tiny differences between them?





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BRIAN McCOMMON

Looking back on real estate market

As 2023 WINDS DOWN, I'D LIKE TO LOOK BACK AT MORE THAN JUST 2023. Let's take a glance back at 2020-23, because it's been such an odd real estate market, both locally and nationally.

In March of 2020, government-mandated COVID restrictions were imposed. However, we were fortunate in West Virginia when it came to real estate. Thanks to the efforts of the CEO of the West Virginia Association of Realtors, Ray Joseph, our governor declared real estate essential. You might normally think that only emergency services would be essential, but the governor agreed that real estate was critical to keeping our economy afloat.

As COVID continued, we encountered home inventory shortages. At first it was due to fear among sellers about having strangers in their homes. At another point, the price of lumber shot up drastically, which negatively affected new construction, but lumber-related repairs requested by buyers also became a challenge.

As low inventory continued, home prices rose considerably. It was simply an issue of supply and demand. There were more buyers than there were available homes, so buying became competitive. I had clients who twice offered \$25,000 over asking price but didn't get their offers accepted. Potential sellers were in a position of power, but many didn't want to then become buyers themselves. So, do you see how this led to a bizarre market?

Adding to the strangeness, buyers also had an advantage via historically low interest rates. There came a point where we saw rates at roughly 2.5%. Although I was just a kid in 1981, I remember rates being in the mid-18% range! If you don't believe me, look it up. When you have that perspective, rates around 7% or 8% don't seem quite so bad.

Having said that, rates were closing in on 8% not long ago. At the time of this writing, they've dropped back down into the upper-6% range. Economic experts and political pundits have been predicting this, given we're coming into an election year.

At the end of the day however, neither Realtors, lenders nor even economists have a crystal ball. There are pros and cons pertaining to listing or buying a home at this time. If you purchased a home in the past couple of years, you're not going to get a similar rate now. However, there's always the possibility of rates coming down eventually, which would give you an opportunity to refinance. Keep that in mind!

For those who may not understand, the concept of lowering rates is to give the economy a jump start. On the flip side, raising rates is supposed to slow down inflation, which in the past couple of years has been at a four-decade high. For reasons that are debatable, that approach hasn't worked out this time.

Much is to be determined in 2024 when it comes to our economy and how that will affect the real estate market, both locally and nationally. Stay tuned!

BRIAN McCOMMON, MBOR President 2024.

Ask Angi: How do I make my house snowstorm ready?



MetroCreative photos

Snowstorms are more frequent in the north than the south (and indeed, snow is virtually nonexistent in Florida), but many of the same principles of emergency safety apply in case of earthquakes, hurricanes or other natural disasters.

BY PAUL F. P. POGUE
Associated Press

The bright lights and sounds of the holidays are past, and the bitter cold and snow of winter is soon upon us in many parts of the nation. Snowstorms are more frequent in the north than the south (and indeed, snow is virtually nonexistent in Florida), but many of the same principles of emergency safety apply in case of earthquakes, hurricanes or other natural disasters. Snowstorms pose a particular danger to children, older adults and pets, but fortunately, you're likely to have 12 to 24 hours of warning.

Follow these tips to protect yourself, your family and your home when extreme weather strikes.

Take warnings seriously

Pay attention to warnings from the National Weather Service or your state or local government. Time is the single most precious resource in any weather situation, and in most cases, you will have several hours or days of warning of incoming poor weather, especially snow. Listen to the advice given and prepare as directed; the best-case scenario is that afterward, you'll breathe a sigh of relief that you didn't need to prepare as much as you did. But in the worst-case scenarios, preparation makes a major difference in outcomes.



Stay on top of regular maintenance

If you haven't done these tasks already, it's a good idea to complete them before they become urgent:

Stock up on supplies

The federal government's disaster preparation guidelines (available at www.ready.gov) recommend keeping enough non-perishable supplies on hand to sustain everyone in the family for at least three days of no power or assistance. Prepare a disaster kit with enough food, medication, water and pet needs. Store it in a safe, easily accessible place, and make sure everyone in the house knows where it is. (In the event of a disaster, you might not be the

person on hand taking charge.) Ready.gov has an extensive list of specifics.

If power goes out, keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed as long as you can. A freezer can keep food frozen for up to 48 hours if it stays closed. Food can stay fresh in a closed fridge for 24 hours.

In an emergency where you have an extended power outage, snowdrifts outside your door can be used as a temporary freezer to keep food ready.

Stay in contact

Another basic tip that's good in all disasters: Don't count entirely on your tech. Write down crucial phone numbers on paper, including emergency ser-

vices, plumber and HVAC. Keep family and friends' phone numbers written down as well; our mobile phones do a great job maintaining all this for us most of the time, but you might not be using your own phone when making these calls.

One more useful hint: If your power goes out, unplug any equipment that will turn on automatically when power comes back. Voltage irregularities and spikes occasionally take place during a major power restoration. Keeping things unplugged from the wall until power's back prevents any damage from such a surge.

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Decorative glass pear invokes 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'

SOME PEOPLE MIGHT not consider Christmas over just yet. According to some traditions and a certain famous song, it lasts for 12 days. And, at least in the song, with each day comes extravagant gifts; the first of which is repeated every verse: a partridge in a pear tree.



TERRY KOVEL

It's clearly the inspiration for this glass pear figurine with a tiny 18k gold partridge perching in a tree inside, which sold for \$2,520, passing its high estimate, at Rago Arts & Auction Center. The figure was made for Steuben Glass Works of Corning, New York.

While their early iridescent and colored glass is sought by collectors, they were making mostly colorless crystal by the 1930s. Designer Lloyd Atkins joined the staff in 1948. He is known for his figurines, often animals; like this pear and partridge, which was first made in 1968. Steuben, now owned by the Corning Museum of Glass, still makes and sells pieces based on designs by Atkins, as well as some holiday-themed figures, but this is not one of them.

Q: We have certificates of shares of capital stock of Eimoda Oil & Gas Developing Co. issued May 10, 1915. I don't know if there is any worth to the stock, or if there would be any worth to the certificate itself. I don't find Eimoda Oil listed anywhere at all. I just can't find where to start looking.

A: The only reference we

IT'S CLEARLY THE INSPIRATION FOR THIS GLASS PEAR FIGURINE WITH A TINY 18K GOLD PARTRIDGE PERCHING IN A TREE INSIDE, WHICH SOLD FOR \$2,520, PASSING ITS HIGH ESTIMATE, AT RAGO ARTS & AUCTION CENTER.

have been able to find to Emoida Oil is the Emoida Oil and Gas Development Co. listed in a 1915 report by the Texas Secretary of State. Don't be discouraged, though; old stocks may still have value. Your local library may have copies of print sources or subscriptions to online sources that can help. The Directory of Obsolete Securities or the Capital Changes database (formerly Capital Changes Reporter) may be useful. Standard & Poor's (www.spglobal.com/ratings/en) or Moody's directories (www.moody.com) have information on mergers. And yes, the certificate itself may have value, too. Collecting stock certificates is called scripophily. Your stock may also interest collectors of general paper ephemera. You can get more information about scripophily from sites like oldstocks.com, scripophily.net, the American Stock & Bond Collectors Association (scripophilyusa.org) or the International Bond & Share Society (scripophily.org).

Q: I've been trying for months to find information on a particular bottle with a paper label for Arpad Haraszthy & Co. We don't seem to have any local appraisers (Fort Wayne, Indiana) who can advise. I don't know which online sources or appraisers are trustworthy. I think this bottle is historically unique because Haraszthy was a pioneer in the California winemaking business. Could you advise me where to inquire?

A: Arpad Haraszthy was born in 1840 in Hungary and came to the United States with his family in



Submitted photo

Today, most people would probably prefer a decorative glass pear with a gold partridge to a real-life partridge in a pear tree.

1842. His father, Agoston, established vineyards in California. Arpad joined his father's business in 1862. He later formed his own winemaking firm, which operated as Arpad Haraszthy & Co. from 1880 to 1894. He is credited with producing the first commercially successful sparkling wine made in California. Nineteenth-century commercial bottles can sell for high prices, and an intact paper label always increases the value. Bottle collecting is a specialized field, and collectors tend to be very knowledgeable. We recommend contacting a bottle collector's club or specialty bottle auction. Look into The Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors (www.fohbc.org) Antique Bottle & Glass Collector magazine (www.american-glassgallery.com/abgc), American Bottle Auctions

(www.americanbottle.com), Antique Bottle Collector's Haven (www.antiquebottles.com), or the National Bottle Museum (nationalbottle-museum.org).

Q: I have three similar lamps. They are figurines minted on bases which were made to match. They are at least 70 years old. Can you tell who might have made them?

A: Unfortunately, we would need to see a mark to identify the maker. It is difficult to tell from a picture, but the figurines on your lamp base look like they are made of painted metal, probably spelter. Spelter is a zinc alloy that has been used in decorative arts since the 1860s. It can resemble bronze, but is softer and scratches more easily. It was often used for smaller, inexpensive replicas of bronze sculptures.

Not many makers are known. Lamps with human figures on the bases were popular as late as the 1950s, which fits with your estimate of "at least 70 years old." Lamp bases with similar human figures have sold for about \$100 to \$150.

TIP: Clean a clock face as seldom as possible. The brass trim may be coated with colored lacquer, and brass polish will remove the color.

CURRENT PRICES

Current prices are recorded from antiques shows, flea markets, sales and auctions throughout the United States. Prices vary in different locations because of local economic conditions.

Purse, handbag, painted, folk art, red ground, blue flowers, red heart on reverse, black

trim, metal closure, chain strap, Hugo Porcaro, 2003, 5 1/4 x 7 inches, \$90.

Tiffany silver, bookmark, Atlas figure, clock on shoulders, on stepped base, bag, Tiffany & Co., 2 3/4 inches, \$95.

Advertising, egg crate, Surety Cushion, hinged lid, latch closure, stenciled front and sides, holds four dozen eggs, 7 x 15 1/2 x 12 inches, \$150.

Lamp, chandelier, six-light, Venini style, three tiers, glass prisms, chains, c. 1970, 24 x 17 1/2 inches, \$255.

Clothing, scarf, silk, Oranges et Citrons, Oranges & Lemons, blue, fruits on trellis, Madame La Torre, Hermes, Paris, 34 inches, \$350.

Toy, scooter, Go-Boy, pedal, wood deck, painted yellow, decals, metal frame, painted red, three wheels, The Go-Boy Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio, \$360.

Gustavsberg, vase, Argenta, cup shape, mottled teal, outlined panels, ring foot, marked, Wilhelm Kage, 6 inches, \$705.

Clock, shelf, Empire style, two-train movement, bronze, patinated, gilt, winged putto pushing wheelbarrow with cask, pendant with winged sphinx supports, oval base, four bun feet, early 1800s, 17 1/2 inches, \$1,000.

Furniture, table, tea, George II style, mahogany, tray top, rectangular, shaped frieze aprons, pendant shell, cabriole legs, leaf carved, trifid feet, Ireland, 29 x 21 x 33 inches, \$1,385.

Medical, sign, trade, optometrist's, spectacles frame, metal, electrified, two-sided, 39 1/2 x 80 inches, \$3,070.

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As logistics centers creep closer to residential areas, some neighbors worried about noise and pollution are pushing back

BY BRIAN J. ROGAL
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

Jeremy Baker was alarmed when he heard that an industrial developer wanted to transform an office campus next to his Riverwoods, Illinois, subdivision into a warehouse and logistics center with hundreds of trucks coming and going each day.

"It was going to be a freight complex," said Baker, who lives in the Thorngate community with his family. "Like many other people, I became concerned, and showed up at a homeowners association meeting for the first time in 13 years of living here."

Opposition from Baker and other residents, who packed a local high school gym in May when site designs for the project were shown at a public meeting, ultimately quashed the plan. In September, health care giant Baxter International withdrew its plan to sell the site to Bridge Industrial for redevelopment. Baxter decided instead to keep using the 101-acre office campus between Riverwoods and Deerfield in the northern suburbs of Chicago as its headquarters.

With redevelopment no longer moving forward, debate over the future of the site has subsided. But the controversy offers a glimpse into the types of battles that could take shape in the future as sites are pitched for redevelopment.

Industrial developers are breaking ground on new logistics facilities throughout the metro area, sometimes taking over whole office parks. And with online shoppers demanding ever-faster home deliveries, many new logistics buildings need to be close to dense residential areas.

In the past, developers typically built new distribution buildings in industrial districts where trucks are common, but now many have to contend with neighbors who don't want to deal with noise and pollution.

"I think now the challenge is tougher, because people are paying more attention to who's coming into their neighborhood," said Cindy McSherry, executive director of NAIOP Chicago, a commercial real estate development association.

Placing logistics buildings close to residential areas is a good strategy, said Trevor Ragsdale, U.S. head of industrial occupier services at JLL, a commercial real estate firm. It cuts delivery costs and makes shippers more competitive, but it can be jarring for neighbors to see relatively quiet office complexes replaced with trucking operations running 24/7.

"I'm not surprised that in such communities there is opposition to this kind of development," Ragsdale said.

Caron Blitz, a public relations consultant and a longtime resident of Thorngate, the same subdivision Baker lives in, raised concerns about the congestion that redevelopment would have brought to an area where many families live.

"There are five schools in either walking or biking distance to Baxter," she said. "Many people in Riverwoods and Deerfield, not just those from Thorngate, realized they didn't want their kids riding their bikes while 600 trucks per day were going by. Plain and simple, a development like that does not belong here, and we were going to do everything in our power to stop it."

Thorngate residents insist they aren't not-in-my-backyard activists who oppose all new development schemes. Blitz said she recognizes more logistics facilities are needed, but prefers that municipal, state and county officials cooperate and come up

with a regional vision that helps find more appropriate spots for shippers.

"There is a tendency for these villages and cities to work in silos as if it was just a local zoning issue, and to us that's not acceptable," she said.

Redevelopment is being triggered in part by the rise of hybrid work, which has decreased the demand for office space, especially in aging suburban office campuses. Municipalities will need to find new users who can pay property taxes, and attracting new logistics operations could be a partial solution, Ragsdale said.

Suburban office vacancy hit nearly 30% in the third quarter, up from 22% in 2019, according to a JLL report. And industrial or data center developers continued buying and removing vacant office space from the market, including the 2.3 million square foot Sears' former headquarters in northwest suburban Hoffman Estates. More than 12.8 million square feet of industrial space was completed in the third quarter across the metro area, the most in one quarter since 1999.

But finding office complexes that can be converted into warehouse and distribution buildings is not easy, Ragsdale said. Class A office properties, which are in the best condition and offer the most amenities, are still in high demand, so developers need to find older Class B or C properties separate from homes and schools, with enough land for the buildings, parking and staging areas, along with quick expressway access.

"That's challenging in Lake County," Ragsdale said. "It's a fully developed market."

Nevada-based Dermody Properties bought Allstate's Glenview campus at Sanders Road and the I-294 expressway in 2022 for \$232 million and launched its transformation into an industrial park with several million square feet. But Douglas Kiersey, Dermody's president and CEO, calls it a "unicorn project," and agrees it's tough to find large, workable sites in the north suburbs.

"We will be able to count on one hand projects of this scale over the next 10 years," he said.

Allstate's former campus works as an industrial park because its 232 acres are separated from most nearby residences by the expressway and surrounding forest preserves, Kiersey added. And Sanders Road is a five-lane highway, designed to handle what once was up to 13,000 people arriving daily, so it's a locale accustomed to heavy traffic.

The new industrial park may end up having far less traffic than envisioned, he added. Dermody just signed its first lease, with Upside Foods, a commercial-scale food producer, and instead of warehouse or distribution firms using heavy trucks, other potential tenants now include high-tech manufacturers and companies looking for showroom space.

"We're not trying to force something into a neighborhood that was heavily residential," Kiersey said. "As an industrial developer we have to be thoughtful about picking our spots. We don't want to go where we're not wanted."

Dermody was also planning to demolish and replace the former CVS Caremark office building in Glenview with a logistics center, but recently canceled the project, at least temporarily, due to the rise in interest rates and borrowing costs, Kiersey said.

"We got pinched, but we're still interested in the property," he said.

Developers need to develop the right message for any nearby residents and show whether a pro-

posed project will disrupt their lives, Ragsdale said.

That aspect is where Bridge and Deerfield officials fell short, Blitz said. The developer said early this year that it wanted to buy and demolish the Baxter offices, and annex the unincorporated site to Deerfield, but the community did not see detailed plans until they were posted online in April, just several weeks before the initial Deerfield Plan Commission meeting.

Baxter claimed the new world of hybrid work meant it could get by with less space, and no longer needed the 645,000-square-foot headquarters, designed by SOM's Bruce Graham and Fazlur Khan, the designers of Chicago's Willis Tower, formerly known as Sears Tower. Bridge wanted to build an 896,000-square-foot industrial building, a 228,000-square-foot industrial building, hundreds of loading docks, and a smaller recreational build-

ing along Saunders Road, which separates Baxter from Thorngate, a group of more than 300 homes.

"We were all stunned," Blitz said.

A Bridge spokesperson said the company had no comment, and messages to Deerfield officials were not returned.

In response to the proposed development, residents learned how to be community organizers, said Lisa Rosen, a Thorngate resident.

"Everyone wanted to help, but at first no one knew how to channel that energy or what to do," she said. "Our slogan was 'Show up, speak up, sign up.'"

They created a Facebook group called 60015 Unite, which quickly grew to 1,500 people. The organizers hosted get-togethers, recruiting babysitting crews so young parents could attend, got more than 5,000 people to sign a petition and raised enough

funds to hire experts to produce their own traffic and pollution study.

More than 500 people turned out to a raucous Plan Commission meeting in May, many waving signs saying, "No trucks" and "Keep our kids safe and healthy." Commission members posed a lot of questions about possible increases in particulate matter and other pollution to Bridge representatives, who said the site when complete could attract fewer trucks than initially thought.

In June, Bridge Industrial pulled its request for annexation to Deerfield, and over the summer instead sought a zoning change from Lake County officials for the project, now calling for a smaller pair of buildings with fewer loading docks, which could have uses other than warehousing and distribution.

"Maybe (Bridge Industrial) never encountered this kind of opposition and were not prepared," said Barbara

Raff, president of Thorngate Owners Association.

In September, Baxter's neighbors claimed victory when the company announced the property was no longer for sale and would continue as its headquarters.

"In all honesty, we were surprised, but happily so," Blitz said. "It's a huge story of David beating Goliath."

David Meek, a Highland Park attorney hired by the Thorngate Owners Association, said the lesson is clear.

"There are sites in Lake County that might be appropriate for this type of business, but this wasn't one of them," he said.

Blitz said she doesn't want this year's organizing work to go to waste. Their next steps are to encourage residents to reach out to elected officials, including at the state level, and encourage them to set some ground rules governing large-scale redevelopment.

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Real estate Q&A: I want to rent out inherited property, but sibling wants to sell. Now what?

BY GARY M. SINGER
 South Florida Sun Sentinel (TNS)

Q: My sister and I inherited our father's townhouse when he recently passed away. We get along OK, but not great. I think it would be a good idea to rent it out, but she is still not sure and may want to sell it instead. Do you have any advice on how to proceed? — Robert

A: You have several paths ahead of you. The best options involve you working together with your sister.

You can decide to cooperate to sell the property, or she may agree to rent it out. In either case, sit down

together and work out a game plan.

If you are going to sell it, agree on the significant terms in advance. Decide who will take the lead with the real estate agent and deal with prospective buyers. Discuss how you will deal with expenses when selling the property, such as ongoing association dues and necessary repairs. The townhome will likely need to be spiffed up to get the best price, so decide who will work on that, too.

If you decide to keep and rent the property, you should agree to many of the same issues. Talking through the plan is a great start, but it is best to write things down. A lawyer can help you prepare a "joint-ownership agreement" and help you agree on how you will deal with owning a home together.

Besides dealing with the tenant and making repairs, try to work

through the money issues like how rent will be collected and shared and how much to hold in reserve for maintenance. You should also discuss what will happen if one of you does not want to be a landlord anymore.

If more than one person owns real estate, any owner can force its sale even if the other owner wants to keep it. The easiest way to deal with this would be to buy your sister's half from her. If necessary, you should be able to get a mortgage to buy her out.

If you cannot do this, cooperating with the process is likely in your best interest.

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Thirty-year mortgage rates remain under 7%

BY JEFF OSTROWSKI
Bankrate.com (TNS)

Mortgage rates rose slightly this week, but the average 30-year fixed remains under 7%, according to Bankrate's national survey.

The average rate on 30-year fixed mortgages ticked up to 6.9% this week, a small increase from 6.88% the previous week, according to Bankrate's weekly national survey of large lenders.

Just three months ago, the average rate on 30-year home loans topped 8%.

The latest drop in mortgage rates comes after the Federal Reserve indicated it'd begin cutting its key rate in 2024. The central bank's long-awaited pivot was spurred by a number of factors, including a slowing

job market and signs that the Fed's ongoing war on inflation is working.

Meanwhile, yields on 10-year Treasury bonds, an informal benchmark for 30-year mortgage rates, have dropped from 5% to less than 4% in recent weeks.

The Fed doesn't directly control mortgage rates, but it plays a pivotal role. The central bank sets policy that affects the cost of home loans. At the conclusion of its most recent meeting on Dec. 13, the Federal Open Markets Committee decided to leave rates unchanged.

"Slower inflation and financial markets anticipating the potential end of the Fed's hiking cycle are both behind the recent decline in rates," says Joel

Kan, deputy chief economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association.

The rate cool-off somewhat eases the housing affordability squeeze. It also bodes well for a housing market that has been sluggish since 2022.

"These lower rates will bring both active buyers and sellers into the market, eager to get out ahead of the traditionally busier spring market," says Lisa Sturtevant, chief economist at Bright MLS, a listing service in the Mid-Atlantic region.

What happened to mortgage rates this week

The 30-year fixed mortgages in this week's survey

had an average total of 0.29 discount and origination points. Discount points are a way for you to reduce their mortgage rate, while origination points are fees a lender charges to create, review and process your loan.

Over the past 52 weeks, the benchmark 30-year fixed-rate mortgage averaged 6.99%. A year ago, the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage was 6.74%. Four weeks ago, that rate was 7.41%. The 30-year fixed-rate average for this week is 0.63 percentage points higher than the 52-week low of 6.27%.

As for other types of loans:

—The 15-year fixed-rate mortgage was 6.18%, down from 6.21% from a week

ago. —The 5/6 adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) was 6.95%, unchanged from a week ago.

—The 30-year fixed-rate jumbo mortgage was 6.93%, also unchanged from a week ago.

How mortgage rates affect home affordability

The national median family income for 2023 is \$96,300, according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the median price of an existing home sold in November 2023 was \$387,600, according to the National Association of Realtors. Based on a 20% down payment and a mortgage rate of 6.9%, the monthly payment of \$2,042 amounts to 25% of the typical family's monthly income.

The steep climb in mortgage rates over the past two years has squeezed affordability and sparked a slow-down in home sales. First-time buyers are especially challenged by this market. Home prices haven't fallen significantly, and values are unlikely to decline, given the shortage of homes for sale.

"Higher mortgage rates have a dual impact on the housing market: reducing affordability for buyers and strengthening the rate lock-in for sellers," says Odeta Kushi, deputy chief economist at First American. "The combination of reduced affordability and increased strength of the rate lock-in effect is likely to continue to suppress home sales because you can't buy what's not for sale, even if you can afford it."

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2800 CRANBERRY SQUARE, CHEAT LAKE EXIT 10, MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA

NEW 168 E. HILLVIEW DRIVE, 3BR, 2.5BA \$300,000



Inviting and open, this move in ready home has tons of natural light. The large open kitchen and dining area with island bar leads to an oversized covered deck overlooking the park-like quarter acre with built in fire-pit is great for entertaining. The finished basement includes a cozy gathering room with pellet stove and a spacious laundry room plus flex room. Newer roof, newer HVAC and newer flooring throughout make this home a must see.

Emily Gregalit, Salesperson 304-685-4166

NEW 276 DONNA AVENUE, 3BR, 2.5BA \$239,900



Start the New Year out right with a low maintenance townhome close to everything Morgantown has to offer. Extremely functional layout with 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Less than 2 miles from medical centers. Room for extra storage in the garage and attic area. The rear deck has been updated with new composite deck boards and privacy wall. This one has it all, call for private tour today.

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FEATURE 1129 WINDSOR AVENUE, 2BR, 1BA \$299,500



Location, Location, Location! Great starter home, or rental- you choose! Close to everything Morgantown has to offer! Cozy 2 bedroom in Suncrest. Level to gently sloping yard with off street parking and garage. Home has fantastic rental history since it is so close to employment, entertainment and all sorts of shopping. Relaxing neighborhood to live in yet close to everything you will enjoy!

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HANNA LUXURY 75 FALLING WATER LANE, 5BR, 4.5BA \$850,000



This stunning and spacious five-bedroom home has the key to sought after features with its beautiful hardwood floors running throughout the main level. Enjoy using the office on the main floor, dining room and open concept kitchen/breakfast/living room area with the warmth of the gas fireplace. Easy access to the fenced in backyard from the kitchen, where it leads to the deck and just below the gorgeously landscaped stone patio with another fireplace. This home is steps away from the community clubhouse and pool.

Karen Ghorayeb, Salesperson 304-376-0354
Joey Kelley, Salesperson 304-288-2481

FEATURE 29 NABORS ROAD, 3BR, 2.5BA, 1.08+/-ACRE \$299,000



Welcome home to this charming split-entry residence nestled on a 1.08+/-acre parcel. Boasting 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths, this home offers a blend of comfort and style. As you step inside, a warm and inviting fireplace beckons in the living room as well as the gathering room, creating a cozy ambiance for all. The kitchen offers ample cabinets and room for cooking while being open to the dining area. Enjoy the serenity of your private patio and yard with mature trees. The home features a practical 2-car attached garage, ensuring convenience for your daily life. Additional storage is available in the outdoor shed as well as the large storage area adjacent to the laundry room.

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HANNA LUXURY LUXURY & SOPHISTICATION - 2312 LAKESIDE ESTATES HANNA LUXURY



With 11 rooms, 4 bedrooms and 4 1/2 baths this home ensures luxury and sophistication. Just under 1 acre, this 5,933 SF +/- oasis is thoughtfully designed. Expect to find high-quality finishes throughout, gourmet kitchen, hardwood flooring, granite/quartz countertops, top of the line appliances, customized cabinetry, wine cellar, sauna, fitness room, state of the art sound system and much more. Outdoor lovers will relish in the vast patio and decking complemented by an elegant pergola. Lakeside Estates, meticulous attention to detail \$1,995,000. For more information or a personal tour contact Barbara Alexander, Broker, 304.594.0115 or Kay Michael Alexander, Salesperson 304-282-0077

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PENDING 2536 HALLECK ROAD, 4/5BR, 5/4BA, 20AC	\$3,750,000
2312 LAKESIDE ESTATES, 4BR, 4.5BA	\$1,995,000
126 QUAIL ROAD, 5BR, 5/2BA	\$1,950,000
309 TRANQUILITY WAY, 5BR, 3.5BA	\$1,175,000
245 WATERHOUSE DR. FAIRMONT 3BR, 3BA	\$1,100,000
PENDING 1284 PARKVIEW DR 5BR, 3BA	\$999,500
75 FALLING WATER LANE 5BR, 4.5BA	\$850,000
PENDING 105 MORGAN HILL ROAD 5BR, 3BA	\$750,000
18 CENTRE CT, GRAFTON, 5BR, 4/4BA 4+/-	\$699,000
PENDING 102 SUMMIT WOODS DRIVE, 5BR, 4.5BA	\$685,000
PENDING 4325 BRETTWOOD LANE, 4BR, 3.5BA	\$679,000
2002 PIERPOINT SOUTH EST., 4BR, 3/2BA, 1.5	\$624,900
140 GLADSTONE CIRCLE, 4BR, 3BA	\$587,000
2149 ARDEN ROAD PHILIPPI, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$579,000
PENDING 45 AVERY DRIVE, 4BR, 2.5BA	\$575,000
PENDING 170 HIGHLAND RANCH MASONTOWN, 4BR, 3.5BA	\$550,000
420 REBECCA ST, 4BR, 2.5BA	\$535,000
PENDING 93 TIMMONS RD, INDEPENDENCE 2BR, 2.5BA	\$525,000
200 WILSON AVE, 4BR, 2BA	\$475,000
1015 SLIPPERY ELM LANE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$435,000
1019 SLIPPERY ELM LANE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$435,000
1281 LONGDON STREET, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$398,500
213 EASTGATE DRIVE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$396,000

UNIT 411 SOARING EAGLE LODGE, 2BR, 2BA	\$375,000
PENDING 19 WINDSONG LANE, 3BR, 3BA	\$365,000
PENDING 133 POPLAR DRIVE 5BR, 3BA	\$349,900
232 RED OAK LANE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$325,000
234 RED OAK LANE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$320,000
236 RED OAK LANE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$320,000
NEW 168 E. HILLVIEW DRIVE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$300,000
1373 WEST HILL RD, GRAFTON 4BR, 2BA	\$299,999
1129 WINDSOR AVENUE, 2BR, 1BA	\$299,500
29 NABORS ROAD, 3BR, 2.5BA, 1.08+/-ACRE	\$299,000
8139 STONEGATE DR. 3BR, 2BA CHAMPION, PA	\$299,000
PENDING 1757 HILEMAN RD BRUCETON 3BR, 2BA	\$259,000
PENDING 271 FLORIDA AVENUE, 3BR, 2BA	\$249,500
729 JAMES STREET, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$249,500
311 SHADY LANE, MASONTOWN PA 3BR, 2BA	\$245,000
4941 GRAFTON RD INDEPENDENCE 4BR, 1.5BA	\$242,500
NEW 276 DONNA AVENUE, 3BR, 2.5BA	\$239,900
118 FOUNTAINVIEW DRIVE, 2BR, 2BA	\$192,500
419 FOUNTAINVIEW DRIVE, 2BR, 2BA	\$192,500
224 FOUNTAIN VIEW, 2BR, 2BA	\$189,900
114 FOUNTAIN VIEW DRIVE, 2BR, 2BA	\$182,500
2661 DAYBROOK RD FAIRVIEW, 3BR, 1BA	\$180,000
313 VIEW AVENUE FAIRMONT, 2BR, 2BA	\$109,000

PENDING 1504 BUCKHANNON AVENUE, 2BR, 1BA	\$99,900
PENDING 106 JEFFERSON ST., FAIRVIEW, 3BR, 1.5BA	\$89,999
1108 GREEN ST, FAIRMONT 3BR, 1BA	\$69,000
49 W. HIGH STREET, WESTOVER, 1BR, 1BA	\$50,000
PENDING 259 W MAIN STREET, SALEM 1BR, 1BA	\$18,500
202 FRANKLIN STREET, MANNINGTON	\$12,900

RESIDENTIAL RENTALS

2060 GEORGIAN LANE, 3BR, 2BA	\$2,600 PER MONTH
406 ST. ANDREWS DR 3BR, 2.5BA	\$2,500 PER MONTH
401 LAKEVIEW ESTATES 2BR, 2.5BA	\$2,400 PER MONTH
200 CEDARSTONE DR, 3BR, 1.5BA	\$1,450 PER MONTH



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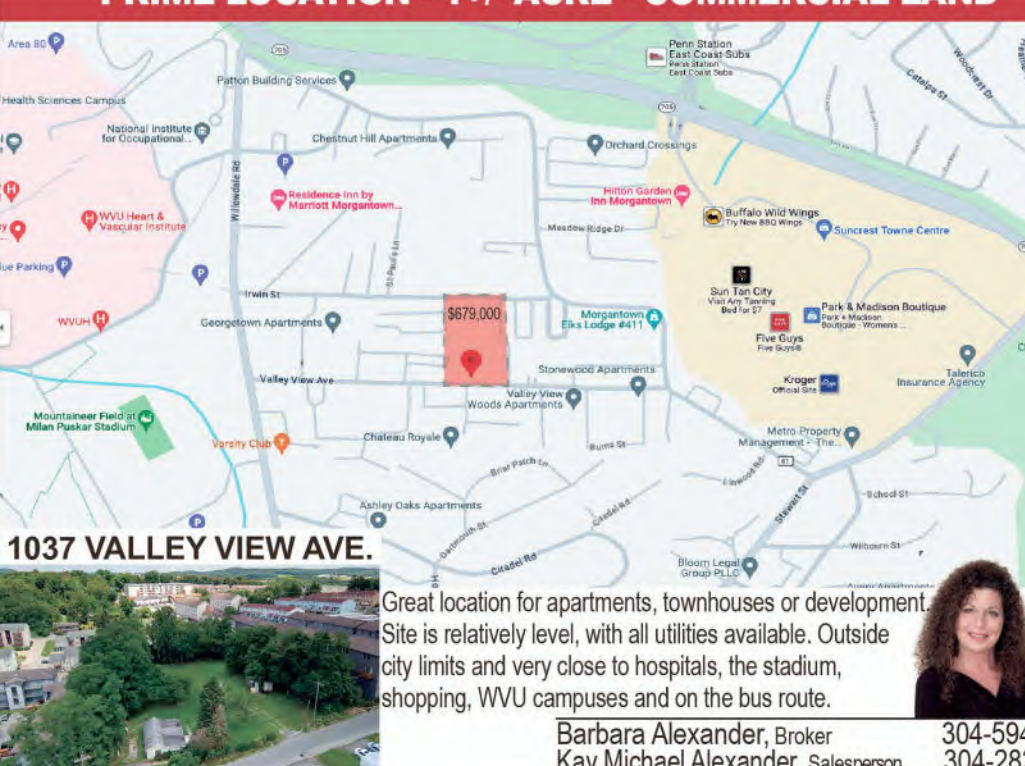
00 CHAPLIN & UTC DRIVE	\$5,687,500
371 4-H CAMP RD	\$2,750,000
337 PATTESON DRIVE	\$1,800,000
455 WADES RUN ROAD	\$850,000
1901 BRYANT STREET	\$775,000
595 WADES RUN ROAD AND BOWLBY ROAD	\$695,000
1037 VALLEY VIEW 1+/-AC	\$679,000
2290 BEVERLY PIKE US 219/US 250 ELKINS	\$549,000
301, 307 & 317 EAST BROCKWAY AVE.	\$450,000
315 NOLAN AVENUE	\$375,000

RETAIL COMMERCIAL

949-951-953 POINT MARION ROAD	\$2,250,000
2000 HAMPTON CENTER	\$1,490,000
3120 COLLINS FERRY ROAD	\$999,000
2916 UNIVERSITY AVENUE	\$695,000
1000 STEWARTSTOWN ROAD	\$650,000
686 WILEY STREET, MULTI-UNIT	\$429,000
3418 EARL L. CORE ROAD	\$399,000
7584 OLD RTE 73 RD BRUCETON	\$395,000
130 FAYETTE STREET	\$349,000
7 DON KNOTTS BOULEVARD	\$275,000
12256 VETERANS MEMORIAL REEDSVILLE	\$195,000
1244 DORSEY AVENUE	\$194,500
PENDING 112 E MAIN STREET, SALEM	\$124,000
2000 HAMPTON CENTER	\$18 SQ. FT. MTH
130 FAYETTE STREET	\$3,000 PER MTH

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4544 DOT MOR LN, LAKE LYNN, PA	\$2,799,000
0 LITTLE FALLS RD, 26+/- AC	\$1,700,000
PENDING 2536-A HALLECK RD, 86+/- AC	\$1,150,000
560 TYRONE ROAD	\$650,000
1604 TYRONE ROAD, 30 AC	\$600,000
265 OAK LANE, BEVERLY	\$550,000
0 SKYLINE DRIVE 2.5+/- AC	\$450,000
00 SUNSET BEACH ROAD	\$375,000
0 MIKE STREET, 13.3+/- AC	\$325,000
1432-1434 MAYFIELD RD	\$270,000
7024 WOODLANDS RIDGE	\$270,000
LOT 25 MYSTIC DRIVE	\$250,000
PENDING 3030 GREYSTONE DRIVE	\$229,000
LOT 306 STONE VALLEY DRIVE	\$225,000
3032 GREYSTONE DRIVE	\$219,000
3034 GREYSTONE DRIVE	\$219,000
201 WALNUT HEIGHTS	\$200,000
329 MISSISSIPPI STREET	\$195,000
0 PRIMROSE DRIVE	\$175,000
00 SKYLINE DRIVE LOT 3	\$150,000
590 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE	\$140,000
LOT 6 ICES FERRY EST.	\$125,000
30 LAUREL VIEW ROAD	\$125,000
LOT 2 ICES FERRY ESTATES	\$124,500
000 SKYLINE DRIVE LOT 5	\$120,000
110 KOLBE STREET, 1.5+/- ACRE	\$114,900
1401 BRETTWOOD LANE	\$110,000
LOT 12 BACKWATERS, 2.02 AC	\$108,000
731 CHESTNUT RG	\$98,000
124 GLADSTONE CIRCLE	\$90,000
0 CO. RTE. 3/8 BIGAMON, SHINNSTON	\$90,000
4506 LAUREL RIDGE LANE	\$89,900
LOT 22 RIDGETOP DR 1.05 +/- AC	\$85,000
LOT 115 CANYON RIDGE DRIVE	\$80,000
LOTS AT CANYON RIDGE STARTING	\$80,000
LOT C13R PERSIMMON WOODS DR.	\$79,900
LOT 24 EASTERN TRAIL	\$75,000
113 IRIS LANE	\$74,995
114 NICHOLE STREET	\$74,900
435 DORSEY AVENUE	\$59,000
LOT 28 SOUTHPOINT CIRCLE	\$57,000
45 FALLING WATER LANE	\$55,000
LOT 3 ELMCREST COURT	\$55,000
0 COLLEGE AVENUE	\$49,900
THE LANDING AT MORGAN POINTE	\$49,000
LOT 12 GANDOLF RD. MON COUNTY	\$47,500
1316 BAKERS RIDGE RD	\$45,000
0 CHERRY ST/ WOODLINE	\$45,000
7346 KINGWOOD PIKE, REEDSVILLE	\$45,000
00 SEPTEMBER DRIVE	\$41,500
LOT 14 HUDSON MILL RD BRUCETON	\$40,000
00 ROSEDALE HILL ROAD	\$39,900
0 TIBBS ROAD	\$39,900
LOT 27 HOBBITS GLEN, MON COUNTY	\$35,000
LOTS 7 & 8 SENNETT STREET	\$34,000
LOT 12 MEADOW LARK	\$32,000
116 IRIS LANE, 41 +/-ACRES	\$25,000
LOT 46 FALLING WATER	\$25,000
LOT 12 AUBURN HILLS, BRUCETON	\$25,000
00 CHERRY STREET	\$25,000
0 SPRING STREET	\$20,000
00 SPRING STREET	\$20,000
0 W PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE	\$18,000
0 W. FORK RIVER RD, FAIRMONT	\$15,000
2978 SAINT JOE ROAD, ALBRIGHT	\$10,000
LOTS AT SHILOH - STARTING AT	\$10,000
LOT 12 OVERHILL RD FAIRMONT	\$9,000
LOT 13 OVERHILL RD FAIRMONT	\$9,000
LOT 4 HODGES	\$8,000

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From the list, find each word and circle its letters in the puzzle above to reveal the message relating to this week's theme.

New Year's Eve

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Sports Zone

AUTOMOTIVE

SUNDAY

- 3 p.m.** (46) (53) NASCAR Race Hub: Season Preview
11:30 p.m. (46) Carcass

BASKETBALL

SUNDAY

- 7 a.m.** (CSN) NBA Basketball Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls
Noon (22) Women's College Basketball Clemson at North Carolina (Live)
2 p.m. (CSN) NBA Basketball Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls
5 p.m. (ESPN) Why Not Us: Howard Golf North Star
5:30 p.m. (ESPN) Why Not Us: Howard Golf

TUESDAY

- 3 p.m.** (ESPN) NBA Today (Live)
7 p.m. (ESPN) College Basketball North Carolina at Pittsburgh (Live)
 (ESPN2) College Basketball East Carolina at Florida Atlantic (Live)
9 p.m. (ESPN) College Basketball Syracuse at Duke (Live)
 (ESPN2) College Basketball Charlotte at SMU (Live)

WEDNESDAY

- 3 p.m.** (ESPN) NBA Today (Live)
7 p.m. (CSN) College Basketball Army at Lafayette (Live)
 (ESPN2) College Basketball Louisville at Virginia (Live)
7:30 p.m. (ESPN) NBA Countdown (Live)
8 p.m. (ESPN) College Basketball Clemson at Miami (Live)
 (4) NBA Countdown (Live)
8:30 p.m. (4) NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at New York Knicks (Live)
9 p.m. (ESPN2) College Basketball Stanford at UCLA (Live)
10 p.m. (ESPN) NBA Basketball Miami Heat at Los Angeles Lakers (Live)

THURSDAY

- 3 p.m.** (ESPN) NBA Today (Live)
7 p.m. (ESPN2) College Basketball Teams TBA (Live)
 (TNT) NBA Tip-Off (Live)
7:30 p.m. (TNT) NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at San Antonio Spurs (Live)
9 p.m. (ESPN2) College Basketball North Texas at Wichita State (Live)
9:30 p.m. (ESPN) College Basketball Colorado at Arizona (Live)
10 p.m. (TNT) NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Golden State Warriors (Live)

FRIDAY

- 3 p.m.** (ESPN) NBA Today (Live)
5:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Boy's High School Basketball Thornton (Ill.) vs. Richmond Heights (Ohio) (Live)
6:30 p.m. (CSN) Inside Villanova Basketball With Kyle Neptune
7 p.m. (ESPN) (ESPN2) NBA Countdown (Live)
 (CSN) Women's College Basketball William & Mary at Monmouth (Live)
7:30 p.m. (ESPN) NBA Basketball New York Knicks at Philadelphia 76ers (Live)
 (ESPN2) NBA Courtside (Live)
7:45 p.m. (ESPN2) NBA Basketball NBA Unplugged with Kevin Hart: New York Knicks at Philadelphia 76ers (Live)
10 p.m. (ESPN) NBA Basketball Memphis Grizzlies at Los Angeles Lakers (Live)

SATURDAY

- 7 a.m.** (CSN) Women's College Basketball William & Mary at Monmouth
Noon (2) (6) (7) College Basketball Mississippi State at South Carolina (Live)
 (22) College Basketball Pittsburgh at Louisville (Live)

(ESPN2) College Basketball North Carolina at Clemson (Live)

(USA) College Basketball La Salle at Fordham (Live)

12:30 p.m. (ESPN) College Basketball Kentucky at Florida (Live)

1 p.m. (46) (53) College Basketball St. John's at Villanova (Live)

2 p.m. (2) (6) (7) College Basketball TCU at Kansas (Live)

(ESPN2) College Basketball Auburn at Arkansas (Live)

(USA) College Basketball Saint Louis at George Mason (Live)

2:15 p.m. (22) College Basketball Miami at Wake Forest (Live)

4 p.m. (2) (6) (7) College Basketball UNLV at San Diego State (Live)

(USA) College Basketball George Washington at VCU (Live)

5 p.m. (CSN) College Basketball Harvard at Princeton

7 p.m. (46) (53) FOX College Hoops Tip-Off (Live)

(CSN) Sixers Pregame Live (Live)

7:30 p.m. (CSN) NBA Basketball Utah Jazz at Philadelphia 76ers (Live)

8 p.m. (46) (53) College Basketball Ohio State at Indiana (Live)

(ESPN2) College Basketball Texas Tech at Texas (Live)

10 p.m. (CSN) Sixers Postgame Live (Live)

(ESPN2) College Basketball Teams TBA (Live)

11 p.m. (CSN) Inside Villanova Basketball With Kyle Neptune

BOXING

THURSDAY

- 11:30 p.m.** (FSN) Fight Sports: World Class Championship Boxing

EXTREME

SUNDAY

- 1 p.m.** (ESPN2) World of X Games Best of Real Snow

FOOTBALL

SUNDAY

- 7:10 a.m.** (HBO) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins
9 a.m. (CSN) Benny vs. The Penny
9:30 a.m. (CSN) (FSN) Pro Football Weekly
10 a.m. (ESPN) Sunday NFL Countdown (Live)
 (ESPN2) Fantasy Football Now (Live)
 (FSN) The Lombardi Line (Live)
11 a.m. (46) (53) FOX NFL Kickoff (Live)
 (CSN) Eagles Game Plan
11:30 a.m. (2) Steelers Kickoff
 (CSN) Birds Huddle: Game Day (Live)
Noon (46) (53) FOX NFL Sunday (Live)
 (CSN) Eagles Pregame Live (Live)
 (FSN) Musburger Pregame (Live)
1 p.m. (ESPN) Inside the College Football Playoff
 (2) (6) (7) NFL Football (Live)
1:30 p.m. (ESPN) Inside the College Football Playoff
2 p.m. (ESPN) Eli's Places Walk-Ons
4 p.m. (46) (53) NFL Football Pittsburgh Steelers at Seattle Seahawks (Live)
 (CSN) Eagles Postgame Live (Live)
4:25 p.m. (2) (6) (7) NFL Football (Live)
5 p.m. (ESPN2) One for the Ages
7 p.m. (9) (11) (12) Football Night in America (Live)
8:15 p.m. (9) (11) (12) NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Minnesota Vikings (Live)
8:30 p.m. (ESPN) Inside the College Football Playoff
9 p.m. (ESPN) Inside the College Football Playoff

MONDAY

- 9:10 a.m.** (HBO2) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins
10 a.m. (ESPN) College GameDay (Live)
Noon (ESPN2) College Football ReliaQuest Bowl: Wisconsin vs. LSU (Live)
12:50 p.m. (ESPN) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
1 p.m. (ESPN) Vrbo Fiesta Bowl Liberty vs. Oregon
 (4) College Football Cheez-It Citrus Bowl: Iowa vs. Tennessee (Live)
4:30 p.m. (CSN) Eagles Postgame Live
4:40 p.m. (ESPN) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
4:50 p.m. (ESPN) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
5 p.m. (ESPN) (ESPN2) CFP Semifinal at the Rose Bowl Alabama vs. Michigan
6 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle (Live)
6:30 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle
7 p.m. (CSN) Eagles Postgame Live
8:20 p.m. (ESPN) (ESPN2) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
8:30 p.m. (ESPN) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
 (CSN) Birds Huddle
 (ESPN2) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
8:40 p.m. (ESPN) (ESPN2) College Football Bowl Game Pre/Post Studio (Live)
8:45 p.m. (FSN) (ESPN) (ESPN2) CFP Semifinal at the Allstate Sugar Bowl Texas vs. Washington

TUESDAY

- 2 p.m.** (ESPN2) College Football Live (Live)
2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live
4 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Live (Live)
5 p.m. (ESPN2) NFL Live
6 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle (Live)
6:10 p.m. (HBO) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins
6:30 p.m. (CSN) Fantasy Football Happy Hour With Matthew Berry
8 p.m. (22) Inside the NFL Week 17
 (CSN) Birds Huddle
8:10 p.m. (HBO2) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins
9 p.m. (HBO) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins

WEDNESDAY

- 2 p.m.** (ESPN2) College Football Live (Live)
2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live
4 p.m. (ESPN) High School Football Under Armour Next All-America Football Game
 (ESPN2) NFL Live (Live)
6 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle (Live)
6:30 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle
7:10 p.m. (HBO) Hard Knocks: In Season With the Miami Dolphins
9 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle
9:30 p.m. (CSN) Fantasy Football Happy Hour With Matthew Berry
10:30 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle

THURSDAY

- 1:30 p.m.** (FSN) The Lombardi Line (Live)
2 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live (Live)
2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live
4 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Live (Live)
5 p.m. (ESPN2) NFL Live
6 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle (Live)
FRIDAY
2 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live (Live)
2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football Live
3 p.m. (ESPN2) Fantasy Focus
4 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Live (Live)
5 p.m. (FSN) WVU Coaches Show
6 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle (Live)
9 p.m. (CSN) Birds Huddle
9:30 p.m. (CSN) Pro Football Weekly

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Sports Zone

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10 p.m. (CSN) Benny vs. The Penny

SATURDAY

9 a.m. (7) Neal Brown Show

(12) WVU Coaches Show

(CSN) Birds Huddle

9:30 a.m. (53) Nittany Game Week

10 a.m. (FSN) WVU Coaches Show

Noon (CSN) Birds Huddle

1 p.m. (9) (11) (12) High School Football All-American Bowl (Live)

3 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Countdown (Live)

(4) Monday Night Countdown (Live)

4:15 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Countdown (Live)

4:30 p.m. (4) NFL Football Teams TBA (Live)

(CSN) Birds Huddle

7:30 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Countdown (Live)

(4) Monday Night Countdown (Live)

8 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Countdown (Live)

(4) NFL Football Teams TBA (Live)

8:15 p.m. (ESPN) NFL Football (Live)

GOLF

SUNDAY

9 a.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 FedEx St. Jude Championship, Final Round

10:30 a.m. (CSN) Traveling Golfer

2 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 BMW Championship, Final Round

7 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 TOUR Championship, Final Round

MONDAY

12:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 Shriners Children's Open, Final Round

3:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP, Final Round

7:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 World Wide Technology Championship, Final Round

10:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf 2023 Butterfield Bermuda Championship, Final Round

TUESDAY

Noon (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Hero World Challenge, Final Round

5 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Grant Thornton Invitational, Final Round

9 p.m. (GOLF) Golf PNC Championship, Final Day

WEDNESDAY

2:30 p.m. (GOLF) School of Golf Chapter 6: Slice Stoppers

3 p.m. (GOLF) GOLF Films The Open at St Andrews

4 p.m. (GOLF) GOLF Films Peter The Great - The Life and Times of Peter Alliss

5 p.m. (GOLF) PGA TOUR: The CUT (Live)

5:30 p.m. (GOLF) School of Golf Chapter 20: Backswing Faults

THURSDAY

12:30 p.m. (GOLF) GOLF Films Peter The Great - The Life and Times of Peter Alliss

1:30 p.m. (GOLF) GOLF Films The Open at St Andrews

2:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA TOUR: The CUT

3 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Today (Live)

5 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Central Pregame (Live)

6 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, First Round

FRIDAY

11 a.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, First Round

3 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Today (Live)

5 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Central Pregame (Live)

6 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round

SATURDAY

9 a.m. (FSN) Golf Life

9:30 a.m. (FSN) Breaking Par

11 a.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round

3 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Central Pregame (Live)

4 p.m. (9) (11) (12) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round (Live)

(GOLF) GOLF Films Peter The Great - The Life and Times of Peter Alliss

5 p.m. (GOLF) GOLF Films Duel - Golf's Greatest Showdown

6 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round

9 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round

HOCKEY

SUNDAY

5:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

6 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Pittsburgh Penguins (Live)

7:30 p.m. (CSN) Flyers Pregame Live (Live)

THURSDAY

6 p.m. (ESPN2) The Point (Live)

(FSN) Penguins Tonight (Live)

6:30 p.m. (CSN) Flyers Pregame Live (Live)

(FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

7 p.m. (ESPN) (FSN) NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Boston Bruins (Live)

(CSN) NHL Hockey Columbus Blue Jackets at Philadelphia Flyers (Live)

9:30 p.m. (CSN) Flyers Postgame Live (Live)

(FSN) Penguins Overtime Live (Live)

10 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Postgame Final (Live)

FRIDAY

6 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Tonight (Live)

6:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

7 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey

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8 p.m. (CSN) NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Calgary Flames (Live)

8:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Overtime Live (Live)

9 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Postgame Final (Live)

9:30 p.m. (FSN) Inside Penguins Hockey

10 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Pittsburgh Penguins

MONDAY

Noon (FSN) 2016 Stanley Cup Championship Film

1:30 p.m. (TNT) Road to the NHL Winter Classic

2 p.m. (CSN) NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Calgary Flames

(TNT) NHL on TNT Face Off (Live)

3 p.m. (TNT) (TRUTV) NHL Hockey Vegas Golden Knights vs. Seattle Kraken

4:30 p.m. (FSN) Inside Penguins Hockey

5 p.m. (FSN) Sidney Crosby: There's No Place Like Home

5:30 p.m. (FSN) Merci Sidney

5:40 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

6 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey

6:30 p.m. (TNT) NHL Post-Game on TNT (Live)

8:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live

9 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey

TUESDAY

6:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Tonight (Live)

7 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

7:30 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey Washington Capitals at Pittsburgh Penguins (Live)

8:30 p.m. (CSN) Flyers Pregame Live (Live)

9 p.m. (CSN) NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Edmonton Oilers (Live)

10 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Overtime Live (Live)

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

7 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey

(TNT) NHL on TNT Face Off (Live)

7:30 p.m. (TNT) NHL Hockey New Jersey Devils at Washington Capitals (Live)

9:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Overtime Live (Live)

10 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Postgame Final (Live)

10:30 p.m. (FSN) Inside Penguins Hockey

(TNT) NHL Post-Game on TNT (Live)

9:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Overtime Live (Live)

10 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Postgame Final (Live)

11:30 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey

5 a.m. (FSN) Penguins Overtime Live

5:30 a.m. (FSN) Penguins Postgame Final

SATURDAY

3:30 p.m. (CSN) Flyers Postgame Live (Live)

(FSN) NHL Hockey

5:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Game Plan

6 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Tonight (Live)

6:30 p.m. (FSN) Penguins Faceoff Live (Live)

7 p.m. (FSN) NHL Hockey Buffalo Sabres at Pittsburgh Penguins (Live)

HORSE RACING

SUNDAY

5:30 p.m. (CSN) Let's Go Racing

SATURDAY

10 a.m. (CSN) Let's Go Racing

MOTORCYCLE RACING

SATURDAY

8 p.m. (USA) AMA Supercross Series Monster Energy Series, Round 1 (Live)

OUTDOORS

SUNDAY

9 a.m. (FSN) Pure Outdoor

1:30 p.m. (46) Raised Hunting

3:30 a.m. (FSN) Raised Hunting Living

4 a.m. (FSN) Scott Martin Challenge Chaos in the Keys!

WEDNESDAY

3 a.m. (FSN) Charlie Moore: No Offense

3:30 a.m. (FSN) Charlie Moore: No Offense

THURSDAY

11:30 a.m. (CSN) A Fishing Story

FRIDAY

3 p.m. (FSN) Pure Outdoor

SATURDAY

6:30 a.m. (DISC) Fly Rod Chronicles With Curtis Fleming

7:30 a.m. (DISC) The Next Bite

(ESPN2) Outdoors Placeholder

8 a.m. (ESPN2) Outdoors Placeholder

8:30 a.m. (DISC) Chasin' the Sun

10 a.m. (12) Pure Outdoor

5 a.m. (DISC) Jimmy Houston Outdoors

5:30 a.m. (DISC) Scott Martin Challenge

(FSN) Charlie Moore: No Offense

SKATING

FRIDAY

10:45 a.m. (TCM) Ice Antics

SKIING

MONDAY

11:30 a.m. (CSN) Snow Motion

SATURDAY

2 p.m. (CNBC) Stifel Snow Show

SOCCER

SUNDAY

8 a.m. (USA) Premier League Mornings (Live)

9 a.m. (USA) Premier League Soccer Tottenham Hotspur vs. AFC Bournemouth (Live)

11 a.m. (USA) Premier League Goal Zone (Live)

5 p.m. (SHD) The World According to Football Qatar

3:30 a.m. (SHD) The World According to Football Qatar

4:15 a.m. (SHO2) The World According to Football Qatar

MONDAY

3 p.m. (USA) Premier League Soccer Liverpool vs. Newcastle United (Live)

5 p.m. (USA) Premier League Goal Zone (Live)

5:35 p.m. (SHD) The World According to Football Qatar

TUESDAY

2:30 p.m. (USA) Premier League Soccer West Ham United vs. Brighton & Hove Albion (Live)

4:30 p.m. (USA) Premier League Goal Zone (Live)

THURSDAY

10 p.m. (SHO2) The World According to Football Qatar

WRESTLING

MONDAY

8 p.m. (USA) WWE Monday Night RAW (Live)

TUESDAY

8 p.m. (USA) WWE NXT (Live)

WEDNESDAY

8 p.m. (TBS) All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (Live)

THURSDAY

1:30 a.m. (FSN) Fight Sports: Grand Sumo

FRIDAY

8 p.m. (46) (53) WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)

10 p.m. (TNT) All Elite Wrestling: Rampage

SATURDAY

8 p.m. (TNT) All Elite Wrestling: Collision

Sports Feature

Matthews and the Leafs look to knock Kings off their throne

By Roberto Jozef
TV Media

After a bit of eggnog and recharging with loved ones, Auston Matthews and the Toronto Maple Leafs head to Los Angeles as they look to even their regular season series against the Los Angeles Kings, Tuesday, Jan. 2, at the Crypto.com Arena, with the game broadcast live on ESPN+.

Hoping for a better outcome compared to the last time these two teams met, Matthews and the Leafs will be looking to come out swinging after dropping their first meeting against the Los Angeles Kings 4-1 in front of a packed home crowd at Scotiabank Arena. Despite the result, captain John Tavares managed to get on the scoreboard, with Mitch Marner and William Nylander providing the assists. For Matthews, even though he was held off the scoresheet, he's been one of the more consistent players for the Buds and there is no doubt he'll be looking to have more of an impact.

Well over 20 games into the year, Matthews has once again cemented himself as an elite goal scorer in the NHL, kicking off the season with back-to-back hat tricks in the Maple Leafs' first two games of the sea-

son — a record only achieved by four other players: Alex Ovechkin (2017-18) and Cy Denneny, Joe Malone and Reg Noble (all 1917-18) in NHL history.

However, the Kings significantly outplayed the Leafs in just about every area of their last matchup. Cam Talbot, who is having a Vezina Trophy type of season, provided stellar goaltending, stopping 29 of 30 shots, with the Kings getting solid contributions all around from Anze Kopitar, Trevor Moore, Pierre-Luc Dubois, Kevin Fiala, Phillip Danault, Arthur Kaliyev, Quinton Byfield and Andres Englund.

Despite John Tavares being the lone forward to score, fans can remain optimistic as Matthews has not been held off the scoresheet in more than four games this season, proving his resilience even when things aren't going his way. Last season, Matthews battled through injuries and, despite all that, racked up 85 points in 75 games.

Pushing for another historic season of excellence, Matthews and the Maple Leafs will look to knock the Kings off of their winning ways, beginning their three-game road trip Tuesday, Jan. 2, at Crypto.com Arena in Los Angeles, with all the action airing live on ESPN+.

Family Favorites



Emmet Brickowski in "The LEGO Movie"

Sunday

TOON 5 p.m.

The LEGO Movie

An ordinary LEGO figurine (voiced by Chris Pratt) is mistakenly identified as an extraordinary being who is the key to saving the world. Drafted into a fellowship of strangers, Emmet embarks on a quest to stop an evil tyrant (Will Ferrell).

Monday

FX 7 a.m.

Solo: A Star Wars Story

Young Han Solo (Alden Ehrenreich) stars in this 2018 film, following as the smuggler searches for a ship to complete a job. He comes across Lando Calrissian (Donald Glover), the owner of the perfect vessel for the dangerous mission: the Millennium Falcon.

Tuesday

13 **24** 12:30 p.m.

Nature Cat

Nature Cat and his friends continue their exploration of the great outdoors in this all-new episode, in which the gang comes across a fluffe of baby bunnies during a game of tag, and bouncy castles in Nature Cat's backyard block the path for wildlife.

Wednesday

Freeform 4:30 p.m.

Abominable

After discovering a Yeti, three teens must embark on an epic quest to reunite the magical creature with his family. In order to do so, however, they must stay one step ahead of a financier and a zoologist who want to capture the beast for their own gain.

24 5 p.m.

NOVA

Travel back to prehistoric times with a chilly installment of this docuseries (focusing on science, the natural world and human history), in which paleontologists discover that dinosaurs thrived in unlikely places such as the cold and dark Arctic Circle.

Thursday

Freeform 6 p.m.

Freaky Friday

Two fortune cookies cause an engaged psychotherapist (Jamie Lee Curtis) and her teenage daughter (Lindsay Lohan) to magically exchange bodies during this 2003 film. The swaps continue, as "The Parent Trap" (1998) airs immediately following.

Friday

13 **24** 8:30 a.m.

Curious George

In this new episode, when a storm spoils his fun, George learns about rain's journey from the sky to the faucet; George finds a mysterious creature in the park and, along with Mr. Zoobel and Compass, he learns that pigeons of a feather flock together.

Saturday

DISN 8:30 a.m.

Rio

When a flightless, domesticated macaw named Blu and his human friend Linda travel to Rio de Janeiro in hopes of finding the last surviving female of his kind in the wild, animal smugglers soon intervene with their plans. An airing of "Rio 2" follows.

HBO 3:50 p.m.

The Flash

Worlds collide when the Flash (Ezra Miller) travels back in time to change the events of the past. As his attempt to save his family alters the future, he becomes trapped in a dangerous reality in which General Zod (Michael Shannon) has returned.

New Releases

The Marsh King's Daughter

Helena Pelletier (Ridley), a seemingly ordinary mother, secretly plots to kill the man responsible for her traumatic family past after he escapes prison intent on retribution. Having kept her scandalous history a secret — being the daughter of the "Marsh King" (Mendelsohn), the man responsible for holding her mother, Beth (Pistorius), captive for two years in the wilderness — Helena must confront her origins by outsmarting the most dangerous man she's known in his natural element.

Director: Neil Burger. Stars: Daisy Ridley, Ben Mendelsohn, Garrett Hedlund, Caren Pistorius, Dan Abramovici, Brooklynn Prince, Gil Birmingham. 2023. 108 mins. Drama.

Under the Boardwalk

Tensions rise when the annual summer gathering of land crabs and sea crabs commences underneath a New Jersey boardwalk. Timid land crab Armen (Cera) is reluctant to socialize with the vacationing sea crabs, but begrudgingly does so at the urging of his party-loving friends, Bobby (Cannavale), Jimmy (Rudnitsky) and Manny (Magaro). Separated from his friends and having accidentally drawn the wrath of arrogant sea crab Mako (Brand), Armen's fears of socializing

seem valid, until a timely encounter with tourist Ramona (Palmer). Suddenly caught in a flash wave separating them from crab civilization, the pair must use all their claws and courage to make it home and unite their friends and families.

Director: David Soren. Stars: Keke Palmer, Michael Cera, Bobby Cannavale, John Magaro, Russell Brand, Jon Rudnitsky, Steven Van Zandt, Ron Funches, Shoshannah Stern. 2023. 83 mins. Animation.

Showdown at the Grand

Devoted but unsuccessful at operating his beloved cinema, George Fuller (Howard) faces the challenge of dwindling crowds while predatory mobsters seek to acquire his property through any means necessary. Hoping to draw an audience, George arranges a special screening celebrating the reclusive action film icon Claude Luc Hallyday (Lundgren), who shockingly agrees to attend. Unaware that his theater remains the final piece to real estate mogul Miss Shrader's (Righetti) development plan, the pair's silver screen fantasies come to reality in a violent showdown.

Director: Orson Oblowitz. Stars: Dolph Lundgren, Terrence Howard, Amanda Righetti, John Savage, Piper Curda, Mike Ferguson, Jon Sklaroff. 2023. 92 mins. Action.



Garrett Hedlund in "The Marsh King's Daughter"

taste tv

Streamers stun

the best cooking shows of 2023

By Caroline Collacutt
TV Media

There's a lot to sink your teeth into when it comes to watching TV. If cooking mayhem and breaking baking boundaries are your thing, these series — currently available to stream — might just be for you:

"Chef's Table" (Netflix): Following a different top-tier chef in each episode, this docuseries has traveled from Italy to Thailand to Peru, highlighting culinary innovation, techniques and cooking philosophies. Currently, six seasons of "Chef's Table" are available, with more seasons coming soon. With 30 visually stunning episodes and two additional spinoff series — "Chef's Table: France" and "Chef's Table: BBQ" — there is sure to be an episode to fit everyone's taste, making mouths water and stomachs grumble coast to coast.

"Hell's Kitchen" (Prime Video): Gordon Ramsay is back and hotter than ever. With 21 seasons to binge and Season 22 on the air, this series proves a fan-favorite, following Ramsay as he puts 18 aspiring chefs through the gauntlet of his "fiery" command, each given a spot in his intense, high-octane culinary academy. The chefs are separated into two teams, each led by previous culinary "graduates."

"Secret Chef" (Disney+): This series, created by chef David Chang ("Ugly Delicious"), welcomes chefs — from "professional chefs and home cooks to social media influencers," according to Disney — to take part in an unusual cooking challenge, in which each chef is isolated in a secret subterranean kitchen, each connected by a series of conveyor belts. With no judges (and only an animated talking hat for guidance), the



Mashama Bailey as seen in "Chef's Table"

chefs are tasked with performing a series of cooking challenges, before they must then rate each other's dishes through blind taste tests.

"Ciao House" (Prime Video): Tuscany, dubbed the epicenter of Italian culture and cuisine, acts as the backdrop for this new series, which premiered in 2023. Judged and hosted by Alex Guarnaschelli ("Alex Vs. America") and Gabriele Bertaccini ("Say I Do"), "Ciao House" asks 10 chefs to live and cook together in a breathtaking Italian villa as they are put through a gauntlet of tests to determine their mastery of the local cuisine. Navigating alliances and rivalries, these chefs must prove they have what it takes

to win a life-changing culinary education.

"Baking Impossible" (Netflix): Showcasing "bakineering" at its finest, this one-season series, hosted by Justin Willman ("Magic for Humans"), welcomes pairs of contestants to try their hand at the world of extreme baking, asking them to complete challenges that combine baking with engineering (see: "bakineering") with someone they've previously never met. Each team — composed of one baker and one engineer — has 18 hours to complete their projects, at which point their creations face stress tests and taste tests by the judges, who then eliminate the weakest pair.

Cooking this week

SUNDAY

10 a.m. (A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
10:30 a.m. (A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
11 a.m. (A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) Girl Meets Farm
11:30 a.m. (7) Recipe Rehab
(A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) Girl Meets Farm
Noon (A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) Delicious Miss Brown
12:30 p.m. (A&E) Legends of the Fork
(FOOD) Delicious Miss Brown
1 p.m. (FOOD) The Kitchen
2 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
3 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
4 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
5 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
5:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
6 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
6:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
7 p.m. (46) (53) Hell's Kitchen
(FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
7:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
8 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
8:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
9 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

MONDAY

10 a.m. (FOOD) Tournament of Champions
Noon (FOOD) Tournament of Champions
2 p.m. (FOOD) Tournament of Champions
4 p.m. (FOOD) Tournament of Champions
6 p.m. (FOOD) Tournament of Champions
8 p.m. (FOOD) Kids Baking Championship

TUESDAY

10 a.m. (FOOD) Chopped
11 a.m. (FOOD) Chopped
Noon (FOOD) Chopped
1 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
2 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
3 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
4 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
5 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
6 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
7 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
8 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
9 p.m. (FOOD) Superchef Grudge Match

WEDNESDAY

10 a.m. (FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
10:30 a.m. (FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
11 a.m. (FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
Noon (FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
1 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
2 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
3 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
4 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
5 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
6 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
7 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
8 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games
9 p.m. (FOOD) Guy's Grocery Games

THURSDAY

10 a.m. (FOOD) Superchef Grudge Match
11 a.m. (FOOD) Superchef Grudge Match
Noon (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay

12:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
1 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
1:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
2 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
2:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
3 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
3:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
4 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
4:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
5 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
6 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
6:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
7 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
8 p.m. (46) (53) Hell's Kitchen
(FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
8:30 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay
9 p.m. (FOOD) Beat Bobby Flay

FRIDAY

10 a.m. (FOOD) Food Paradise
11 a.m. (FOOD) Food Paradise
Noon (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
1 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
1:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
2 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
2:30 p.m. (24) A Taste of History
(FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
3 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
3:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
4 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
5 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
5:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
6 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
7 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
7:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
8 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
8:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
9 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

SATURDAY

10 a.m. (13) QED Cooks
(FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
10:30 a.m. (13) America's Test Kitchen
(FOOD) The Pioneer Woman
11 a.m. (13) Christopher Kimball's Milk Street
Television
(FOOD) The Kitchen
11:30 a.m. (6) Recipe Rehab
(13) Christina Cooks: Back to the
Cutting Board
Noon (13) Pati's Mexican Table
(24) TasteMAKERS
(FOOD) Guy's Ranch Kitchen
12:30 p.m. (13) The Dooky Chase Kitchen:
Leah's Legacy
(FOOD) Guy's Ranch Kitchen
1 p.m. (13) Cook's Country
(FOOD) Chopped
2 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
3 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
4 p.m. (FOOD) Chopped
4:30 p.m. (24) Christopher Kimball's Milk
Street Television
5 p.m. (24) Cook's Country
(FOOD) Chopped
5:30 p.m. (24) America's Test Kitchen
6 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
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8 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
8:30 p.m. (FOOD) Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

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"CMA Country Christmas"

Still in the mood for Christmas cheer? Well, Disney+ has that covered with the 14th annual "CMA Country Christmas" available to stream now. Hosted by country singers Amy Grant ("Find a Way") and Trisha Yearwood ("How Do I Live"), this annual concert special gathers the biggest musical acts in country for a night to celebrate all things Christmas and stunning performances of holiday favorites, such as "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Joy to the World" and "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch." In addition to the hosts, this one-hour special features performances from Ashley McBryde ("One Night Standards"), Jon Pardi ("Last Night Lonely"), Jordan Davis ("Buy Dirt"), Lady A ("Need You Now"), Lainey Wilson

("Watermelon Moonshine"), Lindsey Stirling ("Shatter Me"), The War and Treaty ("Five More Minutes") and Zach Williams ("There Was Jesus"). As a production by the Country Music Association, "CMA Country Christmas" is directed by Milton Sneed ("CMT Insider"), written by Jon Macks ("Weakest Link") and executively produced by Robert Deaton ("American Saturday Night: Live from the Grand Ole Opry," 2015).

"LEGO Marvel Avengers: Code Red"

Want introduce the kids to the fantastical superheroes of Marvel, but they don't have the attention span to sit through a MCU film? Fortunately, LEGO has a series of kid-friendly films that shrinks the large-than-life heroes into bite-sized spectacles. The latest of which is "LEGO Marvel Avengers: Code Red," currently available for streaming on Disney+. After defeating Hydra for the umpteenth time, the Avengers assemble

to celebrate. However, the good times are quickly interrupted when superheroes start going missing across the globe, including Black Widow's (Laura Bailey, "The Legend of Vox Machina") father, Red Guardian (Trevor Devall, "Guardians of the Galaxy"). The Avengers' investigation leads them to a menacing foe unlike any they've ever faced: The Collector (Haley Joel Osment, "The Sixth Sense," 1999). Can Marvel's premiere superhero team save their peers from The Collector's grasp? Or will they become the newest additions to The Collector's collection? Laura Bailey is joined on the Avengers by Mick Wingert ("Marvel Studios' What If...?") as Iron Man, Roger Craig Smith ("Sonic Boom") as Steve Rogers, Travis Willingham ("Critical Role") as Thor, Fred Tatasciore ("Star Trek: Lower Decks") as Hulk, James Mathis III ("Avengers Assemble") as Black Panther, Bumper Robinson ("Justice League: Doom," 2012) as Sam Wilson and Steve



Amy Grant and Trisha Yearwood host "CMA Country Christmas"

Blum ("Star Wars: Rebels") as Wolverine. Additional voices include Laura Post ("The Promised Neverland"), Liam O'Brien ("Naruto: Shippuden") and Will Friedle ("Boy Meets World"). Furthermore, the movie is

directed by Ken Cunningham ("The LEGO Star Wars Holiday Special," 2020) and written by Eugene Son ("Blade Runner: Black Lotus") and Harrison Wilcox ("Spidey and His Amazing Friends").



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	C	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	S1	S2		
2	KDKA	2	◀ NFL Football (L) (N)			New Year's Eve Live: Nashville's Big Bash Celebrating the new year with country music superstars; Elle King and Rachel Smith host. (L) (N)				News at Eleven (N)	New Year's Eve Live Celebrating the new year with country music superstars. (L) (N) ▶			2	2		
4	WTAE	4	ABC World News (N)	Action News 4 (N)	The Year: Countdown to 2024 (N)	Dick Clark's Primetime New Year's "Part 1" Ryan Seacrest, Rita Ora and Jeannie Mai host festivities. (L) (N)			To Be Announced	Dick Clark's New Year's "Part 2" (L) (N)		Dick Clark's "Part 1" (N) ▶		4	4		
5	WDTV	5	◀ NFL Football (L) (N)			New Year's Eve Live: Nashville's Big Bash (L) (N)				5 News	New Year's Eve Live (L) (N) ▶			-	-		
7	WTRF	-	◀ NFL Football (L) (N)			New Year's Eve Live: Nashville's Big Bash (L) (N)				TBA	New Year's Eve Live (L) (N) ▶			-	-		
9	WTOV	-	News 9 at Six (L) (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Football Night in America (L) (N)	NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Minnesota Vikings The Vikings continue their stretch against NFC North foes in this prime-time tilt with the Packers. (L) (N)					News 9 Tonight (N)		-	-			
11	WPXI	11	Channel 11	NBC News	Football Night (L) (N)	NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Minnesota Vikings From U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis. (L) (N)					Channel 11 ▶		11	11			
12	WBOY	12	12 News	NBC News	Football Night (L) (N)	NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Minnesota Vikings From U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis. (L) (N)					12 News		-	-			
13	WQED	13	PBS News Weekend	Life in the Heart Land	All Creatures Great "Merry Bloody Christmas"	NEXT at the Kennedy Center (N)		Great Performances "Lea Salonga in Concert"		Lionel Richie: The Library of Congress	The Seaside Hotel "We're Not Talking About That"			13	13		
22	WCWB	22	9-1-1 "Past Is Prologue"		Scooby-Doo, Where Are You Now!	Christmas With The Chosen: Holy Night				Marketplace Pittsburgh	Seinfeld "The Barber"	Paid Program	Paid Program	19	19		
24	WNPB	8	PBS News Weekend (N)	WVU	Our House	NEXT at the Kennedy Center (N)		NEXT at the Kennedy Center		Lionel Richie: The Library of Congress	Austin City Limits "Cimafunk and The Tribe"			-	-		
46	WVFX	14	◀ NFL Football Pittsburgh Steelers at Seattle Seahawks		Hell's Kitchen "A Hellish Food Fight"	The Simpsons	Krapopolis	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	S.W.A.T. "Local Heroes"	Gray Sports World	Carcass		-	-		
53	WPGH	6	◀ NFL Football		Hell's Kitchen	Simpsons	Krapopolis	Burgers	Family Guy	Channel 11 News (N)	Paid Prog.	Sheldon		53	53		
A&E	43	The First 48 "Back Street"		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48 "Cold Fury"	The First 48		▶	118	265		
AMC	63	★★ The Great Outdoors (1988, Comedy) John Candy, Stephanie Faracy, Dan Aykroyd.				★★ Sixteen Candles (1984, Comedy) Anthony Michael Hall, Michael Schoeffling, Molly Ringwald.				★★ The Great Outdoors (1988, Comedy) John Candy, Stephanie Faracy, Dan Aykroyd.				130	254		
ANPL	40	Lone Star Law "Red Flag"		Lone Star Law		Lone Star Law		Lone Star Law		Lone Star Law	Lone Star Law			184	282		
BET	61	★ Tyler Perry's A Madea Christmas ('13) Tyler Perry.				Shaquille O'Neal: Comedy				Shaq & Cedric's All Star Comedy Jam		Tiffany Haddish		▶	875	329	
BRAVO	57	◀ Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince		★★★ Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ('10) Daniel Radcliffe.				Harry Potter & the Deathly Hallows: Part 2				▶	129	237			
AT&TSP	37	NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Pittsburgh Penguins (L) (N)		Penguins (N)		Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Pittsburgh Penguins ▶				-	-			
CMT	82	◀ Movie		★★★ The Breakfast Club ('85) Emilio Estevez.				★★★ Clueless ('95) Stacey Dash, Alicia Silverstone.				Movie		166	327		
CNBC	45	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		208	355		
CNN	32	CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Special Program				CNN New Year's Eve Live with Anderson Cooper and Andy Cohen (L) (N)				▶	200	202			
COM	51	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office		107	249		
CSN	-	Inside Golf	Bensinger	Greatest	Pregame	NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Calgary Flames (L) (N)				Flyers Postgame Live (L) (N)		Postgame	▶	424	642		
DISC	53	Homestead Rescue "Where the Wild Wind Blows" A Colorado war veteran's family and stable of horses.				Homestead Rescue "Denali Double Rescue" The Raneyts tackle their first-ever dual homestead rescue.				Homestead Rescue "Stormy and Raney in Texas" A couple struggles to keep their homestead afloat.				182	278		
DISN	41	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Series Shorts (N)	The Naughty Nine ('23, Adventure) Camila Rodriguez, Anthony Joo, Winslow Fegley.		Jessie "Austin & Jessie & Ally All-Star New Year"		★★ High School Musical (2006, Children) Vanessa Hudgens, Ashley Tisdale, Zac Efron.				172	290			
EI	98	Las Vegas "Centennial"		Las Vegas "Viva Las Vegas"		Las Vegas		Las Vegas		Las Vegas		Las Vegas		114	236		
ESPN	35	ESPN Films		SportsCenter (L) (N)		SportsCenter		Inside	Inside	ESPN Films	ESPN Films		SportsCenter (L) (N)	140	206		
ESPN2	36	AKC National Dog Championship				2023 AKC Agility Invitational				AKC Events			144	209			
EWTN	265	Benedict XVI	Crux	Sunday Mass		Litany	Catholics	Life/Rock	Rosary	Christmas Concert		I Forgive		261	370		
FLIX	235	★★ American Gigolo ('80) Lauren Hutton, Richard Gere.		★★★ The Host ('06) Byun Hee-bong, Song Kang-ho.				★★ Teeth ('07) John Hensley, Jess Weixler.				Movie		333	557		
FNC	33	Fox Report (L) (N)		The Big Weekend Show (N)		Costner	Tom Cru	Will Smith	Who is Harris	Who Can Forget? (N)		A New Year with Tyrus (N)		205	360		
FOOD	39	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	110	231		
Freeform	50	★★★ National Treasure ('04) Diane Kruger, Justin Bartha, Nicolas Cage.				★★★ National Treasure: Book of Secrets ('07) Jon Voight, Harvey Keitel, Nicolas Cage.				Movie				180	311		
FX	47	★★★ Iron Man 2 ('10) Robert Downey Jr..				★★★ Black Widow (2021, Action) Florence Pugh, David Harbour, Scarlett Johansson.				★★★ Black Widow				▶	136	248	
GOLF	38	◀ PGA Tour Golf		PGA Tour Golf 2023 TOUR Championship, Final Round From Aug. 27, 2023.										401	218		
HALL	255	The Way Home		The Way Home				Sealed With a List ('23) Evan Roderick, Katie Findlay.		Three Wise Men and a Baby ('22) Paul Campbell.				185	312		
HBO	201	★★★ Mad Max: Fury Road ('15) Tom Hardy.		★★★ Avatar ('09) Zoe Saldana, Sigourney Weaver, Sam Worthington.				★★★ Avatar: The Way of Water				▶	300	501			
HBO2	202	Succession "Tailgate Party"		Succession "Church and State"				Succession "With Open Eyes"				★★ Serendipity		▶	301	502	
HGTV	58	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	112	229		
HIST	31	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens				Ancient Aliens: Declassified "Mysterious Hotspots" Incredible new UFO accounts are coming to light.				▶	120	269			
LIFE	29	Boy in the Walls ('23) Ryan Michelle Bathé.		Murdaugh Murders: The Movie "Part 1"				Murdaugh Murders: The Movie "Part 2"				▶	108	252			
MAX	270	★★★ A View to a Kill ('85) Roger Moore.		★★ Wonderland ('03) Val Kilmer.				★ Law Abiding Citizen ('09) Gerard Butler, Jamie Foxx.				Movie		310	515		
MMAX	271	★★★ Paycheck Ben Affleck.		★★ Unbreakable ('00) Samuel L. Jackson, Bruce Willis.				★ Cyborg ('89) Jean-Claude Van Damme.				★★ John Carpenter's Escape From L.A.		▶	312	517	
MSNBC	266	Top Stories of 2023		Inside With Jen Psaki		Periodical (2023, Documentary) Angel Shari Brown.		Loan Wolves						209	356		
MTV	49	★★ How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days ('03) Kate Hudson.				★★★★ Titanic (1997, History) Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio.								▶	160	331	
NEWSN	27	Blue Bloods		NewsNation Prime (L) (N)		NewsNation Prime (L) (N)		NewsNation Prime (L) (N)		NewsNation Prime		NewsNation Prime		239	307		
NICK	42	◀ Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted				★★★ Sing ('16) Voices of Reese Witherspoon, Matthew McConaughey.				Friends		Friends	Friends	170	299		
PARMT	59	Yellowstone		Yellowstone "Keep the Wolves Close"				Yellowstone		Yellowstone				168	241		
SHO	221	Dexter: New Blood		Dexter: New Blood		Mayor of Kingstown (N)		The Curse (N)		★★ Beau Is Afraid ('23) Patti LuPone, Joaquin Phoenix. ▶				318	545		
SHO2	222	◀ Earth Mama Tia Nomore.		The Curse "Self-Exclusion"		★ Mafia Mamma ('23) Toni Collette.		★★★ Everything Everywhere All at Once ('22) Michelle Yeoh.				▶	320	547			
SYFY	54	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	122	244		
TBS	34	★★ The Hangover Part III ('13) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.				★★★ The Hangover ('09) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.				★★ The Hangover Part II ('11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.				139	247		
TCM	141	★★★ An Affair to Remember ('57) Cary Grant.				★★ Spaceballs ('87) Mel Brooks.				★★ Top Secret! ('84) Lucy Gutteridge, Val Kilmer.				Movie		132	256
TLC	52	90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé "Pillow Talk: Single All the Way" (N)				Sister Wives (N)		Sister Wives				183	280		
TNT	56	Movie		★★★ Ant-Man and the Wasp ('18) Evangeline Lilly, Paul Rudd.				★★★ Avengers: Infinity War ('18) Chris Hemsworth, Josh Brolin, Robert Downey Jr..				138	245				
TOON	83	★★★ The LEGO Movie		Burgers		Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	Rick	Rick	Rick	176	296	
TRAV	46	Paranormal Cam.		Paranormal Cam.		Paranormal Cam.		Paranormal Cam.		Monster of the Loch				215	277		
TRUTV	259	Imp. Jokers		Imp. Jokers		Imp. Jokers		Imp. Jokers		Imp. Jokers		Imp. Jokers		204	246		
TVLAND	60	Mike		Mike		Two Men		Two Men		Two Men		Seinfeld		106	304		
USA	55	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		▶	105	242	
VH1	48	★★★ Bridesmaids ('11, Com) Maya Rudolph, Rose Byrne, Kristen Wiig.				★★★ Mean Girls ('04, Com) Rachel McAdams, Tina Fey, Lindsay Lohan.				★★ Ghostbusters				▶	162	335	
WE	140	S.W.A.T. "Family"		S.W.A.T. "Incoming"		S.W.A.T. "Quandary"		S.W.A.T. "Zodiac"		S.W.A.T. "Farewell"		S.W.A.T. "Thai Hard"		128	260		
TMC	351	★★★ Akeelah and the Bee ('06) Laurence Fishburne.				★★★ Dirty Dancing ('87) Jennifer Grey.				★★★ Mystic Pizza ('88) Annabeth Gish, Julia Roberts.				Movie		327	554

Sunday Best Bets



Rachel Smith co-hosts "New Year's Eve Live: Nashville's Big Bash"

90 Day Fiancé

TLC 6 p.m.

Your favorites are in the holiday spirit and ready to watch the naughtiest moments of 2023. Patrick and John, Kalani and Kolini, Jovi and Yara, Elizabeth and Andrei, and Robert and Anny roast chestnuts and kiss under the mistletoe as they watch along!

New Year's Eve Live: Nashville's Big Bash

2 6 7 7:30 p.m.

Live from Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park in Nashville, Tenn., ring in the new year with America's favorite country music superstars. Hosted by Elle King and Rachel Smith, expect performances from Thomas Rhett, Lainey Wilson and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

NEXT at the Kennedy Center

13 24 8 p.m.

Filmed live from the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. comes a New Year's Eve celebration like no other. Join Cynthia Erivo and her friends, Ben Platt and Joaquina Kalukango, as they ring in the new year with stunning musical performances.



hulu this week

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“Good Trouble” - Season 5, Part 2

Anyone who has ever been a teenager (or looked after one) knows that there are two kinds of trouble: the bad kind and the good kind. Digging deeper into all life has to offer, Season 5 of the Freeform young adult series “Good Trouble” returns Wednesday, Jan. 3, on Hulu with Part 2. A spinoff of the hit family TV show “The Fosters,” “Good Trouble” follows the lives of the 20-something residents of Los Angeles’ The Coterie, centering on sisters Callie (Maia Mitchell, “The Artful Dodger”) and Mariana Adams Foster (Cierra Ramirez, “The Secret Life of the American Teenager”). This season, “the roommates will face their toughest obstacles yet as they’re confronted with evolving relationship challenges and new career opportunities. Through highs and lows, romance and heartbreak, The Coterie crew will lean on each other while they navigate the next stage of adulthood” (per Freeform). From series creators Bradley Bredeweg, Joanna Johnson and Peter Paige, all of whom previously produced “The Fosters,” this season sees series star and executive producer Ramirez going behind the camera, making her directing debut with Episode 5014. Zuri Adele (“Under the Dome”), Sherry Cola (“Claws”), Bryan Craig (“General Hospital”), Emma Hunton (“Angel”), Tommy Martinez (“Hunters”), Josh Pence (“The Man in the High Castle”)

and Booboo Stewart (“Descendants,” 2015) also star.

“The ABCs of Death” (2012)

Do you know your ABCs? Then maybe you’ll survive: From the nightmarish mind of Ant Timpson (“The Field Guide to Evil,” 2018), “The ABCs of Death” (2012) and its sequel, “ABCs of Death 2” (2014), will both be available to stream on Hulu as of Sunday, Dec. 31. The first film in this anthology series features 26 horror-and-death-themed shorts (one for every letter of the alphabet), with each short made by a different filmmaker, spanning from 15 countries worldwide. The shorts range from “A is for Apocalypse” to “Z is for Zetsumetsu,” written and directed by the likes of Nacho Vigalondo (“Stories to Stay Awake”), Adrian Garcia Bogliano (“Night of the Wolf,” 2014), Marcel Sarmiento (“Totem,” 2017) and others. With an impressive and expansive cast, the features within “The ABCs of Death” star: Eva Llorach (“Magical Girl,” 2014), Harold Torres (“Memory,” 2022), Matias Oviedo (“Sr. Larrain,” 2018), Steve Berens (“V/H/S Viral,” 2014), Ingrid Bolso Bernal (“Hercules,” 2014), Adriana Paz (“The Empty Hours,” 2013), Epy Kusnandar (“V/H/S/2,” 2013), Tipper Newton (“The Mindy Project”), Adam Wingard (“You’re Next,” 2011), Peter Pedrero (“Final Score,” 2018), Neil Maskell (“Hijack”), Laurie Rose (“Peaky Blinders”), Kyra Zagorsky (“The 100”), Chems Dahmani (“From Paris with Love,” 2010), Rylan Logan (“Call Me Fitz”),



Cierra Ramirez stars in “Good Trouble”

Hiroko Yashiki (“Tokyo Dragon Chef,” 2020) and many, many more.

“V/H/S” (2012)

The first in this series of “found footage” horror anthology films – first conceptualized by Brad Miska (“Kids vs. Aliens,” 2022) – “V/H/S” (2012) will be available for viewers to stream as of Sunday,

Dec. 31, on Hulu, alongside its sequels: “V/H/S/2” (2013) and “V/H/S:Viral” (2014), both available the same day. With shorts directed by Matt Bettinelli-Olpin (“Scream VI,” 2023), David Bruckner (“The Ritual,” 2017), Glenn McQuaid (“I Sell the Dead,” 2008), Ti West (“Pearl,” 2022) and more, this first film follows as a group of misfits break into a desolate, abandoned

house, where they find a VHS tape that holds far more footage – and inspires far more fear – than any party bargained for. “V/H/S” stars Calvin Lee Reeder (“The Oregonian,” 2011), Lane Hughes (“Pop Skull,” 2007), Hannah Fierman (“Dead by Midnight (Y2Kill),” 2022), Mike Donlan (“A Is for Alex,” 2014), Joe Swanberg (“You’re Next,” 2011) and many others.



A scene from “The ABCs of Death”



Calvin Lee Reeder in V/H/S

prime video **this week**

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"Foe" (2023)

Exploring the journey and hardships of marriage and identity, the sci-fi thriller "Foe," based on the novel by bestselling author Iain Reid, makes its streaming debut Friday, Jan. 5, on Prime Video. On a secluded piece of land that's belonged to the same family for generations, Hen (Saoirse Ronan, "Little Women," 2019) and Junior (Paul Mescal, "Normal People") lead a quiet life as humble farmers. When an uninvited stranger named Terrance (Aaron Pierre, "Krypton") shows up at their door with a startling proposal, Hen and Junior find their world thrown into chaos. On this uncertain new journey, the couple have to decide if risking their relationship and personal identities is worth a chance at survival in a new world. Directed by Garth Davis ("Lion," 2016) and co-written by Davis and Reid, "Foe" is executive produced by Davis, Iain Canning ("Slow Horses"), Kerry Kohansky-Roberts ("Berlin Station") and Emile Sherman ("Heartstopper").

"James May: Our Man in India" - Season 3

Continuing on his adventure of a lifetime — after exploring Japan and Italy in seasons 1 and 2, respectively — James May ("The Grand Tour") takes on his greatest trek yet in "James May: Our Man in India," premiering Friday, Jan. 5, on Prime Video. Traveling 3,000 miles in an epic coast-to-coast adventure across India, May kicks off his journey by the



Saoirse Ronan and Paul Mescal star in "Foe"

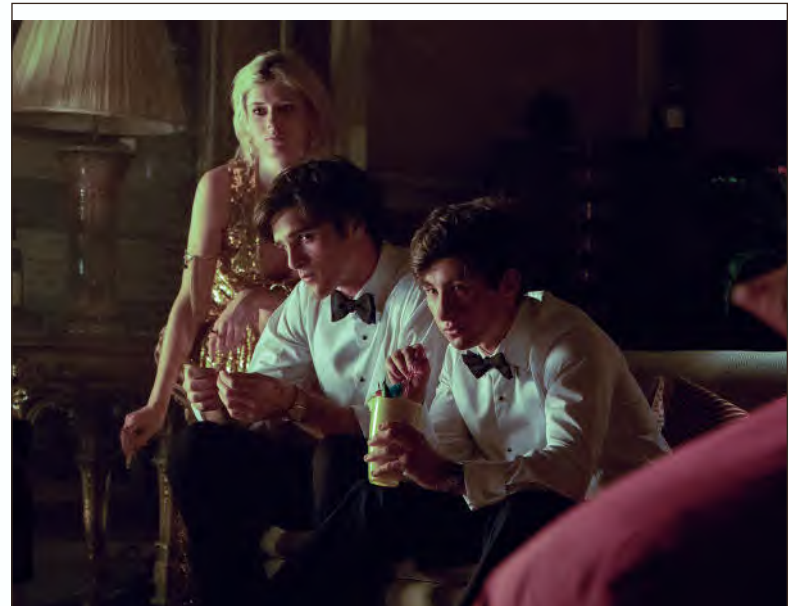
Arabian Sea, exploring everything from the deserts of Rajasthan, the dramatic Himalayan foothills and the mangrove forests of the Sundarbans, to the global megacities of Mumbai, Delhi and Kolkata, before concluding his trip at the Bay of Bengal. "James' task is to go full immersion: meeting the locals, eating the food and trying his hand at everything from the ancient art of kite flying through to a bit-part acting role in a regional television program. And to help him navi-

gate this endlessly fascinating country, he'll be joined along the way by knowledgeable guides, all strong characters who'll act as his sounding board and who won't be afraid to call out his (many) cultural faux pas" (per Prime Video). Directed by Tom Whitter ("James May's Cars of the People"), Bill Bailey ("Deadliest Mums & Dads") and Frankie Fathers ("Egypt From Above"), the series features writing by Henry Dalton ("James May's Cars of the People") and James May.

maker Emerald Fennell, the dark and comedic psychological thriller, "Saltburn" (2023), is now available to stream on Prime Video. Starring Barry Keoghan ("The Banshees of Inisherin," 2022) and Jacob Elordi ("Euphoria"), the film follows as a young, scholarship student at Oxford University, Oliver Quick (Keoghan) is invited to spend his summer at the home of the charming and aristocratic Felix Catton (Elordi): Saltburn, a gorgeous and expansive estate. Drawn deeper into the other boy's world, Oliver begins a summer that neither will ever forget. With an impressive cast that also features Rosamund Pike ("Gone Girl," 2014), Carey Mulligan ("Promising Young Woman," 2020), Archie Madekwe ("Midsommar," 2019), Sadie Soverall ("Fate: The Winx Saga"), Millie Kent ("The Shepherd," 2023), Tasha Lim ("The Power"), Aleah Aberdeen ("Grantchester"), Ewan Mitchell ("House of the Dragon"), Reece Shearsmith ("The League of Gentlemen"), Gabriel Bisset-Smith ("I Came By," 2022), Glyn Grimstead ("Spearhead"), Paul Rhys ("Chaplin," 1992), and newcomers Will Gibson, Matthew Carver, Saga Spjuth-Sall and Richie Cotterell, "Saltburn" has also earned Golden Globe nominations for both Keoghan and Pike.

"Saltburn" (2023)

The latest feature written and directed by "Promising Young Woman" (2020) film-



Alison Oliver, Jacob Elordi and Barry Keoghan star in "Saltburn"



James May stars in "James May: Our Man in India"

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“Fool Me Once”

Adapted from Harlan Coben’s 2016 novel of the same name, the mystery drama series “Fool Me Once” premieres Monday, Jan. 1, on Netflix. After the brutal murder of her husband, Joe (Richard Armitage, “The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey,” 2012), Maya Stern (Michelle Keegan, “Brassic”) is grieving and attempting to come to terms when her new reality. But when Maya installs a nanny cam to keep an eye on her young daughter, she is shocked to see a man who looks to be her husband in her house. As DS Sami Kierce (Adeel Akhtar, “Utopia”) leads the homicide investigation into Joe’s death while grappling with secrets of his own, Maya’s niece and nephew search for answers to their mother’s murder, which took place mere months earlier. Taken on a thrilling hunt for the truth, these characters are on a collision course with shocking secrets that will change their lives forever. Directed by David Moore (“Outlander”) and Nimer Rashed (“Doctors”), “Fool Me Once” also stars Emmett J. Scanlan (“Kin”), Dino Fetscher (“Foundation”), Marcus Garvey (“Broadchurch”), Hattie Morahan (“Beauty and the Beast,” 2017), James Northcote (“The Imitation Game,” 2014), Danya Griver (“Malory Towers”), Daniel Burt (“A Very British Scandal”), Adelle Leonce (“A Discovery of Witches”) and Natalia Kostorzewa (“Rosie,” 2018).

“Society of the Snow” (2023)

Based on a harrowing true story, the Spanish biographical drama film “Society of



A scene from “Society of the Snow”

the Snow” premieres Thursday, Jan. 4, on Netflix. In 1972, a Uruguayan Air Force Flight was chartered to fly a rugby team to Chile but suffered a catastrophic crash on a glacier in the heart of the Andes along the way. Out of the 45 passengers on board, 29 survived the crash. Then, finding themselves lost and unprepared in one of the world’s toughest environments, the survivors are forced to resort to extreme measures to stay alive. Directed by J.A. Bayona (“The Impossible,” 2012) and written by Bayona, Nicolás Casariego (“Intruders,” 2011) and Jaime Marques (“Thieves,” 2007), the film stars Enzo Vogrincic (“Yosi, the Regretful Spy”), Matías Recalt (“Apache: The Life of Carlos

Tevez”), Agustín Pardella (“Secrets of Summer”), Esteban Bigliardi (“The Delinquents,” 2023), Simon Hempe (“Intertwined”), Rafael Federman (“The Sleepwalkers,” 2019), Andy Pruss (“Alemania,” 2023) and Carlitos Paez (“Stranded,” 2007).

“Bitconned” (2023)

New innovations mean new opportunities to make it big — and some will work to make it happen no matter the cost. The new true crime documentary “Bitconned,”

premiering on Netflix Monday, Jan. 1, dives into the story of Ray Trapani, who became the central character in the first high-profile fraud case of the crypto era. In 2017, the economic frenzy of the Bitcoin boom was a wonderland of opportunity for scammers. So when Ray’s friend approached him with the idea of creating a debit card for crypto, Trapani jumped at the chance — even if he had no idea how to actually do that. But with perseverance, fake LinkedIn profiles, paid celebrity endorsements and the online

community’s insatiable desire to “get rich quick,” his company, Centra Tech, saw a meteoric rise that soon had them pulling in millions of dollars a day — even though none of it was real. Now, Trapani himself guides viewers through his dramatic journey, while interviews with his family, former friends and the journalist who exposed Centra Tech paint a vivid portrait of the events. Directed by Bryan Storkel (“The Pez Outlaw,” 2022), “Bitconned” features writing by Jonathan Ignatius Green (“Social Animals,” 2018).

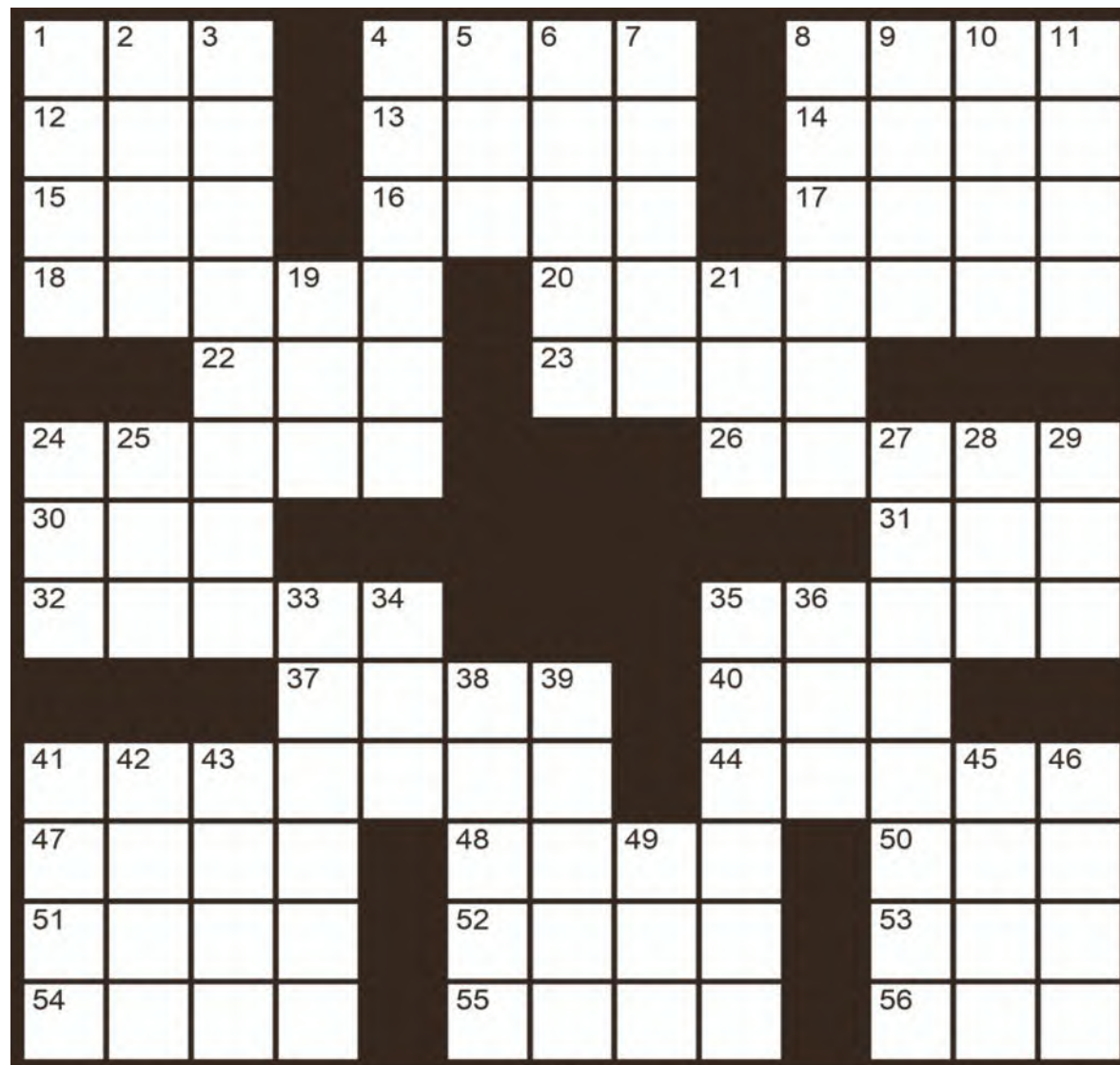


Raymond Trapani, subject of “Bitconned”



Michelle Keegan stars in “Fool Me Once”

Television Crossword



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Across

- 1. Electrical unit
- 4. Actors on screen
- 8. Signs of approval
- 12. Smartphone predecessor:
Abbr.
- 13. Singer Guthrie
- 14. Put out
- 15. Ostrich relative
- 16. Close by
- 17. Actress Kendrick
- 18. First blank in "American
_____"
- 20. Second blank in
"American _____"
- 22. ___ mode (served with
ice cream)
- 23. Part of a tire
- 24. Piercing weapon

- 26. Soap opera, e.g.
- 30. Years ____
- 31. "___ Save America"
- 32. "Beauty and the ___"
- 35. Lassos
- 37. Veteran sailors
- 40. Simple tune
- 41. TV show with big red
balls
- 44. First blank in "___ is
___"
- 47. Singapore's location
- 48. Second blank in "___ is
___"
- 50. Expert
- 51. Appear
- 52. NY's ___ Canal
- 53. X lookalike
- 54. Pronoun on a towel

- 55. It might wind up on a
lake?
- 56. Darlin'

Down

- 1. Ready for business
- 2. Port on many TVs
- 3. Largest volcano in the
world
- 4. Land of Promise of the
Israelites
- 5. Exist
- 6. Certain salads
- 7. Religious scroll
- 8. Closer
- 9. Old science magazine
- 10. "Flintstones" pet
- 11. Headliner on stage
- 19. "Selena" star, familiarly

- 21. Casting need
- 24. Can opener
- 25. Ripen
- 27. Chip shot
- 28. One of the Three Stooges
- 29. They may be personal
- 33. Cooks, as some clams
- 34. Eastern way
- 35. Tennis player Nadal
- 36. Squeak-stopping
application

- 38. Desk-drawer item
- 39. It may be blank
- 41. Word with "off" or
"away"
- 42. "Gotcha"
- 43. Buttress
- 45. "Quatro y quatro"
- 46. Bridle
attachment
- 49. Contend

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	C	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	S1	S2
②	KDKA	2	KDKA-TV News at Six	News at 6:30pm (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	KDKA-TV News (N)	The Price Is Right at Night (N)	Raid the Cage "Best Friends" (N)	FBI	News at Eleven (N)	Late Show-Colbert (N)	▶	2	2	
④	WTAE	4	Action News 4 (N)	ABC World News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	Celebrity Jeopardy! (N)	Only Murders in the Building "True Crime; Who Is Tim Kono; How Well Do You Know Your Neighbors" (P) (N)	Action News 4 (N)	J. Kimmel	▶	4	4		
⑤	WDTV	5	First News	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Price Is Right (N)	Raid the Cage (N)	FBI	5 News	Colbert	▶	-	-	
⑦	WTRF	-	7News at Six (L) (N)	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Price Is Right (N)	Raid the Cage (N)	FBI	7News at Six	Colbert	▶	-	-	
⑨	WTOV	-	News 9 at Six (L) (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Night Court (N)	Extended Family (N)	America's Got Talent: Fantasy League	News 9 Tonight (N)	Tonight Show (N)	▶	-	-	
⑪	WPXI	11	Channel 11	NBC News	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Night Court	Extended	America's Got Talent: Fantasy League	News	J. Fallon	▶	11	11	
⑫	WBOY	12	News	NBC News	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel	Night Court	Extended	America's Got Talent: Fantasy League	News	J. Fallon	▶	-	-	
⑬	WQED	13	PBS NewsHour (N)	BBC News America (N)	History With David	Finding Your Roots "Born to Sing" (SP) (N)	American Masters (N)	A Citizen's Guide to Preserving Democracy (N)	Amanpour and Company (N)	13	13				
⑳	WCWB	22	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Modern Family	Modern Family	Inside the NFL Week 17 (N)	Whose Line	Whose Line	Court Cam	iCRIME - Vargas	The National Desk (L) (N)	19	19	
㉔	WNPB	8	BBC News The Context	BBC News America	PBS NewsHour (N)	Finding Your Roots "Born to Sing" (SP) (N)	American Masters (N)	A Citizen's Guide to Preserving Democracy (N)	Amanpour and Company (N)	-	-				
④⑥	WVFX	14	5 News at 6pm (N)	InvestigateTV+	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Name That Tune "TV Stars & Chart Toppers" (N)	The Floor "Let the Duel Begin" (P) (N)	WVFX News at 10:00PM	Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Package"	American Housewife	-	-	
⑤③	WPGH	6	Big Bang	News at 6:30	Big Bang	Sheldon	Name That Tune (N)	The Floor (N)	Channel 11 News (N)	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	53	53		
A&E	43	Road Wars	Road Wars	Road Wars	Road Wars	Road Wars	Road Wars	Road Wars	Customer	Customer	Road Wars	Road Wars	▶	118	265
AMC	63	★ ★ ★ Groundhog Day (1993, Romance) Andie MacDowell, Chris Elliott, Bill Murray.	★ ★ ★ Sixteen Candles (1984, Comedy) Anthony Michael Hall, Michael Schoeffling, Molly Ringwald.	★ ★ ★ Dirty Dancing (1987, Romance) Patrick Swayze, Jerry Orbach, Jennifer Grey.	▶	130	254								
ANPL	40	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	Rescue Dog to Super Dog	184	282		
BET	61	★ ★ Tyler Perry's Madea Goes to Jail ('09) Tyler Perry.	Neighbor	Neighbor	Tyler Perry's The Oval (N)	Zatima (N)	Tyler Perry's The Oval	Martin	875	329					
BRAVO	57	Housewives SLC	Housewives SLC	Housewives SLC (N)	Housewives SLC	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	129	237						
AT&TSP	37	Penguins	Pens	Penguins (N)	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals at Pittsburgh Penguins (L) (N)	Penguins (N)	Penguins Post (L) (N)	Crosby	-	-					
CMT	82	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	166	327		
CNBC	45	Mad Money (N)	Last Call (L) (N)	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	208	355		
CNN	32	Situation Room (L) (N)	E. B. OutFront (L) (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	The Source With (L) (N)	CNN NewsNight (L) (N)	Laura Coates Live (L) (N)	200	202						
COM	51	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	South Park	South Park	107	249		
CSN	-	Birds Huddle	Fantasy Football (N)	Greatest	Birds Huddle	Pregame	NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Edmonton Oilers (L) (N)	Postgame	▶	424	642				
DISC	53	Moonshiners "Shine for End Times"	Moonshiners "Ozark Outlaws to the Rescue"	Moonshiners "Moonshine is a Miracle" (N)	Moonshiners "The Ballad of Jim Tom"	Moonshiners "Master Distiller"	Moonshiners "Legend of Jim Tom"	182	278						
DISN	41	Kiff "Principal Dance Socks"	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Hailey's on It!	Hailey's on It!	Marvel's Moon Girl	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	The Villains "Guitar Hero"	The Villains	172	290	
EI	98	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	114	236		
ESPN	35	SportsCenter	College Basketball North Carolina at Pittsburgh (L) (N)	College Basketball Syracuse at Duke (L) (N)	College Basketball North Carolina at Pittsburgh (L) (N)	College Basketball Syracuse at Duke (L) (N)	College Basketball Charlotte at SMU (L) (N)	Basketball	NFL Live	▶	144	209			
ESPN2	36	ESPN BET Live	College Basketball East Carolina at Florida Atlantic (L) (N)	College Basketball Charlotte at SMU (L) (N)	College Basketball East Carolina at Florida Atlantic (L) (N)	College Basketball Charlotte at SMU (L) (N)	College Basketball Charlotte at SMU (L) (N)	Basketball	NFL Live	▶	144	209			
EWTN	265	EWTN News	I Forgive	Daily Mass: Olam	Mother Angelica Live	EWTN News	Rosary	Scripture and	Women of	Cross	261	370			
FLIX	235	★ ★ ★ Things to Do in Denver When You're Dead (P)	★ ★ Brick Mansions ('14) Paul Walker.	★ ★ Machete Kills ('13) Michelle Rodriguez.	Danny Trejo.	Movie	333	557							
FNC	33	Special Report (L) (N)	The Ingraham Angle (L) (N)	Jesse Watters (L) (N)	Hannity (L) (N)	Gutfeld! (N)	Fox News at Night (L) (N)	205	360						
FOOD	39	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped (N)	Superchef Mtn (N)	Chopped "Lighten Up"	Chopped	110	231						
Freeform	50	★ 10 Things I Hate About You	★ ★ Cruella (2021, Comedy) Emma Thompson, Joel Fry, Emma Stone.	Good Trouble (N)	The 700 Club	180	311								
FX	47	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	136	248		
GOLF	38	★ PGA Tour Golf Grant Thornton Invitational, Final Round	Golf PNC Championship, Final Day From The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club in Orlando, Fla.	▶	401	218									
HALL	255	Royal Matchmaker ('18) Will Kemp, Bethany Joy Lenz.	3 Bed, 2 Bath, 1 Ghost ('23) Chris McNally, Julie Gonzalo.	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	185	312						
HBO	201	Hard Knocks	★ ★ ★ Gran Torino ('08) Clint Eastwood.	Hard Knocks	★ ★ ★ Our Idiot Brother ('11) Paul Rudd. (P)	Movie	300	501							
HBO2	202	★ ★ ★ Mad Max: Fury Road	(15) Tom Hardy.	★ ★ Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials ('15) Dylan O'Brien.	★ ★ Watchmen	▶	301	502							
HGTV	58	Good Bones	Fixer to Fabulous (N)	Fixer to Fabulous (N)	This House (N)	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters	112	229				
HIST	31	The Curse of Oak Island	The Curse of Oak Island	The Curse of Oak Island	The Curse of Oak Island (N)	UnBelievable (N)	UnBelievable	▶	120	269					
LIFE	29	Castle "Kill the Messenger"	Castle "Love Me Dead"	Castle	Castle "The Fifth Bullet"	Castle	Castle "Sucker Punch"	▶	108	252					
MAX	270	Movie	★ ★ Slums of Beverly Hills	★ Blended ('14) Drew Barrymore, Adam Sandler.	★ ★ Office Space ('99) Ron Livingston.	Movie	310	515							
MMA	271	★ ★ ★ Jennifer's Body ('09) Megan Fox.	★ ★ The Strangers: Prey at Night (P)	★ ★ ★ Locke ('13) Ruth Wilson, Tom Hardy.	★ ★ The Hunted ('03) Tommy Lee Jones.	312	517								
MSNBC	266	The Beat With (L) (N)	The ReidOut (L) (N)	All In With (L) (N)	Alex Wagner Tonight (N)	Last Word With Lawrence	11th Hour (L) (N)	209	356						
MTV	49	Catfish: The TV Show	Catfish: The TV Show	Catfish: The TV Show (N)	Help! I'm In (N)	Help! I'm In	Help! I'm In	160	331						
NEWSN	27	Vargas Report (N)	On Balance (N)	Cuomo (N)	Dan Abrams Live (L) (N)	Banfield (N)	Cuomo	239	307						
NICK	42	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Movie	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	170	299				
PARMT	59	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	★ ★ ★ Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ('89) Sean Connery, Harrison Ford.	Indiana Jones & the Templ...	168	241						
SHO	221	★ ★ ★ Seabiscuit ('03) Jeff Bridges, Tobey Maguire. (P)	The Curse	★ ★ ★ Titanic (1997, History) Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio. (P)	▶	318	545								
SHO2	222	★ Nostalgia	★ ★ ★ The Station Agent (P)	★ ★ ★ Arrival ('16) Jeremy Renner, Amy Adams.	★ ★ ★ Jules ('23) Ben Kingsley.	Movie	320	547							
SYFY	54	★ ★ ★ Blade ('98) Stephen Dorff, Wesley Snipes.	★ ★ Blade II ('02, Horror) Kris Kristofferson, Ron Perlman, Wesley Snipes.	★ ★ ★ Kong: Skull Island Tom Hiddleston.	▶	122	244								
TBS	34	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Modern Fam.	Modern Fam.	139	247				
TCM	141	★ ★ Sex and the Single Girl ('64) Tony Curtis.	★ ★ ★ Out of the Past Robert Mitchum.	★ ★ The Big Steal ('49) Robert Mitchum.	★ ★ ★ His Kind of Woman	▶	132	256							
TLC	52	sMothered	1000-Lb. Sisters	1000-Lb. Sisters (N)	1000-Lb. Sisters (N)	sMothered (N)	90 Day: The Single Life	183	280						
TNT	56	★ ★ ★ The Hunger Games: Catching Fire ('13) Jennifer Lawrence.	★ ★ ★ The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 ('14) Jennifer Lawrence.	Hunger Games: Mockingja...	▶	138	245								
TOON	83	Grim	Dog	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	American	Rick	176	296
TRAV	46	UFOs: The Lost Evidence	UFOs: The Lost Evidence	Alien Abduction: Betty and Barney Hill	Alien Abduction: Travis Walton	215	277								
TRUTV	259	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	★ Grown Ups ('10) Kevin James, Adam Sandler.	▶	204	246		
TVLAND	60	The Andy Griffith Show	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	106	304			
USA	55	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU "Care"	WWE NXT (L) (N)	★ ★ ★ Django Unchained ('12) Jamie Foxx. (P)	▶	105	242							
VH1	48	★ ★ Shaft	★ ★ Bad Boys (1995, Action) Will Smith, Tea Leoni, Martin Lawrence.	★ ★ ★ Baby Driver (2017, Action) Kevin Spacey, Lily James, Ansel Elgort.	Paid in Full	▶	162	335							
WE	140	9-1-1 "The New Abnormal"	9-1-1 "Alone Together"	9-1-1 "Future Tense"	9-1-1	9-1-1 "Buck Begins"	9-1-1 "Jinx"	128	260						
TMC	351	Movie	Deadly Cuts ('21) Victoria Smurfit.	★ ★ Dance Flick ('09) Shoshana Bush.	Buddy Games: Spring Awakening	Tollbooth Michael Smiley.	▶	327	554						

Tuesday Best Bets



Martin Short, Steve Martin and Selena Gomez in "Only Murders in the Building"

sMothered

①②③ 6 p.m.

The bond between mothers and daughters is something special, but sometimes, it can go too far for others. This docu-series, now in its fourth season, delves into the everyday lives of some extremely over-dependent mother-and-daughter pairings.

Name That Tune

④⑤⑥ 8 p.m.

Four more celebrities step up for a chance to win \$100,000 for the charity of their choice. Do they have the musical chops to best their peers in naming music from a couple notes?

Extended Family

⑨⑩⑪⑫ 8:30 p.m.

During a new episode from Season 1, Trey (Donald Faison) gets a reservation at the best sushi restaurant in Boston for Grace's (Sofia Capanna) birthday, upending the annual family tradition of dinner at a red sauce joint and hurting some feelings.

Raid the Cage

⑬⑭⑮ 9 p.m.

Teams run off to grab-and-go with prizes from the Cage before their time runs out and the doors close. Correctly answering questions adds seconds to the clock, giving teammates more time to grab prizes from inside.

Only Murders in the Building

⑯ 9 p.m.

A few months removed from its Season 3 finale, this hit Hulu comedy makes its television debut. The series follows three strangers (Selena Gomez, Steve Martin and Martin Short) as they bond over solving mysteries in their apartment complex.

The Floor

⑰⑱⑲ 9 p.m.

Rob Lowe hosts this brand-new game show, in which 81 contestants stand on 81 squares on a massive, LED-lit game show floor, competing for a whopping grand prize (\$250,000) in a larger-than-life trivia showdown. The inaugural episode airs tonight.

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②	KDKA	2	KDKA-TV News at Six	News at 6:30pm (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	KDKA-TV News (N)	Young Sheldon	Ghosts "The Tree"	Ghosts UK (N)	Ghosts UK (N)	SEAL Team "Close to Home" (N)	News at Eleven (N)	Late Show-Colbert (N)	2	2
④	WTAE	4	Action News 4 (N)	ABC World News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	The Golden Bachelor "The Golden Wedding" Gerry Turner and Theresa Nist walk down the aisle. (L) (N)	General Hospital: 60 Years (N)	Action News 4 (N)	J. Kimmel				4	4
⑤	WDTV	5	First News	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Sheldon	Ghosts	Ghosts UK	Ghosts UK	SEAL Team (N)	5 News	Colbert	-	-
⑦	WTRF	-	7News at Six (L) (N)	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Sheldon	Ghosts	Ghosts UK	Ghosts UK	SEAL Team (N)	7News at Six	Colbert	-	-
⑨	WTOV	-	News 9 at Six (L) (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Law & Order	Transplant (N)	Dateline NBC	News 9 Tonight (N)	Tonight Show (N)			-	-
⑪	WPXI	11	Channel 11	NBC News	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Law & Order	Transplant (N)	Dateline NBC	News	J. Fallon			11	11
⑫	WBOY	12	News	NBC News	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel	Law & Order	Transplant (N)	Dateline NBC	News	J. Fallon			-	-
⑬	WQED	13	PBS NewsHour (N)	BBC News America (N)	Tell Me More	Equity on Ice	A Force for Change	American Masters "How It Feels to Be Free" Black female entertainers change American culture.	Amanpour and Company (N)					13	13
⑳	WCWB	22	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Modern Family	Modern Family	Son of a Critch	The Conners	The Conners	Children Ruin (N)	Court Cam	iCRIME - Vargas	The National Desk (L) (N)	19	19
㉔	WNPB	8	BBC News The Context	BBC News America	PBS NewsHour (N)	Celebrity Trip "Cliff Parisi & Judy Parfitt"	Finance for the People With Leon	Paco de Leon	Behind the Stage	Amanpour and Company (N)				-	-
④⑥	WVFX	14	5 News at 6pm (N)	InvestigateTV+	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Hell's Kitchen "A Hell's Kitchen Special Delivery" (N)	We Are Family "Family Reunion"	WVFX News at 10:00PM	Seinfeld "The Stall"	Seinfeld "The Checks"	American Housewife		-	-
⑤③	WPGH	6	Big Bang	News at 6:30	Big Bang	Sheldon	Hell's Kitchen (N)	We Are Family	Channel 11 News (N)	Seinfeld	Seinfeld			53	53
A&E	43	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48 (N)	Casey Anthony's Parents: The Lie Detector Test (N)	The First 48							118	265
AMC	63	★ ★ ★ Moneyball (2011, Drama) Jonah Hill, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Brad Pitt.	★ ★ ★ Die Hard (1988, Action) Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia, Bruce Willis. A New York policeman (Bruce Willis) outwits foreign thugs in an L.A. high-rise.	★ ★ ★ Die Hard 2 ('90) Bruce Willis.										130	254
ANPL	40	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	Extinct or Alive	184	282
BET	61	As. Living	Payne	Payne	Payne	Tyler Perry's Sistas	Tyler Perry's The Oval	★ ★ Tyler Perry's Meet the Browns ('08) Tyler Perry.						875	329
BRAVO	57	Southern Charm	Southern Charm	Southern Charm	Southern Charm (N)	Southern Hospitality (N)	Southern Charm	Southern Hospitality						129	237
AT&TSP	37	Pens	Penguins (N)	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Boston Bruins (L) (N)	Penguins (N)	Penguins Postgame Final (L) (N)	Boxing							-	-
CMT	82	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	166	327
CNBC	45	Mad Money (N)	Last Call (L) (N)	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	208	355
CNN	32	Situation Room (L) (N)	E. B. OutFront (L) (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	The Source With (L) (N)	CNN NewsNight (L) (N)	Laura Coates Live (L) (N)							200	202
COM	51	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	South Park	South Park		107	249
CSN	-	Birds Huddle	Pregame	NHL Hockey Columbus Blue Jackets at Philadelphia Flyers (L) (N)	Flyers Postgame Live (L) (N)	Birds Huddle	S. Joyner	Golfer						424	642
DISC	53	Contraband: Seized at the Border "Fighting Words"	Contraband: Seized "Blood is Thicker Than Water"	Caught!	Caught!	Caught! (N)	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	182	278
DISN	41	Kiff	Kiff	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Hailey's on It!	Hailey's on It!	Marvel's Moon Girl	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Jessie	Jessie	172	290
EI	98	★ ★ ★ Old School ('03) Luke Wilson.	★ ★ Old School ('03) Will Ferrell, Luke Wilson.	★ ★ Tag (2018, Comedy) Jon Hamm, Jeremy Renner, Ed Helms.										114	236
ESPN	35	SportsCenter (L) (N)	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Boston Bruins (L) (N)	College Basketball Colorado at Arizona (L) (N)	College Basketball North Texas at Wichita State (L) (N)	College Basketball								140	206
ESPN2	36	The Point (L) (N)	College Basketball Teams TBA (L) (N)	College Basketball										144	209
EWTN	265	EWTN News	Vaticano (N)	Daily Mass: Olam	The World Over "News" (N)	EWTN News	Rosary	Pro-Life	Catholic	Women of	Battle Ready			261	370
FLIX	235	★ ★ Jane Eyre ('96) Charlotte Gainsbourg, William Hurt.	★ ★ Hope Springs ('12) Meryl Streep.	★ ★ The Love Letter ('99) Kate Capshaw.	★ ★ American Gigolo									333	557
FNC	33	Special Report (L) (N)	The Ingraham Angle (L) (N)	Jesse Watters (L) (N)	Hannity (L) (N)	Gutfeld! (N)	Fox News at Night (L) (N)							205	360
FOOD	39	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	110	231
Freeform	50	★ ★ ★ Freaky Friday ('03) Lindsay Lohan, Jamie Lee Curtis.	★ ★ ★ The Parent Trap ('98, Children) Dennis Quaid, Natasha Richardson, Lindsay Lohan.	The 700 Club										180	311
FX	47	Burgers	Bob's Burgers "Land of the Loft"	★ ★ ★ Deadpool ('16, Action) Morena Baccarin, Ed Skrein, Ryan Reynolds.	★ ★ ★ Deadpool ('16) Ryan Reynolds.									136	248
GOLF	38	PGA Tour Golf	Sentry Tournament of Champions, First Round (N)	Golf Central (L) (N)	PGA Tour Golf									401	218
HALL	255	Love on the Sidelines ('16) John Reardon, Emily Kinney.	Two Tickets to Paradise ('22) Ashley Williams.	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	185	312
HBO	201	Movie	The Kill Team ('19) Nat Wolff. (P)	★ ★ Jurassic World ('15) Bryce Dallas Howard, Chris Pratt.	Time Bomb Y2K (2023, Documentary)	Movie								300	501
HBO2	202	★ ★ ★ Fargo ('96) Steve Buscemi, Frances McDormand.	★ ★ Harold & Kumar Escape From Guantanamo ...	★ ★ Jackass Presents: Bad Grandpa (P)	★ ★ Semi-Pro	Will Ferrell.								301	502
HGTV	58	Married to Real Estate	Married to Real Estate	Married to Real Estate (N)	Married to Real Estate (N)	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	112	229
HIST	31	Swamp People	Swamp People	Swamp People "Cruel Summer" (SP) (N)	Swamp Mysteries (N)	Swamp Mysteries	Swamp							120	269
LIFE	29	Castle "Boom!"	★ ★ Prosecuting Casey Anthony ('13) Rob Lowe.	Casey Anthony's Parents: The Lie Detector Test (N)	Prosecuting Casey Anthony									108	252
MAX	270	★ ★ Knowing ('09) Rose Byrne, Nicolas Cage.	★ ★ Poltergeist ('15) Sam Rockwell.	★ House at the End of the Street (P)	★ ★ 3 Days to Kill									310	515
MMAX	271	★ ★ ★ Gemini (P)	★ ★ Charlie Wilson's War ('07) Tom Hanks.	★ ★ Evan Almighty ('07) Steve Carell.	★ ★ Dumb and Dumber To Jim Carrey.									312	517
MSNBC	266	The Beat With (L) (N)	The ReidOut (L) (N)	All In With (L) (N)	Alex Wagner Tonight (N)	Last Word With Lawrence	11th Hour (L) (N)							209	356
MTV	49	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	160	331
NEWSN	27	Vargas Report (N)	On Balance (N)	Cuomo (N)	Dan Abrams Live (L) (N)	Banfield (N)	Cuomo							239	307
NICK	42	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Movie	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	170	299
PARMT	59	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	★ ★ The Italian Job ('03) Charlize Theron, Mark Wahlberg.	★ ★ Four Brothers ('05) Mark Wahlberg.							168	241
SHO	221	Movie	Heist 88 ('23) Courtney B. Vance.	★ ★ Beau Is Afraid (2023, Horror) Patti LuPone, Amy Ryan, Joaquin Phoenix.	Showing Up									318	545
SHO2	222	Movie	★ Alex Cross ('12) Tyler Perry.	★ ★ Beverly Hills Cop ('84) Eddie Murphy.	World, Football Qatar	The People vs. Larry Flynt								320	547
SYFY	54	Movie	Movie	★ ★ Safe ('12) Robert John Burke, Jason Statham. (P)	Movie									122	244
TBS	34	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	139	247
TCM	141	★ ★ ★ Johnny Belinda ('48) Lew Ayres, Jane Wyman.	The Power of Film (N)	★ ★ ★ A Place in the Sun ('51) Montgomery Clift.	The Power of Film									132	256
TLC	52	1000-Lb. Sisters	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	183	280
TNT	56	★ ★ ★ Creed II	NBA Tip-Off	NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at San Antonio Spurs (L) (N)	Basketball Denver Nuggets at Golden State Warriors									138	245
TOON	83	Grim	Dog	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	American	Rick	176	296
TRAV	46	The Osbournes: Night of Terror	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	Jack Osbourne's	215	277
TRUTV	259	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	204	246
TVLAND	60	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	106	304
USA	55	★ ★ ★ Batman Begins ('05) Christian Bale.	★ ★ ★ The Dark Knight Rises (2012, Action) Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy, Christian Bale. (P)	Bar										105	242
VH1	48	Movie	★ ★ Tyler Perry's Diary of a Mad Black Woman ('05) Kimberly Elise.	Movie										162	335
WE	140	★ ★ ★ Men in Black	★ ★ Men in Black II ('02) Will Smith, Tommy Lee Jones.	★ ★ ★ Men in Black ('97) Will Smith, Tommy Lee Jones.	★ ★ Men in Black II									128	260
TMC	351	Movie	★ ★ Small Time Crooks ('00) Woody Allen.	★ ★ Everyone Says I Love You Alan Alda.	★ ★ The Woman in Red ('84) Gene Wilder.	★ ★ Cadillac Man								327	554

Thursday Best Bets



Gerry Turner from "The Golden Bachelor"

The Golden Bachelor

④ 8 p.m. The titular Golden Bachelor needs his golden wedding. After all of the twists and turns of this inaugural season of the highly popular "Bachelor" spin-off, Gerry Turner and Theresa Nits begin the next chapter of their lives with a grand wedding.

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Friday Best Bets



David Muir from "20/20"

Dr. Death

9 11 12 8 p.m.

Based on the highly popular Wondery podcast of the same name, an episode of the terrifying anthology drama makes its network debut. Created by Patrick Macmanus, this true crime series dramatizes the cases of medical professionals involved in malpractice.

Gold Rush

DISC 8 p.m.

Things are heating up in the cold Alaskan tundra as Tony thinks he's found something golden near Paradise Hill. Meanwhile, Dominion Creek has Parker rethinking his plan of action when equipment struggles cause delays and the weather turns cold.

The Prison Confessions of Gypsy Rose Blanchard

LIFE 8 p.m.

The first two episodes of this limited series air, with the first joining Gypsy Rose Blanchard on the eve of her parole hearing. The 31-year-old talks about her earliest childhood memories of unfounded medical conditions and allegations of rampant abuse.

Moonstruck

TCM 8 p.m.

Cher and Nicolas Cage star in this 1987 comedy, in which a bookkeeper from Brooklyn, Loretta Castorini (Cher), finds herself stuck in a difficult situation when she falls for Ronny (Cage), the hot-tempered brother of the man she intends to marry.

20/20

4 9 p.m.

Renowned journalist David Muir hosts a new episode of ABC's award-winning newsmagazine. Along with expert correspondents, Muir takes an in-depth look at stories involving true crime, celebrity scandals and anything else needing investigative analysis.

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	C	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	S1	S2		
2	KDKA	2	KDKA-TV News at Six	News at 6:30pm (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	KDKA-TV News (N)	The Greatest @HomeVideos (N)	Fire Country		Blue Bloods		News at Eleven (N)	Late Show-Colbert (N) ▶	2	2		
4	WTAE	4	Action News 4 (N)	ABC World News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	Shark Tank (N)	20/20 (N)		Action News 4 (N)		J. Kimmel ▶		4	4		
5	WDTV	5	First News	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Greatest @ (N)	Fire Country		Blue Bloods		5 News	Colbert ▶	-	-		
7	WTRF	-	7News at Six (L) (N)	CBS News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	Greatest @ (N)	Fire Country		Blue Bloods		7News at Six	Colbert ▶	-	-		
9	WTOV	-	News 9 at Six (L) (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Dr. Death (N)	Dateline NBC		News 9 Tonight (N)		Tonight Show (N) ▶		-	-		
11	WPXI	11	Channel 11 News	NBC News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Dr. Death (N)	Dateline NBC		News		J. Fallon ▶		11	11		
12	WBOY	12	News	NBC News	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Dr. Death (N)	Dateline NBC		News		J. Fallon ▶		-	-		
13	WQED	13	PBS NewsHour (N)		BBC News America (N)	GZERO World	Washington Wk (N)	Firing-Hoover (N)	The American Buffalo "Blood Memory" A look at how America's national mammal was driven to the brink of extinction.			Amanpour ▶		13	13		
22	WCWB	22	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Modern Family	Modern Family	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "2 Dead in Tonight's Episode"	Masters of Illusion	Funniest Animals	Court Cam	iCRIME - Vargas	The National Desk (L) (N)		19	19		
24	WNPB	8	BBC News The Context	BBC News America	PBS NewsHour (N)		Washington Wk (N)	Firing-Hoover (N)	The American Buffalo "Blood Memory" America's national mammal is driven to brink of extinction.			Amanpour and Company (N)		-	-		
46	WVFX	14	5 News at 6pm (N)	InvestigateTV+	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (L) (N)			WVFX News at 10:00PM	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	American Housewife	-	-		
53	WPGH	6	Big Bang	News at 6:30	Big Bang	Sheldon	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (L) (N)			Channel 11 News (N)	Seinfeld	Seinfeld		53	53		
A&E	43	The First 48 "I Killed"		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		Casey Anthony's Parents: The Lie Detector Test			▶	118	265		
AMC	63	★ ★ ★ Die Hard (1988, Action) Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia, Bruce Willis.				★ ★ ★ Tombstone (1993, Western) Val Kilmer, Michael Biehn, Kurt Russell. Doc Holliday (Val Kilmer) joins Wyatt Earp (Kurt Russell) for the OK Corral showdown.		★ ★ ★ The Book of Eli ('10) Denzel Washington.		▶			130	254			
ANPL	40	Tankd		Tankd "Sweet Memories"		Tankd		Tankd		Tankd		Tankd		184	282		
BET	61	As. Living	Payne	Payne	Payne	★ Tyler Perry's A Madea Christmas ('13) Kathy Najimy, Tyler Perry.			Ms. Pat		Ms. Pat		875	329			
BRAVO	57	★ ★ Ghostbusters II		★ ★ ★ Ghostbusters (1984, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis, Bill Murray.			★ ★ Ghostbusters II ('89) Dan Aykroyd, Bill Murray.			▶			129	237			
AT&TSP	37	Pens	Penguins (N)	NHL Hockey			Penguins (N)		Penguins	WVU Coaches Show	NHL Hockey ▶		-	-			
CMT	82	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Movie			▶			166	327				
CNBC	45	Mad Money (N)		Last Call (L) (N)		American Greed: Dead		American Greed: Dead		American Greed: Dead		American Greed: Dead		208	355		
CNN	32	Situation Room (L) (N)		E. B. OutFront (L) (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		The Source With (L) (N)		CNN NewsNight (L) (N)		Laura Coates Live (L) (N)		200	202		
COM	51	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Jeff Dunham: Minding		107	249		
CSN	-	Birds Huddle	Bask.	Wm. Basketball William & Mary at Monmouth (L) (N)			Birds Huddle	Football	Benny vs.	S. Joyner	Birds Huddle	Benny vs.		424	642		
DISC	53	Gold Rush "Desperate Cry for Help"		Gold Rush "The Kid vs. The King"		Gold Rush (N)			Outback Opal Hunters "Honestly Shared" (N)			Gold Rush-Res. "A Fine Mess"		182	278		
DISN	41	Kiff	Kiff	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	★ ★ ★ Monsters University ('13) Voices of John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, Billy Crystal.		Molly McGee	Monsters at Work	Monsters at Work	Monsters at Work	Monsters at Work		172	290		
EI	98	★ ★ ★ The Twilight Saga: Eclipse ('10) Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart.			★ ★ The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1 ('11) Kristen Stewart.			Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1 ('11) Kristen Stewart.		▶			114	236			
ESPN	35	SportsCenter (L) (N)		NBA	NBA Basketball	New York Knicks at Philadelphia 76ers (L) (N)			Basketball Memphis Grizzlies at Los Angeles Lakers			▶		140	206		
ESPN2	36	HS Basketball		NBA Courtside /Basketball			College Football Live			SportsCenter (L) (N)			▶		144	209	
EWTN	265	EWTN News	Praying	Daily Mass: Olam		EWTN News In-Depth (N)		EWTN News	Rosary	Life/Rock	Icons	Women of	Long Ride	261	370		
FLIX	235	★ ★ ★ Little Women ('94) Gabriel Byrne, Winona Ryder.			★ ★ ★ Boyhood ('14) Patricia Arquette, Ethan Hawke, Ellar Coltrane.			★ ★ ★ Into the Wild ('07) Emile Hirsch.			▶			333	557		
FNC	33	Special Report (L) (N)		The Ingraham Angle (L) (N)		Jesse Watters (L) (N)		Hannity (L) (N)		Gutfeld! (N)		Fox News at Night (L) (N)			205	360	
FOOD	39	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	110	231		
Freeform	50	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	The 700 Club		180	311		
FX	47	★ ★ ★ Once Upon a Time... In Hollywood			★ Baywatch ('17) Zac Efron, Priyanka Chopra Jonas, Dwayne Johnson.			★ Baywatch ('17) Dwayne Johnson.			▶			136	248		
GOLF	38	PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round (N)						Golf Central (L) (N)		PGA Tour Golf			▶		401	218	
HALL	255	Hearts of Winter ('20) Victor Webster, Jill Wagner.			Flipping for Christmas ('23) Ashley Newbrough.			Golden Girls		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	185	312		
HBO	201	★ ★ Scream 4 ('11) Neve Campbell. (P)			★ I, Frankenstein ('14) Aaron Eckhart.			★ ★ The Nun ('18) Demián Bichir.		★ ★ The Nun II			▶		300	501	
HBO2	202	The Sopranos			The Sopranos		The Sopranos		The Sopranos		The Sopranos		Movie		301	502	
HGTV	58	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	112	229		
HIST	31	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens (N)		UnBelievable (N)		UnBelievable ▶			120	269	
LIFE	29	Castle "The Late Shaft"		Castle "Den of Thieves"		Gypsy Rose (N)		Gypsy Rose (N)		Gypsy Rose		Gypsy Rose "On the Run" ▶			108	252	
MAX	270	★ ★ Predators ('10) Topher Grace, Adrien Brody.			★ ★ Black Mass ('15) Joel Edgerton, Johnny Depp.			★ ★ ★ Out of the Furnace ('13) Christian Bale.			▶			310	515		
MMAX	271	★ ★ Dying of the Light		★ ★ Wonderland ('03) Catherine Bosworth, Val Kilmer.			★ ★ The Kid ('19) Ethan Hawke.		★ ★ ★ Appaloosa ('08) Ed Harris.			▶			312	517	
MSNBC	266	The Beat With (L) (N)		The ReidOut (L) (N)		All In With (L) (N)		Alex Wagner Tonight (N)		Last Word With Lawrence		11th Hour (L) (N)			209	356	
MTV	49	Drag Race	RuPaul's Drag Race	RuPaul's Drag Race (N)			Untucked		MTV Special			▶			160	331	
NEWSN	27	Vargas Report (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (L) (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo			239	307	
NICK	42	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Movie			Friends		Friends		Friends		Friends		170	299	
PARMT	59	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	★ ★ ★ World War Z ('13, Hor) Mireille Enos, James Badge Dale, Brad Pitt.			★ ★ ★ World War Z ('13) Brad Pitt.			▶			168	241	
SHO	221	★ ★ ★ The Fabelmans ('22) Michelle Williams.			★ ★ ★ Arrival ('16) Jeremy Renner, Amy Adams. (P)			★ ★ ★ Jules ('23) Ben Kingsley.		Deception ▶			318	545			
SHO2	222	★ ★ Shooter (P)		★ ★ The Yards ('00) Joaquin Phoenix, Mark Wahlberg.			★ ★ Beau Is Afraid (2023, Horror) Patti LuPone, Amy Ryan, Joaquin Phoenix.			▶			320	547			
SYFY	54	★ ★ Demolition Man ('93) Wesley Snipes, Sylvester Stallone.			★ ★ The Equalizer ('14) Marton Csokas, Chloë Grace Moretz, Denzel Washington. (P)			Cloverfield ▶		▶			122	244			
TBS	34	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	★ ★ ★ Black Panther ('18) Michael B. Jordan, Chadwick Boseman.			★ ★ ★ King Richard ('21) Will Smith.			▶			139	247	
TCM	141	★ ★ Ice Castles ('79) Robby Benson, Lynn-Holly Johnson.			★ ★ Moonstruck ('87) Nicolas Cage, Cher.			★ ★ ★ The Apartment ('60) Jack Lemmon.			▶			132	256		
TLC	52	Sister Wives		90 Day Fiancé			90 Day Fiancé "More to Love: For Richer or for Poorer"			90 Day		90 Day: The Single Life		90 Day		183	280
TNT	56	Movie	★ ★ ★ Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith ('05) Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen, Ewan McGregor.			All Elite Wrestling (SP) (N)			Star Wars: Phantom Menace ▶			▶			138	245	
TOON	83	Ed, Edd	Ed, Edd	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	American	Rick	176	296		
TRAV	46	The Dead Files			The Dead Files			The Dead Files		The Dead Files		The Dead Files			215	277	
TRUTV	259	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	204	246		
TVLAND	60	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	106	304		
USA	55	★ ★ ★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12) Christian Bale.			★ ★ Iron Man 2 ('10) Gwyneth Paltrow, Robert Downey Jr.. (P)			9-1-1 "Worst Day Ever"		9-1-1		▶			105	242	
VH1	48	★ ★ Tyler Perry's Diary of a Mad Black Woman ('05) Kimberly Elise.			Movie			★ ★ Little Man			▶			162	335		
WE	140	★ S.W.A.T.	S.W.A.T. "Sequel"	Love After Lockup			Love After Lockup (N)			Love After Lockup			▶			128	260
TMC	351	★ ★ The Best Offer ('13) Geoffrey Rush, Jim Sturgess.			★ ★ The Whale ('22) Sadie Sink, Brendan Fraser.			The Starling Girl ('23) Lewis Pullman, Eliza Scanlen.			▶			327	554		

SATURDAY DAYTIME

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	C	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	S1	S2					
2	KDKA	2	← CBS Saturday Morning (N)	KDKA-TV News This Morning 10 AM (N)		KD Quiz	KD Quiz	College Basketball Mississippi State at South Carolina (L) (N)					College Basketball TCU at Kansas From Allen Fieldhouse in Lawrence, Kan. (L) (N)			College Basketball UNLV at San Diego State From Viejas Arena in San Diego. (L) (N)			2	2						
4	WTAE	4	← Pittsburgh's Action News 4 (N)	Good Morning America (N)		Wildlife Nation	oh baby!	To Be Announced					Monday Night Countdown (L) (N)		NFL Football Teams TBA (L) (N)			4	4							
5	WDTV	5	CBS Saturday Morning (N)			Tail-Valor	Recipe	Basketball Mississippi State at South Carolina					College Basketball TCU at Kansas (L) (N)			College Basketball UNLV at San Diego State (N)			-	-						
7	WTRF	-	Neal Brown Show	Innovation	Hope-Wild	Mission	Tail-Valor	Basketball Mississippi State at South Carolina					College Basketball TCU at Kansas (L) (N)			College Basketball UNLV at San Diego State (N)			-	-						
9	WTOV	-	News 9 Saturday Morning Edition (L) (N)	Wild Kingdom	Earth Odyssey	Play It	One Team-Sports	Paid Program	Paid Program	High School Football All-American Bowl From the Alamodome in San Antonio. (L) (N)					PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round (L) (N)			-	-							
11	WPXI	11	← Channel 11 Saturday	Wild King	Earth Ody.	Play It	One Team	Paid Prog.	TBA	High School Football All-American Bowl (L) (N)					PGA Tour Golf			11	11							
12	WBOY	12	WVU Coaches Show	Outdoor	Short List	Play It	One Team	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	High School Football All-American Bowl (L) (N)					PGA Tour Golf			-	-							
13	WQED	13	Firing-Hoover	The Open Mind	QED Cooks	Test Kitchen	Milk Street Television	Christina Cooks	Mexican	Dooky Chase	Cook's Country	Samantha	Dream of Italy	American Woodshop	Woodsmith Shop	This Old House	This Old House	Ask This Old House	NOVA "Arctic Drift"	13	13					
22	WCWB	22	Hanna Into the Wild	Hanna Into the Wild	Hanna Into the Wild	Hanna Into the Wild	Paid Program	Paid Program	College Basketball Pittsburgh at Louisville From the KFC Yum! Center in Louisville, Ky. (L) (N)					College Basketball Miami at Wake Forest From Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Winston Salem, N.C. (L) (N)			The Liquidator	Greatest Sports	Whacked Out Sports	19	19					
24	WNPB	8	The Chavis Chronicles	Texas Gardener	Family-Garden	Garden Smart	Native Report	Getting Dot Older	TasteMA-KERS	Woodsmith Shop	American Woodshop	This Old House	This Old House	Motor-Week (N)	Ask This Old House	Ask This Old House	The Garage	Milk Street Television	Cook's Country	Test Kitchen	-	-				
46	WVFX	14	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Sports Legends-1980		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	College Basketball St. John's at Villanova From Finneran Pavilion in Villanova, Pa. (L) (N)			Martin Luther King: Making of a Holiday	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	Sports Gone Wild		-	-						
53	WPGH	6	Paid Prog.	Nittany	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Attkisson	Big Bang	College Basketball St. John's at Villanova (L) (N)			★★ Friends With Kids ('11) Adam Scott, Jennifer Westfeldt.			Two Men	53	53							
A&E	43	Zombie House Flipping	Zombie House Flipping	Zombie Flip	"San Juan"	Lakefront	Lakefront	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	118	265				
AMC	63	Two and a Half Men	★★ Snitch	A man (Dwayne Johnson) agrees to infiltrate a drug cartel to save his teenage son from prison time.				★★ Battle: Los Angeles				A Marine officer (Aaron Eckhart) and his platoon make a daring stand against alien invaders.				★★ The Book of Eli				A lone warrior (Denzel Washington) carries hope across a post-apocalyptic wasteland.				★★★ Tombstone ('93) Kurt Russell.	130	254
ANPL	40	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	Yukon Men	"The Edge"	Big Cat Tales	Big Cat Tales	Big Cat Tales	My Cat From Hell	184	282							
BET	61	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	★ Tyler Perry's A Madea Christmas ('13) Kathy Najimy, Tyler Perry.			Tyler Perry's I Can Do ...	875	329								
BRAVO	57	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	Paris in Love	"Big Little Secret"	★★★ Game Night ('18) Jason Bateman.			★★ Happy Gilmore			Adam Sandler.	129	237								
AT&TSP	37	Golf Life	Breaking	WVU Coaches Show	Bensinger	Sports	NHL Hockey	Penguins	Penguins	NHL Hockey	Penguins	Penguins	NHL Hockey	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	-	-					
CMT	82	Hot20 Countdown (N)						Movie					Movie					166	327							
CNBC	45	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Stifel Snow Show (N)	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	208	355					
CNN	32	Smerconish (L) (N)	The Chris (N)	The Amanpour Hour			CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		200	202						
COM	51	← To Be Announced																		107	249					
CSN	-	Birds	S. Joyner	Go Racing	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Birds	Pregame	NHL Hockey Calgary Flames at Philadelphia Flyers (L) (N)					Flyers Postgame Live	Birds	College Basketball	424	642							
DISC	53	Moonshiners "Ozark Outlaws to the Rescue"	Moonshiners		Expedition Unknown "Lost Gold of Scotland"		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown "The Vanished Empire"		Expedition Unknown "Cracking the Secret"		Expedition Unknown "Egypt's Lost Tombs"		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		182	278						
DISN	41	←★★★ Rio ('11) Anne Hathaway.	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Hailey's on It!	Hailey's on It!	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Bluey	Bluey	Bluey	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	172	290					
EI	98	★★ Twilight ('08) Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart.				★★ The Twilight Saga: New Moon ('09) Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart.				★★ The Twilight Saga: Eclipse ('10) Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart.				Movie				114	236							
ESPN	35	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)		SportsCenter (L) (N)		SportCtr	College Basketball	Kentucky at Florida (L) (N)	ESPN Films	NFL Countdown (L) (N)	Countdown	NFL on ESPN (L) (N)								140	206				
ESPN2	36	30 for 30	The Minister of Defense	ESPN BET Live (L) (N)			College Basketball		North Carolina at Clemson (N)	College Basketball		Auburn at Arkansas (L) (N)	ESPN Films									144	209			
EWTN	265	Devotion	MY Lourdes	Catholic	Catholic	At Home	Bob	Daily Mass: Olam		Religious	Dominican	Joseph Ratzinger	Marian Procession (N)	Called to Communion	Catechism	Lamb's	261	370								
FLIX	235	← Things to Do in Denv...	★★ The Chumsclubber ('05) Ralph Fiennes. (P)		★★★ Pride ('14) Imelda Staunton, Bill Nighy.		★★★ The Duchess (P)		★★★ A Single Man ('09) Colin Firth.		Movie							333	557							
FNC	33	FOX & Friends (L) (N)	Cavuto Live (L) (N)		Cavuto Live (L) (N)		Fox News Live (L) (N)		Fox News Live (L) (N)		Fox News Live (L) (N)		Journal Editorial (N)	Fox News Live (L) (N)	The Five	205	360									
FOOD	39	Mary Ma.	Mary Ma.	Pioneer	Pioneer	The Kitchen (N)	Guy's	Guy's	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	110	231					
Freeform	50	Movie	★★★ 21 Jump Street ('12) Channing Tatum, Jonah Hill.				★★★ 22 Jump Street ('14) Channing Tatum, Jonah Hill. (P)				★★ Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising				Seth Rogen. (P)	Mike & Dave Need Wedding Dates		180	311							
FX	47	Family Guy	Family Guy	★★ The Program ('93) Halle Berry, Omar Epps, James Caan.				★★ Invincible ('06) Greg Kinnear, Mark Wahlberg.				★★ The Predator ('18) Boyd Holbrook.				Terminator 2: Judgme...		136	248							
GOLF	38	← PGA Tour Golf	PGA Tour Golf Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round					Golf Central Pregame					GOLF Films		GOLF Films		401	218								
HALL	255	Reba	Reba	Hearts Down Under ('20) Tim Ross, Cindy Busby.			Autumn in the City ('22) Aimee Teegarden.			A Picture of Her ('23) Tyler Hynes, Rhiannon Fish.			It Was Always You ('21) Erin Krakow.			185	312									
HBO	201	← Elvis	★★★ Skyfall ('12) Judi Dench, Javier Bardem, Daniel Craig.				★★ Shazam! Fury of the Gods ('23) Zachary Levi.				Time Bomb Y2K ('23)		★★ The Flash ('23) Michael Keaton, Sasha Calle, Ezra Miller.			300	501									
HBO2	202	★★ Watchmen ('09, Act)	Malin Akerman, Jackie Earle Haley, Billy Crudup.	Sopranos		The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	301	502					
HGTV	58	100 Day Dream Home	100 Day Dream Home	100 Day Dream Home	100 Day Dream Home	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	Unsellable Houses	112	229						
HIST	31	← Swamp	Swamp People	"Cruel Summer"	Swamp Mysteries	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	The UnXplained	120	269						
LIFE	29	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Believe Me: Abduction of Lisa McVey	I Am Elizabeth Smart	Alana Boden.	Cleveland Abduction ('15) Taryn Manning.			Love You to Death ('19) Marcia Gay Harden.			108	252										
MAX	270	←★★★ Election	★★★ (500) Days of Summer		Shiva Baby	★★★ Gemini ('17) Lola Kirke.		★★★ Kingsman: The Secret Service ('14) Colin Firth.		★★ Don't Let Go		David Oyelowo.	310	515												
MMA	271	★ My Boss's Daughter	★★★ Scary Movie			Shawn Wayans.	Little Woods ('18) Tessa Thompson.		★★ Antitrust ('01) Ryan Phillippe.		★★ Chain Reaction		Keanu Reeves.	★★ Taken 3		312	517									
MSNBC	266	The Saturday Show (N)	Velshi (L) (N)	Velshi (L) (N)		Alex Witt Reports (N)		Alex Witt Reports (N)		Yasmin Vossoughian	Yasmin Vossoughian	Symone (L) (N)	PoliticsNation (L) (N)	209	356											
MTV	49	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	MTV Special	MTV Special	MTV Special	MTV Special	160	331											
NEWSN	27	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	239	307						
NICK	42	Movie	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	170	299					
PARMT	59	NCIS	NCIS	★★★ Raiders of the Lost Ark ('81) Harrison Ford.				Movie					★★★ Forrest Gump					168	241							
SHO	221	← The Lesson	★★★ Everything Everywhere All at Once ('22) Michelle Yeoh.				★★★ Only Lovers Left Alive ('13) Tilda Swinton.			★★★★ Titanic (1997, History) Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio.					318	545										
SHO2	222	Movie	★★ Bridget Jones's Baby ('16) Renée Zellweger.		★★ Mean Girls		Lindsay Lohan. (P)	★★ The Switch ('10) Jennifer Aniston. (P)		★★★ The Italian Job ('03) Mark Wahlberg. (P)			The Godfather (P)			320	547									
SYFY	54	←★★ 10,000 B.C.	★★ Transporter 3 ('08) Natalya Rudakova, Jason Statham.		★★ The Protégé ('21) Maggie Q, Michael Keaton.		★★★ Cloverfield			★★ The Equalizer					122	244										
TBS	34	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★ Grown Ups ('10) Kevin James, Adam Sandler.	★ Grown Ups 2 ('13) Kevin James, Chris Rock, Adam Sandler.	★★★ Black Panther			139	247										
TCM	141	Movie	B. Rogers	Popeye /★ Action in Arabia		Movie	★★ Dames ('34) Joan Blondell.		★★★ Stars in My Crown ('50) Joel McCrea.		★★★ Cast a Dark Shadow			★★ Detour		Tom Neal.	132	256								
TLC	52	Hoarding: Buried Alive	Hoarding: Buried Alive	Hoarding: Buried Alive	Hoarding: Buried Alive	My 600-Lb. Life	"Tammy's Journey"	My 600-Lb. Life		"Samantha's Story"		sMothered		sMothered		183	280									
TNT	56	★★ Alien: Covenant ('17) Michael Fassbender.	★★★★ Star Wars: A New Hope ('77) Mark Hamill.				★★★★ Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back ('80) Mark Hamill.					Star Wars: Return of t...			138	245										
TOON	83	Hero/Hero	Tiny Too	Teen/Teen	Teen/Teen	Teen/Teen	Looney	Looney	Tiny Too	Hero	Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Big Top Scooby-Dool	Frank Welker.	Regular	King/Hill	King/Hill	176	296						
TRAV	46	American Mystery	American Mystery	American Mystery	American Mystery	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	Most Terrifying Places	The Alaska Triangle	215	277							
TRUTV	259	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	204	246						
TVLAND	60	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	106	304					
USA	55	9-1-1 "Starting Over"	9-1-1	9-1-1 "Crash & Learn"		College Basketball La Salle at Fordham (L) (N)					College Basketball Saint Louis at George Mason			College Basketball George Washington at VCU			105	242								
VH1	48	Cheaters	Cheaters	Cheaters	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	★★ Little Man ('06) Marlon Wayans, Shawn Wayans.	162	335									
WE	140	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	NCIS "Stakeout"	NCIS "Dog Tags"	NCIS "Internal Affairs"	NCIS "In the Zone"	NCIS "Recoil"	NCIS "About Face"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	NCIS "Judgment Day"	128	260						
TMC	351	← Emily Emma Mackey.	★★★ Into the Wild ('07) Marcia Gay Harden, Emile Hirsch.				Dead for a Dollar ('22) Christoph Waltz.					The Integrity of Joseph Chambers			★★★ The Host ('06) Song Kang-ho.			327	554							

Movie Zone

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. (Freeform) **Men in Black ★★★** (Act, '97) Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith. A veteran (Tommy Lee Jones) and a rookie (Will Smith) track aliens on Earth. (2h05)

9 a.m. (CMT) **Fast Times at Ridgemont High ★★★** (Com, '82) Sean Penn, Jennifer Jason Leigh. Teens (Sean Penn, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Judge Reinhold) date, dream, party and aggravate teachers. (2h15)

9:25 a.m. (SHO2) **Confess, Fletch ★★★** (Com, '22) Jon Hamm, Kyle MacLachlan. Fletch becomes the prime suspect in a murder while investigating a case of stolen paintings. (1h40)

(MAX) **Goldfinger ★★★★★** (Act, '64) Sean Connery, Gert Frobe. Agent 007 (Sean Connery) fights Oddjob and a madman's (Gert Frobe) Fort Knox scheme. (1h51)

9:30 a.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ★★★** (Fan, '05) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Harry's friends help him prepare for a tournament with Europe's best student wizards. (3h30)

(FX) **Thor ★★★** (Act, '11) Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman. After his reckless actions reignite an ancient war, the Norse god is banished to Earth. (2h30)

10:10 a.m. (HBO2) **The Devil Wears Prada ★★★** (Com-Dra, '06) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway. A young woman lands a job with a famous and diabolical editor of a New York fashion magazine. (1h52)

10:15 a.m. (TCM) **After the Thin Man ★★★** (Com-Dra, '36) William Powell, Myrna Loy, Nick and Nora Charles (William Powell, Myrna Loy) seek man, find murder. (2h)

11 a.m. (NICK) **Sing ★★★** (Ani, '16) Voices of Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon. A pig, a mouse, a porcupine, a gorilla, an elephant and other animals enter a singing competition. (2h30)

11:05 a.m. (SHO2) **American Hustle ★★★** (Cri, '13) Christian Bale, Bradley Cooper. An ambitious FBI agent forces two con artists to infiltrate New Jersey's power-brokers and mafia. (2h20)

11:15 a.m. (CMT) **The Breakfast Club ★★★** (Com-Dra, '85) Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald. A teen wrestler (Emilio Estevez), rebel (Judd Nelson), brain, beauty (Molly Ringwald) and shy girl. (2h)

(HBO) **Furious 7 ★★★** (Act, '15) Vin Diesel, Paul Walker. A government agent offers to help Dominic Toretto's gang eliminate a dangerous enemy. (2h20)

(MAX) **The Spy Who Loved Me ★★★** (Act, '77) Roger Moore, Barbara Bach. Agent 007 (Roger Moore) and a Russian beauty (Barbara Bach) foil a nuclear madman (Curt Jurgens). (2h07)

12:15 p.m. (SHO) **Jules ★★★** (Sci-Fi, '23) Ben Kingsley, Harriet Sansom Harris. A Pennsylvania man befriends a mysterious extraterrestrial after a UFO crashes in his backyard. (1h30)

(TCM) **An American in Paris ★★★★★** (Mus, '51) Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron. A GI (Gene Kelly) stays in Paris to paint and falls in love with a young woman (Leslie Caron). (2h)

1 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix ★★★** (Fan, '07) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) teaches a group of students to defend Hogwarts from Voldemort's minions. (3h)

(TNT) **Black Panther ★★★** (Act, '18) Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan. Black Panther must save his nation and the rest of the world from a powerful old enemy. (2h45)

1:15 p.m. (CMT) **Clueless ★★★** (Com, '95) Alicia Silverstone, Stacey Dash. A Beverly Hills teen (Alicia Silverstone) strives to make a difference. (2h15)

1:25 p.m. (MAX) **For Your Eyes Only ★★★** (Act, '81) Roger Moore, Carole Bouquet. Agent 007 (Roger Moore) skis, skin-dives and spies with a beauty (Carole Bouquet). (2h09)

1:35 p.m. (HBO) **Kingsman: The Secret Service ★★★** (Act, '14) Colin Firth, Michael Caine. A spy organization recruits an uncouth street kid into its highly competitive training program. (2h10)

2 p.m. (TBS) **The Hangover ★★★** (Com, '09) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. After a wild stag party,

three groomsmen must find their missing pal before his wedding. (2h)

2:05 p.m. (FLEX) **Gone Baby Gone ★★★** (Mys, '07) Casey Affleck, Michelle Monaghan. Two private investigators scour the Boston underworld for a kidnapped girl. (1h55)

2:15 p.m. (TCM) **Radio Days ★★★** (Com, '87) Mia Farrow, Seth Green. Boy's (Seth Green) life and cigarette girl's (Mia Farrow) story recall war-time radio. (1h45)

2:30 p.m. (FX) **Iron Man ★★★** (Act, '08) Robert Downey Jr., Terrence Howard. A wealthy industrialist (Robert Downey Jr.) builds an armored suit and uses it to fight criminals. (3h)

3 p.m. (AMC) **The Karate Kid ★★★** (Dra, '84) Ralph Macchio, Noriyuki "Pat" Morita. Bullied teen (Ralph Macchio) learns karate from handyman Mr. Miyagi (Noriyuki "Pat" Morita). (3h)

3:35 p.m. (MAX) **Never Say Never Again ★★★** (Act, '83) Sean Connery, Klaus Maria Brandauer. Aging agent 007 (Sean Connery) seeks hijacked warheads and finds SPECTRE's Largo and Fatima Blush. (2h15)

3:45 p.m. (TNT) **Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 ★★★** (Sci-Fi, '17) Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana. The team unravels the mystery of Peter Quill's true parentage in the outer reaches of the galaxy. (2h45)

4 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ★★★** (Child, '09) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Harry and the gang confront the terrifying truth that Voldemort is back and Hogwarts is in danger. (3h30)

(TCM) **Holiday ★★★** (Rom, '38) Katharine Hepburn, Cary Grant. Tomboy socialite (Katharine Hepburn) flirts with sister's (Doris Siodon) fiancé (Cary Grant). (2h)

(TCM) **Chocolat ★★★** (Dra, '00) Juliette Binoche, Johnny Depp. A single mother (Juliette Binoche) opens a chocolate shop in a French village. (2h05)

5 p.m. (TOON) **The LEGO Movie ★★★** (Ani, '14) Voices of Chris Pratt, Will Ferrell. An ordinary LEGO figurine (Chris Pratt) mistakenly becomes part of a quest to stop a tyrant's plan. (2h)

5:55 p.m. (HBO) **Mad Max: Fury Road ★★★** (Act, '15) Tom Hardy, Charlize Theron. Mad Max and a band of rebels try to outrun a warlord and his henchmen in a high-speed, desert chase. (2h05)

6 p.m. (TCM) **An Affair to Remember ★★★** (Rom, '57) Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr. Both spoken-for, two on a cruise (Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr) plan to meet again. (2h)

(VHT) **Bridesmaids ★★★** (Com, '11) Kristen Wiig, Maya Rudolph. A woman's life unravels as she helps the bride, her lifelong friend, prepare for the wedding. (2h30)

6:05 p.m. (TMC) **Akeelah and the Bee ★★★** (Child, '06) Laurence Fishburne, Angela Bassett. An 11-year-old girl (Keke Palmer) in South Los Angeles discovers she has a talent for spelling. (1h55)

6:30 p.m. (TNT) **Ant-Man and The Wasp ★★★** (Act, '18) Paul Rudd, Evangeline Lilly. Ant-Man and the Wasp uncover secrets from the past while battling a powerful new enemy. (2h30)

7:30 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★** (Fan, '10) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Harry, Ron and Hermione set out to destroy the Horcruxes, the secrets to Voldemort's power. (3h)

(CMT) **The Breakfast Club ★★★** (Com-Dra, '85) Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald. See 11:15 AM (2h)

(NICK) **Sing ★★★** (Ani, '16) Voices of Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon. See 11:00 AM (2h30)

8 p.m. (FLEX) **The Host ★★★** (Hor, '06) Song Kang-ho, Byun Hee-bong. South Koreans fall prey to a ravenous monster that crawled out of the Han River. (2h)

(FX) **Black Widow ★★★** (Act, '21) Scarlett Johansson, Florence Pugh. A dangerous conspiracy forces Natasha Romanoff, aka Black Widow, to confront her past. (3h)

(HBO) **Avatar ★★★** (Sci-Fi, '09) Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana. A former Marine (Sam Worthington) falls in love with a native (Zoe Saldana) of a lush alien world. (2h45)

(TBS) **The Hangover ★★★** (Com, '09) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. See 2:00 PM (2h)

(TMC) **Dirty Dancing ★★★** (Rom, '87) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze. Teen (Jennifer Grey) gets slinky with dance teacher (Patrick Swayze) in '63 Catskills. (1h45)

8:30 p.m. (MTV) **Titanic ★★★★★** (Hist, '97) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. A woman (Kate Winslet) falls for an artist (Leonardo DiCaprio) aboard the ill-fated ship. (4h30)

(VHT) **Mean Girls ★★★** (Com, '04) Lindsay Lohan, Rachel McAdams. A teen (Lindsay Lohan) becomes friends with three cruel schoolmates. (2h30)

9 p.m. (TNT) **Avengers: Infinity War ★★★** (Act, '18) Robert Downey Jr., Chris Hemsworth. Iron Man, Thor and the rest of the Avengers battle their most powerful enemy yet -- the evil Thanos. (3h)



9:30 p.m. (CMT) **Clueless ★★★** (Com, '95) Alicia Silverstone, Stacey Dash. See 1:15 PM (2h)

9:45 p.m. (SHO2) **Everything Everywhere All at Once ★★★** (Com, '22) Michelle Yeoh, Stephanie Hsu. An unlikely hero uses newfound powers to fight fearsome and bewildering dangers from the multiverse. (2h20)

(TMC) **Mystic Pizza ★★★** (Rom, '88) Julia Roberts, Annabeth Gish. Teenage girls (Julia Roberts, Annabeth Gish, Lili Taylor) come of age one summer in Mystic, Conn. (1h45)

MONDAY

8:15 a.m. (FLEX) **Hope Springs ★★★** (Com-Dra, '12) Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones. A woman drags her taciturn husband to a week-long session of intense marriage counseling. (1h45)

8:45 a.m. (MMAX) **I'll See You in My Dreams ★★★** (Rom, '15) Blythe Danner, Martin Starr. A lonely widow (Blythe Danner) considers the possibility of romance with two different men. (1h37)

9:30 a.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix ★★★** (Fan, '07) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. See Sunday at 1:00 PM (3h)

9:45 a.m. (AMC) **Back to School ★★★** (Com, '86) Rodney Dangerfield, Sally Kellerman. Earthy self-made man (Rodney Dangerfield) joins son (Keith Gordon) at college. (2h)

9:50 a.m. (HBO) **Avatar: The Way of Water ★★★** (Sci-Fi, '22) Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana. When a familiar threat resurfaces, Jake and Neytiri must protect their children and their planet. (3h16)

9:55 a.m. (MAX) **Scary Movie ★★★** (Com, '00) Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans. In a parody of modern horror movies, a killer in a Halloween mask terrorizes and murders teenagers. (1h29)

10 a.m. (FLEX) **Emma ★★★** (Rom, '96) Gwyneth Paltrow, Jeremy Northam. In the 1800s, a matchmaker's (Gwyneth Paltrow) machinations prove disastrous. (2h05)

(HBO2) **The Bourne Ultimatum ★★★** (Act, '07) Matt Damon, Julia Stiles. Jason Bourne (Matt Damon) continues to look for clues to unravel his true identity. (2h)

(TBS) **Back to the Future ★★★** (Com, '85) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. Teen (Michael J.

Fox) goes to 1955 in crackpot's (Christopher Lloyd) DeLorean time machine. (2h30)

10:15 a.m. (SHO2) **1917 ★★★** (War, '19) George MacKay, Dean-Charles Chapman. Two British soldiers cross over into enemy territory to save 1,600 comrades during World War I. (2h)

10:30 a.m. (Freeform) **Mrs. Doubtfire ★★★** (Child, '93) Robin Williams, Sally Field. Estranged dad (Robin Williams) plays nanny to be with his kids. (3h)

11:30 a.m. (SHO) **The Italian Job ★★★** (Thrill, '03) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. A thief (Mark Wahlberg) and his crew plan to steal back their gold. (2h)

Noon (MMAX) **Lucy ★★★** (Act, '14) Scarlett Johansson, Morgan Freeman. A drug mule's illicit cargo is absorbed into her system, giving her incredible powers. (1h30)

12:15 p.m. (SHO2) **No Country for Old Men ★★★** (Thrill, '07) Tommy Lee Jones, Javier Bardem. A hunter (Josh Brodin) becomes the hunted after taking money from the scene of a drug deal gone bad. (2h05)

12:30 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ★★★** (Child, '09) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. See Sunday at 4:00 PM (3h30)

(TBS) **Back to the Future Part II ★★★** (Com, '89) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. Young man (Michael J. Fox) and an inventor (Christopher Lloyd) take a time machine to 2015. (2h30)

12:55 p.m. (DISN) **Tarzan ★★★** (Ani, '99) Voices of Tony Goldwyn, Glenn Close. A man raised by apes in the African jungle encounters a professor, his daughter and a hunter. (1h35)

1:45 p.m. (AMC) **Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★** (Com, '87) Steve Martin, John Candy. A stranded ad exec (Steve Martin) and a salesman (John Candy) make unlikely co-travelers. (2h)

2:05 p.m. (FLEX) **Only Lovers Left Alive ★★★** (Dra, '13) Tilda Swinton, Tom Hiddleston. Centuries-old vampire lovers (Tilda Swinton, Tom Hiddleston) ponder their place in the modern world. (2h05)

2:20 p.m. (SHO2) **Everything Everywhere All at Once ★★★** (Com, '22) Michelle Yeoh, Stephanie Hsu. See Sunday at 9:45 PM (2h20)

2:30 p.m. (DISN) **Hercules ★★★** (Ani, '97) Voices of Tate Donovan, Josh Keaton. The half-mortal strongman (Tate Donovan) must become a hero to rejoin the gods on Mount Olympus. (1h40)

3 p.m. (TBS) **Back to the Future Part III ★★★** (Com, '90) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. A young man (Michael J. Fox) and an inventor (Christopher Lloyd) visit the Old West. (2h30)

(TOON) **The LEGO Movie ★★★** (Ani, '14) Voices of Chris Pratt, Will Ferrell. See Sunday at 5:00 PM (2h)

3:30 p.m. (SHO) **Love & Basketball ★★★** (Rom, '00) Sanaa Lathan, Omar Epps. Basketball hinders two people's (Sanaa Lathan, Omar Epps) relationship. (2h05)

4 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★** (Fan, '10) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. See Sunday at 7:30 PM (3h)

4:10 p.m. (DISN) **Zootopia ★★★** (Ani, '16) Voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman. Police rabbit Judy Hopps works with a wily fox to

solve a mystery in the metropolis of Zootopia. (1h50)

(Freeform) **Brave ★★★** (Ani, '12) Voices of Kelly Macdonald, Billy Connolly. A courageous Scottish princess (Kelly Macdonald) must figure out how to undo a beastly curse. (2h05)

4:40 p.m. (MAX) **(500) Days of Summer ★★★** (Rom, '09) Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Zooey Deschanel. After his lover dumps him, a writer tries to figure out where their relationship went wrong. (1h36)

(SHO2) **Titanic ★★★★★** (Hist, '97) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. See Sunday at 8:30 PM (3h20)

5:20 p.m. (MMAX) **The Pink Panther ★★★** (Com, '63) Peter Sellers, David Niven. Clumsy Jacques Clouseau (Peter Sellers) chases jewel thieves (David Niven, Robert Wagner). (1h56)

5:30 p.m. (TBS) **Back to the Future ★★★** (Com, '85) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. See 10:00 AM (2h30)

6 p.m. (DISN) **The Incredibles ★★★** (Ani, '04) Voices of Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter. Now fighting boredom in suburbia, a former superhero and his family get a chance to save the world. (2h)

6:15 p.m. (Freeform) **Up ★★★** (Ani, '09) Voices of Edward Asner, Christopher Plummer. A crotchety balloon salesman (Ed Asner) discovers a stow-away aboard his flying house. (2h05)

(MAX) **I Love You, Man ★★★** (Com, '09) Paul Rudd, Jason Segel. A bridegroom's (Paul Rudd) growing relationship with his new best friend threatens his fiancée. (1h45)

6:30 p.m. (SHO) **Bridge of Spies ★★★** (Hist, '15) Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance. Lawyer James Donovan tries to negotiate a prisoner exchange for captured pilot Francis Gary Powers. (2h30)

7 p.m. (BRAVO) **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★** (Fan, '11) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. As his showdown with Lord Voldemort nears, Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice. (3h)

(TNT) **Avengers: Infinity War ★★★** (Act, '18) Robert Downey Jr., Chris Hemsworth. See Sunday at 9:00 PM (3h)

(TMC) **The Host ★★★** (Hor, '06) Song Kang-ho, Byun Hee-bong. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h)

7:15 p.m. (MMAX) **A Shot in the Dark ★★★** (Com, '64) Peter Sellers, Elke Sommer. Inspector Clouseau (Peter Sellers) clears French maid (Elke Sommer) at nudist camp. (1h43)

8 p.m. (DISN) **Monsters, Inc. ★★★** (Ani, '01) Voices of John Goodman, Billy Crystal. A blue behemoth (John Goodman) and his one-eyed pal (Billy Crystal) scare children. (1h40)

(HBO) **Recount ★★★** (Doc/Dra, '08) Kevin Spacey, Bob Balaban. Florida becomes a political battleground in 2000 when Al Gore's campaign calls for a ballot recount. (1h59)

(TCM) **Monkey Business ★★★★★** (Com, '31) Groucho Marx, Harpo Marx. Four shipboard stowaways (Groucho Marx, Harpo Marx, Chico Marx, Zeppo Marx) involved with gangsters. (1h30)

8:20 p.m. (Freeform) **Ratatouille ★★★** (Ani, '07) Voices of Patton Oswalt, Ian Holm. A French rat (Patton Oswalt) enjoys good food and longs to become a chef. (2h40)

8:50 p.m. (HBO2) **American Gangster ★★★** (Cri, '07) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe. A chauffeur (Denzel Washington) rises to prominence as the most-powerful crime boss in 1970s Harlem. (2h40)

9 p.m. (FX) **The Simpsons Movie ★★★** (Ani, '07) Voices of Dan Castellaneta, Julie Kavner. Homer (Dan Castellaneta) must save the world from a catastrophe that he created. (2h)

(MMAX) **The Return of the Pink Panther ★★★** (Com, '75) Peter Sellers, Christopher Plummer. Clouseau's (Peter Sellers) bungling pushes his boss (Herbert Lom) over the edge. (1h53)

(TMC) **X ★★★** (Hor, '22) Mia Goth, Jenna Ortega. Actors making an adult film in rural Texas find themselves in a desperate fight for their lives. (1h50)

9:30 p.m. (TCM) **Horse Feathers ★★★** (Com, '32) Groucho Marx, Harpo Marx. Professor Wagstaff (Groucho Marx) and his sidekicks fix a football game at Huxley College. (1h15)

Movie Zone

9:45 p.m. (MAX) **Barbershop 2: Back in Business** ★★★ (Com, '04) Ice Cube, Cedric the Entertainer. A corporation puts pressure on a barbershop owner (Ice Cube). (1h47)

(FLIX) **Little Women** ★★★ (Dra, '94) Winona Ryder, Gabriel Byrne. With her husband away at war, a woman raises four daughters in 19th-century New England. (2h)

10 p.m. (BRAVO) **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them** ★★★ (Fan, '16) Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston. Magizoologist Newt Scamander battles dark forces while tracking down magical creatures in 1926. (3h)

(TRUTV) **Blades of Glory** ★★★ (Com, '07) Will Ferrell, Jon Heder. Banned from singles competition, rival male skaters find a way to compete as a pair. (2h)

TUESDAY

8:50 a.m. (MMAX) **Walk the Line** ★★★ (Hist, '05) Joaquin Phoenix, Reese Witherspoon. The story of music legends Johnny Cash (Joaquin Phoenix) and June Carter Cash (Reese Witherspoon). (2h16)

9 a.m. (HBO) **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** ★★★ (Fan, '01) Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen. Creatures unite to destroy a powerful ring and defeat a lord. (3h02)

9:20 a.m. (HBO2) **Denial** ★★★ (Dra, '16) Rachel Weisz, Tom Wilkinson. Writer David Irving sues historian Deborah Lipstadt after she accuses him of denying the Holocaust. (1h53)

9:30 a.m. (TCM) **7 Faces of Dr. Lao** ★★★ (Fan, '64) Tony Randall, Barbara Eden. A Chinese showman's (Tony Randall) appearances include Merlin, Pan and Medusa. (1h45)

9:45 a.m. (MAX) **Predator** ★★★ (Act, '87) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Carl Weathers. A sneaky alien monster attacks commandos on a jungle mission in South America. (1h47)

11:10 a.m. (HBO2) **The Hunt for Red October** ★★★ (Thrill, '90) Sean Connery, Alec Baldwin. Moscow, D.C. and CIA analyst (Alec Baldwin) track rogue Soviet captain (Sean Connery) and sub. (2h18)

11:15 a.m. (FLIX) **A Single Man** ★★★ (Dra, '09) Colin Firth, Julianne Moore. A gay professor (Colin Firth) plans to commit suicide in the wake of his lover's death. (1h45)

(TCM) **The Night of the Iguana** ★★★ (Dra, '64) Richard Burton, Ava Gardner. A defrocked cleric (Richard Burton) interacts with three women in Mexico. (2h)

11:30 a.m. (MAX) **Knocked Up** ★★★ (Rom, '07) Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl. A journalist's one-night stand with an irresponsible slacker has an unforeseen consequence. (2h09)

(SHD) **Only Lovers Left Alive** ★★★ (Dra, '13) Tilda Swinton, Tom Hiddleston. See Monday at 2:05 PM (2h15)

12:30 p.m. (Freeform) **The Edge of Seventeen** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '16) Hailee Steinfeld, Haley Lu Richardson. A high school junior becomes upset after learning that her best friend is dating her older brother. (2h30)

12:45 p.m. (MMAX) **Ingrid Goes West** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '17) Aubrey Plaza, Elizabeth Olsen. An obsessive woman moves to Los Angeles to strike up a friendship with a social media celebrity. (1h38)

1 p.m. (SHD2) **Arrival** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '16) Amy Adams, Jeremy Renner. A linguist leads a team of investigators to try and communicate with extraterrestrial visitors. (2h)

1:15 p.m. (TCM) **A Hard Day's Night** ★★★ (Mus, '64) The Beatles, Wilfrid Brambell. John, Paul, George and Ringo (The Beatles) are loose in London. (1h30)

2:45 p.m. (TCM) **Murder Most Foul** ★★★ (Mys, '64) Margaret Rutherford, Ron Moody. Tweedy sleuth Miss Marple (Margaret Rutherford) skewers a jury. (1h45)

3 p.m. (SHD2) **Jules** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '23) Ben Kingsley, Harriet Sansom Harris. See Sunday at 12:15 PM (1h30)

(TNT) **The Hunger Games** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '12) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. In a place once known as North America, youths fight to the death in a nationally televised contest. (3h)

3:05 p.m. (SYFY) **Rise of the Planet of the Apes** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '11) James Franco, Freida Pinto. A substance designed to help the brain repair itself gives rise to a superintelligent chimp. (2h25)

3:15 p.m. (FLIX) **The English Patient** ★★★ (Dra, '96) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. Count's (Ralph Fiennes) fling with a British newlywed leads to tragedy. (2h45)

3:20 p.m. (HBO2) **Blindspotting** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '18) Daveed Diggs, Rafael Casal. A police shooting tests the bond between a man on probation and his volatile best friend. (1h38)

4 p.m. (MMAX) **Colossal** ★★★ (Com, '16) Anne Hathaway, Jason Sudeikis. A woman learns that she is somehow connected to a giant, rampaging creature in Seoul, South Korea. (1h49)

5:30 p.m. (AMC) **Groundhog Day** ★★★ (Rom, '93) Bill Murray, Andie MacDowell. February 2nd keeps repeating for a TV weatherman sent to watch the groundhog in Punxsutawney, Pa. (2h30)

(SHD) **Seabiscuit** ★★★ (Dra, '03) Tobey Maguire, Jeff Bridges. Three men (Tobey Maguire, Jeff Bridges, Chris Cooper) lead a racehorse to glory in the 1930s. (2h30)

6 p.m. (FLIX) **Things to Do in Denver When You're Dead** ★★★ (Thrill, '95) Andy Garcia, Christopher Lloyd. A reformed gangster (Andy Garcia) prepares for the end after botching a job for his former boss. (2h)

(TCM) **Sex and the Single Girl** ★★★ (Com, '64) Tony Curtis, Natalie Wood. Scandal-mag editor (Tony Curtis) targets doctor (Natalie Wood) and her sex institute. (2h)

(TNT) **The Hunger Games: Catching Fire** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '13) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. As rebellion simmers, a cruel change in the Hunger Games may change Panem forever. (2h45)

6:05 p.m. (HBO2) **Mad Max: Fury Road** ★★★ (Act, '15) Tom Hardy, Charlize Theron. See Sunday at 5:55 PM (2h04)

6:30 p.m. (SHD2) **The Station Agent** ★★★ (Dra, '03) Peter Dinklage, Patricia Clarkson. Friendly man and a tormented woman try to befriend an anti-social dwarf who inherited a train depot. (1h30)

7 p.m. (HBO) **Gran Torino** ★★★ (Dra, '08) Clint Eastwood, Christopher Carley. Friendship slowly takes shape between a bigoted war vet (Clint Eastwood) and his Asian neighbors. (2h)

8 p.m. (PARMT) **Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade** ★★★ (Adv, '89) Harrison Ford, Sean Connery. Jones (Harrison Ford) and his father (Sean Connery) race Nazis to the Holy Grail. (3h)

(SHD2) **Arrival** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '16) Amy Adams, Jeremy Renner. See 1:00 PM (2h)

(TCM) **Out of the Past** ★★★★★ (Thrill, '47) Robert Mitchum, Jane Greer. A gambler's (Kirk Douglas) no-good girlfriend (Jane Greer) crosses a private eye (Robert Mitchum). (1h45)

8:45 p.m. (TNT) **The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '14) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. Katniss finds herself in District 13, fighting to save Peeta and a nation moved by her courage. (2h15)

9 p.m. (MMAX) **Locke** ★★★ (Dra, '13) Tom Hardy, Ruth Wilson. A man's life unravels as he drives to London to be present for the birth of his child. (1h25)

(SHD) **Titanic** ★★★★★ (Hist, '97) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. See Sunday at 8:30 PM (3h15)

(VHT) **Baby Driver** ★★★ (Act, '17) Ansel Elgort, Kevin Spacey. A young getaway driver must face the music when a doomed heist threatens his life, love and freedom. (2h30)

9:50 p.m. (HBO) **Our Idiot Brother** ★★★ (Com, '11) Paul Rudd, Elizabeth Banks. An easygoing dimwit (Paul Rudd) disrupts the lives of his three ambitious sisters. (1h34)

10 p.m. (AMC) **Dirty Dancing** ★★★ (Rom, '87) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h30)

(SHD2) **Jules** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '23) Ben Kingsley, Harriet Sansom Harris. See Sunday at 12:15 PM (1h30)

WEDNESDAY

9 a.m. (AMC) **Urban Cowboy** ★★★ (Dra, '80) John Travolta, Debra Winger. A Texan (John Travolta) falls for a honky-tonk cowgirl (Debra Winger). (3h)

9:05 a.m. (HBO2) **Coraline** ★★★ (Ani, '09) Voices of Dakota Fanning, Teri Hatcher. A girl (Dakota Fanning) discovers a parallel world where her life is nearly perfect. (1h44)

9:30 a.m. (SHD) **Everything Everywhere All at Once** ★★★ (Com, '22) Michelle Yeoh, Stephanie Hsu. See Sunday at 9:45 PM (2h30)

9:45 a.m. (MAX) **Lean on Pete** ★★★ (Dra, '17) Charlie Plummer, Chloë Sevigny. A teen embarks on an odyssey across the new American frontier to save a racehorse from slaughter. (2h02)

9:50 a.m. (TMC) **The Inspection** ★★★ (Dra, '22) Jeremy Pope, Raúl Castillo. A young gay man finds unexpected strength, camaraderie and support after he joins the Marines. (1h35)

10:50 a.m. (HBO2) **Avatar** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '09) Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h45)

11:05 a.m. (HBO) **Live Free or Die Hard** ★★★ (Act, '07) Bruce Willis, Justin Long. A digital villain attacks the computer infrastructure of the United States. (2h11)

11:10 a.m. (SHD2) **The Fabelmans** ★★★ (Dra, '22) Michelle Williams, Paul Dano. Young Sammy Fabelman falls in love with filmmaking after watching "The Greatest Show on Earth." (2h30)

Noon (AMC) **Dirty Dancing** ★★★ (Rom, '87) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h30)

12:05 p.m. (MMAX) **Scary Movie** ★★★ (Com, '00) Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans. See Monday at 9:55 AM (1h29)

1:30 p.m. (FLIX) **Pride** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '14) Bill Nighy, Imelda Staunton. Gays and lesbians from London lend their support to striking coal miners in 1984 Wales. (2h05)

1:35 p.m. (HBO2) **American Gangster** ★★★ (Cri, '07) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe. See Monday at 8:50 PM (2h40)

2 p.m. (MAX) **Rescue Dawn** ★★★ (War, '06) Christian Bale, Steve Zahn. A U.S. fighter pilot (Christian Bale) is shot down during the Vietnam War and becomes a POW. (2h06)

2:30 p.m. (AMC) **A Few Good Men** ★★★ (Dra, '92) Tom Cruise, Jack Nicholson. Navy lawyers (Tom Cruise, Demi Moore) defend Marines for a murder at Gitmo. (3h)

(Freeform) **The Secret Life of Pets** ★★★ (Ani, '16) Voices of Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet. A terrier and his canine pal encounter a rebellious bunny and his gang of abandoned pets. (2h)

3:05 p.m. (HBO) **The Menu** ★★★ (Hor, '22) Ralph Fiennes, Anya Taylor-Joy. Shocking surprises await a couple when they travel to an island to sample a chef's lavish menu. (1h50)

3:20 p.m. (TMC) **There Will Be Blood** ★★★ (Dra, '07) Daniel Day-Lewis, Paul Dano. A Texas oil prospector (Daniel Day-Lewis) becomes morally bankrupt as his fortune grows. (2h40)

3:30 p.m. (SHD) **American Hustle** ★★★ (Cri, '13) Christian Bale, Bradley Cooper. See Sunday at 11:05 AM (2h30)

3:35 p.m. (FLIX) **Hamburger Hill** ★★★ (War, '87) Anthony Barrielle, Michael Boatman. Fourteen Army recruits try again and again to take a muddy hill in Vietnam. (1h55)

4:05 p.m. (MAX) **Kingsman: The Secret Service** ★★★ (Act, '14) Colin Firth, Michael Caine. See Sunday at 1:35 PM (2h09)

4:25 p.m. (MMAX) **Krishna** ★★★ (Dra, '15) Krishna Fairchild, Robyn Fairchild. Tensions rise at a Thanksgiving gathering when a woman reunites with the family that she abandoned. (1h22)

4:30 p.m. (Freeform) **Abominable** ★★★ (Ani, '19) Voices of Chloe Bennet, Albert Tsai. A teen and her two friends embark on an epic quest to reunite a Yeti with his family. (2h)

4:55 p.m. (HBO) **The Manchurian Candidate** ★★★ (Thrill, '04) Denzel Washington, Meryl Streep. A Gulf War vet (Denzel Washington) is suspicious of a political candidate (Liev Schreiber). (2h13)

5:30 p.m. (FLIX) **Rosemary's Baby** ★★★★★ (Hor, '68) Mia Farrow, John Cassavetes. Satanists (John Cassavetes, Ruth Gordon) want a pregnant

woman (Mia Farrow) to bear the Antichrist. (2h30)

5:45 p.m. (HBO2) **Dawn of the Planet of the Apes** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '14) Andy Serkis, Jason Clarke. Caesar's genetically evolved apes and the human survivors of a deadly virus battle for supremacy. (2h14)

6 p.m. (SHD) **World War Z** ★★★ (Hor, '13) Brad Pitt, Mireille Enos. A former U.N. investigator is forced back into service to find the source of a zombie pandemic. (2h)

6:30 p.m. (Freeform) **Coco** ★★★ (Ani, '17) Voices of Anthony Gonzalez, Gael García Bernal. A boy embarks on a journey through the colorful Land of the Dead to discover his family's history. (2h30)

(VHT) **Baby Driver** ★★★ (Act, '17) Ansel Elgort, Kevin Spacey. See Tuesday at 9:00 PM (2h30)

7 p.m. (SHD2) **Little Women** ★★★ (Dra, '94) Winona Ryder, Gabriel Byrne. See Monday at 9:45 PM (2h)

7:30 p.m. (SYFY) **Kong: Skull Island** ★★★ (Adv, '17) Tom Hiddleston, Samuel L. Jackson. Explorers encounter the mighty Kong and other monstrous creatures on an uncharted Pacific island. (2h32)

8 p.m. (PARMT) **Creed** ★★★ (Dra, '15) Michael B. Jordan, Sylvester Stallone. Rocky Balboa acts as trainer and mentor to the son of his friend and former opponent, Apollo Creed. (3h)

(USA) **Batman Begins** ★★★ (Act, '05) Christian Bale, Michael Caine. Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) becomes Gotham City's Dark Knight. (3h)

9 p.m. (Freeform) **Encanto** ★★★ (Ani, '21) Voices of Stephanie Beatriz, María Cecilia Botero. A Colombian girl must save an enchanted place that blesses children in her family with unique gifts. (2h)

(SHD2) **The Fabelmans** ★★★ (Dra, '22) Michelle Williams, Paul Dano. See 11:10 AM (2h30)

9:45 p.m. (FLIX) **The Station Agent** ★★★ (Dra, '03) Peter Dinklage, Patricia Clarkson. See Tuesday at 6:30 PM (1h30)

10 p.m. (SHD) **The Italian Job** ★★★ (Thrill, '03) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. See Monday at 11:30 AM (2h)

THURSDAY

8 a.m. (FLIX) **Hope Springs** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '12) Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones. See Monday at 8:15 AM (1h45)

8:15 a.m. (TCM) **Miracle in the Rain** ★★★ (Rom, '56) Jane Wyman, Van Johnson. Mousy secretary (Jane Wyman) loves, loses soldier (Van Johnson). (2h)

8:20 a.m. (HBO2) **Throw Momma From the Train** ★★★ (Com, '87) Danny DeVito, Billy Crystal. Two writers (Danny DeVito, Billy Crystal) mistake tit-for-tat murders. (1h30)

8:35 a.m. (MMAX) **Wild Rose** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '18) Jessie Buckley, Julie Walters. A Scottish woman travels to Nashville, Tenn., to pursue her dream of becoming a country music star. (1h41)

9 a.m. (SYFY) **Children of Men** ★★★★★ (Sci-Fi, '06) Clive Owen, Julianne Moore. A disillusioned bureaucrat becomes an unlikely champion in the fight for mankind's survival. (2h30)

10:45 a.m. (HBO) **The Brothers** ★★★ (Rom, '01) Morris Chestnut, D.L. Hughley. Four friends question women, relationships and honesty after one of them becomes engaged. (1h46)

(AMC) **A Few Good Men** ★★★ (Dra, '92) Tom Cruise, Jack Nicholson. See Wednesday at 2:30 PM (3h)

11:15 a.m. (TMC) **The Host** ★★★ (Hor, '06) Song Kang-ho, Byun Hee-bong. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h)

11:30 a.m. (Freeform) **The Secret Life of Pets** ★★★ (Ani, '16) Voices of Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet. See Wednesday at 2:30 PM (2h)

11:45 a.m. (TCM) **So Big** ★★★ (Dra, '53) Jane Wyman, Sterling Hayden. Circa-1900 Chicago teacher (Jane Wyman) weds Dutch truck farmer (Sterling Hayden), raises son. (1h45)

1 p.m. (FLIX) **Finding Vivian Maier** ★★★ (Mys, '13) Phil Donahue. The life and work of career nanny Vivian Maier and her amazing collection of 100,000 photographs. (1h30)

1:15 p.m. (SHD2) **Beverly Hills Cop** ★★★ (Com, '84) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold. A hip detec-

tive (Eddie Murphy) shows local police (Judge Reinhold, John Ashton) how it's done. (1h45)

1:30 p.m. (Freeform) **Abominable** ★★★ (Ani, '19) Voices of Chloe Bennet, Albert Tsai. See Wednesday at 4:30 PM (2h)

1:40 p.m. (MMAX) **A Most Violent Year** ★★★ (Thrill, '14) Oscar Isaac, Jessica Chastain. In 1981 New York, violence, corruption and decay threaten to destroy a fuel supplier's business. (2h05)

1:45 p.m. (SHD) **Silence** ★★★ (Hist, '16) Andrew Garfield, Adam Driver. Two 17th-century Portuguese missionaries travel to Japan to find their missing mentor (Liam Neeson). (2h45)

2 p.m. (TNT) **Shazam!** ★★★ (Act, '19) Zachary Levi, Mark Strong. A 14-year-old transforms into the adult superhero Shazam and battles the evil Dr. Thaddeus Sivana. (2h30)

2:50 p.m. (HBO2) **Fantastic Mr. Fox** ★★★ (Ani, '09) Voices of George Clooney, Meryl Streep. After three nefarious farmers declare war on them, a sly fox and his animal friends fight back. (1h30)

3:30 p.m. (E) **Game Night** ★★★ (Com, '18) Jason Bateman, Rachel McAdams. A murder mystery party turns into a wild and chaotic night for a group of unsuspecting couples. (2h)

4:20 p.m. (HBO2) **White Men Can't Jump** ★★★ (Com, '92) Wesley Snipes, Woody Harrelson. Black-and-white hoop hustlers (Wesley Snipes, Woody Harrelson) cash in. (1h59)

4:30 p.m. (TNT) **Creed II** ★★★ (Dra, '18) Michael B. Jordan, Sylvester Stallone. Rocky Balboa trains boxing phenom Adonis Johnson for an epic showdown against the son of Ivan Drago. (2h30)

4:45 p.m. (HBO) **The Ides of March** ★★★ (Dra, '11) Ryan Gosling, George Clooney. A press secretary becomes involved in a scandal that threatens his candidate's election chances. (1h45)

5 p.m. (AMC) **Moneyball** ★★★ (Dra, '11) Brad Pitt, Jonah Hill. See Wednesday at 8:00 PM (3h)

(USA) **Batman Begins** ★★★ (Act, '05) Christian Bale, Michael Caine. See Wednesday at 8:00 PM (3h)

(WE) **Men in Black** ★★★ (Act, '97) Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith. See Sunday at 8:30 AM (2h)

5:45 p.m. (MMAX) **Gemini** ★★★ (Thrill, '17) Lola Kirke, Zoë Kravitz. A heinous crime tests the complex relationship between a Hollywood star and her personal assistant. (1h34)

6 p.m. (Freeform) **Freaky Friday** ★★★ (Child, '03) Jamie Lee Curtis, Lindsay Lohan. A woman (Jamie Lee Curtis) and her daughter (Lindsay Lohan) magically exchange bodies. (2h)

(TCM) **Johnny Belinda** ★★★ (Dra, '48) Jane Wyman, Lew Ayres. A doctor (Lew Ayres) brings love to a deaf-mute rape victim (Jane Wyman) in Nova Scotia. (2h)

6:20 p.m. (HBO2) **Fargo** ★★★ (Thrill, '96) Frances McDormand, Steve Buscemi. An overextended salesman (William H. Macy) hires goons to kidnap his wife. (1h41)

7:20 p.m. (MMAX) **Charlie Wilson's War** ★★★ (Doc/Dra, '07) Tom Hanks, Julia Roberts. A congressman, a socialite and a CIA agent boost funding for covert operations in Afghanistan. (1h42)

8 p.m. (PARMT) **The Italian Job** ★★★ (Thrill, '03) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. See Monday at 11:30 AM (2h30)

(AMC) **Die Hard** ★★★ (Act, '88) Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman. A New York policeman (Bruce Willis) outwits foreign thugs in an L.A. high-rise. (3h)

(Freeform) **The Parent Trap** ★★★ (Child, '98) Lindsay Lohan, Dennis Quaid. Separated twin sisters (Lindsay Lohan) plot to reunite parents (Dennis Quaid, Natasha Richardson). (3h)

(FLIX) **Hope Springs** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '12) Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones. See Monday at 8:15 AM (1h45)

(FX) **Deadpool** ★★★ (Act, '16) Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin. Armed with accelerated healing powers, Deadpool hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life. (2h30)

(USA) **The Dark Knight Rises** ★★★ (Act, '12) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway. Batman re-emerges from his self-imposed exile to battle a merciless terrorist named Bane. (3h33)

Movie Zone

8:15 p.m. (SHO2) **Beverly Hills Cop** ★★★ (Com, '84) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold. See 1:15 PM (1h45)

9 p.m. (TCM) **A Place in the Sun** ★★★ (Dra, '51) Montgomery Clift, Elizabeth Taylor. A social climber (Montgomery Clift) gets rid of his poor, pregnant girlfriend (Shelley Winters). (2h15)

FRIDAY

10 a.m. (E) **How to Train Your Dragon 2** ★★★ (Ani, '14) Voices of Jay Baruchel, Cate Blanchett. Hiccup (Jay Baruchel) and Toothless must save their people from a power-hungry invader. (2h)

(SHO2) **Silence** ★★★ (Hist, '16) Andrew Garfield, Adam Driver. See Thursday at 1:45 PM (2h45)

10:30 a.m. (Freeform) **21 Jump Street** ★★★ (Com, '12) Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum. Two cops working under cover at a high school must confront their teenage issues all over again. (2h30)

11:30 a.m. (AMC) **Patriots Day** ★★★ (Thril, '16) Mark Wahlberg, Kevin Bacon. A citywide man-hunt begins when two bombs explode during the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013. (3h)

11:40 a.m. (HBO) **The Menu** ★★★ (Hor, '22) Ralph Fiennes, Anya Taylor-Joy. See Wednesday at 3:05 PM (1h50)

12:45 p.m. (SHO2) **American Hustle** ★★★ (Cri, '13) Christian Bale, Bradley Cooper. See Sunday at 11:05 AM (2h20)

12:55 p.m. (MAX) **Wild** ★★★ (Dra, '14) Reese Witherspoon, Laura Dern. A woman (Reese Witherspoon) begins an 1,100-mile solo hike as a way to cope with a recent tragedy. (1h56)

1 p.m. (BRAVO) **Ghostbusters** ★★★ (Com, '84) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd. Armed with proton packs, four paranormal investigators battle mischievous ghouls in New York. (3h)

1:15 p.m. (FLIX) **There Will Be Blood** ★★★ (Dra, '07) Daniel Day-Lewis, Paul Dano. See Wednesday at 3:20 PM (2h40)

2 p.m. (MMAX) **Ghost** ★★★ (Fan, '90) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore. Slain yuppie (Patrick Swayze) reaches his lover (Demi Moore) with psychic's (Whoopi Goldberg) help. (2h07)

3:55 p.m. (FLIX) **Emma** ★★★ (Rom, '96) Gwyneth Paltrow, Jeremy Northam. See Monday at 10:00 AM (2h05)

4:25 p.m. (TMC) **12 O'Clock Boys: The Director's Cut** ★★★ (Doc, '13) A Baltimore youth idolizes a group of dirt-bike riders and hopes to join their ranks. (1h25)

4:30 p.m. (FX) **Once Upon a Time... In Hollywood** ★★★ (Com, '19) Leonardo DiCaprio, Brad Pitt. A TV star and his longtime stunt double make their way around a changing industry in 1969 Hollywood. (3h30)

4:35 p.m. (USA) **The Dark Knight Rises** ★★★ (Act, '12) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway. See Thursday at 8:00 PM (3h27)

5 p.m. (AMC) **Die Hard** ★★★ (Act, '88) Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman. See Thursday at 8:00 PM (3h)

5:30 p.m. (SHO) **The Fabelmans** ★★★ (Dra, '22) Michelle Williams, Paul Dano. See Wednesday at 11:10 AM (2h30)

6 p.m. (FLIX) **Little Women** ★★★ (Dra, '94) Winona Ryder, Gabriel Byrne. See Monday at 9:45 PM (2h)

6:55 p.m. (TNT) **Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '05) Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman. Anakin Skywalker (Hayden Christensen) joins the dark side and becomes Darth Vader. (3h07)

7 p.m. (BRAVO) **Ghostbusters** ★★★ (Com, '84) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd. See 1:00 PM (3h)

8 p.m. (PARMT) **World War Z** ★★★ (Hor, '13) Brad Pitt, Mireille Enos. See Wednesday at 6:00 PM (2h30)

10 p.m. (SHO) **Jules** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '23) Ben Kingsley, Harriet Sansom Harris. See Sunday at 12:15 PM (1h30)

(TCM) **The Apartment** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '60) Jack Lemmon, Shirley MaLaure. A corporate climber (Jack Lemmon) lets his boss (Fred MacMurray) and others use his home. (2h15)

SATURDAY

8:05 a.m. (FLIX) **Things to Do in Denver When You're Dead** ★★★ (Thril, '95) Andy Garcia, Christopher Lloyd. See Tuesday at 6:00 PM (2h)

8:10 a.m. (MAX) **Election** ★★★ (Com, '99) Matthew Broderick, Reese Witherspoon. An over-achiever (Reese Witherspoon) runs for class president. (1h43)

10 a.m. (SHO) **Everything Everywhere All at Once** ★★★ (Com, '22) Michelle Yeoh, Stephanie Hsu. See Sunday at 9:45 PM (2h30)

10:10 a.m. (TMC) **Into the Wild** ★★★ (Dra, '07) Emile Hirsch, Marcia Gay Harden. Christopher McCandless (Emile Hirsch) sheds his possessions and makes an ill-fated trek to Alaska. (2h30)

10:35 a.m. (MMAX) **Scary Movie** ★★★ (Com, '00) Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans. See Monday at 9:55 AM (1h29)

11 a.m. (PARMT) **Raiders of the Lost Ark** ★★★ (Adv, '81) Harrison Ford, Karen Allen. Indiana Jones (Harrison Ford) braves snakes and Nazis to find the biblical ark of the covenant. (2h30)

Noon (Freeform) **22 Jump Street** ★★★ (Com, '14) Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum. Officers Jenko and Schmidt begin to question their partnership while undercover at a local college. (2h35)

12:30 p.m. (SHO) **Only Lovers Left Alive** ★★★ (Dra, '13) Tilda Swinton, Tom Hiddleston. See Monday at 2:05 PM (2h15)

1:45 p.m. (TCM) **Stars in My Crown** ★★★ (Dra, '50) Joel McCrea, Ellen Drew. A Southern preacher (Joel McCrea) finds a troubled flock to tend after the Civil War. (1h45)

2 p.m. (FLIX) **The Duchess** ★★★ (Hist, '08) Keira Knightley, Ralph Fiennes. A glamorous noblewoman (Keira Knightley) becomes a powerful force for change in late-1700s England. (1h50)

2:15 p.m. (TNT) **Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '80) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford. Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill), Han Solo (Harrison Ford) and Princess Leia face Darth Vader's wrath. (2h47)

3 p.m. (SYFY) **Cloverfield** ★★★ (Sci-Fi, '08) Michael Stahl-David, Mike Vogel. Terrified New Yorkers witness a monstrous creature's attack on their city. (1h54)

(SHO2) **The Italian Job** ★★★ (Thril, '03) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. See Monday at 11:30 AM (2h)

3:30 p.m. (TCM) **Cast a Dark Shadow** ★★★ (Thril, '55) Dirk Bogarde, Margaret Lockwood. An Englishman (Dirk Bogarde) tries to murder a savvy widow (Margaret Lockwood). (1h30)

3:50 p.m. (FLIX) **A Single Man** ★★★ (Dra, '09) Colin Firth, Julianne Moore. See Tuesday at 11:15 AM (1h45)

4:05 p.m. (TMC) **The Host** ★★★ (Hor, '06) Song Kang-ho, Byun Hee-bong. See Sunday at 8:00 PM (2h)

5 p.m. (PARMT) **Forrest Gump** ★★★ (Com.-Dra, '94) Tom Hanks, Robin Wright. An innocent man (Tom Hanks) enters history from the '50s to the '90s. (3h30)

5:35 p.m. (FLIX) **The Talented Mr. Ripley** ★★★ (Thril, '99) Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow. One young man (Matt Damon) begins to assume the identity of another (Jude Law). (2h25)

6 p.m. (SHO) **Michael Clayton** ★★★ (Dra, '07) George Clooney, Tom Wilkinson. A "fixer" (George Clooney) at a corporate law firm faces the biggest challenge of his career. (2h)

6:15 p.m. (TCM) **Going in Style** ★★★ (Com, '79) George Burns, Art Carney. Bored old-timers (George Burns, Art Carney, Lee Strasberg) rob a Manhattan bank. (1h45)

7:10 p.m. (MMAX) **Mississippi Grind** ★★★ (Dra, '15) Ryan Reynolds, Ben Mendelsohn. A gambling addict takes his newfound friend on a road trip to a high-stakes poker game. (1h50)

7:55 p.m. (SYFY) **Troy** ★★★ (Adv, '04) Brad Pitt, Eric Bana. Warrior Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War, ignited when Paris abducts Helen of Troy. (3h06)

8 p.m. (22) **I Am Chris Farley** ★★★ (Doc, '15) Adam Sandler, Christina Applegate. Friends, family and colleagues discuss the life and career of comic Chris Farley. (2h)

Hollywood Q&A

By Adam Thomlison
TV Media

Q: I just watched the movie "It Lives Inside." I heard it was made by Jordan Peele, but I didn't see his name anywhere in the credits.

A: Bishal Dutta, writer and director of 2023 horror film "It Lives Inside," would argue that there are ways of "making" a movie that don't include having a hand in the production.

"None of us that are getting to make interesting cultural horror films right now — none of us get to do it without Jordan Peele and his incredible work on 'Get Out,'" Dutta told ScreenGeek.net in August.

"Get Out," Peele's 2017 horror movie, has been credited with revitalizing the horror genre, while also giving it a social conscience. However, many have since said that Peele's movies — which also include similar followups "Us" (2019) and "Nope" (2022) — are just building on a longer tradition within horror of being concerned with things like marginalization and oppression.

Either way, Dutta says his movie, a demonic horror story from an Indian American point of view, wouldn't have been possible without Peele's success.

That's also true in more practical ways. "It Lives Inside" was produced by Raymond Mansfield and Sean McKittrick, who also produced "Get Out," which was by far their biggest hit.

That's why the film poster said, "From the producers of 'Get Out,'" which may have caused your confusion.

But Peele's legacy factors in here, as well. Without the runaway financial success of "Get Out" (it earned \$256 million worldwide on a budget of just \$4.5 million), Mansfield and McKittrick may not have had the resources, or the boldness, to take a chance on an unknown like Dutta.

Q: Why did Tom Bergeron leave "Dancing With the Stars"? And what's he doing now?

A: Host Tom Bergeron was clearly a little embittered by his exit from "Dancing With the Stars," but it hasn't dimmed his enthusiasm for showbiz. Lately it seems he's been hustling as hard as ever, but for smaller-scale projects that are meaningful to him.

That includes showing up on the podcasts of old friends like former "DWTS" pro Cheryl Burke. On an episode of her podcast, "Sex, Lies and Spray Tans," Bergeron

opened up about his exit from the reality dance competition, saying it was due to them casting former White House press secretary Sean Spicer as a contestant.

He said he pleaded with the producers to keep politics out of the show. He felt that "DWTS's" value — especially on the cusp of an election year (Spicer appeared on the show in the fall of 2019) — was being "the show that gives people a break from all this bull——." [Expletive deleted here because podcasts generally don't have censors.]

But they went ahead with the casting anyway, and when Bergeron asked to just take that season off, they offered instead to let him out of his contract entirely. So Bergeron said he had to quit. "At that moment, I knew this is probably my last season, because of that one betrayal."

Since then, he hasn't taken on another

real full-time gig, instead bouncing between smaller, fun projects. Projects like "Hollywood Radio Players," an online-only series Bergeron hosts, where actors perform '40s-style radio plays, but on camera. It's a limited, low-budget project that raises money for the Motion Picture and Television Fund.

And he'll be appearing in what promises to be a pretty heartwarming documentary called "Finding Happy," about a woman healing herself while doing the same for a rescued sparrow. It's reported to be filming now, with no release date planned yet.

Have a question? Email us at questions@tvtabloid.com. Please include your name and town. Personal replies will not be provided.

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