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Bessemer board accepts superintendent's resignation

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BESSEMER — After two separate closed sessions during a special meeting on Tuesday evening, the Bessemer Area Board of Education voted to accept the resignation of Dave Wineburner, who had been hired for the position in the summer of 2018.

All board members were present for the unanimous vote, which followed a motion by Board Secretary Beth Steiger, who also chairs the board's personnel committee.

Wineburner was not present. Nor was Alan Tulppo, the superintendent of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District.

Tulppo has been serving as Bessemer's interim superintendent since the board placed Wineburner on paid leave on Oct. 10, 2019.



Dave Wineburner

The vote accepted not only Wineburner's Jan. 7 letter of resignation, but also a separation agreement.

No explanation for the action was offered during the meeting.

Afterward, Board President Bob Berg deferred any comments to Steiger, who told the Globe that the board had been investigating possible "board policy violations." She declined to elaborate.

When asked whether Wineburner had been asked to resign, Steiger said, "Mr. Wineburner issued his voluntary resignation. At this point, we're separating ways, and we wish him the best."

Steiger added that a formal, written announcement of the action will be issued to district staff today.

She said that board members also plan to meet with Tulppo today regarding what action to take next in relation to seeking a new superintendent.

According to Steiger, Tulppo will continue in his interim role until the next superintendent is hired.

Annette Lillie and Jim Partanen — who are the board's vice president and treasurer respectively — also serve on the personnel committee, which includes attention to finance and negotiations.

All board members were present for the vote, including trustees Dick Matrella, Eric Stanislawski and Tara Graham.

The board first covered routine business and then, according to Berg and Steiger, entered a closed session to consider a legal opinion dated Jan. 7. Steiger said they also engaged with an attorney by phone during that time. After the phone call, they again voted to enter a second closed session to discuss the matter more before voting to accept Wineburner's resignation.

During routine business, the board:

—Voted to approve the hiring

of Laura Miller as a long-term second grade substitute teacher at Washington Elementary School. According to Dan Niemi, principal of the A.D. Johnston Junior and Senior High School, Miller has been working as a student teacher at WES and will receive her college degree and teaching certification within the next week.

—Voted to accept the resignation of part-time custodian Bruce Hamberg and to post advertising for that position.

—Voted to grant Dave Rowe, ADJ Quiz Bowl advisor, his request to allow bowl members approval to stay overnight during a trip to Marquette on Jan. 23-24.

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Ironwood starts adult-use marijuana discussion

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IRONWOOD — The city of Ironwood presented a draft of its adult-use marijuana establishment ordinance to the public Monday to receive feedback for revisions before a final version can be considered by the city commission.

Around 60 people attended the workshop with members of the Ironwood City Commission and city planning commission present. The discussion will continue with a second public workshop at 6 p.m. Feb. 3, and an official public hearing at 5 p.m. Feb. 13. The city commission anticipates considering the ordinance at its March 9 regular meeting.

"I think it was a great opportunity to hear from more members of the community and we sure appreciated everyone's courage and willingness to share their thoughts," said Mayor Annette Burchell, who was present with fellow city commissioners Jim Mildren and Kim Corcoran. "I think there were several really good, productive suggestions that came out of this meeting that we can look at incorporating into the ordinance."

Corcoran suggested adding an outline of information in the application process that directs people to the state agencies and other resources that would be helpful to the process.

Mildren suggested having a state official from the appropriate agency present at the next workshop to provide input on the ordinance and field questions from the public.

"It's such a normal part of



Tom LaVenture/Daily Globe

MEMBERS OF the Ironwood City Commission and around 60 community discuss the first draft of an adult-use marijuana establishment ordinance Monday at the Ironwood Memorial Building.

government to have the state involved in collecting public input or giving answers," Mildren said.

The ordinance, presented by Tom Bergman, director of community development for the city of Ironwood, intends to start out slowly with a limited number of licenses before considering an increase, he said. A 15-member community advisory group worked on the ordinance over several months followed by legal review on an adult-use marijuana establishment ordinance to regulate establishments that are first vetted and licensed by the state of Michigan before city approval, he said.

The public input is part of the process in the city's work to develop the ordinance, Bergman said.

"That is how we got to this point," he said. "This is something the city is taking very seriously."

Input will be accepted outside the workshops and hearings via email, phone or mail until Feb. 13, he said. The city's deadline to approve an ordinance to option out of commercial adult-use marijuana is March 31.

The city commission decided to option-out of adult-use marijuana at the time the state referendum approved it November 2018, he said. At the same time the commission directed city staff to create an ordinance with language on how commercial use would be regulated if adult-use were approved.

Then the legal work followed and the outcome is mainly what someone would need to know what's required if they wanted to operate a facility in Ironwood, he said. The ordinance outlines the fee structure, the number of allowable licenses by category, building requirements and the

application process.

Bergman said the city would issue two marijuana retailer and two marijuana micro-business licenses using a competitive process. The micro-business is licensed to grow, process, package and sell up to 150 marijuana plants, while the retailer is licensed to obtain marijuana from other marijuana establishments to sell to individuals over 21 years.

Retailers and micro-businesses are limited to C-3 highway commercial and C-2 downtown commercial zoning districts.

The city will issue two marijuana grower licenses for each class: A (100 plants); B (500 plants) and C (2,000 plants), he said. There is a \$5,000 annual fee and stacked licenses are not allowed, he said.

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Hurley meeting promotes facade improvement program

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HURLEY — The Northwest Regional Planning Commission and the Hurley Area Chamber of Commerce want downtown Hurley business owners to know they may be eligible for low-interest loans to improve their facades.

Representatives of the 10-county, Spooner-based regional planning commission and the chamber held a meeting in Hurley Tuesday to provide additional information on the loan program.

"It's a great program that offers pretty affordable money to upgrade a traditional downtown area," said Ken Pearson, a business development specialist/loan fund manager with the Northwest Regional Planning Commission. "It's just a great immediate impact to the economy and well-being of the downtown ecosystem."

Along with growing the value of a business and improving the quality of a downtown, Pearson said facade improvements can also help ongoing placemaking efforts as attractive downtowns encourage visitors to stop and are often more walkable.

"I think they're fun projects to work on because you see the instant result and how it impacts the community," Pearson said.

The facade improvement program offers loans up to \$30,000 with a 2% interest rate for up to 10 years — unless the property is sold — according to information presented at the meeting.

The loans can be used to improve a commercial building's facade — which can include signs, doors and windows, awnings, exterior graphics and lighting or landscape improvements.

The loan program was established in 2006 and Hurley has been one of the communities that has benefitted the most, Pearson said, with several Hurley businesses — including the chamber of commerce — having uti-

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Former UPS driver convicted in Ashland stalking case

By RICHARD JENKINS
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ASHLAND, Wis. — A Montreal, Wisconsin man was recently convicted of using his job at UPS to stalk an Ashland County resident.

A jury convicted Gerald L. Moon, 63, of stalking and fourth degree sexual assault Friday following a two-day trial. Moon was acquitted of the charge of criminal trespass to dwelling.

The conviction stems from events in August 2018, according to the criminal complaint in the case. Bayfield County District Attorney Kimberly Lawton said Moon used his job as a delivery driver to stalk the victim. He is no longer employed by UPS, Lawton said in a news release.

Lawton and Bayfield County law enforcement handled the investigation and case due to conflicts of interest with Ashland County authorities.

"I'm incredibly proud of the victim for coming forward. Women standing up and being brave is more than just a hashtag or a movement, it changes our society. Violence against women is far too common. There is no excuse for sexual assault," Lawton said in the release. "I am grateful for the hard work and expertise of law enforcement, advocates from

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TODAY Snow likely — Details, page 2

Tuesday
High 21
Low 18

Today's records
High 47 (1990)
Low -31 (1981)

Snowfall
24 hours to 7 a.m.
Tuesday 0.2 in.
Snow depth 17 in.
Season total 98.9 in.
Last year 70.3 in.

Year ago today
High 35
Low 27

Precipitation
24 hours to 7 a.m.
Tuesday 0.01 in.

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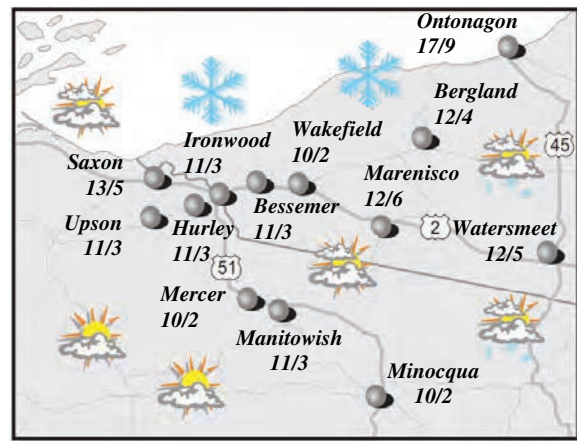
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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR IRONWOOD

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Snow Likely	Scattered Snow	Cloudy	Few Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers
11° 3°	33° 18°	20° 4°	15° 8°	20° 12°
Winds: 3-10 mph SW	Winds: 8-19 mph S	Winds: 8-11 mph W	Winds: 7-10 mph NNE	Winds: 9 mph SSE



LOCAL OUTLOOK

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with an 85% chance of snow, high temperature of 11°, humidity of 77%. Southwest wind 3 to 10 mph. New snow accumulation of around two inches possible.

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise 7:43 a.m.
Sunset 4:30 p.m.
Moonrise 2:40 p.m.
Moonset 5:34 a.m.



Associated Press

COFFINS OF Gen. Qassem Soleimani and others who were killed in Iraq by a U.S. drone strike, are carried on a truck surrounded by mourners during a funeral procession, in the city of Kerman, Iran, Tuesday. A stampede erupted on Tuesday at a funeral procession for a top Iranian general killed in a U.S. airstrike last week, killing 35 people and injuring 48 others, state television reported.

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High temperature 21
Low temperature 18
Precipitation 0.01"

REGIONAL WEATHER

	Today	Thu.
Ashland	21/13 ss	40/30 sh
Duluth	12/4 pc	29/12 sn
Eau Claire	25/17 mc	44/34 rs
Escanaba	17/9 pc	37/31 sh
Grand Rapids	24/16 ss	41/31 sh
Green Bay	19/11 s	40/31 ra
Madison	21/13 pc	45/29 rs
Marquette	14/6 ss	36/29 ss
Rhineland	11/3 pc	33/21 rs
St. Paul	16/8 mc	37/17 cl
Wausau	12/4 pc	36/22 rs

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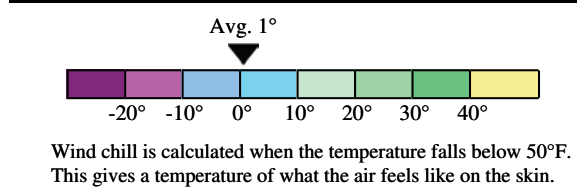
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Chicago	29/23 pc	46/36 ra
Dallas	65/54 s	74/61 cl
Kansas City	50/42 s	59/39 ra
Los Angeles	65/48 s	61/45 pc
New York	40/25 ss	35/27 s
Orlando	68/55 s	76/66 pc
Phoenix	66/43 pc	61/45 pc
Seattle	42/34 ra	39/29 ra

Weather (Wx): cl/cloudy; fl/furries; pc/partly cloudy; mc/mostly cloudy; ra/rain; rs/rain & snow; s/sunny; sh/showers; sn/snow; ss/snow showers; th/thunderstorms; w/windy

MOON PHASES

Full	Last	New	First
1/10	1/17	1/24	2/1

LOCAL WIND CHILL



WEATHER TRIVIA

Do tornadoes occur in January?
Answer: Yes, the average year sees 47 tornadoes in its first month.

Iran strikes back at US with missile attack at bases in Iraq

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran struck back at the United States for the killing of a top Iranian general early Wednesday, firing a series of ballistic missiles at two Iraqi bases housing U.S. troops in a major escalation that brought the two longtime foes closer to war. Iranian state TV said it was in revenge for the U.S. killing of Revolutionary Guard Gen. Qassem Soleimani, whose death prompted angry calls to avenge his slaying. A U.S. official said there were no immediate reports of American casualties, though buildings were still being searched.

Soleimani's killing and the strikes by Iran came as tensions have been rising steadily across the Mideast after President Donald Trump's decision to unilaterally withdraw America from Tehran's nuclear deal with world powers. They also marked the first time in recent years that Washington and Tehran have attacked each other directly rather than through proxies in the region. It raised the chances of open conflict erupting between the two enemies, which have been at odds since Iran's 1979 Islamic Revolution.

But in a tweet shortly after the missile launches, Iran's foreign minister called a ballistic missile attack a "proportionate measures in self-defense" and said it was not seeking to escalate the situation but would defend itself against any aggression. Iran initially announced

only one strike, but U.S. officials confirmed both. U.S. defense officials were at the White House, likely to discuss options with Trump, who launched the strike on Soleimani while facing an upcoming impeachment trial in the Senate, U.S. defense officials were at the White House, likely to discuss options with Trump, who launched the strike on Soleimani while facing an upcoming impeachment trial in the Senate.

Iran's Revolutionary Guard warned the U.S. and its regional allies against retaliating over the missile attack against the Ain al-Asad air base in Iraq's western Anbar province. The Guard issued the warning via a statement carried by Iran's state-run IRNA news agency.

"We are warning all American allies, who gave their bases to its terrorist army, that any territory that is the starting point of aggressive acts against Iran will be targeted," The Guard said. It also threatened Israel. After the strikes, a former Iranian nuclear negotiator posted a picture of the Islamic Republic's flag on Twitter, appearing to mimic Trump who posted an American flag following the killing of Soleimani and others Friday in a drone strike in Baghdad. Ain al-Asad air base was first used by American forces after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion that toppled dictator Saddam Hussein, and later saw American troops stationed there amid the fight against the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria. It houses about 1,500 U.S. and coalition forces.

Two Iraqi security officials said at least one of the missiles appeared to have struck a plane at the base,

igniting a fire. It was not immediately clear whether it was an Iraqi or U.S. jet. There were no immediate reports of casualties from the attacks, according to the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity as they had no permission to brief journalists.

About 70 Norwegian troops also were on the air base but no injuries were reported, Brynjar Stordal, a spokesperson for the Norwegian Armed Forces told The Associated Press.

Trump visited the sprawling Ain al-Asad air base, about 100 miles or 60 kilometers west of Baghdad, in December 2018, making his first presidential visit to troops in the region. He did not meet with any Iraqi officials at the time, and his visit inflamed sensitivities about the continued presence of U.S. forces in Iraq. Vice President Mike Pence also has visited the base.

Iranian state TV said the Guard's aerospace division that controls Iran's missile program launched the attack, which it said was part of an operation dubbed "Martyr Soleimani." Iran said it would release more information later.

The U.S. also acknowledged another missile attack on a base in Irbil in Iraq's semiautonomous Kurdish region.

"As we evaluate the situation and our response, we will take all necessary measures to protect and defend U.S. personnel, partners and allies in the region," said Jonathan Hoffman, an assistant to the U.S. defense secretary.

1 dead, 5 rescued from avalanche at Idaho ski area

KELLOGG, Idaho (AP) — An avalanche at an Idaho ski resort killed one person Tuesday, and rescuers dug out five others who had minor injuries, officials said.

Silver Mountain Resort confirmed the death and injuries in a Facebook post. Searchers were still combing through the snow

with probes and rescue dogs, resort officials said. "The staff at Silver Mountain extend their deepest sympathies to the family of the individual," the post said. "Out of respect of the person's family and their privacy, no further details will be released at this time." The Shoshone County

Sheriff's Office said earlier that it had received reports of up to three separate avalanches on the mountain just south of the city of Kellogg in northern Idaho. The sheriff's office said it got calls about three people possibly trapped. It later said four people had been recovered in the avalanche area, while searchers kept looking.

The avalanche happened about 11 a.m. in the Wardner Peak area, which is rated the most difficult to ski, Silver Mountain officials said.

An avalanche warning has been in effect in higher elevations of multiple north Idaho counties, KHQ-TV reported.

School of Choice Notice

Schools of Choice Plan Adopted by Local Districts

Superintendents of school districts in Gogebic and Ontonagon counties have adopted resolutions to allow parents the choice of school districts for their children.

The Schools of Choice Plan was provided for in Section 105 and 105(C) of the 1996 State Aid Act. The Bessemer Area, Ewen-Trout Creek, Ironwood Area, Ontonagon Area, Wakefield-Marenisco and Watersmeet School Districts are participating in this program.

Parents/Guardians should contact the superintendent or building principals of each district with questions regarding specific programs and classes. Vocational programming is not included in the Schools of Choice Plan since area-wide vocational classes are already controlled by a cooperative agreement for inclusion of students from all area schools. All schools are accepting unlimited enrollment unless specified below.

- Ironwood Area Schools-- No Kindergarten or 3rd Grade openings
- Bessemer Area Schools-- All grades closed for the second semester
- Watersmeet Township Schools-- All grades closed for the second semester

Applications for students are due to the district of choice between **January 6 and January 24, 2020**. All students currently enrolled as Schools of Choice students need not reapply but may call the school district to verify status.

By law, families who have children in Schools of Choice Programs are given preference to other siblings but otherwise all schools may not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religious belief or academic ability.

Applications and details of program availability are presently available at each of the local school districts superintendent's office.

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IN HISTORY
January 8

- **1790** First US President George Washington delivers first State of the Union address
- **1867** African American men granted the right to vote in Washington, D.C. despite President Andrew Johnson's veto
- **1918** Mississippi becomes the first state to ratify the 18th Amendment to the US Constitution, authorizing the prohibition of alcohol

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Lawyers: 'Humbled' ex-US Rep. Collins deserves no prison

NEW YORK (AP) — An ex-U.S. congressman is humbled and remorseful after pleading guilty to conspiracy in an insider trading scheme and should face no time behind bars, his lawyers argued in court papers Tuesday.

The presentence submission on behalf of 69-year-old Christopher Collins was filed in Manhattan federal court, where the Republican is scheduled to be sentenced on Jan. 17.

Collins pleaded guilty in October to conspiracy to commit securities fraud and lying to law enforcement officials. According to a plea agreement he signed, Collins agreed that federal sentencing guidelines call for a sentence of nearly four to five years in prison, but the actual sentence is up to a judge. "Chris comes before the Court humbled, penitent, and remorseful," the lawyers wrote. "The public humiliation will follow Chris and mar him for the rest of his life."

The lawyers said Collins, a Republican who was one of the earliest supporters of President Donald Trump, should not go to prison because of his contrition, advanced age, good charitable works and because there's no chance he'll commit more crimes.

Collins had represented western New York since his election to the 27th Congressional District of New York in 2012. His lawyers cited over

100 letters written to the judge on his behalf including from over a dozen current and former members of Congress, including former House Speaker John Boehner.

The lawyers said an appropriate sentence would be probation with significant home confinement, extensive community service and a substantial fine.

The guilty plea by Collins came after he was charged with leaking information about a biopharmaceutical company so his son and friends could avoid \$800,000 in stock losses before announcing that a drug trial failure caused the stock price to plunge 92%.

An indictment said Collins was attending the Congressional Picnic at the White House on June 22, 2017, when he received an email from the chief executive of Innate Immunotherapeutics Ltd., a biotechnology company headquartered in Sydney, Australia, with offices in Auckland, New Zealand.

At the time, Collins sat on the company board and was its largest shareholder, with nearly 17% of its shares.

Briefs

Business mentoring program scheduled

HURLEY — Going into business or have business questions? Talk to advisors from local experienced businesses to get some help. The Iron County Development Zone sponsors a Business Mentorship Program to help those in business or thinking about starting a business get support, coaching, motivation and encouragement.

The next meeting is this Thursday at 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Liberty Way Tap House in Mercer. A mentor or mentors will be available for you to stop by and visit

with at no cost. Pizza will be provided and if you want you can purchase some of the craft beers on tap.

The program is provided by the Iron County Development Zone. For more information, contact Kelly Klein at 715-561-2922.

Ironwood Library hosts Alzheimer's associaton program

IRONWOOD — The Ironwood Carnegie Library will be the host for the Alzheimer's Association program Healthy Living for Brain And Body on Thurs-

day, Jan. 16 at 4 p.m. The event will be held at the library at 234 E. Aurora St.

Sundi Taylor, program coordinator for the Greater Michigan Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, will discuss the latest research about diet, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement and their effect on maintaining health throughout the lifespan.

All are welcome and there is no charge for the program. Call Lynne at 906-932-0203 or Sundi at 906-228-3910 with questions about the program or the Alzheimer's Association.

Ballot drive to bar LGBTQ discrimination begins

By **DAVID EGGERT**
Associated Press

LANSING (AP) — A group launched a 2020 ballot initiative Tuesday to expand Michigan's civil rights law to include anti-discrimination protections for LGBTQ people, a step that would put the issue to voters if the Republican-led Legislature does not pass the measure.

Once it is approved, the group will have until late May to collect the roughly 340,000 valid voter signatures needed to place the initiated bill before lawmakers.

If legislators do not adopt the legislation — similar bills have long stalled in the Legislature — the initiative would go to a statewide vote in November.

"This coalition of Michigan citizens has support across LGBTQ groups, the business and philanthropic sectors, and both sides of the political aisle. There is more that brings us together than forces us apart," said Mel Larsen, a former Republican lawmaker who co-sponsored the 1976 civil rights act.

The proposal would

update the law to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity in employment, housing and public accommodations.

Executives at several major Michigan corporations — DTE Energy, Consumers Energy, Herman Miller, Whirlpool and Dow — issued statements supporting the initiative. Also backing it were leaders of the Michigan AFL-CIO, the NAACP's Detroit branch, and current and former political figures such as ex-U.S. Rep. Joe Schwarz, a Republican, and Lansing Mayor Andy Schor, a Democrat.

"Advancing the fair treatment of all people — regardless of their race, religion, disability, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation or gender identity — is a key component of retaining and growing a world-class, talented workforce," said Patti Poppe, president and CEO of Jackson-based Consumers Energy. "To stay competitive in today's economy, we need to be bold in our efforts to make our community more welcoming to all."

Last year, Democratic Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer joined with Democratic legislators to renew a push for legislation to add legal protections for LGBTQ people. But legislative committees have not held hearings on the bills.

Twenty-one states prohibit discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation and gender identity while another — Wisconsin — bars discrimination against gays and lesbians but not transgender people, according to the Human Rights Campaign, a national LGBTQ rights organization.

In October, the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments over whether the federal civil rights law protects LGBT people from discrimination in employment — as a subset of sex discrimination.

One of the cases involves a Michigan funeral home employee who was fired after disclosing that she was transitioning from male to female and would begin dressing as a woman.

Abrams book on voting rights to be published

By **HILLEL ITALIE**
AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Stacey Abrams has a new book coming out next summer that will focus on her signature cause, voting rights.

Henry Holt and Company announced Tuesday that "Our Time is Now: Power, Purpose, and the Fight for a Fair America" is scheduled for June 2020. Based on research and her run for Georgia governor in 2018, her book calls for reforms that make it easier for people to vote. Abrams,

a Democrat, narrowly lost to Republican Brian Kemp last year in a campaign that raised numerous questions about everything from the purging of voter rolls to the limited access to voting booths in black precincts.

"The future of our democracy depends on correcting all that is wrong with our elections process, including the insidious practice of voter suppression," Abrams said in a statement. "And we must remind voters of their power to be seen and to

demand action not simply on election days but every day."

Abrams, 46, is widely regarded as a rising star in the Democratic Party and has been mentioned as a possible vice presidential candidate in the 2020 election.

Now heading the voting rights organization Fair Fight, she is a former Georgia state legislator and author of "Lead From the Outside." She was the first African American woman to be a major party nominee for governor.

Saving community cats in Michigan with \$5,000 grant

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — Through funding provided by Humane Society of Macomb Foundation, Michigan Pet Fund Alliance (MPFA) has received \$5,000 to fund one Community Cats TNR Grant.

The grant opportunity is open to Michigan animal shelters and rescue organizations to launch a new Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program to save outdoor cats.

"Michigan Pet Fund Alliance is committed to ending outdated and inhumane 'catch and kill' policies to control cat populations," said Deborah Schutt, MPFA founder and chairperson.

"Although Michigan shelters achieved an overall save rate 90% in 2018, 7,092 cats were killed in our shelters."

Research shows that when free-roaming or feral outdoor cats are sterilized, vaccinated and returned to

their neighborhoods with shelter and a food source, they can live nearly as long as indoor cats. Community cats can be beneficial to the neighborhood by keeping other cats away and controlling rodent populations.

The Community Cats TNR Grant cycle runs Jan. 6 through Feb. 14. Grant funds must be used to launch a new program to TNR a minimum of 20 cats before Nov. 30, 2020.

All cats must be sterilized, vaccinated for rabies, and ear-tipped prior to being returned to the location from where they were picked up.

The grant can also be used to build outdoor cat shelters and create TNR kits, including traps and other supplies. To see a full list of requirements and to apply, please visit:

MichiganPetFund.org/n o-kill-michigan/community-cats/

After the Community Cats TNR Grant is awarded, MPFA plans to offer additional grant opportunities to fund existing Community Cats programs. Details will be announced in early spring, just prior to "kitten season," when unaltered outdoor cats typically have their first litter of the year.

Winter wonderland acrylic painting class planned

LAND O' LAKES, Wis. — Paint an acrylic winter wonderland scene with artist Lisa Krueger Saturday, Jan. 18, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Land O' Lakes Arts (LOLA). Students will learn how to manipulate a palette knife to create a large portion of birch trees, as well as the tiny trees that make up the winter scene.

This class is for the beginners, as well as intermediate students.

All materials are supplied. Deadline for payment/registration is Saturday, Jan. 11.

Krueger lives in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, where she is inspired by the beauty of the Northwoods.

She works in a variety of mediums, such as; watercolor, pastel, acrylics, mixed media, and alcohol ink. Krueger also enjoys sharing with others by teaching and helping her students grow creatively in the artistic process. Her art can be found in area galleries, and the public can view her work at her creative space — Oak View Studio, as a part of the Northwoods Art Tour.



Submitted photo

THE ABOVE image is one of artist Lisa Krueger's Winter Wonderland paintings, that students will be recreating in an upcoming class at the Land O' Lakes Arts.

Also coming up is LOLA's class for home school students, Freestyle Chip Carving, Jan. 7 and 21, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

This class is led by wood carver John Modjewski. Students will make freestyle chip carvings on wood panels.

Supplies needed (see LOLA website). This class is suitable for home school students ages 12 and up only.

Visit lolaartswi.com for more details or call 715-547-3950. LOLA Center for the Arts is located at 4262 Highway B in downtown Land O Lakes.

Community Calendar

Email calendar items and community news to news@yourdailyglobe.com. For more information, call 906-932-2211.

Wednesday, Jan. 8

Christian Men of the Northland, 6:30 a.m., Uptown Cafe, Ironwood.

Recovery Walk 'n Talk, 10 a.m. to noon, Iron Belle Trailhead, Hurley. Talk with a recovery coach. Call 715-660-0073.

Mentoring of Moms, 9-10:30 a.m., Range Community Bible Church, Hurley. 715-561-4355.

Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting, noon, Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

DOVE Support Group, noon-2 p.m. 906-932-4990.

Ironwood-Hurley Rotary Club, 12:15 p.m., Elk and Hound Restaurant, Ironwood.

Iron County Veterans Service Officer, 1-3 p.m., Mercer, Wis., Town Hall. 715-561-2190.

Mercer Health and Wellness Pickleball, 3-6 p.m., Mercer Community Center.

Wakefield American Legion, 5:30 p.m. Auxiliary, 6 p.m. regular meeting, post, Wakefield.

IMPACT Life Support Group, 6:30 p.m., Woodland Church, Ironwood.

Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Sharon Lutheran Church, Bessemer. area74.org.

Government Personnel and Finance Committee, 8 a.m., A.D. Johnston High School, Bessemer.

Wakefield Housing Commission, 9 a.m., Sunset Manor community room, 200 Pierce St., Wakefield.

Bessemer Area Sewer Authority, 1 p.m., Bessemer City Hall.

Public Works Committee, 3:30 p.m., City Hall, Hurley.

City of Hurley Police, Fire and License committee, 4:15 p.m., City Hall, Hurley.

Gogebic County Board, 5 p.m., courthouse, Bessemer.

Erwin Township Board, 6:00 p.m., Township Hall.

Thursday, Jan. 9

Pickleball, 9 a.m.-noon, Ironwood Memorial Building.

Gogebic County Veterans Service Officer, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Wakefield City Hall; 1-2 p.m., Watersmeet Township; 2:45-3:15 p.m., Marenisco Township. 906-667-1110.

Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Grief Support Group, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Dr. Kate Hospice

office, 1571 Highway 51 North in Arbor Vitae.

Survivors of Suicide, 2 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 932-5718.

SMART Recovery, 4:30 p.m., 101 E. Mary St., Bessemer.

Free community dinner, 5 p.m., Wakefield Methodist Church.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Hurley. area74.org.

Klassic Cruisers Car Club, 6:30 p.m., Gogebic Community College Jacob Solin Center, Room B 22, Ironwood.

Ironwood Masonic Lodge 389, 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic building.

Government Bessemer Housing Commission, 8 a.m., Executive Director's Office, 709 West Iron Street, Bessemer.

Iron County Finance Committee, 8 a.m., courthouse, Hurley.

Bessemer Downtown Development Authority, 4 p.m., DDA room, City Hall.

Gogebic County Transit Board, 6:30 p.m., Transit Facility, Ironwood.

Gogebic Range Water Authority, 6:30 p.m., Bessemer Township Hall, Ramsay.

Friday, Jan. 10

Mercer Cribbage, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Mercer Senior Center.

Double Trouble, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Serenity Center, Ironwood.

Mercer Food Pantry, noon-1 p.m., Railroad Street, Mercer, Wis. Emergencies: 715-476-7655.

Alcoholics Anonymous/Al-Anon, noon, Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Harbortown AA, 7:30 p.m. EST, Ontonagon United Methodist Church basement,

next to Holiday gas station, Ontonagon. area74.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Saturday, Jan. 11

Union Station Food Pantry and Northern Food Bank, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 252 E. Ayer St., Ironwood.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m., Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Community Pickleball Paddlers, 2-5 p.m., Mercer School gymnasium. 715-776-4588.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood. area74.org.

Sunday, Jan. 12

Alcoholics Anonymous, 1 p.m., closed meeting, Salem Lutheran Church, Ironwood.

Mercer Health and Wellness Pickleball, 3-6 p.m., Mercer Community Center.

Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Wesley United Methodist Church, Ironwood.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Sharon Lutheran Church, Bessemer. area74.org.

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In Their Opinion Expand college football playoff

For decades, the question of the national champion in college football was literally a matter of opinion.

Conference champions and other top teams would take part in bowl games on New Year's Day (or thereabouts), and then Associated Press sportswriters would take part in one poll and a select group of coaches would participate in a second poll. Sometimes, the same team would be the consensus winner in both polls, sometimes not.

Then came the Bowl Coalition, then the Bowl Alliance, and then the Bowl Championship Series, the latter of which involved a select group of elite bowl games whose participants were still determined by subjective rankings but included a No. 1-versus-No. 2 matchup meant to be regarded as a national championship game. But what if your school's team was ranked No. 3 or No. 4? Too bad. You were left with your nose pressed against the glass, watching two other teams play for the big prize.

We're now in the sixth season of the College Football Playoff: Four teams selected by a committee to meet in a semifinal, with the winners meeting a couple weeks later for the championship.

A national champion is being picked after three head-to-head matchups.

It's good. But we think it could be better. We want to see the CFP expand to eight teams: The champions of the so-called Power Five conferences — Atlantic Coast, Big Ten, Big Twelve, Pac-12 and Southeastern — and three at-large berths.

If you're the champion of one of the Power Five leagues, you're definitely one of the top eight teams in the nation. Having three at-large teams allows for the inclusion of a strong team finishing second in its conference, or a worthy conference champion from outside the Power Five.

As we watched the first semifinal on Saturday afternoon — when Louisiana State quarterback and in-the-near-future millionaire Joe Burrow shredded Oklahoma for seven touchdown passes (in the first half), we were even more convinced of the wisdom of doubling the CFP field. Shouldn't a team as defensively lacking as Oklahoma been faced first with a quarterfinal challenger, leaving the semifinal berth to a team more capable of handling LSU?

(Maybe no team this season is capable of handling LSU. We'll find out on Jan. 13 if Clemson can do so.)

As for the inevitable rebuttal that the college football season is already too long, we point to the way the standard 11-game college schedule became, in recent years, the standard 12-game college schedule. That's followed by division winners in most Football Bowl Subdivision conferences meeting for the conference championship. As a result, teams meeting in the CFP semifinals come in having played 13 games.

Bowl games have always taken place in the break between semesters, so it's not as if the student-athletes participating in the CFP are missing any classes in late December or early January.

Should anyone want to see the number of games college teams play reduced, we'd suggest jettisoning one (or more) of those nonconference games where an overmatched minnow takes a 70-7 pounding from a shark in exchange for six-figure (or seven-figure) monetary guarantee.

In NCAA Division I college basketball, the champion has emerged from a 68-team tournament field, winning six games to be crowned champion. Any claims of superiority are put to the test on the hardwood.

We know something of that degree can't happen in college football. But we'd like to see an additional round of "who's better?" play out on the field in determining the national champion.

—The Journal Times of Racine

Racism renewed

A voter may dislike a black, homosexual or female candidate, but it's not likely that he would openly admit it. However, diversity-crazed leftist/progressive Democrats have openly condemned the physical characteristics of some of their 2020 presidential candidates. Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders are leading the polls despite the fact that they have been condemned as old white men. While Pete Buttigieg is homosexual, something that pleases diversity crazies, he is also a white man, young and religious. With Kamala Harris' departure from the race, the Democratic field has lost one of its persons of color. Another, Senator Cory Booker, stands at 2% in the polls; his days are numbered. That means the only Democratic candidates polling high are those condemned as old white people — two men and one woman, Elizabeth Warren.

LaTosha Brown, the co-founder of Black Voters Matter, said she was initially eager for Joe Biden to enter the race but now has second thoughts. Brown said: "I'm over white men running the country. I don't know if him (sic) getting in changes the field. He has name recognition, but his strength is also his weakness." Former presidential candidate Howard Dean lamented, "If we have two old white guys at the top of this ticket, we will lose." The newest entry into the presidential sweepstakes, Michael Bloomberg, had to apologize for what some see as his diversity insensitiveness namely that of calling fellow presidential candidate Cory Booker "well-spoken" in a TV interview. The New Jersey senator said he was "taken aback" by what he saw as Bloomberg's racist "trope."

Michael Moore gave us his racist

warning: "Two-thirds of all white guys voted for Trump. That means anytime you see three white guys walking at you, down the street toward you, two of them voted for Trump. You need to move over to the other sidewalk because these are not good people that are walking toward you. You should be afraid of them."

This is the new racism, much of it learned and taught at our nation's colleges. George Orwell said, "Some ideas are so stupid that only intellectuals believe them." The stupid ideas about inclusion and diversity originate with academics on college campuses. If their ideas didn't infect the rest of society, they might be a source of entertainment. But these cancerous ideas have infected society. Statements such as "I'm over white men running the country," or "If we have two old white guys at the top of this ticket, we will lose" are examples of that cancer.

Last year, Philip Carl Salzman wrote "The War Against White People" in Minding the Campus. He declared: "Anti-white hate is now mainstream American culture. Not just by racial extremists such as Black Lives Matter, for whom statements such as "all lives matter" or "blue lives matter" are racist. Our highest leaders sing the same song."



Walter E. Williams

When Barack Obama was campaigning for the presidency in 2008, he said of working-class white voters, "They get bitter, they cling to guns or religion or antipathy to people who aren't like them or anti-immigrant sentiment or anti-trade sentiment as a way to explain their frustrations." During the 2016 presidential campaign, candidate Hillary Clinton claimed that half of Donald Trump's supporters were "a basket of deplorables" who were "racist, sexist, homophobic, xenophobic, Islamophobic — you name it." Do you think Clinton was talking about Trump's black, Asian and Hispanic supporters? No, she was talking about millions of Trump's white supporters.

Then there's Sarah Jeong, a member of The New York Times editorial board and graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, and Harvard Law School. She expressed publicly many anti-white opinions. Among them are: "The world could get by just fine with zero white people." "Dumbass f—ing white people marking up the internet with their opinions like dogs pissing on fire hydrants." It's "kind of sick how much joy I get out of being cruel to old white men." I guarantee you that The New York Times would have fired any employee making similar statements about black, Hispanic or homosexual people.

The bottom line is that the new racism, born in academia, is just as ugly as the old racism.

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Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today's Highlight in History

On Jan. 8, 1815, the last major engagement of the War of 1812 came to an end as U.S. forces defeated the British in the Battle of New Orleans, not having gotten word of the signing of a peace treaty.

On this date
In 1918, President Woodrow Wilson outlined his Fourteen Points for lasting peace after World War I. Mississippi became the first state to ratify the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which established Prohibition.

In 1935, rock-and-roll legend Elvis Presley was born in Tupelo, Mississippi.

In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson, in his State of the Union address, declared an "unconditional war on poverty in America."

In 1968, the Otis Redding single "Sittin' On The Dock of the Bay" was released on the Volt label almost a month after the singer's death in a plane crash.

In 1973, the Paris peace talks between the United States and North Vietnam resumed.

In 1982, American Telephone and Telegraph settled the Justice Department's antitrust lawsuit against it by agreeing to divest itself of the 22 Bell System companies.

In 1987, for the first time, the Dow Jones industrial average closed above 2,000, ending the day at 2,002.25.

In 1998, Ramzi Yousef, the mastermind of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, was sentenced in New York to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

In 2004, a U.S. Black Hawk medivac helicopter crashed near Fallujah, Iraq, killing all nine soldiers aboard.

In 2006, the first funerals were held in West Virginia for the 12 miners who'd died in the Sago Mine disaster six days earlier.

In 2008, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton powered to victory in New Hampshire's 2008



Democratic primary in a startling upset, defeating Sen. Barack Obama and resurrecting her bid for the White House; Sen. John McCain defeated his Republican rivals to move back into contention for the GOP nomination.

In 2011, U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., was shot and critically wounded when a gunman opened fire as the congresswoman met with constituents in Tucson; six people were killed, 12 others also injured. (Gunman Jared Lee Loughner was sentenced in November 2012 to seven consecutive life sentences, plus 140 years.)

Ten years ago: Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, accused of trying to blow up a U.S. airliner on Christmas, appeared in federal court in Detroit; the judge entered a not-guilty plea on his behalf. (Abdulmutallab eventually pleaded guilty and is serving a life prison term.) Vice President Joe Biden's mother, Jean Biden, died in Wilmington, Delaware, at age 92.

Five years ago: Three dissidents were abruptly released in what a leading human rights advocate said was part of Cuba's deal with Washington to release 53 members of the

island's political opposition. Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., a tenacious liberal whose election to the Senate in 1992 heralded a new era for women at the upper reaches of political power, announced she would not seek re-election. During a daylong meeting at the Denver airport, U.S. Olympic Committee board members chose Boston over Los Angeles, San Francisco and Washington, to bid for the 2024 Summer Olympics. Gospel singer Andrae Crouch, 72, died in Los Angeles.

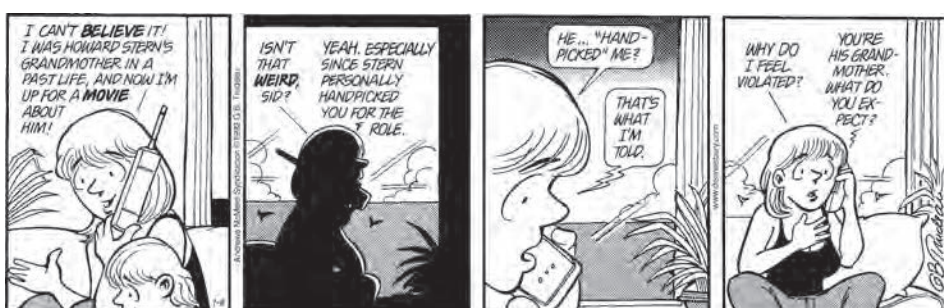
One year ago: In a somber televised address, President Donald Trump urged congressional Democrats to fund his border wall and end the stalemate that had shut down much of the government for 18 days; the speech offered little in the way of concessions. Mayor Bill de Blasio said New York City would spend up to \$100 million per year to expand health care coverage to people without health insurance, including immigrants in the country illegally.

Today's Birthdays
Actor-comedian Larry Storch is 97. CBS newsman Charles Osgood is 87. Singer Shirley Bassey is 83. Game show host Bob Eubanks is 82.

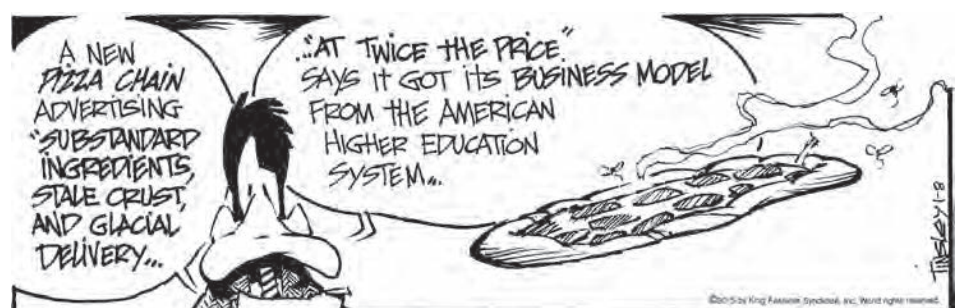
Country-gospel singer Cristy Lane is 80. Rhythm-and-blues singer Anthony Gourdine (Little Anthony and the Imperials) is 79. Actress Yvette Mimieux is 78. Singer Juanita Cowart Motley (The Marvellettes) is 76. Actress Kathleen Noone is 75. Rock musician Robby Krieger (The Doors) is 74. Movie director John McTiernan is 69. Actress Harriet Sansom Harris is 65. Actor Ron Cephas Jones is 63. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos is 62. Singer-songwriter Ron Sexsmith is 56. Actress Michelle Forbes is 55. Actress Maria Pitillo (pih-TIHL-loh) is 54. Singer R. Kelly is 53. Rock musician Jeff Abercrombie (Fuel) is 51. Actress Ami Dolenz is 51. Reggae singer Sean Paul is 47. Actor Donnell Turner is 47. Country singer Tift Merritt is 45. Actress-rock singer Jenny Lewis is 44. Actress Amber Benson is 43. Actor Scott Whyte is 42. Singer-songwriter Erin McCarley is 41. Actress Sarah Polley is 41. Actress Rachel Nichols is 40. Actress Gaby Hoffman is 38. Actress Cynthia Erivo is 33. Actor Freddie Stroma is 33.

Thought for Today
"Anxiety never yet successfully bridged over any chasm."
—Giovanni Ruffini, Italian writer (1807-1881)

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Marijuana

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The city will issue two marijuana processor licenses that allow a marijuana establishments to process, package, sell or transfer to other licensed marijuana establishments.

Marijuana growers, processors and safety compliance facilities are limited within the I-1 industrial district zoning and may operate 24 hours a day.

The downtown "core" area is an area where marijuana businesses are not allowed to protect the intent of the downtown district, Bergman said.

The boundary didn't include McLeod Street because it's considered outside the core area and the older buildings present opportunities for growers to renovate and add value

Marijuana establishments that apply to locate in the industrial park or

other areas in the city may not open within exclusively residential neighborhoods. They may not locate within 500 feet of a property line of a pre-existing school, 100 feet from a church or 100 feet from a city park.

Martin Celeski, of Ironwood, said he would like the city to option-out of the ordinance. He said the \$20,000 the city would receive from licensing is miniscule compared to the concerns.

"I would rather see us not have it at all and I think it would be a detriment to our community," he said.

Kevin Benner, a retired police chief from the Twin Cities area, said the ordinance was thorough but his concern was that since Ironwood's border offers lucrative potential with nearby states where adult-use marijuana is illegal —

that the city resist the temptation to put revenue before community.

The concern should be preventing marijuana access to youth, he said. Addictions that start under age 21 tend to become life-long addictions, he said.

"Send a message to distributors in the marketplace that when marijuana is dispensed to people under age 21 the penalties are very serious," Benner said.

Benner also suggested that the city require two years of tax returns with the licensing application. This would make it transparent if the owner is not the operator, he said.

Arlene Szot said she and her daughter are sensitive to the odor of marijuana and experience skin, eyes and cardiovascular reactions in addition to nausea. She also expressed concern

that the 500 foot buffers from schools, churches and parks would not prevent odors from reaching these places and also wanted nursing homes added to the buffer zone.

"Maybe we should consider 1,000 feet," she said, citing the state and federal laws.

Brandon Midthune, a marijuana grower and advocate from Erwin Township, said the "sensible legalization of cannabis" came first with medical marijuana, and then for adult users and it's now about small growing operations. On the surface he said the Ironwood ordinance is thorough but was concerned it might favor big corporations and be prohibitive to smaller "mom and pop" growers with access to the limited number of licenses.

Other than the industrial park or other designated industrial areas there really aren't many options, he said. Nobody here is already operating a commercial medical marijuana facility and won't be able to apply for the adult-use licenses, he said.

Referring to the complaints about the odors from homeowners legally growing their own marijuana, Midthune said ordinance doesn't directly address the neighborhood issues but were Ironwood to opt-in to it might indirectly address those concerns.

"I believe that the sooner we do allow licensed facilities here in Ironwood the lower the incentive will be for people to grow their own cannabis and the smells that are becoming a nuisance to their neighbors," Midthune said.

Hurley

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lized facade loans in the past.

The Hurley Chamber is in the process of revising the community's guidelines on facade improvements, according to Rita Franzoi, the chamber's marketing director. A set of guidelines for facade work and a local organization that can determine whether projects seeking funding meet those guidelines is necessary to participate in the loan program, Pearson said.

To be eligible for the loans, a business would have to be in a community's downtown, Pearson said, and the work would have to be on the side of the building facing the main street or downtown area. He added that the definition of a downtown or main street can be somewhat determined at the local level, in recognition that communities don't always have a single street as its main street.

Pearson emphasized that communities maintain a large degree of control over the facade loans.

"It's pretty much all local control. You develop the design, you develop the aesthetic," he said, explaining the communities that participate in the program have varying degrees of flexibility in the facade improvements they allow.

"It's really up to the local community to determine what they want their community to look like."

Hurley is currently the only Iron County community eligible to participate in the program, according to Pearson, but any of the other communities in the county would be eligible if they established the necessary local guidelines and organization to oversee the program.

Pearson said he hopes Tuesday's meeting leads to additional loan applications as there is room for the program to grow.

The Northwest Regional Planning Commission administers the loan program on behalf of the Northwest Wisconsin Regional Economic Development Fund, according to Pearson.

The bylaws that govern the regional development's funds dictate 10% of the overall loan fund can be available for the facade program, Pearson said, meaning roughly \$450,000 of the approximately \$4.5 million fund can be loaned out for facade work in the seven participating counties.

For more information on Hurley's facade loan program, contact Franzoi at 715-561-4334. She told the Daily Globe there are several other loan programs that may be available to current and prospective businesses in the city she also could provide information on.

Stalking

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New Day Advocacy Center, and Jody Hefner the victim witness coordinator. This case highlights the importance of our Sexual Assault Response Team and enforcement at all levels."

According to the criminal complaint, Moon appeared outside the victim's residence in the town of Morse in early August without a package to deliver. He had previously delivered several packages to her that summer.

Moon entered the residence, according to the complaint, before exposing himself and attempting to assault the woman while she tried to escape.

Moon then repeatedly visited the victim's house throughout the month of August, according to the complaint, and attempted to make contact with the victim.

In the complaint, Moon

admitted to investigators he had entered the house but said that there had only been a friendly, consensual interaction. He also said he repeatedly visited the house, timing his break so he would have more time to visit.

The victim said Moon had, "Taken away her peace and contentment. (The) victim said every time she saw a UPS truck, she was triggered with fear," the complaint reads.

Although GPS tracking information was unavailable from UPS, according to the complaint, the company only shows a single delivery in July to the residence.

Stalking is a felony that carries a potential maximum sentence of 3.5 years in prison or a fine of up to \$10,000. Fourth degree sexual assault is a misdemeanor with a potential maximum penalty of nine months in jail or a fine of up to \$10,000.

Moon is scheduled to be sentenced Feb. 14.

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All or Nothing: 01-07-09-10-11-12-14-17-18-19-22
SuperCash: 01-12-19-32-34-37, Doubler: N
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Daily Pick 4: 7-3-3-9
Multi-state
Mega Millions: 25-40-41-52-56, Mega Ball: 21, Megaplier: 4

Bessemer

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The board's next regular meeting will be on Jan. 27 at 6 p.m., and it will include annual reorganizational matters. The public is invited to the session, which will be in the ADJ media center.



State briefs

Trump's U.S. attorney nominee in Grand Rapids is blocked

LANSING (AP) — President Donald Trump's nominee to serve as the top federal prosecutor in Grand Rapids has been held up by Michigan's two Democratic senators.

The Detroit News reported Monday that former state House Speaker Tom Leonard's nomination, announced in August, was blocked by Sens. Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters, who both declined to meet with him. Trump, who took more than two-and-a-half years to nominate the Republican, will decide whether to renominate him in 2020.

The Senate gives lawmakers a chance to weigh in on a nominee from their home state by submitting a blue-colored form called the "blue slip." Typically, a nominee is not confirmed without two positive blue slips — but the Republican-

controlled Senate has ignored the tradition and approved some of Trump's appellate court nominees.

Leonard was nominated as U.S. attorney for the Western District of Michigan, which covers 49 counties in the Lower and Upper peninsulas.

Leonard said in a statement that he is "disappointed" Stabenow and Peters chose to "block" his nomination.

"While I understand that the politics of Washington may force them to vote against my confirmation, I never anticipated they would personally prevent over three million citizens from West Michigan and the Upper Peninsula from having a voice to fight crime," he said.

Stabenow said she is unable to support Leonard "given our deep policy differences." Peters' office said the Trump administration did not consult his office on possible candidates to fill the vacancy.

"Our office worked with

the Administration to find nominees for other Michigan vacancies and affirmatively support them through the nomination process, including now-District Court Judge Stephanie Dawkins Davis. No new information has emerged that alleviates Senator Peters' serious concerns with Tom Leonard's nomination or the process used for his nomination," his office said in a statement to The Associated Press.

Leonard has received 19 letters of support for his nomination, including ones from Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, a Democrat, and Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel, another Democrat, according to the News.

Military launched probe of Wisconsin Guard commander

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The National Guard's headquarters opened an investigation this fall into allegations that the Wisconsin

National Guard's top commander improperly initiated an internal investigation in a sexual assault case even as he was under scrutiny for allegedly mishandling sexual assault complaints, Gov. Tony Evers' office said Tuesday.

Evers and U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin asked the National Guard Bureau's Office of Complex Investigations in March to conduct a comprehensive review of how Adj. Gen. Donald Dunbar's command handled sexual assault complaints. They requested the review after Master Sgt. Jay Ellis complained to Baldwin in 2018 that commanders in his 115th Fighter Wing security squadron had brushed off at least six sexual misconduct complaints.

That review began in April. The NGB released a report last month that found multiple shortcomings within Dunbar's command, most notably repeated internal investigations into complaints.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

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Pelosi's next move on impeachment unclear as Senate waits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said Tuesday he has the votes to start President Donald Trump's impeachment trial as soon as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi releases the documents, winning support from GOP senators to postpone a decision on calling witnesses.

The announcement is significant, enabling McConnell to bypass for now Democratic demands for new testimony as he launches the third impeachment trial in the nation's history. It could begin this week if Pelosi sends the articles of impeachment to the Senate.

But Pelosi gave little indication Tuesday of her next move. She cut short an impeachment discus-

sion with her leadership team late at the Capitol when an aide handed her a note about the crisis unfolding in the Middle East. She asked Democrats to "pray," according to a lawmaker at the closed-door session.

Pelosi appears in no rush to transmit the articles of impeachment as Democrats push to hear from more witnesses but McConnell focuses Republicans on a strategy for speedy acquittal. The Senate can't start the proceedings until the charges against Trump are sent.

"We have the votes," McConnell told reporters about his proposal that would set the rules for a trial and would be modeled after President Bill Clinton's impeachment 20 years ago. He said the ques-

tion of new witnesses and documents will be addressed later "and not before the trial begins."

The contours of a Senate trial have been in dispute for weeks. Pelosi is delaying transmission of the articles as Democrats press for testimony from former national security adviser John Bolton and other new witnesses. She told House leaders Tuesday she believed the strategy was working, according to those in the private meeting. Democrats want more details from McConnell.

"People are united," said Democratic Rep. Mike Thompson of California about the mood in the House caucus.

McConnell has resisted calling new witnesses and expects the trial to end with the GOP Senate

majority voting to acquit the president of the charges, and without Trump's removal from office.

The GOP leader told senators at their closed-door lunch Tuesday that he has support for his plan. It would start the trial first and postpone votes on witnesses until later in the process.

"He has 51 (votes), for sure," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., a top ally of the president, exiting the meeting. Republicans hold the majority in the Senate, 53-47.

In withholding the articles, Pelosi gave Democrats an opportunity to ramp up pressure on Republicans not to go along with McConnell's proposal. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer called

McConnell's plan a "trap" and a "cover-up." He vowed to force votes anyway on Bolton and the others.

"Whoever heard of a trial without witnesses and documents?" the New York Democrat said. He asked Trump what he has to hide. "Witnesses and documents: fair trial. No witnesses and documents: cover-up."


Republicans countered that Democrats rushed to impeach and then delayed the process. Pelosi has yet to choose House impeachment managers for the trial, a politically sensitive next step, with many lawmakers vying to be candidates. The House impeached the president last month on the two charges.

Just four GOP senators would be needed to deny

McConnell his majority, but he appears to have locked up the votes. GOP leaders were conducting a whip count Tuesday to gauge support. Several GOP senators have indicated they want to hear from Bolton and other witnesses, but they are nevertheless standing with McConnell's plan for starting the trial.

Sen. Mitt Romney, R-Utah, said Tuesday that the Clinton process "provided a pathway" to start the trial and consider witnesses "down the road." He said he supports it.

"I'm comfortable with that process," Romney said. "And at this stage, I'd like to hear from John Bolton and other witnesses with the right information, but that process will accommodate that."



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Mix of risk-takers, classic Hollywood reign at Golden Globes

By **LEANNE ITALIE**
AP Entertainment Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Charlize Theron, Kerry Washington and Gugu Mbatha-Raw led the fashion risk-takers at the Golden Globes, while Nicole Kidman, Reese Witherspoon and Cynthia Erivo topped the lists of many for more classic looks on one of the biggest red carpets of the awards season.

The men generally played it safe Sunday night in Beverly Hills, save Jason Momoa in a velvet Tom Ford coat paired with Valentino pants and a black tank top, his long hair flying.

But one look was in a category of its own. When it came to icon Jennifer Lopez, it was a love-hate battle over her weighty white Valentino Couture gown with its huge bow of gold and green at the bodice.

There were a few trends, too, including lingerie-as-outerwear that was all over the spring 2020 runways, said Marielle Bobo, fashion director for Essence. She and others also noted the revamped tuxedo-inspired runway trend.

"Kerry Washington showed skin in a black shirtless Altuzarra look from the brand's pre-fall col-

lection, while Awkwafina paired a dramatic ruffled blouse with her classic black tux. Cynthia Erivo's custom Thom Browne tuxedo gown was an unexpected take on the trend as well. The standout by far, however, was Billy Porter's stunning white Alex Vinash tuxedo, which wowed with its dramatic feather train," Bobo added.

There was lots of pink in hues soft to neon. Kirsten Dunst brought the romance in blush lace by Rodarte, having chosen the lace herself. Dakota Fanning was in tulle Christian Dior in dreamy lavender and Tiffany Haddish rocked bright pink. Statement sleeves were also big, from puffy to bejeweled.

In beauty, Refinery29.com's senior beauty editor Lexy Lebsack noted a return to classic tried-and-trues that included the bob and red lips.

"Stars like Kerry Washington, Priyanka Chopra and Awkwafina made red lips modern by picking bright colors that perfectly complemented their complexions," she said. "Reese Witherspoon, Zoey Deutch, Tiffany Haddish, newcomer Ana de Armas and many more opted to wear bobs in a variety of styles, whether

slicked back, gathered into low ponies or flipped out. Each was unique and further proof that the bob will rule in 2020."

Back to Lopez for just a second.

"She looked incredible," said Adam Glassman, creative director for O, The Oprah Magazine and special correspondent for Extra. "When Jennifer Lopez walked up to us, it was breathtaking. Her hair, her makeup, the jewelry, the gown. Everything."

The diamond and emerald necklace around her neck was 76.36 carats of Harry Winston goodness set in 18-karat yellow gold and platinum. Along with her emerald earrings, the pieces are worth more than \$2.2 million, the company said.

Sarah Kinonen, Allure's associate digital beauty director, was among the fans of her hair, which was pulled back into a high bun of braids.

"When was the last time you saw Jennifer Lopez wear braids? What about a bun with braids? Yeah, I'm drawing blanks, too. That's why this structural hair style by Chris Appleton is so iconic. I can't wait to see what J.Lo and her team have in store for the rest of the award show season."

Theron wowed in a neon green and black Dior Haute couture silk gown.

"I love that the gown was daring with its sheer bustier cutout," said Bobo.

Mbatha-Raw's Gucci sequin dress in slick chartreuse was equal parts elegant and edgy, she said.

"Sequins on the red carpet can be so cliché, but this modern silhouette with its plunging neckline and tuxedo-inspired waist detail was modern yet effortlessly chic," Bobo added.

Blanchett was resplendent in Mary Katrantzou yellow with yards of pleats from shoulder to hem and a unique jeweled bra bodice.

As for Porter, the deputy editor of Esquire, Ben Boskovich, said his conversation over gender and fashion will carry on in 2020. His Golden Globes look was a cream tuxedo with a long feather train that unzipped for sitting.

"Porter continues to take bold,



Associated Press

LUCY BOYNTON arrives at the 77th annual Golden Globe Awards at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Sunday, in Beverly Hills, Calif.

exciting steps with his red carpet looks and he hasn't disappointed yet," Boskovich said.

Kinonen had her eyes on Porter's skin.

"While all eyes were on Billy Porter's custom white feather ensemble, which took a cool three months to create, the team and I were more interested in the 'Pose' star's luminous skin. Like, if I had makeup artist Anna Bernabe's number on speed dial, I'd text her right now and get the name of the highlighter she used on Porter's cheekbones then order one for everyone at Allure."

Style writer Rachel Tashjian of GQ had a few best-dressed men, including Andrew Scott, the "hot priest" of "Fleabag." She said he mixed creams and whites in his formalwear "like a true messenger of God!"

And her top trend for the guys?

"Quirky lapels. Kyle Chandler's '90s classic tux bad boys. Bong Joon Ho's subtle double lapels. Ramy Youssef's eggplant-and-black pieced lapels. Eddie Mur-

phy's generous shawl collar," Tashjian said. "And Quentin Tarantino's short satin notch lapels were almost Johnny Cash-worthy."

Kidman's Atelier Versace was among the top dresses in reds. So was Helen Mirren's deep red Dior with a royal neckline and nail color to match.

Scarlett Johansson wore a custom strapless plunging V-neck gown in crimson with a hand-draped bow and train by Vera Wang Collection.

Zoe Kravitz brought a pop of playful in dots courtesy of Saint Laurent by Anthony Vaccarello, and Lucy Boynton brought it in silver from Louis Vuitton.

Gabrielle Korn, director of fashion and culture for Refinery29.com, was a huge fan of women inspired by menswear.

"Phoebe Waller-Bridge's tweedy Ralph & Russo suit made me gasp," she said. "I also loved that Awkwafina rolled up in a tuxedo inspired skirt suit. Could she be any cooler?"

You also had her at structured sleeves.



Associated Press

NBC SHOWS presenters Paul Rudd, left, and Jennifer Lopez appear at the 77th Annual Golden Globe Awards at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, Calif., on Sunday.

2020 box office starts off with 'Star Wars' still on top of charts

By **JAKE COYLE**
AP Film Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The box office in 2020 started off where last year left off: with "Star Wars: Rise of Skywalker" still on top.

After a historic year, the Walt Disney Co. opened the new year approaching one milestone and surpassing another. With \$33.7 million over its third weekend in U.S. and Canada theaters according to studio estimates Sunday, "Rise of Skywalker" (\$918.8 million) is closing in on \$1 billion worldwide. While it appears unlikely to match the hauls of the trilogy's previous entries, "Rise of Skywalker" will mark a record seventh \$1 billion 2019 release for Disney.

One of those other six blockbusters, "Frozen 2," on Sunday reached \$1.33 billion, making it the highest grossing film ever directed by a woman in worldwide ticket sales. Jennifer Lee, who co-directed both "Frozen" films with Chris Buck and who now runs Disney Animation, surpasses her own record from the first "Frozen" (\$1.28 billion). "Frozen 2" also charts as the highest grossing animated film, so

long as you don't count last year's "Lion King" (\$1.66 billion). Disney considers that remake live-action even though it was largely computer generated.

Holiday holdovers stayed strong, led by a pair of Sony Pictures releases.

"Jumanji: The Next Level" added \$26.5 million in its fourth week, bringing its domestic total to \$236 million and its global gross past \$600 million.

Greta Gerwig's "Little Women," meanwhile, is becoming an outright hit. The Louisa May Alcott adaptation has been the top adult-oriented choice through the busy holiday season. With \$13.6 million in its second weekend and strong business overseas, "Little Women" has grossed \$80 million worldwide in two weeks. It was made for a modest \$40 million.

The week's only new release also came from Sony. "The Grudge," a horror reboot of the 2004 remake produced by Sam Raimi, opened with \$11.3 million. That was a fair total for a movie that cost \$10 million to make and received some withering reaction from critics and

audiences. "The Grudge" scored just 18% on Rotten Tomatoes and engendered a rarely seen F CinemaScore from moviegoers.

Ahead of Sunday evening's Golden Globes, a handful of contenders added momentum.

Rian Johnson's "Knives Out" held better than any other film in the top 10, dropping just 9% and grossing \$9 million in its sixth weekend. Its global tally stands at \$247.5 million.

Sam Mendes' war film "1917" is poised for its national expansion next week after a second weekend of packed theaters in limited release. It took in \$590,000 at 11 theaters, good for an impressive per-theater average of \$53,100.

And though it was overlooked by the Globes, the Safdie brothers' "Uncut Gems," starring Adam Sandler, is becoming one of A24's biggest box-office successes. It grossed \$7.8 million in its fourth and widest weekend of release, bringing its domestic overall total to \$36.8 million.

After a box office year that was down 4% from 2018, Hollywood began 2020 on the upswing. Tick-

et sales were up 7.2% from the same weekend last year, according to data firm Comscore.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Comscore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included.

1. "Star Wars: Rise of Skywalker," \$33.7 million (\$50.5 million international).
2. "Jumanji: The Next Level," \$26.5 million (\$42.4 million international).
3. "Little Women," \$13.6 million (\$9.5 million international).
4. "The Grudge," \$11.3 million (\$5.8 million international).
5. "Frozen 2," \$11.3 million (\$42.4 million international).
6. "Spies in Disguise," \$10.1 million (\$15.8 million international).
7. "Knives Out," \$9 million (\$8.8 million international).
8. "Uncut Gems," \$7.8 million.
9. "Bombshell," \$4.1 million.
10. "Cats," \$2.6 million (\$4.3 million international).

Entertainment briefs

Arson charges consolidated in Shakespeare theater fire

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (AP) — Prosecutors have consolidated arson charges against three teens charged in a string of fires, including one that destroyed the American Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford.

Judge Joan Alexander said Friday that she hopes there will be a plea offer to consider when 18-year-olds Christopher Sakowicz and Vincent Keller and 17-year-old Logan Caraballo, of Stratford, return to Bridgeport Superior Court on Feb. 13.

All the cases have been consolidated so they can be prosecuted in the Bridgeport court.

The teens are charged with setting six fires in Stratford, Southbury, West Haven and Milford between January and March of last year, beginning with the theater fire on Jan. 13.

Police said the teens admitted on SnapChat that they set that fire and posted an incriminating video that was circulated around Bunnell High School where both Sakowicz and Keller were seniors at the time.

Police said the teens later rode their bikes back to the area to watch the theater burn.

The theater, built in

1955, was modeled after London's Globe Theatre, which famously burned in 1613.

Actors such as Katharine Hepburn, Christopher Plummer and James Earl Jones graced its stage before it closed in 2005.

NY governor proposes expansion of alcohol rules at theaters

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — New York's governor wants to make it easier for movie theaters to serve beer, wine and other alcoholic drinks.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Friday proposed making a change to the state's Alcoholic Beverage Control law. The change would make it easier to allow beer and wine sales at movie theaters, along with the sale of cider, mead and spirits, according to his office.

Movie theaters under current law can only sell alcohol if they have full kitchens and tables inside screening rooms, according to Cuomo's office.

His office says the change would give craft producers more retail outlets and provide more revenue for theaters.

Under the proposal, adults with tickets to a movie rated PG-13 or higher would be able to buy one drink at a time.

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Obituaries

Shawn R. Truax

KENOSHA, Wis. — On Jan. 1, 2020, Shawn R. Truax, 45, passed away after a long battle with cancer.

Shawn was born July 6, 1974, in Kenosha, Wis.

He attended Bain Elementary, Bullen Middle School and Bradford Hugh school where he graduated in 1992. Shawn was a skilled roofer all his life.

Shawn loved the Green Bay Packers, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and had a huge love for the Northwoods. Shawn hiked and camped his favorite spot, the Porcupine Mountains, every chance he got.

Shawn was friends with everyone he met, he was a kind, loving man, and would help anyone he could. He had a passion for life, helping, healing and was a great cannabis advocate, grower and caregiver.

Most of all, Shawn loved his family. He was a loving father, along with Mandy (Johnson) Truax to Kaylynn (Craig) Collins, Natalee Truax and Logan Truax, and special father to Alexyss Fanke. He was a supportive stepfather to Danyl (Lucky) Depetro and Aaron Erickson. He was a caring grandpa to Jayce Collins, Jayda Collins, Raelynn Fanke, Brooklynn



Shawn R. Truax
1974 — 2019

Depetro, Liam Depetro and Zachery Depetro.

He was a respected brother to Mark (Donna) Truax and Clint (Stephanie) Truax.

Shawn was a devoted uncle to Hayley Truax, and a beloved nephew and cousin to several aunts, uncles and cousins. Shawn was a beloved son to Ronald Truax and reunited at death with his loving mother, Linda Truax.

Shawn was also a caring and dedicated husband to Robin Wilson Truax. "I love you to the moon and back."

Shawn will forever be in our hearts, and his energy will be with us everywhere, all the time. He is greatly missed but wanted everyone to "Just smile when you hear his name and remember the good times. Be kind and keep going!"

A special memorial benefit will take place Friday, Jan. 10, at the Krash Inn, Hurley, Wis. All welcome. Come celebrate the love and life of Shawn Truax.

Miriam Koskela

MESA, Ariz. — Miriam Koskela died at the age of 91 on Dec. 17, 2019, in Mesa, Ariz.

Miriam was born in 1928 and raised in South Carey, Wis. She attended elementary school in South Carey, and Hurley High School in Hurley, Wis., graduating in 1945. After high school she moved to Chicago, seeking employment in the big city.

In Chicago, she met Bill Koskela and they were married in 1946. They lived and worked in Chicago for the next 24 years, having two children early on in their marriage. Miriam was employed in the offices of several Chicago firms, and also owned and operated a small business with Bill. In 1970, they moved to Ironwood, Mich., where she was employed by J.C. Penney and Bill repaired televisions and radios. In 1980, they retired to live on the Koskela homestead in Tripoli, Wis.; and in 2003 moved to Tomahawk, Wis. Soon after Bill's death in 2004, Miriam moved to Arizona to be closer to her two children.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gust and Aliina Hemming;



Miriam Koskela
1928 — 2019

and her siblings and their spouses: sister, Ruth (Carl) Hendrickson; and brothers, John (Jean) Hemming, Eugene (Evelyn) Hemming and Waldo (Martha) Hemming. Surviving are son, Rick (Meg) Koskela; daughter, Sandy (Joe) Schultz; stepdaughter, Helen (Dave) Marcis of North Carolina; two grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Miriam enjoyed Scrabble, trivia, crosswords, playing cards with friends and corresponding via email. She liked to sing and was a former member of the National Finnish American Festival Chorus in Kimball, Wis. She was also a member of the Tri-County Neighbors Club in Tripoli and the Sassy Classy Red Hat Ladies in Tomahawk.

A private family memorial service is planned. She will be laid to rest at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Mesa.



Veteran

Ray is survived by his wife, Ellen; daughters, Beth (David) King of Ashland, Diane Leino of Ashland and Lynne (Rick) Allen of Big Lake, Minn.; grandchildren, Barbara (Frank) Gordon, Jessica (Andy) Peterson, Paul (Alyssa) Santama, Sandra (Eric) Anderson, Kristine Meide, Derek King and Carrie Santama; 10 great-grandchildren; sisters, Irene Hosking of Owosso, Mich. and Mary Ann (Leo) Sabec of Mercer; brother-in-law, Russell Kopitzke; sister-in-law, Carol Kopitzke of Milwaukee; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 11 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Mercer, with the Rev. Paul Devantier officiating, preceded by a visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

Interment will be in the Mercer Cemetery in the spring.

McKevitt-Patrick Funeral Home, Ironwood, is assisting the family. For more information or to express online condolences, visit mckevittpatrickfuneralhome.com.

Ray A. Cox

WOODRUFF, Wis. — Ray A. Cox, 90, of Mercer passed away on Jan. 4, 2020, in Woodruff.

Ray was born on April 8, 1929, in Hurley, son of Harry and Hilma (Maki) Cox. He attended Hurley schools and graduated from Hurley High School.

He joined the U.S. Navy and served for four years during the Korean War.

Ray moved to the Milwaukee area after his honorable discharge from the navy and worked at the Square D Company. He also was a part-time deputy in Ozaukee County. He then moved to Mercer in 1968, where he owned and operated Ray and Ellen's Café until 1971. He then built a restaurant the Cedar Café, in Washburn, retiring in 1975.

He was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Mercer and the DAV in Grafton. He loved the outdoors and was a great fisherman and hunter.

Ray married Ellen Kopitzke on Oct. 22, 1955, at St. Mathew's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. They enjoyed 64 years together. She survives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Pamela Meide; and brothers, Don and Ken Cox.

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Official quits amid charges he paid women to give up babies

PHOENIX (AP) — An elected official in metro Phoenix resigned Tuesday, months after being charged with running a human smuggling operation that paid pregnant women from the Marshall Islands to give up their babies in the U.S.

The resignation of Maricopa County Assessor Paul Petersen came after leaders in the one of the nation's most populous counties suspended and pressured him to resign after his arrest nearly three months

ago. The county's governing board voted in late December to start the process of removing Petersen, who also works as an adoption attorney.

He is accused of illegally paying women from the Pacific island nation to come to the United States to give up their babies in at least 70 adoption cases in Arizona, Utah and Arkansas over three years. Citizens of the Marshall Islands have been prohibited from traveling to the

U.S. for adoption purposes since 2003.

In a statement released by his attorneys, Petersen proclaimed his innocence and said he never neglected his duties as assessor, responsible for determining the property values in the county. The Republican said county officials and news organizations presumed he was guilty.

"My focus now turns to defending the allegations against me," Petersen said.

He is charged with

'Prozac Nation' author Elizabeth Wurtzel dies at age 52

NEW YORK (AP) — Elizabeth Wurtzel, whose blunt and painful confessions of her struggles with addiction and depression in the best-selling "Prozac Nation" made her a voice and a target for an anxious generation, died Tuesday at age 52.

Wurtzel's husband, Jim Freed, told The Associated Press that she died at a Manhattan hospital after a long battle with cancer.

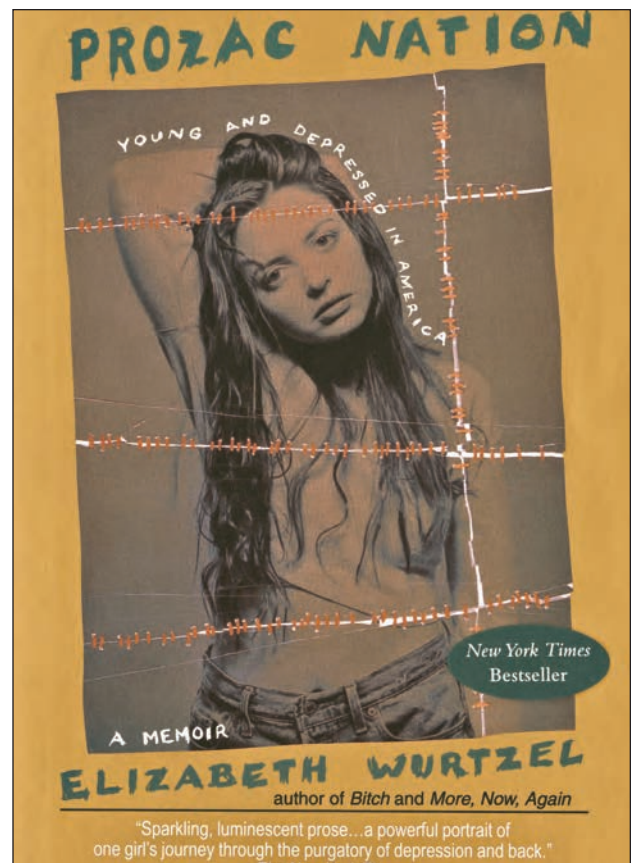
"Prozac Nation" was published in 1994 when Wurtzel was in her mid-20s and set off a debate that lasted for much of her life. Critics praised her for her candor and accused her of self-pity and self-indulgence, vices she fully acknowledged. Wurtzel wrote of growing up in a home torn by divorce, of cutting herself when she was in her early teens, and of spending her adolescence in a storm of tears, drugs, bad love affairs and family fights.

"I don't mean to sound like a spoiled brat," she wrote. "I know that into every sunny life a little rain must fall and all that, but in my case the crisis-level hysteria is an all-too-recurring theme."

Wurtzel became a celebrity, a symbol and, for some, a punchline. Newsweek called her "the famously depressed Elizabeth Wurtzel." She was widely ridiculed after a 2002 interview with the Toronto Globe and Mail in which she spoke dismissively of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks from the year before.

"I just felt, like, everyone was overreacting. People were going on about it. That part really annoyed me," she said, remarks that she later said were misrepresented.

But many readers embraced her story and



Associated Press

THIS UNDATED photo provided by Penguin Random House shows the book cover of Elizabeth Wurtzel's memoir, "Prozac Nation." Wurtzel, whose blunt and painful confessions of her struggles with addiction and depression in the best-selling "Prozac Nation" made her a voice and a target for an anxious generation, died Tuesday at age 52.

would credit her with helping them face their own troubles. News of her death Tuesday was met with expressions of grief and gratitude. The writer Anne Theriault tweeted: "It's hard for me to even articulate how important Prozac Nation was to me at a certain point in my life." Author Sady Doyle lamented that Wurtzel was regarded as a "Sad Example of Something — female memoir-writers, women who got famous for being themselves, young women generally."

"And to see her gone so young is a harsh reminder of how cruel that was," Doyle tweeted.

Wurtzel's other books

included "Bitch: In Praise of Difficult Women" and "More, Now, Again: A Memoir of Addiction." Her essays were published in The New York Times, New York magazine and other publications.

In a 2015 piece for the Times, she described her initial success in fighting her cancer diagnosis.

"I live in an age of miracles and wonders, when they cure cancer with viruses. If I ever meet cancer again, I will figure it out. You see, I am very Jewish, which is to say ... I am undefeated by the worst," she wrote. "But I would have preferred to skip this. That would have been much better."



HARVEY WEINSTEIN arrives to court for the start of jury selection in his sexual assault trial Tuesday in New York.

Associated Press

Jury selection in Weinstein case could prove to be drawn-out

NEW YORK (AP) — On Sunday, Harvey Weinstein was a punchline at the Golden Globes. On Monday, he was hit with new sex-crimes charges in Los Angeles. And on Tuesday, he and his lawyers walked into court in New York to begin picking the jury that will decide the fate of the man widely seen as the biggest monster of the #MeToo movement.

Selecting the jury for the Hollywood mogul's rape and sexual assault trial is likely to be a painstaking, weekslong process, made complicated by the high stakes, heavy publicity and public revulsion toward him.

In fact, one-third of the first 120 prospective jurors summoned for the case were promptly sent home after the judge asked if

there was anyone who could not be impartial and about 40 hands went up.

Weinstein's lawyers unsuccessfully tried to delay jury selection in light of the new case filed in Los Angeles, asking for a "cooling-off period" to allow the publicity to subside.

"For a prosecutor, this is Christmas morning — the morning of jury selection to have him smeared everywhere," Weinstein lawyer Arthur Aidala said.

But Judge James Burke expressed confidence that the jurors would know that defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty, and he pressed on.

The 67-year-old Weinstein, who shuffled into court on a walker after recent back surgery, is charged in New York with raping one woman in a

hotel room in 2013 and forcibly performing a sex act on another in 2006, and could get life in prison if convicted. In the Los Angeles case, which will be tried later, he is accused of sexually assaulting two women on back-to-back nights in 2013.

The former studio boss behind such Oscar winners as "Pulp Fiction" and "Shakespeare in Love" has said any sexual activity was consensual.

Jury selection is expected to stretch on for at least two weeks, far longer than for a non-celebrity trial, with lawyers delving into each potential juror's knowledge and opinions about the case. Opening statements shouldn't be expected before the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Jan. 20, the judge said.

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Northstars run past Red Devils

Hurley wins fifth straight game

By JASON JUNO

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IRONWOOD — Ironwood hadn't played a game in 18 days. This year's Hurley team isn't the one you want to be getting your legs back against.

The Northstars scored 25 straight points, mostly by forcing turnovers and getting easy baskets, in the first half to break the game open and go on to win 66-33 Tuesday night.

This was Hurley's fourth game since Thursday.

"I tell you, that had a lot to do with it," Hurley coach Jim Kivisto said. "I think they were really rusty, their legs weren't where they should be. We took advantage of it and we ran. Even though we had three in a row, we had games. I think we were a little bit more ready to go. That played a part in it."

"But my girls came to play tonight, they played hard, they ran the floor and we took it to them."

Ironwood stayed in the game early as a Caitlin Mylly 3 pulled the Red Devils within one, 10-9. But it was all Hurley from there for the rest of the half.

"Give Hurley credit, they're a good team," Ironwood coach Angela Ruotsala said. "We didn't come out to perform today. They had three games up on us, but there's no excuses. I told them we're going to leave this one behind us, come out on Friday with a fresh start and get our season going from there."

With the game still close, the Northstars scored four points in one trip down the court. Melissa DiGiorgio scored despite being fouled and Hurley got the offensive rebound on the missed free throw. Kylee Hewitt converted to make it 15-9.

DiGiorgio then Hailey Edyvean then DiGiorgio again all got steals and turned them into layups on the other end. It was 26-9 Hurley.

After two free throws, it was Olivia France and Courtney Corullo this time to make it 32-9.

Corullo capped the run with a 3 to make it 35-9 Hurley. McKenzie Boyd finally stopped the run with a free throw with 2:44 left in the half. It ended up being 36-10 going into the

second half.

Hurley forced 15 Ironwood turnovers in the first half.

"We were defending the passing lanes really nice and getting layups because of it," Kivisto said. "All our scoring came from our defense, which is nice to see because sometimes we don't like to play defense. Tonight we were in the passing lanes. We were in their faces with their shots to start out."

The Red Devils were 3 of 20 from the field in the first half as Hurley held Ironwood's leading scorer McKenzie Boyd to just four points in the half.

"Kylee Hewitt did a heck of a job on McKenzie Boyd in the first half," Kivisto said. "She was in her face the whole time."

It was the fifth straight win for Hurley and none of them have been close games. Hurley was on guard entering their rival's gym Tuesday night.

"We held our composure, got the lead and opened it up," Kivisto said. "And pretty much the game was over at halftime. That's a credit to my girls being ready to play."

Hewitt and Hailey Edyvean scored 17 points to lead Hurley. Melissa DiGiorgio had 12.

"Kylee Hewitt played a hell of a game offensively and defensively," Kivisto said. "When she plays strong like that and goes to the basket hard, good things happen for her. Hailey Edyvean has really come on in the last three or four games. Her being the only junior starter, we need that."

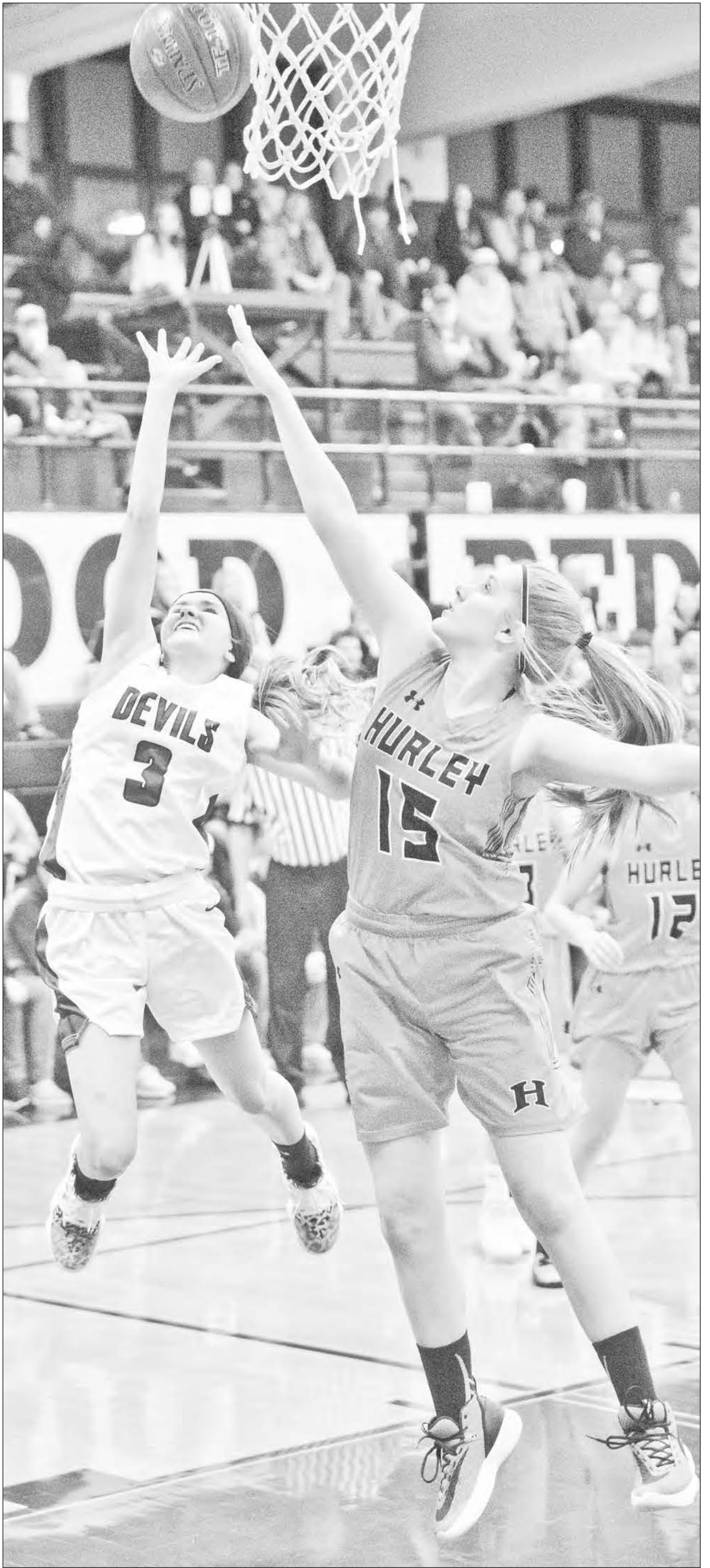
Boyd scored 10 to lead Ironwood.

Hurley (8-1, 6-0) hosts Mellen Friday night. Both teams are unbeaten in the Indianhead Conference. Ironwood (3-3, 1-3) goes to Bayfield Friday night.

Hurley — Courtney Corullo 7, Hailey Edyvean 17, Kylee Hewitt 17, Olivia France 6, Aly Kukowski 1, Nicole DiGiorgio 4, Melissa DiGiorgio 12, Darian Bender 1, Sami Leoni 1. FTs: 17-33. Fouls: 19. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Courtney Corullo 1.

Ironwood — Caitlin Mylly 9, Savannah Hannu 2, McKenzie Boyd 10, Laney Osterholm 2, Alaya Ruotsala 4, Anna Buerger 6. FTs: 7-19. Fouls: 22. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Mylly 2, Boyd 2.

Hurley	36	66
Ironwood	10	33



IRONWOOD'S CAITLIN Mylly, left, goes to the hoop as Hurley's Aly Kukowski defends Tuesday night at John Krznarich Gym in Ironwood.

Jason Juno/Daily Globe

Girls roundup: Mercer, Ontonagon, E-TC win

MERCER, Wis. — Mercer came back from an eight-point halftime deficit to beat Butternut 49-45 in an Indianhead Conference game Tuesday night.

The Tigers started with a box-and-one on Butternut's top scorer, Gwen McCorison, and transitioned to a man-to-man as Butternut had other scoring options. Ava Barton and Ella Torkelson still held her scoreless in the second half as Mercer came back.

Barton led Mercer with 13 points, Zoe Botes scored 12 and Torkelson had 11.

"It was really a team effort," Mercer coach Vic Saeger said.

KD Knipp and Sam Barton also played great defense, he said.

Mercer (4-3, 3-2) goes to Drummond Friday night.

Butternut — Cassy Bortz 3, Emma Herbst 18, Olivia Lawver 5, Gwen McCorison 4, Grace Wegner 13, Riannon Kolar 2. FTs: 5-19. Fouls: 19. Fouled out: Herbst, Lawver, McCorison. 3-pointers: Herbst 2.

Mercer — Sam Barton 2, KD Knipp 7, Ella Torkelson 11, Jessica Klopatek 2, Ava Barton 13, Zoe Botes 12, Aubrey Schoeneman 2.

FTs: 10-26. Fouls: 16. Fouled out: Knipp. 3-pointers: A. Barton 2, Torkelson 1.

Butternut	28	45
Mercer	20	49

CHASSELL — Ontonagon won a non-conference game 43-36 at Chassell Tuesday night.

The Gladiators led for the whole game after initially falling behind 2-0.

"Hard-fought game," Ontonagon coach Tim Routheaux said. "Chassell has a lot of size, strength and experience over us. We came to play and didn't back down."

Teddy Menigoz led Ontonagon with 14 points and Ella Menigoz scored 10.

Paige Sleeman scored 17 points to lead Chassell.

Ontonagon (6-1, 4-1) goes to Jeffers Friday.

Ontonagon — Teddy Menigoz 14, Ella Menigoz 10, Lilly McIntyre 2, Kira Kolpack 4, Makannah Uotila 9, Nicole Lukkari 4. FTs: 13-22. 3-pointers: T. Menigoz 1, E. Menigoz 1.

Ontonagon	13	25	36	43
Chassell	11	18	30	36

BESSEMER — No. 2 Ewen-Trout Creek won its sixth straight game 68-19 over Bessemer Tuesday night in a Copper Mountain Conference contest.

Abbie LeGault led the Panthers with 18 points, Elise Besonen scored 14 and Paige Berglund had 10.

"Basketball is not about plays. There is no magic formula, no magic play," Bessemer coach Joy Smith said. "Consistency in practice, fundamentals for offense, principles of man-to-man defense, rebounding and desire — that's what the game is and that's what we are going to continue to do."

E-TC (6-1, 5-0) goes to No. 5 L'Anse Thursday. Bessemer (0-6, 0-3) hosts Chassell Friday.

E-TC — Paige Berglund 10, Ashlei LaPlant 2, Samantha Goll 2, Abbie LeGault 18, Brianna Schutz 10, Kate Borseth 6, Elise Besonen 14, Marissa Polkky 6. FTs: 5-6. Fouls: 7. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Berglund 1.

Bessemer — Natalie Stone 2, Isabelle Novascone 4, Hannah Janczak 4, Kallyn Fingerocos 5, Naomi Aili 3, Maggie Matonich 1. FTs: 3-8. Fouls: 9. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Fingerocos 1, Aili 1.

E-TC	26	41	58	68
Bessemer	2	6	9	19

Boys roundup: Mercer, Watersmeet lose

Mercer lost a tough one 56-55 at Goodman-Pembin Tuesday night in a non-conference game.

Mercer trailed 23-8 in the first half and 27-17 at the half, but they played much better later in the game.

"We played 21 fantastic minutes of basketball finally," Mercer coach Adam Miller said.

Boone Larison, who led G-P with 20 points, hit a 3 with 2 seconds to go to win it for Goodman-Pembin.

Jacob Schmidt led the shorthanded Tigers with 21 points and Kobe Hiller had 14. Devin Losh played well on the glass for the Tigers, Miller said.

Mercer (2-6) hosts Butternut Thursday.

Mercer — Baylie Huybrecht 8, Joe Laudoff 3, Devin Losh 7, Jacob Schmidt 21, Kobe Hiller 14, Ryan Losh 2. FTs: 3-13. Fouls: 13. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Schmidt 4, Huybrecht 2, Laudoff 1, Hiller 1.

G-P — Jacob Kessel 7, Josh Wallschlaeger 4, Austin Sheets 8, Ryan Erickson 5, Landon Kalkoten 6, Boone Larison 20, Owen Wysacki 6. FTs: 6-12. Fouls: 12. Fouled out: None. 3-pointers: Wysacki 6, Larison 4, Sheets 2, Erickson 1, Kessel 1.

Mercer	17	55
G-P	27	56

WATERSMEET — Watersmeet lost 73-63 in a Copper Mountain Conference game against L'Anse Tuesday night.

The Purple Hornets maintained their lead in the fourth quarter by making 13 free throws.

"We played hard, both teams played hard," Watersmeet coach George Peterson III said. "We just missed too many pups. But when you make that many free throws in the fourth quarter, it's hard to beat them. We have to get better at that."

Howard Caron led the Nimrods with 26 points, Mitchell McGeshick scored 20 and Julius Barajas had 10.

Watersmeet (1-2, 0-2) hosts Ontonagon Thursday.

L'Anse	24	38	54	73
Watersmeet	17	35	47	63

Lions assistants Fraley, Yates to coach offensive line

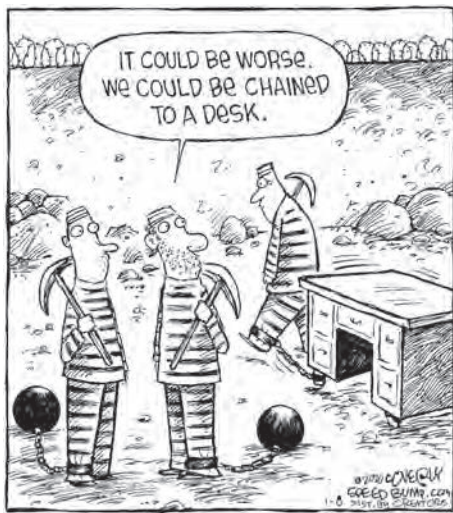
ALLEN PARK, Mich. (AP) — The Detroit Lions on Tuesday promoted assistant coaches Hank Fraley and Billy Yates to lead their offensive line. Fraley had been Detroit's assistant offensive line coach the previous two seasons. Yates was on Matt Patricia's coaching staff the last two years. Patricia fired six members of his staff shortly after finishing his second season with a 3-12-1 record. He later announced defensive coordinator Paul Pasqualoni was leaving the team to be closer to his family in Connecticut, and offensive line coach Jeff Davidson was taking an indefinite leave.

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New Year's resolutions redux

Dear Annie. New Year's Day is approaching, and it's time for new resolutions. I'm ashamed to say that mine will be the same it is every year. My goal is to get into shape. Each year, I start with a few workouts but quickly fall back into my old lazy routine and let my diet slip. I've tried joining a gym, fitness classes, running and walking. Nothing will stick. I really want to keep it up this year, but I'm already afraid I'll fail. How do people stick with it?



Dear Annie

— Out of Shape

Dear Shape: First of all, don't wait for New Year's Day. Start today, especially because it seems that you are motivated. Procrastinating makes it more difficult to begin and to stick to a routine. Second, my favorite wellness advice is that the best workout is the one you'll do. That can vary from person to person. For some, it may be group fitness classes. For others, it may be outdoor running. And still others may find a stationary fitness machine is their workout of choice. All of these are great options.

Set clear and achievable objectives. Perhaps it's around a number of workouts per week or a duration. Keep yourself accountable. Find a friend with the same goals. Also try hiring a personal trainer who can tailor a workout to your needs or what you like best. For tighter budgets, consider using a fitness app, many of which have accountability and progress programs built in. Watching your progress will keep you motivated and on track. Good luck!

Dear Annie: My sister-in-law hosted Thanksgiving for our large family one year, even accommodating out-of-town family members. After cooking and prepping and setting the table, she said that we could sit wherever we'd like. The kids had their own separate table. The meal was delicious, and we enjoyed each other's company.

After everyone ate, my sister-in-law announced for all of us to reach under our chairs. Earlier that day, she had put sticky notes under each chair with a task written on the note. They included "clear the table," "dry the dishes" and "box up leftovers" — you get the picture. One of them (hers) read, "play with the grandkids," which we considered a well-deserved

break for her after all that meal prep.

There was no arguing or putting or trading of tasks. Everyone did his or her job, and the cleanup was very fast.

In a short time, we were all able to go for a walk and watch football without worrying about how the seemingly arduous task of clearing and cleaning was going to be shared.

Now, whenever I have a large sit-down dinner for ANY occasion that involves oblivious (read: lazy) family members, I implement my very wise sister-in-law's idea. — Everyone Chips In

Dear Everyone Chips In: What a clever idea. I love it! Thank you for sharing.

Dear Annie: I just read the letter from a reader who was put off by businesses such as Starbucks that have a habit of asking for a name with each order. Please allow me to share a trick I've been using for years.

Because I have a name that is often mispronounced, I give a fake name when asked. And to make it easier for me to remember, I always use the same one — one of my favorite tennis players from yesteryear. So when I hear "Connors" called, I know that my coffee or my table is ready.

This both protects my privacy and spares the server or hostess the difficulty of trying to figure out how to say my name.

— Old Whatshisname

Dear Old Whatshisname: I'm printing your letter because I received a lot of letter with the same suggestion — to use a fake name. Your tip about repeating the same fake name is a good one, though I'm not sure Jimmy Connors, one of the greatest tennis players of all time, would be crazy about it.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

If today is your birthday:

Pay closer attention to how you look and feel this year. Taking better care of yourself will ensure that you have the energy and means to follow through with your plans. Look at change as a tool to help you get what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Start a routine geared toward better health, greater stamina and less stress. Keep your feelings and opinions secret. Don't trust anyone with your money or possessions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Keep busy. Make adjustments to your living quarters that will encourage you to pursue something that will add to your skills, appearance or intelligence. Romance is on the rise.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't share your opinions with everyone. If you can avoid an argument, you are best off doing so. If you contribute to a cause you believe in, something good will transpire.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

— Take a look at what's available to you and enhance your life. Changing your course should help you either cut your overhead or bring in more money. Reach out romantically to a loved one.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Keep your life simple, focused and practical. If you take on too much, you will fall short of your expectations. Live within your means. Change only what isn't working.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Size up your situation and set boundaries to protect yourself from being taken for granted. Stay one step ahead of anyone trying to undermine you. Romance is featured.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take inventory and do things your way. Have a plan in place and stick to what's important to you. Live within your means and take care of financial and legal matters personally.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Take care of responsibilities. A little relaxation will ease stress. A romantic gesture will bring

you closer to someone you love.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Steer clear of explosive situations. You have better things to do with your time than argue with opinionated people. Make plans with like-minded folks.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Pay more attention to the way you look, how you feel and the people you love. Refuse to get dragged into someone else's dilemma. Moderation is encouraged.

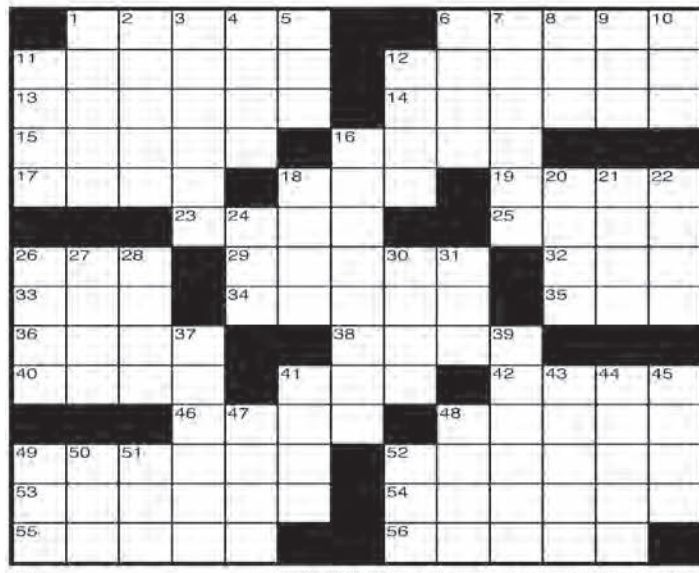
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You've got plenty to gain if you implement a change that will affect where or how you live. If you take the most intriguing path, the experience will encourage personal growth.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Listen carefully, decide who is trustworthy and proceed with caution. Protect your reputation, possessions and assets. Someone will be unreliable and manipulative, offering false accusations. Update your image.

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♥ K J 10 7
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♣ A Q 3 2

West East
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♥ 9 ♥ A 3
♦ K Q 3 ♦ J 6 5
♣ J 9 8 4 ♣ K 10 7 6 5

South
♠ K 8 6 5
♥ Q 8 6 5 4 2
♦ A 8 2
♣ —

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

South North West East
1♣ DbL 2♣
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: ??

The surprising trick for the contract

By Phillip Alder

When driving a car up to a stop sign, you often have the choice of going left, right or straight ahead. At the bridge table, the direction you select may be decided by the defenders—as in this deal.

First, though, look at the West hand. What would you lead against four hearts?

In the auction, South judged well to jump to four hearts. Here, if West had sacrificed in four spades, he might or might not have made it. The play would have been complicated.

Often, the best lead against a trump contract is a short, strong side suit. Here, the diamond king stands out; and notice that it defeats four hearts because declarer cannot get into the dummy to discard a diamond loser on the club ace. South will lose one spade, one heart and two diamonds.

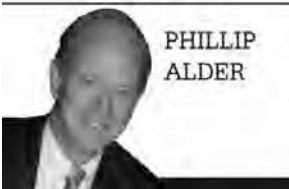
However, when this deal was played, West led his trump. This looked like a winner as well, but South had a vital card in her hand— which one?

East took the first trick and returned a spade. West won with the queen and shifted to a club, dummy's queen being covered by the king. Now South took 10 tricks from the diamond ace, club ace, three spade ruffs and five trumps in hand.

Suppose, though, East plays a second round of hearts immediately. Declarer wins on the board and runs the spade jack. West shifts to the diamond king. South takes the trick, ruffs a spade, discards a diamond on the club ace, ruffs a club and leads the spade king. When West covers with the ace, and dummy ruffs, notice that declarer's spade eight is now high!

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by Luis Campos

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Y B Y J K A L J E L . ” — P L H L I U Y C M U L U H J

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TODAY'S CLUE: F equals H

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BUSINESS

US stock indexes slip, but rush for safety slows

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. stocks mostly fell on Tuesday, but the big rush for safety that coursed through global markets after the United States killed a top Iranian general on Friday slowed.

Gold's momentum eased a day after touching its highest price in nearly seven years, several Asian and European stock markets clawed back much of their losses from Monday and benchmark U.S. crude dropped for the first time in four days. The S&P 500 dipped but remains within 0.6% of its record, and a measure of fear in the stock market moved lower.

The market's return to a wait-and-see approach wasn't that surprising to some investors, even as talk remained tough in the increasingly tense U.S.-Iran confrontation. U.S. officials were preparing for an Iranian response to their drone strike against Gen. Qassem Soleimani.

The market may be more focused on the upcoming earnings season for U.S. companies and the forecasts that CEOs will give for 2020 profits, said Rich Weiss, senior portfolio manager at American Century Investments. After a year where the S&P 500 surged roughly 30%, despite profits for big companies falling, he said investors will need to see more solid growth to justify near-record prices.

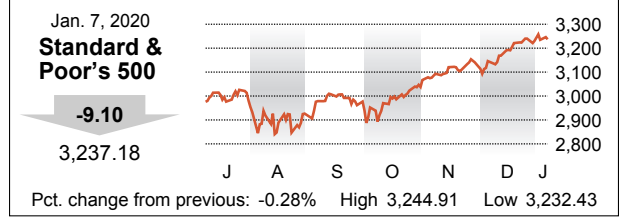
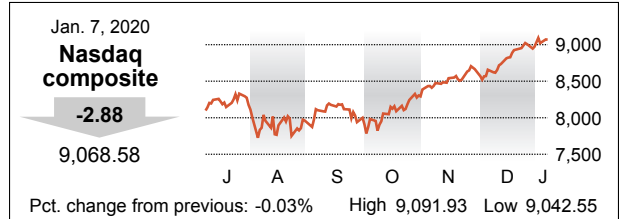
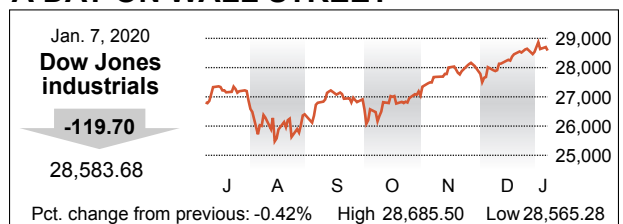
"We definitely pay attention and are keeping an eye on" the U.S.-Iran tensions, Weiss said. "But it's not what we alter investment strategy on."

"The market seems to be looking right past" the tensions, he said. "I'm much more concerned about the fundamentals. The lack of earnings visibility is troubling."

The S&P 500 fell 9.10 points, or 0.3%, to 3,237.18. The Dow Jones Industrial Average lost 119.70, or 0.4%, to 28,583.68, and the Nasdaq composite slipped 2.88, or less than 0.1%, to 9,068.58.

Energy stocks dropped with the price of crude. Benchmark U.S. oil fell 57 cents to settle at \$62.70 per

A DAY ON WALL STREET



barrel. It had jumped more than \$2 per barrel over the last two days. Brent crude, the international standard, fell 64 cents to \$68.27 a barrel.

That helped drag Halliburton down 2.8% and Chevron down 1.3%. Apache was an outlier, and the oil and gas producer surged 26.8% for the biggest gain in the S&P 500 after it and Total said they found a significant amount of oil off the coast of Suriname.

Asian stock markets had some of the day's strongest gains and clawed back much of their losses from Monday. Japan's Nikkei 225 jumped 1.6%, South Korea's Kospi rose 0.9% and Hong Kong's Hang Seng added 0.3%.

In Europe, Germany's Dax returned 0.8%. France's CAC 40 and the FTSE 100 in London were virtually flat.

Gold slowed its momentum and rose \$5.60 to settle at \$1,571.80 per ounce. It had climbed more than \$16 each of the last two days as investors piled into what they thought could hold steady even if a war broke out in the Middle East.

Treasury yields climbed modestly after a pair of reports showed that U.S. manufacturing continues to wane, but not by enough to drag down the rest of the

economy. The 10-year Treasury yield rose to 1.82% from 1.81% late Monday. The two- and 30-year yields also inched higher.

Manufacturing has been weak in the country and around the world, hurt by tariffs and trade wars, and a U.S. Commerce Department report showed that factory orders fell 0.7% in November from a month earlier. It was the third drop in the last four months.

But even with that weakness, the solid U.S. jobs market and spending by households have helped prop up the rest of the economy. A separate report released Tuesday morning showed that the nation's services industries grew at a faster pace last month than economists expected. The reading includes activity in the retail, health care and other industries.

In commodities trading, wholesale gasoline fell 3 cents to \$1.72 per gallon. Heating oil was unchanged at \$2.03 per gallon. Natural gas rose 2 cents to \$2.16 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Silver rose 22 cents to \$18.32 per ounce, and copper was little changed at \$2.80 per pound.

The dollar rose to 108.53 Japanese yen from 108.46 yen on Monday. The euro fell to \$1.1145 from \$1.1192.

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Ask The Doctors

by Elizabeth Ko, M.D. & Eve Glazier, M.D.

CYCLING OFFERS MANY BENEFITS WITH LOW IMPACT

Dear Doctor: My company provides perks for involvement in its wellness program, and I've decided to start biking the 4 miles (with a few hills!) to work. Do you think it's a good choice? Any advice for getting started?

Dear Reader: First, congratulations for making this positive change in your life. Cycling is a terrific activity with multiple health benefits. Exercise, in general, has been shown to help boost energy; improve mood; reduce the risk of a range of diseases, including the heart disease and certain cancers; maintain a healthy weight; add to strength, agility and flexibility; and aid in sleep. As you cycle the 4 miles to and from work, you'll use an impressive range of muscle groups. These include the hamstrings and quadriceps, which are the two major muscles in the legs; the calf muscles; the gluteals, which are the trio of muscles that make up the buttocks; the core muscles of the abdomen; and to a

lesser degree, the muscles of the upper body. Conquering those hills will get your heart and lungs working and help build strength, stamina and endurance.

Cycling is an excellent resistance activity, which means it's good for bones and bone density. It's also a low-impact activity, so it's kind to the joints. And the hundreds of tiny decisions needed to navigate a route and negotiate traffic help keep you mentally sharp. By the time you wheel into work after 30 to 45 minutes on the bike, you'll have a nice endorphin glow with which to start your day.

The two main things to consider are conditioning and safety. If you haven't been cycling on a regular basis, start by making sure your bike fits you properly and is in good repair. Your local bike shop can help you with that. Start training with short rides, gradually building up until you're comfortable with your daily commute. The goal is to improve

physical conditioning and also to become comfortable on the bike and out on the roads. Age plays a role as well. Once we hit our 40s, our muscles don't perform at the same level as in our younger days. For older riders, this means more time to build strength, and longer to recover.

The main risks of cycling come from run-ins with motor vehicles, so you want to focus on safety. Always obey the rules of the road; for instance, be sure to ride with traffic, not against, and signal your turns. A common refrain from drivers is that they didn't see the cyclist until it was too late. So make yourself as visible as possible with bright colors and reflective gear. In low light or darkness, make yourself known with reflectors, a white front light and red rear light on your bike, and again, reflective gear. And always -- this is non-negotiable no matter how short a distance you plan to ride -- wear a good helmet. It can save your life.

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Trump campaign seizes on Soleimani killing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump once warned Barack Obama not to “play the Iran card” to boost his political prospects by starting a war. Eight years later, Trump is showing no reluctance to capitalize politically on his order to kill a top Iranian general, drawing accusations that he is weaponizing foreign policy for his campaign’s own gain.

Trump’s campaign has used the killing of Qassem Soleimani, the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard’s elite Quds Force, as a cudgel against the president’s Democratic political rivals and to divert attention from his impending impeachment trial in the Senate.

“Americans want to see their President acting decisively and defending the nation’s interests and that’s exactly what President Trump did,” Trump campaign spokesman Tim Murtaugh said.

“Republicans are good at killing terrorists and this is a

reminder of that,” added Michael Ahrens, communications director of the Republican National Committee.

The president was expected to amplify those messages on Thursday in Toledo, Ohio, during his first campaign rally since the drone strike last week. Trump’s campaign purchased ads on Facebook highlighting the Soleimani killing.

The Pentagon said Soleimani “was actively developing plans to attack American diplomats and service members in Iraq and throughout the region.” But the Trump administration has refused to provide any specific information about the nature or timing of the alleged plots, leaving Trump open to suspicions that the attack was driven, at least in part, by a belief that it might help him in the polls.

Those around the president strongly dismiss any suggestion of political motive. But they have

been happy to use the killing to contrast Trump with his Democratic rivals, painting him as a strong leader and accusing Democrats of appeasing Iran with a failed foreign policy approach.

Despite the short shelf life of most Trump news stories, Trump aides recognized immediately that the strike — approved by the president at his private club in Florida during his winter break — could play an outside role in the upcoming campaign, particularly if Iran retaliated and the region descended into chaos.

That scenario began to play out Tuesday night when Iran fired a series of ballistic missiles at two Iraqi bases housing U.S. troops and warned the United States and its allies in the region not to respond in kind.

The president himself told one confidant that he wanted to deliver a warning to Iran not to mess with American assets. And he

was eager to project an image of strength and replicate the message he delivered late last year after approving the raid that killed Islamic State leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi: The U.S. will hunt down its enemies anywhere in the world.

The al-Baghdadi killing has become a staple in Trump’s campaign ads and at his rallies, and Soleimani’s death was expected to receive similar treatment.

“ANOTHER dead terrorist,” declared the subject line of a Sunday campaign email blast, which described Soleimani as a “monster responsible for THOUSANDS of American deaths.”

The president campaigned on the dual promises of getting tough on Iranian aggression and withdrawing U.S. troops from overseas entanglements — priorities seemingly at odds with one another in the wake of the strike. Trump has increased the number of troops in the region since he

took office, despite his promise to end the “endless wars” in the Middle East.

Trump’s foreign policy, dating back to his first campaign, has always had its internal inconsistencies: As much as Trump pushed the drawdown of troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, he promised nightly to “bomb the hell out of ISIS” and has been eager to strike a posture of American military strength.

But Trump aides expressed confidence that the president’s supporters would not punish him for prioritizing one over the other, at least in the short term. Instead, they argued that targeting what they called terrorist leaders had little to do with prospects for a protracted ground war. And they argued that the killing could be used to create their own version of Obama’s unofficial 2012 slogan, “Osama bin Laden is dead and General Motors is alive.”

Aleutian volcano spews up ash cloud in two strong bursts

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A volcano in Alaska’s Aleutian Islands spewed ash into flight paths, prompting a warning to pilots by the National Weather Service.

Shishaldin Volcano erupted at 5 a.m. Tuesday, the Alaska Volcano Observatory announced, and sent up an initial ash cloud to 19,000 feet. Clouds initially obscured the mountain, but satellite imagery confirmed the ash cloud, U.S. Geological Survey geophysicist Hans Schwaiger said.

Seismicity diminished for a few hours, but it then increased again. During the increase, the volcano spewed an ash cloud to 25,000 feet, the observatory announced. The later eruption increased the volume of ash.

Wind continued to push the ash cloud northeast into the eastern Bering Sea and away from jet airliners flying between North America and Asia.

However, the National Weather Service upgraded its alert level to a warning. Trace amounts of ash were expected to fall on communities as far away as Sand Point about 140 miles east of the volcano.

Seismic activity greatly diminished after noon.

The eruptions were confirmed by lighting and satellite data, the observatory said. More explosions could occur or activity could significantly decrease with little warning, according to the observatory.

The observatory first

detected increased seismic activity at the volcano. Elevated surface temperatures indicated active lava at the vent in the volcano summit, the observatory said.

Volcanic ash is angular and sharp and has been used as an industrial abrasive. The powdered rock can cause a jet engine to shut down.

The volcano is 679 miles southwest of Anchorage near the center of Unimak Island, the largest island in the Aleutians. False Pass, a village of 40 people, is on the island’s east side. Unless winds change, the cloud would move north of False Pass and would not pose a threat, Schwaiger said.

Shishaldin also erupted Dec. 12, producing an ash cloud that reached up to 25,000 feet, and on Friday, sending an ash cloud to about 24,000 feet.

The volcano is a symmetrical cone that is 10 miles in diameter at its base. It rises to 9,373 feet and is the highest peak in the Aleutians.

Shishaldin is one of the most active volcanoes in the Aleutian volcanic arc. It has had at least 54 episodes of unrest, including more than 24 confirmed eruptions since 1775, according to the observatory.

Most eruptions are small. An event in 1999 spewed an ash column that reached 45,000 feet.

The volcano is monitored with seismic and infrasound sensors, satellite data, a web camera and distant infrasound and lightning networks.



IN THIS Sunday, Jan. 5, 2020, photo provided by Australian Department of Defence, a Royal Australian Navy MRH-90 helicopter crew member looks out over fires burning near Cann River. The wildfires have so far scorched an area twice the size of the U.S. state of Maryland.

Storms bring relief and danger to Australian wildfires

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Thunderstorms and showers brought some relief for firefighters battling deadly wildfires across Australia’s drought-parched east coast on Wednesday, but also raised concerns that lightning will spark more fires before dangerous hot and windy conditions return.

Around 2,300 firefighters in New South Wales state were making the most of relatively benign conditions by frantically consolidating containment lines around more than 110 blazes and patrolling for lightning strikes, state Rural Fire Service Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons said.

“Unfortunately with lightning strikes, it’s not always the next day they pop up,” Fitzsimmons told the Australian Broadcasting Corp.

“They can smolder

around in trees and in root systems for a couple of days and pop up under drier, hotter conditions, so we are very mindful of that as we head into Friday,” he added.

The unprecedented fire crisis in southeast Australia that has killed 25 people, destroyed 2,000 homes and shrouded major cities in smoke has focused many Australians on how the nation adapts to climate change. Prime Minister Scott Morrison has faced fierce criticism both domestically and internationally for downplaying the need for his government to address climate change, which experts say helps supercharge the blazes.

The center-left opposition Labor Party has made political capital from the crisis by promising more ambitious policies than the ruling conservative coalition

to tackle climate change. Opposition climate spokesman Mark Butler wants the government to allow a debate on climate change in Parliament when it returns in February.

“Hopefully we could fashion a bipartisan position,” Butler told ABC. The two sides last held a bipartisan position on climate change in 2007, and have remained bitterly divided ever since on issues such as making carbon polluters pay for their emissions.

Labor had pledged to reduce Australia’s greenhouse gas emissions by 45% below 2005 levels by 2030 and achieve zero emissions by 2050 if it had won last year’s elections.

The coalition government has committed to reduce emissions by 26% to 28% by 2030 and warns that Labor’s more ambi-

tious target would wreck the economy. The government argues that Australia is responsible for only 1.3% of global emissions and more ambitious targets would not ease the current fire crisis, which follows Australia’s hottest and driest year on record.

The unfolding disaster in Australia, which is likely to continue throughout the Southern Hemisphere summer, has galvanized calls for more global action on climate change.

Elton John and actor Chris Hemsworth are among the celebrities donating big bucks to help aid the firefighting efforts. Hemsworth, an Australian who lives in the drought-affected New South Wales town of Byron Bay, wrote on Twitter that he was donating \$1 million and asked his followers to show support. “Every penny counts,” he wrote.

Boeing now saying pilots need simulator training for 737 Max

(AP) — Boeing said Tuesday it is recommending that pilots receive training in a flight simulator before the grounded 737 Max returns to flying, a reversal of the company’s long-held position that computer-based training alone was adequate.

The recommendation is based on changes to the plane, results from tests involving a small number of pilots, and a commitment to the safe return of the Max, Boeing said.

The final decision on the nature of training will be up to the Federal Aviation Administration and regulators in other countries. The FAA said it will consider Boeing’s recommendation but also rely on upcoming further tests using pilots from U.S. and foreign airlines.

Those tests are designed to help regulators determine flight training and emergency procedures, said FAA spokesman Lynn Lunsford.

“The FAA is following a thorough process, not a set timeline, to ensure that any design modifications to the 737 Max are integrated



Associated Press

IN THIS Dec. 11, 2019, file photo, an United Airlines Boeing 737 Max airplane takes off in the rain at Renton Municipal Airport in Renton, Wash.

with appropriate training and procedures,” Lunsford said.

The 737 Max has been grounded worldwide since last March after two crashes killed 346 people. Boeing is making changes to flight-control software and other systems in a bid to get the plane back in the air.

Boeing long held that pilots who can fly older 737s only needed a computer course — roughly an hour-long course on a tablet — to fly the Max. That helped airlines avoid timely and costly training

in simulators.

Boeing even offered to pay Southwest Airlines a rebate of \$1 million per plane if pilots needed simulator training before flying the Max.

Last year, an FAA technical advisory board sided with Boeing and recommended that only computer-based training was needed. However, families of victims of the two crashes lobbied for simulator training, arguing that pilots need to experience how the Max differs from previous versions of the 737.

Pharmacies say prescribers bear opioid crisis responsibility

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Doctors and other healthcare practitioners who write prescriptions bear ultimate responsibility for improper distribution of opioids to patients, not pharmacists who are obliged to fill those prescriptions, a series of pharmacy chains argued in federal court.

The filings, which were submitted Monday to the federal judge in Cleveland who has been overseeing the national opioid lawsuits, asked the judge to rule in the pharmacies’ favor and reject claims brought by some Ohio counties. The judge has scheduled an October trial for claims against CVS, Rite Aid, Walgreens, HBC and Discount Drug Mart.

Officials from Summit and Cuyahoga counties, home to Akron and Cleveland respectively, allege that pharmacies contributed to the addictions crisis by filling prescriptions for an “excessive volume” of opioids written by doctors

and other practitioners.

Such allegations ignore the role that cash-for-medication “pill mills” played, along with Internet pharmacies, independent pharmacies, clinics and others, the filings said. In many cases, those entities dispensed medications in greater volume than the chains being sued are accused of doing, the pharmacies said.

The allegations by Cuyahoga and Summit counties also ignore the fact that pharmacies dispensed drugs based on doctors’ prescriptions, who ultimately must bear responsibility, Monday’s filing said. All those prescriptions were written by practitioners authorized by the state of Ohio and registered with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, according to the pharmacies.

“A prescription for a controlled substance is an order for a medication that may be issued only by a physician or other autho-

rized healthcare practitioner,” lawyers for the pharmacy chains argued. “While pharmacists are highly trained and licensed professionals, they did not attend medical school and are not trained as physicians.”

Attorneys leading the opioid lawsuits said Tuesday their goal continues to be holding pharmacies accountable for not meeting requirements to actively prevent the diversion and abuse of prescription painkillers.

“Pharmacies saw the devastating consequences of this public health crisis firsthand and we will show they did little to nothing to address them,” the attorneys said in a statement.

The judge was scheduled to hear a broader case last year, but most parties settled. Talks continue toward a possible national settlement that could end all the lawsuits related to the epidemic, which has killed more than 400,000 in the U.S. since 2000.