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U.S.S. West Virginia sailor's remains to be sent home to Ill.

BY BRAD MCELHINNY
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A sailor who died when the U.S.S. West Virginia was bombed during the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor has been identified and will have his remains buried

Saturday.
Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Charles Brown, a native of Arcola, Ill., will be memorialized in Humboldt Township Cemetery with full military honors. He had been, officially, considered missing until his remains were

identified in March 2021.
Brown was just a week past his 19th birthday when he enlisted in the Navy. He was 22 when he died at Pearl Harbor.
The U.S.S. West Virginia was a 32,600-ton battleship stationed at Pearl Harbor when Japanese

air forces launched a surprise assault that wound up prompting the United States entry into World War II.
The battleship was hit by two armor-piercing shells converted to bombs and at least seven tor-

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This week in West Virginia history

EVENTS

Main Street Morgantown celebrates preservation during May

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During May, Main Street Morgantown encourages the community to celebrate National Historic Preservation Month.

Communities across the country will celebrate their heritage and preserve their history. Historic preservation is the practice of protecting and preserving buildings, structures and other artifacts of historical significance.

Main Street Morgantown invites area residents to join the local celebration of National Historic Preservation Month with the theme "People Saving Places."

Notice your surroundings and recognize the beauty and significance of historic buildings and structures. Staff hopes to inspire people to appreciate their surroundings, becoming advocates for preservation and the protection of historic buildings for future generations.

Nonprofits, government organizations, businesses and citizens are invited to celebrate Historic Preservation Month in their own way by hosting events, social media campaigns and other initiatives.

Suggestions for things residents can do include:

- Share a photo of a favorite historic building or architectural detail.
- Organize a display of historic books or photos for others to see.
- Go on a historic walking tour or organize one of your own.
- Follow Main Street Morgantown social media in May for then and now photos of favorite Downtown buildings.

To celebrate Historic Preservation Month, everyone is encouraged to share photos and stories of their favorite historic buildings on social media using the hashtags: #PeopleSavingPlaces, #MorgantownWV and

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Submitted photos

On April 18, 1861: At the beginning of the Civil War, retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands.

Significant events that took place in the Mountain State

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CHARLESTON — The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at wvencyclopedia.org.

■ April 14, 1774: Surveyors met at the mouth of the Kanawha River to establish military boundary claims in Kentucky. They became involved in several skirmishes with Indians in the region. This was the start of Dunmore's War, the name given to the conflict in the Ohio Valley in the spring of 1774.

■ April 14, 1945: A commercial airplane on its way to Morgantown flew off course and crashed into the side of Cheat Mountain, killing 20 people.

■ April 15, 1872: Peter Godwin Van Winkle died in Parkersburg. Van Winkle was a member of the Governor's Council of the Reorganized Government of Virginia, 1861-63, under Gov. Francis Pierpont. On Aug. 4, 1863, Van Winkle was elected as one of West Virginia's first two U.S. senators.

■ April 16, 1829: Jacob Beeson Jackson was born in Parkersburg. In 1881, he became



Jennifer Garner

West Virginia's sixth governor.

■ April 16, 1894: Leonard Riggleman was born in a Randolph County cabin. As president of Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston), he moved the school to Charleston in 1935 and led the college to accreditation in 1958.



Jean Lee Latham

■ April 16, 1923: Arch Moore was born in Moundsville. He was the first governor in 100 years to serve a second term, and he returned later for a third. He also was the second former governor to serve federal prison time.

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Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Charles Brown

SAILOR

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pedoes, blowing enormous holes in the port side and disabling the rudder. The battleship sank to the harbor bottom. Most of the crew was evacuated, but 105 were killed in the attack.

Many of those casualties could not be fully recovered or identified.

The Navy has tallied 25 "unresolved casualties" from the ship and 35 "associated Unknowns" buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Hawaii.

The Navy defines Unknowns as remains of U.S. service members who were unable to be identified as a specific individual at the time of their death/recovery. So they were buried in one of the U.S.'s memorial cemeteries in graves marked as "Unknown."

In recent years, the Navy has been working to identify some of those sailors. That process began with the disinterments of 35 Unknowns associated with the ship between June and October 2017. As of June 2022, 13 U.S.S. West Virginia identifications had been completed.

The identification process occurs through analysis of any personal effects present, plus isotopic and DNA analyses of bone samples, along with comparisons to the service members' medical records and DNA reference samples from U.S.S. West Virginia families.

Once a sailor is identified, the Navy Casualty

Office notifies whoever has been designated by the family. In the case of the most recent sailor to be identified, Charles Brown, the family has declined to speak with media.

"Most often the notification and identification briefing is emotional, overwhelming and relieving all at the same time for the families. Most families cannot believe their loved ones were recovered after so many years, they prayed or hoped to have closure someday," Capt. Robert McMahon, director of the Navy Casualty Office, said in materials provided to media outlets.

Brown's job as an electrician's mate would have been to use electrical tools, repair electrical equipment and telephone circuits, charge storage batteries, and stand watch on the ship's main switchboard, main gyro compass and in main control room. They maintained and repaired electrical circuits and electrical equipment.

An article about Brown from the March 6, 1942, Journal Gazette of Mattoon, Ill., noted that he was first reported as dead and then as missing. The newspaper article referred to official Navy communications to his parents, "Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown of this city."

"Just eight days after the Pearl Harbor assault Mr. and Mrs. Brown were notified that their son was killed. Three days later they were notified he was listed as a survivor but missing. Mr. and Mrs. Brown had no word since the 'missing' report until this week."

COMMENCEMENT

Pierpont graduation set for May 10

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Pierpont Community and Technical College's spring commencement will take place at 6:30 p.m. May 10 at the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center in Clarksburg.

Prospective graduates will receive degrees from a variety of programs, including advanced weld-

ing, applied design, aviation maintenance technology, cyber security, early childhood education, veterinary technology and licensed practical nursing, among others.

The class of 2024 hails from 45 states, as well as Canada and Japan.

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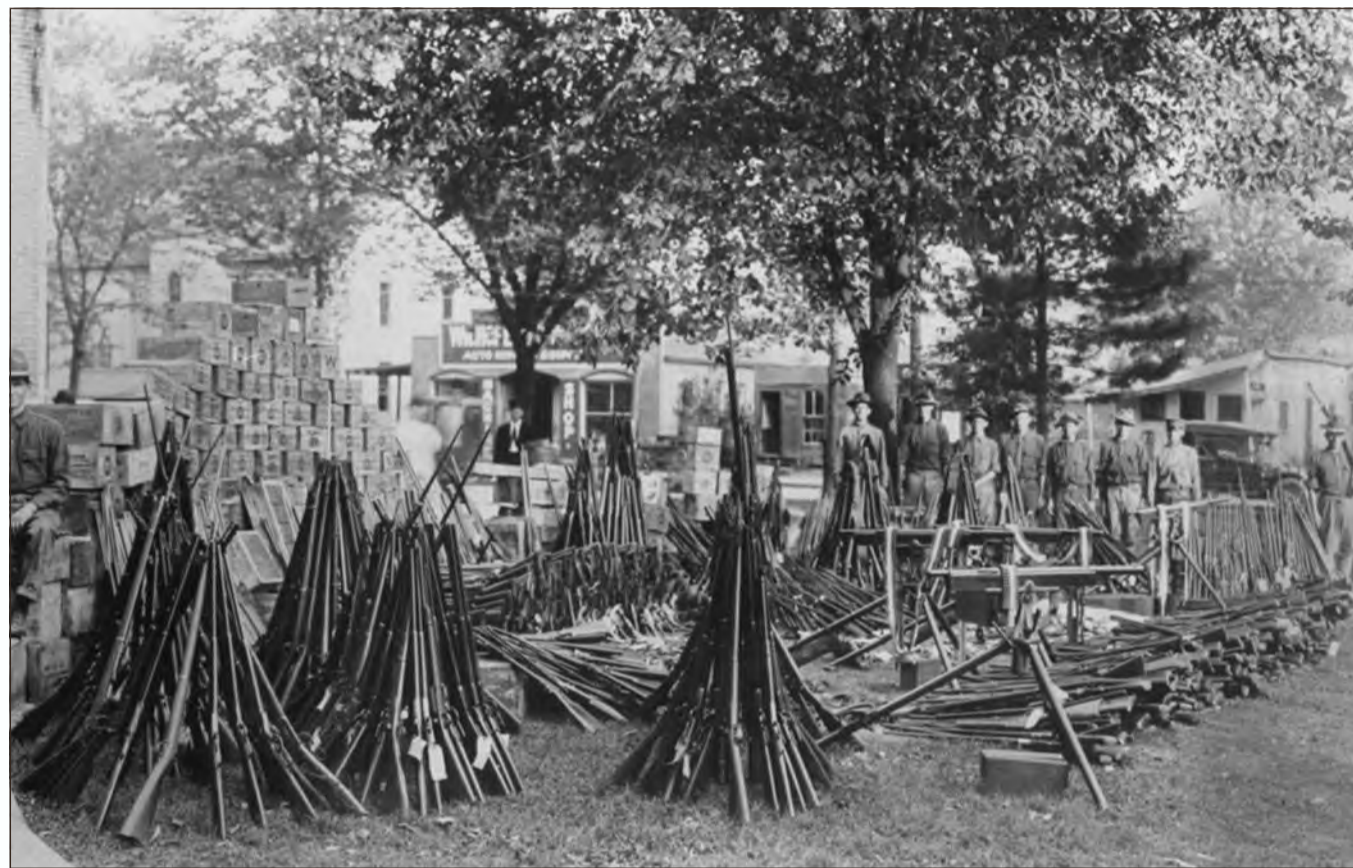
of Governors chairman James Griffin will deliver the keynote address. Griffin currently serves as chairman for the West Virginia Black Heritage Festival's Board of Directors and has been a leader in human and civil rights in north-central West Virginia.

Pierpont Foundation

chairwoman and former West Virginia Secretary of State Natalie Tennant will deliver remarks on behalf of the foundation.

Tickets are required for those planning to attend the ceremony.

For more information about the commencement ceremony, email graduation@pierpont.edu.



Submitted photos

The Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13; Peter Van Winkle (above left); Melville Post (above right).

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#DowntownMorgantown.

Look for additional celebrations from the Main Street Morgantown, City of Morgantown, Morgantown Public Library System and Aull History Cen-

ter, Morgantown History Museum, Warner Theater Building and others.

Main Street Morgantown is a 501c3 nonprofit organization striving to develop vibrant and prosperous Downtown and Wharf Districts in Morgantown.

WEEK

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■ April 17, 1827: Outdoorsman William "Squirrelly Bill" Carpenter was born on the Elk River near the mouth of Laurel Creek. Carpenter guided prominent West Virginians, including Gov. MacCorkle, through the wonders of the Elk Valley.

■ April 17, 1871: West Virginians approved the Flick Amendment, which allowed former Confederates to vote. It also applied to formerly enslaved people, but they had been enfranchised already by the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

■ April 17, 1972: Actress Jennifer Garner was born in Houston but grew up in Charleston, appearing in various stage productions. A leading actor in film, television and theater, she won both a Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild award for her role in the show Alias.

■ April 18, 1756: The largest French & Indian

War battle fought in present West Virginia occurred at Fort Edwards, about two miles northeast of U.S. 50 and County Route 15 in present Capon Bridge, Hampshire County.

■ April 18, 1849: State Supreme Court Justice Marmauke Dent was born in Monongalia County. He received the first bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University. A populist judge, he ruled against railroads and supported teacher Carrie Williams in an 1898 case finding that Black schools were entitled to the same length school terms as other schools.

■ April 18, 1861: At the beginning of the Civil War, retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands. However, Virginia militia extinguished the flames and sent much of the weapon-making equipment south before destroying the site in June 1861.

■ April 18, 1912: The

Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13 began when coal operators rejected the demands of their unionized workers for a wage increase. The strike that followed was one of the most dramatic and bloody conflicts in the early 20th century labor struggles in southern West Virginia known as the Mine Wars.

■ April 19, 1896: Writer Melville Davisson Post was born in Harrison County. His best-known works are the Randolph Mason series, published in three volumes, and the more successful collection, Uncle Abner: Master of Mysteries.

■ April 19, 1902: Author Jean Lee Latham was born in Buckhannon. She wrote a number of children's books, including Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, which won the 1956 Newberry Award.

■ April 20, 1823: Gen. Jesse Lee Reno was born in Wheeling and died in battle at South Mountain, Md., in 1862. He graduated from West Point in 1846 with another cadet from western Virginia, Thomas J. Jack-

son, later "Stonewall." Reno was the highest-ranking officer from present West Virginia killed in the Civil War.

■ April 20, 1863: President Lincoln issued a proclamation that in 60 days, West Virginia would become a state. This occasion was marked 100 years later during the state's Centennial celebration with a special ceremonial session of the West Virginia legislature on April 20, 1963, in Wheeling.

■ April 20, 1909: Fiddler Melvin Wine was born near Burnsville. A favorite of old-time music enthusiasts nationally, he was chosen as a National Heritage Fellow in 1991 by the National Endowment for the Arts, the highest recognition given to a folk artist in the United States.

■ April 20, 1939: Poet Irene McKinney was born in Belington, Barbour County. Gov. Gaston Caperton appointed her state poet laureate in 1993, and she served in that capacity until her death in 2012.

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COMMUNITY ACTION

Monongahela Conservation District local work group meets May 15

Conservation programs, incentives will be discussed

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The Monongahela Conservation District, in cooperation with USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), will hold a local work group meeting to discuss conservation programs for 2024-25 and provide guidance for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

The meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. May 15 at Monongahela

USDA Service Center, 201 Scott Ave., Morgantown.

The local work group includes representatives from cooperating federal, state and local conservation organizations and is open to all farmers, agricultural producers and forest owners/managers.

If you have thought about applying for one of the programs NRCS has to offer or have questions about what might be available to you, this meeting is a great opportunity to learn more. As part of NRCS's locally led process of administering programs, public comments will be sought from attendees on how to best prioritize USDA dollars for

local areas.

The Monongahela Conservation District covers Marion, Monongalia and Preston counties. NRCS District Conservationist Christopher Toothman and his staff work from the NRCS field offices in White Hall and Kingwood to cover all counties in the Monongahela Conservation District.

If you need an accommodation to participate in this activity or event, contact Nan Kimble at 304-284-7546, or by e-mail at NRCS.WVStateOffice@usda.gov. For more information contact Toothman at christopher.toothman2@usda.gov or 304-566-3734.

IN THE KNOW

Green activities abound to celebrate Earth Day



PAM QUEEN

FIFTY-FOUR YEARS AGO — APRIL 22, 1970 — THE FIRST EARTH DAY was held and people worldwide are planning for this year's day, which will be next Monday.

The theme for Earth Day 2024 is Planet vs. Plastics and earthday.org is committed "to end plastics for the sake of human and planetary health, demanding a 60% reduction in the production of all plastics by 2040."

Locally, Earth Day will be celebrated — and a Morgantown greenbelt promoted — by the Mon Valley Green Space Coalition and the West Virginia Land Trust via a fourth annual Touch the Earth Festival from 1-4 p.m. Saturday at the pavilion in Marilla Park. It's a free event open to all.

The festival will feature fun and educational activities, including a tree-planting event, knot-tying and hammock-camping demonstrations and an electric bike demonstration by Wamsley Cycles.

It will also showcase a map of the proposed Morgantown greenbelt to link greenspaces — city parks,

the rail-trail and other public recreational areas.

The trail-building event will start at 1:30, the tree-planting at 2:30 and the guided tour of Marilla Park's trails at 3 p.m.

The festival will take place rain or shine.

Between today and Saturday, there will be a couple of other nature-related events to check out.

West Virginia Botanic Garden will host a Nature as Nurture Forest Walk at 6 p.m. today.

Participants will be invited to slow down and connect with the forest in an intentional way. They can also experience Shinrin-yoku (forest bathing) as well as other ecotherapy techniques to leave you feeling refreshed and grounded.

Outdoor educator Mercedes Minana will identify a few trees and plants along the way.

Cost is \$5 for WVBG members and \$15 for non-members.

Next, get your hands dirty with the DIY Terrarium Craft Party at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Hoot & Howl, 245 Walnut St.

The \$25 registration includes plants to fill your vessel, soil, activated charcoal, an assortment of decorative stones and teeny decorations to add some whimsy.

PAM QUEEN is editor of The Dominion Post. Contact her with comments and suggestions at Editor@DominionPost.com.

DIY: Faux flowers



Submitted photo, courtesy of Aldona Bird

Larger pinecones work best for this project. Cones that are still tightly closed don't make as nice flowers.

Forever in bloom: Make decor that won't wilt using natural materials

BY ALDONA BIRD
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Flowers are starting to bloom in gardens and fields and forests. But when cut, they fade quickly. With a few minutes of crafting, you can make a faux flower out of natural materials.

On your next walk, pick some flowers to put in a vase and pick up some pinecones to craft with.

To make natural faux flowers you will need:

- pine cones
- snippers or strong scissors
- needle-nose pliers (not essential, but helpful)
- paint brushes
- paint

Larger pinecones work best for this project. Cones that are still tightly closed don't make as nice flowers.

Once you've collected a few cones, take clippers (or strong and sharp scissors) and cut out a section with about nine whole cone scales of the cone. These will be the petals of the flower.

Each flower only needs about six petals. Use the pliers to pull the extra cone scales off. Use your judgement on whether they should come off from the center, or whether those on the back are excess.

If you cut the cone using scissors you may also have to pull off some partial cone scales to clean up the flower.

Once you are happy with the flower shape and number of petals, set it aside and make a few more.

When you have a batch ready, get out some paint and brushes.



Acrylic or thick watercolors work for this project.

Hold the base, and paint the petals in your choice of colors. You can paint the center to look like a stamen, or leave it brown for a more neutral look.

Paint the front of the petals of each flower in a single color, or add some varied tones or contrasting color for an accent. The back of the

petals may have resin, and you may want to avoid getting that on your paint brush.

Let the paint dry.

You can use pieces of wire as stems, and use a dab of hot glue to attach them to the flowers. You can also use pinecone flowers to adorn a wreath, add to a centerpiece arrangement, or string them up to use as a garland.

HEALTH CARE

Spring Gala boosts quality of care at WVU Cancer Institute via flexible support

WVU Medicine

As a lifelong music lover and former member of the Mountaineer Marching Band, Aimee Underwood Thorn found comfort in music during her five-month battle with Stage 4 colon cancer.

She even purposely scheduled her cancer treatments when music therapy was available at the WVU Cancer Institute.

That's why Aimee's family partnered with cancer institute leadership following her death to bring a full-time music therapist to the Mary Babb Randolph Cancer Center. They achieved their fundraising goal with support from the Spring Gala, which has raised nearly \$11 million since its inception in 1985 to advance cancer care, research, outreach and education.

This year's gala will be April 26-27 at the Greenbrier.

Gala proceeds support the cancer institute's greatest needs as determined by leadership. Executive chair and director Dr. Hannah Hazard-Jenkins said those dollars enable the cancer institute to accelerate initiatives that ensure compassionate, high-quality care closer to home.

"Philanthropic support empowers us to enhance and expand our cancer prevention, treatment and research programs in ways that might not otherwise be immediately possible," Hazard-Jenkins said.

The 2023 Spring Gala focused on raising the funds necessary to support the music therapy position for three years in memory of Underwood Thorn, who died

at age 35 in August 2022.

Previous galas provided support for LUCAS, a first-of-its-kind mobile lung cancer screening unit launched by the WVU Cancer Institute in 2021. In 2023 alone, LUCAS provided 1,583 screenings, referred 289 patients for follow-up care and identified four cancers.

To date, more than 195 patients have received screenings funded through grants and donations.

"The mission of the Mobile Cancer Screening Program is to provide high-quality cancer screening services close to home," Jenny Ostien, director of mobile cancer screening, said. "This outreach would not be possible without significant community engagement and philanthropic support. Taking healthcare services to rural areas across the state is an expensive endeavor, but the positive impact it has on the health of those it serves is worth it. Financial support from donors ensures that we can continue reaching people with limited access to cancer screening."

Gala funds have also aided recruitment efforts and lab equipment tied to research.

Proceeds from the 2024 Spring Gala will support the purchase of THOR light therapy equipment for use in patient care, as well as the ongoing pursuit of the state's first National Cancer Institute designation.

Tickets and sponsorships for the Spring Gala are available at WVU-CancerGala.com. All gifts to the WVU Cancer Institute are made through the WVU Foundation.



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GUEST EDITORIAL

Americans have much in common

Americans are inundated with social media messages and news stories emphasizing their “divisions” and decrying the country’s deep “polarization.” But a recent survey should help dampen the idea that this nation is hopelessly split along ideological lines.

An Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research poll conducted last month found widespread consensus on the country’s core values. For instance, 84% agreed that freedom of religion is an integral part of this country’s identity. Ninety-one percent said the same about the right to vote, the right to privacy and equal protection under the law.

The one issue that generated a major split between Democrats and Republicans was the Second Amendment. Those who sympathized with the GOP were more likely to believe — 61% to 19% — that the right to bear arms was vital to the nation’s core principles.

“The overall findings are striking,” the AP claimed, “because they come at a time of extreme partisanship when political agreements seem rare and concerns are heightened over the potential for violence during (an) ... election year.”

But that is precisely the type of hyperbole that fosters the narrative this poll erodes. Yes, Americans have varying beliefs and political outlooks. That is the strength of a free society. But the vast majority of people live lives far removed from the chaos generated by the hyper-political climate embraced by activists across the spectrum.

“If you get a bunch of normal people at random and put them in a room together and chat about issues,” Michael Albertus, a political science professor at the University of Chicago, told the wire service, “there’s a lot more convergence than you might imagine.”

Indeed, Americans — regardless of faith, color, creed or any measure — have more in common than most would imagine. Our online culture has distorted discourse by amplifying the most radical voices and muting those preaching moderation and common sense. Our elected officials aren’t immune.

“Part of it is really our leaders are not reflecting the electorate,” Lilliana Mason, a political scientist at Johns Hopkins University, told the AP, “and they behave in a way that’s much more polarized than what the electorate is.”

The problem arises when the idea of insurmountable “division” becomes so prevalent as to be self-fulfilling. Politicians play to the vocal extremes because it works and helps them get elected. It doesn’t help that many people are now conditioned to fear differing points of view rather than to embrace ideological diversity and debate.

But Americans are nothing if not resilient. The AP survey deserves attention for providing a more nuanced and optimistic perspective than the doom and gloom so prevalent in today’s discussions about democracy and the nation’s future.

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Michael Albertus
University of Chicago political science professor

Happy Tax Day. Are we getting our money’s worth?

It’s AMERICANS’ FAVORITE DAY — APRIL 15, TAX DAY! In the land of “No taxation without representation,” we Americans throw a fit over how much we fork over to the government, which taps into related complaints over government waste, budget deficits and more.

Considering how much we focus on the amounts we pay in taxes, you would think more people would also shine a spotlight on what we get in return. A thorough tax analysis would need to create a two-sided ledger, in which all the support and services Americans receive are listed on one side, and the amount of taxes and any additional out-of-pocket expenses, fees and surcharges we pay are listed on the other.

Here’s the surprising thing: When you sum up the total balance sheet, it turns out that Americans pay out as much as those “high-taxed” Europeans — but we get a lot less for our money.

In return for their taxes, most Europeans receive a generous support system for families and workers — services for which Americans must often pay exorbitant out-of-pocket fees and surcharges.

That includes quality health care for every single person, the average cost of which is about half of what Americans pay, even as various studies show that most Europeans achieve better health metrics.

But that’s not all. In return for their taxes, most Europeans also receive affordable child care, a decent retirement pension, free or inexpensive university education, job retraining, paid sick leave, paid parental leave, ample paid vacations, affordable housing, senior care, efficient mass transportation and more.

In order to receive the same level of benefits as these Europeans, most Americans must fork out a ton of money in out-of-pocket payments in addition to the taxes we pay.

For example, most Americans are paying escalating health care premiums and deductibles, which reduces their effective net pay and acts like a

steep tax on households. Moreover, 28 million Americans, nearly 9% of the population, have no health care at all, even though many are working and paying taxes. But most Europeans receive health care in return for a modest amount deducted from their paychecks.

Many parents in the United States are saving nearly \$100,000 for their children’s college education, and most young Americans graduate with thousands of dollars of debt. But European students attend for free, or nearly so (depending on the country).

Child care in the U.S. costs over \$18,000 annually — paid out of pocket — for a family with two children, but in Europe it costs about one-third to one-sixth that amount for a family, depending on the country, and the quality is far superior.

Millions of Americans are stuffing as much as possible into their IRAs and 401(k)s because Social Security only replaces about 40% of a worker’s income. Many European retirement systems are more generous and replace about 60% to 75% (depending on the country) of workers’ income.

The U.S. also spends a lot less of public health dollars on elderly care, resulting in American families self-financing significant amounts for their own senior services, compared to most European countries.

Americans also pay various hidden taxes, such as \$300 billion annually in federal tax breaks to businesses that provide health benefits to their employees. That means Americans with no health care are

subsidizing those who do have health care.

When you sum up the total balance sheet, it turns out that Americans pay out just as much as many Europeans — we just end up receiving a lot less for our money. One Norwegian colleague — from a conservative party — remarked to me, “Americans like to talk about family values, but we have decided to do more than talk.” Europeans actually put their money on the barrel.

Certainly, European countries have their own vigorous debate about the right levels of taxation. Income taxes in Europe are high for some people, but the highest rates that generate alarmist headlines in the U.S. are paid only by those in the highest income brackets. Many middle class and low income Europeans don’t pay more taxes than their U.S. counterparts. Especially since Americans also tend to pay more in local and state taxes, as well as in property taxes.

Many U.S. politicians say, “The government should let you keep your own hard-earned money in your pocket,” and there’s something to be said for that. That has long been the American Way. But the European Way takes some of those taxes and designs more efficient and cost-effective support systems for health care, child care, education, senior care and more. Those are services that all families desperately need in today’s quickly shifting economic world to ensure healthy, productive, and happy families and workers.

Most Europeans can count on these forms of support, and for less money out of their own pockets, while most Americans cannot — unless we have the private means to self-pay out of our own bank accounts.

Or unless you are a member of Congress, which of course has made sure that its members’ families receive European levels of support.

Happy Tax Day.

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Unforgettable divide of O.J. Simpson trial is still fresh, even in death

I WAS 13 YEARS OLD, BUT I CAN STILL RECALL HEARING MY MOTHER’S SHRIEK LIKE IT WAS YESTERDAY, followed by her repeated words of “THANK YOU, JESUS,” over and over again.

Her elation came from the fact that after nine exhaustive and divisive months — centered around the trial of football legend Orenthal James Simpson in the killing of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ron Goldman — Simpson was acquitted of all charges.

My mother was not obtuse to the fact that two young lives had ended horrifically. Speaking with her on Thursday morning after the news that Simpson had died at the age of 76, she said, “The whole thing is just sad,” remembering the gruesome story of Nicole and Ron’s death. In the same breath, she also vividly recalled how the whole tale

forced friends, neighbors, and colleagues into factions. You either stood with O.J. or you didn’t.

“And honestly, I still believe to this day that side depended on what color you were,” she said. “As a Black person, you didn’t want to believe he could do something so heinous, but at the same time, you were around so many white people who just believed at their core he was guilty, and you wanted them to be wrong about it. About us.”

The O.J. saga coincided with a time in my family’s life when we were all thrust into a great deal of cultural change. We had been a year into a move from Hunting Park to Ardmore to be closer to my single mother’s new role as a geriatric nurse at a Main Line hospital. She had been working there for about a year, intending to move her kids to what she

believed were safer confines and better schools.

Ardmore was an idyllic place to grow up. The silence, compared to the police sirens I heard on any given night in our previous home, was jarring. But Ardmore was devoid of a great deal of diversity, or in my mind at that time, people who understood that there was life that didn’t look like the Main Line.

I vividly recall spending much of my childhood trying to justify my presence as the only Black person in a classroom, at a social gathering, or on a soccer field to white people who wanted to know how I got there. It was exhausting.

Come to think of it, it’s what I imagine living in Brentwood, Calif. would be like — not in the sense of million-dollar properties

and luxury cars lining the streets, but the close-minded belief that anyone who didn’t come from this life isn’t on the same level, especially if they’re a person of color.

No one ever wondered how O.J. landed in Brentwood. He was football royalty, in addition to being a beloved actor and entertainer. Simpson never saw himself as Black or white before his trial, famously telling a journalist that his biggest accomplishment was “people look at me like a man first, not a Black man.”

But that 1995 trial cast a completely different light. His defense team used race as a staple for his acquittal — and it worked. The verdict given to Simpson made many people of color, including my mother, come out in support of him, carrying a torch for a man they’d never met because his acquittal in some odd way meant we were all free. Free to be in spaces not readily associated with us. Free to continue to consider ourselves worthy of the same opportunities and justice.

But the trial also divided peo-

ple. It broke up friendships, closed off contact with acquaintances and, as my mother recalled, turned colleagues into enemies.

“It was surprising,” she said. “People you worked with for years were just a bit more cold after that verdict. You didn’t bring it up because you didn’t want to cause a stir. You didn’t celebrate publicly. The conversations I had about the trial were only with other Black people. It was just a weird time in this country because that trial wasn’t just about O.J., you saw just how raw race relations still were in this country and how far we still had to go.”

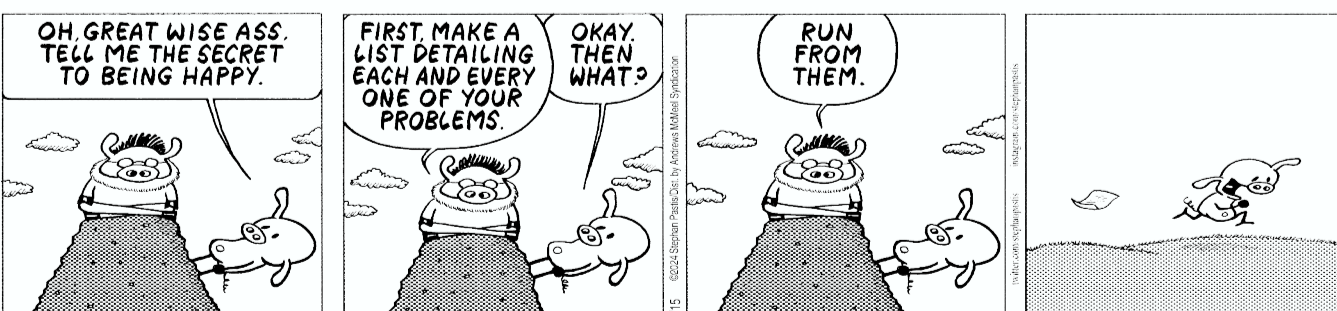
Coincidentally, to take a trip down the timeline of social threads on Thursday on the subject of Simpson’s passing, decades removed from the trial that captivated a nation, it’s evident the ball hasn’t moved too far toward the goal line.

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PRO GOLF

Scottie Scheffler unstoppable and wins another Masters green jacket

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Scottie Scheffler had no doubts about this Masters, and neither did anyone watching. He pulled ahead with magnificent shots Sunday around the turn and poured it on along the back nine at Augusta National for a 4-under 68 to claim his second green jacket in three years.

Scheffler is simply unstoppable at the moment, and he had help from a faltering cast of contenders to make it look easier than it was.

Much like Tiger Woods he made the outcome look inevitable with sublime control, the difference being a peach shirt instead of Sunday red, and no fist pumps

until it was over.

After sharing hugs with caddie Ted Scott and Collin Morikawa, Scheffler turned to face the crowd with both arms raised. "WOOOOO!" he yelled, slamming his fist.

Scheffler won by three shots in 2022 with a meaningless four-putt on the final hole. There was no drama this time, either.

No uphill climb in golf is sweeter than toward the 18th green at Augusta National, thousands of spectators rising to their feet with every step to salute the best player in the game. Scheffler made a 3-foot par putt for a four-shot victory over Masters newcomer Ludvig Aberg of Sweden, who did his best to make a battle out of it.

Aberg, among four players who had a share of the lead at one point, lost ground with his approach went into the pond left of the 11th hole and he made double bogey. Against a player like Scheffler, those mistakes are not easy to overcome.

Aberg closed with a 69 and was the runner-up.

Morikawa, who had two double bogeys to fall out of the hunt, shot 74 and tied for third with Tommy Fleetwood (69) and Max Homa (73), whose hopes ended on the par-3 12th with a double bogey from the bushes, not Rae's Creek.

The 27-year-old Scheffler is the fourth-youngest player to have

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AP Photo

Scottie Scheffler celebrates his win at the Masters golf tournament at Augusta National Golf Club Sunday, April 14, 2024, in Augusta, Ga.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

WALK IT OFF

Chumley's HR in 10th completes sweep of UCF

BY JUSTIN JACKSON

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GRANVILLE — In the span of two trips to the plate, Reed Chumley went from taking a shot to the nose to busting UCF in its.

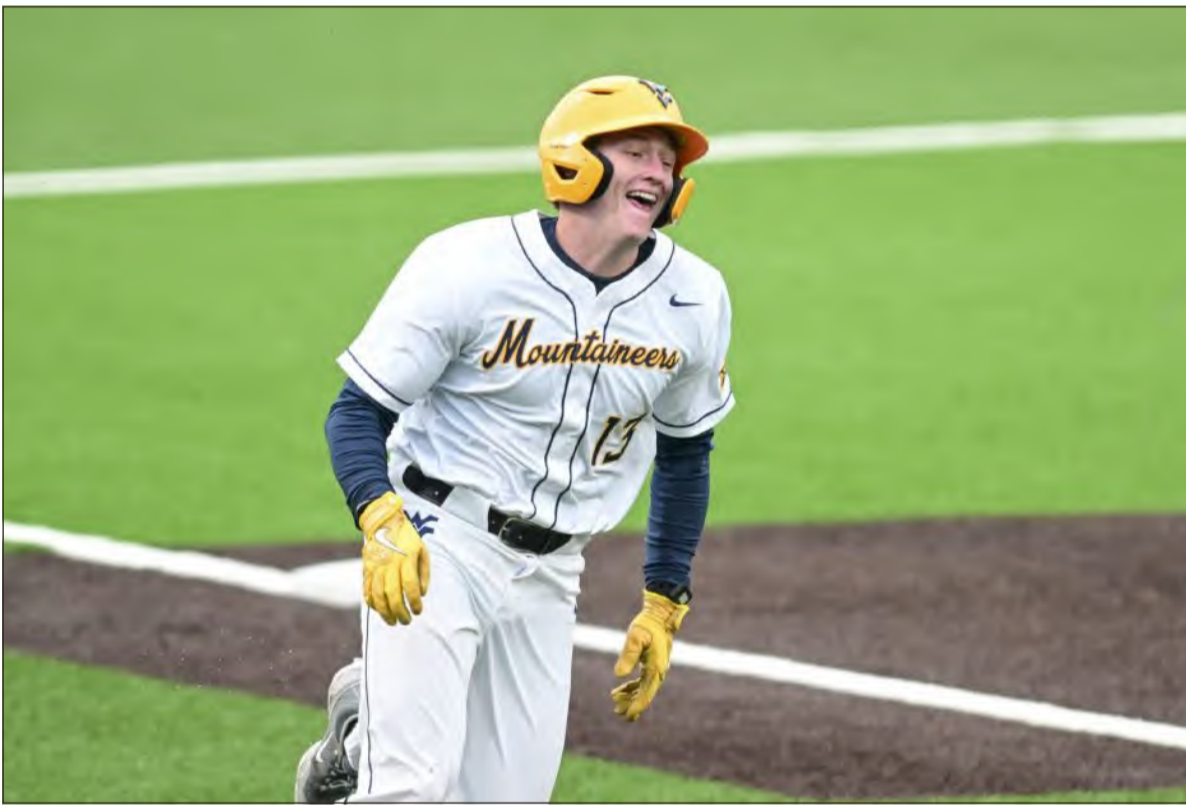
The WVU third baseman hit a walk-off solo home run in the 11th inning Sunday at Kendrick Family Ballpark to hand the Mountaineers a thrilling 11-10 victory against the 17th-ranked Knights.

"It was blissful. You work for that moment," said Chumley, a senior who transferred from Houston Christian this season. "It was just pure joy, honestly. You don't feel excited. You're just in the moment and the game is over. I didn't know what to think. It was just a really cool deal."

A cool deal that seemed highly improbable hours earlier. UCF (21-12, 8-10 Big 12) took a 4-0 lead before WVU even took its first swings of the game and then extended that out to a 9-5 lead after three innings.

It ended with Chumley leading off the bottom of the 11th inning pulling a shot to left field that landed in UCF's bullpen that led to a wild celebration at home plate with his teammates waiting for him armed with water buckets and ice.

WVU (22-13, 11-4) earned its second straight Big 12 sweep



William Wotring/The Dominion Post

West Virginia's Reed Chumley (13) hit a walk-off solo home run Sunday that led to the Mountaineers pulling off a sweep of No. 17 UCF.

with the win and its seventh Big 12 victory in a row. This sweep was historic, the first time WVU has ever pulled one off against a top 25 team.

The Mountaineers hit the halfway point of the conference season in a first-place tie with Oklahoma.

"There are no words to describe the feeling," Chumley continued. "All the hard work, all the trials and tribulations, honestly, just come in at that point. 'I'm just really grateful.'"

Chumley's previous at-bat came in the ninth inning, and it saw him take an inside pitch across the nose.

"It just grazed it," he said. It was part of a ninth inning that saw WVU erase a 10-8 deficit and tie the game with two bases-loaded walks by Kyle West and Grant Hussey.

"I like to talk in the dugout and said we have nothing to lose here," said Sam White who busted a double earlier in the ninth and added an RBI triple in

the first inning. "We were down two. The pressure was on them. We had some dangerous guys coming up."

After Logan Sauve singled with one out in the ninth and White's double, Chumley loaded the bases by taking that pitch to the nose.

West walked to score Sauve, before Hussey went through an at-bat that saw him foul off a couple of pitches before laying off

SEE SWEEP, B-2

COLLEGE GOLF

WVU hosts Mountaineer Invitational

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The West Virginia University golf team will return to action today, hosting the Mountaineer Invitational at Pete Dye Golf Club in Bridgeport, W.Va.

This will be the ninth consecutive Mountaineer Invitational. West Virginia won the team titles in April 2021, in 2019 and 2018. No. 21 Oklahoma State won the last Mountaineer Invitational, held last April.

"We're excited to be hosting our annual event at Pete Dye Golf Club," coach Sean Covich said. "We're grateful and lucky to have Pete Dye Golf Club host this event. They've really embraced it since we started the tournament and really have embraced us since we started the program."

West Virginia will be joined by 15 other teams at Pete Dye. Appalachian State, Army West Point, Central Michigan, James Madison, Loyola Maryland, Marshall, North Alabama, Oral Roberts, Robert Morris, St. John's, Tennessee Tech, UT Martin, Western Kentucky, William & Mary and Xavier will join the host Mountaineers at Pete Dye.

Tea times will begin at 8:15 a.m. today with all 16 teams scheduled to play 36 holes and then 18 holes on Tuesday, starting at 8:30 a.m. The event is free and open to the public.

This event will consist of five golfers per team with the top four counting in team scoring for each round. West Virginia's lineup will consist of fifth-year senior Trent Tipton, seniors Jackson Davenport and Will Stakel and juniors Max Green and Pierce Grieve. Senior Oli Ménard, junior Todd Duncan, sophomores Carson Kammann, Westy McCabe and Kaleb Wilson and freshman Harrison Thompson will compete as individuals for WVU.

"The golf course is in great shape," Covich said. "This is the largest field we've ever had with 16 teams competing. We're excited to be at home, and we really like ending the regular season at home before we head to the postseason. I love ending the season at home because it keeps the guys engaged."

COLLEGE BASEBALL

McCutchen's 300th homer leads Pirates over Phillies

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Andrew McCutchen hit his 300th home run, Jack Suwinski had a grand slam and the Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the Philadelphia Phillies 9-2 on Sunday to gain a split of the four-game series.

Phillies star Bryce Harper was 0 for 4 and is in a 2-for-30 slide that has dropped his average to .190.

The 37-year-old McCutchen,

who played for the Phillies from 2019-21, drove a Ricardo Pinto slider into the left-field seats in the ninth inning for his first home run this season. He became the 13th player with 2,000 hits, 400 doubles, 45 triples, 300 homers and 200 stolen bases.

"I'm happy that's over with. I've been sitting on that one for a while," McCutchen said after his first home run since last Aug. 22 against St. Louis.

McCutchen said Philadelphia

was his second choice to hit No. 300 behind Pittsburgh.

"It's kind of hard to be liked on both sides of the state," he said. "It's nice. I got a pretty good ovation from the fans. ... They show a lot of appreciation for the three short years I was here and I appreciate that because I was a guy making \$20 million and one year I wasn't holding my end of the bargain and I felt like I should have done better."

McCutchen also stole home as

part of a double steal in the fourth inning when catcher J.T. Realmuto's throw sailed into center field as Realmuto tried to nab Jared Triolio at second base.

Suwinski hit his second career slam for a 5-2 lead in the sixth inning against Zack Wheeler (0-3), who allowed five runs — four earned — five hits and three walks in five-plus innings. Wheeler struck out 10,

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 Hundred at Trinity Christian, 5 p.m.
 Preston at North Marion, 5:30 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL
 University at Morgantown, 5 p.m.
 Wheeling Central at Clay-Battelle, 5 p.m.
 East Fairmont at Trinity Christian, 6 p.m.
 Preston at North Marion, 5:30 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS
 Morgantown at University, 4 p.m.

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BOWLING
 7 p.m. FS1 — PBA: The WSOB PBA Cheetah Championship, Allen Park, Mich.

COLLEGE GOLF
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MARATHON
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 11 a.m. MLBN — Cleveland at Boston
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NBA G-LEAGUE BASKETBALL
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San Francisco	6	10	.375	4½
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 Pittsburgh 9, Philadelphia 2
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 Arizona 5, St. Louis 0
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Monday's Games
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 San Diego (Musgrave 1-2) at Milwaukee (Miley 0-0), 7:40 p.m.
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 St. Louis (Gray 1-0) at Oakland (Stripling 0-3), 9:40 p.m.
 Cincinnati (Montas 2-1) at Seattle (Kirby 1-2), 9:42 p.m.
 Washington (TBD) at L.A. Dodgers (Glasnow 3-0), 10:10 p.m.

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 Colorado at Philadelphia, 6:40 p.m.
 San Francisco at Miami, 6:40 p.m.
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Sunday's Games
 Tampa Bay 9, San Francisco 4
 N.Y. Mets 2, Kansas City 1
 Detroit 4, Minnesota 3
 Toronto 5, Colorado 0
 Baltimore 6, Milwaukee 4
 Boston 5, L.A. Angels 4
 Houston 8, Texas 5
 Cleveland 8, N.Y. Yankees 7, 10 innings
 Cincinnati 11, Chicago White Sox 4
 Chicago Cubs 3, Seattle 2
 Oakland 7, Washington 6

Monday's Games
 Cleveland (Curry 0-0) at Boston (Crawford 0-0), 11:10 a.m.
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A Manic Monday in the NHL features 7 of 8 games that could affect the playoff picture

Associated Press

Washington Capitals players run the gamut from being plugged into all the NHL playoff scenarios to having no clue what else is going on.

"It's a really big game for us and them," rookie defenseman Vincent Iorio said Sunday ahead of facing the Boston Bruins on Monday night. "They're trying to, I don't know exactly what they're trying to do, but we know what we're trying to do."

Win the division, but who's counting? Seven of the eight games around the league Monday night have some impact on the post-season picture, whether it's who gets in or where teams are seeded.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

The heat is really on in the East, where the New York Islanders can clinch a spot by winning at rival New Jersey. Meanwhile, the Capitals, Pittsburgh Penguins and Detroit Red Wings against Montreal are all trying to stay in the mix.

"We've just been handling it and I've just handled it as we have over the last two-plus months of staying in the moment and focusing on the day's opponent that's in front of us, and then once we get through that, we move on to the next one," Washington coach Spencer Carbery said. "It gets a little bit different as we get down to really the final two games, making sure that everybody's understanding of the circumstances but we're not overblowing any situation or any game."



AP Photo

Pittsburgh Penguins' Sidney Crosby (87) shoots during the second period against Boston Saturday in Pittsburgh.

If the Capitals, Penguins and Red Wings all lose in regulation, Pittsburgh and Detroit would be eliminated, setting up a win-and-in matchup Tuesday night between Washington and Philadelphia. Things could also come down to Penguins-Islanders on Wednesday night.

Boston would wrap up the Atlantic and set up a first-round matchup with Tampa Bay with a win at Washington, ensuring Florida versus Toronto, too.

The New York Rangers, at home against the Ottawa

Senators, can clinch the Presidents' Trophy and home-ice advantage throughout the playoffs with a win of any kind.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

All eight spots in the West are locked up, but the only first-round matchup locked in is Winnipeg versus Colorado as the 2/3 matchup in the Central. Dallas has already clinched that division, but the Stars are still waiting to see which team they'll open with.

That could come down to what Los Angeles does at

home against Minnesota. The Kings and defending Stanley Cup champion Vegas could each finish third in the Pacific or in either of the wild-card spots.

Edmonton, which hosts last-in-the-league San Jose, could still win that division even after losing to Vancouver on Saturday night. The Oilers might want that if it can set up a third consecutive year facing L.A. and not so much if it means starting against the Golden Knights or Predators.

PIRATES

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his 23rd double-digit strike-out game.

"Grinded through some at-bats and made him work," Pirates manager Derek Shelton said. "When you are talking about a guy of that caliber, making him work is very important."

Joey Bart boosted the lead to 6-2 later in the inning with a homer off Seranthony Dominguez

Mitch Keller (1-2) allowed two runs and eight hits in seven innings. He has pitched at least five innings in 35 straight starts, the longest active streak in the majors.

Trea Turner had three hits and two RBIs, including his first home run this season for the Phillies, who have lost each of Wheeler's starts this season.

"It is frustrating," Phillies manager Rob Thomson said. "We haven't really swung the bats well here at the start, but that'll change."

Pittsburgh placed left-hander Marco Gonzales on the 15-day injured list with



AP Photo

Pittsburgh Pirates designated hitter Andrew McCutchen follows through on his 300th career home run during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the Philadelphia Phillies, Sunday, April 14, 2024, in Philadelphia.

a left forearm strain and recalled right-hander Ryder Ryan from Triple-A Indianapolis.

Philadelphia activated right-hander Orion Kerker-

ing from the 15-day injured list and optioned right-hander Nick Nelson to Triple-A Lehigh Valley.

UP NEXT

Pirates: LHP Martín Pérez (1-0, 1.89) starts Monday's series opener at the New York Mets and RHP Adrian Houser (0-1, 5.40).

SWEEP

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two more that seemed to be very close to the strike zone.

"The most impressive part of that at-bat was the 3-2 pitch that he fouled off,"

WVU head coach Randy Mazey said. "That's the pitch he had been swinging and missing at for most of the game. He got a good swing at that pitch and made the pitcher throw a different pitch. That's why he drew that walk. He

changed the way that pitcher was pitching."

Hussey's walk scored Armani Guzman — he pinch ran for White — to send the game into extra innings.

"We've been through it," Mazey said. "There's nobody out there that's been through what we've been through. When we didn't win it (in the ninth), we had bases loaded with one out, all of a sudden we tied the game, but they had the momentum. You thought the game was just about over, but now they were back in it."

WVU reliever Gavin Van Kempen saw to it that didn't happen.

On a day WVU used eight pitchers, Van Kempen pitched the final 3 2/3 innings, allowing no hits or runs to pick up his sixth win of the season.

In the 10th and 11th innings, Van Kempen set the Knights down in order. In the ninth, he picked off

Mikey Kluska at third base to help keep UCF off the scoreboard in that inning.

"You just have to be ready," Van Kempen said. "The coaches told me before the game to be ready. I said OK and did the exact same things I would do if I was starting a game. You have to keep it consistent and then good things can happen."

That left the door open for Chumley to become the hero.

"Every kid wants that moment," Chumley said about the home run, his 10th of the season. "I don't know if you can really prepare for that moment. You can talk about it in the (batting) cages, but when you get in that moment, if you're not calm and you're not trusting yourself, then you won't make that happen. You have to be as still and as calm as possible when you're in there."

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MASTERS

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two green jackets. He stretches his lead at No. 1 in the world to levels not seen since the prime of Woods. Scheffler now has three victories against the strongest fields — Bay Hill, The Players Championship and the Masters — in his last four starts. The other was a runner-up finish in Houston.

Woods closed with a 77 and finished at 16-over 304, the highest 72-hole score of his career.

Scheffler said he was in tears before the final round in 2022 when he had a three-shot lead going for his first major. His wife, Meredith, gave him the assuring words and he sailed to vic-

tory. His wife had to watch this one from home in Dallas, where she is expecting the couple's first child at the end of the month.

Scheffler finished at 11-under 277 and earned \$3.6 million from the \$20 million purse, pushing his season total on the PGA Tour to over \$15 million in just nine tournaments.

Perhaps even more daunting for the rest of golf is that Scheffler still hasn't had a round over par this year. He has 10 victories worldwide dating to his first PGA Tour title at the Phoenix Open just two years and two months ago.

During that stretch, Scheffler has finished in the top 10 a staggering 65% of the time.

Scheffler had a lonely walk toward the scoring area with his wife. His two sisters, Sara and Molly, were the first to greet him, followed by his parents and Randy Smith, the only coach he has ever had.

It was the fourth straight Masters when the winner came to the 18th green with one arm in the green jacket. That doesn't mean Sunday was a walk in golf's most gorgeous garden.

Four players had a share of the lead at various points along the front nine, and then Scheffler began to assert himself with three straight birdies around the turn.

He got up-and-down with a 10-foot birdie putt at the par-5 eighth. He hit the per-

fect wedge that caught the ridge and came inches within going in on No. 9, leaving him a tap-in birdie. And then he holed another 10-foot birdie putt on the 10th to build a two-shot lead.

And then, just like in the best days of Woods, he let everyone else make the big numbers.

In the group ahead, Aberg's approach to the 11th slammed off the bank and into the water, leading to double bogey.

Homa managed a tough par on the 11th, only to hit it so long over the par-3 12th the golf ball plunged deep into bushes and left him no choice but to take a penalty drop. His chip didn't reach the green, and two putts

later he had double bogey. Morikawa already had begun to slide by taking two shots to get out of a deep bunker left of the ninth green for double bogey. He all but sealed his fate with a shot into the water on the 11th and took double bogey.

Aberg was the only one who battled back, and Scheffler kept answering with birdies. He hit the 13th green in two and two-putted for birdie. His approach to the 14th hit the slope toward the back and rolled down to a foot from the pin.

His final birdie came from just inside 10 feet on the 16th.

Defending champion Jon Rahm, now with Saudi-

funded LIV Golf, closed with a 76 and tied for 45th, 20 shots behind Scheffler. He was in Butler Cabin to help Scheffler into the green jacket.

Rahm had not faced Scheffler all year and witnessed what the PGA Tour players are up against each week. His tee-to-green play is reminiscent of Woods, though certainly not the emotion, the worldwide appeal or the number of victories.

Scheffler stays in his own little world on the course, which might be just as well. No one is close to him in the game at the moment.

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DEAR DOCTORS: I want to start checking my blood pressure to see if the high readings my doctor gets are accurate. I read you should always sit still before getting a reading. Is that true?



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Dear Reader: Blood pressure varies throughout the day. Readings are affected by activity, physical fitness, illness, stress, emotion, salt intake and even time of day. Getting an accurate picture of your blood pressure profile requires both proper technique and multiple readings. To aid in that, you need a good monitor. A list of at-home monitors that meet the American Heart Association's criteria is available at validateBP.org. Your doctor can also advise you on a choice.

When taking blood pressure, make sure it has been at least 30 minutes since you used tobacco or caffeine or engaged in exercise. Empty your bladder, as that can affect readings. Sit upright, your back supported, with both feet flat on the floor. The arm on which you place the cuff should be relaxed and supported at the level of your heart. The cuff

itself should be firmly in place, but not tight. You should be able to slip a fingertip beneath the top of the cuff. The bottom of the cuff sits directly above the bend of the inner elbow, with the air tubes centered.

Begin by taking about five minutes to sit quietly. Let it be a meditative pause. Don't chat or watch TV or read your phone while you wait. Most devices are automated and digital. When you're ready, press the start button. The cuff will inflate, pause for a moment, then gradually deflate. Be sure to stay relaxed and breathe normally as the machine goes through its cycle. The final reading is displayed on the monitor in the familiar fraction format.

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Settle in and follow through with your plans. Pay attention to detail and keep everything organized. Use your intelligence to come out on top. Recognize opportunities and be willing to accept change.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Walk away from drama. Focus on getting things done and sticking to your agenda. Look over your investments.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Be creative, step outside your comfort zone and try something new. A change will revitalize and encourage you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Stop being so accommodating and start to do things that fulfill your needs. Be a good listener, but don't take on other people's battles.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take the initiative and strive for a position that will increase your profile and get you closer to your objective.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Be a leader, set the pace and put your energy where it counts. Don't expect everyone to understand or help you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Shake things up, try something different and change your routine or



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location.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Keep your head down, stay out of trouble and go about your business. Make financial adjustments to suit your lifestyle.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Tidy up and move on to something more enjoyable or creative. An energetic approach will encourage positive change.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Don't let someone else handle sensitive issues. Trust yourself. Acquire knowledge and upgrade your skills.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Rely on yourself if you want things done correctly. A domestic change will help eliminate tension.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Think twice before agreeing to participate in a joint venture. Offer suggestions, but don't make commitments.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Carry on, do your thing and enjoy the results. Refuse to let anyone pressure you into changing your course.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Peel
 - 5 Old poet
 - 9 Chem. or biol.
 - 12 Exchange fee
 - 13 Actress — Sedgwick
 - 14 Weight unit
 - 15 — Blanc
 - 16 Husetop
 - 17 Furrow
 - 18 "— in Pink"
 - 20 Touring company of actors
 - 22 Moray
 - 23 Horse opera
 - 24 Japanese automaker
 - 27 "America's — Wanted"
 - 29 Time
 - 30 Boyish
 - 34 Electrical unit
 - 37 Playwright — Levin
- DOWN**
- 1 Cloverleaf part
 - 2 — Sikorsky
 - 3 Baseball team
 - 4 Sign on the — line
 - 5 Green gem
 - 6 Trouble
 - 7 Funny guy
 - 8 Thaw



Answer to Previous Puzzle



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"... and no licking the quarterback!"

SCRABBLE GRAMS

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PAR SCORE 155-165
BEST SCORE 222

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

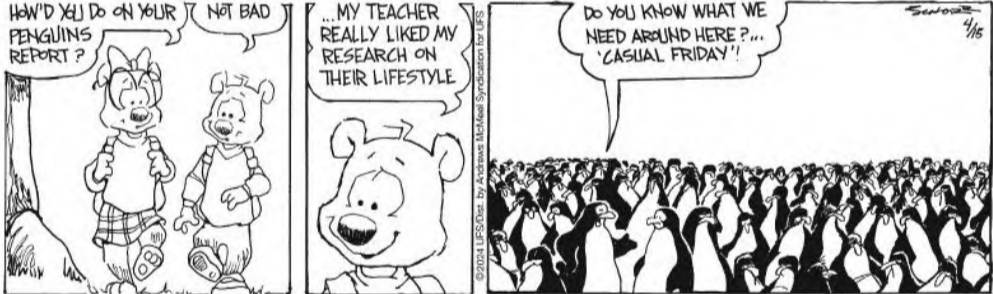
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Solutions — B-3

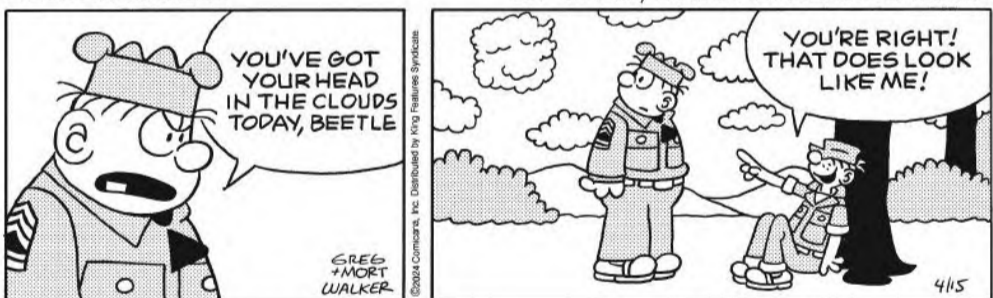
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BY BOB THAVES



BORN LOSER

BY ART & CHIP SANSON



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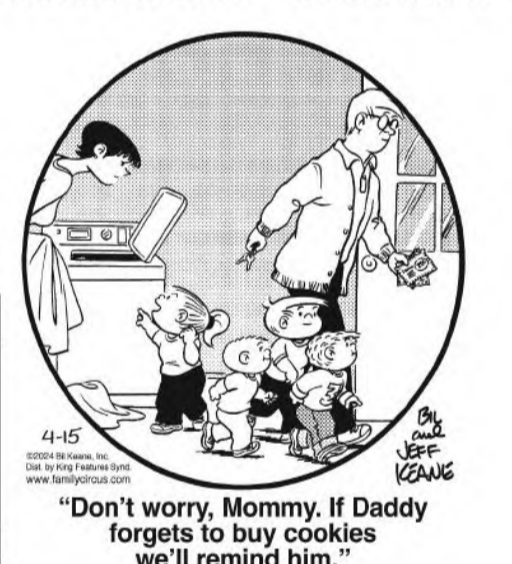


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RHYMES WITH ORANGE

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MUTTS

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