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Public speaks out against proposed Duke Energy rate increase

Chris Stiles
The Robesonian

LUMBERTON — Numerous Duke Energy customers made their voices heard Tuesday in opposition to the company's proposed rate increase in a public hearing held by the N.C. Utilities Commission (NCUC).

Those who testified consistently said that bills have increased significantly in recent years, or as recently as within the last couple of months, even before a base rate hike takes effect.

The majority of the speakers reside in Robeson County, according to their testimony. Some are Duke Energy customers, others get power from Duke Energy through a provider such as Lumbee River EMC or the City of Lumberton.

"Duke gets over \$5 billion in profit," said Sandra McCallum, of Maxton, who is a caregiver for her elderly parents and pays their bills, including Duke Energy. "Why are they going to take money, charge us for these charges, and they're making a big profit and causing my parents to suffer. Something needs to be done. And then they want an increase? If anything,

they need a freeze-crease."

Duke's large profits became one of the recurring themes throughout the hearing, with speakers asking how the company can make billions in profits but continue to increase bills for its customers.

"On y'all's bills, you put on here the amount that you're supposed to pay, then you have another space of 'will you help somebody else as a gift,'" said Everest Brickhouse, of St. Pauls. "I say to Duke tonight, with the money that y'all have, can you be a help to somebody else in the community?"

Another recurring theme was that the elderly or those with health concerns are often hit the hardest by rising utility bills.

"A lot of senior citizens don't understand where all this money is going," said Ladaris Jefferson, of Raeford. "They don't understand why they have to take money from Peter to give to Paul. They don't understand why they have to choose whether they're going to eat or whether they're going to drink or whether they're going to drive, not drive, or pay the light

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A Happy Easter in Robeson



Photo courtesy of RCSO

The Robeson County Sheriff's Office's Bunny Brothers made stops at schools around the county on Wednesday and Thursday, getting a special escort from deputies. Stops included Union Chapel, Pembroke, Deep Branch, Magnolia and Piney Grove elementary schools, among others. Pictured, students at Magnolia Elementary approach one of the Bunny Brothers on Wednesday.

NC Supreme Court throws out longtime suit over education funding



Makiya Semnera | AP File Photo

North Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice Paul Newby addresses the audience at the N.C. Medal of Valor ceremony at the Legislative Building in Raleigh on July 10, 2024.

Gary D. Robertson and Jeffrey Collins
Associated Press

RALEIGH — The North Carolina Supreme Court on Thursday threw out longtime litigation over education funding in the state, a decision that's likely to keep intact the power to decide how much money to spend and where with the legislature, not judges.

The 4-3 ruling, led by Republican justices on

the court, set aside a landmark ruling in 2022 when the court, then with a Democratic majority, ruled that a lower court judge had the authority to order that taxpayer money be directed to state agencies to address longstanding education inequities.

The following year, another trial judge calculated that the state owed \$678 million to fulfill two

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Maxton man sentenced in 2020 murder

Staff report

LUMBERTON — A Maxton man was sentenced to 20 to 25 years in prison Tuesday for a 2020 murder.

Austin Ransom, 25, pled guilty March 23 to second-degree murder in connection with the killing of Justin Cody



Ransom

Hunt, 30, of Maxton, on April 21, 2020.

Charges were reduced from first-degree murder to second-degree murder, with additional charges dropped, as part of Ransom's plea deal. He also pled guilty to a charge of conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous

weapon from an unrelated incident in Feb. 2018.

Ransom was arrested on April 24, 2020 and received credit for time served totaling 2,215 days.

Hunt was reported missing by family members on April 22, 2020; his remains were found in a burned house in Maxton on April 23, 2020.

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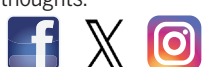
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EDITOR'S NOTE

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Joint investigation leads to over 70 felony drug charges

Staff report

MAXTON — The North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement Division (ALE) has concluded a months-long investigation in Robeson County, initiated in response to complaints of illegal alcohol and drug sales, which ultimately resulted in over 70 felony controlled substance violations. ALE partnered with the Robeson County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) during the investigation.

In Oct. 2025, ALE special agents received information that controlled substances and non-tax-paid liquor were being sold from multiple residences located on Sherman Road in Maxton.

Over the course of the investigation, law enforcement conducted controlled purchases and obtained significant quantities of cocaine and crack cocaine from the Sherman Road residences.

Throughout the investigation, agents and deputies seized five firearms, one of which was reported stolen. Law enforcement also seized over 120 grams of cocaine, crack cocaine and methamphetamine. Drug paraphernalia and substantial evidence indicative of drug trafficking was also seized during the investigation.

On Monday, ALE, in coordination with RCSO, executed search warrants at three locations on Sherman Road.

The following individuals have been charged with a combined 71 felony controlled substance violations and four misdemeanor violations:

- Michael Anthony Locklear, 44, of Maxton
 - Conspire to traffic cocaine, two counts
 - Conspire to sell/deliver cocaine, four counts
 - Misdemeanor contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile
 - Maintaining a dwelling for a controlled substance, four counts
 - Manufacture cocaine
 - Misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia
 - Possession of firearm by felon
 - Possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, three counts
 - Sell/deliver cocaine, two counts
 - Trafficking cocaine, eight counts
 - Eric David Locklear, 27, of Maxton
 - Conspire to sell/deliver cocaine, six counts
 - Maintaining a dwelling for a controlled substance, four counts
 - Possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, four counts
 - Sell/deliver cocaine, five counts
 - Precious Elizabeth McBryde, 26, of Maxton
 - Conspire to sell/deliver cocaine, six counts
 - Manufacture cocaine
 - Possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, three counts
 - Sell/deliver cocaine, five counts
 - Mea Matsumoto Dial, 24, of Maxton
 - Conspire to traffic cocaine, three counts
 - Misdemeanor contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile
 - Maintaining a Dwelling for a Controlled Substance
 - Misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia
 - Possession of methamphetamine
 - Possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, two counts
 - Sell/deliver cocaine, two counts
 - Trafficking cocaine, three counts
- Michael Locklear is being held on a \$350,000 secured bond, Eric Locklear on a \$220,000 secured bond, McBryde on a \$125,000 secured bond and Dial on a \$60,000 secured bond.
- This investigation remains ongoing and future charges are possible.

Shooting death in St. Pauls under investigation

Staff report

ST. PAULS — The St. Pauls Police Department is investigating the shooting death of a 49-year-old man as a homicide.

Gary Sinclair was shot while sit-

ting in his vehicle on Keith Street in St. Pauls at approximately 11:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, and died of his injuries.

This was definitely a targeted incident, St. Pauls Police Chief

Michael Owens told The Robesonian.

The shooting is still under investigation, and St. Pauls police have no suspects as of Thursday afternoon, Owens said.

UNCP earns State Building Commission Merit Award for controlled burn

Mark Locklear
For The Robesonian

PEMBROKE — The University of North Carolina Pembroke has been awarded the State Building Commission Merit Award for Excellence in Project Implementation for its innovative Village Apartments demolition project, a first-of-its-kind initiative in North Carolina that combined cost savings, public safety training and strategic campus development.

The award, presented during the 45th annual State Construction Conference, recognizes outstanding achievement in project design, construction and overall implementation across the state.

Kevin Witmore, senior project manager, and Douglas Hall, interim architect, accepted the award a luncheon on March 5 at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center in Raleigh.

"This project was unique, and to our knowledge, it had never been done before on a state university campus in North Carolina," said Victor Deese, assistant vice chancellor for Facilities.

"It highlights the level of collaboration between the university, local and state agencies, community partners and emergency responders."

Between Dec. 21, 2024, and Jan. 5, 2025, UNCP conducted a series of controlled burns on six vacant Village Apartments buildings. Rather than pursuing traditional demolition, the university reimaged the process, transforming it into a large-scale, hands-on training opportunity for 366 firefighters and first responders from across the region.

The project also prepared the site for the future construction of a \$96.8 million health sciences building, which will house the state's first public Doctor of Optometry program. A groundbreaking ceremony is set for April 10.

The success of the project was rooted in extensive coordination among multiple partners, including Robeson Community College, regional fire departments, the State



Photos courtesy of UNCP
A controlled burn at the Village Apartments on the UNCP campus. The six buildings in the complex were demolished by controlled burns between Dec. 21, 2024, and Jan. 5, 2025.

Bureau of Investigation, local governments and private contractors.

"Our learning curve was getting the buildings ready for the burns," Deese said. "We had to remove hazardous materials, furniture and mechanical systems before we could even consider a controlled burn. That required coordination and trust across many different entities."

Michael Bullard, director of Environmental Health and Safety, said the project required careful navigation of regulatory requirements.

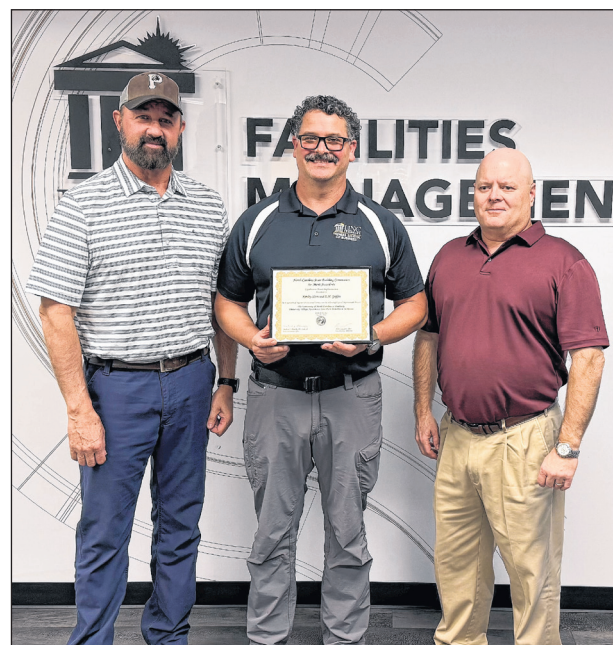
"We had to work closely with state regulators and explain the benefits — both in terms of firefighter training and cost savings," Bullard said. "This wasn't something they could immediately approve. We had to demonstrate the value of doing it this way."

Witmore emphasized the level of planning involved.

"Before we even started, we had to secure the buildings, remove materials and bring in a designer to assess feasibility and cost," Witmore said. "There were so many moving parts. Then you layer in the live-burn training — it truly was a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

In addition to its innovative approach, the project delivered significant financial benefits, resulting in more than \$1 million in cost savings, including landfill and demolition expenses.

At the same time, it provided an invaluable training opportunity for



Victor Deese, left, UNCP vice chancellor for facilities, Kevin Witmore, senior project manager and Michael Bullard, director of environmental health and safety, with the State Building Commission Merit Award for Excellence in Project Implementation.

first responders.

"This was the largest, most comprehensive live-fire training many of these firefighters had ever experienced," Bullard said. "It also allowed law enforcement and emergency personnel — including the SBI and local agencies — to train in realistic conditions."

Witmore noted the rarity of the opportunity.

"Firefighters rarely get the chance to train in multi-story buildings like these," he said. "This gave them real-world experience that is incredibly valuable and difficult to replicate."

The statewide recognition underscores UNCP's commitment to innovation, efficiency and service.

"We're not afraid to think outside the box," Deese said. "This project challenged us to be creative, to find ways to reduce costs while adding value for the community. It sets a precedent for how we approach future projects."

The university is already documenting

the process to serve as a model for other institutions.

"We now have a roadmap that others can follow," Deese added. "That's part of the innovation — not just what we did, but how we can share that knowledge."

The cleared site will soon become home to a state-of-the-art clinical sciences building, a transformative project for the region.

"The optometry program alone will have a tremendous impact," Bullard said. "It will expand access to eye care and help address healthcare needs across southeastern North Carolina."

Witmore added that the project reflects the university's broader mission.

"This is about more than construction," he said. "It's about creating opportunities — for students, for our community and for the region as a whole."

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Arlinda Locklear named grand marshal of Lumbee Homecoming Parade

Staff report

PEMBROKE — The Lumbee Regional Development Association announced Friday that Arlinda Locklear has been selected as the Grand Marshal for the 57th Annual Lumbee Homecoming Parade. A trailblazer and champion for her people, Locklear is one of the nation's foremost attorneys in federal Indian law and made history as the first Native American woman to argue before the United States Supreme Court.

Throughout her distinguished career, she has dedicated more than four decades to advocating for tribal sovereignty, rights, and justice. Her advocacy

began decades ago — in 1988, she testified before Congress in support of federal recognition for the Lumbee Tribe. She would go on to represent the Tribe for decades, enduring setback after setback in the long fight to secure recognition through the U.S. Senate.

For more than 30 years, Locklear has remained steadfast in this effort, helping lead a movement grounded in fairness, truth and the lived continuity of the Lumbee people. Most recently, she was present to witness the U.S. Senate pass the Lumbee Fairness Act, a historic milestone after more than 130 years of perseverance. Reflecting on that moment, she

described it as “absolute vindication” for Lumbee authenticity.

Her lifelong dedication, resilience, and unwavering commitment to Lumbee recognition make her an extraordinary choice to lead this year's parade.

“We are incredibly honored to have Ms. Arlinda Locklear serve as Grand Marshal for this year's Lumbee Homecoming Parade,” said Natascha Tilson, CEO of the LRDA. “Her lifelong dedication to justice and her unwavering commitment to achieving federal recognition for the Lumbee people represent the very spirit of resilience and pride that defines our community. This is not only a celebration of her



Lumbee Tribe attorney Arlinda Locklear testifies before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs during a hearing Nov. 5, 2025 in Washington.

accomplishments, but a celebration of our shared history and the historic

progress we are witnessing today.”
The 57th annual Lum-

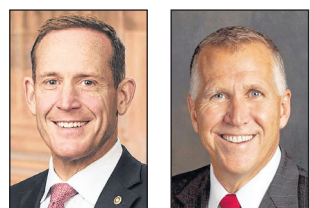
bee Homecoming Parade is set for 10 a.m. on July 4 in Pembroke.

FROM THE LEGISLATURE

Budd, Tillis laud additional \$103M in FEMA funding for hurricane recovery

WASHINGTON — U.S. Sen. Ted Budd (R-NC) released the following statement after FEMA announced an additional \$103 million in Public Assistance (PA) grants for 50 projects to repair infrastructure in the wake of Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Florence.

“I want to thank President Trump and Secretary Mullin for their partnership and their continued efforts to support Western North Carolina communities that are still working to



clean up and rebuild after Hurricane Helene,” Budd said. “Ensuring Public Assistance funds are approved and disbursed quickly means more projects — like removing debris, reopening schools, and repairing roads — can move forward. I will continue to

work with my colleagues in Congress, the State of North Carolina, and local officials so that families and small businesses across our mountain communities can continue their recovery.”

U.S. Sen. Thom Tillis (R-NC) also commended the funding in a social media post on X.

“Thank you @SecMullinDHS for releasing millions in critical FEMA funding for North Carolina,” Tillis said. “These long-awaited reimbursements will help Western NC communities

continue the hard work of rebuilding roads, clearing debris, and restoring our infrastructure.”

The majority of the funding was for projects relating to Hurricane Helene relief in Western North Carolina, though an \$8 million project for permanent repairs in Topsail Beach, of which over \$6 million is coming from federal funding, is part of the allocation.

Items for the “From The Legislature” column come from press material submitted by local, state and federal elected officials.

Lumbee Guaranty Bank appoints new board member

Staff report

PEMBROKE — Lumbee Guaranty Bank is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark D. Locklear to its Board of Directors.

The Board unanimously approved Locklear's appointment at its most recent meeting.

“I am pleased to have Mr. Locklear join our Board of Directors. His understanding of our history and purpose, as well as his knowledge of our community, will allow him to be a valuable addition to our Board,” said Sybil Bullard, Board Chair of Lumbee Guaranty Bank.

Locklear has practiced law in North Carolina since 1996. From 1996 to 2019, he was with the Law Offices of Locklear, Jacobs, Hunt & Brooks. In 2019, he established his own firm, the Law Offices of Mark D. Locklear, PLLC, in Lumberton.

Deeply committed to his community, he has served for more than 30 years as secretary and Sunday school teacher at Smyrna Baptist Church, and as legal counsel for Morning Star Ministries.

He is an active supporter of the Robeson County Relay for Life, volunteering his time and contributing to efforts that fund critical cancer research aimed at prevention, detection, treatment, and survivorship.

In addition, he sponsors and volunteers with the Tri-Warrior Triathlon Club, an organization dedicated to promoting youth health and physical well-being.

Locklear and his wife, Lisa, live in Lumberton with their son, Ayden.

Artemis II's moonbound astronauts capture Earth's brilliant blue beauty as they leave it behind

Marcia Dunn
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The Artemis II astronauts have captured our blue planet's brilliant beauty as they zoom ever closer to the moon.

NASA released the crew's first downlinked images Friday, 1 1/2 days into the first astronaut moonshot in more than half a century.

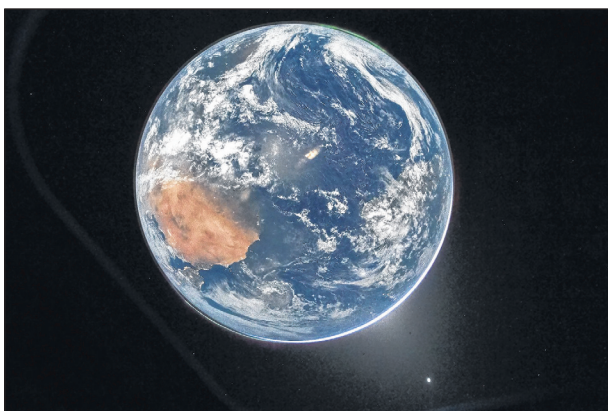
The first photo taken by commander Reid Wiseman shows a curved slice of Earth in one of the capsule's windows. The second shows the entire globe with the oceans topped by swirling white tendrils of clouds. A green aurora even glows, according to NASA.

“It's great to think that with the exception

of our four friends, all of us are represented in this image,” said NASA's Lakiesha Hawkins, an exploration systems leader. She added the mission was going well.

As of late Friday afternoon, Wiseman and his crew were more than 110,000 miles (180,000 kilometers) from Earth and were quickly gaining on the moon with another 150,000 miles (240,000 kilometers) to go. They should reach their destination on Monday.

The three Americans and one Canadian will swing around the moon in their Orion capsule, hang a U-turn and then head straight back home without stopping. They fired Orion's main engine Thursday night that set them on their course.



This image provided by NASA shows a view of Earth taken by NASA astronaut and Artemis II Commander Reid Wiseman from the Orion spacecraft's window after completing the translunar injection burn on Thursday.

After Mission Control shifted the position of their capsule, the entire Earth complete with northern lights filled their windows.

“It was the most spectacular moment, and it paused all four of us in our tracks,” Wiseman

said in a TV interview.

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CITY OF LUMBERTON

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The purpose of the public hearing is to create a standalone ordinance allowing food truck parks within the City's jurisdiction.

Those in attendance will have an opportunity to formally comment on the proposed Ordinance. For interested persons, the Ordinance has been made available for public review at the Planning and Neighborhood Services Department, City Hall during normal business hours (8:00 am – 5:00 pm EST).

Laney Sapp
City Clerk
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Easter Bunny Photos 2026

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HIS VIEW

Whatever happened to NC Democrats?

In 2011, when Republicans took control of state government, one of the promises they made was that they were going to “fix public education.” They’ve had control for 15 years. How’s that promise working out?

Few disagreed public education needed help. Only 34% of our fourth-grade students performed at or above the “proficient” level in reading; 37% of eighth-grade students ranked proficient or above in math. Our students ranked 39th in SAT scores. Graduation rates rose to 80%, although it was understood grade inflation was a factor. We were 45th in public education funding, 41st in teacher compensation and third in dropouts.



Tom Campbell
Contributing columnist

COVID made everything worse. We are still trying to recover from students essentially missing a year of instruction. Parents were voting with their feet, moving their children to charter schools, private schools and home schooling.

Public education needed triage. What did our legislature do? They essentially threw up their hands and gave up!

The Republicans’ only innovation, if you can call it that, came in 2013 when they inaugurated “Opportunity Scholarships,” offering vouchers to students from low-income families. Few were fooled with this thinly veiled offering and knew it was just a crack in the door that would redirect funding needed for public schools to private schools and provide vouchers for a wider range of students. Put bluntly, it was a disguised way to resegregate our public schools.

Some 43% percent of students in traditional k-12 schools are white, but 75% of those receiving vouchers are white; about 50% of them come middle to upper income families.

And we don’t know how well these private school students are being taught because there are few restrictions on these schools. They must administer end of grade tests, but they don’t have to publish their outcomes.

Oh, and beginning in the September school year start, North Carolina, the only state in the nation without a budget, has appropriated \$675 million tax dollars to pay kids to go to these mostly religious private schools.

Is this what you call “fixing” public education? I have long wondered where are our brightest and best educators while all this is going on?

More specifically, where are North Carolina Democrats?

They are appalled, but their response has been more appalling. Essentially, they just defended the status quo. If we just funded education better, if we just paid teachers more, things would turn around, they told us. And too many were still fighting culture wars, which delighted Democratic activists, but irritated parents, who just wanted THEIR child to get the best possible education. No innovative solutions were heard.

Here’s the truth. When new ideas have been presented, when innovations bubble up and when true leadership emerges it has been North Carolina Democrats who came up with the plan, rolled up their sleeves, got involved, and made things happen.

Terry Sanford, was so concerned about inadequate funding for education that in 1961 he imposed a sales tax on food and prescription drugs. “Food Tax Terry” implemented the most unpopular tax in our history, but we hired 2,800 new teachers, raised their salaries by 20% and helped our nascent community college system. Outcomes improved significantly.

Jim Hunt’s dedication to improving public education is unquestioned. He started Smart Start, getting young children ready for school, raised teacher pay to the national average and test scores improved dramatically.

And we must give Republican Jim Martin, himself an educator, props for supporting the “career ladder” for teachers, raising teacher pay and the Basic Education Program.

Mike Easley championed “More at Four” pre-K programs and the “Learn and Earn” initiative in which high school students could get community college credits as they graduated. Bev Perdue, despite dealing with a recessionary economy, still managed to create a statewide broadband initiative to connect our public schools to the web. Our high school graduation rate exceeded 80% for the first time.

Democrats have a proud heritage for bold, innovative education initiatives, but I don’t see Democrats offering that today. They mostly moan about Republicans destroying our schools.

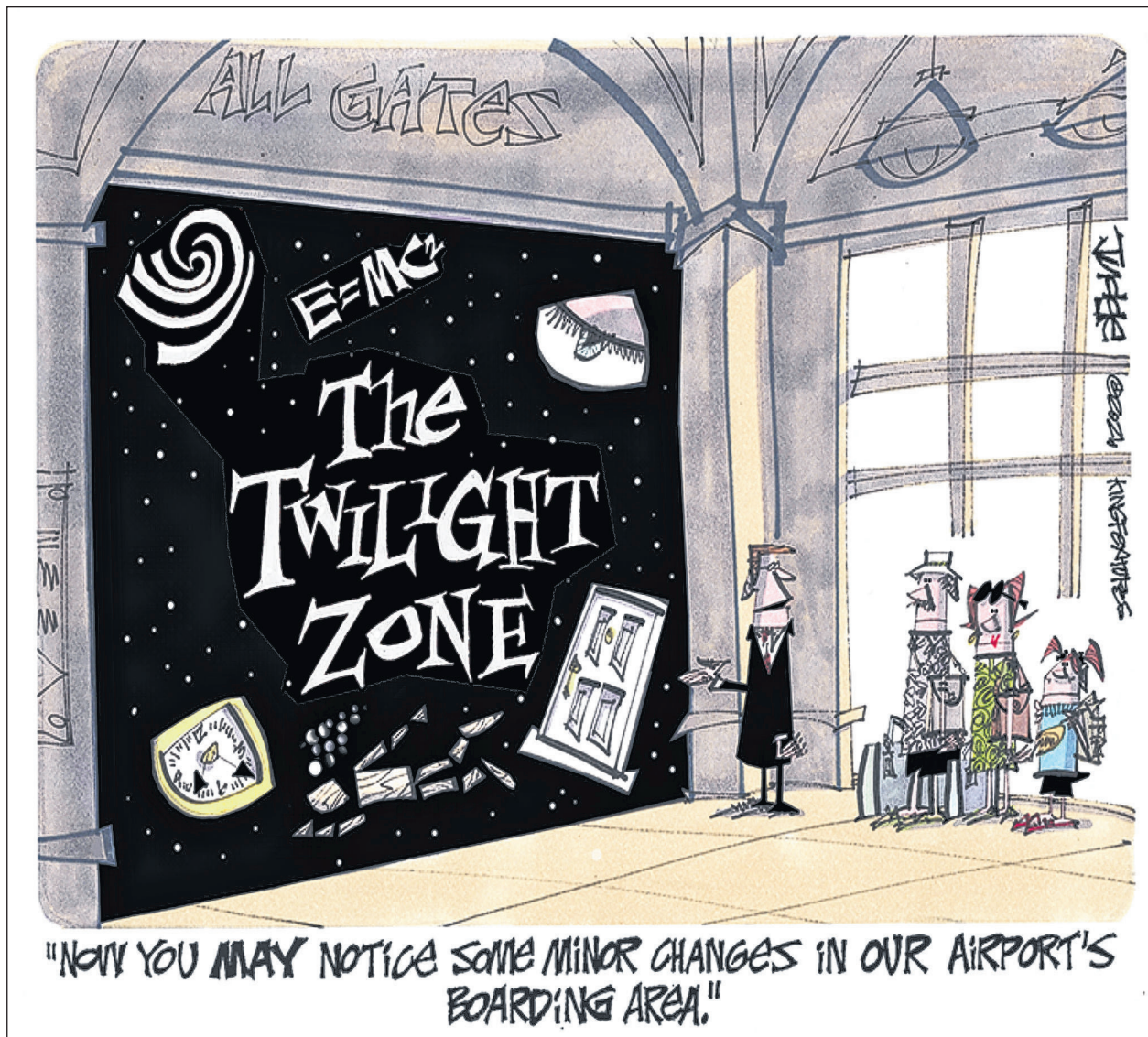
Here are a few suggestions for starters: Public education in our state is governed by so many rules and regulations it is impossible to understand them all, much less execute them. It’s time to take an axe to large numbers of them; they may have had some good intent when started, but many need scrapping and, if continued, simplifying.

We need to declare that any education entity that gets state funding for primary education must play by the same rules. To compete, there must be a level playing field.

And educators must join the 21st century and our kids in learning and implementing intuitive instruction methods using modern devices and techniques.

If traditional public education is going to improve significantly, Democrats must make it happen. It’s time to step up and be heard.

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THEY SAID IT

“This project is not about widening the road. We’re not knocking down any businesses; this project is really about adding more sidewalks, pedestrian signals and crosswalks.”

— NCDOT spokesman Andrew Barksdale on a proposed project to widen and add sidewalks along Second Street in and around downtown Lumberton

“The SAFE Program has been very beneficial in providing support to our residents who are combating addiction. We are blessed and appreciative to receive the funding to continue our mission on helping as many people as possible.”

— Robeson County Sheriff Burnis Wilkins after the Substance Abuse Freedom & Education (SAFE) Program received state funding to aide in its operations

“The experience I’ve gained in the civilian sector directly complements my military leadership. The military is very document-heavy. With my visual skills, I can draw something to articulate what the commander’s vision is and help envision how to problem solve.”

— Lumberton native Hezzie Green, who recently achieved the rank of Lt. Col. in the National Guard

“A lot of these positions come open when things aren’t going well; rarely do they come open when they’re going so well. So really, step one is don’t screw anything up. And step two is, let’s figure out, how do we take it to the next level.”

— Scott Byrd, who has been named the next athletic director at UNC Pembroke, during his introductory press conference

HIS VIEW

For Tiger, not enough was too much

It has been 10,812 days since a 20-year-old Tiger Woods, starry-eyed and flashing a toothy smile, cozzied up to a microphone in advance of his first PGA Tour event as a professional, and offered the following salutation: “Hello world.”

Strange, but it seems longer.

Tiger’s arrival was greeted with a mix of reactions, with skepticism in the No. 1 slot; but it took Tiger only three events to win and silence some of the naysayers, and a career was launched that assembled the greatest resume in golf history, one that is also weighed down by so many what-ifs.

Let’s dispense with this quickly: Tiger Woods is the greatest golfer who has ever lived using the only two metrics that matter. His physical attributes have always been obvious, but what separated Tiger was far superior. At times, his ability to golf his ball appeared of another world, as if God had five fingers on the grip.

Outside the ropes, however, it was no match, with Jack prevailing in what matters most, life, and Tiger looking for his ball out of bounds.

Jack was and remains a model family man, married to wife Barbara for 66 years, the father of six children, and grandfather to a dozens. His life has been impossibly free of controversy, and he stands today as the preeminent ambassador

for golf. Tiger has one failed marriage, too many ex-girlfriends to contemplate, and has revealed himself to suffer from so many human frailties, doing so in full view of the public.

He refuses to get a chauffeur, insisting on privacy, the irony never more apparent than now as police have released the video of his most recent rollover and the aftermath. His recklessness almost cost him his right leg in 2021, denied him a gimme of surpassing Jack in majors, and has him currently in rehab, not trying to recapture his golfing greatness, but his dignity and life.

A billionaire who did what he set out to do, becoming the GOAT, Tiger today is a fraction of his former self, a reminder that achieving greatness is sometimes easier than handling all its baggage.

So, how could this come to be? I am not a psychiatrist,

but my father was, nor a psychologist, but my sister is, so to the degree that qualifies me, which is not at all, here goes: Tiger, as a 50-year-old, is a slave to his own success, having accomplished what he set out to do, with nothing left to conquer. Age, bad decisions, and multiple surgeries have reduced the GOAT to a rather good member-guest partner, and even playing the Senior Tour, which allows carts, seems like a long carry over water and into the wind for a guy who drags his right leg.

Tiger will never erase Jack’s mark of 18 majors, a target he plastered on his bedroom wall as a child. But his life suggests that sometimes even not enough can be too much.

I will be rooting for Tiger, just as I always have, appreciative of the greatness he shared and how he elevated my favorite game.

Perhaps the bad news is the good as well: Tiger has erected another mountain to climb.

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Donnie Douglas
Contributing columnist

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teardrops at the tree, triumph at the tomb

It was mist that watered the earth, and a river that watered the garden. Earth would not know drops falling to the ground until they first trickled down the face of Eve, lingering for a moment on her cheek, and then falling helplessly to the ground that she and Adam would now return to as dust. Her ill-advised moment at the tree had been a promised delight that turned to a perpetual disaster, and she and Adam were now spiritually dead and physically dying. Mankind, created in the image of God, was now broken, frail and fearful.

Their response was to hide from the One who gave them their existence and loved them with an everlasting love even before he created them. Sin always starts that way, shaming us, making us fearful, and it continues on like that until we have so hardened our hearts that we can parade our sins before the eyes of heaven and earth and dare God or man to say anything about any of it.

God, though, would not easily abandon these unworthy creatures into whom he had breathed the very breath of life. He came personally to the scene of the crime and called out to those who were hiding from the eyes of the One to whom nothing and no one can ever be hidden.

Judgment fell; it always does. As God addressed the man, the woman, and Lucifer, the serpent, they each learned the consequences of their deeds. Very little was said to the woman; she would now be ruled by her husband, and her conception and childbirth would be agonizing. Much, three entire verses, in fact, was said to the man. God lowered the hammer on Adam, placing the responsibility of everything that transpired on him, and consigning him to a life of back-breaking labor on an earth that would fight against his every stroke of the hoe, followed by death and decay back to the dust.

To the serpent, though, God gave a prophecy, a word against him, and for the woman. The devil targeted the weaker vessel; it would be the weaker vessel that gave rise to his ruin. The seed of the woman would come to crush his head, his power. This was the protoevangelium, the first gospel, the promise of the coming Christ.

Long years passed. Adam and Eve bore both children and the consequences of their sin. They wept over a grave in which lay the body of their younger son, murdered by their older, now estranged son. They bore many sons and daughters, each labor accompanied by the agony God promised for the woman. And then, one day, they each closed their eyes, drew one last ragged breath, and closed their eyes in death.

The world rapidly filled, mostly with their wicked offspring, was depleted to just eight during the worldwide flood of Noah's day, and then repopulated by that one family. It quickly filled again, and God began the process of narrowing down the line of the promised coming seed. He chose Abraham to be the start of the people of the Messiah, then ran that line through Isaac, Jacob and Judah. All the while, though, the same kind of salty tears that dropped from the face of Eve continued to fall from the faces of every other person who ever lived. Mothers, fathers, spouses, children, everyone felt the sting of the death that we invited into our once-perfect world.

But God had not forgotten his original purpose or his overriding plan. And in the fullness of time, as Paul told the Galatians, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

Jesus, the Son of God and God the Son, condescended to be made flesh in the womb of a virgin. He who had sat in his power on the throne of heaven was now laid in his helplessness in the manger of Bethlehem. He was carried and nursed and changed and burped and learned to crawl and then to walk with strength and confidence.

His first steps would be in Bethlehem. He would then walk for a bit over a year in Egypt. From there, he would walk mostly in Nazareth and three times a year down south in Jerusalem. At thirty years old, he would begin to walk the length and breadth of the land preaching for men to repent and believe in him.

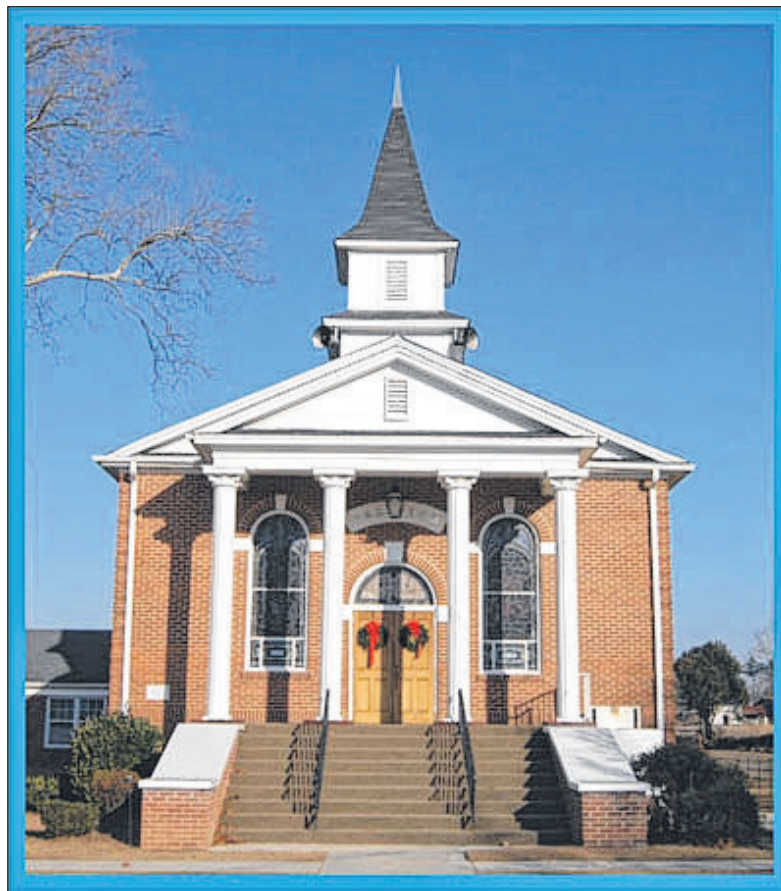
In an irony that could only be born of reality, though, the story would come to a seeming climax at the foot of another tree on the outskirts of Jerusalem, when tears once again dripped down the face of another broken-hearted woman. Mary, the designated daughter of Eve, watched in agony as her son died and paid the price of all mankind's sin from the first one in Eden's garden to the last one of humanity's history. And though she may not have understood it through her agony, it was in that moment that all of God's justice was forever satisfied, and man's debt of sin was paid.

Three days later, the story came full circle. Immortal man had become mortal in Eden; death was now the rule, rather than life. But when Christ came out of the tomb, death was defeated. Paul spent all of 1 Corinthians 15 explaining that the resurrection of Christ guarantees the resurrection of those who place their faith in him. Just as he could not be held by death, Acts 2:24, now we can no longer be held by it either. Our souls and spirits immediately go to be with Christ upon our last breath, and then even our mortal bodies are resurrected at the last trump and made as perfect and immortal as mankind in the garden.

The teardrops at the tree gave way to triumph at the tomb.

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CHURCH OF THE WEEK



Prospect Community Church

— Pastor: Rev. Prentis Harris III (Trey)

— Address: 3929 Missouri Road, Maxton

— Telephone: 910-521-2111

— Service Schedule: Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10:15 a.m.

— Denomination: Independent

— Established: 1865

— Congregation: 934

— Favorite Scripture: Mark 1:15

“And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.”

The Church of the Week feature is a free service provided by The Robesonian. If you would like your church featured, contact Editor Chris Stiles at cstiles@robesonian.com.

CHURCH CALENDAR

UPCOMING

“It’s Time to Praise!”, Kingdom Place, April 5: The Kids Place ministry of Kingdom Place will present their Easter musical “It’s Time To Praise!” this Sunday in the 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Celebration Worship Services. Kingdom Place is located at 2610 East Fifth Street in Lumberton.

ONGOING

Antioch Presbyterian Church, 6583 Red Springs Road, Red Springs. For more information, call 910-843-4398.

Berea Baptist Church, at 120 N. Odum St. in Pembroke, holds a regular grief share meeting at 6 p.m. each Wednesday. Griefshare is a 13-week support ministry for those grieving the death of a loved one. To register visit online at www.griefshare.org.

Bethany Christian Fellowship, at 307 S. Jones St. in Pembroke, holds Sunday School at 10 a.m. and Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m. Bible study is at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. Rev. Charles P. Locklear is the pastor.

Beulah Baptist Church, 6516 Beulah Church Road, Lumberton.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 4901 Independence Dr., Lumberton. Sacrament Meeting begins at 10 a.m., followed by Priesthood, Relief Society, Young Men/Young Women and Primary classes. This week’s “Come Follow Me” lesson is “No Weapon That Is Formed against You Shall Prosper” from Doctrine and Covenants 71-75. Find details at <https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/>.

Cornerstone Community Church, at 702 Dunn Road in Lumberton, holds Sunday School at 10 a.m., Sunday worship at 11 a.m., evangelistic service every first and third Sunday at 6 p.m.; and children and youth meet every Wednesday at 7 p.m. Roosevelt Scott is the senior pastor.

Crown of Life Outreach Ministries, at 114 W. Blue St. Pauls, meets each Sunday for prayer at 10 a.m., Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m. Every Saturday there is prayer at

noon. There is Monday Bible study at 7 p.m. Pastor Kenneth R. McAllister is the church pastor. For information, call 910-316-5712 or 910-774-6376.

Deeper Truth Deliverance Center, at 6154 Wire Grass Road in Orrum, meets for Sunday school 10-11 a.m., and Morning Worship at 11:30 a.m. Bible Study is Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Cycachee Scott is the pastor.

Expanding the Vision of Kingdom Ministries, at 101 Industrial Drive in Fairmont, meets Sunday for Christian Living Class at 10 a.m., and for Morning Worship at 11:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Apostle Marcia Lassiter is the pastor. The phone number is 910-280-0509.

Greater McKoy’s Chapel Inc., at 284 Center Road in Dublin, holds Sunday School at 10 a.m., and morning worship at 11 a.m. Sundays. Pastoral Sundays are second, third and fourth Sundays; and Deacon and Deaconess Day or Ministers and Christian Women’s Day are on first Sunday. YPCW is at 6 p.m. and Bible Study at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. Dr. Delora A. LeSane is the pastor.

Outreach Family Fellowship, 136 Pee Dee Church Road, Dillon. Service begin at 9 a.m. Dress in your casual wear and come worship with us. Dinner will be served after the service. Pastors will be Apostle Michael E. Goings and Overseer Dr. Louise Goings.

Pentecostal United Holy Church, 2300 Gavintown Road, Lumberton. Elder Raymond Pearson, and special music by the Men’s Choir. Everyone is invited. Bishop Russell Rogers, Pastor. For more information, call 910-734-6173.

Power in Prayer Ministry, a conference line prayer ministry, takes place on Saturday mornings from 6:15 to 6:30 a.m. at any location by phone. Call 605-475-4120 to join in (ID number – 3390591#). The prayer leader is Sister Shelia Caviness-Branyon. Email a prayer request to powerinword@aol.com.

Refuge Christian Center, at 111 S. Railroad St. in Rowland, holds Sunday School at 10 a.m.;

Sunday Worship Service at 11 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer at 6 p.m. and Bible Study at 7 p.m. Rev. S. Lomax Bryant is the pastor.

Shiloh Tabernacle in Shannon, 10410 Shannon Road, Shannon, sponsors a free meal and free food bank and clothes giveaway including sanitary needs 4-6 p.m. every Thursday. The nondenominational church is open to everyone with no appointment needed, the church is sponsored in part by Waccamaw Chapel Food Pantry. Call 910 359 8030 for more information.

Smyrna Baptist Church, at 8003 N.C. 211 East, Lumberton, meets for Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., and worship service at 11 a.m. Morning Bible Study is at 11 a.m. on Wednesdays as well as evening service is 7:30 p.m. Rev. Carl Pevia is the church pastor. For more information call 910-733-2592, 910- 774-0707.

St. Joseph Miracle Revival Center at 4657 Daniel McLeod Road, Red Springs, Saturday Morning Prayer will begin at 9 a.m. followed by Seminars at 10 a.m. Saturday afternoon will begin at 1:30 p.m.. Sunday School will begin at 10 a.m. followed by Sunday Morning Service at 11 a.m.

St. Marks Lutheran Church, 202 West 24th St., Lumberton; 910-739-2329, stmarkslnc.org. Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays, Worship Service is at 10:30 p.m. Sundays. Fellowship begins at 11:30 a.m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church, on N.C. 711 in Pembroke, holds Sunday Worship Service at 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School at 11 a.m.; and Wednesday Bible Study, and Children and Youth Night at 7 p.m. The Rev. Randy Freeman is the pastor.

The Fairmont Ministerial Alliance meets every third Saturday of the month at Jonesville Baptist Church at 327 Mill Branch Road, Fairmont. Breakfast is at 8:30 a.m. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. New members are welcome. Dr. Martine Spencer is the president.

For your church event to be included in the Church Calendar, send it to Editor Chris Stiles at cstiles@robesonian.com.



THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.

Psalm 19: 13,14

Detail of “Sara” by Irving Amen (1970)



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Faith can move mountains!



Special Olympics held at UNCP



The Robeson County Special Olympics were held Wednesday at UNC Pembroke's Grace P. Johnson Stadium. Pictured, Special Olympians from Red Springs High School participate in the parade during the opening ceremony.



A Special Olympian participates in the softball toss. Photos courtesy of PSRC

Court

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years of an eight-year, multibillion-dollar comprehensive remedial plan in part to improve teacher recruitment and salaries, expand prekindergarten and help students with disabilities.

In Thursday's ruling, Chief Justice Paul Newby wrote that what started as a modest lawsuit over education spending in one county "became a full-scale, facial assault on the entire educational system enacted by the General Assembly." Since then, Newby said, judicial actions had gone too far.

When the case expanded "the trial court's authority to hear the case likewise ceased," Newby wrote while ordering the school funding litigation be dismissed.

The decision came more than two years after the court heard oral arguments. Republicans who control the General Assembly won't be obligated to comply with the remedial plan as it writes state budgets, including one for this year that's now several months late.

Democratic Gov. Josh Stein will have to rely more on persuading lawmakers and using his veto stamp to spend more on his favored education programs and initiatives. Stein was North Carolina's attorney general when the 2022 ruling was handed down.

"The Supreme Court simply ignored its own established precedent, enabling the General Assembly to continue to deprive another generation of North Carolina students of the education promised by our constitution," Stein said in a statement Thursday.

Two Democratic justices and one Republican dissented in Thursday's ruling.

Associate Justice Anita Earls, a Democrat, said the decision seemed more about dealing with how the 2022 decision was reached than what happens to students.

"Allowing the state to escape judicial scrutiny for constitutional rights violations through its behavior during litigation quickly turns constitutional rights into words on paper — morally compelling but functionally useless," she wrote.

Attention will now

turn toward crafting the next state education spending proposal. The General Assembly reconvenes this month. Close to 40% of the state's more than \$30 billion in annual spending to operate government goes to K-12 funding alone.

Republican Senate leader Phil Berger said in a news release that "liberal education special interests have improperly tried to hijack North Carolina's constitutional funding process in order to impose their policy preferences via judicial fiat. Today's decision confirms that the proper pathway for policymaking is the legislative process."

Critics of GOP education spending have pointed in part to taxpayer-funded scholarships for K-12 students to attend private schools as evidence more could be done for public school children.

The litigation began in 1994, when several school districts in low-income areas and families of children sued and accused the state of violating North Carolina's constitution by not providing adequate education funding.

The case is often referred to as "Leandro" — for the last name of one of the students who sued.

Supreme Court decisions in the case from 1997 and 2004 found the state constitution directs all children must receive the "opportunity to receive a sound basic education," and that the state remained poorly equipped to comply with that dictate. Many say it's a problem still unresolved.

"The people paying the price for our leaders' failure are not abstractions. They are the generations of children in rural communities, past and present, who waited for 30 years for a promise never fulfilled," Tamika Walker Kelly, president of the North Carolina Association of Educators, said in a news release.

The court's Democratic majority in 2022 had determined that those Supreme Court decisions along with the constitution's "right to the privilege of education" and years of inaction by elected officials created an "extraordinary" situation that gave the late Judge David Lee power to order funds be spent without a specific law enacted by the General Assembly.

Carroll Middle School earns 3rd place at regional Battle of the Books

Jessica Sealey
For The Robesonian

LUMBERTON — L. Gilbert Carroll Middle School students have earned a third-place finish in the Elementary Division at the Regional Battle of the Books Competition, held at Bladen Community College.

The team's achievement reflects months of preparation, teamwork and a strong commitment to literacy and academic excellence. Competing against top teams from across the region, Carroll Middle students demonstrated an impressive depth of knowledge and a true passion for reading.

"I could not be more proud of our students for earning third place in the regional Battle of the Books competition. Watching them pour their hearts into reading, practicing, and supporting one another has been truly inspiring. This achievement is about so much more than a plaque and medals, it reflects their commitment, teamwork, and love for learning. They represented L. Gilbert Carroll Mid-



The L. Gilbert Carroll Middle School Battle of the Books team. Photo courtesy of PSRC

dle School with pride, determination, and excellence, and they have given our entire school community something to celebrate," said CMS Principal Zach Jones.

PSRC Superintendent Freddie Williamson echoed Jones' words. "We are incredibly proud of our students for this accomplishment," said PSRC Superintendent Freddie Williamson. "Their dedication, perseverance, and love of reading

were on full display and they represented Carroll Middle School with excellence."

Battle of the Books is a reading incentive program designed to encourage students to read widely and engage in friendly academic competition. The team's success highlights the school's continued focus on fostering strong literacy skills and a culture of learning.

More than half of NC public school graduates passed college-level courses while in high school

Staff report

RALEIGH — Historic percentages of North Carolina public school students are enrolling and succeeding in college-level courses while still in high school, according to new data presented to the State Board of Education Thursday.

Data from the class of 2025 shows that 54% of graduates successfully completed at least one college-level course/exam through Advanced Placement (AP), the Career and College Promise (CCP) program, International Baccalaureate or other college-level courses during high school. This percentage has never been higher for North Carolina's public schools.

The CCP program allows eligible NC public high school students to enroll in college classes at many North Carolina community colleges and four-year colleges and universities through their high school. Thirty-eight percent of all graduates enrolled in at least one college course in 2024-25 through the CCP program, marking an all-time high.

Nearly 87,000 students participated in the CCP program in 2024-25, an increase of 10% from the previous year. Students may participate in one of three pathways, which range from college transfer to career and technical education while they are enrolled in their traditional high school.

These achievements reflect the work being done across North Carolina public schools and at the

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI), in collaboration with its higher education partners, to prepare students for their next phase of life.

"Having 54% of North Carolina public high school graduates pass at least one college-level course/exam is outstanding and exemplifies our commitment to preparing each student for their next phase of life as outlined in our strategic plan, Achieving Educational Excellence," said North Carolina Superintendent of Public Instruction Maurice "Mo" Green. "We want to ensure that every student takes and passes a college-level course/exam and a career-connected course in high school so that they will be well-prepared for whatever future they imagine for themselves. By expanding access to college-level courses, North Carolina's public schools are empowering every student to see themselves as college material, even if that is not ultimately where they go immediately after high school."

Another CCP pathway for students to access college credit is a Cooperative Innovative High School (CIHS). Providing a hybrid high school and college experience, North Carolina's 138 CIHSs are located on the campuses of North Carolina Community Colleges, University of North Carolina System and NC Independent Colleges and Universities.

In 2024-25, 6,560 students graduated from a CIHS, and 3,498 of them earned an associate degree in addition to their high school

diploma.

For all grade levels, CIHS students earned 7,259 industry-recognized credentials through Career and Technical Education courses in 2024-25.

Both of these metrics are an increase from previous years.

"Through high-quality instructional programming and close partnerships with institutions of higher education, Cooperative Innovative High Schools provide a unique opportunity for students to participate in college-level work while receiving robust support," said Sneha Shah-Coltrane, senior director of Advanced Learning and Gifted Education at NCDPI. "This program is especially powerful for first-generation college students and has the ability to drive economic mobility for families across our state."

More than half of North Carolina public high school graduates are now completing college-level courses while still in high school — the highest percentage in state history and a milestone that places North Carolina at the forefront of expanding advanced learning opportunities nationwide.

These accomplishments are even more remarkable alongside North Carolina public schools' other historic achievements in 2024-25, including a record graduation rate, record AP participation and performance and a record number of industry-recognized credentials earned by Career and Technical Education students.

People's Table at LRDA



Theresa Lowry, left, and Vontiese Locklear, second from left, take a bite during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



The kids coloring table is active at the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



Aron "Little Onion" Locklear prepares a Lumbee Bloomin Onion during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



Rob Cole, right, and Zach Paul, left, perform during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



Rob Cole performs during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



Josh "Big Onion" Locklear prepares a Lumbee Bloomin Onion during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.



Mahlea Locklear, right, sips lemonade as Dakota Locklear, left, looks on during the People's Table event Thursday in Pembroke.

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2 local businesses add U-haul products

Staff report

LUMBERTON — U-Haul Co. of North Carolina announced that two local businesses in Lumberton have signed on as a U-Haul neighborhood dealer to serve the Lumberton community.

Storage Solutions, located at 1990 North Roberts Avenue, and Tri Star Storage, at 2300 North Cedar Street, will offer essential services like U-Haul trucks, trailers and moving supplies.

Normal business hours at Storage Solutions are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Reserve U-Haul products at this dealer location by calling 910-521-8585 or visiting <https://www.uhaul.com/Locations/Truck-Rentals-near-Lumberton-NC-28358/032545/> today.

At Tri Star Storage, business hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reserve U-Haul products at this dealer location by calling (910) 738-3102 or visiting <https://www.uhaul.com/Locations/Truck-Rentals-near-Lumberton-NC-28358/020111/> today.

Storage Solutions owner Steve Branch and Tri Star Storage owner Amit Razel are each proud to team with the industry leader in do-it-yourself moving and self-storage to better meet the demands of Robeson County.

U-Haul has teamed with independent

dealers to offer rental equipment to do-it-yourself movers since 1945. During these challenging times for small businesses, more than 22,000 dealers across the U.S. and Canada are generating supplemental income through their U-Haul affiliation. When customers rent from a U-Haul dealer, they are directly supporting an independent small business in their community.

Because no financial investment is required to be a dealer, these local affiliates are not U-Haul franchises. They are simply small businesses that have committed a portion of their lot space for U-Haul equipment, and a portion of their time to help meet the mobility needs of their neighbors. Learn more about the dealer program and how to join by visiting uhaul.com/dealer.

The U-Haul 1-Year Storage Price Lock is now available at U-Haul-owned and -operated facilities across the U.S. and Canada. It provides customers with cost certainty while national competitors face scrutiny for predatory pricing tactics involving deceptive introductory rates, frequent price hikes, and hidden fees. U-Haul fixed-rate storage ensures one year with no price increase on your rental unit, and U-Haul never charges admin fees or deposits. New customers renting a self-storage unit and existing customers renting additional units qualify for the 1-Year Price Lock.

City Press Release

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF LUMBERTON

Amendment to Chapter 35 of the Code of the City of Lumberton North Carolina.

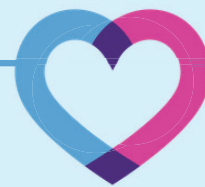
Notice is hereby given to residents that the City Council of the City of Lumberton will hold a public hearing on **Monday, April 13, 2026, at 11:00 AM** in City Hall Chambers, located at 500 N. Cedar Street, Lumberton, NC 28359, and virtually via Zoom and Facebook Live. Please visit the City's website for virtual public hearing information <http://www.ci.lumberton.nc.us/>.

The purpose of the public hearing is to create a street renaming policy for the City of Lumberton North Carolina.

Those in attendance will have an opportunity to formally comment on the proposed Ordinance. For interested persons, the Ordinance has been made available for public review at the Planning and Neighborhood Services Department, City Hall during normal business hours (8:00 am – 5:00 pm EST).

Laney Sapp
City Clerk
CN: 4269

April 16



National Healthcare Decisions Day

National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHDD) exists to inspire, educate, and empower the public and providers about the importance of advance care planning. Across the country, every healthcare facility will participate as the flagship venues for public engagement.

UNC Health Southeastern Healthcare Decisions Day Event

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Thursday, April 16
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Rust Tower Lobby

Information will be available on Advance Directives (Healthcare Power of Attorney and Living Will). A Notary Public will be available for completion of paperwork at this event. Notary services are available at other times by appointment by calling Rev. Dean Carter at (910) 671-5031.

Engage in Advance Care Planning

To learn more about Advance Care Planning documents and the options available at UNC Health Southeastern's Healthcare Decisions Day event, visit UNCHealthSE.org.





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Barry Pratt speaking to the Sandhills Daylily Club.

Sandhills Daylily Club hosts guest speaker

Victoria Sanderson
The Robesonian

LUMBERTON — The Sandhills Daylily club hosted a guest speaker during its March meeting.

Barry Pratt is a notable Daylily enthusiast and collector based in New York, according to the club's Vice President Julia Odom, who is known as the "dragon master" for his affinity for dragon-themed lilies. "Pratt has been collecting dragon-style plants for about 12 years," Odom said, "and he's got over 150 in his garden with dragon names. Now he is working on hybridizing his own dragon lily."

Pratt gave a presentation and speech to the assembled crowd about daylilies and their

variants before being presented with a handmade crochet dragon as thanks for his attendance.

Though the Daylily Club is based at the Cape Fear Botanical Gardens, its members come from all surrounding counties, including the president, Dawn Whitley, who is a Lumberton resident.

Odom encourages anyone interested in getting a start in gardening or flower breeding to join the Daylily club at St. Pauls Community Garden for a Spring Garden Party on April 18.

"We're going to be doing community service at the garden," Odom said. "It's going to be a fun day."

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Duke

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bill or food to eat."

"At this rate, I'm forced to choose between health and heat," said Christina Davis McCoy, of Raeford, who is battling cancer. "Reality is, I have no other choice, because of the monopoly hold that Duke Energy has on power options. It is egregious that providers are being enriched while consumers are being impoverished."

Felicia Bethea, a Maxton preschool teacher on a tight income, said her and her two children all have asthma, giving emotional testimony about the hardships of increasing bills.

"We depend on constant reliability and affordable electricity to run ... nebulizer machines and to keep our home at a stable temperature to prevent asthma attacks," Bethea said. "Recently my Duke bills have become a source of daily and monthly anxiety, rather than just a utility."

Kathy Hunt, of Lumberton, speaking on behalf of the nonprofit Resourceful Connections, described that people need electricity to run their oxygen, or to refrigerate their insulin, and said that her organization has dealt with clients who didn't run their heat during the coldest days of winter, or their air conditioning on the hottest days of summer, because they're afraid of what their bill will be.

The proposed rate increase, for 2027-28, would result in a net increase in basic utility rates of \$401 million over a period of two

years, split among Duke Energy's approximately 1.6 million statewide customers.

According to N.C. Utilities Commission documents, a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours per month of electricity would see an increase of approximately \$28.06 per month in the first year of the rate increase, and an additional increase of \$6.59 in the second year.

Documents state that in the event the Commission does not approve Duke Energy's rate proposal, a typical customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours will see an increase of approximately \$23.58 per month under existing rate components.

Mac Legerton, of Pembroke, testified that NCUC has approved 12 rate hikes for Duke Energy between 2020 and 2026 — four base-rate increases, six for rising fuel costs and two for storm recovery — citing a report from the Energy and Policy Institute. Overall, rates have increased by 45% since 2020, he said, per the report.

He said that Duke Energy's rising use of natural gas is the cause of these increases. He also cited an N.C. State University study which says Duke Energy's "rising dependency" on natural gas will cost ratepayers up to \$23 billion through the year 2050.

"The price of natural gas has skyrocketed, due to the national energy policy focusing on exporting it and increasing its demand," Legerton said. "Duke is producing electricity in the most expensive way, rather than using a least-cost approach by engaging all 100 counties in public-private partnerships to expand use of solar with long-term battery storage, microgrids and thermal energy. Ratepayers should not be punished with high rate hikes due to the bad business decisions of Duke Energy."

Sallie McLean, of Maxton, reiterated Legerton's

points about fuel costs, and also said that Duke Energy is charging customers to pay for infrastructural projects before they even begin.

"This blank-check approach is bad business for us, and enables Duke to not worry about saving money and cutting costs. This leads to cost overruns and projects that often are not completed."

Multiple speakers also suggested that the NCUC should delay any decision on a rate increase until the impact of the recently-approved merger between Duke Energy Progress and Duke Energy Carolinas becomes more clear.

Janet Menzak, of Fayetteville, said that the rapid increase in the number of data centers being built across the country is also a factor in rising energy costs, as additional infrastructure is added to the grid and costs are passed onto consumers, she said.

"This commission is supposed to be protecting consumers from companies with privatized profits that has nothing to do with us. We don't see any of the profits from Duke Energy, we don't see any of the profits from these data centers, we don't see any of the profits from AI," Menzak said. "Privatized profits, socialized debts — that is not what should be happening here. There is no reason for these energy hikes to be so high, and it's happening all over this country."

Floyd McKissick, the NCUC commissioner who presided over the hearing, told The Robesonian that data centers are required to pay the costs for their significant power use.

Emily Tucker, a Duke Energy district manager, gave a statement during Tuesday's hearing to explain Duke Energy's reasons for requesting a rate increase from the NCUC.

"Our region is experiencing significant growth, requiring the

modernization of our infrastructure to meet evolving demands. Therefore, we are undertaking essential upgrades to enhance reliability, including substantial local investments in places like Robeson County," Tucker said, noting that three substations in Robeson County will be rebuilt in the coming years. "People want to live and work here, and the investments we propose are designed to protect reliability, while keeping costs as low as possible for our customers."

Of the 14 people who gave testimony, just one was in favor of Duke Energy. Gene McLaurin, the chairman of the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, who resides in Rockingham, praised Duke Energy's role in the state's overall economic development and success.

The NCUC will hold an evidentiary hearing beginning on Aug. 11 in Raleigh, which McKissick said could last for a couple of weeks or more, to hear all evidence and testimony from both Duke Energy and consumers regarding the proposed rate increase. Following that hearing, the commission will decide whether to approve the rate hike; they could decide to approve the hike in full as proposed, to approve a partial increase or to deny it.

Three of the five members of the NCUC — McKissick, Tommy Tucker and Donald van der Vaart — were present at Tuesday's hearing. Transcripts of the testimony given in Tuesday's hearing will be available to the commissioners as part of the record ahead of the August evidentiary hearings.

Tuesday's hearing was one of five regional hearings being held across the state, which run through the next couple of weeks. A virtual hearing was also held on Wednesday.

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Fairmont High principal selected for leadership fellowship

Jessica Sealey
For The Robesonian

FAIRMONT — Fairmont High School Principal Anthony Barton has been selected for the highly competitive 2026-2027 cohort of the Leverage Leadership Institute (LLI) Fellowship, a national program designed to develop exceptional school leaders into transformative instructional leaders.

Barton was chosen based on his proven track record of driving student achievement and his strong commitment to instructional excellence. The LLI Fellowship brings together a diverse network of principals and principal supervisors from across the country and around the world, all dedicated to improving outcomes for students through focused leadership practices.

"I am truly thankful to Dr. Williamson and Dr. Carr for giving me the opportunity to represent the Public Schools of Robeson County and to continue growing as an

instructional leader," Barton said.

"Under Dr. Williamson's leadership, I have learned a great deal through the Relay professional development

offered in our district, and implementing those strategies in the schools I have led has contributed to the success we have experienced. I am grateful for the support and mentorship I have received, and I look forward to this opportunity and the knowledge and continued growth that will come with it," Barton added.

The year-long fellowship emphasizes excellence in executing key leadership strategies and building the capacity of others to do the same. Participants engage in intensive professional learning experiences, collaboration and real-world application aimed at strengthening school leadership and student success.

"Dr. Barton's selection for this prestigious program is a reflection of his dedication to students,

staff, and the Fairmont High School community," said PSRC Superintendent Freddie Williamson. "We are proud to see his leadership recognized on a national level."

The fellowship includes a series of required in-person sessions held across the United States, beginning with a kickoff in Orlando, Florida, in May 2026. Additional sessions will take place in New Orleans, Denver, Albany, New York City and College Park, Maryland through May 2027.

While the program is tuition-free, fellows commit to full participation, including attending all sessions, completing program requirements, and engaging in ongoing collaboration with peers.

Barton's participation in the Leverage Leadership Institute underscores his continued commitment to excellence in education and his dedication to ensuring success for every student at Fairmont High School.

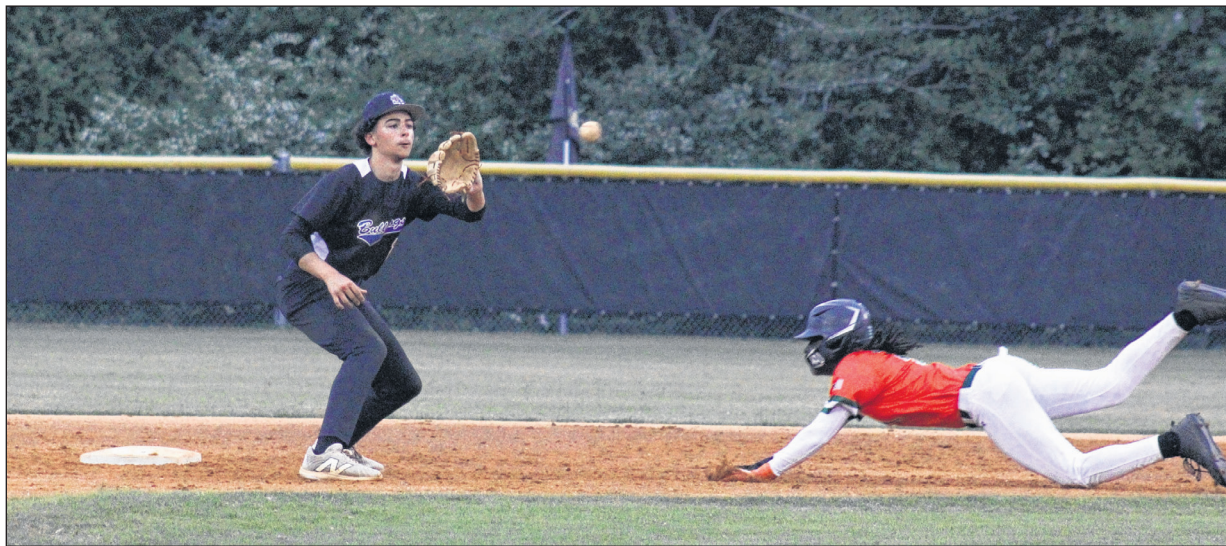
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St. Pauls' Cailen McNeill, left, fields a throw as East Columbus' Adrian Jenerette, right, slides into second base during the 2025 Robeson County Slugfest championship game in Fairmont. The 32nd annual tournament opens Saturday at Purnell Swett.

Dashing 'round the diamond

Baseball teams set for Slugfest

Chris Stiles
The Robesonian

PEMBROKE — For the 32nd time, a local rite of spring begins Saturday at Purnell Swett as the Robeson County Slugfest gets underway.

East Columbus returns to defend its 2025 title, while Scotland and Heide Trask also look to play spoiler as the five local teams all play in the tournament they've grown up watching.

Here is a tournament preview, listed in the order of Saturday's first-round matchups.

Fairmont vs. Scotland

Fairmont opens the tournament with a 10 a.m. first pitch Saturday against Scotland.

Fairmont (5-8, 2-2 Southeastern) enters the tournament having won five of its last eight games since an 0-5 start.

"We've had some pretty close games at the beginning of the year that we should've won, so I wouldn't necessarily say our record is reflective of the team," Golden Torna-

does coach A.J. Brooks said. "We feel like we're starting to buy in and get over the struggles from the beginning of the season. Hopefully we can get the job done this week in conference and let that carry over into the Slugfest. We're ready to play, hopefully we'll win it."

They'll take on a Scotland team that Brooks, who played at Lumberton, is familiar with as a former conference foe.

"Scotland was always a big rivalry, for me at least," Brooks said. "I know they're well-coached and they've got a good team. We've got to come ready."

Jayden Hunt (.310 average, eight RBIs, 12 runs) and Tanner Hunt (.300 average, six RBIs, seven runs) are among the offensive leaders for Fairmont. Parker Chavis has pitched to a 1.47 ERA in 28 2/3 innings pitched with 40 strikeouts.

Scotland (4-10, 1-5 Tri-County) has lost six of its last seven entering the Slugfest.

Dawson Williams (.395 average, five RBIs, 10 runs), Ayden Odom (.394

average, four RBIs, seven runs), Kaden Hunsucker (.361 average, six RBIs, seven runs) and Briley Lewis (.333 average, 11 RBIs) lead the Scots offensively. Mavin McKenzie (4.54 ERA) and Leo Garcia (4.89 ERA) have combined for 49 innings pitched of the 77 frames thrown by Scotland pitching.

Lumberton vs. East Columbus

Lumberton will take on East Columbus at 1 p.m. in the first round.

The Pirates (3-8, 0-6 TCC) enter the tournament having lost six straight games, five of which were in conference play.

"We've put a lot of confidence in the seniors, to pull the season together; we went through a tough stretch of conference there, that was pretty brutal," Lumberton coach Jonathan Benson said. "But we've played some good ball; a few key errors hurt us, but other than that, we've got a positive outlook going into the Slugfest."

The Pirates haven't played since March 26, however, and expect to

have as fresh of pitching as anyone entering the tournament.

"You've got to win the first one to get to the championship anyway, so we're just going to go with it, we're going to throw one of our better guys Saturday and hopefully keep us in the ballgame and we can string a few hits together to pull this out," Benson said.

Manny Alba (.375 average, nine runs), Caiden Hall (.333 average), Ethan Gray (.333 average, five RBIs, six runs) and Brody Stueck (.323 average, seven RBIs) lead the Pirates at the plate. Jace Wilson (2.21 ERA, 22 strikeouts in 19 innings) has been a standout among a pitching staff that has otherwise struggled this season.

East Columbus (8-4, 5-2 Carolina) lost its last outing, 8-6 on Wednesday against North Duplin, but had won its previous four games. The Gators beat Purnell Swett, Fairmont and St. Pauls en route to the Slugfest title last year.

Eight Gators batters have 11 RBIs or more this season, and nine have

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Jacob Husson | The Robesonian
Purnell Swett's Jenna Locklear (14) heads the ball in front of Clinton's Arizona Tyndall (18) during Tuesday's game in Pembroke.

Solid defense, timely scoring leads Rams past Clinton

Jacob Husson
The Robesonian

PEMBROKE — The Purnell Swett Rams girls soccer team continued firing on all cylinders, defeating the Clinton Dark Horses, 2-0 for their second straight win. Solid defense and timely offense helped push the team over the hump in this contest.

"I was glad we played a complete game," Purnell Swett coach Alaric Strickland said. "It was right from the get-go and we maintained it for all 80 minutes so I'm very happy about that. I'm just hoping we can keep it going."

Riley Chavis gave the Rams the lead, scoring with 31:44 left in the first half. That was her first goal of the season.

Purnell Swett took a 1-0 lead into halftime before Lakyn Sealey scored an insurance goal, her second this year with 19:54 left in the game to put Purnell Swett up 2-0, which the Rams maintained until the end.

Purnell Swett's (7-3-1) two-game winning streak followed a three-game losing streak, so this is a welcome sign for the team. For Clinton (10-3-1), this loss ended a six-game winning streak.

"I think we just spoke up a little bit and made the passes and worked together," Chavis said.

Purnell Swett will go for its third straight win when the Rams host Gray's Creek Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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Excitement abounds for softball Slugfest

Eager field looks to top '25 champ Scotland

Jacob Husson
The Robesonian

PEMBROKE — The first pitch in the 2026 Robeson County Slugfest is set for Saturday, marking the 15th edition for softball, being played at Purnell Swett. There is perhaps no better sign of spring than baseball and softball and the Slugfest is a celebration of it.

Below is a preview of the softball tournament, with a look at each first-round game.

Fairmont vs. Scotland

Fairmont and Scotland get the Slugfest going with a 10 a.m. first pitch.

The Fairmont Golden Tornadoes (4-8, 1-3 Southeastern) enter the tournament on a three-game losing streak, falling against South Columbus before dropping two straight against West Bladen. They've been outscored 29-11 during this stretch. Prior to that, they outscored their previous two opponents 26-6.

Cecilia Chavis and Kimberleigh Stevens have been Fairmont's stand-out hitters so far. Chavis is hitting .486 with a .703 slugging percentage, while Kimberleigh Stevens has a .457 batting average and .657 slugging percentage. They also lead the team in on-base percentage, as Chavis has a .548 OBP, while Stevens is at .525.

Layla Hunt leads the Golden Tornadoes with seven stolen bases, with Chavis and Stevens trailing her.

Chavis has also been the team's best pitcher, as her 4.89 ERA leads the team.

With a 1-7 record over their last eight games, Fairmont heads into the Robeson County Slugfest hoping to right the ship and get back on



Jacob Husson | The Robesonian
Lumberton's Jaelyn Hammond bunts during a March 24 game against Purnell Swett in Lumberton.

track.

Attempts to reach Fairmont coach Carley Williams for this story were unsuccessful.

Scotland won the Slugfest championship last year with a dominant run through the tournament, en route to a 3A state runner-up finish.

Currently, Scotland (7-6, 3-3 Tri-County) is on a two-game winning streak. Khloe Radford, Addison Ratley and Addison Lewis are the team's most consistent hitters. They have a .366, .357 and .333 batting average right now.

Arianna Brigman has a .439 on-base percentage to lead the Fighting Scots, while Ramsey Hale leads the team with three home runs. Ramsey Hale leads them with 17 RBIs.

Haydynn Lowery leads the Fighting Scots with a 3.57 ERA, while Kaleigh Leviner's is at 4.20.

Lumberton vs. East Columbus

Lumberton's first round matchup against East Columbus is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday.

Lumberton enters the tournament coming off losses to South Brunswick and Hoggard. However, they won the previous two games by a run each.

"East Columbus is going to be a tough first round matchup," Pirates coach William Britt said. "Hopefully, if we get past them, that'll give us some momentum heading into the championship."

The Pirates (7-7, 3-3 Tri-County) will look to start playing more consistently during the Slugfest, as their season has been up and down so far. They are currently tied for fourth in the Tri-County conference.

Lumberton won the Slugfest title in 2024.

Lumberton will have its hands full against East Columbus (9-4, 6-1 Carolina). They have scored more than 10 runs in all of their wins this season. However, they've lost three of their last four games, so they're not unbeatable.

The Pirates will look to make a strong statement in the Robeson County Slugfest to push forward through the rest of the season.

"It would mean a lot to our girls, especially because we started out a little rocky to begin with," Britt said. "Getting on a good win streak here would give us some momentum going into the second half of the season."

East Columbus' Sara Coleman, Amber Ochoa and Aleigh Godwin all have batting averages over .500 to lead the Gators. They also are the team's leaders in on-base percentage, all eclipsing .500.

Coleman has eight home runs and 24 RBIs, as she's been the team's top offensive threat.

Ochoa has been the team's best pitcher with a 4-2 record and a 2.19 ERA.

East Columbus finished second in last year's tournament.

St. Pauls vs. Red Springs

St. Pauls plays Red Springs in the first round of the Slugfest on Saturday at 4 p.m. in the lone in-county

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Jacob Husson | The Robesonian
Red Springs' Brynia McLean (4) puts the ball in play during Wednesday's game against South Columbus in Red Springs.

Red Devils' slide continues with fourth straight loss

Jacob Husson
The Robesonian

RED SPRINGS — The Red Springs Red Devils softball team couldn't change its fortune on Wednesday night, as it fell 11-0, stretching its losing streak to four games. It was a night where the Red Devils' bats went silent and South Columbus was in a zone.

"You have to be prepared every day," Red Springs coach Donnie Carter said. "We played that team Monday and lost by one in extra innings. We just have to be consistent in our preparation."

South Columbus (5-7, 3-1 Southeastern) wasted no time finding a groove in this contest, taking a 7-0 lead into the third

inning. They increased the lead to 8-0 before the fifth inning. Finally, they scored two runs in the top of the fifth and Red Springs failed to respond, resulting in an early finish, due to the 10-run rule after five innings.

Bailey Locklear recorded the only hit for the Red Devils in this game.

In Monday's game against South Columbus, they scored eight runs. Besides that game, they've scored a combined two runs in the other three recent games.

Red Springs (5-6, 0-4 Southeastern) will look to end their skid Saturday when they face St. Pauls at 4 p.m. in the Robeson County Slugfest.

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Former NBA player to lead basketball camp in Maxton

Jacob Husson
The Robesonian

MAXTON — This Saturday and Sunday, the Spring Break Madness basketball camp presented by Hines D1 Elite Sports is being held in Maxton at Townsend Elementary School.

Lorinza Harrington, who played in the NBA for the Denver Nuggets, New Orleans Hornets and Memphis Grizzlies, as well as overseas, will be a special guest. Coach John Hines, a former standout player at Purnell Swett who is currently coaching at Hutson-Tillotson University, will coach this camp. Specialized KBA training will also be used at the camp.

"This is a great opportunity to highlight local talent, community engagement and youth development through sports," camp organizer Tanequa McQueen said.

James Kirksey, who was a professional basketball player in Europe will also be at the camp.

Other notable people involved include Tevonia Williams, assistant women's varsity basketball coach at Red Springs High School and former player at Morgan State University. Y.D. and Willie Smith, who are youth basketball coaches and Josh Bell, a basketball content creator will also be there teaching the game.

The camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Registration is \$25. Free water and Gatorade will be provided during the camp and free T-shirts will be provided to those who registered by Saturday, March 21. There will be a cookout on Saturday following the camp at Rob Henderson Park, as well as an egg hunt for athletes and families.

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UNCP roundup: Braves baseball rallies late to pick up road win at USC Aiken

Staff report

AIKEN, S.C. — UNC Pembroke headed into the eighth inning of the first game of their doubleheader against USC-Aiken facing a 3-0 deficit, but the Braves rallied for four runs with two outs and then held on to knock off USC Aiken 4-3 in non-conference action Tuesday evening at Roberto Hernandez Stadium.

Landon Lucas provided the go-ahead two-run homer in the eighth, and then threw a perfect ninth inning to nail down the save, his first of the season.

The Braves bullpen of Marcus Locklear, Taylor Batten, Ryan Wells (3-0), and Lucas held the Pacers scoreless over the final 7.1 innings, combining for six strikeouts.

In the second inning, USC Aiken (25-10) would strike first on RBI singles from Johann Rodriguez and Donovan Glisson, while Osmin Melendez capped off the scoring with an RBI double to make it 3-0.

Hayden Davis got the Braves (24-9) on the board in the eighth with a two-out RBI triple, before a USC Aiken error allowed Davis to score and extended the inning. Landon Lucas put the Braves in front 4-3 with a two-run home run to left center.

Lucas had two RBIs and Davis had two hits with an RBI for UNCP.

Rodriguez and Salvatore Laimo had three hits each for USCA. C.J. Lincoln (4-3) took the loss; Brady Dunlop got a no-decision after allowing no earned runs over 7 2/3 innings for the Pacers.

The Black & Gold were in action

Friday as they made the short trek to Florence for a Conference Carolinas series against No. 11 Francis Marion. The result was unavailable at press time.

Offense explodes for Braves softball at Ferrum

The UNC Pembroke softball recorded 30 hits across two games highlighted by five home runs on the day to fuel a sweep over Ferrum on Tuesday afternoon at the Vickie Van Kleek Softball Complex.

Summer Bullard, Kaitlynn Hunt and Alona Hanna each logged a home run for UNCP (27-15, 14-6 Conference Carolinas), while Chloe Locklear finished the day with a pair of homers.

The Braves started the day with 11 hits in the opening game and tacked on three runs in the third inning to defeat the Panthers 6-3. UNCP completed the sweep with nine runs in the third inning and a seven run sixth inning with a 20-8 victory in six innings.

Game one

In the fifth inning, Maggie Cunningham singled through the left side, stole second and scored on a single to left field from Alex Serbio. Emma Wrenn and Hunt both singled to the outfield to put runners on the corners, but a single up the middle from Locklear scored both runners to give the Braves a 5-0 lead.

Ferrum's Kayla Rudd drew a leadoff walk in the bottom of the fifth, moved to second on a groundout and would score on a single from Samantha Smith. Riley Young smacked an RBI double to

right field, followed by an RBI single to the outfield from Carly Constantino to cut the score to 5-3.

Locklear had two hits and three RBIs for UNCP, Hunt had three hits and two RBIs and Wrenn had two hits. Bullard (15-7) earned the win, while Halona Sampson earned her first save.

Constantino and Evans each had two hits for Ferrum (9-27, 2-18 CC), with Constantino driving in one run; Emily Wood (4-8) was the losing pitcher.

Game two

In the third inning of the nightcap, the Braves put runners on the corners after a leadoff walk from Locklear and Maddie Gerovac reached on a fielder's choice. A single up the middle from Cunningham scored both runners, followed by a double from Alona Hanna that scored Cunningham. UNCP would score nine runs on six hits in the inning, including a two-run homer from Locklear and a solo homer from Bullard to take a 12-3 lead.

Locklear had three hits and four RBIs for the Braves, Bullard had three hits and three RBIs, Hanna had four hits, including a homer, and two RBIs, and Cunningham had three hits and three RBIs. Rachel Mori (4-2) was the winning pitcher and Madison Davis earned her first save.

Macie Bell and Sadie Smith each had two RBIs for Ferrum. Constantino (3-13) was the losing pitcher.

The Braves will take a week off before returning to action on April 7 when they trek to Murfreesboro to battle with Chowan. First pitch of the doubleheader is set for 1 p.m. at the Chowan Softball Field.

LOCAL ROUNDUP

Fairmont baseball beats West Bladen

Staff report

FAIRMONT — A five-run fourth inning helped lift the Fairmont Golden Tornadoes to a 7-4 win over Southeastern Athletic Conference visitor West Bladen on Wednesday.

Fairmont (5-8, 2-2 Southeastern) scored one run each in the first and third innings before its five-run fourth. West Bladen (8-6, 1-3 Southeastern) scored one run in the fourth and three in the sixth.

Brylyn Ransom led Fairmont with two hits and three RBIs. Jayden Hunt and Channing Locklear each had one hit, one RBI and one run for the Golden Tornadoes, while Geru Gaddy and Parker Chavis each had one hit and one run. Daquan Moore scored two runs.

Chavis allowed two earned runs on 10 hits with eight strikeouts in 6 1/3 innings; Locklear earned the save.

Weston Hilburn had two hits and three RBIs to lead West Bladen.

Fairmont will face Scotland at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Robeson County Slugfest opener.

Red Springs falls to South Columbus baseball

The Red Springs baseball team dropped a 13-9 decision in Wednesday's home SAC matchup with South Columbus.

South Columbus (7-5, 3-1 SAC) scored four in the first, two in the second, four in the fourth and one run each in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings. Red Springs (6-6, 0-4 SAC) scored three runs in the first, one in the second, three in the fourth and two in the seventh.

Jacoby Lowery had three hits, two runs and four RBIs for Red Springs. Terry Locklear and T.J. Ellerbe each had two hits and scored three runs, while Xzavier Sinclair also scored two hits with one RBI. Shane Jones and Alfredo Martinez-Lowery each had one hit and two RBIs for the Red Devils.

Red Springs faces St. Pauls at 4 p.m. Saturday in the opening round of the Robeson County Slugfest.

St. Pauls baseball slugs past Seventy-First

The St. Pauls baseball team scored in every

inning as the Bulldogs defeated Seventy-First in a five-inning Eastern Sandhills Conference contest on Wednesday.

St. Pauls (7-5, 4-0 ESC) scored two runs in the first, one in the second, two in the third and seven in the fourth. Seventy-First (4-7, 2-2 ESC) scored one run each in the third and fourth innings.

Cailen McNeill had two hits, two runs and three RBIs to lead the St. Pauls offense. Josh Brooks had two hits and three runs with one RBI, Malikah Locklear had one hit and one run and Tyler Lavoie scored two runs.

Cailen McNeill allowed one run on three hits with five strikeouts over four innings pitched, while Cameron McNeill struck out three in a hitless, scoreless inning.

St. Pauls takes on Red Springs at 4 p.m. Saturday to start its Robeson County Slugfest.

West Bladen softball tops Fairmont

The Fairmont softball team lost 11-8 in Wednesday's home SAC matchup with West Bladen.

West Bladen (7-7, 4-0 Southeastern) scored one run in the first, two in the second, three in the fourth, four in the fifth and one in the seventh. Fairmont (4-8, 1-3 Southeastern) scored one in the first, three in the second, two in the fifth and two in the seventh.

Jamey Quinata had three hits, two runs and two RBIs for Fairmont. Kimberleigh Stevens had three hits and two runs, Cecilia Chavis had two hits, two runs and one RBI, Taylor Bullock had two hits, one run and one RBI and Layla Hunt had one hit for the Golden Tornadoes. Makenzi Blackwell and Mary Cummings each had one RBI.

Allison Hickman had three hits and scored

three runs for West Bladen, while Addison Wilcox had three RBIs.

Fairmont faces Scotland at 10 a.m. Saturday to open the Robeson County Slugfest.

St. Pauls dominates Seventy-First softball

A nine-run inning helped propel the St. Pauls softball team past Seventy-First in a 17-2 victory in four innings on Wednesday in ESC play.

After Seventy-First (1-10, 1-3 ESC) scored two first-inning runs, St. Pauls (5-8, 4-0 ESC) scored one run in the first and five in the second before exploding for nine runs in the third and adding two more in the third.

Angel Purcell had three hits, including a home run, and three RBIs for St. Pauls. Aniyah Locklear had three hits, two RBIs, four runs and two steals, De'Anna Lowery had two hits, one RBI and two runs, Aaliyah Brewer had one hit and one RBI, Baylea Hall had one hit and one run and Amier Purcell had one hit, two RBIs and one run. Jerzey Jacobs had two runs and one RBI and Samantha Vargas scored three runs.

Baylea Hall allowed no earned runs on two hits with nine strikeouts in the circle for the Bulldogs.

St. Pauls will face Red Springs at 4 p.m. Saturday in the first round of the Robeson County Slugfest.

Hoke County tops Lady Rams

The Purnell Swett softball team lost 4-2 in non-conference action at Hoke County Wednesday.

Hoke County (11-2) scored three runs in the second and added one in the fourth. Purnell Swett (8-4) scored two runs in the sixth.

Purnell Swett, which is hosting the Robeson County Slugfest, will play its tournament opener at

7 p.m. Saturday against Heide Trask.

Lumberton softball falls to West Brunswick, Hoggard

The Lumberton softball team lost 12-2 in a non-conference road matchup at West Brunswick on Tuesday, and dropped a 6-5 decision Thursday at Hoggard.

West Brunswick (9-3) scored five runs in the first, two each in the second and fourth and three in the fifth. Lumberton (7-6) scored both its runs in the second.

Jayla Hunt and Leea Wilkins each recorded hits for Lumberton. Olivia McLamb drew an RBI walk and Macy Jones also had an RBI.

Kady Long had three hits with four RBIs for the Trojans and Brooke Somers hit a home run and had two RBIs.

The Pirates lost 6-5 in Thursday's nonconference tilt at Hoggard after the Vikings scored two go-ahead runs in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Lumberton (7-7) took a 4-1 lead after a four-run third inning; after Hoggard (7-6) used a two-run third and a one-run fifth to tie the game at 4-4, Lumberton retook the lead at 5-4 with a sixth-inning run. Hoggard took the lead on a two-RBI double by Charlotte Lee to score Brynn Bunn and Mack Cuba.

Lumberton's four-run fourth began with singles by Jaelyn Hammond and Ava Hanna before a two-RBI triple by Charleigh Talton. Leea Wilkins singled to drive in Talton, then Josie Lawson singled to plate Wilkins.

Jayla Hunt, Lawson and Norah Johnson each had two hits for Lumberton, with Hunt and Lawson each driving in one run. Talton had two RBIs and Wilkins had one, with Talton, Wilkins, Hanna and Hammond each recording one hit. Johnson was the

losing pitcher.

Sophie Gee had three hits including a double and a home run and three RBIs for Hoggard. Ava Cook was the winning pitcher and Sydney Perry earned the save.

Lumberton faces East Columbus in the Robeson County Slugfest at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Algeria leads Pirates past Scotland

Anadelay Algeria scored two goals with two assists, helping lead the Lumberton girls soccer team to a 7-2 win over Scotland Wednesday in Laurinburg.

Natalie Oxendine, Brittney Hernandez, Alex Gavaghan, Linsi Campos Padilla and Carliyah Mathis also had goals for the Pirates (7-5, 1-3 Tri-County Conference), with Oxendine adding an assist.

Scotland is 1-11-1 overall and 0-4 in the ESC.

With spring break next week, Lumberton is off until an April 15 matchup at Cape Fear.

Red Springs girls sneak past South Columbus

The Red Springs girls soccer team earned a 3-2 SAC win over South Columbus at home on Wednesday.

Red Springs improved to 5-7 overall and 2-2 in the SAC; South Columbus is 4-6-1 overall and 0-2 in the SAC.

Red Springs travels to West Bladen on April 14.

Lady Rams clipped by Gray's Creek

The Purnell Swett girls soccer team lost 1-0 in Wednesday's TCC home matchup against Gray's Creek.

Kaydyn Deutscher scored the game's only goal for Gray's Creek (5-4-2, 3-1 TCC), assisted by Ayonna Simmons.

Purnell Swett (7-4-1, 1-3 ESC) won't play again until the Rams host Terry Sanford on April 15.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF ETHEL RATHER BULLARD DECEASED
 File Number 26E000305-770

The undersigned having qualified as Executor, of the estate of Ethel Rather Bullard, deceased, late of Robeson County, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of July, 2026, or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 28th day of March, 2026.

Ethel Joy Rather Bullard-Moore
 66 Southfield Rd.
 Lumberton, NC 28360

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS

All persons, firms or corporations having claims against Virginia Lytch Batton, deceased, late of Robeson County, North Carolina, are notified to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before June 21, 2026, or be barred from any recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate are asked to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 21st day of March, 2026.

James H. Batton, Executor of the Estate of Virginia Lytch Batton, Deceased, c/o Katherine H. Davis Attorney for the Estate Huggins, Davis & Associates, LLP
 P.O. Box 1571
 Lumberton, NC 28359

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF JAMES LESTER JOHNSON, DECEASED
 Clerk's File 26E000307-770

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of James Lester Johnson, Deceased, late of Robeson County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to present them to the attorney listed below on or before June 30, 2026, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment to the Estate at the office of the attorney listed below. March 28, 2026

Jerry Lee Johnson and James Theodore Johnson Executors of the Estate of James Lester Johnson

ROBERT E. PRICE ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE P. O. BOX 630 LUMBERTON, NC 28359 910-739-8172

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF BARBARA ANN CHAVIS DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000306-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of BARBARA ANN CHAVIS, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 21st day of MARCH 2026.

PAMELA CHAVIS MAYNOR
 1528 RUSS RD
 LUMBERTON NC 28358

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF BARBARA WINCHESTER DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 25 E 002124-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of BARBARA WINCHESTER, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 14th day of MARCH 2026.

C H R I S T O P H E R WINCHESTER
 9841 ROCKFISH RD
 RAEFORD NC 28376

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF BOBBY DERRICK MOORE DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 25 E 001943-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of BOBBY DERRICK MOORE, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 14th day of MARCH 2026.

PEGGY WILLIAMS WALTERS
 405 JACKSON ST
 FAIRMONT NC 28340

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF DENNIS JAMES SANDERSON DECEASED
 25 E 002182-770

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Dennis James Sanderson, deceased, late of Robeson County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 17th day of JUNE, 2026, or be barred from their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 14th day of March, 2026.

Diane Jones Sanderson Administrator

Brian Brooks
 Hunt & Brooks
 Post Office Box 999
 Pembroke, N.C. 28372
 (910) 521-3413
 (910) 521-1027 (fax)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF EULA ROGERS PERCELL DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000259-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of EULA ROGERS PERCELL, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 21st day of MARCH 2026.

BRENDA CAROL ROBINSON
 1204 WILLIS AVE
 LUMBERTON NC 28358

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF FUSHIA MICHELLE HUNT DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER: 25 E 002205-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of FUSHIA MICHELLE HUNT, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of JULY 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 4th day of APRIL 2026.

CARLA GAIL LOCKLEAR
 2328 WARD STORE ROAD
 FAIRMONT NC 28340

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF HAZEL CARTER DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000296-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of HAZEL CARTER, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 21st day of MARCH 2026.

KIM C JACOBS
 279 LUMBEE AVE
 LUMBERTON NC 28360

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF HERMAN UPCHURCH JR DECEASED
 File Number: 26 E 000356-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of HERMAN UPCHURCH JR, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of JULY 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 4th day of APRIL 2026.

BRITTANY M PARKER
 101 SKIPPER ST
 PROCTORVILLE NC 28375

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF JAMES THOMAS BURNS DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000268-770

The undersigned having qualified as Executor, of the Estate of JAMES THOMAS BURNS, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 14th day of MARCH 2026.

GEORGIANNA F PUGH
 307 ANNA ST
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF JEFFREY ROSS DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER: 26 E 000373-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of JEFFREY ROSS, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of JULY 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 4th day of APRIL 2026.

SHANNON ROSS LEVER
 5960 ROSSER PITTMAN RD
 SANFORD NC 27332

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF LINDA SUE BROOKS MARTIN DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 25 E 002172-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of LINDA SUE BROOKS MARTIN, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 21st day of MARCH 2026.

JAMES WALTER MARTIN III
 208 NORRIS DR
 LUMBERTON NC 28358

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF LIZA BELL TURNER DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000310-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of LIZA BELL TURNER, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

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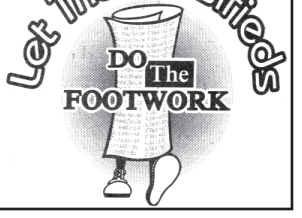
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF MARGRETTE JACOBS MURRAY AKA MARGARET JACOBS MURRAY DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000258-770

The undersigned having qualified as Executor, of the Estate of MARGRETTE JACOBS MURRAY, AKA MARGARET JACOBS MURRAY, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 14th day of MARCH 2026.

DWIGHT MITCHELL MURRAY
 241 REO DR
 ROWLAND NC 28383



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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF NELLIE LEWIS LUPO DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 25 E 002173-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of NELLIE LEWIS LUPO, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 28th day of MARCH 2026

CONNIE BARNES
 1431 BIRCH DR
 SUMMERTON SC 29148

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF SHIRLENE HAMMONDS DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000139-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of SHIRLENE HAMMONDS, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 28th day of MARCH 2026.

ERIC D HAMMONDS
 2698 MT OLIVE CHURCH RD
 LUMBERTON NC 28360

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NORTH CAROLINA ROBESON COUNTY
 Date of Sale: April 15, 2026
 Time of Sale: 10:30 a.m.
 Special Proceedings No. 26SP000011-770 Trustee: Philip A. Glass
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Place of Sale: Robeson County Courthouse Description of Property: See Attached Description Record Owners: Xavier Powell
 Address of Property: 302 Jenkins Street
 Fairmont, NC 28340
 Deed of Trust:
 Book D 2397 Page: 384 Dated: April 11, 2023
 Grantors: Xavier Powell an unmarried person
 Original Beneficiary: State Employees' Credit Union
CONDITIONS OF SALE:
 This sale is made subject to all unpaid taxes and superior liens or encumbrances of record and assessments, if any, against the said property, and any recorded leases. This sale is also subject to any applicable county land transfer tax, and the successful third party bidder shall be required to make payment for any such county land transfer tax. It is the intent of the holder of the above Deed of Trust that the execution, delivery and recordation of a Trustee Deed to the holder as high bidder shall not merge with any superior Deeds of Trust held by the holder of the above Deed of Trust, and that the holder of said superior Deed of Trust shall continue to enjoy all rights and remedies set forth in said superior Deed of Trust, including the right to foreclose either by judicial action or under power of sale contained in the superior Deed of Trust.

The property to be offered pursuant to this Notice of Sale is being offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS." THERE ARE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES relating to the title or to any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale, and any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition are expressly disclaimed. A cash deposit of 5% of the purchase price will be required at the time of the sale. Remote bidding will not be accepted pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Section 45-21.25 (a). Credit bids on behalf of the Noteholder will be accepted. Any successful bidder shall be required to tender the full balance of the purchase price so bid in cash or certified check at the time the Substitute Trustee tenders to him a deed for the property or attempts to tender such deed, and should said successful bidder fail to pay the full balance purchase price so bid at that time, he shall remain liable on his bid as provided for in North Carolina General Statutes Section 45-21.30 (d) and (e). This sale will be held open ten (10) days for upset bids as required by law.

Residential real property with less than 15 rental units, including single-family residential real property: an order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to G.S. 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving notice of sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but not more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.
 Dated: 3/11/2026
 Posted on 3/11/2026
 Philip A. Glass, Trustee Nodell, Glass & Haskell, L.L.P.
 Exhibit A

BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the western edge of an alley, at the point where said alley intersects with the southern edge of Jenkins Street; thence South 2 degrees West 172.1 feet to a stake, the northeast corner of the Wallace Floyd lot; thence with Wallace Floyd's line South 84 degrees West to an old iron stake, the southeast corner of the D. P. Johnson lot see boundary line agreement Book 10-V, page 119; thence as and with D.P. Johnson's line North 0 degree 50 minutes East 175.6 feet to a stake in the southern edge of Jenkins Street North 84 degrees 15 minutes East to the point of beginning.
 Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record, and utility lines and rights of way in existence over, under or upon the above-described property.
 Parcel ID: 300402002
 Property Address: 302 Jenkins St. Fairmont, NC 28340

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF SALLY LOCKLEAR AKA SALLIE LOCKLEAR DECEASED
 FILE NUMBER 26 E 000163-770

The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of SALLY LOCKLEAR AKA SALLIE LOCKLEAR, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

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Staff report

John Haskins Golf Tournament scheduled for April 9

The second annual John Haskins Golf Tournament, to raise money for the UNC Pembroke women's basketball program, will be played on Thursday, April 9 at Pinecrest Country Club.

The tournament is a four-person superball with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. There will be two flights, with prizes in each flight for first and second, and also for closest to the hole on the par 3s and the longest drive.

Entries are \$300 per team or \$75 per individual. The entry fee includes lunch, cart/green fees, one red tee, one mulligan and range balls.

Sponsorships are also available, ranging from \$100 to \$350.

Checks should be made out to: UNCP Foundation/Women's Basketball. For more info contact John Haskins at 910-734-2476 or jhaskins1958@gmail.com.

Pinecrest Country Club news

Roy Williamson and Lonail Locklear were the championship-flight winners in this week's Pinecrest Senior Shootout with a 63, winning a scorecard playoff over runners-up J.D. McGirt and Ray Lowry. Jerry Long and Tommy Belch won the first flight with a 75, beating runners-up Ronnie Chavis and Joe Locklear in a scorecard playoff. Closest to the hole winners were Ben Harris, Ray Lowry, Rusty Patterson and Jerry Long.

The next Senior Shootout will be played Thursday with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The event includes a hot dog lunch and more. Call the pro shop for more info at 910-738-6541.

Things to do while playing golf that will ensure everyone has a good time: repair ball marks, repair divots, rake sand traps, let faster players thru, get a tee time and be on time.

Food for thought: Getting a tee time will ensure you a place on the course.

A choose-up is played each Monday, Wednesday and Friday with a 1 p.m. tee time.

Fairmont Golf Club news

The next Senior Shootout will be played Tuesday with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Send all golf news to Chris Stiles at cstiles@robsonian.com.

Baseball

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scored 13 runs or more; among the team's offensive leaders are Brooks McLean (.357 average, 20 RBIs, two home runs), Adrien Jenerette (.235 average, 18 RBIs, 15 runs), Gage Simmons (.362 average, 18 RBIs, 18 runs), Khari Bowen (.276 average, 16 RBIs, 23 runs) and Braylon Waddell (.367 average, 14 RBIs, 27 runs). Simmons (2.66 ERA) also has 69 strikeouts in 52 2/3 innings pitched, while Jenerette (1.42 ERA) and Demetrius Dexter (3.15 ERA) have also been strong on the mound.

St. Pauls vs. Red Springs

The lone in-county matchup of the Slugfest's first round will pit St. Pauls against Red Springs with a 4 p.m. first pitch.

The rivals were initially not scheduled to play this season until they were matched up in the Slugfest.

"I think we're going to be very excited based on who we're playing in game one — big-time rivalry, Red Springs and St. Pauls is always a good game to see," Red Springs coach Matt Strickland said. "If we ain't excited, now we are."

"It's going to be good competition; they're going to get up and wanting to play, and our guys are going to want to

get up and play against each other," St. Pauls coach Timothy Carter said. "It's not going to be a lax game."

St. Pauls (7-5, 4-0 Eastern Sandhills) has won five straight games.

Carter played in the Slugfest at South Robeson, has coached in it as an assistant, and now will participate as a head coach for the first time.

"It's exciting because, going into it as a player, you want to play against your friends and your family," Carter said. "You're competing against your friends with all the other teams coming into it. ... It was fun getting to coach against my pop and my brother at Purnell Swett, and my dad is helping me at St. Pauls now."

Josh Brooks (.367 average, nine RBIs, 10 runs, six extra-base hits), Zayin Hunt (.310 average, six RBIs, eight runs), Cameron McNeill (.281 average, eight RBIs, six runs) and Cailen McNeill (.226 average, 10 RBIs, nine runs) are among the players to watch offensively for the Bulldogs. The McNeill twins are also key players on the mound, with Cameron McNeill pitching to a 2.47 ERA with 30 strikeouts and Calien McNeill to a 2.95 ERA with 19 strikeouts this season.

St. Pauls reached the Slugfest championship game last year.

Red Springs (6-6, 0-4 Southeastern) has lost its last four games entering the Slugfest

after a 6-2 start.

T.J. Ellerbe (.531 average, seven RBIs, 14 runs, 12 steals), Jacoby Lowery (.500 average, 15 RBIs, nine runs) and Xavier Sinclair (.370 average, four RBIs, 11 runs) are offensive standouts for the Red Devils. Sinclair has pitched the most innings for the Red Devils, with 32 strikeouts in 21 frames.

"If I was a betting man, I'd expect it to be a very good game, probably coming down to the wire," Strickland said. "Both good teams, both have potential to do good things going into the Slugfest."

Purnell Swett vs. Heide Trask

Tournament host Purnell Swett anchors the opening round with a 7 p.m. first pitch against Heide Trask.

Purnell Swett (6-9, 2-4 TCC) has won four of its last five games entering the Slugfest, including a 5-0 win over Clinton on Tuesday.

"Coming in as the host, obviously our expectations is to win it," Rams coach Edmund Locklear said. "That's everybody's goal. We're coming off a good week last week, with three wins. ... Hopefully we can keep it rolling and stay hot through the tournament, keep it going."

Jordan Locklear (.381 average, 10 RBIs), Kade Oxendine (.348 average, 11 RBIs, 13 runs), Mason Brewer (.295 average, 10 RBIs, 14 runs) and Conley Jacobs (.273 average, 12 RBIs, 12 runs) lead the

Rams offensively; Aaron Locklear (3.32 ERA, 30 strikeouts in 25 1/3 innings) and Joseden Oxendine (2.43 ERA, 26 strikeouts in 19 innings) have led the way on the mound.

Heide Trask (5-5, 0-4 East Central) beat American Leadership Academy 16-1 on Wednesday to snap a three-game skid; the majority of the Titans games have been either a lopsided win or a lopsided loss.

"I looked over their schedule; they don't look too strong on paper, but at the end of the day, you've got to go out there and, I'm lining up to pitch my best the first game," Locklear said. "I'll figure it out as we go along. In my mind you just can't throw off and save somebody; I don't want to go to the house with my best horses in the stable. I'm going to play it one game at a time and keep it moving."

Jaden Reece-Murray (.414 average, nine RBIs, 10 runs), Cooper Umland (.357 average, 12 RBIs, eight runs) and Chance Kibbey (.333 average, nine runs) are offensive standouts for Heide Trask. No pitcher has thrown more than 12 2/3 innings for the Titans, but the leaders among that group include Brian Green (2.21 ERA, 14 strikeouts), Brantley Lunsford (3.39 ERA, 16 strikeouts) and Kibbey (4.20 ERA, 18 strikeouts).

Editor Chris Stiles can be reached at 910-416-5847 or by email at cstiles@robsonian.com.

Softball

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matchup of the opening round.

The Red Springs Red Devils have had an up and down start to this season. They won their first two, then lost one, won two, lost one again, and since their last win last Tuesday they've lost four straight to open conference play. Red Springs (5-6, 0-4 Southeastern) wants to get back on the right track with a strong performance in the Robeson County Slugfest.

"We just want to play and let that propel us into our season," Red Springs coach Donnie Carter said. "We're just now starting conference play and here we play some different competition and hopefully we can be competitive and win some games."

Currently sitting at the bottom of the Southeastern conference, The Red Devils want to turn things around in Robeson County's beloved tournament. Since they are only a game under .500 overall, they are not far from being competitive, overall.

"I think (a good tournament) would boost our morale and propel us into conference play," Carter said.

The St. Pauls Bulldogs have come on strong lately with three straight wins after a lackluster start. They'll look to continue their recent solid play with a strong performance in the Robeson County Slugfest.

The Bulldogs (5-8, 4-0 Eastern Sandhills) struggled mightily early on and were outscored 54-5 in their first four games. A 19-9 win after that felt like an isolated game as they lost their next three games, being outscored 50-30.

After that stretch, things began turning around for the Bulldogs, as they won four of their next five, outscoring opponents 82-29 in that time frame.

Angel Purcell continues to leave her mark on the Bulldogs, leading the team in several categories. She has a .667 batting average, .696 on-base percentage and 10 home runs, though she leads the team in several other categories.

St. Pauls will look to continue their recent success with a strong performance in the Robeson County Slugfest.

Attempts to reach Bulldogs

coach Phillip Tyler for this story were unsuccessful.

Purnell Swett vs. Heide Trask

Tournament host Purnell Swett will match up against Heide Trask at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

The Purnell Swett Rams have started the season off well, scoring 130 runs through 12 games, roughly 11 per game. This has helped them to a solid record so far. The Rams (8-4, 4-2 Tri-County) have won four of their last six and have been fairly consistent in their performance.

"I'm excited," Purnell Swett coach Amy Lancaster said. "I think there's a lot of good talent, amazing talent in the county alone, so bringing in those outside schools. I'm just excited for what we're going to bring."

The Rams have several standout players. Kamryn Locklear leads the team with a .553 batting average, a .646 on-base percentage and a 1.17 ERA. Chloe Chavis has been a terror on the basepaths with 10 stolen bases already. Angel Chavis is second on the team with a .469 batting average and has the team's lone home run. "A strong performance

would boost our morale and confidence," Lancaster said. "I just want to drive not only my team but all the girls on each team to be better."

Purnell Swett, the tournament's winningest program with five titles, faces the Heide Trask Titans in the first round of the tournament. Heide Trask (5-2, 2-2 East Central) has won three of its last four and allowed only seven runs in that span. They've also scored 12 runs three times already this year.

Jalyn Reece-Murray is Heide Trask's top hitter with a .538 batting average and .556 on-base percentage. Lauren Hall and Makayla Smith trail her in those categories. Hall has a .462 batting average and a .481 on-base percentage. Smith has a .455 batting average and a .500 on-base percentage.

Taylor Sparkman leads Heide Trask with two home runs, while Madison Peterson and Gia Odom each have one.

Piper Nichols and Dava Bulard have been the team's top pitchers with a 0.91 and 1.17 ERA, respectively.

Jacob Husson can be reached at 910-816-1977 or by email at jhusson@robsonian.com.

LEGALS

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ROBESON NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF SANDRA MCMILLAN TAYLOR AKA SANDRA FAYE TAYLOR DECEASED FILE NUMBER 25 E 001879-770

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TAMMY JACKSON
718 W BRITT ST
SAINT PAULS NC 28384

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This is the 21st day of MARCH 2026.

TALMADGE RAY DIAL
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PEMBROKE NC 28372

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The undersigned having qualified as Administrators, of the Estate of VIVIAN HUNT, deceased, late of ROBESON COUNTY, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of JUNE 2026 or be barred from their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are asked to please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This is the 28th day of MARCH 2026.

MARANDA M HUNT
4351 SHANNON ROAD
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THE SKINNY 100 years ago this month

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The month of April has been home to many historical events over the years. Here's a look at some that helped to shape the world in April 1926.

— The United States House of Representatives votes to impeach District Court Judge George W. English on April 1. Judge English, who was accused of abuse of powers and violation of bankruptcy laws, ultimately resigns on Nov. 4.

— Residents of Watts, California, vote to become part of the city of Los Angeles on April 2. Residents vote 1,338 to 535 in favor of consolidation.

— Warplanes of Manchurian warlord Zhang Zuolin begin bombing portions of Beijing on April 3. The areas targeted by the bombings are areas of the city under the control of the Guominjun paramilitary group.

— The national basketball team of Italy plays its first game on April 4. The team earns a 23-17 victory over the French national team.

— The first recorded death of a person caused by a cassowary is noted in Mossman, Queensland, Australia on April 6. Phillip McClean, the 16-year-old victim, was attacked by the large, flightless bird while he and his brother were trying to kill it.

— Italian Premier Benito Mussolini is shot by Violet Gibson in Rome on April 7. Mussolini is unharmed, and Gibson is ultimately released without charges. However, Gibson is sent to a psychiatric hospital in England, where she remains until her death in 1956.

— The German subsidiary of the Ford Motor Company assembles its first vehicle, a Model T, on April 8.

— Twenty-seven sailors are killed when the United States oil tanker the Gulf of Venezuela explodes as the ship sits in harbor at Port Arthur, Texas, on April 11.

— Walter Johnson of the Washington Senators defeats Eddie Rommel of the Philadelphia Athletics on Opening Day on April 13. The game lasts 15 innings and ends with a score of 1-0.

— Australian politician Frederick McDonald disappears while on his way to a meeting with Jack Lang, the Premier of New South Wales, on April 15. McDonald, who had recently lost a re-election bid to the Australian House of Representatives, challenged the result of that election and

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Hewitt completes Eagle Scout project

Victoria Sanderson
The Robesonian

LUMBERTON — Seventeen-year-old Colin Hewitt has completed his Eagle Scout project, earning him the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America program, and the Lumberton native will have his Eagle Court of Honor on April 9.

Hewitt joined the scouting program at age 5 after being drawn to the Cub Scouts summer camp's activities, his interest only boosted by his peers' desire to join as well, and has continued with the program for the past twelve years.

During his time in the scouting program, Hewitt has earned a total of 53 merit badges, far more than the 21 required for the Eagle Scout rank, which will also earn him six Eagle Palms; one Palm for every five badges beyond the required 21.

Eagle Palms are how Eagle Scouts continue to earn merit in the scouting program after achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, and can be awarded up to every three months after their Eagle Court of Honor and any initial Palms they may receive then.

Throughout his many experiences earning merit badges, Hewitt's favorite was one he pursued not out of necessity but out of passion: the Railroading Merit Badge.

"Trains and railroads have always been a passion of mine," Hewitt said, "especially living 30 seconds from the tracks.



Hewitt

Ever since I was tiny, I've wanted to ride trains, see them, visit the station and be involved with anything trains."

Marsha McKenna, Hewitt's mother, said that from a young age, he had little interest in the toys other children played with, preferring model trains and learning the history of each one he could find.

"He would take his money and buy these trains that look like nobody would want them," McKenna said, "but he would see this value in them, and he could tell you every little history thing about them. And then, as we toured the United States as a family, he had to stop at all the train stations, and he could tell you the history from start to finish."

Hewitt earned his Railroading Merit Badge in 2020 with the help of the Wilmington Railroad Museum. When he was ready for his Eagle Scout project, the last step he needed to complete before earning



Contributed photo | Marsha McKenna

Colin Hewitt, and Wilmington Railroad Museum staff, right, stand with the train phone box Hewitt restored for his Eagle Scout project.

the rank, he turned back to the museum, hoping they could help him once again.

"The project was restoring an old train phone box," said McKenna. "There's a piece on it that was patented in 1920, but it was a train phone that the crew would use to deliver messages, load times and keep schedules running."

Hewitt and his mother brought the phone box home from the museum, and over several months, he slowly but surely brought it back to life.

"I work in heating and air with my stepdad, Lucky," Hewitt said, "and that helped me a lot with bending the roof back into shape because it was made of metal. I had to know carpentry to fix up the wood, and I needed to learn how to paint."

After the months of hard work, Hewitt returned the box to the museum, where it is now on display with a real 1915 Dispatch Telephone displayed inside.

When he finishes high school, Hewitt hopes to begin working with the

North Carolina train system, fulfilling the dream he's chased since childhood.

"Trains are something that connects every culture," Hewitt said. "You can go to any country, and they'll have trains, even if it's just one railway. No matter where you go, someone there knows trains."

Hewitt's Eagle Court of Honor will be held on April 9 at the East Lumberton Baptist Church.

Contact Victoria Sanderson at vsanderson@robsonian.com

Great gift ideas for retirees

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Millions of working professionals may feel as though retirement is a long way off. But data suggests retirement may be a lot closer than many people believe. According to separate findings from the Employee Benefit Research Institute and the Transamerican Center for Retirement Studies, the average worker in the United States retires at 62.

Regardless of which country professionals call home, retirement is a milestone moment worthy of celebration. Retirees may have their own private celebrations planned, but loved ones can still make this notable moment in a person's life more meaningful with the right gift.

— Luggage: Give a nod to many retirees' stated desire to travel more in retirement by gifting some new luggage. Hard shell luggage is particularly durable, which may be especially useful for individuals who plan to become jetsetters now that they no longer have to work. Personalize the gift by having the recipient's initials monogrammed onto the new luggage.

— Chef's knives: Another goal many people have upon retir-



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ing is to fine-tune their culinary skills. Some feel a chef is only as good as his cutlery, so the gift of a professional chef knife set can get retirees on the road to crafting delicious, top-notch meals.

— Reading chair: Many working adults lament that they have little time to read, a common refrain that no longer applies once professionals retire. A brand new comfortable reading chair can make an ideal gift for retirees with a

bucket list of books to get through now that they have plenty of time to read for pleasure.

— Ergonomic gardening tools: Ergonomic gardening tools are easy on the joints and tailor-made for new retirees who now have plenty of time to invest in their gardens and landscapes. Pair the tools with a cushioned kneeling pad and sturdy gardener's gloves and retirees will have all they need to get to work in the great

outdoors.

— Photo albums: Anyone with a smartphone is familiar with the notion that great pictures are routinely snapped but easily forgotten thanks to the ease of taking photographs in modern life. Some high-end photo albums can encourage retirees to take a stroll down Memory Lane as they pick and choose memorable photographs to include in their new books.

— Exercise gear: Some comfortable and UV-resistant exercise gear and outerwear can be just what retirees need to comfortably enjoy a more active lifestyle. Hoodies and joggers designed for comfort and protection against the elements are ideal for retirees who love the great outdoors.

Retirement is a milestone moment in life that can be made even better with the right gift.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EDITOR'S NOTE: Send your Community Calendar items to Editor Chris Stiles at cstyles@robsonian.com.

In Ya Faith Ministries Easter Egg Hunt, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 4: The In Ya Faith Ministries nonprofit is hosting an easter egg hunt for the children of Robeson County at Cukaberry Farms in Fairmont. Alongside the egg hunt, the event will have live entertainment, food trucks and various local vendors.

My Time to Shine, 7 p.m., April 11: The very popular and competitive competition, held at the Carolina Civic Center in downtown Lumberton, will feature approximately 20 contestants competing in all categories of talent, from singing and dancing to instrumental and more. The winner of this year's competition will receive a \$1,000 cash prize, with second place receiving \$500 and third place \$250. Additionally, a People's Choice Award will be chosen based on ticket sales for each contestant and donations made during purchase checkout.

Southern Touch Craft Show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 11: Southeastern NC Agricultural Events Center is hosting a Southern Touch Craft Show. Join all and shop from all the handcrafted artisans. Tickets in advance are \$5, and kids under 12 are admitted free.

Spring Fling, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 11: It's Spring at His & Hers Greenhouse! Shop with vendors, ride the Barrel Train, win a prize and buy plants and garden supplies for the new growing season. The festival is an annual event, so enjoy a day outside with family and friends.

Bunco Bash, 6 p.m., April 17: The Lumberton Woman's Club is sponsoring a Bunco Bash, a fundraiser for the Rape Crisis Center of Robeson County. Purchase advance tickets only by emailing your request to LumbertonWC@gmail.com. No experience needed to play, as instructions will be provided. Fantastic prizes provided for the winners! Drinks & Snacks are available for purchase. Tickets are \$10 each. The event is in the church's fellowship hall.

Glow Run, 7 p.m., April 17: The Robeson Road Runners invite you to a free event. The Glow Run is a 5K and a 1-mile fun run. Assemble at the pavilion by the Silo at Raymond B. Pennington Park @ 7:00 p.m. Enjoy!

Cowboy Mounted Shooting, 9 a.m., April 17: Details to be announced! The Cowboys and Cowgirls are competing at the Southeastern NC Agricultural Events Center.

Cruise In, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., April 18: Jack Pait Strawberry Farm is hosting its First Annual Cruise In. Antique cars, maybe a tractor or two and free food. Check out this inaugural event. Enjoy the friendly and welcoming atmosphere at the farm.

Rob Cole - Carter's Restaurant, 7 p.m., April 18: Enjoy an evening of live music with Rob Cole. Munch some delicious food, relax and enjoy the evening. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and the concert starts at 8:15 p.m. Carter's Restaurant is located at Pinecrest Country Club.

Soul Serenade, 7 p.m., April 18: Take a choral journey through the 70's and 80's with Damion Murrill & Friends. Wear your best 70's and 80's outfit to the event. Space is limited, and pre-sale tickets are required as tickets will not be available at the door. For more information, call 910-317-0372. Tickets are \$30 each.

Spring Fling, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., April 18: Spring is here at the Oasis, a Spring Fling event with vendors, food and lots of fun. Entry is \$10. The petting zoo is available during the Spring Fling, so book it in advance.

DIY & Unwind, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., April 22: The Robeson County Public Library is hosting an adult crafting event. Be creative and make a stamped tea towel. All supplies are provided; just show up and enjoy making the project. Call 910-738-4859 for more details.

Always A Bridesmaid, 7 p.m., April 24: SAVE THE DATES! April 24, 25, 26 and May 1, 2 and 3. Times of performances to be released soon! Purple Door Productions is presenting this hilarious comedic romp, in which four friends have sworn to keep the promise they made on the night of their Senior Prom: to be in each other's weddings ... no matter what. More than thirty years later, these Southern friends-for-life are still making "the long walk" for each other, determined to honor that vow. This is a laugh-out-loud comedy that will definitely entertain.

Forever Motown, 7:30 p.m., April 24: Forever Motown is a celebration of Motown's influence and impact on popular music, with a focus on the beloved songs and performances of artists like The Four Tops, The Temptations, The Supremes, Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye, and more.

PET OF THE WEEK



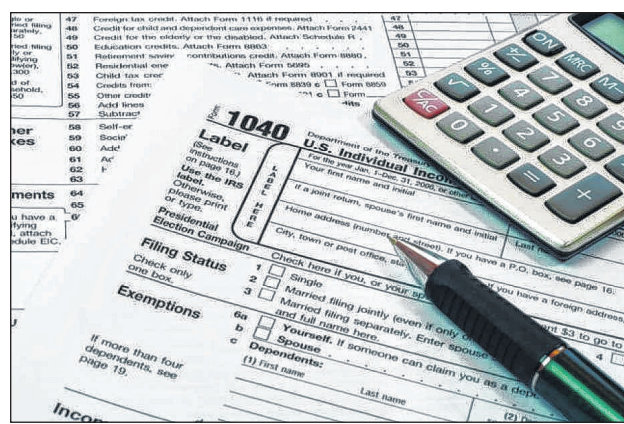
Meet Lala. This gentle girl is as sweet as they come. Her favorite thing is belly rubs and just wants affection from her humans. She would thrive in a home with someone who wants to cuddle all the time. Lala is up for adoption at the Robeson County Humane Society. For more information, contact the Robeson County Humane Society, 3180 West Fifth Street, Lumberton, 910-738-8282.

Documents to gather for tax prep

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Spring is synonymous with many things. While spring blooms and the sense of rejuvenation they inspire might be the first thought to come to mind when pondering spring, this beloved time of year also serves as tax season. As Americans prepare their income tax returns, the Internal Revenue Services offers this guide to what taxpayers will need to file successfully.

Personal information
 — Social Security number (SSN) or individual tax ID number (ITIN): The IRS issues an ITIN, which is always a nine-digit number, to taxpayers who are not eligible for an SSN.
 — Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposits (refunds) or debits (for taxes you owe)
 — Your adjusted gross income and exact refund amount for last year's



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return
 — Your name on record with the Social Security Administration
 — Your current address
 — Your self-select PIN (for taxpayers who e-filed last year)
 — Your identify protection (IP) PIN if you received one from the IRS: This is a six-digit number that prevents someone else from filing a tax return using your SSN or ITIN.
Forms
 — W-2 or a corrected W-2 showing wages from

employers
 — Form W-2G for lottery and gambling winnings
 — Forms 1099: There are numerous forms 1099 that show various types of income, and taxpayers will need to include any that reflect income they have earned that is not indicated on a W-2 or W-2G
Documents for credits or deductions
 — Childcare or dependent care expenses
 — Home mortgage and property tax records

— Donations to charity
 — Health savings account or flexible spending account contributions
 — Health care expenses (the IRS notes special rules apply for anyone hoping to itemize health care expenses as deductions)
 — Retirement contributions
 — Receipts for books, tuition and other education expenses (for teachers and students)

Documents from side jobs and self-employment
 — Statements from banks, payment apps, card processors, or online marketplaces
 — Checks paid to you
 — Receipts and mileage logs for travel, gift and car expenses
 — Records of deductible office expenses
 — Estimated tax payments
 — Other business income and expense records

History

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asked that his opponent, Thomas Ley, be removed from office. McDonald's disappearance is never solved, and Ley is later convicted of the murder of John Mudie in 1947.
 — Canadian distance runner Johnny Miles wins the Boston Marathon on April 19. The marathon marked the first time Miles had competed in

a race of more than 10 miles.
 — Elizabeth II is born to the Duchess of York and the Duke of York on April 21 in London. Elizabeth grows up to serve as Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, a reign that begins in 1952 and lasts until her death in 2022.
 — Germany and the Soviet Union sign the Treaty of Berlin on April 24. Each country pledges neutrality in the event

of attack on the other by a third party within the ensuing half decade.
 — The Pahlavi dynasty begins in Iran on April 25 when Reza Khan is formally crowned the Shah of Iran.
 — Illinois prosecutor William H. McSwiggan is killed during a shootout involving Al Capone and Jack McGurn on April 27. Capone and McGurn did not know McSwiggan was in the car of a rival gang at the time of the shootout.

— African American pilot Bessie Coleman plunges 600 feet to her death while preparing for an air show in Jacksonville, Florida, on April 30. Prior to flying, Coleman had been urged not to pilot the aircraft, which friends and family did not deem safe. Coleman insisted on flying, and an examination of the wreckage of the aircraft after the crash found that a wrench used to service the engine had jammed the controls.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Advanced

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

PUZZLES & GAMES

CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to fishing. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 1 = A)

A. 15 21 1 4
Clue: Rides on water

B. 9 1 4 9 7
Clue: Nab

C. 15 1 3 4
Clue: Lures in

D. 2 3 18 19 20 5
Clue: Heavy item

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to fishing.

TCKAEL

Answer: Tackle

GUESS WHO?

I am an actress born in Florida on April 2, 2002. One of my earliest roles was in the television series "The Glades," and I've had a few roles in films. These days I can be found "wolfing out" in a popular Netflix series opposite my macabre roommate.

Answer: Emma Myers

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to parks.

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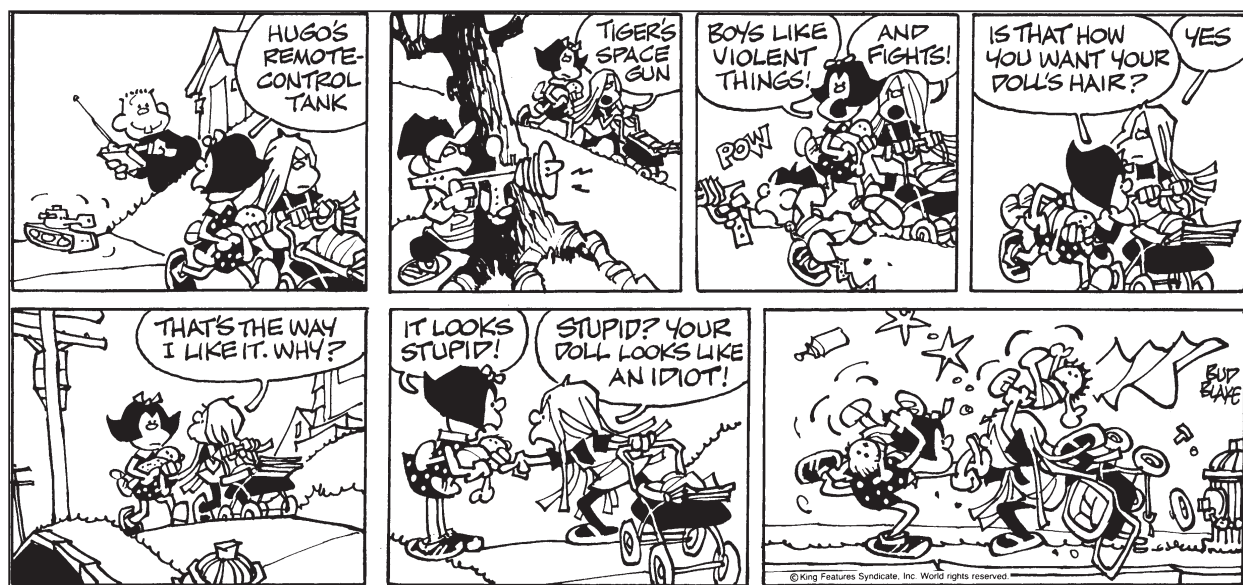
Answer: Baseball

SUDOKU ANSWER

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TIGER

By Bud Blake



GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Wagner



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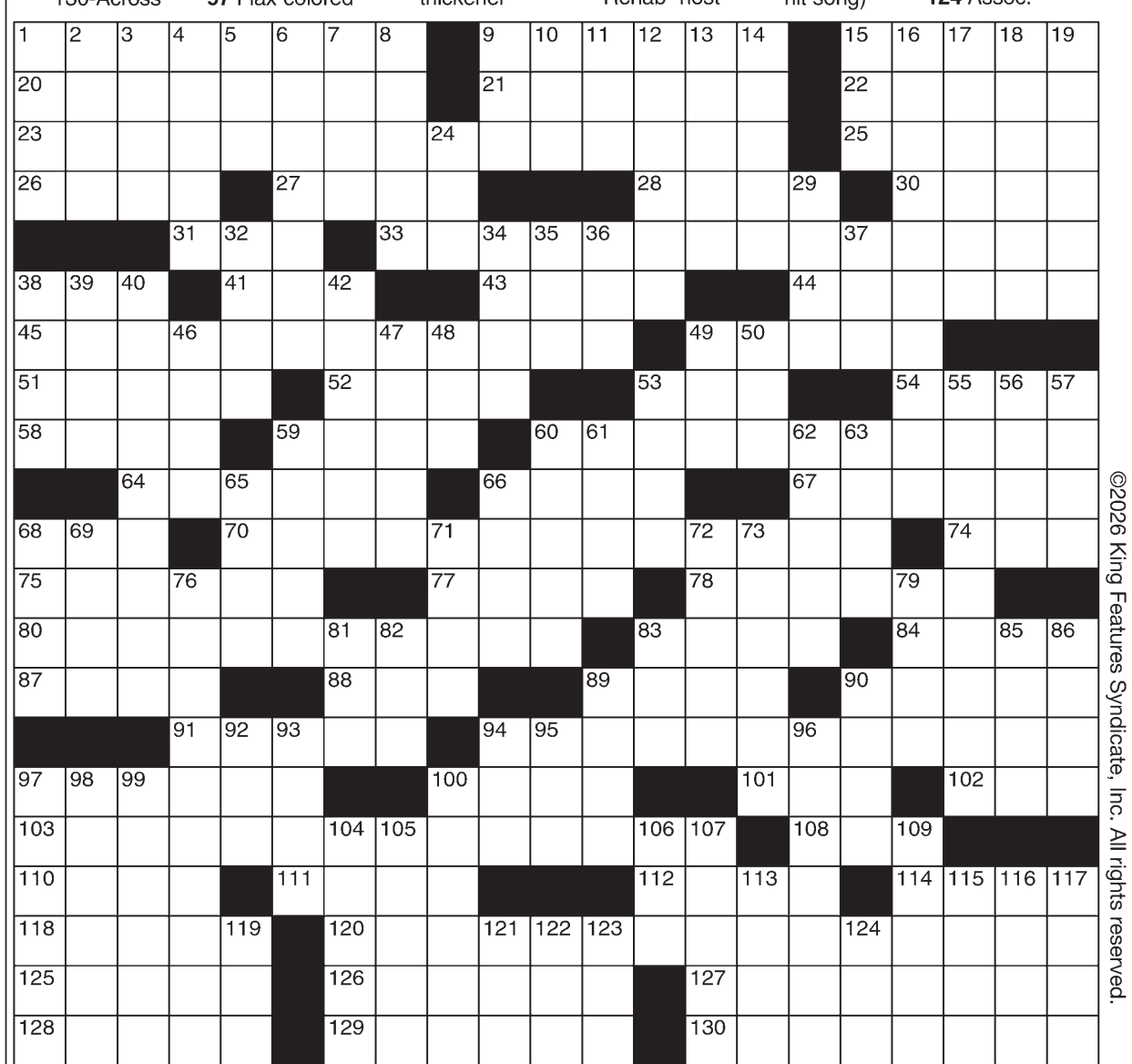
By Jim Keefe



FEAR & KNOT By: rj Johnson. A crossword puzzle with a grid and a list of words to unscramble: EAC, IPIRAM, GREDI, TPSE, PADMEC, OTR, SEPA, ERDTE, PNI, SPACUM, TOPNI, IRNE. The puzzle includes a grid with some letters filled in and a list of words to be placed into the grid.

Super Crossword LANGUAGE GROUP

- ACROSS: 1 Knee, elbow or shoulder problem; 9 Pop's Easton; 15 Koranic faith; 20 Make hostile; 21 "Omoo" writer Melville; 22 Cheese, in Chihuahua; 23 Instruments such as maracas and congas; 25 Slow-moving mollusk; 26 "Little" girl in "Hairspray"; 27 Comment just after waking; 28 Certain Fed; 30 "Nuts!"; 31 Angry rock subgenre; 33 Loose-skinned citrus fruit; 38 Upper-left PC key; 41 Anxious condition, for short; 43 Tranquillity; 44 City in Ohio; 45 Famed ethnic fighters; 49 Uncool character; 51 Big melees; 52 Pop's Celine; 53 See 130-Across; 54 Gas brand in Canada; 58 Speller's clarifying words; 59 Mrs., in Essen; 60 Rembrandt, Vermeer or Hals; 64 Hush-hush; 66 Horse father; 67 Like galaxies; 68 "Well now!"; 70 Alternative to Kool-Aid or Hi-C; 74 One or more; 75 Israelites'; 77 Makes illegal; 78 To a great degree; 80 The Bollywood film industry; 83 "Ask — questions ..."; 84 Self-motivation mantra; 87 Snow vehicle; 88 Bumped into; 89 "Je t'—" ("I love you," in Paris); 90 Tranquillity; 91 Skip off to the altar; 94 Adar, Nisan and Tishri; 97 Flax-colored; 100 Precious; 101 Pine- (disinfectant); 102 Match unit; 103 5 and 10, but not V and X; 108 Rejections; 110 Short note; 111 Bandleader Amaz; 112 LAX listings; 114 Gp. for people 50 and up; 118 Intermingle; 120 Apt directive for solvers of this puzzle; 125 Debate topic; 126 "Pata Pata" singer; 127 Frat party dispensers; 128 Make fun of; 129 Mystery; 130 With 53-Across, section of the northern Atlantic; 7 Bullet point; 8 Blood fluid; 9 Mu — shrimp; 10 "— So Fine"; 11 Lifesaving sites, in brief; 12 Political exile; 13 2020 U.S. Open winner; 14 Former U.N. chief Kofi; 15 Mensa stats; 16 Most fancy duds; 17 Found out, to Brits; 18 Italian cheese; 19 Liquefied by heat; 24 IRS hiree; 29 Central point; 32 Cuts, as a lawn; 34 Sign gas; 35 — es Salaam, Tanzania; 36 Pack-carrying equine; 37 Actress Issa or Charlotte; 38 Blogger Klein; 39 "Je —" ("I am," in Paris); 40 Decorative enamelware; 42 "Celebrity Rehab" host; 46 — Reader (magazine); 47 Rodeo lasso; 48 Debt note; 49 Jan. preceder; 50 Infant's cry; 53 Stair part; 55 Lost tabbies; 56 Oscar winner Penn; 57 Paris airport; 59 Swiss money; 60 Entertainer Ross or Rigg; 61 Banquet liquid holders; 62 PC shortcut; 63 Tennis; Arthur; 65 Indian tea; 66 Old Thailand; 68 Folkie Phil; 69 Hard rain; 71 "Likely story!"; 72 "I volunteer!"; 73 "I haven't gotten word yet"; 76 Extra benefit; 79 Legal claim on property; 81 Little demon; 82 Originally named; 83 Former space station; 85 Nagging pain; 86 Bird's refuge; 89 "— Ca-Dabra" (1974 hit song); 90 Sport played on horseback; 92 Maui gift; 93 Like much music of the '90s; 94 Bit of a giggle; 95 Corn serving; 96 Godzilla or Grendel; 97 Stratagem; 98 Ultimatum ending; 99 City near San Diego; 100 Mendeleev who created the periodic table; 104 Self-description after a lifestyle change; 105 Runner Bolt; 106 Zodiac lion; 107 Ticket ends; 109 Decaf brand; 113 General site; 115 A long time; 116 Floor decor; 117 Mexican money; 119 Inferior grade; 121 Smoked thing, for short; 122 Omelet meat; 123 Sumac of song; 124 Assoc.



MAGIC MAZE • HAPPY

A word search puzzle titled 'MAGIC MAZE • HAPPY'. The grid contains letters and some words are circled, including 'EASTER'. A list of words to find is provided: Camper, Chance, Couple, Days, Easter, Ever after, Face, Holiday, Hour, Hunting ground, Memories, New Year, Returns, Thoughts, Valley. The puzzle includes a grid with letters and a list of words to be found.

GO FIGURE!

A logic puzzle titled 'GO FIGURE!'. It features a grid of numbers and arithmetic signs (+, -, ×, ÷) that must be placed in the grid to satisfy the equations. The puzzle includes a grid with numbers and arithmetic signs and a list of equations to be solved.

Today's Solutions

A collection of solutions for various puzzles, including a crossword puzzle grid with words filled in, a logic puzzle grid, and a word search grid. The solutions are provided for the puzzles in the previous sections.

HEALTH FAQ

A less invasive way to treat many health problems: Interventional Radiology at UNC Health Southeastern

LUMBERTON — Imagine being able to treat certain medical problems without large incisions or traditional surgery. That's the promise of interventional radiology, a modern approach that uses advanced imaging technology to guide tiny instruments inside the body.

Instead of making large surgical cuts, interventional radiologists use real-time X-ray, CT scans, or ultrasound to see inside the body and carefully guide small tools through a tiny opening in the skin. For many patients, this means less pain, fewer risks, and a faster recovery compared to traditional open surgery.

Benefits for patients

Minimally invasive procedures performed in interventional radiology can offer several advantages, including:

- Quicker recovery times
- Less pain
- Shorter hospital stays
- Lower overall costs
- Reduced risk of complications

Many procedures can even be done on an outpatient basis, allowing patients to return home the same day.

A wide range of procedures

The interventional radiology team at UNC Health Southeastern works closely with primary care providers, surgeons, and oncologists to diagnose and treat many conditions.

Common procedures include:

- Image-guided biopsies of the breast, lungs, or organs in the abdomen
- Draining fluid that builds up around the lungs or abdomen
- Placing stents to help keep important pathways in the body open
- Pain-relief procedures such as epidurals or joint injections

In some cases, interventional radiologists can also place a small tube to help relieve blockages in the kidney or manage drainage from the gallbladder or other organs. If a drainage tube has already been placed and needs to be replaced or exchanged, many of these procedures can be handled locally.

Helping patients recover at home

For certain conditions, doctors can place special catheters that allow fluid to drain at home, reducing the need for repeated trips to the hospital while a patient is recovering.

Patients undergoing chemotherapy may also need a device called a mediport, which allows powerful medications to be delivered safely without damaging blood vessels. This small device can be implanted in the body through a minimally invasive procedure performed in the hospital's interventional radiology suite.

High-quality care close to home

UNC Health Southeastern offers these services in a dedicated interventional radiology suite, bringing advanced treatment options to the local community.

Because these procedures are minimally invasive, many patients recover faster and return to their normal activities sooner. If you believe interventional radiology may help with a health concern, talk with your primary care physician about whether a referral to UNC Health Southeastern's interventional radiology team may be right for you.

Receiving advanced care close to home can make treatment easier, more convenient, and less stressful for patients and their families.

Jeffrey Zapawa, MD, is the medical director for UNC Health Southeastern's radiology department. In addition to offering services you'd expect from a community healthcare system, UNC Health Southeastern provides a number of specialized services that are unique to our system and not available anywhere else in the region. To schedule an appointment, call our referral line at 984-974-CARE. To learn more, visit UNCHealthSE.org.



The waiting room at Planned Parenthood's Winston-Salem clinic, which provides abortion care.

Rachel Crumpler | NC Health News

With stricter laws across the Southeast, NC remains an access point for abortion care

Rachel Crumpler
NC Health News

Despite a stricter abortion law that took effect in July 2023 — limiting most procedures in North Carolina to 12 weeks of pregnancy and requiring two in-person appointments separated by a 72-hour waiting period — the Tar Heel state is still a key access point for abortion care in the Southeast.

For the third consecutive year, North Carolina served the second-highest number of out-of-state patients in the country — behind only Illinois — according to a new report on national abortion volumes.

Of the nearly 48,000 abortions provided in North Carolina in 2025, more than one in three — about 37% — were for people traveling from states where they were no longer able to get them, according to estimates released last week by the Guttmacher Institute, a national organization that tracks trends in reproductive health.

That amounts to 17,890 abortions obtained by out-of-state residents in 2025, up from an estimated 16,220 in 2023 and 17,120 in 2024.

In 2020, before more restrictions on abortion access were added to state law, North Carolina had a total of 31,850 procedures.

The share of abortions for out-of-state patients has held steady at just over one-third since 2023 — more than double the 17 percent of patients who came from elsewhere in 2020.

That demand reflects North Carolina's geography: It's the closest option for many people in the South. Most other states have either near-total bans or do not allow abortion past six weeks in pregnancy — a point at which many women don't yet know they're pregnant.

"North Carolina remains a really critical access point, particularly in the Southeast," said Guttmacher Institute data scientist Isaac Maddow-Zimet, who leads the organization's Monthly Abortion Provision Study. "That's really clear from this data — that it's playing a really critical role for folks who want or need in-person care. We saw that role accelerate after Florida's six-week ban [took effect in May 2024] and it seems to be sustained in 2025."

The sustained level of travel to North Carolina is somewhat surprising, Maddow-Zimet said, given the state's 72-hour waiting period

and requirement for two in-person appointments, which can be challenging logistical hurdles on top of long travel distances. Nationwide, interstate travel for abortion is declining, according to Guttmacher data: In 2025, about 142,000 people traveled across state lines to obtain an abortion — down from 154,000 in 2024 and 170,000 in 2023.

"It's really notable that there's still so many people traveling to North Carolina," Maddow-Zimet said. "For many folks in Florida and in other states in the Southeast, North Carolina is just the place that they have to go to get in-person clinic care, and it's by no means close for a lot of people. For somebody living in Florida, it could be a trip of 500 miles or more."

While many patients travel for care to states that are less restrictive than where they live, others are increasingly turning to telehealth for medication abortion as the way people get abortion care has shifted since the Supreme Court's June 2022 Dobbs decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*.

Growth of abortion via telehealth

Nationwide, there were an estimated 1,126,000 clinician-provided abortions in 2025, according to Guttmacher — the most provided in the United States since 2009, though still well below the historical peak of about 1.6 million in 1990. The Guttmacher numbers undercut the total number of abortions because they do not include self-managed abortions — people using medications at home without initiating contact with the health care system.

While the majority of these abortions occurred in person, a growing share were obtained through telehealth from clinicians in states with telehealth shield laws. Eight states — including California, Massachusetts and Colorado — have laws that explicitly protect clinicians using telehealth to provide abortion pills to patients in states that have total abortion bans or other restrictions.

In December 2021, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration eased restrictions on the abortion medication mifepristone by eliminating the in-person dispensing requirement. That change expanded access, including by allowing the drug to be mailed. (Studies show that abortion provided through telehealth is as safe as in-person care.)

Angel Foster, founder of The Massachusetts Medication Abortion Access Project, is a shield law provider. The organization mails a two-drug abortion regimen to patients up to 11 weeks after their last menstrual period in all 50 states — including North Carolina — after a licensed clinician reviews medical information.

The organization operates on a pay-what-you-can model, with a minimum payment of \$5.

"There is this sort of assumption that it's an automated thing — that people are just sending pills to everyone — but there's actually a whole process that's happening that's very much akin to what happens when you get in-person care," Foster said. "It's what's happening within a lot of different fields of telemedicine, not just abortion care."

In the first six months of 2025, 27 percent of the 591,770 abortions obtained in the U.S. health care system were provided through telehealth, according to the latest #WeCount report, an abortion data collection effort led by the Society of Family Planning. By June 2025, nearly 15,000 abortions per month were provided under shield laws, accounting for more than half of total telehealth abortions.

North Carolinians are among those using telehealth shield law protections. It's the only way for patients in the state to access telehealth abortion care, since state law adds restrictions beyond the FDA's rules, requiring all medication abortion pills to be dispensed in person by a physician after a 72-hour waiting period and state-mandated counseling.

In the first six months of 2025, about 18 percent of total abortions in North Carolina were obtained by telehealth through shield law providers, according to #WeCount data.

The number of patients getting care this way has steadily increased since July 2023 — when the state's stricter abortion law took effect. That month, 250 telehealth abortions were reported. By June 2025, the monthly number had grown to 730.

"It's becoming even more attractive as a mode of care, because it's so much less expensive and less onerous than in-clinic abortion care," Foster said. "It's so much more affordable than traveling out of state to a brick-and-mortar facility somewhere

else if you're in a state with a near-total ban or a gestational age restriction."

Since launching in September 2023, Foster said demand has continued to grow. The organization serves 3,000 to 3,500 patients a month, including 130-140 from North Carolina, she told NC Health News.

"We can't care for people who age out of the 12-week ban," Foster said. "So for us, the patients that we're seeing from North Carolina want telemedicine care because that's their preferred model. It could be that it's less expensive, and it may be that folks are having a difficult time accessing brick-and-mortar facilities."

A shifting abortion landscape

Though the role of telemedicine in abortion care continues to grow, Foster said that in-person options are still vital.

"There are always patients who are going to need to go to a brick-and-mortar facility — whether that's patients in the first trimester of care who aren't eligible for medication abortion, or really don't want a medication abortion, and certainly for patients who are beyond the first trimester — especially as we get into later gestational ages," Foster said. "With this shift towards telemedicine, how can we make sure that we still protect and fortify our clinics so that we have that as a continued part of the landscape?"

North Carolina has just over a dozen abortion clinics spread over nine counties offering in-person abortion care. Still, some North Carolinians travel to Virginia or other states with broader access — including in cases of fetal anomalies, in which North Carolina's law isn't clear-cut.

According to Guttmacher data, 2,250 North Carolinians traveled to Virginia for abortion in 2024, making it the most frequent out-of-state destination. The number of North Carolinians who sought care there in 2025 has not yet been released, though providers say Virginia is still a key option because it does not have a waiting period and allows abortion through the second trimester of pregnancy.

"Everybody's situation is really specific and unique, and people are weighing a lot of complicated factors when they're deciding whether they're going to travel for care or whether they access care through telehealth," Maddow-Zimet said.

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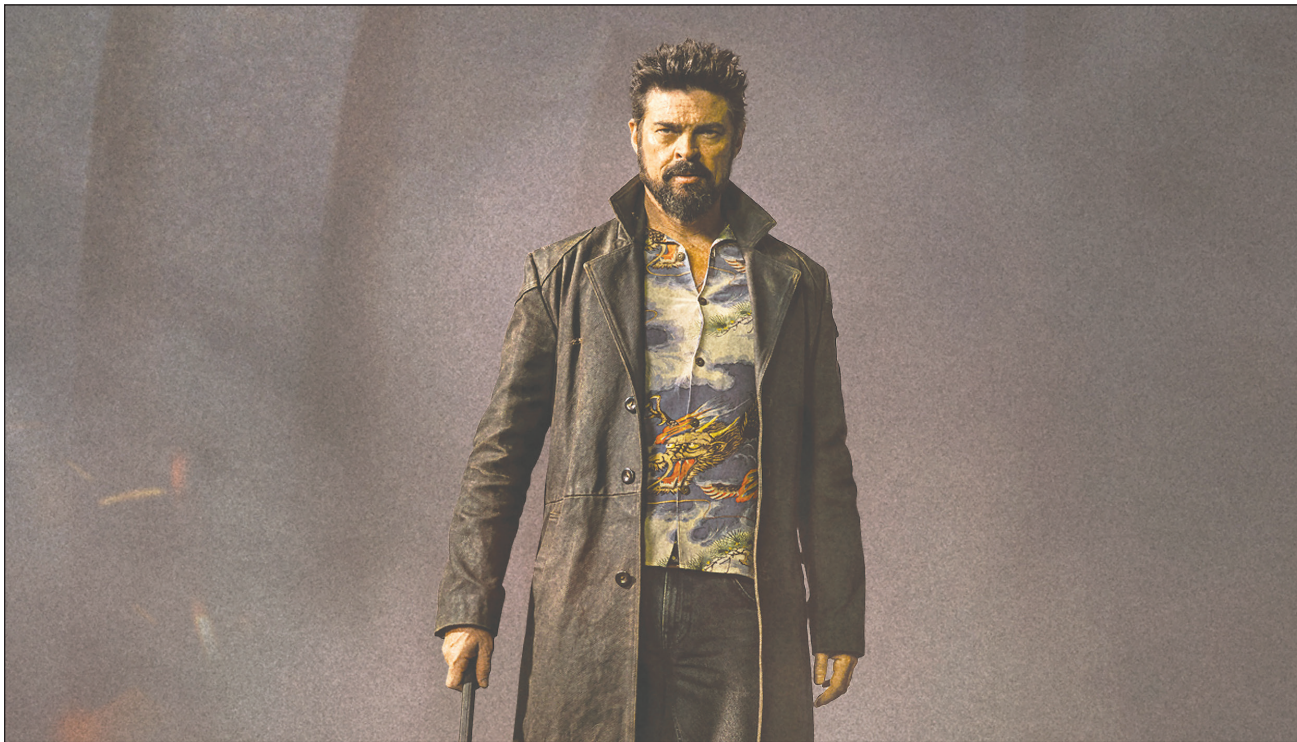
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Bye-bye, 'Boys': Prime Video superheroes bid farewell in Season 5



Karl Urban stars in "The Boys"

By Dana Simpson
TV Media

Just as there comes a time when we all need a hero, there also comes a time when our heroes must bid us adieu. After seven years and what will be 40 episodes throughout its run, Prime Video's "The Boys" is going out with a bang.

Join the action when the fifth and final season of "The Boys" premieres with a two-episode drop Wednesday, April 8, on Prime Video. Subsequent episodes will air weekly until the series finale Wednesday, May 30.

According to the official description offered by Prime, "The Boys" is an irreverent take on what happens when superheroes, who are as pop-

ular as celebrities, as influential as politicians and as revered as gods, abuse their superpowers rather than use them for good. It's the powerless against the super powerful as The Boys embark on a heroic quest to expose the truth about 'The Seven' and their formidable Vought backing."

At its core, "The Boys" is a vigilante story that tackles themes of corporate greed, misplaced power and the weaponization of human beings, while posing the question of where one's civic responsibility begins and ends in the face of large-scale corruption. Headed toward its culmination point, the action series — which is also not without its share of comedic moments — gets darker as Homelander (Antony Starr, "Outrageous Fortune") con-

trols America through fascist terror, imprisoning dissenters in Freedom Camps.

"It's Homelander's world, completely subject to his erratic, egomaniacal whims," reads the Season 5 description on Prime's press site. "Hughie [Jack Quaid, "Companion," 2025], Mother's Milk [Laz Alonso, "My Dad the Bounty Hunter"] and Frenchie [Tomer Capone, "Fauda"] are imprisoned in a Freedom Camp. Annie [Erin Moriarty, "Jessica Jones"] struggles to mount a resistance against the overwhelming Supe force. Kimiko [Karen Fukuhara, "The Boy and the Heron," 2023] is nowhere to be found.

"But when Butcher [Karl Urban, "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King," 2003] reappears, ready and willing to use a virus that will wipe all Supes off the map," the description continues, "he sets in motion a chain of events that will for-

ever change the world and everyone in it."

Homelander has been the villain throughout the entire series thus far, but online discussion per ComicBook.com suggests that perhaps things aren't all they appear to be as the series comes to a close, especially when considering how closely the television adaptation has kept to the comic book storyline.

Without sharing the potential spoilers discussed in the ComicBook.com article (curious individuals can seek out Clay Pitman's March 15 piece online), it remains entirely likely that a more diabolical villain than even Homelander could materialize during these last eight episodes.

"One popular 'The Boys' Season 5 theory is that the show will do a fairly accurate adaptation of the comic book series' ending," reads Pitman's piece. "In the comics, [one

of their own] becomes the main villain of the show.

"Although 'The Boys' has been building up to a final confrontation with Homelander this entire time, this theory states that it will pull the rug out from under fans by switching things up [from the expected] and [conclude] with a final confrontation with [redacted]."

Regardless of the direction writers go with the series' ending, there is always the possibility that the story will continue by way of a prequel series, sequel series, spinoff or film franchise; indeed, the Supes-in-training series "Gen V" is awaiting Season 3 confirmation at Prime Video and a brand-new production is "confirmed to be in development," per Collider.com.

Collider has also reported that a new project has been announced and is expected to release before Season 5 hits the streamer. (If all goes according to plan, that timeline means that the project is already out.)

"Arvore Immersive has teamed up with 'The Boys' for a new VR game, titled The Boys: Trigger Warning, which will be released on March 26," reads the March 11 Collider piece. "The series follows Lucas, a new hero in The Boys universe, who is pulled into a violent fight with Vought while working alongside Butcher and Mother's Milk."

In addition to the returning main cast, the final season of "The Boys" includes "Supernatural" stars Jensen Ackles (returning as Soldier Boy), Jeffrey Dean Morgan (returning as Joe Kessler), Jared Padalecki and Misha Collins, alongside "Breaking

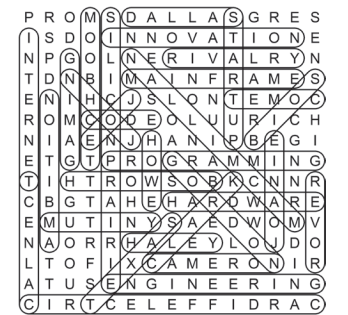
Bad's" Giancarlo Esposito (returning as Stan Edgar) and series newcomer Daveed Diggs ("Hamilton," 2020).

"It's been an incredible [expletive] journey, best job of my life," wrote showrunner and producer Eric Kripke ("Supernatural") in a post on Instagram, adding that "the best part of filmmaking isn't the film, it's the making. ... Solving problems together and laughing a lot. I'll miss the show, but far more, I'll miss the people I made the show with.

"You guys have my love and gratitude forever," Kripke concluded. "[I] can't wait for everyone to see what we cooked up."

Kripke returns to helm the series, which is based on the comics of the same name by Garth Ennis ("Constantine," 2005) and Darick Robertson ("Gen V"), who also serve as executive producers alongside Seth Rogen ("The Studio"), Evan Goldberg ("Superbad," 2007) and James Weaver ("This Is the End," 2013), to name a few of many.

Don't miss the final season of "The Boys," premiering with a double episode Wednesday, April 8, because, to quote Prime Video, "It's the climax, people. Big stuff's gonna happen."





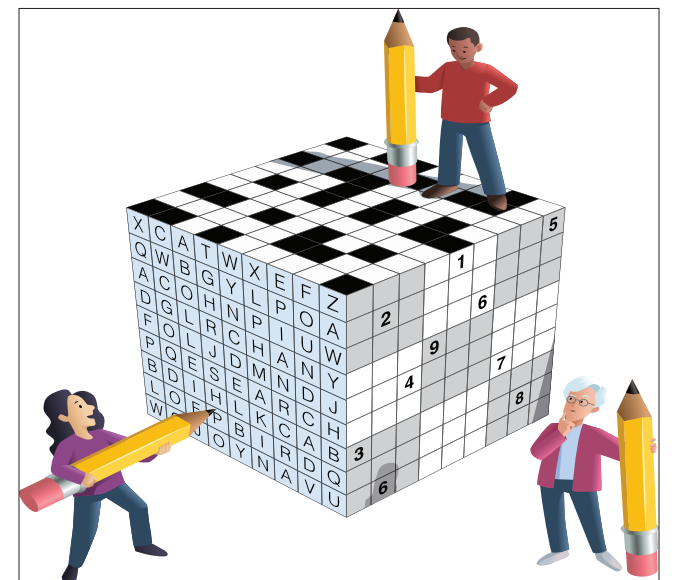
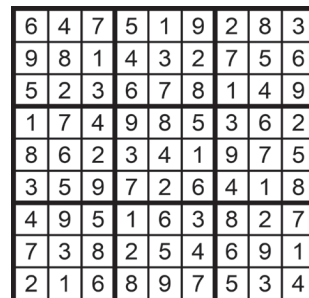
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 Sun, Apr 05, 2026, 8:00am-5:30pm
 Mon, Apr 06, 2026, 8:00am-5:30pm
 Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 8:00am-5:30pm
 Luther Britt Park
 671 Branch Street - off 5th Street
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Family Movie Night!

Sun, Apr 05, 2026, 3:30pm-6:30pm
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Children's Storytime

Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Fri, Mar 27, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Tue, Mar 31, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Fri, Apr 03, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Fri, Apr 10, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Tue, Apr 14, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Fri, Apr 17, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Tue, Apr 21, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Fri, Apr 24, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
 Tue, Apr 28, 2026, 10:30am-11:00am
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 101 N Chestnut St
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Children's Storytime

Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 4:30pm-5:30pm
 Fri, Apr 10, 2026, 10:30am-11:30am
 Rowland Public Library
 108 E Main St
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Lumberton Ukulele Club

Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 6:00pm-8:00pm
 Tue, Apr 14, 2026, 6:00pm-8:00pm
 Tue, Apr 21, 2026, 6:00pm-8:00pm
 Trinity Episcopal Church Parish Hall
 16 Stephens Lane
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Bingo Night - 219 Elm

Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 7:00pm-9:30pm
 Tue, Apr 14, 2026, 7:00pm-9:30pm
 Tue, Apr 21, 2026, 7:00pm-9:30pm
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Mon, Apr 06, 2026, 8:00am
 Mon, May 04, 2026, 8:00am
 Mon, Jun 01, 2026, 8:00am
 Mon, Jul 06, 2026, 8:00am
 Bladen County Courthouse
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Board of Commissioners' Meeting

Mon, Apr 06, 2026, 6:30pm
 Mon, Apr 20, 2026, 6:30pm
 Mon, May 04, 2026, 6:30pm
 Mon, May 18, 2026, 6:30pm
 Lower Level, Bladen County Courthouse
 106 East Broad Street
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Regional High Tunnel Workshop

Tue, Apr 07, 2026, 9:30am-3:00pm
 450 Smith Circle
 Elizabethtown, NC

Bladen County Firefighters Association Meeting, Ammon Fire Department

Thu, Apr 09, 2026, 6:00pm
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Grand Opening of the New Walking Track

Sat, Apr 11, 2026, 11:00am-1:00pm
 Baltimore Community Center
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Health and Human Services Advisory Committee Meeting, Bladen County Health Department

Mon, Apr 13, 2026, 5:00pm
 Mon, May 11, 2026, 5:00pm
 Mon, Jun 08, 2026, 5:00pm
 Mon, Jul 13, 2026, 5:00pm
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Animal Control Board,

Tue, Apr 14, 2026, 6:00pm
 Tue, Jul 14, 2026, 6:00pm
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- ESPN Boys High School Basketball Nationals: Championship.** (Live) (2h)
- 12:30 pm WTVD WPDE NHL Hockey** Detroit Red Wings at New York Rangers. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Live) (2h30)
- 1:00 pm FDSO Overtime Select Basketball** (2h)
- GOLF PGA Tour Golf Valero Texas Open, Third Round.** From TPC San Antonio in San Antonio. (Live) (2h30)
- 1:30 pm WFXB 2026 College Basketball Crown** First Semifinal: Teams TBA. From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas. (Live) (2h)
- 2:00 pm WBTW PBA Bowling USA vs. The World.** (Live) (2h)
- ESPN2 Women's College Basketball 2026 All-Star Game.** (Live) (2h)
- 2:30 pm WWMB NASCAR O'Reilly Auto Parts Series** North Carolina Education Lottery 250. From Rockingham Speedway in Rockingham, NC. (Live) (3h30)
- 3:00 pm WTVD WPDE NHL Hockey** Colorado Avalanche at Dallas Stars. From American Airlines Center in Dallas. (Live) (3h)
- 3:30 pm WRAL WMBF PGA Tour Golf** Valero Texas Open, Third Round. From TPC San Antonio in San Antonio. (Live) (2h30)
- 4:00 pm WBTW NWSL Soccer** Gotham FC at Kansas City Current. From CPKC Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. (Live) (2h)
- WFXB 2026 College Basketball Crown** Second Semifinal: Teams TBA. From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas. (Live) (2h)
- 5:00 pm GOLF LPGA Tour Golf** Aramco Championship, Third Round. From Shadow Creek in Las Vegas. (Live) (4h)
- 6:00 pm ESPN College Softball** South Alabama at Alabama. From

- Rhoads Stadium in Tuscaloosa, Ala. (2h)
- ESPN2 College Baseball** LSU at Tennessee. From Lindsey Nelson Stadium in Knoxville, Tenn. (Live) (3h)
- TBS 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** First Semifinal: Teams TBA. From Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. (Live) (2h30)
- TNT TRUTV 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** (Live) (5h)
- 6:30 pm WUVC Fútbol Mexicano Primera División** Monterrey vs. Atlético San Luis. Fecha 13. Monterrey enfrenta a Atlético San Luis. (2h30)
- 7:00 pm WRAL NHL Hockey** New York Islanders at Carolina Hurricanes. From Lenovo Center in Raleigh, N.C. (Live) (3h)
- WFXB MLB Baseball** (Live) (3h)
- 8:00 pm ESPN United Football League** United Football League. Louisville Kings at Orlando Storm.

- FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball** Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball. (2h)
- 4:00 am ESPN2 NHL Hockey** Detroit Red Wings at New York Rangers. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (2h)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

- 7:25 am ESPN2 FA Women's Super League** (Live) (2h05)
- 8:00 am FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Lacrosse** (2h)
- 12:00 pm ESPN College Basketball** College Slam Dunk & 3-Point Championships. From Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (2h)
- 1:00 pm WBTW College Basketball** NCAA Division II Tournament, Championship: Teams TBA. From Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (Live) (2h30)
- GOLF PGA Tour Golf** Valero Texas Open, Final Round. From TPC San Antonio in San Antonio. (Live) (1h30)

- 5:30 pm WFXB 2026 College Basketball Crown** Championship: Teams TBA. From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas. (Live) (2h)
- 7:00 pm ESPN NHL Hockey** Washington Capitals at New York Rangers. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Live) (2h30)
- 7:30 pm WRAL WMBF NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Lakers at Dallas Mavericks. From American Airlines Center in Dallas. (Live) (2h30)
- 8:00 pm ESPN2 2026 NIT Basketball Tournament** Championship: Teams TBA. From Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (Live) (2h)
- 9:00 pm TRUTV 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** (1h30)
- 9:30 pm ESPN NHL Hockey** St. Louis Blues at Colorado Avalanche. From Ball Arena in Denver. (Live) (2h30)

- 8:30 pm FDSO MLB Baseball** (3h)
- TBS 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** Championship: Teams TBA. From Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. (Live) (2h30)
- TNT TRUTV 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** (Live) (2h30)
- 12:00 am FDSO Pro Padel League** (2h)
- 4:00 am FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball** Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball. (2h)

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

- 10:00 am FDSO Overtime Select Basketball** (2h)
- 7:00 pm ESPN NHL Hockey** Philadelphia Flyers at New Jersey Devils. From Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. (Live) (2h30)
- ESPN2 College Baseball** Florida at Florida State. From Dick Howser Stadium in Tallahassee, Fla. (Live) (3h)
- TBS TRUTV MLB Baseball** Los Angeles Dodgers at Toronto Blue Jays. From Rogers Centre in Toronto. (Live) (3h)
- 8:00 pm WRAL WMBF NBA Basketball** Minnesota Timberwolves at Indiana Pacers. From Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (Live) (3h)
- 8:30 pm FDSO MLB Baseball** (3h)
- 9:30 pm ESPN NHL Hockey** Edmonton Oilers at Utah Mammoth. From Delta Center in Salt Lake City. (Live) (2h30)
- 2:00 am ESPN2 NHL Hockey** Philadelphia Flyers at New Jersey Devils. From Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. (2h)
- FDSO Pro Padel League** (2h)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

- 2:00 pm ESPN 2026 Masters Tournament** Par-3 Contest. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (Live) (2h)
- 3:00 pm FDSO MLB Baseball** (3h)
- 7:00 pm ESPN NBA Basketball** Milwaukee Bucks at Detroit Pistons. From Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Mich. (Live) (2h35)
- ESPN2 College Softball** South Florida at Florida. From Katie Seashole Pressly Stadium in Gainesville, Fla. (Live) (2h)
- TNT TRUTV NHL Hockey** Buffalo Sabres at New York Rangers. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Live) (3h)
- 9:00 pm ESPN2 2026 Masters Tournament** Par-3 Contest. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (2h)

- 9:35 pm ESPN NBA Basketball** Portland Trail Blazers at San Antonio Spurs. From Frost Bank Center in San Antonio. (Live) (2h30)
- 10:00 pm TNT TRUTV NHL Hockey** Edmonton Oilers at San Jose Sharks. From the SAP Center at San Jose in San Jose, Calif. (Live) (3h)
- 2:00 am ESPN2 NBA Basketball** Milwaukee Bucks at Detroit Pistons. From Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Mich. (2h)

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

- 3:00 pm ESPN 2026 Masters Tournament** First Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (Live) (4h30)
- 5:00 pm ESPN2 College Hockey** NCAA Tournament, First Semifinal: Teams TBA. From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas. (Live) (2h30)
- 8:30 pm ESPN2 College Hockey** NCAA Tournament, Second Semifinal: Teams TBA. From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas. (Live) (2h30)
- 2:00 am FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball** Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball. (2h)
- 3:00 am ESPN2 2026 Masters Tournament** First Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (3h)
- 4:00 am FDSO Overtime Select Basketball** (2h)

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

- 7:00 am FDSO Pro Padel League** (2h)
- 3:00 pm ESPN 2026 Masters Tournament** Second Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (Live) (4h30)
- USA Premier League Soccer** West Ham United vs. Wolverhampton Wanderers. From London Stadium in London. (Live) (2h)
- 4:30 pm FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Lacrosse** (2h)
- 7:00 pm ESPN2 College Softball** Oklahoma at Texas. From Red & Charline McCombs Field in Austin, Texas. (Live) (2h)
- 8:00 pm WFXB United Football League** United Football League. Orlando Storm at Louisville Kings. From Lynn Family Stadium in Louisville, Ky. (Live) (3h)
- 9:00 pm ESPN2 College Softball** Florida State at Stanford. (Live) (2h)
- 3:00 am ESPN2 2026 Masters Tournament** Second Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (3h)

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- From Inter&Co Stadium in Orlando, Fla. (Live) (3h)
- 8:30 pm TBS 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** Second Semifinal: Teams TBA. From Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. (Live) (2h30)
- 9:00 pm WUVC Fútbol Mexicano Primera División** Cruz Azul vs. Pachuca. Fecha 13 del Torneo Clausura. Cruz Azul enfrenta a Pachuca. (2h)
- ESPN2 College Baseball** Arizona State at Arizona. From Hi Corbett Field in Tucson, Ariz. (Live) (3h)
- 10:00 pm GOLF 2026 Augusta National Women's Amateur** Final Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (2h30)
- 11:00 pm WUVC Fútbol Mexicano Primera División** Santos Laguna vs. América. Fecha 13 del Torneo Clausura. Santos enfrenta a América. (2h)

- TNT TRUTV NHL Hockey** Minnesota Wild at Detroit Red Wings. From Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Mich. (Live) (2h30)
- 1:30 pm FDSO MLB Baseball** (3h)
- 2:30 pm WRAL WMBF PGA Tour Golf** Valero Texas Open, Final Round. From TPC San Antonio in San Antonio. (Live) (3h30)
- 3:30 pm WTVD WPDE 2026 NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament** Championship: Teams TBA. From Mortgage Matchup Center in Phoenix. (Live) (2h30)
- TNT TRUTV NHL Hockey** Boston Bruins at Philadelphia Flyers. From Xfinity Mobile Arena in Philadelphia. (Live) (3h)
- 5:00 pm ESPN2 NWSL Soccer** Washington Spirit at Bay FC. From PayPal Park in San Jose, Calif. (Live) (2h)
- GOLF LPGA Tour Golf** Aramco Championship, Final Round. From Shadow Creek in Las Vegas. (Live) (4h)

- 10:00 pm WRAL WMBF NBA Basketball** Houston Rockets at Golden State Warriors. From Chase Center in San Francisco. (Live) (2h30)
- 10:30 pm TRUTV 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** (1h30)
- 3:00 am ESPN2 NHL Hockey** Washington Capitals at New York Rangers. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (2h)

MONDAY, APRIL 6

- 6:00 am FDSO Overtime Select Basketball** (2h)
- 8:00 am FDSO Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball** Athletes Unlimited Pro Softball. (2h)
- 2:30 pm TRUTV 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament** (1h30)
- 6:00 pm FDSO Overtime Select Basketball** (2h)
- 6:30 pm ESPN2 Polo** USPA Gold Cup Championship. (1h30)

Sunday Best Bets

2026 NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament

WTVD WPDE 3:30 pm

After weeks of competition, only two teams remain in the running to claim the top prize in women's college basketball. Which team will come out on top? The championship game broadcasts live from the Mortgage Matchup Center in Phoenix.

The Forsytes on Masterpiece

WUNU 9:00 pm

While Jo (Danny Griffin) attempts to keep up with new obligations, James (Jack Davenport) makes more attempts to sabotage him. Soames (Joshua Orpin), meanwhile, supports Irene's (Millie Gibson) dancing career by suggesting a move to Paris.



Dark Winds

AMC 9:00 pm

Time is running out for Navajo Tribal police officers Leaphorn (Zahn McClarnon), Chee (Kiowa Gordon) and Manuelito (Jessica Matten) during this Season 4 finale. Will the three officers be able to save a missing Navajo girl before it's too late?

King of Kings

TCM 10:00 pm

Celebrate Easter with the airing of this 1961 religious epic that follows the life of Jesus of Nazareth (played by Jeffrey Hunter) from his birth to his crucifixion and resurrection. Siobhán McKenna, Robert Ryan and Rip Torn also star.

SUNDAY EVENING, APRIL 5, 2026

| | TW | 4 PM | 4:30 | 5 PM | 5:30 | 6 PM | 6:30 | 7 PM | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 | 11 PM | 11:30 |
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| 5 | WRAL | 5 | 2:30 PGA Golf Valero Texas Open, Final Round (L) (N) | WRAL News | NBA Showtime (L) (N) | NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Dallas Mavericks (L) (N) (CC) | Basketball Houston Rockets at Golden State Warriors | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | WMBF | 9 | 2:30 PGA Golf Valero Texas Open, Final Round (L) (N) | News (N) | NBA Showtime (L) (N) | NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Dallas Mavericks (L) (N) (CC) | Basketball Houston Rockets at Golden State Warriors | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | WTVD | 11 | 3:30 NCAA Bsk. Championship: Teams TBA (L) (N) | News (N) | World News | Videos (N) | To Be Announced | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | WBTV | 13 | 3:30 Sports | Made for March (N) (CC) | Made for March (N) (CC) | News (N) | 60 Minutes (N) (CC) | Tracker (N) | Betrayal-Secret (N) | News (N) | News Extra | | | | | | |
| 15 | WPDE | 10 | 3:30 NCAA Bsk. Championship: Teams TBA (L) (N) | News (N) | World News | Videos (N) | To Be Announced | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | WWMB | 3 | Last Man | Last Man | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | WOW - Women (N) | *** The Notebook (2004, Romance) Rachel McAdams, Ryan Gosling. (CC) | The | The Right Side Forum | Attkisson | | | | | | |
| 31 | WUNU | 12 | Issues | State Lines | Week | Hoover (N) | Midsomer Murders | Midsomer Murders | Call the Midwife (N) (CC) | The Forsytes (N) (CC) | Monte Cristo (N) | Murder in the | | | | | |
| 40 | WUVC | 4 | 3:00 **** Noah ('14) Russell Crowe. (CC) | Contigo | Noticiero (N) | Rosa "Stripper" | Juego de voces (N) | Pacto de sangre (N) | Contigo | SaborDe | | | | | | | |
| 43 | WFXB | 2 | 9-1-1 "Malfunction" (CC) | Pregame (N) | College Basketball Championship: Teams TBA (L) (N) | Postgame | The Faithful "The Woman Who Loved" (SF) (N) (CC) | News (N) | Lately | Son of God | 1st Church | | | | | | |
| 62 | WFPX | 8 | Movie | ** Jane and Emma ('18) Danielle Deadwyler. (CC) | *** Their Eyes Were Watching God | Halle Berry. | *** For Colored Girls (2010, Drama) | Janet Jackson, Kimberly Elise. (CC) | ** Precious | | | | | | | | |
| A&E | 21 | Alaska State Troopers | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | WWE Rivals | :05 WWE Rivals | | | | | | |
| AMC | 41 | 3:30 **** Ferris Bueller's Day Off | **** Forrest Gump (1994, Comedy Drama) Robin Wright, Tom Hanks. (CC) | Dark Winds "Ni' Hodisxo? (The Glittering World)" (SF) (N) (CC) | DarkWinds | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ANPL | 64 | Yellowstone Wardens | Yellowstone Wardens | Yellowstone Wardens | Yellowstone Wardens | Wardens of the North | Wardens "Sparks Fly" | Wardens of the North | Wardens "Four Seasons" | | | | | | | | |
| BET | 37 | 2:00 ** White Chicks | ** Life (1999, Comedy) Martin Lawrence, Eddie Murphy. | To Be Announced | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CMT | 48 | 2:00 * Steel Magnolias | To Be Announced | *** Dirty Dancing ('87, Rom) Patrick Swayze, Jennifer Grey. | *** Selena ('97) Jennifer Lopez. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CNBC | 53 | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| CNN | 26 | CNN Newsroom (N) (CC) | CNN Newsroom (N) (CC) | CNN Newsroom (N) (CC) | CNN Newsroom (N) (CC) | CNN Special Program | CNN Special Program | CNN Special Program | CNN Special Program | | | | | | | | |
| COMC | 34 | Movie | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld |
| CSPAN | 56 | 1:00 Washington This Week (CC) | America's Book Club | Washington This Week | Q & A (CC) | America's Book Club | Prime Min. | :40 Public | Q & A (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| DISC | 42 | Afraid "Three Is Not Enough" | Naked and Afraid "No Tools Allowed" | Afraid "Savage Paradise" | Naked and Afraid (N) | Filthy Fortunes (N) (CC) | Filthy Fortunes | Naked and Afraid | | | | | | | | | |
| DISN | 57 | Big City | BigCity | :20 **** Inside Out ('15) Amy Poehler. (CC) | Washington Capitals at New York Rangers (N) (CC) | Big City | Big City | Big City | Ladybug | Ladybug | | | | | | | |
| E! | 39 | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men |
| ESPN | 31 | 3:30 Women's Championship (L) (N) (CC) | NCAA (N) | SportCtr (N) | NHL Hockey | Washington Capitals at New York Rangers (L) (N) (CC) | NHL Hockey | St. Louis Blues at Colorado Avalanche (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | | |
| ESPN2 | 32 | 3:00 ESPN Films (CC) | NWSL Soccer | Washington Spirit at Bay FC (L) (N) | The Draft | The Draft | NIT Tourn. Championship: Teams TBA (L) (N) (CC) | SportsCenter (L) (N) (CC) | College Basketball | | | | | | | | |
| FDSO | 38 | 1:30 Baseball | Braves Live! | Postgame (L) (N) | Sportsman | Road Trip | Warehouse Games (N) | Warehouse Games (N) | Warehouse Games (N) | Warehouse Games (N) | Warehouse Games (N) | | | | | | |
| FNC | 44 | Fox Report (L) (N) (CC) | Weekend (L) (N) | Weekend (L) (N) | Weekend (L) (N) | Life, Liberty (L) (N) (CC) | Sunday Night (L) (N) (CC) | One Nation (L) (N) (CC) | Life, Liberty & Levin (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| FOOD | 66 | Flavortown "Pork Day" | Flavortown "Crunch Day" | Tournament "The Super 16 Show Out" (CC) | Tournament "Don't Mess with the Randomizer" (N) | Flavortown Food Fight | Kitchen "Titans of 24" | | | | | | | | | | |
| FREE | 18 | :10 **** Cinderella ('15, Child) Lily James, Kate Blanchett. (CC) | :45 * The Sound of Music A governess (Julie Andrews) charms an Austrian widower (Christopher Plummer) and his kids. | :55 **** Aladdin | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FX | 67 | 3:00 **** Zootopia | **** The Jungle Book ('16, Child) Bill Murray, Neel Sethi. (CC) | *** Jungle Cruise (2021, Adventure) Emily Blunt, Dwayne Johnson. (CC) | *** Super Troopers | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLF | 45 | Golf | The Golf Fix | LPGA Tour Golf Aramco Championship, Final Round From Shadow Creek in Las Vegas. (L) (N) (CC) | Golf Central (L) (N) (CC) | Drive, Chip & Putt 2026 National Finals (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HALL | 62 | * Falling in Love in Niagara ('24) Jocelyn Hudon. | * A Season to Blossom ('26) Carlo Marks. (CC) | * Sweet Autumn ('20) Nikki DeLoach. (CC) | * The 27-Hour Day ('21) Autumn Reeser. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HGTV | 65 | Wild Vac. | Wild Vac. | Home Town | Home Town | Home Town | Property Brothers (N) | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | | | | | | | |
| HIST | 51 | History's Gr | American Pickers | American Pickers | Pickers "Museum Man" | American Pickers (N) | History's Gr | :05 American Pickers | :05 American Pickers | | | | | | | | |
| LIFE | 25 | * A Stranger's Child ('24) Jessica Lowndes. (CC) | * Give Me Back My Daughter Gabourey Sidibe. | * Kidnapping My Own Daughter Kathryn Kohut. (P) | * Rescued by Faith: Connie & Larry Van Oosten Story | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LMN | 46 | * My Killer Reunion ('23) Brittney Q. Hill. (CC) | * What Hides in Silence ('25) Aubrey Reynolds. (CC) | * Let's Murder Like It's 1999! ('26) April Martucci. | * Secret Life of the Dean's Wife ('25) Kate Watson. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MSNBC | 43 | Crooked on MS NOW | PoliticsNation (L) (N) (CC) | The Weekend: Primetime (L) (N) (CC) | The Briefing (N) (CC) | The Weekend: Primetime (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MTV | 36 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | To Be Announced | Programming to be announced. | | | | | | | | | | |
| NEWSN | 16 | The Hill Sunday With | NewsNation Live (L) (N) | NewsNation Live (L) (N) | NewsNation Live (L) (N) | NewsNation Prime (L) (N) | NewsNation Prime (L) (N) | NewsNation Prime (L) (N) | NewsNation Prime (L) (N) | NewsNation Prime (CC) | | | | | | | |
| NGEO | 70 | Lost Treasures | Catch a Smuggler | Catch a Smuggler | Smuggler "Dirty Dealing" | Smuggler "Khat Corridor" | Catch a Smuggler | Catch a Smuggler | | | | | | | | | |
| NICK | 29 | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | |
| NICKJ | 71 | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | "Best Food Rescues" (CC) | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | |
| OXY | 171 | Snapped | Snapped "Julie Harper" | Snapped (N) | A Plan to Kill (N) | Snapped | Snapped "Trista Hrabak" | Plan-Kill "Killer Principal" | Buried "Frozen Silent" | | | | | | | | |
| PARMT | 27 | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue (N) | Bar Rescue | | | | | | | | |
| SYFY | 55 | 2:30 * Boss Baby: Family ... | *** The Super Mario Bros. Movie Chris Pratt. | *** The Super Mario Bros. Movie Chris Pratt. | *** The Croods: A New Age ('20) Nicolas Cage. | ** Puss in Boots: Last Wish | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TBN | 68 | Turning | Prince (N) | M. Youssef | Tim | Jackson (N) | Joyce M. (N) | What (N) | PowerPoint | J. Osteen (N) | Turning | Gaither Gospel Hour (N) | Jack Hibbs | Amazing | Heroes of (N) (CC) | | |
| TBS | 24 | 2:45 *** Captain Marvel | Brie Larson. | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | *** Captain Marvel | |
| TCM | 54 | 3:45 **** The Silver Chalice ('54) Virginia Mayo. | :15 **** The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima | *** Easter Parade ('48) Judy Garland. | *** King of Kings ('61) Jeffrey Hunter. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TLC | 23 | Unexpected | 90 Day Fiancé | 90 Day Fiancé | 90 Day Fiancé | 90 Day Fiancé | 90 Day Fiancé "Welcome to Your Destination" (N) | 90 Day Fiancé (N) | Welcome to Plathville | | | | | | | | |
| TNT | 28 | 3:30 NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at Philadelphia Flyers (L) (N) (CC) | NHL on TNT | *** Spider-Man: Homecoming ('17) Tom Holland. (P) (CC) | :45 *** The Flash (2023, Action) Sasha Calle, Ezra Miller. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOON | 69 | Total | Scooby | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Rick Morty | Rick Morty | Rick Morty | |
| TRUTV | 40 | 3:30 NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at Philadelphia Flyers (L) (N) (CC) | NHL on TNT | *** Hoosiers ('86) Gene Hackman. (CC) | NCAA M. Basketball (N) (CC) | NCAA M. Basketball (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TVLAND | 47 | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | :35 Raymond | :10 Raymond | :45 Raymond | :20 Raymond "Pilot" | :55 Raymond | Raymond | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | | | |
| USA | 30 | Law-SVU "Crush" | Law & Order: SVU "Pop" | Law-SVU "Smoked" | Law & Order: SVU | Law & Order: SVU | Law-SVU "Bad Things" | Law & Order: SVU | Law & Order: SVU | | | | | | | | |
| WE | 61 | Criminal Minds "Hope" | Criminal Minds | Criminal Minds | Criminal "True Genius" | Criminal Minds | Criminal "Snake Eyes" | Criminal "Closing Time" | Criminal "A Thin Line" | | | | | | | | |

WEEKDAY DAYTIME, APRIL 6 TO 10, 2026

| | TW | 8 AM | 8:30 | 9 AM | 9:30 | 10 AM | 10:30 | 11 AM | 11:30 | 12 PM | 12:30 | 1 PM | 1:30 | 2 PM | 2:30 | 3 PM | 3:30 | |
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| WRAL | 5 | 7:00 Today | | Today 3rd Hour | | Today With Jenna & Sheinelle | | The Perfect Line | Family Feud | WRAL News at Noon | WRAL 12:30 Report | NBC News Daily | | The Kelly Clarkson Show | | Family Feud | Inside Edition | |
| WMBF | 9 | 7:00 Today | | Today 3rd Hour | | Today With Jenna & Sheinelle | | Grand | Th Legal Access | WMBF News | InvestigateTV+/ Cele... | NBC News Daily / F Atlanta Braves | | Aging Untold | Inside Edition | Drew Barrymore | Drew Barrymore | |
| WTVD | 11 | 7:00 Good Morning America | | Live with Kelly and Mark | | ABC 11 Eyewitness News 10AM | | The View | | ABC 11 Eyewitness News at Noon | | GMA3 | | Tamron Hall | | General Hospital | | |
| WBTW | 13 | 7:00 CBS Mornings | | News 13 Now | Living Local Carolina | Let's Make a Deal | | The Price Is Right | | News | The Young and the Restless | | The Bold and | Beyond the Gates | | The Perfect Line | Jeopardy! | |
| WPDE | 10 | 7:00 Good Morning America | | Live with Kelly and Mark | | The 700 Club | | The View | | Family Feud | Flip Side | GMA3 | | General Hospital | | The Kelly Clarkson Show | | |
| WWMB | 3 | The National News Desk | | National Weat | 25 Words or Less | Maury | | iCRIME - Vargas | iCRIME - Vargas | Hot Bench | Paid Prog./ Hot Bench | Judge Judy | Judge Judy | Cutlers Court | Cutlers Court | The People's Court | | |
| WUNU | 12 | Lyla in the Loop | Carl/Th Wild Kratts | Daniel Tiger | Phoebe & Jay | Sesame Street | Work It Out Wombats! | Donkey Hodie | Rosie's Rules | Elinor | Alma's Way | Molly/F Wild Kratts | Xavier Riddle | Various | Various | Various | Sara's/Old House/ Fit S.. | |
| WUVC | 4 | 7:00 ¡Despierta América! | | | | | | Duelo de pasiones | | Noticiero/M Noticiero | Vecinos / Vecinos | Lo que la vida me robó | | ¡Siéntese quien pueda! | | Desiguales | | |
| WFXB | 2 | 7:00 Fox Morning News | | Carolina AM | | Sherri | | Live PD Presents | Live PD Presents | Scrambled Up | News | America/ Autry | Judge Lauren Lake | Mathis Court | Judge Eboni | Judy Justice | Judy Justice | |
| WFPX | 8 | Karamo | | Couples Court | Couples Court | Couples Court | Paternity Court | Paternity Court | Paternity Court | Family Feud Favorites | Family Feud Favorites | In the Heat of the Night | | In the Heat of the Night | | In the Heat of the Night | | |
| A&E | 21 | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Various | Various | Various | Various | Various | Various | Various | RoadWars | Various | RoadWars | |
| AMC | 41 | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Various | The Green Mile/ The K.. | Th Armageddon | | F :15 Beverly Hills Cop | | M Apollo 13 / W The Sixth Sense | | The Silence of the Lambs/ Tombstone/ Beverly Hills... | | W A Few Good Men | M Forrest Gump | Ferris Bueller's D... | | |
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Stars on screen

Locked in on law: Stars join cast of legal drama 'Cupertino'

By Michelle Rose
TV Media

Locked in on law: The lawyers in CBS's upcoming legal drama "Cupertino" know how to argue a case — but they'll also have to answer to the person paying the bills.

The project is headlined by former "Evil" star Mike Colter and helmed by husband-and-wife duo Robert and Michelle King ("Elsbeth"). In "Cupertino," Colter plays a lawyer fired by a Silicon Valley start-up intending to cheat him out of his stock options. According to the official description, "Refusing to back down, he joins forces with another recently fired attorney [played by "Legion's" Rachel Keller] to represent those taken advantage of by the tech elite and help them fight back in a high-stakes battle against the Goliaths controlling Silicon Valley."

Also known for playing Luke Cage in Netflix's Marvel TV series, Colter's involvement was first revealed last year after the drama was set up at CBS for development. It marks a reunion between the prolific showrunners and Colter, who previously recurred in their series "The Good Wife" and offshoot "The Good Fight"; the same can also be said of his co-star, Tony and Grammy winner Renee Elise Goldsberry, who similarly appeared in both "The Good Wife" and "Evil."

Since then, additional casting announcements have revealed that Colter, Goldsberry and Keller will be

joined by Ella Stiller ("The Comeback"), who plays young assistant Christy, and Nik Dodani ("Atypical"), who plays coder Vik.

Every law firm runs on strategy, drive and, of course, money, and that's where Busy Philipps comes in. The former "Dawson's Creek" actress and current "Busy This Week" host is a recent addition to the cast: she'll be playing the part of Natalia, the powerful new investor behind the firm. Her character, Natalia, is described as "the beautiful and delightfully blunt first wife of an AI billionaire, who divorced her when she turned 40. Now Natalia wants revenge and agrees to finance Michael [Colter] and Olivia's [Keller] start-up law firm in order to go after his and other AI businesses."

Touted as a David vs. Goliath-style drama, "Cupertino" is due to premiere sometime in the 2026-27 season.

Strong chance: File this one under "still in development," but Apple TV is working on a possible limited series that would team up Cecily Strong ("Schmigadoon!") with Julia Louis-Dreyfus, marking the acclaimed actress's first major TV role since "Veep."

As first reported by Variety, Mary Bronstein, who wrote and directed "If I Had Legs I'd Kick You" (2025), is working as showrunner, writer and director on the limited series, which is based on "The Nanny Squatter," a New York magazine story by Bindu Bansinath.

The "likely" (according to most outlets) series is still awaiting the formal green light from the streamer, but it has been described as a dramedy. It tells the story of a couple whose lives are upended "after welcoming a seemingly ideal caregiver into their home, only to find boundaries blurred and control slipping as the arrangement spirals into a tense, unsettling power struggle," according to the official logline.

This would be Bronstein's first TV series, but certainly not Louis-Dreyfus's, as she got her start on "Saturday Night Live" when she joined the cast in 1982. Louis-Dreyfus went on to win an Emmy for "Seinfeld," another for "The New Adventures of Old Christine" and six for "Veep" — the record for most Emmy wins for acting in a single comedy role —



Mike Colter to star in "Cupertino"

plus three more as a producer, sharing in "Veep's" three wins for outstanding comedy series.

Meanwhile, Strong, who still reigns as "Saturday Night Live's" longest-serving female cast member despite exiting the show in 2022, both starred in and co-produced Apple TV's "Schmigadoon!" as it enjoyed two seasons on the streamer. More recently, she lent her voice to Disney's "Zootopia 2" (2025) and will next appear in "Vought Rising," the prequel to Prime Video's satirical superhero series "The Boys," though character details have been kept under wraps.

Non-fictional forensics: Ensuring each of its eight pilots now have a series lead, NBC has tapped Taylor Schilling ("Orange Is the New Black") to headline potential drama "What the Dead Know" from executive producer Dick Wolf ("Law & Order").

The pilot, which was picked up at the start of the year, is based on the

similarly titled memoir by former New York City medical examiner Barbara Butscher. It is being written and executive produced by Beth Rinehart ("FBI: Most Wanted").

In the pilot, Schilling plays the role of investigator Ava Ledger, who "feels more at ease searching for cause-of-death than socializing with the living," according to the character description.

That intense focus on forensics is echoed in the official logline, which reads: "Death Investigator Ava Ledger (Schilling) is really good with dead bodies. It's the living that give her trouble. 'What the Dead Know' follows Ava as she teams with the NYPD to solve their toughest cases."

Schilling is best known for her Emmy-nominated performance as Piper Chapman in Netflix's "Orange Is the New Black." Plus, she recently appeared in a guest role in Season 2 of "Poker Face." She has also appeared in Fox's "Accused" and Apple TV's "Dear Edward."

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Lucy Halliday and Chase Infiniti in "The Testaments"

By Kimberly Tremblay
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WHAT'S NEW ON NETFLIX

"Big Mistakes" - Season 1

Chaos comes calling when one reckless decision sends two hopelessly incapable siblings tumbling into the dangerous world of organized crime. Catch the series premiere of "Big Mistakes" when it arrives Thursday, April 9, on Netflix, with creator-executive producer Dan Levy ("Schitt's Creek") and Taylor Ortega ("Kim Possible," 2019) starring as Nicky and Morgan, two siblings who are in over their heads when a misguided theft for their dying grand-

mother (Patsy Meck, "Silver Linings Playbook," 2012) goes spectacularly wrong, resulting in them being blackmailed into working for organized crime. With each assignment, the duo only dig themselves deeper into trouble, "clumsily fail[ing] upwards, [and] sinking deeper into chaos they're ill-equipped to handle" (per Deadline). The series also stars Jack Inanan ("The Office Movers") as Max, Boran Kuzum ("Thank You, Next") as Yusuf and Abby Quinn ("Hell of a Summer," 2023) as Natalie, with Elizabeth Perkins ("This Is Us"), Jacob Gutierrez ("Dear Edward"), Joe Barbara ("FBI") and Mark Ivanir ("Emilia Perez," 2024) rounding out the cast. "Big Mistakes" hails from executive

producers Anne-Marie McGintee ("Midnight, Texas"), Rachel Sennott ("I Love LA") and Dean Holland ("Parks and Recreation").

WHAT'S NEW ON HULU

"The Testaments" - Season 1

The story of Gilead continues when the first season of "The Testaments" premieres Wednesday, April 8, on Hulu. Based on Margaret Atwood's sequel to "The Handmaid's Tale," the series shifts the story forward to a new generation coming of age inside Gilead. At the center are two teenage girls whose lives could not be more different. Agnes (Chase Infiniti, "Presumed Innocent") has been raised inside Gilead, dutiful,

devout and prepared for the future expected of her. Meanwhile, Daisy (Lucy Halliday, "Blue Jean," 2022), a newcomer from beyond Gilead's borders, arrives carrying questions that challenge everything the regime demands its citizens believe. Both soon find themselves within the gilded yet brutal halls of Aunt Lydia's (Ann Dowd, "The Handmaid's Tale") elite school for future wives. As their unlikely bond deepens, the girls begin to uncover the truth about the system that has shaped their lives — a discovery that threatens Gilead's carefully controlled future. Written for television by "The Handmaid's Tale" creator Bruce Miller, "The Testaments" stars Hattie Kragten ("The Snoopy Show") as Constance, Zarrin Darnell-Martin ("Ginny & Georgia") as Aunt Gabbana, Blessing Adedijio ("Humane," 2024) as Zilla and Brad Alexander ("You") as Garth.

WHAT'S NEW ON APPLE TV

"Outcome" (2026)

This isn't the "outcome" he was hoping for. From writer-director Jonah Hill ("21 Jump Street," 2012), a Hollywood star's spotless image begins to unravel when "Outcome" makes its way over to Apple TV Friday, April 10. This dark comedy follows Reef Hawk (Keanu Reeves, "The Matrix," 1999), a beloved Hollywood star whose polished reputation is thrown into jeopardy when a mysterious video surfaces, threatening to destroy his career. Determined to uncover who's behind the blackmail, Reef sets out to confront the mistakes of his past. With the help of his lifelong friends, Kyle (Cameron

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Diaz, "My Best Friend's Wedding," 1997) and Xander (Matt Bomer, "In Time," 2011), and guided by his crisis lawyer, Ira (played by Hill), he sets out to make amends with anyone he may have wronged — hoping the path to redemption will also lead him to the person behind the blackmail. David Spade ("The Emperor's New Groove," 2000), Kaia Gerber ("American Horror Story") and Ivy Wolk ("Anora," 2024) round out the cast, while Adam Merims ("Madame Web," 2024) serves as executive producer.

WHAT'S NEW ON BRITBOX

"A Taste for Murder"

A London detective finds crime waiting for him in paradise when "A Taste for Murder" premieres Tuesday, April 7, on BritBox. This British crime drama follows DCI Joe Mottram (Warren Brown, "Strike Back"), a respected Metropolitan Police de-

tective who retreats to the Italian island of Capri with his daughter, Angelica (Beau Gadsdon, "The Conjuring: Last Rites," 2025), after a devastating personal loss. Hoping for a quiet summer with his late wife's family, Joe instead finds himself drawn back into investigating crimes when trouble surfaces on the island. At the heart of the family is Elena Da Vinala (Phyllis Logan, "Downton Abbey"), the sharp and observant matriarch who runs the local restaurant. Meanwhile, Insp. Lara Sarrancino (Cristiana Dell'Anna, "The King of Laughter," 2021), an ambitious detective with the Naples State Police, snoops around for clues. Created by Matt Baker ("Patience"), and with episodes directed by Jon Jones ("The Great Fire"), "A Taste for Murder" also stars Annamaria Serda ("Crawl," 2019), Hari Mackinnon ("Staged") and Yuri Buzzi ("Spy," 2015).



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House Hunters Australia

hgvtv 10:00 pm

During this latest episode, Australian newlyweds begin their search for their first home together. However, their different visions clash as one prefers the city life of Waterloo, while the other wants the serene outdoor spaces of the North Shore.

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| 9 | WMBF | 9 | WMBF News at 4 (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | NBC News | WMBF News | Inside (N) | NBA Basketball Minnesota Timberwolves at Indiana Pacers (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | News at 11 | :35 J. Fallon |
| 11 | WTVD | 11 | 11 Eyewitness News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | World News | Jeopardy! | Wheel (N) | Will Trent (N) | | High Potential (N) | | R.J. "Brenner's Back" (N) | | News (N) | :35 J. Kimmel |
| 13 | WBTW | 13 | News 13 First (N) (CC) | News (N) | WBTW News | News (N) | CBS-News | Wheel (N) | Jeopardy! | NCIS "Knick-Knack" (N) | | NCIS: Origins (N) | | News (N) | | :35 Colbert | |
| 15 | WPDE | 10 | Judge Judy | Judge Judy | ABC15 News at 5 (N) (CC) | News (N) | World News | News (N) | ET (N) | Will Trent (N) | | High Potential (N) | | R.J. "Brenner's Back" (N) | | News 15 (N) | :35 J. Kimmel |
| 21 | WWMB | 3 | Tribunal | Tribunal | Maury | | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | WWE NXT (L) (N) | | | National Desk (N) | | National Desk (N) | |
| 31 | WUNU | 12 | Finding Your Roots | Best | BBC World | | PBS News Hour (N) (CC) | Side | N.C. Wknd | Finding Your Roots (N) | | Lucy Worsley (N) | | Frontline (N) | | Movie | Amanpour |
| 40 | WUVC | 4 | El gordo y la flaca (L) (N) | Primer impacto (L) (N) | Noticias (N) | Noticiero (N) | La rosa de Guadalupe (N) | | | Papás por siempre (N) | | Doménica Montero (N) | | Monteverde (N) | | Noticias 40 | |
| 43 | WFXB | 2 | JHud Show (CC) | Neighbor | Neighbor | Big Bang | Big Bang | Sheldon | Sheldon | Best Medicine (N) | | Doc "The Big Chair" (N) | | Fox News | :35 Not,News | Mod Fam | Goldbergs |
| 62 | WFPX | 8 | Passenger 57 '92 | Wesley Snipes. (CC) | | S.W.A.T. Firefight ('11) | Gabriel Macht. (CC) | | | S.W.A.T. (2003, Action) | Colin Farrell, Samuel L. Jackson. (CC) | | | Swordfish ('01) John Travolta. | | | |
| A&E | 21 | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Road Wars | Customer | Customer | :05 Customer | :35 Customer |
| AMC | 41 | Cast Away (2000, Drama) | Helen Hunt, Tom Hanks. | | | | | Signs (2002, Thriller) | Joaquin Phoenix, Mel Gibson. (CC) | | | | The Sixth Sense ('99) Haley Joel Osment, Bruce Willis. (CC) | | | | |
| ANPL | 64 | Louisiana Law | | Louisiana Law | | Louisiana "Blind Rage" | | Louisiana Law | | Lockdown "Drug Bust" | | Louisiana Lockdown | | Louisiana Law | | Louisiana "Road Killer" | |
| BET | 37 | Prince | Prince | Prince | Prince | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Martin (CC) | Martin (CC) | Martin (CC) | Martin (CC) |
| CMT | 48 | King | King | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls |
| CNBC | 53 | Closing Bell (L) (N) (CC) | | Fast Money (L) (N) (CC) | | Mad Money (N) | | Shark Tank (CC) | | Shark Tank (CC) | | Shark Tank (N) (CC) | | Shark Tank (CC) | | Shark Tank (CC) | |
| CNN | 26 | The Arena (L) (N) | | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | | E. B. OutFront (L) (N) (CC) | | Cooper 360 (L) (N) | | The Source With (L) (N) | | CNN NewsNight (L) (N) | | Laura Coates Live (L) (N) | |
| COMC | 34 | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy |
| CSPAN | 56 | 10:00 Public Affairs | | Public Affairs Events | | Public Affairs events, congressional hearings, speeches, and interviews. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DISC | 42 | Moonshiners | | Moonshiners | | Moonshiners | | Moonshiners (N) | | Jeff (N) | | Jeff (N) | | Moonshiners: | | Moonshiners: | |
| DISN | 57 | Big City | Big City | Big City | Bluey (CC) | Bluey (CC) | Big City | Big City | Big City | Descendants 2 ('17) Dove Cameron. (CC) | | | | Descendants/Zombies | | :15 Ladybug | :40 Ladybug |
| E! | 39 | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met |
| ESPN | 31 | NFL Live (L) (N) (CC) | | SportCtr (N) | Pardon (N) | SportsCenter (L) (N) (CC) | | NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at New Jersey Devils (L) (N) (CC) | | NHL Hockey | Edmonton Oilers at Utah Mammoth (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | |
| ESPN2 | 32 | College Basketball | | | | The Point (L) (N) (CC) | | College Baseball Florida at Florida State (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | NFL Live (CC) | | Podcast (CC) | |
| FDSO | 38 | Offroad | Redfern | FIBA | Pulse/Pack | Carolina | To Be Announced | | | MLB Baseball | | | | | | | TBA |
| FNC | 44 | Will Cain (L) (N) | | The Five (L) (N) (CC) | | With Bret Baier (L) (N) | | Ingraham (L) (N) | | Jesse Watters (L) (N) (CC) | | Hannity (L) (N) (CC) | | Gutfeld! (N) (CC) | | Fox News at Night (L) (N) | |
| FOOD | 66 | Chopped | | Chopped | | Chopped | | Chopped | | Chopped (N) | | Chopped | | Chopped | | Chopped | |
| FREE | 18 | 3:30 The Jungle Book ('16) Neel Sethi. (CC) | | 3:30 Super Troopers 2 | | Free Guy (2021, Action) Jodie Comer, Ryan Reynolds. (CC) | | Thor ('11, Action) Natalie Portman, Chris Hemsworth. (CC) | | 3:25 Charlie and the Chocolate Factory ('05) Johnny Depp. (CC) | | | | The 700 Club (N) (CC) | | | |
| FX | 67 | 3:30 Super Troopers 2 | | Free Guy (2021, Action) Jodie Comer, Ryan Reynolds. (CC) | | Thor ('11, Action) Natalie Portman, Chris Hemsworth. (CC) | | Thor: The Dark World | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLF | 45 | 9:00 Masters (L) (N) | | Masters Rory McIlroy | | Ask Rory | PGA | Live From the Masters (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | Live From the Masters (CC) | | | |
| HALL | 62 | Appetite for Love ('16) Taylor Cole. (CC) | | Paris, Wine & Romance ('19) Jen Lilley. (CC) | | Harvest Love ('17) Ryan Paevey, Jen Lilley. (CC) | | | | | | | | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls |
| HGTV | 65 | Love It or List It | | Love It "Kitchen Crisis" | | Love It or List It | | Renovation Aloha | | Renovation Aloha (N) | | Wild Vac. | | Tropic | | House Hunt | House |
| HIST | 51 | The Curse of Oak Island | | The Curse of Oak Island | | The Curse of Oak Island | | The Curse of Oak Island | | The Curse of Oak Island | | Curse Island (N) | | :05 Secrets (N) | | :05 Curse Island | |
| LIFE | 25 | Castle "Target" (CC) | | Castle "Hunt" (CC) | | Castle "Scared to Death" | | Castle "The Wild Rover" | | Castle | | Castle | | :05 Castle | | :05 Castle "Still" (CC) | |
| LMN | 46 | Dying to Marry Him ('21) Anna Marie Dobbins. | | Husband, Wife and Their Lover ('22) Nikki Leigh. | | Couples Retreat Murder ('24) Jessica Morris. (CC) | | The Wrong Marriage ('25) Vivica A. Fox. | | | | | | | | | |
| MSNBC | 43 | Deadline: White House (L) (N) (CC) | | The Beat With (L) (N) (CC) | | The Weeknight (L) (N) | | All in With Chr. (L) (N) | | The Briefing (L) (N) (CC) | | Last Word (L) (N) | | The 11th (L) (N) | | | |
| MTV | 36 | Caught in Act (CC) | | Caught in Act (CC) | | Love, Hip Hop (CC) | | Love, Hip Hop (CC) | | Love, Hip Hop (N) | | Caught in Act (CC) | | Caught in Act (CC) | | Love, Hip Hop (CC) | |
| NEWSN | 16 | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | | The Hill with Blake (N) | | Vargas Report (N) (CC) | | Cuomo (N) (CC) | | On Balance (N) (CC) | | Katie Pavlich (N) (CC) | | Jesse Weber Live (N) (CC) | |
| NGEO | 70 | Port Protection Alaska | | Port Protec "Wet Future" | | Port Protection Alaska | | Port Protection Alaska | | Port Protection Alaska | | Port Protection (N) | | Port Protection Alaska | | Life Below Zero | |
| NICK | 29 | Patrick Star | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | | SpongeBob SquarePants | | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang |
| NICKJ | 71 | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | Mr. Crocod | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Mr. Crocod |
| OXY | 171 | Philly "Sinner and Saint" | | Philly Homicide | | Dateline: Secrets "Mystery on Sunrise Drive" (CC) | | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic |
| PARMT | 27 | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | | Terminator: Dark Fate ('19) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Linda Hamilton. (CC) | | To Be Announced | | | | | | | | | |
| SYFY | 55 | 3:30 Renfield ('23) Nicholas Hoult. (CC) | | Halloween (2018, Horror) Judy Greer, Jamie Lee Curtis. | | Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix ('07) Daniel Radcliffe. (CC) | | Movie | | | | | | | | | |
| TBN | 68 | Turning | S. Furtick | Harvest (N) | Hagee (N) | Graham (N) | Kirk Today | Allen (N) | Stakelbeck | Praise | | Joyce M. (N) | Vinia | Together (N) | Stakelbeck | Praise | |
| TBS | 24 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Leadoff (N) | MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Toronto Blue Jays (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | MLB Close | One Golden Summer (N) (CC) | | |
| TCM | 54 | 3:30 Darby's Rangers ('58) James Garner. | | Marlowe ('69) James Garner. | | National Velvet ('44) Mickey Rooney. | | Meet Me in St. Louis ('44) Judy Garland. | | | | | | | | | |
| TLC | 23 | 90 Day Fiancé "Welcome to Your Destination" | | Welcome to Plathville | | 7 Little Johnstons | | 7 Little Johnstons (N) | | | | | | Welcome to Plathville (N) | | Unexpected | |
| TNT | 28 | 2:00 Dune | | 15 Dune: Part Two (2024, Sci-Fi) Zendaya, Timothée Chalamet. (CC) | | Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (2024, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Anya Taylor-Joy. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOON | 69 | Regular | Regular | Ed, Edd | Ed, Edd | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Rick Morty | Rick Morty |
| TRUTV | 40 | 3:30 Jerry Maguire ('96) Cuba Gooding, Tom Cruise. (CC) | | Leadoff (N) | | MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Toronto Blue Jays (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | MLB Close | Foul Play | To Be Announced | |
| TVLAND | 47 | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | King | King |
| USA | 30 | Law-SVU "Spectacle" | | Law-SVU "Bully" | | Law-SVU "Totem" | | Law-SVU "Delinquent" | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | |
| WE | 61 | S.W.A.T. "Farewell" (CC) | | Criminal "3rd Life" | | Criminal "Limelight" | | Criminal "Damaged" | | Criminal Minds | | Criminal Minds | | Criminal Minds "In Heat" | | Criminal "The Crossing" | |

Real talk

Floormasters: New twist gives players more power in Season 5 of 'The Floor'

By Caroline Collacutt
TV Media

Floormasters: From the creators of "Big Brother," "Deal or No Deal" and "The Voice," Fox's No. 1 game show — "The Floor" — returns for a fifth season, with a super-sized two-episode premiere airing Wednesday, April 8, on Fox.

Led by host Rob Lowe ("St. Elmo's Fire," 1985), this game show — part chess game, part trivia competition — sees 100 hopeful players battle it out for a life-changing grand prize of \$250,000, relying on their general knowledge to gain a monopoly over the floor in question.

As Fox describes: "[Contestants] will stand their ground on a massive, interactive LED game floor featuring 100 squares, each representing a different trivia category. The first challenger, selected at random, must choose one of his or her neighboring opponents to go head-to-head in an epic quiz duel in the opponent's category. The winner takes over the loser's square, gaining valuable ground

as they expand their territory, while the loser exits the game. The winner must then choose — do they go on the offensive to dominate more of the board? Or do they let 'The Floor' choose a new challenger?"

In this upcoming season, Lowe has also teased the addition of a "game-changing twist" called territory freeze. While details of the added twist are being kept under wraps, the season's trailer introduced the concept as "Freeze the Floor, Control the Game," hinting that players will be able to freeze their territory while they expand into categories around them.

When the series was first renewed for a fourth and fifth season back in 2025, Lowe also shared his love for the game during an interview with Entertainment Weekly.

"I mean, I see it out in the world," he said. "What I love about ['The Floor'] is it's one of the few shows where entire families are watching together. ... People of all ages, all walks of life, everybody loves playing this game. And I'm just psyched

that millions and millions of new viewers are going to get addicted."

With John de Mol ("The Voice"), Mark van Achterberg ("Biba-boerderij"), Chris Culvenor ("The Mole"), Paul Franklin ("The Quiz with Balls"), Wesley Dening ("Farmer Wants a Wife"), Sean O'Riordan ("Kids Incorporated") and Shane Byrne ("Name That Tune") serving as executive producers, Season 5 of "The Floor" begins with an epic two-hour premiere airing Wednesday, April 8, on Fox.

Beads & boards: Netflix's documentary series "Untold" has chronicled some of the most fascinating stories from the past two decades of sports — from the epic "Malice at the Palace" brawl between the NBA's Detroit Pistons and Indiana Pacers, to Jake Paul's ("Bizaardvark") unexpected foray into boxing. Now, they discuss the torrid controversy between elite chess players Hans Niemann and Magnus Carlsen in the scandal-filled "Untold: Chess Mates," making its debut Tuesday, April 7, on Netflix.

At only 19 years old, American chess player Hans Moke Niemann found himself ranked as one of the global top 20 players in the game. After winning the 2021 World Open chess tournament in Philadelphia, Niemann continued on to compete in the 2022 Sinquefeld Cup, where he came face to face with Norwegian chess grandmaster Magnus Carlsen — widely regarded as one of the greatest chess players of all time.

This fateful game — which saw Niemann as its winner, ending Carlsen's 53-game winning streak — soon birthed one the oddest con-

troveries the chess world had ever seen.

As explained by People, "Niemann, who has admitted to cheating in the past, was suspected of wearing vibrating anal beads that a co-conspirator would buzz to indicate when to make certain moves on the chess board."

"Determined to clear his name," Netflix's synopsis describes, "Niemann fights his way back to the top of the chess world, setting the stage for a high-stakes rematch with Carlsen."

The documentary — which details the scandal, the fallout Niemann inevitably faced and the tension-filled rematch — also offered

the American chess player an opportunity to share his side of the story.

"It's very disheartening to be accused of cheating after that victory. These things happen and I managed to learn a lot during that time and it really taught me a lot of very important lessons about life and chess," Niemann said in a 2023 interview with Piers Morgan ("Piers Morgan Live") on his YouTube talk show,

"Piers Morgan Uncensored."

When asked if he had ever used anal beads during a game of chess, Niemann told Morgan: "I can tell you, no. Categorically, no. There's absolutely no evidence that I've ever cheated."

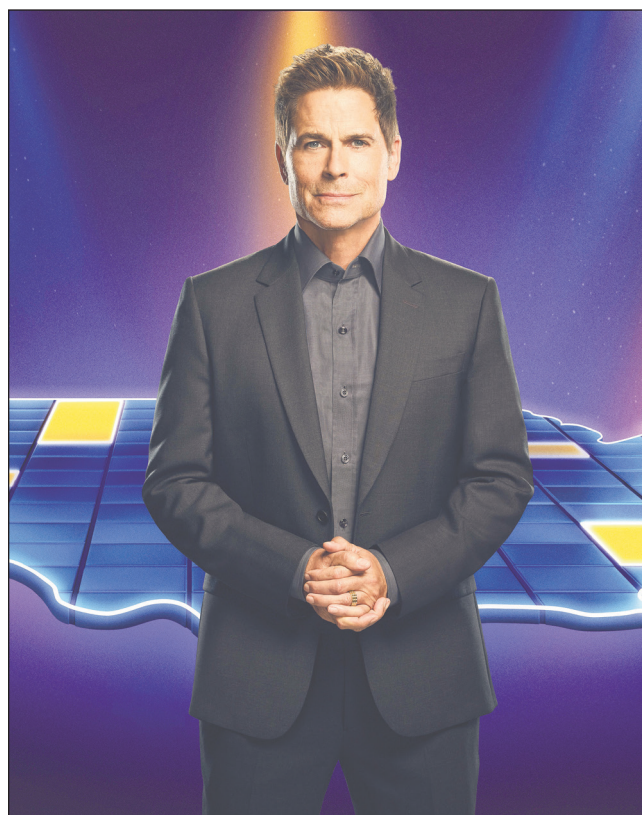
Directed by Thomas Tancred ("Last Stop Larrimah," 2023), "Untold: Chess Mates" premieres Tuesday, April 7, on Netflix.

Extreme Sudoku

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Rob Lowe hosts "The Floor"

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Wednesday Best Bets

Survivor

wbtw 8:00 pm

While fans anxiously await seeing host Jeff Probst take on a Survivor challenge of his own, the game keeps on going for the all-star players competing in this series' landmark 50th season. Will past experience help or hinder their performances?



Jeff Probst hosts "Survivor"

Nature

wunu 8:00 pm

A group of orphaned elephants found care and safety at Reteti, the first community-owned elephant sanctuary in Africa. This docuseries follows the elephants from young calves to adolescents preparing for release, documenting the journey step by step.

Born Yesterday

tcm 8:00 pm

While in Washington, D.C., to do some lobbying, garbage tycoon Harry Brock (Broderick Crawford) hires Paul Verrall (William Holden) to educate his mistress, Billie Dawn (Judy Holliday), in proper etiquette. However, Paul ends up falling for Billie.

Days of Thunder

amc 11:30 pm

Ahead of this year's Daytona 500 race, AMC airs this 1990 action film starring Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman and Robert Duvall. Cruise plays a cocky stock car driver who gets his chance to compete in the fast-paced world of NASCAR.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 8, 2026

| | TW | 4 PM | 4:30 | 5 PM | 5:30 | 6 PM | 6:30 | 7 PM | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 | 11 PM | 11:30 |
|--------|------|--|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 5 | WRAL | 5 | WRAL News at 4PM (N) | WRAL News | News (N) | WRAL News | NBC News | WRAL News | Inside (N) | Chicago Med (N) | Chicago Fire | "Sway" (N) | Chicago | "Partners" (N) | WRAL News | :35 J. Fallon | |
| 9 | WMBF | 9 | WMBF News at 4 (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | NBC News | WMBF News | Inside (N) | Chicago Med (N) | Chicago Fire | "Sway" (N) | Chicago | "Partners" (N) | News at 11 | :35 J. Fallon | |
| 11 | WTVD | 11 | 11 Eyewitness News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | World News | Jeopardy! | Wheel (N) | Scrubs (N) | Abbott (N) | The Greatest | Shark Tank | News (N) | :35 J. Kimmel | | |
| 13 | WBTW | 13 | News 13 First (N) (CC) | News (N) | WBTW News | News (N) | CBS-News | Wheel (N) | Jeopardy! | Survivor (N) (CC) | Culinary Cup (N) | Hollywood | News (N) | :35 Colbert | | | |
| 15 | WPDE | 10 | Judge Judy | Judge Judy | ABC15 News at 5 (N) (CC) | News (N) | World News | News (N) | ET (N) | Scrubs (N) | Abbott (N) | The Greatest | Shark Tank | News 15 (N) | :35 J. Kimmel | | |
| 21 | WWMB | 3 | Tribunal | Tribunal | Maury | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | Police "Swift Justice" | Police 24/7 | National Desk (N) | National Desk (N) | | | | |
| 31 | WUNU | 12 | Antiques Roadshow | Side | BBC World | PBS News Hour (N) (CC) | MotorWeek | Sci NC (CC) | Nature (N) | NOVA | Our New World (N) | Amanpour (N) | | | | | |
| 40 | WUVC | 4 | El gordo y la flaca (L) (N) | Primer impacto (L) (N) | Noticias (N) | Noticiero (N) | La rosa de Guadalupe (N) | Papás por siempre (N) | Doménica Montero (N) | Monteverde (N) | Noticias 40 | | | | | | |
| 43 | WFXB | 2 | JHud Show (CC) | Neighbor | Neighbor | Big Bang | Big Bang | Sheldon | Sheldon | The Floor (N) | Fox News | :35 Not,News | Mod Fam | Goldbergs | | | |
| 62 | WFPX | 8 | *** Mechanic: Resurrection ('16) Jason Statham. | *** Colombiana ('11) Zoe Saldaña. (CC) | *** The Equalizer (2014, Action) Marton Csokas, Denzel Washington. (CC) | *** The Equalizer 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A&E | 21 | Live PD | Live PD | Live PD | Live PD | Live PD | Live PD | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | Southern Law (N) | K9 PD- Jim | K9 PD- Jim | |
| AMC | 41 | 2:30 *** A Few Good Men | *** Signs (2002, Thriller) Joaquin Phoenix, Mel Gibson. (CC) | *** Armageddon (1998, Sci-Fi) Billy Bob Thornton, Bruce Willis. | Movie | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ANPL | 64 | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | River Monsters | Monsters "Bone Crusher" | River Monsters | | | | |
| BET | 37 | Prince | Prince | Prince | Prince | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Neighbor | Hip Hop "Cancun, Pt.2" | Divorced Sistas (N) | To Be Announced | Martin (CC) | Martin (CC) | | | |
| CMT | 48 | King | King | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls |
| CNBC | 53 | Closing Bell (L) (N) (CC) | Fast Money (L) (N) (CC) | Mad Money (N) (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | American Greed | American Greed | | | | |
| CNN | 26 | The Arena (L) (N) | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | E. B. OutFront (L) (N) (CC) | Cooper 360 (L) (N) | The Source With (L) (N) | CNN NewsNight (L) (N) | Laura Coates Live (L) (N) | | | | | | | | |
| COMC | 34 | South Park | South Park | South Park | South Park | South Park | South Park | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | |
| CSPAN | 56 | 10:00 Public Affairs | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | Public Affairs Events | |
| DISC | 42 | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | Expedition Unknown | |
| DISN | 57 | Big City | Big City | Big City | Bluey (CC) | Bluey (CC) | Big City | Big City | Big City | *** Descendants 3 ('19) Dove Cameron. (CC) | Descendant | Chiverse | Ladybug | Ladybug | | | |
| E! | 39 | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | |
| ESPN | 31 | Sportscenter (L) (N) (CC) | SportCtr (N) | Pardon | SportCtr (N) | NBA (N) | NBA Basketball | Milwaukee Bucks at Detroit Pistons (L) (N) | :35 Basketball | Portland Trail Blazers at San Antonio Spurs (L) (N) | | | | | | | |
| ESPN2 | 32 | NFL Live (CC) | NFL Live (CC) | Pardon | Podcast | College Softball | South Florida at Florida (L) (N) (CC) | 2026 Masters Tournament | Par-3 Contest (N) (CC) | SportsCenter (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | | |
| FDSO | 38 | 3:00 MLB Baseball | FIBA | To Be Announced | Programming to be announced. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FNC | 44 | Will Cain (L) (N) | The Five (L) (N) (CC) | With Bret Baier (L) (N) | Ingraham (L) (N) | Jesse Watters (L) (N) (CC) | Hannity (L) (N) (CC) | Gutfeld! (N) (CC) | Fox News at Night (L) (N) | | | | | | | | |
| FOOD | 66 | Grocery "GGG G.O.A.T." | Grocery "GGG G.O.A.T." | Guy's Grocery Games | Guy's Grocery Games | Flavortown Food Fight | Flavortown (N) | Guy's Grocery Games | Guy's Grocery Games | | | | | | | | |
| FREE | 18 | 3:00 *** Charlie & the Chocolate Factory | *** Encanto ('21) Stephanie Beatriz. (CC) | :35 *** Moana ('16) Auli'i Cravalho. (CC) | *** Growing Pains | The 700 Club (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FX | 67 | Movie | *** Deadpool ('16, Act) Morena Baccarin, Ryan Reynolds. (CC) | *** Guardians of the Galaxy ('14) Chris Pratt. (CC) | *** Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 ('17) Chris Pratt. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLF | 45 | From the Masters (L) (N) | From the Masters (CC) | Live From the Masters (L) (N) (CC) | Live From the Masters (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HALL | 62 | * A Whitewater Romance ('24) Cindy Busby. (CC) | * A Country Wedding ('15) Jesse Metcalfe. (CC) | * A Season to Blossom ('26) Carlo Marks. (CC) | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | | | | | | | | | |
| HGTV | 65 | Wild Vac. | Wild Vac. | Wild Vac. | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | Hunters | | | | |
| HIST | 51 | Swamp "No Easy Gator" | Swamp People | Swamp People | Swamp People | Swamp "Late Season Salvation" (N) | :35 Pawn Stars (N) | :35 Pawn Stars | PawnStars | | | | | | | | |
| LIFE | 25 | Castle "Valkyrie" (CC) | The Rookie | The Rookie "Long Shot" | The Rookie "Hit List" | The Rookie "Real Crime" | The Rookie "Coding" | :05 The Rookie | :05 The Rookie "Simone" | | | | | | | | |
| LMN | 46 | * Secrets of a Gold Digger Killer ('21) Eli Gabay. | * Get Rich or Die Trying ('25) Chelsea Gilson. (CC) | * Vicious Murder ('24) Arica Adams. (CC) | * Sugar Mama ('25) Latarsha Rose. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MSNBC | 43 | Deadline: White House (L) (N) (CC) | The Beat With (L) (N) (CC) | The Weeknight (L) (N) | All in With Chr. (L) (N) | The Briefing (L) (N) (CC) | Last Word (L) (N) | The 11th (L) (N) | | | | | | | | | |
| MTV | 36 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | Ridiculous | | |
| NEWSN | 16 | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | The Hill with Blake (N) | Vargas Report (N) (CC) | Cuomo (N) (CC) | On Balance (N) (CC) | Katie Pavlich (N) (CC) | Jesse Weber Live (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| NGEO | 70 | To Catch a Smuggler | To Catch a Smuggler | Catch.. "Mobile Meth" | To Catch a Smuggler | Catch.. "Fentanyl Within" | To Catch a Smuggler (N) | Inside the CIA: (N) | To Catch a Smuggler | | | | | | | | |
| NICK | 29 | Patrick Star | SpongeBob | SpongeBob SquarePants | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | Friends (CC) | | |
| NICKJ | 71 | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | Mr. Crocod | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Mr. Crocod | |
| OXY | 171 | Dateline: Secrets "In the Dead of Night" (CC) | Dateline: Secrets Uncovered | "The Long Road" (CC) | Dateline "Stone-Cold" | Dateline "The Early Shift" | Dateline: Secrets | Dateline: Secrets | | | | | | | | | |
| PARMT | 27 | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | To Be Announced | *** The Departed (2006, Thriller) Matt Damon, Leonardo DiCaprio. (CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SYFY | 55 | Movie | *** Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix ('07) Daniel Radcliffe. (CC) | *** Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ('09) Rupert Grint, Daniel Radcliffe. (CC) | *** Leprechaun: Back 2 th... | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TBN | 68 | Turning | S. Furtick | Harvest (N) | Hagee (N) | Graham (N) | Kirk Today | Allen (N) | Stakelbeck | The Revelation (CC) | Harvest (N) | M. Youssef | Turning | Stakelbeck | The Revelation (CC) | | |
| TBS | 24 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) (CC) | Foul Play | The Office | The Office | The Office | | | |
| TCM | 54 | :15 *** The Letter ('40) Bette Davis. (CC) | *** The Postman Always Rings Twice | *** Born Yesterday ('50) Judy Holliday. | *** Pat and Mike ('52) Spencer Tracy. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TLC | 23 | Sex "Zombie Apocalypse" | E.R. "Punched!" | E.R. "Dr. Robot" | E.R. "Learning Pains" | Growing Up Tiny (CC) | World's Tallest Man (N) | The Bad Foot Clinic (N) | The Bad Foot Clinic | | | | | | | | |
| TNT | 28 | 3:30 *** The Shawshank Redemption ('94) Tim Robbins. | NHL on TNT | NHL Hockey | Buffalo Sabres at New York Rangers (L) (N) | NHL Hockey | Edmonton Oilers at San Jose Sharks (N) | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOON | 69 | Regular | Regular | Ed, Edd | Ed, Edd | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | |
| TRUTV | 40 | Imp. Jokers | Imp. Jokers | Imp. Jokers | Imp. Jokers | Imp. Jokers | NHL on TNT | NHL Hockey | Buffalo Sabres at New York Rangers (L) (N) | NHL Hockey | Edmonton Oilers at San Jose Sharks (N) | | | | | | |
| TVLAND | 47 | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | King | King |
| USA | 30 | 9-1-1 "Step Nine" (CC) | 9-1-1 "Ashes, Ashes" (CC) | 9-1-1 "All Fall Down" | 9-1-1 "Buzzkill" (CC) | 9-1-1 | 9-1-1 "Final Approach" | 9-1-1 | 9-1-1 "Masks" (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| WE | 61 | NCIS "Two-Faced" (CC) | NCIS "Dead Reflection" | NCIS "Baltimore" (CC) | NCIS "Swan Song" (CC) | NCIS "Pyramid" (CC) | NCIS | NCIS "Restless" (CC) | NCIS | | | | | | | | |

Friday Best Bets

Beverly Hills Cop II

AMC 1:30 pm

Detroit detective Axel Foley (Eddie Murphy) returns to Los Angeles once again. This time, he's asked to help solve a series of robberies committed by punks, dubbed as the Alphabet Crimes. Judge Reinhold, John Ashton and Paul Reiser also star.

Sheriff Country

WBTW 8:00 pm

This fledgling series continues with a new episode, following straight-shooting sheriff Mickey Fox (Morena Baccarin) as she investigates criminal activity and diligently patrols the streets of her small town of Edgewater, Calif. Matt Lauria also stars.



Morena Baccarin stars in "Sheriff Country"

United Football League

WFXB 8:00 pm

Quarterback Dorian Thompson-Robinson leads the Orlando Storm north to Lynn Family Stadium in Louisville, Ky., to face Jason Bean and the Louisville Kings. Backed by Coach Chris Redman, the Kings hope to make an early mark in their inaugural season.

The Masque of the Red Death

TCM 8:00 pm

As the Red Plague ravages medieval Italy, cruel Prince Prospero (Vincent Price) hides in his eerie castle. But when a mysterious, red-cloaked figure (John Westbrook) appears at his lavish masquerade, the tyrant learns that no fortress can escape death.

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 10, 2026

| | TW | 4 PM | 4:30 | 5 PM | 5:30 | 6 PM | 6:30 | 7 PM | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 | 11 PM | 11:30 |
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| 5 | WRAL | 5 | WRAL News at 4PM (N) | WRAL News | News (N) | WRAL News | NBC News | WRAL News | Inside (N) | Happy's (N) | Stumble (N) | Dateline NBC (N) (CC) | | | | WRAL News | :35 J. Fallon |
| 9 | WMBF | 9 | WMBF News at 4 (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | NBC News | WMBF News | Inside (N) | Happy's (N) | Stumble (N) | Dateline NBC (N) (CC) | | | | News at 11 | :35 J. Fallon |
| 11 | WTVD | 11 | 11 Eyewitness News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | News (N) | World News | Jeopardy! | Wheel (N) | Celebrity Jeopardy! (N) | 20/20 (N) (CC) | | | | News (N) | :35 J. Kimmel | |
| 13 | WBTW | 13 | News 13 First (N) (CC) | News (N) | WBTW News | News (N) | CBS-News | Wheel (N) | Jeopardy! | Fire "Why Not Now?" (N) | Boston Blue (N) | News (N) | | | | Masters | |
| 15 | WPDE | 10 | Judge Judy | Judge Judy | ABC15 News at 5 (N) (CC) | News (N) | World News | News (N) | ET (N) | Celebrity Jeopardy! (N) | 20/20 (N) (CC) | | | | News 15 (N) | :35 J. Kimmel | |
| 21 | WWMB | 3 | Tribunal | Tribunal | Maury | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | Family Feud | Penn & Teller: Fool Us | Bible Challenge (N) (CC) | The National News Desk | | The National News Desk | | | |
| 31 | WUNU | 12 | Energy | Sci NC (CC) | N.C. Wknd | BBC World | PBS News Hour (N) (CC) | Issues | cnImpact | Week (N) | State Lines | The American Revolution (CC) | | | | Amanpour | |
| 40 | WUVC | 4 | El gordo y la flaca (L) (N) | Primer impacto (L) (N) | Noticias (L) (N) | Noticias (L) (N) | La rosa de Guadalupe | Papás por siempre (N) | Doménica Montero (N) | Monteverde (N) | Noticias 40 | | | | :35 Noticiero | | |
| 43 | WFXB | 2 | JHud Show (CC) | Neighbor | Neighbor | Big Bang | Big Bang | Sheldon | Sheldon | UFL Football | United Football League Orlando Storm at Louisville Kings (L) (N) (CC) | Stories | | Goldbergs | | | |
| 62 | WFPX | 8 | ★ Lazarus (2021, Action) | Costas Mandylor, Sean Riggs. (CC) | | | ★ Catwoman (2004, Action) | Benjamin Bratt, Halle Berry. (CC) | | ★★ Colombiana ('11) | Zoe Saldaña. (CC) | | ★ Mechanic: Resurrection | | | | |
| A&E | 21 | Alaska State Troopers | | Alaska State Troopers | | Alaska State Troopers | | Alaska State Troopers | | Troopers "Shots Fired" | | Troopers "Frontier Force" | | Alaska State Troopers | | :05 Southern Law | |
| AMC | 41 | 3:30 ★★ Ferris Bueller's Day Off | | | ★★ National Treasure (2004, Adventure) | | | Diane Kruger, Nicolas Cage. (CC) | | ★★★ National Treasure: Book of Secrets ('07) | | | Jon Voight, Nicolas Cage. (CC) | | | | |
| ANPL | 64 | Treehouse Masters | | | Treehouse Masters | | | Treehouse Masters | | Treehouse Masters | | Treehouse Masters | | Treehouse Masters | | Treehouse Masters | |
| BET | 37 | Prince | Prince | Prince | Prince | Neighbor | Neighbor | ★ Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking Your Juice in the Hood | | | | ★★★ Friday ('95, Com) | | Chris Tucker, Ice Cube. (CC) | | | |
| CMT | 48 | King | King | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Reba (CC) | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls |
| CNBC | 53 | Closing Bell (L) (N) (CC) | Fast Money (L) (N) (CC) | Mad Money (N) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) | Shark Tank (CC) |
| CNN | 26 | The Arena (L) (N) | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | Jake Tapper (L) (N) (CC) | E. B. OutFront (L) (N) (CC) | Cooper 360 (L) (N) | The Source With (L) (N) | CNN NewsNight (L) (N) | Laura Coates Live (L) (N) | | | | | | | |
| COMC | 34 | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | The Office | South Park | South Park |
| CSPAN | 56 | 2:30 Public Affairs Events | | | Ceasefire (CC) | | | Public Affairs Events | | | Ceasefire (CC) | | Public Affairs Events | | | | |
| DISC | 42 | Gold Rush | | "Rick's Mess" | | Gold Rush | | Gold Rush | | Gold Rush (N) | | :05 Gold Rush: (N) | | :05 Gold Rush: | | :05 Gold Rush: | |
| DISN | 57 | Big City | Big City | Big City | Bluey (CC) | Bluey (CC) | Big City | Big City | Big City | Descendants/Zombies | :15 Descend | "Jewel-bilee" | | Under-Sea | Vampirina | Ladybug | Ladybug |
| E! | 39 | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | ★ King of Staten Island | |
| ESPN | 31 | 3:00 2026 Masters Tournament Second Round (L) (N) | | | Sports (N) | | | 2026 Masters Tournament Second Round | | | SportsCenter (L) (N) (CC) | | | | | | |
| ESPN2 | 32 | NFL Live (CC) | | | SportCtr (N) | | | Podcast | | | SportsCenter (L) (N) (CC) | | | College Softball Oklahoma at Texas (L) (N) (CC) | | | |
| FDSO | 38 | Carolina | Athletes Unlimited Pro Lacrosse | Focused | | | Warehouse Games | | Warehouse Games | | Warehouse Games | | Pulse/Pack | Duke | Outdoor | Great | |
| FNC | 44 | Will Cain (L) (N) | The Five (L) (N) (CC) | With Bret Baier (L) (N) | | | Ingraham (L) (N) | | Jesse Watters (L) (N) (CC) | | Hannity (L) (N) (CC) | | Gutfeld! (N) (CC) | | Fox News at Night (L) (N) | | |
| FOOD | 66 | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners |
| FREE | 18 | Movie | :25 ★★ Luca ('21) | Jacob Tremblay. (CC) | | | ★★★ Monsters, Inc. ('01) | | John Goodman. (CC) | | :35 ★★ Monsters University ('13) | | Billy Crystal. (CC) | | The 700 Club (N) (CC) | | |
| FX | 67 | 2:30 ★ Equalizer 3 - Final ... | ★★★ National Treasure (2004, Adventure) | | | Diane Kruger, Nicolas Cage. (CC) | | ★★★ National Treasure: Book of Secrets ('07) | | | Jon Voight, Nicolas Cage. (CC) | | ★ Enemy of the State | | | | |
| GOLF | 45 | 3:30 GolfAca... Lessons | Golf Acad. | Golf Acad. | Golf Acad. | Golf Channel Academy | Live From the Masters (L) (N) (CC) | Live From the Masters (CC) | | | | | | | | | |
| HALL | 62 | ★ Summer Villa ('16) | Hilarie Burton. (CC) | | | ★ Christmas Tree Lane ('20) | | Alicia Witt. (CC) | | ★ A Very Merry Mix-Up ('13) | | Alicia Witt. (CC) | | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls | Gold. Girls |
| HGTV | 65 | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | DreamHome | Hunters | Hunters | Tropic | Tropic |
| HIST | 51 | UnBelievable | UnBelievable | | | UnBelievable | | UnBelievable | | UnBelievable | | UnBelievable (N) | | :05 Proof-There | :05 UnBelievable | | |
| LIFE | 25 | NCIS "Last Man Standing" | NCIS "Agent Afloat" (CC) | | | NCIS "Capitol Offense" | | NCIS "Heartland" (CC) | | NCIS "Nine Lives" (CC) | | NCIS "Murder 2.0" (CC) | | :05 NCIS | :05 NCIS "Cloak" (CC) | | |
| LMN | 46 | ★ Fatal Fixer-Upper ('24) | Jasmine Aivaliotis. (CC) | | | ★ The Neighbor Who Saw Too Much | | Sage Moore. | | ★ Home Makeover Nightmare | | Jackée Harry. (P) | | ★ Secrets in the Foundation ('24) | | | Kristi Murdock. |
| MSNBC | 43 | Deadline: White House (L) (N) (CC) | | | The Beat With (L) (N) (CC) | | The Weeknight (L) (N) | | All in With Chr. (L) (N) | | The Briefing (L) (N) (CC) | | Last Word (L) (N) | | The 11th (L) (N) | | |
| MTV | 36 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Drag Race | "Good Morning Bitches" | | RuPaul's Drag Race (N) | | RuPaul's Drag Race (CC) | | | | | |
| NEWSN | 16 | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | NewsNation (L) (N) (CC) | The Hill with Blake (N) | Vargas Report (N) (CC) | Cuomo (N) (CC) | On Balance (N) (CC) | Katie Pavlich (N) (CC) | Jesse Weber Live (N) (CC) | | | | | | | | |
| NGEO | 70 | Drain "Rise of the Mob" | Drain the Oceans | | | Drain the Oceans | | Parks "Voyageurs" | | Super Animals (N) | | Parks "Grand Teton" | | Parks "Lake Clark" | | Parks "Biscayne" | |
| NICK | 29 | 3:15 ★ SpongeBob Squar... | Boss Baby | Loud House | Wyldie Pak | SpongeBob | ★★★ Sing 2 ('21) | Matthew McConaughey. (CC) | | Friends (CC) | | | | | | | |
| NICKJ | 71 | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | PAW Patrol | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Rubble | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Peppa Pig | Mr. Crocod | |
| OXY | 171 | Snapped | Snapped | | | Snapped "Katrina Ben" | | Snapped | | Snapped | | Snapped "Angela Stoldt" | | Snapped "Monique Kitts" | | Snapped "Shelia Eddy" | |
| PARMT | 27 | Bar Rescue | Bar Rescue | | | ★★★ The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring | | | | | | Creatures unite to destroy a powerful ring and defeat a lord. | | ★ Lord of the Rings: Two Towers | | | |
| SYFY | 55 | 2:30 ★ Harry Potter & the Deathly Hallo... | :35 ★★ Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 | | | Daniel Radcliffe. | | ★ Hellboy (2019, Action) | | Milla Jovovich, David Harbour. | | ★ Leprechaun in the Hood | | | | | |
| TBN | 68 | Turning | S. Furtick | Harvest | Hagee (N) | Behind | Kirk Today | Allen (N) | Stakelbeck | God With Us (CC) | God With Us | God With Us (CC) | God With Us | | | | |
| TBS | 24 | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | ★★★ Barbie (2023, Comedy) | Ryan Gosling, Margot Robbie. | | ★★★ Pitch Perfect 3 | | | | |
| TCM | 54 | 3:45 ★★ Rome Adventure ('62) | Troy Donahue. | | | ★★★ Spencer's Mountain ('63) | | Henry Fonda. | | ★★★ The Masque of the Red Death | | :45 ★★ The Wild Angels ('66) | | Peter Fonda. | | ★ The Trip | |
| TLC | 23 | 90 Day: The Single Life | 90 Day: The Single Life | | | 90 Day: The Single Life | | 90 Day Fiancé | | 90 Day Fiancé: Before the Red Days (N) | | 90 Day (N) | | The Single Life (CC) | | 90 Day | |
| TNT | 28 | :15 ★★ Tag ('18, Com) | Jon Hamm, Ed Helms. (CC) | | | :15 ★★ Central Intelligence ('16) | | Dwayne Johnson. (CC) | | ★★★ Meg 2: The Trench (2023, Sci-Fi) | | Jing Wu, Jason Statham. | | ★ Furiosa: A Mad Max S... | | | |
| TOON | 69 | Regular | Regular | Ed, Edd | Ed, Edd | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Rick Morty | Rick Morty | Rick Morty | |
| TRUTV | 40 | Movie | ★★★ Barbie (2023, Comedy) | | | Ryan Gosling, Margot Robbie. | | ★★★ Gridiron Gang (2006, Action) | | Xzibit, Dwayne Johnson. (CC) | | ★★★ Angels in the Outfield ('94) | | | | Danny Glover. | Movie |
| TVLAND | 47 | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | A. Griffith | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | King | King |
| USA | 30 | 3:00 Premier Soccer | Goal Zone | Forensic | Law & Order: SVU | Law & Order: SVU | WWE Friday Night SmackDown (CC) | | | | | Two Men | | Two Men | | | |
| WE | 61 | 3:30 ★ Hook ('25) | Charlotte Jackson Coleman. (CC) | | | ★★★ Jumanji (1995, Children) | | Jonathan Hyde, Robin Williams. | | Mama June (N) | | Bridezillas (N) | | Mama June | | | |

hollywood Q&A



Leonardo DiCaprio

By Adam Thomlison
TV Media

Q: Has Leonardo DiCaprio ever been on "Saturday Night Live"?

A: I'll answer your question exactly as you wrote it and say yes, silver-screen megastar Leonardo DiCaprio ("Inception," 2010) has "been on" the landmark sketch show "Saturday Night Live." But not in the way that might imply, because, at the same time, DiCaprio regularly features on lists of the (few) celebrities who've never hosted the show.

It was that longstanding absence that made his cameo appearance in 2014 such a thrilling surprise for fans.

His buddy Jonah Hill ("Moneyball," 2013) was hosting in January 2014, just after getting an Oscar nomination for the movie they did together, "The Wolf of Wall Street" (2013). During his monologue, DiCaprio jumped on stage and suddenly the two of them were recreating the famous scene at the bow of the boat from DiCaprio's 1997 star-making hit "Titanic" (it made sense in context).

It was just a brief moment during the monologue, so DiCaprio didn't get a credit or anything. That means it also didn't break his streak of decades of stardom without ever hosting the show.

That streak is certainly notable, but it's actually not all that strange. While it does seem like everyone who's anyone has hosted the show at some point, in fact those lists mentioned earlier are pretty lengthy. And they include some comedians you'd imagine would be natural choices — folks like Sacha Baron Cohen ("Borat," 2006) and Whoopi Goldberg ("Ghost," 1990).

The lists also include some more of the most celebrated actors of our time — such as Sandra Bullock ("The Proposal," 2009) and Denzel Washington ("Training Day," 2001).

Q: Is Mark Harmon going to come back for more "NCIS: Origins"?

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Answer: □□□□ □□□□

Unscramble the letters for each word to reveal five movies and TV shows. Then, rearrange the circled letters to discover the actor who has appeared in all five.

Solution on page 19

A: It seems likely. There will definitely be more of the show, and Mark Harmon ("Freaky Friday," 2003) is a critical part of it, one way or another.

Harmon, who starred as Leroy Jethro Gibbs in the original CBS hit "NCIS," is an executive producer of "NCIS: Origins," the prequel spinoff that chronicles his character's younger years. He also narrates the new show as the older version of the Gibbs character; his younger self is played by Austin Stowell ("Bridge of Spies," 2015).

We have no reason to believe that Harmon's involvement will change for the show's third season, which has already been greenlit, and will likely debut in the fall like the previous two.

It's the only role on his plate right now — he's still an executive producer on the original series but doesn't have an on-screen presence. To be fair, Harmon has earned some downtime. He's been a household name since his '80s heartthrob days, coming to fame on the TV classic "St. Elsewhere" and in films such as "Summer School" (1987) and "The Presidio" (1988).

Have a question? Email us at questions@tvtabloid.com. Please include your name and town. Personal replies will not be provided.




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Late laughs

The Late Show With Stephen Colbert

The Nielsen ratings for [President Trump's] speech are in and Trump's talkathon saw an 11% decrease from last year. Donald Trump is really dragging down broadcast television. I mean, if I were CBS, I'd cancel him now. But you know, linear television is doomed and everyone's ratings are down, right? I'm sorry. What's that? Our ratings were up 7%? Both the same last year. So last year's ratings and this year's I'm up 7%. Wow. Holy cow. You know what? You know what I think was going on? People may not like watching Trump, but they do like watching me not like watching Trump.

The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon

Today [March 4], the White House said that President Trump attacked Iran based on a good feeling that they were planning to attack the U.S. It's historic. This could be the first war ever launched based on vibes.

Jimmy Kimmel Live!

We got some Diddy news today [March 4]. Sean "Diddy" Combs is now expected to get out of prison a couple of months earlier. As if the price of oil wasn't high enough. Apparently, the parole board doesn't have Netflix, and they have moved up his release date from June 2028 to April 2028. You know what that means? The Arbor Day freak-off is back on, everybody.

Late Night With Seth Meyers

The Italian team in the World Baseball Classic has gained attention online because they have an espresso machine in their dugout, which explains why one of their players bunted a triple.

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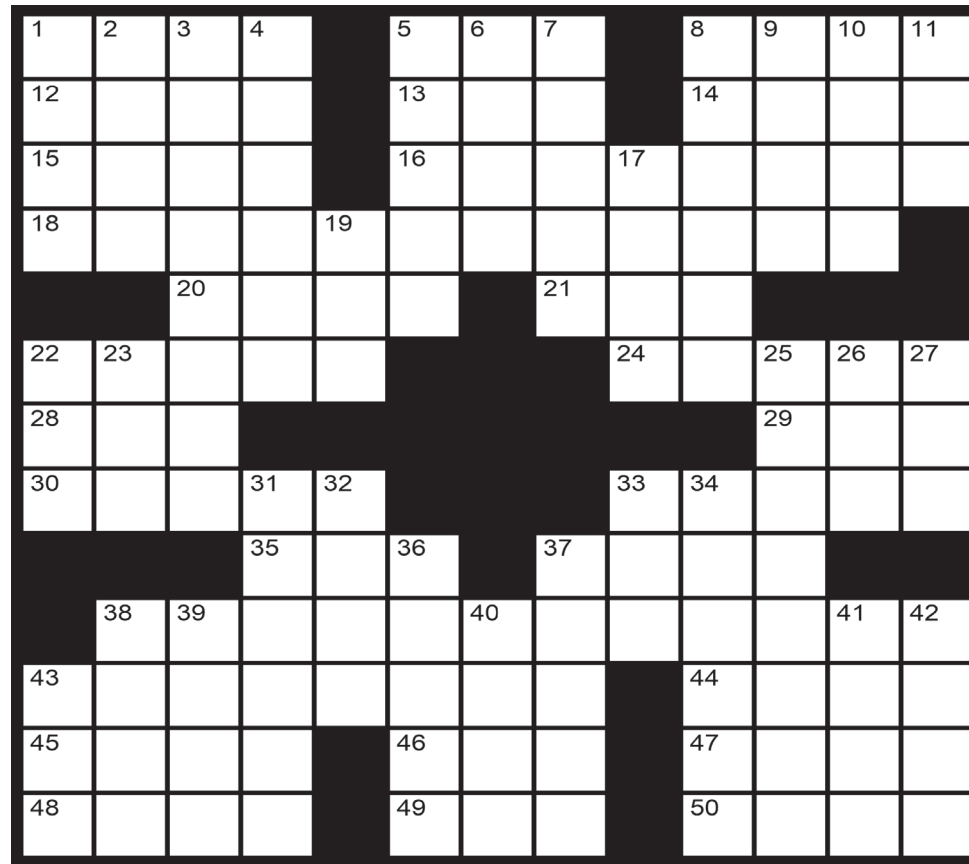
24. Nickname for Alexander
28. Filling station filler
29. Cartridge holder
30. System of short-hand
33. 'Vette alternative
35. Hi-___ graphics
37. Bring home
38. Amy Adams miniseries
43. Lauren Conrad reality series
44. Nintendo console
45. Dunn of "SNL"
46. Get on
47. Being, to Sartre
48. Spark
49. Go for the bronze?
50. Colors

Down

1. Draw out
2. Abecedary link

- #### Across
1. Dallas team, to fans
5. Best-liked, in texts
8. Squeezed (out)
12. "Uh-huh"
13. Glass of public radio
14. Minute ___
15. Milano moolah
16. She was Irina Derevko on "Alias"
18. "Dallas" spin-off
20. Noodges
21. NYC congresswoman
22. VCR button

television crossword



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3. Like many characters in "Romeo and Juliet"
4. Airport in Washington
5. Packs to the brim
6. Place
7. Woman of letters?
8. Nickname of a Beethoven symphony
9. Pottery oven
10. Vaper's buy
11. Cave
17. Uproars
19. Abbr. that can follow master or staff
22. Halloween prankster's aid
23. Cookie holder
25. Michael J. Fox sitcom
26. "___ Town Too" (1981 hit)
27. Not to mention
31. Kind of cracker
32. One of the Spice Girls
33. ___ Mahal
34. Like tea
36. Impact sound
37. "Barnaby Jones" star
38. Pump, e.g.
39. Frau's partner
40. First name in gymnastics
41. Wear down
42. Takes to court
43. 1990s Star Trek series abbr.

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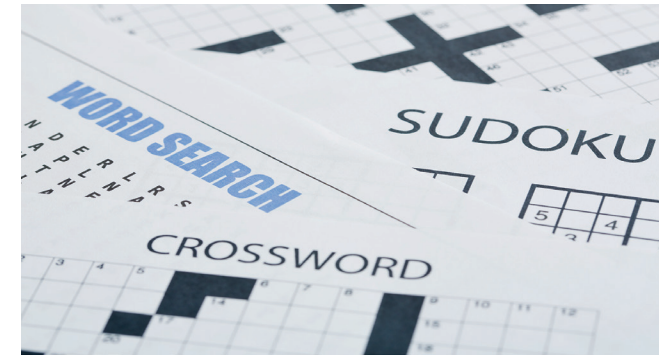
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