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Senior Fun Day celebrates Gadsden County seniors at Hopkins Landing

Erin Hill
Gadsden County News Service

The sixth annual Senior Fun Day brought seniors together for a day of fellowship, entertainment and activities at Pat Thomas Pavilion at Hopkins Landing on Lake Talquin.

The event, co-hosted by the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office in collaboration with Gadsden Senior Services, Gadsden Elder Affairs and the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners, featured food, music, door prizes and vendor exhibits.

According to the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office, the event drew attendees from neighboring states to the pavilion at 949 Hopkins Landing Road in Quincy.

Sheriff Morris A. Young thanked the planning committee and community partners for helping make the event possible and for honoring Gadsden County's senior citizens.

The sheriff's office said plans are underway to continue partnering with Gadsden County Senior Services and the Board of County Commissioners to host the event at different locations across the county to encourage broader participation among seniors.

A sign displayed during the event thanked community supporters and donors, noting that \$13,242 was raised in support of the annual Senior Fun Day.

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County seeks funding options for W.S. Stevens project

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Questions surrounding funding requirements for a project at W.S. Stevens School led Gadsden County commissioners to direct administration to seek possible solutions during the May 19 county commission meeting.

During discussion of the W.S. Stevens item, Interim County Administrator Reginald James reviewed the timeline of the school's safe room project and outlined its current status, including responses from the Florida Division of Emergency Management



W.S. Stevens School: Gadsden County commissioners discussed funding and project status for W.S. Stevens during their May 19 meeting and voted to authorize administration to seek possible funding solutions.

and outstanding requests for information.

According to meeting discussion, the project is tied to Federal Emergency Management Agency requirements and includes a reported \$1.5 million local cash match needed to move forward.

James said the previous administration did not earmark the local cost share and reviewed the project's timeline, including a Federal Emergency Management Agency review holding period that extended from July 2025 through January 2026 and continued county coordination

earlier this year.

Commissioners raised questions about the project's future and the county's awareness of the funding obligation.

Commissioner Ronterious Green said he wanted to know whether the county still intended to pursue the project and later stated commissioners had not authorized a change from Housing and Urban Development funding to Federal Emergency Management Agency funding and now needed to identify a solution.

Commissioner Shawn Wood said he had not

previously been informed of the issue and said he did not want the county to lose funding tied to the project.

Commission Chair Brenda Holt noted the county had previously earmarked funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, commonly known as CARES funding, and suggested officials determine what actions the City of Quincy may take before moving forward.

Carolyn Ford of Quincy also addressed commissioners regarding W.S. Stevens. During

discussion, Wood suggested county officials and stakeholders could hold a workshop to review the project's history and options.

James told commissioners the county would likely need more than a year if it sought an extension connected to the project. County Attorney Louis Baptiste added that part of the extension process involves a commitment to funding.

A motion by Wood to move forward with filing for an extension, seconded by Holt, was later withdrawn.

The board ultimately voted 5-0 to authorize county administration to identify possible funding options.

Commissioners also discussed a proposed facility usage policy later in the meeting. Baptiste said the board needed to determine rental fees and address waiver language within the policy. During that discussion, commissioners voted 5-0 to allow Marianna AME to use a county facility.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.



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Community Calendar

June

Tuesday, June 2

• **Library Luau**
The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a Library Luau at 2 p.m. at Cowen Public Library, 300 Maple St., Chattahoochee. The summer reading kickoff includes treats, games and prizes. Admission is free.

County Public Library System hosts a writing workshop at 4 p.m. at the Havana Public Library. The beginner-friendly workshop is open to all ages and focuses on writing strategies and creativity. Admission is free.

Thursday, June 4

• **Library Luau**
The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a Library Luau at 2 p.m. at the Havana Public Library, 203 E. Fifth Ave., Havana. The

summer reading kickoff includes treats, games and prizes. Admission is free.

Friday, June 5

• **Library Luau**
The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a Library Luau at 2 p.m. at the William A. "Bill" McGill Public Library, 732 S. Pat Thomas Parkway, Quincy. The summer reading kickoff includes treats, games and prizes. Admission is free.

• Summer Reading Program — Dig Through History Begins

The Gadsden County Public Library System launches its 2026

Summer Reading Program, "Dig Through History," featuring free programs and take-home craft kits for all ages throughout the summer.

Tuesday, June 9

• **Dinosaur Bracelets**
The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a Dinosaur Bracelets workshop at 4 p.m. at the William A. "Bill" McGill Public Library in Quincy. Participants will create dinosaur-themed bracelets. Admission is free.

Wednesday, June 10

• **Writing Workshop**
— Havana Public Library

The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a writing workshop at 4 p.m. at the Havana Public Library. The beginner-friendly workshop is open to all ages and focuses on writing strategies and creativity. Admission is free.

Friday, June 12

• **Dinosaur Bracelets**
The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts a Dinosaur Bracelets workshop at 4 p.m. at the Havana Public Library. Participants will create dinosaur-themed bracelets. Admission is free.

Saturday, June 13

• Florida 4-H Summer Fest

Florida 4-H hosts Summer Fest from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Gadsden County Extension Office, 2140 W. Jefferson St., Quincy. The family-friendly event features vendors, food trucks, games, free activities and giveaways. Admission is free.

• Paint-A-Dot

The Gadsden County Public Library System hosts Paint-A-Dot at 11 a.m. in Quincy. Participants will create colorful dot art projects. Admission is free.



QMT receives grant to support Leaf Theatre preservation efforts

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Quincy Music Theatre has received a \$6,000 grant from Talquin Electric Cooperative and CoBank through the Sharing Success Program to support

preservation efforts at the historic Leaf Theatre.

According to a press release, the funding will support Quincy Music Theatre's Heritage Night preservation initiative and help advance plans to restore

and celebrate the downtown theatre.

The organization said the long-term goal is to transform the Leaf Theatre into a cultural destination that blends live theatre, local history and immersive exhibits centered on

the venue's history and community impact.

Plans for the initiative include curated displays featuring historical photographs, vintage costumes, programs, memorabilia, ticket stubs and other artifacts connected to the theatre and Quincy's cultural history.

Community members and longtime patrons have already begun donating items tied to the theatre for future preservation and exhibits, according to the release.

"These artifacts are more than objects — they are pieces of family history, community identity, and cultural legacy," said Alicia Kilman, executive director of Quincy Music Theatre. "Every

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MEETING NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners will be on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, starting at 6:00 p.m. The following items have been agendaed: **Awards, Presentations, and Appearances:** Consent: Ratification Memo, May 19, 2026, Special Meeting, May 19, 2026, Pre-BOCC Workshop, May 19, 2026, Regular BOCC Meeting, Approval of Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles - Memorandum of Understanding - Annual Certification Statement, Approval and Signature for Satisfaction of Special Assessment Lien **Items Pulled for Discussion, Citizens Requesting to be Heard on Non-Agenda Items (3-minute limit):** The Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners welcomes and encourages public participation at all Board meetings. Citizens can speak for up to three (3) minutes on non-agenda items. Public comments and participation are also encouraged for items on the agenda. Additionally, if you are unable to attend a meeting in person, comments from the Public can also be submitted via email to CitizensToBeHeard@gadsdencountyfl.gov by noon on the meeting date. Comments submitted after the deadline but prior to the meeting will be added to the official record, but the County cannot guarantee that Commissioners and staff will have adequate time to review them prior to the meeting. Citizens are further encouraged to participate on the County's website at www.gadsdencountyfl.gov. **Public Hearings, General Business:** Approval of the 2026 Florida Council on Aging Partnership Memorandum of Understanding with Gadsden County Elderly Affairs, Approval of Clemons, Rutherford & Associates' Add Service Authorization (ASA) #001 for Havana Library MPCF Civil Engineering, Approval of Countywide Facility and Park Use Policy, Application Form, and Standard Use Agreement; Authorization to Adopt Implementing Ordinance, **Clerk of Court:** Updates; **Interim County Attorney:** Updates; **Interim County Administrator:** Updates; **Discussion Items by Commissioners:** Updates. (This agenda and a listing of the Receipt/File items may be viewed in electronic format on the County's website at www.gadsdencountyfl.gov). *If a person decides to appeal any decision by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at such public meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence to which the appeal is to be heard.* In accordance with Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact the Facilities Management Office, 9-B East Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL 32351, by written request at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Telephone: (850) 875-8665 or 850-363-1360.

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costume, ticket stub, and faded photograph tells a story about the generations of people who gathered here to experience movies, performances, and community events. We want to preserve those


stories and create a space where residents and visitors alike can experience Quincy's history through the arts." The preservation project is part of Quincy Music Theatre's broader mission to protect the historic theatre while expanding arts

access and encouraging cultural tourism in the region. Future restoration plans could include guided tours, educational exhibits and historical experiences focused on both the Leaf Theatre and Quincy's arts community.

"We take pride in our 'Concern for Community' principle and are thrilled to partner with CoBank's Sharing Success Program to support Quincy Music Theatre," said Tracy Bensley, general manager of Talquin Electric Cooperative.

"This grant celebrates the stories and heritage that make Quincy a community we are proud to serve." Quincy Music Theatre's Heritage Night fundraiser is scheduled for April 10, 2027, and is expected to support continued restoration and

preservation efforts at the theatre. The organization is also encouraging residents with photographs, costumes, memorabilia or stories connected to the Leaf Theatre to contribute to preserving the venue's history for future generations.



ORCHARD POND GREENWAY

Tallahassee to Havana Trail from Old Bainbridge Road (C.R. 153) at Ochlockonee River (Leon/Gadsden County line) to the eastern trailhead on the Orchard Pond Greenway.
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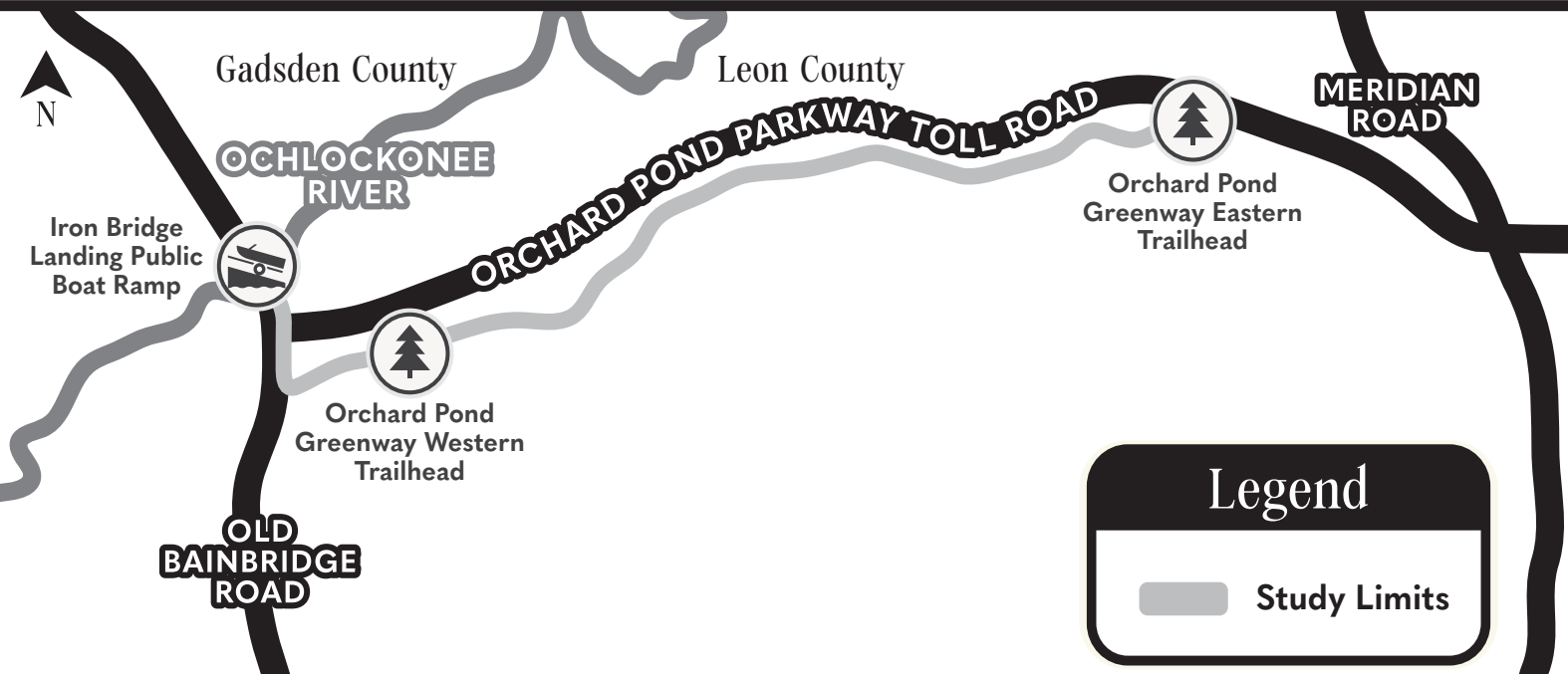
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PUBLIC ALTERNATIVES MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026 5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. (EDT)

LAKE JACKSON COMMUNITY CENTER
3840 NORTH MONROE STREET
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This meeting is being held to offer interested persons new information, provide an opportunity to learn about the project, and allow them to share their views. There will be maps, drawings, and other information on display. CRTPA representatives and project team members will be available to explain proposed improvements, answer questions, and receive comments. Information displayed at the meeting will also be available online beginning Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at www.crtpa.org/projects/tallahassee-to-havana-trail-pde-study-leon-county/




The map shows the study limits for the Orchard Pond Parkway Toll Road project, extending from Old Bainbridge Road in Leon County to Meridian Road in Leon County. Key landmarks include the Ochlockonee River, Iron Bridge Landing Public Boat Ramp, and the Orchard Pond Greenway Western and Eastern Trailheads.

The Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) is conducting an Environmental Impact and Alternatives Study to evaluate existing conditions, identify community needs and potential impacts, and develop conceptual design plans for a paved multi-use trail. The proposed trail would extend along Old Bainbridge Road from the Leon County line to Orchard Pond Road, and along Orchard Pond Road from Old Bainbridge Road to the eastern trailhead of Orchard Pond Parkway in Leon County. The total study length is approximately 4.4 miles. The existing unimproved trail, approximately 3.6 miles, is located between the western and eastern trailheads and accommodates equestrian, pedestrian, and bicycle user groups. The project will improve pedestrian and bicycle safety, increase mobility and recreational opportunities, enhance quality of life, and support the local economy. Additionally, it provides a critical link in expanding the regional trail network in the Capital Region and beyond.


WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

We invite you to participate by providing your comments and ideas on the proposed improvements. You can get involved in various ways—through phone, mail, or email. All comments provided, or postmarked, on or before **Tuesday, June 30, 2026**, will become part of the official project record.



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Teen killed, second person wounded in separate Chattahoochee shootings

Erin Hill
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A teenager was killed and another person injured in two separate shootings over the weekend at the same apartment complex in Chattahoochee, according to police.

The Chattahoochee Police Department responded shortly after midnight Sunday to a reported shooting at Flint Garden Apartments.

According to police, officers found that several juveniles had been involved in a fight that escalated into gunfire. A teenage boy died at the scene.

Police said another teen was taken into custody in connection with the shooting and is facing charges. Authorities have not released additional details about the charges or the identities of those involved.

A few hours later, officers were called back to Flint Garden Apartments following a second shooting.

Police said a man was shot inside his apartment and suffered injuries that were not considered life-threatening. Investigators said the man was not the intended target.

Authorities are continuing to investigate both incidents.

While both shootings occurred at the same apartment complex within hours of one another, Chattahoochee police said they have not determined whether the cases are connected.

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June just might be the first month of summer ... to most of us. But for some of this planet's people, it's the dead of winter. That would be those wonderful folks who live south of the equator, of course. While we are busy cremating some cow or pig on the backyard barbecue, they are still holed up and wondering if they can make it to penguin season without starving.

And I'm just kidding of course because 1. I'm fairly certain no nation has a penguin season, and 2. penguins don't need any more problems. Hey, they already live where it's too cold and they walk funny.

I thought I knew all kinds of things about sleds and dogs. Hadn't I already won a 100-mile race? Hadn't I darn near won a 300-mile race? Didn't I live 12 miles from my car and have to use the team to get to town and to file my columns. Heck yes! Well, in those days I was married to Pam, who ran race headquarters for the Iditarod Race. That was a long, cold 1100-mile camping trip from Anchorage to Nome.

This finds us in race headquarters in Anchorage, which looked an awful lot like a borrowed room in the Roosevelt Hotel. Just before the second race, which was in March of 1974, we were sitting in the room and in walks a very finely dressed gentleman with a Boston accent, and introduced himself as Norman Vaughan.

He sat down and asked some race questions, and I'm afraid I answered them all.

Never did learn to stop talking about dogs. A couple of hours later, Norman left and we both remarked how polite and kind he was. Well, about an hour after that, we were listening to the radio and the announcer said, "Our special guest speaker for the mushers' banquet tonight will be Colonel Norman Vaughan, who drove a dog team to the South Pole in 1929 as a safety back-up for pilot Richard Byrd."

I wasn't able to speak at all after the biggest embarrassment of my life. But Pam made up for it by laughing her head off.

Finally, I had to laugh, too, after my coaching talk to an old guy from Boston. I said to Pam, "Well, at least he now knows the right way to do it."

Norman and I were close friends for the rest of his life. But there really should be a lever or something that you could pull and have the floor open up and swallow noisy dog mushers, newspaper columnists, and other blights on humanity.

Brought to you by "Dogsled, A True Tale of the North" which I wrote because someone had to. It's online.



Grace Notes Sort of together

Nancy Kennedy

Years ago I visited a little church at the edge of the county. They had a new pastor and I had gone to interview him for a story for the paper.

As I walked around the building looking for the door, a man with messy hair, dressed in shorts and sandals, walked behind me. I thought maybe he knew where the door was, maybe he thought I knew.

We walked around the building, sort of together, eventually finding the way in.

He went into the sanctuary and sat near the front. He didn't seem to know anyone, but he didn't seem too terribly uncomfortable.

When the service started, I sat in the back so I could observe the goings on better. I was especially interested in that man who came in with me.

Why was he there? Why was he alone, and why choose this church? It sits a couple of miles back from the main highway, and unless you know it's there, you wouldn't know it.

During the pastor's sermon, the man appeared to be listening, although he didn't nod or say "Amen" like most of the other people did.

He didn't sing any of the hymns or go forward at the altar call, but neither did he leave early to avoid it.

When the service ended, he just slipped out quietly, not staying to chat or shake anyone's hand.

I'd love to have talked to him, to learn his story, what brought him there, what he thought about what he heard there, if he was moved at all.

Did what he heard anger him? Help or comfort him? Confuse him?

Did he go back the next week?

The sermon that day was about Mary, the mother of Jesus, who, when she learned she was pregnant, went to visit her cousin, Elizabeth, who was also pregnant.

On my sermon notes I wrote: "Pursuit of community — Mary goes to Elizabeth, the only person who 'got' it and wouldn't think she was nuts."

Something else I wrote on my sermon notes: "We who were once not a people are now a family."

It's like the verse in Psalm 68 that says, "God sets the lonely in families."

My pastor always says that, as a church, we walk to heaven together — as a family.

I like that — I love that.

When I used to write books, every new book that was published, my church

celebrated with me.

They celebrated ME.

And when I was at my lowest, they wept with me.

The other day, I passed by that little church on the way to a newspaper assignment. Some people were trimming bushes and some others were raking leaves. A few were laughing.

The day I attended that church, an older man and a little boy in the pew in front of me were talking about toy race cars prior to the service.

The older man told the boy, "I look forward to seeing you every week."

Maybe that's part of why God created the church, so people have a place to come week after week where other people look forward to seeing them.

I wondered if the man with messy hair saw that too.

NURSE JUDY'S NOOK

The calm after the storm

Judy Conlin

If you've been reading my columns, you know that I've been having a lot of company lately. I adore company, but this has been at a time when my life is spiraling out of control. For a woman fast approaching 90, my schedule is jam-packed. I am trying to deal with too many things with too little time. No, I am not whining. I love my life, but at my age, trying to do it all is a bit much. That is why, when my last guest left Sunday morning, I was ready for calm after the storm. Let me tell you how that went and is continuing to go.

After my sweet niece departed on Sunday, I had church. After church, I had a dinner engagement. After that, I took off to the grocery store to fill up my depleted pantry. By then, the day was over, but I was looking forward to Monday.

From then on, it was a mass exodus from any calm. I was making appointments and canceling appointments left and right. I even had to abort my 90th birthday party plans,

or at least put them on hold. Could I last until a big 100th birthday bash? Every single day of the week was filled except Saturday, when I had to clean the place up and restock again.

Next week is the same, with an echocardiogram, an eye appointment, more doctor and lab appointments, hair and nail appointments, a luncheon and workmen coming to do work on my kitchen. (This probably is a waste of time and money since I don't have time to cook anymore.)

The week after that is completely filled because we have theater rehearsal every day, and our production, Hooray for Acting UP, is May 22, May 23 and May 24, from 2 to 4 p.m. for \$10. I'd like you all to come, as I am in two skits there. Since my birthday is May 23, you can see the difficulty in having a party.

In the meantime, I have missed so many meetings of my book club, garden club, the Juliet Club, etc., I'm afraid I'm going to be dropped from their rosters. I miss you all and will be attending again soon, I hope.

I am wondering if, after the

final curtain comes down (not the end of me, just the end of the show), there will be a period of calm. As I think of all the canceled appointments that must be made up, it makes me wonder. I need to talk to someone about how to manage all this. The problem is that the only person I have whom I can easily talk to is Nurse Judy, my completely undisciplined and unscheduled alter ego. I'm pretty sure she'll be no help, but I'm desperate.

I approach her. She is busy trying on her new hat I had to buy her to compensate her for the last time I asked for her assistance. It is difficult to get her attention, as she must try the hat at every angle, and she keeps changing her hairdo to accommodate the hat. I finally get her attention and tell her my problem.

She looks at me eagerly. "I need a new jacket to go with this hat," she tells me.

"Absolutely not," I say. "I can't afford anything else for you. I need costumes for the show. That hat was for a whole month of favors," I tell her.

"You get what you pay for," she tells me, grinning.

She has me there. If I pay her nothing, her help will be worthless. I wonder what I should do.

"How about a hatpin for the hat?" I ask, rather proud of myself for thinking up something of minimal cost.

"With that, you get a pin full of advice," she says.

"Yes?" I ask eagerly.

"Have your birthday party in June," she says.

I guess it is a solution, but it means that June will be as chaotic as May. There will be no calm. Before I can even answer, she breezes in.

"Let's go get that pin," she says, "and I'll need a new dress for the party. You will never have calm. You are not that type of person."

I think she's right. I've got to go now if I'm going to be ready for a party in June.

More later,

Judy

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At The Pump

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State Average:

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Gadsden County Average:

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Jackson County Average:

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Leon County Average

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Numbers based on AAA Gas Prices report, as of May 26, 2026

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COMICS AND PUZZLES

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“Sims, for your performance review, I’m supposed to supervise your every move — but you haven’t made any yet.”

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

OSIKK
NELOC
TOSDEM
YRGETA

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: SHAME BLEND REMAKE FEISTY
Answer: When the girl's twin sister mimicked everything she did, she was — BESIDE HERSELF

JUMBLE FOR KIDS

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME!
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

The letters of these crazy words are all mixed up. To play the game, put them back into the right order so that they make real words you can find in your dictionary. Write the letters of each real word under each crazy word, but only one letter to a square.

TWE
ORTO
TOMH
HEGU

Color me

Now you're ready to solve today's Jumble For Kids. Study the picture for a hint. Play around with the letters in the circles. You'll find you can put them in order so that they make your funny answer.

Answer here: [Circles]

Jumbles: WET ROOT MOTH HUGE
Answer: The identical twins loved to dress alike and do things — "TWO-GETHER"

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COMMERCIAL ART!

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I'M APPLYING FOR A JOB AS JENNIFER LAWRENCE'S BODY DOUBLE!

YOU DON'T LOOK ANYTHING LIKE JENNIFER LAWRENCE!

NO PROBLEM. I'LL KEEP MY HAT PULLED DOWN OVER MY EYES!

BUT- DON'T QUIBBLE. SHE'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!

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You know what's really strange, Walt?

What's that, Snuffy?

When we're in Gas Alley, we speak in upper and lower letters!

Back in Hootin' Holler we talk in CAPITAL LETTERS!

That's what we call dialect in the flat lands!

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SWIPE! SWIPE! SWIPE!

THIS MOUSE DOESN'T WORK AS WELL AS HIS.

SCRABBLE GRAMS

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PAR SCORE 145-155
BEST SCORE 208

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE® Players Dictionary, 5th Edition. SOLUTION TOMORROW

For more information on tournaments and clubs, email NASPA - North American SCRABBLE Players Association info@scrabbleplayers.org. Visit our website - www.scrabbleplayers.org. For puzzle inquiries contact scrgrams@gmail.com

EDITORS: Here is the solution to today's SCRABBLEGRAM. You can print the solution on the same day elsewhere in your paper, or beneath the following day's puzzle. If you choose to run the solution elsewhere in the same day's newspaper, insert the appropriate type (below) over the SOLUTION TOMORROW line in the puzzle.

		8		2				
5			6	8				
9			4					8
	7	3		9		8		
	4	5				1	2	
		2		6		5	3	
3					9			1
				1	6			3
			3			4		

Puzzle solutions on page 2

Across

1 Split apart
7 Spit take sound
11 PC accessories
15 Disquietude
16 Atmosphere
17 Stench
18 Some notes
19 Athlete making a living in alleys
21 Do some character-building?
23 Is stunned

24 Professional who calls the shots
30 Stores up
31 Kung __ chicken
32 Screen type
35 Some WNBA fouls
36 Coffee Meets Bagel alternative
38 «I knew it!»
39 __ mode
40 Professional whose website might have a contact page?

43 Leslie's love on «Parks and Rec»
44 Vietnamese New Year
45 Robs of hobnobbing
46 Had the guts
48 Polished off
49 Tabletop game with campaigns, for short
50 Overpraise
52 Met someone?
55 Post-workout afflictions
58 «Allahu __»
59 Basic structure, or what a 19-, 24-, 40-, and 52-Across do?
63 Silenced
67 Cut
68 Cart covered with a Bluey bandage, e.g.
69 Tool for cutting spearing holes
70 Nocturnal hunters
71 Spidey's traps
72 Calm

Down

1 Questionable, for short
2 Granite State sch.
3 Largest U.S. union
4 Poet Mahmoud who wrote the Palestinian Declaration of Independence
5 Hot shots?
6 Dwell
7 Post production
8 Husky's hair
9 To opposite
10 Letters before Q?
11 Shed occupant
12 Inactive
13 «I May Destroy You» star Michaela
14 Goofs
20 Gold, in Spanish
22 Poetic contraction
24 Half a «Lion King» phrase
25 Denver dish
26 Leave empty
27 Big-budget flicks
28 «My turn next?»
29 Praetor's wrap
32 Rodent in a study
33 Orange puff
34 Common allergen
36 Member of the third-

largest religious group
37 Marathon need
41 Advanced degs.
42 Use a fork, say
47 Taken aback
50 «Cathy» cry
51 W.E.B. who wrote «The Souls of Black Folk»
52 Group chat fodder
53 Employ
54 Has as a salary
55 Prefix with pessimist

or Panamanian
56 Bird that can make tools
57 College building
60 «Impressive!»
61 «You __ me!»
62 Tease
64 Powerhouse of women's soccer
65 Bit of ink
66 One who might have a ram beau

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Thanks to Dave Potchak Altoona, Pennsylvania

A plugger comes to realize that one of the few things that improves as he ages is his appetite.

Senior from page A1



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