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OBITUARIES

HELEN L. BRAUN

(Sherburne)

A Celebration of Helen L. Braun life will take place on Saturday July 16, 2022, beginning at 11:00 am from the Sherburne United Church of Christ,

followed by a gathering at the American Legion Post #876 of Sherburne from Noon to 3:00 PM. In keeping with Helen's wishes please wear casual attire.

PAUL E. LINDAU

Paul E. Lindau 81, of South New Berlin, New York passed away peacefully in the comfort of his own home on Monday, July 4, 2022.

He was born on April 24, 1941 in the Bronx, NY to the late Paul and Emma (Wenthe) Lindau. At the age of six his family moved to Margaretville and then to Andes, NY. He was a 1959 graduate of Andes High School. After graduation he enlisted in the Marine Corp and served from February 1960 until February 1964.

He was a sea going Marine with the Mediterranean and North Atlantic Cruises on the USS Forrestal, CVA-59. He served during the Cuban Missile Crisis, (on an LST), then went to Camp Lejeune with the 10th Marines and another Mediterranean Cruise on the USS Wakhiakum County LST 1162. He concluded his active duty with the Marines in Quantico, VA, in an H&S Co., to help Officer candidates become USMC Officers. In 1976, he returned to the military joining the U.S. Army Reserves in Civil Engineers/Electrical Shops where he served there for 2 years. In 1985, he joined the NY State Air National Guard where he retired with the rank of MSGT and Superintendent of Electric Shop, Stewart AFB in 2001.

After his first Military detachment he worked for Consolidated Edison Co. of New York City as an Electrician and Senior Substation Operator retiring in 2002. He has also been a part time school bus driver for several school districts in Orange County, NY and a casual P&D Driver for Roadway Express for 28 years.



On January 31, 1981, Paul married his wife Pat (Drennan) Lindau in Hempstead, NY. They lived in Chester, NY for 20 years before retiring to South New Berlin, NY, where they attend St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Paul is survived by his wife of 41 years Pat and his children; Paul and daughter-in-law Suzanne Lindau of Middletown NY; Robert Lindau and Raquel of Houston, TX.; Joe Norton of Brooklyn, NY; Carolyn Norton of Lackawana, NY; Emma Lindau of Norwich, NY and his sister Marguerete Griffin of Ocala, FL. He is also survived by his grandchildren; Jonathan, William, Michael, Dakota, Kaitlyn, Deanna, Justin, Juliana, Arryanna, Dominic and step grandsons Michael and Kristian; and his many nieces and nephews.

Paul was predeceased by his parents and sisters Bertha, Helen, Mildred and his daughter Susan Norton.

Calling hours will be Tuesday, July 12, from 2 to 4pm at Dakin Funeral Home LP, 17 North Main St., New Berlin, NY 13411(dakinfuneralhome.com.). Paul's funeral will follow on Wednesday, July 13 at 11:00 am in St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, N. Main Street, South New Berlin, NY

MCMEE ALAMANG

Today is the 189th day of 2022 and the 18th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1889, The Wall Street Journal was published for the first time.

In 1932, the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell to its lowest point of the Great Depression, at 41.22.

In 1947, news outlets reported a UFO crash near an army airfield in Roswell, New Mexico.

In 1994, Kim Jong Il began to assume leadership of North Korea upon the death of his father, Kim Il-sung.

In 2011, the space shuttle Atlantis began the last NASA space shuttle mission.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Pemberton (1831-1888), chemist/Coca-Cola inventor; John D. Rockefeller (1839-1937), entrepreneur; Hugo Boss (1885-1948), fashion designer; Nelson A. Rockefeller (1908-1979), New York governor/U.S. vice president; Jeffrey Tambor (1944-), actor; Ruby Sales (1948-), civil rights activist; Wolfgang Puck (1949-), chef; Anjelica Huston (1951-), actress; Kevin Bacon (1958-), actor; Toby Keith (1961-), singer-songwriter; Beck (1970-), singer-songwriter; Milo Ventimiglia (1977-), actor; Jaden Smith (1998-), actor.

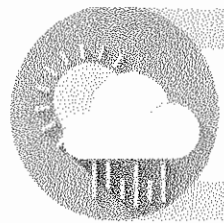
TODAY'S FACT: Between 1855 and 1934, John D. Rockefeller donated \$530.9 million to charitable causes.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1889, boxing's last bare-knuckle championship match was fought. John L. Sullivan defeated Jake Kilrain in a 75-round bout that lasted two hours and 16 minutes.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Wherever we look upon this earth, the opportunities take shape within the problems." -- Nelson A. Rockefeller

TODAY'S NUMBER: 68,000 -- women currently serving in the U.S. Air Force. The USAF accepted its first female recruits into the Women in the Air Force program on this day in 1948.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter moon (July 6) and full moon (July 13).



Today's Weather

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Hi 80 Lo 59 Becoming Mostly Cloudy Winds NW 5-10 mph	Hi 77 Lo 50 Becoming Sunny Winds N 4-8 mph	Hi 78 Lo 53 Sunny Winds N 3-8 mph	Hi 85 Lo 62 Mostly Sunny, then Increasing Clouds Winds SSW 5-10 mph	Hi 85 Lo 62 Chance of Showers/Storms Winds SW 5-13 mph

Yesterday's Almanac

Temperatures

High.....	82°
Low.....	57°
Average High.....	61°
Average Low.....	56°
High Last Year.....	83°
Low Last Year.....	64°
Record High.....	96° (1939)
Record Low.....	39° (1860)

Precipitation

Last 24 Hours.....	0.00"
Month to Date.....	1.89"
Normal Month to Date.....	0.99"
Year to Date.....	24.84"
Normal Year to Date.....	22.75"

Cooling Degree Days

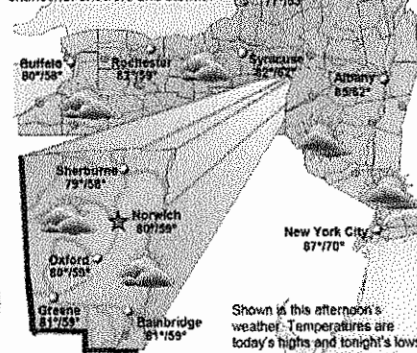
Yesterday.....	5
Month to Date.....	25
Season to Date.....	105
Season to Date Last Year.....	113

Sun and Moon

Full Jul 13	Last Jul 20	New Jul 28	First Aug 5
Sunrise 5:32 AM	Sunset 8:42 PM		
Moonrise 3:09 PM	Moonsel 1:14 AM		

Regional Outlook

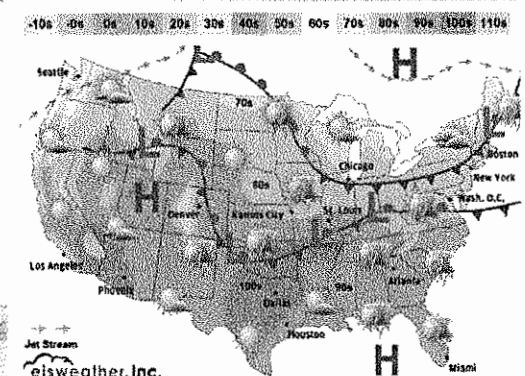
Dry today with increasing clouds. Clouds will clear early Saturday bringing sunny and pleasant weather through this weekend and into Monday. Tuesday will see the chance for showers and storms.



Weather Event on this Day

1984: Cool Canadian air settled across the Great Lakes region. Many record low temperatures were set including: Alpena, MI: 38°, Youngstown, OH: 44°, Muskegon, MI: 45°, Cleveland, OH: 45°, Detroit, MI: 45°, Pittsburgh, PA: 45°, and Buffalo, NY: with 47°.

Today's National Forecast



Today's National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Weather	City	Hi	Lo	Weather
Atlanta	93	77	TSTRMS	Los Angeles	83	63	PTCLDY
Boston	82	65	PTCLDY	Miami	90	80	TSTRMS
Chicago	74	65	SHWRS	New York City	87	70	PTSUNY
Dallas	104	84	SUNNY	Phoenix	112	88	SUNNY
Denver	92	65	PTCLDY	Seattle	75	56	MOCLDY
Houston	99	79	SUNNY	St. Louis	91	72	TSTRMS
Kansas City	87	69	PTSUNY	Wash D.C.	86	73	TSTRMS

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Monday, July 11

• Oxford Academy & Central School Board of Education meeting at 6 p.m., MS

• The Town of McDonough will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of New Berlin will hold a town board meeting at 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Norwich will hold a town board meeting at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall Hale Street Extension.

• The Town of Plymouth will hold a town board meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Fire House.

• The Village of Afton will hold a village board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Susquehanna Room.

• The Village of Greene will hold a village board meeting at 7 p.m. at 49 Genesee Street in Greene.

Tuesday, July 12

• The Town of Bainbridge will hold a town board meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of German will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at the German Town Hall, located at 352 County Road 5 in McDonough.

• The Town of Otselic will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

Wednesday, July 13

• The Town of Coventry will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Greene will hold a town board meeting at 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Guilford will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Oxford will hold a town board meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Office.

• The Town of Pharsalia will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Preston will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Town of Sherburne will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at the Supervisor's Office.

Thursday, July 14

• The Town of Afton will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

ing at 7 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office.

• The Town of Columbus will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at the Columbus Court Room.

• The Town of Pitcher will hold a town board meeting at 8 p.m. at the Town Barn.

Monday, July 18

• The Town of North Norwich will hold a town board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

• The Town of Smithville will hold a town board meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center, located on Main Street in Smithville Flats.

• The Village of Sherburne will hold a village board meeting at 3:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Tuesday, July 19

• The City of Norwich will hold a common council meeting at 6:30 p.m. at City Court.

• The Town of Lincklaen will hold a town board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

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• The Village of Bainbridge will hold a village board meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

• The Village of Smyrna will hold a village board meeting at 7 p.m. at the Village Office/Library.

• The Village of Bainbridge Board of

Trustees will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office to receive comments from the public concerning Local Law #3 of 2022.

Tuesday, July 26

• The Village of Oxford will hold a village board meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

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EU rule of law report decries situation in Poland, Hungary

BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Union's executive on Wednesday decried the rule of law situation in Poland and Hungary, centering on perceived breaches in their judiciary and media in its annual report.

As it comes against the background of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the European Commission said that it was all the more important for the 27 nations to be a beacon of democracy on an unstable continent.

"The EU will only remain credible if we uphold the rule of law at home and if we continue to reinforce the rule of law culture," EU Justice Commissioner Didier Reynders said.

Even though Poland is at the forefront of EU's effort to welcome war refugees from Ukraine, it did come in for a lot of criticism regarding its judiciary independence and the media. Hungary, whose prime minister, Viktor Orban, is seen as Russia's best contact in the 27-nation EU, also stood out for the criticism it got.

"Serious concerns persist related to the independence of the Polish judiciary," the report said, adding anti-corruption plans also left to be desired. It also questioned the government's commitment to free media and said that "the general environment

for journalists continues to deteriorate."

Poland and the EU's headquarters in Brussels have been fighting for years over judicial independence and the dispute is far from resolved, despite recent moves in Warsaw. Poland must still take more steps to ensure judicial independence before it can receive any of the frozen funds totaling about 36 billion euros (\$39 billion).

Hungary came in for perhaps even tougher criticism, with the report saying "judicial independence concerns ... remain unaddressed," while it said anti-corruption measures still fell woefully short. It described a nation where "where risks of clientelism, favoritism and nepotism in high-level public administration remain unaddressed."

Orban imposed emergency powers to counter the pandemic but the report said that "the government has been using its emergency powers extensively, also in areas not related to the COVID-19 pandemic as initially invoked."

The European Commission has been engaged in a protracted struggle with Hungary's nationalist government in an effort to force it to comply with EU rule of law standards. Pointing to deficiencies in judicial independence, crackdowns on the media and civil society organizations and inade-

quate safeguards against corruption, the European Commission has launched several proceedings against Hungary for what it says are violations of EU rules.

Yet such proceedings have often failed to get Orban to change tack, and critics say his government has flouted EU rules while misusing the bloc's funds to enrich family members and politically connected businessmen.

The European Commission has withheld billions in post-pandemic financial support from Hungary over what it calls insufficient safeguards against corruption, and has tailored a mechanism for sanctioning member states that fail to uphold the bloc's rule of law standards.

Even if the European Commission's report laid bare deficiencies, some said that it lacked any teeth.

In 2021, for example, the commission launched two infringement procedures against Hungary's government over laws they said attacked the LGBTQ community.

"This sharper analysis is not met with a sharper bite," said Green MEP Terry Reintke. "With extremely worrying breaches of fundamental rights, women's rights and LGBTQ rights in countries such as Poland or Hungary, we need far clearer action from the Commission."

Sri Lanka in crisis: President flees and ire turns to PM

By KRISHAN FRANCIS and KRUTIKA PATHI
Associated Press

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — Sri Lanka's president fled the country without stepping down Wednesday, plunging a country already reeling from economic chaos into more political turmoil. Protesters demanding a change in leadership then trained their ire on the prime minister and stormed his office.

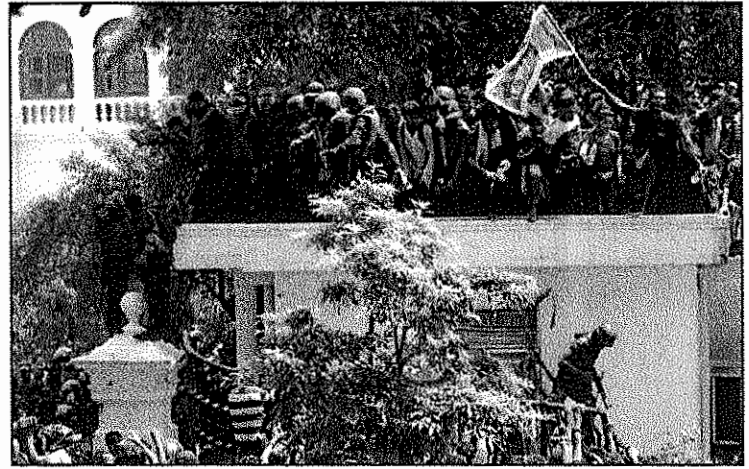
President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and his wife left aboard an air force plane bound for the Maldives — and he made his prime minister the acting president in his absence. That appeared to only further roil passions in the island nation, which has been gripped for months by an economic meltdown that has triggered severe shortages of food and fuel.

Thousands of protesters — who had anticipated that Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe would be appointed acting president and wanted him gone — rallied outside his office compound and some scaled the walls. The crowd roared its support and tossed water bottles to those charging in.

Dozens could later be seen inside the office or standing on a rooftop terrace waving Sri Lanka's flag — the latest in a series of takeovers of government buildings by demonstrators seeking a new government.

"We need both ... to go home," said Supun Eranga, a 28-year-old civil servant in the crowd. "Ranil couldn't deliver what he promised during his two months, so he should quit. All Ranil did was try to protect the Rajapaksas."

But Wickremesinghe, who



Protesters, one carrying national flag, storm the Sri Lankan Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe's office, demanding he resign after president Gotabaya Rajapaksa fled the country amid economic crisis in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Wednesday, July 13, 2022. Rajapaksa fled on a military jet on Wednesday after angry protesters seized his home and office, and appointed Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe as acting president while he is overseas. Wickremesinghe quickly declared a nationwide state of emergency to counter swelling protests over the country's economic and political collapse. (AP Photo/Eranga Jayawardena)

declared a state of emergency, appeared on television to reiterate that he would not leave until a new government was in place — and it was not clear when that would happen. Although he fled, Rajapaksa has yet to resign, but the speaker of the parliament said the president assured him he would later in the day.

Police initially used tear gas to try to disperse the protesters outside the prime minister's office but failed, and more and more marched down the lane toward the compound. As helicopters flew overhead, some demonstrators held up their middle fingers.

Eventually security forces appeared to give up, with some retreating from the area and others simply standing around the overrun compound. Inside the building, the mood was celebratory, as people sprawled

on elegant sofas, watched TV, and held mock meetings in wood-paneled conference rooms. Some wandered around as if touring a museum.

"We will cook here, eat here and live here. We will stay until (Wickremesinghe) hands over his resignation," said Lahiru Ishara, 32, a supervisor at a supermarket in Colombo who has been a part of the protests since they kicked off in April. "There's no other alternative."

Over the weekend, protesters seized the president's home and office and the official residence of the prime minister following months of demonstrations that have all but dismantled the Rajapaksa family's political dynasty, which ruled Sri Lanka for most of the past two decades.

On Wednesday morning, Sri Lankans continued to

stream into the presidential palace. For days, people have flocked to the palace — swimming in the pool, marveling at the paintings and lounging on the beds piled high with pillows.

At dawn, the protesters took a break from chanting as the Sri Lankan national anthem blared from speakers. A few waved the flag.

Protesters accuse the president and his relatives of siphoning money from government coffers for years and Rajapaksa's administration of hastening the country's collapse by mismanaging the economy.

The family has denied the corruption allegations, but Rajapaksa acknowledged some of his policies contributed to the meltdown, which has left the island nation laden with debt and unable to pay for imports of basic necessities.

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Minister: Ukraine needs assurances to resume grain exports

Kyiv, Ukraine (AP) — The Ukrainian foreign minister says grain exports from his country's ports won't resume without security guarantees for ship owners, cargo owners and Ukraine as an independent nation.

Military officials from Russia and Ukraine held their governments' first face-to-face talks in months Wednesday. They met in Istanbul to discuss a United Nations plan for getting blocked Ukrainian grain to world markets through the Black Sea.

Speaking to The Associated Press ahead of the talks, Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba said any agreement needs to ensure Russia "will respect these corridors, they will not sneak into the harbor and attack ports or that they will not attack ports from the air with their missiles."

Kuleba also told the AP on Tuesday that Ukraine's military is "planning and preparing for full liberation" of Russian-occupied cities and towns near the country's Black Sea coast. Ukrainian forces already have stepped up their activity to retake territory in the south as Russia concentrates on eastern Ukraine.

Asked about the likelihood of negotiations to end the war that started when Russia invaded neighboring Ukraine on Feb. 24, the foreign minister said peace talks were unlikely to happen soon.

"Russia continues to be in the war mood, and they are not seeking negotia-

tions in good faith. They are seeking a way to make us implement their ultimatums, which is not going to happen," said Kuleba, who became Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's foreign minister in March 2020.

Moscow is attempting a de facto annexation of Kherson, Mariupol and other seized cities by introducing a Russian school curriculum, doing business in Russia's currency and offering Ukrainians Russian passports, he said.

"I'm pretty confident that once these territories are liberated, the vast majority of people will burn their Russian passports quietly in their fireplaces," Kuleba said.

In the meantime, Ukraine is insisting upon a full withdrawal of Russian forces as a condition for ending the conflict, he said.

"We are fighting for our freedom, for our territorial integrity, and we want peace. This war was imposed on us. This was not our choice," Kuleba told the AP.

He stressed that while Ukraine appreciates the support it has received from the United States and European nations during the war, the country needs Western weapons deliveries to speed up as the fighting drags on into a fifth month.

"As long as there is not enough to win, we will keep asking for more," Kuleba said. "You know, until you win, there are never enough weapons."

Kuleba, 41, whose father was a career diplomat in Ukraine, previously served as the deputy prime minister in charge of the country's efforts to forge closer ties with the European Union and NATO. He is the author of a 2019 book on disinformation titled "The War for Reality. How to Win in the World of Fakes, Truths and Communities."

During Russia's ground and air war in Ukraine, Kuleba has been second only to Zelenskyy in carrying their country's message and needs to an international audience, whether through Twitter posts or meetings with friendly foreign officials.

His firmness in asking for more weapons from abroad and portraying Russia as an untrustworthy aggressor is mirrored in the public support for Ukraine's determined resistance.

The foreign minister acknowledged that Ukraine suffered significant troop losses as the Kremlin concentrated its military offensive in the Donbas, an industrial region near the Russian border where Moscow's forces have gradually gained ground.

Ukraine nevertheless has enough people willing to join the armed forces, he said.

"The only goal that we pursue in this war is our survival. When you are fighting for your survival, you have no choice. You have to fight," Kuleba said.

Ukraine's top diplomat

credited U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres and the Turkish government for facilitating Wednesday's talks on grain shipments. A Turkish delegation and U.N. representatives joined the discussion between Russian and Ukrainian military officials.

Zelenskyy has said a Russian naval blockade stranded about 22 million tons of grain inside Ukraine, a country known as the "breadbasket of Europe" for its exports of wheat, corn and sunflower oil.

With shipments stalled because of the war is endangering food supplies in many developing nations and could worsen hunger for up to 181 million people, according to the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization. Kuleba said he was hopeful the talks in Istanbul would yield a deal on creating safe shipping corridors.

Ukraine's future, as well as his own, is still uncertain, the minister said.

"There were numerous wars between the Ukraine and Russia in the last 300 years. But all of the leaders of these efforts, on the Ukrainian side, in the end, they were either killed, or they wrote their memoirs in exile," Kuleba said. "So my personal ambition is to write my memoirs in Ukraine. And it will be a memoir of victory and a memoir of a person who belonged to the generation that changed history."

OBITUARIES

CHARLES LYLE CORNELL

Charles Lyle Cornell, 89 yrs. old of New Berlin, NY passed away on July 17, 2022, in New Hartford, NY.

Charles was born on February 15, 1933, in Norwich, NY, the son of Ivan Charles and Henrietta Ida Mae Cornell. His childhood was spent in the Edmeston area where he attended Edmeston Central School. During his early adulthood he began working as a foreman at Webb & Sons, Inc in New Berlin. After 20 years of service, he left to work as a custodian at New Berlin Central School. He was also the owner and operator of Cornell Excavating for his entire adult life and in addition, plowed snow and sold firewood. Charles was a jack of all trades and a master of all.

On April 3, 1952, Charles married Loretta Eliza Grant in Edmeston, NY.

In addition to his wife Loretta, Charles is survived by his children; Charles T. (Beverly) Cornell of Norwich, William (Jean) Cornell of New Berlin, Debbie (Duane) Perrigo of Williamsburg, VA, Ricky (Rita) Cornell of New Berlin and James (Brenda) Cornell of New Berlin. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and 7 great great grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his parents, two sisters: Joyce LaFerve and Claudia Heppe and a brother Leon Cornell as well as his grandson, Jeremy Hoag.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, July 22, 2022, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Dakin Funeral Home LP, 17 North Main Street, New Berlin, NY.

The funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Rob Lloyd officiating at the Dakin Funeral Home, LP.

The interment will be in the Fairview Cemetery, New Berlin, NY.

Memorial donations may be made to the St. Luke's Stroke Center at MVH Foundation, 1676 Sunset Ave, Utica, NY 13502 or online at www.mvhhealthsystem.org/done and choose the stroke program.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.dakinfuneralhome.com.

ANTHONY "TONY" VIOLA

Anthony "Tony" Viola, 70, of East Pharsalia, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022 at Chase Memorial Nursing Home, in New Berlin, following a brief illness.

Born on January 30, 1952, in Middletown, NY, Tony was the son of Vincent and Frances (Scarpinato) Viola. He moved to the upstate New York area to first attend SUNY Delhi, where he earned an associate's degree, then to attend Cornell University, where he earned a bachelor's degree. After graduating from Cornell, Tony found work in Norwich. Soon thereafter, in 1982, his family would relocate from Middletown to Norwich to begin the ownership and operation of the Norwich Implement John Deere and Kubota equipment business located in Norwich on State Highway 12 South. Tony began working there at that time, too, and would be part owner until his retirement upon the sale of the business in 2020. Tony absolutely loved working at the equipment business and engaging with its many loyal customers. When customers would arrive, they would ask, "Where's Tony?" due to the many friendships he had built over the years.

Outside of his work, Tony enjoyed tending to his small animal farm. He began with the purchase of a single horse, then heifers, and eventually alpacas under the name Northern Star Alpacas. He would raise and shear his numerous alpacas for decades. After shearing them, Tony would send the fiber to a South America co-op where it would be made into articles of clothing that were sold at the equipment business. Among his many trips, Tony's favorite was Yellowstone National Park. Tony adored his family, and was very fond of his friends and neighbors. His warm, kind heart touched many lives.

Tony is survived by his sister, Jeanette Ruckdeschel, and her husband, Richard, of Norwich; niece, Lynette VanValkenburg, and her husband, Joshua, of Norwich; grandnieces, Mariah Caezza and Haley VanValkenburg; aunt, Virginia LaBruzzo, of Richfield Springs; and several cousins. Tony was predeceased by both of his parents in 2018.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated for Tony at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at the Church of St. Bartholomew. Burial will take place at the convenience of the family. Friends are invited to call at the Wilson Funeral Home on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Contributions in Tony's memory may be made to the Pharsalia Fire Department, 838 County Road 10, East Pharsalia, NY 13758. To leave the family a message of condolence, please visit: www.wilsonfh.com.



Today's Weather

Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Hi 92 Lo 70 Partly Cloudy Winds SW 3-8 mph	Hi 86 Lo 61 Chance of Showers/Storms Winds S/W 5-12 mph	Hi 86 Lo 61 Mostly Sunny, Chance of Showers/Storms PM Winds W 4-8 mph	Hi 91 Lo 69 Sunny Winds SW 6-10 mph	Hi 86 Lo 62 Chance of Showers/Storms Winds SW 7-15 mph

Yesterday's Almanac

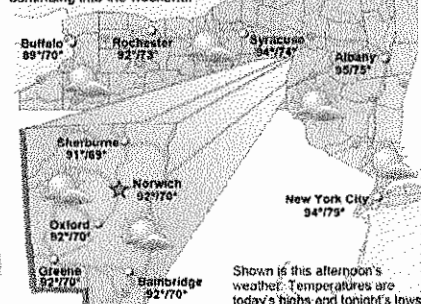
Temperatures	
High	89°
Low	68°
Average High	81°
Average Low	57°
High Last Year	86°
Low Last Year	57°
Record High	95° (1953)
Record Low	40° (1909)
Precipitation	
Last 24 Hours	0.00"
Month to Date	2.81"
Normal Month to Date	2.68"
Year to Date	25.58"
Normal Year to Date	24.44"
Cooling Degree Days	
Yesterday	13
Month to Date	174
Season to Date	174
Season to Date Last Year	152

Sun and Moon

	Last	New	First	Full
	Jul 20	Jul 28	Aug 5	Aug 11
Sunrise	5:42 AM	Sunset	8:35 PM	
Moonrise	12:14 AM	Moonset	1:37 PM	

Regional Outlook

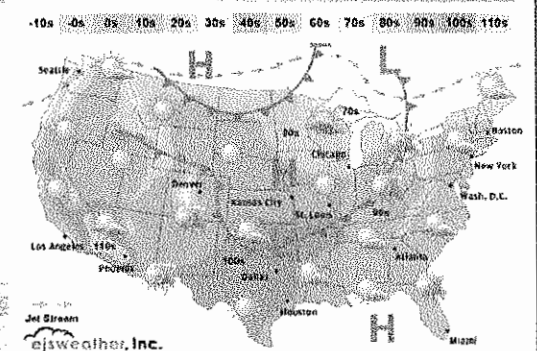
Hot and humid today with heat indices rising into the mid 90s. Showers and thunderstorms move in from the west late tonight into Thursday. Drier weather returns for Friday with the warm weather continuing into the weekend.



Weather Event on this Day

1959: Showers and thunderstorms in the middle Atlantic Coast region soaked Wilmington, Delaware with 2.28 inches of rain, pushing their total for the period May through July past the previous record of 22.43 inches.

Today's National Forecast



Today's National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Weather	City	Hi	Lo	Weather
Atlanta	91	76	TSTRMS	Los Angeles	87	65	PTCLDY
Boston	93	73	PTCLDY	Miami	90	80	PTCLDY
Chicago	88	71	SUNNY	New York City	94	79	SUNNY
Dallas	107	85	PTCLDY	Phoenix	111	91	PTCLDY
Denver	94	64	TSTRMS	Seattle	81	58	SUNNY
Houston	102	81	SUNNY	St. Louis	97	72	SUNNY
Kansas City	93	68	SUNNY	Wash. D.C.	93	79	SUNNY

OBITUARIES

VERDA H. (SAYLES) WEHNER

Verda H. (Sayles) Wehner, 79, formerly of Cincinnati, NY, passed away on Monday, July 18, 2022, at The Commons on St. Anthony, Auburn, NY, while surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Norwich, NY, on February 24, 1943, Verda was the daughter of the late Clarence and Cleone (King) Sayles. Prior to her retirement, she had worked at the Cincinnati Sr. Citizen Home and at the Chenango County Office of the Aging. She was a member of the Cincinnati Fire Department Auxiliary and the Cincinnati Area Heritage Society. She had also served as a board member for the North Pitcher Cemetery Association and a 4-H leader for the Cincy Supremes. Most of all, Verda was a mom to the friends of all her children.

She is survived by her children, Valerie (Michael) Bush of Jordan, Bryce (Rhonda) Wehner of Cincinnati, Belinda (Jason W. Totman) Wehner of Homer, and Logan (Maradie) Wehner of Washington, GA. She also leaves behind 15 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; brothers-in-law, Richard Angle and Michael Timmerman; sisters-in-law, Donna Sayles and Sara Phillips; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Wehner, in 1986; a great-grandchild, Presley Gleason; and siblings, Elma Wright, Florence Hammond, Myrtle Angle, Patricia Morse, Edward Sayles and Margaret Smith.

The family will be present to receive friends at the K.L. Sharp Funeral Home, Cincinnati, NY, on Thursday, July 21, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Funeral services for Verda will be held at the funeral home on Friday at 11:00 a.m. with Fred M.S. Downs officiating. Burial will be in North Pitcher Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy in memory of Verda may be directed to the Cincinnati Area Heritage Society, c/o Ron Colasurdo - Treasurer, P.O. Box 264, Cincinnati, NY 13040. To leave a personal message for the family, please visit www.klsharpfuneralhome.com.



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Today is the 201st day of 2022 and the 30th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1944, Adolf Hitler survived an assassination attempt orchestrated by several senior-level German military officials.

In 1969, Neil Armstrong, commander of Apollo 11, became the first person to set foot on the moon, followed by Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin.

In 1976, Viking 1 landed on Mars and transmitted the first photos of the planet's surface.

In 2012, a gunman opened fire during a midnight screening of "The Dark Knight Rises" at a theater in Aurora, Colorado, killing 12 people and injuring 58 others.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Petrarch (Francesco Petrarca) (1304-1374), poet; Edmund Hillary (1919-2008), explorer/mountaineer; Cormac McCarthy (1933-), writer; Natalie Wood (1938-1981), actress; Carlos Santana (1947-), musi-

cian; Chris Cornell (1964-2017), singer-songwriter; Dean Winters (1964-), actor; Josh Holloway (1969-), actor; Sandra Oh (1971-), actress; Omar Epps (1973-), actor; Erica Hill (1976-), journalist; Julianne Hough (1988-), dancer/singer.

TODAY'S FACT: The British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) honored Neil Armstrong and associates with its Best Foreign Television Award in 1970 for their telecast from the moon.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1968, the first International Special Olympics Games concluded at Soldier Field in Chicago.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To be able to say how much

you love is to love but little." -- Petrarch

TODAY'S NUMBER: 29,029 -- official elevation (in feet) of the Mount Everest summit, according to China and Nepal. Other sources recognize an official elevation of 29,035 feet.

TODAY'S MOON: Last quarter moon (July 20).

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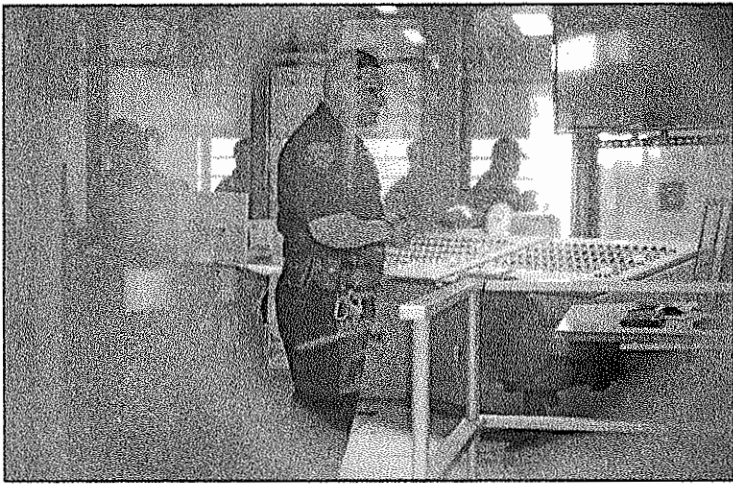
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A corrections officer watches monitors at a security post in an enhanced supervision jail unit on Rikers Island in New York, March 12, 2015. Four New York City jail guards have been indicted for failing to intervene in an inmate's suicide attempt until it was too late to save the teenager from serious brain damage. Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark says the correction captain and three correction officers waited nearly eight minutes before providing any assistance to 18-year-old Nicholas Feliciano at the Rikers Island jail complex. (AP Photo/Seth Wenig, File)

DA: 4 jail guards failed to act as inmate attempted suicide

By KAREN MATTHEWS
Associated Press

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The correction captain and three correction officers waited nearly eight minutes before providing any assistance to 18-year-old Nicholas Feliciano at the Rikers Island jail complex on Nov. 27, 2019, Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark said Monday. Prosecutors said the officers can be seen on surveillance video walking past Feliciano and taking no action for seven minutes and 51 seconds.

"The defendants ignored their duty as correction officers to maintain custody, care and control of the person incarcerated, by allegedly waiting near-

ly eight minutes until they rendered assistance to the inmate whom they saw hanging," Clark said. "The young man is now living with extensive brain damage."

Correction Capt. Terry Henry and Officers Daniel Fullerton, Kenneth Hood and Mark Wilson were arraigned Monday on charges of first- and second-degree reckless endangerment and official misconduct. They were released without bail and are due back in court on Sept. 15.

A spokesperson for the correction department said Fullerton and Wilson resigned from the department in February, Hood has been suspended and Henry is on modified duty.

Benny Boscio, president of the Correction Officers' Benevolent Association, said the union would defend the officers vigorously. "Today's indictment of our officers, stemming from an incident that occurred over three years ago, is further evidence that this case is being driven more by politics than by facts," Boscio said.

Boscio said the district attorney's office should prosecute "the nearly 800 inmates who've committed vicious crimes in jail, including the slashing and stabbing of inmates and officers."

The charges against the four officers come as federal authorities are considering a takeover of the troubled Rikers Island complex to institute reforms.

David B. Rankin, an attorney for Feliciano, said the indictments are "another example of the festering sore that is Rikers Island." He said Rikers "is a disgrace to our city and needs to be shut down immediately."

Feliciano has been in a hospital brain injury unit since the suicide attempt.

"Every day I see Nicholas fighting and it's been traumatic seeing the pain of him even trying to breathe, eat, talk, and to learn how to live again," Feliciano's grandmother, Madeline Feliciano, said in a statement. She said the officers who failed to help her grandson "need to be held accountable for their actions."

Self-described R. Kelly manager pleads guilty to stalking

NEW YORK (AP) — A self-described manager and adviser to R. Kelly pleaded guilty Tuesday to an interstate stalking charge, less than a week after he was convicted of making a phone threat that gunfire was about to occur in a Manhattan theater where a documentary about the singer was about to be shown.

Donnell Russell, 47, of Chicago, entered the plea in Brooklyn federal court.

U.S. Attorney Breon Peace said Russell used threats, harassment and intimidation to silence one of Kelly's sexual abuse victims. Kelly, who was sentenced to 30 years in prison last month, was convicted last year of racketeering and sex trafficking.

Peace said in a statement that Russell sent threatening messages to the woman and her mother and later published explicit photos of the victim on the internet.

Russell could face up to five years in prison at a Nov. 17 sentencing.

Prosecutors said the harassment campaign stretched from November 2018 to February 2020 after the woman filed a civil lawsuit against Kelly.

Last Friday, a Manhattan federal court jury found Russell guilty of threatening physical harm through interstate communication.

The jury concluded that Russell made a phone threat that forced the evacuation of a theater where Lifetime's "Surviving R. Kelly" series was to be shown, and a panel discussion was to occur featuring several women in the documentary.

Prosecutors argued during the one-week trial that Russell was trying to protect the lucrative career of Kelly, a Grammy-

winning, multiplatinum-selling songwriter.

A trial witness had testified that a man with a deep voice had called the theater to warn that "someone had a gun and they were going to shoot up the place." Prosecutors said the call was placed to the theater from Russell's home on a day when Russell made nine phone calls to the theater to try to stop the airing of the documentary.

NYC jury hears closings at neurologist's sex crimes trial

By TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York City jury was asked Tuesday to consider whether a neurologist used his thriving pain-management practice to sexually prey on six patients or if he is a victim of accusers with false stories.

The case against Dr. Ricardo Cruciani relied on "survivor stories of six very different women," assistant District Attorney Shannon Lucey said in closing arguments at Cruciani's trial.

"This is a trial about a doctor who raped, sodomized, hugged and manipulated his patients," Lucey said.

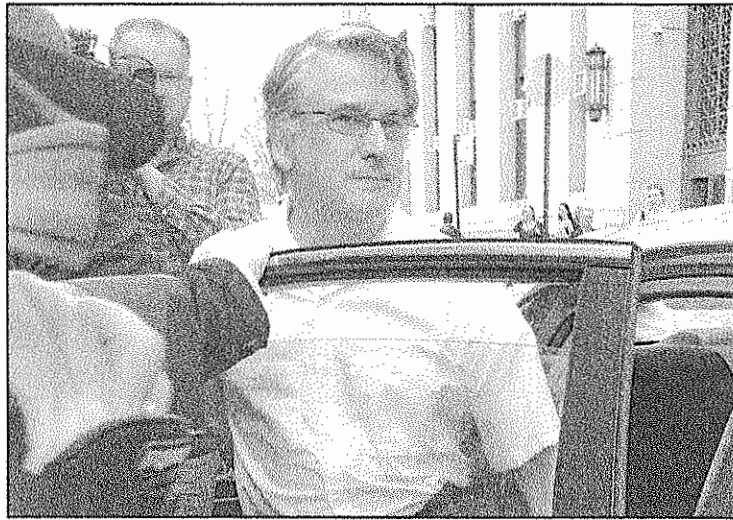
The prosecutor argued the evidence showed that Cruciani groomed patients by overprescribing pain killers, sometimes to treat serious injuries from car wrecks and other accidents.

The accusers testified that the sexual abuse often occurred behind closed doors during appointments in 2013 at a Manhattan medical center, where the doctor would expose himself and demand sex.

"He didn't finish writing my prescriptions until I did something for him," one said.

The behavior was "just pure evil," she said, adding, "This defendant is nothing but a drug dealer who used his prescription pad as a weapon."

Defense attorney Fred Sosinsky countered by arguing the witnesses were unreliable, telling jurors, "You should have every reason to doubt these accusations."



Dr. Ricardo Cruciani, a neurologist who admitted groping women at a Philadelphia clinic, leaves Manhattan state Supreme Court, in New York, Feb. 21, 2018. A New York City jury was asked, Tuesday, July 26, 2022, to consider whether Cruciani used his thriving pain-management practice to sexually prey on six patients or if he is a victim of accusers with false stories. (AP Photo/Colleen Long, File)

He added that the witnesses "were willing to lie" and "dispute the indisputable."

Hospital records undercut the witness timelines for the assaults and supported defense claims that they were getting proper care, Sosinsky said. The lawyer also cited loving notes some witnesses had written to their alleged assailant, including one that read in part: "I hope you have a nice holiday. ... You've truly been the best doctor I've ever had."

Cruciani, 68, has pleaded not guilty to multiple charges, including rape, sexual abuse and predatory sexual assault.

The jury worked for about an hour late Tuesday without reaching a verdict.

It was to resume deliberations on Wednesday morning.

Among the witnesses at a trial that began seven weeks ago was Hillary Tullin, who helped fuel the case by calling a sexual abuse hotline in 2017 and reporting that Cruciani had abused her between 2005 and 2013. Tullin told The Associated Press in 2018 after the doctor's arrest that he "needs to be locked up."

The AP does not typically identify people who say they are survivors of sexual assault unless they grant permission, which Tullin has done.

Cruciani is also facing federal charges in an indictment accusing him of abusing multiple patients over 15 years at his offices in New

York City, Philadelphia and Hopewell, New Jersey.

The federal charges and state trial follow years of public complaints by Cruciani's accusers that authorities in some places weren't taking his crimes seriously, particularly in Philadelphia, where he pleaded guilty to relatively minor misdemeanor groping counts involving seven patients.

Lucey, the prosecutor in the New York case, said Tuesday that Cruciani's accusers should be credited for having the courage to come forward.

"They get to take back some of the power and control that he took from them," she said. "Each were broken. Each are rebuilding."

Buzz Aldrin flight-to-moon jacket sells at auction for \$2.8M

NEW YORK (AP) — Buzz Aldrin's jacket worn on his historic first mission to the moon's surface in 1969 has been auctioned off to a bidder for nearly \$2.8 million.

The \$2,772,500 paid for the Apollo 11 Inflight Coverall Jacket is the highest for any American space-flown artifact sold at auction, according to Sotheby's, which handled the sale. The unidentified winning bidder, who participated by phone, outlast-

ed several others in a bidding that spanned almost 10 minutes.

The jacket displays Aldrin's name tag on the left breast above the Apollo 11 mission emblem, and

the American flag on the left shoulder. It is made of a fire-resistant material known as Beta cloth that was incorporated in space suits in response to the fire that killed three astronauts

aboard Apollo 1 in 1967, according to Sotheby's.

Aldrin and Neil Armstrong became the first astronauts to walk on the moon on July 20, 1969.

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