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Section B

Bishop Kenny 63, Columbia 49

Tiger takedown

Columbia loses to Crusaders in home opener.

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While the Tigers' defense was holding strong against Bishop Kenny on Saturday night, its offense was struggling. From missed free throws, to air balls to layups bouncing off the rim and into the hands of their opponents, Columbia just couldn't seem to get the ball in the net.

The Tigers' aggressive defense did what it could do hold off the Crusaders, but it could not make up for the team's lack of successful shots. Columbia lost to the Crusaders 63-49 in their home opener.

"They played really hard," Columbia head coach Steve Faulkner said. "Tonight was one of those nights where we couldn't do anything with the ball. That was the bottom line tonight."

TIGERS continued on 2B



Columbia's Deandre Price-Jones is blocked by two Bishop Kenny defenders during Saturday's home opener. The Tigers lost to the Crusaders 63-49.

KAYLA LOKEINSKY/Lake City Reporter

Alabama 54, Florida 16

Gators chomped by SEC champs

Alabama rolls over Florida to win conference.

By **ERIC JACKSON**
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ATLANTA – The Gators were all smiles following their best opening drive of the season, which pushed them to an early lead over the nation's top defense.

The celebration was short-lived though as No. 1 Alabama restored order quickly.

No.15 Florida quarterback Austin Appleby threw three interceptions in the first half, propelling the Crimson Tide to a record 33 points before halftime.

Alabama never looked back after the break – moving one step closer to a national championship – claiming its third straight SEC title 54-16 Saturday night.

Five different Alabama players scored as Florida surrendered the most points it has since 1995 en route to the Tide's sixth straight victory over

the Gators.

"I'm proud of the guys for what they've been through this season," Florida head coach Jim McElwain said. "They came out and laid it out on the line. Obviously, you're not going to beat anybody when you give up the ball four times."

The Crimson Tide (13-0, 9-0) running backs Bo Scarbrough and Damien Harris combined for 177 yards on the ground while the Gators (8-4, 6-3) were held to zero rushing yards.

The Gators were held scoreless in the second half while the Tide ramped up their rushing attack – amassing 174 of their total 234 rushing yards after halftime.

Minkah Fitzgerald's 44-yard interception touchdown gave the Tide their first lead midway through the first quarter. Alabama's Josh Jacob's blocked punt touchdown a few minutes later gave the Tide a 16-7 advantage.

"We got our tails

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CHS FISHING

Pro fisherman visits with Tigers

Shaw Grigsby shares tips with team members.

By **TONY BRITT**
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Columbia High School bass fishing club team members got an up close and personal look into the world of professional fishing Thursday night when Shaw Grigsby visited the team.

Grigsby, who has been professional bass fisherman since 1984, spent more than two hours with the team, autographed photos and gave out lures to team members.

The Columbia High School bass fishing club is in its inaugural year and Grigsby said he was visiting the students to share some of his angling knowledge and professional wisdom.

"I just wanted to discuss fishing and make them a little bit better anglers and hopefully they have a good time and do it safely," he



Professional bass fisherman Shaw Grigsby (left) gives an autographed crankbait to Columbia High School bass fishing club member Dalton Blackley on Thursday.

TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

said. "It was just a lot of fun to talk to them. There is so much they can learn from my experiences and other anglers and it's just good to have people come in and talk to them."

Grigsby, who is from Gainesville, started tournament fishing when he was 16 years old and was able to turn his passion for fishing into a professional career.

He chuckled as he noted that students didn't ask him many questions about being a professional angler, but wanted to know how about baits, lines, fishing line knots and other angling tactics.

Grigsby also commented on the growing popularity of high school fishing clubs across the nation.

"It's going crazy," he said. "There are states

like Alabama where I can't even count all the high school fishing teams. I think there maybe 600 of them in Alabama alone and the state of Florida is now coming on line with it. It's extremely popular, it's a great sport and I'm glad it's finally getting recognized as a serious sport.

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PAUL BUCHANAN/Special to the Reporter

Lady Tigers destroy Hurricanes

CHS basketball player Zipporah Williams goes to shoot. The Lady Tigers defeated Lake Weir 64-25 in Friday's district matchup.



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 FS1 — Elon at Georgetown

2 p.m.
 ESPN — Marquette at Georgia

4 p.m.
 CBSSN — Florida St. vs. George Washington, at Verizon Center

ESPN2 — SE Missouri St. at Indiana

8 p.m.
 ESPN — Bowling Green at Cincinnati

GOLF
5 a.m.
 GOLF — European PGA Tour-Sunshine Tour, Alfred Dunhill Championship, final round, at Malelane, South Africa

11 a.m.
 GOLF — PGA Tour, Hero World Challenge, final round, at Albany, Bahamas

1 p.m.
 GOLF — Asian Tour, Panasonic Open India, final round, at Delhi, India (same-day tape)

NBC — PGA Tour, Hero World Challenge, final round, at Albany, Bahamas

NFL FOOTBALL
1 p.m.
 CBS — Regional coverage

FOX — Regional coverage

4 p.m.
 CBS — Regional coverage

4:25 p.m.
 FOX — Regional coverage

8:20 p.m.
 NBC — Carolina at Seattle

RUGBY

2:30 p.m.
 NBCSN — English Premiership, Worcester vs. Wasps (same-day taped)

SKIING
5 p.m.
 NBCSN — Men's FIS World Cup, Giant Slalom, at Val d'Isere, France (same-day tape)

SOCCER
8:30 a.m.
 NBCSN — Premier League, Liverpool at Bournemouth

9:30 a.m.
 FS1 — Bundesliga, Darmstadt 98 vs. Hamburg

11 a.m.
 NBCSN — Premier League, Manchester United at Everton

11:30 a.m.
 FS1 — Bundesliga, Augsburg vs. Eintracht Frankfurt

SWIMMING
5 p.m.
 NBCSN — U.S. Winter National Championships, at Atlanta (same-day tape)

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Noon
 SEC — Kansas at Alabama

2 p.m.
 BTN — UMBC at Maryland

ESPN2 — Baylor at Tennessee

SEC — TCU at LSU

4 p.m.
 BTN — California at Nebraska

ESPN — Jimmy V Classic, Texas vs. UConn, at Uncasville, Conn.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
6 p.m.
 ESPN — NCAA College Cup, Division I championship, West Virginia vs. Southern Cal, at San Jose, Calif.

GATORS

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kicked in that area," McElwain said of special teams' play.

The first blocked punt touchdown in SEC Championship history was followed by another special team touchdown when Florida's David Reese scored on Alabama's point after attempt.

The Tide offense found the end zone early in the second quarter on a Hurt's 6-yard touchdown pass to Gehrig Dieter. After Griffith's field goal five minutes later, Jacobs punched in his second touchdown of the night from six yards out.

Florida cut the deficit just before the half on a 25-yard touchdown pass from Appleby to DeAndre Goolsby.

Scarborough's back to back touchdowns in second half and a late score by Derrick Gore secured Alabama's 24th straight wins dating back to last season.

"This was the first championship we had," Alabama head coach Nick Saban said. "They certainly responded well in the game and I'm very proud of them. I'm happy for our fans [and] the university."



DAVID RETTERBUSH/Special to the Reporter
 Florida quarterback Austin Appleby slides to avoid being tackled by senior Alabama linebacker Reuben Foster during Saturday's game in Atlanta.



Photos by KAYLA LOKEINSKY/Lake City Reporter
 Columbia's Carlos Wilson (5) looks to pass during Saturday night's home game against Bishop Kenny. Columbia's TJ Jones (44) and Teon Dollard (40) play defense on Bishop Kenny's Dom Allmond (1) in the Tigers' home opener. Jones scored seven points for Columbia. The Tigers lost to the Crusaders 63-49.

TIGERS

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Columbia went 13 for 49 in two-pointers and 4 for 29 in three-pointers. CHS's Marquez Bell and Jordan Smith led the Tigers with 11 points and TJ Jones added seven points.

Bishop Kenny (4-0) led for the entire game, although it started off with just a five-point advantage at the end of the first period. But, as the game went on, the gap just got larger and larger, with the Tigers (1-1) struggling to catch

up.

"I thought we had plenty of opportunities to cut it," Faulkner said. "When you can't put the ball in the hole it's hard to play the way we want to play, which is press and trap everywhere."

Columbia's defense was able to keep the Crusaders' lead within reach, as the Tigers remained within 10 points of Bishop Kenny for most of the game until they began to pull away in the final period.

"The rotations are a work in progress but I thought the effort was great," Faulkner said. "The effort is great now it's just fine-tuning a

little bit where people need to be at certain times."

The Tigers will face district-rival Gainesville at home on Tuesday, and Faulkner says his team has a lot to work on before they take on the Hurricanes.

"It's a big game, and GHS has been the best team in our district for the last couple years so it potentially could be a really big win for us," Faulkner said. "If we show up and play with the effort we did tonight and knock down some shots I think we have just as good a chance of beating them as they do beating us."

FISHING

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When you start giving college scholarships for fishing and fishing teams, that's pretty impressive."

Kevin Swisher, the Columbia High School bass fishing club team advisor, said the team's president, Christian Thompson, is friends with Grigsby and fishes with him and Thompson set-up the visit.

"The biggest thing about the Grigsby visit is motivation, so the team members can see what it takes to get to the next level," Swisher said. "He also brought in the techniques to show them how to properly choose rods, baits, and the different aspects of fishing, but most importantly, he taught them how to do it correctly."

JUMBLE

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

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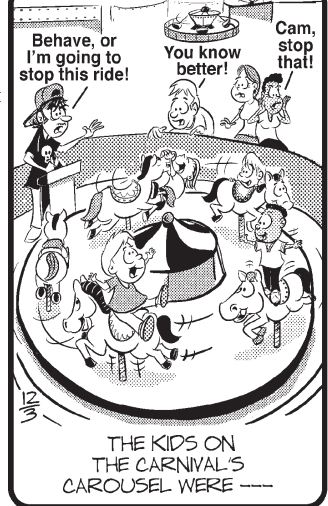
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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

(Answers Monday)
 Yesterday's Jumbles: SINGE DOUSE TRUDGE LETTER
 Answer: It was time to close her bakery for the day after the customers had — "DESSERTED" IT

- ACROSS**
- 1 RSVP word
 - 4 — Beta Kappa
 - 7 Knee neighbor
 - 11 Queen beater
 - 12 Apply caulking
 - 13 Hello, matey!
 - 14 Fit exactly
 - 16 "I charge," to Caesar
 - 17 More friendly
 - 18 Rounded roof
 - 19 Family mem.
 - 20 1914 headline
 - 21 Cancel
 - 24 Squandered
 - 27 Service charge
 - 28 Reach across
 - 30 Unhurried
 - 32 Seldom seen
 - 34 Wedding, e.g.
 - 36 Freud, to himself
- DOWN**
- 1 Gloomy
 - 2 Desktop picture
 - 3 Name in blue jeans
 - 4 Porous gem
 - 5 Yes, in Yokohama

Answer to Previous Puzzle

PRE	GNP			BEA
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TACO	BELL			ROOM
	DEB			THINS
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VASES	LPS			BAD
	APPLE			LILY
	BORNE			TEE
LAWN	SMUGGLED			
ELLE	TINY			AWE
NEED	SLIP			KEN
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- 6 — -advised
- 7 Romps
- 8 Beg pardon!
- 9 "The — Ranger"
- 10 Memo abbr.
- 12 Iron alloys
- 15 Neutral shade
- 18 Trial VIPs
- 20 Hunger for
- 21 It's south of Eur.
- 22 Tide type
- 23 Orchid-loving Wolfe
- 24 Hang around
- 25 Essay byline
- 26 Wharf
- 29 Get ready
- 31 How come?
- 33 Lunar event
- 35 Result
- 38 Kissing —
- 40 Artist's workplace
- 42 Radius neighbors
- 43 Length x width
- 44 Pokes fun at
- 46 Brass band instrument
- 47 Kitten's plaything
- 48 Rx givers
- 49 Part of mpg
- 50 Coffee dispenser
- 51 House site

OUTDOORS 360

Fishing in paradise: Ralph's redemption

OUTDOORS 360



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After waking up in Venice, Louisiana, feeling like I had the most delicious Thanksgiving seafood feast of my life, we were greeted with a giant cook to order breakfast from our private chef. The boat (A 36' Contender with triple 300's) was literally going to pick us up on the back porch - remember we're staying on the Ritz Carlton of floating barges. And, again ALL of this for \$225 a night! THAT is why Venice and Sportsman's Lodge is "Fishing Paradise on a Budget."

Eggs, bacon, biscuits, gravy, omelettes, sausage ... (note: As I write this story I feel continuous hunger pangs! Ha!) The funniest part of breakfast was watching Ralph carefully pick out what he would eat - and what he wouldn't eat.

Why? Ralph gets sea sick in his bathtub. If there's a ripple on the water Ralph turns greener than the Jolly Green Giant. Ralph said while scanning the breakfast, "It all looks great, and will taste good going down, but I'm more concerned with how it'll taste coming back up!" He was right.

We put the throttles down and started cruising at mock speed through the river towards the oil rigs, tuna, and a potential swordfish. Our first stop was to bait up about 12 miles offshore. Captain Rene was young, but you could tell this guy was all fishing. No BS. He talked and acted like a 50 year old captain with the baby face of a high schooler and the build of a D1 Strong Safety. We always called

this "country strong" when a guy was just naturally, freakishly strong and looked like he could wrestle a giant bull to the ground just for funsies.

His voice was as authentic as a Cajun straight from Swamp People, and it was obvious from his passion and drive he compressed 20 years of fishing knowledge like a Tuna Fishing Cliff-Notes into his relatively short career of 250-300 days of grinding it out on the water every year. We baited up on hard tails (AKA blue runners) within about 10 minutes at the first rig and we were going to make our run to the DEEEEP water!

Throttles down and I was ready for a 120 mile run....

But, something happened.

Instead we pumped the breaks about 1.2 miles away from the bait rig and put the lines out. Wait, what?!?! EVERYTIME I had ever fished for yellowfin tuna (unsuccessfully) we ran to the ends of the earth. Here, we were fishing roughly 15 miles from land. And, guess what? There were tuna skyrocketing in all directions! And, guess what else? Ralph was already rocketing his breakfast in all directions as well. Allow me to pay Ralph the ultimate compliment. He KNEW 100% he was going to get sea sick and be absolutely miserable most of the trip, but he still went! So, to reward his bravery (or stupidity) we decided to give him the first tuna - if he could take a breaking from chumming the waters.

First fish on was a screamer, the line ripped off the slow trolled hard tail and Ralph strapped on the fighting belt, the color came back to his skin, and the fight was on. And, the fight was on. And, the fight was still on. 15 minutes ... 20 minutes ... tick ... tock ...

Here's the thing about yellowfin tuna when they get over 50 pounds.



COURTESY

Lake City's Ralph Rowand shows off the near 50-pound yellowfin tuna he caught while fishing off the shore of Venice, Louisiana. Rowand fought with the fish for over 20 minutes before he was able to reel it in.

They're like fighting a Porsche at the start with blazing runs and excitement, and then it's like fighting a Dump Truck. Slow, steady, digging, pulling, and ZERO give up. Eventually Ralph won the battle and a big, beautiful yellowfin tuna near

50-pounds was gaffed and thrown into the fish box. Ralph had won the battle against the tuna, and now had a plump, ocean file mignon icing down. And, guess what, 5 minutes later Ralph had lost the battle to the waves again. But, in the end it was

worth it for Ralph, and for the rest of the crew we still had more tuna to catch!

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COURTESY

An oil platform sits offshore of Venice, Louisiana. Rob Chapman and Ralph Rowand went fishing for yellowfin tuna while on their fishing trip.

BRIEFS

December - January

Youth Basketball Sign-Ups

The Boys' Club of Columbia County is now holding sign-ups for its 2017 basketball program. The program will begin in January, and boys and girls ages 8-14 are eligible to participate. There is a \$45 fee to participate in the program. Registration is open from now until January 15. Volunteer coaches are also needed for the Boy's Club's basketball program. For more information, please call (386) 752-4184.

JUMBLE

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

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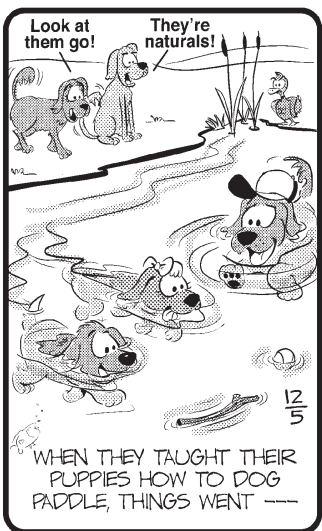
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Answer here: ○ ○ ○ ○

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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: DRANK OUTDO SHREWD IGUANA
Answer: The kids on the carnival's carousel were — HORSEING AROUND

ACROSS

- 1 Rural elec. provider
- 4 — de foie gras
- 8 Youngster
- 11 "Fancy" singer
- 13 Geologic divisions
- 14 Vanity
- 15 Big-ticket —
- 16 — under (gave in)
- 18 Baked —
- 20 In addition
- 21 Mark of Zorro
- 22 Suitable
- 24 Joined together
- 27 Go to
- 30 Redding of blues
- 31 Shades
- 32 Jabber
- 34 Everest or K2
- 35 Helsinki citizen

DOWN

- 1 Take a header
- 2 Reject
- 3 Help along
- 4 Tea variety
- 5 Prince
- Valiant's eldest
- 6 Frat letter
- 36 Collapsed
- 37 Weirdest
- 39 Ahoy, —!
- 40 Visa and passport
- 41 Proof ender
- 42 Zen riddle
- 45 One of a kind
- 49 "Praise be!"
- 53 Zero
- 54 Sales agt.
- 55 Qatar ruler
- 56 Cotton seeders
- 57 — Alamos
- 58 Roasting rod
- 59 — kwon do

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 7 PC key
- 8 Relate
- 9 Matures
- 10 Extinct bird
- 12 Stuns
- 17 Hepburn nickname
- 19 Danson or Turner
- 22 Pharaoh's god
- 23 Liquid amts.
- 24 — Kippur
- 25 Director Preminger
- 26 Warm-hearted
- 27 Dad's sister
- 28 Ivan's refusal
- 29 Cowgirl — Evans
- 31 Snake sound
- 33 Thickness
- 35 Nourished
- 36 Getting lighter
- 38 Feast
- 39 Chaps
- 41 Milk purchase
- 42 Not-so-funny Marx
- 43 Mock butter
- 44 Swiss peaks
- 46 Go cold turkey
- 47 Humerus neighbor
- 48 Threat ender
- 50 Brown of renown
- 51 Safe caller
- 52 Grandson, perhaps

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