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New York Yacht Club to challenge for America's Cup



SAN DIEGO (AP) — The New York Yacht Club is returning to the America's Cup after an absence of a decade and a half, perhaps the ultimate nod to tradition as sailing's marquee regatta is reshaped following Emirates Team New Zealand's stunning victory in June.

The NYYC announced

Thursday that it will challenge for the 36th America's Cup to be held in early 2021, most likely off Auckland. Teams can file challenges beginning Jan. 1.

The New York Yacht Club once enjoyed the longest winning streak in sports when it held the Auld Mug from 1851, when

the schooner America beat a

fleet of British ships around the Isle of Wight, until 1983, when Dennis Conner's Liberty lost to the wing-keeled Australia II off Newport, Rhode Island.

The NYYC last backed a challenge in 2002-03 with Team Dennis Conner.

"The America's Cup has always remained close to the

heart of the New York Yacht Club, even in the years where we didn't participate as a challenger or defender," commodore Philip A. Lotz said. "For this cycle, a lot of elements have come together in the correct way for the Club to enter another challenge."

The first was ETNZ's rout of

two-time defending champion Oracle Team USA, owned by software tycoon Larry Ellison, on Bermuda's Great Sound. After winning the America's Cup in 2010 in a one-off with a Swiss team that was forced by a bitter court case, Oracle Team USA did not hold defense trials in 2013 or 2017.

Word of the New York Yacht Club's return was greeted warmly Down Under.

"We're delighted they are back," Team New Zealand CEO Grant Dalton said in an email to The Associated Press. "It really sets the tone for the next Cup, the world's most prestigious Club." In a statement, ETNZ and the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron said, "To have the most famous yacht club in America's Cup history back after a 14-year hiatus is a significant boost to the event and the principles of tradition and fair play which the Protocol for the 36th America's Cup is built on." The NYYC will be represented by Bella Mente Quantum Racing Association, which will be led by successful yachtsmen and businessmen John J. "Hap" Fauth of Naples, Florida, and Doug DeVos of Grand Rapids, Michigan. DeVos is president of Amway and the brother-in-law of U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos. Fauth is a three-time world champion in the Maxi72 Class. He's helmed three successive yachts named Bella Mente. DeVos and the Quantum Racing program have had overall series wins in the 52 Super Series circuit, and its predecessor, the MedCup, in 2008, 2011, 2013, 2014 and 2016.

The common link between the two is America's Cup veteran Terry Hutchinson of Annapolis, Maryland, a two-time Rolex Yachtsman of the Year who will serve as CEO and skipper. Team New Zealand and the Challenger of Record, Italy's Luna Rossa Challenge, announced last week that the America's Cup will go back to monohulls after the last two editions were sailed in foiling catamarans.

Concepts for the AC75 Class, promised to be "high-performance" monohulls, will be released Nov. 30 and the class rule will be published March 31.



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Houston Astros' Jose Altuve watches his a solo home run, his third of the game, against the Boston Red Sox in the seventh inning in Game 1 of baseball's American League Division Series, Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, in Houston. (AP Photo/David J. Phillip)



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Altuve hit 3 homers, Astros beat Red Sox 8-2 in ALDS opener

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Altuve hit three home runs in an unprecedented show of power for the diminutive major league batting champion as the Houston Astros roughed up Chris Sale and the Boston Red Sox 8-2 Thursday in Game 1 of the AL Division Series.

Buoyed by chants of “MVP” in each trip to the plate, the 5-foot-6 Altuve hit solo homers in the first and fifth innings off Sale. He connected again in the seventh off reliever Austin Maddox to give Houston a quick boost in the best-of-five series. It was just the 10th time a player hit three homers in a postseason game, and first since Pablo Sandoval for the Giants in the 2012 World Series opener against Detroit. Babe Ruth did it twice. After Altuve rounded the bases on his third solo homer, which landed on the train tracks atop left field, George Springer grabbed the All-Star second baseman’s right biceps and examined it as if searching for an explanation for his out of the ordinary pop.

Altuve’s teammates then goaded him into exiting the dugout for a curtain call. And as he tipped his hat to the crowd one fan near the dugout held a sign that proclaimed in blue block letters: “That Kid Can Hit.” “As soon as I cross the white line, I feel the same size as everyone else,” Altuve said after the win.

Justin Verlander pitched six effective innings and improved to 6-0 since Houston got him in late trade with Detroit. Sale, the major league strikeout leader, was tagged for seven runs in

five-plus innings of his post-season debut.

Game 2 is Friday, with Dallas Keuchel starting for the Astros against Drew Pomeranz.

Among the shortest players in the majors, Altuve couldn’t be a bigger leader for the Astros. He’s one of the few players remaining who languished through a rebuilding process that led to three straight 100-loss seasons from 2011-13, and is perhaps the biggest reason this team ran away with the AL West title this year.

Altuve hit .346 this year, his fourth straight 200-hit season. He had 24 home runs this year — this was his third career multihomer game, and the first time he’d hit three all at once.

Quite a comeback from his only previous postseason — in 2015, he batted just .154 (4 for 26) without an extra-base hit.

Alex Bregman and Altuve hit back-to-back homers in the first inning, making Sale look a bit rattled. The Red Sox tied it up by scoring a run each in the second and fourth innings before Marwin Gonzalez lined a two-run double in the fourth for a 4-2 lead.

There were two outs in the fifth inning when Altuve connected again to push the lead to 5-2 and make him the third player in franchise history with a multihomer game in the post-season, joining Carlos Correa and Carlos Beltran.

The crowd of 43,402, which included Hall of Famers Nolan Ryan, Jeff Bagwell and Craig Biggio, waved bright orange towels as Altuve trotted around the bases.



Former Tennessee and NFL quarterback, Peyton Manning makes his way during the Vol Walk before an NCAA college football game between Tennessee and Georgia Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017, in Knoxville, Tenn. (AP Photo/Wade Payne)

Vols believe depth should help them avoid another late fade

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee believes it finally has enough depth to avoid the February fades that have knocked the Volunteers out of postseason contention the last two years.

Depth issues have been contributed to Tennessee not making NCAA Tournament or NIT appearances in its first two seasons under Rick Barnes, whose teams had earned 19 NCAA bids in the 20 seasons before his arrival in Knoxville. Tennessee finished 16-16 last year and hasn't posted a winning season since reaching the Sweet 16 in 2014.

Two years ago, the Vols lost leading scorer Kevin Punter Jr. to a foot injury and dropped seven of their last 10 games. Last season, they lost six of their last eight games when knee problems limited the effectiveness of top scorer Robert Hubbs III. "Our last two years have proved we haven't had enough," Barnes said Thursday at Tennessee's preseason Media Day event. "When Robert got hurt, we didn't have anyone that could step up there. Two years ago when Kevin went down, we didn't have enough. We've got enough now."

Barnes addressed the depth issues by adding plenty of newcomers with varying levels of experience.

Howard graduate transfer James Daniel III averaged 27.1 points per game in 2015-16 to lead all Division I scorers before an ankle injury limited him to two games last year. Vincennes (Indiana) transfer Chris Darrington was Tennessee's top

scorer during the Vols' three-game European exhibition tour this summer. Freshman forward Derrick Walker has earned raves from teammates and coaches.

Daniel and Darrington should add scoring punch and experience to a backcourt that lacked both traits last season. The frontcourt should get a boost from the freshman trio of Walker, Zach Kent and Yves Pons. Tennessee also has redshirt freshman forward Jalen Johnson preparing for his college debut and forward John Fulkerson returning from a dislocated right elbow and fractured right wrist that caused him to play just 10 games last year.

The Vols are hoping those additions assure they aren't staying home in March for a third straight year.

"Being here in spring last year hurt," said sophomore forward Grant Williams, the Vols' top returning scorer. "It was not fun. Nobody wants to do it. I don't want to do it again. Nobody here does. That's our goal, to be there playing in the tournament and ready for whoever comes at us."

Even with all those newcomers, the Vols actually have more experience than last season, when their roster included seven true freshmen and one redshirt freshman.

This marks Daniel's first season with Tennessee, but he's a fifth-year senior. Darrington arrived on campus as a junior. Tennessee returns five guys who played at least 19 minutes per game last season in Williams, junior forward Admiral Schofield and sophomore

guards Jordan Bowden, Jordan Bone and Lamonte' Turner.

"We're not that young anymore," Schofield said. "We've got a lot of guys with experience, a lot of guys who've played. We can't use that age excuse anymore."

Tennessee still has plenty of concerns as it prepares for its Nov. 10 season opener with Presbyterian.

Daniel says he's at "about 80 percent" as he recovers from his ankle injury. Barnes acknowledged Fulkerson could need some time to work his way into peak form after missing so much time last season. Johnson is recovering from offseason surgery, and the timetable for his potential return remains uncertain. Tennessee also must replace Hubbs, who started 68 games over the last four seasons.

But the Vols now believe they have enough reinforcements to withstand adversity better.

"There's no question that we've got more depth this year than we've ever had," Barnes said. They have newcomers ready to make immediate impacts and returning players eager to show how much they've learned. They're hoping that combination prevents them from cooling off down the stretch again.

"Last year as a group, we were just kind of immature," Bone said. "We just didn't get the job done. I think this year, just having that knowledge and having last season in the back of our head is really going to motivate us not to have that feeling again."

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Figure 2: Standard Home

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Figure 1: Home in a floor zone area

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Figure 1: Home in a floor zone area

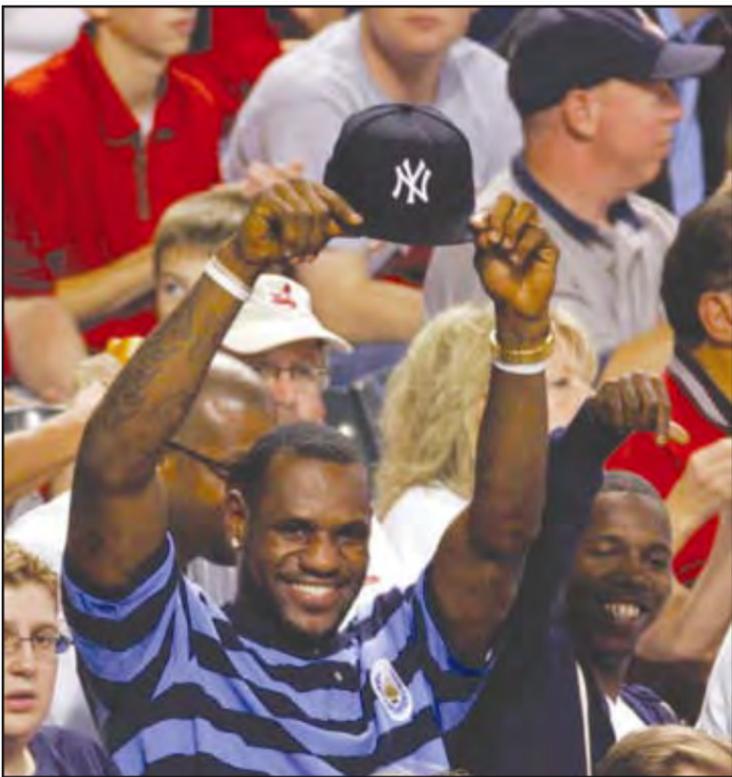
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Yankees or Indians? LeBron James has big decision to make



CLEVELAND (AP) — LeBron James hasn't had to make a decision this big in years.

The NBA star attended Thursday night's playoff game between the New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians along with his Cavaliers teammates, who were at several postseason games a year ago when the Indians got to the World Series.

Back in 2007, James came to Progressive Field for a post-season game wearing a Yankees cap, which he flaunted during the game. He was widely criticized in Cleveland for the move, which came three years before his infamous decision to announce on national TV that he was leaving as a free agent

for Miami.

James rooted openly in the playoffs last year for the Indians, speaking to the crowd before one game and flexing for fans in Game 7 of the World Series when Cleveland's Rajai Davis hit a tying homer in the eighth inning.

Indians manager Terry Francona was reminded that James once pulled for the other side, but was certain he's changed allegiance.

"I had not remembered that, but I do now," Francona said, smiling before the series opener. "I'm hopeful that he won't be (cheering for the Yankees). How's that? I don't think I need to be telling LeBron what to do, but I think he'll be rooting for the Indians."

New York Game 2 starter CC Sabathia, who spent eight seasons with the Indians, thinks James may be hiding his true feelings.

"I know he's a Yankee fan," Sabathia said. "But I think he

has to put on a front for the city."

Wearing a red hooded sweat shirt, James arrived about 30 minutes before the first pitch with teammate Dwyane Wade.

Wade promised to stay neutral. But the star guard, who recently signed with Cleveland after a season in Chicago, said he was eager for some off-the-floor time with his new teammates.

"I'm looking forward to the bonding," Wade said. "I'm not cheering for one team to win over the other, but I love greatness. Anytime anybody does something great, you applaud them for it. You want to be in that environment. But the biggest thing for us is to be able to bond and support the city. The city, the players, they support you and I'm a part of this organization now, so anytime we get an opportunity to support, you definitely want to do that, so that's what tonight is about."



FILE - In this Oct. 4, 2007 file photo, Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James holds up his New York Yankees hat during the fourth inning of Game 1 of an American League Division Series baseball game between the Yankees and Cleveland Indians in Cleveland. The NBA superstar plans to attend the ALDS playoff game between the Yankees and Indians along with his Cavaliers teammates on Thursday, Oct. 5. The long time Yankee fan must decide whether he will publicly support the Yankees or his hometown team, the Indians.

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Old pals Harper, Bryant face off in NLDS with Vegas in mind

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bryce Harper and Kris Bryant — childhood pals in Las Vegas and the past two NL MVPs — chatted and shared a laugh between their teams' workouts Thursday ahead of the NL Division Series between the Nationals and the Cubs.

Harper was wearing a black hoodie with a hashtag symbol and "Vegas Strong" across the chest, a reference to the mass shooting during a country music festival in their hometown that left 58 people dead and nearly 500 injured.

"It's been pretty surreal. Just from talking to friends, talking to family that were definitely at the concert and seeing the things that have happened and transpired from that, it just goes to show how strong our community is in Vegas, how much of a small-knit community it can be," said Washington's Harper, who won his MVP award in 2015. "Everybody pulling together and providing — and if anybody needs any help, everybody's pulling on the same rope, trying to help anybody they can."

Bryant said his "soon-to-be sister-in-law was there, and running right in the crowd" at last Sunday's attack. Friends of his were there, too, Bryant said.

He and Harper were both born and raised in Las Vegas.

"This is what you live for," Bryant said. "To compete against your buddies on a stage like this."

As for going from tournament teammates as kids to playoff foes in the majors, Harper said: "I don't think we ever really thought about that. We were just having fun and enjoying our team."

The 25-year-old Bryant, who is about 9 months older than Harper, recalled some of their earliest encounters in baseball and chuckled while acknowledging: "He was always better than me."

"He was a freak of nature," said Bryant, the 2016 MVP and a World Series champion with Chicago. "I can't even explain how, like, intimidated I was to watch him just hit in the batting cage. The sound coming off his bat was something you never hear." This was at what age?

"7," Bryant said with a smile.

He also remembers seeing Harper pitch later on.

"He would be throwing way harder than anybody I've ever seen. So it was more of the fear factor of, 'My gosh, if he hits me, I'm going to be crying for a week.' That type of thing. Just kind of a larger-than-life 12-year-old out there that was just so good at baseball, you knew he was bound for where he's at now."



Bowles says Jets 'not good enough' to look past 0-4 Browns

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. (AP) — The New York Jets insisted they weren't listening when all the talk was about how awful they'd be this season.

Now that they're one of the NFL's early season surprises at 2-2 and favored by some to beat winless Cleveland, they're not buying into that hype, either.

"We're not good enough to look past anybody," coach Todd Bowles said Thursday. "Really, we're not. We just work every day to get better from the week before." That's the dose of reality Bowles provides his players at every opportunity, saying earlier this week that the Jets have no reason to get "big-headed" despite consecutive wins over Miami and Jacksonville. "We're 2-2, we're .500," Bowles said. "That's nothing to brag about. We have to get better in a lot of areas each week. We made some mistakes in the Jacksonville game (that) we have to get better at, and we have to keep building."

After all, the Jets still rank 29th in run defense and have only six sacks this season. Their passing offense is 26th and hardly strikes fear into defenses.

But at 0-4, the Browns are a desperate opponent — one that likely expected a better start after a 1-15 season a year ago. Cleveland is 2-29 since an overtime win at Baltimore — led by current Jets quarterback Josh McCown — and that matches the worst 31-game stretch in league history. Rookie quarterback DeShone Kizer leads the NFL with eight interceptions and he also has the NFL's worst quarterback rating at 36.3.

So, the Jets should be licking their chops, right? After all, the AFC East is wide open with New England off to a surprisingly mediocre start at 2-2, Miami sitting at 1-2 and Buffalo leading the division at 3-1.

"We don't care about that," defensive end Muhammad Wilkerson said. "We worry about Cleveland right now. We don't care about the Patriots, Miami or anybody. It's about this week, and that's Cleveland."

That's the focus, on making sure the Browns don't get their first victory against them. And that possibility could make some teams worry about playing a hungry opponent.

"I'm not afraid, are you?" Wilkerson said with a grin. "Nobody's afraid. We're going to execute and do our jobs. We don't care about their record. That's not up to us. We're not worried about that. We worry about the Jets and doing our jobs."

The Jets are still that team that many fans and media pegged as a shoo-in for the No. 1 overall draft pick next spring. Someone anonymously sent a not-so-subtle reminder of the

dismal preseason prognostications, printing out copies of a headline from one web site that said the Jets would go 0-16 this season and leaving them on each player's stool.

The players have said for months that they couldn't care less about what people outside the facility had to say about them. But, they've all talked about the doubters — and used it as fuel. "What I love most about our team is how united we are," defensive lineman Leonard Williams said, "and how good we're playing together and how good we're playing for one another."

That said, the Jets are certainly a confident bunch, but in no way are they relieved that they have two more victories than many people thought they would at this point — and, for some, the entire season.



New York Jets' Robby Anderson reacts after a reception during the second half of an NFL football game against the Jacksonville Jaguars, Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, in East Rutherford, N.J.

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FILE - In this Sept. 21, 2017, file photo, San Francisco 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan, left, talks into his headset during the first half of an NFL football game against the Los Angeles Rams in Santa Clara, Calif. The 49ers have failed to score a touchdown in three of their first four games, the most glaring weakness for a winless team. (AP Photo/Marcio Jose Sanchez, File)

49ers think they're close to finding right track

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The 49ers are doing their best to remain optimistic despite their winless start in coach Kyle Shanahan's first season.

They've fallen by eight points combined over their past three games, all to NFC West rivals, while they waded through a season defined by low expectations.

"If you look at the tape, there's lots of things to be encouraged about," Shanahan said. "It's tough as a coach to ever turn it on and feel like you're not doing anything good, but I haven't felt that way really once after any of the four games. I know we've got to do better and we've got to clean a lot of stuff up, but that's the goal, to get better each week."

Shanahan and new general manager John Lynch signed matching six-year contracts when they were hired in the off-season, making 2017 the start of an organization-wide reconstruction project. Thirty-three of the team's players are new to the roster and it's clear the growing pains have been par-

mount during the 0-4 start.

The 49ers lead the NFL in dropped passes, according to Pro Football Focus, while also committing the most penalties.

Quarterback Brian Hoyer has thrown an interception in all four games and opponents have scored points in each possession following San Francisco's six turnovers. Ahead Sunday is a trip to Indianapolis (1-3), marking the second game of three straight away from the Bay Area. Hoyer's play has led to chatter about his job security while fans ponder the thought of third-round draft pick C.J. Beathard, who won the backup job over veteran Matt Barkley in the preseason.

Hoyer helped orchestrate a 17-play drive in overtime Sunday in Arizona that led to a 23-yard field goal after a failed trip to the red zone. The Cardinals got the ball back and won the game when Larry Fitzgerald caught a 19-yard touchdown pass with 32 seconds remaining.

A touchdown for San Francisco would have won it. Instead, the 49ers left Arizona having failed to get in the end

zone in three of their four contests this season.

"It's encouraging because you can see that you're only a few plays away. But it's also tough to swallow because you know that you're that close," Hoyer said. "We're 0-4. It's a results business. No one's going to care that we almost won that game, or almost won this game. You only care if you win. It's tough, but you can either go in one of two directions."

NOTES: Receiver Marquise Goodwin during practice Thursday was no longer wearing a noncontact jersey, as he did Wednesday, indicating he's progressing through the concussion protocol after leaving the Cardinals game in the first half. Carlos Hyde (side) was limited after playing Sunday, as was his backup Matt Breida, who's working through an ankle injury.

Rookie safety Adrian Colbert (hamstring) and linebacker Dekoda Watson (groin) missed practice for the second straight day and appear unlikely to play Sunday. Both are key players on special teams.

Raiders running game can't get off the ground

ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP) — When the Oakland Raiders brought in Marshawn Lynch to run behind one of the NFL's top offensive lines featuring three Pro Bowlers, the thought was it would add another dynamic element to one of the league's top offenses.

Instead, the past two weeks Oakland hasn't been able to get off the ground.

The Raiders are coming off the worst two-game stretch of running for the franchise in more than two decades, and they are now counting even more on the running game to support backup quarterback E.J.

Manuel with Derek Carr sidelined with a broken bone in his back.

"It's no big secret how talented we are up front, how talented Marshawn is," said blocking tight end Lee Smith, a key part of the run game. "It's on us as players, coaches everybody from the top down to get this run game going. It's a lot easier to call second-and-6 than it is to call second-and-9. ... It affects everybody when the run game is not going. Give credit to the two defenses we played, too. They stuffed us, we have to be men and fix it."

After gaining 32 yards on

13 carries in a 27-10 loss at Washington two weeks ago, the Raiders were even worse against Denver with 24 yards on 15 carries.

The 56 yards rushing in two weeks are the lowest for the team since 1995 and this marks just the second time in franchise history the Raiders were held under 35 yards rushing in consecutive games.

Left tackle Donald Penn said watching the film was encouraging because there are no major issues to fix. Instead, the problem has mostly been one or two players not executing perfectly on a given play.



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**THE LAST WORD IN
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Happy Birthday: Ease into whatever you want to accomplish this year. Refuse to let anyone prompt you into taking a risk or indulging in something before you gather all the facts. Protect against impulsive decisions or letting anyone take advantage of your generosity or kindness. Partnerships will require adjustments in order to maintain equality. Do what's best for everyone. Your numbers are 7, 13, 20, 29, 33, 36, 41.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Emotional spending, exaggerating situations and being unrealistic regarding what you can and can't do will come back to haunt you. Curb any tendency to be impulsive. Set a sturdy platform and don't deviate from your plan.***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Go over contracts and personal papers and see what needs to be updated. A financial opportunity may look interesting, but that doesn't mean it will be successful. Joint money ventures are not likely to turn out well. Don't try to buy love.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): An unexpected change will inspire you to take on a new attitude and head in a different direction. Refuse to let anyone coax you into doing something that isn't advisable. Be true to yourself and use your skills strategically.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stick close to home and do your best to live within your means. Excessive behavior or overreacting will only make matters worse. Concentrate on personal growth and spending time with people who are reasonable and reliable.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Family or school reunions will give you a different perspective regarding what you want to accomplish. Listen to what's said and make a point to take advantage of the information you gather and any offers made. New beginnings are featured.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Put your time, money and effort into securing your position, finances and home. Working toward a better future will give you a new perspective on what lies ahead and the possibilities that exist. Embrace change.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Speak up about your feelings and discuss your intentions and plans for the future. It's best to find out exactly what you are up against if you want to make a calculated decision that will result in progress.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Hard work will pay off. Your dedication and passionate attitude will help bring about new opportunities. Stay focused on what you can accomplish, not what others are up to. Being productive will result in personal satisfaction.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do your part to make things better for those less fortunate than you. Being part of a team that does its best to bring about positive change in your community will give you greater insight into your own personal growth.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll be tempted to make an impulsive move or to react impatiently when discussing situations that require a lot of thought. Walk away from temptation or anyone showing erratic tendencies. Choose stability over chaos.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll be tempted to make a quick expenditure. Make a point to cover your tracks and gather the information you need to avoid being stuck with something you may decide you don't want. Look at return policies.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be tempted by a proposition. Before you jump in, do your research regarding long-term benefits and pertinent details. If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Proceed with caution.***

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

MOVING AWAY ISN'T THE ANSWER TO KIDS' EARLY MORNING MAYHEM

DEAR ABBY: Suggesting that an older couple ("Upset in Washington," June 13) move to a community for people over age 55 because they're bothered by the neighbors' children playing outside early in the morning is just one more example of how we have ended up living in a world of intolerance and division. I'm the mother of a lively 6-year-old boy, and I would suggest that what really needs to happen is a kind and thoughtful discussion about how the kids can be taught to respect their neighbors and play more quietly in the mornings. There's no reason why a compromise can't be reached.

Communities for older adults are, in my opinion, beneficial when they provide long-term care and are integrated into the larger community and society. Places that amount to self-contained towns populated only by people over 55 are the product of a society unwilling to be compassionate about different needs and priorities, and unaware of the benefits of shared intergenerational wisdom and enthusiasms. -- MASSACHUSETTS MOMMY

DEAR MOMMY: Like you, many readers were against the idea of the couple being forced to move because of the noise. They offered suggestions for coping, as well as opinions about the parenting of the neighbor children. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: When people move into a neighborhood, they need to try to fit in rather than demand the neighbors accommodate them. That young mom and her kids are the newbies. The older couple has lived there a long, long time.

I say yes to getting soundproof windows. And perhaps "Upset's" husband should have a talk with his doctor about his health-related sleep problems. However, ultimately, the parents must take responsibility for their young kids instead of shoving them outside for the neighbors and unlucky drivers to deal with. Let the kids play inside at 8 a.m. P.S. Sometimes, being nice to the neighbor kids and getting to know them one-on-one can make a challenging situation better. It did for me. -- ALSO IN WASHINGTON

DEAR ABBY: In my neighborhood, the landscapers arrive at 7 a.m. to mow, blow and edge. The racket wakes everyone. The answer for us was the white noise machine our daughter got us. During a nap I use it because garbage trucks and delivery vans make more noise than kids playing or the school bus. -- ANN FROM SUN CITY

DEAR ABBY: I called the police because of screaming children. After they came, I never heard the screaming again. Years earlier in another neighborhood, cops came to make kids stop the noise. I'll repeat what the officer told me: "Everyone is entitled to peace." -- MICHIGAN READER

DEAR ABBY: There may be a local ordinance that there must be no noise before 9 a.m. "Upset" should check into this. -- CLAIRE IN NEW YORK

DEAR ABBY: Indulgent parents who fail to teach their children respect for others breed young adults who feel they're never wrong about anything. You should have suggested the children be confined to their backyard to burn off their energy.

I'm relatively certain other neighbors have been disturbed but are afraid to say anything. The retirees should ask around. Maybe if others share their annoyance, they can approach the mom as a group. -- DIFFERENT OPINION IN GEORGIA

10/6 **NO GO** By Timothy E. Parker

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



Seven-year-old Billy continues to be a substitute cartoonist so Daddy can have this week off.

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by Chris Brown

YOU KNOW, I ONCE WENT EIGHTEEN YEARS WITHOUT A BEER!

THEN WHAT HAPPENED?

MY EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY!

GARFIELD ©

by Jim Davis

I CAN READ YOUR MIND! YOU'RE THINKING... YOU'RE THINKING... YOU'RE THINKING...

YOU'RE THINKING... YOU'RE THINKING... YOU'RE THINKING...

YOU'RE THINNNNNNNNNKING...

SHE'S THINKING "GOOD NIGHT, DUMMY"

Sudoku Pacific

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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

10/6 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Thursday's Puzzle Answer 10/5

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

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