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Bennett has deal in works

Man accused in wife's death at sea about to change 'not guilty' plea

By **TONYA ALANZ**
 South Florida Sun Sentinel

Up to now Lewis Bennett has denied having anything to do with his wife's disappearance at sea in May 2017.

But that's about to change. Bennett has a plea deal in the works, court records show.



Lewis Bennett

honey-moon in the Bahamas aboard their 37-foot catamaran, Surf Into Summer.

The couple who made their home in Delray Beach had a baby daughter who was with relatives when Hellmann went

missing. The child, now 2, is living with Bennett's parents near Southampton, England.

Hellmann's family and prosecutors found Bennett's version of events about Hellmann's disappearance false.

He said the catamaran was on auto-pilot with his wife at the helm while he slept below deck. Bennett said he awoke when he

See DEAL, 10A

Poll: Dems are poised to retake House

However, turnout, immigration fears remain wild cards

By **SCOTT CLEMENT** AND **DAN BALZ**
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Democrats maintain a strong position to retake the U.S. House, but the party's loss of less-frequent voters and concerns about illegal immigration stand out as

wild cards in the final days before Tuesday's midterm elections, according to a Washington Post-Schar

School poll of likely voters in battleground congressional districts.

Overwhelming majorities of both Democrats and Republicans are confident their party will prevail with both nearly as confident as Democrats were — erroneously as it turned out —

ahead of President Donald Trump's surprise victory two years ago.

Voters also perceive high stakes in the event of a loss: At least two-thirds of Democrats and Republicans alike say a losing outcome

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Maria Orellana Cruz holds her 2-year-old daughter Kaylee Orellana Cruz, on Wednesday night.

Festive evening ends in tragedy

Father and daughter, 5, were fatally struck while walking home after trick-or-treating

By **WAYNE K. ROESTAN**, **JOE CAVARETTA** AND **TONYA ALANZ** | South Florida Sun Sentinel

It should have been a festive night of costumes and candy for a first-time trick-or-treater and her daddy. Instead it ended in death in the middle of Griffin Road. Father and daughter died while crossing the busy street in the dark shortly before 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Davis police said.

Carlos Alvarado Amaya and his 2- and 5-year-old girls, Kaylee Orellana Cruz and Heidy Orellana Cruz, were in a crosswalk but had walked into the path of an oncoming Cadillac that tried to stop but could not, police said.

See STRUCK, 10A



MARIA ORELLANA CRUZ/COURTESY Heidy Orellana Cruz, 5, and her father, Carlos A. Alvarado Amaya, 46, were struck and killed Wednesday night.

Michael hasn't stopped voters

Officials optimistic devastation won't dampen turnout

By **GRAY ROUBER**
 Tallahassee News

PANAMA CITY — Lisa Hathough rode out Hurricane Michael, the most powerful storm ever to hit the Panhandle, in her Panama City apartment. Three weeks later, she's living in Fort Rucker, across the state line in Alabama, unable to

remain in her home because of wind, water and mold damage.

See MICHAEL, 10A

Even so, she made time Wednesday to cast a ballot at a "mega site" set up by officials at the Supervisor of Elections office, one of six early voting polling places in Bay County.

"It's my right to vote," said Hathough, 65, a federal government worker. "I have always been a very avid voter. ... Even if there's one thing on the ballot, then I need to come out and vote, period. It's my voice."

That's the type of attitude that has local officials here optimistic the storm won't



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First businesses open at Dania Pointe

The first of the businesses within the 102-acre residential and entertainment complex opened Thursday. The site will eventually house hundreds of new residences, shopping and entertainment activities. AP

Venezuela, Cuba get new sanctions
 The Trump administration laid out a hard-line policy on the countries while warning Nicaragua. AP

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Plane's data recorder recovered
 Divers found the "black box" belonging to a crashed Lion Air jet, which could provide crucial information. AP

Trump vows asylum crack down
 The president said he plans to sign an order that could lead to the large-scale detention of migrants. AP

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Tower 155 close to completion

By LISA J. HURIAH South Florida Sun Sentinel

Tower 155 — one of the notable developments to rise since height laws changed in Boca Raton — has entered its final stages of construction.

Named for its address at 155 E. Boca Raton Road, the tower is an attached eight-, 10- and 12-story building with 128 homes. It is expected to be completed in the summer of 2019, according to its developer. The builder is Kaufman Lynn Construction.

Amenities will include a sundeck, a pool on the ground floor and a rooftop pool that "looks right down

the center of Mizner Park," said Carl Klepper Jr., of Compson Associates, the developer.

"It's a nice area to listen to the concerts," he said. "People are excited [for the] walkability and that different lifestyle."

The city in 2008 changed the building height limit to allow buildings to rise up to 14 stories. The move, which was temporary, but remains in effect, led to the creation of a handful of new projects, including Tower 155.

Others include 2015's 12-story The Mark at Cityscape near Palmetto Park Road and Federal Highway, and last year's Via Mizner, a

366-unit, 14-story apartment complex on the corner of Camino Real and Federal Highway.

In terms of having three buildings in one tower, Klepper said, "it's more efficient when things are stacked."

This design is "far more expensive, but far more cosmetically appealing," he said.

The Art Deco period-inspired tower will feature 124 one-, two- and three-bedroom condos, and four, two-story townhomes.

The homes range in size from 747 square feet to nearly 3,000 square feet. Prices range from \$570,000 to \$1.56 million.

There will be a hot tub, private cabanas, outdoor yoga studio and fitness center. It also will have a parking garage 24 feet underground.

Homes at the fifth floor and higher will have ocean views. The downtown project is about a mile-and-a-half from the sea.

"The rooftops are wonderful for sunsets and drinks on the roof," Klepper said. "You come up in the morning and have a cup of coffee and watch the sun rise, be above the hustle and bustle."

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An artist's illustration of Tower 155, which is expected to be completed in the summer of 2019, feature one-, two- and three-bedroom residences, and townhomes.



KIMCO REALTY CORP./COURTESY

An artist's illustration of Dania Pointe, an \$800 million shopping and entertainment complex planned for Dania Beach.

First businesses are open at Dania Pointe

By LISA J. HURIAH South Florida Sun Sentinel

The first of the businesses within the 102-acre Dania Pointe residential and entertainment complex opened Thursday.

Kimco Realty Corp.'s project, which will have hundreds of new residences, shopping and entertainment activities, occupies the spot of the former Dania Beach wooden roller coaster site that was dismantled years ago.

On Thursday, BrandsMart, Shoe Carnival, Ulta Cosmetics, The Below Verdon, Starbucks, Aspen Dental, and Men's Wearhouse celebrated their official openings. Burger King and Advance Auto Parts had previously opened.

The second phase of the project, which broke ground in July, will include an additional 370,000 square feet of lifestyle retail, dining and entertainment, along with two Marriott hotels with 350 rooms combined, two 250,000-square-foot office buildings, and 600 residen-

tial apartment units.

The first apartment building will be Avery Dania Pointe, which will have eight stories and 264 units. Leasing will begin in late 2019 with move-ins planned for 2020, according to Kimco. The remaining units will be built within a second tower 18 months after this one begins completion, also part of Avery Dania Pointe, said Paul Puma, president of Kimco Realty's Southern Region.

"We believe Dania Pointe is going to be a new destination within South Florida," Puma said Thursday. "Its location is unrivaled. Its convenience is in the market. It's a remarkable location."

The Hurricane, a 100-foot tall roller coaster, had been a familiar site to commuters along Interstate 95 for more than a decade. It was known as the tallest wooden amusement park ride in Florida. It closed in 2001 but remained standing until going 2016, when the developers dismantled the ride to make way for the shopping center.

BUSINESSES EXPECTED TO OPEN THIS YEAR:

- T.J. Maxx
- Youth Health Club
- Padella's Cuban Cuisine
- Firehouse Subs
- Tooley's Deli
- First Watch
- Eyeglass World
- Lee Nail
- Hobby Lobby

OPENING IN 2019 WILL BE:

- Lucky's Market
- Outback Steakhouse
- PDQ
- Bento Asian Kitchen and Sushi

PHASE II RETAIL TO OPEN IN 2020 INCLUDES:

- Rowman
- Tommy Bahama
- Forever 21
- B. Young & Co.
- Lindbergh menswear
- American Soul clothing company

"With Dania Pointe, we recognized the potential in what was essentially a gravel quarry and a defunct roller coaster, and transformed it into a grocery-anchored shopping experience in an inviting atmosphere where shoppers will want to gather,

work, play and ultimately live," said David Jameson, Kimco's executive vice president and chief operating officer, in a statement. lhuriah@sunsentinel.com, 561-572-2008 or Twitter @LisaHuriah

Pacers' Pritchard looks to redevelop, tear down house

By JACK FLEMING The Los Angeles Times

Indiana Pacers President Kevin Pritchard has big plans in Florida, where he recently grabbed a waterfront estate in North Bay Village for \$1.8 million.

The lot holds a 2,000-square-foot home built in 1951, but Pritchard plans to raze it in favor of a 5,500-square-foot pad with a rooftop deck to take advantage of the Biscayne Bay views.

Modern architect Max Strang is handling the design, which includes five bedrooms, a movie theater, gym and wine cellar. The home

will also hold a two-car garage.

According to the Multiple Listing Service, the property listed in June for \$1.89 million.

Pritchard, 51, spent four seasons as a player in the NBA before becoming the Portland Trail Blazers' general manager in 2007. Last year, he took over as Pacers president after Larry Bird resigned.

Two years ago, he sold his lakefront villa in Oregon for \$2.3 million, the Oregonian reported.

Doug Sigurdson of Douglas Elliman held the listing. Brett Harris, also with Douglas Elliman, represented Pritchard.



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The lot holds a 2,000-square-foot home built in 1951, but Pritchard plans to raze it in favor of a 5,500-square-foot pad with a rooftop deck to take advantage of the views.

Google workers stage #MeToo walkout

By MICHAEL LEIPETRE Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Carrying signs with messages such as "Don't be evil" severed several hundred Google employees around the world briefly walked off the job Thursday in a protest against what they said is the tech company's mishandling of sexual misconduct allegations against executives.

From Tokyo, Singapore and London to New York, Seattle and San Francisco, highly paid engineers and other workers staged walkouts of about an hour, reflecting rising #MeToo-era frustration among women over frat-house behavior and other misconduct in heavily

male Silicon Valley.

In Dublin, organizers used megaphones to address the crowd of men and women to express their support for victims of sexual harassment.

Other workers gathered indoors, in conference rooms or lobbies, to show their solidarity with abuse victims.

Protesters in New York carried signs with such messages as "Not OK Google" and "Don't Be Evil" — a mocking reference to Google's one-time motto.

Designer Leung Jj Jo, said in New York that she wanted to show support for the #MeToo movement. See GOOGLE, 12B

DOREEN'S DEAL

It's Freebie Friday!

Movies go better with cheap eats at the concession stand at AMC Theaters.

Teens can use a coupon to get \$5 deal on a 20-ounce Coke and a popcorn at participating AMC. AMC classic and dine-in locations through Jan. 6. Print the offer or show it on your smartphone. No ID is required to redeem the coupon, so if you're just young at heart ... go for it.

Flicks opening today include "Bohemian Rhapsody," about rocker Freddie Mercury and Queen, and "Nobody's Fool," a comedy starring Tiffany Haddish. Go to SunSentinel.com/FreebieFriday for this deal and many more.



—Doreen Christensen

Top Workplaces nominations due today

By RON HURTRICH, DAVID LYONS South Florida Sun Sentinel

Have you submitted your nomination for the Sun Sentinel's Top Workplaces program? Time is running out!

The nomination deadline is today.

Applicants are welcome to nominate their own workplaces or another private- or public-sector organization.

This is the fifth consecutive year the Sun Sentinel has partnered with Energize of Philadelphia

to determine the tri-county area's Top Workplaces based on employee survey feedback.

While top-scoring entries earn recognition, participants also receive feedback to help them sharpen employee relations and develop programs to improve workplace performance.

The employee survey gathers responses on 24 factors covering seven areas, including organizational health factors that measure how well employees are working together toward a common

cause.

Alignment — where the company is headed, its values, cooperation

Effectiveness — doing things well, sharing different viewpoints; encouraging new ideas

Connection — employees feel appreciated; their work is meaningful

My manager — cares about concerns; helps with learning and growing

Leadership — confidence in company leadership

The basics — pay, benefits, flexibility, training, expectations

Any organization with 35 or more employees in South Florida is eligible to participate. They can be public, private, nonprofit, or government organizations.

Results will be published by the Sun Sentinel in April 2019.

Nominate a business by visiting SunSentinel.com/nominate or calling 954-666-0786.

