

Celebrities



Associated Press

Television host Rachael Ray held a baby from Clinton County while helping at Sugartree Ministry Center on Saturday in Wilmington, Ohio.

Help cooked up for reeling Ohio town

WILMINGTON, Ohio — Television cooking star Rachael Ray is boosting the local food supply for a struggling Ohio town.

On Saturday, Ray brought a Wilmington soup kitchen new appliances, shelves and furniture. Ray's show also promised to supply food for the kitchen for the next year.

The soup kitchen is getting as many customers in a day as it did in a week a year ago.

Wilmington is still reeling from the departure of DHL Express and other Wilmington Air Park operations, which has left a 15 percent local unemployment rate in its wake.

On Sunday, the Food Network star hosted an early Thanksgiving feast for the community. The soup kitchen improvements and the Thanksgiving meal are scheduled to be featured on the Nov. 25 "The Rachael Ray Show" on Nov. 25.

Moviegoers get festive with 'Carol'

LOS ANGELES — Jim Carrey's Scrooge collected holiday donations from movie fans with his new take on "A Christmas Carol," which took in \$31 million to open as the weekend's top movie.

The Disney animated version of the Charles Dickens classic knocked the King of Pop out of the No. 1 spot as "Michael Jackson's This Is It" slipped to second place with \$14 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

Below are estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Hollywood.com:

1. "A Christmas Carol," \$31 million.
2. "Michael Jackson's This Is It," \$14 million.
3. "The Men Who Stare at Goats," \$13.3 million.
4. "The Fourth Kind," \$12.5 million.
5. "Paranormal Activity," \$8.6 million.
6. "The Box," \$7.9 million.
7. "Couples Retreat," \$6.4 million.
8. "Law Abiding Citizen," \$6.2 million.
9. "Where the Wild Things Are," \$4.2 million.
10. "Astro Boy," \$2.6 million.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

- Actor **Charlie Robinson** ("Night Court"), 64.
- Actor **Robert David Hall** ("CSI"), 61.
- Actor **Lou Ferrigno** ("The Incredible Hulk"), 58.
- Musician **Susan Tedeschi**, 39.
- Actor **Eric Dane** ("Grey's Anatomy"), 37.
- Singer **Nick Lachey**, 36.
- Singer **Sisqo** (Dru Hill), 31.

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Lotteries

The winning numbers for Sunday are:  
**SuperCash: 4-6-16-25-28-36**  
**Daily Pick 4: 1-7-0-0**  
**Daily Pick 3: 5-9-2**  
**Badger 5: 14-15-26-29-30**

Estimated jackpot for today's drawing: \$43,000.

Winning numbers from Saturday's jackpot drawings are:

**Powerball: 7-32-37-46-50**  
**Powerball number: 26**  
**Power Play number: 5**

No tickets sold for the drawing matched all six numbers.

Estimated jackpot for Wednesday's drawing: \$96 million.

**Megabucks: 12-17-29-34-37-41**

No tickets sold for the drawing matched all six numbers.

Estimated jackpot for Wednesday's drawing: \$2 million.

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Health/Compromise possible

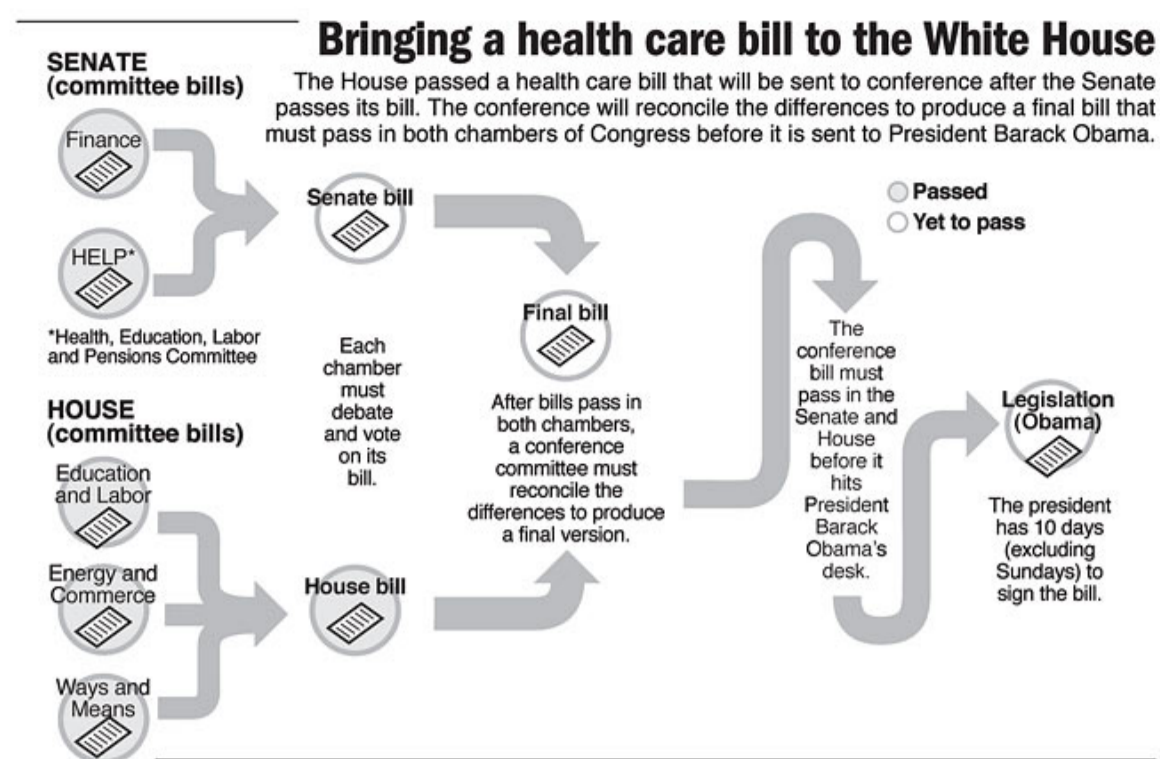
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Nonetheless, the House vote provided an important lesson in how to succeed with less-than-perfect party unity, and one that Senate Democrats may be able to adapt. House Democrats overcame their own divisions and broke an impasse that threatened the bill after liberals grudgingly accepted tougher restrictions on abortion funding, as abortion opponents demanded.

In Senate, the stumbling block is the idea of the government competing with private insurers. Liberals may have to swallow hard and accept a deal without a public plan in order to keep the legislation alive. As in the House, the compromise appears to be to the right of the political spectrum.

Republican Sen. Olympia Snowe of Maine, who voted for a version of the Senate bill in committee, has given the Democrats a possible way out. She's proposing to allow a government plan as a last resort, if after a few years premiums keep escalating and local health insurance markets remain in the grip of a few big companies. This is the "trigger" option.

That approach appeals to moderates such as Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La. "If the private market fails to reform, there would be a fallback position," Landrieu said last week. "It should be triggered by choice and affordability, not by political whim." Lieberman said he



opposes the public plan because it could become a huge and costly entitlement program. "I believe the debt can break America and send us into a recession that's worse than the one we're fighting our way out of today," he said.

For now, Reid is trying to find the votes for a different approach: a government plan that states could opt out of.

The Senate is not likely to jump ahead this week on health care. Reid will keep meeting with senators to see if he can work out a political formula that will give him not only the 60 votes needed to begin debate, but the 60 needed to shut off discussion and bring the bill to a final vote.

Toward the end of the week, the Congressional Budget Office may report back with a costs and coverage estimate on Reid's

bill, which he assembled from legislation passed by the Finance Committee and the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. The Finance Committee version does not include a government plan.

Reid has pledged to Obama that he will get the bill done by the end of the year and remains committed to doing that, according to a Senate leadership aide.

Both the House and Senate bills gradually would extend coverage to nearly all Americans by providing government subsidies to help pay premiums. The measures would bar insurers' practices such as charging more to those in poor health or denying them coverage altogether.

All Americans would be required to carry health insurance, either through an employer, a govern-

ment plan or by purchasing it on their own.

To keep down costs, the government subsidies and consumer protections don't take effect until 2013. During the three-year transition, both bills would provide \$5 billion in federal dollars to help get coverage for people with medical problems who are turned down by private insurers.

Both House and Senate would expand significantly the federal-state Medicaid health program for low-income people.

The majority of people with employer-provided health insurance would not see changes. The main beneficiaries would be some 30 million people who have no coverage at work or have to buy it on their own. The legislation would create a federally regulated marketplace where they could shop for coverage.

Volunteers/Group has over 300 active members

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Adler, who is at the information desk each Tuesday morning and is a past president of the group's board, is one of the longest serving members of the organization.

Currently there are 304 active volunteers, said



Pengra

Mary Pengra, the hospital's volunteer services director. The majority of them are older adults, and there are more women than men; however, there is a "substantial gentlemen's group," she said. Hospital employees also volunteer, as do high school and college students.

"We love to have youth here," Pengra said. "We look at it as a way of showing young people how important it is to get involved in the community."

Margaret Berg, president of the Volunteer Partners board, encourages anyone to get involved.

"I think we all need to do a little bit more of that," she said, referring to volunteer service. "You get so much in return. The people really appreciate what you do."

Berg, a retired registered nurse, worked at Sacred Heart Hospital for about 30 years.

"Since the hospital gave me a job for so long, I felt I should give something back," said Berg, who has been a volunteer for about 15 years.

In the last nine years, the Volunteer Partners have logged an average of about 45,000 hours of service per year, Pengra said.

"I hear from hospital staff all the time that we couldn't do it without the volunteers," she said.

To Join

People can become a member of the Volunteer Partners of Sacred Heart Hospital in two ways:

- Regular membership. This option is for active in-hospital volunteers. Annual dues cost \$10 per individual and \$15 per couple.
- Associate membership. This option is for individuals wishing to donate, but who are unable to volunteer in the hospital. Annual dues cost \$15 per individual or \$20 per couple.

■ From 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, an open house is planned in Sacred Heart Hospital's Community Auditorium in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the inception of the Volunteer Partners.

"(The volunteers) provide a wonderful component of care here."

In addition to helping run the gift shop, greeting people entering the hospital and answering the telephone, volunteers also raise funds to purchase needed equipment for the hospital, Pengra said.

When the Guild first started, the first piece of equipment it purchased was a fracture table for \$700, Pengra said. Last month, the Volunteer Partners board voted to purchase a hotel-type hospital menu system for patients for \$50,000.

"Their contribution to the hospital has been significant," said Pengra, who refers to volunteers as ambassadors of the hospital. "By volunteering, they have found an opportunity to make a long-lasting impression here."

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Wall/Party lasted more than four days

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Hundreds, then thousands, then hundreds of thousands crossed over the following days.

Stores in West Berlin stayed open late and banks gave out 100 Deutschmarks in "welcome money," then worth about \$50, to each East German visitor.

The party lasted four days and by Nov. 12 more than 3 million of East Germany's 16.6 million people had visited, nearly a third of them to West Berlin, the rest through gates opening up along the rest of the fenced, mined frontier that cut their country in two.

Sections of the nearly 100 miles of wall were pulled down and knocked over. Tourists chiseled off chunks to keep as souvenirs. Tearful families reunited. Bars gave out free drinks. Strangers kissed and toasted each other with champagne.

Klaus-Hubert Fugger, a student at the Free University in West Berlin, was having drinks at a pub when people began

coming "who looked a bit different."

Customers bought the visitors round after round. By midnight, instead of going home, Fugger and three others took a taxi to the Brandenburg Gate, long a no man's land, and scaled the 12-foot wall with hundreds of others.

"There were really like a lot of scenes, like people crying, because they couldn't get the situation," said Fugger, now 43. "A lot of people came with bottles" of champagne and sweet German sparkling wine.

Angela Merkel, Germany's first chancellor from the former communist East, recalled the euphoria in an address last week to the U.S. Congress.

"Where there was once only a dark wall, a door suddenly opened and we all walked through it: onto the streets, into the churches, across the borders," Merkel said. "Everyone was given the chance to build something new, to make a difference, to venture a new beginning."

In Brief

Official: Deer harvest to be smaller

MADISON — Wisconsin wildlife officials are warning hunters they'll probably take fewer deer than last year.

Keith Warnke, a big game ecologist with the Department of Natural Resources, says no earn-a-buck restrictions and below average fawn production over the last two years will contribute to a lower antlerless deer harvest and a lower total harvest.

Warnke said hunters may take more bucks this year. But he cautions that local deer populations can vary widely and usually fewer than 40 percent of hunters get a deer each year.

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