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Relay For Life wrap-up features \$10,000 donation

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Call it a bittersweet moment.

Relay For Life committee members accepted a \$10,000 donation in memory of one of their own Tuesday night during the group's annual wrap-up meeting.

In an emotional moment, Doug Lykken, the husband of the late Marcy Lykken, presented the \$10,000 donation to the organization his wife gave so much time and effort to help succeed.

"She started working Relay the year after she was diagnosed with cancer," Doug said. "She was always big in community stuff, whether it was the health fair or Relay For Life. She put a lot of her energy in it. It was one of the things she looked forward to every year. That's when we re-did our wills. It was her idea. We re-did our wills to give a donation to the Relay For Life."

According to Doug, Marcy was diagnosed with cancer in 1999 and the next year jumped into helping Relay For Life, the largest fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society in the area. Marcy also started a program at First United Methodist Church which provided hats for people going through chemotherapy. Doug added Marcy's death on March 31 of this year was not caused by cancer but natural causes.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Doug Lykken gives Beverly Grant, president of the Howard-Glasscock Relay For Life committee, a \$10,000 donation in memory of his wife, Marcy. Marcy, who died in March this year, was very committed to the organization, committee members said. The donation will add to the already collected \$150,000 plus funds raised for the annual event to help fight cancer.

"She was enthusiastic about everything to do with Relay," said Beverly Grant, president of the Relay For Life committee. "She was always a happy lady. She also started a ministry with teddy bears. She left

bears on the church pews of First Methodist for people to take with notes like 'Hug this bear'. We have implemented that into our event. Her team

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Big Spring woman killed in pedestrian-vehicle accident

Herald Staff Report

MIDLAND — A Big Spring woman died Tuesday afternoon from injuries received in a pedestrian/vehicle accident in Midland.

Officials said Barbara Hall, 62, was hit by a pickup in the parking lot of Midland Memorial Hospital around noon Tuesday, and was pronounced dead at the hospital later in the day.

Hall was walking north across the parking lot when she was hit by a pickup being driven by a 73-year-old woman, the Midland Reporter-Telegram reported in its Wednesday's edition.

Hall was taken to surgery at the hospital, but did not recover from her injuries.

The truck was reportedly traveling at an unsafe speed and investigators believe the driver may have been experiencing a medical episode at the time of the accident. A report on the accident will be reviewed by a state medical advisory committee to determine whether a medical condition contributed to the incident.

Funeral services for Hall are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Salaries, insurance top agenda for BSISD trustees

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

A report on potential employee salary and insurance increases will be on tap when trustees for the Big Spring Independent School District meet Thursday night.

Superintendent Chris Wigginton is expected provide a report on the impact increases in salaries and the local insurance supplement will have on the upcoming budget. In past meetings, trustees have requested a look into helping alleviate some of the cost of insurance premium increases for employees by

possibly upping the district's supplement.

Trustees will meet at 5:15 p.m. in the high school board room, 707 11th Place.

Also on the agenda, trustees will consider:

- A contract with Howard County for assessment and collection of taxes.
- The 2014-2014 student code of conduct.
- Setting a public meeting to discuss the 2014-2015 proposed budget and tax rate.
- Employment matters.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234 or by citydesk@bigspringherald.com.



Time running short to befriend a duck

Special to the Herald

Ready... Set... Quack!

The third annual Big Spring Duck Race happens this Friday, 6:30 p.m. at the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center. Proceeds go to support Isaiah 58 and the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club.

Each entry is \$5 and tickets can be purchased at the Howard County Library, KBST radio station, Western Bank, Compass Bank, Harris Hardware and Lumber, United Way, the Chamber of Commerce, the Visitors and Convention Bureau, First Christian Church, Great Scott T-Shirts and evenings in front of the Aquatic Center.

Seven prizes will be awarded, with the possibility of an additional "lucky duck" prize. Prizes include two season tickets to the 2014-2015 Big Spring Symphony season (\$125); one night in the

suite at Super 8 (\$169); family of four ticket packet to Schlitterbahn (\$300); family of four ticket packet to a Rangers game in September (\$120); a large stuffed AFLAC Duck (\$200); and a gift basket, including a \$75 card to Forever. In addition, should the "lucky duck" float into Trap 7, the holder of that duck will win the appliance of their choice up to \$1,500; any other duck that enters Trap 7 first will win the prize designated for that trap.

Prizes will be assigned to traps by lottery prior to the race. All 1,000 ducks will be dumped into the lazy river at 6:30 p.m. Although you need not be present to win, you are encouraged to be there to cheer your duck on victory.

The third Lucky Ducky Derby will be part of the Under West Texas Skies festivities.

—Submitted by Ken McIntosh

EDC focuses on upcoming projects

By ANDREIA MEDLIN
 Staff Writer

Goals for the coming year was the focus for Big Spring Economic Development Corporation board members, who met Tuesday.

With the coming budget in mind, progress of current projects was the main topic. In the director's report presented by EDC Director Terry Wegman, the outlook based on the continued growth of the industrial business at the airpark continues to look optimistic.

And according to board member Jim DePauw, rail at the airpark needs to be expanded because it has reached its capacity.

"There must be 70 cars out there now," said DePauw.

EDC Board President Don Avant agreed that the rail should be a continued focus of the corporation.

But the history of the airpark haunts its progress and continues to cause delay. The records left by the bombardier school and Air Force base as well as city records have all been reviewed. One discovered gas line has propagated another and another.

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Shelley Rachel Lopez



Shelley Rachel Lopez, 15, of Big Spring, died Sunday, July 13, 2014, in an Odessa hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 17, 2014, at the Family Faith Center of Big Spring. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring.

Shelley was born Sept. 30, 1998, in Odessa. She was a sophomore at Big Spring High School. She was a stellar student and loved music and dancing. She played the flute in the band and had taken dance since she was five.

Survivors include her parents, Adolph and Amy

Ouida Watznauer



Ouida Watznauer, 81, of Big Spring, died Monday, July 14, 2014, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2014, at the Alive in Christ Lutheran Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Ouida was born April 29, 1933 in Lubbock, Texas. She loved garage sales and was an avid antique collector.

She married C. F. "Ike" Watznauer May 19, 1990,

Katherine Woodson Roberts



Katherine Woodson Roberts, 96, of Odessa died July 8, 2014, in Benbrook, Texas. She was born Dec. 17, 1917, to Futhie Presley and Cecil Gray Woodson in Crosby, Ark.

She graduated from Coahoma High School in 1936. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Louise Roberts.

(Sanchez) Lopez; her little brother, Adolph Lopez Jr.; and big sister, Meagan Lopez, all of Big Spring. She is also survived by her paternal grandmother, Alicia Lopez of Colorado City; maternal grandparents, Joe and Hortensia Sanchez of Big Spring; three aunts, Melissa, Gloria and Diana Sanchez; five uncles, Joey, Jessie, Danny, Robert and Jimmy Sanchez; her great-uncle, Johnny Castillo of Colorado City; and great-aunts, Ruth Orona of Dallas and Carolina Campos of Mesquite.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Buddy Lopez.

Memorial donations are suggested to the Shelley Lopez Dance Scholarship fund at The Dance Gallery, 2303 Goliad St., Big Spring, TX 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

in Big Spring.

She was a member of the Alive in Christ Lutheran Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Gerald "Jerry" Moncrief of Canyon Lake, Texas; her daughter, Paula Jean Abbott and husband, Toby of Terrell; six grandsons; one brother, Ballard Arant; and two sisters, Betty E. Eudy and Gretchen Gittins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arvel and Bernice (Helms) Arant.

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She is survived by her son, Gregory L. Roberts of Odessa; daughters, Debbie Huett and husband Lonnie of Fort Worth and Lynda Fowler of Chatham, Ala.; brother, Fred Woodson of Calabasas, Calif., and sisters, Margie Hill and husband Bobby and Darla Swindell and husband Johnny, all of Big Spring. She also leaves behind six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were 2 p.m. Saturday at Frank W. Wilson Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Lonnie Huett officiating.

Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today:

- **KIMBERLY LANESE DAVIS**, 31, of 4912 13th St., Lubbock, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for fail to appear, and charges of disregard red light and failed to maintain financial responsibility.
- **CANDI R. GARZA**, 30, of 1002 N. Main St. no. 58, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.
- **ROBERT JIM GRANADO JR.**, 22, of 1511 Bluebird, was arrested Tuesday on charges of delivery of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grmas and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.
- **JUSTIN BRANDON MARTINEZ**, 26, of 1425 E. 6th St. no. 3, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.
- **TYLER THOMPSON**, 21, of 1210 Wood, was arrested Tuesday on warrants from another agency.
- **GARY DON GOODMAN**, 19, of 1604 Benton, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug free zone.
- **DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON II**, 29, of 1604 Benton, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of displaying registration insignia knowingly altered/illegible.
- **EPIFANIO JOSE GUZMAN JR.**, 26, of 1002 N. Main no. 22, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported at the 700 block of W. Interstate Highway 20 and the 1700 block of Benton.
- **THEFT** reported at the 1600 block of S. Gregg, the 200 block of W. FM 700, the 3600 block of W. Highway 80, the 1700 block of Lancaster, the 3300 block of E. Interstate Highway 20 and the 3100 block of S. Highway 87.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the 200 block of N. Gregg.

- **ANIMAL PROBLEM** was reported at S. Highway 87.
- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported at the 1000 block of Sycamore.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** reported at the 400 block of Dallas.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

- Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 at the time of this report.
- **STEVEN THOMAS SIMS** was booked by BSPD on warrants for gone off bond possession of methamphetamine, gone off bond theft.
- **KIMBERLY LANESE DAVIS** was booked by BSPD on copias warrants for ran red light, failure to appear – two counts and fail to maintain financial responsibility.
- **ROBERT GRANADO** was booked by BSPD on charges of delivery of controlled substance less than 1 gram and unlawfull possession of a firearm by a felon.
- **DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON** was booked by HCSO on charges of display fictitious motor vehicle registration.
- **CANDI R. GARZA** was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.
- **ALAN CATON POWELL** was booked by HCSO on a bench warrant.
- **EPIFANIO JOE GUZAN JR.** was booked by HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for a warrant for burglary of a habitation.
- **JUSTIN BRANDON MARTINEZ** was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.
- **SHELBY H. BALLEW** was booked by Glasscock County Sheriffs Office on a charge of possession of a dangerous drug.
- **GARY DON GOODMAN** was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug free zone.

Dorothy Murray

Dorothy Murray, 73, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 15, 2014. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Barbara Hall

Barbara Hall, 62, of Big Spring, died Tuesday July 15, 2014. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 7/17	Fri 7/18	Sat 7/19	Sun 7/20	Mon 7/21
89/67	88/69	98/75	100/76	99/76
Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 60s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the mid 70s.	Sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.
Sunrise: 6:51 AM Sunset: 8:53 PM	Sunrise: 6:52 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	Sunrise: 6:53 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	Sunrise: 6:53 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM	Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM



Texas At A Glance



Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- Monday:**
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of Rural Route 33 and S. Highway 87. Two patients refused service.
 - **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1300 block of Wright. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
 - **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1600 block of S. Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - **MEDICAL** call reported at the 2000 block of S. Gregg. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - **MEDICAL** call reported at the 2300 block of S. Gregg. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the 600 block of N. Gregg. One patient transported to SMMC. One patient refused service.
 - **TRAUMA** call reported at the 1200 block of S. Johnson. Service refused.
 - **GRASS FIRE** reported at N. Service Rd. and E. Interstate Highway 20 at mile marker 179. Extinguished.
 - **GAS LEAK** reported at the 4100 block of Muir. Turned off meter.
- Tuesday:**
- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - **MEDICAL** call reported at the 800 block of Highland. No transport.
 - **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at mile marker 167 on Interstate Highway 20. Service refused.
 - **TRASH FIRE** reported at the 100 block of Jones St. Extinguished.

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TEAM CAPTAINS



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Team captains for the Howard-Glasscock Relay For Life pose for a picture during the group's annual wrap-up meeting Tuesday night. One chair was left empty in honor of Marcy Lykken, a long-time volunteer and team captain who died in March of this year. The group surpassed its goal of \$150,000. Relay For Life is the largest fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society in Howard and Glasscock counties.

RELAY

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is going to be Marcy's Teddy Bears."

The 2014 Relay For Life, which was held in June this year, drew in more than \$150,000 with 28 participating teams and 116 survivors, who registered to participate.

"It was fantastic" Grant said. "Our goal was \$150,000 and we went that plus another \$2,000 or \$3,000. With this generous donation, it will put us over even more. It seems that no matter how tight it is, Relay always brings out the community."

Relay For Life will be moved back to May next year and is set for May 8, 2015, ending at mid-

night again.

"Congratulations for making your goal," Manny Negron of the American Cancer Society told the committee. "You did an amazing job. Thank you Howard and Glasscock counties."

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Emergency personnel responded to a vehicle which had overturned and was in the median of Interstate 20 near Mile Marker 167 Tuesday afternoon. According to EMS reports, medical assistance was refused. No more information regarding the accident was available.

Take Note

- A bank account has been set up to help defray funeral expenses for the family of Shelly Lopez. To make a donation to the Shelly Lopez Memorial fund contact the Big Spring Educational Employee Federal Credit Union at 263-8393 located at 1110 Benton.

- Have you found out you have diabetes? Do you want more information on type 2 diabetes? The Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Services Howard County Office

will be providing classes on type 2 diabetes. There will be five classes on Thursday evenings. The first class begins July 17 at 6:30 p.m. To register, contact Melissa Deeter at 432-264-2236 or via email at melissa.deeter@ag.tamu.edu

- American Legion Post 506, 3203 W. Highway 80, will host a fish fry from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the post home. Delivery will be held from 11 to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Plates

are \$10 each. Carry out is available.

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, July 24 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Live music, Mike Porter and Friends. Bring snacks to share.

- Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

EDC

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"They found another one today," said Wegman.

The airpark was the refueling center in its heyday and now has a labyrinth of pipes located underground — some in use, some abandoned.

"They have searched and found and searched and found," said Wegman, who explained that a meeting with Atmos Energy has been hard to come by. "They are busy people," he continued.

According to officials who continue to survey the site, some of the lines are abandoned and not in use, but there are some that are live and can be capped. But any unused line has to be buried 10 feet deep and encased in concrete.

June financials presented by Wegman showed tax revenue at 8.43 percent for May. An increase of 5.29 percent for the year. On track for this year's budget. Current assets are \$5,342,115. Loans, grants and incentives are \$1,884,564 with a total of \$7,226,679. Liability (payroll with city) \$41,749. Equity total is \$7,184,938 with expenses and revenue for

June is income for June \$72,223.

Boyce Galvanizing elected to pay off its notes of \$450,000. Industrial foundation's loan that was taken to pay for Boyce Galvanizing's zinc was also paid off in the amount of \$650,000. Wegman assured the board that the sudden financial moves were not a concern.

"They are doing well and growing and it was just a business decision on their part," Wegman explained.

June investments were briefly discussed. "We do have \$1 million out on sewer, \$1 million on rail, \$250,000 comprehensive plan and \$750,000 on the B project," said Wegman. "We will be going out on bids for that next month."

Discussion included an invitation for the board members to submit their input on budgetary goals for next year with target industries continuing to be oil, gas and renewable energy.

The issue of adopting a policy and procedures continues to be a thorn in the EDC's side. Two sets were presented in May with one set temporarily adopted.

"We spent a lot of time merging the human resource policy and procedure from the city with the set that was voted

on in May," said Avant. Vice President Nati Saldivar queried, "How different is this from the second set we voted on back in April?"

Wegman explained, "There were things that were recommended we take out. We tried to incorporate everything from the human resource policy from the city... Something that everyone can wrap their arms around."

"We took 100 pages and brought it down to 40 pages," continued Avant.

"Was the second set altered from the HR book?" asked Saldivar.

The director and the president listed several items that had been removed from the city's version of the policy and procedure as recommended by the board including: Hiring policies, equal employment opportunities corporation and drug-related policies.

Board member Francis Hobbs said the only thing she noticed that was missing from the policy and procedures concerned record retention and archiving information, protecting the video recording of the meetings, news media releases or a public relations officer, receiving monetary or non-monetary gifts, delegation of authority when

the director is out of the city and who has signature authority in his absence.

EDC member DePauw called for a vote to accept the policy and procedure presented by Avant and Wegman. The vote was two and two, placing it on the agenda for the next meeting.

The director's report included Permian Energy and an unnamed anchor tenant.

"They are close to coming to us and presenting an agreement — possibly next week," said Wegman. "I would like to have joint meeting with city council and

lay out whole project. We really need an anchor tenant to get project off the ground and I think we found it."

There have been a lot of public notices concerning the wind project, but "It's a very complicated process and has taken a lot of time," said Wegman. "It was a \$156 million and now it's a \$170 million project."

The budget has to be approved by the City Council by September. Special meetings may be in the offing concerning that and the airpark.

"We are here and there are people trying to make contact. They want to come to Big Spring, Texas. We need to quit bickering and come together." Avant contends the rail spur is the key to, "Putting Big Spring back on the map."

To contact Andreia Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331.

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3	6	1	9	5	4	7	8	2
6	9	4	8	2	5	3	1	7
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When I was growing up we didn't have a lot of pets. Maybe it was because we lived in parsonages or maybe we just didn't have the perfect lifestyle to accommodate pet care. I do remember a few puppies, so it wasn't like I was deprived of the pleasure of having a pet when I was a kid. And even though I have a special place in my heart for all of God's creation, I am especially intrigued by the passion and commitment of many pet owners today. Trust me when I say that is not a critical statement at all because as pet owners ourselves, we totally understand how those sweet little characters can just literally steal your heart. When all of our children were at home we had a wonderful poodle name "Buford" for eight years. He was a perfect pet in every sense of the word until he met an untimely and tragic death in the street in front of our home on a Sunday morning just before church.

His memory is still a treasure to all of our family.

I recently ran across an interesting article by Dr. Patricia Fitzgerald that highlighted dog owners and I thought you might enjoy sharing a bit of it. Her article was entitled "30 Things Only a Dog Owner Would Understand." I obviously can't list them with any commentary in my limited amount of space, but I want to mention a few that I found particularly fun.

She said dogs are the most dependable alarm clocks. In her words, "If you have a dog, you know that they're so on time. One of my dog's times is 7 a.m. — at 7 a.m. exactly, he'll stand next to my bed. And stare. And if that doesn't work, he'll wag his tail and make sure it's banging against something. If I'm not out of bed by 7:15 a.m., he'll start pawing at me. They know when to get up — they don't wear a watch, yet they're really aware of time. And they're really thrown off by the whole daylight savings time thing."

Dogs are also keenly aware of when you are leaving and they aren't going along. "Whenever I'm going on a trip and I'm not

taking the dogs me, I have a suitcase that I very slowly, nonchalantly start filling. I make sure not to make a big deal out of it by whistling, singing a happy tune and giving treats. But they know. They're so aware, and they get a little frantic. If it turns out that we are actually packing for a vacation that they get to be part of, their frantic behavior turns to glee."

No matter what we do on the car ride to the vet, they know they are not going to the park. You can act totally normal, but the dog will always know something's up. Always.

There's your life before having dogs — and there's your life after having dogs — and they're completely different. It's like there are two time periods: B.D. (before dogs) and A.D. (after dogs). It's a different life. Once you have one, usually most people feel like they can't imagine life without a dog.

Even though all dogs are adorable, there's just something a little cuter about my dogs. "Sure, I'll ooh and aah politely over someone else's dog as they're showing me their pictures on their iPhone. But I'll always know in my heart that mine are cuter."

We probably laugh and smile more times throughout the day than most people. Not that everyone else's lives are more miserable... but it's impossible not to crack a grin when your dog does something amusing, which is pretty much several times a day. Dogs definitely bring you extra the smiles and laughter that you might not get without them."

It's hard to wake up grumpy in the morning when there's a dog in your face. She said, "I pray, meditate and do yoga in the morning, but honestly their happy faces are the best way to greet the day. Even if my yoga pose can't be perfect because there are some furry critters on my mat thinking I'm on the floor so I can pet them."

Financial priorities are different for people who have dogs. It's not uncommon for a dog guardian to say "I'd rather live in my car rather than give up my dog," because they're a part of the fam-



ily. They're not just a dog. The bond is so strong, you just can't imagine giving them up without doing everything you can to be resourceful.

They seem to vanish when they hear the sounds of bath time. "My husband does the dog-washing — he'll get a little bucket that we have, that has all the soap and supplies. As soon as the dogs see him opening the cover of the bucket, they'll come over to me and hide. Fortunately, once the dogs are actually getting their baths, they seem to realize it's not as bad as they may have anticipated. And they love shaking the water off and being dried in the fluffy towels."

They have such joy from rolling in smelly things — often after a bath.

When we come back being away from them on a trip, the excitement they show is unmatched. Even if you're just gone for one night, you get a reception of joy as if you had been gone for months — they'll dance all over the place and follow you everywhere. Even if you leave to go around the block, you are guaranteed to come home to at least an enthusiastic, wagging-tail greeting.

They show excitement when they exit the door as well as when they are entering. Dogs love adventure, so it's not too surprising that they're so excited when we leave the home to take them for a walk. But have you noticed how excited they are to come back into the home, too? They just can't wait to get back inside to see if they have missed anything.

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

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DAILY PRAYER

Help us remember, oh Lord, we can always call on You when times get too tough.

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A no-win'money talks' recount

California is in the midst of a sort-of statewide election recount. Will it be like Florida in 2000? Hardly. This isn't a heated national contest to see which party occupies the Oval Office. It's about the unsexy state controller's office and which Democrat — former Assembly Speaker John Perez or Board of Equalization member Betty Yee — will run in November against top vote-getter Ashley Swearingin, Fresno's Republican mayor. Yee garnered 481 more votes than Perez, so Perez wants a recount.

But just as the Florida recount did little for the Sunshine State's image, a recount under California election rules does not make the Golden State appear golden. Both Yee and Perez won 21.7 percent of the vote. Many states have automatic recounts when elections are within a margin of error, say 1 percent. California has no such mechanism. Instead, state law allows any registered voter to ask for a recount. The catch: That person has to pay for the recount. The other catch: That individual can pick which counties — and which precincts within those counties

— are recounted.

No fool, Perez selected precincts in 15 counties where he outperformed Yee. Strategist Douglas Herman told me, "I'd love for there to be an automatic recount mechanism" statewide. But because the Perez campaign has to pay for a recount and cannot afford the estimated \$3 million for a statewide tally, Perez did what he had to do.

Lucky for Perez, state law also allows him to stipulate which precincts and counties are counted first. If he gains enough votes to beat Yee early on, then he can halt the recount. If he wins a recount, he gets his money back.

The rules are so ridiculous that, quoth GOP secretary of state hopeful Pete Peterson, they "could only have been written by politicians looking to protect themselves."

What if the cash-strapped Yee wants her own recount to catch up? "She has every right to do it," answered Herman.

Perez just wants to "make sure that every vote is counted as cast."

Except, of course, Perez isn't paying to count every vote. Just like Al Gore, who wanted to decide Florida by conducting a selective recount of four Democratic counties only, Perez is pushing for a friendly recount. Now, 14 years after the U.S. Supreme Court decided Bush v. Gore, some Dems are crying foul

at the very notion of a selective recount.

Election attorney Chuck Bell thinks the Perez approach is tactically smart. "Perez," he explained, "is starting with the lowest-cost options at the front end, picking districts that wouldn't cost as much to do some preliminary evaluation." But there's no escaping that this is a "money talks" system. As former speaker, Perez can afford to wage a 15-county probe. If Perez wins because he could afford a candidate's choice recount but Yee could not, he wins ugly.

Yee consultant Parke Skelton believes that there's an equal-protection argument to be made in court if Perez prevails. I wouldn't be surprised if a California or federal judge ruled that a selective recount shortchanges voters in the state's other 43 counties.

"If Perez wins this only by cherry-picking precincts," GOP strategist Allan Hoffenblum told me, "I think he will be tainted. I think it will be very good for Swearingin." If Perez wins on a technicality, then it will weaken him.

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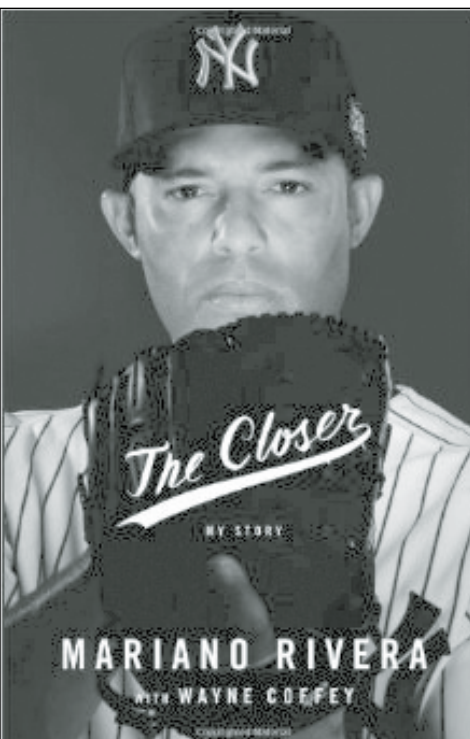


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Check this out: What's at the library

Talk to your inner child and play in the mud again! Check out the "The Potter's Bible" (738.1 SCO M) by Marilyn Scott. It is an illustrated reference and beginner's book for those of you who would like to see if pottery would be a hobby for you to dabble in.

Mariano Rivera was one of the best all-time relief pitch-



ers in Major League Baseball history. In "The Closer" (796.357 RIV M), written by Rivera with Wayne Coffey, Rivera speaks with amazing candor of the championships, the bosses, the rivalries and the struggles of being a Latino player in the United States and of maintain Christian values in professional athletics.

He talks about his drive to win, the secret behind his legendary composure and the untold pitch-by-pitch account of the ninth-inning of Game 7 in the 2001 World Series. It promises to be an interesting book of one of the greatest pitchers in the game

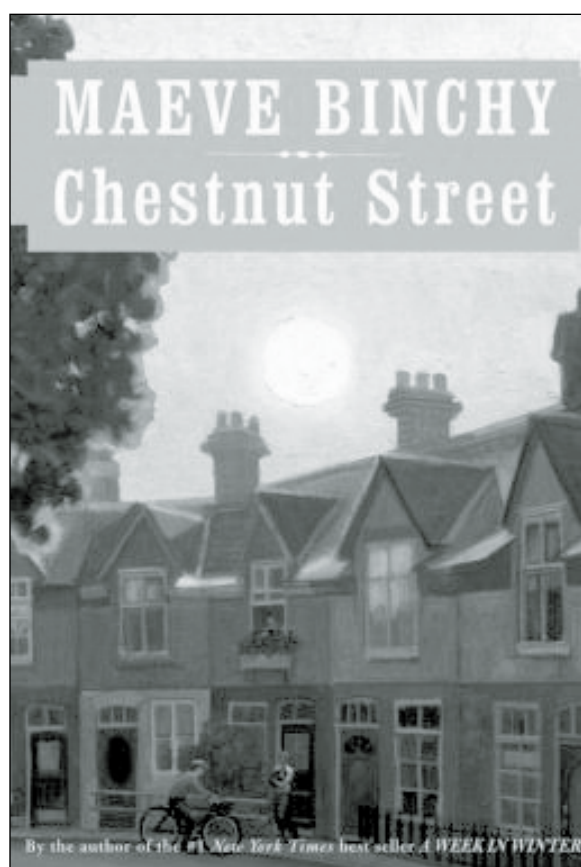
of baseball.

Some of the newest Westerns just in: Chest A. Lutz's "The Grudge" (LP W LUT G) — when Gracie Huston comes home to Abilene just in time to framed by a grudge toting enemy; "Rough Justice" (LP W PAI L) by Lauran Paine — the Civil War comes back to Perdition Wells when Colonel Alpheus King is killed by a stray bullet and his sons want revenge; in Richard Poole's "West of Devil's Canyon" (LP W POO R), the awarding of railroad bids, railroad ties and beef didn't please Milt Reiger and he was going to straighten things out, with gunfire, if necessary; the Family Jensen is back in William W. Johnstone's "Massacre Canyon" (LP W JOH W). Two outlaw brothers have left a trail of blood and mayhem until Luke Jensen catches one of them. But when he is ambushed and taken prisoner, then all the Jensens come to his aid, and blood and

Smoke (Jensen that is) comes a'callin'.

The horrible disappearance of Susan Powell and subsequent murders of her precious sons, Charlie and Braden, was a nightly news story in December 2009. Susan went missing one night while her husband Josh said he and the boys were camping in the middle of a snowstorm. Over the next three years, the story featured bombshell after bombshell.

Josh's father was obsessed with Susan and ultimately would be convicted of unspeakable perversion. Josh's brother Michael would commit suicide. And in an



ultimate act of horror, Josh would murder his sons and himself, leaving a family destroyed. "If I Can't Have You" (364.152 OLS G) by Gregg Olsen and Rebecca Morris is the story of a two families destroyed by unanswered questions.

In Jenny Milchman's second novel, she writes of every parent's nightmare — waking up to find their children gone. In "Ruin Falls" (F MIL J), that is just what happens to Liz Daniels.

On a rare trip to western New York to visit her husband's parents, the family stops at a hotel for the night. In the morning, Liz goes to check on her children and they are gone. In the blur of contacting the police and Amber alerts, panic slides into terror as no trace of them appear.

When she realizes it was no stranger that slipped into the hotel room to take Ally and Reid, she will do everything

to recover her children. This is one spooky book.

For an opposite sort, check out Maeve Binchy's "Chestnut Street" (F BIN M). In Chestnut Street, we have Bucket Maguire, the window cleaner who must do more than he thought to protect his son; Nessa Byrne whose aunt visits each summer from America and turns both

the house and Nessa upside down; Lilian, the girl with a big heart and fiancé that no one approves of; Melly, the gossip; and Madame Magic, who from Melly's gossip keeps everyone on the right track.

"Chestnut Street" is written with Binchy's charm and humor and her heartwarming storytelling skills.

"Invisible Ellen" (F SHA S) by Shari Shattuck is eye-opening. How many of us stood on the sidelines, wishing not to be noticed, and just knew that everyone noticed our mistakes and were laughing at us and making fun of us?

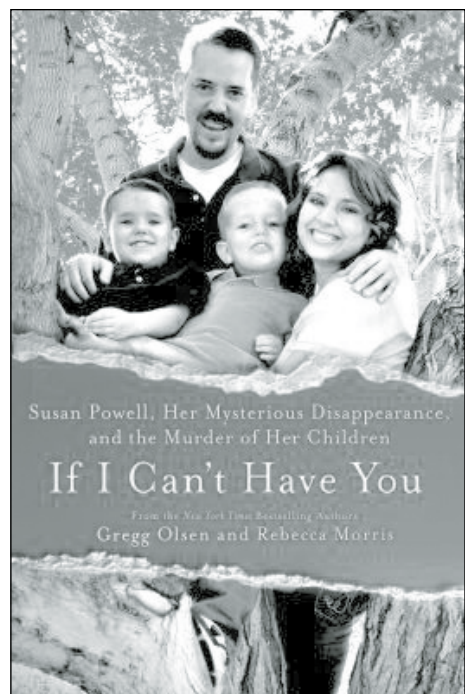
For many of us, there comes a moment when we wish we were invisible. For Ellen Homes, not only does she wish it, she actually lives it.

She spends her days quietly observing but unobserved, watching and recording in her notebooks the lives of her neighbors, coworkers and total strangers.

Overweight, socially stunted and utterly alone, one night Ellen saves a blind young woman from being mugged. Then everything changes. Character-driven, poignant, and leavened with touches of humor and witty dialogue, "Invisible Ellen" is a remarkable and precious novel about personal transformation, morality, the power of friendship and the human need for connection with others. Everyone who still feels like they did in high school (deep inside), who still feels insecure, should read this book.

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Odds and ends

On-duty officer delivers his own son in California

HEMET, Calif. (AP) — Every now and then a police officer has to deliver a baby. The first time Officer Bryan Anderson did it, the baby was his own son.

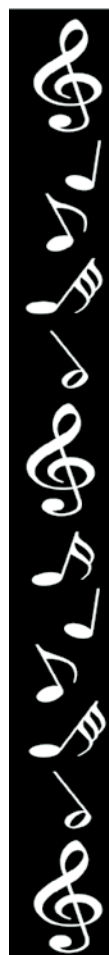
Anderson was on duty early Sunday in Hemet, California, when he got a call from his wife saying she was about to give birth to their baby, who wasn't due for another week.

Anderson hurried home and called paramedics, but they didn't arrive in time. Anderson delivered baby Michael in their bathroom at 3:53 a.m.

Historic cheese vans stolen in California found

MANTECA, Calif. (AP) — Three bright orange Tillamook cheese vans that were stolen over the weekend in Central California were located undamaged, police said on Tuesday.

Manteca police said authorities found the restored Volkswagen minibuses, worth \$100,000 each, in a recently rented storage locker in Copperopolis around 8:30 p.m. Monday. They were stolen from a hotel about 50 miles away in Manteca.



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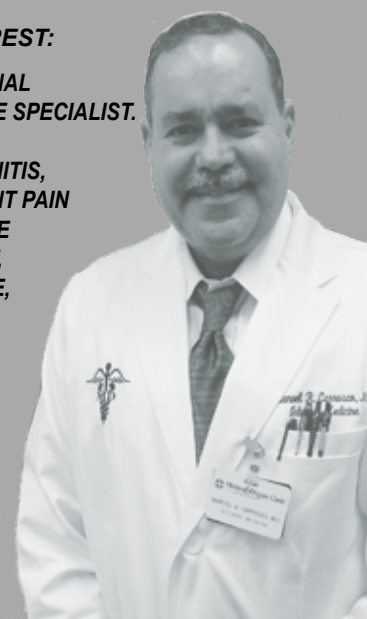
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News in brief

Israel pounds Gaza with dozens of air strikes, hits homes of senior Hamas leaders

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israel on Wednesday intensified air attacks on Hamas targets in the Gaza Strip following a failed Egyptian cease-fire effort, targeting the homes of four senior leaders of the Islamic militant movement. It also told tens of thousands of residents to leave Gaza's border areas ahead of more strikes.

The Palestinian death toll in nine days of fighting rose to 204, with some 1,450 wounded, Palestinian health officials said. On the Israeli side, one man was killed and several people were wounded since the fighting erupted on July 8.

The renewed bombings came a day after Israel initially accepted an Egyptian truce proposal that called for a halt of hostilities. That was to be followed by talks on the terms of a longer-term cease-fire, including easing Gaza's seven-year-old border blockade by Israel and Egypt.

Hamas rejected the plan and instead launched more rockets at Israel. The militant group views a significant easing of the blockade as key to its survival, but does not believe Egypt's current rulers can be fair brokers.

Mexico promises action on US-bound Central American migrants

CIUDAD HIDALGO, Mexico (AP) — Mexico is promising to stem the flow of Central American migrants to the United States by tightening control at its notoriously porous Guatemalan border.

But messages from the country's top two leaders in little more than a week have provided few details on how. And the scene on the ground is business as usual.

Dozens of Central Americans who paid \$1.50 a head could be seen this week crossing the broad Suchiate River on improvised rafts of inner tubes and wooden boards, in full view of Mexican police on the shore and immigration agents posted on a bridge overhead.

"I don't see anything has changed," Guatemalan Luisa Fuentes, 56, said as she rode a raft to Mexico.

"La Bestia," a decrepit freight train that carries migrants north from the border state of Chiapas, still carried many riders on its roof.

Typhoon kills 12 in Philippines, spares capital and leaves many areas without power

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A typhoon left at least 12 people dead, knocked out power in many areas, damaged a parked plane but spared the Philippine capital on Wednesday when its fierce wind

shifted, officials said.

Still, Typhoon Rammasun's winds of 150 kilometers (93 miles) per hour and blinding 185-kph (115-mph) gusts brought down trees, electric posts and ripped off roofs across the capital of 12 million people, shutting government offices and schools. More than 370,000 people moved from high-risk villages to emergency shelters in six provinces.

The typhoon weakened before it blew out of the country later Wednesday, heading toward northern Vietnam or China's Hainan Island, forecaster Jori Loiz said. He said it could regain strength while crossing the South China Sea.

In a shantytown at the edge of Manila Bay, hundreds fled when strong wind tore tin roofs. Most were drenched before they reached an evacuation center with the help of emergency workers.

Stronger federal guidelines to protect pregnant workers could have broad consequences on jobs

WASHINGTON (AP) — New federal guidelines on job discrimination against pregnant workers could have a big impact on the workplace and in the courtroom.

The expanded rules adopted by the bipartisan Equal Employment Opportunity Commission make clear that any form of workplace discrimination or harassment against pregnant workers by employers is a form of sex discrimination — and illegal.

Updating its pregnancy discrimination guidelines for the first time in more than 30 years, the agency cited a "persistence of overt pregnancy discrimination, as well as the emergence of more subtle discriminatory practices."

The guidelines spell out for the first time how the Americans With Disabilities Act applies to pregnant workers. And they emphasize that any discrimination against female workers based on past or prospective future pregnancies is also illegal.

Joan C. Williams, a law professor at the University of California's Hastings School of Law in San Francisco, said the new guidelines issued this week can have two major impacts: steering EEOC investigators to be more sensitive to the sometimes special needs of pregnant workers and giving employment lawyers more ammunition in defending clients who were victims of such discrimination.

Once a niche market, locally grown foods are becoming a big business with government help

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Once a niche business, locally grown foods aren't just for farmers markets anymore.

A growing network of companies and organizations is delivering food directly from local farms to major institutions like Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in downtown Philadelphia, eliminating

scores of middlemen from farm to fork. Along the way, they're increasing profits and recognition for smaller farms and bringing consumers healthier, fresher foods.

Over the past five years, with more than \$25 million in federal aid, these so-called food hubs have helped transform locally grown foods into a bigger business, supplying hospitals, schools, restaurant chains and grocery stores as consumer demand grows.

Major institutions like Jefferson have long relied on whatever giant food service companies provide, often processed foods that are delivered efficiently and are easy to heat and serve. But with a steady supply of locally grown food from the Common Market food hub, Jefferson now serves vegetables like bok choy and asparagus, creamy yogurts from Amish country and omelets with locally sourced cage-free eggs and spinach.

The model is simple: Common Market, a nonprofit, picks up food from 75 regional farmers and small food companies and quickly turns it around in its Philadelphia warehouse. The food — everything from vegetables to turkey to tofu — is then sent to 220 city customers along with detailed information about where it was grown or produced. There are about 300 other similar food hubs around the country.

Japanese nuclear plant clears major safety hurdle, may be first to restart in fall

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese nuclear plant won preliminary approval Wednesday for meeting stringent post-Fukushima safety requirements, clearing a major hurdle toward becoming the first to restart under the tighter rules.

The Nuclear Regulation Authority accepted a 418-page report that found that design upgrades and safety improvements at Kyushu Electric Power Co.'s two reactors at the Sendai Nuclear Power Station have complied with the requirements introduced last July.

The regulators said the plant is now deemed capable of avoiding severe accidents such as the Fukushima Dai-ichi meltdowns in an equally serious situation. All of Japan's 48 remaining reactors are offline for safety checks and repairs since the 2011 earthquake and tsunami hit Fukushima Dai-ichi, causing multiple meltdowns.

Five regulatory commissioners agreed to move to a next step, allowing the authority to start a 30-day technical public comment period until Aug. 15 before a final approval.

Authority's chairman Shunichi Tanaka called it "a major step" and that the inspection for the Sendai plant incorporated lessons from Fukushima, particularly focusing on ways to build layers of protection in case of serious incidents in a country prone to natural disasters.

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Cowboys decide to release backup QB Orton

The Dallas Cowboys are releasing Kyle Orton after their backup quarterback missed all the offseason workouts amid reports he was considering retirement.

A person with knowledge of the decision told The Associated Press on Tuesday that the Cowboys were cutting ties with Orton slightly more than a week before the start of training camp. The person spoke on

Brandon Weeden moves into backup QB position

condition of anonymity because the team had not announced the decision.

The 31-year-old Orton started the finale last year after Tony Romo injured his back a week earlier. The Cowboys lost to Philadelphia, their third straight season-ending defeat against an NFC East rival with a playoff

berth on the line.

The new backup is likely to be Brandon Weeden, Cleveland's first-round draft pick in 2012. The Cowboys signed Weeden in March, and he worked with the first team during the offseason while Romo continued his recovery from back surgery.

Orton was fined about

\$70,000 for failing to report during the offseason and missing the mandatory minicamp in June. The move saves Dallas about \$3.25 million this season, but will cost the team about that amount on the salary cap over the next two seasons.

After getting into just one game in his first sea-

son with the Cowboys in 2012, Orton played briefly in two games last year before starting against the Eagles. He was 30 of 46 for 358 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions against Philadelphia, including one late that clinched the Eagles' 24-22 win.

Orton has started 70 of

75 games in a nine-year career. He spent his first three seasons in Chicago before going to Denver, where he lost the starting job to Tim Tebow and signed with Kansas City after the Broncos cut him during the season.

Weeden started right away after the Browns took him with the 22nd pick, but was benched for good late in his second season with a career record of 5-15.



Getting ready ...

The Big Spring High School Steers will unofficially get football started on July 28 when they hand out football equipment to high school players. BSHS seniors will be the first to get their equipment, beginning July 28.

Jeter, Trout lead AL over NL 5-3 in All-Star game

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — On a sparkling summer night in the Upper Midwest, baseball generations joined up and prepared to pass.

Derek Jeter, the 40-year-old face of baseball, bid farewell to the All-Star game at the same time 22-year-old Mike Trout became the second-youngest player to earn MVP honors at the showcase.

The 41,048 fans at Target Field buzzed from start to finish. Many no doubt will say years from now they were there when Jeter soaked in the adulation one more time on baseball's national stage, and when Trout showed why he's perhaps the top candidate to become the sport's next iconic player.

Jeter and Trout propelled the American League to a 5-3 victory over the National on Tuesday for its 13th win in 17 years. The night will be remembered for the old and the young rather than the score.

Raised in New Jersey, Trout saw a lot of Jeter and said all week he felt honored to play alongside him.

"Growing up I was setting goals to myself that when I get — if I ever get the chance to get — to the big leagues, that's how I want to play," Trout said. "And the way he carries himself on and off the field, how he respects the game — always hustling, it doesn't matter what the score is. If they are down 10 runs, he is always running the ball out. That's how I want to play."

Jeter made a diving stop on Andrew McCutchen's grounder to shortstop leading off the game and nearly threw him out at first, then received a 63-second standing ovation when he

Rose could play All-Star role in 2015

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Pete Rose may have a role to play in next year's All-Star game in Cincinnati despite his lifetime ban from baseball.

The career hits leader generally is not allowed in any areas of major league ballparks not open to fans. But the former Reds star was allowed to participate in baseball's All-Century team ceremony at Atlanta's Turner Field during the 1999 World Series and was permitted to be on the field at Great American Ballpark in 2010 for a ceremony commemorating the 25th anniversary of his record-setting 4,192nd hit.

He also was on the field in Cincinnati last September for the unveiling of a bronze sculpture honoring Hall of Fame teammate Joe Morgan.

The Reds host the 2015 All-Star game on July 14, and Com-

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walked to the plate before his opposite-field double to right leading off the bottom half. He was given another rousing cheer before his single to right starting the third made him the oldest All-Star with a multihit game and 2 1/2 minutes more applause after AL manager John Farrell sent Alexei Ramirez to shortstop to

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MLBPA union head criticizes Astros over team's draft moves

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The head of the players' association thinks the Houston Astros have manipulated baseball's rules in an attempt to save money in their negotiations with top draft picks Brady Aiken and Jacob Nix.

Aiken, a left-handed pitcher from San Diego, was selected by Houston with the top pick in last month's amateur draft. Nix, a right-hander from Los Alamitos, California, was taken by the Astros in the fifth round with the 136th pick.

Aiken originally was offered a deal with a \$6.5 million signing bonus by the Astros, a

person familiar with the negotiations said, speaking on condition of anonymity because no statements were authorized.

But the Astros expressed a concern over Aiken's elbow ligament and are now offering \$3,168,840, the person said, an amount 40 percent of the slot's value of \$7,922,100.

That is the minimum the club must offer to receive an extra top draft pick next year if it fails to sign him by Friday's deadline.

Nix was offered a \$1.5 million bonus, the person said, but the Astros won't finalize his deal unless they reach an

agreement with Aiken. If they don't sign Aiken, the Astros would lose the entire slot value from their signing pool.

"It is disappointing on any number of levels to think that what has happened in that situation, what has happened with respect with integrity of the draft process in general," union head Tony Clark told the Baseball Writers' Association of America on Tuesday. "Our hope here going forward is that what we think has happened didn't happen. But you can rest assured that the manipulation that we think happened in this case is going to lead

us to have some conversations that are going to make sure that players receive the support that they deserve."

Speaking earlier to the BBWAA, Major League Baseball Executive Vice President Dan Halem said "we fully support the Astros."

"We believe that they have conducted themselves appropriately," Halem added. "Given that there are still a few days until the signing deadline, we're not going to say anything else at this time and, hopefully, all the parties will be able to resolve this without our assistance."

Wizards send Ariza to Houston in 3-team trade

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — Houston's attempts at landing a third offensive threat this NBA offseason finally paid off in the return of forward Trevor Ariza.

The Rockets acquired Ariza as part of a three-team trade that was an-

nounced by Washington on Tuesday, bringing the 6-foot-8 forward back to where he averaged a career-high 14.9 points during the 2009-10 season.

Ariza will join Houston in a sign-and-trade in a deal also involving New Orleans and the

Wizards.

The Rockets will send center Omer Asik, forward Omri Casspi and cash considerations to New Orleans, while Houston will also get forward Alonzo Gee, guard Scotty Hopson and a 2015 first-round draft pick

from the Pelicans.

Washington will receive center Melvin Ely and a trade exception.

The 29-year-old Ariza spent the last two seasons with the Wizards, averaging 14.4 points and hitting 40.7 percent of his 3-point shots.

UIL moves state basketball tourney to San Antonio

AUSTIN, (AP)—Texas high school athletic officials have voted to move the boys' and girls' state basketball tournaments

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The University Interscholastic League announced the move to the

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worse than it needed to be. I have some advice for family members when a loved one receives the dreaded diagnosis of dementia or Alzheimer's:

You need to learn about the illness, and you need to make a plan. Pretending the person is not sick doesn't help. It makes life harder for them. I never realized how powerful a force denial could be until I witnessed my father-in-law's absolute refusal to change anything about their life. Expecting her to keep cooking, leaving her alone, etc., were truly acts of cruelty.

Realize that your loved one is not going to get better. He or she may stay the same for a long time, or may steadily get worse, but they are not going to improve.

You need to keep them safe and anticipate that they

may do things they have never done before -- like wander, take the wrong medicine or let a stranger into the house.

If you live out of town, consider the possibility that those who live near your loved one may know more about the day-to-day situation than you do. When you visit and keep Mom company all day and do fun activities with her, yes, she's going to seem better, but it doesn't reflect the reality of her normal day when she's alone for hours at a time. If the locals say Mom needs more care, they may be right.

Get help. Join a support group or contact your council on aging. We hired a wonderful dementia coach who helps families figure out what to do. It is possible for the sick person to enjoy the things that they are

able to do if they are given support.

Consider that the person's spouse might not be the best caregiver. Observe what is really happening in the household. You may need to hire helpers. In day care, assisted living or other facilities, there is trained staff, always rested and fresh.

Try to avoid isolation, for the sick person as well as the caregiver. Don't turn down offers of help. I called some of my mother-in-law's friends to ask whether they would come over and learned that they had been turned away by my father-in-law.

Someday I hope there is a cure for this horrible illness, but until then we have to do the best we can to manage life for those who are dependent on us. -- *The In-Law*

Dear In-Law: Thank you for taking the time to write and guide others who are in a similar situation. We hope anyone affected by this dreadful disease will contact the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org. Their website has a wealth of information for dementia and Alzheimer's. There is also a 24/7 Helpline at 1-800-272-3900.

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Dear Parents: Repetitive behaviors like this are obsessive-

Sensitive Pisces Moon

The psychic vibrations will be felt by the shaman and the seer. They also will be felt by the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker and your mother -- that last one goes without saying. These days of the Cancer solar transit heighten the maternal bonds that stretch through moments and lifetimes.



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What's the deal -- can material things really make you happy? Today it seems like maybe they can, or at least they can make you temporarily giddy. The proper upkeep of your possessions attracts more to you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You put off an aura of power -- some would even say you are intimidating. An associate might be white-knuckled because of having to report to you. Put someone at ease, and they'll do their best work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Couples hit their stride and work together beautifully. Singles: Look for someone who already fits your qualifications. Otherwise, you wind up in a romance based on molding someone, which is exhausting!

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Everything starts with the germ of an idea, but wishful thinking is just that -- take action! A Scorpio or Pisces could give you that push off of the diving board, but it's up to you not to belly flop.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You turn disharmony into something good. The tension makes you move, solve, forgive and love again. You'll do something excellent with the energy that springs from this situation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are quick to laugh today. When someone seems to be working to make you giggle, you might interpret the effort as a sign of deep personal interest. You would be correct.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't need to add anything new to your life now. There is exciting potential in places you didn't think to look before. You'll derive great pleasure from exploring something that

has been there all along.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What started as a game will now feel much more serious, but don't worry -- you can still change the rules if you want to. Decide whether to continue as before or try a new arrangement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You've hidden your talents from those you sensed wouldn't understand or appreciate what you can do. Now you'll let people know who you are, what you stand for and how you live.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you're around a certain someone, you tend to let down your guard. There is something irresistible about your vulnerability, and it draws a certain someone nearer.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Unforeseen challenges will show up, and it's something that can't be helped. But what can be helped is your level of commitment. Decide to work through whatever comes and do what it takes to realize your dreams.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Does your mind keep following a line of reason that happens to

be unreasonable? Ask for help in breaking the mental chain. Talk it through with a friend. You may be able to unravel this mental tangle with minimal effort.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 16). The bonds of love will cement over a shared interest in the next six weeks. You'll stand in the August moonlight and proclaim your love. There's a fantastic bit of financial luck in September. Invest in yourself. October shows you changing a situation that no longer works for you, and legalities will be addressed. Aquarius and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 21, 22, 48 and 7.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm tortured by my neighbor and how incredibly attractive she is. She's been alive in my thoughts for years. Of course, neither of us is single, so there's nothing to be done about it. Still, lately she's all I think about. How can I get a person I'm not really in a relationship with out of my mind? It's hard to get over someone when it's all in your head. I'm a Gemini, and so is she."

It's mature of you to realize that this attraction is a mental habit and not an actual relationship, and yet that doesn't really help matters. Your highly developed Gemini intellect is a playground in which

you have created the perfect playmate. Your neighbor served as a blank canvas for the exercise, and now she lives in your mind as an ideal.

Have you considered moving? Because your signs are ruled by Mercury, it might help to think of this problem in terms of a daily habit. Seeing your neighbor's front door makes you think of her, and this sparks a series of thoughts that have been built upon and reinforced on a daily basis through the years. Not seeing her front door every day could fix everything.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: What will Will do next? Another drum-off with one of the world's greatest rock drummers? A fight with a late-night talk-show host over whose pants are tighter? Maybe he'll make us cry in a serious role, or make us laugh by bringing together an all-star cast in one of the funniest movies of the year. In any case, Cancerian Will Ferrell will be as changeable as the moon by which his sign is ruled.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope



By Steve Becker

More Than Meets the Eye

West dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ A Q 8
♥ J 8
♦ Q 7 5
♣ J 9 6 4 2
WEST
♠ 7 5 2
♥ K 10 7 4 3
♦ 4
♣ Q 10 8 3
EAST
♠ 6
♥ Q 9 6 5
♦ A K J 9 8 3
♣ 7 5
SOUTH
♠ K J 10 9 4 3
♥ A 2
♦ 10 6 2
♣ A K

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 3♦ 3♠
Pass 4♣
Opening lead — four of diamonds.
Assume you hold the West hand and lead your singleton diamond against four spades. East wins with the jack and continues with the K-A, on which you play first the seven and then the four of hearts.
East obediently returns a low heart, but declarer goes up with the ace, cashes the A-K of clubs, leads a trump to dummy's eight, ruffs a club, leads a trump to dummy's queen and ruffs another club. South then crosses to the ace of spades, simulta-

neously drawing your last trump, and discards his deuce of hearts on the jack of clubs to make the contract.

You might go on to the next deal without giving the matter further thought, but the fact remains that you could have stopped South from making his game. Instead of discarding a heart on the third round of diamonds, you should have ruffed your partner's ace and returned a trump!

Had you done this, South would have found it impossible to make the contract. Your trump return would have killed one of dummy's vital entries before declarer could cash his A-K of clubs, and he eventually would have lost a heart trick to go down one.

Trumping partner's ace is, of course, a spectacular and unusual play, but it makes a lot of sense here — if you stop to think about it. To begin with, it's a play that can't cost you a thing, since the trump you are wasting is of no earthly use to you.

More important than that is the 100 percent certainty that if South has a heart or club loser in his hand, it will be utterly impossible for him to avoid losing that trick — provided you trump your partner's ace at trick three and return a trump at trick four to guard against the hand South actually has.

Tomorrow: A matter of judgment.
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Sudoku Answer On Page 3

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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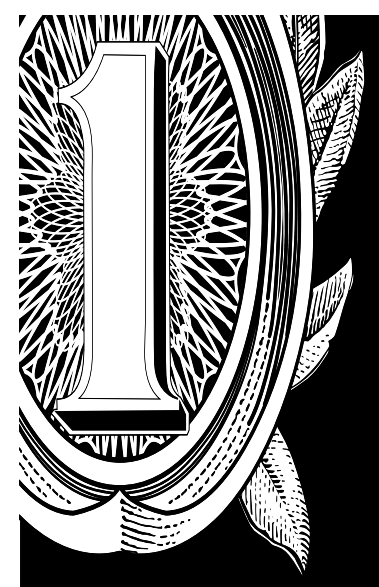
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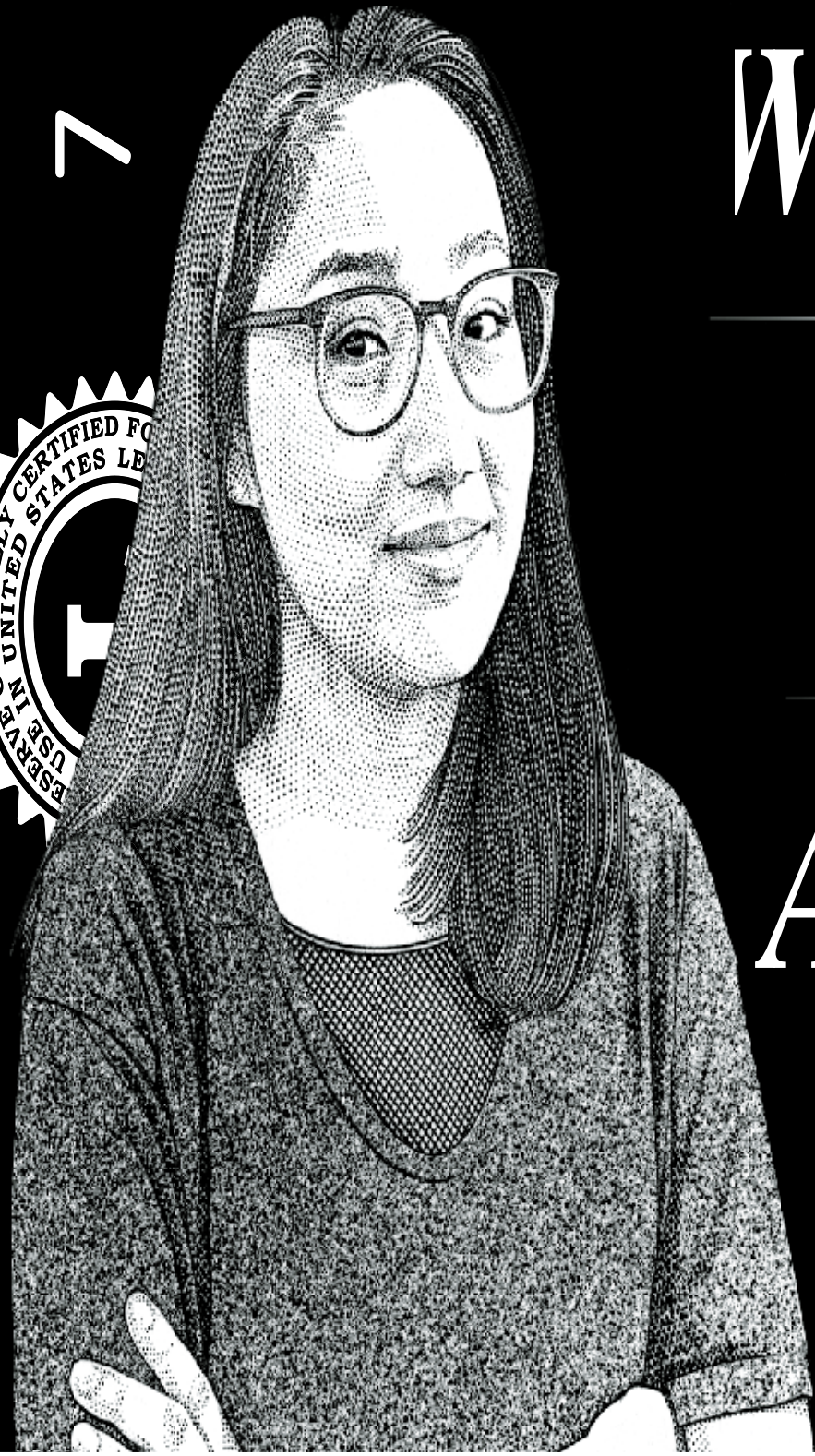
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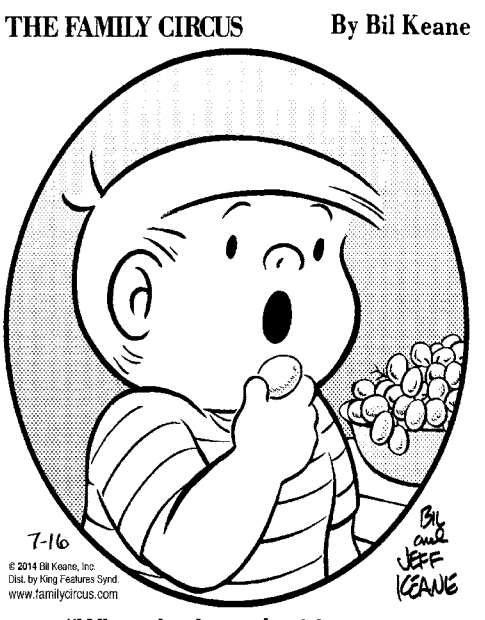
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BY THE TIME I'M 13, THERE'S GONNA BE A LOT OF MOVIES I'LL HAFTA CATCH UP ON.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

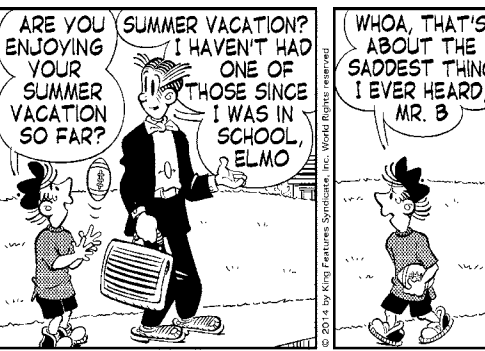


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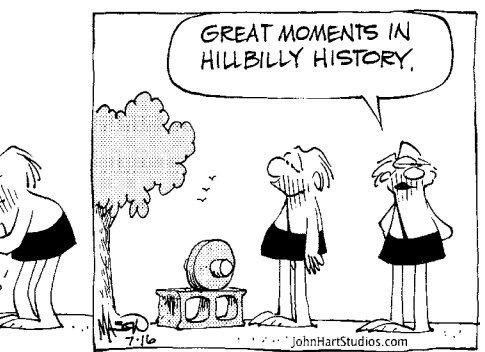
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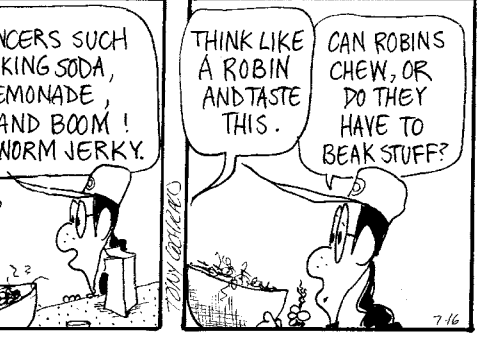
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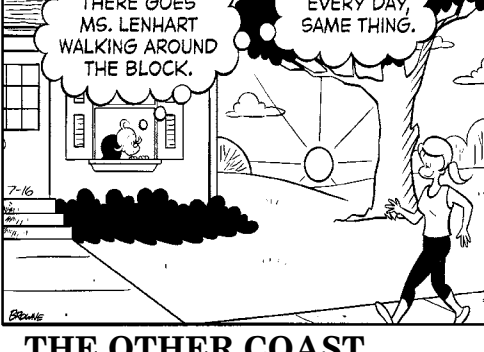
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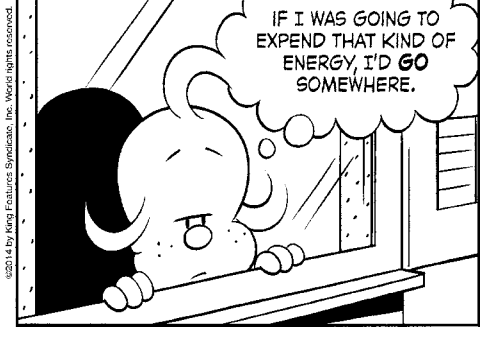
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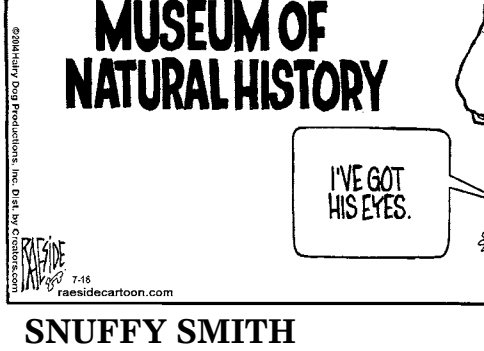
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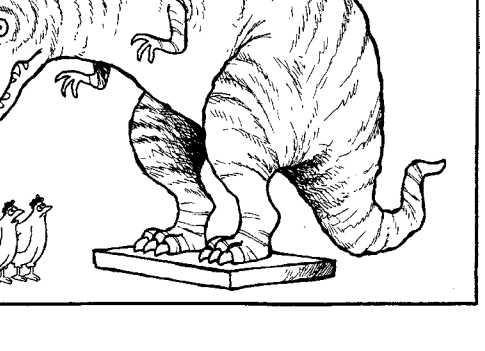
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, July 16, the 197th day of 2014. There are 168 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 16, 1945, the United States exploded its first experimental atomic bomb in the desert of Alamogordo, New Mexico. On this date: In 1790, a site along the Potomac River was designated the permanent seat of the United States government; the area became Washington, D.C. In 1862, Flag Officer

David G. Farragut became the first rear admiral in the United States Navy. In 1912, New York gambler Herman Rosenthal, set to testify before a grand jury about police corruption, was gunned down by members of the Lennox Avenue Gang. In 1935, the first parking meters were installed in Oklahoma City. In 1951, the novel "The Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger was first published by Little, Brown and Co. In 1964, as he accepted the Republican presidential nomination in San Francisco, Barry M. Goldwater declared

that "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice" and that "moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue." In 1979, Saddam Hussein became president of Iraq. In 1980, former California Gov. Ronald Reagan won the Republican presidential nomination at the party's convention in Detroit.

Answer to previous puzzle crossword grid with words like ATMS, ROTC, IPADS, DILL, SEAR, SLOMO, SOLID, COLOR, MEN, TEA, MANMADE, PJS, FLAB, DOE, HEAVE, STPATRICK, DEFINITE, ARTICLE, SPEEDIAL, ATEUP, WEE, WEEK, SET, TUESDAY, VET, INN, SURENOUGH, AIDES, LOAN, ACRE, ROAST, ELSE, SLIM, ANTSY, SLED, TAPS.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS: 1 Ragu rival, 6 Beetles on wheels, for short, 9 1990s Israeli leader, 14 Veep after Cheney, 15 Feel poorly, 16 Chopin piece, 17 With deep feeling, 19 Makes angry Walkman, 20 descendant, 21 Polo implement, 22 Wretchedness, 26 "I'm amazed!", 27 Poet William Bryant, 28 Mongolian desert, 29 La ___ (Bolivian capital), 32 Destitute, 33 Bandleader's cue, 34 Venerable news agency, 35 XXVI doubled, 36 Today, and a hint to what the longest answers (doubly) have in common, 38 Edge of a golf hole, 39 Shade tree, 40 In first place, 41 Crude cartel, 42 Pro bono TV spot, 43 Wander around with the most countries, 46 People from Bangkok, 48 What brought Dorothy to Oz, 49 Tough to cycle on, 51 Invitation notation, 52 Person from Mecca, 53 Send forth sprouts, 58 Frequent flier's accumulation, 59 Exist, 60 Easy to carry, 61 Wave top, 62 EMT skill, 63 Ancient Mexican, 64 Bravery in battle, 7 Uncontrollable, 8 With a hidden agenda, 9 Kingly rights, 10 In any way, 11 Advocate's visible position, 12 Doing nothing, 13 Home for hawks, 18 Fully familiar with, 21 1999 Exxon merger partner, 22 Lug around, 23 Birds in a covey, 24 Limit of a journey, 25 Pub beverage, 26 Arose from bed, 28 Army action figure, 30 Each, 31 Short-term auto rental company, 33 Appliances hung on walls, 36 High-principled person, 37 How fries are fried, 41 MD workplaces, 44 PFC offense, 45 Calf bone, 47 Keeps a low profile, 48 President before Polk, 49 "Semper Fidelis" org., 50 Twosome, 51 Dinner table faux pas, 53 DC lobbying group, 54 Designer Claiborne, 55 FBI investigator, 56 Second word of the Constitution, 57 List-shortening abbr.

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Timely Puzzle crossword grid with numbers 1-63.

Former LB back in court on rape charges

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former NFL All-Pro safety Darren Sharper was set to return to court in California on Wednesday for a pair of hearings as he faces sexual assault allegations in several states.

The 38-year-old All-Pro safety and Super Bowl winner was scheduled to appear Wednesday in Los Angeles County Superior Court, where he's charged with drugging and raping two women in October after meeting them at a West Hollywood nightclub.

The judge and attorneys plan to set a date for a preliminary hearing that would determine whether there is enough evidence to order Sharper to stand trial on the charges.

A second hearing is scheduled immediately

afterward on Sharper's extradition to Arizona, where prosecutors are alleging that he drugged three women with sleeping pills and sexually assaulted them in Tempe in November.

Sharper was being held in a Los Angeles jail as prosecutors in the two states have been vying to try him first.

A California judge had set Sharper's bail at \$1 million but later ruled that he should remain in jail without bail after the Arizona indictments, court records show.

Sharper has also been investigated for alleged sexual assaults in Louisiana, Nevada and Florida, where authorities in May found insufficient evidence to charge him.

He has pleaded not guilty to the California charges.

Westgate Resorts' Siegel buys Orlando Predators

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The owner of a Florida timeshare resort firm is jumping into the world of arena football.

Westgate Resorts founder and CEO David Siegel announced the purchase of the Arena Football League's Orlando Predators at a news confer-

ence Tuesday. Westgate executive Jared Saft was named as the team's new president. Rob Keefe will remain the Predators coach.

Siegel says the Predators will also return to Orlando's downtown Amway Center to play their home games.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL

WNBA

Eastern Conference

W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	15	5	.750 —
Indiana	10	12	.455 6
Connecticut	10	13	.435 6½
Washington	9	13	.409 7
Chicago	8	13	.381 7½
New York	7	13	.350 8

Western Conference

W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	17	3	.850 —
Minnesota	16	6	.727 2
San Antonio	11	11	.500 7
Los Angeles	10	11	.476 7½
Seattle	9	15	.375 10
Tulsa	7	14	.333 10½

Tuesday's Games
Connecticut 86, Seattle 63
Los Angeles 86, Indiana 78
Phoenix 90, Washington 78

Wednesday's Games
Atlanta at New York, 11 a.m.
Tulsa at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at Tulsa, 12:30 p.m.
Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Connecticut at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Washington at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

National League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	51	42	.548 —
Atlanta	52	43	.547 —
New York	45	50	.474 7
Miami	44	50	.468 7½
Philadelphia	42	53	.442 10

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	53	43	.552 —
St. Louis	52	44	.542 1
Cincinnati	51	44	.537 1½
Pittsburgh	49	46	.516 3½
Chicago	40	54	.426 12

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	54	43	.557 —
San Francisco	52	43	.547 1
San Diego	41	54	.432 12
Colorado	40	55	.421 13
Arizona	40	56	.417 13½

Tuesday's Games
AL All-Stars 5, NL All-Stars 3

Wednesday's Games
No games scheduled

Thursday's Games
No games scheduled

Texas League

North Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Arkansas	13	12	.520 —
NW Arkansas	12	13	.480 1
x-Tulsa	11	14	.440 2
Springfield	9	16	.360 4

South Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Midland	16	8	.667 —
x-Frisco	13	11	.542 3
Corpus Christi	13	12	.520 3½
San Antonio	12	13	.480 4½

Tuesday's Games
San Antonio 5, Frisco 4
Arkansas 6, Springfield 2, 1st game

Wednesday's Games
Tulsa at Northwest Arkansas, 8:05 p.m.
Frisco at San Antonio, 8:05 p.m.
Midland at Corpus Christi, 8:10 p.m.
Springfield at Arkansas, 8:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at Midland, 8 p.m.

Football

Arena Football League National Conference

West Division

W	L	Pct	PF	PA
z-Arizona	14	2	875	1036 794
Los Angeles	3	13	188	598 885
San Antonio	1	15	063	671 952

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Jose	12	4	750	907 638
x-Spokane	9	7	563	857 751
Portland	5	11	313	721 855

American Conference

South Division

W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Orlando	9	7	563	879 843
Tampa Bay	8	8	500	803 842
Jacksonville	6	10	375	806 764
New Orleans	3	13	188	671 903

East Division

W	L	Pct	PF	PA
z-Cleveland	15	1	938	873 713
x-Pittsburgh	13	3	813	892 688
Philadelphia	8	8	500	945 865
Iowa	6	10	375	749 915

Saturday, July 19
Jacksonville at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Orlando at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Iowa, 8:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

Sunday, July 20
San Jose at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Portland at Arizona, 6 p.m.

Canadian Football League

East Division

W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Toronto	1	2	2	84 94
Montreal	1	2	2	65 72
Ottawa	0	2	0	39 63
Hamilton	0	2	0	34 59

West Division

W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Winnipeg	3	0	6	115 82
Edmonton	3	0	6	115 82
Calgary	2	0	4	63 23
B.C.	1	2	2	55 64
Saskatchewan	1	2	2	59 84

Thursday's Games
Edmonton at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, July 18
Toronto at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Hamilton at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Saturday, July 19
Montreal at B.C., 7 p.m.

rights to F Giorgos Printezis and cash considerations from Oklahoma City Thunder for the rights to F Sofoklis Schortsanitis.

BOSTON CELTICS — Signed G Avery Bradley to a four-year contract.

CHICAGO BULLS — Released F Carlos Boozer. Waived F Lou Amundson, G Ronnie Brewer and G Mike James.

DALLAS MAVERICKS — Signed F Dirk Nowitzki and F Chandler Parsons.

DETROIT PISTONS — Signed G D.J. Augustin and F Caron Butler.

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Acquired F Trevor Ariza, F Alonzo Gee, G Scotty Hopson and a 2015 first-round draft pick from the New Orleans Pelicans, the Pelicans received C Omer Asik, F Omri Casspi and cash considerations and the Washington Wizards receive C Melvin Ely and a trade exception.

MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES — Signed G Beno Udrih to a multiyear contract.

MIAMI HEAT — Re-signed G Dwyane Wade.

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Signed G Sebastian Telfair.

PHOENIX SUNS — Waived G Ish Smith.

SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Named Etorre Messina assistant coach.

Football

National Football League

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed G Chad Anderson. Waived DE Gannon Conway.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Agreed to terms with TE Jimmy Graham on a multiyear contract.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Acquired QB Josh Portis from Toronto for a 2015 conditional draft pick.

COLLEGE

BIG EAST CONFERENCE — Named Stu Jackson senior associate commissioner for men's basketball.

ALABAMA — Announced the retirement of gymnastics coach Sarah Patterson.

DELAWARE — Named Christine Motta associate athletic director for student-athlete development and senior woman administrator.

EASTERN MICHIGAN — Named Mark Van Ameyde baseball coach.

IOWA — Suspended G Peter Jok indefinitely.

SAINT ROSE — Named William Aloia, Jr. assistant athletic director for compliance.

UMASS — Announced women's sophomore basketball F Alyssa Lawrence has a transferred from San Diego State.

TENNESSEE — Announced the Southeastern Conference has denied a graduate transfer to F Eric McKnight.

WEST ALABAMA — Named Rusty Cram women's basketball coach.

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Silver: No guarantee Sterling out by season start

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Eyebrow-raising testimony, abrupt changes of plans, courtroom delays. If there is one thing NBA Commissioner Adam Silver has learned during the Donald Sterling saga, it's that there are no guarantees.

So when Silver was asked Tuesday if he could say Sterling would not own the Los Angeles Clippers by the time next season comes around, he said he could not.

"It's very difficult to say anything with certainty in a situation like this," Sterling said after the Board of Governors' meeting. "I can say with

certainty we are doing everything in our power to move Donald out as an owner in the NBA."

Sterling, who was banned by the NBA for life for making racist remarks, is challenging his wife Shelly's planned sale of the Clippers for \$2 billion to Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer in court. A judge recently delayed the next hearing until July 21, and closing arguments are scheduled for July 28.

When Ballmer originally reached an agreement with Shelly Sterling to buy the team, the planned timeline included an approval vote by

the board on Tuesday. But the court case has pushed everything back well past the expiration of Ballmer's offer. The deadline can be extended, and Silver said the league is waiting for the process to play out.

"We're in essence on hold since that sale is being challenged by her husband as to whether she has the right," Silver said. "If the court finds in her favor, the sale will move forward. If not, we will move forward with our own proceedings."

Before Shelly Sterling agreed to sell the team to Ballmer, the NBA was mov-

ing forward with a plan to terminate Sterling's ownership of the team. During the trial, Shelly Sterling testified that she discussed with Silver the possibility of his lifetime ban being reduced to help facilitate a sale of the team.

"It's accurate that we had the conversation," Silver said. "Shelly and I had several conversations over the course of the last few months in which Shelly proposed all kinds of things to me. And frankly it's never been quite clear if she's able to speak for Donald."

Silver said he asked for a proposal in writing from

Donald Sterling, but never received one.

Donald Sterling, who at one point in the proceedings called his wife "a pig" in the courtroom, contends she has no right under a family trust that owns the Clippers to single-handedly sell the team. Shelly Sterling contends she has the authority and two doctors hired by her testified that her 80-year-old husband has Alzheimer's disease and is mentally incapable to act as administrator of the trust.

Rather than holding a vote for approval of Ballmer as an owner, the advisory/finance committee met with him.

Silver was 'moved' by LeBron James' statement on decision to return to Cavs

LAS VEGAS (AP) — LeBron James' decision to return to play for the Cleveland Cavaliers, and the eloquent essay in Sports Illustrated that outlined the lure of home, resonated with many who watched the saga unfold last week.

That includes NBA Commissioner Adam Silver.

Silver said on Tuesday that he was "moved" when he read James' essay that outlined the reasons for his return to

Cleveland.

"I really was moved by it," Silver said after the NBA's Board of Governors meeting.

"I thought it says a lot about who he is, who he's become over the last four years.

"I think his statement about northeast Ohio, about hard work, about this being about something larger than basketball and the NBA, I've gotten to know LeBron pretty well over the years, and so I think

from that standpoint, I'm really more like a fan. This seemed to be a great moment for the league."

Silver's position at the top of the NBA food chain did little to help him while the league was essentially put on hold last week while the four-time MVP mulled staying in Miami, where he led the Heat to two championships and four championship appearances in the finals, or returning to Cleveland, where

the Akron-born James played the first seven seasons of his career.

Silver said he found out about James' decision much the way most people did — he opened a link to the story on Twitter. He said he doesn't favor one team over the other.

"I understand it's Miami's loss, but I think that's always going to be the issue when you have such a transcendent player like LeBron," Silver said.

JETER

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replace him at the start of the fourth.

Trout tripled home Jeter in the first and scored on Miguel Cabrera's two-run homer off Adam Wainwright, then gave the AL a 4-3 lead in the fifth with an RBI double against Pat Neshek. Trout, second to Cabrera in AL MVP voting the last two years, is in position for a most unusual All-Star cycle: He singled in the first at-bat of his debut at Kansas City in 2012, doubled leading off last year's game and now tripled.

All he needs is a home run in his first at-bat next year at Cincinnati.

No wonder many expect him to become baseball's top personality.

"I think let Mike be Mike. I don't think people have to necessarily appoint someone to a particular position," Jeter said. "He's got a bright future ahead of him. I don't know how much better he can get, but if he consistently does what he's doing, then he will be here for a long time."

While not as flashy as Mariano Rivera's All-Star farewell at Citi Field last year, when all the other players left the great reliever alone on the field for an eighth-inning solo bow, Jeter tried not to make a fuss and to deflect the attention.

Even during his pre-game clubhouse speech.

"He just wanted to thank us," Trout said. "You know, we should be thanking him."

As Frank Sinatra's recording of "New York, New York" boomed over the Target Field speakers and his parents watched from the stands, Jeter repeatedly waved to the crowd when he came out of the game. He exchanged handshakes and hugs with just about every person in the AL dugout and then came back onto the field for a curtain call.

"It was a special moment and it was unscripted," Jeter said. "I was unaware of it."

NL manager Mike Matheny of the Cardinals didn't want it to stop.

"The guys on our side have the utmost respect

for him and would like to have been standing out there for a little while longer," he said. "I think Derek was the one that was uncomfortable with it."

A 14-time All-Star who was MVP of the 2000 game in Atlanta, Jeter announced in February this will be his final season. His hits left him with a .481 All-Star average (13 for 27).

ROSE

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Commissioner Bud Selig left open the possibility Rose could play a part.

"That will be up to the Cincinnati club, and they know what they can do and can't do," Selig told the Baseball Writers' Association of America on Tuesday. "It's sort of been subjec-

tive. But they've done some things with Pete, but they've been very, very thoughtful and limited."

Rose, who famously bowled over catcher Ray Fosse to win the 1970 All-Star game at Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium, agreed to the lifetime ban in August 1989. He applied for reinstatement in September 1997.

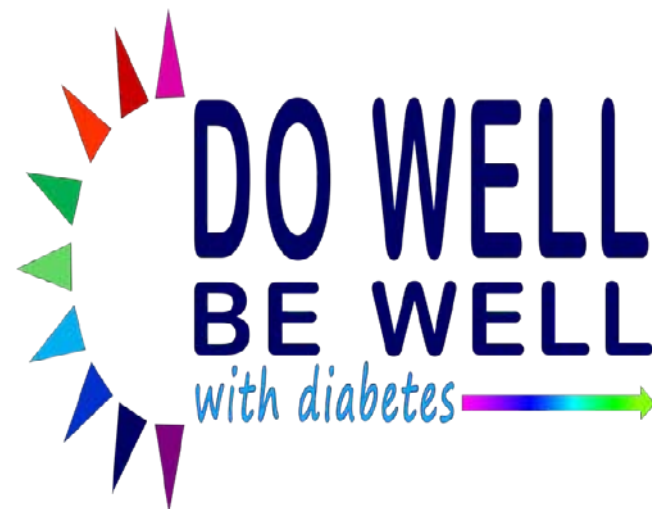
Selighas never ruled

on Rose's application.

"It's under advisement. My standard line," Selig said. "I'm the judge and that's where it will stay."

Now 73, Rose admitted in a 2004 autobiography that his previous gambling denials were false.

Last month, he managed the Bridgeport Bluefish for one game in the independent Atlantic League.



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