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Official touts interstate extension

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Local efforts to extend Interstate 27 through the Crossroads area are bearing fruit, bit by little bit, officials say.

Michael Reeves, president of the Ports to Plains Alliance, was in Big Spring Friday to give local supporters of the idea a combination update/ pep talk on the status of projects which should give a boost to communities along the Ports to Plain corridor, a 2,300-mile stretch of highways connecting Canada, the United States and Mexico.

While bringing the corridor to full fruition still require years of effort, the biggest thing to keep in mind, Reeves said, is that project toward that goal is being made. "In the last five years, there's been close to \$1 billion in infrastructure projects along the corridor," he said. "More communities on the corridor have four-lane divided highway ... and I'm optimistic TxDOT (Texas Department of Transportation) will move forward with an I-27 extension feasibility study."

Governmental and business lead-

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HERALD photo/Taylor Ellis

Linemen go through drills during the first day of two-a-day drills for Big Spring High School football team. The Steers open the 2015 season Aug. 29 against Kerville.

Analysts: Gas prices trend downward

Special to the Herald

2015's second half represents a strong commitment that motorists will spend even less on gasoline this year than they did in 2014.

GasBuddy experts say that before Christmas, as many as 20 states could have average gas prices below \$2 per gallon as the national average for December slips to \$1.98.

"We're confident that our projections give consumers more than accuracy; we think they'll help them iden-

tify some savings that should come in handy at Thanksgiving and Christmas," said Patrick DeHaan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy.

"It's interesting to remember that last year the national average shed more than \$1.27 from August 1 through December 31 when the U.S. average was \$2.24," DeHaan pointed out. "This year, if we see just half of that decline it will bring us to below \$2 per gallon."

Contributing to the positive forecast are regional, national and global sup-

ply & demand fundamentals that continue to place more downward pressure on crude oil prices than upward pressure, and that trend is expected to continue well into 2016.

"As motorists wrap up their summer vacation road trips, demand for gasoline slips in autumn and winter. At the same time, refining margins are strong and with the switch to cheaper winter grade gasoline in the coming month, ample supply of discounted gasoline will be available to motorist," analyst Will Speer said.



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Residents were out early Saturday morning to fish at Comanche Trail Lake. Sunday and today haven't been exactly fishing weather, as thunderstorms moved through the area.



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Obituaries

Betty C. Stevenson

Betty C. Stevenson, 86, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

John Medlin

John Medlin, 56, of Big Spring died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Kenneth Barfield

Kenneth Barfield, 64, of Big Spring died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MIGUEL A. GARCIA-PLATA, 20, of 201 Flowers Rd. was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.
- BRIAN MICHAEL GARZA, 33, of 1212 E. 17th St. was arrested on charges of fail to identify giving false/fictitious information.
- ARMANDO JOSE CERVANTES, 22, of 1217 W. 3rd St. was arrested on a warrant for terroristic threat to family/household.
- BURGLARY OF BUILDING was reported in the 1200 block of Harding St. and the 6700 block of W. I-20.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1200 block of Wood St.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1100 block of S. Austin St.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following

activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- MICHELLE RENEE BRADLEY, 33, was booked by the BSPD on charges of theft of property more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- ARMANDO JOSE CERVANTES JR., 22, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for terroristic threat of family/household member.
- BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR., 31, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for motion to arrest - possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.
- STANLEY LYNN FRALEY, 51, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.
- MIGUEL A. GARCIA-PLATA, 21, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated.
- BRIAN MICHAEL GARZA, 33, was booked by the BSPD on charges

of fail to identify giving false/fictitious information.

- SONIA MARIE GONZALES, 28, was booked by the BSPD on charges of theft of property more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- RUSSELL CRAIG GRANT, 33, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for expired registration, fail to report change of address, operate all-terrain vehicle and two counts of violate promise to appear.
- GILBERT JIMINZ JR., 20, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.
- JUAN HERIBERTO ROBLEDO HERRERA, 30, was booked by the GCSO on charges of criminal mischief more than \$50.
- DAVID SCOTT LABORE, 54, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.
- SUSIE LEDESMA, 30, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for bail jumping and fail to appear, parent contrib-

uting to non-attendance, hinder secured creditors more than \$500, capias - wrong side of road, capias - no driver's license, capias - driving while license invalid; and charges of theft of property more than \$50 but less than \$500.

- MARK ANTHONY LOPEZ, 24, was booked by the HCSO on charges of evading arrest/detention and resist arrest, search or transport.
- ABEL ARMANDO MOLINA, 23, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for display expired registration, fail to maintain financial responsibility and no driver's license.
- TRACY LYNN SPARKS, 50, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.
- MATTHEW DEAN STEPHENSON, 38, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for capias - illegal/unsafe backing and capias - fail to maintain financial responsibility.

Take Note

• On or before Friday, Aug. 14, parents or guardians of Big Spring ISD students in grades 1-4 need to stop by the elementary campus they believe their students will be attending this year and bring proof of residency. This information is needed before the school's administration can place students on classroom rosters. Any recent monthly bill or bank statement with a street address will suffice to validate the residence of the student and parent or guardian.

Meet the Teacher night for all elementary campuses will be on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

• Big Spring ISD students entering kindergarten and 7th grade must provide a current shot record to the school district prior to Aug. 18. Shot records can be delivered to the Big Spring ISD Records and Registration office at 1109 South Benton. Without current shot records, the school district will not be able to enroll a kindergarten student or provide a schedule of classes to a 7th grade student. For parents who have no insurance or who are on Medicaid, the health department will provide an immunization clinic in the High School Library from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, July 30. Questions about immunizations and shot records should be directed to Leah Gordon, Big Spring ISD Nurse, at 432-264-3622.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids-Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly.

Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. For more information call, Muffet Bomar 432-935-3998 or Peggy Hopper 214-773-6775. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

• An account has been set up at Western Bank (account number 1017623) for Blantyn Gusman and Zachary Duncan, who were seriously injured in an accident.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

• The Howard College Music program is offering a season ticket allowing a person to gain entrance to all of its performances for the season including guest solo recitals, chamber concerts and all student recitals as well.

The ticket is \$50 for the general public and \$40 for Howard College faculty. The 2015-2016 season is expected to feature from 15 to 20 concerts from up and coming professional musicians including concerts for trombone, brass quintet, flute, clarinet, two trumpets, cello, piano, tuba, solo and group voice recitals, saxophone quartet, a trio featuring cello, trumpet and piano.

To reserve a ticket, call 432-264-5145, e-mailing Kiley at dkiley@howardcollege.edu or e-mailing Wills at ewills@howardcollege.edu.

• For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a sledding accident.

• An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.






• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped-accessible. Cost is \$8 per person.

Today's Weather

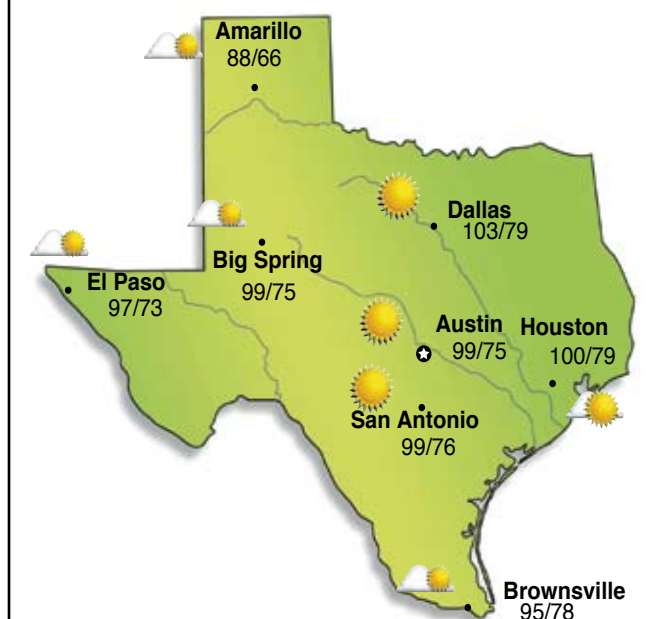
Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 8/4	Wed 8/5	Thu 8/6	Fri 8/7	Sat 8/8
				
99/75 Sunshine and clouds mixed. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible.	100/77 Plenty of sun. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the upper 70s.	103/77 Sunny. Highs 101 to 105F and lows in the upper 70s.	104/77 Sunny. Highs 102 to 106F and lows in the upper 70s.	104/76 Sunny. Highs 102 to 106F and lows in the mid 70s.
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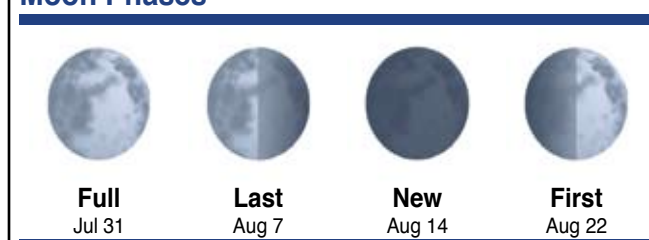
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	76	mst sunny	Kingsville	97	77	pt sunny
Amarillo	88	66	pt sunny	Livingston	100	75	mst sunny
Austin	99	75	sunny	Longview	101	74	mst sunny
Beaumont	96	75	mst sunny	Lubbock	94	71	pt sunny
Brownsville	95	78	pt sunny	Lufkin	101	73	mst sunny
Brownwood	100	74	mst sunny	Midland	101	77	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	94	81	pt sunny	Raymondville	98	78	pt sunny
Corsicana	102	76	mst sunny	Rosenberg	98	76	mst sunny
Dallas	103	79	sunny	San Antonio	99	76	sunny
Del Rio	100	77	sunny	San Marcos	100	76	sunny
El Paso	97	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	101	76	sunny
Fort Stockton	98	74	pt sunny	Sweetwater	98	75	mst sunny
Gainesville	99	74	pt sunny	Tyler	101	76	sunny
Greenville	101	75	sunny	Weatherford	102	76	mst sunny
Houston	100	79	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	97	75	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	94	69	sunny	Minneapolis	80	56	sunny
Boston	89	71	sunny	New York	90	75	mst sunny
Chicago	82	60	sunny	Phoenix	106	79	sunny
Dallas	103	79	sunny	San Francisco	68	60	pt sunny
Denver	86	57	t-storm	Seattle	83	60	pt sunny
Houston	100	79	mst sunny	St. Louis	92	74	pt sunny
Los Angeles	84	66	pt sunny	Washington, DC	95	75	sunny
Miami	90	77	pt sunny				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Tue 8/4	Wed 8/5	Thu 8/6	Fri 8/7	Sat 8/8
11	11	11	11	11
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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Manhunt under way for suspect in officer's shooting

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A manhunt was underway Monday for a suspect who police say fatally shot a Memphis officer after he interrupted a drug deal involving a small amount of marijuana that would have resulted in just a misdemeanor citation and a fine.

"He's a coward," Memphis Police Director Toney Armstrong said of the suspect, 29-year-old Tremaine Wilbourn. "You gunned down, you murdered a police officer, for less than 2 grams of marijuana. You literally destroyed a family."

Wilbourn faces a first-degree murder charge in the death of Officer Sean Bolton,

33, Armstrong said at a Sunday news conference.

Wilbourn was a passenger in a 2002 Mercedes Benz that was parked illegally in a southeast Memphis neighborhood Saturday night, Armstrong said. Bolton saw the car and shined his squad car's spotlight on the vehicle, according to the director.

Bolton got out of his car and walked toward the Mercedes, Armstrong said. Wilbourn got out of the Mercedes, confronted Bolton, and they got into a physical struggle, Armstrong said.

Wilbourn took out a gun and fired, striking Bolton multiple times, Armstrong said. The officer died at a hos-

pital.

Wilbourn and the driver then ran away, Armstrong said. A civilian used Bolton's radio to notify police about the shooting, Armstrong said.

The driver later turned himself in to police, and police described him as a person of interest before he was released without charges.

Armstrong said Bolton interrupted a drug deal in progress, and officers found about 1.7 grams of marijuana in the car.

Bolton was white, and Wilbourn is black. Armstrong said at Sunday's news conference that the community lost a great man and dedicated

servant.

"We as a community must come together and remember that all lives matter. Not just black lives. Not just white lives. But all lives matter," said Armstrong, who is black.

The U.S. Marshals Service has offered to help search for Wilbourn, who Armstrong described as armed and dangerous. He said Wilbourn was on supervised release after serving a federal sentence for robbery of a banking institution.

Earlier Sunday, police officers wearing protective vests descended on an apartment complex in southeast Memphis, about three miles from the scene of the shooting. An

armored truck and a mobile command center were among the police vehicles there.

Officers were seen going in and out of a sliding door and onto a balcony on the second floor of the building.

Bolton is the third Memphis officer to be fatally shot in slightly more than four years. Officer Tim Warren was killed while responding to a shooting at a downtown Memphis hotel in July 2011. In December 2012, Officer Martoia Lang was killed while serving a warrant.

Memphis Mayor A.C. Wharton Jr. said Bolton's death "speaks volumes about the inherent danger of police work."

Support groups

MONDAY
• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• SteppingStone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).
Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.
This is a group for all Parkinson's disease pa-

tients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon

to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• SteppingStone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).
Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY
• SteppingStone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).
Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night,

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SUNDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Big Spring Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:15 P.M., August 13, 2015, in the Big Spring High School Board Room, 707 East 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.1195 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$ 0.3000 / \$100 (Proposed rate to bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and Operations	.25%	decrease
Debt Service	.18%	decrease
Total Expenditures	.25%	decrease

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value
(as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value * of all property	\$ 2,265,991,075	\$ 2,265,991,075
Total appraised value * of new property **	\$ 9,628,875	\$ 7,902,620
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$ 1,795,230,045	\$ 1,795,230,045
Total taxable value *** of new property **	\$ 9,390,324	\$ 7,685,232

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness * \$ 57,590,000.00.

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund *	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.0505	\$ 0.3100 *	\$ 1.3605	\$ 6,397	\$ 3,216
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.37177	\$ 0.28792 *	\$ 1.65969	\$ 6,956	\$ 2,669
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.1195	\$ 0.3000 *	\$ 1.41950	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,669

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 60,215	\$ 68,620
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 33,172	\$ 29,896
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.3605	\$ 1.4195
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 451.31	\$ 424.38
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (26.93)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.4195. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.4195.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 11,927,446
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 2,364,860

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PORTS

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ers in Howard County have been almost unanimous in their support of extending the interstate through this area, a goal that would bring enormous benefits to this area, Reeves said.

"I've seen what four-lane divided highways have done for communities along the corridor," he said. "Extending I-27 through this area would take that to an entirely different level."

One of the first steps toward realizing that goal is already nearing completion — the U.S.

Highway 87 reliever route, which will see completion of its southern leg by mid-2016.

Reeves sees two major advantages to the reliever route.

"For a lot of residents, the big thing will be that it will alleviate pressure on Gregg Street," he noted. "A lot of big trucks, which have no intention of stopping here, will be able to bypass Big Spring, meaning Gregg Street will become a lot less congested."

"But in the big picture, this will help Big Spring become more competitive economically," Reeves added. "Increasing commercial access

to the airpark will make this area much more attractive to business and industry."

As many communities vie for a possible I-27 extension, Reeves said he was impressed by the efforts put forth so far by Big Spring and Howard County supporters.

"I'm excited about the support we've received in Big Spring," he said. "By far, it's the most of any city on the corridor."

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Texas' Martin Perez delivers a pitch during the Rangers' 2-1 victory against San Francisco Sunday in Arlington, Texas.

Perez, Hamilton lead Rangers past Giants

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers left-hander Martin Perez followed a nightmarish performance in which he failed to get an out in the second inning with a shut out the world champion San Francisco Giants.

Perez (1-2) allowed only two hits in 8 1-3 innings Sunday to beat the Giants 2-1.

Last Tuesday against the New York Yankees, he left after the first eight batters in the second inning reached base. He was charged with eight runs in a 21-5 loss.

"When I got the timing of the game, I got the quick outs and I got out of the game," Perez said. "I want to continue to do that and just be ready for my next start."

Perez credited his sinker, changeup and "my big rest" from having thrown only 45 pitches against the Yankees. He retired the first 14 batters Sunday, threw just 80 pitches and missed the strike zone infrequently through the first five innings.

Perez got 16 groundball outs to five fly outs plus six strikeouts with no walks.

"He was able to get these guys to swing and hit the ball on the

ground," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said.

Josh Hamilton's two-run homer in the sixth inning was enough for Texas to take the rubber game of the three-game series. The Giants scored in the ninth when Buster Posey singled to center off right-hander Sam Dyson, but Dyson got Hunter Pence to ground a 2-0 pitch into a game-ending double play to record his first career save.

The Giants went into the game leading the majors with 199 runs scored with two outs.

"It definitely felt like it was going to happen again," said Pence, who played collegiately a short drive from Globe Life Park at Texas-Arlington. "I definitely don't feel great about my at-bat, grounding into a double play with a 2-0 count, but you've also got to give some credit to Dyson."

This was Perez's fourth start in his return from Tommy John surgery in May 2014. He hadn't previously worked more than six innings.

Two of Hamilton's five homers this season, which began in late May after being reacquired from the Los Angeles Angels in late April, have come in the last four games.

Cowboys: DE Mincey reports to camp, ends holdout

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Cowboys defensive end Jeremy Mincey didn't stay away from training camp long in his effort to get a contract extension.

The team's sack leader from 2014 ended a brief holdout and was expected to practice Sunday after missing the first three days of camp, including the first padded practice. Mincey showed up Saturday night.

Dallas coach Jason Garrett declined to discuss details of a meeting with Mincey earlier Sunday, but the eighth-year player wants an extension after recording six sacks in the regular season and two more in the playoffs while bringing stability to an improving defense.

The Cowboys made room on the 90-man camp roster by waiving linebacker Justin Jackson a day after he tore a

knee ligament. Mincey was activated from the reserve/did not report list.

The 31-year-old Mincey is set to earn \$1.5 million in the final year of a two-year contract. He faced a \$30,000 fine for each day missed.

Executive vice president Stephen Jones said on the eve of camp that the team wouldn't negotiate with Mincey before he reported.

Mincey came to Dallas after spending the last few weeks of the 2013 season and playing in the Super Bowl with Denver. But he ended up with the Broncos only after Jacksonville decided to get rid of Mincey in the middle of a four-year, \$20 million contract. He was forced to miss a game at Houston in 2013 after being late for a team meeting.

Last season, Mincey had 28 tackles.



Courtesy Photo

Coaches are from left to right: Jacob Martinez, Robert Galan, Paul Diaz & Jason Martinez. Players top row from left to right: Samuel Wood, Isaiah Diaz, Eric Aguilar, Ian Galan & Ryan Shifflett. Players bottom row from left to right: Kevin Kligora, Christian Martinez, Marcus Paredez, Lucas Chavez & Devin Mier.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	59	45	.567	—
Baltimore	53	51	.510	6
Toronto	54	52	.509	6
Tampa Bay	52	54	.491	8
Boston	47	59	.443	13
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	62	42	.596	—
Minnesota	54	50	.519	8
Detroit	51	54	.486	11½
Chicago	50	53	.485	11½
Cleveland	48	56	.462	14
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	60	46	.566	—
Los Angeles	55	49	.529	4
Texas	51	53	.490	8
Seattle	48	58	.453	12
Oakland	47	59	.443	13
Saturday's Games				
Kansas City 7, Toronto 6				
Boston 11, Tampa Bay 7				
L.A. Dodgers 3, L.A. Angels 1				
Baltimore 6, Detroit 2				
Houston 9, Arizona 2				
Chicago White Sox 8, N.Y. Yankees				
National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	54	48	.529	—
New York	54	50	.519	1
Atlanta	47	58	.448	8½
Miami	43	62	.410	12½
Philadelphia	41	65	.387	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	67	38	.638	—
Pittsburgh	61	43	.587	5½
Chicago	57	47	.548	9½
Cincinnati	47	56	.456	19

Milwaukee	44	62	.415	23½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	60	45	.571	—
San Francisco	57	47	.548	2½
San Diego	51	54	.486	9
Arizona	50	53	.485	9
Colorado	44	59	.427	15
Saturday's Games				
L.A. Dodgers 3, L.A. Angels 1				
Philadelphia 12, Atlanta 2				
Houston 9, Arizona 2				
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 2				
Cincinnati 4, Pittsburgh 3				
San Diego 5, Miami 3				
N.Y. Mets 3, Washington 2				
Colorado 6, St. Louis 2				
San Francisco 9, Texas 7, 11				
Sunday's Games				
Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 0				
Miami 5, San Diego 2				
Atlanta 6, Philadelphia 2				
Houston 4, Arizona 1				
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 3				
St. Louis 3, Colorado 2				
Texas 2, San Francisco 1				
L.A. Dodgers 5, L.A. Angels 3, 10				
Monday's Games				
Arizona (Godley 2-0) at Washington (Fister 4-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Lester 6-8) at Pittsburgh (Liriano 7-6), 7:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 9-10) at Miami (Koebler 8-7), 7:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (M.Cain 2-2) at Atlanta (Foltynewicz 3-3), 7:10 p.m.				
San Diego (T.Ross 7-8) at Milwaukee (W.Peralta 2-5), 8:10 p.m.				
Seattle (F.Hernandez 12-6) at Colorado (E.Butler 3-7), 8:40 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games				

Arizona at Washington, 7:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets at Miami, 7:10 p.m.				
San Francisco at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.				
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.				
San Diego at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.				
Seattle at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.				
TRANSACTIONS				
BASEBALL				
American League				
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to terms with LHP Sean Bierman on a minor league contract.				
BOSTON RED SOX — Placed RHP Rick Porcello on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Thursday.				
HOUSTON ASTROS — Added RHP Vincent Velasquez to Corpus Christi (TX).				
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed LHP Tommy Milone on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Saturday. Transferred RHP Ryan Pressly to the 60-day DL.				
NEW YORK YANKEES — Placed RHP Diego Moreno on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Brandon Pinder from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (PA).				
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Optioned RHP R.J. Alvarez to Nashville (PCL).				
Designated LHP Eric O'Flaherty for assignment. Recalled RHP Aaron Brooks from Nashville. Sent RHP Taylor Thompson to Nashville for a rehab assignment.				
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed OF Steven Souza Jr. on the 15-day DL. Optioned LHP Matt Moore to Durham (IL). Recalled OF Mikie Mahtook from				

Durham.				
Texas Rangers — Placed RHP Tanner Scheppers on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Phil Klein from Round Rock (PCL).				
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with RHP Chris Smith and SS Ronald Conception on minor league contracts.				
National League				
CHICAGO CUBS — Designated RHP Yoervis Medina and C Taylor Teagarden for assignment. Recalled LHP Clayton Richard from Iowa (PCL). Sent C Miguel Montero to Tennessee (SL) for a rehab assignment.				
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Optioned RHP Yimi Garcia to Oklahoma City (PCL).				
MIAMI MARLINS — Optioned C Tomas Telis to New Orleans (PCL). Recalled LHPs Adam Conley and Chris Reed from New Orleans.				
NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with RHP Tim Stauffer on a minor league contract. Sent RHP Erik Goeddel to St. Lucie (FSL) for a rehab assignment.				
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Sent 2B Chase Utley to Lehigh Valley (PCL) for a rehab assignment.				
American Association				
FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Released RHP Evan Englebrook.				
GARY SOUTHWEST RAILCATS — Released LHP Andy Roberts. Signed INF Alex Hernandez.				
KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed INF Brent Peterson.				
SIoux FALLS CANARIES — Released LHP Mike Watt.				
WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed RHP Eddie Medina.				
WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Signed				

RHP Edwin Carl. Released RHP Coby Cowgill.				
Can-Am League				
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed LHP Nicholas May.				
SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Signed RHP John LuJan.				
TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed INF Joel Carranza.				
Frontier League				
EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed RHP Christian Cox.				
FRONTIER GREYS — Sold the contract of RHP Brett Shankin to Arizona (NL).				
TRaverse SEASIDE BEACH BUMS — Signed C Jordan Savinon.				
WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Signed RHP Jon Costa.				
FOOTBALL				
National Football League				
DALLAS COWBOYS — Waived/injured LB Justin Jackson. Activated DE Jeremy Mincey from the reserve/did not report list.				
DETROIT LIONS — Traded CB Mohammed Seisay to Seattle for an undrafted 2016 draft pick.				
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Placed LB Robert Mathis and G Donald Thomas on the PUP list.				
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed LB Bobby Wagner to a four-year contract extension.				
HOCKEY				
National Hockey League				
MINNESOTA WILD — Agreed to terms with C Erik Haula on a two-year contract.				
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Agreed to terms with G Jonathan Bernier on a two-year contract.				

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Tomorrow's Horoscope



Love Stars Are Aligning

Venus and Jupiter are HOLIDAY Volleying MATHIS for position and

will make a tight deal tomorrow. The anticipation permeates this day. Of all the fortuitous arrangements, the ones that have to do with love tend to rock the world the most. Mankind has conquered nations, scaled mountains and done thousands of impossible things in the name of love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's rare that the same person who gives you a sense of comfort and security also captures your spirit of adventure and excitement. Cherish the person who brings these varied qualities to your life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The best place to keep items you don't use or love is at the local donation center. Lighten your spiritual and emotional load by clearing your material world of unnecessary baggage.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The more

conscious you are the more you hurt. It's the price you pay for being highly sensitive. But there are strong benefits, too -- like an extra capacity to hold the kind of joy you'll experience today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some suggest that avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. There's something scary you want to do, and if you can negotiate with your fear along the way, you'll be quite successful in this endeavor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll notice errors, rectify mistakes and operate with great speed and efficiency. No wonder the demand is so high for your attention. Save some of that superpower for your projects, too!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your rule is that you don't have to like everyone, but you do have to treat each person with respect. It's hard sometimes to stick with this rule, but if everyone did it as well as you, we'd live in a peaceful world.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The person you regard with silent

admiration can feel the vibration of your favorable attention. Therefore, you really don't have to say anything for now. Savor the charged silence between you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It will take you a while to decide, but once you decide you'll be unstoppable. So feel free to take your time. Don't buy into the pressure. Resist influence. No one else knows what's best for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You enjoy giving gifts, sometimes more generous than you can afford. Spending more time and more thought will be more effective than spending more money.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). What worked five years ago seems dated, dull and inapplicable to the current milieu. While you seek new, fresh options, consider that what's needed may be as simple as a new coat of paint (or the figurative equivalent). AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). In the same manner that career-minded folks are supposed

to dress for the job they want instead of the job they have, you give gifts for the income you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Sometimes you feel alone in your highly sensitive nature. Your ability to closely observe your surroundings is something to celebrate. It's a survival mechanism that has contributed greatly to the health of the human race.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug 3). You have the tenacity to execute your plans and follow through with your ideas. Nurture a special relationship this month, because it leads to luck in every part of your life. Wonderful opportunities are present in September's predicament. October brings a windfall. Aquarius and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 12, 19, 43 and 48.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "For years, I have been a full-time homemaker. Now my children are 7 and 10. I recently have taken a job as a dance instructor three evenings a week to bring in some extra money

for the household. My husband complains that it's too much work for him to handle the children after having been at work all day. I can hardly keep from rolling my eyes. He's making me realize that he never really has appreciated me and all I do for my family. I'm a Sagittarius, and he's a Libra."

Your husband isn't used to the kind of work he's doing now in the evenings. As the sign of balance, he's probably still figuring out how to make it work with the rest of his life. Give him a chance to adjust. In the meantime, try not to take his comments as personal affronts or signs that he never really appreciated you. If you can muster it, praise him for his ability to adjust and for his willingness to contribute to your family in this new way. I know it doesn't seem right that you've gone underappreciated, but you'll be happier if you can make a smooth transition into your new choices.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Martha Stewart was born when the moon was in

Sagittarius, the sign of sophistication and worldly influence, and Mercury, the planet of communication and day-to-day events, was in Cancer, the sign of domesticity. Stewart's natal stars are beautifully reflected in her life mission to bring beauty, new ideas, a fresh eye and abundant creativity into the homes of people everywhere.

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Dear Annie: I am 30 and my wife is 27, and we are completely in love. My wife is a very spiritual woman and wanted to wait until we were married to have sex. I respected her choice and we were engaged for almost two years. No problem.

Then comes the wedding. BIG problem. We simply do not fit physically. I am more endowed than my very petite wife can handle. Our wedding night was a nightmare. Since then, we have tried to have sex many times. The results are always the same -- she is physically hurt and I feel terrible.

What can we do? We have talked to doctors and they have suggested lubricants, etc., but nothing works. -- Too Much of a Good Thing

Dear Too Much: We know this makes sexual intimacy difficult and your wife's anticipation of pain may now be a contributing factor to the problem. Have you tried different positions where she has more control over what's going on? Also, please look into assistance through the American Asso-

ciation of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists at aasect.org.

Dear Annie: Your answer to "Torn Son" was good, but not complete. He said he tries to help his father, who lost his job, but Dad spends money on alcohol and drugs. By suggesting that "Son" pay Dad's rent and utilities directly, he is still indirectly giving Dad money. Any money supplied for Dad's care allows him to spend his own on drugs and alcohol.

Instead, when Dad gets food stamps, take him shopping for food. If he receives cash assistance, make sure he pays his rent and utilities the same day. Go with him to the doctor and ask about rehab. Do not pay for anything until all of his money is used up. Then he won't have any money to buy drugs.

We learned this lesson the hard way. My nephew would frequently claim he had no cash on him, so we'd buy his deodorant and shaving cream. When he said his food card was empty, we'd buy his groceries. Little did we know, he had the money, but he want-

ed us to buy these necessities so he could use his own to pay for alcohol.

He drank himself to death the day after he got his monthly cash allowance. He was

29. -- Missing My Nephew

Dear Missing: How heartbreaking for your family. Since Dad was unemployed, we were not certain there was any money other than what the son was giving him. But you are right that addicts will buy drugs and alcohol before they will pay their rent, and any cash they receive will go directly into their addiction. It

can be difficult to say "no" when someone tells you they have no money for groceries or toothpaste, but you have pointed out the perils of assuming they are telling the truth.

Dear Annie: I felt compelled when I read the letter from "Feeling Annoyed," who asked how to tell her friend that her gum chewing was annoying.

Many years ago, I carpooled with four other people. One day, one of the riders snapped at me, "Sally, would you PLEASE stop smacking your gum -- it's hurting my headache!" I never

smacked my gum again. Sometimes the direct approach is the most effective. -- Smackin' Sally No More

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9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in. Row 1: 7, 6, blank, blank, blank, 9, blank, blank, 5. Row 2: blank, blank, blank, blank, blank, 6, 4, blank, 9. Row 3: 9, 1, 3, 7, blank, blank, blank, blank, 2. Row 4: blank, blank, 6, 4, blank, 3, blank, blank, 2. Row 5: 3, blank, 6, blank, 1, blank, blank, blank, 8. Row 6: 5, blank, 7, blank, 3, 4, blank, blank, blank. Row 7: blank, 7, blank, blank, 6, 8, 3, 1, blank. Row 8: blank, 3, blank, 4, 5, blank, blank, blank, blank. Row 9: 6, blank, blank, 8, blank, blank, blank, 4, 7.

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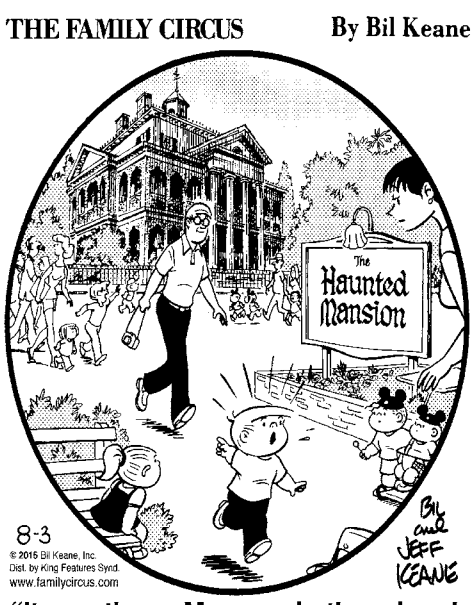
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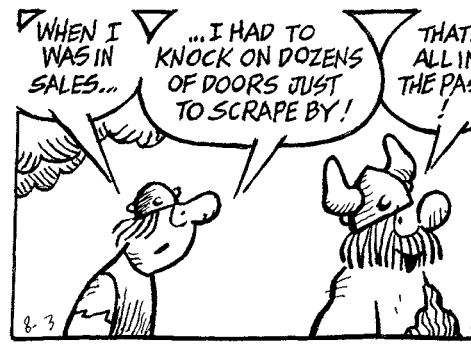
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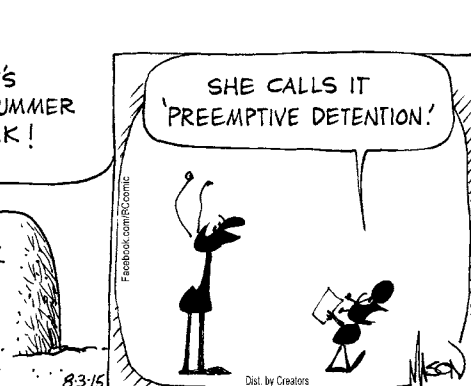
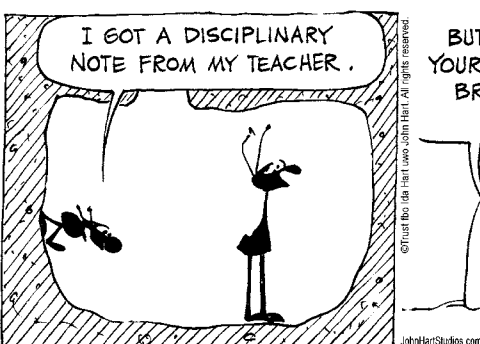
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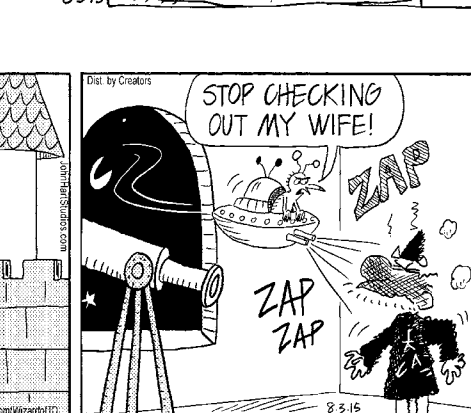
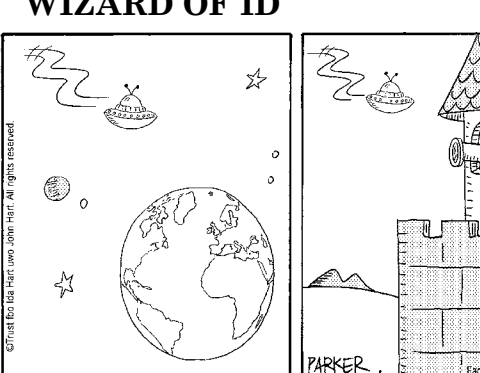
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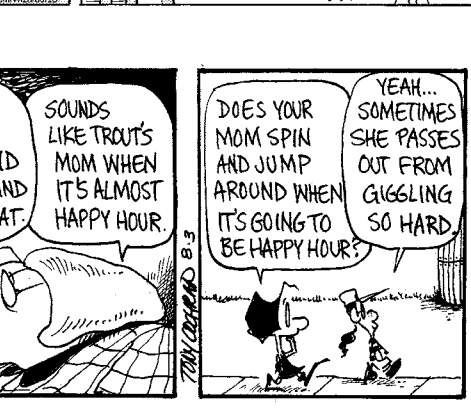
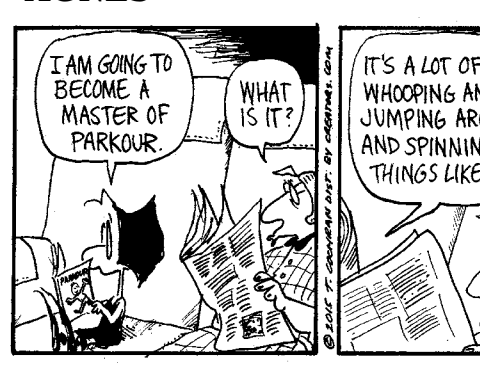
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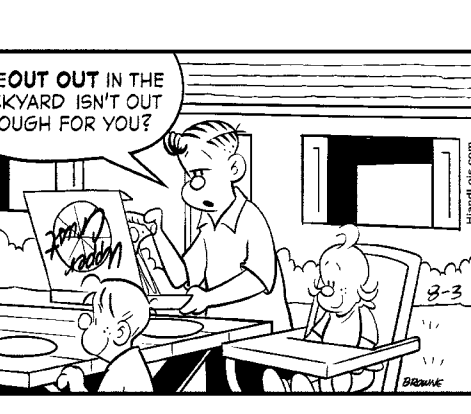
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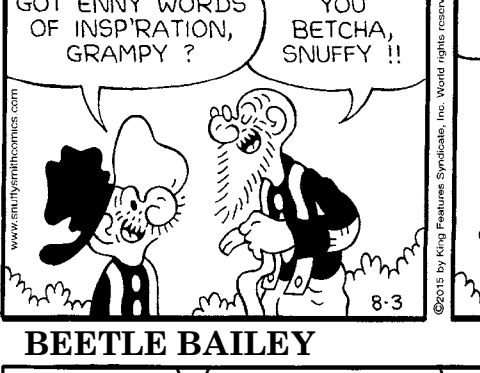
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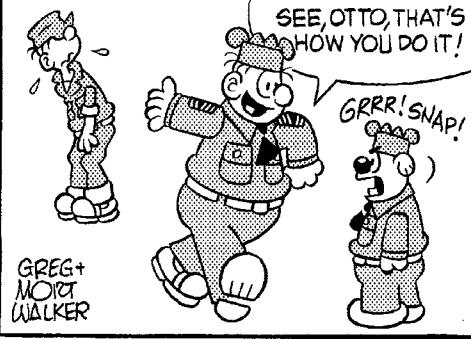
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, August 3, the 215th day of 2015. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 3, 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain, on a voyage that took him to the present-day Americas.

On this date:

In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr went on trial before a federal court in Richmond, Virginia, charged with treason. (He was acquitted less than a month later.)

In 1863, the first thoroughbred horse races took place at the Saratoga Race Course in Saratoga Springs, New York.

In 1914, Germany declared war on France at the onset of World War I.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the first of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he took the 100-meter sprint.

In 1943, Gen. George S. Patton slapped a private at an army hospital in Sicily, accusing him of cowardice. (Patton was later ordered by Gen. Dwight D.

Eisenhower to apologize for this and a second, similar episode.)

In 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed as a merger of the Basketball Association of America and the National Basketball League.

In 1958, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Nautilus became the first vessel to cross the North Pole underwater.

In 1966, comedian Lenny Bruce, 40, was found dead in his Los Angeles home.

In 1972, the U.S. Senate ratified the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty between the United States and the Soviet Union. (The U.S. unilaterally withdrew from the treaty in 2002.)

In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Ronald Reagan they would be fired, which they were.

In 1993, the Senate voted 96-3 to confirm U.S. Supreme Court nominee Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

In 1994, Arkansas carried out the nation's first triple execution in 32 years. Stephen G. Breyer was sworn in as the Supreme Court's newest justice in a private ceremony at Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist's Vermont summer home.

Ten years ago: Fourteen Marines from a Reserve unit in

Ohio were killed in a roadside bombing in Iraq. Spacewalking astronaut Stephen Robison removed two worrisome pieces of filler material from the shuttle Discovery's belly in an unprecedented space repair job.

Five years ago: Engineers began pumping heavy drilling mud into the blown-out Gulf of Mexico oil well in an attempt to permanently plug the leak. A warehouse driver killed eight co-workers and himself in a shooting rampage at a Manchester, Connecticut, beer distributorship.

Thought for Today:
"We are healed of a suffering only by experiencing it to the full."
Marcel Proust,
French author (1871-1922).

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Newsday Crossword BEGINNING OF AUGUST by Gail Grabowski
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Preschool basics
 - 5 Mischief maker
 - 10 Wilde belt
 - 14 Harvest, as crops
 - 15 Sultan's group of wives
 - 16 ___ fish sandwich
 - 17 English nobleman
 - 18 North American mountains
 - 19 Dad of Cain and Abel
 - 20 Spoken version of a novel
 - 22 Loses one's footing
 - 23 Potato or yam
 - 24 Writer of verses
 - 25 ___ and the Beast
 - 28 Beasts out
 - 31 Blow, as a volcano
 - 32 Threesome
 - 34 Mouse-catching device
 - 35 Shape of a rainbow
 - 36 Cincinnati citizens
 - 39 Three, on a sundial
 - 40 Goes bad
 - 42 Loosen, as laces
 - 43 Entertain
 - 45 Hang on a clothesline
 - 47 Tooth covering
 - 48 Verbal
 - 49 Tablecloth fabric
 - 51 Short skirts
 - 53 Koala's habitat
 - 57 Biblical garden
 - 58 Weighing machine
 - 59 Young lady

DOWN

- 1 Neck of the woods
- 2 Boyfriend
- 3 Bingo player's purchase
- 4 Go separate ways
- 5 Not well-maintained
- 6 Boat that's paddled
- 7 Enthusiasm
- 8 Lacking courage
- 9 Afternoon hrs.
- 10 Least fresh
- 11 School's assembly hall
- 12 Break sharply
- 13 Easter entrées
- 21 ___ lunch (store sign)
- 22 Dad's boy
- 24 Lowly laborer
- 25 White part of a Santa costume
- 26 Mistake
- 27 Seller with a gavel
- 28 Italian farewell
- 29 Salary hike
- 30 Sales pitch
- 32 Very small
- 33 Fishing pole
- 37 Throw with force
- 38 More reasonable
- 41 Short races
- 44 Supervisor
- 46 Courtroom prosecutors:
- 47 Goes inside
- 49 Hawaiian parties
- 50 Part of land in the ocean
- 51 Note from the boss
- 52 Creative notion
- 53 Farmland measure
- 54 Low-cal, in ads
- 55 Teheran's nation
- 56 In addition
- 58 Railroad stop: Abbr.

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News in brief

Zimbabwe alleges a 2nd American killed a lion with bow and arrow in illegal hunt months ago

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — Now there are two: Zimbabwe accused a Pennsylvania doctor on Sunday of illegally killing a lion in April, adding to the outcry over a Minnesota dentist the African government wants to extradite for killing a well-known lion named Cecil in early July.

Zimbabwe's National Parks and Wildlife Management Authority accused Jan Casimir Seski of Murrysville, Pennsylvania, of shooting the lion with a bow and arrow in April near Hwange National Park, without approval, on land where it was not allowed.

Landowner Headman Sibanda was arrested and is assisting police, it said.

Seski is a gynecological oncologist who directs the Center for Bloodless Medicine and Surgery at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh.

Climate change: Obama orders steeper greenhouse gas cuts from US power plants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Aiming to jolt the rest of the world to action, President Barack Obama moved ahead Sunday with even tougher greenhouse gas cuts on American power plants, setting up a certain confrontation in the courts with energy producers and Republican-led states.

In finalizing the unprecedented pollution controls, Obama was installing the core of his ambitious and controversial plan to drastically reduce overall U.S. emissions, as he works to secure a legacy on fighting global warming. Yet it will be up to Obama's successor to implement his plan, which reverberated across the 2016 presidential campaign trail.

Opponents planned to sue immediately, and to ask the courts to block the rule temporarily. Many states have threatened not to comply.

The Obama administration estimated the emissions limits will cost \$8.4 billion annu-

ally by 2030. The actual price won't be clear until states decide how they'll reach their targets. But energy industry advocates said the revision makes Obama's mandate even more burdensome, costly and difficult to achieve.

"They are wrong," Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy said flatly, accusing opponents of promulgating a "doomsday" scenario.

IOC to order tests for viruses in Rio Olympic waters following AP report on sewage germs

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The International Olympic Committee said Sunday it will order testing for disease-causing viruses in the sewage-polluted waters where athletes will compete in next year's Rio de Janeiro Games.

Before, the IOC and local Olympic organizers in Rio said they would only test for bacteria in the water, as Brazil and virtually all nations only mandate such testing to determine the safety of recreational waters.

But after an Associated Press investigation published last week revealed high counts of viruses directly linked to human sewage in the Olympic waters, the IOC reversed course after being advised by the World Health Organization (WHO) that it should expand its testing.

"The WHO is saying they are recommending viral testing," IOC medical director Dr. Richard Budgett told the AP. "We've always said we will follow the expert advice, so we will now be asking the appropriate authorities in Rio to follow the expert advice which is for viral testing. We have to follow the best expert advice."

On Saturday, the International Sailing Federation became the first to break with the IOC's insistence on bacteria-only testing, saying it would do its own independent tests for viruses.

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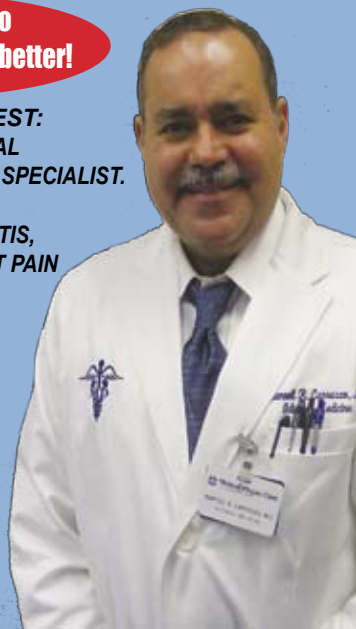
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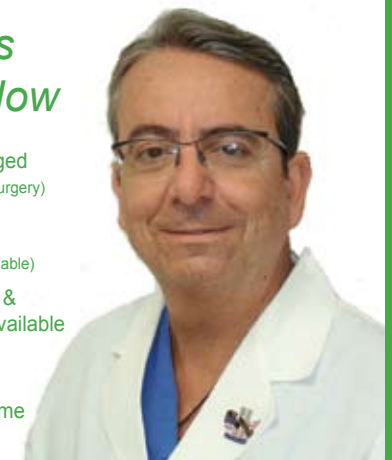
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