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History buffs find A purrfect cause

Local photographers and Texas history fans hold food drive for Alamo Cat

Special to the Herald

A new guard is roaming the grounds of Alamo and a Coahoma couple hopes to help make her stay at the Texas historical site as comfortable as possible.

Photographers and writers Greg and Toni Bodin, who both contribute monthly articles for the Living Magazine, are holding a cat food, litter drive for the newest Alamo cat, Miss Isabella "Bella" Francisca Veramendi de Valero.

It was by chance the two found they had a connection to the famous feline.

"While reading the story about Bella we saw the name of an old friend," said Greg Bodin. "It was Scott McMahon's daughter who found the cat. He is the director of Presidio la Bahia, another important Texas revolutionary site and he has been involved with the Alamo for many years as a docent, living historian and a volunteer.

"His daughter found the cat roaming the presidio grounds," Greg continued. "In 1836 Col. James Fannin launched an expedition to reinforce the Alamo from Presidio la Bahia, but it failed so it's fitting a stray cat found at Presideo la Bahia would end up guarding the grounds at the Alamo."

Scott is also a subject in many

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Alamo Cat Drop Off Location

Big Spring Herald
 710 Scurry St.
 Monday-Friday
 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To make arrangements for pick up or drop off, call Greg Bodin at call 432-268-6421



Courtesy photo

Miss Isabella "Bella" Francisca Veramendi de Valero, the newest Alamo cat, prowls the grounds of iconic Texas historical site. A local couple are holding a cat food/litter drive for to help with the daily upkeep of Bella.

One last dip in the....



HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

Kids and adults alike were enjoying the last days of summer before school starts at the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center. School starts for Howard County public schools on Monday, Aug. 24.

Chevalier CASA volunteer sworn In to advocate for abused children

Special to the Herald

The Hon. Sylvia A. Chavez, of the Child Protection Court of the Permian Basin swore in Sherrie Chevalier of Coahoma, and seven other Permian Basin residents as Court-Appointed Special Advocates for abused and neglected children last Monday.

Family and friends gathered in the Midland County Courthouse to watch the volunteers take an oath promising to advocate for the best interest of the child.

Ms. Chevalier will join other Big Spring CASA volunteers in advocating for foster children in the Child Protective Court System. As officers of the court, they ensure that the children's needs are recognized and best interests are considered both in the courtroom and in the community.

CASA volunteers are asked to meet with the child regularly and are authorized to interview people in the child's life such as social workers, attorneys, and teachers.

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Gas prices head down in Texas

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 1.7 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.37/g yesterday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas. This compares with the national average that has increased 8.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.68/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 91.2 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 17.1 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 9.0 cents per gallon during the last month

and stands 77.5 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"Obviously, the story about fuel prices last week was all about a massive spike in gasoline prices throughout the Midwest," said Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy senior petroleum analyst. "Prices have risen in Great Lakes states at paces rivaling and exceeding prior records, which I would pin on an unexpected emergency shutdown of a unit at BP's Whiting, Indiana refinery. In addition, there have been other scheduled outages in the Midwest that may be leading to gasoline demand outpacing supply in the

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HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

Officials closed down the West bound lanes of Interstate 20 Sunday morning. A tanker truck was laying in the ditch on its side near the business 20 exit. Crews were working to pull the truck out of the ditch and get it back on its wheels so that traffic could resume on Interstate 20.



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Obituaries

Anna Rhodes



Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Rhodes will be held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015, at First Baptist Church in Teague. Bro. Scott Matthews will officiate.

Interment will be held at 2 p.m. at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Killeen, Texas.

There will be no visitation.

Mrs. Rhodes passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2015, at Providence Health Center in

Waco, Texas.

She was born in Lorraine, Texas on March 28, 1938, to Samuel and Lillie Belle Clements, and grew up in Ira, Texas.

Anna married Joe Don Rhodes on Oct. 5, 1956, and shared more than 58 years of marriage together before being separated by his death this past November. She worked for the U.S. Government in various jobs for several years while traveling with her husband during his 20 year career in the U.S. Navy.

Mrs. Rhodes longest period of employment was as an administrative assistant at the V.A. Hospital in Big Spring. She moved to Teague in 1998 and became active with the Lord's Community Storehouse including managing much of the paperwork

and administrative duties.

Mrs. Rhodes was also a very active member of First Baptist Church. She was involved in numerous church activities through the years including choir, teaching Sunday school, feeding bereaved families, and spent many hours working on the Mockingbird Hill project. She enjoyed traveling and loved to spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by one daughter, Carrie Thomas and husband Earl of Teague; one son, Rick Rhodes and wife Karen of Fort Worth; six grandchildren, Bryan Thomas and wife Ashley of Lumberton, Ragen Thomas of Bryan, Nathan Hodges, Sarah Hodges, Hannah Hodges, and Rebecca Hodges, all of Fort Worth; four great-grandchildren; one brother, Hubert Clements of Ira, Texas.; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Rhodes was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Don Rhodes; one son, Rodney Joe Rhodes; her parents; and two brothers, Tommy Clements and Harvey Clements.

The family requests memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 791, Teague, TX 75860.

Please visit our website at www.bowersfuneralhome.net to sign the memorial guestbook or leave a message for the family.

Paid obituary

Victor Rushing



Victor Rushing, 70, of Big Spring, passed away Saturday, Aug. 15, 2015 in a Lubbock hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Victor was a long time resident of Snyder and had lived in Big Spring for the past 11 years.

He was proud of his early working days with Don Love Construction in Houston. He retired with

20 years at the prison in Snyder.

Victor is survived by wife, Francisca Beatriz Rushing of Big Spring; one daughter, Elizabeth Sannes and husband, Paul of Denver, Colo.; one son, Nathan Rushing and wife, Natalie of Ruidoso,

N.M.; one step-son, Mark Gomez and wife, D'Carlton; two step-daughters, Julia Gomez-Puga and husband, Louie, and Karla Gomez all of Big Spring; five grandchildren, Mai Gomez, Kelsea Moore, Kloe Mata, Kylee Mata and Kameron Mata; and two brothers, Kenneth Johnson of Snyder and Billy Rushing of Plainview. Victor also had many aunts, uncles and cousins that loved him very much. Victor was a caring, loving man that loved life and his family and he will be missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Margaret Rushing; two sisters, Deretha Rushing and Linda Rushing and two brothers, Harold Rushing and Ricky Johnson.

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

Jack Kellum White



Jack Kellum White was born in Lubbock, Texas Dec. 11, 1926. He met his wife in 1944 and they would be married for 71 years of his life. In 1958 he joined the Texas Highway Patrol. He served his state and his community as a state trooper by patrolling the West Texas highways for 29 years.

Jack is preceded in death by his

father, Read N. White and mother, Edna Lorenda White; his brother, Wayne and sisters, Joyce and Boots; and daughter-in-law, Valerie White.

Jack is survived by his wife, Lucille; his sons, Terry White and wife, Lanell and Alan White; two grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015 at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

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

Maria Dolores (Lola) Ramirez



A Catholic funeral service mass was celebrated for Maria Dolores (Lola) Ramirez, 91, of Big Spring at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, 2015, at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church with Joseph Thanavelil officiating. Burial followed at the Lamesa Memorial Park. Funeral arrangements were under the care and direction of Gonzales Funeral Home.

A rosary was recited at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16, 2015 at Gonzales

Funeral Home Chapel.

Ms. Ramirez died on Thursday, Aug. 13, 2015, at a

Stanton nursing home.

She was born on April 22, 1924, in Laredo, Texas to Silvestre Torres and Maria Dolores Chavez. She married Alfredo Ramirez on June 20, 1946, in Lamesa, Texas. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfredo Ramirez on Dec. 21, 2003; her parents and all her siblings.

She is survived by her daughters, Olivia Gonzales and husband, Lupe of Lamesa and Janie DeLeon and husband, Ray of Big Spring; her son, Rudy Ramirez and wife, Phyllis of Odessa, Texas; 10 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

Send you condolences online to www.gonzalesfuneralhome.net

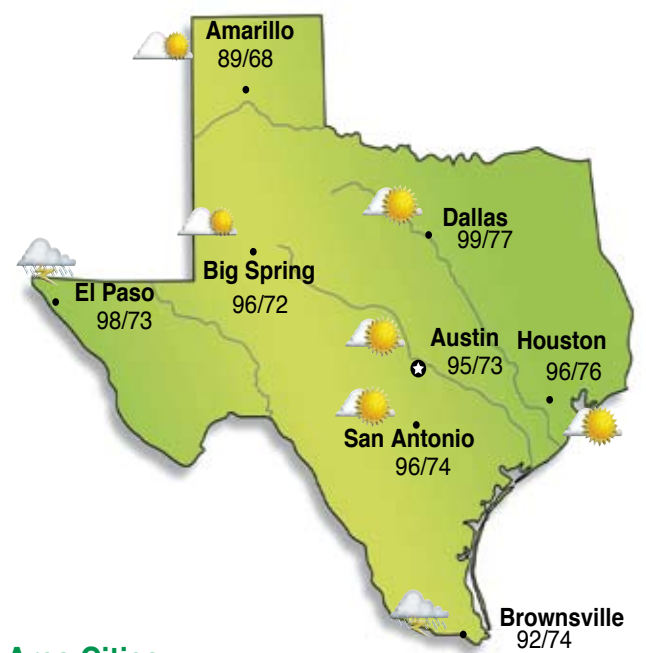
Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 8/16	Mon 8/17	Tue 8/18	Wed 8/19	Thu 8/20
96/72 Partly cloudy. High 96F. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.	96/72 Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	98/72 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	92/68 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	96/72 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 7:10 AM Sunset: 8:29 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 8:28 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 8:27 PM	Sunrise: 7:12 AM Sunset: 8:26 PM	Sunrise: 7:13 AM Sunset: 8:25 PM

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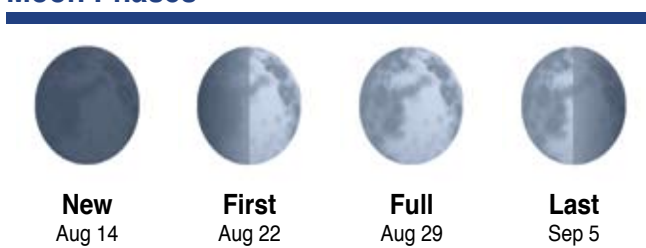
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	97	73	sunny	Kingsville	95	74	t-storm
Amarillo	89	68	pt sunny	Livingston	94	73	mst sunn
Austin	95	73	mst sunny	Longview	95	71	mst sunn
Beaumont	92	71	mst sunny	Lubbock	93	71	pt sunny
Brownsville	92	74	t-storm	Lufkin	94	71	mst sunn
Brownwood	96	70	sunny	Midland	99	75	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	92	78	pt sunny	Raymondville	94	75	t-storm
Corsicana	96	75	mst sunny	Rosenberg	94	73	pt sunny
Dallas	99	77	mst sunny	San Antonio	96	74	mst sunn
Del Rio	99	75	pt sunny	San Marcos	97	73	mst sunn
El Paso	98	73	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	96	73	mst sunn
Fort Stockton	97	72	mst sunny	Sweetwater	96	73	sunny
Gainesville	96	71	mst sunny	Tyler	96	74	mst sunn
Greenville	96	72	mst sunny	Weatherford	98	72	mst sunn
Houston	96	76	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	95	71	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	88	69	pt sunny	Minneapolis	84	65	t-storm
Boston	86	71	sunny	New York	91	75	sunny
Chicago	92	71	sunny	Phoenix	112	84	mst sunn
Dallas	99	77	mst sunny	San Francisco	83	59	pt sunny
Denver	88	59	t-storm	Seattle	72	55	cloudy
Houston	96	76	mst sunny	St. Louis	92	73	mst sunn
Los Angeles	95	72	sunny	Washington, DC	95	72	sunny
Miami	91	78	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Sun 8/16	Mon 8/17	Tue 8/18	Wed 8/19	Thu 8/20
11	11	10	9	10
Extreme	Extreme	Very High	Very High	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

Police and Sheriff reports

The Big Sprig Police Department reported the following activity:

- SAMUEL VASQUEZ JR., 23, of 2513 27th St. Snyder, Texas was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of Wasson Road and FM 700.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 3200 block of E. I-20.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 7000 block of N. Service Road.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 82 inmates at the time of this report.
- RICHARD DEAN ANDERSON, 48, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxi-

cation.

- BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CLINTON, 39, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with previous convictions, possession of a controlled substance, less than 1 gram; and theft of property, more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- RAYMOND LEE BAKER, 45, was booked by the DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated, second offense.
- MARTY EVANS, 25, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for bondsman off bond - manufacture/delivery of controlled substance and charges for prohibited weapon.
- LUIS ANGEL GARCIA, 43, was booked by the RSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.
- JORDAN LEE KOSKI, 26, was booked

by the HCSO on war-

- rants for no driver's license, expired registration and fail to maintain financial responsibility.
- ERIBERTO LOPEZ, 27, was booked by the RSO on a warrant for failure to appear.
- AUBREY STEVEN MCDONALD, 34, was booked by the BSPD on charges of three counts of public intoxication.
- SAMUEL JOHN MURPHREE, 32, was booked by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transport and disorderly con-

duct - language.

- MARCUS ANDREW STORY JR., 28, was booked by the DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated.
- PAULENAR RIOS TORRES, 48, was booked by the HCSO on charges of assault family violence and resisting arrest, search or transport.
- SAMUEL VASQUEXZ JR., 23, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for motion to revoke probation - assault impeding breathing.
- CHRISTOPHER

CLIFTON WALKER, 24, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.

- MISTY MICHELLE BAKER, 34, was booked by the BSPD on charges

of public intoxication.

- OTIS KERMIE PORTER, 64, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated.

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region, essentially causing panic on gasoline markets," DeHaan said.

"Hikes have been witnessed across many states, though the epicenter of gargantuan hikes was centered in Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, where prices raced up by over 50 cents a gallon in mere days. Also seeing spikes over 25 cents: Ohio, Wisconsin and Kentucky, while Minnesota, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas and Iowa saw prices jump over 10 cents a gallon," DeHaan noted. "At this point, it does appear that most of the price shocks are behind us, though if there are any curve balls that hit the market, all bets are off. Outside the Great Lakes, most regions are seeing gasoline prices decline. Leading decliners are New Jersey and Oregon, with Washington coming in third," DeHaan said.

For a complete listing of current averages and other fuel price data, visit <http://media.gasbuddy.com>. For fuel news and alerts, follow @GasBuddyNews on Twitter.

• Midway Baptist Church will be holding a revival Aug. 23 – 26. Former church pastor Chad Haney will lead the revival.

• 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.

• Big Spring ISD will host a Meet the Teacher night for all elementary campuses will be on Thursday

Take note

from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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

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• RICARDO ORTIZ DELOSRIOS, 54, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for two counts accumulated items and three counts of weedy lot.

• JEFFREY MARTIN EDWARDS, 46, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated.

• CLAUDIA KAYE STANSEL, 60, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief, more than \$50 but less than \$500.

• COURTNEY FELICIA AUSBIE, 30, was

booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parole violation.

• BRADLEY CECIL SEGERS, 45, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for manslaughter.

• KEITH ALLEN MYRICK, 27, was booked by the HCSO on charges of public intoxication.

• CHRISTOPHER CLIFTON WALKER, 24, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.

• SAMUEL JOHN MURPHREE, 32, was booked by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transport and disorderly conduct – language.



Courtesy Photo

Pictured here is Sherrie Chevalier, the newest Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), by the Honorable Sylvia Chavez. Chavez is the Child Protective Services judge of the Permian Basin.

"Our volunteers pledge to stay with each child until the case is closed, and the child is placed in a safe, permanent home," said Patty Pisklak, executive director of CASA of West Texas. "The advocate is often the only consistent adult presence in the child's life."

"With more than 174 children in foster care from Howard County there are many more advocates needed," said Pisklak.

There are no prerequisites for becoming a CASA volunteer other than being at least 21 years of age, clearing an extensive background screening and successfully completing 30 hours of training.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a CASA volunteer, contact Kathy Harmon, 432-684-1114 or visit www.CASAWTX.org.

CASA of West Texas is a member of the National CASA Association, a network of more than 900 CASA programs serving children in 49 states and Washington DC.

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They attend court hearings with the child and report their findings and recommendations to the judge.

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of Greg and Toni's photos, so the couple decided to contribute to the feline's upkeep, especially after they found out no tax payer money is used. The staff of the Alamo contributes to the cats daily needs.

The story came out shortly before the last Greg's Texas Collection reception in Scurry County, Greg said

For the reception Greg chose nine photos from the museum display that were on the topic of the Alamo, Presidio la Bahia and photos of the 8th Military Dept Living Historians that featured Scott McMahon as a subject. 1

"One hundred percent of the proceeds from the sale of these photos were put in to a fund to purchase food and litter for Bella," Greg said. "With additional donations from members of the Scurry and Borden County Historical Commissions, who were in attendance, we have purchased almost 100 pounds of food and near 100 pounds of litter.

Greg, a history enthusiast, found out the first cat to be recorded at the Alamo in the history books was recorded

shortly after the end of the 1836 Battle of the Alamo. According to Greg, superstitious Mexican soldiers viewed it as a ghost of the fallen rebels and shot it dead.

On night watch in 1981, one of the Alamo Rangers found a kitten in a tree on the Alamo grounds and it was eventually adopted by the staff, hence the tradition began. This first cat, Ruby LeGato, passed away in 1986 and was buried on the Alamo grounds, Greg said.

Ten years later, a new stray stumbled in to the Shrine of Texas Liberty and was adopted by the staff. From 1996 until her death in 2014, Mistress Clara Carmack, known to most as CC roamed the grounds and became a celebrity. CC was featured on Animal Planet and in an article in the LA Times and even had tee shirts with her likeness in the Alamo gift shop.

The couple will continue to take donations of food and litter through Wednesday, Aug. 26.

"If you own a cat, then you know, brand does matter," Greg said. "Bella is a special cat and eats special food. Her brand is Blue Buffalo, it is available at Tractor Supply, Pet Smart and can be special ordered

at Elbow Creek Hay and Feed."

"Luckily the litter is Arm & Hammer Scoopable and is available almost anywhere," he continued. "If we receive a donation of the wrong product, we will donate it to a local animal shelter. To make arrangements for pick up or drop off of donated food or litter, call 432-268-6421 or message us on the facebook page, facebook.com/GregSTexas."

Also the public can donate by bringing cat food, litter to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry Street between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Also donations of litter, food and funds can be given to the Alamo in San Antonio at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 28. Ask for Sherri Driscoll, Education Program Director.

For more on the Alamo Cat visit:

Links for your reference: <https://medium.com/@txglo/mighty-huntress-on-the-prowl-rodents-beware-b41faf8fe80>

<http://www.drill.org/AboutTheLibrary/RubyCat.asp>

<http://www.purr-n-fur.org.uk/featuring/mus11.html>

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 27, 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	\$ 2,262,915,431	\$ 2,265,991,075
Total appraised value * of new property **	\$ 9,628,875	\$ 7,902,620
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$ 1,871,267,878	\$ 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)

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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

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What if Iran cheats?

Barack Obama's critics think he has made two mistakes with the Iranians. The first was reaching a deal on their nuclear program. The second was thinking they would abide by it.

It's a mystery why, after allegedly tricking us into giving them everything they wanted, the Iranians would be so eager to evade these easy terms. But that's what the detractors expect. "I think we have to assume that they will cheat on the deal," said Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Ark.

Worse yet, they'll get away with it. In this scenario, Iran will renege on one obligation after another, block inspectors and string out every dispute — and the countries that signed the deal will let it slide. "There will be a series of small, incremental violations like that, that ultimately over time will wear down the enforcement mechanism," predicts Marco Rubio.

Let's consider the threat of cheating.

One complaint is that the accord allows Iran to delay inspections of some sites for up to 24 days or more, making it easy to clean them up before the inspectors arrive. In fact, it wouldn't be easy, because nuclear materials linger — not for weeks, but for centuries.

Back in 2003, when it was suspected of conducting forbidden nuclear experiments at one facility, Iran blocked International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) monitors for more than

six months. But when inspectors finally got in, they were able to detect telltale residues.

What if Iran were able to cover up something nefarious? A report from the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at Harvard notes that under the terms of the deal, even if Iran "is able to successfully hide and remove evidence, the U.S. (and other governments) could still conclude that Iran was cheating." We don't have to prove guilt. Iran has to prove innocence.

To opponents of the agreement, none of this matters. Even if we catch the Iranians doing something prohibited, they'll get away with it because no one will have the stomach to challenge them. The theory is that once Iran is open for business, companies in Europe, Russia and China will be making too much money for their governments to interfere.

So they'll pretend everything is fine.

Sanctions would "snap back" unless the security council votes not to restore sanctions — and it takes just one country (say, us) using its veto to prevent that from happening. In practice, the U.S. will hold all the cards. We can impose economic retribution on Iran even if all our negotiating partners object.

But take the worst-case scenario. Suppose Iran commits a violation and our partners devise some ingenious way to block sanctions.

Then what? The U.S. would still have the ultimate recourse: military action.

Any Republican in the White House would launch air strikes rather than let Iran renege. And if I were an Iranian, I wouldn't

bet that Hillary Clinton — who voted for the Iraq war and urged Obama to bomb in Libya as well as Syria — would look the other way.

Besides, two powerful factors would impel any American president to blow something up. The first is the intense scrutiny any violation would elicit — from the IAEA, Israel, Saudi Arabia, congressional Republicans and the news media.

The second is that the president would have no real alternative. If the Iranians violate the deal, they will be informing the world that diplomacy has been a waste of time. Having tried the peaceful route, the president would be under strong pressure to use force — and would have excellent grounds to do so.

Here are the facts Iran has to face: Any violations of the deal will be detected and exposed. When that happens, Iran will be hit with the painful economic sanctions it made this deal to escape. Or it will face military action, another outcome this deal was supposed to avert.

The critics think if this deal goes through, there will be more cheating in Iran than in a country music playlist. But the Iranians have probably figured out what those country songs attest: If you're cheating tonight, you'll be crying tomorrow.

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Voter suppression hides in gray areas

The students at Miami Central Senior High frustrated me, and I frustrated them. The topic was Ferguson and my opinion that African-Americans in that torn-up Missouri city could get the city government they want if only they voted in greater numbers. After all, they are a clear majority of the population.

"It isn't as simple as you made it seem," T'mya wrote. For one thing, African-Americans in Ferguson "move a lot so they would have to change their address and register."

And Jose cited limits to early voting. "Certain politicians have made sure it's as inconvenient as possible" for the working poor to vote, he said.

I stand partly corrected. Voting is not so simple for many poor people as I seemed to imply. But I do worry that portraying inconveniences as high barriers can discourage people from even trying.

Inconveniences can be worked around.

It's obvious that Republicans are pushing rules that discourage poor populations — people who tend to vote for Demo-

crats — from voting. And it's no coincidence that enormous waits have occurred at polling places used by poor people and students, another largely Democratic voting bloc.

The problem comes in proving that the rules and long lines were intended to suppress the vote. Some cases are blatant, such as the Texas law requiring identification for casting a ballot that may include a concealed-handgun license but not a student ID or voter registration card.

Voter suppression usually hides in fuzziness. Consider the challenge to North Carolina's voting law now before a federal court.

Civil rights groups argue that by shortening the period for early voting, the 2013 law was intended to suppress the African-American vote.

That may well have been the intention, but try to prove it. North Carolina counters that the voting law changes apply to all. Furthermore, some states, such as New York, don't allow early voting at all. No one is charging New York with suppressing anyone's vote.

The Miami Central students correctly noted that poor people tend to move more often and have to register to vote with every change of address. True, but re-registering is necessary because politicians represent the

people in their district.

Why don't the students organize and urge new voting-age neighbors to register at their current address?

Learn the valid forms of ID, and help those without one obtain what they need.

In central Florida, a group called Mi Familia Vota is greeting new arrivals from Puerto Rico at supermarkets and festivals and making sure they register.

Many have complained that Ferguson elects its city officials on a date far removed from the traditional Election Day. This complicates matters for many poor residents, Isaiah wrote, "because voting is not held at a time when black and low-income people are likely to show up."

Isaiah is entirely right. But the immediate remedy would be to publicize the schedule and urge the people to show up. When they do so in large numbers, the date will be changed.

Tommie Pierson, pastor at the Greater St. Mark Family Church in St. Louis, said after a recent protest march, "If we're going to change the system to work for us, we need to run for office and vote for ourselves."

That cuts to the chase. And in the meantime, inconveniences aren't mountains.

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World in brief

Indonesian passenger plane that crashed was carrying \$470,000 in government cash

JAYAPURA, Indonesia (AP) — A passenger plane with 54 people on board that crashed in the mountains of eastern Indonesia was carrying nearly half a million dollars in government cash for poor families to help offset a spike in fuel prices, a local postal official said Monday.

Smoldering wreckage of the Trigana Air Service turbo-prop plane was spotted from the air Monday morning in a rugged area of the eastern-most province of Papua, rescue officials said. There was no immediate word if there were any survivors from Sunday's crash, which happened in bad weather.

Four postal workers aboard the plane were escorting four bags of cash totaling \$468,750 in government fuel aid money, Haryono, the head of the post office in Jayapura, the provincial capital, told *The Associated Press*.

The ATR42-300 twin turbo-prop plane was flying from Jayapura to the city of Oksibil when it lost contact. Transportation Ministry spokesman Julius Barata said there was no indication that the pilot had made a distress call.

The cash from the Social Affairs Ministry was to be distributed among poor people in remote areas to cushion the jump in fuel costs, said Haryono, who like many Indonesians goes by one name.

Trump proposes finishing wall, denying citizenship to babies of immigrants in US illegally

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump wants to deny citizenship to the babies of immigrants living in the U.S. illegally as part of an immigration plan that emphasizes border security and deportation for millions.

He would also rescind Obama administration executive orders on immigration. Trump described his expanded vision of how to secure American borders during a wide-ranging interview Sunday on NBC's "Meet The Press," saying that he would push to end the constitutionally protected citizenship rights of children of any family living illegally inside the U.S.

"They have to go," Trump said, adding: "What they're doing, they're having a baby. And then all of a sudden, nobody knows ... the baby's here."

Native-born children of immigrants — even those living illegally in the U.S. — have been automatically considered American citizens since the adoption of the 14th Amendment of the Constitution in 1868.

Residents whose homes damaged in Tianjin blasts demand compensation; death toll at 114

TIANJIN, China (AP) — About a hundred people whose residences were damaged in the massive Tianjin blasts gathered Monday for a protest to demand compensation from the government as the death toll from the disaster rose to 114 with 70 still missing.

The blasts on Wednesday night originated at a warehouse for hazardous material, where 700 tons of sodium cyanide — a toxic chemical that can form combustible substances on contact with water — were being stored in amounts that violated safety rules. That has prompted contamination fears and a major

cleanup of a 3-kilometer (1.8-mile) -radius, cordoned-off area in this Chinese port city southeast of Beijing.

Chinese work safety rules require such facilities to be at least 1,000 meters (3,300 feet) away from residences, public buildings and highways. But online map searches show the Ruihai International Logistics warehouse was within 500 meters of both an expressway and a 100,000-square-meter (1-million-square-foot) apartment complex. Those apartments had walls singed and windows shattered, and all the residents have been evacuated.

"We victims demand: Government, buy back our houses," said a banner carried by the residents at a protest outside the Tianjin hotel where officials have held daily news conferences about the disaster. "Kids are asking: How can we grow up healthy?" read another banner.

Tianjin officials have been hard-pressed to answer how the warehouse was allowed to operate in its location. Questions also have been raised about management of the warehouse, and the country's top prosecuting office announced Sunday that it was setting up a team to investigate possible offenses related to the massive blasts, including dereliction of duty and abuse of power. Ruihai's general manager is in hospital under police watch.

2016 hopefuls hit the gym and skip the pie — most of the time — on the campaign trail

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Scott Walker is counting steps on his FitBit. Jeb Bush swears by the Paleo diet. Bobby Jindal is a "gym rat."

With long travel days and a fresh slab of cherry pie never far away, the campaign trail is notoriously unhealthy. But many 2016 presidential candidates are striving to make smart lifestyle choices as they tour the small town diners and pizza places of the early voting states.

"I try to do at least 10,000 steps a day," said Walker, the Wisconsin governor.

He said he got the step-counting wristband for Christmas and competes with his family and staff to see who moves the most in a day. He added, "The FitBit's got me obsessed."

Walker isn't the only candidate trying to get exercise on the road. Florida Sen. Marco Rubio does an early morning workout in hotel gyms. Texas Sen. Ted Cruz also wears a FitBit and likes to take phone calls while walking.

Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum does at least 50 pushups a day and former executive Carly Fiorina works out on the elliptical most mornings, aides said.

AP EXCLUSIVE: California measure fails to create promised green jobs, energy savings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Three years after California voters

passed a ballot measure to raise taxes on corporations and generate clean energy jobs by funding energy-efficiency projects in schools, barely one-tenth of the promised jobs have been created, and the state has no comprehensive list to show how much work has been done or how much energy has been saved.

Money is trickling in at a slower-than-anticipated rate, and more than half of the \$297 million given to schools so far has gone to consultants and energy auditors. The board created to oversee the project and submit annual progress reports to the Legislature has never met, according to a review by *The Associated Press*.

Voters in 2012 approved the Clean Energy Jobs Act by a large margin, closing a tax loophole for multistate corporations. The Legislature decided to send half the money to fund clean energy projects in schools, promising to generate more than 11,000 jobs each year.

Instead, only 1,700 jobs have been created in three years, raising concerns about whether the money is accomplishing what voters were promised.

"Accountability boards that are rubber stamps are fairly common, but accountability boards that don't meet at all are a big problem," said Douglas Johnson, a state government expert at Claremont McKenna College in Southern California.

Former NAACP Chairman Julian Bond remember

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for a lifetime of civil rights work

ATLANTA (AP) — Through the tough struggles of the civil rights movement, Julian Bond always kept his sense of humor, and it was his steady demeanor that helped him persist despite the inevitable difficulties involved, his wife recalled.

Bond "never took his eyes off the prize and that was always racial equality," Pamela Horowitz told *The Associated Press* on Sunday.

Bond died Saturday in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., Horowitz said. He was 75. Horowitz said she did not yet know the exact cause of death, but that her husband had circulatory problems.

Bond's life traced the arc of the civil rights movement, from his efforts as a militant young man to start a student protest group, through a long career in politics and his leadership of the NAACP almost four decades later.

Year after year, the calm, telegenic Bond was one of the nation's most poetic voices for equality, inspiring fellow activists with his words in the 1960s and sharing the movement's vision with succeeding generations as a speaker and academic.

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Cowboys:

McFadden joining race to replace Murray

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Darren McFadden is ready to give Joseph Randle a run for the job of replacing NFL rushing champion DeMarco Murray in Dallas.

And the top five pick by Oakland in 2008 is looking to put seven mostly disappointing and injury-plagued seasons with the Raiders behind him. And he's facing plenty of skeptics after missing the first two weeks of his first training camp with the Cowboys because of a hamstring issue.

"Everybody's entitled to their own opinion," the 27-year-old running back said Saturday after taking handoffs in practice for the first time. "So that's something I'm not going to

dwell on or worry about. I'm just going to go out there and play ball and show everybody Darren McFadden."

He hasn't shown the Cowboys much since signing in March, days after Murray picked NFC East rival Philadelphia in free agency.

McFadden had always had a natural tie to Cowboys owner Jerry Jones with Arkansas, their mutual alma mater. Jones couldn't resist the suggestion that McFadden might finally fulfill his promise running behind one of the NFL's best offensive lines, with three first-round picks from the past five drafts.

But the Cowboys tempered that talk after McFadden sat out most of the offseason

with a hamstring issue, then reported to camp with another hamstring problem. After two weeks of conditioning work on the side, he finally took some handoffs in the morning walkthrough Saturday.

"I'm the type of guy I want to be out there hustling with my teammates and putting in the work with them," McFadden said. "So it's very hard for me. But I'm out there now. So I'm just looking forward to being out there and hustling with them."

Coach Jason Garrett said the Cowboys were likely to bring McFadden along slowly, and they showed it by limiting him to individual drills in the afternoon practice Saturday. That's in keeping with Jones' desire to be careful with him.

"The good news is he's in great shape and they've really spent a lot of time working on that aspect of him being ready to go," Jones said. "We've got a big investment in time in terms of him getting in football-playing shape."

Lance Dunbar also returned to practice Saturday after missing a week with a sprained right ankle. And Randle, who has been the clear leader to replace Murray almost by default, was slowed slightly before the preseason opener at San Diego with a strained muscle in his side.

Because of his injury, Randle skipped the 17-7 loss to the Chargers while undrafted rookie Gus Johnson got most of the work, gaining 35 yards on 13 carries before going out

with a separated shoulder that could sideline him for a while in camp.

But even a healthy Johnson couldn't keep the focus off the competition between Randle, McFadden and Dunbar. It was the biggest position battle for Dallas coming into camp, and a two-week delay didn't change that much.

"Now that there is some competition out here, you are going to see some 'hellified' running," said Gary Brown, the running backs coach.

Dunbar, an undrafted player in his fourth year, has always been viewed as more of a specialty back whereas McFadden has the size (6-foot-1, 220 pounds) to be an every-down power back in the same mold as Murray.



AP photo

Tampa Bay Rays catcher Curt Casali, left, misses the tag against Texas Rangers' Delino DeShields (7) as umpire Hal Gibson, center, looks on during the first inning of their baseball game in Arlington, Texas, Sunday.

NASCAR: Kenseth in control Sunday

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — Matt Kenseth had little to say about how NASCAR's rules package affected his race at Michigan International Speedway.

"I didn't see much of the race, which was totally fine with me," he said. "We were up front the whole time."

Kenseth started in the lead, stayed there for most of the race and finished with his third Sprint Cup victory of the season Sunday, beating Kevin Harvick by 1.7 seconds.

It was the second race under NASCAR's high-drag aerodynamic package, which was also in place at Indianapolis last month in an effort to improve passing. At Michigan, Kenseth won while leading 146 of 200 laps — so whatever excitement there was occurred further back in the pack.

"Cars could really, at the end of the straightaway, gain on others, two or three car lengths," said Jason Ratcliff, Kenseth's crew chief. "But they just couldn't do much once they got there, and they got down in the corner. They were kind of helpless. On the restarts, it got exciting. ... I'd say eighth place back, it was fun to watch. Like Matt said, I'm glad he was watching it in the rear-view mirror."

Kenseth led for 73 percent of the laps Sunday, the highest percentage by anyone in a Cup race this year.

He'd led for only 147 laps all season before dominating this 400-mile race in his No. 20 Toyota.

It was his 34th career victory, and Joe Gibbs Racing has won five of the last six Cup races — two by Kenseth and three by Kyle Busch.

"You really need to enjoy it, because about 10 races back, we were struggling, trying to get there," Gibbs said. "You just hope now that we'll be able to hold some momentum here and head into the Chase, but it's very hard to do."

Beltre, Strausborger homer to pace Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Adrian Beltre's 406th career home run was no big deal to the 18-year veteran.

But Ryan Strausborger's first homer, in his seventh major league game, was part of a dream come true.

Beltre's tiebreaking homer in the third inning and Strausborger's homer in the next spoiled Drew Smyly's return, and the Texas Rangers beat the Tampa Bay Rays 5-3 on Sunday afternoon.

"It was awesome," Strausborger said.

"It was hard not to run around the bases with a smile on my face, but I couldn't help but smile when they all greeted me at the dugout.

"Not necessarily hitting a home run for your first time in the big leagues, but getting to the big leagues, was the

dream."

For the 27-year-old Strausborger, the call came Aug. 4, when the Rangers selected his contract from Triple-A Round Rock.

He was playing in his sixth minor league season.

The right-handed batter was in the lineup against left-hander Smyly, who had been on the disabled list since May because of a torn labrum in his shoulder.

"I felt like it was my first game all over again," Smyly said.

The Rangers treated him roughly. After Tampa Bay took leads of 1-0 and 3-2, Texas came back to tie the game 3-3 before the long balls finished the scoring.

Smyly (0-2) lasted four innings. He gave up seven hits, two walks and five earned

runs.

The Rangers swept the three-game series and have won four straight games and seven in a row at home.

"The last 2 weeks we got a new bullpen, we got (Mike) Napoli back and we got a couple of guys on the bench that give us a better lineup," Beltre said.

He wouldn't say the moves made Texas a playoff-caliber team.

"We always have," he said with a smile.

Yovani Gallardo (9-9) gave up three runs in the first two innings but blanked the Rays over the next 3 1-3 for his second straight win. He allowed 11 hits and a walk and struck out one.

Sam Freeman relieved Gallardo with one out and a runner at second base in the sixth

and retired both batters he faced.

Shawn Tolleson pitched a scoreless ninth inning for his 23rd save in 24 chances.

Beltre drove in two runs, and Strausborger was 3 for 4.

"Young man had a big day," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said. "This is a young man that is learning how to compete in the big leagues and contributing. In the middle of it. He made a huge impact today."

The Rays' Kevin Kiermaier also was 3 for 4, including a run-scoring double in the second, and stole a base.

Tampa Bay had taken a 1-0 lead in the first inning on James Loney's run-scoring single.

Shin-Soo Choo's double and Beltre's sacrifice fly drove in Texas' two runs in the first.

Altuve RBI single wins it in 9th inning for Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Altuve has always enjoyed coming through for the Houston Astros in the clutch.

Now that every win inches them closer to their first playoff berth in 10 years, the All-Star second baseman relishes those moments even more.

Altuve hit an RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning and the Astros, boosted by two homers from Colby Rasmus, beat the Detroit Tigers 6-5 Sunday.

"Every time you do some-

thing for your team and you win you're going to feel good. You're going to enjoy it," Altuve said. "Especially in the moment that we're living right now where we're in first place and we have to win."

Miguel Cabrera homered, doubled and drove in three runs for Detroit.

Jake Marisnick tripled off Tom Gorzelanny (1-2) with two outs in the Houston ninth. Alex Wilson relieved and Altuve singled on the first pitch for his third hit of the game.

The AL West-leading Astros chased Altuve as he rounded second base and rookie Carlos Correa tackled him in jubilation. Correa was in the hole when Altuve went up to hit and said he put his bat on the rack because he knew Altuve would come through.

"He's the right guy for the right spot and we have a lot of confidence when he steps to the plate when guys are in scoring position to give us a chance to win the game and he always delivers," Correa said.

Will Harris (5-2) allowed two hits and a run in two innings for the win.

The Tigers had tied it on an RBI single by Tyler Collins in the eighth.

The Astros built a 5-2 lead on the homers by Rasmus. A two-run drive by Cabrera got the Tigers within a run in the seventh.

Rasmus hit a solo homer to begin a four-run second. Marwin Gonzalez had a two-run triple and Correa tacked on another run with a single.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's much that will happen just because you're willing to allow it. Say "yes" to every paying opportunity that comes along today. Finances will improve. Every new responsibility will open a world to you.

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come.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The minute you find yourself trying to manage someone else's problem, you're off purpose. Stick to fulfilling your own desires. It's not selfish; it's necessary right now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The games people play will be deeply involving. Note that if the game does suit you, it won't help to change the rules instead.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There is a link between material abundance and spiritual grace. And yet, it's important to note that it is not necessary to give up all of your money in order to save your soul.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's not something you think about often because you're used to living peacefully, but others will notice today, and, yes, you will be judged by the harmony you create in your relationships.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you like someone, that person looks better to you. That's why physical appearance

is only a small part of what it takes to look good. This principle of attraction will work in your favor today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). For the next 24 hours, you will try to put a positive spin on everything you see and make it your job to enjoy yourself at all times. This will not be easy, but it is entirely possible!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Endings are beginnings, so there's nothing to dread. You'll be graceful through whatever passage life brings you. Hold your head high and walk without fear.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even though some bits of the day will feel predestined, you still do the diligent things that keep you and everyone around you safe and healthy. You have the perfect combination of faith and practicality.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are better than most at understanding what makes people tick and predicting what they are likely to do next. Today you can

use this talent to make money.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The accomplishment you're trying to pull off is daunting, perhaps because you know that its completion will start a life-altering chain reaction. Let that idea motivate you to march on.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 17). This is a year when people see you for you and support your unique abilities. Enjoy increased cash flow in September. You'll be free at last to run a project your own way. In 2016, you'll reap rich rewards through your reputation and loyalty. March and June are stellar times to get away for a vacation. Sagittarius and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 2, 22, 4 and 14.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I'm a Gemini woman in love with a mature, caring Aquarius man. We are compatible in many ways, but I feel a little insecure when it comes to other women -- I guess because I'm a little older than he is.

What should I do?"

You are wise and very honest with yourself, which are two qualities that will help you make choices for your own happiness. Gemini happens to be the sign of perpetual youth, and you probably are retaining beautifully your youthful looks and energy and will continue to do so long after the rest of your age group has entered the world of senior citizenry. Nevertheless, your worry is normal and common. Astrologically speaking, your signs are very compatible, both airy, mental, adventurous, friendly and variety loving. Friendship between you is the bond that will carry you through the pain that every love involvement brings from time to time. As friends, if you have based your relationship on honesty and common interests, he should be able to be frank with you about his romantic feelings. Mature Aquarius men are usually one-love-at-a-time types.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Robert De Niro will star in

the upcoming thriller "Bus 657," in which he plays a character called The Pope. Widely considered to be the greatest actor of his time, De Niro teams a warrior spirit with a workman's approach to his craft. The Leo master was born under an artistic Pisces moon, and his natal Mercury and Venus are in Virgo, the sign of industriousness and growth.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: My husband and I are in our 60s. Recently, he hugged a new neighbor and kissed her on the cheek. She is our age and divorced. We don't know her well at all. I was shocked, embarrassed and angry.

I commented later, asking my husband if he hugged and kissed any of the other women (all married) in our group of friends. He thinks I'm being ridiculous. But he has done similar things times in the past whenever there's a new female around. It's like he can't help it. He becomes completely obsessed with the "new girl."

We've been married a long time. I told him he should always act like a married man and that his flirtatious behavior makes me feel terrible and I don't want to experience it anymore. I'm in shape and attractive. I've thought about doing something to make my husband jealous to see how he reacts. Right now, I'm fed up and considering a divorce so I can enjoy the rest of my life. What's the deal? -- Fed Up in Music City

Dear Fed Up: It sounds like your husband is feeling his age and finds that something

"new" makes him feel young and frisky again. This is only threatening to your marriage if he acts on these impulses with more than hugs and cheek kisses, and the woman reacts with equal interest. The next step is entirely up to you.

You cannot force your husband to change unless he recognizes the need and is willing. So, knowing that these flirtations go no further, can you tolerate them? Is this the only sore spot in your marriage? Do the pros outweigh the cons? Would you be willing to get counseling (with or without him) to work on the issue? Do you really want to leave him over this? Often, the decisions we make when we are angry or frustrated turn out to be regretted. Please give the situation a great deal of thought before you act, and consider your options carefully.

Dear Annie: I feel I must give "Carol in Columbus, Oh.," one more word of wisdom to add to your good advice.

She said she wanted to start up her own small business, but her husband was very controlling when it came to money. Please tell her to make sure she sees

a lawyer right from the start. She needs to be certain that this new venture she is starting with her own money, credit, sweat and tears remains her own property. There are ways to separate it from the controlling husband.

I know, because I started my own business seven years ago. My husband would not sign anything to help me in my new venture, so I did it all myself with my meager savings and a small gift from my mom. Now that the business is a big success he calls it "ours" and claims half of everything, even though he has not contributed a day of work or a dollar of

investment. Carol should be smarter.

-- Been There Done That

Dear Been There: Whenever starting a business, legal advice is always a good idea. Thanks for the additional suggestion.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Famous Hand

West dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A J 10 4
♥ K Q 10 5
♦ A Q 10
♣ 6 3

WEST
♠ 9 2
♥ 7
♦ K J 7 4 3
♣ A Q 10 7 4

EAST
♠ 8 3
♥ A 6 4 3 2
♦ 9 6 5 2
♣ 9 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q 7 6 5
♥ J 9 8
♦ 8
♣ K J 8 2

The bidding:
West North East South
1♦ Dble 2♦ 4♠
Opening lead — seven of hearts.

This deal occurred in the 1981 London Invitational Pairs. It features a play that would leave most observers scratching their heads when it was made, but which proved to be absolutely necessary to the success of the contract.

The declarer at four spades was Zia Mahmood, renowned Pakistani expert. West led the seven of hearts, won by East with the ace. Recognizing the opening lead as a singleton, East then returned the six of hearts. West ruffed and shifted to a low diamond, on which Zia played dummy's ten! This seemingly frivolous play proved to be the straw that broke the camel's back.

After the ten of diamonds held, Zia played five rounds of trumps and then led a heart to dummy's queen, producing this four-card ending:

North		East	
♥ 10	♦ A Q	♠ 6	Immateral
West		South	
♦ K J	♣ A Q	♠ K J 8 2	

The ten-of-hearts continuation from dummy placed West in a hopeless position. In practice, he discarded the queen of clubs, whereupon Zia led a club and won the last two tricks with dummy's A-Q of diamonds to bring home the contract.

Zia had visualized at trick three the situation that would develop at trick 10. He credited West with all 10 of the missing high-card points — the K-J of diamonds and A-Q of clubs — for his opening bid of one diamond and proceeded accordingly. Viewed in this light, the deep finesse in diamonds was not so remarkable, but the fact is that most declarers would not have seen that light.

Tomorrow: Good play overcomes bad luck.
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	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
5 :PM	News	Hotel	Two Men	News	Tele	News	Uri Harel	PBS News-Hour	CHiPs	Cops Rel.	Seinfeld (DVS)	Castle (DVS)	SportsCenter	Baseball Outside	XTERRA World	NCIS	The First 48	Vegas Rat Rods
6 :PM	Jeopardy!	La Sombra del	Big Bang	News	Caso Cer-rado	News	McDonald	Business	M*A*S*H	King/Hill	Seinfeld (DVS)	Castle (DVS)	Baseball	SportsCenter Spec.	Sportsday Pregame	NCIS	The First 48	Vegas Rat Rods
7 :PM	Bachelor in Paradise	Amores con Trampa	So You Think You Can Dance	Broke Girl	Avenida Brasil (SS)	American Ninja Warrior (DVS)	Upd	Antiques Roadshow	Griffith	Penn & Teller	Fam. Guy (DVS)	Castle (DVS)	MLB Baseball: Teams TBA.	Year of the Quarterback	MLB Baseball: Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers.	WWE Monday Night RAW	The First 48	Vegas Rat Rods
8 :PM	After Paradise	Lo Imperdonable	Mod Fam	NCIS: Los Angeles	El Señor de los	Running Wild	Upd	Antiques Roadshow	Who's the Boss?	American	Castle (DVS)	30 for 30					The First 48	Vegas Rat Rods
9 :PM	(01) The Whispers	Creo/los Hombres	Mod Fam	NCIS: Los Angeles	El Señor de los	Running Wild	Upd	Antiques Roadshow	Who's the Boss?	American	Castle (DVS)	30 for 30					The First 48	(01) Cuban Chrome
10 :PM	News	Impacto	Cleveland	News	Tele	News	House	Mani	Vicious	Conan	Murder in the First	SportsCenter	SportsCenter Spec.	Rangers Camp	WWE Tough Enough	The First 48	(02) Vegas Rat Rods (DVS)	
11 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Contacto	How I Met	(35) CSI: Cyber	Bajo el Mismo Cielo	Seth Meyers	Yohanan	T. Smiley	Banacek	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun	Commun
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, August 17, the 229th day of 2015. There are 136 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

- On August 17, 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Georgia, lynched Jewish businessman Leo Frank, 31, whose death sentence for the murder of 13-year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment. (Frank, who'd maintained his innocence, was pardoned by the state of Georgia in 1986.)
- On this date: In 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat began heading up the Hudson River on its successful round trip between New York and Albany.
- In 1863, Federal batteries and ships began bombarding Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during the Civil War, but the Confederates managed to hold on despite several days of pounding.
- In 1943, the Allied conquest of Sicily during World War II was completed as U.S. and British forces entered Messina.
- In 1945, Indonesian national-

ists declared their independence from the Netherlands. The George Orwell novel "Animal Farm," an allegorical satire of Soviet Communism, was first published in London by Martin Secker & Warburg.

In 1962, East German border guards shot and killed 18-year-old Peter Fechter, who had attempted to cross the Berlin Wall into the western sector.

In 1969, Hurricane Camille slammed into the Mississippi coast as a Category 5 storm that was blamed for 256 U.S. deaths, three in Cuba.

In 1978, the first successful trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman landed their Double Eagle II outside Paris.

In 1982, the first commercially produced compact discs, a recording of ABBA's "The Visitors," were pressed at a Philips factory near Hanover, West Germany.

In 1985, more than 1,400 meat-packers walked off the job at the Geo. A. Hormel and Co.'s main plant in Austin, Minnesota, in a bitter strike that lasted just over a year.

In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at Spandau Prison at age 93, an apparent suicide.

In 1998, President Bill Clinton gave grand jury testimony via closed-circuit television from

the White House concerning his relationship with Monica Lewinsky; he then delivered a TV address in which he denied previously committing perjury, admitted his relationship with Lewinsky was "wrong," and criticized Kenneth Starr's investigation.

In 1999, more than 17,000 people were killed when a magnitude 7.4 earthquake struck Turkey.

Ten years ago: Israeli security forces poured into four Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip, beginning the forcible removal of protesters who'd refused orders to leave the area ahead of a deadline. Three car bombs exploded in Baghdad, killing up to 43 people.

Thought for Today:
"It is not love that is blind, but jealousy."
Lawrence Durrell
British-born author (1912-1990).

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AGNES

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HI AND LOIS

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THE OTHER COAST

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SNUFFY SMITH

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Newsday Crossword

NOT IMPORTANT by Gail Grabowski
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ACROSS

- Prepare, as potatoes
- Sharpshooter's magnifier
- Cole ___ (side dish)
- Skin-cream ingredient
- Santa's helpers
- Underground coal source
- Impolite
- Pulls apart, as paper
- Suffix for luncheon
- Casual conversation
- Evaluated
- Verse writers
- Hair ringlet
- Kindhearted
- Hold the deed to
- "All kidding ___"
- Book's backbone
- Fictional Van Winkle
- Jogged
- United Nations goal
- An hour after noon
- Self-esteem
- After-dinner candies
- Major tourist draw
- Snake
- Loan officer, for example
- Toward sunrise
- Steam bath
- Robins and wrens
- Office fund for odds and ends
- "Little ___ Fauntleroy"

DOWN

- Gemstone weight
- ___ fish
- Sandwich
- Military no-show, for short
- Viewpoint
- Make revisions to
- Undecorated
- Fishing-rod attachments
- Quick swims
- Scratches up
- Grad
- Any carbonated soft drink
- Comfy shoe insert
- Small sofa
- Sports shoe attachment
- Racetrack shapes
- Fringe benefit
- Letter before tee
- Mascara mishaps
- Capital of Arkansas
- Start a poker pot
- Unwanted garden plant
- ___ Star State (Texas)
- Deceptive plan
- Edible ice-cream holder
- Rabbit relatives
- Common practice
- Misstep
- Snapshots, for short
- From that time
- Asparagus piece
- Placed in the mailbox
- Portion of butter
- Half a quart
- Untidiness
- Quite a few
- Passed, as legislation
- Table-tennis implement
- Flat-topped hills
- Twiled suit material
- In any way
- Spill the beans
- Where Des Moines is
- Sheet of glass
- German auto
- Scissors sound
- Berets and bonnets
- Coupe or sedan

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Answer to previous puzzle

S	T	A	T	E	M	A	P	G	E	L	A	T	O
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Scoreboard

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	64	52	.552	—
Toronto	65	54	.546	½
Baltimore	60	56	.517	4
Tampa Bay	58	59	.496	6½
Boston	52	65	.444	12½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	70	46	.603	—
Minnesota	59	58	.504	11½
Detroit	56	61	.479	14½
Chicago	55	60	.478	14½
Cleveland	54	62	.466	16

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	64	54	.542	—
Los Angeles	60	56	.517	3
Texas	59	57	.509	4
Seattle	55	63	.466	9
Oakland	51	68	.429	13½

San Francisco 64 53 .547 2½
Arizona 57 59 .491 9
San Diego 56 62 .475 11
Colorado 48 68 .414 18

Saturday's Games

Arizona 8, Atlanta 4
Chicago Cubs 6, Chicago White Sox 3
Milwaukee 4, Philadelphia 2
Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Mets 3, 14 innings

St. Louis 6, Miami 2
San Diego 7, Colorado 5
L.A. Dodgers 8, Cincinnati 3
San Francisco 12, Washington 6

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 8, N.Y. Mets 1
Atlanta 2, Arizona 1, 10 innings
Chicago White Sox 3, Chicago Cubs 1
Milwaukee 6, Philadelphia 1
Miami 6, St. Louis 4
San Francisco 5, Washington 0
L.A. Dodgers 2, Cincinnati 1
Colorado 5, San Diego 0

Monday's Games

Arizona (Hellickson 8-8) at Pittsburgh (G.Cole 14-6), 7:05 p.m.
Miami (Nicolino 1-1) at Milwaukee (Garza 6-12), 8:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Heston 11-7) at St. Louis (Wacha 14-4), 8:15 p.m.
Atlanta (W.Perez 4-3) at San Diego (Rea 1-0), 10:10 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Arizona at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.
San Francisco at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.
Washington at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Atlanta at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.

RHP Jake Brigham to Gwinnett (IL). Selected the contract of RHP Peter Moylan from Gwinnett. Sent 1B Freddie Freeman to Gwinnett for a rehab assignment.
NEW YORK METS — Sent RHP Erik Goeddel to Binghamton (EL) for a rehab assignment.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Sent RHP Rob Scahill to Indianapolis (IL) for a rehab assignment. Agreed to terms with RHP Frank Herrmann on a minor league contract.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Sent OF Denard Span to Potomac (Carolina) for a rehab assignment.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
AMARILLO THUNDERHEADS — Signed INF Ricardo Rodriguez.
LAREDO LEMURS — Released RHP Sean Tracey.
WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Released C Chris Robinson.

Can-Am League
QUEBEC CAPITALES — Released RHP Garrett Granitz. Signed RHP Judd Schmelzter.

6. (3) Carl Edwards, Toyota, 200, \$97,890.
7. (10) Joey Logano, Ford, 200, 37, \$137,348.
8. (17) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 200, 36, \$130,540.
9. (14) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 200, 35, \$141,756.
10. (9) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 200, 34, \$107,415.
11. (6) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 200, 34, \$132,906.
12. (24) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 200, 32, \$98,790.
13. (34) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 200, 31, \$118,098.
14. (30) Aric Almirola, Ford, 200, 31, \$126,501.
15. (11) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 200, 29, \$103,615.
16. (18) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 200, 28, \$118,431.
17. (21) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 200, 28, \$132,826.
18. (13) David Ragan, Toyota, 200, 26, \$114,879.
19. (15) Sam Hornish Jr., Ford, 200, 25, \$113,610.
20. (16) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 199, 24, \$102,340.
21. (5) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 199, 23, \$113,754.
22. (25) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 198, 22, \$127,390.
23. (20) Greg Biffle, Ford, 198, 21, \$117,023.
24. (19) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 198, 0, \$82,390.
25. (23) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 198, 19, \$93,415.
26. (27) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 198, 18, \$93,015.
27. (35) Cole Whitt, Ford, 198, 17, \$102,823.
28. (26) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 198, 16, \$115,573.

29. (28) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 197, 15, \$106,398.
30. (32) Matt DiBenedetto, Toyota, 197, 14, \$98,798.
31. (33) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 197, 13, \$93,062.
32. (36) David Gilliland, Ford, 197, 12, \$88,915.
33. (29) Jeb Burton, Toyota, 197, 11, \$80,840.
34. (38) Brett Moffitt, Ford, 197, 10, \$80,740.
35. (39) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 197, 9, \$80,565.
36. (31) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 196, 0, \$80,515.
37. (41) Josh Wise, Ford, 196, 7, \$80,454.
38. (37) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 194, 0, \$75,877.
39. (8) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 190, 5, \$119,741.
40. (42) Travis Kvapil, Chevrolet, 190, 0, \$67,805.
41. (12) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 164, 4, \$97,963.

42. (40) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, over/heat, 51, 2, \$67,805.
43. (43) Timmy Hill, Chevrolet, parked, 9, 0, \$56,305.

Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 143.455 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 47 minutes, 18 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 1.722 seconds.
Caution Flags: 8 for 31 laps.
Lead Changes: 16 among 8 drivers.
Lap Leaders: M.Kenseth 1-22; A.Dillon 23-40; M.Kenseth 41-59; J.Gordon 60; Ky.Busch 61-62; M.Kenseth 63-75; C.Bowyer 76; M.Kenseth 77-98; K.Harvick 99-113; C.Edwards 114-116; M.Kenseth 117-122; C.Edwards 123-124; A.Dillon 125; M.Kenseth 126-164; Ky.Busch 165-172; A.Almirola 173-175; M.Kenseth 176-200.

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 4, Toronto 1
Boston 22, Seattle 10
Baltimore 4, Oakland 3
Chicago Cubs 6, Chicago White Sox 3

Minnesota 4, Cleveland 1
Detroit 4, Houston 2, 11 innings
Kansas City 9, L.A. Angels 4
Texas 12, Tampa Bay 4

Sunday's Games

Toronto 3, N.Y. Yankees 1
Baltimore 18, Oakland 2
Texas 10, Boston 8, 12 innings
Chicago White Sox 3, Chicago Cubs 1

Minnesota 4, Cleveland 1
Houston 6, Detroit 5
Texas 5, Tampa Bay 3
L.A. Angels at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.

Monday's Games

Minnesota (Gibson 8-9) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 4-9), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (S.Gray 12-4) at Baltimore (Tillman 8-7), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 10-6) at Boston (M.Barnes 3-2), 7:10 p.m.
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FOOTBALL
National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS — Released OL DeMarcus Love. Signed CB Travis Howard, LB Terrell Manning and RB Evan Royster.
BUFFALO BILLS — Activated PK Dan Carpenter from the non-football injury list.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Waived OL Joe Madsen and DL Christian Tupou. Signed LB Everette Brown and DB Aaron Ross.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Waived WR George Farmer. Signed WR David Porter.
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Waived OT Chris Martin. Signed G Bryant Browning.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed S Brandon Meriweather. Waived PK Chris Boswell. Placed S Mykkele Thompson on injured reserve.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Activated WR Rod Streater from the non-football injury list.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Activated QB Bruce Gradkowski from the PUP list.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Placed TE Niles Paul and TE Logan Paulsen on injured reserve. Waived/injured RB Silas Redd Jr. Signed TE Ernst Brun.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

DETROIT RED WINGS — Agreed to terms with D Robbie Russo on a two-year, entry-level contract.

COLLEGE
WINSTON-SALEM STATE — Named Randy Butt associate athletics director for business and finance.

NASCAR
At Michigan International Speedway
Brooklyn, Mich.
Lap length: 2 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

- (1) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 200 laps, 48 points, \$226,586.
- (7) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 200, 43, \$185,285.
- (22) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 200, 41, \$137,130.
- (4) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 41, \$150,746.
- (2) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 200, 39, \$114,000.


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