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Officials suspect death a homicide

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

Big Spring police are casting a skeptical eye at a Saturday death of a Big Spring woman that was originally reported as a suicide.

Gloria Martinez, 52, was found dead at a residence at 707 Lorilla early Saturday afternoon.

"(BSPD) officers were dispatched to that address in reference to a suicide," a BSPD news release stated. "Big Spring Fire Department and EMS also responded and found the victim was deceased."

Shortly after Criminal Investigations Division personnel arrived at the scene, however, officials began to doubt Martinez's death was by her own hand.

"CID personnel responded to the scene and found suspicious circumstances surrounding the death," the news release stated. "Detectives are proceeding with this investigation as a homicide and are continuing to piece together information and evidence received."

Officials said they would not be able to release any further information on the incident, citing the ongoing status of the investigation.

Anyone with information regarding Martinez's death is encouraged to call CrimeStoppers at 432-263-8477. You can also leave an anonymous tip using the "P3 Tips" mobile app or from BSPD's web site (www.bigspringpd.net).

Award-winning bands



Photo by Deena Richardson (deenaphotos.photorelect.com)

Coahoma High School's band marches at a festival recently to prepare for UIL competition, which was held Saturday in Odessa. The Big Red Band and Forsan High School both earned a Division I rating — the highest rating — in their respective classes.

Coahoma, Forsan bands ace UIL contest tests

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

ODESSA — Howard County schools shined at the University Interscholastic League Region 6 Marching Contest Saturday.

Both Coahoma and Forsan High school bands marched away with Division I Ratings in their respective district classes at the all-day competition held at Ratliff Stadium

in Odessa.

Although neither band advanced to Area competition as it's not a state year for either Class 2A and Class 3A school districts, earning the top rating is important because it puts both bands on tract for a Sweepstakes award at the end of the year. Bands earn a Sweepstakes award if they receive Division I ratings for marching, concert, and sight-reading com-

petition.

"Saturday's performance was terrific," said Jim Rhodes, Forsan High School band director. "We played well and received great comments from the judges. We received all Division Is from the judges. It was a nice way to end the marching competition season. We did well in all

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Isaiah 58's mission: Distribute food to the hungry in this area

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one in a continuing series of stories profiling agencies supported by the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

"And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day" — Isaiah 58:10.

A local United Way beneficiary called Isaiah 58 takes the above scripture as its namesake, and the message as its mission.

Isaiah 58 board president Shawn Cooley explained that the organization exists to distribute food to the hungry.

"We give food out to ones who are in need," he said.

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Bloom assures voters election will be legit

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump has made headlines with his repeated claims that the upcoming general election is "rigged" in favor of his Democratic opponent Hillary Clinton and has warned of the potential for massive voter fraud.

Howard County Election Administrator Sandra Bloom says it ain't so.

Bloom, a veteran of more than a quarter-century of overseeing elections, is assuring voters that — in this area at least — everything will be above-board when it comes to counting ballots and verifying voter eligibility.

"Our equipment has been tried and tested, and it's as accurate as we can possibly make it," Bloom said. "We have never had a problem with it."

Election fraud — actual tampering of voting results — would be exceedingly difficult for anyone to pull off, Bloom said. To counter such efforts, Texas has a three-tiered system in place to ensure the integrity of the vote count.

First comes the actual count on election night, when Bloom and her fellow election officials tally the vote. Once that is done, she sends the results via a secure, password-protected network and mails a hard copy of the tally to the Texas Secretary of State. Finally, Howard County results must be canvassed and approved by the county commissioners before they become official.

Other states have installed similar safeguards, officials noted.

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Obituaries

Richard Elmer Willadsen



Richard Elmer Willadsen, 77, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2016, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. He will lie in state at the funeral home beginning Sunday afternoon.

Richard was born Jan. 6, 1939, in Sheboygan, Wis., and married Linda Willadsen Jan. 11, 1976, in the studio of KBST radio station in Big Spring, Texas.

He was a retired Air Traffic Controller with the United States Air Force and was also an Assistant Fire Chief with the Howard County Volunteer Fire

Department. Richard retired again from Champion Chemical after 20 years with the company.

Richard is survived by his wife, Linda Willadsen of Big Spring; three sons, Richard "Rick" Willadsen and Lance Willadsen, both of Dumas, and Michael Willadsen and wife, Brenda of Temple; three daughters, Paula Spielbauer and husband Sean of Dumas, Kimberly Beckham of Ft. Worth, and Deanna Beckham of Grapevine; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one sister, Marilyn Farley of Toms River, N.J.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer Woodrow and Beulah Mae (Reichert) Willadsen; and two sisters, Karen Whitman and Barbara Willadsen.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MICHAEL PETERSON**, 20, of 4009 Dixon was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **SABRINA GUTIERREZ**, 41, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. #10 was arrested on a charge of aggravat-

ed assault with a deadly weapon causing serious bodily injury to a family member.

- **MICHAEL EUGENE MENDEZ**, 40, of 5219 Sterling was arrested on charges of graffiti (\$100 to \$750), driving with an invalid license, and failure to appear.
- **RICHARD ELISHA NEL-**

SON, 23, of 914 Angela Rd. was arrested on warrants for criminal trespassing and harassment.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported across the highway from the refinery at a church.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 600 block of State Street.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JASON HARVEY BEDFORD**, 32, was booked by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespassing.
- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 46, was booked by BSPD on warrants for bail jumping/failure to appear, littering, and forgery of a financial instrument.
- **GARY WAYNE DAVIS**, 27, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ALAN MITCHELL DUSH**, 38, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for burglary of a habitation, and on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **JORGE ANTONIO ESCA-**

JEDA, 41, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for cruelty to non-livestock animals.

• **CHRISTOPHER OCTAVIO GUTIERREZ**, 29, was booked by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated/open container.

• **JAMES WESLEY JOHN-SON**, 25, was booked by BSPD on a charge of deadly conduct.

• **DARRION JOSEPH LEMOINE**, 21, was booked by BSPD on a probation violation warrant for unauthorized entry.

• **JOANN HERNANDEZ LOPEZ**, 49, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear, and on charges of theft (less than \$100) and assault causing bodily injury.

• **TRAVIS ALLEN MELTON III**, 36, was booked by BSPD on a capias warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **MICHAEL DAVID MEN-**

DEZ, 42, was booked by BSPD on a charge of graffiti (\$100 to \$750), and on warrants for driving with an invalid license and failure to appear.

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• **JOSEPH EDWARD OLVEIRA**, 30, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury.

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• **MICHAEL WAYNE PETERSON III**, 20, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ALEJANDRO VALLEJO**, 22, was booked by HCSO on charges of public intoxication, criminal trespassing, and criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Borden and County Road 328. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of East FM 700. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of East 17th

Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of West 18th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Fairchild. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of East FM

700.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Fourth and State streets. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of East Sixth Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **SMOKE OR ODOR REMOVAL** was reported in the 100 block of North Nolan.

Take Note

• H-E-B is looking for non-profits agencies to set up information tables at the annual Feast of Sharing.

Please contact Sandy Stewart at 432-935-1604 to reserve a spot. Feast of Sharing will be held on Dec. 11 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

• The Western Sportsman Club will hold a Sight-In Day Oct. 29 starting at 9 a.m. The club will furnish targets and sandbags. For directions to the range and more information, call 432-270-5668.

• A benefit for Bethine McNally will be held on Dec. 3. Mrs. McNally is a Big Spring ISD employee and the wife of the pastor of New Life Ministries C.O.G.I.C.

She has been diagnosed with bilateral kidney cancer. The benefit will help support the McNally family in these difficult times. The money raised will go to the family's medical bills and daily expenses.

The benefit will include live music and food, as well as a silent auction. Anyone wishing to contribute to this event can

make a financial donation or contribute an item to be auctioned off.

Please send donations to P.O. Box 168, Big Spring or Wells Fargo Account No. 775238120.

For more information, contact Tamika Brawley at 325-895-4410 or at mikasmiles325@gmail.com.

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Gloria Martinez

Gloria Martinez, 51, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, in a local hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 10/25	Wed 10/26	Thu 10/27	Fri 10/28	Sat 10/29
☀️ 81/61	☀️ 87/60	☀️ 85/60	☀️ 85/61	☀️ 86/61
Mostly cloudy skies early, then partly cloudy in the afternoon. High 81F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.	Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Sunshine. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.
Sunrise: 7:57 AM Sunset: 7:01 PM	Sunrise: 7:58 AM Sunset: 7:00 PM	Sunrise: 7:59 AM Sunset: 6:59 PM	Sunrise: 8:00 AM Sunset: 6:59 PM	Sunrise: 8:01 AM Sunset: 6:58 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	82	63	Sunny
Amarillo	86	53	Sunny
Austin	84	64	P Cloudy
Beaumont	84	55	M Sunny
Brownsville	88	68	P Cloudy
Brownwood	83	61	M Cloudy
Corpus Christi	87	66	M Cloudy
Corsicana	83	62	M Cloudy
Dallas	84	64	P Cloudy
Del Rio	83	68	P Cloudy
El Paso	87	62	Sunny
Fort Stockton	84	62	Sunny
Gainesville	74	52	Sunny
Greenville	82	61	P Cloudy
Houston	84	65	Sunny
Kingsville	83	60	M Cloudy
Livingston	83	56	P Cloudy
Longview	79	56	M Cloudy
Lubbock	83	54	Sunny
Lufkin	82	55	P Cloudy
Midland	85	64	Sunny
Raymondville	90	65	M Cloudy
Rosenberg	84	54	Sunny
San Antonio	80	56	M Cloudy
San Marcos	84	62	M Cloudy
Sulphur Springs	75	54	M Cloudy
Sweetwater	82	64	Sunny
Tyler	81	59	M Cloudy
Weatherford	83	63	P Cloudy
Wichita Falls	84	62	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	80	53	P Cloudy
Boston	57	39	Sunny
Chicago	54	42	P Cloudy
Dallas	84	64	P Cloudy
Denver	78	51	P Cloudy
Houston	84	65	Sunny
Los Angeles	74	60	M Cloudy
Miami	80	71	Cloudy
Minneapolis	55	40	Sunny
New York	60	42	Sunny
Phoenix	95	72	P Cloudy
San Francisco	62	57	Cloudy
Seattle	62	51	M Cloudy
Saint Louis	68	51	Sunny

Moon Phases

Phase	Date
First	Oct 9
Full	Oct 16
Last	Oct 22
New	Oct 30

UV Index

Tue 10/25	Wed 10/26	Thu 10/27	Fri 10/28	Sat 10/29
5	6	5	5	5
Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

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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.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 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 patients, 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.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Welcome home, vets!



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

The West Texas VA Healthcare System held a "Welcome Home" event Saturday at Hangar 25. The purpose of the event was to welcome veterans of Operation New Dawn, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom home, and to provide information about resources and benefits to all veterans.

FOOD

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"We are client-choice. Clients come in and they get a basket and we go around the shelves, and if they can use what we have on the shelves, they can take it. They get a choice of what they want. We also give them a very good amount of frozen meats. We usually have one or two main courses, and then we usually have extra stuff that we give them. Then we have lunch meat, bacon, stuff like that. Sometimes eggs, sometimes milk. Sometimes we have some good produce that we are able to give out. And they leave with a basket full of groceries."

According to Cooley, Big Spring's Isaiah 58 is one of the largest food pantries within 16 area counties.

"We supply on average about 120 people a week, which is Monday and Tuesday from 4 to 6 we give out food. We have a group of volunteers that come down here every morning except for Thursdays and weekends, we come down here and prepare these items and food for the people."

The main eligibility requirement for receiving food from Isaiah 58 is income-based, Cooley said.

"There is an income stipulation which isn't too horrible," he said. "We're looking at, with one in the household, the top end is \$1,832 per month. A person can make up to that and still come down and apply for groceries. A family of eight can make up to \$6,304 a month. With that criteria even, the way the economy is now, we have many hard-working families that both the husband and wife are out in the workforce working, and they still have to have help. That's what we're here for."

The charity spends about \$10,000 monthly on food, Cooley said.

"Our food bill here averages about \$10,000 a month," he said. "We're feeding about 350-360, or up to 400 people a month. That's a lot of food."

United Way provides a lot of that bill.

"They send us a check about every two months, and I think it's about \$3,200. Most of it goes to food," he said.

"We're pretty fortunate on the building. The church rents us the building for a very good price. We try to do some of the small upkeep of the building because they give us a good deal. That's the (St. Paul's) Lutheran church that owns this building that we rent from. The First Christian Church, we do operate under their 501(c)3 (non-profit organization). If it weren't for them, we'd have to do a lot more work getting everything set up."

In addition, the annual United Way Rubber Ducky Race provides a lot of funds for Isaiah 58, said Cooley.

"That's one of our big money makers, and it's a family attraction. Kids love it," he said. "They have thousands of rubber ducks, and they have a number on them, and they turn them loose in the aquatic center in the park. They go down through there and they have little gates set up where if a certain number goes in that gate, you win a little prize. There was a very big prize that they were able to win this year; the Dodge house donated a Jeep for us. And there were several other smaller prizes down through there. Several people won something."

As is apparent from the name, Isaiah 58 is a faith-based charity.

"I was called here by God," Cooley said. "I really don't know why, but for several months, I kept on being told 'Isaiah, Isaiah.' And then one day I was driving by out front and I saw cars here and I saw Erma Dunne walking out on the sidewalk. She is the main founder of Isaiah 58, and I talked to her about volunteering. I have to say it turned into a lot more than I expected. I am constantly told that we have to keep compassion for people. Anybody. We're all in this to serve the Lord, and we're here to serve the people. That's what we've been called here to do. It's an awesome blessing, it really is."

Isaiah 58 is located at 809 S. Scurry St. in Big Spring, and are open to give away food and to sign up new recipients on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331, ext. 232, or email life@bigspringherald.com

State Briefs

San Angelo man, boy, 4, apparently drowned while fishing

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — Police say a man and a boy whose bodies were recovered from a West Texas lake apparently accidentally drowned.

San Angelo police identified the victims as 61-year-old Ronald Strain and 4-year-old Braxton Jewel, both of San Angelo. Officer Tracy Gonzalez had no immediate information Monday on the relationship between the man and the boy.

Gonzalez says police believe the pair on Friday went to a Lake Nasworthy spillway area to go fishing. The bodies were recovered Friday night. Autopsies were ordered.

San Angelo police initially said the child was 5 years old, but later determined that the boy was 4 and would have celebrated a birthday early next month.

State Fair of Texas in Dallas draws more than 2.4M visitors

DALLAS (AP) — Organizers say the just-completed State Fair of Texas attracted more than 2.4 million visitors.

The annual expo in Dallas opened Sept. 30 and wrapped up Sunday night. The theme was "Celebrating Texas Agriculture." Officials say the 2016 State Fair of Texas generated more than \$56 million in gross coupon sales for food, beverages and rides — a record in the 130-year history of the event. That's about \$2.4 million more than 2015's previous record total for gross coupon sales.

One popular attraction was the Hall of State, which drew about 225,000 visitors to a display featuring costumes and other personal items from singer and songwriter Taylor Swift.

VOTE

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To anyone scared that computer hackers may somehow alter the actual count, Bloom has a reassuring response.

"One of the things people need to understand is that our equipment is not connected to the internet in any form or fashion," Bloom said. "They can't be hacked in any way."

When it comes to voter fraud — ballots cast by unqualified or unreg-

istered voters — Bloom says that is exceedingly rare and never to the extent where it has unduly influenced an election.

"We've had very, very few situations of voter fraud in the past, mostly with people voting in both primaries," she said, "and it was not enough to change the election results. We have pretty good checks and balances in that area."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 432-263-7331, ext. 235, or email reporter@bigspringherald.com

UIL

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the areas we wanted — percussion, brass, color guard, and our soloist performed well."

Drum majors Hannah Beauchamp and Sterling Freeman led the band in its presentation of music by the British composer Gustav Holst. The show included "Moorside March," "Songs without Words," and sections from "Jupiter." Chans Moellendorf is the assistant band director for Forsan High School.

Saturday's results also means the 19th straight UIL Division I rating for Forsan's marching show under the leadership of Rhodes. The band will soon turn its eyes to concert and individual student competitions.

"We are very proud of what those kids did," Rhodes said. "Traditions are wonderful and, even though this is not a state year, we want our seniors to finish strong. Still, right now we are celebrating a great marching performance."

Since joining Coahoma ISD, Band Director John Landin has turned around the band program. Under his leadership, the band has qualified for Area Marching contest twice in a row and a Sweepstakes Award for the 2015-2016 school

year..

Lead by Drum majors Makinsey Grant and Tyler McFall, the Big Red Band performed their movie night's theme show featuring the following pieces: "Superman," "Journey of Man", and "Star Wars: Jedi Steps."

Big Spring High School heads to Regional UIL tonight in Abilene.

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HC Hawks basketball looks to new season

By DREW WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

Howard College basketball season is fast approaching, and the Hawks' head coach Scott Raines is ready to coach one of the hardest-working teams he's had.

"It's our favorite team we've ever had practice-wise, and Carter (Roe) and I have been together four years and

Aaron (Patrick) has been here three," he said. "They're really enjoyable, they're pretty self-driven, they work hard on their own. When we're down there, we feel like we're coaching practice instead of coaching effort."

This Howard College team has two things last year's didn't quite have: size and depth. Looking up and down

the roster, it's easy to spot players in the 6'8" and up range, and rebounding and defense in the paint were arguably the Achilles' heel of the Hawks last year. It's a roster of 19 players right now, and Raines is excited because he said he expects almost everyone on the team to contribute.

"We have a really good mix

of size and athleticism. We fully expect that we'll red-shirt three or four of these guys, but in our scrimmages to date, we've played close to 15 guys," Raines said. "We're still in kind of a feeling out phase as far as who is going to be the top seven or eight guys, but I don't think we're going to only play seven or eight. I really think we'll play

11 or 12 guys regularly." As far as returners, 17 of the 19 players on the rosters are newcomers to Howard County.

"We have two returners from last year's team. Shawn Jones and Srdjan Budimir were with us and I think they'll play a lot. Both of

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AP photo

Cleveland Indians manager Terry Francona speaks during a press conference prior to a team practice Sunday. Cleveland hosts the Chicago Cubs in Game One of the World Series Tuesday.

Indians embrace underdog status

CLEVELAND (AP) — Any other year, against any other team, the Cleveland Indians would be the sentimental choice in this year's World Series.

You know, because of that long championship drought and all.

But not against the Chicago Cubs.

The lovable Cubbies, who captured the nation's heart by exorcising curses and winning their first NL pennant since 1945 on Saturday night and are aiming for their first Series title since 1908, are a popular pick.

The odds makers in Las Vegas have pegged the Cubs as heavy favorites going into Game 1 on Tuesday night.

Heck, even First Fan Barack Obama, a die-hard

White Sox supporter, said he was happy to see the North Side of Chicago rocking.

Well, all the love toward the NL champions has left the Indians as underdogs — a role they've embraced this October.

"We believe in each other," first baseman Mike Napoli said Sunday before the Indians held a workout and simulated game at Progressive Field. "We believe that if we go out there and play the game the right way, play as a team like we've done, we can win a game on any night. We've shown in the past two series we can't be taken lightly. We play as a team."

"We're a confident group."

And that assuredness has only grown. Cleveland

wasn't supposed to beat Boston, but the Indians swept Big Papi into retirement and the Red Sox into their offseason sooner than expected. Cleveland's pitching staff followed that by whittling Toronto's big bats down to toothpicks in the AL Championship Series.

Now on deck are the Cubs, who won 103 games during the regular season, have three aces at the top of the rotation, a flame-throwing closer and seem to have a date with destiny.

The Indians, though, know they can match up with anyone.

"They're a good team from top to bottom," said supreme setup man Adam Miller, who has spent the postseason toying with hitters. "They have three guys

that might be Cy Young (winners). We're going to be going against a good team, that's not a surprise. If you want to count us out, that works for us."

Many of the Indians watched Chicago's historic win, which was followed by a street party outside Wrigley Field that nearly lasted until dawn.

As it unfolded, Napoli found himself pulling for former Red Sox teammates Jon Lester, John Lackey and the Cubs. The more he thought about a Cleveland-Chicago series the more he liked it.

"I was rooting for them," Napoli said, wearing one of his popular "Post Party At Napoli's" T-shirts. "I thought it would be one of the coolest World Series to be a part of."

AP Top 25:

'Bama tops poll, UH drops out

The Associated Press

Ohio State dropped four spots to No. 6 in The Associated Press college football poll after its first loss of the season, and Penn State moved into the rankings for the first time since 2011 after upsetting the Buckeyes.

Alabama is No. 1 again, receiving all but one of the 61 first-place votes from the media panel on Sunday. Michigan moved up to No. 2, Clemson is No. 3 and Washington No. 4.

Louisville moved up to No. 5 ahead of the Buckeyes, who blew a 14-point fourth-quarter lead and lost 24-21 against Penn State on Saturday night. The Nittany Lions entered the rankings at No. 24.

Nebraska is No. 7 and Baylor is eighth. Texas A&M slipped three spots to No. 9 after losing for the first time this season.

POLL POINTS

UP

— West Virginia (6-0) moved up two spots to No. 10 in the rankings, the Mountaineers' best showing since 2012. Those Mountaineers with Geno Smith and Tavon Austin were undone by a faulty defense and ended up finishing the season unranked after peaking at No. 5 in early October. These Mountaineers have the second-best defense in the Big 12 and rank 32nd in the nation in yards per play at 5.14.

— No. 15 Auburn moved up six spots after the second-most lopsided SEC victory in the history of the program. The Tigers beat Arkansas 56-3 and have won four straight since a 1-2 start.

— No. 19 LSU moved up six spots after trouncing Mississippi.

— Washington matched its best ranking since finishing No. 3 in 2000.

DOWN

— Ohio State had the biggest drop of the week, but it still ran its streak of top-10 rankings to 31, the longest current streak in the nation, dating

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Logano wins at Talladega to advance in NASCAR Chase

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — When an engine failure knocked title favorite Martin Truex Jr. from NASCAR's playoffs, the rest of the top contenders got a little bit of breathing room.

Then Brad Keselowski suffered the same cruel elimination when his engine failed Sunday at Talladega Superspeedway.

There was suddenly a wide-open competition to earn the final transfer spots into the third round of the Chase, and Denny Hamlin and Austin Dillon raced a tense final two laps in overtime to fill the bracket. With each pushing for every last point, it was Hamlin who advanced into the round of eight on a tiebreaker over Dillon.

Joey Logano won at Talladega Superspeedway, and Ham-

lin edged Kurt Busch by .006 seconds for third place and the one point he needed to tie Dillon in the standings.

Dillon was ninth, but lost the right to move into the next round based on average finish over the last three races.

Hamlin had told his Joe Gibbs Racing team not to give him points updates, and that lack of knowledge forced him to scramble through the final turn as he was undecided on how aggressive he needed to be.

"I wasn't sure whether I needed to finish third," he said. "I told them I didn't want points updates. But that's almost when I probably should have got one to figure out what I was going to do. (Dillon) is in the middle of the pack. He's fighting and

getting positions. He could change two positions in the last hundred yards.

"So you can't really predict it. I knew I just had to try to finish as good as I could."

With Truex and Keselowski out of the playoffs before the checkered flag, the suspense came down to final finishing order. Logano was not in a must-win situation, but the victory sure didn't hurt.

Dillon, on a frantic dash over two overtime laps to gain as many spots as possible, called the outcome "heartbreaking."

"It sure stinks to lose it on a tiebreaker," Dillon said.

Also eliminated Sunday was Chase Elliott. Advancing are: Jimmie Johnson, Kevin Harvick, Matt Kenseth, Kyle

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Turnovers doom Bulldogs as they fall to Colorado City

HERALD Staff Report

COLORADO CITY — Colorado City's Wolves jumped out to a 14-point lead after one quarter and were never headed after that as they claimed a 33-6 win over the Coahoma Bulldogs in district football action Friday night.

Turnovers were the big story of the night — the Bulldogs were victimized by five interceptions, while Colorado City suffered a lone turnover.

Quarterback Tommy James scored twice for the Wolves in the opening quarter on runs of 16 and 2 yards, respectively, to give C-City a quick 14-0 lead. Coahoma countered midway through the second when Mason Moore connected

with Gage Clark for a 45-yard touchdown pass to cut the Bulldogs' deficit to 14-6, but James tossed a TD pass of his own late in the first half, then added another scoring run in the third quarter to put the Wolves firmly in control.

Take away the turnovers, and it was a fairly even statistical battle — the Bulldogs gained 290 total yards in the game, compared to 301 for Colorado City.

Moore finished the night completing 12 of 25 passes for 141 yards and a score, while Coahoma's ground game, led by Braidon Pearson's 81 yards on 25 carries, tallied 121 yards.

The Bulldogs have a bye this Friday before returning to action at home Nov. 4 against Lubbock Roosevelt.

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spades, but when the deal was

played, East (Charles Coon) returned
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went down one when he later lost a
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Now let's suppose Coon had
returned a spade instead of a club. In
that case, declarer would make the
contract with proper play.

After placing West, the opening
bidder, with the king of spades,
South would rise with the ace and
play three more trumps, ending in his
hand, to produce this position:

North
♠ 6
♠ A K J 9
West
♠ K
♠ Q 10 8 4
East
Immaterial
South
♠ Q 8 2
♥ 7
♣ 7

The seven-of-hearts lead would
now destroy West. Whether he dis-
carded a spade or a club, South
would win the rest of the tricks with
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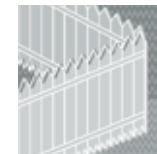
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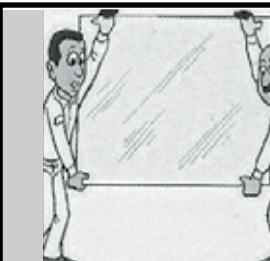
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

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MATHIS

what happened to you. There's more than one way that will ring true, fit and make sense, so don't be afraid to try different directions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). What's making you anxious? What do you not want to face? It's time to deal with it. If it were the only thing you did in this day, you would be most supremely satisfied at day's end.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some of the stressors can't be eliminated yet, but you can combat fatigue by doing something every day that brings you joy. It's funny that you still see this as a selfish move when it's the move that will help you have more to give.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Certainly, there are frustrating aspects to living where you do, but when you experience the kindness of people in your community, it makes you happy to be a part of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As you teach, you learn. While you're showing someone how to accomplish a task you

will understand it in a different way, and you'll see how it can be done better, too.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Thinking too much will only complicate matters unnecessarily. This is one of those times when your energy is best spent doing, creating, acting and reacting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). With your combination of expertise, grit and passion, you have all the internal resources necessary to make a creative project fly. As for the external resources -- well, that's what you'll work on getting today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's a difference between projecting yourself into a bright future and just wishing to be somewhere else, thereby wasting the moment you're in. It's a day to give your full attention to the task at hand.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To an outsider, this is a very exciting thing you're doing today. Even better is how you're doing it -- with the smooth style of one who's done it a million times, which you practically have.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Often being the bigger person is about being the smaller person. Extreme greatness, in fact, is often achieved best by figuring out how to set others up to shine and then getting out of the way, so as not to overshadow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). To endure and prevail is to know great fortune. Therefore, any little bit of weirdness or challenge or discomfort that comes your way could be your conduit to stellar luck.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 24). What was once the message of your secret heart will now be something you shout from the mountain-top, giving your wishes their best chance to come true. There's a happy change in how you make your money before the end of the year. Love will be your constant companion through 2017. Gemini and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 9, 30, 44 and 16.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I'm a Taurus, born May 13, 1953. I've had perfect health all my life -- no drugs, hospitals or surgeries.

Now, I have to have complicated corrective surgery on my right foot, with a two month healing time of no activity. I'd like to have the surgery after Thanksgiving, but want to be sure the stars are with me! Can you advise me when the time would be right for meticulous surgery and the best healing energy? Thanks for everything!"

Really, any day between Nov. 28 and Dec. 3 would be excellent. The Scorpio moon rules surgery, and then there's a new moon on Tuesday, which is also stellar for procedures. Then, if that's not enough cosmic well-wishing, there's a bonus good omen on Thursday when Chiron, a luminary sometimes referred to as "the wounded healer," goes direct. Friday, Dec. 2, brings a Mercury shift into Capricorn, the climber, which bodes well for forward, upward movement of all kinds. Later in December isn't bad either, but I'd avoid the 13th and 14th. Best of luck and a speedy recovery to you!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Academy Award-winning Kevin Kline will play Maurice in the highly

anticipated live-action musical film "Beauty and the Beast." The brilliant actor admits, "I've never felt completely satisfied with what I've done. I tend to see things too critically." Kline's son, Mercury and Venus in Scorpio and his Pisces moon bring so much emotional water-sign energy to his natal chart that objectivity is a challenge.

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Annie's Mailbox

Keep Politics out of It

Dear Annie: I live in a town where the majority of people share one political viewpoint. I am in the minority on the other side. I have lived here for 50 years, have built my life here and love it here most of the time. Usually, I am able to avoid the topic of politics, as I know that it will only lead to arguments or conflict among my friends and family.

I'm also part of a close knitting circle that meets about every week. Most of us have known one another since our kids were young, and we

have a lot in common otherwise. Though I usually find the knitting relaxing and the company kind, lately it seems as though every week features a political discussion. Feeling alone in my views, I can become stressed out and angry, and frankly, I don't feel like going anymore. I've tried politely changing the topic of conversation or laughing off just how crazy things have become, but the topic always seems to rear its ugly head. Annie, how do I deal with politics ruining something I love? -- Tangled

Dear Tangled: If only we all shared politicians' skill at deftly

changing the subject!

You have three options when the conversation starts roaming into dangerously partisan territory: 1) Tell your fellow knitters that you're not comfortable discussing politics in polite company. 2) Change the subject as forcefully as you can without being rude. 3) Put on some noise-canceling headphones.

There is no harm in No. 1, and if your friends take offense to it, then that is their problem. Whatever happens, take a deep breath and remember that election season is, mercifully, almost over. After that point, conversations will

(one hopes) turn less to politics and more to topics fit for civilized dialogue. Knitting is a scientifically proven therapeutic activity, and it would be a shame to leave the circle feeling like a ball of knots.

Dear Annie: I just wanted to reply to "Halfies" regarding her questions about dating etiquette. I'm a man, and as far as I'm concerned, the man should certainly pay for the first date. Chivalry is something worthwhile! From my side, the problem I encounter all too often is women who aren't willing to accept that chivalry.

I am not unaware

of another person's ability to pay, but I want to give of myself anyway. If I'm not permitted to do this, then how can I truly enter into a relationship with someone, which demands self-giving?

As for going Dutch: When it comes down to it, I don't mind if the woman pays on the occasional date, but I strictly do not believe in going Dutch if you are dating someone. Whoever pays fully is offering a gift to the other person; going Dutch makes it about "me" and "my part," and I can only interpret this as a selfish uncommitment. I want to be committed and to give -- and to

receive generously, as well -- not to be in just one more "relationship" that is no more than friendship with benefits. -- Knight

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DENNIS THE MENACE



"THEY MADE THINGS TO LAST BACK IN THE OLDEN DAYS. JUST LOOK AT MR. WILSON."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"You're going to have to come back later -- let's say when the children are married!"

HAGAR



MEN, THE ENEMY HAS AGREED TO NEGOTIATE A DEAL WITH US!

BLONDIE



NOT TRUE! ANDERS USED TO BE A DIVORCE MEDIATOR!

BC



MAY I HELP YOU? YES.

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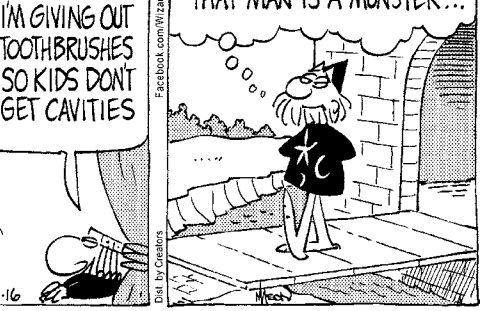
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AGNES



WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR HALLOWEEN, WIZARD?

HI AND LOIS



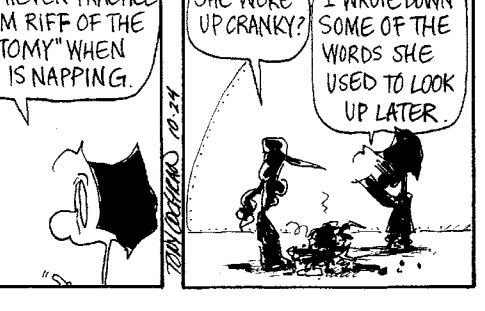
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THE OTHER COAST



WHERE'S THAT BAG OF STUFF FROM MY PAPER SHREDDER THAT I WAS GOING TO THROW OUT?

SNUFFY SMITH



HEY, YOU'RE NEW TO THE AREA.

BEETLE BAILEY



MMM !! POWDERED DONUTS !!

AGNES



REANIMATING MY DEAD RELATIVES TO CREATE REAL LIFE ZOMBIES

AGNES



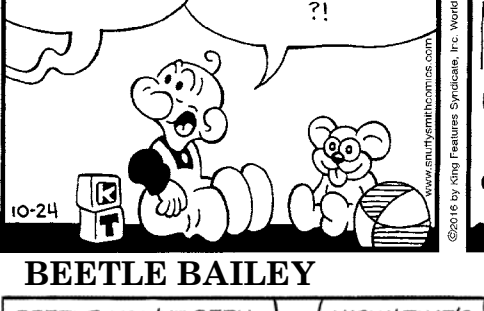
AND YOU, SIRE?

AGNES



IM GIVING OUT TOOTHBRUSHES SO KIDS DONT GET CAVITIES

AGNES



THAT MAN IS A MONSTER...

AGNES



WHOA! IS THAT PILE OF RUBBLE YOUR OLD DRUM KIT?

AGNES



HERE'S A HOT TIP: NEVER PRACTICE THE OPENING DRUM RIFF OF THE RAMONES' 'LOBOTOMY' WHEN YOUR GRANDMA IS NAPPING.

AGNES



SHE WOKE UP CRANKY? I WROTE DOWN SOME OF THE WORDS SHE USED TO LOOK UP LATER.

BLONDIE



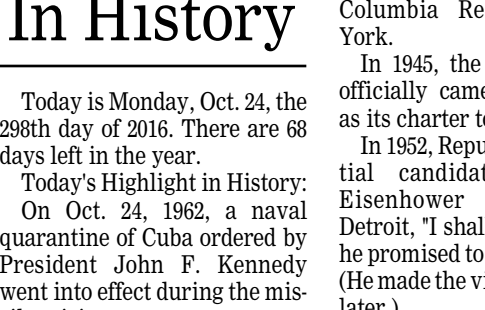
DAG, IM ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MY SON'S FOOTBALL TEAM

BLONDIE



A TRIP? NO, IT'S FOR HIS FANTASY FOOTBALL TEAM

BLONDIE



HE LOST A LOT OF BETS ON YESTERDAY'S GAMES!

This Date In History

Today is Monday, Oct. 24, the 298th day of 2016. There are 68 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 24, 1962, a naval quarantine of Cuba ordered by President John F. Kennedy went into effect during the missile crisis.

On this date: In 1537, Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.

In 1648, the Peace of Westphalia (west-FAY-lee-uh) ended the Thirty Years War and effectively destroyed the Holy Roman Empire.

In 1861, the first transcontinental telegraph message was sent by Chief Justice Stephen J. Field of California from San Francisco to President Abraham Lincoln in Washington, D.C., over a line built by the Western Union Telegraph Co.

In 1936, the short story "The Devil and Daniel Webster" by Stephen Vincent Benet was published in The Saturday Evening Post.

In 1939, DuPont began publicly selling its nylon stockings in Wilmington, Delaware.

Benny Goodman and His Orchestra recorded their signature theme, "Let's Dance," for Columbia Records in New York.

In 1945, the United Nations officially came into existence as its charter took effect.

In 1952, Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower declared in Detroit, "I shall go to Korea" as he promised to end the conflict. (He made the visit over a month later.)

In 1972, Hall of Famer Jackie Robinson, who'd broken Major League Baseball's color barrier in 1947, died in Stamford, Connecticut, at age 53.

In 1980, the merchant freighter SS Poet departed Philadelphia, bound for Port Said (sah-EED), Egypt, with a crew of 34 and a cargo of grain; it disappeared en route and has not been heard from since.

In 1991, "Star Trek" creator Gene Roddenberry died in Santa Monica, California, at age 70.

In 1996, TyRon Lewis, 18, a black motorist, was shot to death by police during a traffic stop in St. Petersburg, Florida; the incident sparked rioting. (Officer James Knight, who said that Lewis had lurched his car at him several times, knocking him onto the hood, was cleared by a grand jury and the Justice Department.)

In 2002, authorities appre-

hended Army veteran John Allen Muhammad and teenager Lee Boyd Malvo near Myersville, Maryland, in the Washington-area sniper attacks. (Malvo was later sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole; Muhammad was sentenced to death and executed in 2009.)

Ten years ago: American officials unveiled a timeline for Iraq's Shiite-led government to take specific steps to calm Baghdad and said more U.S. troops might be needed to quell the bloodshed. The St. Louis Cardinals gained a 2-1 World Series edge as they defeated the Detroit Tigers 5-0. (Before Game 3 began, baseball players and owners finalized a five-year collective bargaining agreement.)

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Poisonous snakes
 - 5 Fork back and forth
 - 10 Capital of Norway
 - 14 Musical tempo
 - 15 Traditional saying
 - 16 Rough guess
 - 17 Wild animal's home
 - 18 Ice-cube utensils
 - 19 Restore to health
 - 20 Male gofer
 - 22 Cotton (carnival snack)
 - 23 Thick soup
 - 24 Grocery vehicle
 - 25 Serious crime
 - 28 Defeated in a pool race
 - 31 Signs of the future
 - 32 Alternatives to suspenders
 - 34 Poem of praise
 - 35 Motor-club letters
 - 36 Bicycle wheels
 - 37 Trim the lawn
 - 38 Teapot topper
 - 39 Untruthful people
 - 40 Frighten
 - 42 Small mistakes
 - 44 Made amends
 - 45 Arrests, slangily
 - 46 Marine reef material
 - 48 Corner of a square
 - 50 Female on a magazine
 - 54 Residence
 - 55 Place of safety
- DOWN**
- 1 Ready, willing and
 - 2 Char, as a steak
 - 3 Twosome
 - 4 Attach, as a seatbelt
 - 5 Blot with a paper towel
 - 6 Southwestern building material
 - 7 Paddled boat
 - 8 Tasting like an omelet
 - 9 Moines, IA
 - 10 Film awards
 - 11 Film's female daredevil
 - 12 Fat for frying
 - 13 Follow orders
 - 21 Convent residents
 - 22 Pets that purr
 - 24 Uses scissors
 - 25 Young horses
 - 26 Online message
 - 27 Male movie star
 - 28 Bullring cheers
 - 29 Like a lot
 - 30 Cried like a kitten
 - 32 Prejudice
 - 33 Make a mistake
 - 36 Waitperson's rewards
 - 39 Auto service job, for short
 - 40 Bit of a constellation
 - 41 Rival of Crest toothpaste
 - 43 Lightest in color
 - 44 Sports complexes
 - 46 Small bays
 - 47 In plain view
 - 48 Throat-clearing sound
 - 49 "Me neither"
 - 50 Canaveral, FL
 - 51 Teheran's nation
 - 52 Orange's exterior
 - 53 Falls behind
 - 55 Just out of the oven

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CHASE

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Busch, Kurt Busch, Carl Edwards, Logano and Hamlin. There are four Toyotas remaining in the field, all from Joe Gibbs Racing. Stewart-Haas Racing has Kurt Busch and Harvick — but the two had a heated exchange after the race over alleged contact on the last lap — while Hendrick Motorsports has Johnson for three Chevrolets in the field. Logano is the only Ford driver.

“Feels good to win on a clutch moment like that with the pressure on,” Logano said. “I think we ran like a champ.”

The race was stark dif-

ference from the spring stop in Alabama, when 35 cars were involved in at least one accident and two cars went airborne. And last year, it appeared that Kevin Harvick intentionally caused an accident on an overtime restart to help his championship chances.

But for mile after mile Sunday, the drivers behaved.

The only glitches came in a harried sequence early in the race in which three championship contenders had uncharacteristic gaffes within minutes of each other. First Logano left pit road with a jack wedged under his Ford, and he had to return to pit road to have it removed. Then Hamlin

was flagged for speeding, then Truex lost an engine.

Keselowski's engine went with 43 laps remaining after he'd battled climbing temperatures on his car because of debris on his front grille.

Kasey Kahne spun with six laps remaining to bring out the caution for a heart-pounding final restart.

The caution had terrible timing for Hamlin, and was a gift for Dillon. Hamlin was trying to hold off Dillon for the last transfer position and the Kahne spin gave Dillon another chance to gain points that would keep him in contention and bump Hamlin from the playoffs.

POLL

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back to November 2014.

IN

— Penn State was last ranked Dec. 4, 2011. It had gone four full seasons without being ranked, the longest string of seasons without a ranking since the Nittany Lions made their first poll appearance in 1940. The Nittany Lions also are ranked without Joe Paterno as coach for the first time since 1954.

— No. 23 Colorado and No. 25 Virginia Tech moved back into the rankings for a second time this season.

OUT

— Houston tumbled out of the rankings for the first time this season after getting routed by SMU. The fall from No. 15 to unranked is tied for the fifth-largest drop since the rankings went to a Top 25 in 1989.

— Mississippi, which was the first 3-3 team since 2009 to be ranked last week, is out for the first time this season after dropping to 3-4 with a loss to LSU.

— Arkansas, which started the season unranked, is out again.

- CONFERENCE CALL
- SEC — 6
 - Big Ten — 5
 - ACC — 5
 - Pac-12 — 3
 - Big 12 — 3
 - American — 1
 - MAC — 1
 - Mountain West — 1
- RANKED vs. RANKED

No. 3 Clemson at No. 12 Florida State. The toughest game left on the Tigers' schedule.

No. 4 Washington at No. 17 Utah. Maybe the first of two meetings for the leaders of the Pac-12 North (Huskies) and South (Utes).

No. 7 Nebraska at No. 11 Wisconsin. The Huskers can lose and still hold on to the Big Ten West lead, but then they go to Ohio State.

HAWKS

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them started a lot last year,” Raines said. “They’re going to play, but I can’t say that they’re going to start. So that’s a sign that we’ve lifted our talent level. We’ve lifted out size and our strength.”

Though Jones will have to battle for a starting role, Raines added that his leadership as a sophomore is already impacting the team in a positive way.

“Shawn works hard and he sets a great example. He’s in the gym all the time and late at night, sometimes at five in the morning. He’s that kind of guy. We think Shawn is going to have a tremendous year. It’s definitely not an indictment on Shawn, it’s more of just this is where we’ve lifted our talent level,” Raines said.

The Hawks were able to add talent all the way through the end of the summer, including a handful of Divi-

sion 1 transfers. Garrett Thibodeaux, a 6’7” 220-pound forward, transferred from the University of Texas-San Antonio after a redshirt season. Three guards, Dante Scott Nic Thomas, and KJ Riley, transferred in from Memphis, Houston Baptist, and Albany, respectively.

The Hawks were also able to add talent with JuCo transfers. Haywood Irvin, a 6’2” guard, played 15 minutes per game for North Idaho last year, a team that was ranked number one in the country for the majority of the year after finishing the regular season undefeated. Fener Langens, a guard from the Netherlands, spent last year with Chippola College in Florida.

Raines also gained two more athletic Serbians using the same recruiting contacts that brought Budimir to Big Spring. Aleksa Koracin, from Belgrade, Serbia, registers as the tallest Hawk at 6’11 and 250 pounds, and another forward from Belgrade

in Stefan Radosavljevic will add depth to the post as well, coming in at 6’8” and 215 pounds.

Other additions include guard Reggie Peel, playing at age 23 after a stint with the United States military, Amari McCray, Mongo Cornett, and Marcel Cherry. Cornett is a 6’7” 260 pound forward from Houston, and McCray, who Raines said is “huge, can fill a doorway, and has unbelievable hands,” is 6’9” and 300 pounds. Cherry is a true freshman 6’0” guard from Merrillville, Indiana who is “just a tough, hard-nosed, athletic kid,” according to Raines.

“We’re going to be a different looking team,” Raines said. “We were at a conference jamboree in Hobbs last weekend, so we only played conference teams, and they’re all saying, ‘Wow, you guys were at one end of the spectrum last year, this year you’re at the other end. Now you’re big and bruised.’ So we’ll be a totally different team

this year.”

He added that the additions of Koracin, Cornett, McCray, Thibodeaux, and Radosavljevic will change the way the Hawks play this season.

“We’re going to be much more of a presence inside, offensively and defensively. We’re going to rebound better, play through our post more, and that’s our strength right now. We’ve really been outscoring our opponents in the paint in scrimmages so far. We don’t shoot it as well as last year’s team from the perimeter, but we found out that was feast or famine when we couldn’t get the easy baskets,” Raines said. “I think we’ll play as fast as last year just because of our depth. With having this many guys, we need to take advantage of that.”

Having this many skilled players could be a challenge in a sense for Raines with the amount of players to keep happy by getting minutes on the court.

He acknowledged that it is a bit of a concern, but that the positives easily outweigh the negatives in terms of being able to keep his guys fresh, and by providing competition for minutes.

“There’s so many things to worry about with having this many guys; Defined roles, who’s going to be a go-to guy, are we going to have a go-to guy? As you start playing, that 13th, 14th, and 15th guy, they’re going to be squeezed out a little bit. How do you keep them ready for injuries? The flipside of that is that one of the best motivators in any sport is the bench. You don’t have to get on a guy and try to demand more from him. Now if they’re not

performing, we don’t have to get on them or get mad at them or anything, there’s just two guys lined up behind them that will come in. So I think there’s a lot more positives than negatives with having this many guys,” Raines said.

Raines has one more scrimmage on Friday and about a month’s worth of non-conference games to find out more about his players and the rotations he wants to use.

The first conference game for the Hawks, which is also the first home game of the season, will be against Clarendon College at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 30 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring.

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