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BSISD budget/tax hearing set for Thursday



File photo

In this file photo from March 2016, Big Spring ISD Superintendent Chris Wigington addresses the Big Spring school board. The board will hear public commentary on the proposed budget and tax rate at their meeting Thursday.

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Big Spring ISD trustees will hold a public hearing over the proposed FY 2017-2018 budget and tax rate Thursday.

Trustees have proposed to keep the tax rate the same as the current one at \$1.3995 per \$100 value. That breaks down to \$1.1195 per \$100 value for maintenance and operation and 28 cents for debt service. Now that certified values have been posted higher than expected, Big Spring ISD CFO Susan Bryan said officials can now present a balance budget to trustees for approval which is quite a contrast to earlier in the year.

In the summer, Bryan informed trustees based on non-certified values, the district was facing a \$1.4 million deficit even after trimming 18 teachers positions and three more staff positions through attrition.

Trustees will meet at 5:15 p.m. in the Big Spring High School board room, 707 11th Place.

In other business, trustees will consider:

- The student code of conduct for the 2017-2018 school year.
- A revised version of the 2017-2018 school calendar.
- Purchasing attendance credits.
- Employment and financial matters.

Local school districts send out free and reduced-price meal applications

By **AMANDA ELSTON**

Managing Editor

The marching band has been practicing for weeks, two-a-days have finally begun, and plans for the Howard County Bowl are underway. It must be the start of the school year.

While there is much to be done in the upcoming days, Big Spring, Coahoma, and Forsan ISDs have begun sending out letters to households in their respective districts concerning free and reduced-price meals this week. In between shopping for school supplies and the perfect first day outfit, the three local districts are encouraging parents to review the policies and eligibility requirements for free and reduced meals for the 2017-2018 school year.

According to BSISD, CISD, and FISD, the criteria for a student to receive free or reduced meals falls into three different categories: Income-

based, categorical or program eligibility, and program participations.

"For those households that qualify for free or reduced-price meals based on income, an adult in the household must fill out a free and reduced-priced meal application and return it," stated separate press releases from the three districts. Individuals who are eligible to apply for free and reduced-price meals based on income will need to provide the following information to the district: names of all household members; amount, frequency, and source of current income for each household member; the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application, or if there is no social security number, check the box on the application saying so; and the signature of the adult household member stating that the information provided is all correct.

Each district has provided charts (see Page 3) according to family size and income so that interested families can check their status to see if

they are at or below the income eligibility levels.

BSISD, CISD, and FISD also work with local agencies to find individuals who are categorically and program eligible, such as households receiving SNAP benefits or TANF. The status of the child will also be reviewed if they are a foster child, homeless, a runaway, migrant, or displaced by a disaster. These households that fall under this category will be notified by the district via mail and will not need to fill out an application.

Applications will be taken throughout the school year at all districts. Households wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request to their district's assistant superintendent.

Families may also apply for free and reduced-priced lunches online. For questions, contact BSISD Food Service Coordinator Judi Rodriguez at 432-264-3635, CISD Cafeteria Manager Taylor Lara at 432-394-5000, or FISD's Roxie Thomas at 432-457-0091, ext. 207.

Rojo to be sentenced Friday

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A sentencing hearing for a former Big Spring detective convicted of sex crimes will be held at 1 p.m. Friday in the 118th District Court, according to District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson.



ROJO

Last week, Joel Rojo was found guilty on four charges — indecency with a child by sexual conduct, sexual performance by a child, indecency with a child by exposure, and attempted indecency with a child by exposure.

Rojo has been out on bond since his conviction last Thursday, but was instructed by the 118th District Judge Tim Yeats not go any farther than 50 miles from

Howard County.

Rojo could face up to a life sentence. Because of the type of crimes, Rojo is ineligible for probation and will face punishment by incarceration in the a state penitentiary, Wilkerson told KBest Media.

According to witness testimony during the four-day trial which was held last week, the crimes took place in 2015 while Rojo was employed as a peace officer with the Big Spring Police Department. Rojo was accused of using his power and authority as a law enforcement officer to take advantage of troubled children and place them into compromising and revealing positions.

A lawsuit has been filed in the 118th District Court against the city of Big Spring and Rojo individually by a family member of one of the victims.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 235, or email citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

Tax increase proposed by BS City Council

Dates set for vote, public hearings

By **ROBERT BARLOW**

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council officially proposed about a 5-cent increase above the effective tax rate for the FY 2017-2018 during their meeting Tuesday night.

Council members proposed to set the tax rate at 84 cents per \$100, up from the effective rate of 79 cents. The effective rate is the figure which brings in the same amount of tax revenue as the current year. That increase is expected to bring in about \$159,717 in extra revenue, with most going toward debt service, according to Don Moore, city finance director. The public can address the council about the proposed rate during two public hearings set for Aug. 22. and Sept. 12. Council members will hold a final vote over the proposed FY 2017-2018 rate and budget on Sept. 26.

During their meeting, Moore told council members the city expected to have a \$128,000 loss out of its fund balance once this fiscal budget year ends.

"If you can remember from the last workshop, it's not looking as good as last week," Moore said. "They're saying we're going to lose

about \$128,000 in this fiscal year. For this next year (2017-2018), we had shot this number right here for \$200,000 (projected budget surplus), to help us be in the positive over the two years, but unfortunately it dropped to \$109,350."

If that projection proves true, the city council will see about an \$18,000 loss from its fund balance at the end of the FY 2017-2018 year.

"We are hoping as the year goes on to find ways to get it back in the positive," Moore said.

In other business, city council approved:

- An annual bid for utility valves and fittings throughout the city. That bid went to Benchmark Supply, a company based out of Midland, for the amount of \$318,998.50. The materials are used to repair water and sewer lines, said John Medina, assistant city manager
- A \$54,669.57 bid was awarded to HD Materials based out of San Angelo for materials to be used on the current waterline project on North Benton and Highway 350.

All consent items on the agenda were approved by the city council.

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Obituaries

Thomas "Tommy" Dunnam

Thomas "Tommy" Dunnam, 74, of Big Spring, died Monday, Aug. 07, 2017. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10:00 a.m. Thursday at Family Faith Center with Pastor Sam Segundo, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Thomas was born Dec. 11, 1942 in Pampa, Texas to Omega Larue Rogers Dunnam and Grady Wesley Dunnam. He married Eljyn Gwyn-delle "Gwyn" Davis on Feb. 12, 1965 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on July 25, 2013. He worked in the oil field as well as a number of years at Pinkie's. Thomas also worked at Cornell Corrections and later GEO until his retirement. He had lived most of his life in Big Spring. He loved the outdoors, especially gardening. He loved bird-watching, reading and politics. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by one daughter: Leslie Whiten and husband Phil of Big Spring; one son: Tom Dun-

nam and wife Edna; one brother: Charles Dunnam and wife Jolene, all of Big Spring; two sisters: Janie Reid and husband Travis of Coahoma and Barbara Chandler of Artesia, NM; seven grandchildren: Sandy Golleher, Linzee Phernetton and husband Dillon, Logan Segundo and husband Marc, Thomas Dunnam, Leksey Yarbar, Keelyn Dunnam and Anthony Dunnam; two great grandchildren: Haegyn Phernetton and Harper Phernetton; his brother-in-law: Marshall Davis; former son-in-law: Luke Yarbar and his wife Mique and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one sister Margaret Gamble.

A special thanks to all staff at Home Hospice, especially Lisa, Betty and Kimmy and all staff at Parkview Nursing and Rehab, especially Valerie.

Pallbearers will be Baron Chandler, Darin Chandler, Clark Dunnam, Joe Pesina, Mark Juarez, and Eddie Urias.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Paid obituary

Coralyn Davis Smith

Coralyn Davis Smith, 86, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 in a Saint Joseph, Missouri hospital. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Friday, August 11, 2017 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

She was born June 6, 1931 in Montcalm County, Michigan and married Vance Davis Oct. 28, 1965 in Tucumcari, New Mexico. He preceded her in death July 5, 1991.

Coralyn moved to Big Spring in 1966 from Ft. Sumner, New Mexico. She worked as a hairdresser for six years, retiring in 1980.

She had been a member of First Baptist Church in Coahoma and was a member of the Big Spring Eagles.

Survivors include three daughters, Coralyn Elaine Willeford of Temple, Ann Clark, and Wanda Simpson of Cripple Creek, Colorado; two sons, Eric Johnson of Temple and Virgil Ted Johnson of King City, Missouri; ten grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and one sister.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, Texas 75231.

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

Take Note

• Following a summer break, Howard County Republicans will resume a regular 2nd Monday monthly meeting schedule. Club members will meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College on Aug. 14 at 11:30 a.m. for dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m. Guest speaker will be Grace Jones, who will be discussing the up coming 2018 elections. Please plan to attend and bring a fellow conservative.

• School at Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson St., begins Aug. 1 for the fall term. Maranatha uses Accelerated Christian Education curriculum, an individualized curriculum used internationally (see www.aceministries.com for more information). School and office hours are 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. week days. Tuition is reasonable. For more information visit the office or contact Dr. Lillian Bohanan at 432-213-1046.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432-270-2251.

• The Big Spring Salvation Army is holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those in Howard County who need one but can't afford it. Those wishing to donate can take new or gently used box or pedestal fans to the Salvation Army headquarters at 811 W. Fifth St. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

People who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 to register and receive the distribution date.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998. If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person.

Police & Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **CODY RAY THOMPSON**, 31, of 200 Merrick Road, was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• **DENNY RAY WANNER**, 41, of 617 Caylor Drive, was arrested on a warrant for criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750 and on a warrant from another agency.

• **JAMES BURLIN WILLIAMS JR.**, 31, of 1210 West 2nd Street, was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• **JESSIE JAY HERNANDEZ**, 32, of 10003 Northwest 2nd Street, was arrested on a warrant for harassment.

• **JOHNATHAN GALEN DAILEY**, 27, of Longview, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance between one and four grams.

• **LINDSAY ERIN LUCAS**, 33, of 1107 East 13th Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **BRANDON DEE RUSHIN**, 47, of 1409 Runnels Street, was arrested on four warrants from other agencies.

• **PHILIP SHAWN HORTON**, 39, of San Angelo, was arrested on a warrant for controlled substance between 4 and 200 grams.

• **ALLEN RAY WARD**, 44, of 218 Texas Road was arrested on a warrant for illegal dumping 5 to 200 pounds.

• **THOMAS DEL BOLTON**, 35, of 1510 Sycamore Street, was arrested on a warrant for theft of

property between \$100 and \$750 and on two warrants from other agencies.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3100 block of Highway 87.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 700 block of East Interstate 20.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue Avenue, the 700 block of west 17th Street, and the 1000 block of Stadium Avenue.

• **BURGLARY IN PROGRESS** was reported in the 7800 block of North Service Road.

• **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the intersections of 6th and Goliad, and 16th and Gregg.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1600 block of Cardinal Street and the 800 block of Timothy Lane.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 500 block of East 16th Street.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 79 inmates at the time of this report.

• **OLALEKAN DAUDA ADEBAYO**, 33, was booked by the DPS on a warrant for assault that causes bodily injury.

• **THOMAS DEL BOLTON**, 35, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750), harassment, and theft of property (\$100 and \$750).

• **JOHNATHAN GALEN DAI-**

LEY, 27, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance between one and four grams.

• **CAMERON TAYLOR FIELDS**, 26, was booked by Glasscock County on charges of terroristic threat of family or household and resisting arrest/search/transport.

• **JESSE JAY HERNANDEZ**, 32, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for harassment.

• **PHILIP SHAWN HORTON**, 39, was booked by the HCSO on a motion to adjudicate warrant for possession of a controlled substance between 4 and 200 grams.

• **LINDSEY ERIN LUCAS**, 33, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

• **BRANDON DEE RUSHIN**, 47, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for no commercial drivers license, driving while license invalid, and two counts of violating promise to appear.

• **DENNY RAY WANNER**, 41, was booked by the BSPD on a motion to adjudicate warrant for theft of material and on a warrant for criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750.

• **ALLEN RAY WARD**, 44, was booked by the HCSO on a bailman-off-bond warrant for illegal dumping between 5 and 200 pounds.

• **JAMES BURLIN WILLIAMS**, 31, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for driving while license invalid with previous conviction or suspension.

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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



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TRUMP

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North Korea-style rhetoric — Pyongyang has long vowed to reduce Seoul to a "sea of fire" — raise already high animosity and heighten worries that a miscalculation might spark conflict between the rivals.

The North Korean army said in a statement that it is studying a plan to create an "enveloping fire" in areas around Guam with medium- to long-range ballistic missiles. The statement described Andersen Air Force Base on Guam as a "beachhead" for a potential U.S. invasion of North Korea it needed to neutralize. It was unlikely the North's threat was a direct response to Trump's comments to the camera at his golf course in Bedminster, New Jersey.

South Korea's Unification Ministry, which deals with matters related to North Korea, said the North's army statement hurts efforts to improve inter-Korean relations. Ministry spokesman Baek Tai-hyun said Seoul remains committed to both dialogue and sanctions for solving the North Korean nuclear problem and called for Pyongyang to stop its provocations. Baek did not mention Trump's comments.

Trump spoke hours after reports indicated North Korea can now wed nuclear warheads with its missiles, including its longest-range missiles that may be able to hit the American mainland. The North has strived for decades to have the ability to strike the U.S. and its Asian allies, and the pace of its breakthroughs is having far-reaching consequences for stability in the Pacific and

beyond.

The nuclear advances were detailed in an official Japanese assessment Tuesday and a later Washington Post story that cited U.S. intelligence officials and a confidential Defense Intelligence Agency report. The U.S. now assesses the North Korean arsenal at up to 60 nuclear weapons, more than double most assessments by independent experts, according to the Post's reporting.

"North Korea had best not make any more threats to the United States," said a stern-looking Trump, seated with his arms crossed and with his wife beside him. "They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen."

"He has been very threatening beyond a normal state. And as I said they will be met with fire, fury and frankly power the likes of which this world has never seen before."

The remarks appeared scripted, with Trump glancing at a paper in front of him. They evoked President Harry Truman's announcement of the U.S. atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, in 1945, in which he warned of "a rain of ruin from the air, the like of which has never been seen on this earth."

But it wasn't clear what Trump, who is prone to hyperbole and bombast in far less grave situations, meant by the threat. White House officials did not elaborate, but U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson downplayed Trump's threat, saying the president intended to send a strong message "in language that Kim Jong Un can understand."

Tillerson said Trump delivered the message the way he did because the North Ko-

rean leader "doesn't seem to understand diplomatic language." Trump wanted to make clear to North Korea that the U.S. has the "unquestionable ability to defend itself" and will protect itself and its allies, Tillerson said, adding Trump wanted to "avoid any miscalculation" by Pyongyang.

Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer issued a statement saying, "We need to be firm and deliberate with North Korea, but reckless rhetoric is not a strategy to keep America safe."

The Trump administration considers North Korea to be America's greatest national security threat and tensions have steadily risen this year.

Pyongyang responded angrily to the U.N. Security Council's adoption this weekend of new, tougher sanctions spearheaded by Washington. Tens of thousands packed Kim Il Sung Square in downtown Pyongyang on Wednesday for a rally that followed a familiar format of speeches from a balcony, with the crowd listening below, standing in organized rows interspersed with placards and slogans.

The sanctions followed intercontinental ballistic missile tests last month, the second of which was estimating as having a range that could reach more of the U.S. mainland. The newly revealed U.S. intelligence assessment indicates those missiles can carry nuclear warheads.

Denouncing the U.N. sanctions through state media, the North warned: "We will make the U.S. pay by a thousand-fold for all the heinous crimes it commits against the state and people of this country."

For North Korea, having a nuclear-tipped missile that could strike America would be the ultimate guarantee against U.S. invasion.

It is an ambition decades in the making. North Korea began producing fissile material for bombs in the 1990s and conducted its first nuclear test explosion in 2006. Four subsequent nuclear tests, the latest a year ago, have accelerated progress on miniaturizing a device — something North Korea already claimed it could do. Over that span, multiple U.S. presidents have tried and failed to coax or pressure Pyongyang into abandoning its nuclear ambitions.

The secrecy of the North's nuclear program and the underground nature of its test explosions make it very difficult to properly assess its claims. But the new assessments from Japan and the U.S. suggest that doubts over the North's abilities are receding.

In an annual report, Japan's Defense Ministry on Tuesday concluded that "it is possible that North Korea has achieved the miniaturization of nuclear weapons and has developed nuclear warheads." Japan, a key U.S. ally, is a potential, front-line target of North Korean aggression.

The Post story, citing unnamed U.S. intelligence officials, went further. It said the Defense Intelligence Agency analysis, completed last month, assessed North Korea has produced nuclear weapons for ballistic missile delivery, including by intercontinental missiles.

Officials at the agency wouldn't comment Tuesday. The Office of the Director of

National Intelligence also wouldn't discuss the report.

It's unclear how North Korea's new capabilities will immediately affect how the U.S. approaches the country's regular missile launches and occasional nuclear tests. The U.S. military has never attempted to shoot a North Korean missile out of the sky, deeming all previous tests to pose no threat to the United States. The U.S. could weigh military action if the threat perception changes.

The calculation of North Korea's nuclear arsenal at 60 bombs exceeds other assessments, which range from around one dozen to about 30 weapons. The assessments are typically an estimate of the amount of plutonium and enriched uranium North Korea has in its inventory rather than how much of that material has been weaponized. It's unclear how many, if any, miniaturized warheads North Korea has built.

Last month's ICBM tests highlighted the growing threat. Both missiles were fired at highly lofted angles and landed in the sea near Japan, but analysts said the weapons could reach Alaska, Los Angeles or Chicago if fired at a normal, flattened trajectory.

North Korea threatened to hit Guam with its Hwasong-12 missiles, which it says can carry a heavy nuclear warhead.

Not all technical hurdles have been overcome, however. North Korea is still believed to lack expertise to ensure a missile could re-enter the Earth's atmosphere without the warhead burning up. And it's still working on striking targets with accuracy.

Deadly Kenya protests as opposition alleges vote hacking

By TOM ODILA and CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA

Associated Press

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Kenya's election took an ominous turn on Wednesday as violent protests erupted in the capital and elsewhere after opposition leader Raila Odinga alleged fraud, saying hackers used the identity of a murdered official to infiltrate the database of the country's election commission and manipulate results.

With results from almost all of the polling stations counted, President Uhuru Kenyatta was shown with a wide lead over Odinga in his bid for a second term.

Soon after Odinga spoke on television, angry protesters in slums of Nairobi and the opposition stronghold of Kisumu in the southwest burned tires, set up roadblocks and clashed with police, witnesses said.

Two people were shot dead in Nairobi as they took advantage of the protests to steal, Nairobi police chief Japheth Koome said. An Associated Press photographer said one was shot in the head.

Kenyan police opened fire on people protesting election results earlier Wednesday in another opposition stronghold, killing one person. The shooting happened in South Murgirango constituency in Kisii county, said Leonard Katana, a regional police commander.

Many parts of Kenya, East Africa's commercial hub, were calm a day after the elections for president and more than 1,800 other posts down to the county level. But the violence stirred memories of the unrest following the 2007 vote in which more than 1,000 people were killed. Odinga lost that election; he also lost the 2013 vote to Kenyatta

and took allegations of vote-tampering to the Supreme Court, which rejected his case.

Odinga, a former prime minister, blamed Kenyatta's Jubilee Party for the alleged hacking of the election database.

"The fraud Jubilee has perpetuated on Kenyans surpasses any level of voter theft in our country's history. This time we caught them," he tweeted.

Odinga claimed that hackers used the identity of Christopher Msando, an election official in charge of managing information technology systems. On July 31, officials announced that Msando had been tortured and killed, alarming Kenyans who feared a recurrence of political violence that has been fueled by ethnic divisions.

Msando had sought to reassure voters that election results would not be tampered with.

Rafael Tuju, a top official in Kenyatta's party,

said the opposition's claims were unfounded.

Kenya's election commission said it will investigate Odinga's allegations. "For now, I cannot say whether or not the system has been hacked," said Wafula Chebukati, the commission chairman.

Kenyatta was leading with 54.35 percent and Odinga had 44.77 percent after votes at more than 39,320 of the 40,883 polling stations were counted, according to the election commission.

In the city of Kisumu, police used tear gas and shot at protesters who were upset after Odinga's fraud allegations, said demonstrator Sebastian Omolo.

ROJO

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Rojo was accused of using his power and authority as a law enforcement officer to take advantage of troubled children and place them into compromising and revealing positions.

A lawsuit has been filed in the 118th District Court against the city of Big Spring and Rojo individually by a family member of one of the victims.

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Nina York Barnes, 76, died Friday. Memorial service will be at 2:00 PM today at Spring Creek Fellowship.

Thomas "Tommy" Dunnam, 74, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Family Faith Center with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Joe Gonzales, 61, died Tuesday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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block of Presidio Street that was gifted to the city by a local resident.

A motion to modify a professional services agreement that would enable them to apply for the Tiger Grant, rather than the Fastlane Grant, which according to Johnny Womack, Public Works Director, is a much more attainable grant.

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Roger's Retro Reviews: *Foul Play*

In 1978, Goldie Hawn was beautiful, Chevy Chase was debonair, and Dudley Moore was a pervert named Stanley. Today's Retro Review is over the romantic comedy/mystery "Foul Play."

As the film opens, California's Archbishop Thorncrest (Eugene Roche) arrives home from a conference.

As he starts up a soothing vinyl record of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado", he glimpses in a mirror... himself. Except not himself, somebody else who looks like him. And that person kills him.

We cut to a party at which attractive Gloria Mundy (Hawn) spots handsome but klutzy Tony (Chase) across the room. Not impressed by his klutziness, she heads inside, where her friend Sylvia (Janet Wood) urges her to be more outgoing.

Tony hits on Gloria, and she rejects him and leaves in her yellow VW Beetle.

Opening credits roll during her drive back to San Francisco, and Barry Manilow's perfectly cheesy song "Ready To Take a Chance Again" plays.



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gins to make himself comfortable, stripping down to his heart-covered boxers, putting on some disco music, revealing his Murphy bed encrusted in flashing lights, and firing up a porno film.

From the window, Gloria sees the albino, who is frustrated at not being able to find her, make a call from a phone booth. The black limo shows up and he gets in and leaves. Then Gloria notices Stanley's shenanigans, gets offended, and leaves.

At home, Gloria's door is open. Thinking Mr. Hennessey has gone into her apartment for some reason, but still cautious, she proceeds inside.

A scar-faced man attacks her and demands that she give him what Scotty gave her.

After putting up a fight, she tells him about the cigarettes, and he takes the pack from her purse and puts it in his pocket. She stabs him with her knitting needles and calls the police.

He's not dead, though, and he begins to come after her when the albino shows up at her apartment window and shoots Scarface.

When Scarface falls, the cigarette case comes out of his pocket and lands under the leaves of a potted plant. Gloria faints.

When she wakes up, the first thing



Spotting a handsome motorist stranded on the side of the road, Gloria stops. The man, who identifies himself as Scotty (Bruce Solomon), brusquely tells Gloria he absolutely has to get to the city quickly, and invites himself into her car.

She meekly allows it, and starts driving. Scotty is distracted, and notices they're being followed by a black limo.

Not letting on, he abruptly warms up to Gloria, and asks her on a date to the movie retrospective she had already planned to see that night.

He also asks her to hold his pack with the last three cigarettes in it for him, so he won't be tempted to smoke them. We see him slip a roll of film into the pack before putting it in her purse. She drops him off, and we see the limo pull up behind her.

Guys get out, and start chasing Scotty.

Scotty doesn't show up at the movie theater, and Gloria goes on in to watch the movie and get out of the rain.

Scotty shows up late...but something's wrong with him. We see that he's bleeding from a chest wound. Gloria doesn't notice and offers him some popcorn. Telling her to "Beware of the dwarf," Scotty dies.

Gloria screams and runs for the manager (Chuck McCann).

After extricating him from a romantic encounter with another of the theater employees, they run back into the theater, but Scotty's body is gone. The manager kicks her out.

Gloria goes home and we meet her Irish landlord Mr. Hennessey (Burgess Meredith) and his pet snake Esmeralda.

The next day at work at the library, Gloria is closing up when she is startled by an albino (William Frankfather).

He attacks her, but she escapes and takes refuge in a bar, where she meets mild-mannered Stanley Tibbets (Moore). Scared for her life, she begs him to take her home.

Thinking she's hot to trot, Stanley takes her to his apartment. Gloria's only interested in looking out the window for her attacker.

While she does that, Stanley be-

she sees is Tony's face. Turns out he's Lt. Tony Carlson of the SFPD, responding to her call.

With him is his partner, Inspector Ferguson (Brian Dennehy), known as "Fergie." Gloria tells them her story, but since Scarface's body has disappeared and there is no sign of a fight, they don't believe her crazy story about albinos, scar-faced men, dwarves, and her encounter at the movie theater.

From there, events transpire to force Tony to believe her, and they uncover an assassination plot which culminates, fabulously, in a live stage production of "The Mikado."

"Foul Play" is definitely a movie that shows its age. Disco, "groovy," "far out!" women's lib, and sensitive Chevy Chase let us know this movie comes straight out of the '70s. Gloria's a little too naïve and the whole assassination plot trope is a little too wacky.

Still, though, the movie is a lot of fun, and good for some laughs. Watch for Gloria, on a fire escape running from some bad guys, trying to get the attention of two little old ladies playing Scrabble, when one of them drops an "F-bomb" on the board.

The high-speed race across San Francisco at the end of the movie is a lot of fun.

"Foul Play" does run into some racial stereotyping, including the Japanese tourists and the feisty Irishman who loves to fight.

This is a fun, light-hearted, cheesy, silly movie. Seven and a half stars out of 10.

Foul Play

Director: Colin Higgins

Writer: Colin Higgins

Production Company: Paramount Pictures

PG (probably would be PG-13 today for violence and language); 1 hr. 56 min.; Comedy/Mystery/Romance; July 14, 1978



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Dear heart Jesus, in the past I have asked for favors. This time I ask you this very special one (mention favor). Take it dear Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it, then in your merciful eyes it will become your favor and not mine, Amen. Say this prayer for 3 days, promise publication and favor will be granted. Never known to fail. F.G.

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Check it out at the Howard County Library

For those of you that enjoy western books, I have a few books to share with you. In "The Kansas City Cowboys" by Johnny D. Boggs (LP W BOG J), seventeen-year-old Silver King dreams of becoming a working cowboy. His mother, however, has pushed him to be a baseball player because King has the arm to be a star pitcher. When the National League forms a team in Kansas City, both mother and son get their wishes. King is signed to pitch for the fledgling team—the Kansas City Cowboys. His teammates will include a Rhode Island shortstop who pretends to be the son



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of a well-known Kansas lawman; a black cowboy working at a meat-packing plant who is passed off as a Cherokee Indian to get around professional baseball's agreement not to play blacks against whites; and two catchers who take King under their wing: an overweight, hard-drinking baseball veteran and a journeyman minor-leaguer who prefers pushing cattle and chasing after gold. The summer will teach Silver King what it takes to be a baseball Cowboy and a working cowboy. The Kansas City Cowboys and their rowdy fans will show the world just how Western things can get on a baseball diamond.

"War in Lincoln County" by Dane Coolidge (LP W COO D) tells the story of Curly Wells who rides into Ganado Crossing on his Appaloosa, Paint, looking for his stolen horse, a tiger-striped dun named Tige. He finds him in a herd there, and is allowed to ride out with him. He notices an unwelcome interest in Paint by Tuffy Malone, the leader of the toughs there. As he leaves, a gray

horse follows, and he encounters Melissa McCoy, who accuses him of stealing her horse. Curly escorts Melissa back to her corral, where he meets her friend Colonel Moore, a former Texas Ranger and now a big rancher. Curly learns that Tuffy Malone has been annoying Melissa, and that she has lost other horses to the rustling that is rampant in the area. Curly is invited to spend the night on their ranch, but he is fearful that Paint will be stolen. Colonel Moore assures Curly that nowhere could his horse be safer, but in the morning, Paint is gone and evidence points to Tuffy Malone as the thief. Curly is drawn into a conflict with the rustlers that will inevitably build into open warfare.

In "The Shadowed Trail" by Arthur Henry Gooden (LP W GOO A), Kirk Severn of the K7 Ranch shields Dick Chase, an archaeologist, and his wife, Esther, from the inexplicable pursuit of the ruffian crew who work for Warde Taylor, boss of the Bar T spread. When Hilda, Taylor's daughter, learns that her father is behind the efforts to kill them and Kirk too, she is both unhappy and mystified, for she loves Kirk and trusts him. What is the secret that has led Esther Chase into such great danger? How is it that Esther and Hilda look so much alike? Where does the lynching of the bandit Pecos Jack, twenty years before, fit into the puzzle? Hilda and Kirk have many a close call before the riddles are unraveled and the guns silent.

That's all the time I have for now so I leave you with a quote from Orison Swett Marden: "Success is not measured by what you accomplish, but by the opposition you have encountered, and the courage with which you have maintained the struggle against overwhelming odds."

We are open Monday to Friday, 9 am to 6 pm; the internet/video room closes at 5:30.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Howard County Junior College District will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 2.11 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Tax Code, Chapter 26). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 17, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at Howard College, in the Tumbleweed Room of the Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The second public hearing will be held on Monday, August 21, 2017, at 12:30 p.m. at Howard College, in the Tumbleweed Room of the Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Dr. John Freeman, Mr. Maxwell Barr, Mrs. Patricia Bennett, Mr. Michael Flores, Mr. Mark Morgan, Mr. Ryan Williams

AGAINST: none

PRESENT and not voting: none

ABSENT: Mr. Adrian Calvio (absent at time of vote)

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in the Howard County Junior College District last year was \$71,605. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.313798 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$224.70.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in the Howard County Junior College District this year is \$74,676. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.306542 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$228.91.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.314285 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$234.70.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.



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Infant strangles on improperly secured carrier seat strap

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Investigators say a 9-month-old child strangled to death on a car seat strap in a Fort Worth home. The Tarrant County medical examiner's office identified the infant Tuesday as John Norris of Weatherford. Initially, police had said the child was found dead in a closet Monday evening. A police statement issued Tuesday says the child was improperly secured in a child car carrier seat and strangled on a bottom belt strap while sleeping. The boy's neck was caught between a chest buckle and a strap mechanism. Fort Worth police spokesman Brad Perez says the child's mother was at work at the time of his death and his caretaker was watching at least 10 children. Perez says foul play isn't suspected at this time, but Child Protective Services is investigating.

Texas House votes to restrict insurance coverage of abortion

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas House has given preliminary approval to a bill requiring women to purchase separate insurance policies for coverage of abortions, except in cases of medical emergency. Amarillo Republican Rep. John Smithee's proposal was approved 95-51 after hours of debate Tuesday. A final House vote Wednesday would send it to the Texas Senate, which approved a similar proposal last month. Smithee said the bill only requires purchasing supplemental coverage for "elective" abortions, and promotes "economic freedom" by ensuring that Texans who object to abortions don't have to subsidize them for other insurance policyholders. Democratic opponents called the bill anti-women's health and "strictly political." They argued that insurance companies don't recognize elective abortions and already only cover the procedure when it's medically necessary. Texas' 30-day special legislative session ends next week.

\$1M Houston-area auto theft ring leaves immigrants scammed

HOUSTON (AP) — Officials say nine people have been indicted in a more than \$1 million Houston-area auto theft ring targeting dealers and unsuspecting immigrants who bought the stolen vehicles online. The Harris County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday said eight people were arrested on charges including theft, money laundering, credit fraud and engaging in organized crime. A sheriff's statement says the suspects preyed on Spanish-speaking recent immigrants via social media. Officers raided eight locations and recovered items including tools to create car and truck keys, plus title documents related to the fraudulent sale of stolen vehicles. Authorities estimate more than two dozen dealers lost at least \$787,000 in property, with 29 vehicles stolen. At least 27 buyers were out about \$229,000.

Texas woman pleads guilty to helping lover kill wife in Md.

BALTIMORE (AP) — A woman has pleaded guilty to helping her boyfriend kill his wife. Prosecutors said she gave him a gun and her car, stayed in his apartment to establish an alibi, and then disposed of the weapon after the deed was done. Both the boyfriend and his wife were in the U.S. Army. Karlyn Ramirez, a soldier at Fort Meade, was found fatally shot with her infant daughter unharmed next to her, at her home in Maryland in 2015. Her husband, Sgt. 1st Class Maliek Kearney, was stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. A prosecutor's statement Tuesday said 32-year-old Dolores Delgado of San Antonio, Texas, pleaded guilty to interstate travel to commit domestic violence resulting in death. Kearney faces the same federal charge. Delgado's attorney didn't immediately comment.

Ford repairs Austin police SUVs, but questions linger

By DEE-ANN DURBIN
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co. has begun repairing Ford Explorer SUVs in Austin, Texas, that were pulled off police duty because exhaust containing carbon monoxide was seeping into them. But the company faces lingering questions about the safety of thousands of other Explorers on the road.

Ford is repairing police SUVs in Austin and other cities for free. Austin city spokesman David Green said a team from Ford took five of the police department's Explorers to local dealers Monday to teach them how to fix the issue.

Austin pulled nearly 400 Explorers off its patrol fleet late last month because of concerns about carbon monoxide. Green says the city will likely send its entire fleet out for repairs, but he didn't know how long it would take to get them all fixed.

"When we are confident our employees will be safe, they'll be back on the road," Green said.

Ford blames the issue on non-factory outfitters that drill holes into police SUVs to install extra equipment like lights and radios. In visits to police departments, the company has seen multiple examples of holes that weren't sealed properly after the equipment and wiring was installed.

But Ford is still investigating why many non-police consumers have also complained to the automaker and the government about exhaust fumes — which contain odorless, colorless carbon monoxide as well as sulfur and other chemicals — in their vehicles. It also can't explain why there have been no carbon monoxide complaints about a rival SUV, the Chevrolet Tahoe, which is also used by police.

It's a critical issue for the automaker. The Explorer makes up more

than half of all U.S. police vehicle sales, and the seven-passenger SUV is also a big profit generator for the company. Ford has sold more than 1.35 million Explorers since 2011, the model year in which the Explorer was last redesigned.

Bill Gubing, the chief engineer for the Ford Explorer, said Tuesday that Ford hasn't found elevated levels of carbon monoxide in non-police vehicles. One explanation is that police vehicles drive differently than normal SUVs. Police often have to accelerate to full speed from a stopped position, for example, which causes the engine to work harder and emit more exhaust.

"Most average retail customers don't drive like that in freeways," Gubing told The Associated Press.

But Ford clearly knows it has a problem with non-police Explorers. It has issued two bulletins to dealers — in December and March — telling them how to repair vehicles with exhaust in their cabins, and has told customers with concerns to take their Explorers to a dealer. It also settled a class action lawsuit over the issue in Florida last fall.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has found more than 2,700 complaints of exhaust odors in the passenger compartment in an investigation started a year ago. Among the complaints were three crashes and 41 injuries, mostly loss of consciousness, nausea and headaches. Many — but not all — of the complaints came from police departments.

The agency tested multiple vehicles at its Ohio research center, and made field inspections of police vehicles involved in crashes. As of Thursday, NHTSA said it had no evidence or data to support claims that injuries or crash allegations were



AP photo
In this Tuesday, July 11, 2017, file photo, Austin police Ford utility vehicles are parked on East Eighth Street outside police headquarters in Austin, Texas. Ford Motor Co. has begun repairing Ford Explorer SUVs in Austin that were pulled off police duty because exhaust containing carbon monoxide was seeping into them.

caused by carbon monoxide poisoning. It said tests suggested carbon monoxide levels may be higher in certain driving conditions, but the significance and effect of those levels remain under investigation. Gubing said the problem isn't found in police

cars like the Ford Tahoe because the exhaust is usually trapped in the trunk. But he couldn't explain why police departments haven't complained about the Chevrolet Tahoe, which is also fitted with extra equipment.



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Glen Campbell, superstar entertainer of 1960s and '70s, dies

By KRISTIN M. HALL
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Glen Campbell, the affable superstar singer of "Rhinstone Cowboy" and "Wichita Line-man" whose appeal spanned country, pop, television and movies, died Tuesday, his family said. He was 81.

Campbell's family said the singer died Tuesday morning in Nashville and publicist Sandy Brokaw confirmed the news. No cause was immediately given. Campbell announced in June 2011 that he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and that it was in its early stages at that time.

"Glen is one of the greatest voices there ever was in the business and he was one of the greatest musicians," said Dolly Parton in a video statement. "He was a wonderful session musician as well. A lot of people don't realize that. But he could play anything and he could play it really well."

Tributes poured in on social media. "Thank you Glen Campbell for sharing your talent with us for so many years May you rest in peace my friend You will never be forgotten," wrote Charlie Daniels. One of Campbell's daughters, Ashley, said she was heartbroken. "I owe him everything I am, and everything I ever will be. He will be remembered so well and with so much love," she wrote on Twitter.

In the late 1960s and well into the '70s, the Arkansas native was seemingly everywhere with his boyish face, wavy hair and friendly tenor. He won five Grammys, sold more than 45 million records, had 12 gold albums and 75 chart hits, including No. 1 songs with "Rhinstone Cowboy" and "Southern Nights."

His performance of the title song from the 1969 film "True Grit," in which he played a Texas Ranger alongside Oscar winner John Wayne, received an Academy Award nomination. He twice won album of the year awards from the Academy of Country Music and was voted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2005. Seven years later, he received a Grammy for lifetime achievement.

His last record was "Adios," released in June, featured songs that Campbell loved to sing but never recorded, including tunes made famous by Bob Dylan, Linda Ronstadt and Johnny Cash. Ashley Campbell, also a musician, made a quest appearance and said making the album was "therapeutic."

Campbell was among a wave of country crossover stars that included Johnny Cash, Roy Clark and Kenny Rogers, and like many of his contemporaries, he enjoyed success on television. Campbell had a weekly audience

of some 50 million people for the "Glen Campbell Goodtime Hour," on CBS from 1969 to 1972. He gained new fans decades later when the show, featuring his cheerful greeting "Hi I'm Glen Campbell," was rerun on cable channel CMT.

"I did what my Dad told me to do — 'Be nice, son, and don't cuss. And be nice to people.' And that's the way I handled myself, and people were very, very nice to me," Campbell told The Telegraph in 2011.

He released more than 70 of his own albums, and in the 1990s recorded a series of gospel CDs. A 2011 farewell album, "Ghost On the Canvas," included contributions from Jacob Dylan, Rick Nielsen of Cheap Trick and Billy Corgan of Smashing Pumpkins.

The documentary "Glen Campbell ... I'll Be Me" came out in 2014. The film about Campbell's 2011-12 farewell tour offers a poignant look at his decline from Alzheimer's while showcasing his virtuoso guitar chops that somehow continued to shine as his mind unraveled. The song "I'm Not Gonna Miss You" won a Grammy for best country song in 2015 and was nominated for an Oscar for best original song.

Campbell's musical career dated back to the early years of rock 'n roll. He toured with the Champs of "Tequila" fame when the group included two singers who formed the popular '70s duo Seals & Crofts. He was part of the house band for the ABC TV show "Shindig!" and a member of Phil Spector's "Wrecking Crew" studio band that played on hits by the Ronettes, the Righteous Brothers and the Crystals. He played guitar on Frank Sinatra's "Strangers In the Night," the Monkees' "I'm a Believer" and Elvis Presley's "Viva Las Vegas."

"We'd get the rock 'n' roll guys and play all that, then we'd get Sinatra and Dean Martin," Campbell told The Associated Press in 2011. "That was a kick. I really enjoyed that. I didn't want to go nowhere. I was making more money than I ever made just doing studio work."

A sharecropper's son who was one of 12 children, he was born outside of Delight, Arkansas, and grew up revering country music stars such as Hank Williams.

"I'm not a country singer per se," Campbell once said. "I'm a country boy who sings."

He was just 4 when he learned to play guitar. As a teenager, anxious to escape a life of farm work and unpaid bills, he moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico to join his uncle's band and appear on his uncle's radio show. By his early 20s, he had formed his own group, the Western Wranglers, and moved to Los Angeles. He opened for the



AP photo

In this July 27, 2011 photo, musician Glen Campbell poses for a portrait in Malibu, Calif. Campbell, the grinning, high-pitched entertainer who had such hits as "Rhinstone Cowboy" and spanned country, pop, television and movies, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017. He was 81. Campbell announced in June 2011 that he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

Doors and sang and played bass with the Beach Boys as a replacement for Brian Wilson, who in the mid-'60s had retired from touring to concentrate on studio work. In 1966, Campbell played on the Beach Boys' classic "Pet Sounds" album.

"I didn't go to Nashville because Nashville at that time seemed one-dimensional to me," Campbell told the AP. "I'm a jazzier. I just love to get the guitar and play the hell out of it if I can."

By the late '60s, he was a performer on his own, an appearance on Joey Bishop's show leading to his TV breakthrough. Tommy Smothers of the Smothers Brothers saw the program and asked Campbell if he'd like to host a summer-time series, "The Summer Brothers Smothers Show." Campbell shied from the Smothers Brothers' political humor, but still

accepted the offer. He was out of the country when the first episode aired.

"The whole lid just blew off," Campbell told the AP. "I had never had anything like that happen to me. I got more phone calls. It was awesome. For the first couple of days I was like how do they know me? I didn't realize the power

of television."

His guests included country acts, but also the Monkees, Lucille Ball, Cream, Neil Diamond and Ella Fitzgerald.

He was married four times and had eight children.

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The Lady Steers Booster Club sold watermelon as a fundraiser during the Lady Steers Watermelon Preview at Steer Gym on Tuesday, August 8, 2017.



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Pictured above is the 2017 Lady Steers freshman volleyball team. Team members include: Maddie Miller, Jocelyn Gonzalez, Jacqueline Belew, Ashlin Calvo, Anna Erwin, Acelyn Treadaway, Arali Mendez, Brianna Solis, Bethany Delbosquez, Alyssa Pullins, and manager Becca Moore.



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Pictured above is the 2017 Lady Steers JV volleyball team. Team members include: Robyn Evans, Olivia Bancroft, Obri Guzman, Ali Bessera, Kenzie Rodriguez, Amaya Cobos, Keila Yanez, Marissa Aguilar, Callie Baker, Sophia Dominguez, Kayleigh Rodriguez, and Gaby Lopez.



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Pictured above is the 2017 Lady Steers varsity volleyball team. Team members include: Logan Terrazas, Amber Martinez, Courtney Myers, Medina Bancroft, Kayleigh Penny, Kloee Gang, Trinity Galloway, Jori Hanlan, Jaryn Vanover, Ashley Gonzalez, and manager Carlie Roberts.

Cowboys defensive end Tyrone Crawford sprains ankle at camp



AP photo

Tyrone Crawford is assisted after tackling Ezekiel Elliott in football practice as the Dallas Cowboys hold training camp in Oxnard, Calif., Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Dallas defensive end Tyrone Crawford sprained his right ankle while pursuing running back Ezekiel Elliott during practice at training camp Tuesday, good news for the Cowboys because the team feared the injury was worse.

The Cowboys reported on twitter that Crawford didn't fracture the ankle, which should mean the versatile starter won't miss much time during the regular season.

Crawford has started 45 games at end and defensive tackle over the past three seasons since missing all of 2013 after tearing his left Achilles tendon in training camp.

The 27-year-old Crawford appeared to be in tears as he was taken to the locker room on a cart after the injury during the final session of 11-on-11 work. Dallas defensive players

don't tackle during drills but approach ball carriers as if they are going to make the play.

But the diagnosis eased fears after images showed Crawford's ankle turning badly as he stumbled near Elliott, last year's NFL rushing leader.

"I want to thank everyone for the prayers," Crawford tweeted after the diagnosis. "I'll bounce back from this and will be out there putting in (work) soon!"

The Cowboys already have to open the season without three suspended defensive ends in David Irving (four games, performance-enhancing drugs violation), Damontre Moore (two games, substance abuse) and Randy Gregory (likely for the season, substance abuse).

"Scary," executive vice president of

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Joe West suspended for 3 games for comments about Beltre



AP photo

In this June 17, 2017 file photo, Crew chief Joe West smiles as he talks to staff in the Seattle Mariners dugout in the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Texas.

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe West, the major leagues' senior umpire, has been suspended for three days without pay for comments he made about Texas third baseman Adrian Beltre.

In a USA Today report published June 20 timed to coincide with the umpire's 5,000th regular-season game, West said "it's got to be Adrian Beltre" when asked who was the biggest complainer in the major leagues.

"Every pitch you call that's a strike, he says, 'Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!' I had a game with him recently and the pitch was right down the middle. He tells me, 'That ball is outside,'" West was quoted as saying.

"I told him, 'You may be a great ballplayer, but you're the worst umpire in the league. You stink,'" West also was quoted as saying.

West was quoted as saying the Los Angeles Dodgers-Arizona Diamondbacks series in Phoenix, but the World Umpires Association said Tuesday that West was serving the first game of the suspension. It said Major League Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred told the union in an Aug. 3 letter the discipline created an "appearance of lack of impartiality."

"Joking interactions between umpires and players are a routine part

of the game," the union said in a statement. "We disagree strongly with the decision to punish Joe West simply for sharing a humorous exchange with a player."

MLB did not comment.

"I don't think that it was necessary to suspend him," Beltre said after the Rangers' 5-4 loss to the New York Mets. "Obviously, I know that he was kidding and after it happened a couple of weeks ago he came back home and I asked him exactly what happened and he told me he was just kidding with the reporter."

The 64-year-old West made his big league debut in September 1976 and trails only Bill Klemm (5,375) and Bruce Froemming (5,163) among regular-season games worked. West's 123 postseason games are 10 behind Jerry Davis' record.

"I play around with him. He plays around with me. And that was it," Beltre said. "I didn't think it was a big deal. I'm sad that it happened."

Rangers manager Jeff Banister did not fault West.

"There's no part of me that ever would think that any person — especially Joe West — would be partial to anything," Banister said.

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The Marylou Galan Stewart & Thomas Jesse Stewart Family Trust, Lt 1 Tract 33 A

William B. Currie, Located at 300 NE. 8th St., is requesting a variance for the following under the title of (SF-3) Single Family Dwelling; A variance out of Article 4, Section 4-1 of the City of Big Spring Zoning Ordinance to encroach a total of ten (10') feet into the maximum twenty five foot (25') front yard setback as regulated by the City of Big Spring Zoning Ordinance.

Simon P. Sanchez, W/2 of Lt 11 Bk 4 May Thixton, Located at 1617 E. 17th St., is requesting a variance for the following under the title of (SF-2) Single Family Dwelling; A variance out of Article 4, Section 4-1 of the City of Big Spring Zoning Ordinance to encroach a total of ten (10') feet into the maximum twenty five foot (25') front yard setback as regulated by the City of Big Spring Zoning Ordinance.

#9485 August 7, 9, 2017

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TA Operating LLC: Barry M. Portnoy – Director; Thomas M. O'Brien – Managing Director, President, CEO; Andrew J. Rebholz – EVP, CFO, Treasurer, Asst. Secretary; Mark R. Young – EVP and General Counsel; Rodney P. Bresnahan – EVP; Barry A. Richards – EVP; Jennifer B. Clark – Secretary.

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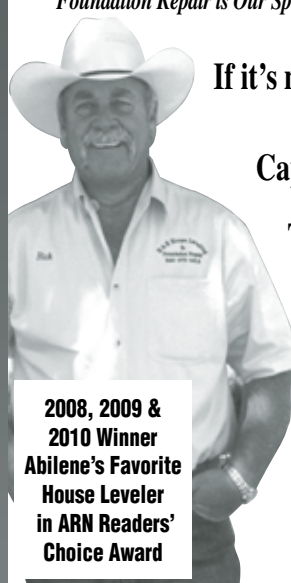
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

But how often? That's the crux of it. Sacrifice should feel like a choice, not a character trait. Your needs are important, too. Examine the balance in relationships.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). As social as you can be, your solitude is at times so sweet that no one can compete. When you need to be alone, you really need it and enjoy it thoroughly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The ones worth impressing aren't excited by high-dollar items that anyone with money can obtain. Taste, style and emotional satisfaction have more to do with specificity of choice and the reasoning behind it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Lifestyle changes come about in interesting ways for you. Your next great change will start with a pang of dissatisfaction then a judgement that spreads over your being as a realization.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Truly, when you make a decision about how malleable your mood will be, you'll have the power to stick to it. So it will be entirely up to you: Your smile could change the day, or the day could change your smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The attitudes of people and the feeling of situations will matter even more than usual. In fact, in most things

you encounter today, the tone will trump the content. Reactions will be knee-jerk and gut-level.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In the current milieu, you are surrounded by artfully scribed declarations and advice. The decor, the coffee mug, the shirt, the bracelet -- they all seem to be barking orders. You'll rebel. You don't need to be told how to do you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may contradict yourself, and that's just part of being a complex human with broad interests and a mind that can travel through time and span a universe of ideas, many of which are bound to clash.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll consider going out of your way to make a favorable impression or to please someone. Before you do, examine your motives. If it's approval you seek, you don't need it. If it's for fun or experimentation, you can't lose.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The observations others make of you may clash with your self-concept now. It may feel greedy to take a compliment and rude to deflect it. Avoid both modes by focusing on the graciousness of others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your restrictions, real or imagined, are legitimate. The latter is harder to break free from than the former. That's what makes today's small victory so important. This is only the beginning.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Deprivation is a severe and impractical approach. Many things are better regulated than restricted. This guiding principle will help you navigate the tricky issues of the day.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 9). It's said that madness carves its own reality. You're not at all mad, but you're a carver, too! You'll chip and shave away at your life until the masterpiece emerges. A glorious happening in the next three weeks will be the first of five. You'll invest in another and accidentally benefit yourself. Love and travel happen in November. Pisces and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 18, 7, 49, 31 and 6.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Good teamwork on defense

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A Q J 9 2
♥ A J 8
♦ A J 7 3
♣ 6

WEST
♠ 10 4
♥ Q 10 7 5 3
♦ 5
♣ A J 9 8 3

EAST
♠ K 7 6 3
♥ K 9 6
♦ 4
♣ Q 10 7 5 2

SOUTH
♠ 8 5
♥ 4 2
♦ K Q 10 9 8 6 2
♣ K 4

The bidding:
South West North East
3♦ Pass 3♠ Pass
4♦ Pass 5♦

Opening lead — five of hearts.

The practice of leading fourth-best on defense dates back to the days of whist, the ancestor of contract bridge. Despite its antiquity, though, it is still widely accepted for a very simple reason — it works!

Today's deal illustrates the value of fourth-best leads. South arrives at five diamonds, and West leads the five of hearts. Declarer plays the eight from dummy, and East has to decide which card to play.

Obviously, South cannot have any great length in hearts, so it is reason-

able to assume that West is leading his fourth-best card from a four-card or longer suit. Once this is determined, the Rule of Eleven can be applied.

In the given case, East subtracts the number on the card led — five — from 11. This reveals that there are six cards higher than the card led in the three hands outside of West's.

Since East can see all six of them in his own hand and dummy, he knows declarer has no heart higher than the five. Accordingly, East plays the nine at trick one and, after it holds, returns the king, South following with the four and West the three.

Declarer takes the ace, draws trumps and leads a spade to the jack, losing to the king. If East now returns a third heart, South will ruff and take the rest of the tricks, discarding both of his clubs on dummy's spades.

But East knows from West's play of the three of hearts at trick two — his fifth-best card — that his partner started with five hearts, which makes it futile to try to cash another heart. So East switches to a club to set the contract one trick.

Observe that if East had gone up with the king of hearts rather than playing the nine on the first trick, declarer could have avoided a spade loser by later leading a heart to the jack and discarding a spade on the heart ace.

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

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			7	9				
1	4			5		8	2	
6		1	2	7	5			3
		3	4		1	8		
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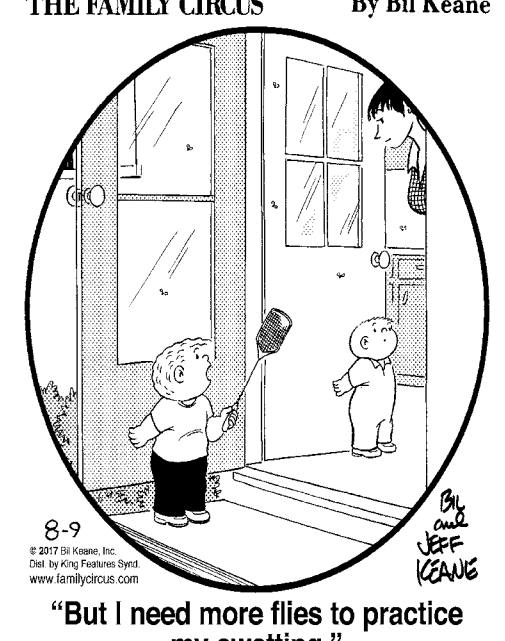
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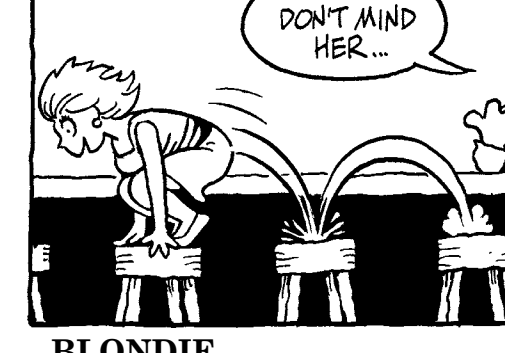
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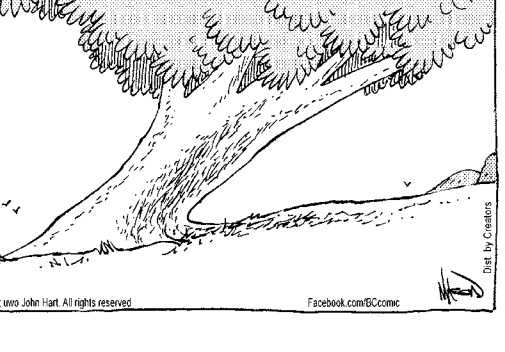
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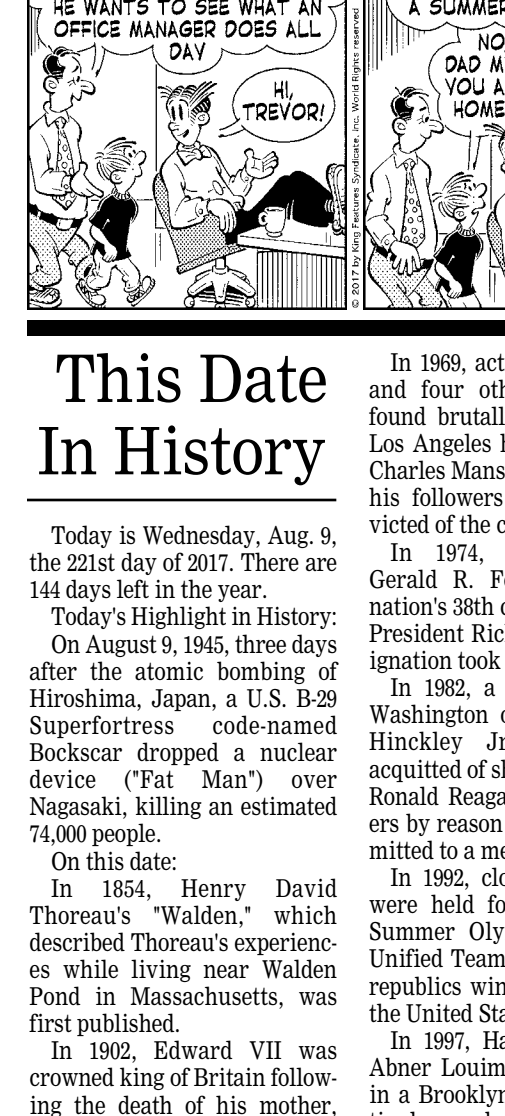
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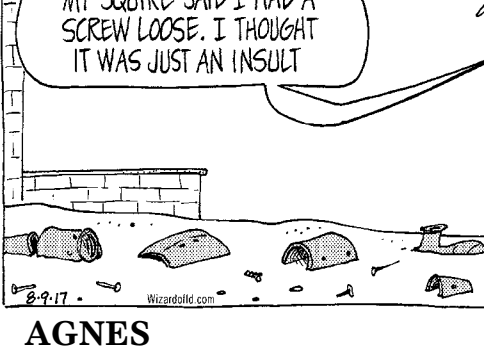
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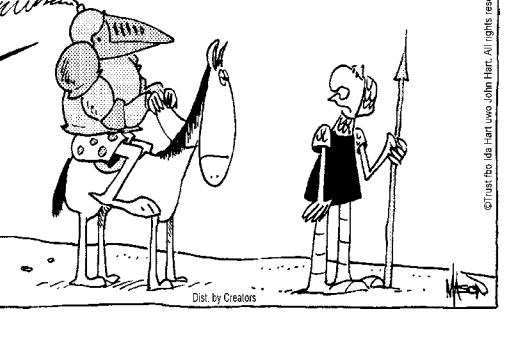
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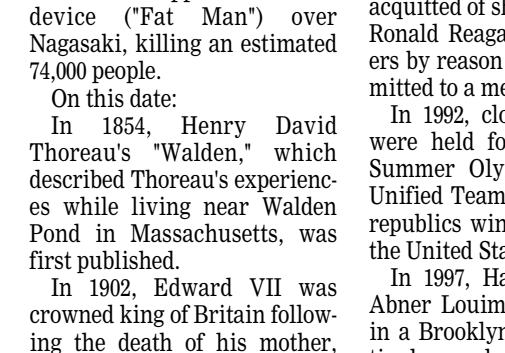
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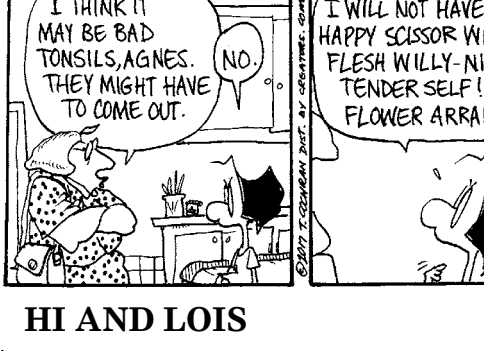
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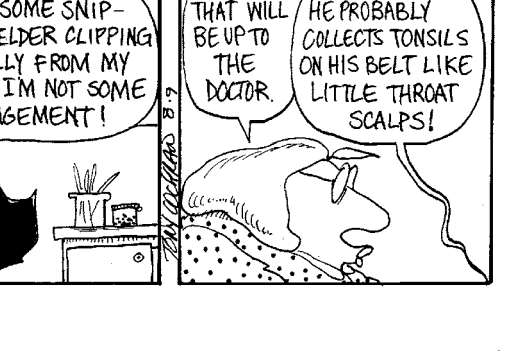
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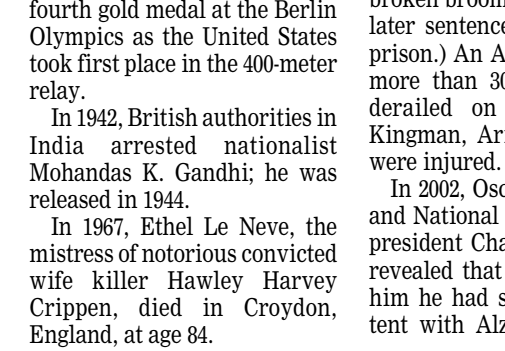
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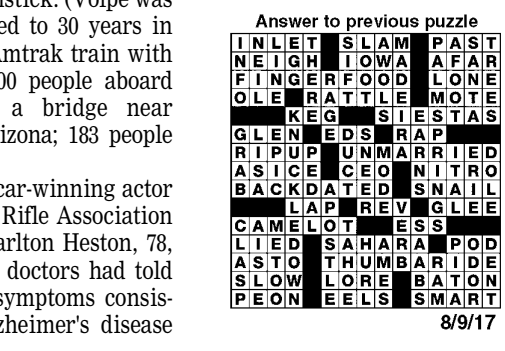
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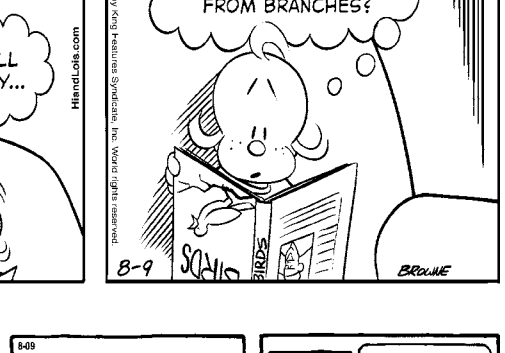
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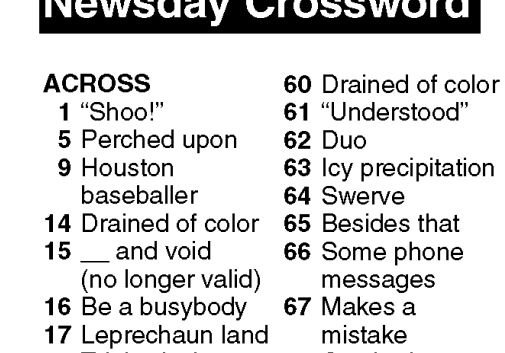
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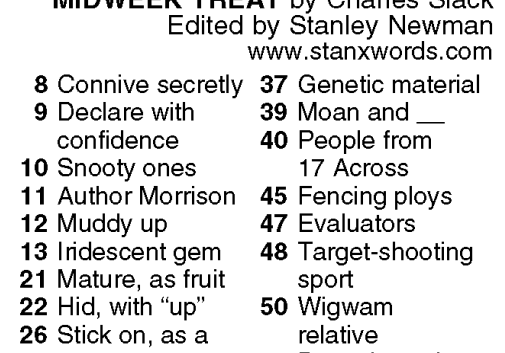
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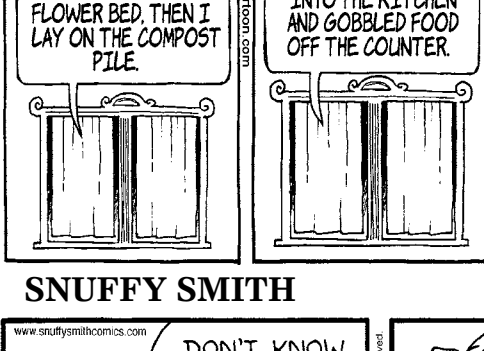
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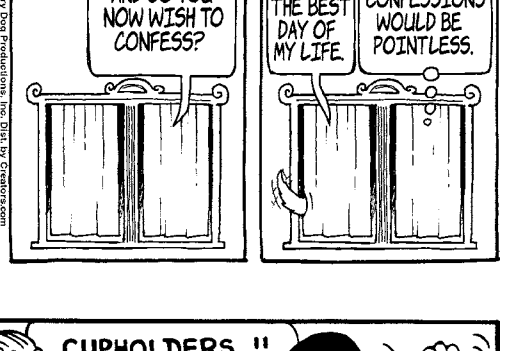
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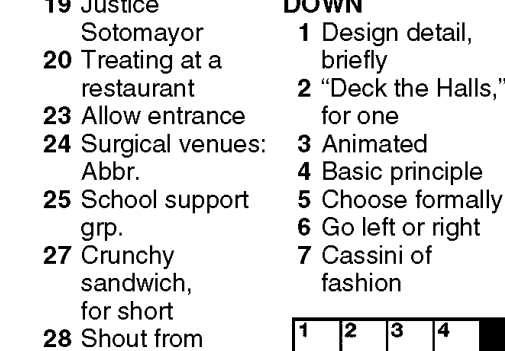
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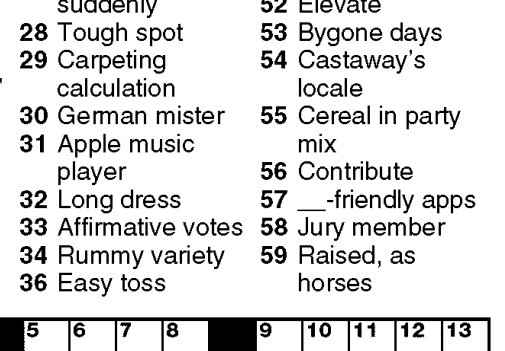
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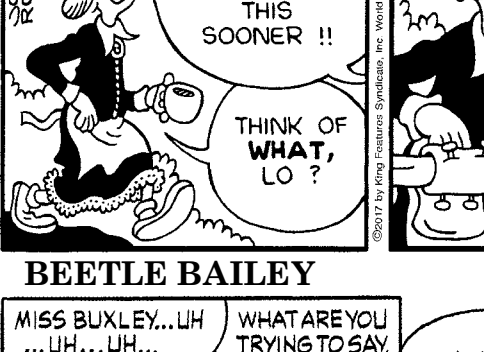
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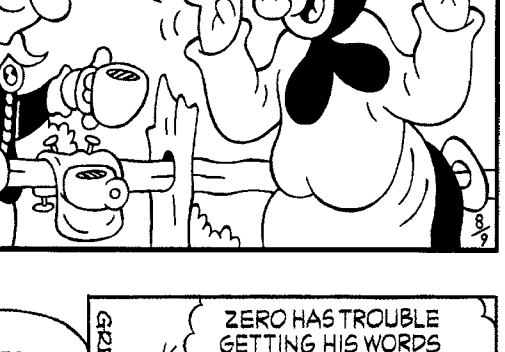
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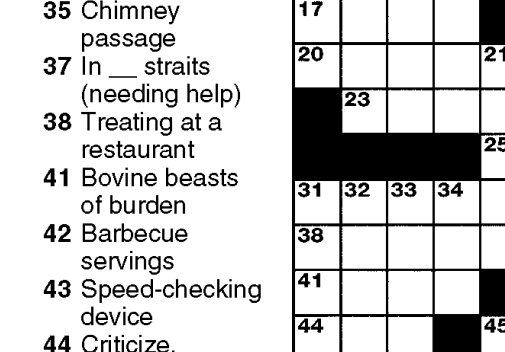
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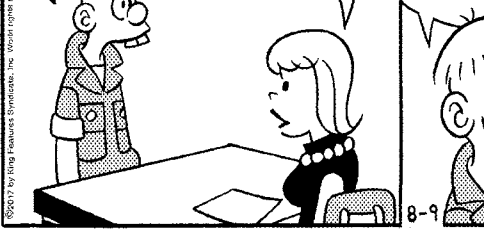
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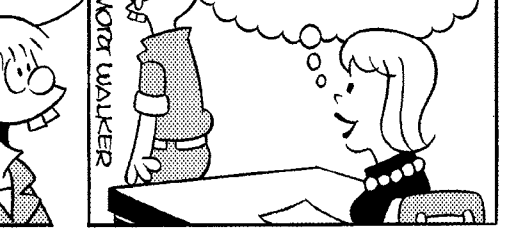
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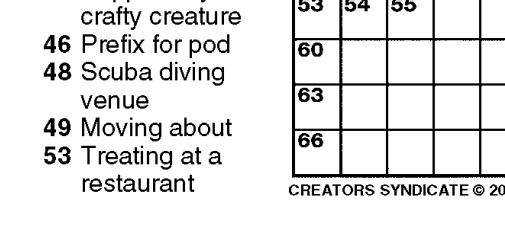
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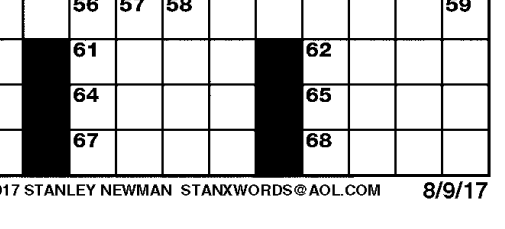
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Army reservist Sam Kendricks wins pole vault gold at worlds

By PAT GRAHAM

AP Sports Writer

LONDON — Sam Kendricks will soon step on the podium as a gold medalist and hear the only song he knows by heart — "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"The anthem is something near and dear," said the Army reservist and pole vault world champion. "I don't know how I'm going to react."

Things are definitely looking up for him these days. In March, Kendricks was promoted to first lieutenant.

On Tuesday, he went from bronze at the Olympics to gold at the world championships.

Kendricks edged Piotr Lisek of Poland and 2012 London Games champion Renaud Lavillenie of France by being remarkably consistent. Kendricks doesn't use as long of a pole, which means he must use military precision to eke the most out of his game.

"I was the best jumper I can be on a shorter pole than everyone else. Tonight, it handed me my victory," said Kendricks, who cleared 5.95 meters to earn the win.

Asked why he uses such a shorter pole, he shrugged: "Takes me less time to get to the bar — less time to make errors." A funny thing happened on his victory lap — he went too fast and got a stitch in his side. He had nothing left to prove. But clearly, he prides himself in giving maximum effort at any time he's out there.

This, after all, is fun and games. Kendricks' stay in London will reach its high point Wednesday, when he receives the gold medal and the Stars and Stripes are raised in the stadium. A stark contrast from home, where his unit has been loading ships in South Carolina. He was given time off so he could compete.

"I'm glad I have a medal to show them," said Kendricks, who trains in Mississippi and is coached by his father. "Being an officer is being on call when one of your soldiers needs you, and staying up to date with my personal fitness, and to be ready when my unit calls me." After his lap was complete, Kendricks carefully folded up the American flag and draped it over his shoulder, covering up the smaller flag on his jacket.

"Sometimes, the bigger flag is nicer," he laughed.

Kendricks gave his flag from the Rio de Janeiro Olympics to his twin brother. This one is going to his girlfriend.



AP photo

United States' Sam Kendricks celebrates after winning the gold medal in the men's pole vault final during the World Athletics Championships in London Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017.

It was meticulously earned, too. Kendricks used a marker to jot down on his arm the takeoff points he wanted to hit during his run up to the pit. It worked, and he joins Brad Walker (Osaka, 2007) as the only American men to win a world pole vault title.

"We often considered ourselves the masters of the 1 percent," Kendricks said. "How can an athlete like me, who's not necessarily at the top of the world in anything, numbers-wise, how can I be at the top of the world in the pole vault?"

"I can get a little bit better in everything, be a little more exact than I was the day before."

He had to sweat it out, though, as Lavillenie raised the bar to 6.01 meters to go for the win.

"You have one champion and two other medalists," said Lavillenie, who's been dealing with injuries, "so that's why I wanted to keep putting pressure on Sam to try 6.01."

After the competition, Kendricks shared a moment with Lavillenie.

"I know no one is more dangerous than Renaud at this time in history," Kendricks explained. "I said, 'Good job, brother. We'll have a good one next time. Now, let's go get dinner.'"

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personnel Stephen Jones said after practice. "Hopefully it will just be an ankle sprain. It's obviously not a high ankle, a traditional ankle sprain."

Dallas, the top seed in the NFC at 13-3 last season before a divisional playoff loss to Green Bay, used its late first-round draft pick on Michigan defensive end Taco Charlton.

The Cowboys have struggled pressuring quarterbacks in recent seasons and have drafted pass rushers in the top two rounds of three of the past four drafts.

Charlton and Charles

Tapper, a fourth-round pick last year, are awaiting their regular-season debuts after each made his first NFL appearance in the 20-18 Hall of Fame exhibition win over Arizona last week.

Crawford, a fourth-round pick by Dallas in 2012 going into his sixth season, is the most experienced pass rusher on the roster.

"He means a lot," Charlton said. "He is the veteran on our line and he is our leader. Hopefully it's a minor injury and he comes back soon."

Crawford signed a \$45 million, five-year contract extension in 2015, when the Cowboys were planning to have him anchor the interior of

the defensive line. But he kept moving between both spots before settling in at end early last season. He has 12 1/2 sacks in 61 games.

Dallas opens the regular season Sept. 10 at home against the New York Giants.

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Lawyer: No appearance at Florida DUI hearing for Tiger Woods

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Tiger Woods pleaded not guilty Wednesday to driving under the influence and will enter a diversion program later this year, a Florida prosecutor said.

Palm Beach County Assistant State Attorney Adrienne Ellis said Woods' attorney entered the plea on his behalf. The 41-year-old golf superstar will enter a diversion program on Oct. 25.

Woods' attorney Douglas Duncan had no comment. Woods was not in the courtroom on Wednesday.

Under the plea deal, prosecutors will drop the DUI charge from his arrest in May when he was found asleep in his Mercedes-Benz, apparently under the influence of a prescription painkiller and an anti-insomnia drug. No alcohol was found in his system.

Such plea deals are offered to many first-time DUI offenders in Palm Beach County.

By agreeing to enter the program for first-time DUI defendants, Woods will have to plead guilty to reckless driving and receive a year's probation.

Taylor Swift wants case to serve as example to other victims

DENVER (AP) — Taylor Swift's attorneys told jurors they aren't trying to bankrupt a former Colorado DJ accused of groping the pop superstar before a concert, but they do want others to know "that you can always say no."

Swift's attorney, Douglas Baldrige, attacked the credibility of former Denver DJ David Mueller on Tuesday, asking jurors, "What's wrong with this picture? A woman gets assaulted, a woman reports it, and she gets sued."

Mueller sued Swift after her team told his bosses at a country music station that he had reached under her dress and touched her backside during a meet-and-greet before a 2013 concert in Denver. He is seeking at least \$3 million, saying the allegation cost him his job and reputation.

Swift countersued Mueller, claiming sexual assault. She is seeking a symbolic \$1, saying she wants to serve as an example to other women who have been assaulted.

As Swift's attorneys tried to take the higher ground in the he-said she-said case, Mueller's attorneys tried to paint their client as someone who just wants to clear his name and recover his lost earnings.

"Let's be clear about something from the onset — inappropriate touching is offensive, it's wrong and should never be tolerated," Mueller's attorney, Gabriel McFarland told jurors. "Let's also be clear that falsely accusing someone of inappropriate touching is equally offensive, it's wrong and should not be tolerated."

Mueller testified Tuesday that he may have touched the pop superstar's ribs with a closed hand as he tried to jump into a photo with her but insisted he did not touch her backside as she claims.

He said he and Swift were trying to reach around one another and "our hands touched and our arms touched" during a photo opportunity he estimated lasted no more than 40 seconds.

The photo seen by jurors shows Mueller with his hand behind Swift, just below her waist. Both are smiling.

"If you look at that photograph, his hand is not underneath Miss Swift's skirt, and her skirt is not rumpled in any fashion," McFarland said, noting that no one on Swift's concert team saw anything amiss.

Mueller also testified that one of his station bosses, Hershel Coomer, who is expected to testify, told him that he had met Swift earlier before the show and that "he told me that he had his hands on her butt."

Mueller said, "I thought he was just telling me one of his stories."

But in his opening statement, Baldrige told jurors that Swift is "absolutely certain" she was sexually assaulted by Mueller, and the photo is "damning" proof of it.

Baldrige repeatedly interrupted Mueller during an aggressive cross-examination and noted that Mueller has said he lost an audio recording of a meeting he had with his bosses before they fired him.

"We'll never know what's on it, will we?" Baldrige asked.

"No, we won't," Mueller responded. "They're gone."

Baldrige also repeatedly asked Mueller if he



French police officer carries a bag from the scene where French soldiers were hit and injured by a vehicle in the western Paris suburb of Levallois-Perret near Paris, France, Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017. French police are searching for a driver who slammed his BMW into a group of soldiers, injuring six of them in an apparent ambush before speeding away, officials said. The incident in Levallois, northwest of Paris, is the latest of several attacks targeting security forces in France.

could grasp "any reason, incentive or motive" for Swift to make up the allegation or be involved in two years of litigation.

"I cannot," Mueller replied.

Baldrige did get Mueller to concede that various supervisors with KYGO and its parent firm had discussed the possibility of letting him go even before the encounter with Swift.

Facebook video shows driver pointing gun at another motorist

LANCASTER, Texas (AP) — Images posted to Facebook have helped police in Texas arrest a man they say pointed a gun at another driver on an interstate.

Victoria Best tells WFAA-TV she was driving on Interstate 35 to her workplace in Dallas on Friday when the car in front of her started repeatedly braking. Best says she recorded video of the man on her phone as she passed him. It was only later when she was reviewing the recording that she noticed the man was pointing a handgun at her.

KDFW-TV reports police in the Dallas suburb of Lancaster used the online images to arrest Joseph Sida on Tuesday.

He's charged with deadly conduct. Police say Sida told them he pointed the gun in self-defense.

Online jail records don't indicate Sida has an at-

torney.

Man arrested in search for driver who hit French soldiers

LEVALLOIS-PERRET, France (AP) — French police arrested a man Wednesday in the search for a driver who slammed his BMW into soldiers in a Paris suburb Wednesday, injuring six of them in what appeared to be a carefully timed ambush before speeding away, officials said.

The driver's motive was unclear, but officials said he deliberately aimed at the soldiers, and counterterrorism authorities opened an investigation. None of the soldiers had life-threatening injuries, authorities said.

It was the latest of several attacks targeting security forces guarding France over the past year. While others have targeted prominent sites like the Eiffel Tower, Wednesday's attack hit the leafy, relatively affluent suburb of Levallois-Perret that is home to France's main intelligence service, the DGSI.

Witnesses described seeing a BMW with one person inside waiting in a cul-de-sac near a building used for the soldiers, according to two police officials. One official said the attacker struck just as a group of soldiers emerged from the building to board vehicles for a new shift.

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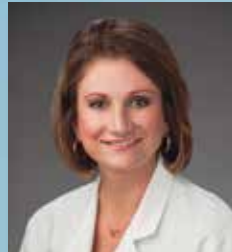
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