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Howard commissioners adopt 2017-2018 tax rate

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners formally adopted the county's tax rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 at their regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday afternoon. Commissioners had held two public hearings on the rate - 44 cents per \$100 valuation - in previous weeks, but no one from the public showed up



Wiseman



Bailey

to make comments or ask questions. Reading the tax ordinance, Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman broke down the total tax rate by the various funds it would finance. "We, the commissioners of Howard County do hereby elect or adopt the tax rate on each \$100 worth of property located within the county of Howard made taxable by law for the tax year 2017, as follows: In our General Fund

is 0.314459; our Road and Bridge Fund is 0.058925; our Special Road and Bridge Fund is 0.041075; the Interest and Sinking Debt Service Fund is 0.025541; that comes to a total tax rate of 0.44," she said. The 44 cents per \$100 valuation rate is the same as the current tax rate; however, shifting property values mean that the county should take in about \$250,000 more than last year, which will be used to replenish its General Fund, which was depleted by projects this year. Commissioners unanimously ap-

proved the new rate, after a motion to approve by Precinct 4 Commissioner John Cline, and a second by Precinct 1 Commissioner Oscar Garcia. In other business, District Clerk Colleen Barton presented commissioners with a request from the office of Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton to place a secure wireless Internet connection in the Howard County Courthouse. "They would like to put in a router and the wiring. They would pay for

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HC Fair schedule released



File photo

An attendee of the 2016 Howard County Fair enjoys a whirl on the "Swinger" ride. This year's fair, scheduled this weekend, will offer an assortment of inflatable attractions including bounce houses, instead of the usual carnival of motorized rides.

Special to the Herald

The Howard County Fair will be this Sept. 28th through the 30. The fair boasts several different competitions and events that will be scheduled to take place. • Entries for competitions at the Fair will be accepted today from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Those interested can submit or turn in these entries at the east entrance at the Fair Barns, located just south of the intersection of FM 700 and Business 20 in Big Spring. A list of all the different competitions can be found online at: <http://hcfair.org>. • Wednesday and Thursday,

vendors will set up booths. Booth setup will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday. There will be arts and crafts, decorations, furniture, and clothing highlighting the 80-plus vendors who will exhibit wares at the fair. • Thursday, Sept. 28, the Fair will open its doors to the public at 5 p.m. At 7 p.m. is the Fair Queen Contest. The fair closes at 10 p.m. • Friday, Sept. 29, school tours are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Ice Cream Social and Bingo start at 1 p.m., and the fair opens to the public at 5 p.m. From 6:30

p.m. to 8 p.m. is open mic night. At 8:30 p.m., don't miss karaoke with Jim Korerber of Scars Entertainment. The fair closes at 10 p.m. • Saturday, Sept. 30, the final day of Howard County Fair 2017 kicks off at 10 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. is the Kountry Kids Contest. At noon is the Pet Show Contest. There will be a cooking demo at 1 p.m. The tractor pull is also at 1 p.m. The Cheerleader and Dance Demo will take the stage at 4 p.m, followed by the Howard College Cheerleader Demo at 5 p.m. Entertainment in the Bowl starts at 6 p.m., when Spur 327, Deryl Dodd, and Clay Walker will perform. The Fair Quilt winner will be announced at 8:45 p.m. At 9 p.m. the fair closes. Booth tear down will be from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday the 30th from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. is when those who entered Fair contests may pick up their entries. For additional information about the schedule, email info@hcfair.org.

61st Annual St. Lawrence Festival scheduled Sunday

The 61st annual St. Lawrence Festival will be held Sunday, Oct. 1, at the St. Lawrence Church and Parish Hall. The festival will begin with a 9 a.m. mass at the church, followed by lunch at 11 a.m. Tickets for lunch are \$12 per plate; and for children under 12 it will be \$10 per plate. Sausage sandwiches and other food concessions will be available for purchase after 4 p.m. "A big part of the festival is the homemade German sausage that will be sold for \$6 per pound in the 'Sausage Haus,' located directly behind the Parish Hall patio," said festival spokesperson Martha Schwartz. Activities this year include various game booths,

jump houses, and other booths. A silent auction will take place at 10:30 a.m., followed by the opening of the Kountry Kitchen, Religious Booth Concession Stand, and Balloon Creations. Bingo will begin at noon and conclude at 4 p.m. A live auction will begin at 2 p.m., and will feature a wide array of unique items for purchase to the highest bidder. "Hopefully we'll see a great turnout this year," said Schwartz. "We usually have anywhere from between 1,800 and 2,500 people every year." Accommodations will be made for seniors and handicapped festival goers. Several handicapped parking spaces are available near the front entrance of the Parish Hall. See **FESTIVAL**, Page 3

GOP, White House prepare to roll out tax cuts

By **MARCY GORDON** and **KEN THOMAS**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House and congressional Republicans are finalizing a tax plan that would slash the corporate rate while likely reducing the levy for the wealthiest Americans, with President Donald Trump ready to roll out the policy proposal at midweek.

The grand plan to rewrite the nation's tax code would be the first major overhaul in three decades, delivering on a Trump campaign pledge and providing a sorely needed legislative achievement. It also is expected to eliminate or reduce some tax breaks and deductions.

The plan would likely cut the tax rate for the wealthiest Americans, now at 39.6 percent, to 35 percent, people familiar with the plan said Monday. They spoke on condition of anonymity ahead of a formal announcement.

In addition, the top tax for corporations would be reduced to around 20 percent from the current 35 percent, they said. It will seek to simplify the tax system by reducing the number of income tax brackets from seven to three.

Trump has said he wanted a 15 percent rate for corporations, but House Speaker Paul Ryan has called that impractically low and has said it would risk adding to the soaring \$20 trillion national debt.

The White House and congressional leaders planned an all-out blitz later this week to build support for the plan, which is now Trump's top legislative priority as the GOP has struggled to repeal and replace Democrat Barack Obama's health care law. The political stakes are high for Trump, who has promised to bring 3 percent economic growth and expanded jobs through tax cuts.


Trump was meeting at the White House on Tuesday morning with members of the tax-writing House Ways and Means

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Obituaries

Charlie "Peanut" Mauldin



Charlie "Peanut" Mauldin, 48, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017 at his residence. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday at 1601 Indian Hills.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 at Myers & Smith Chapel.

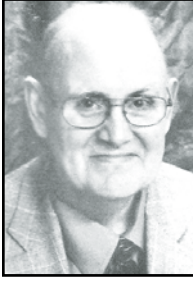
Burial will be at Terrace Cemetery in Post, Texas.

Charlie was born Feb. 4, 1969 in Galveston, Texas, to Kay Guthrie Mauldin and Lloyd Mauldin.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Kay and Ken Beeler of Big Spring; one son, Johnathan Mauldin and wife Amber of Ft. Worth; three brothers, Junior Mauldin of Forsan, Monty Hendricks and wife Sarah of Big Spring and Erik Hendricks of Ft. Worth and three granddaughters.

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

Doug Stanislaus



Doug Stanislaus, 63, of Sand Springs, died Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017 at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Memorial service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 at Myers & Smith Chapel with Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Air Force Honors will be rendered at this time.

He was born Dec. 7, 1953 in Missoula, Montana to Donna Franklin Stanislaus and Eugene Stanislaus.

He married Gwen Brasell on July 21, 1974 in Denver City. Doug was a veteran of the United States

Air Force.

Doug is survived by his wife Gwen Stanislaus of Sand Springs; one son, Brenden Stanislaus of Big Spring; two daughters, Kayla Cervantes and Krista Moran, both of Coahoma; his father, Eugene Stanislaus of Arkansas; two brothers, Mike Stanislaus of Washington and Steve Stanislaus of Georgia; one sister, Vicki Molina of Arkansas; eight grandchildren, Jaedan, Hana, Kobe, Kylie, Rylee, Madie, Kinzlee and Lilly.

He was preceded in death by his mother Donna Stanislaus.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JOHNNY RAY JR. VIERA**, 32, of 1400 Mesa, was arrested on a warrant with another agency of theft of property more than \$100.
- **BLAS JR. TORRES**, 37, of 3217 E 11th Place, was arrested on

a warrant with another agency.

- **MISTY JO LASATER**, 33, of 1805 Mittel Avenue, was arrested on a warrant with another agency of theft of property in between \$100 to \$750.
- **THEFT**, was reported on the 200 block of W FM 700.
- **ACCIDNET MAJOR**, was re-

ported on 14th and Main St.

- **THEFT**, was reported on the 1600 S Gregg Street.
- **DISTURBANCE**, was reported on the 2500 block of Broadway Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**, was reported on 16th and State.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 67 inmates at the time of this report.

- **CAROL ANN CHAVES**, 38, was arrested by HCSO on warrant of resist arrest search or transport.
- **JENNIFER GAIL DIXON**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **TREYCEE LYNN FAIR-**

MAN, 37, was arrested by HCSO on warrant of theft of property between \$100 to \$2,500.

- **MISTY JO LASATER**, 33, was arrested by HCSO a warrant of theft of property between \$100 to \$750.
- **JACKIE DOYLE RICHEY JR.**, 54, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of theft of property between \$100 to \$2,500.
- **JOSUE DANIEL ROSAS**, 35, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• **BLAS TORRES JR.**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of MTR theft of property in between \$20 to \$500 by check.

- **JOHNNY RAY VIERA JR.**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of driving while license invalid with previous convictions and theft of property less than \$100.
- **CHRISTOPHER BRYAN WESTLING**, 25, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of unlicensed carrying a weapon.

Take Note

• Howard County Crop Tour will be Oct. 10, 2017. Registration starts at 9 a.m. G.C. Broughton Jr. Ag Complex. At 9:30 a.m. there will be Brooks Farm, Variety Trials,

Fertilizer Test, Harvest Aid Trial. 11:30 a.m. If the IPM Update - Dr. Charles Allen. At 12:30 p.m. lunch. Sponsors: Big Spring Gin, Bayer Crop Sciences and Nexgen. 3 CEU's will be awarded.

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

• 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.

• 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 7:30 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 thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

• Howard County Republicans meet

the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

• Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

Support Groups

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.

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

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 180 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

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. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

• 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.

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Committee, including its chairman, Rep. Kevin Brady, R-Texas, and the committee's top Democrat, Rep. Richard Neal of Massachusetts.

Vice President Mike Pence was expected to hold events in Michigan and Wisconsin on Thursday to promote the tax plan with business leaders.

The plan being assembled lays out "pro-growth tax reform," Brady told reporters on Capitol Hill. It will fix a tax code that is "so complex, so costly and so unfair," he said. Brady predicted the plan "will deliver the lowest tax rates on businesses in modern history."

Details will be filled in later by the committee, and legislation will be put forward after the House and Senate enact their budget frameworks,

Brady said.

Republicans are divided over the potential elimination of some of the deductions, underscoring the difficulty of overhauling the tax code even with GOP control of the House and Senate.

House Republicans planned to hold a retreat Wednesday at Fort McNair, Maryland, a few miles from the White House, to discuss the proposal, with briefings led by Brady and Rep. Peter Roskam, R-Ill. Pence was expected to attend.

Trump planned to address the plan in a speech the same day at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis. Cabinet members and other top administration officials were fanning out on Thursday to talk about the benefits of overhauling the tax system.

"The tax reform I think is very critical and he knows that," said Christopher Ruddy, the CEO of NewsMax and a longtime Trump friend. "And

that's why he'll push really hard for it. But he's got something big going for him here. The Republicans need to run on something next year and it's tax cuts. So even if they don't want to be particularly helpful to him, I think they're going to give him this. If he has the tax cuts signed, I think it's going to be very helpful for him."

Touching with his conservative base, Trump planned to discuss the tax plan at dinner Monday night with representatives of several conservative, religious and anti-abortion groups.

Outside Republican groups and business interests are also planning a major push to advocate for the tax framework.

Corry Bliss, the executive director of the American Action Network, a conservative advocacy group, said it planned to spend \$12 million — atop

the \$8 million it spent laying the groundwork for the tax overhaul — to help win passage of the plan.

"There's an understanding among outside groups, among members, among Republicans across the country that there is a desperate need to cut middle-class taxes," Bliss said, noting "excitement and relief" among outside groups that it was "finally time" to push the tax package in Congress.

Republicans control Congress but they are split on some core tax issues. They're in agreement on wanting to cut tax rates and simplify the byzantine tax system but they're divided over whether to add to the government's ballooning debt with tax cuts. The GOP also is at odds over eliminating the federal deduction for state and local taxes.

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it, maintain it... It's just for their office," Barton said. "I've spoken with Commissioner (Craig) Bailey about it. He looked over the memorandum, and thought that he might like to see some changes made in it."

Bailey said he's been in contact with the Attorney General's office, and they plan to make some tweaks to the proposal and send a revised version to the commissioners in the near future.

"The AG has asked us to provide them a place which would allow them to put in a secure service that would interface with their lines, instead of using our wi-fi here at the courthouse," he said. "They want to make sure that it would be secure."

According to the proposal, the router would be kept inside a locked box, and county officials would not have access to it, to maintain the security of the system for the state. Bailey he had a few concerns about the wording of the proposal.

"I did, yeah," he said. "That we would be either responsible or semi-responsible for the security of that network when, in fact, we have nothing to do with that network. The other issue that I had was, there was a comment regarding sharing the cost; and, after visiting with the AG, we won't have to do that, but I wanted to put that inside the contract amendments."

Commissioners tabled action on the proposal until they received the amended contract.

"I'll make some contract modifications and send it back to them, then we'll get it approved and sign it, if it meets everybody's wants, needs, and desires," Bailey said.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Approved a 2018 resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program;
- Approved invoices and budget amendments;
- Approved the Texas County and District Retirement System Plan Assessment for the year 2018;
- Heard a report on county pipeline crossings and road maintenance.

Commissioners will meet briefly at 10 a.m. Thursday to approve the county's bi-weekly payroll. Their next regular meeting will be at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9.

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Equifax CEO retires in the wake of damaging data breach

By **KEN SWEET** and **MICHAEL LIEDTKE**

NEW YORK (AP) — Equifax CEO Richard Smith is retiring effective immediately as the credit reporting agency tries to clean up the mess left by a damaging data breach that exposed highly sensitive information about 143 million Americans.

The shake-up announced Tuesday comes after Equifax disclosed that hackers exploited a software flaw that the company didn't fix to heist Social Security numbers, birthdates and other personal data that provide the keys to identify theft.

Smith will also step down from the chairman post. He had been Equifax's CEO since 2005. Paulino do Rego Barros Jr. was named interim CEO, while board member Mark Feidler was appointed non-executive chairman. Barros most recently served as president of the Asia Pacific region.

Equifax said that it will conduct a search for a permanent CEO, considering both internal and external candidates.

While the company

said in a statement that Smith was retiring, Equifax said in a regulatory filing that it has not entered into any other arrangement or agreement with Smith in connection with his retirement. He will however, serve as an unpaid adviser to help with the transition process.

The company said in the filing that Smith will not receive his annual bonus, and his other potential retirement-related benefits won't be awarded until Equifax concludes an independent review of the data breach.

"The cybersecurity incident has affected millions of consumers, and I have been completely dedicated to making this right," Smith said in a statement. "At this critical juncture, I believe it is in the best interests of the company to have new leadership to move the company forward."

Although many analysts had applauded Equifax's performance under Smith, he and the rest of his management team had come under fire for lax security and its response to the breach.

Smith's departure follows the abrupt retirement of Equifax's chief security officer and chief information officer.

Equifax had tried to appease incensed lawmakers, consumers and investors on September 15 with the unceremonious retirement of its

chief security officer and chief information officer who were responsible for managing and protecting the company's technology.

But that wasn't enough, with lawmakers drawing up bills that would impose sweeping reforms on Equifax and its two main rivals, Experian and TransUnion, and Equifax's stock in a downfall that wiped out one third of the Atlanta company's value — a \$5.5 billion setback.

Smith had been scheduled to appear Oct. 3 during a Congressional hearing that would likely have turned into a public lambasting. It's not immediately clear whom Equifax will send in Smith's place to face lawmakers' wrath.

The data breach might not have happened if Equifax had responded promptly to a March warning about a known security weakness in a piece of open-source software called Apache Struts. Even though a repair was released, Equifax didn't immediately install it. Digital burglars used the crack in Equifax's computer systems to break in

from May 13 through July 30, according to the company's accounting.

Equifax said it didn't fathom the breadth of information that had been stolen until shortly before issuing a public alert on September 7, triggering the wave of withering condemnations that has led to Smith's departure.

The jobs of other Equifax executives could still be in jeopardy. Three of them, including Equifax's chief financial officer, are under scrutiny for selling some of their company shares for a combined \$1.8 million before the breach disclosure hammered Equifax's stock.

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There will be reserved seating for the meal for guests who need a little extra assistance, as well as for senior citizens. Festival workers will be serving these guests so they won't have to wait in line. Tickets for this service are the same price, and can be purchased just outside of the front door of the Parish Hall.

The St. Theresa Altar Society and the Knights of Columbus will both hold drawings for prizes.

"A handmade quilt, gift card to Academy Sports and Outdoors, and

a Green Mountain Wood Pellet Grill are prizes that will be given out," said Schwartz.

St. Lawrence Church encourages everyone in the community and surrounding areas to join in on the day's festivities.

"We invite people to come out and celebrate this wonderful German tradition...we have our regulars and would love to see them back this year," said Schwartz.

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Appeals court allows more of Texas 'sanctuary cities' law

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A federal appeals court has partially lifted a judge's order that blocked much of a Texas law targeting "sanctuary cities." Monday's ruling by three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel allows more of the law to take effect, and says that the law could survive with some language changes.

The law requires Texas cities and counties to comply with federal immigration officials' requests to detain people who are suspected of being in the country illegally and jailed on non-immigration offenses.

U.S. District Judge Orlando Garcia blocked much of the law on Aug. 31, a day before it was to take effect. The state asked the New Orleans-based 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to let the law take effect ahead of oral arguments set for November.

Houston residents move to new emergency shelter at mall

HOUSTON (AP) — The American Red Cross moved more than 250 people from a Houston convention center to a new emergency shelter in an empty department store almost a month after Hurricane Harvey displaced thousands.

Storm victims began relocating from the NRG Center to the Greenspoint Mall on Friday, The Houston Chronicle reported.

The mall may be able to house storm victims for a longer period of time than other venues, Red Cross officials said.

It's often a challenge to keep shelters open long enough to allow displaced residents to get back on their feet, said Gregory Smith, the Red Cross site director for the mall shelter.

"The beauty of this facility is that it's no longer a commercial facility," Smith said. "We don't have a timeline for when we have to move."

Smith said flood victims' recoveries will determine how long the new emergency center at the mall will remain open.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is working through thousands of aid applications and many displaced residents at the shelter aren't sure when they will be able to leave.

"A lot of us are still waiting on FEMA," said Jermaine Anderson, who has been living at the shelter. "It's been a trying, long process. We don't know when we're getting into apartments. It's been a month since the flood, a lot of people are still displaced and we don't know anything. Where are we going to go?"

Driver charged in wreck that leaves 2 Texas officers hurt

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Authorities say a North Texas police officer remains hospitalized following a traffic accident while pursuing a driver suspected of pointing a gun at another vehicle.

Fort Worth police spokesman Officer Brad Perez says the suspect, 21-year-old Christopher Anderson, was being held Monday on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, evading arrest and unlawful possession of a firearm.

Anderson was arrested after Sunday's wreck that injured two Fort Worth officers. Perez says one officer remained hospitalized Monday while the other was discharged. Details on the officers weren't released.

The officers were responding to the reported road rage incident when their patrol car hit a brick wall.

Police say Anderson was arrested after a foot chase.

2 Bush education foundations announce \$2M for storm relief

DALLAS (AP) — Foundations supported by two former first ladies have earmarked about \$2 million for education-related recovery from recent hurricanes.

The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries and the Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation on Monday announced the combined pledge.

Hurricane Harvey made landfall last month in South Texas, leading to devastating flooding in the Houston area. Irma slammed parts of Florida in early September.

The Laura Bush Foundation is dedicating nearly \$1 million for grants to hurricane-affected schools. The Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation is committing \$1 million for resources for public libraries, teachers and students in Houston.

Barbara Bush is the wife of the 41st president, George H.W. Bush. They live in Houston.

Accused leaker asking again for pre-trial release from jail



This June 2017 file photo released by the Lincoln County (Ga.) Sheriff's Office, shows Reality Winner. Attorneys for Winner, accused of leaking a classified U.S. report, are asking a federal judge to reconsider his decision months ago to keep her jailed pending trial. Former Air Force linguist Winner has been locked up since she June, when she was charged with copying a classified report and mailing it to an online news organization.

By **RUSS BYNUM**
Associated Press

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP) — Attorneys for a woman accused of leaking a classified U.S. report want a judge to free her from jail pending trial, arguing prosecutors have added no new charges months after they warned the woman may have stolen additional secrets.

Reality Winner, a former Air Force linguist with a top secret security clearance, worked as a government contractor in Augusta until June, when she was charged with copying a classified report and mailing it to an online news organization.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Brian K. Epps has scheduled a hearing Friday to reconsider releasing 25-year-old Winner on bond. He ordered her jailed in June after prosecutors said Winner may have taken more than a single classified report. They said Winner had inserted a portable hard drive into a top-secret Air Force computer before she left the military last year.

Winner's defense lawyers argued in a court filing Saturday that prosecutors have not accused Winner of any additional crimes more than three months later. They noted several other cases in which defendants accused of leaking multiple secret documents were freed on pre-trial bonds.

"Ms. Winner is ac-

cused of leaking a single document a single time to a single source," Winner's attorneys wrote. "... Detention should not be presumed. It is not the norm. It is not appropriate here."

Prosecutors had not yet filed a response Monday afternoon.

Jennifer Solari, an assistant U.S. attorney, warned the judge in June that investigators had not found the portable hard drive Winner plugged into an Air Force computer and didn't know what might be on it.

Winner's lawyers included an email from

Solari in their latest court filing in which the prosecutor noted she was mistaken when she previously told the judge that Winner was recorded in a jailhouse phone conversation saying, "Mom, those documents. I screwed up."

Solari wrote the recording shows Winner actually told her mother: "I leaked a document." Defense attorneys wrote that if Winner is released, her mother in Kingsville, Texas, would move to Georgia to live with her and ensure that she complies with all bond

conditions. Authorities haven't described the classified report Winner is accused of leaking or named the news outlet that received it. But the Justice Department announced Winner's arrest on the same day The Intercept reported it had obtained a classified National Security Agency report suggesting Russian hackers attacked a U.S. voting software supplier before last year's presidential election. The NSA report was dated May 5, the same as the document Winner is charged with leaking.



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'Rock bottom': Weiner gets 21 months in prison for sexting

By TOM HAYS and LARRY NEUMEISTER

Associated Press
NEW YORK (AP) — Anthony Weiner's sexting compulsion cost him his seat in Congress, his shot at becoming New York mayor and his marriage, and may have even denied Hillary Clinton the presidency. On Monday, it cost him his freedom.

Weiner, 53, dropped his head into his hands and wept as a federal judge sentenced him to 21 months behind bars for illicit online contact with a 15-year-old girl, his tears flowing long after the gavel came down on a case he called his "rock bottom."

As his parents but not his wife looked on in the courtroom, the New York Democrat was given until Nov. 6 to report to prison for misconduct that included getting the North Carolina high school student to strip and touch herself on Skype and Snapchat.

In handing down the sentence, U.S. District Judge Denise Cote cited a need in such a highly publicized case to "make a statement that can

protect other minors." The judge said Weiner's habit of exchanging sexually explicit messages and pictures with young women shows a "very strong compulsion" — so strong that "despite two very public disclosures and the destruction of his career on two occasions, he continued with the activity."

Calling himself "a very sick man for a very long time," Weiner tearfully apologized to the teen and sought to assure the judge he had finally learned his lesson. He has been undergoing therapy.

"I stand before you because I victimized a young person who deserved better," he said, adding, "Your Honor, I'm not asking that you trust that my recovery is real. I ask you for the opportunity to prove that it is real."

Wearing a wedding band, he also spoke of his devotion to the 5-year-old son he has with his wife, Huma Abedin, formerly Clinton's closest aide. The couple is going through a divorce.

But prosecutor Amanda Kramer urged the judge to

give Weiner a significant prison sentence to end his "tragic cycle" of getting caught sexting.

Weiner's habit led him to resign his House seat in 2011, doomed his 2013 run for mayor, and rocked Clinton's 2016 presidential campaign during the closing days of the race, when FBI agents investigating his contact with the teen came across emails on his laptop between Abedin and Clinton.

That discovery prompted then-FBI Director James Comey to announce in late October 2016 that he was reopening the probe of Clinton's use of a private computer server.

Two days before Election Day, the FBI declared there was nothing new in the emails. But in a recent interview, Clinton called Comey's intervention "the determining factor" in her defeat.

Weiner, once he has completed his prison sentence, must undergo internet monitoring and enroll in a sex-offender treatment program. He also was fined \$10,000.



AP photo
Former Congressman Anthony Weiner leaves federal court following his sentencing, Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, in New York. Weiner was sentenced to 21 months in a sexting case that rocked the presidential race.

After the sentencing was over, he sat crying for several minutes in the courtroom. He left the courthouse without speaking to reporters.

Weiner's behavior in all its lurid detail — including his online alias "Carlos Danger" and a selfie of his bulging underwear — turned him and his last name into an irresistible punchline for late-night

comics and mortified his wife again and again.

In her new memoir, "What Happened," Clinton revealed that Weiner's wife "looked stricken" and burst into tears upon learning her husband had triggered Comey's "October surprise."

"This man is going to be the death of me," Abedin was quoted as saying.

Police kill man in Vegas hospital who grabbed stun gun

By KEN RITTER

Associated Press
LAS VEGAS (AP) — Police said Monday that a suspect in custody in a Las Vegas hospital emergency room was fatally shot by an officer after the man was left alone and lifted a stun gun out of a jail guard's bag that had been left near the suspect.

The unidentified man had been arrested on a felony arrest warrant and was taken to University Medical Center because he was incoherent after his arrest and could not be kept in jail, Las Vegas police Capt. Kelly McMahill said.

The 4:15 a.m. shooting happened when a hospital security officer and a nurse entered the

small room where the suspect was and the suspect pointed the stun gun at him, McMahill said.

The security officer left the room to get help and found a police officer who went into the room and saw the man pointing the stun gun at the nurse. The officer fired once as the suspect was turning toward him, McMahill said.

McMahill did not say whether the security officer was armed when entered the room. Security video reviewed by investigators showed the suspect taking the stun gun from the guard's bag, McMahill said.

The man was declared dead shortly after the shooting. Police did not identify him, the officer,

the jail guard, the security officer or the nurse.

The man had been arrested shortly before 11 p.m. Sunday on the warrant on an unspecified charge after he allegedly threatened suicide, said he had a gun and was "going to blast it out with cops," McMahill said.

Police officers found him unconscious near a bus stop in a business neighborhood about 2.5 miles (4 kilometers) from the Las Vegas Strip. He was taken to the hospital after jailers determined he was too incoherent to be admitted at the Clark County Detention Center.

The stun gun was inside an equipment bag also containing

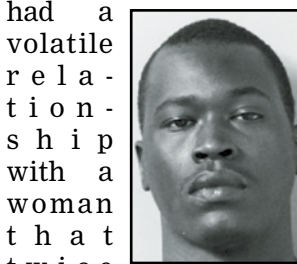
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Police: Tennessee church shooting suspect sent suicidal

By ERIK SCHELZIG and KRISTIN M. HALL

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A man charged in a mass shooting at a Tennessee church expressed suicidal thoughts in June and had a volatile relationship with a woman that twice involved



Samson

law enforcement intervention this year, according to police records.

Emanuel Kidega Samson, 25, is charged with the fatal shooting of one woman and is expected to face several more charges following the rampage that left six others wounded on Sunday.

According to an affidavit filed with the court, Samson told Nashville police following his arrest that he arrived at the church armed and fired upon the building. Court documents do not indicate whether Samson has an attorney in advance of his first court hear-

ing Wednesday.

Police records in Murfreesboro, about 20 miles (32 kilometers) southeast of the church, show that Samson's father reported that his son had texted him on June 27 to say "Your phone is off, I have a gun to my head, have a nice f----- life."

Officers in January responded to two domestic disturbances between Emanuel Samson and a woman who accused him of cheating on her. Samson cut his hand when he punched a small TV on her desk, according to statements to police.

In March, police were dispatched to Samson's home. Samson told police the woman was trying to enter his house despite his attempts to break off contact. He told officers he was afraid of her because she had struck him in the past.

No charges were filed in either incident.

Toward the end of services at the Burnette Chapel Church of Christ on Sunday, member Minerva Rosa said members were talking about the success of their yard sale the previous day when

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Appeals court allows more of Texas 'sanctuary cities' law

By PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A federal appeals court gave Texas more latitude Monday to enforce a "sanctuary cities" ban backed by the Trump administration, but opponents suing over the immigration crackdown said it was unlikely to drastically change the status quo.

The decision by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans comes nearly a month after a lower judge blocked most of the law signed in May by Republican Gov. Greg Abbott.

The unanimous ruling by a three-judge panel left both sides proclaiming victory. Republican

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton said the decision would allow the state to "enforce the core" of the law while opponents predicted that the actual effect would be limited.

"I think much of the injunction remains in place to allow law enforcement agencies to define how their officers will participate in those activities," said Jose Garza, an attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund.

The law requires Texas cities and counties to comply with federal immigration officials' requests to detain people who are suspected of being in the country illegally and jailed on non-

immigration offenses.

U.S. District Judge Orlando Garcia blocked much of the law on Aug. 31, a day before it was to take effect. The state asked the New Orleans-based 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to let the law take effect ahead of oral arguments set for November.

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions has praised the Texas law and the Department of Justice filed arguments in support of it, as did several attorneys general from other states.

The law's opponents argue it violates the Fourth Amendment by requiring police to detain people suspected of illegal immigration without probable cause.

They also say it illegally puts local police in the federal role of immigration enforcement officers, and is unconstitutionally vague as to exactly when a local law enforcement officer would be in violation of the law.

Supporters of the state law say immigration officials have already determined probable cause when they seek to have local officials detain someone. They also argue that federal and local officials have a long history of cooperation on immigration matters and that the law is clear in its prohibition against local government's policies restricting immigration enforcement.



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Decades after "Little Rock Nine," school segregation lingers



AP photo

In this Sept. 4, 1957, file photo, students of Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., including Hazel Bryan, shout insults at Elizabeth Eckford as she calmly walks toward a line of National Guardsmen. The Guardsmen blocked the main entrance and would not let her enter. Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, marks 60 years since the Little Rock Nine first entered the school for classes.

By **ERRIN HAINES**,
WHACK and
ANDREW DeMILLO
Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Among the most lasting and indelible images of the civil rights movement were the nine black teenagers who had to be escorted by federal troops past an angry white mob and through the doors of Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, on Sept. 25, 1957.

It had been three years since the Supreme Court had declared "separate but equal" in America's public schools unconstitutional, but the decision was met with bitter resistance across

the South. It would take more than a decade before the last vestiges of Jim Crow fell away from classrooms. Even the brave sacrifice of the "Little Rock Nine" felt short-lived — rather than allow more black students and further integration, the district's high schools closed the following school year.

The watershed moment was "a physical manifestation for all to see of what that massive resistance looked like," said Sherrilyn Ifill, director of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

"The imagery of these perfectly dressed, lovely, serious young people seeking to enter

a high school ... to see them met with ugliness and rage and hate and violence was incredibly powerful," Ifill said.

Six decades later, the sacrifice of those black students stands as a symbol of the turbulence of the era, but also as a testament to an intractable problem: Though legal segregation has long ended, few white and minority students share a classroom today.

The lack of progress is clear and remains frustrating in the school district that includes Central High. The Little Rock School District, which is about two-thirds black, has been under state control since 2015 over the academic performance of some of its schools. The district has seen a proliferation of charter schools in recent years that opponents say contributes to self-segregation.

Ernest Green still remembers the promise of the era that put him and the eight other students on the front line. After reading about the May 17,



AP photo

In this Sept. 25, 1957, file photo, white girls from Central High School laugh as troopers with bayonets force them to move in Little Rock, Ark. Federal forces were used to enforce integration in the face of racial tension in Arkansas.

1954, Brown v. Board of Education decision in the local newspaper, he recalled: "I thought to myself, 'Good, because I think the face of the South ought to change.'"

He and his classmates came face-to-face with Southern opposition after integrating Central. The first day of school was only the beginning of the hardships they would endure.

Green described the experience as "like going to war every day." Threatening phone calls came to their homes nightly. Students threw acid on them at school.

"For all of us, we decided that this was a year that we were going to support each other," said Green, now 76, and the first member of the Little Rock Nine to graduate from Central. "The principal of the school told me at one point ... that I didn't have to come to the ceremony, that they would mail me my diploma."

Green ignored his suggestion, knowing the magnitude of his accomplishment. Sitting in the audience at graduation with his family was the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., then in the throes of the civil rights

movement.

For the 1958-1959 school year when the district's high schools closed — known as "The Lost Year" — the remaining students either went to nearby public schools in the state or out of state where they had friends or relatives, or found other alternatives such as private schools, correspondence courses or early entrance into college.

Terrence Roberts, also one of the Little Rock Nine, said the challenge his former school district now faces is just part of a larger problem nationwide for public education. "To me it's a testament to the fact that we as a people have been reluctant to have a meaningful conversation about the need for public education," Roberts, now 75, said. "When you look at the history of public education, it's not surprising at all because public education has always been under the gun."

In the 2016-2017 school year, the average black student in Little Rock went to a school that was roughly 14 percent white, 14 percent Hispanic and 68 percent black, according to Arkansas Department of Education data.

Twenty years ago, a black student in Little Rock would have gone to a school that was 27 percent white, 1.7 percent Hispanic and 70 percent black, historical data from the Na-

tional Center for Education Statistics show.

"One of the important lessons we should take away from Little Rock is just how hard and difficult desegregation has been," said Ohio State University historian Hasan Kwame Jeffries. "Little Rock does a lot of foreshadowing. It anticipates the efforts by Southern states to find public money to defray the cost and expense of sending white children to private schools. This becomes part of the agenda for the next half-century." Nationally, the numbers are similarly stark. The average black student nationwide in 1980 went to a school that was 36 percent white. In the 2014-2015 school year, a black student would have gone to a school that was 27 percent white. Overall enrollment in public schools has been declining, and the racial gap has widened, according to NCES.

In 2004, 58 percent of students enrolled were white, compared to 17 percent black and 19 percent Hispanic. In 2014, public schools were 49.5 percent white — less than half for the first time since such data was first collected — 16 percent black and 25 percent Hispanic.

CHURCH

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they heard gunshots outside the building. The church pastor, David Spann, 60, then shouted for everyone to run, according to a witness.

The gunman entered the church from the back after fatally shooting a woman outside, police said. He then walked through the church silently, shooting six more people before an usher subdued him, police said. Police later recovered another pistol and a shotgun from the suspect's vehicle.

Rosa said the reading that day had been from Luke, Chapter 8, and she recalled the part about a woman who touched Jesus and was cured of bleeding.

By the end of the shooting, she was on her knees, her dress stained with blood, putting pressure on the gunshot wound in Pastor Spann's chest. She and others got on their phones to call 911.

Another church member, a 22-year-old usher named Robert Engle, tackled the gunman and suffered injuries when he was pistol whipped.

In the struggle, the shooter shot himself, although it wasn't clear if it was on purpose or an accident. Engle retrieved his own gun from his car and held the man until police arrived, police said.

"He's amazing," Rosa told reporters about Engle. "Without him I think it could be worse. He was the hero today."

Authorities said Samson came to the United States from Sudan as a child in 1996 and is a legal U.S. resident.

No motive has been immediately determined. Church members told investigators that Samson had attended services a year or two ago, said Don Aaron, a spokesman for the Metro Nashville Police Department. Melanie Smith, 39, of Smyrna, Tennessee, was killed when the shooter opened fire in the parking lot. Spann's wife, Peggy, 65, was also shot as well as William and Marlene Jenkins, 83 and 84 respectively, Linda Bush, 68, and Katherine Dickerson, 64. Police said none of the surviving victims suffered life-threatening injuries. Forty-two people were at the church at the time of the shooting, Aaron said.

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shackles and paperwork that the corrections officer brought with him to the hospital for his assignment monitoring the suspect.

McMahill said police officers knew the suspect's background because they "have dealt with him on other suicide-type events, crisis

intervention."

The officer who fired the shot was placed on paid leave pending reviews of the shooting by the police department and the district attorney's office.

Investigators will probe whether the jail guard violated policies and procedures by leaving the suspect alone and the bag with the stun gun in the room, Officer Larry Hadfield said.



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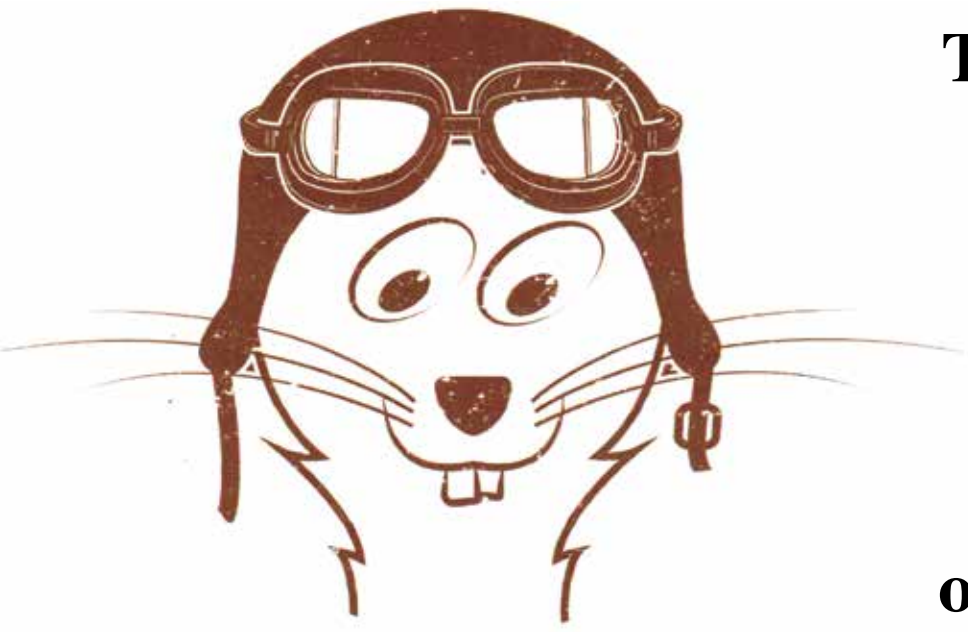
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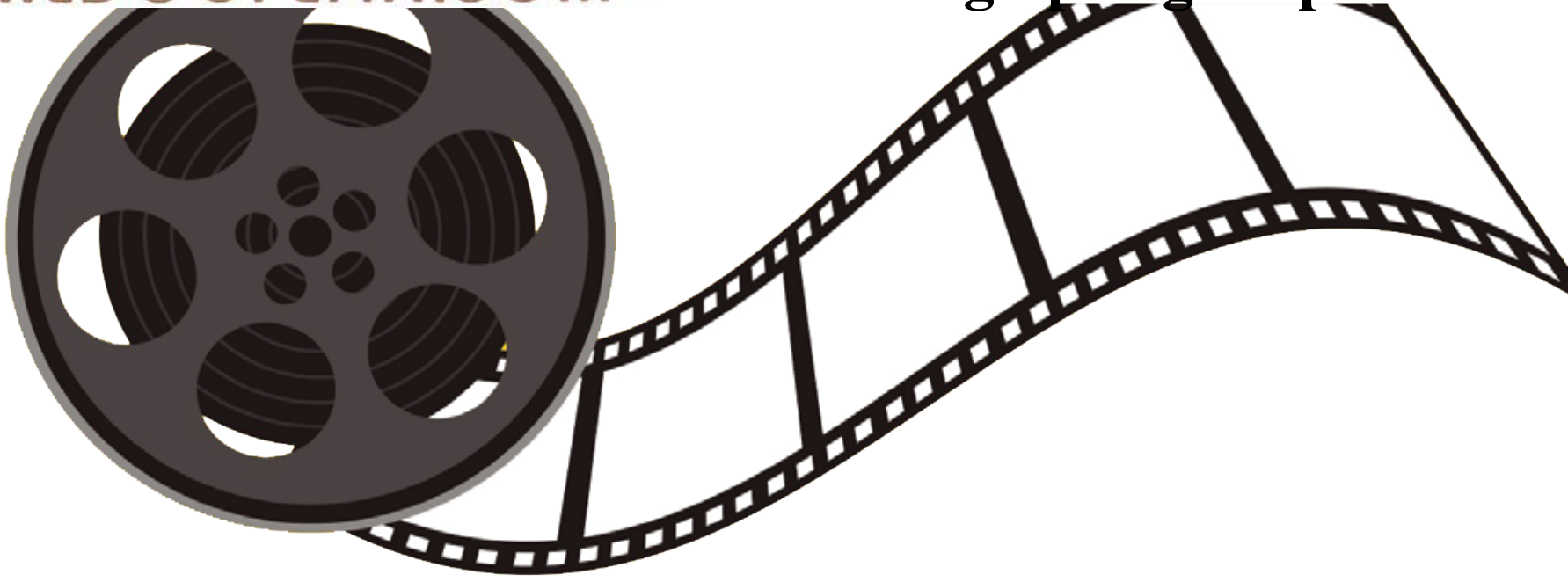
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Week 3 NFL Scores

Thursday, September 21, 2017

Rams (2-1) 41, 49ers (0-3) 39

Rams:
Todd Gurley II RB
28 ATT - 113 YDS, 3 TOTAL TD
Jared Goff QB
22-28, 292 YDS, 3 TD
Sammy Watkins WR
6 REC - 106 YDS, 2 TD

49ers:
Brian Hoyer QB
23-37, 332 YDS, 3 TOTAL TD
Carlos Hyde RB
25 ATT - 84 YDS, 2 TD
Pierre Garcon WR
7 REC - 142 YDS

Sunday, September 24, 2017

Jaguars (2-1) 44, Ravens (2-1) 7

Jaguars:
Blake Bortles QB
20-31, 244 YDS, 4 TD
Mercedes Lewis TE
4 REC - 62 YDS, 3 TD
Jason Myers K
3-3 FG (23, 45, 29), 5 XPM

Ravens:
Alex Collins RB
9 ATT - 82 YDS
Benjamin Watson TE
3 REC - 12 YDS, 1 TD
Ryan Mallett QB
6-9, 36 YDS, 1 TD

Bills (2-1) 26, Broncos (2-1) 16

Bills:
Stephen Hauschka K
4-4 FG (49, 55, 53, 27), 2 XPM
Tyrod Taylor QB
20-26, 213 YDS, 2 TD
Charles Clay TE
6 REC - 39 YDS, 1 TD

Broncos:
Jamaal Charles RB
9 ATT - 56 YDS, 1 TD
Brandon McManus K
3-3 FG (38, 35, 28), 1 XPM
Demaryius Thomas WR
6 REC - 98 YDS

Saints (1-2) 34, Panthers (2-1) 13

Saints:
Drew Brees QB
22-29, 220 YDS, 3 TD, 0 INT
Mark Ingram RB
14 ATT - 56 YDS
Michael Thomas WR
7 REC - 87 YDS, 1 TD

Panthers:
Cam Newton QB
17-26, 167 YDS, 1 TD, 3 INT
Jon Stewart RB
12 ATT - 57 YDS
Christian McCaffery WR
9 REC - 101 YDS

Bears (1-2) 23, Steelers (2-1) 17

Bears:
Jordan Howard RB
23 ATT - 138 YDS, 2 TD
Tarik Cohen RB
12 ATT - 78 YDS
Mike Glennon QB
15-22, 101 YDS, 1 TD

Steelers:
Antonio Brown WR
10 REC - 110 YDS, 1 TD
Le'Veon Bell RB
98 TOTAL YDS, 1 TD
Ben Roethlisberger QB
22-39, 235 YDS, 1 TD

Falcons (3-0) 30, Lions (2-1) 26

Falcons:
Devonta Freeman RB
21 ATT - 106 YDS, 1 TD
Taylor Gabriel WR
5 REC - 79 YDS, 1 TD

Lions:
Matt Prater K
4-4 FG (55, 40, 35, 57), 2 XPM
Darius Slay CB
2 INT, 5 TCKL
Matthew Stafford QB
25-45, 264 YDS, 1 TD

Colts (1-2) 31, Browns (0-3) 28

Colts:
Jacoby Brissett QB
17-24, 259 YDS, 3 TOTAL TD
T.Y. Hilton WR
7 REC - 153 YDS, 1 TD
Rashaan Melvin CB
2 INT, 2 TCKL

Browns:
DeShone Kizer QB
22-47, 242 YDS, 3 TOTAL TD
Duke Johnson Jr. RB
104 TOTAL YDS, 1 TD
Kenny Britt WR
3 REC - 54 YDS, 1 TD

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Gonzalez 4 hits, 3 RBIs in Astros' 11-2 win at sinking Texas

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Colin McHugh indicated he wasn't trying to hit Carlos Gomez with a pitch.

Gomez, his former Houston Astros teammate, felt otherwise.

The one certainty Monday night was that the AL West champion Astros won 11-2, clinching the season series over the Texas Rangers while delivering a virtual knockout blow to their in-state rival's chances of getting into the playoffs.

Batting immediately after Joey Gallo's 39th homer for Texas in the second inning, Gomez took the first pitch high and tight before changing bats. He was then quick-pitched, fouling it off before glaring at McHugh and taking several steps toward the mound. The benches and bullpens emptied, though no punches were thrown.

"I asked him what the issue was and he said, 'Yeah, I got a problem with you.' And everybody else was out there by that point in time," McHugh said. "The game goes on. I don't want to spend any more mental effort thinking about Carlos Gomez. It is what it is."

Marwin Gonzalez had four hits and three RBIs for the Astros (96-60), now within two games of AL Central champion Cleveland for the best record in the league. The Indians own the tiebreaker for home-field advantage throughout the AL playoffs if they finish with the same record.

Gonzalez had two hits and scored twice in an eight-run fourth when only one home run was earned. Gonzalez had a two-run single that chased starter Andrew Cashner (10-11), then two innings later hit his 23rd homer.

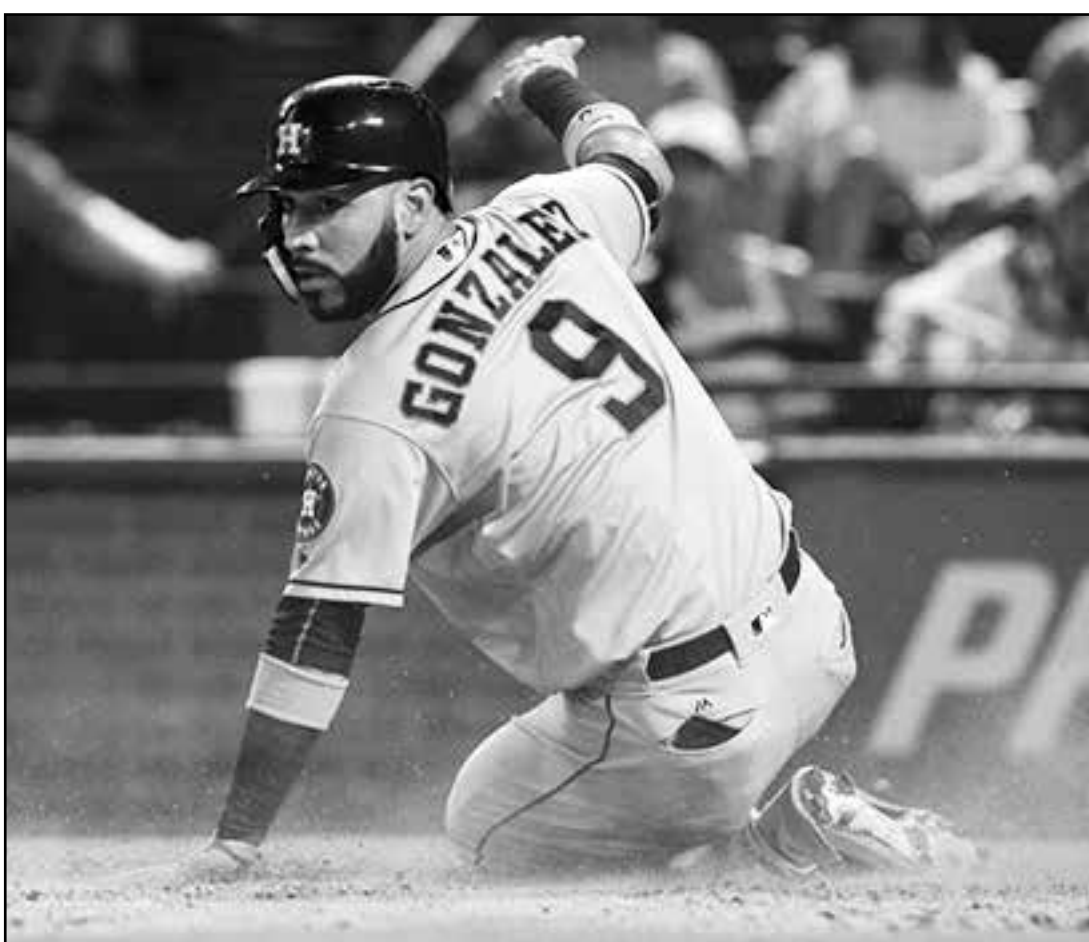
Houston second baseman Jose Altuve, the AL leader with 199 hits and a .348 batting average, left in the eighth inning after he was hit by a 95 mph fastball. The team said X-rays were negative and Altuve had a bruised forearm.

"He immediately knew that it wasn't broken. He was coming out of the game anyway," manager A.J. Hinch said. "It was unfortunate that he got hit."

Texas (76-80), division champs the past two years, had an early 2-0 lead before losing its fourth straight game. The Rangers dropped six games behind idle Minnesota for the second American League wild card with six to play.

Gomez has been hit by pitches an AL-high 19 times this season, including by McHugh in a game last month.

McHugh was on the disabled list in early May when he



AP Photo
Astros' Marwin Gonzalez looks behind him after scoring on a sacrifice fly by Alex Bregman during the fourth inning against the Texas Rangers in a baseball game Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, in Arlington, Texas.

had a heated exchange of words with Gomez, who had to be restrained from Houston starter Lance McCullers Jr. after a pitch thrown behind Mike Napoli's head.

"It's always going to be I am the troublemaker. I'm always going to get blamed," Gomez said. "The truth is I got told by one of the people who work for them that he was going to hit me. So, last time I faced him he hit me right away. No one said anything about that, but I reacted to something, I'm the troublemaker. How am I supposed to react?"

When they were still teammates last season, McHugh responded on the mound with an obscenity after Gomez lost a fly ball while playing center field and it went over his head.

McHugh (4-2) struck out six while throwing 112 pitches in five innings. The right-hander is 15-0 with a 2.94 ERA in 19 starts in September or October during his four seasons with the Astros.

AND HIS ERA WENT DOWN
Cashner's ERA actually dropped — from 3.44 to 3.42 — after becoming the first Rangers pitcher since unearned-leballer Charlie Hough in 1987 to allow seven unearned runs, and the third pitcher in the majors this season. There were no Rangers errors in the game when Hough gave up seven unearned runs, but instead six passed balls by catcher Geno Petralli.

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Houston's Watson impresses in 2nd NFL start

By **KRISTIE RIEKEN**

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Texans couldn't close out their game against New England, but Houston is encouraged by the marked improvement of rookie quarterback Deshaun Watson in his second NFL start.

Watson threw for 301 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions and ran for 41 yards in Houston's 36-33 loss to New England on Sunday.

"Each rep, each snap I take in practice, meetings on the game field is always a rep I try to get better at and try to get some experience," he said. "Just continue that each and every week."

Watson started the season backing up Tom Savage, but took over at halftime of Houston's season opener when Savage struggled against the Jaguars.

The 12th overall pick in the draft has looked increasingly comfortable leading the offense as he's gained more experience.

"He does a lot of things well for a young player," coach Bill O'Brien said. "He's a very smart player. It would be hard for me to tell you he did this thing better



AP Photo
Houston Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson (4) passes against the New England Patriots during the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017, in Foxborough, Mass.

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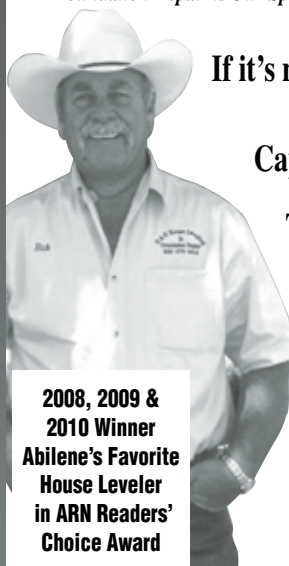
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v.

ERICK JOHN VIASANA and JANE DOE t/n CARLOTA RODRIGUEZ, a married couple; and CARLOTA RODRIGUEZ and JOHN DOE t/n ERICK JOHN VIASANA, a married couple,

Defendant(s).

Case No. CC2017-041388RC

SUMMONS

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#9509 September 5, 12, 19, 26, 2017



Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 139164

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. D & I Silica, LLC, 3 Riverway Ste 1350, Houston, Texas 77056-1982, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 139164, which would authorize the Bulk Sand Handling Facility located at 3605 Bethel Dr., Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79720. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on May 8, 2017. The proposed facility will emit the following contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and at the Howard County Library, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree

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of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID).

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. When they become available, the executive directors response to comments and the final decision on this application will be accessible through the Commissions Web site at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



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Mercury and Saturn Extend the Tension

The Mercury-Saturn tension is still going strong. For some it causes an ache of desire. Desire isn't born out of loss. It's not a longing for what we lack. We all lack many things that we don't feel desire for. Desire isn't about lacking something; it's about wanting extra -- a buildup of energy that magnetizes a particular focus. Fortune favors bold action.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). In some ways you feel like you're finally getting the respect you deserve, and in other ways it feels like too little too late. Why isn't this enough? That's a valid question. Perhaps the attention is coming from the wrong person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Pushing won't make things happen any faster. Back off instead: That might work. Certainly people will want to rush to you when you give them a compelling enough reason and then leave the right amount of space between you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You can't help but be curious, and your compassion makes it difficult for you to shut a door once it's ajar, therefore people will open up to you whether you want them to or not.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Wrap up those

fact-finding part of your mission could go on longer, but the law of diminishing returns would apply. You have all of the information you need to make your decision.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Whatever game you choose to play, you'll be good for the game. Your high level of sportsmanship will bring out the best in your opponents. You're especially well-matched with Sagittarius and Aries.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your point of view isn't wrong, though it may seem a little stale today. You've seen things from this angle for too long. Spin the globe. When it comes to worldviews, all reference points are relative.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Because you put care into the little things, people will trust you with the big things. From dressing yourself to presenting big projects, attention to detail is what will make the difference.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Wrap up those

loose ends, because a new chapter is opening up for you very soon. You're about to meet someone who will help you do the very thing you've wanted to for so long but never had the opportunity to. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Smiles improve moods. Even fake ones. So does sunshine. So do hugs. The things that make you feel happier may seem corny to you, but don't let that stop you from trying them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You appreciate agreeable people, but you're more likely to trust those who disagree with you, since it takes nerve to disagree with someone as strong as you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Choose your words carefully. Semantics matter. That's why car dealers advertise "pre-owned vehicles" instead of "used cars." Consider which words might give you an emotional advantage.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You don't have to work in so-called "artistic" media for what you're doing to be considered an art. Love is an art. Walking is an art. Artistic impulses will be validated by like minds who see the deeper levels.

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Annie's Mailbox

Past Infidelity Still Haunts

Dear Annie: I have been married for seven years. My husband has had not one but several affairs. And he didn't just have affairs; he had two kids born six weeks apart from two different women. I love my husband and am helping him raise these children, who are now 2 years old. I keep telling myself the kids are innocent and it's not their fault they're the products of affairs, and I want to help them. I still feel he's messing around. Even if he's not, the fear will always be in my mind. I don't know whether it's just my not wanting to be alone or I do actually love him this much. I am really confused and can't help but wonder whether this man loves

me as I love him. Is he using me because I'm older and settled? -- Lost and Confused

Dear Lost and Confused: There's so much to unpack from your letter, and there's hardly space here to begin. I don't know whether your husband is using you or whether he'll cheat again. But I know you're unhappy in this relationship, and something needs to change. That might mean leaving him and building a healthy sense of independence; it might mean staying together and learning to put the infidelity behind you. Either way, you will find the necessary tools in therapy.

Dear Annie: You recently published a letter from "Tortured in New York," a woman who is "uncomfortable" with opposite-sex nurses. You supported

her desire to have only female nurses and said the hospital should have honored her request immediately when she protested a male nurse's caring for her.

What would you say, then, if a man requested that only male nurses examine him and help him in a clinical setting? Would you agree with him that his request should be honored immediately?

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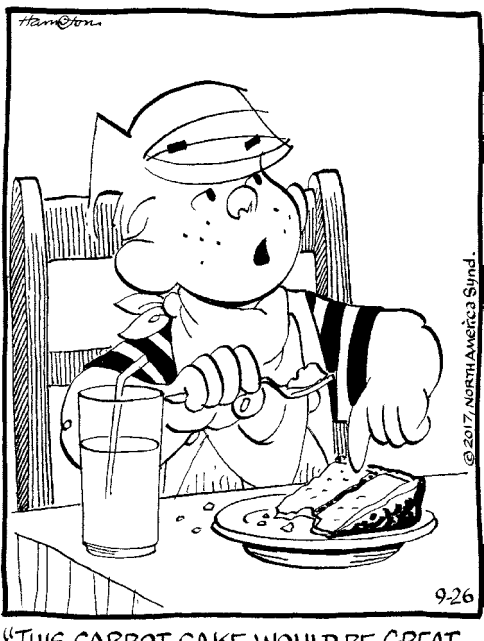
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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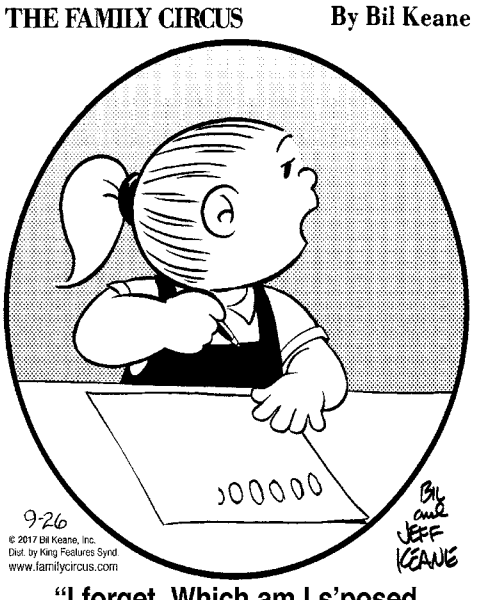
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6:PM	Jeopardy!	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7	Caso Cerado	News	Our Mess	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	MLB Baseball: Teams TBA.	SportsCenter	WNBA Basketball	MLB Baseball: Houston Astros at Texas Rangers.	Chrisley	Leah Remini: WWE SmackDown!	Almost, Away
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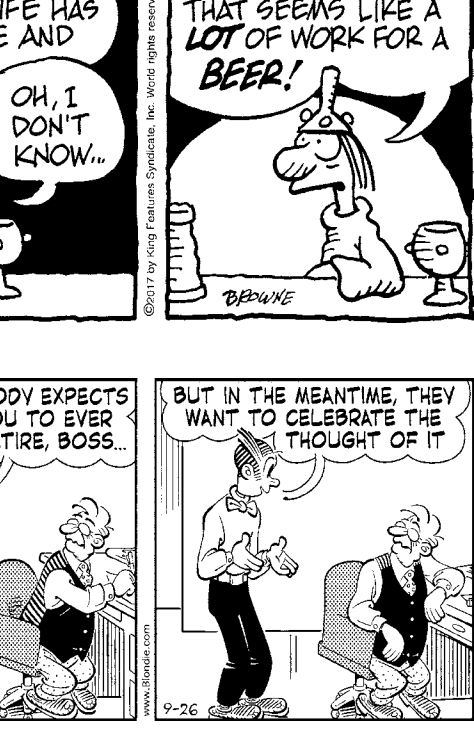
"I forget. Which am I s'posed to be practicing, my O's or my zeros?"

HAGAR



EVERY EXPERIENCE AND ACTION IN MY LIFE HAS BROUGHT ME HERE TO THIS VERY PLACE AND MOMENT...

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HI AND LOIS



WHAT KIND OF DOG IS HE? MIXED BREED.

BEETLE BAILEY



WHERE ARE YOU GOING, COOKIE? I HAVE A NEW GIRL IN TOWN.

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 26, the 269th day of 2017. There are 96 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 26, 1892, John Philip Sousa and his newly formed band performed publicly for the first time at the Stillman Music Hall in Plainfield, New Jersey.

On this date:

In 1777, British troops occupied Philadelphia during the American Revolution.

In 1789, Thomas Jefferson was confirmed by the Senate to be the first United States secretary of state; John Jay, the first chief justice; Edmund Randolph, the first attorney general.

In 1835, the opera "Lucia di Lammermoor" by Gaetano Donizetti was first performed at the Teatro San Carlo in Naples, Italy.

In 1907, New Zealand went from being a colony to a dominion within the British Empire.

In 1914, the Federal Trade Commission was established.

In 1937, the radio drama "The Shadow," starring Orson Welles, premiered on the Mutual Broadcasting System.

In 1957, the musical play "West Side Story" opened on Broadway.

In 1960, the first-ever debate between presidential nominees took place as Democrat John F. Kennedy and Republican Richard M. Nixon faced off before a national TV audience from Chicago.

In 1977, Sir Freddie Laker began his cut-rate "Skytrain" service from London to New York. (However, the carrier went out of business in 1982.)

In 1986, William H. Rehnquist was sworn in as the 16th chief justice of the United States, while Antonin Scalia joined the Supreme Court as its 103rd member.

In 1991, four men and four women began a two-year stay inside a sealed-off structure in Oracle, Arizona, called Biosphere 2. (They emerged from Biosphere on this date in 1993.)

In 1997, a Garuda

Indonesia Airbus A-300 crashed while approaching Medan Airport in north Sumatra, killing all 234 people aboard.

Ten years ago: A judge in Los Angeles declared a mistrial in Phil Spector's murder trial after the jury deadlocked 10-2 in favor of convicting the music producer of killing actress Lana Clarkson. (Spector was convicted in a 2009 retrial.) Myanmar began a violent crackdown on protests, beating and dragging away dozens of monks.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney both campaigned in the battleground state of Ohio. Egypt's new President Mohammed Morsi, making his debut on the global stage at the United Nations, said he would not rest until the civil war in Syria was brought to an end.

One year ago: Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton participated in their first debate of the presidential campaign at Hofstra University in New York; Clinton emphatically denounced Trump for keeping his personal tax returns and business dealings secret from voters while Trump repeatedly cast Clinton as a "typical politician." Columbia's government and its largest rebel movement signed a historic peace accord in an emotional ceremony aimed at ending a half-century of combat.

Today's Birthdays: Retired baseball All-Star Bobby Shantz is 92. Actor Philip Bosco is 87. Actor Richard Herd is 85. South African nationalist Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is 81. Country singer David Frizzell is 76. Actor Kent McCord is 75. Television host Anne Robinson is 73. Singer Bryan Ferry is 72. Actress Mary Beth Hurt is 71. Singer Olivia Newton

John is 69. Actor James Keane is 65. Rock singer-musician Cesar Rosas (Los Lobos) is 63. Country singer Carlene Carter is 62. Actress Linda Hamilton is 61. Country singer Doug Supernaw is 57. Rhythm-and-blues singer Cindy Herron (En Vogue) is 56. Actress Melissa Sue Anderson is 55. Actor

Patrick Bristow is 55. Rock musician Al Pitrelli is 55. Singer Tracey Thorn (Everything But The Girl) is 55. TV personality Jillian Barberie is 51. Contemporary Christian guitarist Jody Davis (Newsboys) is 50. Actor Jim Caviezel (Kuh-VEE-zuhl) is 49. Actress Tricia O'Kelley is 49. Actor Ben Shenkman is 49. Actress

Melanie Paxon is 45. Singer Shawn Stockman (Boyz II Men) is 45. Music producer Dr. Luke is 44. Jazz musician Nicholas Payton is 44. Actor Mark Famiglietti (fah-mihl-YEH'-tee) is 38. Singer-actress Christina Milian (MIHL-ee-ahn) is 36. Tennis player Serena Williams is 36.

Thought for Today: "Whatever you think, be sure it is what you think; whatever you want, be sure that is what you want; whatever you feel, be sure that is what you feel." — T.S. Eliot, American-Anglo poet (born on this date in 1888, died 1965).

Newsday Crossword

FALL IS HERE by Sally R. Stein Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS
 - 1 Potato, informally
 - 5 The latest events
 - 9 Informal eateries
 - 14 Short memo
 - 15 A Great Lake
 - 16 "Humble" home
 - 17 Word-of-mouth
 - 18 Toward sunrise
 - 19 Red cosmetic
 - 20 Fall ___ (get delayed)
 - 23 Suffix meaning "resident"
 - 24 Allow
 - 25 "We've been approved"
 - 29 Settled a debt
 - 31 "Steady as ___ goes"
 - 34 Canine, slangily
 - 35 Religious group
 - 36 Horse-stopping shout
 - 37 Fall ___ (break into pieces)
 - 40 Play a trick on
 - 41 Low-calorie, on labels
 - 42 Native American tent
 - 43 Secret agent
 - 44 "Quite contrary" girl of rhyme
 - 45 Motorcyclists
 - 46 Border of a cup
 - 47 Metallic rock
 - 48 Fall ___ (make an embarrassing error)
 - 56 Everest or Rushmore
 - 57 Largest continent
 - 58 Wrinkle-removing appliance
 - 59 Sudden burst of electricity
- DOWN
 - 1 Snooty person
 - 2 Skin opening
 - 3 Great Salt Lake state
 - 4 Sandwich shop
 - 5 Must
 - 6 Clear a blackboard
 - 7 Milwaukee's state: Abbr.
 - 8 Eve's third child
 - 9 Checked the ID of
 - 10 Approximately
 - 11 Out of bounds, in baseball
 - 12 Outer boundary
 - 13 Look at
 - 21 Period after sunset
 - 22 Privileged group
 - 25 Apple tablet computers
 - 26 Fill fully, as a gas tank
 - 27 Covered with suds
 - 28 Land measure
 - 29 Small-minded
 - 30 Soreness from overexertion
 - 31 In good ___ (physically fit)
 - 32 Base-clearing hit
 - 33 Facilitates
 - 35 Mix with a spoon
 - 36 Row on a wall calendar
 - 38 San Antonio attraction
 - 39 Piggpens
 - 44 Tot's hand warmer
 - 45 Pumpnickels and ryes
 - 46 Cooking appliance
 - 47 Pungent burger topping
 - 48 Singers in a quartet
 - 49 Entice
 - 50 Short snoozes
 - 51 Capital of Norway
 - 52 Not squishy, as a mattress
 - 53 Neighborhood
 - 54 Layer of paint
 - 55 Concludes
 - 56 Flavor enhancer letters

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Answer to previous puzzle

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ALIEN	EASES	INK
WALKING	DISTANCE	
TIRE	COOLS	EXILE
NAYS	SSE	PRESET
PIE	TOE	
AROUND	THE	CORNER
HADNT	RANK	AUTO
EVOKE	ALOE	GLAD
MERVL	PORT	ELSE

ASTROS

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The Astros' fourth inning included four hits — two each by Gonzalez and Evan Gattis, who had a two-run double — and was helped by two walks, a hit batter and two errors with two outs.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: OF Josh Reddick, who has been dealing with a sore back, was out of the lineup for the second time in three games. Houston manager A.J. Hinch said Reddick is fine but probably won't play Tuesday.

Rangers: Manager Jeff Banister rejoined the team after missing

the previous two games to be with his mother in the Houston area after she experienced some complications following surgery. "She made it evident that it was necessary for me to come back here," Banister said.

UP NEXT

Dallas Keuchel and Cole Hamels, left-handed aces who have both missed more than 50 games this season, pitch the middle game of the series. Keuchel (13-5) is making his 12th start since missing 53 games during two DL stints (pinched nerve in back, neck discomfort). Hamels (11-4) missed 51 games because of a right oblique strain.

TEXANS

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than others. The key for Deshaun is now building on it."

He'll have a chance to do that on Sunday as the Texans (1-2) return to AFC South play when they host Tennessee (2-1) in the first of three straight home games.

O'Brien has been impressed with Watson's ability to adjust quickly when problems arise and that he doesn't make the same mistake twice.

"His first two starts on the road, he's played pretty well," O'Brien said. "So now it's, OK, what do I need to do to get ready for another really good team, obviously, and a new defense and a Dick LeBeau-designed defense — which is something he's never seen before. So, he just needs to take each week as a new week and a new challenge."

Watson is the most mobile quarterback the Texans have ever had, and his teammates rave about his ability to extend plays with his feet.

That skill was on display in Sunday's game when he evaded four tackles before launching a 31-yard pass to D'Onta Foreman in the fourth quarter.

"He's a guy that can create plays," Foreman said. "I've seen him step out of three, four tackles and still get the ball off. To me that's amazing

just to be a rookie and be able to step in and throw like that. It's been fun playing with him."

Another impressive quality about the 22-year-old quarterback has been the confidence he's shown since the moment he stepped on the field in the third quarter of Houston's opener.

He continued to show the same unflappable nature that was on display last season when he led Clemson to a national title.

"His poise is wonderful," said Foreman, a fellow rookie. "I never can tell if he's nervous or not. He just goes out there and plays hard every down. So I definitely respect that."

Watson said he's been confident all his life and that he isn't going to change simply because he's now playing against the best football players in the world.

"You can't have (any) doubt when you step on the field at this level," he said.

This week he and the Texans could get a boost with the possible return of speedy receiver Will Fuller. The second-year player, who was a first-round draft pick, has missed the first three games after breaking his collarbone early in training camp.

"I think that'll be something that we'll see starting on Wednesday, but I'm hearing some good things," O'Brien said.

SCORES

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Vikings (2-1) 34, Buccaneers (1-1) 17

Vikings:

Case Keenum QB
25-33, 369 YDS, 3 TD
Dalvin Cook RB
27 ATT - 97 YDS, 1 TD
Stefon Diggs WR
8 REC - 173 YDS, 2 TD
Buccaneers:
Jameis Winston
28-40, 328 YDS, 2 TD, 3 INT
Jacquizz Rodgers RB
5 ATT - 15 YDS
DeSean Jackson WR
4 REC - 84 YDS, 1 TD

Patriots (2-1) 36, Texans (1-2) 33

Patriots:

Tom Brady QB
25-35, 378 YDS, 5 TD
Brandin Cooks WR
5 REC - 131 YDS, 2 TD
Chris Hogan WR
4 REC - 68 YDS, 2 TD
Texans:
Deshaun Watson QB
22-33, 301 YDS, 2 TD
Jadeveon Clowney DE
2 SCK, 1 TD, 1 FUM REC, 6 TCKL
Ka'imi Fairbairn K
4-4 FG (39, 40, 31, 36), 3 XPM

Jets (1-2) 20, Dolphins (1-1) 6

Jets:

Terrence Brooks S
2 INT, 1 TCKL
Robby Anderson WR
3 REC - 95 YDS, 1 TD
Josh McCown QB
18-23, 249 YDS, 1 TD
Dolphins:
DeVante Parker WR
8 REC - 76 YDS, 1 TD
Jay Cutler QB
26-44, 220 YDS, 1 TD
Kenny Stills WR
4 REC - 51 YDS

Eagles (2-1) 27, Giants (0-3) 24

Eagles:

Carson Wentz QB
21-31, 176 YDS, 1 TD
Wendell Smallwood RB
12 ATT - 71 YDS
LaGarrett Blount RB
12 ATT - 67 YDS, 1 TD
Zach Ertz TE

8 REC - 55 YDS, 1 TD

Giants:

Eli Manning QB
35-47, 366 YDS, 3 TD, 2 INT
Paul Perkins RB
9 ATT - 22 YDS
Sterling Shepard WR
7 REC - 133 YDS, 1 TD
Odell Beckham Jr. WR
9 REC - 79 YDS, 2 TD

Titans (2-1) 33, Seahawks (1-2) 27

Titans:

Marcus Mariota QB
20-32, 225 YDS, 2 TD
DeMarco Murray RB
14 ATT - 115 YDS, 1 TD
Ryan Succop K
4-4 FG (24, 37, 47, 35), 3 XPM
Seahawks:
Russell Wilson QB
29-49, 373 YDS, 4 TD
Doug Baldwin WR
10 REC - 105 YDS, 1 TD
Luke Willson TE
3 REC - 53 YDS, 1 TD

Packers (2-1) 27, Bengals (0-3) 24

Packers:

Aaron Rodgers QB
28-42, 313 YDS, 3 TD
Jordy Nelson WR
6 REC - 52 YDS, 2 TD
Geronimo Allison WR
6 REC - 122 YDS
Bengals:
A.J. Green WR
10 REC - 111 YDS, 1 TD
Andy Dalton QB
21-27, 212 YDS, 2 TD
William Jackson CB
1 INT, 1 TD, 3 TCKL

Chiefs (3-0) 24, Chargers (0-3) 10

Chiefs:

Kareem Hunt RB
17 ATT - 172 YDS, 1 TD
Terrance Mitchell CB
2 INT, 9 TCKL
Alex Smith QB
16-21, 155 YDS, 2 TD
Chargers:
Melvin Ingram DE
3 SCK, 6 TCKL
Melvin Gordon RB
17 ATT - 79 YDS, 1 TD

Travis Benjamin WR
5 REC - 105 YDS

Redskins (2-1) 27, Raiders (2-1) 10

Redskins:

Kirk Cousins QB
25-30, 365 YDS, 3 TD
Chris Thompson RB
188 TOTAL YDS, 1 TD
Vernon Davis TE
5 REC - 58 YDS, 1 TD
Raiders:
Jared Cook TE
4 REC - 43 YDS, 1 TD
James Cowser LB
2 FUM REC, 3 TCKL
Derek Carr QB
19-31, 118 YDS, 1 TD

Monday, September 25, 2017

Cowboys (2-1) 28, Cardinals (1-2) 17

Cowboys:

Dak Prescott QB
13-18, 183 YDS, 3 TOTAL TD
Demarcus Lawrence DE
3 SCK, 4 TCKL
Ezekiel Elliott RB
22 ATT - 80 YDS, 1 TD
Cardinals:
Carson Palmer QB
29-48, 325 YDS, 2 TD
Larry Fitzgerald WR
13 REC - 149 YDS, 1 TD
Jaron Brown WR
2 REC - 27 YDS, 1 TD



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