

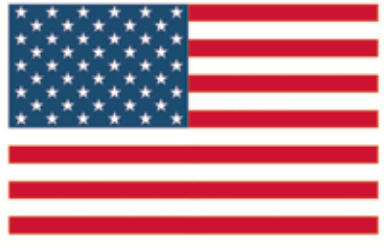
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Vidal awarded Officer of the Year



Courtesy photo

In the photo above, Texas Association of School Resource Officers Executive Director Greg Anderson, right, presents the group's Officer of the Year award to Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Frank Vidal this morning.

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

The Officer of the Year award was presented to Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Frank Vidal this morning. Vidal is the School Resource Officer for Coahoma and Forsan schools.

"Working as a School Resource Officer, he has established great working relationships with not only the schools, but also the community, all while providing a

blanket of protection to them all," said Sheriff Stan Parker. "Frank not only works at the schools, he is also very involved in activities as well as the day to day operations. He steps in when needed and lends that extra helping hand even when it may be above the call of duty.

"We are very proud of Frank and his accomplishment. We look forward to Franks' continued success as a School Resource Officer and his devotion to his position."

CRCC Play Days



HERALD photo/Tyler Schellie

Photographed above is Loree Debose at the Circuit Riders Cowboy Church (CRCC) Play Day Saturday, July 28. Debose rounds the barrel on her horse during her practice barrel racing runs. The CRCC's Play Day events supports the local arena team. If you have any questions or need

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any more information about the events or other upcoming events, please contact Mike & Connie Robertson at 432-209-6119.



First-ever SCF barbecue contest a success

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

One thing you can count on: If you're giving away free barbecue in Big Spring, people will come.

That was the situation Sunday at the first-ever Spring Creek Fellowship Barbecue Contest, where around 250 people filled the church to sample and vote on the meaty offerings of the contestants. Church members provided side dishes, desserts, and other trimmings.

"It was even greater than we expected," said Spring Creek Pastor Derrick Looney. "We were looking for a good turnout, but it exceeded our dream. As a matter of fact, this house was full, and everybody got plenty to eat, and some took leftovers home. So that's good."

Looney said the



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Spring Creek Fellowship's Pastor Derrick Looney, left, congratulates and presents a \$100 Academy gift card to Carl Durham, whose barbecued brisket won the first-ever Spring Creek Fellowship Barbecue Contest Sunday. The winner was chosen via a "people's choice" where those attending the event to sample the various barbecue entries voted with cash donations to the church's "Our Daily Bread" food pantry. In all, the contest raised \$760 for the charity.

Millionaire Success Habits coming to Big Spring

By TYLER SCHELLIE
 Staff Writer

Dean Graziosi and Hotel Settles are teaming up to bring "Millionaire Success Habits" to Big Spring on August 14th at 6 p.m. This fun, relaxed and very informative conference offers new ways to think about making money like never before, and gives you ideas on how to start the process.

Dean's millionaire success habits have helped lead him to a New York Times best-selling book and a life of financial prosperity.

"People struggle and don't get what they want in life because they focus so much of their thoughts and mental energy on the things they don't want," Dean Graziosi, author of millionaire success habits said.

Dean believes to get from where you are to where you want to go takes a lot of strategy, and states that, "that's where most people and most plans fall apart."

This event is free, and Dean will be buying dinner for all of the attendees. Those who attend will also receive a free copy of his new book, which will cover forming successful habits to a great extent.

To get an outside perspective on what it takes



Dean Graziosi

to become successful, from someone who has had so much success himself, this is a great way to get started on pursuing dreams you may have once had, or still have.

There is always something you can take away from by listening to people describe their past trials and tribulations to reach the point they have in their lives.

"It doesn't matter where you come from. It only matters where you are and where you want to go," said Graziosi.

Order your free ticket online via the "Millionaire Success Habits" Facebook Page or contact Hotel Settles for any additional information at (432) 267-7500.

The event will take place on 200 East Third St. in Big Spring, Texas, right inside our very own Hotel Settles from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Reminder to donate to the BIM School Supply Drive

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

With summer vacations nearing an end, students and parents are starting to prepare for the upcoming school year, which is almost a month away. Back in Motion (BIM) is also preparing for the new school year with their annual School Supply Drive. BIM takes donations, backpacks, and school supplies to help Howard County students have the best year they can and prepare them with the necessary items needed for school.

"Supplies will be due August 1," said Maegan Lee, Marketing Manager at Back in Motion. "We will be stuffing the backpacks on August 6 at Trinity Baptist Church at 9 a.m."

Lee went on to say that BIM is also taking donations for the school supply drive.

"School supplies are so expensive, and there are those who can't afford them. We really hope we are able to supply 800 local students with school supplies," said Lee. "We are also doing an 'Adopt a Student' to help the lives of the local students by providing them school supplies. You can also fill a backpack with all the needed school supplies yourself and drop it off at Back in Motion."

The adopt a student goes as follows: with a \$100 donation, you can supply

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MARTY EVANS JR.**, 28, of 1410 E Pl., was arrested on warrants on warrants on two counts of probation violation, theft of property in between \$100 to \$750, three counts of unauthorized use of vehicle, and on charges of failure to identify fugitive intent give false, and prohibited weapon knuckles.
- **PAULA JEAN BARBER**, 55, of 600 block of S Scurry St., was arrested on warrants on front yard parking, illegal dumping, three counts of accumulated items of first offense, failure to appear, operate unregistered motor vehicle, and driving while li-

cense invalid.

- **WESLEY ALLEN EDMONDSON**, 31, of P.O. Box 834, Coahoma, was arrested on warrants of bail jumping and failure to appear, and forgery financial instrument.
- **WILLIAM OTTO WARNER**, 42, of 1208 Mulberry Ave., was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **CASEY RAY BRACKETT**, 26, of 1203 Settles St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JON COLE MCLEOD**, 28, of 3914 Parkway Dr., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 800 block of Moore School

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- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 400 block of Tubbs Loop Rd., in the 200 bloc of W FM 700.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 400 block of Father Delaney St.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of George St., in the 3900 block of Parkway, and in the 900 E 15th St.
- **BURGALRY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 100 block of Buena Vista, in the 1200 block of Buena Vista, in the 200 block S Salem Rd., in the 300 block of Easterling, in the 3900 block of Parkway, and in the 900 E 15th St.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 inmates at the time of this report.

- **TRAVIS LEE SEATON**, 42, was arrested by DPS on a warrant of parole violation.
- **FREDRICK RUBIO JR.**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of assault causes bodily injury family.
- **MARTY RAY EVANS**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on war-

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Take Note

• Maranatha Baptist Academy at 903 Johnson is now taking applications for ongoing enrolment for our Fall Session, August 1. Call 432-213-1046 for an appointment. Dr. Lillian Bohannon, Administrator. Please have shot records and birth certificate available at the time of registration. We use Accelerated Christian Education curriculum for grades Kindergarten through twelfth grade graduation. We provide information so you can home school or use our facilities for full time in our school. We also provided tutoring for all grades. If interested in a quality Christian Education at a price you can afford, please come by or give us a call.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

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

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

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

• Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas, handles legal issues affecting Veterans, Retirees, and their family members. They will have clinics that provides volunteer attorneys that will provide free legal advice (up to 25 minutes depending on the issue). A pro bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child supper and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning. The Clinic dates are on Aug. 23 and Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northside Community Center on 110 N.E 8th St. Applicants must be financially eligible to obtain services. Please bring a copy of your DD215 and/or Veterans ID card. Appointments are required. For more information or

to make an appointment, please contact Pete Ferro at 432-332-1207, ext. 4511.

• The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

• 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.

• 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 has changed its meeting time.

The club now meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday and the fourth Thursday of each month. Meetings are still held at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. Visitors are welcome.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Goliad. No one was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Goliad. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on FM 223 West of Hwy87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Jeffery Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Lindberg. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Apron Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of MLK. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4200 block of W hwy 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **BUILDING FIRE** was reported in the 600 block of E 12th St. It was contained.

Support Groups

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's 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 at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 and 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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10 things to know for today

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES CLAIM MORE LIVES; CREWS MAKE PROGRESS

Thousands more are fleeing their homes after wildfires surge near a small lake town in Northern California while farther north firefighters make progress against a deadly blaze.

2. ZIMBABWE VOTES FOR 1st TIME WITHOUT MUGABE ON BALLOT

The contest could open the way toward international legitimacy for the southern African nation or signal more stagnation if the ballot is seriously flawed.

3. ICE QUEST FOR DETENTION SITES PUTS TRUMP COUNTY ON TIGHTROPE

In an Indiana community where a significant number of people illegally in the U.S. play important roles, a proposal to build a detention facility

puts families, businesses and decision-makers on a tightrope, AP finds.

4. WHAT'S LIKELY TO BE MISSING FROM MANAFORT TRIAL

Trump's former campaign chairman is being tried this week and answers about whether the campaign colluded with Russia during the 2016 presidential election could remain elusive.

5. WHERE INSURANCE POLICIES ARE RISING

After Hurricane Harvey's devastating and widespread flooding last year, many Texans decided it was time to buy flood insurance.

6. IN PANAMA'S COLONIAL CORE, LOCALS FIGHT TO STAY

Since the heart of Panama City was declared a world heritage site two decades ago, a real estate boom is pricing most of the longtime residents out.

7. 'MEDICARE FOR ALL' COMES WITH A HEAVY PRICE TAG

Sen. Bernie Sanders' proposal would increase government health care spending by \$32.6 trillion over 10 years, a university-based libertarian policy center study finds.

8. WHAT FOOTAGE IN MINNEAPOLIS SHOOTING FOUND

Body cam video in the fatal police shooting of a 31-year-old black man last month shows that Thurman Blevins was shot from behind after a foot chase and what appeared to be a gun in his hand.

9. HAPPY 50TH, BIG MAC

McDonald's is celebrating the 1968 debut of the double-decker sandwich and the company has little appetite to change the recipe.

10. THIS PLACE IS SERIOUS ABOUT LAUGHTER

The National Comedy Center is part museum, part hall of fame and part video arcade, letting visitors move through displays of comedic artifacts to more than 50 immersive exhibits.

SMMC graduates 10 local volunteer students



Courtesy photos

Scenic mountain medical center recently graduated the 2nd class of teen volunteers. A celebration was held recognizing the completion of the program by 10 area high school students.

Over the course of 4 weeks students were able to spend time in each department of the hospital learning the various skill sets required. Students had an opportunity to work in plant operations, the emergency room, medical records, and even took part

in marketing ventures.

"Not every high school student knows what they want to do after graduation, this is an opportunity for them to see if healthcare is right for them," Amanda Duforat, Marketing Manager, said.

This program was designed to give high school students an opportunity to find out what types of skill sets they will need, exposes them to the different opportunities available within a hospital.

"When people think of health care they are typically thinking

nursing, but there are so many more aspects included in creating a positive patient experience," said Duforat.

For those wanting to find out more about the teen volunteer program, call Nadine

Reyes at 268-4651.

BBQ

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barbecue contending in the event was quite varied.

"We had everything except 'possum," he said. "And the gumbo, he wouldn't give his recipe, so we don't know about that. Gumbo at a barbecue cook-off? Well, he used barbecued chicken, so it qualified. But we had stuffed pork tenderloin, we had ribs, we had turkey legs, we had chicken...just the whole spectrum. It was delicious."

The eventual winner was Carl Durham whose barbecued brisket vanished quickly, Looney said.

"I heard it melts in your mouth," he said. "I didn't get any of it because it was gone by the time I got there."

Durham's brisket was chosen through a "people's choice" method, wherein those eating voted with donations to the church's "Our Daily Bread" food pantry. In all, the contest raised \$760 for the charity, Looney said.

"Our food pantry, Kay Elder is our lead on that, and she does a great job. Rose Teeler is too. They do a great job in coordinating that," he said. "We probably have 15 or 20 people from our church, and people even people outside the church, just out in the community, that help. We fed 44 people Saturday."

The food pantry is open for those in need to come pick up food the second and fourth Saturdays each month, Looney said.

"They get their food from the West Texas Food Bank. These fundraisers help to do that. They are a self-sufficient ministry. It's amazing how they do that. They're not included in our budget, although we would be glad to help them, but they have chosen to this as a part of Spring Creek, but they are funded through donations through events like this. They have canned goods, non-perishables. It depends on what they get from the food bank. Sometimes they have frozen meats. Various things, but they always have good staple foods, nourishing foods for people who maybe in between jobs or something and just need a little help."

The "Our Daily Bread" food pantry is located at Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. Enter through the doors by the movie theater and "Our Daily Bread" is the first door on the right.

For more information contact Spring Creek Fellowship at 432-714-4584.

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five students, and with a \$500 donation, you can supply 25 students. With a \$1,000 donation, you will supply 50 students with school supplies needed for the 2017-2018 school year.

Some of the items you can donate to the Back in Motion School Supply Drive include crayons, pencils, pink

erasers, scissors, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, composition notebooks, map pencils, plastic folders with pockets and brads. BIM also takes backpack donations, and according to Lee, backpacks are desperately needed. They can be children's and teenage backpacks, BIM takes them all.

To fill a backpack, here is a list of items that are needed: 2 boxes of crayons, 4 dozen pencils,

2 pink erasers, 1 pair scissors, 4 glue sticks, 2 spiral notebooks (wide ruled), 2 composition notebooks, map pencils, 4 plastic folders with pockets.

All school supplies, donations, and backpacks must be dropped off by August 1 at Back in Motion, located at 1113 N. Scurry St. For more information, please contact Maegan Lee at 432-267-2225.

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Northside Community Action League hits a Hole-In-One for local charity



Herald photo/Jordan Parr

Northside Community Action League Board Members (from left to right) Jesus Cisnerous, Virginia Natividad, Diana Martinez and Tonya Baker hosted the fourth annual Northside Community Action League Golf Tournament this past Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course. The tournament is held as a fundraiser to help them provide assistance to local Howard County residence that need it.



Herald photo/Jordan Parr

Local players warming up on the putting greens before the Northside Community Action League Tournament on Sunday. 44 players from the local area came out to compete in this year's tournament and to support local charity with the chance to win \$25,000 dollars for a hole-in-one on the 11th and \$2,500 for hitting a shot on the pad on the 18th. The top three places also take home cash rewards as well. \$400 for first place, \$300 for second and \$200 for third plus \$25 dollar bonus for closest to the pin on all par 3's.

Rangers become 1st team to sweep Astros this year, win 4-3



AP photo

Houston Astros second baseman Yuli Gurriel steps on the face of Texas Rangers' Jurickson Profar who slides into second base after hitting an RBI-double during the sixth inning of a baseball game Sunday, July 29, 2018, in Houston.

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Jurickson Profar had just taken a cleat to the face and blood was trickling down his left cheek when Texas manager Jeff Banister went out to check on him in the sixth inning Sunday.

Before Banister could say anything, his young shortstop spoke. "He told me he wasn't coming out of the game," Banister said.

Profar hit a go-ahead double deflected by the pitcher and stayed in despite his injury as the Rangers became the first team to sweep Houston this year, beating the Astros 4-3.

Texas took three in a row from the AL West leaders and extended the Astros' skid to a season-high four games.

"I want to forget it to be honest," manager A.J. Hinch said. "I don't really want to talk about it ... we're getting beat up. I think we need to get to the next series. We have some things to address. We are not working as perfectly as we normally do."

Banister lauded the grit Profar showed on Sunday and said the way he plays is a bright spot in this trying season for the last-place Rangers.

"The defense, the at-bats, the aggressive baserunning, it's fun to watch a young guy play that way," he said. "We encourage our guys to continue to play that way. It kind of epitomizes why we won a baseball game today. Aggressive in certain situations. He showed some toughness on the field and not have to come out."

The Rangers won even though they struck out 19 times — the most Houston pitchers have recorded in a nine-inning game in franchise history.

It was 1-all in the sixth when Rougned Odor doubled and Profar hit a grounder nicked by Lance McCullers (10-6) that rolled into the outfield. Astros second baseman Yuli Gurriel lost his check and kicked Profar in the heel with his cleats as he slid into second base.

Profar was bleeding from cuts to his face and left the field briefly before returning with a bandage covering the injury. He did not receive stitches, but had the cuts glued shut after the game and he wore four small bandages on them as he spoke to reporters about the play.

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Wild playoff race creates tough deadline decisions

By NOAH TRISTER

AP Baseball Writer

There are 11 teams within six games of a playoff spot in the National League, which could make for a thrilling last two months of the regular season.

It also means some front offices are facing tough decisions as the non-waiver trade deadline looms.

It's easy to deal away your top players when you're 20 games behind, but if the postseason is still a possibility, the decision to buy or sell becomes trickier. The Washington Nationals, for example, are six games back in their division and trail the second wild card by the same margin — but there are enough legitimate stars on that roster that a medium-sized deficit is certainly surmountable with this much time to go.

Fangraphs.com gives the Nats a 42.5 percent chance to make the postseason, while fivethirtyeight.com (20 percent) and basebalprospectus.com (22 percent) as of Sunday morning are more pessimistic. Whichever website you believe, it would be unusual for a team in Washington's position to become a seller at the deadline. That tends to happen for teams facing longer odds.

But with two wild cards in each league, a team can have a mediocre record and still be in the postseason race. And the path forward isn't always easy to figure out. Here are a few teams in recent years that traded

away key players — when they could have easily chosen to buy or stand pat instead:

(Playoff probabilities below are from FanGraphs.)

2014 RAYS

Record: 53-55 (11.8 percent chance to make postseason)

Tampa Bay was eight games out of first place and 5 1/2 behind the second wild card before sending ace left-hander David Price to Detroit in a three-team deal. The Rays received lefty Drew Smyly and infielders Willy Adames and Nick Franklin.

The aftermath: Smyly was great for Tampa Bay down the stretch in 2014, but injuries have held him back ever since, and he hasn't pitched in the big leagues since 2016. Adames is currently hitting .196 in his first season in the majors, but he is considered a top prospect for the Rays.

2015 TIGERS

Record: 49-52 (12.1 percent chance to make postseason)

The Tigers faced a double-digit deficit in the division race, so the best they could really hope for was to reach the one-game matchup between wild cards. They were only 3 1/2 games behind the second wild card when they sent Price to Toronto, and Detroit would also end up trading Joakim Soria and Yoenis Cespedes in a mini-teardown. Among the players the Tigers received in return were Michael Fulmer, Daniel Norris, Matthew Boyd and JaCoby Jones.

The aftermath: Those deals remain



AP photo

Washington Nationals relief pitcher Jeremy Hellickson, right, and catcher Spencer Kieboom talk on the mound during the third inning of a baseball game against the Miami Marlins, Sunday, July 29, 2018, in Miami.

a mixed bag for the Tigers. Fulmer was the AL Rookie of the Year in 2016 — and Detroit nearly made the postseason that year — but he has struggled this season. Norris has had injury problems, and Boyd has a career ERA of 5.21. Jones has flashed some athleticism in the outfield, but he has a .198 average in 481 big league at-bats.

2016 YANKEES

Record: 50-48 (8 percent chance to make postseason)

New York was 7 1/2 games back in the division and only 4 1/2 behind the second wild card, but this was a team that hadn't played in the Division Series since 2012, and the 2016 version didn't seem likely to change that. So the Yankees sent Aroldis Chapman to the Cubs, and Andrew Miller, Carlos Beltran and Ivan Nova would also be traded in short order.

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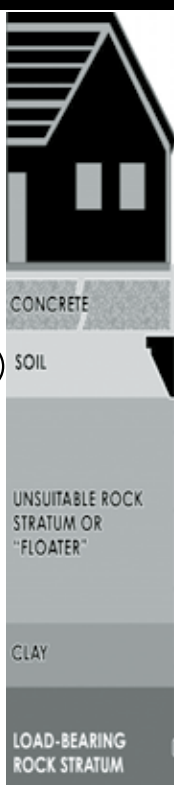
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you see something displeasing in others, use it as an indicator of what you might

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



-- those who push you, attract you and help you grow into your best self. Savor the prizes in September and May. Pisces and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 39, 37, 43, 26 and 32.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I have feelings for a Capricorn whom I have known for some time. He has been hurt in the past, and it may take some time for him to express the feelings that I believe he has for me. Should I continue to be patient? I am a Cancer born on June 25, 1982. He was born Dec. 25, 1975."

Cancer, have you ever visited Mount Rushmore? Even if you haven't, maybe you recollect the mountain monument of former presidents staring out into the same spot in space, year after year. As the earth sign of mountain scaling, the Capricorn man can be as oblivious to surrounding loveliness as the unchanging gazes of Rushmore. I'm not saying Capricorn is forever unmoved; I'm simply acknowledging that you, romantic and patient Cancer, are prone to biding your time pining for this love from below and he's looking off into the distant somewhere, totally unaware you're interested. Even if he is still nursing wounds from past hurt, he's still a guy and a human and thus someone in need of love. So make a move. And then, if he chooses to remain stuck in another time and era, at least (SET ITAL) you (END ITAL) can move on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Feelings express themselves in waves. A wave is a phenomenon with a trade-off between space and time. At one moment in time, it's here, and it's somewhere else at another moment. In short, feelings change.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you feel as if working on yourself from the inside out would be a bit too intangible and strange an approach for you today, it might be a better bet to work from the outside in. Equally effective!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If there's too much of something or too little of it, if something is too small or too fast, it's the "too" (not the thing itself) that makes it impossible to deal with. Perhaps your problem is not with the thing but with the amount of it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The solution may not be at hand; in fact, you'll travel miles to find it, and it won't be where they said it would be, which motivates further journeying. But that's what you get for choosing worthwhile pursuits!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People will reach out in love and also in need. Then there are those who reach out in something else -- something not worth labeling, as they are only expressing a symptom of their own sickness. Your compassion will be required.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 30). It is said that people are amalgamations of those they're most often around. That's reductive, yet it's true that you're changed by relationships. You endeavor to be around the people who make you better

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ —
♥ K Q 6 3
♦ 9 6 5 2
♣ A K J 10 2

WEST EAST

♠ A Q 9 8 7 4 ♠ K J 10 6 5 3 2
♥ J 10 9 ♥ 8 7 2
♦ 3 ♦ 4
♣ 7 4 3 ♣ 9 6

SOUTH

♠ —
♥ A 5 4
♦ A K Q J 10 8 7
♣ Q 8 5

The bidding:
East South West North
2♣ Dble 4♣ 5♠
Pass 7♦ 7♣ Pass
Pass 7 NT (!) Dble

Opening lead — ace of spades. On the International Match Point scale used to score most team contests, the largest possible gain is 24 IMPs — the equivalent of 4,000 or more points. Needless to say, such a swing is extremely rare. This is not surprising, since for such a disparity to occur, one or both pairs on a team must have a calamitous result of gargantuan proportions.

Certainly, a swing of this magnitude would not be expected to happen in an event of any major importance. And that is what makes today's deal so remarkable, since it occurred

in the 1997 Grand National Teams playoffs.

After East opened with a weak two-bid and South doubled, West, Chris Compton, muddled the waters by leaping to four spades. North, convinced there was a slam in the offing, cuebid five spades to ask his partner to choose a suit.

South judged that he had a much better hand than he might have had, so he leaped to seven diamonds. Compton then sacrificed at seven spades. When North passed — inviting his partner to bid on — South could not conceive that his partner also held a void in spades, so he credited North with the spade ace and bid seven notrump!

Compton gleefully doubled and led the spade ace, and when the smoke cleared, South was down seven — 2,000 points!

At the second table, the bidding went:
East South West North
3♠ 5♦ 6♣ 7♦
Dble (!) Pass Pass Pass

East's double was apparently intended to show that he did not have first-round diamond control, and West left the double in. Seven diamonds doubled was worth 2,330 points, which, together with the 2,000 gained at the other table, came to a tidy 4,330 points — more than enough to earn the top score on the IMP scale.

Tomorrow: A sleight-of-hand trick.

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SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

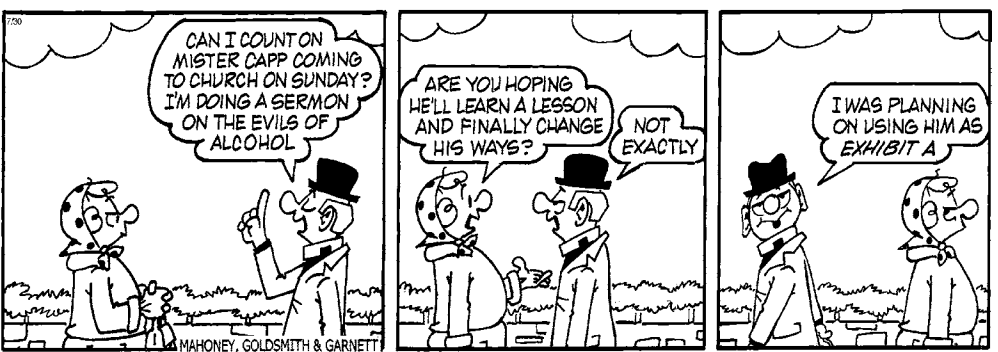
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric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

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1	6	4	5	3	7	2	8	9
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6	5	1	3	7	2	8	9	4
9	7	2	8	4	5	3	6	1
3	4	8	6	9	1	5	7	2

ANSWER:

	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
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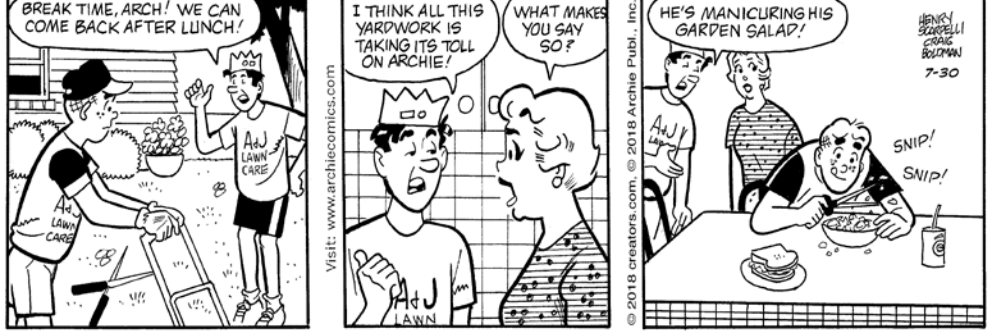
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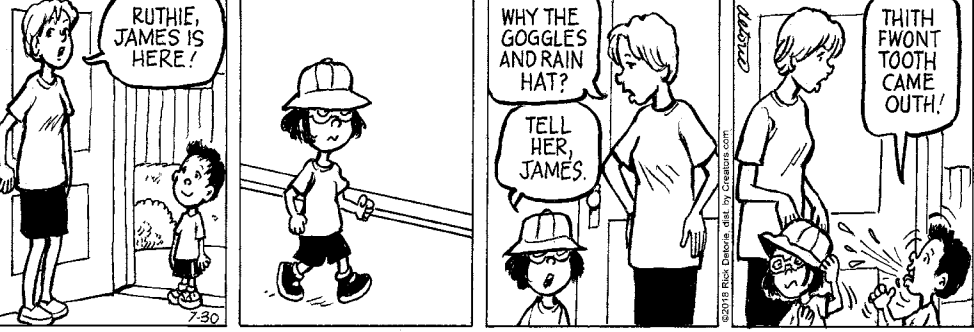
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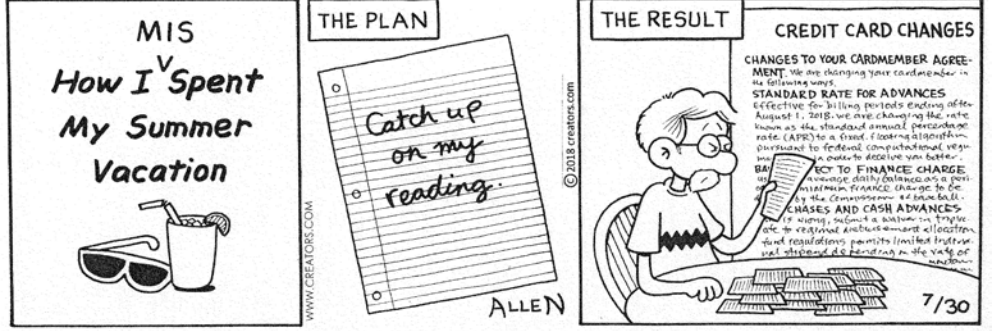
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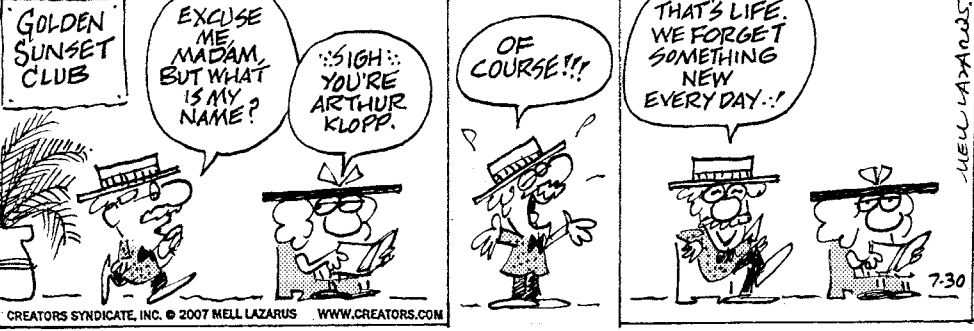
ONE BIG HAPPY



NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

Today is Monday, July 30, the 211th day of 2018. There are 154 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 30, 1945, the Portland class heavy cruiser USS Indianapolis, having just delivered components of the atomic bomb to Tinian in the Mariana Islands, was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine; only 317 out of nearly 1,200 men survived.

On this date:

In 1619, the first representative assembly in America convened in Jamestown in the Virginia Colony.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Virginia, by exploding a gunpowder-laden mine shaft beneath Confederate defense lines; the attack failed.

In 1916, German saboteurs blew up a munitions plant on Black Tom, an island near Jersey City, New Jersey, killing about a dozen people.

In 1932, the Summer Olympic Games opened in Los Angeles.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the Navy known as "Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service" — WAVES for short.

In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a measure making "In God We Trust" the national motto, replacing "E Pluribus Unum" (Out of many, one).

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a measure creating Medicare, which began operating the following year.

In 1975, former Teamsters union president Jimmy Hoffa disappeared in suburban Detroit; although presumed dead, his remains have never been found.

In 1980, Israel's Knesset passed a law reaffirming all of Jerusalem as the capital of the Jewish state.

In 2001, Robert Mueller (MUHL-ur), President George W. Bush's choice to head the FBI, promised the Senate Judiciary Committee that if confirmed, he would move forcefully to fix problems at the agency. (Mueller became FBI director on Sept. 4, 2001, a week before the 9/11 attacks.)

In 2002, WNBA player Lisa Leslie of the Los Angeles Sparks became the first woman to dunk in a professional game, jamming on a breakaway in the first half of the Sparks' 82-73 loss to the Miami Sol.

In 2003, President George W. Bush took personal responsibility for the first time for using discredited intelligence in his State of the Union address, but predicted he would be vindicated for going to war against Iraq.

Ten years ago: Ex-Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic (RA'-doh-van KA'-ra-jich) was extradited to The Hague to face genocide charges after nearly 13 years on the run.

President George W. Bush quietly signed a housing bill he'd once threatened to veto; it was intended to rescue some cash-strapped homeowners in fear of foreclosure.

Amid corruption allegations and his own plummeting popularity, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert (EH'-hood OHL'-murt) announced he would resign.

Five years ago: U.S. Army Pfc. Bradley Manning was acquitted of aiding the enemy — the most serious charge he faced — but was convicted of espionage, theft and other charges at Fort Meade, Maryland, more than three years after he'd spilled secrets to WikiLeaks. (The former intelligence analyst, now known as Chelsea Manning, was later sentenced to up to 35 years in prison. The sentence was commuted by President Barack Obama in his final days in office.)

Former Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr., 98, died in Winchester, Virginia.

One year ago: Three days after the U.S. Congress approved sanctions against Russia in response to its meddling in the 2016 U.S. election and its military aggression in Ukraine and Syria, Russian President Vladimir Putin said the United States would have to cut the number of embassy and consulate staff in Russia by 755.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Edd (correct) "Kookie" Byrnes is 85. Former Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig is 84. Blues musician Buddy Guy is 82. Movie director Peter Bogdanovich is 79. Feminist activist Eleanor Smeal is 79. Former U.S. Rep. Patricia Schroeder is 78. Singer Paul Anka is 77. Jazz musician David Sanborn is 73. Former California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is 71. Actor

William Atherton is 71. Actor Jean Reno (zhahn rih-NOH) is 70. Blues singer-musician Otis Taylor is 70. Actor Frank Stallone is 68. Actor Ken Olin is 64. Actress Delta Burke is 62. Law professor Anita Hill is 62. Singer-songwriter Kate Bush is 60. Country singer Neal McCoy is 60. Actor Richard Burgi is 60. Movie director Richard Linklater is 58. Actor Laurence Fishburne

is 57. Actress Lisa Kudrow is 55. Bluegrass musician Danny Roberts (The Grascals) is 55. Country musician Dwayne O'Brien is 55. Actress Vivica A. Fox is 54. Actor Terry Crews is 50. Actor Simon Baker is 49. Actor Donnie Keshawar is 49. Movie director Christopher Nolan is 48. Actor Tom Green is 47. Rock musician Brad Hargreaves (Third Eye Blind) is 47. Actress Christine Taylor

is 47. Actor-comedian Dean Edwards is 45. Actress Hilary Swank is 44. Olympic gold medal beach volleyball player Misty May-Treanor is 41. Actress Jaime Pressly is 41. Alt-country singer-musician Seth Avett (AY'-veht) is 38. Actress April Bowlby is 38. Soccer player Hope Solo is 37. Actress Yvonne Strahovski is 36. Actor Martin Starr is 36. Actress Gina Rodriguez is 34.

Thought for Today:

"Individualism is rather like innocence; there must be something unconscious about it."

Louis Kronenberger
American drama critic
(1904-1980).

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Newsday Crossword

SUMMER COOLERS by Sandy Fein Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS

1 Eve's spouse
5 "It's us against ___"
9 Vapor from a chimney
14 Pepsi or Coke
15 Evaluate
16 Wise saying
17 At any time
18 Alda of M*A*S*H
19 Author's representative
20 Religious offshoot
21 Beverages to cool off with
23 Bonnets and berets
25 And others, for short
26 African animal-viewing tour
29 Skillet
31 Where Des Moines is
35 Corporate leader: Abbr.
36 Entranceways
38 Arrested, informally
39 "Central" indoor cooler
42 Engine
43 Computer-desktop images
44 Multiyear savings accounts, for short
45 ___ in Boots (fairytale)
46 Service charge
47 Most fiendish
49 Prefix meaning "three"51 Banana's skin
52 Overhead rotating cooler
57 Grad
61 AM/FM receiver
62 Shopping trip sheet

DOWN

1 Highest poker cards
2 Bird of peace
3 Actor Baldwin
4 Mrs. George Washington
5 Road-gripping ability
6 Angels' toppers
7 And others: Abbr.
8 Repair, as a shirt
9 Intelligent
10 Performer of illusions
11 Yoked farm animals
12 Twist in a garden hose
13 Ambulance drivers: Abbr.
22 Family room
24 Great enthusiasm
26 Rogue
27 The five vowels
28 Military outposts
29 Amount to pay
30 Regarding, in memos
32 Getting chilled, as champagne
33 Strong breezes
34 Feeling of dread
37 Garfield's pooch pal
38 O'Donnell of TV
40 More expensive
41 Edison's occupation
46 Shark's appendage
48 Camel's South American cousins
50 Very funny people
51 Spaghetti or ravioli
52 Bed for a baby
53 Make less complicated
54 Not doing anything
55 Feeling pleased
56 Fingernail-smoothing tool
58 Jay once of The Tonight Show
59 Open, as shoelaces
60 Is obligated to

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Answer to previous puzzle
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TRIVIALGAME ANTI
STEER DIDACTIC
README RUINS
AYES DEAN GELS
PONIEDUP GUESTS
OUT VEX TEE OOH
PARTED SANDDUNE
RYAN POLO OPED
SELLS LACAGE
THEKORAN USAGE
REVS ANDAMANSEA
AREA TESLACOILS
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John Isner wins BB&T Atlanta Open for 5th time in 6 years

Associated Press

ATLANTA — John Isner won the BB&T Atlanta Open for the fifth time in six years Sunday, beating fellow American Ryan Harrison in the final for the second straight year.

The top-seeded Isner beat the eighth-seeded Harrison 5-7, 6-3, 6-4 at Atlantic Station to join Jimmy Connors, John McEnroe, Andre Agassi and Pete Sampras as the only Americans to win an ATP Tour event five times or more.

"I'm very comfortable here," said Isner, the 6-foot-10 former University of Georgia star. "I make breakfast in my own room. I go to the Publix next door, it really feels like I'm at home, and that helps so much."

Isner improved to 31-4 in the event, winning four matches in Atlanta after a 6-hour, 36-minute loss — with a 26-24 fifth set — to Kevin Anderson in the Wimbledon semifinals. Isner won three straight titles from 2013-15, and lost the 2016 final to Nick Kyrgios.

Isner has 14 ATP Tour titles, also winning the Miami Open in April.

"I realize I was fortunate today," Isner said. "I've been on the other end where you have four or five chances to put your stamp on the match and you don't get it, and I just had one chance, and played a good point, and was able to win the second set, and had one chance in the third and got up early. That's how our sport goes sometimes, and I was very fortunate today."



AP photo

John Isner poses with the trophy after winning the BB&T Atlanta Open tennis tournament by defeating Ryan Harrison, Sunday, July 29, 2018, in Atlanta.

MLB

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The aftermath: The Yankees hung around in 2016 and finished 84-78, then improved to 91 wins and an AL Championship Series berth the following year behind young sluggers Aaron Judge and Gary Sanchez. Those players had nothing to do with the 2016 trades, but the Chapman deal did bring infielder Gleyber Torres to the Yankees, and he looks like he could be a star in New York for years to come. And Chapman even came back to the Yankees as a free agent.

2016 PIRATES
Record: 52-49 (18.1 percent chance to make postseason)

Pittsburgh was 9 1/2 games behind the division-leading Cubs and three games behind the second wild card. The Pirates dealt closer Mark Melancon to Washington and also traded starter Francisco Liriano to Toronto, although Pittsburgh did

receive Nova from the Yankees around this time.

The aftermath: This may not really count as a deadline "sale" — Pittsburgh had good bullpen depth beyond Melancon, and Nova replaced Liriano. In any case, the Pirates finished that season below .500, and 2017 was more of the same. The Melancon trade worked out pretty well, since that's how the Pirates acquired Felipe Vazquez, their current closer. Now Pittsburgh is back in a similar spot to where it was at the deadline two years ago.

2017 TWINS
Record: 50-52 (8.5 percent chance to make postseason)

Facing a seven-game deficit in the division and a four-game gap behind the second wild card, Minnesota was slumping toward the end of July. The Twins then traded Jaime Garcia to the Yankees and Brandon Kintzler to the Nationals.

The aftermath: Well, a funny thing happened after the Twins became sellers. Minne-

sota played well enough down the stretch to finish with 85 wins, and that was enough for a wild card.

Other developments from around the majors: **INTERESTED PARTIES**

The Phillies and Braves certainly stand to benefit if the Nationals decide to sell, but both of those teams are teetering a bit. Philadelphia lost the last three games of its series in Cincinnati and is 5-5 since the All-Star break. Atlanta is 3-5 since the break after dropping three of four to the Dodgers.

HIGHLIGHT

Boston's Jackie Bradley Jr. went tumbling into the base of the Green Monster after making a diving catch across the warning track in left-center field Sunday. The Red Sox beat the Twins 3-0.

LINE OF THE WEEK

Rougned Odor went 5 for 5 and hit two home runs — one of the inside-the-park variety — to lift Texas to a 7-3 win over Houston on Saturday.

RANGERS

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He said it hurt quite a bit during the game, but he didn't have time to contemplate how close the cleats came to his eye.

"I wasn't thinking about how scary it was," he said. "I was just trying to play."

He advanced to third on a wild pitch with two outs before scoring when Isiah Kiner-Falefa reached on error by Gurriel.

Gurriel made his first career start at second base a day after reigning MVP Jose Altuve went on the disabled list for the first time in his career with a sore knee.

The Rangers pushed the lead to 4-1 on an RBI double by Ronald Guzman that chased McCullers.

Mike Minor (7-6) allowed four hits and two runs while striking out eight in six innings for his first win since June 27. Keone Kela allowed a run in the ninth before retiring George Springer with two on to get his 24th save.

McCullers yielded six hits and four runs — three earned — and struck out 11 in 5 1/3 innings to lose his third straight start.

Tyler White, recalled from Triple-A Fresno before the game, put Houston up 1-0 with two outs in the second with a home run.

McCullers retired the first 11 batters he faced, fanning six, before Profar singled with two outs in the fourth inning. Delino DeShields hit an RBI double in the fifth that tied it at 1.

TRAINER'S ROOM
Astros: SS Carlos Correa (back soreness) took groundballs on the field before the game and will travel with the team to Seattle to continue to ramp up his activity as he moves closer to a rehabilitation assignment.

QUICK TURNAROUND
White took a red eye flight to get to Houston in time for Sunday's game. He left Fresno at 11 p.m. Saturday night and ar-

rived in Houston at 8:45 Sunday morning after a layover in Chicago.

"I was playing off of adrenaline," he said. "Sometimes you see it coming, but it was out of nowhere, they were like: 'Hey you're going up, maybe tonight.' It was kind of a whirlwind the last few hours."

UP NEXT

Rangers: Martin Perez (2-4, 7.08 ERA) is scheduled to start for Texas on Monday in the opener of a two-game interleague series at Arizona. Perez allowed seven hits and one run in six innings in his last start against Oakland but did not factor in the decision.

Astros: Gerrit Cole (10-2, 2.54) will pitch for Houston on Monday when the team opens a three-game series against the Mariners. Cole ranks fourth in the American League with 186 strikeouts.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Big Spring Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:15 P.M., August 9, 2018, in the Big Spring High School Board Room, 707 East 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

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

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04000 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$ 0.20000 / \$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

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

Maintenance and Operations	2.72% (decrease)
Debt Service	13.31% (decrease)
Total Expenditures	4.02% (decrease)

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

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value * of all property	\$ 2,259,908,426	\$ 3,066,172,872
Total appraised value * of new property **	\$ 16,148,368	\$ 11,221,872
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$ 1,785,162,100	\$ 2,516,871,591
Total taxable value *** of new property **	\$ 15,220,471	\$ 10,748,971

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness * \$ 49,530,000.

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund *	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.11950	\$ 0.28000 *	\$ 1.39950	\$ 6,422	\$ 3,183
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.00000	\$ 0.17474 *	\$ 1.17474	\$ 6,692	\$ 2,755
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.20000 *	\$ 1.24000	\$ 7,516	\$ 3,276

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

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

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 87,865	\$ 93,653
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 45,292	\$ 49,923
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.3995	\$ 1.2400
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 633.86	\$ 619.05
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (14.81)

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

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.2400. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.2400.

Fund Balances

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

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 9,738,465
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 3,078,500