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Upcoming Events

- Today**
- Pops in the Park**
Comanche Trail Amphitheater
Gates open at 5 p.m.
Fireworks begin at dark
 - Fourth of July**
 - Highland South Fourth of July Parade**
Starts at corner of Highland and Robb at 10:30 a.m.
 - July 5**
 - Senior Dance**
Dora Roberts Community Center
7 to 10 p.m.
 - July 6**
 - Coahoma Freedom Parade**
10 a.m.
All are welcome to join in the parade.
 - July 9**
 - Big Spring City Council Meeting**
5:30 p.m.
307 E. Fourth St.
visit www.mybigspring.com/AgendaCenter for meeting agenda
 - July 10**
 - Big Spring State Hospital Hiring Fair**
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 - July 12**
 - Moonlight Rave Run**
11:55 p.m.
State Park/Scenic Mountain
Registration open

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Pops set to explode over Big Spring tonight

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

The darkening skies over Big Spring will explode with brilliant colors of light and the strains of patriotic music as the 22nd annual Pops in the Park Independence Day Celebration brings the musical talent of the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra and Chorus and the magic of the annual fireworks show to the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater.

Gates open at 5 p.m. Concert organizers warn that parking fills up quickly, and those who don't arrive early might find themselves having to park some distance away from the event and

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In this photo from 2018's Pops in the Park celebration, a color guard made up of Scouts and local first responders presents flags during the event. Gates open for this year's Pops at 5 p.m. this evening.

Highland parade continues patriotic tradition



Some patriotic youngsters and their equally patriotic doggoes wait patiently for the 2018 Highland South Fourth of July Parade to begin. This year's Highland South parade will begin at 10 a.m. July 4 at the intersection of Highland and Robb.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Decorate your bikes, put some ribbon on the stroller, clean up the golf cart and sport your red, white and blue outfit; it's time for the annual Highland South Fourth of July Parade, scheduled for 10 a.m.

"Anyone is welcome to come and join us. Whether you have lived in Highland, currently live in Highland or just know someone who lives in Highland, you are welcome to come out and join the festivities," Shonda Folsom, Highland resident, said.

The community is invited to come out and watch the parade, but is encouraged to arrive early. The streets in Highland will be closed off while the parade is taking place, for safety reasons. The parade has been taking place for more than 30 years.

"This is mostly focused on kids, pets and homemade decorations. No big floats are included; just neighbors cheering on neighbors," she said. "That's been our tradition for decades."

There will be awards for 16 different decorating categories. Those categories will include: strollers, wagons, walkers, pets,

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Stay safe in the West Texas heat

Signs of a heat stroke:

- Throbbing headache
- Dizziness/light-headedness
- Lack of sweat despite the heat
- Red, hot, and dry skin
- Muscle weakness or cramps
- Nausea and vomiting
- Rapid heartbeat, which may be either strong or weak
- Rapid, shallow breathing

In case of a heat stroke, and/or an emergency, call 911 immediately.

**information from WebMD*

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Temperatures are nearing triple digits and rain showers have lessened, which means an increase in fire danger and potential heat exhaustion. Now that summer is upon us an increase of outdoor activity – BBQ, lake trips, and Fourth of July – the Howard County Volunteer Fire Dept. is offering a few safety tips.

"As people start to get out they need to be mindful and pay attention to the signs they are experiencing, in order to avoid a heat stroke," Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper, said.

According to Hooper, when out in the heat, it's important to take safety precautions

to avoid overheating. When temperatures are in the high 90s and triple digits, it is best to take breaks every 30 to 45 minutes to allow the body to rest and cool down.

"Being in the heat can take a toll. Drink lots of water. Drinking gatorade is okay and will help stay hydrated, but it has a lot of sugar; for every gatorade you drink, you need to drink about six bottles of water to balance out the sugar intake," he said.

Finding a place that provides shade will help your body cool off while you are taking breaks, sit in your vehicle with the air conditioner on or if possible rest inside with air conditioning.

"Paying attention to your body is important. If you start

feeling dizzy, it is a good idea to sit down, as soon as possible and take a break. You need to cool off, especially when you start to feel light headed, your face starts to turn red and you get dizzy," Hooper said.

While taking part in outdoor activities – whether for work or play – it is important to wear sunscreen to avoid burning. Wearing light colored clothes will help keep the body cool, as well. A hat and sunglasses will also be helpful.

"The most important thing is to cool your body down before you pass out. Once you reach the point of passing out, the danger increases drastically," Hooper said.

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Obituaries

Eddie Rex McLain

Eddie Rex McLain, 88, died on June 29, 2019, of complications of COPD, in Fort Worth surrounded by his daughters.

Eddie Mac was born on Sept. 24, 1931, in Appling County, Georgia. Eddie was the ninth child of Sally and Lawton McLain. He was a proud Georgian, but he loved West Texas. He moved to Brunswick, Georgia when he was five and graduated from Glynn Academy in 1950. He was a proud member of the state play-off football team his senior year.

He attended several colleges in Georgia and Florida before joining the Navy. After discharge from the Navy, he moved to Big Spring where worked in civil service. After retirement, Eddie moved to Colorado City Lake where he built his home and grew amazing gardens and his beloved Georgia Belle peach trees.

Eddie was predeceased by his wife, Billie McLain; and a granddaughter, Christine Collins.

He is survived by his daughters, Karen and Mark Collins of Fort Worth, Tracy and Peter Allen, Austin and Wendy Brown of New Braunfels; grandchildren, Christopher and Amanda Allen, Jessica and Hugo Paxtor, Will and Hannah Jane Collins, Cari, Andy, Jake and Amy Brown; four great-grandsons; and a sister, Sarah Baxter of Brunswick, Georgia. He has multiple nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to JD and Debbie Waltz, Phyllis Smith, Tim Smith, and the Colorado City Lake community.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Big Spring Animal Shelter, 3605 E. 11th Place, Big Spring, TX 79720, or American Legion, 3203 Old State Hwy 80, Big Spring, TX 79720, in his memory would be greatly appreciated.

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

Paid Obituary

Lovetta Bowlin Beckmeyer

Graveside services for Lovetta Bowlin Beckmeyer, 88, of Lamesa, will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 3, 2019, at Fairhaven Cemetery in Ackerly, Texas, with Pastor Jim Wright officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Visitation will follow the service at First United Methodist Church Ackerly, 303 3rd, Ackerly, Texas. She passed away June 30, 2019, in

Lubbock.

Jeannie Lovetta Greaves was born Sept. 5, 1930 to L.D. and Loyce (Garner) Greaves in the Five Mile Community. She attended Sparenberg schools where she graduated in 1945 at 15 years of age. She married O'Brien Bowlin on June 15, 1945. They were married 53 years until his death in October of 1997. They lived in the Ackerly community all their

married lives. She later married Charles Beckmeyer in July of 2002 until his death in 2010. After Charles' death, she lived a short while in Horseshoe Bay, Texas. She then she moved to Raider Ranch in Lubbock. Lovetta was a member of the Ackerly Methodist Church.

Lovetta is survived two daughters, Connie Chisum and husband, Zanny of Jayton, and Diane Smith and husband, Kirk of Horseshoe Bay; grandchildren, Russ Shortes, Danae Shortes, Erica Jackson, Dana Kim, Kelsi Martinez; great-grandchildren, Victoria, Archer, Cassandra, Conner and Diana.

She is preceded in death by her parents, L.D. and Loyce Greaves; brother, Wayne Greaves; sister, Maurine William; sister, Jeynette Simmons; and brother, Don Greaves.

The family suggests memorials to First United Methodist Church Ackerly, 303 3rd, Ackerly, TX 79713. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com.

Paid Obituary

Shaylee DeAnn Raymond

Shaylee DeAnn Raymond, age 24, passed away Friday, June 28, 2019, in Big Spring, Texas. She was born Wednesday, June 14, 1995, to Russell Raymond and Renee Chance Raymond in Odessa, Texas.

Those left to cherish her love and memory are her father, Michael Dean Hollowell; daddy, Russell Raymond; mother, Renee Chance Raymond; son, Zayden Chance Raymond; daughter, Arianna Nicole Renee Raymond; the grandfather and grandmother that raised her, Donald and Barbara Bryant; sister,

Ka'Shell Lynn Marie Raymond; brothers, Joshua Daniel Hollowell and Caleb Alan Hollowell; aunts, Tina and Misty Raymond, Darlene Poe, Angie Munoz, and Ester Garcia; uncles, John Daniel Hollowell, Michael Garcia, Ben and Richard Salgado, Henry Raymond, and Douglas Shane Petree; as well as numerous cousins and extended family members.

She is preceded in death by her brother, Russell Chance Raymond; and her uncles, Jerry Don Hollowell and Joe Angel Garcia.

Funeral Services will be 2 p.m. Sunday, July 7, 2019, at Acres West Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel, and condolences to the family may be sent online at acreswestfuneral.com.

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Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.
- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

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.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members,

veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

- GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly, every Thursday, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- 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.




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Judy Sausman

Judy Sausman, 55, of Big Spring, died Friday, June 28, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Guadalupe DeLeon

Guadalupe DeLeon, 89, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 02, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Manuel Jara

Manuel Jara, 69, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, July 1, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 93 inmates at the time of this report.

- MATTHEW LUIS ALMAZAN**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property (\$100 to \$750).

- TOMMY LOPEZ BERNAL**, 45, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for motion to adjudicate possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one gram to four grams).

- WILLIE RAY CALHONE**, 62, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for driving with invalid license with previous conviction or suspension, and theft of material 50% aluminum, bronze or copper (less than \$20,000).

- MARTY LEE DISSINGER**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with invalid license with previous conviction or suspension.

- STEVEN ALLEN SAVELL**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for being in park after hours.

- DONALD RICHARD WRIGHT**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- DONALD RICHARD WRIGHT**, 34, of 603 S. Douglas St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- STEVEN ALLEN SAVELL**, 33, of 1514 Mesquite St., was arrested on a warrant for being in the park after hours.

- MARTY LEE DISSINGER**, 42, of 1812 Alabama, was arrested on a charge of driving with invalid or suspended license with previous conviction.

- TOMMY L. BERNAL**, 45, of 1503 E. Cherokee St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.

- DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of Douglas St.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1300 block of Lamar Ave.

- ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported at Birdwell and 4th St., 3200 block of Rickabaugh Dr., and at Wasson and Parkway.

- FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

- DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of E. 13th St.

- THEFT** was reported at Hwy 176.

- ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 2300 block of S. Gregg St.

- ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, 3600 block of W. Hwy 80 (two incidents), and at Kentucky and Colgate.

- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

- IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 4200 block of Dixon St.



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tricycles and big wheels, kids' battery operated vehicles, golf carts, bicycles, scooters and rollerblades, skateboards and hoverboards, motorized

vehicles, four wheelers, horses, mailboxes and houses/lawns.

Those wanting to take part in the parade can meet at the corner of Highland and Robb at 9:30 a.m. Thursday. The parade will end at the corner of Highland and Goliad.

According to Shonda Folsom, for those wanting

to make a donation or supply cookies, contact her by email at shonda.folsom@yahoo.com.

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For more information, speak with your healthcare provider on signs and symp-

toms, and in case of an emergency call 9-1-1.

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POPS

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walking. In addition, the park will be closed when parking reaches capacity.

Eddie Austin and the Texas Silhouettes will provide the opening music for the festival, taking the stage at 6:30 p.m. and food vendors will be on hand to provide food and refreshment for the event.

Organizers remind those planning to attend

that alcoholic beverages and ice chests/coolers are not allowed at Pops; drones, also, are not allowed, nor are pets other than service animals, which must have proper identification.

The symphony will begin about 8 p.m., while the fireworks will start at dark.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at reporter@big-springherald.com.

Weather



Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. South wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Independence Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near 97. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 98. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 73.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 97.

Saturday Night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 71.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 96.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 72.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 96.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 73.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 98.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

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Take Note

• Coahoma Freedom Parade will take place Saturday, July 6, 2019; parade begins at 10 a.m. The parade line-up will be begin at 9 a.m. at the high school stadium parking lot. Judging begins at 9:30 a.m. There will prizes awarded for Most Patriotic parade entries. A park celebration will be held after the parade. Special guests will include the Masked Rider from Texas Tech University, The Six White Horses from Hardin Simmons University, Jimmy Sherrod and Big Boy Toys from Garden City, and J.R. McNutt will provide live entertainment. A hamburger meal consisting of chips, cookie and a drink, will be sold for \$6 each with proceeds going to the Coahoma Lions Club. Activities include a basketball free-throw contest, bouncy house, and water slide. Caps and t-shirts are available at Coahoma City Hall. For more information, contact Connie Shaw at 394-4000.

• Senior and/or mature adults are invited to come to a dance every first and third Friday each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center, located at 100 Whipkey Drive. Come two-step the evening away, or just mingle with old friends and make new friends.

Dances are from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live entertainment. No alcohol or smoking permitted. Cost is \$5 per person.

• Maranatha Baptist Academy, at 903 Johnson, is now taking applications for ongoing enrollment for our Fall Session, August 1, 2019-2020 School term. 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.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third

Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you.

• 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.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• 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.

• 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.

• 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.

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Cromwell Rhoton, 92, died Saturday. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. this morning at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Harriet M. Hutchison, 83, died Thursday. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Tonny Lise Franklin, 86, died Tuesday. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Guadalupe DeLeon, 89, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

Manuel Jara, 69, died Monday. Services are pending.

Judy Sausman, 55, died Friday. Services are pending.

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Graphic, sexually explicit Facebook posts roil Border Patrol

By CEDAR ATTANASIO and COLLEEN LONG

Associated Press

CLINT, Texas (AP) — The head of the U.S. Border Patrol slammed as "completely inappropriate" sexually explicit posts about U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and comments questioning the authenticity of a photo of a drowned man and his young

daughter in a secret Facebook group for agents.

The existence of the group was reported by ProPublica as roughly a dozen members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, including Democrats Ocasio-Cortez of New York and Veronica Escobar of Texas, toured border facilities where attorneys said they had found migrant children living in fetid, filthy conditions.

Some of the posts were graphic, doctored images of Ocasio-Cortez, including one that shows a smiling President Donald Trump forcing her head toward his crotch. Other comments refer to Ocasio-Cortez and Escobar as "hoes," and one member encouraged agents to throw a "burrito at these bitches."

Ocasio-Cortez said she wasn't surprised by the posts, especially after the treatment of migrants she said she witnessed at the facility.

"It's just indicative of the violent culture that we saw," she said.

The revelation about the Facebook posts only added to the vitriolic atmosphere surrounding immigration and the treatment of tens of thousands of migrants who have crossed the border, vastly straining the system that has been struggling to keep up amid Trump's hardline rhetoric.

The Democrats delivered an emotional denunciation of what they saw inside the border facilities as protesters shouted that they didn't believe them.

"When we went into the cell, it was clear that the water was not running ... in fact, one of the women said that she was told by an agent to drink from the toilet," said Rep. Joaquin Castro, a Democrat from Texas and twin brother of presidential candidate Julian Castro.

The Texas visit came the same day as Trump signed a \$4.6 billion emergency aid package that Congress passed on Friday. The Democratic-led House had pushed for more restrictions on how the money could be used and stricter oversight, but ultimately lost the battle.

Trump said he hadn't seen the postings, but claimed Border Patrol agents were not happy with Congress.

"So the Border Patrol, they're patriots, they're great people. They love our country. They know who's coming in," said Trump.

Lawmakers who toured the facilities shared their experiences widely on social media. Rep. Joe Kennedy

of Massachusetts called them "jail-like. No way to keep a child or innocent human being." The head of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, California Rep. Judy Chu said "what we saw was appalling and disgusting."

Castro said there would likely be a Congressional investigation into the Facebook posts.

Billed as "fun, serious and just work related," the group of about 9,500 members of current and former Border Patrol employees states: "We are family, first and foremost," according to ProPublica.

Another thread involved the image published last week by The Associated Press of a migrant father and his toddler, drowned on the banks of the Rio Grande. One commenter suggested the image was doctored because the bodies were too clean.

"We've all seen the Dems and liberal parties do some pretty sick things," the comment read.

Facebook wouldn't say Tuesday whether the offensive posts had been taken down. But in statement, the social network said it was cooperating with the government in its investigation.

Texas state briefs

Houston police report sharp jump in drunken-driving arrests

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston police chief says a citywide crackdown has led to a 75% increase in the number of people arrested for drunken driving in the first six months of this year.

Chief Art Acevedo said Monday that Houston police logged more than 3,850 arrests for driving while intoxicated, up from the approximately 2,200 arrests in the first six months of last year.

Acevedo provided the numbers while warning against drunken driving over the extended Fourth of July holiday weekend.

He says the department also is working with the Harris County district attorney's office to more quickly prosecute DWI cases.

An earlier Houston Chronicle investigation that analyzed data from 2001 to 2016 found that the nine counties in the Houston region had more fatal drunken-driving wrecks than any other large metro area in the U.S.

Honduran migrant in ICE custody dies in Texas hospital

HOUSTON (AP) — A Honduran migrant has died in the custody of federal immigration agents after falling ill at a Houston detention facility.

According to a statement Monday by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Yimi Alexis Balderramos-Torres died Sunday morning in a suburban Houston hospital after he was found unresponsive in his dormitory.

ICE reports Border Patrol had taken the 30-year-old man into custody after encountering him during a routine traffic stop on May 27. That was 10 days after he'd been returned to Mexico after finding him illegally in El Paso, Texas. He was turned over to ICE agents June 6 and transferred on June 18 to the Houston Contract Detention Facility near George Bush Intercontinental Airport.

The man previously was found in the United States and ordered returned to Honduras in 2018.

Texas woman admits addressing bombs to Obama, Texas governor

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston-area woman had admitted that she addressed package bombs to former president Barack Obama, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and the Social Security Administration.

Julia Ann Poff pleaded guilty in a Houston federal court Monday to transporting explosives with intent to kill, injure or intimidate. Although the plea related directly to the package she addressed to Obama in October 2016, prosecutors say the 47-year-old Brookshire woman's plea deal also acknowledges mailing similar packages to Abbott and the Social Security Administration.

All of the packages contained improvised booby traps that postal authorities intercepted and rendered harmless with no injuries.

Poff could be sentenced to up to 10 years in federal prison and fined up to \$250,000. Sentencing has been scheduled for Nov. 18.

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Grieving clubhouse: Tough for Angels, like teams before them

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Baseball Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Giancarlo Stanton knows from his own heart-wrenching experience what the Los Angeles Angels are feeling, and will experience moving forward after the death of a teammate during the season.

The slugger's message to the Angels, playing with heavy hearts after the death of 27-year-old pitcher Tyler Skaggs, is to "hug each other, laugh, cry, lift the ones taking it extra hard up."

Stanton, now playing for the New York Yankees, was still with the Miami Marlins three years ago when 24-year-old two-time All-Star pitcher José Fernández was killed in a boating crash late that season.

Los Angeles returned to the field with an emotional 9-4 win over the Rangers on Tuesday night, a day after Skaggs was discovered unresponsive in his hotel room in Texas. No cause of death has been reported.

"You're going to wonder why all of this is happening, is it real, why are u suiting up to play a game that seems irrelevant," Stanton wrote in an Instagram post. "Some Anger will ensue while u have to grieve in a fish bowl.. A lot will go through your mind. So stay together through that."

Stanton said the Angels need to understand how important their strength is for Skaggs' family, as well as their fans and "anyone looking for the power to overcoming something."

Justin Bour, a first-year Angel who had a two-run single in his only at-bat Tuesday, was also with the Marlins in 2016.

"I know how tough it's going to be every single day," Bour said after the game. "And it takes a real-

ly long time for it to sink in. And it still, sometimes it just doesn't."

Texas catcher Jeff Mathis also played for the Marlins in 2016, and with Los Angeles in 2009 when 22-year-old Angels rookie pitcher Nick Adenhardt was killed by a drunk driver after only his fourth game in the big leagues.

"It was almost like we were playing that season for him," Mathis said about the 2009 Angels. "Obviously, it was something very dear to us to honor him in just the best way we could. Every time we stepped on that field that was part of the reason that we played the way we played."

The Angels won the AL West in 2009. They swept Boston in the AL Division Series, but lost the AL Championship Series in six games to the New York Yankees.

Angels owner Arte Moreno described it "like a punch to the heart" when general manager Billy Eppler called him Monday with the news about Skaggs. That also brought back memories of Adenhardt's death 10 years ago.

"The team is such a family, and when you take a piece away from the family, there's always a hole," Moreno said Tuesday after traveling to Texas to join his grieving team.

Rangers pitcher Jesse Chavez spent 2017 with the Angels, and before Tuesday's game ran around the outfield to go greet and hug former teammates such as Mike Trout and Kole Calhoun.

"It's a little bit harder, especially when you're playing a team that you played with him on," Chavez said somberly. "He was a kid, plain and simple."

Angels manager Brad Ausmus and Seattle manager Scott Servais both played for the Astros, though were teammates at different times in Houston with Darryl Kile, who in June 2002 with the St.

Louis Cardinals died in a Chicago hotel room during a road trip. Kile was 33.

Current Angels first baseman Albert Pujols was on that Cardinals team with Kile.

Servais, an assistant GM for the Angels when they reacquired Skaggs after the 2013 season, said playing after a tragedy isn't easy, but provides some therapy by being back on the field.

"It's really hard to get through," Servais said. "You have to lean on each other. That's what you really have to do."

Servais was among the managers, some who had been through similar situations, who reached out to Ausmus.

"To a man, it's the same advice, and that is there's no handbook for this," Ausmus said. "Just kind of got to go with your honest feelings. If you do that, I think then you're not going to be wrong."

Ausmus, who broke down in tears talking about Skaggs, described the feeling as identical to when Kile died.

"Once the game starts it actually is a refuge because it takes your mind off, it distracts you for a while," Ausmus said. "When you go back to your hotel room, you're reminded of reality. ... I know it gets easier, but it's difficult."

Asked about the challenge of managing under such circumstances, instead of playing like he was after Kile's death, Ausmus said everybody feels a tremendous loss but understands that life and the baseball season have to go on.

"It'll move forward at different paces for different guys, but this is just a reminder that professional athlete or not, we're all human and it can strike just the same," Ausmus said. "But as far as wearing the manager hat, I'm just wearing a hat right now. I'm just wearing an Angel hat."

Wimbledon Results

LONDON (AP) — Results Wednesday from Wimbledon at The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club (seedings in parentheses):

Men's Singles

Second Round

Benoit Paire (28), France, def. Miomir Kecmanovic, Serbia, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 0-0, ret.

Women's Singles

Second Round

Maria Sakkari (31), Greece, def. Marie Bouzkova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-1.

Karolina Muchova, Czech Republic, def. Madison Brengle, United States, 6-3, 6-4.

Su-Wei Hsieh (28), Taiwan, def. Kirsten Flipkens, Belgium, 7-6 (3), 6-3.

Victoria Azarenka, Belarus, def. Ajla Tomljanovic, Australia, 6-2, 6-0.

Women's Doubles

First Round

Galina Voskoboeva, Kazakhstan and Sorana Cirstea, Romania, def. Eden Silva, Britain and Sarah Beth Grey, Britain, 6-0, 6-3.

Kveta Peschke, Czech Republic and Nicole Melichar (7), United States, def. Magda Linette, Poland and Irina Maria Bara, Romania, 7-5, 6-2.

Latisha Chan, Taiwan and Hao-Ching Chan (9), Taiwan, def. Katy Dunne, Britain and Harriet Dart, Britain, 6-2, 6-4.

Alison van Uytvanck, Belgium and Greet Minnen, Belgium, def. Freya Christie, Britain and Katie Swan, Britain, 7-5, 6-2.

Machado sits out against Giants

Major League lift suspension after confrontation with umpire

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Slugger Manny Machado of the San Diego Padres sat out against the San Francisco Giants after Major League Baseball upheld his one-game suspension for a confrontation with an umpire.

Machado was suspended for "aggressively arguing and making contact" with plate umpire Bill Welke after being called out on strikes at Colorado on June 15.

Machado, who signed a \$300 million contract during spring training, appealed the suspension, denying he made contact.

He was not available for comment Tuesday.

St. Lawrence River Named Best Bass Fishery In The Nation

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Bassmaster Magazine has released the highly anticipated rankings of the best bass fisheries in the nation for 2019 and for the first time ever, New York's St. Lawrence River earned the top spot.

Over the past seven years, this incredible smallmouth fishery has cracked the Top 10 in Bassmaster's 100 Best Bass Lakes rankings two times. In both 2015 and 2018, the St. Lawrence (also known as the Upper St. Lawrence River) ranked eighth on the list. This year, though, the New York fishery would not be denied as the No. 1 bass fishing destination in the country. There are plenty of tournament results to back up this claim, but there is no need to look any further than the Carhartt Bassmaster College Series presented by Bass Pro Shops held June 19 through 21. In this event, a 26-pound, 6-ounce limit of smallmouth was weighed in. However, the most astounding statistic is that the average weight of the entire 149-team field was 20.3 pounds. The winning team from Sam Houston State University averaged 24.4 per day. The Carhartt Big Bass Award for that event was a 6-pound, 7-ounce giant. Suffice it to say, the St. Lawrence not only has big smallmouth swimming around the many islands dotting its waterscape, but a lot of them.

"The St. Lawrence is not only healthy right now, but seems to be showing off," said James Hall, editor of Bassmaster Magazine. "There have been years where a spirited internal debate was required to assign the top spot in the rankings. This year was easy after looking at the unbelievable weights being produced at the Upper St. Lawrence River. And on top of that, the scenery is stunning. If you are looking for the best angling experience in the

country right now, the St. Lawrence river should be your next destination."

Hall explained the process of creating the rankings takes more than two months. State fishery agencies across the U.S. are polled and rank the fisheries in their states based on stocking efforts, catch rates and angler access. Then, B.A.S.S. Nation conservation directors add to the potential lakes list based on the thousands of tournaments they hold across the country. And finally, the data from dozens of tournament organizations, as well as big bass programs from various states, are analyzed to create the ultimate list of the Top 100 lakes. The rankings are debated by a blue-ribbon panel of fishing industry insiders. The final result of this research and debate is Bassmaster's 100 Best Bass Lakes rankings published in the July/August issue of the magazine.

Alabama's Lake Guntersville took the No. 2 spot after producing several 30-plus-pound limits this spring. That said, the Big G was producing so many 20-pound limits that a 4-pound average quit turning heads. Even during tough tournaments, anglers had to catch at least 24 pounds to win. This historic fishery had been down in the rankings for several years, falling out of the Top 10 in both 2016 and 2017. It climbed to No. 9 last year, and is now looking as healthy as ever.

Texas' Sam Rayburn Reservoir slipped from No.1 last year to No. 3. Although production has slowed a little bit, this lake still produced a 40-pound limit and typically required at least 22 pounds to win a one-day event. California's Clear Lake is in the fourth spot on the strength of the giant bass it is producing. A 16-pound largemouth was landed re-

cently, and double-digit fish abound. Rounding out the remainder of the Top 10 lakes are Texas' Lake Fork at fifth; Tennessee's Chickamauga Lake at sixth; California's New Melones Lake at seventh; Michigan's Lake St. Clair at eighth; South Carolina's Santee Cooper Lakes at ninth; and New York's Lake Erie (out of Buffalo) at tenth.

The rankings identify the Top 10 lakes in the nation based on head-to-head comparisons, as well as the Top 25 lakes in four geographical regions. "We divide the nation into four regions and rank the lakes in each region to give anglers perspective on the fisheries they can most likely reach," Hall explained.

As for bragging rights on which state has the most fisheries in the 2019 rankings, the title is shared. Both Texas and California have 10 lakes on the list. Florida has the next highest with eight lakes making the rankings.

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Top 10 Best Lakes

1	St. Lawrence River	New York
2	Lake Guntersville	Alabama
3	Sam Rayburn Reservoir	Texas
4	Clear Lake	California
5	Lake Fork	Texas
6	Chickamauga Lake	Tennessee
7	New Melones Lake	California
8	Lake St. Clair	Michigan
9	Santee Cooper Lakes	South Carolina
10	Lake Erie	New York

Central- Best 25 Lakes

1	Sam Rayburn Reservoir	Texas
2	Lake Fork	Texas
3	Sturgeon Bay	Wisconsin
4	Toledo Bend	Texas/Louisiana
5	Mille Lacs Lake	Minnesota
6	Lake Falcon	Texas
7	Lake Conroe	Texas
8	Lake Minnetonka	Minnesota
9	Caddo Lake	Texas/Louisiana
10	Table Rock Lake	Missouri
11	Lake Lyndon B. Johnson	Texas
12	Millwood Lake	Arkansas

13	Caney Creek Reservoir	Louisiana
14	Lake Dardanelle	Arkansas
15	Lake Ray Roberts	Texas
16	Lake Texoma	Texas/Oklahoma
17	Lake Ouachita	Arkansas
18	Lake of the Ozarks	Missouri
19	Lake O' the Pines	Texas
20	Grand Lake O' the Cherokees	Oklahoma
21	Lake Columbia	Arkansas
22	Bull Shoals Lake	Arkansas
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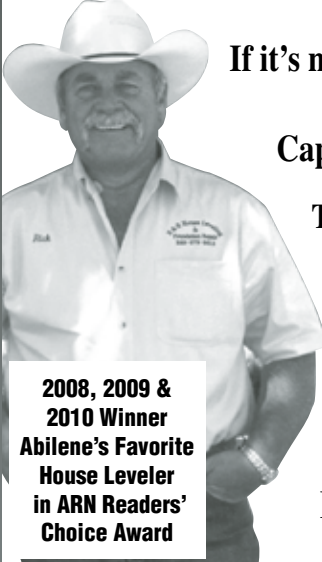
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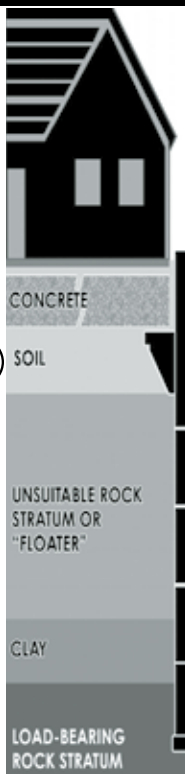
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Venus Powers Down

By HOLIDAY MATHIS and learn quite a lot in the process.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The step that happens right before falling in love is not a footstep into the abyss but a moment of noticing that takes one down, down, down, deeper into noticing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Effective communication makes everything easier. It starts with the set-up. Whatever you can do to make the environment around the communication more appealing will greatly assist the actual transaction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The proverb declares the truth of landscapes: "Constant dripping weareth away stone." Constant dripping is also very annoying. And who has the time? Need sand to stymie it? There's plenty of that already out there waiting for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). No one wants to do things just because another person commands it. You are influential because you find what's in it for the other person and point out those benefits.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There is a logical and clear path to what you're after today, but that way is no fun. You've already done it. There's nothing new or interesting there. The long and winding road will be most pleasurable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may not be con-



scious that you're selling anything, and yet you're compelled to find common ground and start agreeing on things. You just want to be connected to more people, and you will be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Just because you're drawn to or repelled by a thing doesn't make it good or bad. It's a matter of fit. People do have a tendency to confuse bad fit with rejection, however, so be careful not to tease their expectations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't have to start a project at the beginning. Imagine the ending vividly, and then take on one of the middle steps and work back and forward from there.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you have nothing to say, you stop saying and start listening. There are those around you who haven't learned the skill yet. You'll model it for them today

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even as your style evolves, there are certain tenets that remain unchanged. These essentials that are "so you" identify you more than any other factor, even your face. To consider what they are is an act of self-appreciation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Today sees you getting behind your own best ideas. First you, and then others, that's the way it's going to go. Then again, the more you love your choices, the less you need other people to love them.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It won't be so easy to see what's helping and what's hurting the project. Less-than-optimum events may be just the things to point you toward the crucial information you need -- the thing that saves the day a month from now.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 3). This solar journey is like joining the gift of the month club; there's a treat for you every month. This month it's professional; next month it's financial. You will be energized by social happenings and the spontaneous adventures they lead to. You'll keep developing a beloved idea until it has mainstream appeal. Libra and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 8, 1, 48 and 10.

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Annie's Mailbox

Kicking the In-Laws Out

Dear Annie: My in-laws who live across the country have basically tricked us into agreeing to host them for almost a month. Here is how it happened:

My father-in-law (who almost never travels, unless it's for his benefit) asked to stay with us so that he and his wife could spend time with family. We were under the impression that this would be for a weekend.

We extended our offer to host them. Now, I love these people. But they are, hmmm, "difficult." Whether it's complaining about our home, furniture, (pick anything and insert it here) or trying to engage us in discussions about politics (as they have opposing views) and being argumentative (which the husband does routinely) I don't know how we will survive them. It wasn't until AFTER my spouse agreed emphatically to have them was it disclosed for how long this visit would be.

These people are more than able to afford to pay for lodgings. But my father-in-law is married to his money, and probably wouldn't come if he had to pay for a motel.

We have had a tenuous relationship at times over the years. We have made all the efforts to try to maintain some semblance of a good relationship, as they don't budge. So my spouse and I are stuck.

If we attempt to ask them to make other arrangements, even for a short time, they will never speak to us again. And that is a definite reality. And they are of advancing age, and this may likely be the last time we ever see them.

I am beside myself. I'm semi-retired; my spouse works and gets to leave every day, and I'm the one stuck with these people. And they don't really like me, and have never been shy about saying so.

Oh, Annie. We can't un-invite these people. If we try to modify any of this, it will create

Armageddon within the family. Unfortunately they love drama, and have created so much to the divide between us over the years.

I need advice from your readership on how to get through this month with them. My home isn't very big, though I do have the room for them, but walking on eggshells and trying to deflect or ignore all the drama and negativity is going to be extremely difficult. Add to the fact of just having them in our space for so long, well, neither my spouse nor I are sleeping and are full of anxiety over this.

The visit is in the fall, so we do have time to prepare. But we need some coping advice. Please, we welcome concrete suggestions from others who've had to go through similar situations. -- Grinding My Teeth

Dear Grinding My Teeth: Wow, your letter sounds exhausting. When you marry a partner, it is always ideal to

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Go with the odds

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K J 9 7 4 3
♥ —
♦ A K 10 9 4
♣ 7 6

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

EAST
♠ Q 10 8 6
♥ A 8 5 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ 8 2

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

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ 2 ♥
3 ♦ 3 ♥ 5 ♣

Opening lead — king of hearts.
Declarer sometimes has to play in an abnormal manner because the circumstances dictate that he do so. Such plays, being off the beaten path, are frequently overlooked in practice, but they often can be justified by thorough analysis.

Take this deal where South is in five clubs. Let's say he ruffs the heart lead in dummy and decides to stake everything on the success of a diamond finesse.

Accordingly, he cashes the ace of diamonds, draws three rounds of trump and leads the jack of dia-

monds. West and dummy play low, and East wins with the queen. The defenders then collect two hearts and a spade, and South goes down two.

This line of play has about an even chance of succeeding, and it therefore cannot be said that declarer's plan was hopeless.

However, a different line of play has a much greater chance of success, even though no absolute guarantees go with it. After ruffing the heart at trick one, South's next play should be a low diamond from dummy! In the actual deal, East cannot do better than take the queen, after which South has 11 tricks regardless of what East returns.

Observe that this play works equally well when West has the queen, which is certainly possible. In that case, South's eight loses to West's queen, and the defense is once again helpless.

The purpose of the low diamond play at trick two is to establish the diamond suit while dummy's one remaining trump stands guard against a heart return. At the same time, South establishes a diamond entry to his hand.

The plan fails if the diamonds are divided 4-1 and the defense secures a diamond ruff, but there is a much better chance of a 3-2 diamond division (68 percent) than there is of winning a diamond finesse (50 percent).

Tomorrow: Four equals three.
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SUDOKU

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8	2	1	4	1	5	6	7	9
5	9	7	8	9	3	3	1	4
1	6	9	6	7	8	2	8	5
6	3	1	4	2	2	8	5	9
8	8	2	2	7	6	9	6	8
7	9	4	5	3	1	8	6	6
1	4	7	5	2	2	8	7	1
8	9	6	3	8	3	8	3	6
8	5	9	1	6	3	4	2	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
11 :AM	Big 2	Noticiero	TMZ Live	Young & Restless	rado (SS)	The Dr. Oz Show	Families Creation	Dinosaur	In the Heat of Night	Maury	Friends	Supernatural		SportsCenter	Tennis: Invesco Legends Charleston.	(10:59) Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Homestead Rescue
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:PM	Strahan & Sara	Doña Flor y sus dos	Hot	News	Rojo Vivo	Days of our Lives	American	Sesame	Gunsmoke	Paid Prg.	Friends	Supernatural		Outside		(11:58) Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Homestead Rescue
12 :30	General Hospital	Hoy (SS)	Divorce	The Talk		Blast	The Is	Living	Bonanza	Paid Prg.	Friends	Supernatural		NFL Live	MLB Baseball: Angels at Rangers	Law & Order: SVU	The First 48	Homestead Rescue
1 :30	Rachael Ray	Sin tu mirada	The People's Court	Let's Make a Deal	FIFA Copa Mundial Femenina 2019	Paid Prg.	Ellen DeGeneres	Light of Southwest	Rifleman	Paid Prg.	Friends	Supernatural		NBA: The Jump		Law & Order: SVU	Storage	Homestead Rescue
2 :30	Jdg Judy	El gordo y la flaca	Judge Mathis	Steve		Dr. Phil	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Wagon Train	Jerry Springer	Friends	Supernatural		NFL Live	Polaris	Law & Order: SVU	Storage	Homestead Rescue
3 :30	DailyMail	Primer im-pacto (SS)	The List	FamFeud	Suelta la sopa (SS)	News	Ignite	Odd	Charlie's Angels	black-ish	American	Supernatural		NBA: The Jump	Motorcycle Race	Law & Order: SVU	Storage	Homestead Rescue
4 :30	Jeopardy!	P. Luche	Broke Girl	CBS 7	Tele	News	For Such	Mack	Mama's	American	Fam. Guy	Supernatural		SportsCenter	NFL Live	Red Bull Riders Ins	Storage	Homestead Rescue
5 :30	ABC	Noticiero	Mom	CBS	Noticias	News	Behind	Business	Jeff'sons	American	Fam. Guy	Supernatural		MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at New York	NBA: The Jump	No. 29 Pregame	Law & Order: SVU	Wahlburgers
6 :30	News	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7	ET	News	House	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Fam. Guy	Burgers	Supernatural			Unlocking	MLB Baseball: Los Angeles An.	Law & Order: SVU	Wahlburgers
7 :30	Press Your Luck	Fútbol Central	MasterChef	Big Brother	CONME-BOL Copa América	Ellen's Game	News	Rivers of Life	Andy G.	Penn & Teller	Big Bang	Supernatural					Law & Order: SVU	Wahlburgers

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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, July 3, the 184th day of 2019. There are 181 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 3, 1976, Israel launched its daring mission to rescue 106 passengers and Air France crew members being held at Entebbe Airport in Uganda by pro-Palestinian hijackers; the commandos succeeded in rescuing all but four of the hostages. On this date: In 1775, Gen. George Washington took command of the Continental Army at Cambridge, Massachusetts. In 1863, the three-day Civil War Battle of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania ended in a major victory for the North as Confederate troops failed to breach Union positions during an assault known as Pickett's Charge. In 1890, Idaho became the 43rd state of the Union. In 1944, during World War II, Soviet forces recaptured Minsk from the Germans. In 1950, the first carrier strikes of the Korean War took place as the USS Valley Forge and the HMS Triumph sent fighter planes against North Korean targets. In 1971, singer Jim Morrison of The Doors died in Paris at age 27. In 1979, Dan White, convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the shooting deaths of San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk, was sentenced to seven years and eight months in prison. (He ended up serving five years.) In 1987, British millionaire Richard Branson and Per Lindstrand became the first hot-air balloon travelers to cross the Atlantic, parachuting into the sea as their craft went down off the Scottish coast. In 1988, the USS Vincennes shot down an Iran Air jetliner over the Persian Gulf, killing all 290 people aboard. In 1996, Russians went to the polls to re-elect Boris Yeltsin president over his Communist challenger, Gennady Zyuganov in a runoff.

In 2003, the U.S. put a \$25 million bounty on Saddam Hussein, and \$15 million apiece for his two sons. (The \$30 million reward for Odai and Qusai Hussein went to a tipster whose information led U.S. troops to their hideout, where the brothers were killed in a gunbattle.) In 2013, Egypt's first democratically elected president, Mohammed Morsi, was overthrown by the military after just one year by the same kind of Arab Spring uprising that had brought the Islamist leader to power. Ten years ago: In a surprise announcement, Sarah Palin said she would resign as Alaska governor, effective July 26, 2009. Vice President Joe Biden visited Baghdad, where he pressed Iraqi leaders to do more to foster national reconciliation and offered U.S. assistance in achieving that goal. Five years ago: Hurricane Arthur struck North Carolina as a Category 2 storm with winds of 100 mph in the late evening, taking about five hours to move across the far eastern part of the state, but causing far less damage than feared. One year ago: The Trump administration said it would not encourage schools to use race as a factor in the admissions process, rescinding guidance from the Obama era that was meant to promote diversity. Today's Birthdays: Playwright Tom Stoppard is 82. Writer-producer Jay Tarses is 80. Actor Michael Cole (TV: "The Mod Squad") is 79. Attorney Gloria Allred is 78. Folk singer Judith Durham (The Seekers) is 76. Actor Kurtwood Smith is 76. Country singer Johnny Lee is 73. Humorist Dave Barry is 72. Actress Betty Buckley is 72. Rock singer-musician Paul Barrere (Little Feat) is 71. Actress Jan Smithers is 70. Actor Bruce Altman is

64. Talk show host Montel Williams is 63. Country singer Aaron Tippin is 61. Rock musician Vince Clarke (Erasure) is 59. Actor Tom Cruise is 57. Actor Thomas Gibson is 57. Actress Hunter Tylo is 57. Actress Connie Nielsen is 55. Actress Yeardley Smith is 55. TV chef Sandra Lee is 53. Singer Ishmael Butler is 50.

Rock musician Kevin Hearn (Barenaked Ladies) is 50. Actress-singer Shawnee Smith is 50. Actress-singer Audra McDonald is 49. WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange is 48. Actor Patrick Wilson is 46. Country singer Trent Tomlinson is 44. Actress Andrea Barber is 43. Singer Shane Lynch (Boyzone) is 43. Actor

Ian Anthony Dale is 41. Actress/comedian Jule Klausner is 41. Actress Elizabeth Hendrickson is 40. Rhythm-and-blues singer Tonia Tash (Divine) is 40. Country singer-songwriter Sarah Buxton is 39. Actress Olivia Munn is 39. Actress Shoshannah Stern is 39. Rock singer-songwriter Elle King is 30.

Actor Grant Rosenmeyer is 28. Actress Kelsey Batelaan is 24. Thought for Today: "I suppose it can be truthfully said that Hope is the only universal liar who never loses his reputation for veracity." — Robert G. Ingersoll, American lawyer, politician (1833-

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 Nautical "Halt!"
 - 6 Prescriptions, for short
 - 10 Frequently
 - 14 Life of ___ (carefree existence)
 - 15 Noble two levels below duke
 - 16 Bottom of the foot
 - 17 Portray in a film, say
 - 18 Dental picture
 - 19 Ferocious dinosaur
 - 20 Life-science lab worker
 - 22 Adventurous pursuit
 - 23 Son of Cain
 - 24 Not at home
 - 25 Norwegian kingly name
 - 28 Accounting department aide
 - 33 Throws a tantrum
 - 35 Need a break
 - 36 Wood-chopping tool
 - 37 Competence
 - 40 Large marine mammal
 - 42 Allow
 - 43 Fly high
 - 45 Butter in a box
 - 46 Old West horseshoer
 - 50 Team's setback
 - 51 Second notes of the scale
 - 52 Most populous country
 - 54 Three-legged art stand
 - 57 Martini mixer
 - 61 Hint

- 62 ___ or less (approximately)
- 63 Big kitchen cooker
- 64 Heavy stringed instrument
- 65 Opera by Verdi
- 66 Multiplied by
- 67 Wallet singles
- 68 Piece of land
- 69 Aroma
- DOWN
- 1 Typical Saudi citizen
 - 2 End of Caesar's boast
 - 3 Vocal range
 - 4 Elevation standard
 - 5 Boxer Mike
 - 6 Arizona neighbor
 - 7 Eavesdropping distance
 - 8 "Damn it!"
 - 9 Foxy
 - 10 Keenly perceptive
 - 11 Passed-down knowledge
 - 12 Soccer cheers
 - 13 Send a phone message
 - 21 Sailor, slangily
 - 22 Powerful chess pieces
 - 24 Gumbo ingredient
 - 25 Waterpik competitor
 - 26 Tag on a garment
 - 27 Anxious feeling
 - 29 A Kardashian sister
 - 30 Place for a cookout
 - 31 Corporate VIPs
 - 32 Offends the nose
 - 34 Film critic Gene
 - 38 Mix, as a salad
 - 39 Orange side dish
 - 41 Part of NATO
 - 44 I Love Lucy surname
 - 47 Moves stealthily
 - 48 Impending danger
 - 49 Top seller
 - 53 Homes made of twigs
 - 54 Repeat back
 - 55 Astronaut Shepard
 - 56 "Fine with me"
 - 57 Prepare water for tea
 - 58 Rounded roof
 - 59 Equalize
 - 60 Take a break
 - 62 Navigator's reference

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Ferrucci showing skill, rebuilding reputation in IndyCar

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ELKHART LAKE, Wis. (AP) — Santino Ferrucci knows better than most drivers that one bad moment behind the wheel can lead to a long-lasting trail of Google results.

After a recent string of strong finishes in IndyCar, Ferrucci is showing off the driving skill that was never really in doubt — and, perhaps, beginning to repair a reputation that very much was in doubt after a run-in with a teammate in Europe last year that threatened to define his career.

"When you mentally crack under pressure as a driver, and you hit a breaking point, you can only get stronger from that," Ferrucci said. "You get stronger. You learn to hold your composure."

Coming into last week's IndyCar race at Road America, Ferrucci had finished in the top 10 in four of the previous five races. That includes a seventh-place finish at the Indianapolis 500 and a fourth at Texas — not bad, considering that he had never driven on an oval track before a test at Texas last fall. He struggled to a 19th-place finish after tire pressure issues at Road America, but all signs are pointing upward.

And that certainly wasn't the case about a year ago.

Driving in Formula 2, a developmental series that feeds the elite Formula One series, he had an on-track run-in with teammate Arjun Maini last July. On the cool-down lap after the checkered flag, he tapped wheels with Maini in an apparent display of frustration, then got in further trouble with race officials because he used his mobile phone while driving back to the pits.

"The pressure of that year was getting to me," Ferrucci said. "I made a mistake. I had a breaking moment. And I take full blame for everything that happened."

He was fired and subsequently ordered to pay the team more than \$500,000 for failing to meet contract obligations. Today, Ferrucci said he understands he can't lash out at a teammate — even if, as he says, he only meant to pull alongside Maini and

make a gesture to vent his frustration over an incident they had during the race, not to bump him. He does take issue with the way the incident was covered by European media.

"If you never saw what happened and you just read what happened, you would think that I tried to kill somebody," Ferrucci said.

Everything changed for Ferrucci in that moment. Perhaps for the better, in the long run.

The 21-year-old Connecticut native was a child prodigy in kart racing. He grew up as a fan of Michael Schumacher and always wanted to end up in F1. To do that, an American driver typically has to go to Europe and race in lower-level series as a teenager.

"It's tough," Ferrucci said. "You give up basically your whole childhood, a lot of your friends and your family and stuff like that to go live over there. Growing up there, you try to tell yourself it's not mentally difficult and you don't feel the pressure. Then after spending almost a year here back home, you're like, 'Wow, there was a lot of pressure and it was not easy.'"

Ferrucci still has an affiliation with the American-owned Haas F1 team, but he now sees his future in IndyCar.

"I'm really happy being at home, really happy racing in IndyCar," Ferrucci said. "I feel like I'm given a fair shot here. That's what, to me, matters more. I was never really happy over there. Over here, you can be yourself."

His IndyCar team owner, Dale Coyne, first put Ferrucci in the car for a few races last season and

didn't hesitate to give him a full-time ride this season.

"I think he came here knowing that this was an important opportunity for him," Coyne said. "He matured greatly from that."

Now he is building his reputation back, one race at a time. Helio Castroneves, who no longer races full-time in IndyCar but did compete at Indianapolis during the month of May, ended up battling Ferrucci for position in the Indy Grand Prix road-course race and came away impressed. It was only later that Castroneves heard about the F2 incident.

"I'm like, 'OK, well, you learn from mistakes,'" Castroneves said. "I did that, even in IndyCar. I feel like that shouldn't be a judging of your character just because of one incident."

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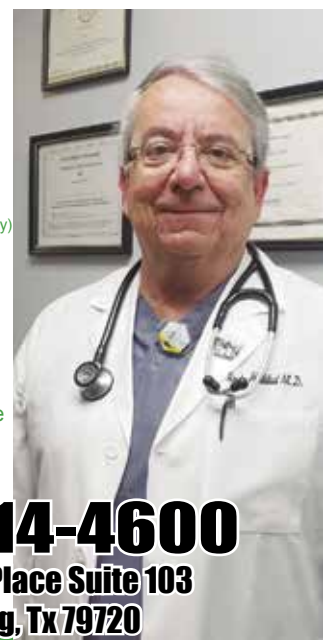
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