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 - 2019 Back in Motion School Supply Drive**
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
1113 S. Scurry St.
 - Real Estate Expo**
Dora Roberts Community Center
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- August 10
- United Way Kick off Downtown/ Courtyard**
7 p.m. doors open
Tickets available still
 - Sibley Nature Center Dragonfly Celebration**
1307 E. Wadley, Midland
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- August 16
- Scenic Mountain Moonlight Rave Run by Permian Basin Events**
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- August 17
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Arrington addresses hot topics at Town Hall



Courtesy photo/ Bruce Schooler - Red Barn Studios
U.S. Representative Jodey Arrington addressed several hot topics during the Town Hall on Wednesday morning. The issues of border security, immigration, gun control, and rural healthcare came up in the discussion.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

Howard County residents gathered together at City Hall to participate in a Town Hall featuring U.S. Representative Jodey Arrington.

"Fuel, food and fiber is what West Texas is known for. We are the epicenter of ag production," Representative Arrington said. "I am blessed to be a voice and a champion for the ag industry and rural America."

After a short opening statement, Arrington opened the floor to an informal question-and-answer session. A fast array of topics sparked heated discussion, but provided an opportunity for Big Spring and Howard County residents to understand Arrington's stance when it comes to border security, immigration, rural healthcare, veteran affairs and more.

"When it comes to border security, if we would cut off the magnets drawing people here, take the loopholes out, enforce the law and protect the safety

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Commissioners approve November Election orders

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

An election on amendments to the Texas Constitution is coming this November, and the Howard County Commissioners ordered the election and appointed election judges and alternate judges at their meeting Wednesday afternoon.

"We have received the proclamation from the Governor on the propositions that will be on the November 5 ballot," Howard County Elections Administrator Jodi Duck told the commissioners. "Before you, I have an order of election and special election outlining our early voting hours and locations, and I'm asking you to sign that today to approve that."

In addition to the early voting order, Duck asked the commissioners to sign orders authorizing the general election and the election officials.

"I also have an order of appointment for election judges and alternatives for the next year. It's a year term," Duck said. "I have received the recommendations for these people from each of the parties. The Republicans got to choose all of our election judges, and the Democrats got to choose all of our alternate judges this year because we've gone to polling centers, and that's what the law states that it's based on...the last governor's race, on who wins the precinct."

Some discussion was made at the meeting of reading the list of judges, but Duck declined to do so, instead asking the commissioners to each read the list silently.

In other business, commissioners heard road maintenance updates from Howard County Road Administrator Brian Klinksiek, who reported that the recent round of "inverted prime" seal coating has been performing well.

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Accidents abound Tuesday; 2 fatalities

Herald Staff Report

On Tuesday morning, two semi trailers collided on IH-20 near mile marker 163, about six miles east of Stanton, resulting in one fatality.

According to DPS report, the 2013 Freightliner, truck-tractor towing a semi trailer and driven by Terry Brewer, 61, of Heber Springs, Arizona, was traveling east on IH-20 when it was struck by a 2014 Kenworth truck tractor towing a semi trailer.

The driver, Joshua Jones of Big Spring, of the 2014 Kenworth failed to control his speed and struck the rear of the 2013 Freightliner.

Jones was pronounced deceased by Dr. Joshua Ford at Martin County Hospital. The report stated Jones was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident. According to DPS report, Brewer was wearing his seatbelt and was not injured in the accident.

At the time of the accident the roadway and weather was clear.

Also, in the early afternoon around 2 p.m. a two-vehicle collision occurred on FM 829 about 10 miles northwest of Stanton, resulting in one fatality.

According to the DPS report, a 2006 Freightliner driven by Gerardo Cano-Flores, 22 year old, from Homestead, Fla., was traveling west on CR 3100 approaching a stop sign at the intersection of FM 829. The second tractor-trailer – a 2013 Peterbilt – driven by Adolfo Soto-Perez, 55, of Fort Hancock, Texas, was traveling south on FM 829 towing a mobile home, when Cano-Flores failed to yield the right of way at the intersection and struck the tractor-trailer driven by Soto-Perez.

Soto-Perez was pronounced deceased on scene by Justice of the Peace Jerrell Hedrick and it is unknown if he was wearing a seat belt at the time of impact.

Driver 1, Cano-Flores, was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the impact and was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital where he was treated for non-incapacitating injuries.

The weather was reported to be clear at the time of the accident.

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Real estate expo offers local resources

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor



Buying a house can be confusing and overwhelming, but there is an opportunity to help calm the unnerving process. This evening, at the Dora Roberts Community Center vendors will come together with information for homebuyers, at the Real Estate Expo.

"There are many steps that come with buying and selling a property, and we wanted to reach out to those who have considered it or are interested in doing so, and those who just want to learn more by answering all of the questions they may have on the buying or selling process," Marissa Loftin said. "Often, people don't really know where to begin when it comes down to it, or they don't believe they are able to buy a new home. We want to give attendees of the Expo the confidence and knowledge they should have in every step of the process."

The event – hosted by C Larson Realty – will begin at 6 p.m. and feature information on every step involved in the home buying process. According to Loftin, in addition to C Larson there will be other local businesses attending the event.

"There will be an opportunity to meet real estate agents, ask questions and have them answered by local business representatives. There will be refreshments and door prize opportunities," Loftin said. "We hope that anyone who has any questions or interest in buying or selling a property, whether it be a new home for a first time buyer, building a brand new home, a commercial property or acreage for a farm/ranch, will come out and let us give you the tools you need to make it happen."

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Obituaries

Betty Baker Williamson



Betty Baker Williamson, 90, formerly of Big Spring, Texas, passed away July 21, 2019, in San Antonio, Texas. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park Chapel with grave side service following. Terry Phillips, Director of Trinity Memorial Park, officiating.

Betty was born Oct. 4, 1928, in Ireland, Texas, to James Wilmer Ray and Bessie Mae Bailey. Betty married Robert A. Baker Feb. 9, 1946, in Hamilton, Texas. They moved to Big Spring, Texas in 1949, and she resided there until 2013 when she moved to Roswell, New Mexico, to live with her son and his family. She was a devoted wife and mother. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as her nieces and nephews all had a special place in her heart.

Betty was a longtime employee of Malone Hogan Clinic. She always had kind word and a smile for anyone she met. She was a member of Trinity Bap-

tist Church in Big Spring, Texas.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by Robert A. Baker on Dec. 7, 1988. She later married Russell Williamson, May 18, 1990, and he passed away Feb. 4, 2005. She was also preceded in death by her younger son, Joey Glen Baker, March 13, 2015, who she loved dearly. She was also preceded in death by her brother, James W. Ray.

She is survived by her son, Bobby (Paula) Baker of San Antonio, Texas; daughter-in-law, Jill Baker, of Canyon Lake, Texas; and two sisters, Shirley Matthews, Big Spring, Texas, and Nell Thetford, Gainesville, Texas. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, Michelle (Ben) Robinson; Chris (Amy) Crownover, Allen (Amanda) Baker, Amber Baker, Jackson Baker, Jarred (Tina), and Jessica (Will) Barrett; as well as 17 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given to the Gary Phillips Athletic Memorial Scholarship Fund at Forsan ISD, P.O. Box 689, Forsan, Texas.

Paid Obituary

Joshua Brian "Josh" Jones



Joshua Brian "Josh" Jones, 30, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2019, from injuries received in a truck accident. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, 2019, at the Roby Cemetery in Roby, Texas.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Josh was born March 22, 1989, in Fort Worth, Texas, and married Kristen Byrd June 14, 2008, in Harker Heights, Texas.

He was the greatest Dad ever, a loving husband,

beloved son, a heck of a brother, and a true friend. He will be missed, but never forgotten.

Survivors include his wife, Kristen Jones; one daughter, Autumn Jones; one son, Kasey Jones; his mother, Marianne Martin; his father, Stanley Jones; one brother, Nathan Enochs and wife, Ceirra; one nephew, Corey Enochs; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his Grandad, Jack Martin; his Paw Paw, Joe Jones; his Paw Paw, Bob Buckner; his Just Grandma; and his Grandma and Grandpa Bell.

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

Paid Obituary

Charlotte Ruth Jackson



Charlotte Ruth Jackson passed peacefully at home on Saturday, Aug. 3, 2019. She was born Oct. 13, 1932, in Big Spring, Texas. Charlotte married Darrell A. Jackson on Christmas Eve, 1953, in Howard County. They moved frequently in their early years together until they settled in Andrews in 1959 with their daughter, Valerie. Their son, Kevin, was born in Andrews in 1960. They moved from Midland with Dowell, where Darrell worked until they formed their first water company. Charlotte went to work at the Andrews County Library in 1967, making sure their children could continue piano lessons, camp and all the other opportunities they provided for their family. Charlotte did whatever was necessary for the family; she and Darrell were partners in all their endeavors.

Although Charlotte grew up in a family of faith; it became personal during a Billy Graham Crusade. She turned her life over to Christ and grew in faith and the knowledge of the Lord for the rest of her life. She was clear that in both good times and the hard times, Christ sustained her. Her faith was her foundation.

Charlotte grew up on a farm in a small community outside of Big Spring. Her family learned early to make their own fun, fine-tuning their sense of humor on each other. She went to Hardin Simmons, where she found like minded friends who became so close their children thought they had to be related. They shared each other's sense of fun and adventure for a lifetime of sharing joys and sorrows. Charlotte made deep friendships throughout her life. Once she grew to love a friend, it was a lifetime commitment.

Nothing was more important to Charlotte than family. Growing up, she loved extended family gatherings at her grandparents' house, as well as her immediate family holidays. As nieces and nephews were ready for Vacation Bible School, she would hold a summer camp where they would gather to stay at her home for the week, spending their mornings at First Baptist Church, and their afternoons doing whatever fun thing Charlotte could dream up. Later, Charlotte and Darrell loved hosting family reunions at their place on Lake LBJ, delighting in watching the generations reconnecting and building fond memories and relationships. They both cherished all three granddaughters and their time with each one. Their joy in watching and participating in each girl's life events was obvious as they traveled great distances for school performances, recitals, soccer matches, and any other reason to spend time with the girls.

Travel was always deeply valued by both Charlotte and Darrell. They grew up in families that traveled, sometimes together. Every year, the fam-

ily took at least one trip driving across the USA, instilling a broader view and appreciation for the differences and commonalities Americans share, and a love for this country. Foreign travel wasn't begun until 1973. Once begun, Charlotte and Darrell loved covering the globe, sometimes with family or friends, sometimes just with each other. They loved the different cultures, geography, but mostly the people.

A major new milestone for Charlotte began when she traveled to Morocco with friends, holding conversational English classes with Moroccan women. As she returned many times, she developed deep and lasting friendships with many women in Rabat that continue today. Darrell eventually began traveling with her to Morocco, and these friendships became family friendships that are cherished generationally. Repeated trips have been made by parties on both sides of the ocean.

Even though she was delighted with world travels, Andrews was her beloved home. In her last mother-daughter trip with Valerie to Charleston, when pleasures of the city were observed, she continually replied, "Andrews is better!". She loved her church, her friends, her home, her garden club and all things Andrews.

Those who knew her saw her survive a massive stroke almost eight years ago. Charlotte still managed to live her life with joy and interest in all going on around her. Much of her ability to do this was made possible by David Martinez, Antelma Ramos, Enriqueta Simental de Luna, Alicia Gallegos and Leticia Edwards. Charlotte had other caregivers over the years who were wonderful, but these people stood by her over the years with compassion and a willingness to go beyond the call of a job. They made travel for important events possible, and provided extraordinary care and love. Charlotte was, and her family remains, grateful beyond words.

Charlotte is survived by her daughter, Valerie Lester and her husband, Bill; her granddaughter Jessica Garner and her husband, Matt; her granddaughter Darcy Jackson; and her granddaughter Caitlin Holcomb, her husband, John, and their daughter, Charlotte's great-granddaughter, Gwendolyn Ruth. She is also survived by brothers, Dick Nichols, Jerry Nichols and Lonnie Nichols, as well as numerous, beloved nieces, nephews and their families.

Charlotte is preceded in death by her husband, Darrell; her son, Kevin; her parents, Oliver and Myrta Nichols; and her brothers, Billy Nichols and Buddy Nichols.

Visitation will be held at McNett Funeral Home in Andrews on Friday, Aug. 9, between 5:30 and 7:30. Services will be held on Saturday, Aug. 10 at First Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Donations may be made in her name to Michael Gott International, First Baptist Church, or Ocotillo Garden Club.

Paid Obituary

Angel Cruz Viera and Alejandro Santos Viera,

Angel Cruz Viera and Alejandro Santos Viera, infant twin boys, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Aug. 2, 2019. Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, 2019, at Trinity Memorial Park, with Albert Hall, officiating.

Angel Cruz and Alejandro Santos were born Aug. 2, 2019. They are survived by their mother Alexandria Nicole Viera; grandparents; great-grandparents; six aunts and two cousins.

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

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 92 inmates at the time of this report.

- **RICARDO MIGUEL CARLOS**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for bondsman off bond-possession of drug paraphernalia, bondsman off bond-driving with invalid license, and bondsman off bond-violating promise to appear.

- **KIERSTEN LOUESA CASTILLO**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid and violating promise to appear.

- **CAREY NATHANIEL CULLISON**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on charges of expired registration, two counts of no driver's license, and defective stop lamps.

- **JOSEPH DITLOVE**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **GUADALUPE BUSTAMANTE GONZALES**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to control speed.

- **PATRICK C. GONZALES**, 47, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **JEREMIAH ISAIAS HOLGUIN**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for disregarding stop sign, violating promise to appear, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **JESSIE LEWIS IV**, 18, was arrested by BSPD on charges of consumption of alcohol by a minor and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

- **MICHAEL RAY MOORE**, 68, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for failure to appear-driving while intoxication (third or more offense), and motion to revoke-driving while intoxicated (third or more offense).

- **JESSE ADAM MORENO**, 18, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft over \$100, less than \$750.

- **MICHAEL AMARO OLIVA**, 44, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated (BAC over 0.1).

- **ERNESTO RODRIGUEZ**, 44, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear-assault intentionally or recklessly impeding breath or circulation of a family member

- **MELISSA ANN ROSE**, 40, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear-possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **DARRELL SCOTT SHULTS**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of no drivers license.

Support Groups

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, 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.

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"They are complete, the work is accepted, and it's holding up exceptionally well," Klinksiek said. "I am incredibly impressed with how well Moss Lake Road is holding together given the kind of traffic it has, with a single course of asphalt and rock. We are working on seal coat at the moment up in (Commissioner) Oscar's (Garcia) precinct. I've had the second course put on top of them, and to date they are holding up well, even with SM (Energy) building a couple of pads on the road. We'll see how that all holds together once we move the rigs. That'll be the test of it. But at this point, I couldn't be more pleased with the results we've gotten from the inverted prime product."

Commissioners also:

- Renewed an interlocal agreement with Howard College to provide a joint "Dean of Libraries" for the county and college libraries. Mavour Braswell currently holds the position.
- Approved an agreement with Lubbock County for Regional Public Defender services. The cost to Howard County will be \$7,090. County Judge Kathryn Wiseman explained that the measure is basically "insurance" in case of a major trial expense such as a capital murder trial.
- Approved transfer of CETRZ Funds to the Road and Bridge Department;
- Approved invoices, purchase requests, budget amendments, and County Auditor Jackie Olson's monthly financial report for June;
- Approved personnel considerations and County Treasurer Sharon Adams' Monthly Payroll Report;
- Heard a presentation of County Clerk Brent Zit-kopf's Monthly Report.

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Police Report

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JESSIE LEE LEWIS IV**, 19, of 309 Village St., Henderson, Texas, was arrested on charges of consumption of alcohol by a minor and unlawfully carrying a weapon.
- **PATRICK C. GONZALES**, 47, of 3011 Sherrod Rd., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CAREY NATHANIEL CULLISON**, 25, of 2717 Larry Dr., was arrested on warrants for expired registration, two counts of no drivers license, and defective stop lamps.
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- **JOSEPH DITLOVE**, 38, of Long Branch, New Jersey, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JEREMIAH ISAIAH HOLGUIN**, 21, of 608 Holbert, was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, disregarding stop sign, and an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **MICHAEL AMARO OLIVA**, 44, of 1103 Mesa, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated (BAC over 0.15).
- **ERNESTO RODRIGUEZ**, 44, of 2006 S. Johnson St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **RICARDO MIGUEL CARLOS**, 27, of 1613 Harding St., was arrested on three outstanding warrants from other agencies.
- **MICHAEL RAY MOORE**, 68, of 1507 Richie Rd., was arrested on two outstanding warrants from other agencies.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on S. McGregor Rd., and the 800 block of W. I-20.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported in the 800 block of W. I-20.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 800 block of W. I-20.
- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 100 block of Bridge and the 2700 block of S. Gregg St.
- **INTOXICATED SUBJECT** was reported in the 1100 block of S. Gregg St.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Carleton. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at I-20 at mile marker 163. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 800 block of W. I-20. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 900 block of Culp. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of S. Runnels St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Abrams. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

ARRINGTON

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of our country, we wouldn't have the masses that we have making that dangerous journey," Arrington said. "I welcome the immigrant to the United States, when they do it the right way. There are those who want to respect our laws, respect the safety and security of our nation. The immigrant is an asset to our nation."

Another topic of discussion, on the heels of the recent event in El Paso and Ohio, was gun control.

"The Second Amendment isn't a hunting license, it's a way to protect our citizens from bad government, not bad guys," he said.

During the discussion of gun control and the El Paso shooting, Arrington stated his opinion about society getting worse when it comes to violence and mental health.

"The suicide rate is up 30 percent among young adults, and the crisis in mental health is continuing to increase," Arrington said. "It is a societal and cultural issue, but I am not saying that we can't do anything, but gun control is a slippery slope."

Lastly, as the discussion wrapped up Arrington explained his decision to vote against the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund.

"Politically it was stated we are voting against 9/11 victims, but that's not it. I voted against taking away the oversight and against to writing a blank check," he said. "I am not giving up my oversight and I am not writing a blank check to anyone. It's a good program, but bad policy making."

Amanda Duforat is the managing editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Take Note

• Bus Rider Registration is now taking place. If you would like to ride the bus in BSISD, you must register. You can go to the bus barn located at 3600 E. 11th Place, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., each day through Friday. They will also be open Saturday August 10 and August 17 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• 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.

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Weather



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Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 79. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 104. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

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

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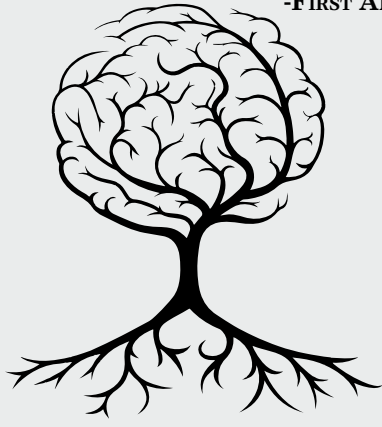
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Cindy's Bookshelf

The late poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once said, "Great is the art of the beginning, but greater is the art of the ending." Every story has a beginning, a middle, and an end. And you know, it's funny because we always talk about the beginnings. And, with somber expressions, we'll even talk about the endings. But it is so rare that we discuss the middle. My question is: why? We should talk more about the middles. After all, life is the thing that happens between the beginning and the end.



CINDY PINCH

Recently I came across a cactus. One part of the cactus had fallen to the ground because it had grown too heavy to stand on its own. However, it was dying and had already begun to turn pale and show signs of decay. Most of us would probably just walk right on by it and not give it a second thought. And I admit that I almost did myself. But then I noticed a new bit of cactus branching out. A new growth in the midst of decay.

In the middle

Something about it stopped me in my tracks, and I haven't been able to shake the thought that there are two sides to every coin. There's a heads and a tails, front and back, beginning and end to everything in life. And it makes me question: what if the glass isn't half empty or half full? What if, instead, the glass is just a glass?

I think that too often we focus on what could have been, or what will be, that we forget to pay attention to what is now. I am one of those people that is always running at a hundred miles an hour. I'm never not busy - even when I don't have plans I'll still find something to keep myself occupied.

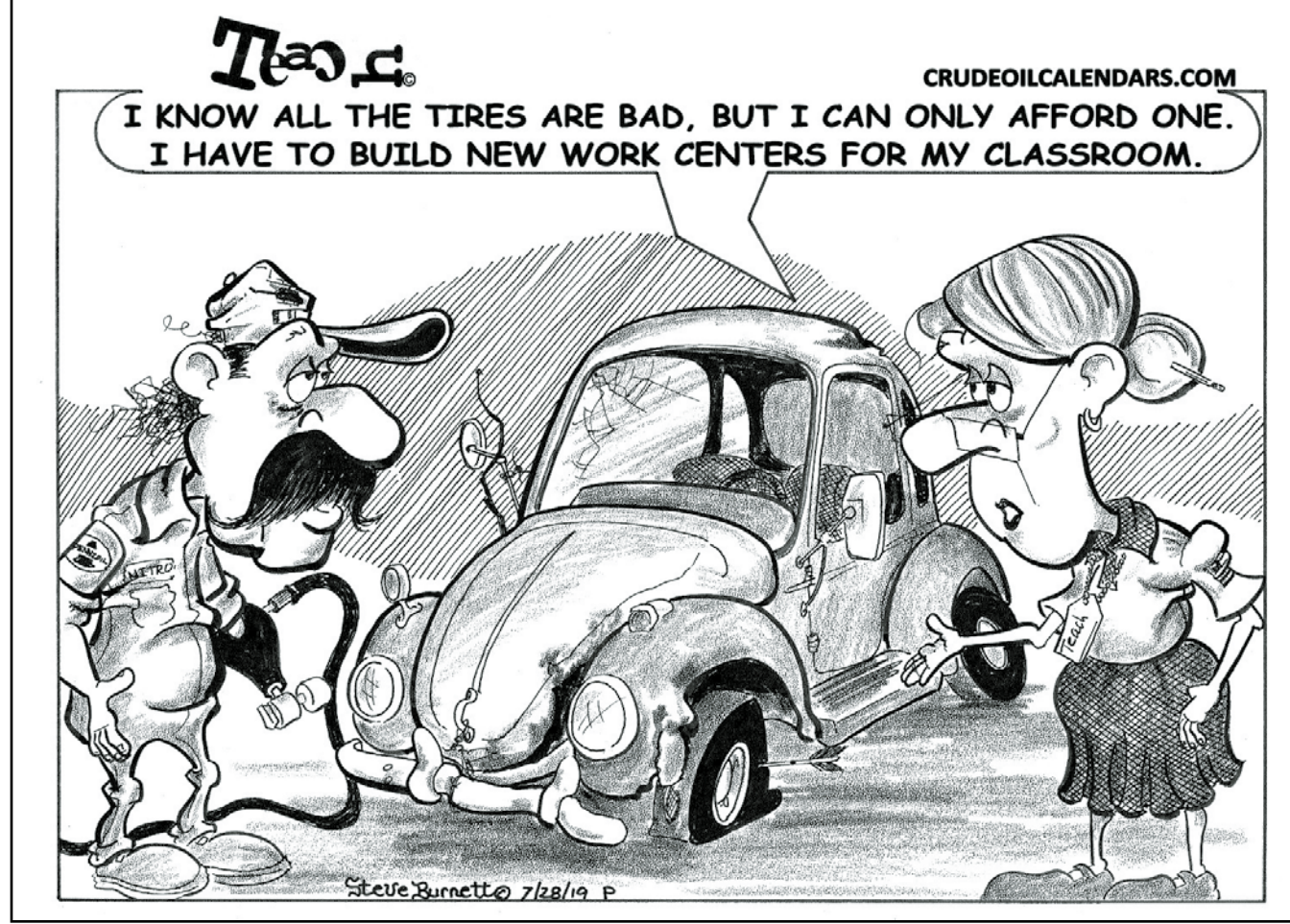
Being still has never appealed to me. I was always that kid who couldn't sit still or be quiet - at least not for very long. And as an adult, I'm still that way. It's hard for me to tell myself to stop and breathe. Too often I find myself skipping meals or staying up later than I meant to because I'm trying to catch up on all the things I'm doing.

I spend more time starting new projects, and racing toward their deadlines than I do actually enjoying the product of my efforts. A couple weekends ago I drove to Houston for a concert. I spent the

two weeks leading up to it in a state of excitement at the chance to get out of town and see the group that was going to perform. I left early on Saturday morning and just enjoyed a day in my own company. But halfway through the concert, my mind went into preparations for how to end my trip. I made a mental list of all the things I had to do before I headed home and of course all the chores at home that went undone without my being there to do them. And I realized that I had stopped enjoying the middle of my trip. The reason I was there in the first place.

So on Sunday morning, I decided to drive to Galveston to spend an hour on the beach. Just the waves, the sand, and a good book. It was there on the beach that I finally let myself relax. I posted on social media, and sent a few messages, but I tried to spend as much of that hour focusing on the middle of my journey. Just listening to the roar of the waves crashing against the beach. I let myself just be.

So when I saw the cactus on my walk, it reminded me of how often I forget to just be in the moment. It served as a reminder that we are always in between growth and decay. But it's less important when the beginnings and endings happen. What matters most is what we do with the middle.



The Postscript: Dusty Surprises

The surprises just kept coming.

When I moved in with Peter a few years back, I brought my clothes, a few books, and some artwork.

I rented out my house, gave away my furniture, and everything else was consigned to "things I'll deal with later," a pile which—mysteriously—did not shrink with time. These stacked plastic boxes were still in my barn, still waiting for me, long after I'd forgotten what was in them or cared.

But I am going to put the property up for sale and it was time for a reckoning with the barn. It took two dumpsters, four days, and two hardworking guys from the appropriately named, "Git-er-Gone Junk & Clutter Removal," to see it to the end.

And, yes, I did think, "Why not just dump it all, sight unseen?" But then, what to do with all the surplus found in the boxes of photos and letters and trinkets? Obviously, most of them would be thrown away, recycled, or given to the thrift store.

But what about that piece of blown glass from Norway, the postcard from grandpa when he served overseas, the bright red wool jacket handsewn by my

aunt that was still stylish. Anyone who's done this knows—it's not that easy.

So, I piled a few boxes in my car ("kicking the can down the road" Peter called it, "saving my sanity," is how I described it) to sort through after everything else was out of the barn.

Yesterday I sorted through a box entirely filled with letters. I discovered that I had saved every postcard and letter I had received since childhood. No, I did not read every one. It turns out that descriptions of what happened

in school or how someone spent their vacation makes for extraordinarily dull reading forty years later. But I sampled a few letters in each of the neatly stacked piles that filled the huge storage box before I put them in recycling.

"Oh my gosh," I kept saying, "I had forgotten about that entirely."

I forgot my younger sister wrote to me with such regularity when I went away to college. I forgot friends I'd spent a summer with and never saw again.

I forgot the letters sent by a friend after our little high school group went off to college and he was left alone, still living at home.

I'm living in the Twilight Zone, he wrote, and don't even have

Rod Serling to comfort me. To the obvious response, "Meet new people," I can only remind you of the great difficulty I have in doing just that.

But, I have a solution, the letter went on, I'm going to marry a princess of some European country that they forgot to tell us about in 11th grade.

Maybe it didn't fight in either of the world wars, or is really small. Anyway, I'm going to find this country, marry this princess and show all you women a thing or two. So there!

My heart hurt, reading this forty-year-old letter.

I wondered if I wrote back. I hoped he was doing well. Then I realized, (unlike forty years ago) this was relatively easy to determine. I logged onto Facebook.

And there he was, looking remarkably the same—but with a smiling dark-haired wife and two grown daughters and what appeared to be a very happy life.

As the last pile of letters went into the bin, I stood still for a moment and smiled—with dusty hands and a full heart.

"You didn't need Rod Serling after all," I thought.

Till next time,
Carrie

Carrie Classon's memoir, "Blue Yarn," was released earlier this year.

Learn more at CarrieClasson.com or www.Facebook.com/CarrieClassonauthor.

DAILY PRAYER

This day help us to encourage those who are weary in mind and spirit, Lord, bringing Your joy to their lives.

Amen

Largest US immigration raids in a decade net 680 arrests

By **ROGELIO SOLIS** and **JEFF AMY**

Associated Press
MORTON, Miss. (AP) — U.S. immigration officials raided numerous Mississippi food processing plants Wednesday, arresting 680 mostly Latino workers in what marked the largest workplace raid in at least a decade.

The raids, planned months ago, happened just hours before President Donald Trump was scheduled to visit El Paso, Texas, the majority-Latino city where a man linked to an online screed about a "Hispanic invasion" was charged in a shooting that left 22 people dead in the border city.

Workers filled three buses — two for men and one for women — at a Koch Foods Inc. plant in tiny Morton, 40 miles (64 kilometers) east of Jackson. They were taken to a military hangar to be processed for immigration violations. About 70 family, friends and residents waved goodbye and shouted, "Let them go! Let them go!" Later, two more buses arrived.

A tearful 13-year-old boy whose parents are from Guatemala waved goodbye to his mother, a Koch worker, as he stood beside his father. Some employees tried to flee on foot but were captured in the parking lot.

Workers who were confirmed to have legal status were allowed to leave the plant after having their trunks searched.

"It was a sad situation inside," said Domingo Candelaria, a legal resident and Koch worker who said authorities checked employees' identification documents.

The company did not immediately respond to an emailed request for comment.

About 600 agents fanned out across the plants involving several companies, surrounding the perimeters to prevent workers from fleeing. They occurred in small towns near Jackson with a workforce made up largely of Latino immigrants, including Bay Springs, Carthage, Canton, Morton, Pelahatchie and Sebastopol.

Matthew Albence, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's acting director, told The Associated Press that the raids could be the largest such operation thus far in any single state.

Asked to comment on the fact that the raid was happening on the same day as Trump's El Paso visit, Albence responded, "This is a long-term operation that's been going on. Our enforcement operations are being done on a racially neutral basis. Investigations are based on evidence."

The sting was another demonstration of Trump's

signature domestic priority to crack down on illegal immigration. While planned months ago, it coincided with the day that Trump was to visit El Paso to offer his condolences to the majority-Latino city after a gunman linked with an anti-Hispanic post online fatally shot 22 people on Saturday.

Such large shows of force were common under President George W. Bush, most notably at a kosher meatpacking plant in tiny Postville, Iowa, in 2008. President Barack Obama avoided them, limiting his workplace immigration efforts to low-profile audits that were done outside of public view.

Trump resumed workplace raids, but the months of preparation and hefty resources they require make them rare. Last year, the administration hit a landscaping company near Toledo, Ohio, and a meatpacking plant in eastern Tennessee. The former owner of the Tennessee plant was sentenced to 18 months in prison last month.

A hangar at the Mississippi National Guard in Flowood, near Jackson, was set up with 2,000 meals to process employees for immigration violations on Wednesday. There were seven lines, one for each location that was hit. Buses had been lined up since early in the day to be dispatched to the plants.

"I've never done anything like this," Chris Heck, resident agent in charge of ICE's Homeland Security Investigations unit in Jackson, told The Associated Press inside the hangar. "This is a very large worksite operation."

Koch Foods, based in Park Ridge, Illinois, is one of the largest poultry producers in the U.S. and employs about 13,000 people, with operations in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Ohio and Tennessee.

Forbes ranks it as the 135th largest privately held company in the U.S., with an estimated \$3.2 billion in annual revenue. The Morton plant produces more than 700,000 tons of poultry feed a year, company officials said in Febru-

ary. The company has no relation to prominent conservative political donors and activists Charles and David Koch.

Agents arrived at the Morton plant, passing a chain-link fence with barbed wire on top, with a sign that said the company was hiring. Mike Hurst, the U.S. attorney for Mississippi, was at the scene.

Workers had their wrists tied with plastic bands and were told to deposit personal belongings in clear plastic bags. Agents collected the bags before they boarded buses.

"This will affect the economy," Maria Isabel Ayala, a child care worker for plant employees, said as the buses left. "Without them here, how will you get your chicken?"

Immigration agents also hit a Peco Foods Inc. plant in Canton, about 35 miles (56 kilometers) north of Jackson. The company, based in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, says it is the eighth-largest poultry producer in the U.S. A company representative did not immediately respond to a telephone call or email seeking comment.

Amy reported from Pearl, Mississippi. Associated Press reporter Elliot Spagat in San Diego contributed to this report.

2019 Property Tax Rates in City of Big Spring

This notice concerns the 2019 property tax rates for City of Big Spring. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$5,920,711
Last year's debt taxes	\$1,457,161
Last year's total taxes	\$7,377,872
Last year's tax base	\$1,011,622,202
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.729311/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$7,308,630
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,040,853,830
=This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$0.702176/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$8,450,952
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$1,040,853,830
=This year's effective operating rate	\$0.811925/\$100
x 1.08=this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.876879/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.130289/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$1.007168/\$100
-Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0.263361/\$100
=Rollback tax rate	\$0.743807/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If City of Big Spring adopts a 2019 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.702176 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2018 taxes by \$-42,886.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Debt Service Funds	177,660
M&O (General Fund-Unrestricted)	4,162,922

Schedule B - 2019 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Certificate of Obligation	200,000	105,088	475	305,563
Bonds - 2010 Series				
General Obligation Bonds - 2016 Series	770,000	165,700	550	936,250
Total required for 2019 debt service				\$1,241,813
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$-51,151
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2019				\$1,292,964
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2019				\$68,051
= Total debt levy				\$1,361,015

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$2,751,089 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 S Main Big Spring TX 79720.

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Attacker kills 4, wounds 2 in California stabbing rampage

By ROBERT JABLON

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man who was "full of anger" stabbed, slashed and robbed his way across two Southern California cities in a bloody rampage that killed four people and wounded two others who were apparently targeted at random, authorities said.

The 33-year-old man from Garden Grove robbed more than half a dozen businesses and killed two men at his own apartment complex during the two-hour wave of violence Wednesday, police said.

He was arrested as he walked out of a convenience store in neighboring Santa Ana, dropping a knife and a gun he had taken from a security guard he had just killed. The attacker's name wasn't immediately released.

The violence appeared to be random and the only known motives seem to be "robbery, hate, homicide," Garden Grove police Lt. Carl Whitney said at a news conference.

"We know this guy was full of anger and he harmed a lot of people tonight," Whitney said Wednesday.

The attacker and all the victims were Hispanic, police said.

The two people who were wounded were listed in stable condition Wednesday night and were expected to survive.

Surveillance cameras caught some of the carnage.

"We have video showing him attacking these people and conducting these murders," he said.

Whitney said the man lived in a Garden Grove apartment building where he stabbed two men during some kind of confrontation. One man died inside an apartment and another was found wounded on the balcony and died at a hospital.

Whitney said a bakery also was robbed.

The owner, who asked not to be identified, told KCAL-TV that she was charging her cellphone at about 4 p.m. when the man drove up and apparently mistook her for a customer.

"He went directly to the register and tried to open the register ... he showed me a gun," she said. He took all the money and fled.

"I think I was very lucky because he thought I was a customer, not the owner," she said.

The man also robbed an insurance business, where a 54-year-old employee was stabbed several times and was expected to survive.

He was armed with "some sort of machete knives" when he confronted the woman, Whitney said.

The woman "was very brave," Whitney said. "She fought as best she could."

An alarm company saw the robbery on a live television feed and called police.

"They could see that the female victim was on the ground with blood and multiple injuries," Whitney said.

The man fled with cash and also robbed a check-cashing business next door, the lieutenant said.

Shortly after 6 p.m., the attacker drove up to a Chevron station, where he attacked a man pumping gas "for no reason," Whitney said. "There was no robbery."

The man was stabbed in the back and "his nose was nearly severed off his face," the lieutenant said. Bystanders rushed to help the man, he said.

Undercover detectives tracked the suspect's silver Mercedes to the parking lot of the 7-Eleven store in Santa Ana and within a minute of their arrival the man came out of the store, carrying a large knife and a gun that he had cut from the belt of a security guard after stabbing him, Whitney said.

The man had followed the guard into the store and stabbed him several times during a confrontation, Whitney said.

Police ordered the man to drop his weapons and he complied and was arrested.

Police then learned that a male employee of a nearby Subway restaurant also had been fatally stabbed during a robbery, Whitney said.

The brutal and puzzling attack came just days after a pair of mass shootings in Texas and Ohio left 31 people dead and stunned the nation. The shooter in El Paso, Texas, apparently posted an anti-immigrant screed before killing 22 people at a Walmart on Saturday. Less than a day later, a man opened fire on a Dayton, Ohio, entertainment district, killing nine people before police shot him dead.

10 things to know for today

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

1. Warming report sees hungry future

A new United Nations scientific report examines how global warming and land interact in a vicious cycle. Human-caused climate change is dramatically degrading the land, while the way people use the land is making global warming worse.

2. Trump met by protesters as he visits sites of mass shootings

President Donald Trump paid visits to cities reeling from mass shootings that left 31 dead and dozens more wounded.

3. Who's pushing senate to return to Washington for Gun Bill vote

More than 200 mayors are urging Senate leaders to return to Washington to act on bipartisan gun safety legislation.

4. Four dead and two wounded in California stabbing

A man who was "full of anger" went on a two-hour stabbing and robbery rampage in Southern California, killing four people and wounding two others.

5. Life under curfew

The lives of millions in the Indian-controlled portion of Kashmir have been upended since New Delhi imposed an unprecedented security lockdown.

6. Five years after Ferguson, racial tension might be more intense
Five years after Michael Brown was fatally shot by a Ferguson police officer on a steamy August day, racial tension remains palpable and may be even more intense.

7. What state fair is a must for 2020 Presidential hopefuls

The Iowa state fair, a quadrennial presidential prerequisite stop, is a cultural obstacle course more fraught with pitfalls than opportunities to sway the narrow band of voters who will attend the state's kickoff caucuses in less than six months.

8. Israeli troops search West Bank after killing of soldier

Israeli military says it is sending reinforcements to the West Bank, after the body of a 19-year-old soldier with stab wounds was found near a Jewish settlement.

9. Puerto Rico braces for more protests against latest governor

Puerto Ricans brace for more political turmoil as the third governor in a week takes charge of this U.S. territory still divided over who should lead the economically struggling island.

10. Retirement hasn't slowed Lindsey Vonn

The bustling life of the all-time winningest female skier in World Cup history includes, wrapping up her memoir in a book set to be published early next year and working with Dwayne Johnson on a sports apparel project.



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Big booms, fire part of explosives training in South Texas

By ALEXANDRIA RODRIGUEZ

Corpus Christi Caller-Times

ARANSAS PASS, Texas (AP) — Law enforcement officers always run toward danger.

The Corpus Christi Caller-Times reports on Wednesday they recorded video and stared in awe as several types of explosives were ignited at the McCampbell-Port Airport in Aransas Pass.

Agents and officials from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, along with the Corpus Christi Police Department Bomb Squad and Houston Police Department Bomb Squad ignited explosives as part of an Explosives Awareness and Recognition Training, said Mark Wilson, Assistant Special Agent in Charge.

The training was designed to educate first responders on the different types of explosives, Wil-

son said. An ATF certified explosives specialist is typically called to investigate after an explosive device is detonated, Wilson said.

"Between oil field explosives, IEDs they might encounter, old World War II relics. There's a lot more explosives out there than you realize, and a first responder needs to know what they're seeing and what they're going to encounter and how to react to it," Wilson said.

The training consisted of classroom sessions and live demonstrations.

As explosives were detonated, first responders were prompted to notice colors of smoke, sounds and movement explosives made.

"They need to know what they're seeing at a traffic stop or during a search warrant," Wilson said. "They need to see how dangerous it is."

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Despite talk, Cowboys haven't replaced safeties Woods, Heath

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

OXNARD, Calif. — Xavier Woods was always ready with a reminder for Jerry Jones when he saw the Dallas owner and general manager during an offseason filled with talk about whether the Cowboys were adding a safety.

"I'd run into him and he said, 'Why are you so worried about safety? Got me back there. Why is everybody worried about a safety? I can do it,'" Jones recalled the third-year player saying.

After so much talk about signing Earl Thomas (the free agent chose Baltimore) and using a high draft-pick on a safety (the Cowboys finally got a first-round pick in Donovan Wilson), Woods and Jeff Heath are still the starters with the season opener a month away.

Woods has been one of the defensive stars at training camp in California with several interceptions. Just like Wilson this year, Woods was a sixth-round pick in 2017. But that isn't any more reason for him to wonder whether the Cowboys want to find a replacement.

"If you showcase what you have and you become that guy, then it won't come with it," Woods said. "Until you do, it's always going to be a talk. It's a business. They're trying to get the best guys to win. I understand that."

Heath was undrafted in 2013 and forced to start nine games as a rookie because of injuries. The 28-year-old finally became a full-time starter four years later, leading the team with a career-high three interceptions in 2017.

The opening for Heath came when the Cowboys decided to let Barry Church go in free agency rather than give him the \$26 million, four-year contract he got last season. The Jaguars released Church after last season.

Age was part of the hesitation for the Cowboys when they didn't get serious in the bidding for Thomas. The former Texas standout has turned 30 since signing a \$55 million, four-year deal with \$32 million guaranteed from the Ravens.

The Cowboys signed George Iloka in free agency, but the former Cincinnati and Minnesota safety has been buried on the depth chart in camp.

"I would take an upgrade at any position at any time," executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones said. "We're constantly looking, whether it's safety, whether it's any position. If we saw an upgrade for our roster, we'd be all over it, if it made sense for us."

Still, Stephen Jones said he's comfortable with Heath and Woods as Week 1 starters. So is coach Jason Garrett.

"There certainly was some discussion about safeties in free agency," Garrett said. "There was discussion about safeties in the draft. Sometimes those visits kind of take on a life of their own. I don't know if that's necessarily a reflection on we're not happy with the guys we have."

Secondary coach Kris Richard said he never felt the need to address all the talk of replacements with his two starting safeties.

"It's kind of the nature of the beast," said Richard, going into his second season with Dallas. "Really

organizationally, if you're not trying to bring in guys each and every single year to make your team better and more competitive, you can't justifiably say that you're actually out there trying to win."

The 28-year-old Heath is among the oldest players on a Dallas defense that has become significantly younger the past couple of seasons. Woods is beginning to join him as a leader, calling himself "way more" vocal after a full season as a starter.

"In the offseason, I took a step forward," Woods said. "I'm still taking a step forward. It's going to be a daily goal for me to be better, to be a better leader, to be more vocal."

Woods doesn't feel any disrespect over the idea of being replaced. He felt that two years ago — still does, he says — after getting drafted much later than he thought.

"That's going to be an every day, every season, every year thing," Woods said.

For Heath, talk of being replaced has been an every offseason thing.

"This one wasn't much different," Heath said. "We understand that there's a lot of talk outside the building. I speak for myself and I think 'X' feels the same way. We're just going to do our job when we're on the field. That's all there is to it."

Well, and lobbying Jerry Jones when the opportunity arises.

NOTES: The Cowboys waived two injured players in WR Lance Lenoir and T Derrick Puni. Dallas signed T Juwann Bushell-Beatty and TE Marcus Lucas. ... WR Amari Cooper missed a fourth straight practice with a bruised heel.

Gurriel 8 RBIs, Cole wins 10th in row, Astros rout Rockies

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — With Houston's powerful offense, there always seem to be men on base when Yuli Gurriel comes to the plate in the bottom part of the Astros order.

On Wednesday, he found a way to send most of them home.

Gurriel drove in a team record-tying eighth run, Gerrit Cole won his 10th straight decision and the Astros routed the Colorado Rockies 14-3 for their sixth victory in a row.

"It's really incredible with this team, and I feel a big responsibility to drive runners in when they are on base," Gurriel said in Spanish through a translator. "To be in that spot, I'm always focused and concentrating to get those runners in."

A day after homering twice with three RBIs, Gurriel again teed off for the AL West leaders. He hit a three-run homer in the first inning, a sacrifice fly in the third, a three-run double in the fourth and an RBI grounder in the sixth to give him the most RBIs since he knocked in eight twice while playing in Cuba.

Gurriel tied Houston's RBI record set by J.R. Towles in 2007 against St. Louis. Gurriel, who leads the Astros with 80 RBIs, surpassed the seven RBIs he had last season against the Angels and tied the major league record for most RBIs by a player born in Cuba. It's his 11th game this season with at least three RBIs, and he joins Hall of Famer Jeff Bagwell as the only Astros to have two games with at least seven runs knocked in.

"You get that feel every time he comes up that something positive is going to happen," manager AJ Hinch said. "He's locked in on pitch recognition and staying in on the at-bat. His production has been through the roof the last six weeks."

Cole (14-5) struck out 10 in six innings. Undeclared in his last 14 starts, he allowed three hits and two runs to make Houston's starters 16-1 in their last 19 starts.

This is the longest winning streak of Cole's career and is the best active streak in the majors. Cole, who hasn't lost since May 22, leads the majors with 226 strikeouts and his 2.87 ERA ranks third in the AL.

The Astros swept the four-game interleague season series from Colorado. Trevor Story hit his 26th homer and Nolan Arenado added his 25th for the Rockies, who lost for the fifth time in seven games.

The Astros jumped on Colorado starter Peter Lambert (2-3) for seven hits and a career-high nine runs in three-plus innings. Jose Altuve homered on Lambert's first pitch of the game.

Colorado manager Bud Black be-

lieves the nine walks his three young pitchers combined for were the biggest factor in the lopsided loss.

"Three rookie pitchers probably trying to do a little bit too much or be a little too fine," he said. "I think you saw a result of that in those nine walks. That's tough to do against this lineup, and it's tough to do in the big leagues. These guys are learning on the job, and they'll soon learn that walks will always come back to haunt you."

Story homered for the fourth time in five games, connecting in the first.

Altuve quickly tied it and Gurriel connected with two outs for his 23rd home run, including 18 since June 23. He has homered in five straight games against the Rockies dating to last year.

Cole had retired 10 straight, with seven strikeouts, when Arenado homered in the fourth. That hit gave Arenado 26 RBIs in interleague play this season, tied with Frank Thomas for most since interleague play began in 1997.

The Astros loaded the bases with no outs in the fourth on a single and two walks before Michael Brantley drove in a run with a single to chase Lambert. He was replaced by Jesus Tinoco, who walked Alex Bregman on four pitches to send another run home and make it 7-2.

He struck out Yordan Alvarez and Carlos Correa before Gurriel cleared the bases with double to left field to push the lead to 10-2.

Bregman had a two-run double in Houston's three-run seventh to extend the lead to 14-2.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: RHP Ryan Pressly (sore right knee) returned to Houston on Wednesday after pitching one inning in a rehabilitation game for Double-A Round Rock on Tuesday night. Hinch said he felt good after the outing and that he would be evaluated and likely come off the injured list in the next day or two. ... RHP Brad Peacock (sore right shoulder) will make a rehabilitation appearance for Triple-A Round Rock on Wednesday night.

THE STORY ON STORY

Story's homer on Wednesday gave him 114 in what was his 500th career game. It's the most home runs in a shortstop's first 500 games in MLB history, surpassing Alex Rodriguez (103), Nomar Garciaparra (101), Ernie Banks (100) and Tony Batista (93).

UP NEXT

Rockies: RHP Jon Gray (10-7, 4.03 ERA) will start for Colorado in the opener of a four-game series at San Diego on Thursday night. Gray gave up nine hits and four runs in four innings of a 6-5 loss to San Francisco in his last outing but did not factor in the decision.

Indians sweep Rangers in doubleheader, gear up for Twins

By TOM WITHERS

AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND — For two months, they've chiseled, chipped and whitened away at Minnesota's large lead.

The Indians are in position to erase it completely.

José Ramírez homered in both games, Cleveland's bullpen combined on a four-hitter in the second game and the Indians swept a doubleheader Wednesday from the Texas Rangers to set up a four-game showdown series against the AL-Central leading Twins.

"It's what we wanted," said second baseman Jason Kipnis. "We wanted to play some fun games down the stretch."

Ramírez hit a two-run homer in the opener as the Indians won 2-0, and he connected again in his first at-bat in the second game as Cleveland rolled to a 5-1 victory.

By going a baseball-best 38-16 since June 4, the Indians have slashed Minnesota's 11 ½-game lead to two in a division still very much up for grabs. The division will open their series on Thursday at Target Field, and Kipnis for one can't wait to get it started.

"Today was a big day," he said. "Everyone wanted to get these two. Everyone was kind of watching the scoreboard over in Minnesota, too, and we knew it had a chance to be a big day for us and it worked out perfectly for us. Guys are in a good mood, feeling good and excited to get to Minnesota."

Ramírez, who has raised his average nearly 50 points since late June, connected in the second inning of the second game off Lance Lynn (14-7). Franmil Reyes hit a sacrifice fly in the seventh and Carlos Santana, Yasiel Puig and Kipnis drove in runs in the eighth as the Indians (68-46) went 22 games over .500 for the first time in 2019.

Indians manager Terry Francona turned to his relievers in the second game and the reliable group came through with Tyler Clippard pitching two perfect innings and A.J. Cole (3-1) — Cleveland's third pitcher — getting the win by working 2 2/3 scoreless.

Nick Wittgren got the final five outs for his third save.

"They were tremendous," Francona said. "Clippard set the tone and guys went multiple innings and they got lefties and righties out. ... There's no wiggle room for anybody to really have a bad inning and nobody did. That was really impressive."

The Rangers managed only two runs in three games at Progressive Field. Texas won the opener 1-0, but then didn't score for 21 straight in-

nings before Willie Calhoun homered leading off the eighth.

Making up for a sluggish start this season, Ramírez homered off Lynn, who entered 3-0 with a 0.95 ERA in three career starts against Cleveland.

But the right-hander made one mistake in the second, grooving a 95 mph fastball on his first pitch to Ramírez, who turned and deposited it into the lower seats in right field.

"I made one bad pitch to Ramirez," Lynn said. "It didn't go where I wanted to. He's kind of been in that zone you've seen him in the last couple of years. When you make a mistake he puts a good swing on it."

In the opener, Ramírez connected off Ariel Jurado (6-7), who had blanked the Indians on two singles before allowing the third baseman's 15th homer.

Nick Goody (3-0) replaced rookie starter Zach Plesac in the seventh and pitched two scoreless innings. All-Star closer Brad Hand struck out the side in the ninth for his 28th save.

UMP INJURED

Plate umpire Chris Guccione left the second game in the middle of the fourth, shortly after he was struck in the mask with a foul tip. Guccione was replaced by John Libka, who left his spot at third to go behind the plate.

"He was kind of showing concussion-like symptoms," Francona said. "That scares you immediately."

ZEROES

The Indians have 12 shutouts, tied with the Los Angeles Dodgers for the most in the majors.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: RHP Shawn Kelley (sore biceps) was activated from the 10-day injured list and was brought in during the eighth inning of the second game.

Indians: Francona said the plan is for RHP Corey Kluber to throw "50-ish" pitches in his rehab start Thursday for Triple-A Columbus, a significant step for the two-time Cy Young winner in his recovery from a broken right arm. Francona added that Kluber, who was struck by a line drive on May 1, is cleared to throw his full array of pitches.

UP NEXT

Rangers: Rookie LHP Kolby Allard will be recalled from Triple-A Nashville and make his debut for Texas on Friday in Milwaukee. He was acquired from Atlanta at the trade deadline.

Indians: RHP Mike Clevinger (6-2, 3.07 ERA), who had his start pushed back by Tuesday's rainout, starts the series opener against Twins RHP Kyle Gibson (11-4, 4.02). Clevinger is 3-0 with a 1.80 ERA in his last three road starts.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Not every role model is created equal. There are people in the business of helping others who only really help themselves. Don't buy into a model that shows signs of greed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The activities may not seem like anything negative, but when you don't like where you end up, and you seem to end up there more often than not, those activities just aren't working. Change it up.

Planetary Pressure Absorber

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Dominance and aggression are poor ways to hold on to power. You'll get an example of this today as people move away from overly controlling influences and toward those who comfort and assure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). How well do you understand people? Don't guess; test it out. Interactions will show you more than a resume or interview could. Joint projects will be the best teachers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you genuinely care about the people you're with, the qualities of leadership naturally flow from you. The first steps are to care and then to see a way to make things better for others.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Much will be said without words. In fact, the words will only complicate things unnecessarily. Because you're paying attention you will get the real story, not the one in the brochure.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The same structure that protects us and brings shelter in our day-to-day life can also be a cage. It all comes down to choices, keys and the logic behind lit exit signs.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's as though you've been through this scenario already in some kind of simulated drill. You may not remember it, but there's a gut feeling left over that you can trust.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 8). It will be as though the planetary winds heighten your senses this solar return, helping you to both enjoy and to understand life more fully. Relationships thrive as you apply your talents to building a better world with others. There's an important deal to iron out in November and a key decision in January. Capricorn and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 39, 23, 48, 46 and 21.

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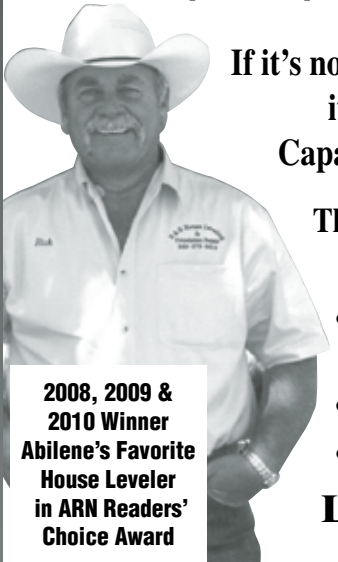


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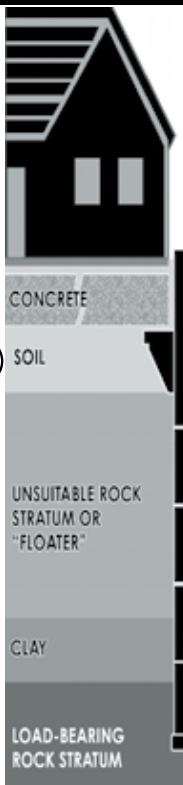
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Annie's Mailbox

Controlling Daughter-In-Law

Dear Annie: The problem is not with our son, but his wife. They dated in high school and college, and she was friendly and nice to us during those periods, visiting us quite often. They were married after living together for more than five years, and during that time we had good relations with them. They would visit us once a week.

My son and daughter-in-law are well-educated, and they now have two young daughters, ages 6 and 3. The girls are very attached to us. But our daughter-in-law controls the girls and they rarely visit us.

When they do visit, their mother won't let the kids out of her sight. The other day, my wife showed the children the strawberries that had grown in our backyard. Their mother immediately told them not to eat them, even though my wife had said they would be washed. Their mother said no.

We helped our son and his wife financially to buy their house. They live around 10 minutes' drive from our house. Yet we go to their house only two times a year to attend our granddaughters' birthdays. Otherwise, they never invite us.

Being in our 60s, we are not young. It seems odd, but even when we want to babysit, she refuses to have them stay with us. Yet her parents babysit all the time.

When he is alone with us, our son is happy to chat, but once she arrives, he becomes a totally changed person -- as if he is her puppy.

Once a week, we insist that our son have lunch with us at a restaurant during his lunch break from work. But if we bring up any issues involving his wife's attitude toward us or our grandchildren, he gets very mad, so we don't even discuss it.

We have another son and we have no problems; he and his wife let my wife babysit, and we meet with them often.

We are sad about the son whose wife has become unfriendly, and we are turning to you for advice. -- Questioning Grandparents

Dear Questioning Grandparents: Keeping your grandchildren away from you and your husband not only hurts you, but it also hurts the children. Grandparents can provide security and wisdom to their grandchildren. They can tell them stories of what their dad was like when

he was their age. Kids always get a kick out of that. It is understandable that you crave a loving relationship with them. Grandkids can help grandparents to stay mentally sharp and stave off depression or loneliness.

Your daughter-in-law seems to be a controlling person, and that is creating problems for your relationship with your and for your son. So continue to tread lightly and appreciate the time you get with your son and his children, however limited it is. Also, watch that you don't try to control your own son by saying "we insist" that he have lunch with you once a week.

Keep talking to your son about your desire to have a close relationship, and explain all of the mutual benefits. Ask what would make your son and daughter-in-law more comfortable visiting or letting you babysit. Get interested in her concerns. At the same time, continue to nurture your relationship with your other son's kids and enjoy being terrific grandparents.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Reading between the lines

East dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ K Q
- ♥ K Q 7 4
- ♦ A K 7
- ♣ 9 6 4 3

WEST

- ♠ A 10 7 4 3
- ♥ 5
- ♦ Q 8 4 2
- ♣ Q 10 2

EAST

- ♠ 8 6 5 2
- ♥ 6 2
- ♦ J 9 3
- ♣ A K 8 7

SOUTH

- ♠ J 9
- ♥ A J 10 9 8 3
- ♦ 10 6 5
- ♣ J 5

The bidding:

East South West North

Pass 2♥ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — two of clubs.

Cards frequently tell a story, but it is not always easy to decipher the message.

For example, take this case where it would be easy to go wrong. West has no clearly indicated lead and, let's say, tries the deuce of clubs. East wins with the king and returns the ace, on which South plays the jack and West the ten. Too late East realizes that West has led from the Q-10-2 and shifts to a diamond, but the damage is already done.

Several plays later, declarer ruffs the six of clubs, felling the queen and

establishing dummy's nine as a trick. Eventually he makes the contract by discarding a diamond on the nine of clubs; the only tricks he loses are a spade and two clubs.

The culprit in the hand is East, who should not have led the ace of clubs at trick two. Instead, he should return a low club, a conclusion he arrives at after working out the exact meaning of the low club led by West.

Once declarer follows with the five at trick one, East can diagnose West's club lead as having come from one of two holdings: a singleton, or a three-card suit consisting of precisely the Q-10-2. A low club return at trick two caters to both possibilities and thus can do no harm.

East arrives at this conclusion by the following thought process: West cannot have a doubleton since he did not lead high-low. It is also impossible for West to have started with four clubs, since he would have led the queen from a holding of Q-J-10-2. Similarly, West cannot have the J-10-2 because he would have led the jack from that holding. That leaves West with either the singleton deuce or Q-10-2.

The number of hands where card-reading of this sort is possible is far greater than is generally realized. To be a good card detective, one must be willing to think. Bridge is not a game for the lackadaisical mind.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

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Level: Advanced

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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5	1	2	7	8	6	9	4	3
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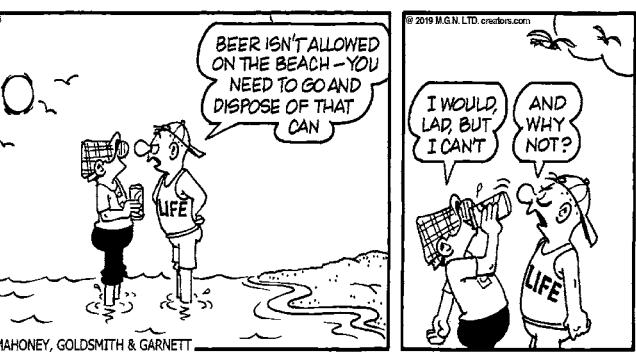
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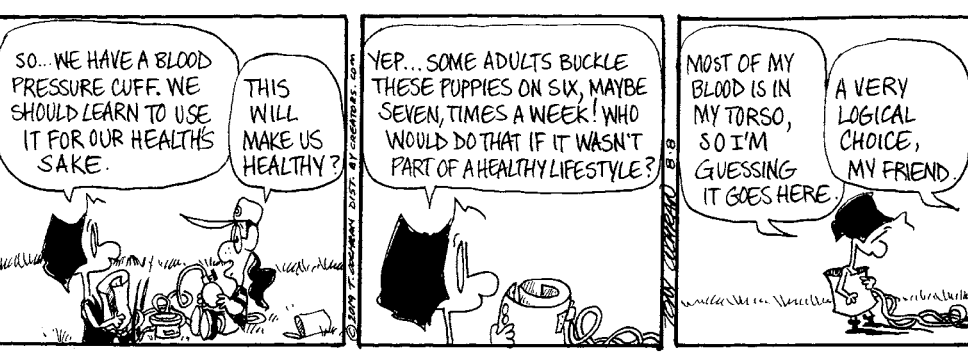
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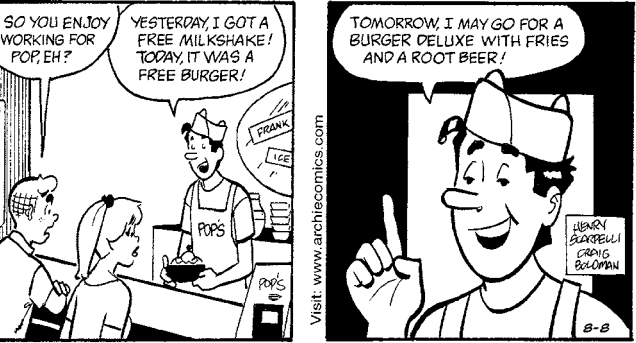
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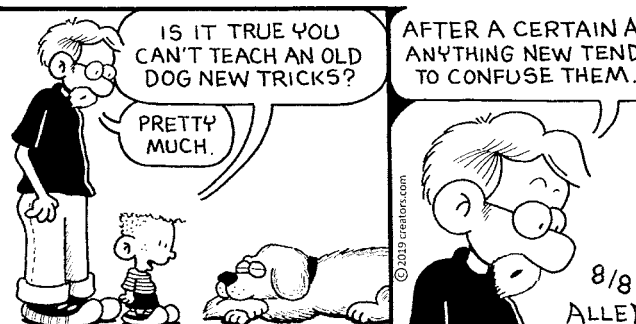
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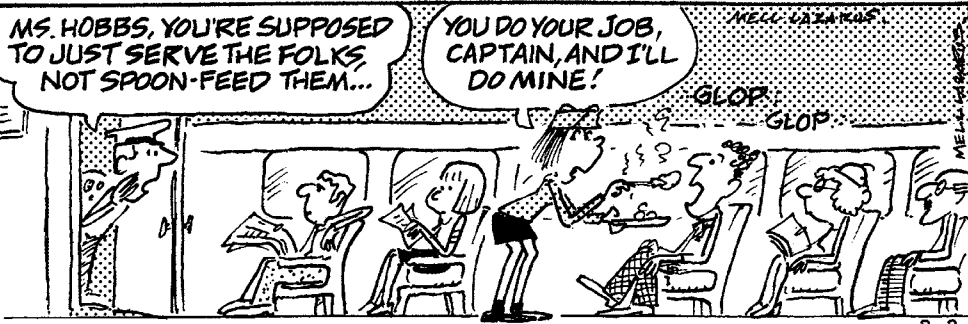
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Thursday, Aug. 8, the 220th day of 2019. There are 145 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History: On August 8, 1974, President Richard Nixon, facing damaging new revelations in the Watergate scandal, announced he would resign the following day.
On this date:
In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte set sail for St. Helena to spend the remainder of his days in exile.
In 1876, Thomas A. Edison received a patent for his mimeograph.
In 1942, during World War II, six Nazi saboteurs who were captured after landing in the U.S. were executed in Washington, D.C.; two others who cooperated with authorities were spared.
In 1945, President Harry S. Truman signed the U.S. instrument of ratification for the United Nations Charter. The Soviet Union declared war against Japan during World War II.
In 1968, the Republican national convention in Miami Beach nominated Richard Nixon for president on the first ballot.
In 1973, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew branded as "damned lies" reports he had taken kickbacks from government contracts in Maryland, and vowed not to resign — which he ended up doing.
In 1993, in Somalia, four U.S. soldiers were killed when a land mine was detonated underneath their vehicle, prompting President Bill Clinton to order Army Rangers to try to capture Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid.
In 2000, the wreckage of the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley, which sank in 1864 after attacking the Union ship Housatonic, was recovered off the South Carolina coast and returned to port.
In 2002, Saddam Hussein organized a big military parade and then warned "the forces of evil" not to attack Iraq as he sought once more to shift the debate away from world demands that he live up to agreements that ended the Gulf War.
In 2003, the Boston Roman Catholic archdiocese offered

\$55 million to settle more than 500 lawsuits stemming from alleged sex abuse by priests. (The archdiocese later settled for \$85 million.)
In 2006, Roger Goodell was chosen as the NFL's next commissioner.
In 2008, China opened the Summer Olympic Games with an extravaganza of fireworks and pageantry.
Ten years ago: Sonia Sotomayor was sworn in as the U.S. Supreme Court's first Hispanic and third female justice. A small plane collided with a sightseeing helicopter over the Hudson River in New York City, killing nine people, including five Italian tourists. Typhoon Morakot slammed into Taiwan, leaving more than 670 either dead or missing (the typhoon also killed 22 people in the Philippines and eight in China).
Five years ago: The U.S. unleashed its first airstrikes against the Islamic State group in northern Iraq amid a worsening humanitarian crisis. Israel and militants from Gaza resumed cross-border attacks, after a three-day truce expired.
One year ago: The United States announced that it would impose new sanctions on Russia for illegally using a chemical weapon in an attempt to kill a former spy and his daughter in Britain. Australian golfer Jarrod Lyle died at the age of 36 after a long battle with cancer. A Montana coroner said the death of "Superman" actress Margot Kidder had been ruled a suicide from a drug and alcohol overdose.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Nita Talbot is 89. Actor Dustin Hoffman is 82. Actress Connie Stevens is 81. Country singer Phil Balsley (The Statler Brothers) is 80. Actor Larry Wilcox is 72. Actor Keith Carradine is 70. Movie director Martin Brest is 68. Radio-TV personality Robin Quivers is 67. Percussionist Anton Fig is 66. Actor Donny Most is 66. Rock musician Dennis Drew (10,000 Maniacs) is 62. TV personality Deborah Norville is 61. Actor-singer Harry Crosby is 61. Rock musician The Edge (U2) is 58. Rock musician Rikki Rockett (Poison) is 58. Rapper Kool Moe Dee is 57. Rock musician Ralph Sieckermann is 57. Middle distance runner Suzy Favor Hamilton is 51. Rock singer Scott Stapp is 46.

Country singer Mark Wills is 46. Actor Kohl Sudduth is 45. Rock musician Tom Linton (Jimmy Eat World) is 44. Singer JC Chasez ('N Sync) is 43. Actress Tawny Cypress is 43. Rhythm-and-blues singer Drew Lachey (Iah-SHAY) (98 Degrees) is 43. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marsha Ambrosius is 42. Actress Lindsay Sloane is 42. Actress Count-ess Vaughn is 41. Actor Michael Urie is 39. Tennis player Roger Federer is 38. Actress Meagan Good is 38. Rock musician Eric Howk (Portugal. The Man) is 38. Actress Jackie Cruz (TV: "Orange is the New Black") is 35. Britain's Princess Beatrice of York is 31. Actor Ken Baumann is 30. Chicago Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo is 30.

Pop singer Shawn Mendes is 21. Actress Bebe Wood (TV: "The Real O'Neals") is 18.

Thought for Today: "It is the anonymous 'they,' the enigmatic 'they' who are in charge. Who is 'they'? I don't know. Nobody knows. Not even 'they' themselves." — Joseph Heller, American author (1923-1999).

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS
1 Family nickname
5 Pencil box item
10 Preeminent
14 Pointed top
15 Bowled over
16 Something special
17 Portrayed
18 Played for a marching band
19 Poetic time
20 Marshmallowy topping
23 Hubbub
25 Wield a crowbar
26 Flower girl, frequently
27 Rhythm section rattler
29 Receptive
31 British baby buggy
32 "I'm great, thank you"
34 Periods with names
38 Produce pyrotechnics
42 Some inoculants
43 Crabby
44 Locking horns
45 Drawn character
47 Greets silently
49 Mustard with wine
52 Quart quarter
53 Cough syrup amt.
54 First . . . Smarter Than a 5th Grader? host
58 Class for toddlers
59 Dueler of French lit

DOWN
60 Part of MLB's postseason
63 Four-sharp key: Abbr.
64 Toddler's transport
65 Great enthusiasm
66 Young Frankenstein actress
67 Furry hoppers
68 Notice in the distance

7 Guffaw, informally
8 Wide-spouted pitcher
9 Overhauled
10 Shade of gray
11 Roman garment
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46 Having been sworn in
48 Say no, with "out"
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50 Persimistic intro
51 '60s First Son
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54 Photo file format
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56 Blender sound
57 Metaphor for confusion
61 Maximum limit
62 Apt to mislead

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Answer to previous puzzle

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ASIF	ALLWET	FRO
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CZAR	SMEE	CEASE
HENS	YARN	HONEY

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Wednesday Sports in Brief

Associated Press

NFL

MIAMI (AP) — Miami Dolphins owner Stephen Ross is defending his support of longtime friend Donald Trump after being criticized about it by one of his players.

Receiver Kenny Stills' comments Wednesday followed a report by the Washington Post that Ross plans to host a fundraiser for the president.

Stills tweeted a screen capture from Ross' anti-racism RISE initiative's website and wrote, "You can't have a nonprofit with this mission statement then open your doors to Trump."

The mission statement says RISE "educates and empowers the sports community to eliminate racial discrimination, champion social justice and improve race relations."

Ross' fundraiser is scheduled for Friday at his home on Long Island, the Post said.

"I always have been an active participant in the democratic process," Ross said in a statement.

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are donating \$50,000 to a fund for victims of the mass shooting that killed 22 people and left about two dozen others injured in El Paso, Texas.

The team said Wednesday the NFL Foundation was planning a matching donation to the El Paso Community Foundation Victims' Fund. Cowboys executive vice president Charlotte Jones Anderson is chairwoman of the NFL Foundation.

The Cowboys have had community outreach programs for years in El Paso, the far West Texas city with a large contingent of Dallas fans. Owner Jerry Jones said earlier in the week the team is "so appreciative of the support we have in El Paso."

NEW YORK (AP) — Colin Kaepernick says he's "still ready" to return to the NFL, even though he is set to enter his third season out of the league.

In a video posted Wednesday on social media, the 31-year-old Kaepernick is shown working out in a gym. He says in the video: "5 a.m. 5 days a week. For 3 years. Still Ready."

Kaepernick, then with the San Francisco 49ers, helped start a wave of protests about social and racial injustice in 2016 by kneeling during the national anthem at games.

The protests slowed down last season as the NFL made contributions to organizations chosen by players and

promised more attention to social justice issues.

While he has been away from the playing field, the former quarterback has become an advocate for social and racial justice.

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The Pro Bowl will return to Orlando for the fourth straight year and be held one week before the Super Bowl.

The NFL's all-star game will be an afternoon match at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 26. A week later, the league's championship game will be played a few hours south in the Miami area.

Fans, players and coaches will vote for the 88 Pro Bowlers, and the game will match the AFC against the NFC.

A weeklong celebration in conjunction with the NFL's 100th season initiatives also will take place across the Orlando area. Those will include a skills showdown and the league's flag football championships.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Clemson's national championship football program was flagged for eight secondary NCAA violations during a yearlong period from July 2018 through this past June.

The school's athletic department released a summary of the infractions Wednesday.

None of the violations were considered major and all issues about the penalties have been resolved, according to the school. In all, Clemson self-reported 14 violations in the year ending on June 30.

The football violations reported by the school included a homeowner paying a player above the going rate for work around the home on three separate occasions. Two violations involved players on social media in a promotional capacity.

The other five infractions were committed by football staffers and included reimbursing an athlete for ground transportation expenses above the school's mileage rate.

NEW YORK (AP) — Standardized injury reports will not be implemented across college football this season after the NCAA explored the possibility in response to the rise of legalized sports betting.

The NCAA's Board of Governors announced Wednesday that it still supports the association's rules prohibiting athletes and school administrators from wagering on sports or providing information to people associated with gambling. But the board

concluded an injury or availability report across college football is not viable. An ad hoc committee on sports wagering studied the possibility of teams publicly disclosing whether players would be available for games.

The NFL uses a standardized injury report, but even calling it an injury report was problematic for the NCAA because of federal laws that safeguard student and patient privacy.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Two players in the Detroit Tigers system and two other minor leaguers have been suspended after testing positive for banned substances.

The commissioner's office made the announcement Wednesday.

Washington Nationals pitcher Steven Fuentes, with Double-A Harrisburg, was suspended 50 games after testing positive for Heptaminol, a stimulant.

Detroit shortstop Pavin Parks, with the rookie-level Gulf Coast League Tigers, was suspended 52 games for a positive test for Trenbolone, a performance-enhancing substance.

Tigers first baseman Reynaldo Rivera, with Class A West Michigan, was penalized 80 games after a positive test for Trenbolone.

Cincinnati outfielder Nate Scantlin, with rookie-level Billings of the Pioneer League, was banned 100 games after his third positive test for a drug of abuse.

BOSTON (AP) — Kansas City Royals speedster Billy Hamilton is so fast even the first base umpire couldn't seem to believe it.

Hamilton was called out at first by umpire Mark Carlson twice in the first four innings of Wednesday night's game against the Boston Red Sox. Both times the plays were overturned on instant replay.

Hamilton is one of the fastest players in the game. He has stolen almost 300 bases in his career.

When he came up in the second inning with a runner on first, he hit a comebacker to the mound to start what could have been a double play. But after he was called out, the Royals challenged and the replay showed Hamilton just beat the throw.

In the fourth, he narrowly legged out an infield single to the shortstop. He then stole second but was thrown out trying to take third on a fly ball to center.

COURTS

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A former Michigan State University dean with oversight of now-imprisoned sports doctor Larry Nassar was ordered Wednesday to serve up to a year in jail after being convicted of neglect of duty and misconduct in office that stemmed from a charge he sexually harassed students.

William Strampel learned his fate during a hearing in a Lansing courtroom, nearly two months after the College of Osteopathic Medicine's ex-dean was convicted of those charges. He was acquitted of the more serious criminal sexual conduct charge.

Strampel, 71, faced up to five years in prison on the felony misconduct conviction, resulting from accusations he used his public office to sexually harass, demean and proposition students who met with him to discuss academic issues. He also was convicted of willfully neglecting a duty to monitor Nassar after protocols were put in place requiring that a third person be present in the exam room for sensitive procedures and limiting skin-to-skin contact — misdemeanors punishable by up to a year in prison.

OBITUARY

DENVER (AP) — Jack Dolbin Jr., a wide receiver who was on the Denver Broncos' first Super Bowl team in 1977, had died at age 70.

Dolbin, who became a chiropractor, educator and lecturer after football, died Thursday at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest in Allentown, Pennsylvania, according to his obituary posted on legacy.com.

Born Dec. 12, 1948, in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, Dolbin took a circuitous route to the NFL, playing in three smaller leagues in the early 1970s before catching on with the Broncos five years after leaving Wake Forest, where he starred in football and track.

He played for the Pottstown Firebirds of the Atlantic Coast Football League and the Schuylkill County Coal Crackers of the Seaboard Football League before playing a season with the Chicago Fire of the World Football League in 1974.

Between 1975 and 1979, Dolbin played in 62 games and caught 94 passes for 1,576 yards and seven touchdowns for the Broncos. His best season was in 1977 when he caught 27 passes for 443 yards and three touchdowns and added a TD catch in the playoffs for the AFC champions.

Special guest: Krzyzewski stops by USA Basketball practice

By TIM REYNOLDS

AP Basketball Writer

LAS VEGAS — Gregg Popovich somehow only met Mike Krzyzewski for the first time about four years ago, when the two coaching greats saw their paths finally cross when they were together at a USA Basketball event.

They're a whole lot closer now.

USA Basketball's coaching past was alongside its present Wednesday, when Krzyzewski — who led the national team to an 88-1 record over his 12 years at the helm — was alongside Popovich for Day 3 of the team's training camp in advance of the FIBA World Cup. And Popovich made no effort to hide how happy he was to have his predecessor in the gym to watch practice and some scrimmages.

"We were anxious to get Coach K in town to spend a couple days," Popovich said. "I've already talked to him, as you might imagine, gotten advice. But to have him here, seeing the scrimmage, now we can all go back and talk about what we think needs to happen. Having him here with that added experience is invaluable."

Popovich wasn't the only one in the gym feeling a boost from Krzyzewski's presence on Wednesday. Among the others: USA Basketball forwards Mason Plumlee and Jayson Tatum, both of whom said they relished the chance to spend some extra time

with their coach from Duke.

"It was great, man," Plumlee said. "I try to see Coach once or twice a summer, so for him to come out here ... he didn't come for me, but it was great to see him."

Tatum chatted with Krzyzewski for a few minutes after practice, and said he got some advice.

"Confidential," Tatum said. "But it was good advice."

Krzyzewski won five gold medals in his tenure as national team coach — including three at the Olympics and two from the world championships, now known as the World Cup — started Wednesday in a morning meeting with Popovich and other coaches. He walked into practice at UNLV alongside Popovich and was expected to take part in more meetings before departing later this week.

"He's really the only guy that Pop can relate to in trying to bring this together so fast," Plumlee said.

Krzyzewski, who politely declined an interview request through USA Basketball, first met Popovich around the time that the longtime San Antonio Spurs coach was accepting an invitation to replace the Duke coach at the helm of the U.S. program. They were brought together in Las Vegas by USA Basketball managing director Jerry Colangelo during preparations for the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics.

Colangelo wanted to hire Krzyzewski's replace-

ment long before Rio, just to eliminate incessant speculation during the Olympic cycle about who would take over the program.

He wasn't aware at the time that the coaches had never gotten acquainted.

"Once they got to know each other, they were like bonded immediately," Colangelo said. "Pop was in all the meetings and the practices after they met. I wanted him to get his feet wet just to see how we had done things under Mike. And I think it was a great way to get him started. But I thought that was amazing, that they had never met each other."

Krzyzewski and Popovich are loaded with similarities: Both went to service academies, both played for Bob Knight (Krzyzewski played for Knight at Army, and Knight was Popovich's coach at the 1972 U.S. Olympic trials, a few years before Popovich got his first head coaching job at Division III Pomona-Pitzer). Both have five championships from their 'real' jobs — Krzyzewski at Duke, Popovich in San Antonio. They are both considered basketball royalty, the top of the top of their profession.



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