DF SHOW SYNOPSIS WEEK OF 5/17/2021

MONDAY 5/17:

PIPELINE CYBERATTACK FUEL SHORTAGE

WITH A CRITICAL U.S. PIPELINE STRUGGLING TO RESUME OPERATIONS AFTER A CYBER-EXTORTION ATTEMPT, THERE ARE FEARS OF A GASOLINE SHORTAGE AND SPIKES IN PRICES.

CHINA ROCKET DEBRIS LANDS IN INDIAN OCEAN

NASA HAS LAMBASTED CHINA FOR ITS FAILURE TO MEET RESPONSIBLE STANDARDS AFTER DEBRIS FROM ITS OUT-OF-CONTROL ROCKET LIKELY PLUNGED INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN.

ACCORDING TO NASA, CHINA IS FAILING TO MEET RESPONSIBLE STANDARDS REGARDING THEIR SPACE DEBRIS AFTER MOST OF CHINA'S ROCKET BURNED UP UPON REENTRY.

CHANCE MEETING LEADS TO ORPHAN PAST

A PAIR OF STUDENTS AT A VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY DISCOVERED THEY LIVED AT THE SAME ORPHANAGE IN CHINA 15 YEARS EARLIER.

ALLY COLE, A SOPHOMORE AT LIBERTY UNIVERSITY IN LYNCHBURG, SAT DOWN NEXT TO FRESHMAN RUBY WIERZBICKI ON A BUS CROSSING THE SCHOOL'S CAMPUS AND THE TWO STUDENTS STRUCK UP A CONVERSATION.

THE WOMEN DISCOVERED THEY HAD BOTH BEEN ADOPTED FROM CHINA, AND GOT OUT THEIR PHONES TO COMPARE PICTURES WHEN THEY DISCOVERED THEY WERE FROM THE SAME CITY.

NBC CANCELS THE GOLDEN GLOBES

NBC NETWORK IS THE LATEST MEDIA GIANT TO BOYCOTT THE HOLLYWOOD FOREIGN PRESS ASSOCIATION OVER A LACK OF DIVERSITY.

NBC, WHICH HAS AIRED THE GOLDEN GLOBES AWARDS CEREMONY SINCE 1996, SAID IT WOULD NOT BROADCAST THE SHOW IN 2022 AND WANTS TO SEE MEANINGFUL REFORM"

THE WEEKND CALLS THE GRAMMYS CORRUPT

THE WEEKND SAID "THE DAWN IS COMING" WITH HIS FORTHCOMING ALBUM. BUT WHEN IT COMES TO THE STARBOY'S SOMBER FEELINGS ABOUT THE GRAMMYS -- IT'S STILL DUSK.

DOUBLING DOWN ON HIS DEEP-ROOTED DISDAIN FOR THE RECORDING ACADEMY, THE THREE-TIME GRAMMY AWARD WINNER AGAIN DEEMED THE INSTITUTION "CORRUPT," DESPITE ITS RECENT VOW TO NO LONGER CHOOSE NOMINATIONS VIA SMALL COMMITTEES OF ANONYMOUS MEMBERS.

BEAVERS CHEW THROUGH INTERNET CABLES

RESIDENTS IN TUMBLER RIDGE, BRITISH COLUMBIA FOUND THEMSELVES WITHOUT INTERNET AND UPON INVESTIGATION, THE INTERNET PROVIDER FOUND THAT IT WAS AN INTERESTING GANG OF CULPRITS RESPONSIBLE...BEAVERS.

TUESDAY 5/18:

FACEBOOK UPHOLDS TRUMP BAN

A DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ABOUT FACEBOOK'S BAN OF FORMER PRESIDENT TRUMP, BUT THE ISSUE FAR FROM RESOLVED.

THE FACEBOOK OVERSIGHT BOARD UPHELD THE SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY'S SUSPENSION OF FORMER PRESIDENT TRUMP, FOUR MONTHS AFTER HIS COMMENTS ABOUT THE JANUARY 6 RIOT AT THE U.S. CAPITOL WERE CONSIDERED INCENDIARY.

HUGE PAYOUT FOR NO PIZZA INVITE

A CAR DEALER RECEPTIONIST HAS WON A \$28-THOUSAND PAYOUT AFTER BOSSES EXCLUDED HER FROM MONTHLY PIZZA FRIDAY EVENTS.

MALGORZATA LEWICKA WAS VICTIMIZED BY BOSSES WHO DID NOT INCLUDE HER IN THE INFORMAL LUNCHES FOR OTHER STAFF.

AT THE HEARING, IT WAS SAID THAT ONCE A MONTH, MANAGERS WOULD GO ROUND TAKING ORDERS FROM STAFF FOR A TAKEAWAY MEAL SUCH AS PIZZA OR FISH AND CHIPS.

BUT MISS LEWICKA WAS LEFT OUT OF THE EVENT, KNOWN AT THE DEALERSHIP AS PIZZA FRIDAY.

MAN BUYS DRUG RAID CATS

SIX THAI CATS RESCUED AFTER A DRUG BUST WERE PURCHASED AT AUCTION BY A FELINE FANATIC.

THE CATS, A BENGAL AND FIVE SCOTTISH FOLDS, WERE PURCHASED BY NUTCH PARSNIP, WHO RUNS A POPULAR CAT-RELATED FACEBOOK PAGE PRASOPIN'S 3 MILLION FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS HELPED HER RAISE OVER \$3-THOUSAND-DOLLARS NEEDED FOR THE WINNING BID.

TIM TEBOW NFL COMEBACK

THE JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS ARE PLANNING TO SIGN TIM TEBOW, THE FORMER PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL PLAYER.

THE DEAL WOULD REUNITE THE FORMER FLORIDA GATORS QUARTERBACK WITH COACH URBAN MEYER, WHO COACHED TEBOW TO A PAIR OF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS WHILE BOTH WERE IN GAINESVILLE.

DAN LEVY SLAMS FAN'S CLAIM DAD DIED

DAN LEVY IS NOT HERE FOR FAKE NEWS – ESPECIALLY REGARDING THE WELLBEING OF HIS FATHER.

"EUGENE LEVY WAS SUCH A GIFT," AN ALLEGED FAN OF "SCHITT'S CREEK" WROTE IN A NOW DELETED TWEET. "IT'S SO SAD TO WATCH KNOWING HE IS NO LONGER HERE."

THE YOUNGER LEVY WAS QUICK TO SHUT THEM DOWN, TWEETING, "NEWS TO ME."

THANKFULLY, IT SEEMS THE GAFFE WAS JUST A MISUNDERSTANDING AND THE FAN WROTE AN APOLOGY.

VISIT GEORGE CLOONEY IN ITALY

THE A-LIST ACTOR JOINED THE TEAM AT OMAZE, A CHARITABLE GIVING-MEETS-FUNDRAISING WEBSITE, TO OFFER UP A VACATION UNLIKE ANY OTHER. ACCORDING TO THE WEBSITE, THE JOURNEY WILL INCLUDE A MEAL MADE OF ALL THEIR FAVORITE LOCAL FOODS, AS WELL AS A CHEERS TO LIFE AND THE CHANCE TO SNAP A PHOTO TO REMEMBER IT ALL BY. IT IMPORTANTLY ADDED, BEFORE YOU ASK--NO THIS ISN'T A PRANK. FLIGHTS AND HOTEL INCLUDED.

WEDNESDAY 5/19:

AMAZON DRIVERS RECKLESS DRIVING

AMAZON DRIVERS ARE INSTRUCTED TO DRIVE RECKLESSLY TO MEET DELIVERY QUOTAS.

DRIVERS SAY THEY ARE BEING ORDERED BY THEIR BOSSES TO TURN OFF A DRIVER SAFETY SYSTEM APP SO THAT THEY CAN SPEED THROUGH THEIR DELIVERY ROUTES IN ORDER TO HIT AMAZON'S DELIVERY TARGETS.

ELON MUSK \$100M CARBON REMOVAL CONTEST

THERE'S A TOTAL OF \$100 MILLION UP FOR GRABS FROM TESLA CEO ELON MUSK FOR ANYONE WHO CAN COMBAT GLOBAL WARMING.
MUSK AND HIS XPRIZE CARBON REMOVAL CONTEST ARE LOOKING FOR WORKABLE SOLUTIONS FOR REDUCING THE PLANET'S CO2 EMISSIONS AT SCALE IN A DURABLE AND SUSTAINABLE WAY. THE CONTEST STARTED ON EARTH DAY AND WILL LAST FOUR YEARS, ENDING ON EARTH DAY 2025.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO APPLY.

THE \$100 MILLION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG SEVERAL CONTESTANTS.

CHANCE TO SHOOT BISON

PEOPLE ARE VYING FOR ONE OF A DOZEN SPOTS TO HELP THIN A HERD OF BISON AT GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK.

THE RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR SKILLED SHOOTERS TO KILL BISON AT THE GRAND CANYON'S NORTH RIM WHERE OFFICIALS SAY THEY'VE BEEN TRAMPLING ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND OTHER RESOURCES, AND SPOILING THE WATER.

THE OPPORTUNITY DREW OVER 45-THOUSAND APPLICANTS.

DOG BEER TASTER

BUSCH IS SNIFFING AROUND FOR A NEW "CHIEF TASTING OFFICER" AND IT WANTS YOUR VERY GOOD BOY TO APPLY.

THE BEER BRAND IS EXPANDING ITS "DOG BREW," A CANINE-FRIENDLY, ALCOHOL-FREE BONE BROTH IT LAUNCHED LAST YEAR. ACCORDING TO ANHEUSER-BUSCH, THE BREW SOLD OUT WITHIN 24 HOURS.

THE ROLE COMES WITH A \$20-THOUSAND-DOLLAR PAYCHECK, WHICH IS A LOT IN DOG DOLLARS.

GIULIANA RANCIC LEAVES E!

GIULIANA RANCIC IS DEPARTING E'S RED CARPET COVERAGE AFTER 20 YEARS AT THE NETWORK.

THE "LIVE FROM THE RED CARPET" STAPLE ANNOUNCED THAT SHE'S "THRILLED" TO START A NEW ADVENTURE DEVELOPING STORIES WITH E'S PARENT COMPANY, NBCUNIVERSAL.

LAVERNE COX REPLACES GIULIANA RANCIC

WELL THAT WAS A QUICK TURNAROUND BECAUSE E! IS ROLLING OUT THE RED CARPET FOR LAVERNE COX.

THE NETWORK ANNOUNCED THAT IT WAS PULLING IN THE 48-YEAR-OLD COX AS THE HOST OF ITS FLAGSHIP RED CARPET SHOW, "LIVE FROM E!," REPLACING GIULIANA RANCIC.

THURSDAY 5/20:

DRIVER LEPS OVER DRAWBRIDGE

IN A SCENE CAUGHT BY MULTIPLE TRAFFIC CAMERAS, A DRIVER SMASHED THROUGH THE TRAFFIC ARMS OF A FLORIDA DRAWBRIDGE, THEN MADE THE DANGEROUS LEAP AS THE BRIDGE OPENED.

THE VEHICLE WAS BRIEFLY AIRBORNE ON DAYTONA BEACH'S MAIN STREET BRIDGE, WHICH CROSSES THE HALIFAX RIVER.

TIGER ON THE RUN IN HOUSTON

HOUSTON AUTHORITIES HAVE CAPTURED A MAN WHO ALLEGEDLY EVADED POLICE WHILE HOUSING A BENGAL TIGER IN HIS YARD.

"THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE TIGER ARE NOT YET KNOWN," HOUSTON POLICE TWEETED.

26-YEAR-OLD VICTOR HUGO CUEVAS WAS OUT ON BOND FOR A MURDER CHARGE WHEN NEIGHBORS SPOTTED THE BIG CAT.

ELLEN ENDING TALK SHOW

ELLEN DEGENERES IS ENDING HER TALK SHOW AFTER 19 SEASONS, MORE THAN 3-THOUSAND EPISODES AND A FLURRY OF TOXIC WORKPLACE ALLEGATIONS. THE BELOVED-TURNED-BELEAGUERED TALK SHOW HOST IS CALLING IT QUITS AMID THE CLAIMS OF UNKIND BEHAVIOR AND BULLYING, AS WELL AS REPORTS OF A SIGNIFICANT DIP IN SPONSORS AND RATINGS.

SETH ROGAN DONE WITH JAMES FRANCO

SETH ROGEN SAYS HE HAS NO CURRENT PLANS TO WORK WITH HIS FORMER COLLABORATOR JAMES FRANCO, IN THE WAKE OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT ALLEGATIONS.

FRIDAY 5/21:

KIDNAPPED WOMAN RESCUED

A GAS STATION CLERK CAME TO THE RESCUE OF A KIDNAPPED WOMAN IN FLORIDA WHEN SHE ESCAPED FROM THE TRUNK OF A CAR WHILE IN THE PARKING LOT.

THE VICTIM WAS BOUND AND THROWN INTO THE TRUNK BY 32-YEAR-OLD CODY JACKSON AFTER HE ATTACKED HER WITH A PIECE OF WOOD.

JACKSON RESTRAINED THE WOMAN WITH EXTENSION CORDS BEFORE STOPPING AT A CITGO STATION 75 MILES NORTH OF THE ABDUCTION.

WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO BANK ROBBERY

AN ALABAMA WOMAN WHO STOLE MONEY FROM A BANK TO PAY FOR PLASTIC SURGERY, PLEADED GUILTY TO ROBBERY AND WILL SERVE 15 YEARS IN PRISON. ICONIC FACCE ENTERED HER PLEA TO TWO COUNTS OF ROBBERY. FACCE ADMITTED TO ROBBING A GULFPORT BANK IN MARCH 2019. SHE GAVE A TELLER A HANDWRITTEN NOTE THAT READ, "YOU HAVE 1 MINUTE TO GIVE ME THE MONEY DO NOT BE WRONG OF YOU WILL DIE." THE BANK'S SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM CAPTURED THE ROBBERY. NO WEAPON WAS SEEN OR SHOWN.

GUEST INTERVIEW

DR. IAN FROM 'THE DOCTORS' JOINS US TO PROMOTE HIS LATEST BOOK.

BILLIE EILISH SAYS ABUSE IS EVERYWHERE

BILLIE EILISH HAS REVEALED THAT SHE WAS TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF WHEN SHE WAS YOUNGER -- WHILE INSISTING THAT ABUSE OF MINORS IS EVERYWHERE. THE 19-YEAR-OLD POP STAR TOLD BRITISH VOGUE MAGAZINE THAT HER NEW SINGLE, "YOUR POWER," IS AN OPEN LETTER TO PEOPLE WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE.

BUT EILISH REFUSED TO ELABORATE OR IDENTIFY HER OWN ABUSER, AND INSTEAD BEGGED FANS TO NOT TRY TO FIGURE OUT WHO I'M TALKING ABOUT IN THE SONG.

THE SINGER SAID CHILDREN GET MANIPULATED BECAUSE THEY FEEL LIKE THEY'RE SO MATURE AND KNOW EVERYTHING.

MAGIC MIKE DIVORCE MONEY

EXES CHANNING TATUM AND JENNA DEWAN ARE STILL AT ODDS OVER THEIR FINANCES.

DEWAN HAS ASKED FOR THE COURT TO INTERVENE BY REQUESTING A TRIAL IN HER DIVORCE CASE FROM TATUM. THE FORMER COUPLE FINALIZED THEIR DIVORCE IN 2019, BUT STILL HAVE SOME ISSUES TO SETTLE – SPECIFICALLY THE MONEY MADE BY TATUM'S MAGIC MIKE FRANCHISE.

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