DF SHOW SYNOPSIS WEEK OF 7/5

MONDAY 7/5

DOWN SYNDROME STUDENT CUT OUT OF SCHOOL PIC

THE FAMILY OF A UTAH TEEN WITH DOWN SYNDROME SAYS THEY'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT SHE'S RECEIVED FROM FRIENDS AND THE COMMUNITY AFTER SHE WASN'T INCLUDED IN THE CHEERLEADING TEAM PHOTO USED IN HER SCHOOL'S YEARBOOK.

BUMBLE PUTS EMPLOYEES ON TIME OUT

BUMBLE IS DOING ITS PART TO ENSURE THEIR EMPLOYEES REMAIN HAPPY AND HEALTHY.

THE DATING APP HAS GIVEN ITS ENTIRE STAFF A FULL, PAID WEEK OFF TO REST AND RECHARGE AS COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS LOOSEN IN THE U.S. AND MORE AMERICANS BECOME VACCINATED.

BUMBLE'S NEW INITIATIVE WAS INTRODUCED AS A WAY TO HELP COMBAT BURNOUT FOR ITS 750 EMPLOYEES AROUND THE WORLD.

HANDCUFFED FOR LOVE

AFTER BEING HANDCUFFED TOGETHER FOR A STAGGERING 123 DAYS -- USING THE BATHROOM IN FRONT OF ONE ANOTHER AND TAKING TURNS SHOWERING MERE INCHES APART -- TROUBLED UKRAINIAN LOVERS ALEXANDR AND VIKTORIA HAVE TAKEN THEIR SHACKLES OFF AND ARE MOVING ON FROM ONE ANOTHER.
"I AM FINALLY FREE," VIKTORIA CLAIMED.

MN REFUSES HOME SALE TO DEVELOPMENT

ORLANDO CAPOTE SAYS HIS FATHER BOUGHT THE HUMBLE SINGLE-FAMILY HOME IN 1989, AFTER ESCAPING CUBA AND WORKING DOUBLE JOBS TO ACHIEVE HIS AMERICAN DREAM.

THE SURROUNDING CONSTRUCTION ZONE IS THE MOST MEGA COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN CORAL GABLES HISTORY, FEATURING SHOPS, RESTAURANTS, RESIDENCES, OFFICE SPACE AND EVEN A 242-ROOM LUXURY HOTEL. CAPOTE HAS REFUSED OFFERS OF UP TO \$900-THOUSAND FOR THE TWO-BEDROOM, TWO-BATHROOM 13 HUNDRED- SQUARE-FOOT HOME. HE'S RECEIVED AS MANY AS 60 OFFERS OVER THE PAST SIX YEARS.

STEVEN SPIELBERG NETFLIX DEAL

SPIELBERG HAS STRUCK A MULTIYEAR DEAL WITH NETFLIX.

SPIELBERG'S AMBLIN PARTNERS AND NETFLIX ANNOUNCED AN AGREEMENT IN WHICH THE STUDIO WILL MAKE MULTIPLE NEW FILMS FOR THE STREAMING GIANT OVER THE COURSE OF THE AGREEMENT.

THE NETFLIX DEAL HAS NO RESTRICTIONS REGARDING BUDGET OR GENRE. SPIELBERG'S PARTNERSHIP WITH NETFLIX DOES NOT IMPACT SPIELBERG'S RELATIONSHIP WITH UNIVERSAL PICTURES.

CONAN SAYS FAREWELL

THE TALK-SHOW HOST TOOK THE "CONAN" STAGE FOR THE FINAL TIME, MARKING THE END OF A STORIED LATE-NIGHT CAREER THAT SPANNED 28 YEARS. THE CHAT-FEST ICON MARKED THE EMOTIONAL OCCASION WITH A HEARTFELT FAREWELL.

TUESDAY 7/6

PASSENGER JUMPS OUT OF MOVING PLANE

A PASSENGER JUMPED OUT OF A MOVING PLANE AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

THE UNITED EXPRESS FLIGHT WAS PULLING AWAY FROM A GATE WHEN THE MAN UNSUCCESSFULLY TRIED TO BREACH THE COCKPIT, THEN MANAGED TO OPEN THE SERVICE DOOR AND JUMPED DOWN THE EMERGENCY SLIDE ONTO THE TARMAC.

GROCERY SAFETY BRACELETS

METCALFE'S MARKET IN MADISON BEGAN OFFERING FREE COLOR-CODED BRACELETS TO HELP PEOPLE NONVERBALLY COMMUNICATE WHAT THEY ARE COMFORTABLE WITH. THEY HAVE THREE LEVELS THAT MIMIC TRAFFIC LIGHTS, THE STORE EXPLAINS THAT RED MEANS SOMEONE WANTS TO STAY SIX FEET APART AND HAVE NO PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH OTHER PEOPLE. YELLOW IS LABELED "ELBOWS ONLY," FOR PEOPLE STILL BEING CAUTIOUS BUT NOT NECESSARILY NEEDING TO BE SIX FEET APART, AND GREEN WELCOMES HIGH FIVES AND HANDSHAKES.

VAX-A-MILLION WINNER

A HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN WILL HAVE HIS COLLEGE EDUCATION PAID FOR THANKS TO GETTING A COVID-19 VACCINE.

JOSEPH COSTELLO, OF ENGLEWOOD, OHIO, WAS ANNOUNCED AS THE WINNER OF A FULL-RIDE, FOUR-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP – WITH ROOM, BOARD TUITION AND BOOKS – IN OHIO'S VAX-A-MILLION LOTTERY.

HOUSE OF HORRORS UP FOR SALE

WHEN A REALTOR CALLS HER LISTING "A LITTLE SLICE OF HELL" AND SLAPS A \$590-THOUSAND-DOLLAR PRICE TAG ON IT, IT SOUNDS LIKE A TOUGH SELL, RIGHT? BUT REALTOR MIMI FOSTER SAID THAT A DILAPIDATED FIVE-BEDROOM, FOUR-BATHROOM COLORADO SPRINGS HOME ADORNED IN SPRAY-PAINTED SAYINGS AND FECES STUFFED IN DRAWERS IS A PRETTY HOT COMMODITY. FOSTER SAYS SHE HAS RECEIVED 16 WRITTEN CASH OFFERS IN THE FIRST 24 HOURS OF THE HOUSE BEING ON THE MARKET.

TRAVIS BARKER CONSIDERS AIR TRAVEL

AFTER 13 YEARS, TRAVIS BARKER IS RECONSIDERING A RETURN TO THE SKIES. IT'S BEEN OVER A DECADE SINCE BARKER WAS INVOLVED IN A FIERY PLANE CRASH THAT KILLED FOUR OF SIX PASSENGERS ONBOARD, VOWING SOON AFTER TO NEVER SET FOOT ON A PLANE AGAIN.

SALMA HAYEK OWL MEDITATION

SALMA HAYEK LIKES TO DECOMPRESS FROM HER BUSY CAREER BY MEDITATING WITH HER RESCUED PET OWL NAMED KERING.

"YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS. I DO MEDITATE WITH THE OWL VERY, VERY OFTEN," THE 54-YEAR-OLD ACTRESS SAID.

AND IT SEEMS HAYEK'S FEATHERED FRIEND HAS A KNACK FOR FINDING HER CENTER. "THE MINUTE I GO DEEP INTO MEDITATION, SHE STAYS SUPER STILL," SHE SAID OF KERING.

WEDNESDAY 7/7

ROAD RAGE ATTACK

A BASEBALL BAT-WIELDING MAN WAS SEEN SMASHING THE WINDSHIELD OF A MAN'S CAR WHILE HIS TWO KIDS WERE INSIDE.

POLICE ARE TRYING TO TRACK DOWN THE MAN WITH THE BASEBALL BAT. IT'S THE LATEST ROAD RAGE INCIDENT INVOLVING CHILDREN.

THE DAD SAYS HE WAS DRIVING ON THE STATEN ISLAND EXPRESSWAY WITH HIS SONS WHEN HE WAS SIDESWIPED BY ANOTHER VEHICLE.

BOTH DRIVERS PULLED OVER TO CHECK FOR DAMAGE, WHEN THINGS QUICKLY DETERIORATED.

U.S. OLYMPIAN SNUBS NATIONAL ANTHEM

31-YEAR-OLD OLYMPIC HAMMER THROWER GWEN BERRY TURNED TOWARD THE CROWD RATHER THAN THE FLAG BEFORE HOLDING UP A BLACK SHIRT THAT READ, "ACTIVIST ATHLETE" -- PROMPTING ONE CRITIC TO SAY AMERICANS SHOULD RETURN THE FAVOR.

BERRY EARNED HER SPOT ON THE OLYMPIC TEAM FOR A SECOND TIME WITH A BRONZE MEDAL PERFORMANCE BUT MUCH OF THE ATTENTION WAS ON HER PROTEST OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

SERENA WILLIAMS PASSES ON EOLYMPICS

SERENA WILLIAMS WILL NOT BE TOKYO-BOUND THIS SUMMER BECAUSE SHE JUST SAID SHE'S NOT HEADING TO THE OLYMPICS.

IT'S A BIG BLOW FOR THE GAMES LOSING THAT KIND OF STAR POWER -- SERENA SNAGGED 4 GOLD MEDALS IN PRIOR YEARS, MOST RECENTLY IN 2012. SHE SAID AT WIMBLEDON, "I'M ACTUALLY NOT ON THE OLYMPIC LIST, NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF," ADDING, "IF SO, THEN I SHOULDN'T BE ON IT."

WALMART PULLS YEEZY KNOCKOFFS

KANYE WEST'S LEGAL TEAM HAS A LOT MORE WORK TO DO IF THEY WANT TO RID THE ONLINE MARKET OF IMITATION YEEZYS -- WHILE WALMART HALTED SALES ON ITS SITE, HUNDREDS MORE STILL EXIST ON OTHERS.

WEST'S YEEZY FOAM RUNNERS HAVE TAKEN THE MARKET BY STORM, SO IT'S NO SURPRISE COPYCATS TRIED TO CAPITALIZE. CASE IN POINT, WALMART HAS REMOVED ALL THE KNOCKOFFS FROM ITS ONLINE STORE.

SPRINGSTEEN REOPENS BROADWAY

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN WELCOMED A PACKED HOUSE TO BROADWAY FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE PANDEMIC SHUT DOWN THEATERS IN MARCH 2020.

"SPRINGSTEEN ON BROADWAY" RETURNED TO ST. JAMES THEATRE, THE FIRST THEATER TO REOPEN ITS DOORS IN APRIL FOR A PILOT PROGRAM DESIGNED TO CREATE A MODEL FOR OTHER BROADWAY THEATERS TO REOPEN SAFELY.

THURSDAY 7/8

TECH GIANTS INVESTIGATED FOR FAKE REVIEWS

AMAZON AND GOOGLE ARE BEING INVESTIGATED FOR FAILING TO REMOVE FAKE PRODUCT REVIEWS.

THE PROBE IS THE LATEST IN A STRING OF INVESTIGATIONS PILING UP AGAINST TECH GIANTS AROUND THE WORLD, AS OFFICIALS AND POLICYMAKERS SCRUTINIZE CLAIMS OF ANTI-COMPETITIVE BEHAVIOR. THE INVESTIGATIONS COULD RESULT IN HEFTY FINES AND INCREASE PRESSURE ON COMPANIES INCLUDING FACEBOOK AND APPLE TO CHANGE THE WAY THEY DO BUSINESS.

E-CIG JUUL TO PAY \$40M SETTLEMENT

E-CIGARETTE MAKER JUUL LABS HAS AGREED TO PAY \$40-MILLION TO THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AS PART OF A LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT, WHICH ACCUSED THE COMPANY OF MARKETING ITS PRODUCTS TO MINORS.

THE SETTLEMENT IS THE FIRST REACHED BY THE COMPANY WITH A STATE GOVERNMENT. THE DEAL ALSO INCLUDES RESTRICTIONS ON SALES OF PRODUCTS THAT APPEAL TO MINORS AND REQUIRES JUUL TO PRODUCE YEARLY REPORTS DEMONSTRATING ITS COMPLIANCE.

NASA OFFICIAL HINTS AT ALIEN LIFE

NASA ADMINISTRATOR BILL NELSON SAYS THAT THE LAUNCH OF A NEW TELESCOPE LATER THIS YEAR COULD FIND MORE PLANETS POTENTIALLY HOME TO INTELLIGENT ALIEN LIFE.

AN UNCLASSIFIED COPY OF THE REPORT WAS RELEASED, WHICH CONFIRMED THERE HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 140 UAP SIGHTINGS, WITH SOME LAWMAKERS RAISING CONCERNS THAT THE OBJECTS COULD BE CONTROLLED BY FOREIGN ADVERSARIES POTENTIALLY POSING A NATIONAL SECURITY THREAT.

DIPPN' SAUCE PROBLEM

POLICE SAY AN IOWA MAN ATTEMPTED TO GET REVENGE ON HIS LOCAL MCDONALD'S, BUT THINGS BLEW UP IN HIS FACE.

POLICE ARRESTED ROBERT GOLWITZER JR. AFTER HE ALLEGEDLY THREATENED TO BLOW UP THE RESTAURANT AND PUNCH AN EMPLOYEE OVER MISSING CONDIMENTS. THE 42-YEAR-OLD SUSPECT CALLED THE FAST-FOOD CHAIN AFTER DISCOVERING HIS ORDER WAS INCORRECT.

LIL KIM VERZUZ NICKI MINAJ

LIL KIM, MUSIC'S VETERAN SELF-ANOINTED QUEEN BEE, IS READY TO GO CROWN-TO-CROWN IN A VERZUZ BATTLE WITH HERALDED "QUEEN" MC NICKI MINAJ.

46-YEAR-OLD KIM CHALLENGED 38-YEAR-OLD MINAJ TO A HIT-FOR-HIT DUEL IN ORDER TO FORMALLY DETERMINE WHOSE CHART-TOPPING SONGS REIGN SUPREME.

VERZUZ -- CREATED BY GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING PRODUCERS TIMBALAND AND SWIZZ BEATZ AMID THE PANDEMIC AS A FORM OF CONCERT-LIKE ENTERTAINMENT -- IS A LIVE-STREAMED MUSICAL BOXING RING OF SORTS.

JAMES CORDEN KEEPS SPILLING GUTS

"THE LATE-LATE SHOW" HOST JAMES CORDEN IS REPORTEDLY PLANNING TO REVISE THE SHOW'S "SPILL YOUR GUTS" SEGMENT AMID SKYROCKETING SUPPORT FOR A PETITION CALLING FOR THE PIECE'S CANCELLATION.

THE CONTROVERSY BEGAN EARLIER LAST MONTH AFTER TIKTOK STAR KIM SAIRA RELEASED A VIDEO CRITICIZING THE "SPILL YOUR GUTS" PIECE IN WHICH CORDEN FORCES CELEBRITIES TO ANSWER UNCOMFORTABLE QUESTIONS OR EAT GROSS FOODS. SOME OF THE SO-CALLED DISGUSTING DISHES INCLUDED EMBRYONIC DUCK EGGS, CHICKEN FEET AND OTHER EATS THAT ARE "REGULARLY EATEN BY ASIAN PEOPLE," PER THE CLIP.

FRIDAY 7/9

PARENTS SHOOT PEEPING TOM

A HUSBAND AND WIFE IN HOUSTON CHASED DOWN AN ALLEGED "PEEPING TOM" LURKING OUTSIDE THEIR 10-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER'S BEDROOM WINDOW -- AND SHOT HIM.

THE COUPLE SAID THEY HEARD THEIR DAUGHTER SCREAM WHEN SHE SPOTTED THE MAN TOUCHING HIMSELF.

ARMED WITH HANDGUNS, THE PARENTS RUSHED OUT OF THEIR HOUSE AND WENT AFTER THE CREEP, WHO WAS APPARENTLY INTOXICATED.

AMERICANS LOSE BILLIONS TO PHONE SCAMS

NEARLY ONE IN FOUR AMERICANS REPORTED LOSING MONEY TO A PHONE SCAM OVER THE PAST YEAR, THE SURVEY PUBLISHED BY TRUECALLER SAID, WHILE THE SIZE OF EACH VICTIM'S LOSS ROSE TO \$502 ON AVERAGE, UP FROM ABOUT \$350 A YEAR PRIOR. THE RESULTS SHOW THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND RELATED WORK-FROM-HOME POLICIES HAVE MADE AMERICANS MORE VULNERABLE TO VIRTUAL GRIFTERS.

ANONYMOUS \$16K TIP

A HUNGRY CUSTOMER WALKED INTO A RESTAURANT, ORDERED TWO HOT DOGS, SOME CHIPS, A COKE, A BEER AND A SHOT OF TEQUILA LATER, HE PAID HIS \$37-DOLLAR TAB AND LEFT -- BUT NOT BEFORE INCLUDING A \$16-THOUSAND-DOLLAR TIP. "DON'T SPEND IT ALL IN ONE PLACE," THE CUSTOMER JOKED TO THE BARTENDER, WHO DIDN'T LOOK AT THE CHECK OR NOTICE THE TIP UNTIL THE CUSTOMER, WHO ASKED TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS, GAVE HER ANOTHER TWO HINTS TO TAKE A LOOK.

TRICK DADDY SAYS BEYONCE CAN'T SING

MIAMI NATIVE AND RAPPER TRICK DADDY MADE SOME CONTROVERSIAL STATEMENTS ABOUT MUSICAL POWERHOUSE COUPLE BEYONCÉ AND JAY Z.
THE FLORIDA RAPPER CRITICIZES THE H-TOWN NATIVE FOR HER CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED ALBUM "LEMONADE" AND GOES ON TO HIS MOST CONTROVERSIAL TAKE. "BEYONCÉ DON'T WRITE MUSIC AND BARELY CAN SING HERSELF. BEYONCÉ CAN'T

SEXY BEASTS DATING

SING," HE SAYS.

NETFLIX HAS A NEW DATING SERIES CALLED "SEXY BEASTS," AND IT'S ALL ABOUT PERSONALITY.

THE STREAMING SERVICE HAS ORDERED TWO SEASONS OF THE SHOW, IN WHICH SINGLE PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE WORLD COMPLETELY TRANSFORM THEIR LOOKS WITH ANIMAL MAKEUP AND PROSTHETICS, THEN HEAD OUT ON A BLIND DATE