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## Foster's Brand Changes

For the better part of the last year, the Foster's team has been working to refresh the brand and are excited to announce that Foster's Food Fair - IGA has rebranded to simply, Foster's.

The name change isn't the only new element to Foster's rebrand. The company now dons a new logo and completely new visual identity. "Although we have a new name, logo and visual identity, we're still the same company built on family values, integrity, honesty and community-spirit that you have gotten to know over the course of the years" said Marketing Senior Manager, Julian Foster.

Nearly 39 years ago, founders David and Steve Foster, set out to create a supermarket with fresh, quality groceries. They set out to create a store in which the community could interact with each other and feel a sense of warmth and welcome every time they stepped through the front door. "We're building on our history, commitment to care, and connection with our customers, to go beyond groceries and offer our customers a shopping experience

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## The Tropics are on Fire

By Ralph Lewis

September 11th is not only the day that the world will reflect on the largest terrorist act to reach American shores. It is also the peak of the annual hurricane season when tropical system activity is expected to be the highest.

This year is no exception and right on cue we are currently experiencing tremendous cyclone upheavals not only in the Atlantic basin but also in the Pacific Region.

According to the Weather Channel, on Monday morning there were 4 tropical systems in the Atlantic basin including the monster storm Dorian which is covered in our World Watch Article on page B1. Two with a 30% chance of

development and 1 with an 80% chance for development.

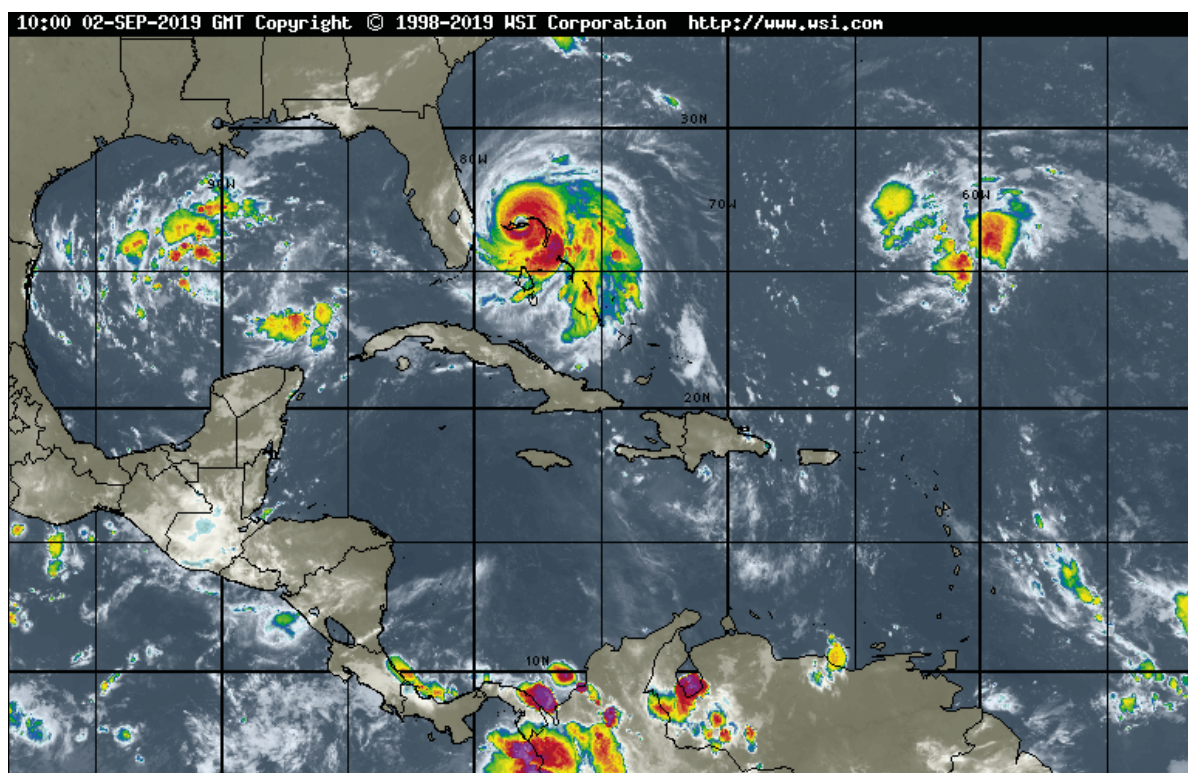
Also in the Pacific, Tropical Storm Juliette was expected to become a Hurricane on yesterday as she moves away from the California coastline.

Here in the Cayman Islands in 2004 we had our own September monster.

### Hurricane Ivan

Hurricane Ivan was a "classical" long lived Cape Verde hurricane. It has been categorized as one of the most powerful hurricanes to hit the Caribbean in recorded history. On September 2 Ivan developed into a tropical depression, it became a tropical storm

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## Police Helicopter Assists in Brac Airport Incident



During the afternoon of Thursday, 29 August, the RCIPS Air Operations Unit was requested by the Cayman Islands Airports Authority to assist in conveying equipment and aircraft engineers to Cayman Brac in response to an incident involving a private aircraft at the Charles Kirkconnell International Airport. With the runway closed, the helicopter was the only option to expedite the removal of the plane and resume operations at the airport.

The flight was completed successfully at 5:00PM with two engineers and equipment transported directly to the airport.

Whilst en-route, a request for an urgent medical evacuation was received from Faith Hospital. Immediately on

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# EDITORIAL

## After graduation, what's next?

The Principals and staff of the Clifton Hunter, Layman Scott and John Gray High Schools have just completed their 2019 graduation ceremonies which were well attended and supported by the Community.

It was a very important event for teachers and students as high school graduation is seen as the first major milestone in a person's educational process.

The media recorded standing room only attendances at these important events and with full coverage on the local television station others were also able to support their family and friends in the privacy of their homes.

Some students will attend Colleges and Universities while others will seek employment. Unfortunately, after all the celebration has taken place these inexperienced job seekers will be faced with the task of finding gainful employment in an environment where unemployment among school leavers is at relatively high levels.

In the past Cayman Brac parents were concerned with this situation and believe that more can be done to assist these school leavers.

"This is tough for our kids as experience is trumping the cause. While they get a bit of internship too many have to move to Grand Cayman after University," said a Cayman Brac Parent.

"I am not sure because employers want experienced workers," says a Cayman Brac graduate.

"There's little scope for work here on the Brac even after attending university and finding a job is tough."

Similar comments were heard from Grand Cayman parents and students and these will be published in our Friday publication.

In last five years over 1,500 students graduated, and this year a combined total of approximately 325 students graduated from Cayman's three high schools.

We are unable to obtain verifiable information relating to the success rate for the job seekers during that time, and we hope that the new WORC unit (formerly NWDA) will be in a po-

sition to provide this information in the near future.

### Internship Program

An **internship** is a method of on-the-job training for college or university students, high school students, or post-graduate adults. These positions may be paid or unpaid and are usually temporary.

Generally, an internship consists of an exchange of services for experience between the student and an organization. Students can also use an internship to determine if they have an interest in a particular career, create a network of contacts or gain school credit. Some interns find permanent, paid employment with the organization as experienced interns often need little or no training when they begin regular employment. Unlike a trainee program, employment at the completion of an internship is not guaranteed.

This year many local businesses and Government agencies opened their doors and launched innovative programs with the aim of providing young Caymanians with the opportunity to experience the work environment first-hand. This is the type of initiative that the Caymanian Times has encouraged and we applaud their efforts.

With over 3,000 registered local businesses in a country with a workforce of approximately 43,000, it is difficult to understand why all graduates still find it difficult to find placement in internship programs.

As the Cayman Islands tries to grasp the full extent of its unemployment challenge, these graduates are encouraged to register on the new **Workforce Opportunities & Residency Cayman (WORC) JobsCayman** website.

The Future of the Cayman Islands lie in the hands of our children and their development and placement in the workforce are the responsibilities of all. They deserve full support and if you can't attend these important ceremonies make an attempt to support the employment efforts of these ambitious graduates.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

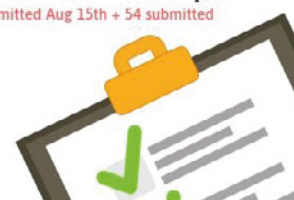
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Keep up to date on the Cruise Port Referendum signature verification

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\*5,438 submitted June 12th + 199 submitted July 11th + 26 submitted August 5th + 78 submitted Aug 15th + 54 submitted August 28th  
\*\*Constitutionally required 25% of the 21,116 registered electors = 5,292



► Elections Office Update on Current Verification Process 30 Aug.

## Hurricane Ivan Remembered

Water Authority - Cayman invites you to join in commemorating the 15th anniversary of Hurricane Ivan. The Authority will mark the milestone with a special public event.

There will be an exhibit on display that highlights the impact of the storm, as well as the strides made by our islands and the Authority to become more

resilient. There will also be hurricane preparedness information available, to help keep attendees ready for the remainder of the season.

There will be lunch and giveaways. The event will take place on Wednesday, 11 September 2019 at the Water Authority's office building on Red Gate Road, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.

## Church parking lot closure: Updates to improve HSA patient experience

The Seventh Day Adventist Church parking lot (Smith Road) will be closed to all vehicle and foot traffic starting Sunday September 1st through Friday September 6th. This lot is used for overflow parking by the HSA, however during this time, guests of the HSA can still utilise the other parking areas in front of the main

hospital entrance and the back parking lot off Pines Drive.

We apologise for the inconvenience this may cause during this time, however we are grateful to the church for offering the use of their parking lot and look forward to the completed work which will improve parking, the flow of traffic and the overall patient experience.

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO HOST SESSION ON APPLICATION AND PERMIT PROCESS

The Department of Planning in the Ministry of Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure will host an information session on the planning application and permit process at the Family Life Centre on Thursday, September 5, 2019, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The aim of the session will be to provide information and guidance on the planning process to persons in the development community so as to reduce delays in the application submission process.

Some of the topics that will be covered include planning application submission process, planning application review process, permit application submission process, permit application review process, submitting re-reviews and modification of approved plans, releasing permits and certificate of occupancy process.

Persons interested in attending the session are requested to confirm their attendance via email at [info@planning.gov.ky](mailto:info@planning.gov.ky).



► Student of the Year Tarec Francis, receiving his award

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► Hurricane Ivan (Pictures courtesy DeepBlueImages.com)

# The Tropics are on fire

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on the following day and reached hurricane status on 5 September. On September 7 and 8 it damaged 90 percent of the homes in Grenada and killed 16 people. By Thursday morning on September 9, Ivan's sustained winds reached 160 mph making it a rare category 5 hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson scale. On September 11 Ivan began affecting the Sister islands of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman with tropical storm winds and Grand Cayman began experiencing tropical storm winds later that afternoon. According to information from the National Weather Service the centre of Ivan was located 113 miles SE of Grand Cayman by 10 pm, and at that time hurricane force winds of over 100 miles per hour were already being experienced on the island. At 5am on Sunday the storm surge from the North Sound was peaking at 10 feet (National Weather Service).

The hurricane made its closest approach at 10 am on Sunday when the eye passed 21 miles SW of the Grand Cayman with winds of 150 mph and gusts of 220 mph. As the storm continued on its track, storm surge and battering waves heavily affected the south coast of Grand Cayman. Ivan was a slow moving hurricane which increased the exposure of the Island to hurricane force winds as well as increased the total amount of rain.

Hurricane Ivan took the lives of two persons on Grand Cayman and it temporarily displaced significant proportions of the population. All persons experienced the loss of electricity, water and access to telecommunications for some period immediately following the disaster. The three most affected districts were George Town, Bodden Town and East End. Together these three districts account for 75% of the total population on Grand Cayman. 402 people were treated for lacerations, wounds, removal of foreign bodies, fractures and burns as a result of the disaster. However, the general health and wellbeing of the population was good and was well maintained by dedicated health care professionals, first responders and the kindness of neighbours.

The total economic impact to the Cayman Islands was estimated by the United Nations ECLAC team to be 3.4 billion (183 % of GDP). Approximately 83% or 13,535 units of the total housing stock in the Grand Cayman suffered some degree of damage. Dwellings which were situated on the sea shore, in low lying, or swampy areas suffered the most severe damage. Older and less well constructed housing was also severely affected.

Four per cent (4%) of homes that were affected were so severely damaged that they required complete reconstruction. 70%, or 9, 475, dwellings suffered severe damage which resulted from sea surge or damage caused by winds to

### Key Messages for Hurricane Dorian Advisory 36: 5:00 AM EDT Mon Sep 02, 2019

1. A prolonged period of catastrophic winds and storm surge will continue to affect Grand Bahama Island through today and tonight. Everyone there should remain in shelter and not venture into the eye.
2. Life-threatening storm surges and dangerous hurricane-force winds are expected along portions of the Florida east coast through mid-week, and storm surge and hurricane warnings are in effect. Only a slight deviation to the left of the official forecast would bring the core of Dorian near or over the Florida east coast. Residents should listen to advice given by local emergency officials.
3. There is an increasing likelihood of strong winds and dangerous storm surge along the coasts of Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina later this week. Residents in these areas should continue to monitor the progress of Dorian and listen to advice given by local emergency officials.
4. Heavy rains, capable of producing life-threatening flash floods, are expected over northern portions of the Bahamas and coastal sections of the Southeast and lower Mid-Atlantic regions of the United States into Friday.

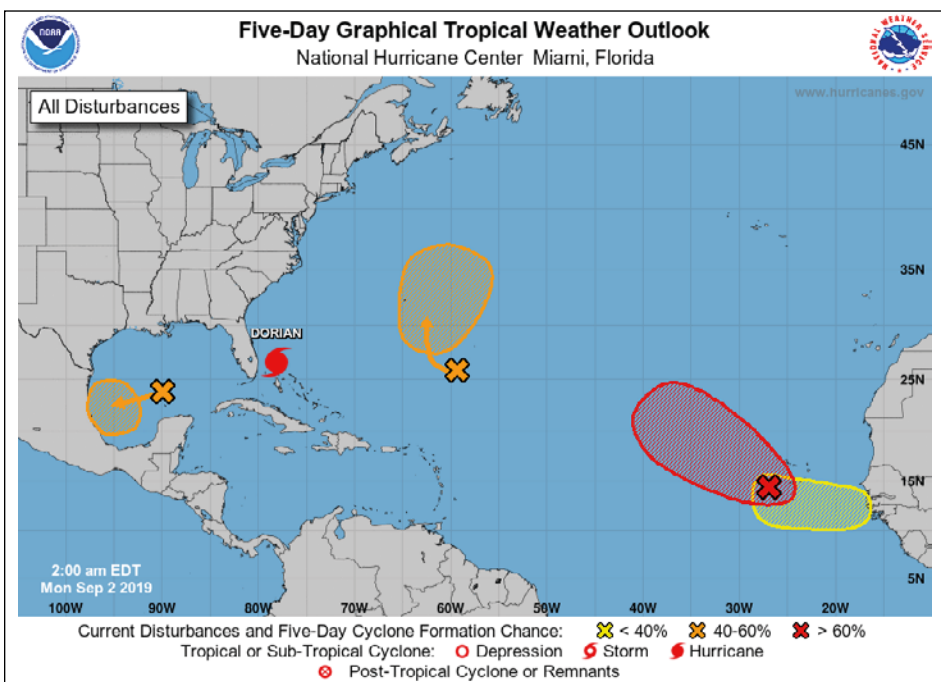
► NOAA's summary

For more information go to [hurricanes.gov](http://hurricanes.gov)

roofs, windows and doors. The remaining 26% or 3,519 dwellings, suffered minor damage caused by partial roof removal, low levels of water inundation, or flying roofs and floating objects such as containers. The total financial effect on the housing sector was estimated at C\$1,444,868,244. (1.4 billion) The financial effect on the finance (commerce) and tourism sectors were estimated at around C\$ 460 million each.

Even as we write this article the National Hurricane Center (NOAA) published the following summary.

Living in the Cayman Islands has its share of risk in relation to natural disaster and residents and visitors should be aware of the annual hurricane season that runs from June to November. Living in paradise is still envied by many who visit our shores and still remains the preferred territory to reside. There is no need to panic over the notion that a tropical system may arrive at these shores. The key to surviving these tropical systems is embedded in the scout's motto. Always "be Prepared".



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**POLICE NEWS**

# Police Helicopter Assists in Brac Airport Incident & Medical Evacuation

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disembarking the engineers and equipment at the airport, the helicopter crew moved over to the Faith Hospital Helipad, rerolled the helicopter for medical transfer, and picked up the patient and

medic. The helicopter landed on the Smith Road cricket pitch and the patient was transferred to an ambulance for the short trip to the Cayman Islands Hospital and continued treatment.

"These tasks have demonstrated the flexibility a helicopter brings, in both

speed and diversity of operations. The H145 has expanded our operational capacity with greatly increased payload and performance, and has exceeded our expectations" commented Steve Fitzgerald, Air Operations Unit commander.

In the past seven days, the diverse operations of the unit have also included a search and rescue 90 miles off shore, working with multiple units on Sunday's drug interdiction, and three medevacs, as well as general response to police incidents. 📍

## Police Officer Assaulted During Drug Arrest

Just before 3:45AM on Friday morning, officers, while on patrol in the vicinity of Harbour Drive, George Town observed 3 males walking in the direction of South Church Street. The officers had cause to stop and speak with the 3 men and, after a short conversation, suspected that the men were under the influence of a controlled drug. One of the men was also found to have provided a false name to the officers.

The man then tried to flee the location, and after a short foot pursuit was caught. He was placed under arrest on suspicion of giv-

ing a false name to police and consumption of a controlled drug: crack cocaine. He became combative and aggressive and whilst trying to escape, he injured one of the officers, causing a broken finger.

The man, age 26 of West Bay, was further arrested on suspicion of assault and failing to provide a specimen for drug testing. He remains in custody pending further investigation. The other two men made off before the arrival of other officers to assist.

The matter is under police investigation. 📍

## Serious Motor Vehicle Collision with Injuries in Bodden Town

Just before 1AM on Sunday morning, 1 September, police and other emergency services were dispatched to a report of a motor vehicle collision that took place in the vicinity of Doubloon Drive, Bodden Town.

The collision took place when the driver of the vehicle involved lost control of and collided with the wall of a residence in the area. The vehicle had two occupants at time of the collision, both with serious injuries and one man in critical condition.

They were both transported to the hospital by the ambulance after being assisted out

of the vehicle by officers from the Cayman Islands Fire Service.

The roadway was blocked on both sides and motorists heading into Bodden Town were diverted through Will T Drive in the Lower Valley area and Motorists heading in the direction of George Town from the Eastern Districts were diverted through Northward.

The incident is under investigation by the Traffic and Roads Policing Unit and traffic investigators are encouraging anyone with information regarding this incident to contact the George Town Police Station at 949-4222. or the Traffic Department at 649-6254. 📍

# Cruise Line Senior VP To Deliver Keynote Address at International Women in Shipping Conference

Cayman's Women's International Shipping & Trading Association - WISTA Cayman Islands - has announced that Captain Patrik Dahlgren, Senior Vice President, Global Marine Operations at Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd will be the keynote speaker for the 2019 WISTA International AGM & Conference which is being hosted by WISTA Cayman from 29 October to 1 November.

Captain Dahlgren's responsibilities span across six cruise brands with offices in Miami, London, Hamburg, Madrid and Shanghai. His seagoing experiences started as a bridge officer with tugboats, yachts and an array of cargo vessels and ferries. He rose through the ranks with over 15 years on-board Royal Caribbean International cruise ships with his last seagoing command being Master of Oasis of the Seas and Quantum of the Seas and was responsible for the final launch of the Quantum Class.

Patrik is a firm believer in giving back to the community, starting with his drive and passion for the United Nations 17 Sustainable Goals. He is personally involved with Gender Equality #5 where he is responsible for raising the percentage of female bridge officers from 5% to 20% in 12 months.

"More women than ever are entering the maritime industry. Being an industry leader in diversity, we continue to focus our efforts on attracting, supporting, and growing our woman talent pool," said Captain Dahlgren. "Expanding on the talent available is not only the right thing to do from a gender equality perspective but also good for the industry. Ignoring a growing gap in the talent pool means that we are ignoring 50% of available capable talent. Celebrity Cruises and RCL look to provide ongoing opportunities to women in these roles as this industry continues to grow, and I very much look forward to having this conversation at the conference."

Other industry professionals slated to speak at the Conference include Lilia Khodjet El Khil, Project Technical Manager for the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) who will talk about Glo-Fouling Partnerships, a

joint project between the IMO, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Global Environment Facility (GEF) to address the transfer of harmful aquatic species in some of the developing regions of the world through biofouling - fouling of pipes and underwater surfaces by organisms such as barnacles and algae.

International hostage negotiator Suzanne Williams will speak on the topic of Business Negotiation in A Global World as well as moderate a panel on doing business in a global world while Jodi Munn Barrow, Secretary General, Caribbean Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control and Jennifer Nugent-Hill, Director of Governmental & Community Affairs at Tropical Shipping USA will discuss Empowering Women in the Maritime Community: Diversity/Gender Bias.

"I am inspired daily by the awesome women whom I have the privilege to call my colleagues across this vast maritime industry. These mighty women of courage who push through the challenges of the workday using their leadership skills and talents to increase profits, proving the idiocy of barriers such as the lack of gender inclusivity in

organisations," said Ms. Nugent-Hill. "I am also encouraged by the strong and open-minded men who are champions for diversity and have recognised that effective leaders exist in both genders and have willingly provided a seat at the table, on the deck or at the helm of the ship for women."

This is the first time that Cayman is hosting the AGM and Conference which will bring over 200 maritime experts from 30-plus countries. The theme for the conference is "Founded Upon the Seas" and the event is sponsored by Maples Group, Port Authority of the Cayman Islands, NetClues, TotoTheo Maritime, Cayman Registry and Jones Walker.

For more information about the 2019 WISTA International AGM & Conference visit [www.wistainternational2019.com](http://www.wistainternational2019.com) or email [Sherice.Arman@maples.com](mailto:Sherice.Arman@maples.com). 📍



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# Latest Impact Status Re Hurricane Dorian



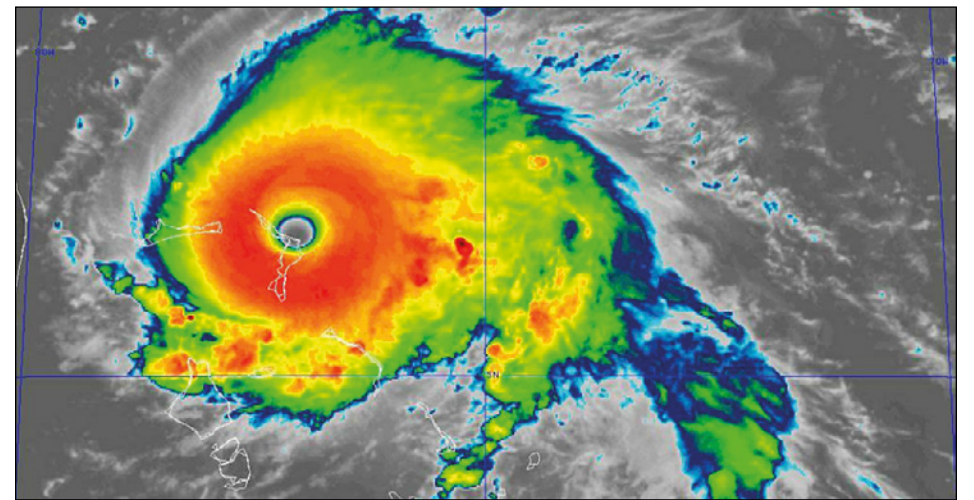
- Latest Impact Status Re: Hurricane Dorian
- Grand Bahama and Abaco and Cays Severely Impacted
- Nassau, Paradise Island, and Other Bahamas Islands Escape Major Damage, Most Hotels Open Which Are Normally Open
- Nassau's Lynden Pindling International Airport Open
- Closed Bahamas Airports: Abaco Marsh Harbour and Abaco Treasure Cay;

Grand Bahamas (Freeport Int'l); Andros Fresh Creek; and Bimini Int'l Airport.

- Open Bahamas Airport: Other than those above which are closed, all other international airports in The Bahamas are open including: Exuma, Eleuthera, South Andros, Nassau, Cat Island, Long Island, Inagua, San Salvador.
- Massive Emergency Relief and Long-Term Support Will Be Essential for Grand Bahama and Abaco

### Dorian Impact Status - September 2, 2019, 11:00 a.m.

Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Eastern Caribbean quickly returned to normal following the passage of then



Tropical Storm Dorian. Except for the main islands of Grand Bahama, Abaco and its Cays in The Bahamas, which has experienced severe damage, the entire Caribbean is fully open for business. Nassau and Paradise Islands have escaped a direct hit from the storm and all hotels are open which are usually open at this time, as is the Linden Pindling International Airport.

We have been in constant contact with officials from The Bahamas and are awaiting word on the best mechanisms for channeling immediate emergency assistance. CHTA is activating a long-term recovery initiative which we plan

to have in place by tomorrow. Details on how you can support immediate emergency relief efforts will be provided as soon as we've received them from the Bahamas Hotel and Tourism Association, which is working with the Government of The Bahamas on the coordination of relief efforts.

Visit our 2019 **Weather Related Activity Update** page on on the CHTA website for status reports on destinations in the storm's path, including the latest from The Bahamas, and links to major airlines serving the Caribbean through South Florida to monitor cancellations and delays. 📍

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# FOSTER'S REBRANDS: The island's supermarket that shoppers trust has rebranded after nearly 39 years

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that makes them smile" said Managing Director, Woody Foster. "Part of this involves addressing those areas we're still working on as a company, like our commitment to the environment which we're actively addressing internally" says Woody.

Foster's new strap line, Better Because We Care, is built on its 39-year-old predecessor, We Care. "We Care has always been at the core of our identity. Removing those words from our branding would be equivalent to erasing our existence. That's why we decided to build on it instead." Says Woody. "Without our customers, we don't exist, and because we care, we continuously strive to be better at everything we do. Our strap line is a reassuring reminder to

our customers that they can depend on us to deliver better value on life's essentials, as well as on the things that make life special" says Julian.

What does this mean for their products and services? "You'll still find the same great value, name brand, and specialty products you find in store now, and our prices are definitely not changing. Our customers care about value, choice and quality, so we offer an ever-expanding range of products at affordable prices. What our customers care about, we care about too" says Julian. While IGA is no longer in their name, the brand will still be available for purchase in all their supermarket locations.

Foster's has begun making the change to their company's visual identity in store, on their buildings and trucks, and internally. While they continue to do so



over the coming weeks, the community will see a mix of both their old and new branding. They expect the majority of

the rebrand to have been completed by the time their new location in Camana Bay opens this fall.

# CAYMAN ISLANDS CRISIS CENTRE OPENS REGISTRATIONS AND SPONSORSHIP FOR ANNUAL JINGLE BELL RUN

Join the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC) as they kick off the festive season with the annual Jingle Bell 5K 10K Walk/Run on Sunday 1 December 2019. The much-anticipated event will begin and end at Holiday Inn, Safe Haven and to add to the festivities of the holiday season, a breakfast will follow along with an opportunity to meet Santa.

This is a powerful cause for our community as CICC works tirelessly towards bringing an end to domestic violence and abuse. Michelle Lockwood, CICC Board Member and Chair of the Fundraising Committee said, "The Jingle Bell run is our longest running fundraiser, with walkers and runners embracing the festivities that the holiday season brings. We are moved every year by the generosity and support of our sponsors, participants and volunteers as we recognize the power and

unity a community can create when moving together".

2018 was the event's largest turnout to date with over 550 participants and hope to increase these numbers for this year. Raffle prizes will be available for race participants and this year will have a special prize for our best decorated tree race shirt.

The CICC is fundraising to build a new shelter for local victims and their children, as the current shelter no longer meets the needs and the increase of victims that are seeking shelter.

Registration is now open on [www.caymanactive.com/jingle](http://www.caymanactive.com/jingle). CI\$25 pre-registration and CI\$30 day of the event. Sponsorship opportunities for all levels are available to support this event. Please visit <https://www.cicc.ky/events> or contact [fundraising@cicc.ky](mailto:fundraising@cicc.ky) for more information.



► Photos from 2018 Jingle Bell Run



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# Cayman Heart Fund Donates AED to the Cayman Islands Boxing Association

The Cayman Heart Fund (CHF) recently donated a HeartSine 360P AED to the Cayman Islands Boxing Association (CIBA), with which CHF is planning to hold a health focused day called Know Your Numbers near the end of October. Know Your Numbers will be a family event to which the entire community will be invited to CIBA's gym for a free health screening and information in order to raise awareness and have lots of fun.

Tristan Wesenhagen, CIBA's Vice President, stated that "CIBA is delighted with the CHF's donation which allows them to further prioritize the health and safety of their members and the public generally. Our youth programs have grown rapidly and now the Truman Bodden Sports Complex has 2 AED's at its disposal.

Maureen Cubbon, CHF Board Member, said, "We are pleased to be partnering with CIBA to offer a fun-filled, health-focused day for the community. Knowing your numbers is crucial to overall wellness and the Cayman Heart Fund happily supports this through our many free community health screening events throughout the year."

Mr. Wesenhagen also said "As a national sports association for Amateur Boxing and a registered NPO

we rely on sponsorship from Cayman Islands Government, the Olympic Committee, private sponsors and generous sponsors like Elite Marble & Granite and the Cayman Heart Fund. All our youth programs from Amateur Boxing to Calisthenics to early intervention programs for at risk youth are free of charge and we like to keep it that way. Sports should always be accessible to youth."

Dr. Bella Beraha, CHF Vice-Chairperson, said, "In alignment with our core values and mission, the CHF is proud to donate a lifesaving piece of equipment (defibrillator) to the CI Boxing Association. The boxing association does admirable work with our youth and we are pleased we can assist them in providing a safe environment where people can exercise."

The Cayman Heart Fund (CHF) is a non-profit, non-government organization dedicated to the reduction of heart and circulatory disease in the Cayman Islands. Heart and circulatory disease, known as cardiovascular disease (CVD), is the number one health problem in the Cayman Islands. For more information contact: 345-916-6324 or info@caymanheartfund.com.



► Dr. Bella Beraha, Cayman Heart Fund Board Member (left), Tristan Wesenhagen, Vice President of the Cayman Islands Boxing Association and his son Oliver Gabriel Wesenhagen (middle), Maureen Cubbon, Cayman Heart Fund Board Member (right)

# Cayman Enterprise City and UCCI introduce Internationally recognised Code Programme

## The Cayman Islands Code Academy Sets Out to Support New Career Opportunities

Cayman's first immersive code academy led by international recognised curriculum designed by Code Fellows has opened its doors with a core goal - to help teach Caymanians and residents of the Cayman Islands seeking to pursue careers in technology to become exceptional programmers, developers, and coders.

The Cayman Code Academy has been established by Cayman Enterprise City (CEC) and the University College of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) and the first series of classes are scheduled to take place in October 2019 at CEC's Strathvale House located in George Town, Grand Cayman. Enrollment begins September 11. Interested candidates are invited to attend a free information seminar on Tuesday, 10 September at 6:00pm hosted at UCCI. Attendees will get the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about the CCA while listening to Mitchell Robertson, VP of Code Fellows talking about the CCA highlights and what to expect from the courses. Please RSVP to Bianca Mora at B.Mora@caymanenterprisecity.com.

Founded in 2013, the Seattle-based trade school has helped over 1158 students find rewarding new careers, with a median salary of USD \$72,500.00 per year for the 93% who are working in-field. "At Code Fellows, we believe that coding isn't just for the elite, it's for all of us," explains Mitchell Robertson, VP of Code Fellows. "We know that the end

goal for most students attending our schools is to secure a job in the tech industry. We're very honored to be a part of their journey and very proud of our students' achievements. This is why we are excited to be partnering with Cayman Code Academy, CEC and UCCI to help change the lives of Caymanians through the power of technical education and our proven curriculum. This will undoubtedly lead to stronger businesses, more talented workforce, and a stronger Cayman Islands economy."

Shorter courses are designed to expose individuals to the basics of software development while intermediate and advanced courses will help participants to become entry level web developers and provide existing coders with access to professional development courses. In every course, learners will receive hands-on development experience, working in teams to apply their training and building apps to expand on technical skills. The classroom-based education will be paired with internship and mentorships placement opportunities with global tech companies operating within the CEC special economic zone, Cayman Tech City.

"With over 175 technology focused companies now established within Cayman Tech City, we think now is the perfect time to launch an in-person, immersive training programme to meet our industry's needs," said CEC's CEO

Charlie Kirkconnell. "We want to ensure that Caymanians and residents of the Cayman Islands have access to quality tech-focused education so that they may become significant players in our ever-evolving global digital economy."

"Our aim is to have 20 students graduate within our first year of operation and to match and even exceed Code Fellows 93 percent job placement rate," added Kirkconnell.

Through an extensive programme of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) outreach initiatives which include conferences, summer camps, and code clubs, CEC and UCCI have been working together since 2012 to actively promote technology-driven careers and opportunities. "Now that our students are aware of the opportunities and we are certain of the growing demand for talented programmers, we want to ensure that we are delivering student-centered, well-resourced programming that will help graduates access tech careers and ultimately drive positive economic development, innovation, and social change," explained UCCI President and CEO, Dr. Stacy McAfee.

UCCI is currently seeking sponsors to support the Cayman Code Academy scholarship programme and complementary initiatives, which aim to foster an innovative tech community. "We want to ensure that students who may not be in a position to cover course tuition fees



► CEO Charlie Kirkconnell and Dr. Stacy McAfee

are able to participate and access this globally recognised curriculum taught by industry experts," explained UCCI's President and CEO Dr. Stacy McAfee. "We are looking for key sponsors to help us drive this initiative and assist with complementary programmes such as alumni support groups, free courses for local educators, hackathon events, youth clubs, and media sponsors to help us to reach as many interested coders as possible."

For more information about Cayman Code Academy visit [www.caymancodeacademy.com](http://www.caymancodeacademy.com). For sponsorship opportunities and details email [info@caymancodeacademy.com](mailto:info@caymancodeacademy.com).

# Cox Lumber awards another scholarship to a Caymanian!

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Grand Cayman and is continuing towards her degree with Liberty University online.

Ms. McField works at the Cayman Islands National Museum and in the future hopes to be involved in shaping public policy and promoting the history and culture of the Cayman Islands.

At Cox Lumber we salute Cayman's youth and will do our part to help those willing to learn and further their education. For more info on Cox Lumber's "building success" scholarship program contact consultant Joe.Shetler@Cox-LumberLtd.com



► (L to R) Joe Shetler VP Cox Lumber, "building success" scholarship recipient Shenice McField and Linda Bush HR director Cox Lumber Ltd.

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# Cayman's Blue Iguana Making Major Strides

The Blue Iguana recovery program in the Cayman Islands is one the most revoting success stories in conservation today. From just 20 creatures nearly two decades ago, there have now been over 1,500 being released into the wild via the National Trust's recovery and conservation programme.

The Programme was initiated in great part by Mr. Fred Burton who started out hatching them in a bathtub in his home. Today the program is equipped with incubators that house the eggs and there is an exact science to recreate the natural confluence of environmental factors that best aid in their development to hatching.

Today, the Blue Iguana Programme is under the careful watch of Environmental Programmes Manager Stuart Mailer and a team of experts.

One of the world's most popular reptiles, Cayman's Blue Iguana Lizard is somewhat of a mythical figure and has even been featured in the Guinness World Book of Records as being the longest loving lizard in the world.

Godzilla, as the creature was affectionately known, lived at the Gladys Porter Zoo in Brownsville, Texas, until his passing in 2004. He was 69 years of age at the time and had been taken from the bushes in Grand Cayman in the 1950s.

Such was his notoriety that there was even an obituary done for him.

The Blue Iguana is one of the world's most protected species because it also one of the world's most coveted and revered.

Consequently, the recovery and protection programme in the Cayman Islands involves a component of protection that considers those that whom might seek to take the animals legally and try sell the creature on the black market.

Another threat to the Blue Iguanas are wild cats and as the cat release program has vamped up in Grand Cayman, the felines - whose numbers continue to rise - are neutered or spayed and then returned to the wild at an increasing rate. The result is that the cats then become a predator of these lizards.

The National Trust for the Cayman Islands is a private entity and contrary to popular belief, is not owned by the Cayman Islands Government. It is actually a private Non Profit Organization. As a result, much of the funding for the work that has been done to save the 'Blues' - as they are affectionately called in local circles - has been paid for by the kindness of donors. The Government does subsidize the National Trust.

During the programme's peek, there were iguana 120 hatchlings iguanas according to Operations Manager Luke Harding of the National Trust's Environmental Pogramme, He added that the survival rate was always a concern but that is also getting much better, "We had twenty-three hatchlings this year alone," add-



► Cayman Blue Iguana

ing that this year has also seen a 100 percent survival rate of the species."

The focus of the programme has now switched gears to strengthening/improving the Blue Iguana's gene pool, which is really a testament to the initiative's progress. To mark the milestone, the name of the Blue Iguana Recovery Programme is now the Blue Iguana Conservation Programme.

Though Luke warned that the creatures are far from being in the clear, explaining that one disease could easily decimate their numbers and that the situation was still quite delicate.



## Pirates Week 2019: Shipwrecked

Thousands of people line the streets to watch the spectacle of the Pirates Week "mock invasion" and its good-natured fun which boasts a new twist every year.

This year's theme is Shipwrecked and will highlight the cultural importance of the Cayman Catboat (a boat first designed and built by Daniel Jervis in 1904 in Cayman Brac).

The Cayman Catboat Club is a non-profit Cayman Islands Cultural Preservation Organisation which aims to preserve the Catboat and shipbuilding trade and pass on the unique history that surrounds Cayman's maritime heritage.

There is still time for visitors to pack their bags and book a Pirates in Paradise hotel stay (link below) to experience

this unique festival. For more information on these accommodation packages log on to [www.piratesweekfestival.com](http://www.piratesweekfestival.com)

### Heritage Days Connects Fantasy With Culture

The District Heritage Days are an integral part of the festival, tying pirate fantasy to the history of the Cayman Islands and the culture of its people.

These events are put on by volunteer committees within each district in Grand Cayman and on both sister islands. These Heritage Days showcase that district's specific history, important community figures, traditional arts and crafts, as well as local and national dishes, drinks, desserts and cultural dances.

Older folks are enlisted to attend and can be seen demonstrating the techniques of how to make these utilitarian art pieces, passing on knowledge and culture to younger generations.

### District Heritage Days are as follows:

- Tuesday, 12th November - East End
- Wednesday, 13th November - West Bay
- Thursday, 14th November - North Side
- Friday, 15th November - Bodden Town
- Saturday, 16th November - George Town

### Pirates Week Festival dates are as follows:

- Cayman Brac: 1st-3rd November
- Grand Cayman: 7th-11th November
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# DORIAN BATTERS THE BAHAMAS

The Bahamas is trying to come to terms with the unrelenting brutal battering it suffered from the most powerful and destructive hurricane to have made landfall there.

Over a period of more than 24 hours from Sunday well into Monday, Category Five-rated Hurricane Dorian pounded the northern Bahamas islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama with ferocious winds, incessant rainfall and storm surges.

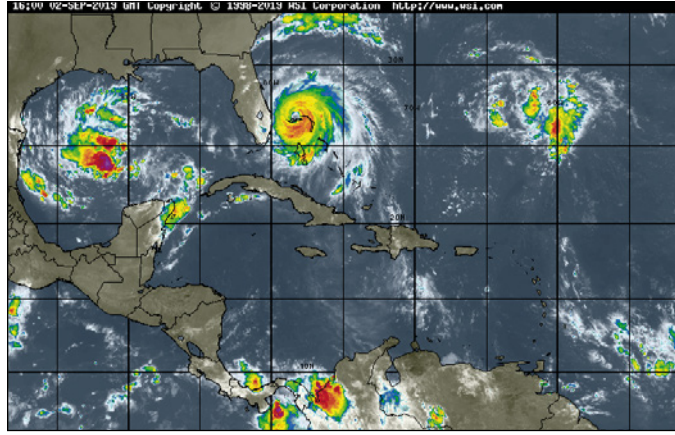
Sustained winds of 185 miles an hour with gusts up to 220 miles an hour, and storm surges of over 20 feet accompanied by torrential rainfall wreaked havoc across those two islands in particular.

The hurricane which was already moving very slowly at around eight miles an hour - increasing the potential for damage - had reportedly crawled to an almost standstill overnight Sunday into early Monday, according to reports from Nassau.

Category Five is the most severe rating for hurricanes on the Saffir-Simpson scale where damage is expected to be catastrophic.

There was already evidence of that on Sunday with riveting images on social media as well as mainstream media showing pictures of the extent of the early devastation.

One widely-circulated image showed a clearly distressed Prime Minister Hubert Minnis reportedly in tears over the damage sustained to the islands from the relentless onslaught of Hurricane Dorian.



In a Twitter statement he had also said "this is the saddest and worst day for me to address the Bahamian people." "We are facing a hurricane that we have never seen in The Bahamas. Pray for us."

A video of an anguished appeal for prayers by one Abaco resident trapped in the raging fury of the storm went viral. She too appealed to the world to pray for her and her country.

Storm surges turned streets into rivers and neighbourhoods into lakes in low-lying Abaco as the powerful storm slowly crawled across the island (population 17,000) and headed towards the more developed and heavily populated Grand Bahama (population 51,000).

The population of the Bahamas is around 350,000. The archipelago spans a distance of over 500 miles from just off south-eastern Florida to the Turks and Caicos Islands.

The main island New Providence (population 246,000) where the nation's cap-

ital Nassau is located, escaped relatively unscathed, although there were reports of water damage and power outages.

But as daylight broke on Monday, the full extent of the horrific destruction on the island of Abaco became clear.

With Grand Bahama then feeling the full brunt of the hurricane, packing winds down to 160 miles an hour but almost stationary, it was clear that damage on the tourism dependent island known for its massive resorts would run into the multiple billions of dollars.

Damage in the Bahamas was restricted for the most part to the northern quadrant of the huge archipelago of over 700 islands, 30 of which are inhabited.

But it was the early heart-wrenching images from the island of Abaco in the north-east Bahamas uploaded to social media by residents as well as local television news reports first conveyed the horror that had befallen that island.

Shocking scenes of extensive property damage were captured on smartphones and uploaded by terrified residents in the eerie calm as the eye of the storm passed.

The eye of a passing hurricane offers a few minutes of deceptive calm as the winds return with even more ferocity from the opposite direction.

The Category Five storm had slowed to less than eight miles an hour as it first shredded its way across the northern islands of the Bahamas chain on Sunday.

At press time there were no official reports of loss of life, however, local authorities had warned that the intense hurricane posed what they called 'a life-threatening situation'. (Updates are on the Caymanian Times website and Facebook page).

Hurricane Dorian had meandered its way across the Caribbean, first as a Tropical Storm and then as Category One hurricane, causing some damage - mainly flooding - but missing most of the islands.

But its sudden intensification unleashed its ferocity on the northern Bahamas on Sunday as it headed into Florida where it was again expected to change direction and head north up the eastern seaboard of the United States towards Georgia and the Carolinas.

President Donald Trump's beloved Mar-a-Lago Club resort on Palm Beach in Florida was feared to be in the path of the hurricane.

President Trump said on Sunday that he wasn't "sure that I've ever even heard of a Category Five" hurricane, despite four storms of that magnitude hitting the US since he's been in office.



## Suggested Hurricane Supply List

To prepare for the unknown, each home should have a 72-hour Disaster Survival Kit. You will need to pack some essential items to help you and your family survive, whether you stay at home or leave it during a disaster.

Ensure at least three days (72 hours) supply for each person. Do not forget pets where applicable! The following is a minimum suggested list of Survival Kit supplies:

### Drinking Water:

- One gallon per person/per day in unbreakable containers, Avoid using containers that will decompose or break, such as milk cartons or glass bottles. A normally active person needs to drink at least two quarts of water each day. Hot environments and intense physical activity can double that amount. Children, nursing mothers, and ill people will need more.
- Don't forget to add additional water for mixing formula if you have children and for your pets. Rotate the drinking water each year.
- Food preparation and sanitation require another two quarts (minimum) per person daily.
- Purchased bottled water that has been sealed is best for storage. It meets FDA guidelines for food and is not as vulnerable to temperature changes as unsealed water
- **Tip:** Purchase water this year and use it for drinking next year. This allows for rotation on an annual basis and keeps the water fresh. **Yes water can go bad!**

### Non-perishable Food:

- Maintain at least 3-7 days of food for each member of the family.
- Small, preferably single serving cans (should not require cooking or refrigeration). Dried fruit, peanut butter and jelly, coffee, tea, soft drinks and pet foods.
- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables.
- Canned juices, milk, soup (if powdered, store extra water).
- Staples - sugar, salt, pepper in water proof containers.
- High energy foods like crackers, granola bars, trail mix.

- Raw vegetables that do not need refrigeration.
- Fresh bread.
- Comfort/stress foods - cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, lollipops, **instant coffee, tea bags.**

- Sterno for cooking.
- Vitamins
- Food for infants
- Paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils
- Non-electric can opener
- Aluminum foil
- Plastic storage containers
- Lots of ice (you can freeze your water supply)
- Pedialyte (to restore hydration if needed)
- **Tip:** Purchase only items that you like to eat and would eat even without a storm. Rotate these items by using them Dec-May each year and purchasing new items Jan-May. This allows you to reduce the cost of buying items for a hurricane kit at one time and keeps the items fresh. **Yes even canned goods have a shelf life!**

### Baby Needs:

- Special foods (enough for several days)
- Formula (enough for several days)
- Extra diapers
- Medicines (get a copy of prescription)
- Blankets
- Diaper Rash Ointment
- Baby Wipes
- Powder
- Bottles
- Pacifier
- Favorite toy/blanket
- Medicine dropper
- Diaper-rash ointment

### Sanitation

- Toilet paper, towelettes, soap, baby wipes, liquid hand sanitizer
- Liquid detergent
- Feminine supplies
- Personal hygiene items (toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo etc.)
- Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)
- Plastic bucket with tight lid
- Household chlorine bleach, disinfectant
- Plenty of absorbent towels

### First Aid Kit

- Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car.
- Adhesive bandages various sizes - Sterile gauze pads (various sizes)
- Germicidal hand wipes or waterless alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Non-latex gloves - Adhesive tape - Anti-bacterial ointment - Antiseptic spray
- Cold packs (non refrigerated type) - Scissors - Tweezers - Rubbing alcohol
- CPR breathing barrier, such as a face shield - Thermometer, Safety pins.

### Non-Prescription Drugs

- Aspirin or nonaspirin pain reliever, Benadryl, peroxide
- Anti-diarrhea medication, Antacid (for stomach upset)
- Syrup of Ipecac (use to induce vomiting if advised by the Poison Control Center)
- Laxative
- Activated charcoal (use if advised by the Poison Control Center)

### Prescription Drugs

- Heart and high blood pressure medication
- Insulin (enough for a 30 day supply)
- Hearing Aid and extra batteries
- Prescription drugs
- Denture needs
- Contact lenses and supplies
- Extra eye glasses
- **Tip:** If your insurance will allow, get a 90 day supply of prescriptions and have at least a 30 day supply on hand. n't wait until a couple of days before a storm to go to the pyou may not get your prescription refilled; the lines are very quickly.

### Clothing and Bedding

- Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person.
- Sturdy shoes or work boots
- Towels
- Rain gear
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Pillows
- Hat and gloves
- Sunglasses
- Tent
- Lawn chairs

### Entertainment

- Games

- Books
- Cards
- Extra batteries for games Coloring books, crayons.

### Miscellaneous

- Wind-up or battery-operated clock
- Paper, pencil
- Needles, thread
- Camping utensils
- Map of the area (for locating shelters) and returning to the area.
- Cash or traveler's checks
- **Tip:** Have enough cash to sustain you through a 2 week period. Without electricity, most businesses (if open) will not accept credit cards and may not accept traveler's checks.
- Emergency preparedness manual
- Citronella candles

### Not evacuating and staying home?

- Ensure you have enough food, water, medications, and other supplies in your survival kit to last at least 2 weeks.
- Turn refrigerator to coldest setting and keep closed.
- Turn off propane tanks.
- Unplug small appliances.
- Fill bathtub and other containers with water for cleaning and flushing. Additional water is stored for drinking.
- Cover all windows and other openings with hardened protections. If you do not have manufactured shutters, cut plywood and secure to protect the windows.
- Close all interior doors and brace outer doors.
- Select an interior room to use as a safe room.
- Plan as though you were evacuating and have enough cash on hand to sustain purchasing of gas, food, and other supplies in the days following the storm.
- If you have a generator, ensure you have enough gas on hand to sustain usage for several days.
- Ensure you have sufficient medications in case you are confined to your home for several days. Post-storm there may not be any electricity and pharmacies will probably be closed even with a minor storm.
- Plan to cook on a camp stove or grill in the days immediately after the storm passes.



# Mahomes aims for second MVP season

The NFL kicks off this week and Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes will be one of the most scrutinised players on show. This time last year Mahomes was a novice starter embarking on an exciting career. The first NFL match of the season sees the Chicago Bears face the Green Bay Packers on Friday at Soldier Field. The Chiefs go to Jacksonville Jaguars on Sunday when most Round 1 games are played.

Now Mahomes is the reigning NFL most valuable player and a slew of companies approached him with endorsement and investment opportunities and options. Amongst his many contracts, Mahomes has chosen the MVP Experience, an extended reality project in partnership with immersive entertainment company CityLights.

This project will have fans at Chiefs home games at Arrowhead Stadium — thanks to an official partnership with the team — put on a virtual reality

headset and be transported on the field in Kansas City.

When Mahomes' representatives came to him with this business idea, the 23-year-old Texan thought back to his childhood and the QBs he loved to emulate.

"As I grew up and idolised and watched some of these quarterbacks that played the game, I always wanted to see exactly what they were doing and how they did it," Mahomes said. "And so when they came to me with this idea, I knew it was something I wanted to look into even more. And once I met the people behind it and their drive to make it the best possible thing they could, I knew it was the perfect fit for me."

Judging by Mahomes' unique style of play, it's no surprise that the first quarterback he emulated was Brett Favre.

"Just to see him scrambling around the field and finding ways to make impossible throws, I always wanted to see what did the window look like when he made that throw and how did he make it," Mahomes said. "I feel like that was something that inspired me to get out there and try to make these throws and do all these different arm angles."

Later, Mahomes saw Aaron Rodgers and Tony Romo make amazing plays, so the concept of fans being able to go into his mindset and get an up-close view on what he sees was something that really appealed to him.



► Patrick Mahomes expects another great season

"They're going to be able to go out there and step into my shoes, at least for a couple of plays," Mahomes said. "I knew that people would be interested, and I wanted to do whatever I could to show them this technology and show them what we do on a daily basis, trying to go out there and win football games."

Mahomes was first introduced to virtual reality technology during his third and final season at Texas Tech, where the Red Raiders used VR to help players perform drills and scout opposing teams.

"We weren't necessarily live, but we were doing live reps at the same time," Mahomes said. "And we would go back in and actually watch the film through the headsets and see exactly what we were seeing on the field or as close to it

as you possibly could to get those extra reps. Even guys who had some injuries and were not able to practice would use that to get the reps that they couldn't."

Life has certainly changed for Mahomes over the last year. From beginning his first full season as Chiefs starter, to taking the league by storm and being deemed the future of professional football who nearly led Kansas City to the Super Bowl, Mahomes said he gets recognised a lot more in public now. That full year of transcendent football also gave him a better understanding of what it takes to have success in the NFL.

"On a daily basis, how much work you have to put in in order to be great on and off the field," Mahomes said. "And so that's something I have a better understanding of, and I keep learning as I get more experience." 🌐



► Brett Favre was Mahomes' first QB inspiration

## Loma focuses on fourth belt

Vasyl Lomachenko is three-quarters of the way to his goal of unifying boxing's lightweight division after defeating Luke Campbell Saturday in London. He comfortably outpointed the gritty Brit to confirm his status as the pound-for-pound king.

Only one major belt remains, and that title will belong to either current IBF titleholder Richard Commey or mandatory challenger Teofimo Lopez once that fight is officially made soon.

Lomachenko, the WBC, WBO and WBA king, is poised to fight either man once the opportunity comes and that seems particularly true when it comes

to Lopez. In recent years the 22-year-old upstart and his father have spoken often of their desire to face Lomachenko, with Lopez's father (also Teofimo) having some harsh words for the Ukrainian champ.

Commey is a 32-year-old Ghanaian who has won 29 of 31 bouts, 26 by knockout. He is teak-tough but the New York-based African does not possess Loma's skills, dazzling speed and precision. Commey has a puncher's chance at best.

Lomachenko, 31, and his promoter Bob Arum said the three-weight world champion could then go back to featherweight or super-featherweight. 🌐



► Vasyl Lomachenko holds three world title belts

## Binnie upbeat for Jamaica's chances

Jamaican and Caribbean number one squash player Chris Binnie has now set his sights on the World Team Championships. Binnie has often played in the Cayman Islands, with epic battles with Caymanian pro Cameron Stafford.

Binnie said he has recovered from the injury which impacted his performance at the July Pan American Games in Peru, where he won a record ninth Caribbean Area Squash Association Senior Championships title in Guyana two weeks ago.

He pointed out that this is a good basis on which to tackle the Washington championships in December.

Binnie, 30, said: "We aim to improve our team's world ranking and continue to represent Jamaica on the world stage."

Jamaica took the silver medal in the team competition in Guyana but will be the only Caribbean country represented at the World Team Championships where it will be making its second-consecutive appearance, after playing in France in 2017.

"This has been a confidence builder for me to move on to the pro tour in the fall and keep trying to improve my

game, and hopefully some good results will follow," he said. "It is a good feeling, especially with the type of year I have had with all the setbacks."

Much of Jamaica's success is due to Binnie himself, who is ranked in the top 100 players by the World Squash Federation. He is targeting breaking into the world's top 50 players in the world this year. "I feel that I am back on track," Binnie said. "It shows that all the work I put in has helped."

His optimism is boosted by the fact that Washington is in a similar time zone to Jamaica, and closer than France was, which should improve Jamaica's prospects. 🌐



► Chris Binnie is the nine-times Caribbean champ

## Howard needs to fit in at Lakers

Dwight Howard will get his chance at redeeming his flailing NBA career at the Los Angeles Lakers and a former teammate is urging him to make the most of the chance.

Matt Barnes, who played alongside the 6-foot-11 centre with the Orlando Magic in 2009 and 2010, believes this could be a new start for the former top pick although he needs to stop bickering with team-mates and fit in generally.

Taken in as a replacement for the injured DeMarcus Cousins from Washington Wizards, there is no question that the coming of Howard comes with a lot of adversity. For one, he is best remembered for turning his back on the Lakers in 2013 and having squabbles with former Lakers stars. That includes Shaquille O'Neal, a feud that has been going on until this day. In fact, O'Neal continues to take jabs at Howard which he does not respond to.

As for Howard, the fact remains that he is on a non-guaranteed deal. It is a different scenario compared to the days where he was being dangled multi-million dollar deals. With injuries hamper-

ing him the past years, the three-time NBA Defensive Player of the Year has struggled to stay healthy and be the force in the middle most remember him to be. With the Lakers, he hopes to start fresh and prove that he can still be an effective player.

Barnes, 39, thinks that this Lakers stint is critical, and Howard cannot afford to botch it up. It may seem like an odd setup but nevertheless something the 33-year-old needs to contend with.

"I think he realizes it's his last chance and really need to put all the bullsh\*t to the side and just go out there and play basketball," said the retired NBA Barnes who last played for the Golden State Warriors in 2017.

Howard has caused disruption in locker rooms in the past. Barnes somehow agrees with that claim, but the main thing now is that he needs to change his ways or suffer the consequences.

Meanwhile, Lakers legend Kobe Bryant, who was admired for his drive and work ethic during his own playing days, is not a fan of the trend of increased rest for healthy star players in the NBA today



► Dwight Howard must win over the Lakers fans

-- now commonly referred to as "load management."

"What the hell is that?" Bryant said. "I don't know what that is. That's crazy. Seriously, it's crazy. You've got a lot of

people paying their hard-earned money to come watch you perform. Perform. Perform. It's your job to be in shape. It's your job to be strong enough to perform at that level every single night." 🌐

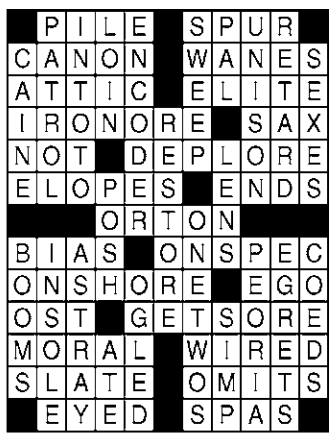


**CROSSWORD**

By **THOMAS JOSEPH**

- ACROSS**
- 40 Singer's concern
  - 1 Ice cream unit
  - 6 Plumbing fluid
  - 43 Toted
  - 44 Beholds
  - 45 Must have

- DOWN**
- 1 Futuristic genre
  - 2 "Be quiet!"
  - 3 Musical drama
  - 4 Hockey's Bobby
  - 5 Fall guys
  - 6 Heathen
  - 7 Radio's Glass
  - 8 Thoughtful
  - 9 Car parts
  - 12 Fall flowers
  - 17 Golf goal
  - 20 Clothing brand
  - 21 Value
  - 22 Church toppers
  - 23 Indigenous group
  - 24 If challenged
  - 25 "Mellow Yellow" singer
  - 29 Mouth part



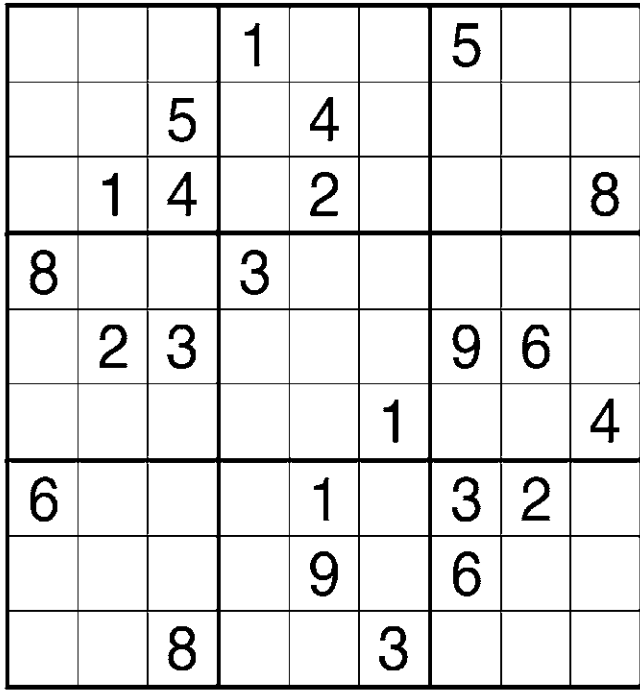
Saturday's answer

**SUDOKU**

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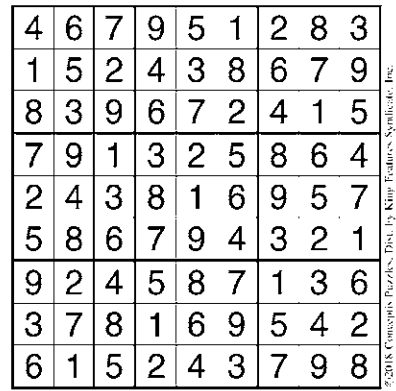
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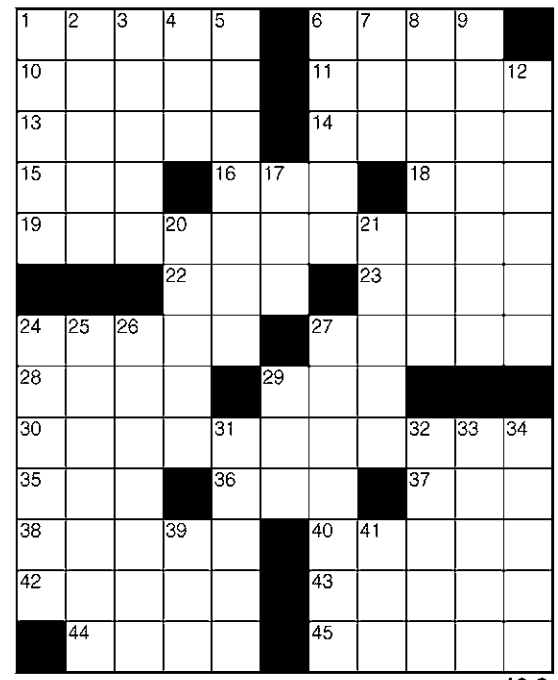
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- 11 Sports setting
- 13 Chemically inactive
- 14 Sides in turf wars
- 15 Pine's kin
- 16 Relaxing retreat
- 18 Use a chair
- 19 Pinot grigio, for one
- 22 Oxygen: Prefix
- 23 Finished
- 24 Pretentious people
- 27 Attire
- 28 Window section
- 29 Write hastily
- 30 Sub with salami
- 35 Relieve (of)
- 36 Binary base
- 37 Pool unit
- 38 Steer clear of



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**Word Search**



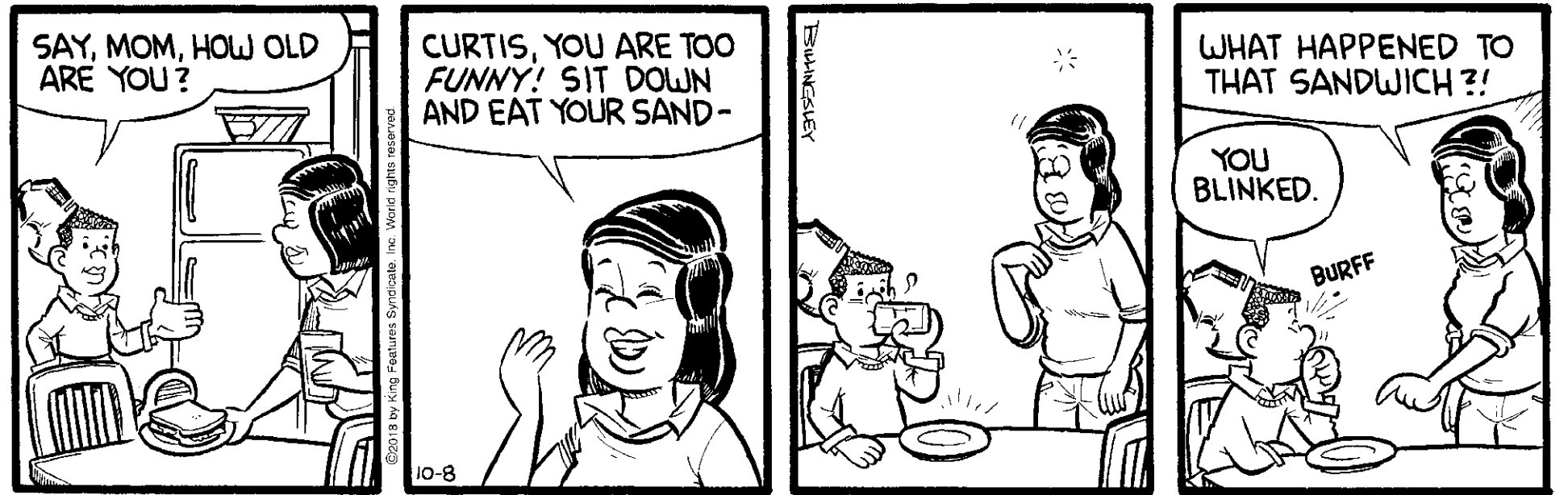
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- Hoagy
- Hoard
- Hoarse
- Hoax
- Hobbit
- Hobbyhorse
- Hobgoblin
- Hobnob
- Hobo
- Hockey
- Hoedown
- Hogback
- Hokum
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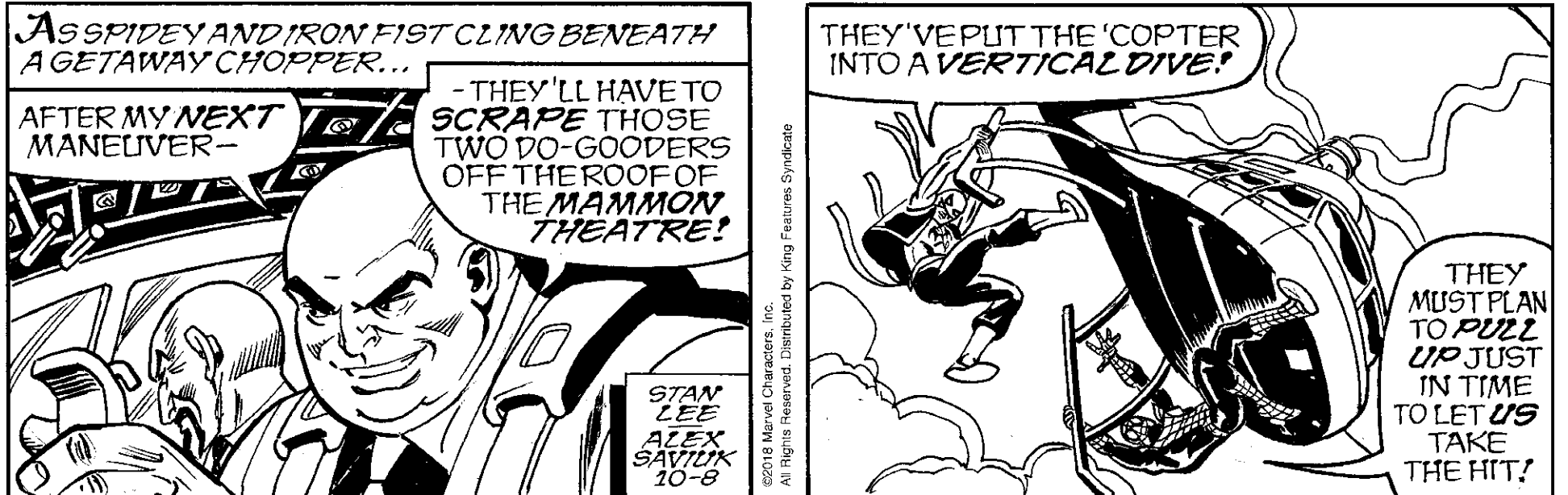
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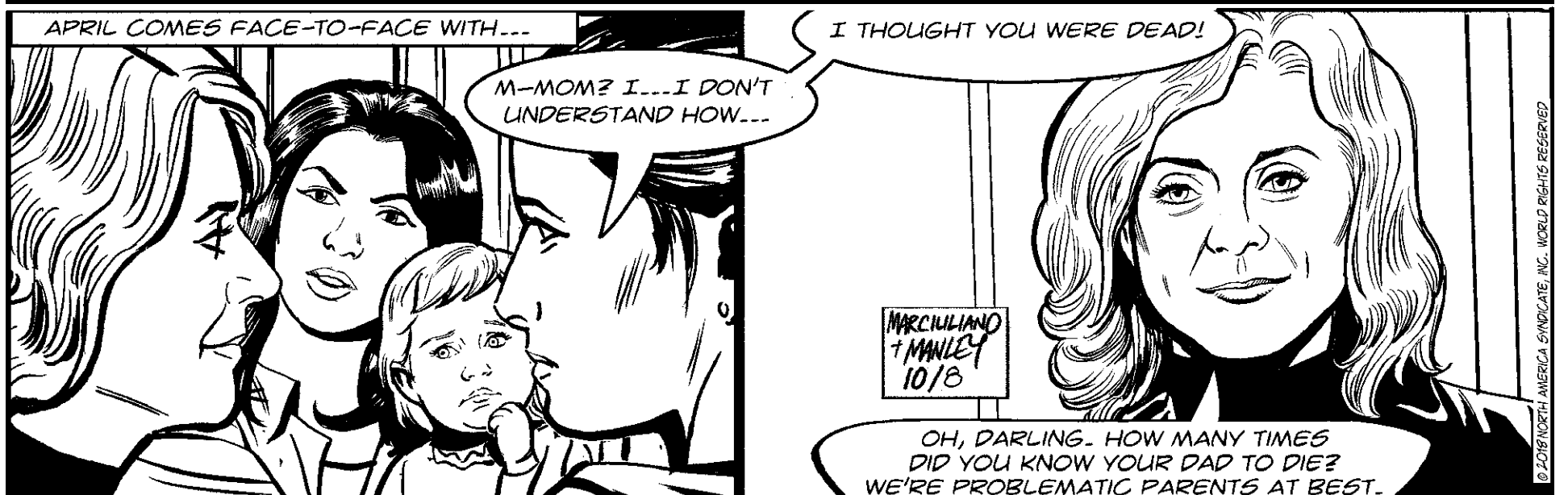
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