

TITLE: Coronavirus By The Numbers, Space Force Rocket Launch & Meghan Markle's New Job

TODAY IS FRIDAY MARCH 27th

WE'RE BREAKING DOWN THE LATEST NUMBERS TO HELP HIGHLIGHT THE IMPACT OF THE NEW CORONAVIRUS.... FROM HOW THE U.S. IS LEADING... IN A WAY WE *DON'T* WANT... TO WHICH AREA IS NOW CONSIDERED THE NEWEST 'HOT SPOT'....

PLUS: A FEW OTHER THINGS GOING ON, INCLUDING A FIRST FOR THE NEW SPACE FORCE, A NEW JOB FOR THE DUCHESS OF SUSSEX, AND A HEARTWARMING CHANGE OF HEART...

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WELCOME, WELCOME --TO THENEWSWORTHY

ALL THE DAY'S NEWS -- IN LESS THAN TEN MINUTES.
FAST, FAIR, FUN.. AND ON THE GO.

I'M ERICA MANDY
THANKS SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE.

You ready?
LET'S DO THIS.

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U.S. Has Most Diagnosed Cases in the World: [Johns Hopkins](#)
New York Impacts: [Bloomberg](#), [NY Times](#)
Navy Ships En Route: [DOD News](#)
Hospital Supplies Donated: [NY Times](#), [LA Times](#)

WE START TODAY WITH THE UNITED STATES REACHING A GRIM MILESTONE IN THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.

THE COUNTRY HAS NOW REPORTED MORE CASES OF COVID-19 THAN ANY OTHER NATION..
MORE THAN 85 THOUSAND AMERICANS HAVE REPORTEDLY TESTED POSITIVE...

THAT'S MORE THAN CHINA- WHERE THE VIRUS ORIGINATED... and OTHER HARD-HIT AREAS LIKE ITALY.

THOUGH KEEP IN MIND: IN THE U.S..... FAR MORE PEOPLE RECOVER FROM THE VIRUS THAN DIE FROM IT.

IN TOTAL AROUND THE WORLD: MORE THAN HALF A MILLION PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INFECTED... AND MORE THAN 24 THOUSAND HAVE DIED.

ANOTHER SOBERING STATISTIC:

ON JUST ONE DAY THIS WEEK- NEW YORK CITY RECEIVED MORE THAN 64-HUNDRED MEDICAL 911 CALLS.

THAT'S THE HIGHEST *EVER* IN THE CITY...

AND YES, THAT SURPASSES THE PREVIOUS RECORD SET ON SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH, 2001.

AND HOSPITALS ARE OVERWHELMED NOW.

THE NEW YORK TIMES SAYS THE INTENSIVE CARE BEDS IN NYC HOSPITALS ARE EXPECTED TO BE *FULL BY TODAY.

BUT --- NEW YORK WILL SOON GET SOME HELP.

IT HOPES TO BUILD AT LEAST ONE NEW FACILITY WITH 1-THOUSAND BEDS IN EACH OF NEW YORK CITY'S FIVE BOROUGHS AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES...

ALSO - A NAVY HOSPITAL SHIP CALLED "THE COMFORT" IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE NORFOLK, VIRGINIA FOR NEW YORK CITY TOMORROW.

IT TOO WILL PROVIDE SPACE- SO HOSPITALS CAN MAKE MORE ROOM FOR NEW COVID-19 PATIENTS.

ANOTHER NAVY SHIP- "THE MERCY"- WAS ALREADY DISPATCHED TO THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES EARLIER THIS WEEK.

BOTH THE MERCY AND COMFORT ARE EQUIPPED WITH A THOUSAND HOSPITAL BEDS AND ADEQUATE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

MEANWHILE-

MILLIONS OF MASKS ARE TURNING UP ALL OVER THE COUNTRY... AS PEOPLE LOOK FOR, AND FIND... OLD STOCKPILES ... OR OTHER SUPPLIERS OF MASKS...

REMEMBER: THERE'S A SERIOUS SHORTAGE....

FOR EXAMPLE, INVESTMENT COMPANIES HAVE FOUND- AND DONATED- MASKS THEY HAD FROM PREVIOUS EPIDEMICS... OR THAT THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO GATHER FROM CLIENTS.

AND A HEALTH CARE UNION SAID IT FOUND 39 *MILLION* MASKS FROM A PRIVATE DISTRIBUTOR IN PENNSYLVANIA...

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NOLA Cases Growing: [USA Today](#), [Fox News](#)

Texas Orders Quarantine on Tri-State, NOLA Travelers: [Press Release](#)

New Social Distancing Guidelines: [NBC News](#), [CNN](#)

SO FAR- WE KNOW THE VAST MAJORITY OF AMERICAN COVID-19 CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE NEW YORK CITY AREA.

BUT there's ANOTHER 'HOT SPOT' EMERGING IN THE DEEP SOUTH.

LOUISIANA'S KNOWN CASE COUNT JUMPED FROM ABOUT 500 CASES ON WEDNESDAY... TO MORE THAN 23-HUNDRED YESTERDAY.

ONE STUDY FOUND THAT'S THE FASTEST GROWTH OF NEW CASES IN THE WORLD...

THE STATE'S GOVERNOR SAYS IF CASES CONTINUE TO RISE AT THAT PACE... THEY'LL BE ON PAR WITH SPAIN AND ITALY... WHERE HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS ARE SO OVERWHELMED, MORE PATIENTS ARE DYING ...THAN RECOVERING.

SOME MEDICAL EXPERTS ARE BLAMING MARDI GRAS-- WHICH BROUGHT MORE THAN A MILLION PARTIERS INTO THE NEW ORLEANS AREA LATE LAST MONTH.

RIGHT NOW- ABOUT HALF OF LOUISIANA'S CASES COME FROM NEW ORLEANS.

NEIGHBORING STATES, LIKE TEXAS, ARE ALSO TAKING NOTICE.

THE GOVERNOR THERE MANDATED A TWO-WEEK QUARANTINE FOR TRAVELERS COMING TO TEXAS FROM NEW ORLEANS... OR FROM THE NEW YORK CITY AREA.

AND NOW -- PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS SOME NEW PROTOCOLS IN MIND... SAYING DIFFERENT THINGS ARE NEEDED FOR DIFFERENT STATES.

HE TOLD GOVERNORS HE NOW PLANS TO LABEL CERTAIN COUNTIES AS "HIGH," "MEDIUM" OR "LOW" RISK.

THIS WAY- THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN HELP MONITOR THE SPREAD.

TRUMP SAYS IT WILL ALSO HELP STATES MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS ABOUT HOW STRICT THEY SHOULD MAKE "SOCIAL DISTANCING" ORDERS.... ." AND FOR HOW LONG.

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Record Number of Unemployment Claims: [ABC News](#), [Fox News](#)

Stock Enters Bull Market: [NYT](#), [CNBC](#)

House to Vote on Stimulus Package: [Bloomberg](#), [WSJ](#)

THE LATEST UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS BROKE RECORDS.. AND NOT IN A GOOD WAY.

3-POINT-3 MILLION PEOPLE APPLIED FOR JOBLESS BENEFITS LAST WEEK...

THAT'S THE BIGGEST JUMP IN HISTORY....

ALMOST FIVE TIMES THE PREVIOUS RECORD SET IN 19-82.

AND IT'S A HUGE DOWN SWING... BECAUSE JUST LAST MONTH... THE U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS AT A 50-YEAR LOW.

WE KNOW THE CHANGE IS A SIGN OF LAYOFFS- CAUSED BY THE CORONAVIRUS SHUTTING DOWN SO MANY BUSINESSES...
AND SOME ECONOMISTS HAVE SAID, IT'LL ONLY GET WORSE NEXT MONTH...

BUT THE NUMBER IS ALSO HIGH BECAUSE A LOT MORE PEOPLE ARE *ELIGIBLE* FOR BENEFITS NOW.

FOR THE FIRST TIME- FREELANCERS, SELF-EMPLOYED AND "GIG" WORKERS, LIKE UBER AND LYFT DRIVERS- CAN APPLY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

THEY'LL GET EVEN MORE HELP WHEN THE 2-POINT-2 TRILLION DOLLAR RELIEF BILL GOES INTO EFFECT.
AND IT SHOULD SOON....

REMEMBER- IT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN THE U.S. SENATE EARLIER THIS WEEK.

THE MEASURE INCLUDES BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR STRUGGLING BUSINESSES, A BOOST TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, DIRECT CASH PAYMENTS TO MOST AMERICANS... AND MORE.

TODAY- IT GOES UP FOR A VOTE IN THE U.S. HOUSE... WHERE SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI SAYS IT HAS STRONG BIPARTISAN SUPPORT....
AND WILL LIKELY PASS.

Already: CONGRESS' QUICK ACTION ON THE BILL HELPED THE STOCK MARKET REBOUND.
THE S&P 500 HAD ITS BEST THREE-DAY RUN SINCE 19-33.
AND THE RELIEF PACKAGE ISN'T THE ONLY REASON ...

G-20 LEADERS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY - THEY'RE INJECTING 5 TRILLION DOLLARS INTO THE *GLOBAL* ECONOMY....

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Actor Mark Blum Dies: [Fox News](#), [Deadline](#)
Globetrotter "Curly" Neal Dies: [USA Today](#), [The Week](#)

THE WORLD LOST TWO LEGENDARY ENTERTAINERS THIS WEEK.

FIRST- ACTOR "MARK BLUM" DIED FROM COMPLICATIONS OF COVID-19. HE'S KNOWN FOR ROLES IN CROCODILE DUNDEE... AND 'DESPERATELY SEEKING SUSAN.'
BUT MORE RECENTLY- HE WAS ON HBO'S "SUCCESSION" AND THE NETFLIX SERIES "YOU."
BLUM WAS 69.

ALSO YESTERDAY- FRED "CURLY" NEAL- ONE OF THE MOST FAMOUS "HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS" PASSED AWAY.
HE PLAYED FOR THE GLOBETROTTERS FROM THE 60S TO THE 80S.....

THE TEAM RETIRED HIS NUMBER 22 JERSEY BACK IN 2008.. BUT HE CONTINUED TO MAKE APPEARANCES....
SO FAR- DETAILS HAVEN'T BEEN RELEASED ABOUT HOW HE DIED..
CURLY NEAL WAS 77.

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Record Heat to Hit the South: [CNN](#), [USA Today](#), [ABC News](#)

SEVERE WEATHER IS EXPECTED TO HIT MUCH OF THE U-S TODAY.

ABC NEWS REPORTS: A BIG STORM SYSTEM IS MOVING THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE COUNTRY.

IT could BRING SEVERE WEATHER TO PLACES LIKE - OKLAHOMA, KANSAS AND MISSOURI.... TONIGHT.

TOMORROW — THAT SAME SYSTEM... IS FORECASTED TO MOVE INTO THE UPPER MIDWEST AND GREAT LAKES.... POSSIBLY BRINGING FLOODING WITH IT.

AND FURTHER SOUTH- FROM TEXAS TO FLORIDA... A HEAT WAVE IS ON TAP FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW.

CNN REPORTS: DOZENS OF RECORDS COULD BE BROKEN...

FLORIDA WILL SEE TEMPS IN THE 90s.... WHILE PARTS OF TEXAS WILL INCH TOWARDS THE TRIPLE DIGITS.

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WE HAVE MORE NEWS AHEAD, BUT FIRST LET'S TAKE A QUICK BREAK TO TELL YOU ABOUT OUR SPONSOR THIS WEEK: NATIVE....

HAVE YOU TRIED IT YET?

NATIVE DEODORANT IS SAFE, WITH ONLY INGREDIENTS YOU'VE HEARD OF... AND IT WORKS...

PLUS, WITH MORE THAN TEN SCENTS, INCLUDING THEIR CLASSICS AND ROTATING SEASONALS... YOU'LL DEFINITELY FIND ONE YOU LOVE.

MY FAVORITE IS STILL COCONUT AND VANILLA, BUT I LIKE SEVERAL OF THEM AND IT'S ALWAYS FUN TO SWITCH IT UP.

I USE IT EVERY DAY ---
AND I'M NOT ALONE...
9-THOUSAND PLUS PEOPLE HAVE LEFT FIVE-STAR REVIEWS...

NATIVE ALSO OFFERS OTHER PRODUCTS, LIKE BODY WASH.... WHICH I ALSO USE.
AND THEY'RE EXCITED FOR THE RE-LAUNCH OF THEIR NATURAL TOOTHPASTE LINE.

GO CHECK IT ALL OUT BECAUSE THERE'S NO RISK TO TRY:
THERE'S FREE SHIPPING ON EVERY ORDER AND NATIVE OFFERS 30 DAY FREE
RETURNS AND EXCHANGES IN THE U.S.

FOR 20 PERCENT OFF YOUR FIRST PURCHASE, VISIT NATIVE-DEODORANT.COM AND
USE PROMO CODE 'NEWSWORTHY' DURING CHECKOUT.
AGAIN, GO TO NATIVE-DEODORANT.COM, AND USE PROMO CODE 'NEWSWORTHY' AT
CHECK OUT TO GET 20 PERCENT OFF YOUR FIRST PURCHASE.

NOW, BACK TO THE NEWS

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Space Force Rocket Launch: [TechCrunch](#), [Engadget](#), [Cnet](#), [Space.com](#)

A MILESTONE FOR THE U-S SPACE FORCE:
IT CONDUCTED ITS FIRST NATIONAL SECURITY MISSION THIS WEEK... WHEN ITS NEW
COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE WAS LAUNCHED INTO ORBIT.

SPACE DOT COM REPORTS: THIS SATELLITE WILL PROVIDE JAM-PROOF
COMMUNICATIONS... INCLUDING REAL TIME VIDEO.... BETWEEN U-S LEADERS AND
DEPLOYED MILITARY FORCES.

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE ALREADY SIMILAR SATELLITES ORBITING THE EARTH....
THIS WAS THE FIRST ONE LAUNCHED UNDER THE NEWLY-FORMED SPACE FORCE...
WHICH CONGRESS APPROVED IN DECEMBER.

THE SPACE FORCE PARTNERED WITH PRIVATE COMPANY "UNITED LAUNCH ALLIANCE"
TO BLAST THE SATELLITE INTO SPACE.

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this broadband story had inaccuracies had to fix
Internet Slowing in the U.S. and Europe: [NYT](#), [Vox](#)
Slack Sees Surge in Users: [The Verge](#), [Mashable](#)
Houseparty Surge: [VentureBeat](#), [Digital Trends](#)

**SPEAKING OF COMMUNICATIONS.... THE INTERNET IS SLOWING DOWN IN THE U-S
AND EUROPE.**

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS BEFORE, AND MAYBE YOU'VE FELT IT —

BUT NOW, REPORTS SAY THE AVERAGE TIME TO DOWNLOAD VIDEOS, EMAILS AND DOCUMENTS WENT UP....

IN SOME CITIES, A BROADBAND SPEED TESTING SERVICE FOUND DOWNLOAD SPEEDS DROPPED BETWEEN 20 AND 40 PERCENT...

OF COURSE, ALL THE PEOPLE STAYING IN TO OBEY STAY-AT-HOME ORDERS --- IS LIKELY TO BLAME.

THERE'S ALL THE PEOPLE WORKING FROM HOME....

AND ALL THE KIDS DOING ONLINE CLASSES.

AND OF COURSE — MANY PEOPLE ARE PASSING THE TIME BY STREAMING SHOWS AND MOVIES. ...

TO KEEP UP —

INTERNET PROVIDERS LIKE VERIZON AND AT&T... ARE BUILDING MORE CELL SITES... WHICH WILL BASICALLY STRENGTHEN NETWORKS.

THEY'RE ALSO DOING SOME UPGRADES.... THAT WILL HOPEFULLY SPEED THINGS UP.

ALSO -

DIGITAL COMPANIES, LIKE SLACK AND ZOOM ARE SEEING RECORD NUMBERS OF USERS... AND NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

VENTUREBEAT SAYS ANOTHER ONE SEEING A HUGE SPIKE....
HOUSEPARTY.

IT BASICALLY ALLOWS YOU TO VIDEO CHAT, PLAY GAMES AND MORE.... ALL WITH YOUR FRIENDS... AND ALL VIRTUALLY.

ITS DAILY DOWNLOADS ARE NOW 25 TIMES WHAT THEY WERE JUST LAST MONTH...

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MLB Making Masks & Gowns: [MLB](#)

Dyson Producing Ventilators: [The Verge](#), [Forbes](#)

Airbnb Offering Free Housing to Frontline Workers: [TechCrunch](#), [Engadget](#)

Twitch Streaming Benefit: [The Verge](#), [Variety](#)

Elton John Charity Benefit: [Deadline](#), [Fox News](#)

WE MAY HAVE MISSED OUT ON OPENING DAY YESTERDAY BUT MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL IS STILL DOING ITS PART... .

A "FANATICS" PLANT THAT USUALLY MAKES MLB JERSEYS WILL NOW PRODUCE A MILLION SURGICAL MASKS AND GOWNS... AND MAYBE MORE...

AT THE SMAE TIME, EVEN MORE COMPANIES ARE STEPPING UP TO DO THEIR PART:

DYSON -- KNOWN FOR MAKING VACUUM CLEANERS AND HAIR DRYERS-- WILL START PRODUCING VENTILATORS

AND AIRBNB WANTS TO PROVIDE 100-THOUSAND HEALTHCARE WORKERS WITH FREE OR SUBSIDIZED HOUSING...

THIS WILL COME IN HANDY IF THEY NEED TO MOVE CLOSER TO THE HARDEST HIT AREAS.

ALSO ---

THERE ARE TWO VIRTUAL CHARITY EVENTS TO TELL YOU ABOUT.

THE FIRST IS HAPPENING TOMORROW....

THE STREAMING PLATFORM "TWITCH" IS HOSTING A 12-HOUR LONG BENEFIT CALLED STREAM AID 2020.

IT'S WILL FEATURE CELEBRITY GUESTS - LIKE DIPLO AND CHARLIE PUTH.....AS WELL AS LOTS OF MUSIC... AND A LITTLE BIT OF GAMING.

IT STARTS AT NOON EASTERN TIME.

THEN SUNDAY —

ELTON JOHN IS HOLDING A BENEFIT TOO.

IT'S CALLED "THE I-HEART LIVING ROOM CONCERT FOR AMERICA"... AND IT'S HAPPENING ON FOX.

DEADLINE REPORTS: BIG STARS LIKE: BILLIE EILISH, MARIAH CAREY AND THE BACKSTREET BOYS ARE PERFORMING.... all FROM THEIR OWN HOMES.

THE BENEFIT STARTS AT 9 PM EASTERN.

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Meghan Markle to Narrate Disney Feature: [Variety](#), [Mashable](#)

MEGHAN MARKLE... THE DUCHESS OF SUSSEX... IS PARTNERING WITH DISNEY.

SHE'LL BE NARRATING THE DOCUMENTARY FILM "ELEPHANT," WHICH FOLLOWS A HERD OF AFRICAN ELEPHANTS... AS THEY MIGRATE IN SEARCH OF FOOD AND WATER.

THIS WILL BE THE FIRST PROJECT FOR THE DUCHESS OF SUSSEX... SINCE STEPPING BACK FROM HER ROYAL DUTIES.

AND IT'S ALL FOR A GOOD CAUSE....

MASHABLE REPORTS: THE FILM WILL BENEFIT THE NONPROFIT "ELEPHANTS WITHOUT BORDERS."

IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE RELEASED ON DISNEY PLUS NEXT FRIDAY.

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Feel Good Friday - [NBC News](#), [CNN](#)

THAT'S IT FOR THE MAIN NEWS TODAY BUT NOW IT'S TIME FOR FEEL GOOD FRIDAY...
WHERE WE BRING YOU ONE EXTRA FEEL-GOOD.. OR POSITIVE NEWS STORY BEFORE
THE WEEKEND...

AND FEEL GOOD FRIDAY IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY MAGIC SPOON....
I USED TO EAT CEREAL AS A KID, BUT STOPPED BECAUSE OF ALL THE SUGAR...
NOW, THERE'S ANOTHER OPTION -- MAGIC SPOON TASTES AMAZING WITH FLAVORS
LIKE FRUITY AND FROSTED.... *AND HAS 12 GRAMS OF PROTEIN AND ONLY 3 NET
GRAMS OF CARBS.
SO TRY IT --- GO TO MAGIC-SPOON.COM / NEWSWORTHY AND USE PROMO CODE
'NEWSWORTHY' FOR FREE SHIPPING...

OK SO TODAY'S STORY IS ABOUT PEOPLE CHANGING MINDS, FORGIVING AND
COMING TOGETHER ---

NBC NEWS REPORTS -- WHEN A MAN SENT ANTI-MUSLIM TWEETS TO A POLITICAL
CANDIDATE IN VIRGINA....
THAT CANDIDATE, WHO IS MUSLIM.... DECIDED NOT TO GET ANGRY.... BUT INSTEAD,
DO SOMETHING KIND.... .

HE DONATED TO THE MAN'S GO-FUND-ME CAMPAIGN.... HELPING HIM OUT WITH
MEDICAL DEBT...
And then HE ASKED HIS SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS TO DONATE AS WELL....

AND IT WORKED.
THE GOFUND ME ACCOUNT RAISED 22-THOUSAND DOLLARS --- MORE THAN THE
GOAL.

BEFORE LONG, THE SAME MAN WHO HAD SENT MEAN TWEETS --- WAS SENDING A
THOUGHTFUL APOLOGY....
AND EVEN ASKED TO MEET

THE TWO CAME TOGETHER, TOOK A PICTURE.... AND POSTED IT ON SOCIAL MEDIA,
CALLING EACH OTHER *FRIENDS*....

THE MAN ADMITTED TO NBC NEWS THAT HE SENT THE TWEETS --- BUT SAID, HE'S
NOW EMBARRASSED... AND THIS NEW EXPERIENCE HAS RE-OPENED HIS EYES...
HE ADMITS HIS BELIEFS WERE WRONG... AND HE'S READY TO LEARN MORE...

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ALRIGHT THANK YOU FOR LISTENING....

AS ALWAYS: YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT ALL THE NEWS STORIES MENTIONED IN TODAY'S EPISODE AT THE NEWSWORTHY.COM/SHOW NOTES....

THE NEWSWORTHY IS READY FOR YOU EVERY WEEKDAY BY FOUR IN THE MORNING.

WE'LL BE BACK WITH MORE NEWS ON MONDAY....
HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

<<INSERT FINAL MUSIC>>

<<INSERT POST-ROLL CONVERSATION #1 WITH JORDAN & ERICA>>

8 Other Optional Stories (EF wrote one.)

Makeshift Hospitals Story: [WaPo](#)

2-Month-Old COVID-19 Case: [USA Today](#)

Indy 500 Postponed: [ESPN](#)

Drew Brees Donates \$5M: [Instagram](#)

Outbreak on U.S. Aircraft Carrier: [CNN](#)

Impact on First Responders: [NBC News](#)

ON FIRST RESPONDERS--

MORE THAN 300 COVID-19 CASES IN THE NYPD ALONE... AND HUNDREDS MORE ARE WAITING ON TESTS.

IT COMES AS THEY'RE DEALING WITH OVERFLOWING HOSPITALS TO COVER.. AND MORE 9-1-1 CALLS.

ELSEWHERE- PROTOCOLS ARE CHANGING.

BOSTON'S EMS UNION SAYS WHEN POSSIBLE- SENDING JUST ONE PARAMEDIC INSIDE A HOME ON A CALL.. WHILE THE OTHER WAITS.
AND AMBULANCES SCRUBBED DOWN EVERY 2 HOURS.

OTHER CITIES ARE REMINDING PEOPLE TO ONLY CALL 911 FOR THE *MOST* SERIOUS EMERGENCIES- SINCE FIRST RESPONDERS ARE ESPECIALLY BUSY RIGHT NOW.

5,000 Year-Old Sword Found: [CNN](#)

Earthquake in Texas: [CNN](#), [USA Today](#)

New Movies Go to Streaming this Weekend: [Variety](#), [NY Post](#)

AND IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR ANY NEW MOVIES TO WATCH *THIS* WEEKEND.

DISNEY'S "THE CALL OF THE WILD"... WHICH STARS HARRISON FORD.... HITS STREAMING PLATFORMS TODAY... THOUGH YOU DO HAVE TO PAY TO RENT IT.

IT WAS RELEASED EARLY ON DIGITAL... SINCE THEATERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE CLOSED.

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National Emergency Library: [Archive.org](#)

THERE'S A NEW OPTION TO HELP KEEP YOU OCCUPIED WHILE STUCK AT HOME... YOU CAN GET *FREE ACCESS TO MORE THAN A MILLION BOOKS AVAILABLE TO READ *ONLINE RIGHT NOW.

THIS WEEK- THE INTERNET ARCHIVE ANNOUNCED IT'S SUSPENDING ITS WAITING LIST FOR DIGITAL COPIES OF BOOKS.

WHILE IT'S GREAT FOR BORED ADULTS-- THE MOVE WAS ACTUALLY MADE TO HELP STUDENTS.

THEY CAN BORROW BOOKS FROM what's now CALLED "THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY LIBRARY"- SO THEY CAN STILL COMPLETE ASSIGNED READINGS FROM SCHOOL.

"THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY LIBRARY" WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE THROUGH JUNE 30.

Make Noise for Healthcare Workers: [Today](#)

AND TODAY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW WE'RE ALL BEING ASKED TO MAKE NOISE FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS.

THE TODAY SHOW REPORTS: IT'S PART OF A TWITTER CAMPAIGN — CALLED "SOLIDARITY AT 8."

EVERYNIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK YOU'RE ASKED TO OPEN YOU FRONT DOOR... STAND ON YOUR PORCH... AND MAKE NOISE TO HONOR THE PEOPLE ON THE FRONTLINES OF THIS VIRUS.

THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN HAPPENING AROUND THE COUNTRY FOR A FEW DAYS NOW....

SOME PEOPLE APPLAUD... WHILE OTHERS BANG POTS AND PANS...

AND A FEW ARE JUST OPTING TO FLASH THEIR LIGHTS ON AND OFF INSTEAD.

SOME TWITTER USERS SAY THIS MOVEMENT ACTUALLY STARTED ABROAD.... IN OTHER COUNTRIES THAT ARE DEALING WITH THE PANDEMIC.

BUT NOW — IT'S TRENDING IN THE U-S.