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WHAT TO WATCH FOR TUESDAY

- Standard & Poor's releases S&P/Case-Shiller index of home prices for June
- The Conference Board releases the Consumer Confidence Index for August

BRIEFCASE

Eclipse glasses collection

Cracked it! Escape Games is holding a drive to collect used eclipse glasses for Astronomers Without Borders.

A collection point will be set up at the 550 Freedom Way location, including an after-hours box. Donors will receive a 15 percent discount coupon. If donating in after-hours box, attach an email address to receive the coupon via email.

Hilton location opens in Jacksonville

Hilton Garden Inn, 1016 Jacksonville Pkwy. in Jacksonville, recently opened its 128-room property located just minutes from Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

Welcoming accommodations, award-winning food and beverage offerings and cheery guest services. It hosts a 5,000-square-foot ballroom and is ideal for conferences, conventions and social events.

For more information or reservations, contact 910-346-2400.

Staff reports

WASHINGTON Trump makes threats to terminate NAFTA

President Donald Trump is accusing Canada and Mexico of being "very difficult" at the negotiating table over the North American Free Trade Agreement, and threatening anew to terminate the deal.



The logo of Swiss pharmaceutical company Novartis AG is seen on one of their buildings Oct. 25, 2011, in Basel, Switzerland. According to results published Sunday, for the first time, a drug has helped prevent heart attacks by curbing inflammation, a new and very different approach than lowering cholesterol, which has been the main focus for decades. Canakinumab's maker, Novartis, sponsored the study. (GEORGIOS KEFALAS/KEYSTONE VIA ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO)

A medical first

Drug lowers heart risks by curbing inflammation

By Marilyn Marchione
The Associated Press

For the first time, a drug has helped prevent heart attacks by curbing inflammation, a new and very different approach than lowering cholesterol, the focus for many years.

People on the drug also had surprisingly lower cancer death rates, especially from lung cancer. An anti-tumor

conference in Barcelona, Spain. The drug's maker, Novartis, sponsored the study and Riddler consults for the company.

Why inflammation?

Statins such as Lipitor lower LDL or bad cholesterol and have been the cornerstone of preventing heart attacks along with not smoking, blood pressure control and a healthy lifestyle.

inherited diseases.

The study tested it in 10,000 heart attack survivors with low cholesterol but high CRP. They got the usual heart medicines including statins and were given one of three different doses of canakinumab or a placebo as a shot every three months.

Those on the medium dose had a 15 percent lower chance of another heart attack, a stroke

Hollywood has worst weekend in years

By Jake Coyle
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Hollywood effectively took the weekend off, resulting in one of the most dismal box-office results in 10 years.

An already slow August came to a screeching halt at the multiplex, where no major new releases were unveiled. That left the Samuel L. Jackson-Ryan Reynolds action-comedy "The Hitman's Bodyguard" to top all films for the second week with an estimated \$10.1 million in ticket sales.

But the entire slate of films grossed only about \$65 million in North America and the top 12 films generated just \$49.6 million. There have been similarly slow weekends in recent years, including early September in 2014 and in 2010. But not since September 2001 have the numbers been quite so dreadful.

Mid-August through early September is historically the sleepiest time of the year for the movie business, but it's been especially so this year. This August is down a whopping 35 percent from last year, according to comScore. Next week is expected to be just as bad: No new wide releases are scheduled for Labor Day weekend.