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Fitzgibbons, Shaw win party runoffs

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Next stop, November. Bob Fitzgibbons and Connie Shaw were victorious in the two Howard County races in Tuesday's primary runoff election, winning the Republican nomination in their respective justice of the peace races.

Fitzgibbons handily secured the GOP nomination for the Precinct 1, Place JP office, pulling in 75 percent of the vote against former Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker. Fitzgibbons, who will face Democrat Carlos A. Leal in the November general election, garnered 859 votes, compared to 291 for Walker.



Shaw

"It's awesome, it's humbling ... I really don't know what else to say," Fitzgibbons said of his victory. "I just want to thank everybody who voted for me. This is special. It's been a long process — this is the first time I've ever done this — and now we'll probably wait until September before gearing up to do it again."

Shaw had a much tougher time securing the Precinct 2 JP GOP nomination, edging out Phillip Reid by a mere 19 votes out of more than

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Herald photo/Lyndel Moody

Lupe Brito stands by a fence she says was pushed five feet by Monday's storm. Trees and outbuildings were damaged as was the roof of an adjacent home located a few miles north of Big Spring on Highway 350.

Storms take their toll

The Brito family witnessed damage to a home, fence and trees

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Lupe Brito and her family spent her Monday night riding out the raging storm in the closet of their house in the 3900 block of East Highway 350.

Lupe describes seeing what sounds like a tornado funnel forming in the large open field across from her home and the wind sounding as a deep, pulsating roar. Rain and hail hit the windows as the family huddled in the closet, Lupe said.

"We saw it (a funnel) come down and then go back up and then slowly come down

again," she said. Once the rain and hail subsided, Lupe said the main house on her and her hus-

"It looks like the Lord blessed us. He was taking care of us."
—Lupe Brito

around the home. A tarp now lays on the roof of a second home next to the main house where her granddaughter and her children reside. A wooden, red fence now stands loosely at least five feet closer to the house, pushed back, Lupe said, by the strong winds.

Several tree branches were ripped and lay on the ground. The back of the large metal shop was dented, and looks as if it has been hit, Lupe said. Metal siding from the neighbors' house lies twisted and mangled in a field

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Robert "Bob" Fitzgibbons, left, and Kay Hulse look over primary runoff election results at the Howard County Courthouse Tuesday evening. Fitzgibbons handily won the Republican nomination for the Precinct 1, Place 2 Justice of the Peace race.

Coahoma graduates Thursday

Herald Staff Report

Coahoma High School will hold its 2014 commencement

ceremony at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring.

Kim Nichols will give the keynote address for the evening which will follow the valedictorian address given by Savannah Neff and the salutatorian address from

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Grant: Drought not over

Special to the Herald

Weekend rains have helped increase the region's municipal surface water supply but "the rains this weekend are by no means a drought buster" said CRMWD General Manager John Grant.



Grant

"However, it is a start to replenishing area lakes that have been hard hit by the drought over the last five years," he added.

"Before we can

start seeing increases in our surface water supplies it has to start raining and raining in the right areas" said Grant.

The rains over the watersheds of Lake J.B. Thomas

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More track is good, council says

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Big Spring city officials want the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark to be the "one-stop shopping" center for its tenants' transportation needs.

To that end, the city council signed off on a

plan to extend rail service to the airpark during their Tuesday night meeting.

The \$1 million project will extend the existing rail spur to the edge of the airport tarmac.

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Top ten Coahoma High School seniors for 2014
(Some scholars were not present due to conflicting school activities)



Top ten Coahoma High School juniors for 2014
(Some scholars were not present due to conflicting school activities)



Coahoma ISD Superintendent Amy Jacobs, left, stands with Community Service Award winner Cindy Smith.



Kathy Nichols, the 2014 Scholar Teacher, poses for a photo with Jordan Lang who nominated Nichols for the honor.



Jacobs stands with Scholar Graduate award recipient Loma Jean Wynn. Also pictured is Brian Moore, CISD board president.

Coahoma ISD honors top juniors, seniors

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Twenty Coahoma High School students were honored Tuesday night for their hard work in academics at the first Coahoma ISD scholars' banquet held at the Settles Hotel.

"We wanted to give special recognition to our academic scholars," said Amy Jacobs, Coahoma Independent School District superintendent. "Many of our students receive recognition for their extra-curricular activities, but we don't always stop to honor those who have excelled academically. We want to make a special effort to honor those who have excel in the classroom."

During the banquet, the top ten ranking academic students of the junior and senior classes were honored. The seniors were individually honored and a small biography was read for each student in front of their family and friends. The top ten junior scholars were honored as group.

Top ten seniors were: Savannah Neff, valedictorian; Shayla Martin, salutatorian; Sarah Melendez; Shanen Warneke; Haley Walker; Amanda King; Jordan Lang; Caleb Chapa; JJ Sloan; and David Mejia. Junior scholars were: Kelli Schaedel, Chris Biddison, Rylie Jacobs, Brandon Coker, Anna Harriso, Braxton Iden, Erin Fontana, Alexis Jackson, Aloura Scott and Joseph Melendez. Also honored were three community indi-

viduals for their commitment to their community and the school district.

Loma Jean Wynn received the scholar graduate award, was given for the first time.

She is a graduate of Coahoma High School and taught in the district for 31 years before retiring in 1989.

"In order to qualify for the scholar graduate award, a person must be a Coahoma High graduate and have graduated at least 10 years prior. The person also has to have made a contribution both to their community in which they live and to their profession," Jacob said. "This year is really special because Loma Jean not only taught her whole career at Coahoma ISD, but she is a resident of the community."

Wynn is extremely active in the community serving as volunteer at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and on the the school district's Educational Improvement Committee. She is a member of the Retired Teachers' Association and the Coahoma Church of Christ. Wynn, a former high school cheerleader, is also a familiar face at Coahoma sporting events attending as many as she can.

Receiving the community service award was Cindy Smith. The award recognizes individuals who go above and beyond in supporting and volunteering for the school district. "Over the years, Cindy

has been very active in the school district," Jacobs said. "She has served on the school board and volunteers at any event."

Long-time educator Kathy Nichols was honored with the scholar teacher award.

"The scholar teacher is chosen from the nominations by the top ranking seniors of the graduating class," Jacobs said. "Kathy was nominated by Jordan Lang. She was his kindergarten teacher."

Nichols taught in the Coahoma school district for 33 years before retiring in 2009. She is currently working part-time at the district as a reading specialist. Nichols also organized

the annual community Kindergarten Rodeo for numerous years and in her spare time is an accomplished artist.

The banquet was made possible from private community donations.

"Our school district is

very grateful to our community businesses and individuals for making this banquet possible," Jacobs said. "We were able to launch the first scholar's banquet to honor our top academic students because of the

generous donations and support given by these businesses and individuals."

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University: Poet, author Maya Angelou dies at 86



BY HILLEL ITALIE

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Maya Angelou was gratified, but not surprised by her extraordinary fortune.

"I'm not modest," she told The Associated Press in 2013. "I have no modesty. Modesty is a learned behavior. But I do pray for humility, because humility comes from the inside out."

Her story awed millions. The young single mother who worked at strip clubs to earn a living later danced and sang on stages around the world. A black woman born poor wrote and recited the most popular presidential inaugural poem in history. A childhood victim of rape, shamed into silence, eventually told her story through one of the most widely read memoirs of the past few decades.

Angelou, a Renaissance woman and cultural pioneer, died Wednesday morning at her home in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, her son, Guy B. Johnson, said in a statement. The 86-year-old had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University since 1982.

"She lived a life as a teacher, activist, artist and human being. She was a warrior for equality, tolerance and peace," Johnson said.

Angelou had been set to appear this week at the Major League Baseball Beacon Awards Luncheon, but canceled in recent days citing an unspecified illness.

Tall and regal, with a deep, majestic voice, she was unforgettable whether encountered through sight, sound or the printed word. She was an actress, singer and dancer in the 1950s and 1960s and broke through as an author in 1970 with "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," which became standard (and occasionally censored) reading and made Angelou one of the first black women to enjoy mainstream success. "Caged Bird" was the start of a multipart autobiography that continued through the decades and captured a life of hopeless obscurity and triumphant, kaleidoscopic fame.

The world was watching in 1993 when she read her cautiously hopeful "On the Pulse of the Morning" at President Bill Clinton's first inauguration. Her confident performance openly delighted Clinton and made publishing history by making a poem a best-seller, if not a critical favorite.

For President George W. Bush, she read another poem, "Amazing Peace," at the 2005 Christmas tree lighting ceremony at the White House. Presidents honored her in return with a National Medal of Arts and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the

country's highest civilian honor. In 2013, she received an honorary National Book Award.

She called herself a poet, in love with the "sound of language," "the music in language," as she explained to The Associated Press in 2013.

But she lived so many lives. She was a wonder to Toni Morrison, who marveled at Angelou's freedom from inhibition, her willingness to celebrate her own achievements.

She was a mentor to Oprah Winfrey, whom she befriended when Winfrey was still a local television reporter, and often appeared on her friend's talk show program. She mastered several languages and published not just poetry, but advice books, cookbooks and children's stories. She wrote music, plays and screenplays, received an Emmy nomination for her acting in "Roots," and never lost her passion for dance, the art she considered closest to poetry.

"The line of the dancer: If you watch (Mikhail) Baryshnikov and you see that line, that's what the poet tries for. The poet tries for the line, the balance," she told The Associated Press in 2008, shortly before her 80th birthday.

Her very name as an adult was a reinvention. Angelou was born Marguerite Johnson in St. Louis and raised in Stamps, Ark., and San Francisco, moving back and forth between her parents and her grandmother. She was smart and fresh to the point of danger, packed off by her family to California after sassing a white store clerk in Arkansas. Other times, she didn't speak at all: At age 7, she was raped by her mother's boyfriend and didn't talk for years. She learned by reading, and listening.

"I loved the poetry that was sung in the black church: 'Go down Moses, way down in Egypt's land,'" she told the AP. "It just seemed to me the most wonderful way of talking. And 'Deep River.' Ooh! Even now it can catch me. And then I started reading, really reading, at about 7 1/2, because a woman in my town took me to the library, a black school library. ... And I read every book, even if I didn't understand it."

At age 9, she was writing poetry. By 17, she was a single mother. In her early 20s, she danced at a strip joint, ran a brothel, was married, and then divorced. But by her mid-20s, she was performing at the Purple Onion in San Francisco, where she shared billing with another future star, Phyllis Diller. She also spent a few days with Billie Holiday, who was kind enough to sing a lullaby to Angelou's son,

Guy, surly enough to heckle her off the stage and astute enough to tell her: "You're going to be famous. But it won't be for singing."

After renaming herself Maya Angelou for the stage ("Maya" was a childhood nickname, "Angelou" a variation of her husband's name), she toured in "Porgy and Bess" and Jean Genet's "The Blacks" and danced with Alvin Ailey. She worked as a coordinator for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and lived for years in Egypt and Ghana, where she met Nelson Mandela, a longtime friend; and Malcolm X, to whom she remained close until his assassination, in 1965. Three years later, she was helping King organize the Poor People's March in Memphis, Tenn., where the civil rights leader was slain on Angelou's 40th birthday.

"Every year, on that day, Coretta and I would send each other flowers," Angelou said of King's widow, Coretta Scott King, who died in 2006.

Angelou was little known outside the theatrical community until "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," which might not have happened if James Baldwin hadn't persuaded Angelou, still grieving over King's death, to attend a party at Jules Feiffer's house. Feiffer was so taken by Angelou that he mentioned her to Random House editor Bob Loomis, who persuaded her to write a book by daring her into it, saying that it was "nearly impossible to write autobiography as literature."

"Well, maybe I will try it," Angelou responded. "I don't know how it will turn out. But I can try."

Angelou's musical style was clear in a passage about boxing great Joe Louis's defeat in 1936 against German fighter Max Schmeling:

"My race groaned," she wrote. "It was our people falling. It was another lynching, yet another Black man hanging on a tree. One more woman ambushed and raped. A Black boy whipped and maimed. It was hounds on the trail of a man running through slimy swamps. ... If Joe lost we were back in slavery and beyond help."

Angelou's memoir was occasionally attacked, for seemingly opposite reasons. In a 1999 essay in Harper's, author Francine Prose criticized "Caged Bird" as "manipulative" melodrama. Meanwhile, Angelou's passages about her rape and teen pregnancy have made it a perennial on the American Library Association's list of works that draw complaints from parents and educators.

"I thought that it was a mild book. There's no profanity," Angelou told the AP. "It speaks about surviving, and it really doesn't make ogres of many people. I was shocked to find

there were people who really wanted it banned, and I still believe people who are against the book have never read the book."

Angelou appeared on several TV programs, notably the groundbreaking 1977 miniseries "Roots." She was nominated for a Tony Award in 1973 for her appearance in the play "Look Away." She directed the film "Down in the Delta," about a drug-wrecked woman who returns to the home of her ancestors in the Mississippi Delta. She won three Grammys for her spoken-word albums and in 2013 received an honorary National Book Award for her contributions to the literary community.

Back in the 1960s, Malcolm X had written to Angelou and praised her for her ability to communicate so directly, with her "feet firmly rooted on the ground." In 2002, Angelou communicated in an unexpected way when she launched a line of greeting cards with industry giant Hallmark. Angelou admitted she was cool to the idea at first. Then she went to Loomis, her editor at Random House.

"I said, 'I'm thinking about doing something with Hallmark,'" she recalled. "And he said, 'You're the people's poet. You don't want to trivialize yourself.' So I said 'OK' and I hung up. And then I thought about it. And I thought, if I'm the people's poet, then I ought to be in the people's hands — and I hope in their hearts. So I thought, 'Hmm, I'll do it.'"

In North Carolina, she lived in an 18-room house and taught American Studies at Wake Forest University. She was also a member of the board of trustees for Bennett College, a private school for black women in Greensboro. Angelou hosted a weekly satellite radio show for XM's "Oprah & Friends" channel.

She remained close enough to the Clintons that in 2008 she supported Hillary Rodham Clinton's candidacy over the ultimately successful run of the country's first black president, Barack Obama. But a few days before Obama's inauguration, she was clearly overjoyed. She told the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette she would be watching it on television "somewhere between crying and praying and being grateful and laughing when I see faces I know."

Active on the lecture circuit, she gave commencement speeches and addressed academic and corporate events across the country. Angelou received dozens of honorary degrees, and several elementary schools were named for her. As she approached her 80th birthday, she decided to study at the Missouri-based Unity Church, which advocates healing through prayer.



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Westbrook scores 40, Thunder even series

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Russell Westbrook is picking up where Kevin Durant left off.

Durant hasn't shown the same consistent excellence in the postseason that earned the Thunder star the MVP award after the NBA regular season. Westbrook has picked up the slack, making a case for being Oklahoma City's best player in the postseason.

Westbrook had 40 points, 10 assists and five steals in Oklahoma City's 105-92 victory over the San Antonio Spurs on Tuesday night that tied the series at two games apiece.

The guard has been doing similar damage throughout the playoffs, averaging 26.6 points, 8.1 assists and 7.5 rebounds in 17 postseason games. In one stretch, he had three triple-doubles in five games.

"Just his focus on every possession on the defensive end and his poise on the offensive end — I think that's what's fun to watch," Durant said. "People outside of our team don't really look at that type of stuff, but that's something we can definitely build on as a group, is watching him wreak havoc on the defensive end and offensively, playing with such patience."

Tuesday's performance matched the second-highest playoff point total of Westbrook's career, falling short of the 43 he scored in the 2012 NBA Finals.

"Coach told us he needed maximum effort from us tonight, and it starts with me at point guard," Westbrook said.

"My job is to play both sides of the ball. If you want to win a championship, those are things you have to do."

At times, Westbrook has been a maddening player for Thunder fans to watch. He's a dynamic player whose supreme confidence sometimes leads to ill-advised shots and a tendency to hold the ball at the expense of offensive flow.

In Tuesday's game, he did almost everything right. He shot 50 percent from the field and took just five 3-pointers. He made 14 of 14 free throws.

"Sometimes he's going to go off," Spurs guard Manu Ginobili said. "He's capable of doing that. If he makes a lot of jumpers, it gets really tough."

In the midst of posting a monster game, Westbrook still managed to help Durant score 31 points. It was Durant's highest-scoring game of the series after the NBA's leading scorer was held to a 22.7-point average in the first three games.

Serge Ibaka added nine points and eight rebounds for the Thunder, who have rebounded around the series since he returned from an injury that was expected to keep him out for the rest of the postseason.

"We just play well with Serge," Thunder coach Scott Brooks said. "We can do things with Serge in the lineup that we can't do with other guys."

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AP photo
San Antonio Spurs guard Danny Green (4) knocks the ball away from Oklahoma City Thunder guard Reggie Jackson (15) in front of Spurs forward Tim Duncan (21) in the first quarter of Game 4 of the Western Conference finals NBA basketball playoff series in Oklahoma City Tuesday.

Soria miscue costs Rangers in loss to Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — With Rangers starter Yu Darvish unavailable, Scott Baker took his spot and held the Twins at bay. Unfortunately, Texas' normally rock-solid closer couldn't do the same.

Joakim Soria bobbed a loose-bouncing ball hit by Minnesota's Danny Santana to the left of the mound with two outs and the bases loaded in the ninth inning, allowing the winning run to score in the Twins' 4-3 victory over the Rangers on Tuesday night.

"He's on human," Rangers manager Ron Washington

said after Soria (1-2) took his first blown save in nine chances. "There's no perfection in the game of baseball. The guy has done everything we've asked him to do and tonight he just didn't get it done."

The day began badly for the Rangers when Darvish, their ace, was scratched from his scheduled start with stiffness in his neck. Baker filled in admirably, giving up two runs on three hits over six innings, and Chris Gimenez hit a tiebreaking two-out RBI single in the sixth off Phil Hughes.

With Soria on in the ninth and Texas leading 3-2, the Twins ended their four-game losing streak by patching together two runs.

Oswaldo Arcia hit a one-out double off the wall in right-center, just a few feet shy of where he homered off Baker in the second inning, and Eduardo Nunez tied the game with a two-out single.

Then Nunez kept the rally alive with some nifty running.

He moved up when right fielder Alex Rios' throw home was up the line. On a fielder's choice grounder to Adrian

Beltre, Nunez stopped short of the third baseman's glove, scooted right and circled around to the bag to avoid the tag.

"Somehow now we've got a new rule that you can go to left field and come back to third," Beltre said, sarcastically. "I should've, sarcastically."

Nunez scored the winning run when Santana ended the game with the softest of contact.

"We had a couple plays in there that we should make, and the last one by myself, I just blew it," Soria said. "It was a spinning ball, a lot of

spin in there, and by the time I got the ball it just spilled out of my glove and I dropped it."

Glen Perkins (2-0) pitched a scoreless ninth for the victory, stranding Rios after a leadoff triple that Santana, normally a shortstop, appeared to misplay in center field and couldn't catch after getting twisted around.

Hughes had his winning streak stopped at five. Over his last five turns, he had a 1.08 ERA and a 27-0 strikeout-walk ratio.

Aaron Hicks saved Hughes

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U.S. soccer team takes 2-0 victory

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Mix Diskerud figures the whole honor of wearing No. 10 is only temporary. He fully expects to play alongside Landon Donovan again down the road with the U.S. national team.

For one night at least, Diskerud did that jersey proud.

Diskerud and Aron Johannsson, a pair of second-half substitutes raised in Scandinavia, scored to lift a heavy-legged United States over Azerbaijan 2-0 on Tuesday night in the first of three World Cup warmups.

"It's an honor. A lot of great players have been wearing that No. 10 for the U.S. previously," Diskerud said. "I'll enjoy it. When it comes to Landon, I'm sure that we're going to be playing together again someday, and of course he has more caps than me so I'm just borrowing the uniform right now."

The U.S. needed a boost from the bench after

captain Clint Dempsey wasscratchedjustbefore kickoff because of a sore left groin. But the 14th-ranked Americans had trouble breaking down No. 85 Azerbaijan.

Diskerud, born in Oslo to a father from Norway and mother from Arizona who met in college, entered in the 71st and scored four minutes later.

With the ball high in the box, Diskerud headed it down to Michael Bradley, whose shot was cleared off the goal line by Elvin Yunuszade. Diskerud then banged the ball in with a right-footed shot 6 yards for his third international goal.

"It deflected, and then it was just an easy job for me to score," Diskerud said. "I got tackled exactly when I was going to shoot, and I was just laying down on the ground in agony."

He was wearing the No. 10 freed up when Donovan was cut from the roster.

Sterling responds, hearing still on

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Sterling and the NBA are headed toward a hearing that will determine if he remains owner of the Los Angeles Clippers.

Unless Shelly Sterling finds a buyer for the team first.

The Sterlings were part combative, part cooperative Tuesday, with Donald Sterling fighting to keep his team even as his estranged wife said he had authorized her to sell it.

He didn't seem willing to give it up — at least not without a fight — in his passionate response to the league's attempt to oust him.

"We do not believe a court in the United States of America will enforce the draconian penalties imposed on Mr. Sterling in these circumstances, and indeed, we believe that preservation of Mr. Sterling's constitutional rights requires that these sham proceedings be terminated in Mr. Sterling's favor," the response said.

Sterling's response to the league's charge that he damaged it and its merchandising partners with his racist comments was delivered before Tuesday's deadline.

He argued that there is no basis for stripping him of his team because his statements were illegally recorded "during an inflamed lovers' quarrel in which he was clearly distraught."

"A jealous rant to a lover never intended to be published cannot offend the NBA rules."

Donald Sterling

According to the response, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, Sterling says V. Stiviano recorded him without his knowledge and thus the recording was illegal under California law. He also said he could not have "willfully" damaged the league because he did not know it would be made public.

"A jealous rant to a lover never intended to be published cannot offend the NBA rules," Sterling said in the document, which was first reported by USA Today.

Meanwhile, the attorney for Shelly Sterling confirmed that Donald Sterling had given her written permission to sell the team. According to a person who is in contact with a potential bidder, who spoke to the AP on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the process publicly,

the Clippers are seeking binding bids before next Tuesday — the day NBA owners are scheduled to meet in New York and vote on whether to strip Sterling of the team.

The league said in a statement Tuesday that if three-quarters of the 30 owners voted to sustain the charge, "the Sterlings' interests in the Clippers will be terminated and the team will be sold."

Shelly Sterling submitted her own separate response to the NBA's charges Tuesday that included a "vigorous response to the attempt by the NBA to blame her for doing nothing wrong," according to a person with knowledge of the proceedings. The individual wasn't authorized to speak publicly about the response.

In his response, Donald Sterling says that next week's hearing cannot be fair because the owners have already made up their minds, quoting 10 teams who commented on Twitter or elsewhere that they supported the seizure of the team. An AP survey on the day Commissioner Adam Silver announced Sterling's lifetime ban found that more than half of the teams supported it and no owner was against it.

"These proceedings will be a

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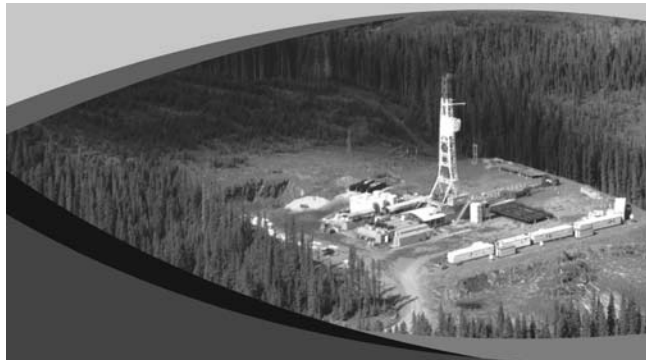
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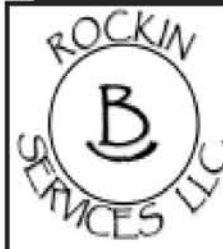
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AmericanProfile

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A Case for the Defense

East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.
NORTH
♠A 4 2
♥J 7 2
♦10 8 7 5 2
♣10 7
WEST
♠5 3
♥K Q 10 6 3
♦J 6
♣K J 4 2
EAST
♠K 9 8 6
♥A 9 8 4
♦3
♣9 6 5 3
SOUTH
♠Q J 10 7
♥5
♦A K Q 9 4
♣A Q 8

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♦ 1♥ 2♦
3♥ 3♠ Pass 4♦
Pass 5♦
Opening lead — king of hearts.

This deal occurred in a pairs event. As happens so often, the results differed strikingly from table to table. Games and part-scores in spades and diamonds were attempted with varying success, but the play was most interesting at those tables where the contract was five diamonds.

There was nothing complicated about the play at most of these tables. West led the king of hearts and con-

tinued the suit after East signaled with the eight or nine.

Declarer ruffed, cashed the A-K of trumps and finessed the queen of spades. East took his king and returned a club, but South rejected the finesse, since he had a sure way to avoid a club loser by taking the ace and playing three rounds of spades, discarding a club from dummy. At these tables, declarer made five diamonds.

They would not have succeeded, however, had the defense been sharper. At trick one, East should have overtaken the king of hearts with the ace and returned a club. Had he done that, South would have gone down one.

It is not an extraordinary feat for East to take the king of hearts with the ace in order to lead a club. He should assume West's overall was based on a five-card suit, which in turn means declarer has only one heart.

East should count on the ace of hearts and king of spades as two tricks for the defense and should conclude that his side's best chance for a third trick lies in clubs.

Once this conclusion is reached, it is clear that clubs should be attacked at trick two, and, obviously, that it must be better for the club lead to come from East.

Tomorrow: There's a very good reason.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

New Moon in Gemini

Human communication is constantly evolving, recently more rapidly than ever. The new moon in Gemini nudges us toward the next evolution. Whether you're learning to read a loved one with more clarity, to be smoother with small talk or to use a new app for keeping track of your contacts, all efforts to connect will be lucky under these skies.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What would your father do? Not that you should do the same thing, but this paternal perspective will help you quickly decide your next great move.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's easier to embrace the consequences of your actions when you go into each move deliberately and with full awareness of the risks involved. An astute Virgo will keep you alert to such things.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). A new arena opens up to you. This may as well be a foreign country, as it will seem like you don't speak the same language as the others. Stay on your toes, and you'll get educated quickly.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). First you want to experience clarity of vision. Once you can see what's really going on, you'll have more requests: good friends, tools, a plan... It all starts with accurate perception.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). In most cases, people experiencing negative emotions don't like it,

and yet many of us credit bad feelings for motivating us into a better life. That's why you'll be grateful for something unpleasant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's fun to get caught up in the romance of new relationships. You've enjoyed delightful fantasies, and now it's time to come to a mature understanding of what's going on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've exhausted many lines of reason. Though you are smarter for the mental exercise, it might not have helped your decision-making process at all. Now it's time to let go of what you think and embrace your inner knowing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It takes discipline and restraint to organize your potential efforts, make a plan and stick to it. Your supply of willpower is limited. Don't put yourself in tempting situations, and you'll succeed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Stories are only funny if you're telling them to the right audience. Try out material in your inner circle first. If it plays there, it will probably play everywhere.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In centuries past, close and extended family all lived under the same roof. How did they do it? That's something you might wonder today as your family drives you nuts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll center yourself on the needs of others. Your acts of

caring will bring a large community closer. You'll have no idea what you've contributed until it's time for others to give back.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are capable, efficient and effective. Believe and do it. Every step of today's journey sees you sure-footed. You've got this. Follow through in full confidence.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 28). Loyal friends help you with a personal transition, and you'll love what's on the other side of it. June sees you changing a habit to help humanity or the environment. What you do with your leisure time in July is truly magnificent. Better work and financial opportunities come in August and December. Capricorn and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 1, 11, 32 and 13.

NEW MOON IN GEMINI RITUAL: While the full moon inspires drum circles, dancing and wild howling, the new moon is a time for quietly sensing how we are on the inside, considering what has come to pass and setting an intention for the future. It's an extremely lucky time to perform a ritual.

The word "ritual" can cause a stir in some people who imagine it means spells will be cast, live sacrifices will be made, strange languages will be uttered. While these elements may be a part of some people's rituals, there are as many ways to design a ritual as there are people to design them.

Really anything can be a ritual. Drinking chocolate milk can be a ritual. It's more about a solemn approach to a series of purposeful actions regardless of what those actions may be.

The Gemini new moon favors lighthearted rituals involving wind, air, communication and flight. It's the right time to hang a bird feeder, put up wind chimes, upgrade your phone, book a flight, change your air filters and the like. As you carry out your Gemini new moon ritual, imagine that all you do is bringing more joy and interest into your world, contributing to a new lightness of being.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Colbie Caillat is a poster girl for healthy choices. This Gemini Grammy winner maintains a meatless diet even when she's touring the world and living out of a suitcase. Caillat's Virgo moon is a moon of discipline, cleanliness and health. Her Mercury in earthy Taurus favors of a style of communication that is down-to-earth and natural, which definitely comes through in Caillat's songs.

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NBA

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spectacle meant to mollify the popular opinion, not a fair and impartial hearing: the outcome of these proceedings became a foregone conclusion weeks ago," the response states.

The response also notes the disparity between his lifetime ban and \$2.5 million fine and previous NBA punishments, including the \$100,000 fine levied on Kobe Bryant when he

was caught referring to a referee by a homosexual slur, and the 72-game suspension of Ron Artest for punching a fan.

The NBA said Sterling is in violation because his racist comments were harmful to the league and its business partners, including the players. Sterling's response argues that because his comments came in the privacy of his girlfriend's living room he cannot be considered "taking a position" that damaged the NBA, as required under

the league constitution. "Mr. Sterling was not 'conducting' the 'sport of professional basketball' when he was arguing with Ms. Stiviano in her living room," the response says. "Not even the Commissioner alleges that Mr. Sterling intended to harm the NBA with his comment. Nor could he. This was an argument between a jealous man and the woman he loved that should never have left the privacy of his living room."

Sterling also noted his history of supporting ra-

cial diversity, including five black head coaches and a black general manager, Elgin Baylor, who held the job for 22 years. Baylor unsuccessfully sued Sterling, accusing him of racist behavior. It also notes that he was due to receive his second lifetime achievement award from the NAACP before the recording of his comments was leaked.

The response claims that it would cost Sterling \$300 million to \$500 million in capital gains taxes if he is forced to sell now.

THUNDER

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Boris Diaw had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Tony Parker added 14 points for the Spurs, who also blew a 2-0 lead against the Thunder in this round two years ago. San Antonio will host Game 5 on Thursday and won't be worried about the past.

"I think we shouldn't think like that," Parker said. "Each game is different. Each series. Each year. We worked hard all year to have home-court advantage, and now, it's our job to protect home court."

Oklahoma City dominated for the second consecutive game after getting blown out in the first two. The Thunder committed just seven turnovers and shot 49 percent from the field.

The Spurs scored the first eight points of the game, but things went downhill from there. A steal and dunk by Westbrook gave the Thunder

a 42-32 lead with just under five minutes left in the first half. Back-to-back 3-pointers by Durant pushed Oklahoma City's lead to 50-36.

The Thunder led 58-43 at halftime. Durant scored 22 points and Westbrook added 17 points, eight assists and four steals before the break.

Parker shot 6 of 9 in the first half, but the rest of the Spurs made just 11 of 32 before the break.

A lob from Reggie Jackson to Durant for a two-handed slam bumped Oklahoma City's lead to 60-43. A steal and jam by Ibaka made it 66-49, and a dunk by Westbrook made it 76-49.

The Spurs closed the quarter on an 18-7 run and cut their deficit to 83-67. San Antonio's Matt Bonner made a 3-pointer with 3:31 remaining in the game to trim Oklahoma City's edge to 12, but the Thunder maintained control.

"We were just not focused coming out," Spurs forward Kawhi Leonard said.

RANGERS

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from a huge deficit by sprinting to the warning track and snagging the ball with a perfectly timed leap above and beyond the center field wall to steal a three-run homer from Donnie Murphy, who settled for a sacrifice fly. Rougned Odor followed with an RBI double.

Shortstop Eduardo Escobar and left fielder Josh Willingham let a ball by Mitch Moreland bounce between them for a single to start the sixth.

After giving up six runs in six innings in

his only other start this season, last Friday at Detroit, Baker was supposed to resume a role as a long reliever. But he was in control the entire night.

Baker was a second-round draft pick by the Twins in 2003 who spent five years in their rotation, including a 15-win season in 2009, but he developed elbow trouble and needed Tommy John ligament-replacement surgery in 2012.

The Rangers, who picked up Baker at the end of spring training, are his third team in two seasons.

"It's not always easy when you walk into a clubhouse and the first

thing you hear is that you might be starting, but you embrace the opportunity and go out and do the best you can," said Baker, who joked that he made it a point not to look into the home dugout during the game. "For the most part, that was the case."

Baker didn't allow a walk and struck out four. He surrendered an RBI double to Joe Mauer with two outs in the third before retiring the last 10 batters he faced.

NOTES: Washington passed Bobby Valentine on the franchise's career list for most games managed with 1,187. ... The Rangers will reinstate LHP Joe Saunders

(0-1, 9.82) from the DL to start Wednesday night, with RHP Kyle Gibson (4-4, 4.68 ERA) pitching for the Twins. Saunders was hit by a line drive on the left ankle in his first start on April 4, and after nearly two months of rehabilitation he will pitch with no restriction, Washington said. Gibson is 3-1 with a 2.25 ERA in four starts this year at home. ... Twins assistant GM Rob Antony said OF Sam Fuld, on the DL since May 8 due to concussion symptoms, has yet to resume on-field workouts, still lacking the three straight symptom-free days required for clearance.

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