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Clay Walker along with guest to play Howard County Fair

By AMANDA ELSTON
 Managing Editor

The Howard County Fair might be a few months off, but Big Spring officials are already planning to make it a fair the county won't soon forget. Today, VIP Sports Getaway announced Clay Walker along with a special guest to be an-



Walker

nounced soon will be performing on Sep. 30 at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl in conjunction with the Howard County Fair.

"We thought that this would be great to do in conjunction with the fair," said Barney Dodd of VIP Sports Getaway. "We can feed off the crowd of the fair and the fair can feed off the crowd of the concert."

According to Dodd, the price of the ticket includes admission to the fair as well as a portion of every ticket sale will be donated to the fair. Tickets will go on sale around mid-July.

In addition, Dodd along with a panel of judges will be searching for a local country music band to open for Walker along with the special guest. The search will begin this summer.

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BSISD trustee arrested on a charge of purchasing/furnishing alcohol for a minor

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

The vice president of the Big Spring ISD board was arrested Sunday on a warrant for purchasing/furnishing alcohol for a minor.



Wash

Big Spring Police report issued Monday, Chad Wash, 47, of 710 Caprock Circle, was arrested on a warrant for purchasing/furnishing alcohol for a minor. Wash has been a Big Spring ISD board member since 2010.

"Big Spring ISD Trustee Chad Wash advised me that he was arrested early Sunday morning as a result of party at his house that was thrown by his child, who had recently returned home from college," Big Spring ISD Superintendent Chris Wigington said

this morning through a written statement. "The district is not aware at this time whether there were any current district students attending this party. Mr. Wash reported that he was aware of a small group of college-aged students in his backyard at the time that he retired for the evening.

"He further informed me that he neither provided alcohol to anyone during the evening nor was he even aware that alcohol was brought onto his property," Wigington continued. "Mr. Wash states he will cooperate with the district while this matter is pending a resolution. The district will continue to monitor this situation and will evaluate what appropriate action is necessary once the case has concluded."

Wigington stated the district "does not condone the underage drinking of alcohol."

"The district believes all students should abstain from underage drinking, and encourages all parents to address

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Superior rating for BSHS choirs



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

The BSHS Varsity Men's choir show off its superior rating trophy earned at UIL Concert and Sight Reading contest held in April in Midland.

BSHS choirs to perform sneak peak concert

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

This upcoming Thursday, members of the Big Spring High School choir and Rhapsody will be giving the public a sneak peak of the show they'll be taking to New York for their summer trip.

"We will performing at First Presbyterian Church," said high school head choir director Gershom Garcia. "It's a practice run since we will be singing in some cathedrals in New York. The church has similar acoustics."

Throughout the year, choir members and their families have

been raising funds for the New York City trip hosting unique events like a Zombie Fun Run to a dinner theater, a golf tournament, and hamburger suppers. More than 40 students plus chaperones will be going on the five-day, four night trip. All but just a little less than a \$1,000 has been raised,

Gershom said, and that money will go toward the rental of the busses to take the students to and from the airport in Dallas.

The practice concert is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Runnels St. Donations

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HC expects a drop in state funding

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

While the Texas legislators are furiously attempting to pass a budget before the end of this current session, Howard College is expected to come out on the short end of the stick again when it comes to funding.



Sparks

How much, if any, of a loss the college district may take is still very much up in the air, Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks told the board of trustees when they met Monday.

"Based on the information we already had before heading in to the (state budget) conference committee, then we were going to be losing money," Sparks said.

Legislators have agreed to add \$19 million back into the community college system, which helps but doesn't erase the \$25 million loss in the last 2015 legislative session. How that money shifts throughout the state's community colleges is still largely unknown at this point, Sparks said.

"We have broad information," she told trustees. "I don't have specific information for Howard College but the broad information is that as far as the community college, they basically gave

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Students recognized by Howard County Commissioners Court

By ROBERT BARLOW
 Staff Writer

Six students from high schools around the county were recognized by the Commissioners Court during yesterday's meeting.

Commissioner Craig Bailey for Precinct 2 began the meeting by introducing to the court a faculty member from each school who then presented the two students that were nominated by the administration. Students were chosen from Forsan, Coahoma,

and Big Spring High School for their accomplishments and hard work they put in to their academics and extra-curricular activities.

"We asked each one of the school districts to find

that male and female student that works hard, does what they're asked to do, interfaces quite well with the other students and with the administration,"

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The BSHS Mietersingers, pictured here, shows off their superior rating trophy earned at UIL Concert and Sight Reading contest held in April in Midland. Members of the choir heading to New York along with Rhapsody will hold a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday at First Presbyterian Church.

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will be accepted at the door, but the performance is open and free to the public.

During the trip, the students will be performing at a few historical places and cathedrals in New York along with visits to major museums, a shopping trip to Times Square and 5th avenue, and attending a Q&A session with cast members of the Broadway show, The Lion King.

The trip will wrap up a very productive year for the high school choir program. In April, both the choir's Meistersingers and Varsity Men's Choir received a superior rating at UIL concert and sight reading competition held at Midland Lee High School in Midland. Adding to the growing accolades, 24 students qualified to compete at the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest to be held in Pflugerville at the end of May.

Earlier in the year, the five BSHS choir members performed at All-Region Choir held in San Antonio in February. The five made the cut after competing against students from 75 choir programs in an area encompassing El Paso to Fort Worth and Amarillo to San Angelo. Also during the year, the choir participated in the Madrigal Festival held in San Antonio earning a superior rating and then competed in the semifinals of the ICHSA (International Championship of High School A Cappella).

"Mr. Garcia and I are very proud of these students and their accomplishments," said Beth Spence, assistant choir director.

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said Bailey. "I think again this year we've got some really good selections."

Selected faculty from each school presented who their selections were and why they chose that particular student. The following students were chosen from each school; Marcus Arredondo and Kaitlyn Mathews from Big Spring High School, Lane Schafer and Rhian Cunningham from Forsan High School, and Landyn Young and Stephanie Gutierrez from Coahoma High School.

"I appreciate their (administration) help in doing this. They're the ones who really drive this effort, and we appreciate everything they do on a daily basis," Bailey said. "I think we got some selections this year that the school districts are really excited about."

Other news covered at the meeting included the approval of 21 road boring requests presented by Brian Klinksiek, county road and bridge administrator. They include 11 in Precinct 1, one in Precinct 2, one in Precinct 3, and eight in Precinct 4. All of the requests were oil and gas related and meeting the specifications of the county according to Klinksiek.

Another issue Klinksiek brought up involved figuring out the "unknown right-of-way situations" in Howard County.

"Last year y'all had given me permission to hire contract labor up to \$7,000 to work on right-of-way stuff," said Klinksiek. "I was thinking still under the same kind of conditions, it's contract labor so it would come out of my professional services budget."

Klinksiek discussed he had found some old easement files in his office that date back to sometime in the '50s, however they were all unsigned. So this project is an attempt to update the files and add any additional right-of-way easements as they are discovered throughout Howard County.

"I would prefer to be much more systematic this year, probably starting in our northwest corner and working our way through to find, just start kind of moving through the county section by section," he said.

It was also mentioned at the meeting that the city of Coahoma is working on a project to replace water lines in Sand Springs as part of a grant that they have received. Klinksiek discussed the possibility of issuing a permit that covers all of the construction for this particular project for Coahoma in order to help them avoid having to request a road boring permit every time they have to work on a line. However no action was taken since the item was not previously discussed on the agenda for the commissioners court.

Some other topics covered at the meeting included:

- A motion was approved to keep the daily amount of reimbursement for expenses of a person who reports for jury duty.
- The court approved a contract for the services of the Howard County Trapper.

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"We are going to be doing a competition leading up to the concert at the Train Car Cigar Bar (100 S Main) starting August 3 for the the opening band."

Starting August 3, Barney along with a panel of judges will be picking six acts every Thursday night for six weeks to play

an hour set at the Train Car Cigar Bar. He encouraged local country bands interested in competing to send a sample of music to barney.vipsports@gmail.com

"We will video tape them as they play," said Dodd. "It'll be a panel of judges including myself."

"Mainly we are trying to make it a community-wide event," continued Dodd. "We want people to come out to support the bands and help us support the bands. Crowd

involvement will definitely be a factor."

According to Dodd, sponsorship packages are still available for interested parties.

The packages include seats on the floor and box, tickets to the pre-party, and banners in the arena.

To send in samples of music, email barney.vipsports@gmail.com.

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community colleges a \$19 million increase."

Community colleges are funded in three areas: corps operations or the basic needs to keep a community college going; contact hours, the amount of hours students are receiving instruction; and student success points, a point system to evaluate overall student success.

Sparks said the only chance for smaller community colleges like Howard to see any real increase in funding is through

corps operations. As of now, the state has increased this area from \$50 million to \$68 million. In the other two areas, bigger community colleges have the clear advantage with a larger enrollment that can easily generate more contact hours and student success points than smaller schools.

The budget is expected to be finalized any day since the last day for the 85th State Legislature is this coming Monday.

In other business, Sparks informed trustees the college had applied for a Helping Hands grant. Helping Hands is a charity run by the Mueller Inc. in which the company

will build a metal building to the recipients specific needs.

Howard College has applied for one of these grants in hopes to have a building constructed to offer a construction trades program on the San Angelo campus.

If approved, the Howard College San Angelo Foundation will have come up with funding for the building's foundation. Sparks added this money would come through private donations.

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CHARGE

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alcohol use with their minor children as well as their young adult children," Wigginton said.

According to a news report by CBS 7 News, Big Spring police were called to a large, loud party at 710 Caprock Circle, Wash's home. When officers arrived on the scene, they found a large number of minors consuming alcohol. CBS 7 reports the information came from the arrest affidavit.

According to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission website, making alcoholic beverages available to a minor is a Class A misdemeanor. If convicted, Wash could face a fine of up to \$4,000 and/or a year in jail. Also his driver's would be automatically suspended for 180 days upon conviction.

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Top official says US hasn't verified IS claim on Manchester

By RICHARD LARDNER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States' top intelligence official says the U.S. government has not yet verified that the Islamic State group is responsible for the attack in Manchester, England, but called the deadly incident a reminder of how serious the terror threat remains.

"This threat is real, it's not going away, and it needs significant attention," Director of National Intelligence Dan Coats said during testimony Tuesday before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Coats said the attack was carried out by a suicide bomber.

Coats appeared before the panel following a suicide attack at an Ariana Grande show in England that left 22 people dead and dozens more wounded.

The Islamic State claimed it was behind the attack.

The Islamic State group said one of its members planted bombs in crowds at the concert. The group warned in a statement posted on social media that more attacks are to come.

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Texas bathroom bill could expose secrets of transgender kids



AP photo

In this May 4, 2017, photo Joanna Smith, of Houston, walks her twin first-graders home from school. One of her children is transgender and Smith fears the child's school would be compelled by the state to "out" her child's biological gender should a "bathroom bill" become law.

By **MEREDITH HOFFMAN**

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Each morning, Joanna Smith's 7-year-old son pulls on a T-shirt and shorts, boasts how fast he can tie his sneakers and heads to school. An honor-roll student who loves science and spelling, he often stays after class to run on the playground with his large group of friends.

But teachers may soon have to disrupt his routine by revealing a secret: This energetic boy was born a girl. Legislation headed for passage in the Texas Legislature this month could forbid him from using the boys' bathroom and effectively divulge his transgender identity to classmates.

"He would be very embarrassed and ashamed to be outed," said Smith, who plans to pull her child out of school if the measure is adopted. "I worry so much that it would just ruin his life." She spoke on the condition that her son's name would not be used.

The measure poses an excruciating dilemma for Texas schools that have quietly agreed at parents' requests to keep secret the birth genders of some students.

To comply with state law, teachers might have to send transgender students to the bathroom of their birth gender or to a single-occupancy bathroom, shocking their peers.

The legislation "really boxes in school systems," said Raffi Freedman-Gurspan, a spokeswoman for the national transgender rights organization Trans Equality.

A broad bill requiring transgender individuals to use the restroom of their birth-certificate gender passed the Senate but stalled in the House. Supporters revived it late Sunday, advancing a proposal applying only to the state's public schools, which educate about 5.3 million students. That's the second-largest number in the U.S. after California.

The final details of the measure are still being worked out. A similar law in North Carolina was partially repealed this year after protests and boycotts. Comparable proposals have been offered in other legislatures, but none has been approved.

Currently, each school and school district determines how to handle students whose birth genders are secret — a small portion of Texas' thousands of transgender minors. A survey conducted by the Williams Institute at UCLA indicated that 13,800 Texas teens identify as transgender, but the number of children under age 13 is not known.

Some districts have nondiscrimination policies that explicitly include gender identity. Others have no formal policy but still shield students on a case-by-case basis.

Faculty at Smith's school declined to discuss their treatment of her son. But Lindsey Pollock, a principal in another school in the district, said she tries to stick up for children, even under legal and political pressure.

"This has never been an issue," said Pollock, who said she has always allowed transgender students to use the bathroom of their choice in her 17 years as a principal. "The problem is the adults looking to make it a problem."

Just last year, a transgender girl entered kindergarten in Pollock's Garden Montessori elementary, asking to keep her background secret.

"We introduced her as she identified and treated her as a girl," Pollock said. "She just has a different anatomical structure, but she's a girl."

Still, Pollock said, if the bill passes, the district would seek a way forward "that would be least injurious to the children."

"It's all hypothetical now," she said of the legislation. "People get all worked up because they're thinking from a sexual perspective, but children are innocent. They just want to go to the bathroom."

Smith is just one of many mothers weighing what's next for their transgender kids.

Teresa, who spoke on the condition that her last name would not be used, said her 12-year-old transgender daughter faced verbal attacks when she transitioned in 2nd grade. She escaped by changing schools.

"We had a couple of parents come to the school saying, 'I hear there's a boy going to the girls' room,' but the administration said they took the safety



AP photo

In this May 3, 2017, photo, Ann Elder, of Friendswood, Texas, looks on at her son, Benjamin, as he is interviewed inside their home. Benjamin is an 11-year-old transgender boy. A bill that is likely to pass the Texas Legislature this month could force schools to reveal the identities of some transgender students. Elder said she would homeschool him to avoid "having him humiliated every day in front of his classmates."

of all their children as priority," she said. Her daughter, who is now in middle school, "is stealthy. I think the only people who know are her teachers and the principal."

The Houston district has the state's oldest and most comprehensive nondiscrimination policy for transgender students.

"We've always chosen to keep the most vulnerable safe," said Anna Eastman, president of the district's board of trustees, who has testified before the state Legislature against the bathroom bill.

But teachers at most Texas schools that are hiding students' birth genders are too afraid to take a public stance and are bracing for a crack-down by the state.

Lauryn Harris, an advocate for transgender children in San Antonio's public schools, said teachers have expressed "great empathy and concern" for students but have also been warned to change their practices.

"One teacher has received a political threat from her boss that they must do what is decided in the Legislature," Harris said. "Administrators are afraid to talk about it outside the school, and I have to sign nondisclosure agreements."

That's partly because many Texas parents get anxious at the idea of their children sharing a bathroom with a transgender child.

Miranda Shugart, a mother of four in the small northern Texas town of Whitesboro, said she is concerned about "safety" and "harassment" and that the "bathroom situation should be more strict than it is."

She doesn't want her third-grade daughter "going to the bathroom all normal and happening to see somebody's penis," Shugart said. "Most of the time, it's not going to be noticeable, but kids mess around a lot especially in places like bathrooms, where they're together and there's not always adult supervision."

Texas Rep. Ron Simmons, who authored a House version of the bathroom legislation, said the measure was not meant to discriminate against transgender individuals but to preserve practices that he believes have worked in the past.

"We want to make sure we treat them with respect and dignity as we have the past 150 years," he said.

For Smith's son, respect means being treated as a boy — in all regards. "He doesn't want to be different," Smith said. "He wants so badly just to be a very regular little boy."

Her son, born as one of twin girls, began saying at age 3 that "he was the brother. He was a boy," Smith said.

"He'd go pick out boys' clothing, and I'd let him wear it," Smith recalled. At age 4, he started asking whether his voice would get deeper and whether he would get facial hair when he grew up. "And he said he didn't like his name and wouldn't use it in school."

So in kindergarten, Smith's child became a boy, with short hair, male pronouns and a new name. Teachers stayed mum about his past, as did his twin sister. He uses a stall in the boys' bathroom.

Smith, a therapist who was inspired to work with other transgender children after having her son, said she would sooner move her family back to her native Massachusetts than allow her child to be "outed" by teachers.

Ann Elder, whose 11-year-old transgender son, Benjamin, is a straight-A student in the suburban Houston town of Friendswood, said she would homeschool him to avoid "having him humiliated every day in front of his classmates."

"It would be inhumane to make him go to the girls' bathroom," Elder said.

Her son used to start playdates by saying, "Hey guys, I'm a teenage boy, and I'm going to be the captain of the pirate ship." When he was 6, a child psychiatrist confirmed he was transgender. His personality "just blossomed," Elder said, after she bought him a new male wardrobe. He changed schools, and the new administration agreed to keep his birth gender secret.

Her son plans to come out as transgender as he gets older. This summer, he will travel to Washington, D.C., with his father to lobby for transgender rights.

"Right now he's living a sheltered life," Elder said. "His friends are happy because they think there's nothing different about him."



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Judge orders school stabbing suspect to remain behind bars

By JESSICA GRESKO and ALANNA DURKIN RICHER

Associated Press
COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — A prosecutor asked for patience Monday as authorities investigate the stabbing of a black Army officer, allegedly by a white University of Maryland student, in a possible hate crime on campus.

The FBI is investigating the unprovoked stabbing of Richard Collins III as a possible hate crime. The suspect, Sean Urbanski, has belonged to a racist Facebook group. Police also said that he was intoxicated, and being tested for drugs.

Defense attorney William C. Brennan argued Monday that the 22-year-old should be allowed to live at home under conditions including GPS monitoring and alcohol abuse treatment while his case goes forward. The judge declined, for now.

Collins, 23, was stabbed early Saturday while visiting friends at the College Park campus. He had just been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, and would have graduated Tuesday from Bowie State University, police said.

Lt. Col. Joel Thomas, who runs the ROTC unit at Bowie State, described Collins as intelligent, athletic, personable and with all the makings of an outstanding military leader.

At a news conference on Monday, Prince George's County State's Attorney Angela Alsbrooks cautioned against speculating about the case before facts are gathered.

The killing was met with shock and fear on both campuses, which are nearby each other in suburban Washington. Bowie State, a historically black school, is having its commencement ceremony Tuesday in the same basketball stadium on the College Park campus where Maryland held its ceremony on Sunday.

"If I'm a person of color I would certainly look at this as something that could happen to me. In fact, I know on Facebook our students are saying that," said University of Maryland Police Chief David Mitchell.

University of Maryland President Wallace Loh led students and families in a moment of silence for Collins at

Sunday's commencement. He called it a "senseless and unprovoked assault," The Baltimore Sun reported.

"We are still in shock that a young man, so full of promise, should have his life cut short, so suddenly," Loh said. "Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends, and with the entire Bowie State University community."

Mitchell said he asked for the FBI's help after learning that Urbanski, 22, belonged to a Facebook group called "Alt-Reich: Nation," where members post disparaging material about African-Americans and others.

"We are here to evaluate that as an ongoing concern with respect to whether or not this was a hate crime," Gordon Johnson, special agent in charge of the FBI field office in Baltimore, said at a news conference Sunday evening.

Brennan told the judge that Urbanski, who appeared in court via a television feed, had "no prior criminal record." The judge said his request for bond could be revisited at a later date.

Brennan and Urbanski's parents left without commenting after Monday's hearing.

A message left Sunday at a number listed for his home in Severna Park was not immediately returned.

Urbanski was added to the "Alt-Reich" Facebook group by an administrator in February. The group, which was taken down after the stabbing, had about 1,100 members and included racist, sexist and anti-Semitic photos and posts.

Officials said Collins was with two friends waiting for an Uber ride at about 3 a.m. Saturday when they heard Urbanski screaming and watched him approach.

Urbanski said "Step left, step left if you know what's best for you," according to the charging documents. Collins said 'no,' and Urbanski stabbed him once in the chest, the documents say.

Officers found Urbanski sitting on a bench about 50 feet from where Collins collapsed, with a knife in his front right pocket, the documents say.

Urbanski graduated from Severna Park High School in 2013, where he made the honor roll in 11th grade, according to media

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States rejecting bills intended to keep guns away from kids



In this May 12, 2017 photo, Beth Roth, director of the Safe Tennessee Project, works from in her home in Nashville, Tenn. The Safe Tennessee Project is a grassroots organization that addresses gun related injuries and gun violence in Tennessee. Child access prevention laws allow prosecutors to bring charges against adults who fail to safely store their loaded guns, especially when they are obtained by minors and used to harm. But legislative efforts in dozens of states have run into opposition from lawmakers aligned with the National Rifle Association.

By RYAN J. FOLEY and NICK PENZENSTADLER

Associated Press and USA TODAY Network

In state after state, proposals that would create or toughen laws intended to keep kids from getting ahold of unsecured guns have stalled — caught up in a debate over whether they are effective prevention measures or just government overreach.

Child access prevention laws allow prosecutors to bring charges against adults who fail to safely store their loaded guns, especially when they are obtained by minors and used to harm.

Public health experts say the laws could significantly reduce unintentional shootings that kill and injure hundreds of children every year, particularly if they allow for felonies against violators and are paired with educational campaigns to raise awareness.

But legislative efforts in dozens of states have run into opposition from lawmakers aligned with the National Rifle Association. Critics say the laws trample on the rights of gun owners who should be able to store their firearms however they want, and unfairly single out guns. Swimming pools and prescription drugs also can cause accidental deaths of children, they say.

Even in states that have such laws, they are rarely used when unsecured guns contribute to the death of a child. An AP-USA TODAY Network analysis found the laws were invoked in 14 out of 152 deaths of children under age 12 over the last three years. Five of those came in Texas, where the offense is a misdemeanor, although grand juries later declined to issue indictments in two of them.

Some gun-control advocates are undeterred. More needs to be done to protect children who live in and visit millions of homes with loaded, unsecured guns every year, they say.

In Tennessee, MaKayla's law — named for an 8-year-old killed by a neighbor who got hold of his fa-

ther's gun — would have made it a felony for gun owners to store weapons in a way that allowed children access to them.

Sponsors were outraged that the 11-year-old who shot MaKayla Dyer will be jailed until he is an adult while his father remains free. The boy was convicted of murder for killing the girl after she refused to let him play with her puppy.

They argued that the state's high rate of shootings involving children needed to be addressed. Gun-rights activists claimed the measure would allow government to tell law-abiding adults how to store their guns, and a Republican-controlled committee voted 7-2 against it.

Sponsors addressed that criticism and returned this year with a simpler version allowing adults to be charged with reckless endangerment if children obtain their guns and use them to kill or injure. But in March, the proposed MaKayla's law met a similar fate. It was rejected 6-3 in committee.

This time, lawmakers argued the bill wasn't necessary because prosecutors could bring charges under existing laws, such as reck-

less homicide.

"They beat us again," said Beth Joslin Roth, director of the Safe Tennessee Project, which backed the measure. "But we'll keep fighting for it. These shootings keep happening."

Tennessee has one of the highest rates of accidental shootings involving minors of any state, according to a separate AP-USA TODAY Network investigation last year. During a 2½-year period starting in January 2014, 17

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UK blast: Blood, horror as bomber strikes young crowd

By **JILL LAWLESS**,
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Associated Press
MANCHESTER, England (AP) — For the young crowd of music fans, the Ariana Grande concert was supposed to be a night of high-energy candy pop. But the fun on a school night quickly turned into sheer terror.

A suicide bomber detonated a powerful explosive device moments after the American singer wrapped up her show in Manchester, sending parents into a desperate search for their loved ones. The blast killed 22 people and wounded 59 others, 12 of them children under the age of 16, officials said.

The youngest fatality identified so far, Saffie Roussos, was 8. In attacking the concert, the lone bomber targeted an audience full of teenagers and 'tweens — Grande fans who call themselves "Arianators." Some wore kitten ears, like the star of the show.

Witness spoke of metal nuts and bolts strewn across the blast site, suggesting the attacker may have packed his explosive device with shrapnel — a gruesome tactic to maximize casualties that was also used by suicide bombers in the Paris attacks that killed 130 people in 2015 and repeatedly in the Middle East and elsewhere.

Fans, many clutching pink plastic balloons, scrambled in panic for exits of the 21,000-capacity Manchester Arena. Some half-climbed, half-tumbled over barriers in terror. Parents, who were waiting outside to pick up their children at the end of the show, waded into the fleeing crowds desperately hunting for loved ones.

"It was carnage. Everyone was scrambling over each other ... It was just a race to get out really," said 14-year-old Charlotte Fairclough,

who got tickets to the show as a Christmas present, attending with a friend.

"We just heard a bang. Everyone stopped and turned around," she said. "You could hear adults telling the little ones it was only a balloon."

Those with no news from those inside amid the mayhem took to social media, appealing for help. The hashtag #MissingInManchester became a cry for assistance on Twitter, as family and friends hunted for loved ones.

"I've called the hospitals. I've called all the places, the hotels where people said that children have been taken and I've called the police," tearful mother Charlotte Campbell told ITV television's Good Morning Britain breakfast show, as she waited at home, hoping that her 15-year-old daughter Olivia would walk through the door or call.

Olivia attended the show with a school friend who was found and being treated in a hospital.

"She's not turned up," the mother said. "We can't get through to her."

In targeting Manchester, the attacker also struck at one of Britain's cultural hearts. The once gritty industrial city, with London and Liverpool, has been one of the main cultural influences on modern Britain, with its iconic Manchester United soccer team, its cross-city rival Manchester City and chart-toppers Oasis, The Smiths and other globally famous bands. Oasis singer Liam Gallagher tweeted that he is "in total shock and absolutely devastated."

Former Manchester United soccer star David Beckham posted on Facebook: "As a father & a human what has happened truly saddens me.



AP photo
Police work at Manchester Arena after reports of an explosion at the venue during an Ariana Grande gig in Manchester, England Monday, May 22, 2017. Several people have died following reports of an explosion Monday night at an Ariana Grande concert in northern England, police said. A representative said the singer was not injured.

My thoughts are with all of those that have been affected by this tragedy."

Hayley Lunt took her 10-year-old daughter Abigail to the show. It was her first concert. The blast, "what sounded like gunshots: 'bang, bang,'" came just as Grande left the stage: "It was almost like they waited for her to go," the mother said.

"Then we just heard lots of people screaming, and we just ran," she said. "What should have been a superb evening is now just horrible."

Grande was physically unhurt, but described herself as "broken."

"From the bottom of my heart, I am so, so sorry. I don't have words," she said on Twitter.

Concert-goer Bethany Keeling said: "There was debris everywhere."

"Everyone ran back up the

stairs and we eventually got out and they told us to run. We ran out of the arena and there were bodies on the floor," said the 21-year-old from Keighley in northern England. "It was terrifying."

Ryan Molloy, 25, said he was just leaving the concert when "there was this massive bang."

"Everyone just went really quiet. And that's when the screaming started," he said. Outside, "there were just people all over the floor covered in blood. My partner was helping to try to stem the blood from this one person ... they were pouring blood from their leg. It was just awful."

Andy Holey, who went to the arena to pick up his family, said the blast threw him around 30 feet (nine meters) through a set of doors.

"When I got up and looked around there was about 30

people scattered everywhere, some of them looked dead, they might have been unconscious but there was a lot of fatalities," he said.

Elena Semino and her husband were waiting by the arena ticket office for her daughter when the bomb exploded. Despite wounds to her neck and a leg, Semino dashed into the auditorium in search of her daughter while her husband, who had only a minor injury, stayed behind to help an injured woman. She found her daughter Natalie, 17, and her friends safe.

"My husband and I were standing against the wall, luckily, and all of a sudden there was this thing," she told The Guardian. "I can't even describe it. There was this heat on my neck and when I looked up there were bodies everywhere."

Islamic State claims concert bombing; children among 22 dead

By **JILL LAWLESS** and **GREGORY KATZ**

Associated Press

MANCHESTER, England (AP) — The Islamic State group claimed responsibility Tuesday for the suicide bombing at an Ariana Grande concert in Manchester that left 22 people dead and sparked a stampede of young concertgoers, some still wearing the American pop star's trademark kitten ears and holding pink balloons.

Teenage screams filled Manchester Arena just after the explosion Monday night, and members of the audience tumbled over guardrails and each other to escape.

An 8-year-old girl was among the dead — the youngest known victim — and the child's mother and sister were among 59 people wounded in what British Prime Minister Theresa May called "a callous terrorist attack." The wounded included 12 children under 16.

"We struggle to comprehend the warped and twisted mind that sees a room packed with young children not as a scene to cherish but as an opportunity for carnage," May said as campaigning for Britain's June 8 national election was suspended.

May and police said the bomber died in the attack — something that went unmentioned in Islamic State's claim of responsibility, which gave no name for the attacker. British police announced Tuesday they had arrested a 23-year-old man in connection with the bombing and raided two locations, carrying out a controlled explosion at one of them.

The attack was the deadliest in Britain since four suicide bombers killed 52 London commuters on subway trains and a bus in July 2005.

The attack sparked a nightlong search for loved-ones — parents for the children they had accompanied or had been waiting to pick up, and friends for each other after groups were

scattered by the blast. Twitter and Facebook lit up with heartbreaking appeals for the missing.

Some concert-goers said security was haphazard before the show, with some people being searched and others allowed inside unhindered.

The bombing took place at the end of the concert, when the audience was streaming toward the exits of Manchester Arena, one of the largest indoor concert venues in the world.

Witnesses said the blast scattered bolts and other bits of metal, indicating the bomb may have contained shrapnel intended to maximize injuries and deaths.

"There was this massive bang. And then everyone just went really quiet. And that's when

the screaming started," said 25-year-old Ryan Molloy. "As we came outside to Victoria Station, there were just people all over the floor covered in blood. My partner was helping to try to stem the blood from this one person ... they were pouring blood from their leg. It was just awful."

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Pictured above is Howard College sophomore Jackie Mercado, who was recognized for Outstanding Defensive Player for the NJCAA Division I National Softball Tournament held in Utah May 17-20, 2017.

Special to The Herald

The Lady Hawks softball team returned from the NJCAA Division I Softball Tournament in Utah as the fifth place team in the nation, the final Texas team on the All-Tournament Team, and landed three players on the All-Tournament Team.

After losing to the would-be champion team, Butler, the Hawks fought their way back to the fifth place spot thanks to their "never-quit" mantra that led them to the tournament.

"It was a total team effort each and every game," said Kelly Raines, Hawks softball head coach. "We knew what we had to do and as a team we stepped on the field and got the job done. I'm very proud of

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Peacock, Astros 1-hit Tigers to 1-0 win

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros used a group effort to win what they hope is the one start ace Dallas Keuchel will miss with a pinched nerve in his neck.

Brad Peacock and three relievers combined for a one-hitter and Jose Altuve provided the offense with an RBI double to lead the Astros to a 1-0 win over the Detroit Tigers on Monday night.

Peacock was solid moving out of the bullpen to make a spot start for Keuchel. In his first start since September, Peacock allowed the lone hit and struck out eight in 4 1/3 innings. He was lifted after walking Tyler Collins with one out in the fifth inning.

"That was an excellent effort and production," manager A.J. Hinch said. "Everything you could ask for going into the game ... that's a pretty special performance out of him and exactly what we needed."

Peacock is one of only four players that have been on this team since 2013. He was happy to be able to step up on Monday night after struggling through some tough times in his career.

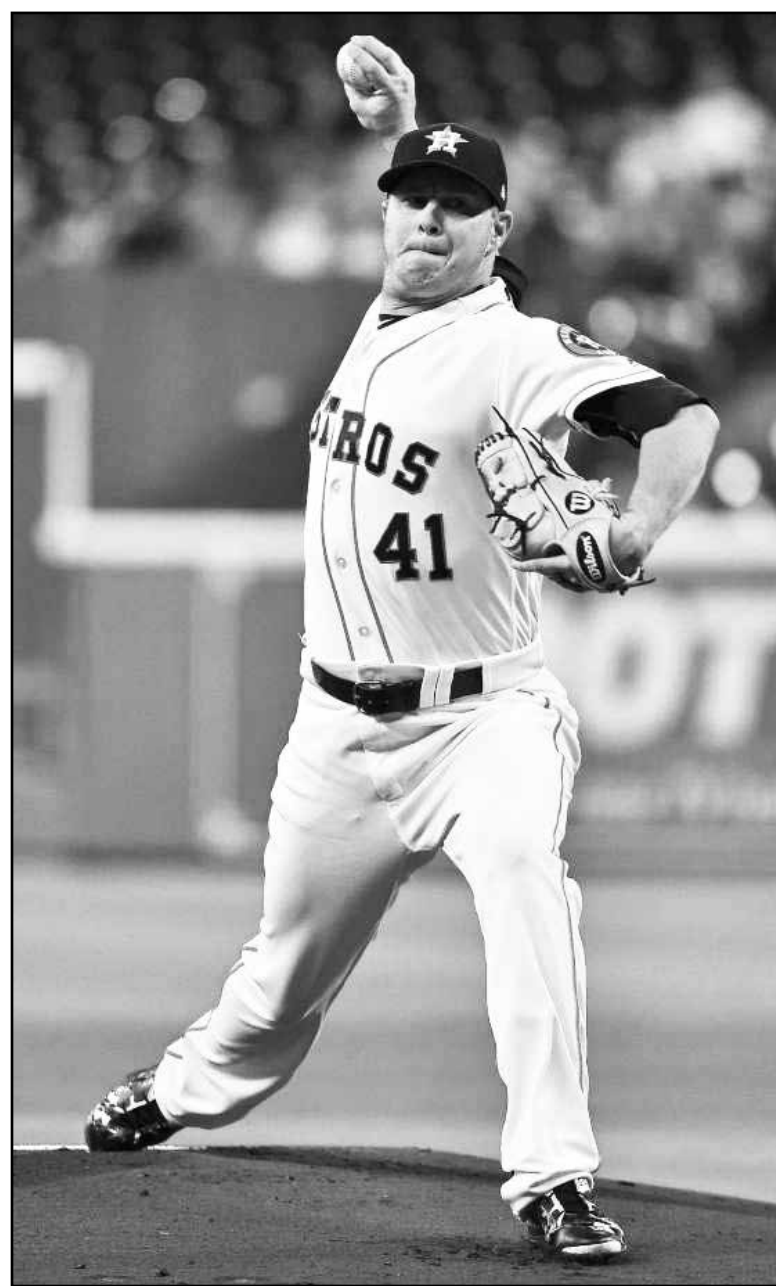
"It means a lot," he said. "I didn't know where I was going to be in spring training to tell you the truth. I thought I was going to get designated or something. But it means a lot that they kept me around and hopefully I can prove I deserve to be here for sure."

Chris Devenski (3-2) took over and pitched 2 2/3 innings for the win before Will Harris pitched a scoreless eighth. Ken Giles struck out two in the ninth for his 12th save to allow the Astros to bounce back after being swept by the Indians over the weekend.

Detroit's only hit was a single by Mikie Mahtook with one out in the third on a night the Tigers tied a season high by striking out 14 times. The team's only baserunner after Collins was Victor Martinez, who was plunked with one out in the seventh. But Houston still faced the minimum in that inning when J.D. Martinez grounded into a double play to end the seventh.

Some evidence if fatigue may have been a factor in Detroit's struggles at the plate after the Tigers arrived at their hotel around 5 a.m. Monday following a night game in Detroit. But manager Brad Ausmus brushed off that notion.

"I've played on teams that got no sleep and scored double-digit runs," he said. "You don't want to do it regularly. I don't think it was an effect today. I just



AP photo

Houston Astros relief pitcher Brad Peacock delivers during the first inning of a baseball game against the Detroit Tigers, Monday, May 22, 2017, in Houston.

thought it had more to do with their pitching."

The Astros struck early against Michael Fulmer (5-2) when George Springer drew a leadoff walk before scoring on the double by Altuve to make it 1-0 with one out in the first.

Houston got five hits combined in the second through fifth innings, but wasn't able to string enough together to put Fulmer in a bind.

Marwin Gonzalez led off Houston's seventh with a bunt single before Yuli Gurriel singled to right

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Curry's 36 points leads Warriors to sweep Spurs, 129-115

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Golden State made sure the inevitable was unavoidable.

Heavily favored to beat the Spurs, especially once Kawhi Leonard sustained a series-ending injury, the Warriors completed a dominant sweep in the Western Conference Finals.

Stephen Curry scored 36 points and Golden State beat injury-ravaged San Antonio with a 129-115 victory Monday night, becoming the first team in league history to start the playoffs 12-0.

"(Being) 12-0 is great, but it doesn't mean anything going into the next series, and we understand that," Curry said.

Golden State led by as many as 22 points in cruising to its third straight NBA Finals. The Warriors await a possible third straight championship matchup with Cleveland, which leads Boston 2-1 in the East finals.

"It's great to be one of the last two teams standing, we'll see how it goes," said Kevin Durant, who had 29 points and 12 rebounds.

San Antonio's only lead came on the opening possession when Manu Ginobili tossed in a left-handed scoop shot. The Spurs started Ginobili in what could be his final game with the team. The 39-year-old had maintained he will not ponder whether to retire or return until after the season.

"We started him tonight out of respect," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "That was the whole reason for starting him. Before the game, you think it may or may not be his last game that he ever plays in, and I did not want to miss the opportunity to honor him in front of our home fans for his selflessness over the years."

Unsure if the beloved veteran will return, the crowd serenaded Ginobili with "Manu, Manu" chants as the game came to a close.

"He kind of worked us pretty good

these four games," said Draymond Green, who had 16 points, eight rebounds and eight assists for the Warriors. "So, I think he's got quite a bit left in the tank. Obviously, it's up to him how much longer he wants to go. But one thing about it, he's definitely not a liability on the floor."

Ginobili finished with 15 points in 32 minutes.

Kyle Anderson scored 20 points to lead the Spurs, who were without Leonard, Tony Parker and David Lee.

"Obviously it (stinks) that Kawhi wasn't there and Tony wasn't there and David wasn't out there," Green said. "But, at the end of the day, a win is a win and you have to beat whoever is out there against you."

San Antonio didn't go down without a fight despite the injuries.

Anderson dove on the court for a loose ball that the Spurs had tipped away defensively, pushing the ball upcourt to Patty Mills who fed Ginobili for a 3-pointer that pulled San Antonio to 108-94 with 7 minutes remaining.

The effort made Popovich smile and clap at times, but the Warriors' depth and talent proved too much for short-handed San Antonio.

"It's the second time we've gotten swept in 15 years, and those are the easiest to digest because you've been overplayed," Ginobili said. "The opponent was better than us, and in this case, way better than us."

Warriors: Golden State has won five straight games over San Antonio, including the regular season, which is the team's longest against the Spurs. ... Warriors starting center Zaza Pachulia missed his second straight game with a bruised right heel. Pachulia's absence allowed him to escape the ire of the Spurs fans, who blame him for Leonard's absence after his controversial close-out on a 3-pointer that Popovich called "dangerous" and "un-sportsmanlike." ... Golden State has won six straight road games in the postseason, which is a franchise record.



AP photo

Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry celebrates a basket against the San Antonio Spurs during the second half in Game 4 of the NBA basketball Western Conference finals, Monday, May 22, 2017, in San Antonio.

Spurs: Leonard missed his third straight game with a sprained left ankle. Popovich announced his All-Star forward would not play about two hours prior to tipoff. ... Ginobili had come off the bench in 55 straight playoff games prior to his start in Game 4. ... Murray's four steals in the first

half tied Ginobili's franchise record for most steals in a playoff game.

Golden State coach Mike Brown said it was tough competing against Popovich, his longtime friend and one of his mentors, but the veteran

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Awareness Alignment of the Moon and Mercury

As the Taurus moon comes into alignment with Mercury, which is also in Taurus, our automatic responses and routines could take on much more significance. Mindfulness changes everything about a ritual. Many aspects of life can improve through the simple act of noticing. Bonus: Ask, "Why?" Extra bonus: Ask, "How does it make me feel?"

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Pain is easier to prevent than it is to manage. Keep this in mind as you navigate today's choices. If you make

them without thinking, you could land in an uncomfortable spot.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). What's important isn't reaching any particular measure of accomplishment (including age or salary or position); rather, the most important thing is growth itself. You'll happily move forward.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You put so much energy into your work that you lose yourself completely and become one with the task. The result is masterful, even though you're no longer thinking critically about how you're doing.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You like to be around people who show initiative, even if it's not exactly in the way you would prefer. It will be easier to guide those who have the confidence to act than inspire those who don't.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Accept your mind, even when thoughts are unhelpful or unruly. When you patiently let it wander wherever it wants, you'll find your mind will get

bored of certain tracts and finally settle into being your friend and assistant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Friends will treat you like family, and family will treat you with the admiration they usually reserve for the most abstract idea of their personal heroes. Enjoy the extra attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Try and see your home with fresh eyes, the way you might before guests arrive. From this vantage you'll note what's not working for the logistical flow of your life, and/or what's not meeting your need for beauty and inspiration.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It won't count as an adventure today unless you muster up the courage to be a beginner. If you're afraid of being awkward or foolish, that's OK: It will only add to the satisfaction you feel on the other side of saying "Yes."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You've a willing crew, though they won't know automatically how to please you. They have to be led.

Prompt them in the manner of a comedian gesturing to indicate when to laugh.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The mundane tasks of the day will feel much more significant than just taking care of yourself or serving others. Small acts of kindness may very well be our most important purpose for being.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes the most essential thing also happens to be the easiest thing. A simple task taken at a relaxed pace will show you in an extremely attractive light.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The next person who comes to you with a need is your path to changing the world. If no one is coming to you with a need these days, you may have to get the ball rolling by reminding people how you can help.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 23). You'll totally immerse yourself in your driving passion this year and learn so much more than you thought there was to know about it! This makes

you more attractive to certain people, although it also affords you less time to spend with them. The travel you do in July and December will lead to new work in 2018. Cancer and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 22, 28 and 13.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "Where is the sun today, and what does that mean?"

At this time of the year, the sun is skipping though the third stage of the zodiac, the realm of Gemini, and will continue to do so until the summer solstice on June 21. The zodiac begins with Aries, which represents the raw energy of birth and survival. Then the sun progresses to the second sign, Taurus, which focuses on the material world and how we perceive it with all of our senses. The sun's entrance into Gemini, the first air sign, introduces an intellectual element to the zodiac and homes in on man's unique need to gather information. Gemini, the sign of communication, offers the chance to establish lines of con-

tact and expand our personal and professional networks. This part of the solar journey is a bubbly and social time of year, noted for its conversational opportunities. It's an intellectual energy, and the sharing of knowledge brings good fortune while the sun transits Gemini. On a practical level, the Gemini sun is also a perfect time to upgrade your phone plan.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: This Alaskan native famously lived in her car while she worked the coffeehouses of California with her unique voice and acoustic guitar. Happy birthday to Jewel, the versatile Gemini who is masterful in many different genres of music, including folk, country, pop, opera -- she even yodels. Jewel has her natal sun, moon and Mercury all in the versatile, intelligent sign of the twins.

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Annie's Mailbox

You're Wrong About My Life

Dear Annie: I have read your advice column off and on for a while and am excited to see you have a Facebook page that you post things to. I'd like your advice, as I have in-laws who have sent me various columns of yours that feature letters from people whose situations they think mirror my

situation. Though I appreciate their wanting to offer your recommendations, their perspective on what my husband and I are facing is rarely accurate. They're almost always off base when it comes to knowing what is really going on. What ends up happening is that I become irritated that they are meddling in our lives, and it causes hurt feelings, as well as more problems between my husband

and me. What is your advice to in-laws who want to offer advice, and what is your advice to me on how to handle them and prevent them from interfering in the future? -- J.

Dear J.: Unsolicited advice is unheeded at best and offensive at worst. Perhaps you should send them a column about meddling in-laws straining a marriage. All kidding aside, of course their not-so-subtle hints are annoying. The phrase "too many cooks" comes to mind. Your husband needs to be the one to intervene by speaking with his parents. He should tell them that this marriage is just between you and him and that

it is up to the two of you -- and no one else -- to find the right recipe.

Dear Annie: This is in response to the recent letter from "Sad Nana With So Much to Be Thankful For." Her husband is dying, and her children are helping with hospice care.

Under Medicare, she may be entitled to the hospice benefit, which entails more than just a weekly hospice nursing visit. She needs help from a home health aide, and she may be able to get one through this benefit. The aide would bathe him, dress him, help him get up or down, make his bed, clean his room, throw in a load

of his laundry, etc.

She also may be entitled to a social worker for assistance with other community resources and emotional support for her and her children.

Hospice volunteers can come during certain time windows, so "Sad Nana" would know they are coming and could get out of the house for her own appointments, go for a walk or just take a nap (as she is probably sleep-deprived).

Many families benefit from a hospice chaplain, someone who is used to dealing with the spiritual issues surrounding death and dying, which your own clergy may be uncomfortable discussing.

I am sad to hear that the needs of "Sad

Nana" and her family are not being met by hospice. Hospice care is a wonderful benefit that Medicare and most insurance providers offer at the end of life. It supports patients and families. -- Retired Hospice Nurse Manager

Dear Retired: I'm printing your letter in case anyone in a similar situation has not considered or looked into the possibility of home hospice care. Thank you, nurse.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
A wasted opportunity

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A
♥ K 10 9 6 5 3
♦ 8 7 5
♣ 10 9 5

WEST
♠ Q 10 4 2
♥ 7 4
♦ Q J 9 3
♣ K Q 6

EAST
♠ K 8 6 5 3
♥ —
♦ A K 6 2
♣ 7 4 3 2

SOUTH
♠ J 9 7
♥ A Q J 8 2
♦ 10 4
♣ A J 8

The bidding:
1♥ West 4♥ East
1♥ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

There are usually two sides to any story, and this is certainly true in bridge, where things can be viewed from both an offensive and defensive perspective.

Consider the present case where South is in four hearts and West leads the queen of diamonds, which holds. West continues with the three of diamonds to East's king, and East leads the diamond ace, ruffed by declarer.

If South is familiar with elimination plays, he knows at this point that he'll make the contract regardless of where the K-Q of clubs are located. Accordingly, he leads a spade to the ace, a trump to the queen, ruffs a spade, leads a trump to the ace and ruffs his last spade. He then leads a low club to his eight, ensuring the contract. West wins with the queen but must yield the game-going trick whatever he returns.

But that's only one side of the story. Now let's go back to trick three when East played the ace of diamonds. At that point, he was in position to know, from West's fourth-best diamond lead at trick two, that declarer had no more diamonds. East should therefore have shifted to a club at trick three, hoping to find partner with either the A-Q, A-J-x, K-Q-x or K-J-x of the suit, in which case declarer would sooner or later lose two club tricks and go down one.

It is true that many players holding the East hand would, from force of habit, continue with the ace of diamonds at trick three and live to regret it. But situations like this — where a defender mechanically follows the line of least resistance and does the wrong thing — arise all the time. That is why it is so often said that defense is by far the hardest part of the game.

Tomorrow: Looking to the future.
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sudoku

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		8	1		9	6		
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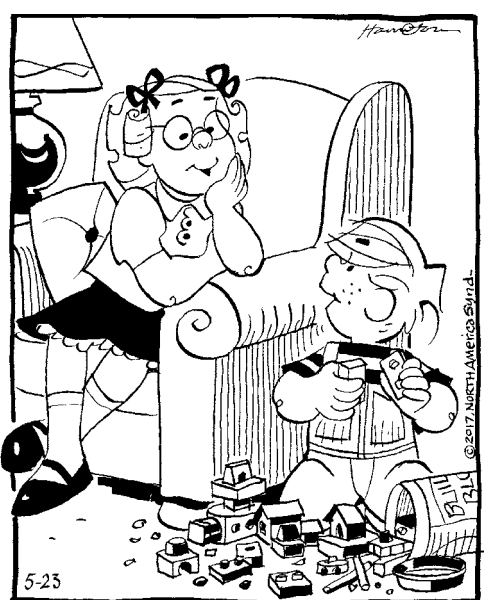
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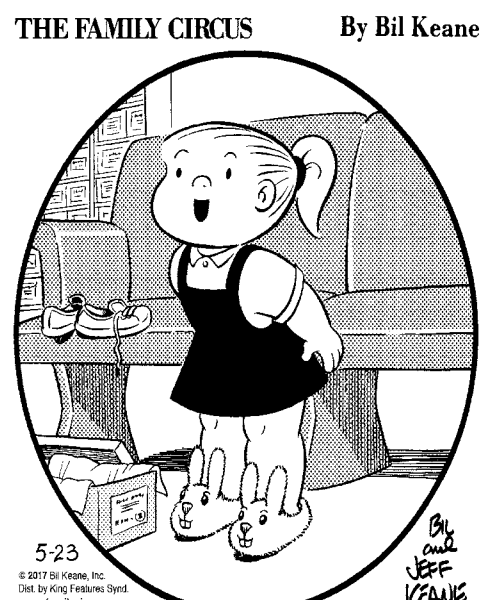
TV schedule table with columns for channel, time, and program name.

DENNIS THE MENACE



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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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HAGAR



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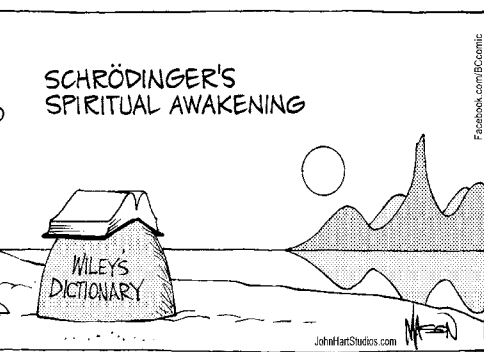
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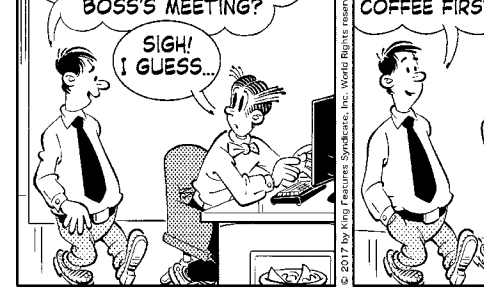
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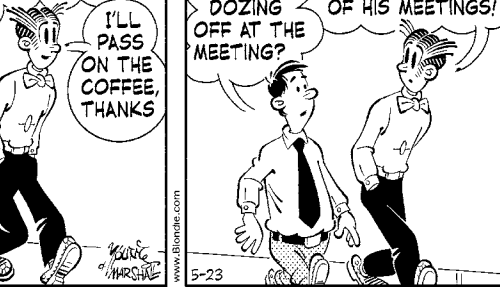
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BLONDIE



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BLONDIE



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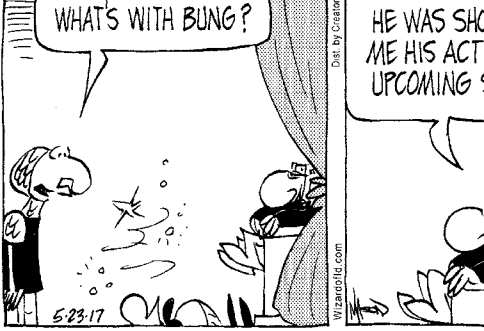
This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, May 23, the 143rd day of 2017. There are 222 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On May 23, 1967, Egypt closed the Straits of Tiran to Israeli shipping...

lanthropist John D. Rockefeller, founder of the Standard Oil Co. and the Rockefeller Foundation, died in Ormond Beach, Florida, at age 97. In 1939, the Navy submarine USS Squalus sank during a test dive off the New England coast...

Paramount Pictures. In 1992, top anti-Mafia prosecutor Giovanni Falcone was killed in a remote-controlled highway bombing outside Palermo, Sicily, along with his wife and three police escorts.

WIZARD OF ID



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WIZARD OF ID



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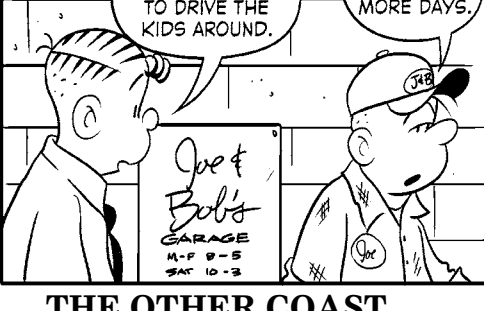
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AGNES



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HI AND LOIS



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HI AND LOIS



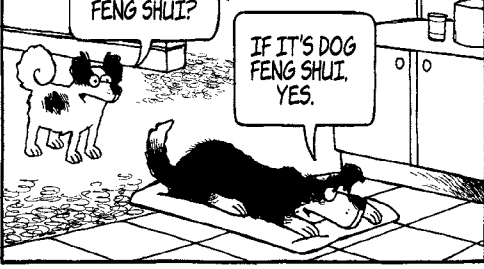
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THE OTHER COAST



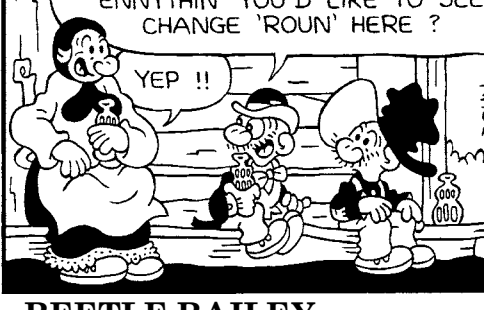
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THE OTHER COAST



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SNUFFY SMITH



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BEETLE BAILEY



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BEETLE BAILEY



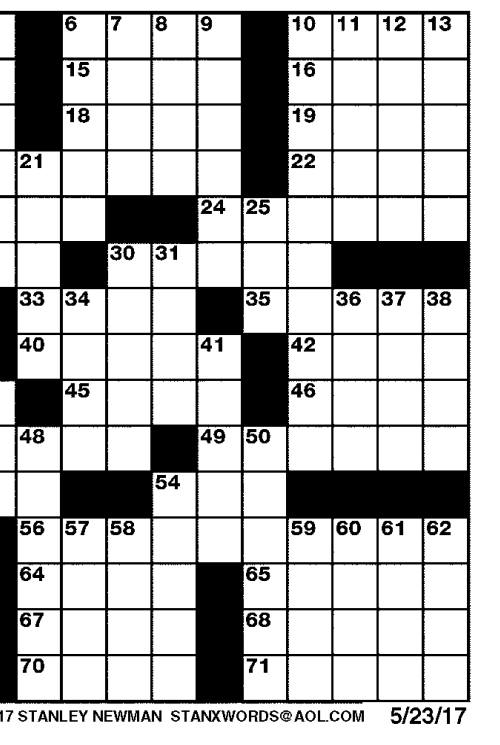
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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS: 1 Rock used to make sparks, 6 Study all night, 10 Not quite shut, 14 Of the moon, 15 Sedan or coupe, 16 Garage job, for short, 17 Scent, 18 Crunchy sandwiches, briefly, 19 Mouse-catching device, 20 Generous, 22 Valentine flower, 23 Poetic "before", 24 Hardy's comedy partner, 26 Fortune-teller, 30 Greet casually, 32 High in calories, 33 Whitish gem, 35 Helpers: Abbr., 39 __ mater, 40 Spicy chip dip, 42 Work hard, 43 Suspicious, 45 Motel's swimming spot, 46 Maui or Oahu, 47 Des Moines resident, 49 Start admitting both boys and girls, 51 Sculptor's work, 54 Is able to, 55 Garb for Julius Caesar, 56 Generous, 63 Not much, as of paint, 64 Pepsi or Coke, 65 Weepy-eyed, 66 Staircase bar, 67 Resting on, 68 Concave navel, 69 "Auld Lang __", 70 Atlas contents, 71 Jabbed with a finger, DOWN: 1 Weightlifter's bane, 2 Entice, 3 Get __ the ground floor, 4 Identify, 5 See the world, 6 Rope supporting a bridge, 7 Regulation, 8 Memo-directing abbr., 9 Nearly all, 10 Generous, 11 One of a courtroom dozen, 12 Belittle, 13 Force back, 21 Three-layer cookies, 25 "So that's it!", 26 Word-of-mouth, 27 Provoke to anger, 28 Summit or apex, 29 Generous, 30 Hair stylist's shop, 31 And, 34 Mama's mate, 36 Mediocre, 37 Word game square, 38 Snow vehicle, 41 Seaweed, 44 " __ said it!", 48 Video chat device, 50 Because someone clued you in, 51 Parts of a constellation, 52 The present time, 53 One more time, 54 British blokes, 57 Tiny amount, 58 Goopy stuff, 59 Nevada city, 60 Armored vehicle, 61 Toledo's lake, 62 Changed the color of

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San Antonio Spurs guard Dejounte Murray (5) grabs a rebound in front of Golden State Warriors' Kevin Durant (35) as Shaun Livingston (34) and center Pau Gasol, right, of Spain watch during the first half in Game 4 of the NBA basketball Western Conference finals, Monday, May 22, 2017, in San Antonio.

SPURS

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coach put the series in perspective during a phone call prior to the start of the series.

"He called, we talked, we laughed," Brown said. "He said, 'Hey, I love you. I told him I loved him and he said, 'But you know once this starts, we're going to try to kick your (butt). I said, 'Ok, it's on.'"

Spurs forward LaMarcus Aldridge closed out a disappointing series with his second eight-point effort against the Warriors.

He entered Game 4 averaging 18 points, but was held to 4-for-11 shooting in 22 minutes in the series finale. Aldridge didn't

address his own personal struggles, but praised the team's effort.

"No excuses but a lot of unfortunate things happened, but we still tried to compete and do the best we could do," Aldridge said. "They've been the best team in the west for the last few years and they proved it again. (Warriors) came out and competed, they had a good game plan for the guys that we had out there, we just came out and did everything we could do."

Giinobili's closest friend on the Spurs is Mills, which puzzles the 28-year-old.

"I don't know why we have such a good relationship, he is so much older than me, you know," Mills said, jokingly. "It's weird, it's like grandpa and grandson, but still very close."

LADY HAWKS

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this team and how much they've grown from the beginning of the year until now."

Leading the Hawks squad in recognition was Jackie Mercado, a sophomore infielder from Rosamond, CA. Jackie was recognized as the Outstanding Defensive Player for the tournament thanks to her strong play at third base for the Hawks.

"Jackie has been outstanding for us all season after moving to third base this year," said Raines. "She's as solid as they come and we are very excited for her to receive this recognition for her hard work."

All-Tournament Team selection included:

- Mariah Young, a sophomore outfielder from Murietta, CA
- Tiare Lee, a freshman infielder from Las Vegas, NV

"We are so proud of

both young ladies for both their offensive and defensive play," added Raines. "They came through for us in the regional tournament in a big way and just continued to contribute throughout the national tournament earning this recognition."

With 13 freshmen on this year's roster, the outlook is favorable for the Hawks. Raines added that the leadership provided by the sophomores and experience that the freshman girls were getting only improves the outlook for a strong 2017-2018 season.

"We have several freshmen that really played hard during the regional tournament and gained some valuable experience at nationals as well," said Raines. "It's going to be fun working with them again next year."

Additionally, Kelly Raines also received recognition as the Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) Softball Coach of the Year.

ASTROS

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field. But Fulmer retired the next three batters, with two strikeouts, to escape the jam and end his night.

He allowed eight hits and one run while fanning four for his first loss since April 18.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: C Brian McCann, who was placed on the 7-day concussion list this weekend, was feeling better on Monday and expects to be ready to return on Saturday. McCann was injured on May 14 against the Yankees when he got crossed up on a pitch by Charlie Morton and

*Romo returning to Tahoe
Celebrity Golf Tournament in July*



Former Dallas Cowboys quarterback, Tony Romo, during sectional qualifying for the 2010 U.S. Open golf tournament Monday, June 7, 2010 at the Club at Carlton Woods in The Woodlands, Texas.

STATELINE, Nev. (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo will play in the annual celebrity golf tournament at Lake Tahoe this summer for the first time in five years.

The newly-retired, four-time Pro Bowler will be among more than 80 past and present sports stars and entertainers to compete for the \$600,000 purse July 14-16 at the American Century Championship at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course in Stateline, Nevada.

Tournament spokesman Phil Weidinger told The Associated Press a formal statement would be issued later Tuesday announcing Romo's agreement to make his seventh appearance at the 28th annual event.

Romo finished second three consecutive times from 2009-2011 and finished fifth the last time he played in 2012. Earlier this month, he tried to qualify for a U.S. Open, but failed to make the field for the third time in his amateur career.

was hit in the mask by the ball. He stayed in the game and didn't realize he had a concussion until he was still feeling bad days later.

OH BABY

Detroit designated hitter Victor Martinez returned from the paternity list on Monday after the birth of his daughter Camila Victoria on Friday in Florida. He went 0 for 2.

TOUGH STRETCH

Monday was the start of Detroit's 10-day, 11-game road trip, which includes a double-header on Friday. They know it will be a difficult stretch, but aren't daunted.

"We are grinding. We know we've got a tough schedule in

May," Miguel Cabrera said. "If we can get through May, I know we're going to be OK. We're going to grind, and we're not going to use it as an excuse."

UP NEXT

Tigers: Jordan Zimmermann (4-2, 6.25 ERA) will start on Tuesday for Detroit. He allowed seven hits and four runs in six innings of a 6-5 win over Baltimore in his last outing. He is just three strikeouts away from reaching 1,000 for his career. He will face Lance McCullers, who hasn't allowed a run in the last 17 innings, which is the longest active streak in the American League. He threw six scoreless innings for the win in his last outing.

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GUNS

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minors in the state under age 18 were killed in accidental shootings and 35 were injured.

Roth's experience is in line with what other gun-control advocates have faced in states across the country.

From 2012 through 2016, efforts to create laws in 11 states that don't have them — and to strengthen laws in 20 others that do — have failed. Not one became law. Few of the plans received public hearings, and those that did were often vocally opposed by gun-rights activists.

So far, 27 states and the District of Columbia have adopted some form of a child access prevention law, although their provisions vary widely. Most carry only misdemeanor penalties, and some are written very narrowly so that they may not apply even when children die. Others are intended to keep guns away from kids who might commit a crime.

Just how effective they are remains an open question.

A study published in 2000 by researcher Daniel Webster of Johns

Hopkins University found that Florida's law "appears to have significantly reduced unintentional firearms deaths to children" by up to 51 percent after it went into effect in 1989. The law included felony charges and was accompanied by an awareness campaign.

"If you leave a loaded gun accessible to small children, the consequence of that is often very minimal," said Shannon Watts, founder of Moms Demand Action, a leading gun-control group. "But the data does show in states like Florida where you have a strong law, they work."

Yet there was no evidence that laws in 14 other states had any impact, in part because most didn't make violations felonies.

Another study published in 2015 found that child access prevention laws "have no significant effects" on unintentional firearm deaths but that states with them do have lower youth suicide rates.

Some researchers believe that just having them on the books — if the potential consequences are stiff and publicized — can prompt adults to be more responsible when storing their guns.

Rather than rely on child access

laws, prosecutors sometimes charged adults with child abuse and homicide. But in dozens of cases reviewed by the news organizations, no charges were filed, with some prosecutors saying that no law applied.

"There are no child-access prevention laws in Kansas requiring gun owners to secure their firearms in a specific way," Sedgwick County District Attorney Marc Bennett wrote to AP, explaining his decision against filing charges in the death of a year-old Wichita boy shot by his toddler brother with an adult's handgun.

Bennett said homicide charges didn't fit — there was no indication the owner knew the way he stored his loaded gun in a bedroom drawer would potentially result in the child's death.

Lobbyists for the NRA and other groups argued in Kansas and elsewhere that such laws were unnecessary because charges and civil lawsuits could be brought under different statutes.

Then-Kansas State Rifle Association president Patricia Stoneking told lawmakers in 2015 that knives, hammers, forks, scissors and other household items could be considered "dangerous weapons" under legisla-

tion proposed at the time. She questioned whether adults would be required to lock their kitchen cabinets and tool chests, and said there had been no "cause for concern" with unsecured guns.

"Gun owners in Kansas are not just leaving guns laying around for their kids to play with," she said. The bill died quickly.

The groups also succeeded in blocking a bill in Oregon two years ago, a victory in a state controlled by Democrats.

NRA lobbyist Daniel Reid testified against the 2015 bill, which would have punished adults with up to one year in prison if children accessed their unlocked guns. He said it would do little to make children safer and instead would impede an individual's right to self-defense.

Oregon's reckless endangerment statute, he argued, could be used to prosecute an irresponsible gun owner.

"Given the fact that current law already exists, the National Rifle Association is opposed to the notion of 'sending a message' to firearm owners by singling out firearms in state law as particularly evil objects," he said.

The bill died in committee.

Trump seeks reconsideration of sanctuary cities ruling

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Trump administration filed court papers Monday aimed at getting a judge to reconsider his ruling blocking the president's executive order to cut funding from sanctuary cities that limit cooperation with U.S. immigration authorities.

The U.S. Department of Justice asked U.S. District Court Judge William Orrick for permission to file documents asking the judge to reconsider or clarify his ruling in light of a new memo by Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

The memo, also issued Monday, reasserts the department's position that Trump's executive order applies to a relatively small amount of money, specifically grants that require localities to comply with a specific immigration law related to information-sharing among police

and federal immigration authorities.

The DOJ said the memo "contradicts many of the bases upon which the court relied" in arriving at its decision to block the order.

Orrick appeared to address the administration's arguments in his April ruling. The judge rejected the claim that the executive order applies only to a relatively small pot of money and said President Donald Trump cannot set new conditions on spending approved by Congress.

Orrick cited Trump's reference to the order as a "weapon" as evidence that the administration intended to cut off a broad swath of federal funding, not just three U.S. Department of Justice and Homeland Security grants as government attorneys argued. And he raised concerns that the specific immigration law the administration cited could be construed to require

cities to comply with requests by U.S. authorities to keep people in custody while they await deportation.

David Levine, a professor at the University of California, Hastings College of the Law who has followed the case, said the attorney general's memo seems to raise the same arguments the administration previously made.

"Judge Orrick's response to the prior argument was that it was contrary to the plain text of the executive order," he said. "I don't see why he would respond any differently to this new memorandum."

Orrick's ruling temporarily halted Trump's order in relation to two lawsuits — one brought by the city of San Francisco, the other by Santa Clara County.

The president called the ruling "ridiculous" and vowed to take the fight to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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reports. Urbanski was not scheduled to graduate from the University of Maryland this year, police said.

Zach Lessner, who was in a bowling league with Urbanski and just graduated from the University of Maryland, said he didn't expect that Urbanski "would be the person to commit this horrendous act."

Dr. Artie Lee Travis, vice president for student affairs at Bowie State, said the school hopes the investigation moves forward as quickly as possible.

"Hate has no place in America," Travis said. "Hate has no place on a college campus, where young minds are coming together to try to change the world," he said.

Brian Douglas, who got to know Collins when they took a class together, said the man was looking forward to graduation.

"He was just nice, just a good young man all around. You can't find those too often in today's society," Douglas said.

Ciera Sorrell, who also took a class with Collins, said his killing shocked the Bowie State community. "Everyone is in disbelief," she said. "He seemed so excited to get to live his life and he doesn't have that chance anymore."

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