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Pops vendors raising money for wreck victims



File photo

Fireworks from 2017's Pops in the Park.

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

A couple of local women, along with the Big Spring Food Truck Association, will be selling burgers and hot dogs at Pops in the Park July 3 to raise funds for some local families dealing with the aftermath of recent terrible accidents.

Linda Burchett and Marisol Ortiz have booked food vendor booths at the annual patriotic festival to raise money for the family of Alexandra Vasquez, a mother of three who was critically injured in the June 5 motorcycle accident in Big Spring which claimed the life of Austin Ryan Cantu; and also for the families of Brayden Sizenbach, and Nova and Austyn Montgomery, who were involved in a wreck Sunday in Crosby County, Texas. Sizenbach, 18, and Nova Montgomery, 50, were killed in the crash, and Austyn, 16, was hospitalized at University Medical Center in Lubbock in critical condition, where she currently remains.

Burchett said other volunteers helping out with the project include Porsha Bryant, Isaac Miramontes, T.J. Wright and Ponca Burchett.

"We've got a bunch of fundraisers up there at Pops in the Park," Burchett said. "So we're hoping that people will come out. We've got all different foods. We've got hot dogs in one, roasted corn; we've got hamburgers and double-meat hamburgers in the other; and then ours is snow cones and turkey legs and brisket, different things. So we've got a variety of stuff."

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County commissioners extend fireworks and burn bans

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

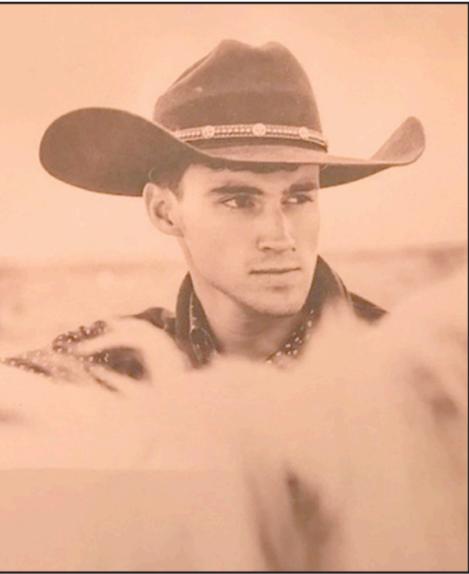
Howard County is currently under a burn ban and fireworks ban; and at their meeting Wednesday, commissioners voted to extend those restrictions another 90 days.

Commissioners met with Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Interim Chief Mitchell Hooper, who recommended the extension.

The vote extends the duration of the ban until Sept. 27. The ban, including Wednesday's extension, is due to continuing drought conditions in the area; In the first five months of 2018, the National Weather Service's Big Spring Field Station recorded less than an inch of precipitation.

Big Spring residents should exercise caution in how they choose to see **BANS**, Page 3

Lifting each other up, the Big Spring way



HERALD photo/Marissa Loftin

Friends and family (left photo) gathered in the Credit World parking lot on Wednesday afternoon to put on a car wash fundraiser for the family of Brayden Sizenbach (right photo), a 2018 Big Spring High School graduate who passed away in a vehicular accident on Sunday, June 24. Sizenbach's services took place this afternoon. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Brayden Sizenbach memorial scholarship at BSHS.

The Texas Chef is coming to Big Spring

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

If you love cooking, eating and Texas, then be sure to stop by Porter's to meet The Texas Chef, Stan McDonald, on Saturday, July 7, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Chef, traveler extraordinaire, guitar player, philosopher and proud Texan, Stan McDonald has been traveling all around Texas to promote his latest cook book release, Down Home Texas, and to share with his fellow Texans what he has learned during his life time being a chef, his little tricks to make life in the kitchen easier, and of course Texas style recipes.



Courtesy photo

Stan McDonald, aka the Texas Chef, at a cooking demonstration at H-E-B Grocery store in San Angelo, Texas.

"Big Spring's Porters is really excited to be able to welcome Stan McDonald to our town to talk about his book," said Nancy, a Porter's employee. "He will be talking about his book and the recipes in them. Guests will also have a chance to purchase a signed copy of his cookbook, Down Home Texas."

Stan McDonald was born in Midland, Texas and raised in Fort Worth, Texas. His grandparents lived and worked on Little Hoss Ranch, which is about thirty miles south of Fort Worth in Johnson County. Stan spent a great deal of time there as a boy growing up.

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By TYLER SCHELLIE
 Staff Writer

Outer space and rockets were the theme of this year's Boy Scouts Big Bend Daycamp, located at Big Spring's Camp Thomas.

The Scouts participated in many space-themed activities, such as the "Asteroid Mine Field" - an archery event; "Alien Fear Factor," where kids dared to reach their hands into a container and feel unknown things and substances which may or may not have had an extraterrestrial origin; and even blasted off water

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Scouts blast off to camp



Courtesy photo

Shown above are the Scout campers with their supervisors standing in front of the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department fire truck earlier this month.

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Obituaries

Eloisa T. Correa,



Eloisa T. Correa, 86, of Big Spring, died Monday, June 25, 2018, in a local nursing home. Vigil services were held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Friday, June 29, 2018, at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Inurnment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born July 29, 1931, in Big Spring and lived here all her life. Eloisa had worked at Hall-Bennett Hospital, Golden Plains Care Center, Motel 6 and TA Truck Center. She enjoyed gardening and loved her nieces and nephews, taking care of them as if they were her own.

Eloisa had been a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was currently a member of Holy

Trinity Catholic Parish.

Survivors include three brothers, Simon Correa, Pete Correa and Bentura Correa all of Big Spring; two sisters, Maria Florez of Bryan and Natalia Mata of Frisco; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Pedro and Jovita Torres Correa; three brothers, Celestino Correa, Christino Correa and Marcos Correa; and two sisters, Lusía Cortez and Rebecca Rodriguez.

The family suggests memorials to Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, 1009 Hearn St., Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to a favorite charity.

A special thanks from the family to the staff of Parkview Nursing Home and Hospice of West Texas for the excellent care they gave Eloisa.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

Police, Sheriff reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MICHAEL ANTHONY ESCANUELA**, 25, of 308 NW 8th St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

- **JESSE THOMAS BLACKWELL**, 53, of 1002 N Main St. was arrested on a charge of driving with invalid license.

- **LINDA RENA TORRES**, 35, of 2530 Fairchild was arrested on warrants for driving with invalid license, expired drivers license, unlicensed carrying of weapon

- **RENE JUDE MORALES**, 46, of 23715 Falcon Rd. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JESSE THOMAS BLACKWELL**, 53, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving without a license with previous convictions/suspensions.

- **ADALBERTO LOZANO CALIXTO**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief >=\$100<\$750

- **ISAAC DANIEL CHAVARRIA**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault, family violence or threat.

- **MICHAEL ANTHONY ES-**

CANUELA, 25, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for theft of property = \$500 < \$1500

- **JESSICA JOYCE GAFFNEY**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving without a license with previous convictions/suspensions.

- **EDWARD MARTINEZ**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for FTA/child support

- **RENE JUDE MORALES**, 46, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

- **LINDA RENA TORRES**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for driving with invalid license, expired drivers license, unlicensed carrying of weapon, and parent contributing to non-attendance.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of N Main St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported

to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Collins. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Baylor. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on I-20 Mile marker 189. No one was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Take Note

- The Maranatha Baptist Academy (MBA) has started its open enrollment for the Summer session, which runs June 18 through July 12 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. MBA has been operating since 1981 and teaches ACE curriculum for grades K-12. The Fall term is scheduled to start on Aug. 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, please call 432-213-1046.

- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

- Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas, handles legal issues affecting Veterans, Retirees, and their family members.

They will have clinics that provides volunteer attorneys that will provide free legal advice (up to 25 minutes depending on the issue). A pro bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child support and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning.

The Clinic dates are on Aug. 23 and Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northside Community Center on 110 N.E 8th St. Applicants must be financially eligible to obtain services.

Please bring a copy of your DD215 and/or Veterans ID card. Appointments are required. For more information or to make an appointment, please contact Pete Fierro at 432-332-1207, ext. 4511.

- The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

- The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations.

Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

Connie Allison Allred

Connie Allison Allred, 71, of Big Spring died Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Memorial service will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 30, 2018, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

- Bring Everyone Into the Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a Veteran based peer group. The purpose of this group is to provide peer-to-peer support to Service Members, Veterans, and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), Military Sexual Trauma (MTS), and other traumatic events in their lives.

BEITZ Meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more questions and information email, francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org or call 432-268-3003.

- GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support).

Weekly May 24 through Aug. 24, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

- A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

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Putin, Trump to have summit in Helsinki on July 16

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian President Vladimir Putin and U.S. President Donald Trump will hold a summit in Helsinki on July 16, the Kremlin and the White House announced Thursday.

A terse synchronized statement said the two presidents will discuss bilateral issues and international relations. The announcement comes a day after Trump's National Security Adviser John Bolton held talks with Russian officials in Moscow to lay the groundwork for the summit.

"I've said it from Day One, getting along with Russia and with China and with everybody is a very good thing," Trump said Wednesday. "It's good for the world. It's good for us. It's good for everybody."

He said they would discuss Syria, Ukraine and "many other subjects."

Finland has been a favored location for U.S.-Russian summits since the Cold war times, a role helped by its efforts to maintain friendly ties with its huge eastern neighbor.

The summit will offer Putin a chance to try to persuade Washington to lift some of the sanctions imposed on Russia over its 2014 annexation of Crimea, its support for separatists fighting the government in eastern Ukraine and its alleged meddling in the 2016 U.S. presidential election.

During Wednesday's meeting with Bolton, Putin argued that U.S.-Russian relations were at a low point because of American political infighting and expressed a desire to "restore full-fledged relations

based on equality and mutual respect."

Putin had two brief meetings with Trump on the sidelines of international summits last year, but plans for a full-fledged summit had been delayed

Trump has continually parroted the Kremlin's denial of election interference, a move that has put him out of step with the findings of the U.S. intelligence community and nearly all Democrats and Republicans in Congress, who say there's clear evidence of Russian efforts to influence the 2016 U.S. presidential campaign.

Putin's foreign affairs adviser Yuri Ushakov said after Putin's meeting with Bolton that the issue of alleged Russian meddling in the U.S. presidential election was raised during the conversation, and the Kremlin reiterated its denial of any interference with the vote.

"It was stated clearly by our side that the Russian state hasn't interfered with the U.S. domestic politics, moreover hasn't interfere in the 2016 election," Ushakov said.

"The decision on holding a full-fledged summit is a very positive development," Russian upper house speaker Valentina Matvienko said Thursday in remarks carried by Russian news agencies. "We hope it will play a very important role in helping begin the normalization of Russia-U.S. ties."

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov is likely to meet with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo within the next two weeks as part of efforts to set the stage for the summit, according to Lavrov's deputy, Sergei Ryabkov.

Ryabkov said in remarks carried by Russian news agencies Thursday that Moscow already has made a proposal regarding the specifics of the meeting and is waiting for

Washington's answer.

Finland served as a venue for a 1975 meeting between U.S. President Gerald Ford and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev and also hosted a summit between U.S. President George H.W. Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in 1990. In 1997, President Bill Clinton met his Russian counterpart Boris Yeltsin in Helsinki.



AP photo

In this Friday, July 7, 2017, file photo U.S. President Donald Trump meets with Russian President Vladimir Putin at the G-20 Summit in Hamburg.

amid the U.S. investigations into alleged collusion between Trump's campaign and Russia, a probe that Trump has dismissed as a "witch hunt."

Ahead of the announcement, Trump repeated Russian denials of election interference, tweeting "Russia continues to say they had nothing to do with Meddling in our Election!"

SCOUTS

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rockets.

Lunch was donated by McDonalds, while H-E-B donated gift cards to help with supplies, and Crew 5 helped set up and run the stations.

Howard County volunteer firefighters also stopped by to show the Scouts all about the department's fire truck and how it is operated.

"We had a wonderful committee headed by camp director Kim Sides," Liz Stowers, Scoutreach district executive, said.

Contact Staff Writer Tyler Schellie at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or by email at citydesk@bigspringherald.com.



Courtesy photo

Scouts learn how to launch bottle rockets, along with many other activities, at their space themed summer camp earlier this month. "We had a wonderful committee headed by camp director Kim Sides," Liz Stowers, Scoutreach district executive, said.

VICTIMS

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Burchett said the money will definitely be appreciated by those dealing with these tragedies.

"(Vasquez) is a mother of three. We're trying to get funds because there's all kinds of things; back and forth to Lubbock, and just the normal things that we take for granted, they're without it right now, so we're trying to step in and do whatever we can," Burchett said. "So hopefully at Pops, they're going to come out. In the meantime, if anyone has any donations or if they're not going to be at Pops, they can come by my house and leave it. We have a savings account set up for the Sizenbachs and the Montgomerys. We set it up the day before yesterday at Wells Fargo, and right now it's got \$1,015 in it."

Burchett said the group is looking for additional volunteers to help out at Pops.

"There's a lot of people helping out, and we've got everybody we need for Sizenbach and Montgomery, but now we need the help for the Vasquezes, for Alex. Anybody who wants to come up there and help, or donate, or whatever, we're asking them to please pitch in."

For more information, to volunteer, or to make a donation, contact Burchett at 432-816-9381.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

BANS

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celebrate Independence Day this year; although sale of fireworks is not prohibited, actually shooting off flying fireworks including rockets with sticks or missiles with fins is banned, and the Sheriff's Department will be patrolling around July 4 to make sure county residents are complying with the law.

While the County's ban affects only the unincorporated areas of Howard County, the cities in the county also have their

own ordinances banning fireworks inside the city limits.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Held a budget workshop to discuss the budget for the upcoming fiscal year;
- Discussed and approved an interlocal agreement with the City of Big Spring for a law enforcement radio system.
- Discussed and approved a memorandum of understanding with West Texas Centers regarding the House Bill 13 Grant Program.
- Approved a request

from Joann Valle to go out for bids on pharmacy services for the Howard County Detention Center and the County Indigent Health Care, Welfare, and County Juvenile Probation Program.

• Discussed with County Road Administrator Brian Klinksiek details of setting specifications and administrative fees on private utilities and equipment placed on, under, or above Howard County roadways.

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CHEF

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Stan's love for cooking came from his background, and it has been incorporated in his life as a chef. Having started cooking full time in 1974, Stan has traveled the United States in a never-ending search for culinary knowledge, and now shares that knowledge with others. He has worked in virtually every type of food establishment you can imagine, but he has always returned to his Texas roots and love for Texas cooking and food.

"I love cooking Texas food and want to share my recipes with you," stated McDonald on his webpage www.thetexaschef.com.

McDonald wrote his first cookbook, A Taste of Texas, in 2013 and followed it up with the release of his 2017 cookbook, Down Home Texas. Stan's Down Home Texas Tour took him all over the Lone Star State, the highlight of which was a presentation at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas. He is known by

his fans as The Texas Chef, and he wears the title proudly. McDonald's next stop in promoting his book and sharing his culinary knowledge, is Big Spring's Porters. Porter's already has copies of Down Home Texas for purchase, that McDonald will be going into detail about.

Down Town Texas includes recipes for breakfast such as, Texas Breakfast Casserole, Blueberry Muffins, Chicken Jalapeno Sausage, Banana Bread French Toast. Main dishes, with recipes like Green Chili Pork, Chicken and Venison Sausage Gumbo, and Texas Style Chicken and Dumplings. His book also has recipes for party foods, side dishes, soups and salads, and of course what would a southern meal be without desserts. Porter's is located at 501 Birdwell Lane. For

more information regarding The Texas Chef, Stan McDonald, call Porter's at 432-296-4540

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10 Things to Know for Today

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. JUSTICE'S RETIREMENT SHAKES UP BELTWAY

Anthony Kennedy's exit is setting off a confirmation battle for Trump's next Supreme Court nominee certain to consume the Senate, inflame partisanship and impact midterm elections.

2. HOW FAMILY SEPARATION FOR IMMIGRANTS MAY AFFECT KIDS' BRAINS

Severe early adversity may cause brain changes and "toxic stress," resulting in lasting psychological and physical health problems, recent research suggests.

3. BACK AGAINST THE WALL, ORGANIZED LABOR RETALIATES

Last year, unions netted 262,000 new recruits. It's not just that unions are gaining members — they're also getting more aggressive, notably teachers.

4. WHERE RESEARCHERS GET CLUES ON BIRD FLU

Scientists studying how influenza evolves flock to beaches along Delaware Bay, where shorebirds stop on their migration from South America to the Arctic.

5. GLOBAL WINE INDUSTRY FORCED TO ADAPT

Climate change is forcing wine-makers and growers to move to cooler zones, grow grapes that do better in the heat and shade their crops with more canopy.

6. FIRE SWEEPS THROUGH MARKET IN KENYA'S CAPITAL, KILLING AT LEAST 15

The fire struck in a low income neighborhood in Nairobi, where many Kenyans shop for second-hand clothes.

7. MOVE OVER UPS TRUCK

Amazon is rolling out a program that lets entrepreneurs in the U.S. start businesses that deliver packages from vans branded by the online retailer.

8. WHAT A SURVEY FOUND ABOUT AMERICAN EXERCISE

It may seem like a contradiction, but more adults in the U.S. say they are exercising at the same time more of them are becoming obese.

9. FANS IN SOUTH FLORIDA MOURN SLAIN RAPPER

Loudspeakers blasted songs by XXXTentacion as thousands of fans chanting his lyrics lined up for hours at an arena to see the performer laid out in a casket.

10. MIXED EMOTIONS FOR 1 SOCCER FAN BASE

South Koreans were proud to knock off defending champion Germany at the World Cup, but heartbroken it still failed to qualify them for the next round.

Ground Game: Will family separation outcry hurt Texas GOP?

By WILL WEISSERT and LISA MASCARO

Associated Press

McALLEN, Texas — Ted Cruz, the firebrand Republican senator, and Beto O'Rourke, the ex-punk rocker turned Democratic congressman trying to unseat him, don't agree on much.

But when it comes to the immigration crisis on the border, both have introduced bills that do almost the same thing: They want to prohibit U.S. authorities from separating children from parents who are charged with crossing the U.S.-Mexico border illegally.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Associated Press reporters are on the ground around the country, covering political issues, people and races from places they live. The Ground Game series highlights that reporting, looking at politics from the ground up. Each week, in stories and a new podcast, AP reporters examine the political trends that will drive the national conversation tomorrow.

Their state of Texas features about 1,250 miles of border with Mexico and has become ground zero for questions about whether the White House's immigration crackdown has gone too far. Even though President Donald Trump reversed course last week with an executive order, it poses an election-year question. Could the continued fallout hurt Cruz enough to make him vulnerable, setting up a monster November upset that could potentially flip control of the Senate?

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The Trump administration two months ago unveiled a "zero tolerance" policy which led to immigrant parents being separated from their children after crossing illegally into the U.S. and sparked weeks of criticism from Democrats and even many Republicans. Amid increasing public outcry, the president's executive order aimed to end that practice.

But 2,000-plus kids remain separated from their parents in federal custody, while confusion along the border about how to handle families that have crossed since has further increased tension and desperation. A judge in California now has ordered authorities to reunite separated families within 30 days, setting a fixed deadline that could be hard to meet.

Lawmakers are trying to hammer out legislation to address family separations, but getting anything passed will

require Democrats and Republicans to work together, a challenge that is proving especially difficult with midterm election season now heating up.

WHY IT MATTERS

Trump got elected promising to wall off America's entire southern border. His hardline immigration policies are popular with the party's conservative base, especially in Texas, where Democrats haven't won a statewide office since 1994.

But sounds of wailing toddlers separated from their parents and images of children held alone behind metal caging proved too much for Cruz and many in his party. Democrats like O'Rourke, meanwhile, have flocked to Texas to tour detention facilities, decry what they see and attempt to keep

the border in the news, figuring it will hurt the GOP in November.

If Congress fails to reach an agreement, though, the backlash could hurt both parties as the chaos both sides claim to oppose continues on the border.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

How, and especially when, will the thousands of immigrant parents and children still separated be reunited? What does Trump's executive order mean in the long term for families?

Could the order ultimately be suspended amid challenges filed in federal court, creating still more questions about border enforcement?

Will congressional Republicans and Democrats finally reach some consensus on immigration? If so or if not, can either side use the issue to seize momentum heading into the midterms, and will voters be swayed by the outcome enough to buoy candidates around the country that look like longshots, including O'Rourke?

DON'T MISS

Thirty-nine percent of Texas' 28-plus million residents are Hispanic, the nation's largest Hispanic population behind California. But only about 38 percent are eligible to vote.

Around 40.5 percent of eligible Hispanics statewide cast ballots in 2016, compared to nearly 63 percent of Texas whites. That's a key reason why Democratic dreams that demographics will one day soon turn fiercely red Texas blue remain unrealized.

Ironically, O'Rourke, white and of Irish descent, grew up on the border in El Paso and speaks fluent Spanish, while Cruz, whose father immigrated to Texas from Cuba shortly after Fidel Castro took power in 1959, has only minimal skills en espanol.



AP photo

In this June 22, 2018, file photo, Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, left, answers a question during a news conference after participating in a roundtable discussion on immigration in Weslaco, Texas.

Melania Trump heads back toward US-Mexico border

By LAURIE KELLMAN

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Melania Trump is heading back toward the southern border of the United States. And this time, she's not wearing any particular message.

The first lady boarded her plane wearing a black shirt and white slacks for the flight. She was expected to visit centers Thursday housing migrants apprehended at the U.S.-Mexico border.

Mrs. Trump's spokeswoman declined to immediately release details about

her planned stops.

The visit comes a week after Mrs. Trump traveled to the border town of McAllen, Texas, to meet with officials there dealing with detained families. She also met with children at one of the facilities.

But that trip was overshadowed by a jacket the first lady wore to and from Texas that said on the back: "I really don't care, do u?" The first lady's spokeswoman said it was just a jacket, with no hidden message, but interest in her baffling fashion choice was a distraction from Mrs. Trump's trip. Her

husband, President Donald Trump, undercut the no-message message by tweeting that his wife was saying she really doesn't care about the "fake news" media.

This time, Mrs. Trump travels amid upheaval over her husband's hard-line approach to immigration and evidence of increasing urgency over how that's playing out.

More than 2,300 children have been separated from their parents at the border in recent weeks and some were placed in government-contracted shelters hundreds of miles away from

their parents.

The president last week signed an executive order to halt the separation of families at the border, at least for a few weeks, but the order did not address the reunification of families already separated.

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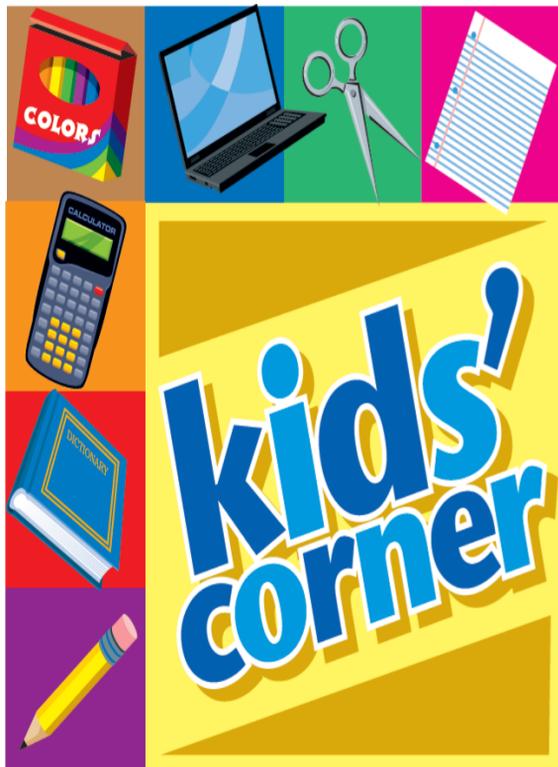
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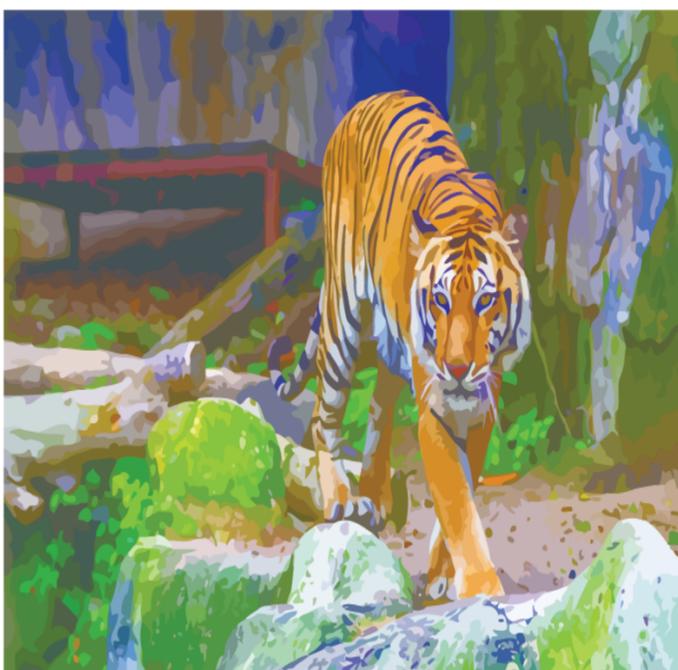
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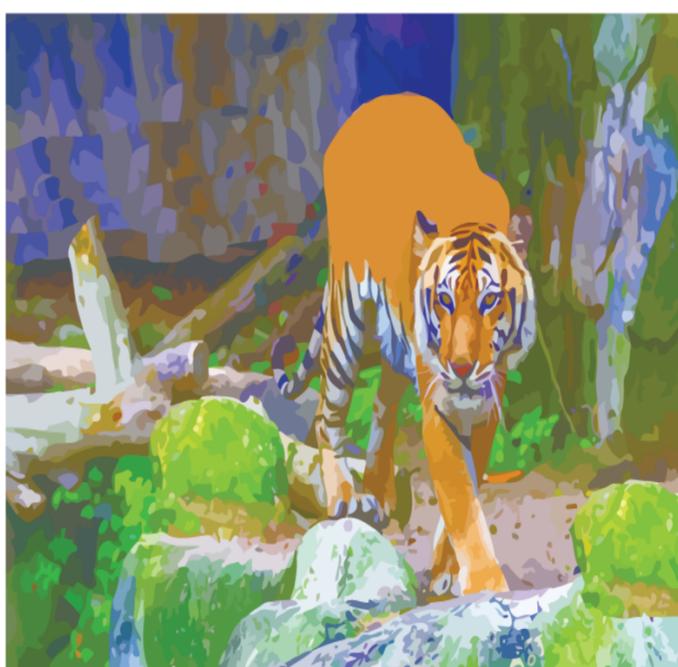
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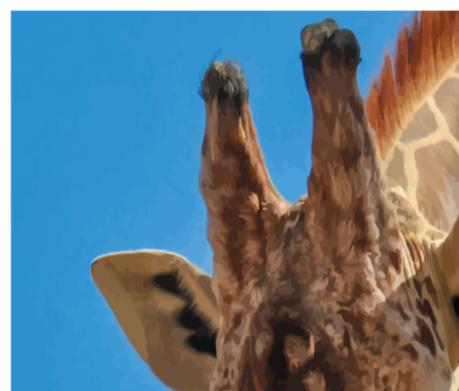
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ANSWER: GIRAFFE

Minor perfect into seventh, Rangers beat Padres 5-2



Texas Rangers starting pitcher Mike Minor delivers against the San Diego Padres during the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, June 27, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Mike Minor wasn't so broken up about losing his perfect game bid in the seventh inning. He would've liked a shot

at a complete-game shutout, though.

Minor took a perfect game into the seventh inning, Shin-Soo Choo reached base for the 40th straight

game and the Texas Rangers beat the San Diego Padres 5-2 on Wednesday night.

Minor was perfect until Eric Hosmer's single up the middle with one out in the seventh. One out later, center fielder Delino DeShields preserved Minor's shutout by leaping to rob Hunter Renfroe of a home run.

Minor struck out five and threw only 85 pitches through seven innings, yet manager Jeff Banister decided to go to the bullpen after that. That drew a pointed response from Minor: "Why?"

"I don't have a complete game shutout in my career, so I still had some goals," Minor said. "With the pitch count being low, I feel I could have still went out there and possibly finished the game."

"He grinded hard," Banister said. "I told him if there were only zeroes on the board, it would have been yours all the way."

Minor (6-4), making his 125th career start since August 2010, said the

thought of a perfect game got stronger each inning.

"Just try to make pitches," he said. "It was still a close ballgame."

Minor benefited from two other strong defensive plays.

In the fifth inning, Jose Pirela hit a sharp grounder into the hole on the left side of the infield with two outs. Shortstop Elvis Andrus' long throw barely beat Pirela. Austin Hedges then hit a 105-mph liner to third baseman Adrian Beltre for the second out of the sixth inning.

"I thought, honestly, we had some hittable pitches early and missed them," Padres manager Andy Green said. "He wasn't pitching the type of game that lent itself to what he was getting results-wise."

Texas has won nine of its last 11 games while San Diego has lost nine of its last 11.

The Padres scored twice in the eighth inning but left the bases loaded for Keone Kela who pitched a perfect ninth for his 20th save, the most in the majors this season without a blown save

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Bregman's 2-run shot gives Houston 7-6 win over Blue Jays

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — It isn't very often that Alex Bregman whiffs on two straight fastballs, so when he did so in the ninth inning on Wednesday it left Houston's third baseman a bit upset.

Fortunately for the Astros, he took out that aggression on the next pitch, connecting for a two-run homer that completed a big rally to lift Houston to a 7-6 win over the Toronto Blue Jays.

It was Bregman's third straight game with a homer and it capped a huge comeback for the Astros, who trailed 5-0 in the middle of the first inning after a terrible start by Dallas Keuchel.

The Astros trailed by one when Tony Kemp singled off Ryan Tepera (5-3) with no outs in the ninth and advanced to second on a wild pitch. Then with one out in the inning, Bregman sent a fastball to left field, where it bounced off the wall above the Crawford Boxes, to give Houston the victory.

"That was the first guy I've swung and missed two straight fastballs on this year I think (Luis) Severino," Bregman said. "So it kind of ticked me off."

Manager A.J. Hinch wasn't surprised that Bregman came through for his team.

"For him to be able to stay calm in the moment, we've seen this — Alex Bregman, game on the line, ice in his veins," Hinch said.

Bregman also doubled twice on Wednesday after hitting a homer and

doubling three times in a win on Tuesday night.

"I don't know how many hits Bregman had this series but he had too many," Toronto manager John Gibbons said.

Will Harris (3-3) allowed one hit in a scoreless ninth for the win.

Gibbons was frustrated that his team let this one get away.

"That's probably my low point this year because you've got it right there," he said. "Those are the teams you want to beat. I think what magnifies that is anytime you get a 5-0 lead that's what gets you."

After the Blue Jays took a 5-0 lead in the first, Houston scored three in the bottom of the first to close the gap and got within one Evan Gattis' RBI double in the fifth. But Kevin Pillar singled and scored on an error in the sixth to make it 6-4.

Marwin Gonzalez snapped an 0 for 23 slump with a solo shot to the bullpen in right-center off Tyler Clippard with two outs in the eighth inning to cut the lead to one.

The Blue Jays jumped on Keuchel immediately a day after being shut out for the fifth time this season in a 7-0 loss. Randal Grichuk hit a leadoff double followed by a walk by Teoscar Hernandez. Yangervis Solarte made it 1-0 with an RBI double before Keuchel walked Steve Pearce.

Hernandez scored on a sacrifice fly by Kendrys Morales before Pillar made it 3-0 with a run-scoring single.

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Houston Astros Alex Bregman (2) celebrates as he runs the bases as Toronto Blue Jays relief pitcher Ryan Tepera (52) heads to the dugout after Bregman's two run home run to win 7-6 during the ninth inning of a baseball game Wednesday, June 27, 2018, in Houston.

AP photo

Future starts now for Germany after shock World Cup exit



Germany's Thomas Mueller, right, wipes his face after his team lose the group F match between South Korea and Germany, at the 2018 soccer World Cup in the Kazan Arena in Kazan, Russia, Wednesday, June 27, 2018. South Korea won the match 2-0.

By SAMUEL PETREQUIN

AP Sports Writer

KAZAN, Russia (AP) — Coach Joachim Loew failed in his bid to combine the experience of past World Cup winners and the youth of talented newcomers, but the future holds

much promise for Germany.

The powerful Mannschaft, the dominant force of world soccer in recent years, crashed out miserably in the first round of the World Cup, and nobody saw it coming. Especially after the now-deposed champions won the

Austria 2-1 in early June.

In Russia, the Germans got off to a terrible start with a 1-0 loss to Mexico, and their campaign ended on an even more bitter note after a stoppage-time winner from Toni Kroos against Sweden gave the false impression they

had finally kick-started their tournament. Whatever the reasons, the truth is that Germany never played as a team in Russia and the loss to South Korea marked the end of a glorious era. Aside from Kroos' flash of brilliance, Loew's players lacked team spirit and intensity. They looked sluggish and most of the time deprived of ideas. Even worse, they were incapable of a strong reaction when on Wednesday they were told Sweden had taken the lead against Mexico in the group other match, meaning they needed to score a goal to qualify.

"You have to say we do not deserve (to progress)," goalkeeper Manuel Neuer said. "In the second round everybody would have liked to play against us. How are we going to be dangerous to an opponent if we do not get our performance right? We gave a bad picture in the three games. I cannot answer why that happened. We have to take responsibility. We screwed up, we screwed together."

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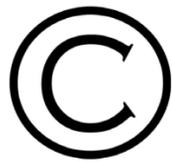
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ANSWER:

Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



Full Moon's Question

To those who pride themselves on great taste and a wicked sense of humor, the concept of "nonjudgmental" anything may seem like a joke. The full Capricorn moon speaks to that with a question: How important is peace? Would you rather cling to your personal criterion for taste and decorum, or would you rather have peace?

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're in a daredevilish mood. Your invitation to risk will come by way of your heart. Extend it and you'll likely get hurt at some point, as it goes with hearts -- and it will also be completely worth it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The social

excitement is like a fire. It might take a second to get it started, but once it catches on it will keep going until all the fuel has been exhausted. Have fun!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Before you make a choice, it will feel as though you're being weighed down. But once you choose and go, the universe will be like water, getting out of your way as you move.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). In real life, there is no clear first-place winner of anything. Each case is unique. There is no linear judging system. Such a system can be created, just to simplify things and name a winner, but it will be a forced and false construct.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't bother with trying to be universally liked; it's not going to happen for you or for anyone else, and it never has in the history of the world. Luckily, it's safe for you to go against the flow and to speak the truth that others don't share.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sep. 22). The energy has been low, and the progress has been slow. Things will pick up after a nice long rest. So if you need permission to take one, consider this your yellow slip.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be looking for ways to increase your talents, powers and capabilities. Currently, that doesn't require learning or adding; rather, it requires pulling back to assess and organize.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). For you, intuition isn't an alternate form of intelligence. It's always engaged. Today it will be the driver that has you getting ready to take a turn before you could possibly see which way the road goes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Effective people move on when the project is completed, knowing that nothing will ever be perfect, and good enough is good enough. In other words, get out while the getting is good.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You probably don't want to be the one to break the spell with reality, to point out the problem or to speak the unpopular opinion. And yet, the responsibility falls to you. Use a kind voice and all will go well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be wary of advice from those who feel that they've figured life out and now know how everybody can win. It's a mistaken assumption. There is no "everybody" when it comes to life paths. The wins happen on a case-by-case basis.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A break from routine will be an energy-restoring, soul-satisfying luxury, no matter what the break is. As long as it's out of your ordinary pattern, and also out of your alternative pattern to that, it will revitalize you.

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By Steve Becker

East-West vulnerability:
NORTH
♠ J 10 7 3 2
♥ J 7 5
♦ K 6 4
♣ K 8
WEST
♠ K 5
♥ A K 10 6 2
♦ Q 9 3
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EAST
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♥ Q 9 8 4
♦ 10 8 2
♣ A 10 6 5 2
SOUTH
♠ A Q 9 8 4
♥ 3
♦ A J 7 5
♣ Q 9 3

The bidding:
West North East South
1♥ Pass 2♥ 2♠
Pass 4♠
Opening lead — king of hearts.
The finesse is an extremely valuable tool, but its overall value is greatly reduced if it is used to excess. The aim of a finesse is to gain a trick by neutralizing a high card held by the defenders, but it should not be employed when that trick can be gained by a less hazardous approach. Consider the present case where West leads the K-A of hearts against four spades. Declarer ruffs and observes that he may lose a trick in each suit. He does not know where

minors are located, but he is aware that if East has either of these cards, the contract can be made via a successful finesse in either suit. But there is no urgency about taking either finesse, so at trick three South leads a low club to the king. When this loses to the ace, declarer obtains vital information not previously available. East's possession of the ace of clubs vastly increases the chance that West — who opened the bidding — has both missing key cards. The spade and diamond finesses, if attempted, are therefore very likely to lose. East returns the queen of hearts at trick four, and South ruffs. Acting on the information he has gained, declarer cashes the ace of trumps, spurning the finesse, and continues with the queen of clubs and a club ruff. He then plays a trump, saddling West with the lead. West has no safe return. A heart lead yields a ruff-and-discard, while a diamond lead goes into declarer's A-J, so the contract is home. Note that if South attempts either finesse, he goes down. Both the bidding and the early play tell him that a finesse is the wrong weapon to use in this deal, and he adapts his play accordingly.

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ANDY CAPP

Panel 1: "SO I SAID, 'STOP GOING ON AT ME, WOMAN. I HAVE FEELINGS, YOU KNOW'"

Panel 2: "SO SHE SAID, 'YEAH - FEELING LAZY AND FEELING DRUNK'"

Panel 3: "SHE FORGOT 'FEELING HUNGOVER!' DON'T YOU START!"

AGNES

Panel 1: "TWELVE HOURS HAVE PASSED... TIME TO ASK GRANMA FOR A TATTOO AGAIN."

Panel 2: "YOU WANT A TATTOO?"

Panel 3: "HEAVENS NO... THERE IS NO DRAWING I COULD LIVE WITH FOREVER."

Panel 4: "SO WHY DO YOU BUG HER FOR ONE?"

Panel 5: "BECAUSE SHE LOOKS SO RELIEVED WHEN I BACK OFF AND ASK FOR ONION DIP OR A JUICE BOX."

ARCHIE

Panel 1: "YOU'D BETTER STOP BETTY AND VERONICA! THEY'RE WASHING YOUR CAR TO SURPRISE YOU!"

Panel 2: "UH-OH!"

Panel 3: "SORRY, I SHOULD HAVE WARNED YOU TWO ABOUT MY CAR--"

Panel 4: "IT'S THE DIRT THAT'S HOLDING IT TOGETHER!"

ONE BIG HAPPY

Panel 1: "MOM, WHY DID YOU NAME ME RUTHIE?"

Panel 2: "I NAMED YOU AFTER MY BEST FRIEND IN COLLEGE. WE PROMISED EACH OTHER WE'D NAME OUR FIRSTBORN DAUGHTER AFTER EACH OTHER."

Panel 3: "DID SHE NAME HER DAUGHTER ELLEN?"

Panel 4: "CLOSE, SHE NAMED HER ELLE, A TRENDIER NAME."

Panel 5: "PLAIN OLD MOM IS TRENDY ENOUGH FOR ME!"

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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, June 28, the 179th day of 2018. There are 186 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:
On June 28, 1968, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Uniform Monday Holiday Bill, which moved commemorations for Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day and Veterans Day to Monday, creating three-day holiday weekends beginning in 1971.

On this date:
In 1778, the Revolutionary War Battle of Monmouth took place in New Jersey; from this battle arose the legend of "Molly Pitcher," a woman who was said to have carried water to colonial soldiers, then taken over firing her husband's cannon after he was disabled.
In 1836, the fourth president of the United States, James Madison, died in Montpelier, Virginia.
In 1838, Britain's Queen Victoria was crowned in Westminster Abbey.
In 1914, Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife, Sophie, were shot to death in Sarajevo (sah-ruh-YAY'-voh) by Serb nationalist Gavrilo Princip (gavh-REE'-loh PREEN'-seep) — an act which sparked World War I.
In 1919, the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY') was signed in France, ending the First World War. In Independence, Missouri, future president Harry S. Truman married Elizabeth Virginia Wallace.
In 1928, New York Gov. Alfred E. Smith was nominated for president at the Democratic national convention in Houston.
In 1939, Pan American Airways began regular trans-Atlantic air service with a flight that departed New York for Marseilles, France.
In 1944, the Republican national convention in Chicago nominated New York Gov. Thomas E. Dewey for president and Ohio Gov. John W. Bricker for vice president.
In 1951, a TV version of the radio comedy program "Amos 'n' Andy" premiered on CBS. (It was the first network TV series to feature an all-black cast, but came under criticism for racial stereotyping.)
In 1978, the Supreme Court ordered the University of California-Davis Medical School to admit Allan Bakke (BAHK'-ee), a white man who argued he'd been a victim of reverse racial discrimination.

In 1989, about 1 million Serbs gathered to mark the 600th anniversary of the Battle of Kosovo in 1389.

In 1997, in a wild rematch, Evander Holyfield retained the WBA heavyweight boxing championship after his opponent, Mike Tyson, was disqualified for biting Holyfield's ear during the third round of their fight in Las Vegas.

Ten years ago: Presidential rivals John McCain and Barack Obama vied for the support of Hispanics in separate appearances before the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials conference in Washington, with each vowing to remake immigration policy.

Jered Weaver and Jose Arredondo of the Angels combined to keep the Los Angeles Dodgers hitless, but the Dodgers won 1-0. (The Dodgers became the fifth team in modern major league history to win without getting a hit, but since they didn't have to bat in the ninth, the game did not qualify as a no-hitter.)

Five years ago: Tens of thousands of supporters and opponents of President Mohammed Morsi rallied in Cairo, and both sides fought each other in Egypt's second-largest city of Alexandria, where two people — including an American — were killed and scores injured. The four plaintiffs in the U.S. Supreme Court case that overturned California's same-sex marriage ban tied the knot, just hours after a federal appeals court freed gay couples to obtain marriage licenses in the state for the first time in 4 1/2 years.

One year ago: Republican donors paid \$35,000 apiece to hear a familiar message from President Donald Trump: That the media, particularly CNN, kept trying to take him down, and yet Republicans just kept on winning elections. ABC and a South Dakota meat producer announced a settlement in a \$1.9 billion lawsuit against the network over its reports on a beef product that critics dubbed "pink slime."

Today's Birthdays: Comedian-movie director Mel Brooks is

92. Former Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., is 84. Comedian-impressionist John Byner is 81. Former Defense Secretary Leon Panetta is 80. Rock musician Dave Knights (Procul Harum) is 73. Actor Bruce Davison is 72. Actress Kathy Bates is 70. Actress Alice Krige is 64. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer John Elway is 58. Record company chief executive

Tony Mercedes is 56. Jazz singer Tierney Sutton is 55. Actress Jessica Hecht is 53. Rock musician Saul Davies (James) is 53. Actress Mary Stuart Masterson is 52. Actor John Cusack is 52. Actor Gil Bellows is 51. Actress-singer Danielle Brisebois is 49. Jazz musician Jimmy Sommers is 49. Actress Tichina Arnold is 49. Actor Steve Burton is 48. Entrepreneur Elon Musk is

47. Actor Alessandro Nivola (nih-VOH'-luh) is 46. Actress Camille Guaty is 42. Rock musician Tim Nordwind (OK Go) is 42. Rock musician Mark Stoermer (The Killers) is 41. Country singer Big Vinny Hickerson (Trailer Choir) is 35. Country singer Kellie Pickler is 32.

Thought for Today:

"One of the sources of pride in being a human being is the ability to bear present frustrations in the interests of longer purposes."

Helen Merrell Lynd
American sociologist and educator
(1896-1982).

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Put down, as a rebellion
- 6 Great bulk
- 10 Nostalgic film channel
- 13 AL East city, for short
- 14 Podded plant
- 15 Tea variety
- 16 Key TV ratings period
- 18 Green land
- 19 Dressed like a storied piper
- 20 Unproductive procedure
- 22 Beseches
- 25 Verizon's ISP
- 27 New staff
- 28 Ready, as a red carpet
- 30 Extremely small
- 32 Courtroom figure
- 33 Gym dance
- 34 Shoot the breeze
- 37 Poetic preposition
- 38 '70s superstar singers
- 41 Compass reading
- 42 Harmonize
- 44 African primates
- 45 Justice Kagan
- 47 Reddish-brown horse
- 49 Puts away
- 50 Patriotic rendition
- 52 Puppy sound
- 54 "Gotcha"
- 55 Bach's genre
- 57 Check out
- 59 Shelley selections

DOWN

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- 2 MI-based
- 3 Inn stock
- 4 Blended family member
- 5 Native Arizonan
- 6 Informal greeting
- 7 Scrape (out)
- 8 Toon caveman
- 9 After-tax
- 10 Traditional loud approval
- 11 Knighted two-Oscar actor
- 12 Objects to
- 15 Comedian called "The Entertainer"
- 17 Shut up
- 21 Intention
- 22 Urban fleet
- 23 Blog post
- 24 Bogart adversary in *Casablanca*
- 26 For the most part
- 29 Slow throw
- 31 Low digits
- 33 Looney Tunes skunk
- 35 A year in Montréal
- 36 Needle verbally
- 39 Winter wear
- 40 Not budging
- 43 Share the emceeing
- 46 Stays idly by
- 48 Mandated: Abbr.
- 49 Flow with force
- 50 "Humble" residence
- 51 Gymnastic Comaneci
- 53 News bits
- 56 Part of Ohio's border
- 58 ___ butter (moisturizer)
- 61 King's reign, for instance
- 62 EMTs' destinations
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- 64 Many 33 Across attendees: Abbr.

DOUBLE DOUBLES

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RANGERS

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and a club record to begin a season.

Clayton Richard (7-7) hit three batters and allowed four runs and a season-high 10 hits over seven innings. He sought his career-best fifth consecutive winning start.

Minor signed with Texas as a free agent last December.

He returned to the majors in 2017 after having shoulder surgery in 2015. He made 65 relief appearances for the Kansas City Royals last year.

NEAR-PERFECT PARTNER
As Minor pursued perfection, he was pitching to rookie Isiah Kiner-Falefa, an infielder making only his third big league start as a catcher.

"Izzy back there did a great job first time catching me,"

Minor said. "I didn't really know what to expect."

CHOO STILL STREAKING
Choo tied Philadelphia's Odubel Herrera for the longest on-base streak in the majors this season. Choo was hit by a pitch leading off the first inning and also had two hits to extend his hitting streak to 11 games. His on-base streak is the fourth longest in Rangers history.

SHORT HOPS

Beltre's third-inning RBI double was No. 624 of his career, tying him with Hank Aaron for 12th on the career list. ... The first-pitch temperature of 101 degrees made it the hottest game played in the majors this season. ... The Padres used their 77th different lineup this season, second most in the majors, playing their 83rd game.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Texas RF Nomar Mazara

(tight left hamstring) was held out of the lineup for the first time since June 16.

UP NEXT

Padres: Rookie LHP Eric Lauer (3-4, 5.05) will open the weekend series vs. the Pittsburgh Pirates on Friday.

Rangers: RHP Yovani Gallardo (1-0, 12.08) will make his third start for Texas on Friday at home against the Chicago White Sox.

ASTROS

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Another RBI single, this one on a grounder by Aledmys Diaz, pushed the lead to 4-0 before Luke Maile's sacrifice fly made it 5-0.

Toronto starter Marco Estrada allowed seven hits and four runs — three earned — in five innings.

Keuchel, the 2015 AL Cy Young Award winner who hadn't allowed an earned run in his past two starts, gave up seven hits and six runs in 5 1/3 innings.

Evan Gattis doubled twice and drove in three runs to give him 30 RBIs this month, which is a franchise record for RBIs in June.

Keuchel settled down after his terrible first inning, allowing just one baserunner over the next four innings. But Pillar, who singled in the third

inning, hit another single with one out in the sixth before a single by Diaz.

Keuchel walked Maile to load the bases and Toronto extended the lead to 6-4 when Devon Travis reached and Pillar scored on an error by Jose Altuve.

"Just a tremendous job of staying the course. Not getting too mad at himself. Not getting too frustrated and just putting up zeros to allow us to make it a game," Hinch said.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: SS Carlos Correa sat out for the second straight day with a sore back. Hinch said the problem isn't serious but he wants to give him time to rest. ... RHP Joe Smith (right elbow inflammation) threw a bullpen on Wednesday and will likely begin a rehabilitation assignment this weekend.

1,500

Gibbons managed his 1,500th game on Wednes-

day. He's managed the second-most games in Blue Jays history behind the 1,764 games that Cito Gaston managed. He is 757-743 in his career, which leaves him in 11th place for wins among active managers.

Gibbons, who is in his second stint as Toronto's manager, has been at the helm since 2013.

UP NEXT

Blue Jays: Toronto is off on Thursday before opening a four-game series against the Tigers on Friday with Marcus Stroman (0-5, 6.80 ERA) on the mound. Stroman allowed six hits in five scoreless innings in his return from the disabled list in his previous start.

Astros: Lance McCullers (8-3, 3.82) will start for Houston in the first of four games at Tampa on Thursday night. McCullers allowed four hits and three runs while fanning nine in six innings in his previous outing.

WORLD CUP

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mini-scandal involving Mesut Ozil and Ilkay Gundogan and their decision to pose for a photo with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan also did not help the team's preparations.

"They have to analyze the tournament, and not

only the tournament but the last half-year, 12 months and we will see what happens in the future," said former player Lothar Matthaeus, who captained the then-West Germany to the World Cup title in 1990. "Jogi Loew made a great job but this tournament we will forget. Maybe we invited the wrong players. They were not playing with passion. They were not playing with body language. They

did not have speed in the game. Many things that gave us the World Cup four years ago we were missing in this World Cup."

Loew, who has the support of the German federation and is under contract until the next World Cup, has not ruled out leaving his position following the debacle. In any case, with a new generation of talented players at his disposal, he has what he

needs to start rebuilding.

It's still too early to know whether the old guard incarnated by Ozil, Thomas Mueller, Sami Khedira and Jerome Boateng — who were all far from their best in Russia — will decide to call it quits in the coming months. Whatever they chose, Loew or the next German coach needs to focus on youth and keep giving chances to the likes of

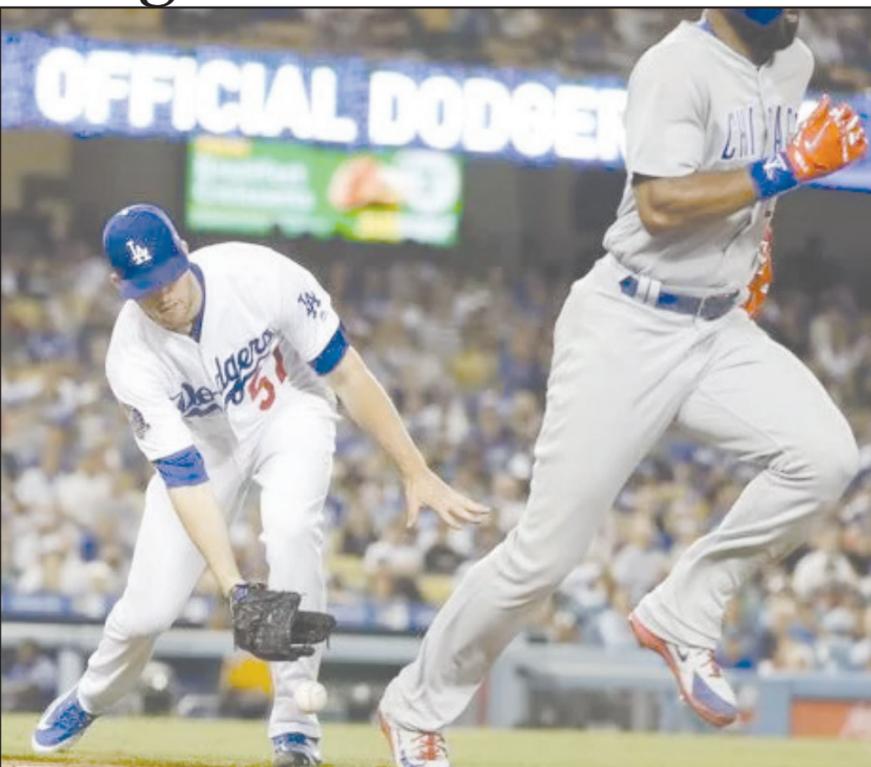
Nikas Suele, Timo Werner, Leon Goretzka and Julian Brandt, who will all gain some valuable experience from the Russian failure.

The technically gifted Brandt did not get much time at the World Cup, but he made convincing appearances as a substitute, showing the enthusiasm that his older teammates lacked. Brandt was picked the World Cup ahead of Leroy Sane, the forward

who had 10 goals and 15 assists in 27 Premier League appearances with Manchester City this season.

Sane will be part of Germany's plans in the future, and there are more bright prospects in the building from the German squad that won the European U-21 championship last year. After a "dark day" for German football, as Neuer put it, the future looks bright.

Dodgers hit 3 homers for 51 in June, beat Cubs 7-5



AP photo

Los Angeles Dodgers starting pitcher Alex Wood fields a ball hit by Chicago Cubs' Jason Heyward during the fifth inning of a baseball game in Los Angeles, Wednesday, June 27, 2018. Heyward was safe at first.

By BETH HARRIS

AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After an anemic first couple months of the season, the Dodgers are powering balls out of the stadium at a near record rate.

Max Muncy and Cody Bellinger each hit a solo home run, Joc Pederson added a two-run shot and Los Angeles defeated the Chicago Cubs 7-5 on Wednesday night.

The Dodgers improved to 17-6 in June and have slugged a major league-leading 51 homers this month. That's the second-most during any month in franchise history. With three days remaining, they have a chance to overtake last year's team that set the record with 53 while the single-season record of 58 in a month is within reach, too.

"It just seems like they're taking really good swings," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said. "When there's a mistake in the strike zone, we hit it hard."

The Dodgers hit 25 home runs in late March and April and 31 in May. The current surge is being generated by a variety of players.

"It's scary facing us," Bellinger said. "We're clicking right now."

After not homering in a 9-4 loss to the Cubs on Tuesday that snapped their four-game winning streak, the Dodgers got going early despite not having Matt Kemp in the lineup. The outfielder, who is hitting .311, served a one-game suspension after losing his appeal with Major League Baseball for a scuffle with Texas catcher Robinson Chirinos on June 13.

Muncy homered over the center-field wall in the first for his ninth long ball this month and 16th of the season. The ball hit something beyond the wall and bounced back onto the field, grazing center fielder Albert Almora Jr. in the head.

Later in the inning, Yasmani Grandal's

two-run double with two outs gave the Dodgers the lead for good, 3-2.

Pederson followed in the second with his 10th homer of the month to make it 5-2. Enrique Hernandez extended the lead with an RBI single.

Alex Wood (4-5) allowed three runs and seven hits in seven innings to earn his third straight win. The left-hander struck out six and walked none, retiring the final seven batters he faced.

Kenley Jansen earned a four-out save, his 21st of

the season.

Chicago made it close after Wood exited. He was replaced in the eighth by Scott Alexander, who walked Jason Heyward and gave up a single to Javier Baez before Willson Contreras hit a two-run double to pull the Cubs to 6-5.

Ben Zobrist grounded back to Alexander, putting the potential tying run on third, but Jansen came in and struck out Addison Russell to end the inning.

"The at-bats had great approaches," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said. "I thought we hit the ball all over the place. Javy hit it to right and right center. Same with Contreras. Good approaches. We played our butts off, we just didn't get it."

Bellinger homered leading off the eighth against Randy Rosario, tying Muncy for the team lead with 16 homers and making it 7-5.

Cubs starter Kyle Hendricks (5-8) gave up six runs and eight hits in 2 2/3 innings, failing to go at least five innings for the first time in 16 starts this season. The team has lost five of his last six starts.

"I'm just searching right now, it's just bad," Hendricks said. "I don't know mechanics and I'm trying to focus mentally and go pitch-to-pitch. Something is just off. I've had troubles in my career, but this is up there as one of the toughest."

Chicago took the lead in the first on a two-run homer by Contreras.

In the fifth, Heyward reached on an infield single that Wood raced to pick up along the first base line. He flipped to Bellinger, and first base umpire Alan Porter signaled that Heyward was out. But the ball came loose and second baseman Logan Forsythe, backing up the play, fired to the plate. Ian Happ, who singled leading off, was called safe to leave the Cubs trailing 6-3.

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