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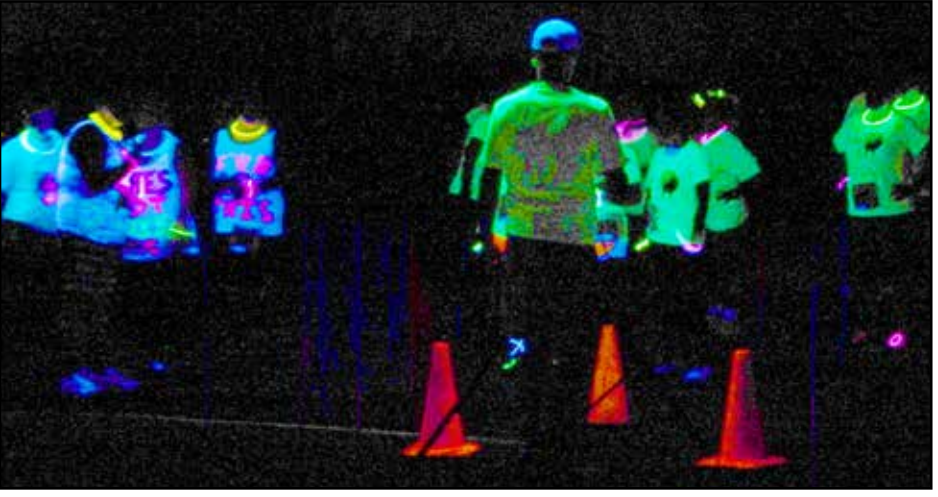
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Eagles fundraiser nets more than \$11K for Campbell cancer battle



Courtesy photo
 Members of the Big Spring lodge of the Fraternal Order of Eagles raised money Saturday to help Eagles member Peggy Campbell with medical bills and transportation in her battle against cancer. "We had a good turnout for the auction. We just auctioned off items that were donated by people in the community – businesses and members," said Eagles member Shane Peffer. "We had a really good turnout for the auction. It was a good turnout, good community support, and a successful fundraiser. It was great, one of the best ones we've had in a while." Although the check in the picture says \$11,200, Peffer said the Eagles actually raised more than that. "We collected more after that, but we said 'If we don't stop and get a picture, we're not going to have one at all,'" he said. "She's really sick, so she couldn't make it last night. So whenever she's feeling up to it, we'll present it to her and get pictures." For more information about donating to Campbell's cancer fund, contact the Eagles at 432-263-6862.

Guided by the moonlight



File photo
 Shown above are participants in the Permian Basin Events' Second Moonlight Rave Run of the Summer, in their glow in the dark gear, at the Big Spring State Park on June 29, 2018.

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer
 Being guided by the light of the moon and the different colored glow sticks, along with the town lights glittering in the dark below the Scenic Mountain, is what Permian Basin Events' Moonlight Rave Run is all about. The third and final Moonlight Rave Run of the Summer, held at the Big Spring State Park, is just a few days away. The event, scheduled for July 27, contributes to numerous, charitable organizations and even helps maintain the State

Park itself. "The race will take place at 11:55 p.m." park Manager Ron Alton said. "Though, we try and get the entrance closed off by 11:30 p.m." According to Alton, it's not just people from Big Spring that attend this Rave Run. "They come from all over. People from Midland, Odessa, and even farther," he said. "It's great to see all of the people outside, getting some fresh air and being active. Plus, it looks amazing with all of the glow-in-the-dark items lighting up

the paths." Participants will receive a glow-in-the-dark T-shirt, and runners and walkers often wear glow necklaces and bracelets, or bring flashlights to light their way on the shadowy moonlit trails. "We do it because of

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Off to the races



HERALD photo/Tyler Schellie
 Participants in the Kid's 1K race take off, some getting tripped up trying to get to the head of the pack, at the 2018 United Way Family Fun Day on Saturday, July 14.



HERALD photo/Tyler Schellie
 Participants in the adult 5K race blast off from the starting line and look to create some separation early on at the 2018 United Way Family Fun Day on Saturday, July 14.

A stargazing party under the night sky

By TYLER SCHELLIE
 Staff Writer
 If the weather is clear, Saturday, July 21, should be a night with the stars for astronomy fans. The annual Stargazing Party at the Big Spring State Park will take place, and recommended arrival time is around 8:40 p.m. "Or even a little earlier to secure the best parking available," said Ron Alton, Big Spring State Park Manager. "Come out and enjoy the sunset, and then check out the amazing night sky with large telescopes provided by the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club,"

The West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club of Midland will be bringing and setting up ten to twelve large telescopes at the State Parks pavilion. The club members love to educate anyone, young and old, about astronomy, and will be showing a video presentation at sunset to help inform you of what you're looking at or looking for. Those who stay late may get a glimpse of Mars as it is getting bigger and brighter, and it makes its closest approach to the Sun in its orbit. Catch a spectacular view of the center of the Milky Way galaxy, observe the Sombrero galaxy and the Lord of the Rings, Saturn. Get a wonderful

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Police, Sheriff Reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JOSHUA MICHAEL WALTERS**, 37, of 1522 Honeydo Trail was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated-open container, unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of marijuana <= 2oz, and 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance pg1 <1g and pg3 <28g.
- **WALTER JESUS CHAVES**, 41, of 106 N 12th St. was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana <= 2oz, and 2, 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance pg1 <1g and pg3 <28g, and public intoxication.
- **JAMES ANDREW GRIFFIN**, 31, of 65 Martin Rd. was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana <= 2oz, and 2, 2 counts of possession of a con-

trolled substance pg1 <1g and pg3 <28g, and public intoxication.

- **LAQUAWN BRUCHA SPARKMAN**, 40, of 540 CR 228 D was arrested on a charge of driving with an invalid license.
- **JEFFERY LEVI REINHARDT**, 43, of 1535 S Kenwood Casper was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **KYLER CANNADY**, 28, of 13601 N CR 9 Unit B was arrested on a charge of assault causes bodily harm injury family member.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 400 block of birdwell lane.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 400 block of Westover Rd.

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 70 inmates at the time of this report.
- **KYLER RAY CANNADY**, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causes bodily injury
 - **WALTER JESUS CHAVEZ**, was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication, and two counts of possession of controlled substance, and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.
 - **MARGAREY EVELYN CLANTON**, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$100.
 - **JAMES ANDREW GRIFFIN**, was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication, and two counts of possession of controlled substance, and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.
 - **CHRISTOPHER HORN**, was arrested by BSPD on a charges of evading arrest detention, burglary

of vehicle, and criminal mischief in between \$2,500 and \$30,000.

- **MICHAEL ANDREW MARTINEZ**, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of driving while intoxicated
- **ROBERT EARL RAMSEY**, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of sale/display harmful, and on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **JEFFERY LEVI REINHARDT**, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JOSHUA MICHAEL WALTERS**, was arrested by BSPD on a driving with license invalid with previous convictions suspended.
- **TERRY LEE ZYLSTRA JR.**, was arrested by HCSO on charges of driving while intoxicated, unlawful carrying weapon, and two counts of possession of controlled substance, and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Dow. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on FM 700 and HWY 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3900 block of Gail HWY. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N N HWY 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Alice. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on MM 175 I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on MM 175 I-20. No one was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Richabaugh. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Cardinal. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **CAMPER/ RECREATIONAL VEHICLE** was reported in the 8800 block of Rae. The fire was contained.
- **PASSENGER VEHICLE FIRE** was reported in the 3000 block of S 87 Hwy. The fire was contained.

Take Note

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• 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 Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more

information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• 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 pron 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.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

Obituaries

Peggy Neill

Peggy Neill, 84, of Big Spring died Friday, July 13th, 2018, at Parkview Nursing and Rehab Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Bernardo Huante

Bernardo Huante, 87, of Big Spring, died Sunday, July 15, 2018 at his residence. Funeral services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Jacob Scott

Jacob Scott "Jake" Marin, 47 died Saturday, July 14, 2018. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

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 Parkinson's 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 and 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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.

THURSDAY

- 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.

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more 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). Meetings are 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.



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Survey of economists: US sales and employment likely to grow

By DEE-ANN DURBIN

AP Business Writer

DETROIT — Most U.S. business economists expect corporate sales to grow over the next three months and hiring and pay to rise with them.

But a majority of the economists surveyed by the National Association for Business Economics say the corporate tax cuts that the Trump administration pushed through Congress have yet to affect their plans for hiring or investment. The administration had promoted its tax cuts, which were heavily tilted toward corporations and wealthy individuals, as likely to raise worker pay and promote corporate investment and expansion over time.

The NABE also said a majority of respondents from goods-producing companies said their companies were delaying investment, raising prices or taking other steps in response to the Trump administration's trade conflicts with other nations.

The results of the quarterly survey being released Monday reflect responses from 98 of the NABE's members between June 14 and June 27.

Sixty-eight percent of the business economists said they foresee sales growing over the next three months. And for a fourth straight quarter, a higher proportion of respondents reported rising sales at their companies. All the panelists expect the U.S. economy, as measured by the gross domestic product, to expand over the next

12 months.

Goods producers — a category that includes manufacturers, farmers and construction — are most optimistic, with 94 percent saying they expect sales to rise over the next three months.

Fifty-one percent of the economists said wages rose at their companies between April and June, and they expect pay to keep rising over the next three months. It was the first time since the NABE began analyzing



AP photo

In this June 20, 2018 photo, a member of a construction team works on the site of Gables Station, a mixed use project featuring apartments, retail, a hotel and cafes, in Coral Gables, Fla.

such data in 1982 that it has reported such strong wage growth over two quarters. Forty-one percent of respondents said their companies expect to hire in the next three months.

"Labor market conditions are tight, with skilled labor shortages driving firms to raise pay, increase training, and consider additional automation," Sara Rutledge, chair of the NABE's Business Conditions Survey, said in a statement.

Overall, the respondents reported little impact so far from the Trump administration's tariffs against China, the European Union, Canada and Mexico. A majority — 65 percent — said the trade disputes haven't led their companies to change hiring, investing or pricing so far.

But among goods-producing companies — which are directly affected by the tariffs and the counter-tariffs by America's trading partners — a majority said they had made one or more such changes. Twenty-six percent of the goods-producing companies said they had delayed investments, and 16 percent said they had raised prices.

Friday. "At a minimum, it appears he is attempting to provide cover to defendants for their own conduct in the practice of family separation, and the lack of foresight and infrastructure necessary to remedy the harms caused by that practice."

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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. TRUMP-PUTIN READY FOR ONE-ON-ONE SUMMIT

The meeting in Finland is playing out against a backdrop of fraying Western alliances, a new peak in the probe into Russian election meddling and fears in some quarters that Moscow's aggression may go unpunished.

2. HOW TRUMP SAYS MONARCH CHARACTERIZED BREXIT

The president tells a British interviewer that Queen Elizabeth II told him that Britain's plans to leave the European Union are "a very complex problem."

3. KUSHNER'S FAMILY FIRM ACCUSED OF PUSHING OUT TENANTS

Residents of rent-stabilized apartments in New York tell AP they will sue after a campaign used relentless construction to push them out and bring luxury condo buyers in.

4. MUSLIM POLITICAL CANDIDATES FACING BACKLASH

Some high-profile hopefuls have fizzled out, and many are contending with anti-Muslim sentiment that's been emboldened in the Trump era.

5. WHY PUERTO RICANS ARE WARY OF FINALLY GETTING POWER

Residents in remote areas are relieved to get electricity back after last summer's devastating hurricanes, though power company turmoil and grid concerns persist.

6. WHAT OBAMA WILL HIGHLIGHT IN AFRICA

The former U.S. president will urge the world's youth to work for human rights and fair societies, reaffirming Nelson Mandela's example of perseverance.

7. BILLIONAIRES FUEL POWERFUL STATE CHARTER GROUPS

Since 2006, philanthropists and their private foundations and charities have given almost half a billion dollars to groups that support the charter schools movement across the U.S., an AP analysis finds.

8. PRIME TIME: A DAY OF DEALS AT AMAZON, AND AT ITS RIVALS

Amazon is extending its annual "Prime Day" promotion to 36 hours this year and will try to lure more deal-seekers to the aisles of Whole Foods.

9. EXPERTS: US SALES, EMPLOYMENT LIKELY TO GROW

But most U.S. business economists say Trump's corporate tax cuts have yet to affect their plans for hiring or investment.

10. BRYCE HARPER HEADLINES HOME RUN DERBY FIELD

The Washington Nationals' slugger will take on Atlanta's Freddie Freeman in an all-NL East matchup in the first round.

US judge criticizes plan to reunify families split at border

By ELLIOT SPAGAT

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — A federal judge, responding to a plan to reunify children separated at the border, said he was having second thoughts about his belief that the Trump administration was acting in good faith to comply with his orders.

The Justice Department on Friday filed a plan to reunify more than 2,500 children age 5 and older by a court-imposed deadline of July 26 using "truncated" procedures to verify par-

entage and perform background checks, which exclude DNA testing and other steps it took to reunify children under 5.

The administration said the abbreviated vetting puts children at significant safety risk but is needed to meet the deadline.

Chris Meekins, deputy assistant Health and Human Services secretary for preparedness and response, filed a declaration that he is fully committed to meeting the deadline. However, he does not believe "the placing of chil-

dren into such situations is consistent with the mission of HHS or my core values."

U.S. District Judge Dana Sabraw took umbrage at Meekins' statement, disputing the official's interpretation of his orders and saying that safe reunification could and will occur by July 26.

"It is clear from Mr. Meekins's declaration that HHS either does not understand the court's orders or is acting in defiance of them," the judge wrote late

Friday. "At a minimum, it appears he is attempting to provide cover to defendants for their own conduct in the practice of family separation, and the lack of foresight and infrastructure necessary to remedy the harms caused by that practice."

Sabraw, an appointee of President George W. Bush, said Meekins' statement calls into question his comments in court hours earlier that the administration was acting in good faith.

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the full moon. That's why we choose those dates," said event organizer Cherise Felty of Permian Basin Events. "That's the neat part, the moon lights it up as well as the black lights. Generally, if I have enough volunteers, there's people out there with flashlights helping people."

So whether you come out for the challenge of the 200-foot elevated bluff, or you come out for a family-friendly midnight walk through the park to enjoy the cool temperatures and the amazing view, is up to you.

The moonlight run event is for all age groups; and,

though timed, it is considered much less competitive and more for the enjoyment of all participants.

The event is being organized by Permian Basin Events. For more information or to register, visit www.permianbasinevents.com. Registration will also be taken before the event. If you need to register on-site, please be sure to show up at least 45 minutes early.

Email craig@permianbasinevents.com for additional information, or to inquire about becoming a sponsor.

So if you're interested, listen to the wise words of Patsy Cline and go a walking (or running) after midnight, in the moonlight, and attend the final 2018 Midnight Rave Run of the Summer season at the Big Spring State Park.

STARS

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view of the largest planet in our solar system, Jupiter. Even enjoy the breathtaking craters of our closest neighbor, the Moon.

Permitting that all goes well with weather conditions, there may be much more to see, including the International Space Station passing near the tail of Leo the Lion at 17,500 mph through the Ursa Major and Ursa Minor constellations.

So get under the stars this month and

peak through a large telescope at some of the amazing wonders of the universe, all while the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club teaches and informs you of things you probably have never known or even thought about regarding astronomy.

This family fun and educational event is free to attend; however, donations to support this event will be accepted and are greatly appreciated. For information or questions, please contact Ron Alton at 432-263-4931.

The Big Spring State Park is located off of FM 700 near the Wasson Road inter-

section and is a 382-acre park created by the Civilian Conservation Corp and run by the Texas Parks and Wildlife. The Star Gazing Party will be held at the top of the park.

Tyler Schellie can be contacted at 263-7331, ext. 232, or by citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

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Pete Campos, Jr., 53, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday at 1st United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Bobby Dodson, 80, died Thursday. Services are pending.

Peggy Neill, 84, died Friday. Services are pending.



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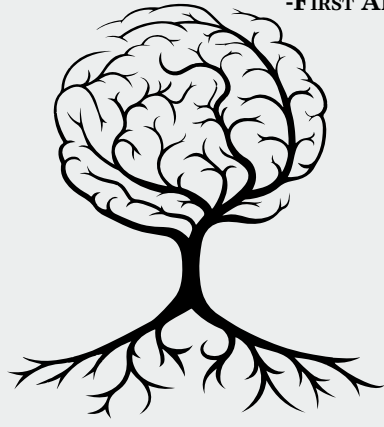


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Opinion

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Our Rules of the Game: US Constitution

Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement, leading to President Donald Trump's nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, has thrown progressives, the Democratic Party and the news media into an out-and-out tizzy. The online magazine Slate declared, "Anthony Kennedy Just Destroyed His Legacy as a Gay Rights Hero." The New York Times' editorial board said about a second Trump court appointment, "It is a dark moment in the history of the court and the nation, and it's about to get a lot darker."

It's indeed a "dark moment" for those who've for decades used the courts to accomplish what would have been impossible through federal and state legislatures — such as same-sex marriage, abortion and preferences with regard to race and sex. With this Supreme Court pick — and possibly another during his term — President Trump can return us to the Framers' vision of the judiciary — a vision that's held in contempt by many liberals and conservatives.

The U.S. Constitution represents our "rules of the game." Supreme Court justices should be seen as umpires or referees, whose job is to enforce neutral rules. I'll give a somewhat trivial example of neutral rules from my youth; let's call it Mom's Rule. On occasion, my sister and I would have lunch in my mother's absence. She'd ask either me or my

younger sister to divide a last piece of cake or pie. More often than not, an argument would ensue about the fairness of the cut. Those arguments ended when Mom came up with a rule: Who-



WALTER E. WILLIAMS

ever cuts the cake lets the other take the first piece. As if by magic or divine intervention, fairness emerged, and arguments ended. No matter who did the cutting, there was an even division.

That's the kind of rule we need for our society — the kind whereby you'd be OK even if your worst enemy were in charge. By creating and enforcing neutral rules, we minimize conflict. Consider one area of ruthless competition where that's demonstrated — sports. The 52nd Super Bowl featured the Philadelphia Eagles and the New England Patriots. A lot was at stake. Each player on the winning team would earn \$112,000; losers would get half that. Plus, each winner would get a Super Bowl ring that might cost as much as \$40,000.

Despite a bitterly fought contest and all that was at stake, the game ended peaceably, and winners and losers were civil to one another. How is it that players with conflicting interests can play a game, agree with the outcome and walk away as good sports? It's a miracle of sorts. That "miracle" is that it is far easier to reach agreement about the game's rules than the game's

outcome. The rules are known and durable. The referee's only job is evenhanded enforcement of those rules.

Suppose football's rules were "living" and the referee and other officials played a role in determining them. The officials could adjust the applications of the rules. Suppose the officials were more interested in the pursuit of what they saw as football justice than they were in the unbiased enforcement of neutral rules. In the case of Super Bowl LII, officials might have considered it unfair that the Eagles had never won a Super Bowl and the Patriots had won five. If officials could determine game rules, team owners, instead of trying to raise team productivity, would spend resources lobbying or bribing officials. The returns from raising team productivity would be reduced. Also, I doubt that the games would end amicably. The players probably wouldn't walk off the field peaceably, shaking hands and sharing hugs, as they do now.

We should demand that Supreme Court justices act as referees and enforce the U.S. Constitution. If they don't and play favorites with different groups of Americans, as we've seen, the potential for conflict among the American people is enhanced. Who is appointed to the high court becomes the all-consuming issue. The question is not whether a justice would uphold and defend the Constitution but whether he would rig the game to benefit one American or another.

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What the cave boys teach us about abortion

Twelve boys and their adult coach trapped in a dank, oxygen-deprived cave in Thailand riveted the world's attention for two weeks. Why, people ask at times like this, are we so focused on these individuals when half a million Rohingya children are in danger of starving on the Bangladesh border, or when 400,000 Yemeni children are severely undernourished?

The answer is drama. We saw images of these particular boys crouched in that cave. We learned of the long odds against a successful rescue — their debilitated health after so many days without food and water, the sharp rocks, narrow passages and nearly complete darkness of the cave, and waters that challenged even experienced divers (as the death of a Thai Navy SEAL underscored). Some of the boys didn't even know how to swim, far less scuba dive.

As for the thousands of abused, terrorized and starving children in the world, they remain mostly an abstraction. That is, for better or worse, the way our brains operate. We saw those boys as individuals, and thus our sympathy was engaged.

Something similar is happening with regard to the way we see unborn babies. When Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973, ultrasound technology was not in common use. By the end of the 20th century, most pregnant women were having at least one scan. Malcolm Nicolson, author of a history of ultrasound, told LiveScience, "Overwhelmingly, pregnant women expect to be scanned, and are moved and excited by seeing the fetus." And some women report not feeling

pregnant until they've seen the ultrasound image.

Once grainy and hard to interpret for non-experts, ultrasound images are now clear and unambiguous. They reveal that fetuses as young as 16 weeks old will move to avoid a bright light



MONA CHAREN

shined on the mother's belly. They reveal fetuses placing their hands in front of their faces, palms out, sucking their thumbs, getting hiccups and smiling. Some interpret these smiles as random muscle movements rather than true smiles, since born babies rarely smile until six weeks old. But try telling the besotted parents who glimpse a smile on a sonogram that it means nothing. That's the way we're wired. Ultrasound is like those cameras in the cave. It reveals the humanity of those inside a dark, inaccessible place.

We are now poised to have the national debate that has been thwarted by the Supreme Court for 45 years on the legality of abortion. If Judge Brett Kavanaugh is confirmed, and if Roe v. Wade is overturned sometime in the next several years (a big if), individual states will be forced to confront the morality of terminating pregnancies instead of hiding behind the Supreme Court to manage our most fraught controversies.

Some Republican lawmakers who have been fundraising and campaigning on opposition to Roe will doubtless be revealed as towers of Jello when the issue is finally confronted. Despite recent hyperventilating about politicians' enslavement to donors or "special interests," the pedestrian reality is that they are much more in thrall to public opinion.

And the public is conflicted. As polling analyst Karlyn Bowman has pointed out, the same Americans will say that they believe abortion to be murder, and that it should be a personal choice made by a woman and her doctor.

Most Americans favor restrictions on abortion such as parental or spousal consent and limits late-term abortions. They also favor exceptions in cases of rape or incest.

According to the Guttmacher Institute, four states have laws on the books that would outlaw abortion if Roe were overturned. Another 10 retain their pre-Roe abortion bans, obviously unenforced, on the books. Nine states affirm the right to abortion prior to viability or to protect the life or health of the mother.

If Roe were overturned, all of those laws and many more would be up for debate. How 50 state arguments would turn out is anyone's guess, but even leaving the merits to one side, it would be a very healthy thing for our democracy to grapple with tough questions instead of bowing to the nine lawyers on the court. Even Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg acknowledged in 2013 that by taking the question out of the hands of legislatures (and thus of voters), the Supreme Court did a disservice to the nation. "That was my concern," she said, "that the court had given opponents of access to abortion a target to aim at relentlessly. ... My criticism of Roe is that it seemed to have stopped the momentum that was on the side of change."

I believe that abortion is a moral wrong. But above all I believe that Americans deserve to be heard on the subject, and that is now a true possibility for the first time in decades.

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DAILY PRAYER

You, Lord, are our best friend.
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Amen.

France beats Croatia 4-2 to win 2nd World Cup

By GRAHAM DUNBAR

AP Sports Writer

MOSCOW — Taking turns sliding across the rain-soaked turf holding the World Cup trophy tight, teenager Kylian Mbappe and the rest of France's players acted like the youthful bunch they are.

Nothing, not a Pussy Riot protest nor a postgame downpour that soaked Russian President Vladimir Putin, was going to stop the party.

It carried on long after a thrilling 4-2 win over Croatia on Sunday. In the locker room with French President Emmanuel Macron striking poses with players, then a champagne-spraying, water-splashing interruption of the coach Didier Deschamps' news conference.

"Sorry! They're young and they're happy," said Deschamps, like a proud father.

Deschamps had good reason to indulg them. His team is mostly aged 25 or under and can return almost intact to de-



France goalkeeper Hugo Lloris holds the trophy aloft after the final match between France and Croatia at the 2018 soccer World Cup in the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow, Russia, Sunday, July 15, 2018. France won the final 4-2.

fend their title in 2022 in Qatar. "Our children are going to be very proud," forward Antoine Griezmann said. "The World Cup, it's a lot."

The 19-year-old Mbappe became only the second teen after Pele to score in a World Cup final.

Mbappe had just shown his electrifying speed in the 52nd minute when play was held up by four protesters who ran onto the field. Russian punk band Pussy Riot later took credit for the incident — watched from the VIP seats by Putin, whose government once jailed members of the activist group. Charges were filed against the group Sunday, too.

Putin was later on the field to award medals to the players in a ceremony soon drenched in rain and joy. As thunder pealed and lightning cracked, FIFA president Gianni Infantino handed France captain Hugo Lloris the gold World Cup trophy.

AP photo

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By HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

LONDON — From champions Novak Djokovic and Angelique Kerber, to runner-up Serena Williams, this edition of Wimbledon was all about comebacks of various sorts.

When Djokovic won his fourth title at the All England Club and first at a Grand Slam tournament in more than two years by beating Kevin Anderson 6-2, 6-2, 7-6 (3) on Sunday, it was the culmination of what he called a "journey" and a "process" as he returned from surgery to his right elbow.

Kerber collected her first Wimbledon championship with a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Williams on Saturday to mark a turnaround from a rough 2017 that saw her slip from No. 1 in the rankings and deal with two first-round exits at majors.

"I'm still sure," said Kerber's coach, Wim Fissette, "that we haven't seen the best Angie."

And while Williams didn't win what would have been her eighth Wimbledon singles trophy, her run to the final just 10½ months after a difficult childbirth and complications involving blood clots served as, in Kerber's words, "such an inspiration for everybody,

for all of us, for every person watching you."

Williams' loss left her with 23 Grand Slam titles, the most in the half-century of professional tennis and only one short of Margaret Court's record.

She can take a crack at that mark at the U.S. Open, which begins on Aug. 27 in New York.

"I didn't know a couple of months ago where I was, where I would be, how I would do, how I would be able to come back. It was such a long way to see light at the end of the road, kind of," Williams said. "So I think these two weeks have really showed me that, 'OK, I can compete.' Obviously I can compete for the long run in a Grand Slam."

Here is what else we learned at Wimbledon in 2018: **TIEBREAKER TIME?**

Anderson's 26-24 victory in the fifth set against John Isner in a semifinal that lasted more than 6½ hours was the second-longest Grand Slam match ever and renewed a debate about the rules: Should Wimbledon adopt a fifth-set tiebreaker? Currently, the U.S. Open is the only major that decides matches that way. "It absolutely needs to change," said Anderson's coach, Brad Stine.

Djokovic, Kerber, Williams each made a comeback at Wimbledon



AP photo

Angelique Kerber of Germany holds the winner's trophy after defeating Serena Williams of the United States, right, in the women's singles final match at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships, in London, Saturday July 14, 2018.

World Cup afterglow lifts up conflicted France



AP photo

People celebrate on the Champs Elysees avenue after France won the soccer World Cup final match between France and Croatia, Sunday, July 15, 2018 in Paris. France won its second World Cup title by beating Croatia 4-2.

By ELAINE GANLEY

Associated Press

PARIS — World Cup, World Cup and more World Cup — that's all France is talking about.

"Talking Happiness" said Monday's headline in sports daily L'Equipe, summing up the mood of many who can't imagine the euphoria will ever fade.

France is readying to welcome home the national soccer team for a Monday parade down the Champs-Elysees, where tens of thousands thronged after the team's 4-2 victory over Croatia Sunday.

President Emmanuel Macron exulted on the field and in the locker room with the players, and is hoping their victory gives him, a boost, too.

The French, though, are more enamored of the players, like 19-year-old star Kylian Mbappe, and of their coach, Didier Deschamps, with a parody photo circulating online suggesting renaming Paris' most famous avenue "Deschamps Elysees."

Sports Minister Laura Flessel said on Europe-1 radio that the victory allows France's youth

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Croatia gears up to give heroes' welcome to World Cup team



AP photo

Supporter of Croatia national soccer team members wait to welcome the team on their arrival in Zagreb, Croatia, Monday, July 16, 2018. Euphoria gave way to a mixture of disappointment and pride for Croatia fans after their national team lost to France in its first ever World Cup final.

Associated Press

ZAGREB, Croatia — Fans are pouring in from throughout the country as Croatia gears up to give a heroes' welcome on Monday to the national team despite its loss to France in the World Cup final.

Tens of thousands of people are expected to attend the celebrations at the central square in the capital Zagreb after the players fly in from Russia.

Waving Croatian flags and dressed in national red-and-white colors, many have arrived at the square

hours ahead of the planned ceremony.

The small country of 4 million people has been gripped in euphoria since its team beat England to reach its first World Cup final, where Croatia lost 4-2 to France.

Croatia's state railway company has halved ticket prices so fans could travel to Zagreb, while city authorities in the capital say public transportation is free on Monday.

State TV has urged citizens to come out and enjoy "the historic moment" of the players' return, while other media have described the players as "our heroes."

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Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Lease Lines : 1026.0 F WEST L, 2098.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines : 1026.0 F WEST L, 2098.0 F SOUTH L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 330.0 F WEST L 100.0 F SOUTH L

Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 33 T2N
Abstract: 321
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 330.0 F WEST L 25.0 F NORTH L
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DISTRICT 08
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
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Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV
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Lease/Unit Acres : 480.3
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Lease Lines : 996.0 F WEST L, 2096.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines : 996.0 F WEST L, 2096.0 F SOUTH L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
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Lease/Unit Well No. : 5LS
Lease/Unit Acres : 480.3
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 30.0
Lease Lines : 1958.0 F W (offlease) L, 2219.0 F S (offlease) L
Survey Lines : 1958.0 F W (offlease) L, 2219.0 F S (offlease) L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 1043.0 F EAST L 100.0 F SOUTH L
Terminus Location
Lease Lines: 999.0 F EAST L 25.0 F NORTH L
Survey Lines: 1650.0 F WEST L 25.0 F NORTH L

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). People want you to do well, and they are rooting for you to succeed. When you believe at a deep level that this is true, you will perform to the very best of your ability.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It has been said that books are golden houses. Indeed, those who take the time to read cannot help but grow in knowledge and empathy, especially fiction, also known as "the lie that tells the truth."

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Eyes give people away. You'll get clues, as well as tell-all testaments, from people's eyes today. Some will shield those windows to the soul under dark glasses or divert them into phone screens; those are wasted opportunities.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You've let go of certain habits and things you used to enjoy. Probably, the

loss was appropriate; other things have become more important. But there's still a nostalgic pang. You'll feel that today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Stop with the comparisons. The life challenges of others may seem greater than those you face, but it matters not at all. Your challenges, whatever size they may be, are real. Take them on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Connecting with yourself, although not the only connection you'll make today, is among the most important connections of the bunch. Because of this, the time you have solo is to be kept as sacred as other appointments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). They want you at the party, and you may or may not want to be there, but if you go, you won't be sorry. So just say yes. Just go. And then don't think too much about it, or you'll change your mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a myth about creativity, that it happens somehow outside the space of day-to-day life, when indeed it grows out of the soil of daily life. It thrives on the relentlessness of the mundane. You'll notice that today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are not im-

prisoned by circumstances. There are exits everywhere. Notice them and you'll stop feeling as if you "have" to do this or that and instead start feeling as if you "get" to do it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Someone is leaning on you too hard, and that's making you feel as if you're not free. But you are free. You're free! Think of all the ways! You will be liberated by your imaginings.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 16). The main themes over the next three months will be honing skills and happy times with family. A general area of expertise has served you well, but when you get specialized in September, your compensation will be hefty. You'll pay homage in October and be part of a sacred experience. Advances in tech make life better in 2019. Virgo and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 32, 14, 44, 48 and 1.

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for over a year. He wants to move on, and he thinks we'd all be better off. Is there any way to save it? I'm a Gemini."

If you were to fight your Taurus husband on this matter, he would only dig his heels in and become even more convinced that he is right. If he is to come around, it will have to be on his own accord. Your best bet is to get into a happy place with yourself and your boys. This may sound impossible at this juncture, but it's well within your ability. Go on a vacation. Have fun. Get moving. Join a gym. Take up karate, or start a hiking club with your girlfriends. Make your own healing your No. 1 priority.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

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Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 462.0
Lease Lines : 1898.0 F W (offlease) L, 2218.0 F S (offlease) L
Survey Lines : 1898.0 F W (offlease) L, 2218.0 F S (offlease) L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 976.0 F EAST L, 100.0 F SOUTH L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 33 T2N
Abstract: 321
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 933.0 F EAST L, 25.0 F NORTH L
Survey Lines: 1716.0 F WEST L, 25.0 F NORTH L

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Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 30.0
Lease Lines : 1928.0 F W (offlease) L, 2219.0 F S (offlease) L
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Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

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DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BIRCH OPERATIONS, INC., [RRC Operator No. 071331] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 18, Bk. 33 T2N, T&P RR CO/LITTLE, P E Survey, A-1674, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 0.54 miles NE direction from KNOTT, Texas.

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Sidetrack
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Rule 37 Case No. 0312460 (Dist. 08) Page 1
Lease Lines: 53.0 F EAST L, 100.0 F SOUTH L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 33 T2N Abstract: 321
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 9.0 F EAST L, 25.0 F NORTH L
Survey Lines: 2670.0 F WEST L, 25.0 F NORTH L

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#9787 July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2018



By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

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

dummy came down, that East almost surely had the ace of spades for his four-heart bid, and that there was consequently little chance of making the slam by leading a spade toward the king in the hope that West held the ace.
Instead, after winning the heart lead with the ace, Besse cashed the A-K-Q of clubs and four diamond tricks. He then crossed to dummy with a trump, producing this position:

North
♠ K 10
♥ 4
♦ 9
South
♠ 4 2
♥ K 10

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♣ Pass 2 ♦ 4 ♥
5 ♦ Pass 6 ♣

West ♠ 9 8 5
♦ 9
East ♠ A Q
♥ Q J
South ♠ 4 2
♥ K 10

If you examine all four hands, it seems impossible to make six clubs even if West doesn't find the killing spade lead at trick one. Declarer seems certain to lose two spade tricks eventually, no matter what West leads. But the fact is that South made the slam after a heart lead, and did so in a perfectly reasonable manner.
The declarer was Swiss star Jean Besse, and the hand was played many years ago in the annual European championship. Besse realized, after

When Besse next cashed dummy's nine of clubs, East found himself hard-pressed for a discard. He could not afford to part with a heart, which would automatically hand declarer an extra heart trick, so he discarded the queen of spades.
Besse thereupon discarded his ten of hearts and led the ten of spades from dummy. East won with the ace, but then had to yield the last two tricks to the king of hearts and king of spades.

Tomorrow: Setting the stage.
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SUDOKU

6								
	8	7	3					
	5				1	9		7
	4							9
8					2	6		
					5		4	3
9				6		2		
4				5	3			
	6		1				5	4

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4	5	3	8	6	1	2	9	7
9	6	7	3	5	2	8	1	4
8		2	4	9	7	5	3	6
3	4	8	5	1	6	9	7	2
5	7	9	2	3	4	1	6	8
9	2	1	6	7	8	3	4	5
7	8	6	1	9	2	4	5	3
2		6	5	9	3	4	7	1
1		4	3	1	4	3	1	

ANSWER:

	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery	
5:30	Local 2 ABC	P. Luche	Broke Girl Mom	CBS 7	Tele Noticias	News	Creation	Over Business	Mama's Jeff sons	American Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Insurgent, Octavia Spencer (DVS)	SportsCenter	Around Question	Texas High School	and the Deadly Hal-lows: Part 2	ler's Day Out	Street Out-laws	
6:30	Jeopardy! Wheel	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang ET	CBS 7	Exatlon (SS)	News	Families	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Baseball Tonight	NFL Live	Texas High School	The Inside Story	Street Out-laws	Street Out-laws		
7:30	The Bachelor (DVS)	El rico y Lazaro	So You Think Man-Plan	Mom	Sin Senos Si	American Ninja Warrior (DVS)	Antiques Roadshow	Griffith	Penn & Teller	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	2018 Home Run Derby	NBA Summer League Basketball	High School Football	WWE Monday Night RAW	The Inside Story	Street Out-laws: Full	Street Out-laws	
8:30	(01) The Proposal	El chapo	News	Elementary	El Señor de los	Dateline NBC	Light of Southwest	POV	Heroes	Page Six	Fam. Guy	Softball	NBA Summer League Basketball	Texas Big 12	Queen of the South	(03) The First 48	Street Out-laws		
9:30	Local 2	Impacto	Mom	CBS 7	Tele	News	News	Amanpour	C. Burnett	Seinfeld	Jokers	Insurgent, Octavia Spencer (DVS)	SportsCenter	World Poker	CSI: Crime Scene	The Inside Story	American Chopper		
10:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Contacto Deportivo	How I Met James Corden	Late Show- Colbert	Titulares	Tonight Show	News	American Beyond	House	Newsline	King	Law & Order	SportsCenter	World Poker	BIG3 Basketball: Teams TBA.	CSI: Crime Scene	Freake and Geeks	Street Out-laws	
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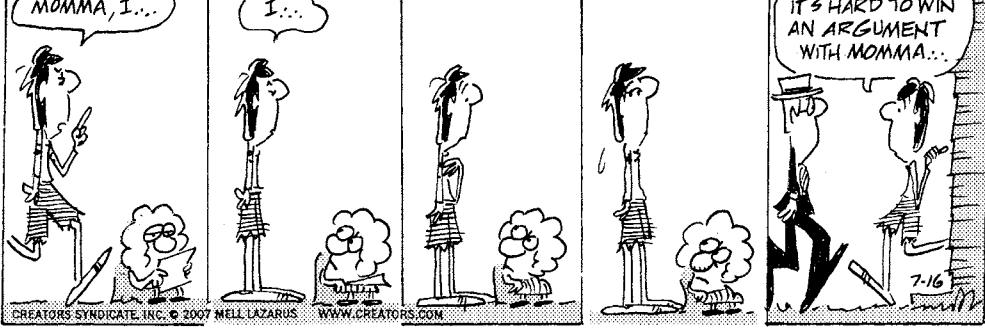
ONE BIG HAPPY



NEST HEAD



MOMMA



This Date In History

plunged into the Atlantic Ocean near Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts.

In 2002, the Irish Republican Army issued an unprecedented apology for the deaths of "noncombatants" over 30 years of violence in Northern Ireland.

Ten years ago: Republican John McCain addressed the annual convention of the NAACP, telling the civil rights group in Cincinnati he would expand education opportunities, partly through vouchers for low-income children to attend private schools.

Israel freed notorious Lebanese militant Samir Kantar and four others after Hezbollah guerrillas handed over the bodies of two Israeli soldiers. Florida resident Casey Anthony, whose 2-year-old daughter, Caylee, had been missing a month, was arrested on charges of child neglect, making false official statements and obstructing a criminal investigation. (Casey Anthony was later acquitted at trial of murdering Caylee, whose skeletal remains were found in December 2008; she was convicted of lying to police.)

Five years ago: Egypt's interim leader, Adly Mansour, swore in a Cabinet that included women and Christians but no Islamists as the military-backed administration moved swiftly to formalize the new political order. Twenty-three children, between the ages of 5 and 12, were fatally poisoned by pesticide-contaminated lunches served at a school in eastern India. The American League beat the National League 3-0 in the All-Star Game.

One year ago: Ten people died at a popular swimming hole in Arizona's Tonto National Forest after a rain-storm unleashed a flash flood. Roger Federer won a record-breaking 8th Wimbledon title, beating Marin Cilic (CHIHL'ihch) 6-3, 6-1, 6-4. British actress Jodie Whittaker was announced as the next star of the long-running science fiction series "Doctor Who" — the first woman to take a role that had been played by a dozen men over six decades. George Romero, director of

the cult classic "Night of the Living Dead" and other horror films, died at the age of 77.

Today's Birthdays: Former U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh is 86. Soul singer William Bell is 79. International Tennis Hall of Famer Margaret Court is 76. College Football Hall of Famer and football coach Jimmy Johnson is 75. Violinist Pinchas Zukerman

is 70. Actor-singer Ruben Blades is 70. Rock composer-musician Stewart Copeland is 66. Playwright Tony Kushner is 62. Actress Faye Grant is 61. Dancer Michael Flatley is 60. Actress Phoebe Cates is 55. Actor Paul Hipp is 55. Actor Daryl "Chill" Mitchell is 53. Actor-comedian Will Ferrell is 51. Actor Jonathan Adams is 51. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Barry Sanders

is 50. Actress Rain Pryor is 49. Actor Corey Feldman is 47. Rock musician Ed Kowalczyk (Live) is 47. Rock singer Ryan McCombs (Drowning Pool) is 44. Actress Jayma Mays is 39. Actress AnnaLynne McCord is 31. Actor-singer James Maslow is 28. Actor Mark Indelicato is 24. Pop singer-musician Luke Hemmings (5 Seconds to Summer) is 22.

Thought for Today:
"If sentiment doesn't ultimately make fibbers of some people, their natural abominable memories almost certainly will."
J.D. Salinger (1919-2010).

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Blueprint detail, for short
- 5 Bikini tops
- 9 Baby cow
- 13 Hope-chest wood
- 15 Expressway exit
- 16 Cincinnati's state
- 17 Stand up
- 18 Poker pot payment
- 19 Relocate
- 20 It's pressed to stop a TV's sound
- 22 Centers of hurricanes
- 23 Family room
- 24 Racetrack postings
- 26 Double-curve letter
- 29 Touch down, as a plane
- 32 North African desert
- 36 Digital clock toggle switch
- 38 Bartlett or Bosc
- 40 Person from Italy's capital
- 41 Not talking, to express disapproval
- 44 High-society group
- 45 Shut tightly
- 46 Concludes
- 47 Tries to prevent
- 49 Eject, as lava
- 51 No longer damp
- 52 Poems of praise
- 54 Tear apart
- 56 Burn slightly
- 59 Area with no noise
- 65 German auto
- 66 __ Major (bear constellation)
- 67 Artist's stand
- 68 Venetian blind strip
- 69 Swelled heads
- 70 Offend the nose
- 71 Domesticate
- 72 Gave temporarily
- 73 Has breakfast or dinner
- DOWN**
- 1 Con game
- 2 Where Lima is capital
- 3 Touch up, as a manuscript
- 4 Placed in a box
- 5 "Spoiled" kid
- 6 __ and rave (complain angrily)
- 7 Kid's "Are not!" response
- 8 Pays out
- 9 Returns from work
- 10 Sailor's "Hello!"
- 11 "As I __ and breathe!"
- 12 Enemies
- 14 Defy authority
- 21 Not appropriate
- 25 Pub missile
- 26 Made simpler
- 27 "Say cheese!"
- 28 Divide in two
- 30 Tennis barriers
- 31 Takes a risk
- 33 Modify, as a law
- 34 Vacation time, for short
- 35 Unable to sit still
- 37 Rock from outer space
- 39 Gather up, as crops
- 42 Geek
- 43 Paying attention
- 48 Second film in a series
- 50 Cleans off with a towel
- 53 Sudden electrical burst
- 55 Piece of dinnerware
- 56 Group of performers
- 57 Luau dance
- 58 Dad of Cain and Abel
- 60 "Help __ the way"
- 61 Toward sunrise
- 62 India's continent
- 63 Penny
- 64 Antlered relatives of deer

Answer to previous puzzle

CCED DISPERSAL
ALAS ZENOOFEELEA
LASTDITCHEFFORT
CMT ENROOT WIT
UPI PEEN ISEE
LINGO SCABS
INDUSTRIALIST
GINARODRIGUEZ
ALLOVERTHEMAP
ASTER ESPNU
AFEW ASIA LIN
VIM METHOD ANT
EXCAVATIONSITES
REENACTORS PESO
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Baseball's shifting culture set to play out in All-Star Game

By **BEN WALKER**

AP Baseball Writer

WASHINGTON — David Ortiz can now laugh, sort of, at the shifting culture of baseball. For J.D. Martinez, Nolan Arenado, Aaron Judge and every other All-Star hitter, dealing with different defensive alignments is just part of the game.

Tune in Tuesday night and no telling where fans will see fielders. Especially in what's become merely an exhibition — why not try a five-man outfield?

To Big Papi, these overloaded infields are reshaping the sport. Not in a good way, either.

"It seems crazy, it seems like it's taking some fun part of the game away," the retired Red Sox slugger said Sunday at Nationals Park, site of this week's All-Star action.

"It seems like there are 20 guys playing defense against you," Ortiz said, playfully estimating shifts took away "like 500 hits away from me."

His idea: "So I would take my chances, if MLB wanted to. Just saying to play normal, like the game is supposed to be played since Day One, just to see how that plays out."

Of course, Max Scherzer, Jacob deGrom, Luis Severino and other aces might see it a bit differently.

Besides, no manager employs more shifts than AL skipper A.J. Hinch of Houston, so look for second baseman Jose Altuve and shortstop Manny Machado to be moving around when Bryce Harper, Freddie Freeman and the rest of the NL boppers come to bat.

And remember, despite all the top talent at the plate, All-Star Games rarely turn into run-fests. They're often limited by the strong stable of pitchers each team brings, boosted by dominant relievers such as Craig Kimbrel, Josh Hader and Kenley Jansen ramped up to throw one inning apiece.

The AL won last year 2-1 at Miami on Robinson Cano's homer in the 10th inning. Not since 2007, in fact, have

both teams scored more than three runs in a game.

That's the trend across baseball these days. Going into the break, there have been more strikeouts than hits in the majors. Batting averages are in the mid-.240s, possibly on track to be the lowest in nearly a half-century.

The decrease on the scoreboard has increased calls for more radical changes — outlawing shifts, lowering the mound, forcing relievers to face more than one batter.

No one has suggested cutting the bases to 88 feet or stretching the mound-to-plate distance beyond 60 feet, 6 inches.

Meanwhile, home runs continue to rise at a record rate. Strikeouts, too.

Former star outfielder Torii Hunter is no fan of the fanning zone.

"A lot of guys really don't care about strikeouts and it's kind of our fault in the front office," he said. "We don't tell them, 'Hey, don't strike out. Try not to strike out.' And people don't really care about strikeouts anymore. But they are very pivotal because if you strike out, nothing happens. You're walking back to the dugout, you can't make the guy create an error. ... Anything can happen if you make contact."

Longtime pals, Ortiz and Hunter managed against each other in the All-Star Futures Game on Sunday. There were no shifts in the minor league showcase.

There's been talk that Major League Baseball, concerned that less action in the field could translate to fewer fans in the stands, might consider a rule regarding shifts.

Maybe it would mean only two infielders on each side of the diamond. Or perhaps they'd all be required to stay on the dirt.

"I think taking a hit on a play with somebody diving is different than sitting down and waiting in the right field grass or the left field grass," Ortiz said.



World Team manager David Ortiz walks off the mound in the fourth inning of the All-Star Futures baseball game against the U.S. Team, Sunday, July 15, 2018, at Nationals Park, in Washington. The the 89th MLB baseball All-Star Game will be played Tuesday.

AP photo

FRANCE

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Like those in the poor suburbs where many of the players grew up — "to dare to believe in their dreams."

The victory glow brightened the Monday morning Paris commute, with young people in cars still shouting in celebration.

In the eastern Paris neighborhood of Belleville, with the Eiffel Tower visible in the far distance, Vincent Simon said, "Both teams deserved to win. France won, and that's good for the country, that will do us good for some months."

Fellow Parisian Florian Scaven only caught glimpses of the final from the maternity ward with his wife as she had a baby during the final. "We vibrated with the horns in the street. We are happy. Long live France."

It was France's second-ever World Cup win, and came at a time when the people feel needy.

"It represents enormous things," said Goffrey Hamsik, dressed in a hat resembling a rooster — the French national symbol — and a shirt with

the No. 10 for Kylian Mapped, the breakout star who hails from the Paris suburb of Bondy.

"We've had lots of problems in France these past years," he said, recalling deadly terror attacks. "This is good for the morale ... Here, we are all united. We mix. There is no religion, there is nothing, and that's what feels good."

Hundreds of police in riot gear were discreetly lined up on side streets to monitor revelers. Typically, celebrations in France end up with some broken shop windows and other destruction, and Sunday was no exception. Tear gas was lobbed at one point on the Champs-Elysees. About 4,000 police watched over the fan zone — packed to its 90,000 capacity — during the match, then moved to the Champs-Elysees and neighboring streets.

As night fell, The Eiffel Tower flashed 1998-2018 to mark France's two World Cup titles. The Arc de Triomphe was awash in the national colors, lit with the rooster, the faces of the winning team and the words "Proud to be Blue," or French.

The celebrations were spread across the nation.

FIFA

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Gold confetti stuck to the soaked Les Bleus as they paraded the trophy around the Luzhniki Stadium, a final act of an enthralling tournament in which Croatia reached its first final while powers Brazil, Germany and Argentina went home early.

About 12 minutes after a protester gave Mbappe a double high-five on the field, Mbappe sent a right-footed shot from 25 yards (meters) past goalkeeper Danijel Subasic. The goal put France up 4-1, closing the door on Croatia who had been the better team until Mbappe took control.

The only other teen to score in a World Cup final was Pele, who was 17 when Brazil beat Sweden 5-2 in 1958.

Mbappe, who plays for Paris Saint-Germain in the French league, was born months after France won its only other World Cup title in 1998.

"I have a whole story to write," Mbappe said. "This is just the beginning."

Paul Pogba and Griezmann, France's two other key creative players, also scored. Pogba played a disciplined role in Russia, but his natural joy was evident celebrating his 18-yard (meter) shot, and leading the champagne shower for Deschamps.

But it was Mbappe who put the match out of reach with a furious passage of play in the second half. In the 59th, a run from Mbappe started a play that ended up with Pogba on the edge of the penalty area. With his second attempt, the midfielder curled his shot beyond Subasic.

Griezmann scored from the penalty spot in the 38th minute fully four minutes after his corner kick was knocked out of play by Ivan Perisic's arm. The referee ruled it handball only after a video review, just as the first thunders claps boomed around the stadium.

"In a World Cup final,

you do not give such a penalty," Croatia coach Zlatko Dalic said.

France took the lead in the 18th when Croatia's tallest outfield player, 1.90-meter (6-foot-3) forward Mario Mandzukic, rose to meet Griezmann's free kick with the top of his head. He deflected it past his own goalkeeper.

Perisic and Mandzukic both scored for Croatia, first to equalize in the 28th minute and later as a consolation goal in the 69th, embarrassing Lloris with a flicked shot as the France goalkeeper tried to dribble the ball out of his goalmouth.

But the three-goal lead was too much for the red-and-white-checkered squad that made a habit of coming back at the World Cup — and played three straight 120-minute games before the final.

"We were dominant, we had control," Dalic said through a translator. "What we've had in terms of luck over the tournament, we lacked that today."

Deschamps became

only the third man to win the World Cup as a player and a coach. He joined Mario Zagallo of Brazil and Franz Beckenbauer, who captained West Germany.

France's captain 20 years ago, Deschamps was lifted up by his players on the field and flung into the air several teams and caught. The normally staid coach did a few skipping dance steps in the rain before stopping and laughing at himself.

It was that kind of unbridled evening for the French who won with an exuberance not often seen in a mostly efficient, controlled title run.

Back home in France, tens of thousands of fans headed to the Eiffel Tower to watch a broadcast on giant screens that Paris police closed the area more than two hours before kickoff.

Two years ago at home, France flopped in a European Championship final it was expected to win against Portugal.

"But maybe if we had been European cham-

pions we would not be champions today," Deschamps said.

PRESIDENTS' CLUB
Putin watched the game in a VIP section with the presidents of France and Croatia, Emmanuel Macron and Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic.

Macron paced nervously out of his seat during the video review, and kissed his Croatian counterpart on both cheeks to console her after the game. They joined the medal ceremony and both kissed the gold trophy before it got to Lloris.

FINAL GOALS

The two previous finals were 0-0 after 90 minutes before being settled with a single goal deep into extra time.

Three goals in the first half was the most prolific since 1974, when West Germany went into the break up 2-1 against the Netherlands. That was the final score.

The six-goal final was the most since England beat West Germany 4-2 in 1966. It also ensured the 2018 World Cup had only one scoreless game, when France last played at Luzhniki Stadium against Denmark.

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