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Tokai accident claims one worker's life

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

According a press release issued Tuesday morning by Tokai Carbon CB Ltd, an employee at the Big Spring facility suffered a fatal injury while working within the shipping department, Monday morning.

At this time no information is able to be released regarding the nature of the injury or events that may have led to this accident, as the investigation is ongoing.

The release also stated the safety investigation protocols were immediately initiated and plant leaders secured the scene at the plant, for the safety of the employees.

Tokai Carbon CB Ltd has and continued to cooperate with all necessary agencies during their respective investigations.



Courtesy photo

Tokai Carbon CB, shown here, was the scene of a fatal shipping department accident Monday morning.

West Texas Stars are big and bright



HERALD file photo

The Heritage Museum of Big Spring, 510 S. Scurry St., will host a reception from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday. Stars of the movie "The Iron Orchard", including lead actor Lane Garrison, will be in attendance. The reception will open the museum's exhibit "The Stars Shine Bright - West Texas in the Movies."

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

The Stars Shine Bright in Texas, and until April 31, "The Stars Shine Bright - West Texas in the Movies" will be illuminated at the Heritage Museum. The exhibit opening is set for

Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., with special guests from the "Iron Orchard" in attendance; Lead Actor Lane Garrison and Producer Camille Roberts.

"We are celebrating the Iron Orchard and its becoming part of West Texas movie

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BSFD extinguishes Tucson Street blaze

By **ROGER CLINE**

Staff Writer



Ferguson

Big Spring firefighters responded to a house fire in the 1500 block of Tucson Monday morning.

Fire Chief Craig Ferguson said that while nobody was injured in the blaze, the residence is currently uninhabitable.

"My understanding is, there were a couple of children that were home. They got out of the house safely. There were no injuries," Ferguson said. "The house is not livable right now. It's fixable, I think. I don't think it's a to-

tal loss, but it's not going to be livable right now."

Ferguson said the call regarding the fire came in around 10:30 a.m. Monday. The fire department responded to the scene with three fire trucks, an ambulance, and a battalion truck; and fire crews got the fire extinguished by about 12:30 p.m.

"Of course the investigators were on scene until probably 2 or 3 o'clock," he said, adding that the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

Speaking to KBST News, Fire Marshal Dan

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Big Spring Art Association Area Wide Show dates set

By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Art Association (BSAA) will be hosting an area wide art show from May 10-31 at the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry St. This show is open to all area artists who wish to exhibit their work.

All entries into the art show must be original artwork only. No workshop, classroom work, reproductions, or copies of published photographs are allowed, nor should the artwork have been previously displayed by the BSAA.

There is a limit of five entries per artist. No work should be larger than 40 inches on either side of the frame. All work must be dry and wired for hanging with a sturdy frame. Works on paper must be covered with glass or plexiglass. No wet paint or sawtooth hangers.

Entry fee is \$10 for BSAA members per entry, \$15 for non members per entry. Entry fees are non-refundable. Entries

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Survivor registration open Fashion show and brunch kicked off 2019 Relay for Life registration



Herald photo/Amanda Duforat

Community leaders, Home Hospice staff, Relay For Life Committee members and community members joined together this past weekend for a fashion show, kicking off the survivor registration for the upcoming Relay season. Pictured above is the group of models who helped featured outfits from local boutiques.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

Local boutiques, community members and Home Hospice teamed up this weekend for the second annual Home Hospice Brunch and Fashion Show, as a way to kick off the survivorship sign up drive.

"This was an easy way we could gather survivors together, get them signed up and have a little fun," said Beverly Grant, event organizer.

Grant who serves as the volunteer coordinator for Home Hospice and the Survivor Chair with Relay For Life said "this is the

second year the event has been held" and "she is thankful to all those who helped put the show together."

"The local boutiques were wonderful in providing our models with cute outfits," Grant said. "This event was a team effort and I appreciate all the help that was put into making this event happen."

The models - survivors, local community leaders, Relay committee members and more - fashioned outfits from several of the local boutiques in town. In addition, those who at

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• 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 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.

• The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank.

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will be accepted on Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entries are the responsibility of BSAA. Museum staff cannot accept early entries. BSAA reserves the right to refuse any entries.

Categories are:

- Oil/Acrylics
- Pastels/Colored Pencil/Charcoal/Pencil
- Photography
- Mixed Media
- Watercolor
- 3D/Sculpture/Pottery/Jewelry/Stained Glass
- Digital Art (must be original work)

If there are fewer than 10 pieces of art per category, BSAA reserves the right to combine with another category. Divisions will be combined and/or put in a separate category of "other".

All works of art must be for sale (30% commission on all artwork sold).

There will be a reception and awards presentation on June 1 from 2-4 p.m. All art work can be picked up during that time.

Best of Show will win \$150. First place in each category wins \$50; second place in each category wins

\$25; third place in each category will receive a ribbon.

The BSAA was organized in September 1954. The purpose of the organization is to advance interest in the arts in the Big Spring vicinity and to promote public recognition and appreciation of art in the community.

If you would like to become a member of BSAA, annual dues are \$20 for adults and \$15 for student. Meetings are held the third Saturday of each month, September through May, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library. Members are encouraged to bring artwork to each meeting. These works are displayed at area businesses in town, and one artist is picked each month to display work at the Howard County Museum.

For more information, please email Ruby Bruns at prfadv1@yahoo.com, Kay Smith at 1971ks@att.net,

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tended the brunch had the added privilege of receiving a discount at the local shops, for the day.

"I was honored to be invited to model and I gladly accepted. This opportunity allowed me to walk in memory of my mom, Elice Flores, who we lost three years ago to cancer. I am very passionate about finding a cure," Christian Fair, Executive Director of the United Way of Howard County, said.

Debbye Valverde, Executive Director for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, was also one of the featured models. She is a cancer survivor and has served in the role of caregiver alongside her mother and sister, for her father who lost his battle to cancer 20 years ago.

"As a cancer survivor, i know there is no finish line until we find a cure. I relay for him as well as for my family and friends who have lost the fight, but as well as for those like me who are survivors and/or caregivers," ValVerde replied when asked why she agreed to take part in the fashion show and brunch. "Cancer impacts all of us, in one way or

another; that is what we need to fight for. I don't want my niece Sophie to ever hear the words 'you have cancer'."

While the fashion show served as the kickoff for sign ups, those who were not able to attend, can still register as a survivor before the Relay For Life event scheduled for May 11. This year Relay will take place at Comanche Trail Park from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

"We are hoping with the time change more survivors will be able to come out and join us," Grant said. "I have already spoken to several survivors and they are looking at joining us this year."

According to Grant, survivors have a few different avenues to register, including calling her at her office, 432-264-7599 or the hotline 1-800-227-2345. The application can be done over the phone and takes about five minutes.

"If you are a survivor, join me at Relay For Life for the first lap. We must continue the fight until we find a cure," ValVerde said.

Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email editor@bigspringherald or call 263-7331.

STARS

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history. They are taking their place in the movie history that exists in West Texas," James Johnston said. "This movie is going to be outstanding."

While the exhibit is a celebration of the Iron Orchard, and the Big Spring history it represents, it also includes the 16 top movies in West Texas history.

"There are movies that everyone has heard of, some that few have heard of, but they all have a history base in West Texas," Johnston said. "There are posters, costumes, lots of photographs, and even highlights from work produced and created by local filmmakers."

The reception will be a great way to experience the exhibit with first hand interaction with cast members and others who played a vital role in the Iron Orchard production, but for those who are unable to attend the reception, it's not an excuse to not make time to visit the exhibit while it's open.

"Everyone can connect with something in the exhibit, if nothing else by connecting with the history of Big Spring that is displayed," Johnston said. The Iron Orchard movie features Big Spring and surrounding areas throughout the movie. Those who attend the exhibit and then see the movie, or vice versa, will recognize several of the items displayed."

He continued, "The important thing is that we are celebrating a piece of Big Spring history and we are supporting the museum. Everyone loves movies, or most people do, and this is an opportunity to see places the Big Spring community knows and the impact history has made on it and us."

The Heritage Museum is located at 510 Scurry. The exhibit can be seen Tuesday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FIRE

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Hendrickson said the home escaped serious structural damage, but suffered damage to the sheetrock in the room where the fire started. Hendrickson also noted that utilities were shut off because electrical outlets had melted, and said the house would need maintenance work before power could be restored.

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Leonardo "Nio" Rios, Jr. 43, died Wednesday. Vigil services will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Scott Underwood, 53, died Friday. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Evelyn Carter, 100, of Big Spring died Friday. Final funeral services will be held on Feb. 23, at Green Hill's Memorial Park Cemetery, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. at 12 noon.

Flo Nichols, 90, died Sunday. The family will receive friends from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park

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Flypast honors US bomber crew who died saving British kids

SHEFFIELD, England (AP) — Tony Foulds has a routine when he visits the memorial for 10 American airmen killed in World War II.

First, he kisses his finger and lays it on the metal plate bearing their names. Then he sits beside the rock, laying a shaky hand on its smooth slope with the care of someone offering comfort to a loved one. As he taps the stone, Foulds tells the airmen about the weather and his plans for the day.

It's the least he can do, because Foulds believes the young Americans sacrificed their lives to save his. The pilot decided not to land his crippled plane on Endcliffe Park, in the English city of Sheffield, to avoid a group of children on the grass.

"I pray for them every morning," the 82-year-old retired engineer said. "I would've been dead if they didn't do what they did."

Tony has long dreamed of a more public recognition of the sacrifice made by the crew of the B-17G Flying Fortress nicknamed "Mi Amigo." He wanted an aerial display — a flypast — befitting men who fought in the sky.

On Friday, he will get his wish. The U.S. and the Royal Air Force are set to honor Lt. John G. Kriegshauser and his crew.

But even that won't ease Foulds' guilt.

Kriegshauser, a 23-year-old pilot from St. Louis, Missouri, was on his 15th mission on Feb. 22, 1944.

On board with him were young men from every corner of America: 2nd Lt. Lyle Curtis of Idaho Falls, copilot; 2nd Lt. John W. Humphrey of Wyoming, Illinois, navigator; 2nd Lt. Melchor Hernandez of Los Angeles, bombardier; Staff Sgt. Robert Mayfield of Raymond, Illinois, radio operator; Sgt. Vito Ambrosio of Brooklyn, waist gunner; Staff Sgt. Harry Estabrooks of Mound Valley, Kansas, flight engineer and top turret gunner; Sgt. George M. Williams of Faxon, Oklahoma, waist gunner; Sgt. Charles Tuttle of Raceland, Kentucky, ball turret gunner; Sgt. Maurice Robbins of Manor, Texas, rear gunner.

The mission was a daring daylight raid on the Aalborg airfield in occupied Denmark, a key fighter base that protected Germany from Allied bombers. Mi Amigo was hit in the attack and limped back across the North Sea, trying to get to its base in Chelveston, England.

But the weather was poor. When the plane broke through the clouds looking for somewhere to land, it was over Sheffield, 80 miles (130 kilometers) northwest.

Tony was almost 8 years old, and that day he had gathered with other children for a schoolyard brawl in Endcliffe Park, an oasis of green surrounded by terraced houses. After five years of war, including German attacks on Sheffield's steel and armaments plants, the boys were accustomed to hearing planes. But the sound of this aircraft wasn't right.

"When it came over, one engine working, spitting oil, you could actually see daylight through the tail. That's how bad it was," Foulds said. "I only saw one person. No gunner. No co-pilot. No radio operator. I just saw the pilot."

The pilot circled when he saw the stretch of green, and waved his arms at the kids. They waved back. Years later, Tony realized he was trying to get them to run out of the way.

The plane circled three times, the

last time coming in so low it was just above the houses' chimneys. The pilot could have tried to land on the green, but he didn't. He turned his plane into the nearby woods, tried to rev up his only working engine and failed to gain altitude.

"They could have saved themselves," Foulds said. "I've put myself in their place many a time and thought if I was wanting to land and there were children on, I would think to myself, 'Well, I'll land and hope I don't hit them.'"

But Mi Amigo's pilot made another choice. The plane crashed. There were no survivors.

Foulds has been wracked by guilt ever since, wondering why he was blessed to go on with his life, to have children and grandchildren, when the men on that plane were not.

"I can't see anyone else ever doing what these lads did — giving their own lives for a foreigner," he said. "I killed these lads."

As a young boy, Foulds didn't dwell on that day. But when he was 17, he came across the crater where Mi Amigo crashed and decided to make sure its crew was never forgotten. A memorial was built in 1969, and as the years went by he visited it as many as 260 times a year.

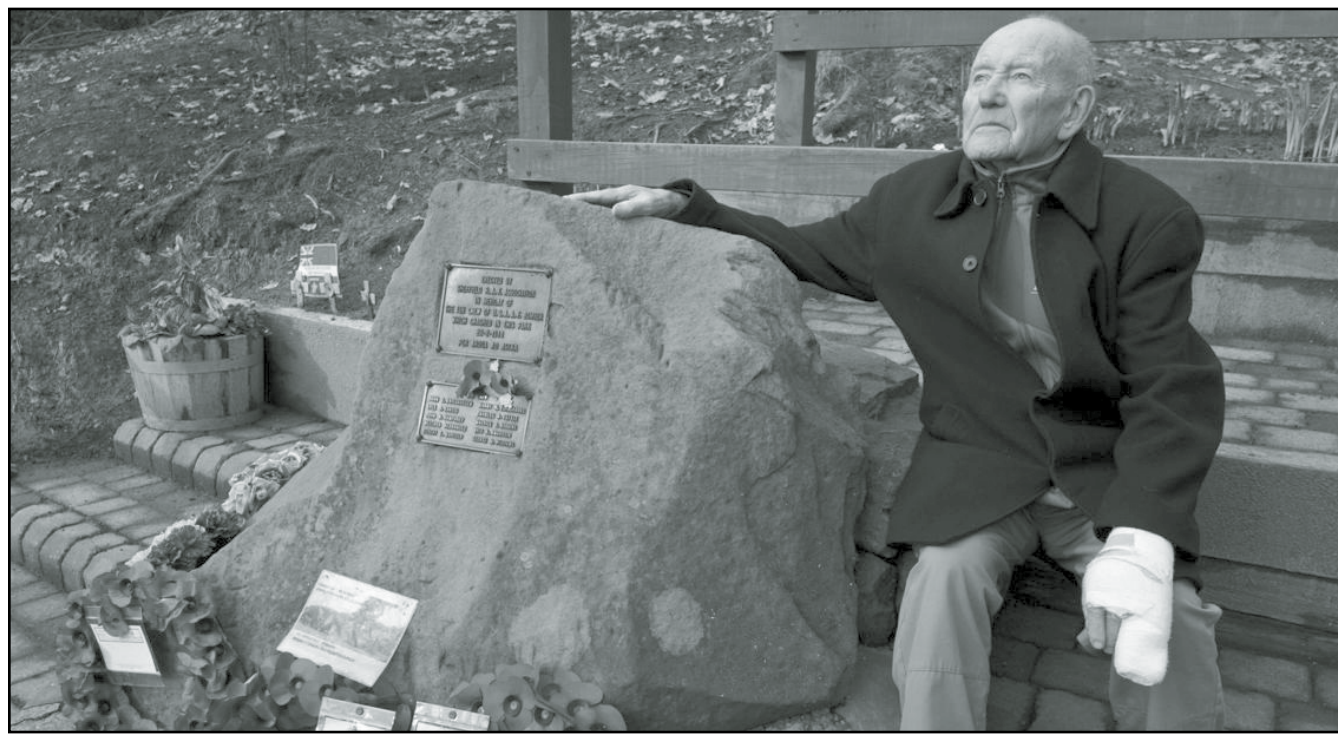
But he dreamed of a proper military honor — a flypast.

His ideas were modest but got no traction. The RAF's Red Arrows aerial display team ignored his letter. The police said no to a helicopter. He even thought about a hang-glider with an American flag but was told that would not work.

But Foulds kept promising his friends he wouldn't give up.

"I said to them, 'You are now going to be the best memorial in this country,'" he said turning to the stone.

In January, BBC presenter Dan Walker described Foulds' dream and started a Twitter campaign under the hashtag #gettonyaflypast. The Americans noticed and so did the community. Soon after, the commander of the 48th Fighter Wing at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, Col. William L. Marshall, told Foulds on a live



Tony Foulds sits next to a memorial honouring 10 U.S. airmen who died in a plane crash in Endcliffe Park, Sheffield, England, Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2019. Foulds was just a kid running around in the park on Feb. 22, 1944 when a U.S. Air Force crew decided to crash and die rather than take the chance of hitting them. He's dreamed of honoring them for decades. Now he's 82 and about to get his wish.

AP Photo/Rui Vieira

morning TV program that his dream would come true.

The hashtag became #tonyggothisflypast.

Now the whole city is getting ready. Alison MacIntyre, a park neighbor, promises the area will be "heaving" with people on Friday.

"This is a story of heroism," said Paul Allonby, a retired civil servant who wrote a book about Mi Amigo called "Courage Above the Clouds."

"It means so much to local people ... heroism lives on, people are not forgotten."

Some 30,000 American airmen died while flying from England during World War II. Southeast England, where most of the bases were located, is dotted with memorials to those who helped defend Britain. The Cambridge American Cemetery contains the remains of 3,811 U.S. casualties, including Mi Amigo crewmembers Robbins, Tuttle and Estabrooks.

The flypast will take note of those three, traveling over the cemetery after it flies over Sheffield. U.S. Air Force Maj. Sybil Taunton said it's a shame there can't be more flypasts over other memorials.

"If it were possible for us to fly over them all to express our gratitude for their sacrifices, and for those keeping their memories alive, we absolutely would," Taunton said.

In the American Midwest, the Kriegshauser family started getting calls from reporters. The three sons of the pilot's older brother, Arthur, are grateful, if somewhat surprised, by the reaction. Some family members are coming for the big day.

And they want to meet Foulds.

"I want to thank him deeply, because he has been like a real leading light in keeping the memory of this alive and in fact assisting our family into knowing more about what actually happened," said the lieutenant's nephew and namesake, John Kriegshauser.

The family remembers Lt. Kriegshauser as athletic, extroverted and popular, a young man besotted by the romance of aviation after Charles Lindbergh's historic 1927 solo flight across the Atlantic. After enlisting in the U.S. Army Air Corps and serving as a radio operator, he was selected for pilot training after the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor.

Once overseas, Kriegshauser knew he might not make it back, writing his family that "this is a letter which I hope is never mailed."

"My final word," the pilot wrote, "is that I'm glad to have been able to lay down my life for a cause I believed was just and right."

Foulds can't wait to meet Kriegshauser's relatives. Just the thought makes him cry. But as he taps his hand on the stone memorial, he's focused on the crew, saying over and over that the flypast will make the men feel special. To him, they are family.

"I'm having my ashes put behind the memorial," he said. "So I'm going to be with them forever. ... This is love between me and the lads, and it always will be. It will never alter."

Besides. The flypast will give them something to talk about for years to come.

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Sharing the love

Parkview residents and Nazarene Christian Academy celebrated Valentine's Day together



Courtesy photos

Parkview residents received a special treat for Valentine's Day, when the Nazarene Christian Academy students came to visit. The students and the residents celebrated the day together.



Maynard Family honored by Veterans Families Fund



Courtesy photos

The Maynard family has been in Big Spring for two years. Both have served in the Army National Guard. Benjamin is currently deployed.

Special to the Herald

The Veterans Families Fund recently honored Benjamin - 13 year Army National Guard - and Amy Maynard - 7 year Army National Guard, with

a \$500 check. The Maynard family is originally from Montana, but has lived in Big Spring for two years. They have two children; Rowan and Everett.

Recently, Benjamin selflessly volunteered to deploy on a combat mission with the 1-141 Infantry from San Antonio to Africa. This is his third deployment. His first deployment took him to Iraq in 2011 and to Romania, in 2016, with his wife.

The family of four enjoys everything outdoors including; camping, boating, riding dirt bikes, and spending time together. They look forward to being reunited in the coming months.

The Veterans Families Fund is a local support for active veterans families. For those wanting to donate, an account is set up at Woodforest National Bank. Donations can be sent to Veterans Families Account, 201 W. Marcy Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79721.



Pet Talk:

The unconditional love of pets

By The TA&MU College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences

COLLEGE STATION, - The human-animal bond is a mutually beneficial and dynamic relationship between people and their animals, influenced by behaviors that are essential to the health and well-being of both, according to the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Kit Darling, infection control coordinator at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, has spent years studying the human-animal bond.

This bond is most evident in the relationship that forms between people and their pets.

"Think about the feelings you have when you come home to a pet that is excited to see you," Darling said. "Pets are non-judgmental and provide unconditional love, meaning, and joy to our lives."

The relationship pet owners form with their animals can be emotional, psychological, and physical, according to Darling. Pets can help decrease loneliness, relieve stress and anxiety, and provide opportunities for exercise, play, and recreation.

"Spending quality time and doing activities with your pets can strengthen your bond with them," Darling said. "This may include going for walks, doing training classes, participating in shows and events, and doing animal-assisted activities."

Though all pets can provide emotional support and love for their owners, dogs have a history of being used for therapy work.

"There are some special animals such as therapy dogs that are trained to provide unconditional love, affection, and comfort to groups of people," Darling said.

Many cities have local organizations that focus on pet therapy work. In College Station, Aggeland Pets With A Purpose teaches people how to train their pets for therapy work and takes volunteers to visit places in the community.

Darling said therapy dogs can comfort people in hospitals, long-term care facilities, hospice, schools, and disaster areas.

"The dogs can help people accomplish goals in physical, occupational, and speech therapy," she said. "People are excited to come to their therapy sessions when the dogs are present; I have seen people respond to therapy dogs when they have not responded to people."

"Residents at nursing homes anxiously wait in the lobby when our dogs visit," she continued. "A college student studying for finals enjoys taking a break to visit with the dogs and relieve stress. Nursing staff at a hospital find a little relief from a busy day while petting a dog."

Like therapy dogs, all pets can provide comfort, joy, emotional

support, and more. They do not judge and are quick to forgive. They are always happy to spend time with you, whether playing or simply sitting in the same room.

"Think about how your pets enrich your life through your relationship with them and the activities you do together," Darling said. "We provide them with care and love, and they share their unconditional love with us to brighten our days."

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be found at vetmed.tamu.edu/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

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White House indicates Trump to veto disapproval of emergency

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — President Donald Trump is prepared to issue the first veto of his term if Congress votes to disapprove his declaration of a national emergency along the U.S.-Mexico border, a top White House adviser said on Sunday.

White House senior adviser Stephen Miller told "Fox News Sunday" that "the president is going to protect his national emergency declaration." Asked if that meant Trump was ready to veto a resolution of disapproval, Miller added, "He's going to protect his national emergency declaration, guaranteed."

The West Wing is digging in for fights on multiple fronts as the president's effort to go around Congress to fund his long-promised border wall faces bipartisan criticism and multiple legal challenges. After lawmakers in both parties blocked his requests for billions of dollars to fulfill his signature campaign pledge, Trump's declared national emergency Friday shifts billions of federal dollars earmarked for military construction to the border.

California Attorney General Xavier Becerra told ABC's "This Week" that his state would sue "imminently" to block the order, after the American Civil Liberties Union and the non-

profit watchdog group Public Citizen announced Friday they were taking legal action.

Democrats are planning to introduce a resolution disapproving of the declaration once Congress returns to session and it is likely to pass both chambers. Several Republican senators are already indicating they would vote against Trump — though there do not yet appear to be enough votes to override a veto by the president.

The White House's Miller insisted that Congress granted the president wide berth under the National Emergencies Act to take action. But Trump's declaration goes beyond previous emergencies in shifting money after Congress blocked his funding request for the wall, which will likely factor in legal challenges.

Trump aides acknowledge that Trump cannot meet his pledge to build the wall by the time voters decide whether to grant him another term next year, but insist his base will remain by his side as long as he is not perceived to have given up the fight on the barrier.

Sen. Chris Coons, D-Del., told CBS's "Face the Nation" that he believes Congress needs to act to "defend" its powers of the purse.



AP Photo/Evan Vucci

President Donald Trump speaks during an event in the Rose Garden at the White House to declare a national emergency in order to build a wall along the southern border, Friday, Feb. 15, in Washington.

"I do think that we should not set the terrible precedent of letting a president declare a national emergency simply as a way of getting around the congressional appropriations process," he said.

Rep. Will Hurd, R-Texas, a critic of Trump's border policies, said he would support legislation to review Trump's emergency declaration, saying, "It sets a dangerous precedent."

"My concern is our government

wasn't designed to operate by national emergency," he told CBS.

Trump ally Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio, told ABC that he believes there are enough GOP votes to prevent the supermajorities required to override a veto.

"I think there are plenty of votes in the House to make sure that there's no override of the president's veto," he said. "So it's going to be settled in court, we'll have to wait and see."

Aurora shooter's permit was revoked but gun wasn't seized

AURORA, Ill. (AP) — An initial background check failed to detect a felony conviction that should have barred the man who killed five co-workers and wounded six other people at a suburban Chicago manufacturing plant from buying the gun.

Months later, a second background check of Gary Martin found his 1995 aggravated assault conviction in Mississippi involving the stabbing of an ex-girlfriend. But it prompted only a letter stating his gun permit had been revoked and ordering him to turn over his firearm to police — raising questions about the state's enforcement to ensure those who lose their permits also turn over their weapons.

A vigil for the victims, including a university student on his first day as an intern and a longtime plant manager, was held Sunday outside Henry Pratt Co. in Aurora, about 40 miles (65 kilometers) west of Chicago. More than 1,500 people braved snow and freezing drizzle to attend.

Martin, 45, was killed in a shootout with officers Friday, ending his deadly rampage at the plant. His state gun license permit was revoked in 2014, Aurora Police Chief Kristen Ziman said.

But he never gave up the .40-caliber Smith & Wesson handgun he used in the attack. Investigators are still trying to determine what exactly law enforcement agencies did after that letter was sent, Ziman said.

Illinois lawmakers who support more gun control measures said Martin was able to keep the gun because of a flaw in the 1968 law that requires residents to get a Firearm Owner's Identification card, or FOID card, to purchase firearms or ammunition. They must pass a background check, but the law does not mandate that police ensure weapons have been removed if a red flag is raised later.

Legislation was introduced in 2016 to require police go to the homes of gun owners who have their FOID cards revoked and search for the weapons, but it failed over concerns it would overtax police departments, said Democratic Rep. Kathleen Willis.

She wants to see a similar measure introduced again.

"Let's use some common sense. If you have



AP Photo/Nam Y. Huh

A man prays at a makeshift memorial Sunday, Feb. 17, in Aurora, Ill., near Henry Pratt Co. manufacturing company where several were killed Friday. Authorities say an initial background check five years ago failed to flag an out-of-state felony conviction that would have prevented a man from buying the gun he used in the mass shooting in Aurora.

someone with a felony, obviously they are not the best law-abiding citizens who are going to follow through when they get the letter and go, 'oh yeah, here's my gun, no problem,'" Willis said. "We have to have oversight. That's the biggest flaw in the whole system. We're asking people who already have done something wrong, to do something right."

Last year, Illinois joined other states like California in passing a law that allows family members to petition to have a gun removed from a home and a person's permit revoked if they believe they might use it to harm themselves or others.

Lawmakers are also working to add teeth to restrictions on the transfers of gun ownership from a person whose permit has been revoked, Willis said. The change follows a 2018 shooting at a Tennessee Waffle House involving a man who had to give his guns to his father after his Illinois FOID card was revoked, but his father later gave them back to him.

Legislators want people who obtain such weapons to sign an affidavit vowing to not return the weapons to the original owner.

Martin was no stranger to police in Aurora, where he had been arrested six times over the years for what Ziman described as "traffic and domestic battery-related issues" and for violating an order of protection.

After an initial background check failed to detect his felony conviction, Martin was issued his FOID card and bought the Smith & Wesson handgun on March 11, 2014. Five days after that, he applied for a concealed carry permit. That background check, which used digital fingerprinting, did flag his Mississippi felony conviction and led the Illinois State Police to revoke his permit.

Records stemming from his 1995 conviction in Mississippi described an extremely violent man who abused a former girlfriend, at one point hitting her with a baseball bat and stabbing her with a knife, The Washington Post reported Saturday.

After serving less than three years, he moved to Illinois and landed a job at Henry Pratt. The conviction was not detected in a company background check.

Authorities said Saturday that Martin pulled out the gun and began shooting right after hearing he was being fired from his job of 15 years at the industrial valve manufacturer for various workplace violations. The company has not given further details on what they were.

Martin killed three people in the room with him and two others just outside, Ziman said. Among the dead was a college student starting a human resources internship at the plant that day. Martin also wounded a sixth worker, who is expected to survive.

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Steers' season comes to an end in a tough 85-69 Bi-District loss to Burkburnett

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

STAMFORD – The Steers fought hard and played with a ton of heart the entire game against the Burkburnett Bulldogs, on Monday night in the Bi-District playoff in Stamford. Facing a team that has been a state powerhouse on the hard court for years, Big Spring not only hung in the game, they gave the Bulldogs everything they could handle. However, the outside fire power of Burkburnett proved to be just enough to edge out the Steers in a game that the final score doesn't accurately tell the story.

In the first quarter, both teams came out on fire. Big Spring started the game on a 5-0 run, then Burkburnett answered with a 6-0 run of their own. The Steers were getting great production inside and in transition from Jeremiah Cooley and Tyler Seymore, while the Bulldogs lit it up from behind the arc. With 1:45 left in the first period, Big Spring led 16-14 before Burkburnett went on another 5 point run to take lead 19-16 to end the first quarter. Both teams found a lot of success in opposing offensive strategies.

In the second quarter, the Bulldogs kept their run going and extended their lead to 21-16 with 6:45 left in the half. The Steers fought back and cut the lead to just 1 at 21-20 with 4 minutes remaining in the second quarter. Then Burkburnett answered and went on a 14-4 run, behind the unbelievable outside shooting from KenDarius Horton, to increase their lead to 35-24 with just 1:40 left before the break. But Big Spring never faded away, they kept fighting hard and cut the lead back down to a single digit lead at 40-31 to end the half.

Seymore, Bank, Clark and Cooley all had big halves for the Steers. Seymore had 14 points in the first half while Cooley added 7 points and 9 rebounds. Banks chipped in with 6 points and Clark grabbed 7 boards in the half with 5 of those coming on the offensive glass to give the Steers second chance opportunities. Horton had 14 points in the half for Burkburnett as the Bulldogs lived up to the hype with their outside shooting. Big Spring on the other hand, found their success in the paint and on the press break in what was a very exciting and highly competitive first half of basketball.

Coming out of the break, Burkburnett went on a 7 point run to start the third quarter. Cooley played like a



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Jeremiah Cooley grabs 1 of his 17 rebound and puts it back in for 2 of his 27 points in a tough 85-69 Bi-District loss to Burkburnett on Monday night in Stamford.

man possessed in the quarter getting basket after basket and grabbing everything that came off the rim to keep the Steers in the game. The Bulldogs' full court pressure really started to get to Steers. With the Bulldogs all over Big Spring, the turnovers started to pile up quickly as Burkburnett began to pull away, grabbing a 56-39 lead with 2:45 left in the third period.

Cooley continued to be a force on both ends of the floor for the Steers, but Big Spring couldn't get much else going in the quarter and fell behind 60-41 with just 54 seconds left in the third. Burkburnett just got too many second chance opportunities in the quarter for a team that shoots the ball as well as they do. The Bulldogs big third quarter output gave them a comfortable 62-45 lead heading into the final period.

In the fourth quarter, the Steers showed everybody what they are really made of. Despite being down big coming into the last quarter, they played with as much heart and effort as any team I have ever seen. Burkburnett continued to light up the scoreboard with their outside shooting early in the quarter and brought their lead all the way up to 73-52. Yet even that didn't dampen the Steers' fighting spirit, as they fought back and went on an 8-0 run to get the lead back down to 73-60 with just 3:34 left in the game.

But they weren't done yet, after a made free throw by the Bulldogs, Big Spring cut into the lead again on an awesome and one finish by Cooley. With the made free throw, the Steers trailed just 74-63 with 2:53 left in the game. After another big stop and an-

other big bucket for the Big Spring, the Steers got the game back within single digits at 74-65 with just over 2 minutes left to play. Unfortunately, Burkburnett hit a couple of back to back deep daggers that put them back up 80-65, and with time running out the Steers were forced to foul and send the Bulldogs to the line. Burkburnett closed out the game from the charity stripe and took home the Bi-District crown 85-69. However, the fight and the will that our Steers showed in that final period was something special. Those young men and coaches deserve a great deal of respect and appreciation from all of Steer Nation for how they represented this community and their school in those closing minutes no matter the outcome.

Jeremiah Cooley had an unbelievable second half, scoring 20 of his 27 points and grabbing 8 of his 17 rebounds. Cooley finished his last game as a Steer with an outstanding 27 points, 17 rebound, 2 assists, 2 steals and 1 block. As impressive as that stat line is, it is less impressive than the effort and heart he played with the entire night. Tyler Seymore also had a huge game with 25 points and 3 rebounds. Mikal Banks had 9 points, 5 rebounds and 2 steals while Abel Clark finished the game with 21 points, 11 rebounds, and 3 assists. Zephaniah Nelson and DeQorian Gordon combined for 8 assists and 5 steals as well.

"I was really proud of our guys, they showed good heart and good hustle the entire game. Our guys played so hard and have come such a long way since last season. This was one of the best games our team has ever played collectively, and I was just really proud to be a part of it. Our seniors have done everything I've asked of them and have turned our basketball program completely around and built the foundation for our young team moving forward" said Steers' Head Basketball Coach Kris Hise of his team after the tough loss.

Congratulations to the Steers on a great season! To all the seniors; TL Lewis, Jeremiah Cooley, Mikal Banks, Nathan Letz and Brendan Martinez. A big thank you from everyone in Steer Nation for your contributions to the team and this program. You guys have built the foundation for many years to come and we all owe you a great deal of gratitude for the way you have battled for this team over the years. The example you have set will be remembered, and the final act of you guys' play was one we won't soon forget.

Bufs get another gold ball with a 46-33 Bi-District win over Hawley



Courtesy photo/Kara Freeman

The Bufs pose with the newest addition to their trophy case Monday night after beating Hawley 46-33 for the Bi-District crown in Colorado City. Forsan will play the winner of Plains and Ft. Hancock for the area round of the playoffs.

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

COLORADO CITY – The Bufs came into Monday nights' Bi-District Championship game against Hawley riding a big win streak and had no plans of letting that come to an end. Forsan did what they are known for doing, playing great defense and being efficient on offense to get the big win and yet another gold ball to add to their trophy case. The Bufs led for most of the game and Kobe Richardson was just too much for the Bearcats to handle as Forsan ran away with the game and pulled off the big 46-33 Bi-District win.

In the first quarter, Forsans' defense was outstanding, allowing just 6 points to Hawley in the opening period. The Bufs took advantage and jumped out

to an early 12-6 lead headed into the second quarter.

In the second quarter, Hawley fought their way back into the game playing some great defense of their own. The Bearcats held Forsan to just 7 points in the quarter and cut the lead to 19-15 heading into the half. Despite not having much success on offense in the second, the Bufs' defense still held Hawley to just 9 points in the second quarter to maintain their lead.

Coming out of the break, Forsan regained their offensive rhythm while maintaining their lock down defense. The Bufs outscored the Bearcats 14 to 9 in the third to increase their lead to 33-24 heading into the final period.

In the fourth, Forsan put Hawley away for good. The Bufs once again held the Bearcats under 10

points and scored 13 more of their own to put the game on ice. With four straight quarters of fantastic defense by the Bufs, Hawley didn't have much of a chance and Forsan got themselves a first round post season win.

Kobe Richardson led all scorers with 26 points in the game. Aaron Gutierrez added 9 points and Zane Riffe chipped in with 6 points to round out the Bufs' offensive leaders. "We had a great team effort on defense tonight. We really executed the defensive game plan well" said Head Coach Cory Richardson of his teams play. The Bufs will play the winner of Plains and Ft. Hancock.

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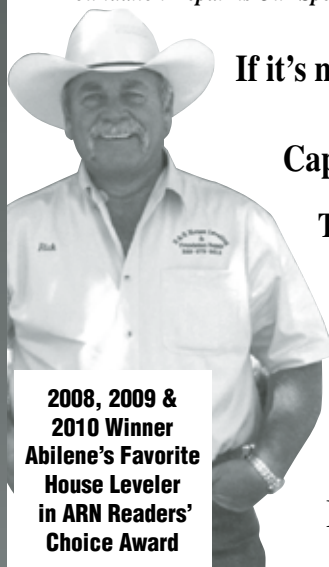
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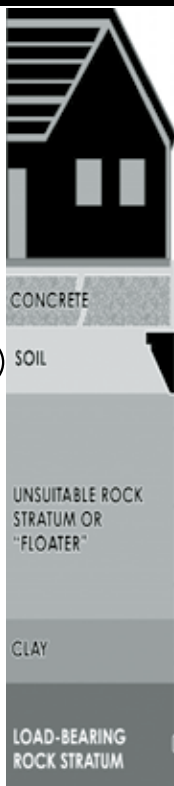
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Supermoon of Self-Care

In rolls the big, beautiful Virgoean supermoon carrying themes such as health and nurturing on her back. Whatever you do to care for yourself and others, this moon will maximize those efforts. Who should get the best of your attention? You first, and the overflow will touch everyone you love. Self-care is kindness toward all of life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's a planning day. As there's not a week that goes by without a surprise challenge, you'd be wise to work that into the plan. Also, leave room for error and/or irresistible delight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You won't be able to weed out the problems and keep what's good, because what's good is the problems. The end product will be magnificent not in spite of but because of the challenging way you had to go about getting it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Every cycle has a winter -- a period where the environment drives the being further

inside to do the work that must be done in order to grow after the thaw. This work often looks a lot like sleeping.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). What's unseen will be more critical to the action than the action itself. The invisible things don't care whether or not anyone believes in, or trusts, the power of invisible things. Their cycle is the same either way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If nothing is inherently good or bad, then how effective could it possibly be to think in these terms? Of course, it's second nature. But if you can question that nature even slightly, new answers and easier ways of managing will arise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What if you knew that your mentors considered you, in some ways, to be their teacher? Well, it's true. So you don't have to feel less than or indebted just because you ask for help. It goes both ways.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Are they picking up what you're throwing

down? The number of people tracking with you at this point may be small, but it will grow. Don't change the message; just share it with more people.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What does an evolved spiritual outlook have to do with phone usage? Technology isn't inherently evil or in conflict with spiritual principles, as long as you're the master of your digital usage and not a slave to it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You appreciate confident people all the while realizing that a social persona may be but the tip of the iceberg of personality. Your respect and social savvy will earn you a friend.

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your response will be requested or something like it, maybe your presence, opinion, vote or support.

Anyway, part of you is what they'll ask for, and your job is to give the right amount.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Much will be solved by recognizing the difference between gratification and contentment, and by playing the long game. Instead of going for a quick lift, work to bring up your overall level of vitality.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You put people first, before the agenda, before the results are counted, definitely before the money is div-

vied up. Because of your "people first" approach, you'll take a little longer to get things done, and you'll enjoy it more, too.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 19). Because you're able to pay closer attention, noticing and feeling more, you'll be astoundingly creative this year. You may be put on a pedestal for this quality, though the accolades are not the point. Your heart is full when you create, and the love that spills over into your life and world makes it all a little better. Sagittarius and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 20, 18, 24 and 19.

TAKING ON A SPIRITUAL MAXIM (PART TWO) For the beginning of this thread, see the archives for yesterday's column.

"What others think of me is none of my business."

The saying is a well-intended maxim aimed to empower the individual to act regardless of the opinion of others. The trouble is, it's a little like that mind trick where you tell a person not to think of a purple elephant. The focus of the phrase

is such that it conjures precisely what it's trying to avoid.

Of course, if we always concerned ourselves with what was spinning in the next person's brain, we'd never be able to get anything done, and certainly nothing original would be possible. But no one lives in a void. We are social creatures who need one another. Our very survival requires, to some degree, the cooperation of others, and their opinions affect us. To deny this is counterintuitive to human existence.

More on this tomorrow.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Pisces are old souls who often know their path in life at a young age. Actress and singer Victoria Justice fits the bill, as she has been appearing in film and television since the age of 10. Her sun and Mercury in Pisces bode well for handling a wide range of roles and musical styles. Look for Justice in the new comedy "Summer Night."

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Annie's Mailbox

High Schooler Has Social Anxiety

Dear Annie: I'm a freshman in high school, and I'm starting to make friends. I'm always trying to be silly with them. I guess I enjoy the validation when they laugh. But I don't want to be seen as too crazy or immature. I also have social anxiety, which means my interactions with others cause irrational anxiety. That is why I want the validation. But I don't just want to be the "funny person" of the group. I want to have good conversations. One-on-one, it's easier. I don't know why the dynamics change when there are more people. I assume that I get more anxious and I strive to be the center of attention.

But it kind of hurts when they tease me back or afterward when I think my words were stupid. People have actually told me I'm "weird" and that I made them "uncomfortable." It makes me feel awful! I don't want to be seen like that, and it stinks when the thing I fear most (my flaws being exposed) becomes true.

Should I stop joking around so much? -- Freshman

Dear Freshman: Your letter brought to mind a saying: The mind is a wonderful servant but a terrible master. It's been attributed to many different sources, most commonly Robin Sharma, though it actually dates back further than that, and the original orator is

unknown. Whoever said it understood anxiety.

The issue isn't whether you should stop joking around. This is about becoming comfortable enough with yourself to live in the present moment. Once you've nurtured some more serenity within, you'll find yourself interacting more naturally with others -- still joking around plenty, perhaps, but not out of a need for validation.

Now, I realize "be comfortable with yourself" is a tall order for someone in high school. But there really are practical steps you can take toward finding some inner calm. I recommend seeing a counselor regularly, if you're not already. I also recommend taking up daily meditation. It might

be hard to believe that something so simple could make a real difference, but there is a growing body of scientific evidence that meditation can significantly reduce psychological stresses, including a 2014 meta-study by researchers at Johns Hopkins that found that mindfulness meditation can ease anxiety and depression.

Lastly, know that self-consciousness is as much a part of adolescence as acne. Even though most of your peers don't have social anxiety disorder, that doesn't mean they don't experience social anxiety. I guarantee you that all of them sometimes worry that they seem weird, silly or unintelligent. You are not alone.

Dear Annie: A lot of people do not seem to realize that if 100 percent of their attention were on driving, that could eliminate many wrecks and fatalities. They drive foolishly.

My son, 30, was recently driving on a highway, when the car in front of him stopped. He stopped in time, as did the Camry behind him. However, the driver of the next car was on her phone and hit the Camry at almost full speed. All the cars were totaled. My son's foot was damaged, but he didn't have to go to the emergency room like the other drivers and their kids. They were lucky to not die. -- Rose

Dear Rose: I am

so glad that your son emerged relatively OK and that there were no fatalities. Not everyone is so fortunate. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in the United States alone, nine people are killed each day in crashes involving a distracted driver. Let's all keep our eyes on the wheel and our fellow humans out of danger.

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By Steve Becker
The safety factor

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

The bidding:
North East South West
1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass
2♥ Pass 6♥
Opening lead — queen of spades.
Any declarer worth his salt must have a good working knowledge of the standard safety plays. Many of these are so well-known and occur so regularly that the experienced player has no difficulty whatever recognizing and executing them.
The trouble arises when one of the rarer representatives of the species crops up. In these cases, it is very easy to miss the proper play.
Take this deal where South was in six hearts and West led the queen of spades. Declarer won with the ace and returned the queen of hearts.

When West showed out, the contract was doomed. Regardless of how South continued, East had to get two trump tricks.

There is no question that South was very unlucky to find East with all four trumps — a 5 percent possibility. If the trumps had divided 2-2 or 3-1, or if West had held all four trumps, declarer would have gotten home safely. Nevertheless, there was a way for South to protect against four trumps in either opponent's hand.

From the outset, declarer should adopt the view that the slam can be defeated only if he loses two trump tricks. This can happen only if one opponent has all four missing hearts, so all of South's energies should be channeled in that direction.
While the lead of the queen of hearts protects against four trumps with West, it loses if East has K-10-8-6. Nor will a low heart lead toward dummy guard against all possible heart divisions.
There is only one way to guarantee losing no more than one trump trick. South should win the opening spade lead in dummy and lead a low heart toward his hand, planning to put up the queen if East plays low (or shows out). In the actual case, East cannot score more than one trump trick, and the same would be true if West had all four hearts.

Tomorrow: A foe man worthy of your steel.
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SUDOKU

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Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWER:

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2	3	6	7	8	5	4	9	1
4	9	8	3	1	2	5	7	6
1	7	5	6	4	9	3	2	8
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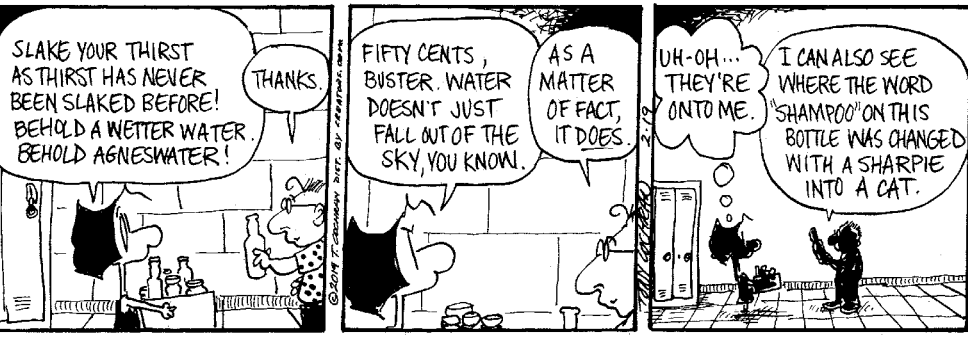
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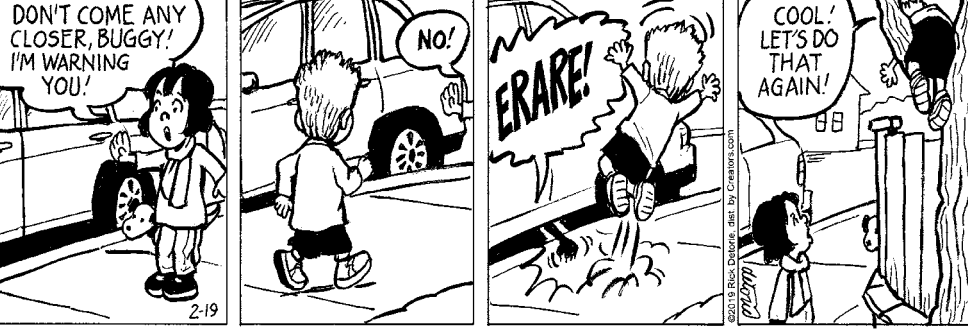
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ONE BIG HAPPY



NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 2019. There are 315 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 19, 1968, the children's program "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," created by and starring Fred Rogers, made its network debut on National Educational Television, a forerunner of PBS, beginning a 31-season run.
On this date:
In 1473, astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus was born in Torun, Poland.
In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr, accused of treason, was arrested in the Mississippi Territory, in present-day Alabama. (Burr was acquitted at trial.)
In 1846, the Texas state government was formally installed in Austin, with J. Pinckney Henderson taking the oath of office as governor.
In 1881, Kansas prohibited the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.
In 1934, a blizzard began inundating the northeastern United States, with the heaviest snowfall occurring in Connecticut and Massachusetts.
In 1942, during World War II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which paved the way for the relocation and internment of people of Japanese ancestry, including U.S.-born citizens. Imperial Japanese warplanes raided the Australian city of Darwin; at least 243 people were killed.
In 1945, Operation Detachment began during World War II as some 30,000 U.S. Marines began landing on Iwo Jima, where they commenced a successful month-long battle to seize control of the island from Japanese forces.
In 1963, "The Feminine Mystique" by Betty Friedan was first published by W.W. Norton & Co.
In 1986, the U.S. Senate approved, 83-11, the Genocide Convention, an international treaty outlawing "acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group," nearly 37 years after the pact was first submitted for ratification.
In 1997, Deng Xiaoping (dung shah-oh-ping), the last of China's major Communist revolutionaries, died at age 92.
In 2006, Israel halted the

transfer of hundreds of millions of dollars in tax money to the Palestinians after Hamas took control of the Palestinian parliament.
In 2008, an ailing Fidel Castro resigned the Cuban presidency after nearly a half-century in power; his brother Raul was later named to succeed him.
Ten years ago: President Barack Obama made a quick visit to Canada, his first trip outside the U.S. since taking office; he reassured Prime Minister Stephen Harper that the U.S. was not cultivating a protectionist streak despite its economic difficulties. A jury in Moscow voted unanimously to acquit three men in the killing of investigative reporter Anna Politkovskaya.
Five years ago: President Barack Obama, in Mexico for a North American summit, urged Ukraine to avoid violence against peaceful protesters or face consequences; shortly after Obama's remarks, Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich's office said he and opposition leaders had agreed on a truce.
On Day 13 of the Sochi Games, Norway won the first Olympic mixed relay in biathlon and Ole Einar Bjoerndalen became the most decorated Winter Olympian ever with 13 medals. Ted Ligety won the giant slalom, becoming the first American man to win two Olympic gold medals in Alpine skiing.
One year ago: Syrian government forces began a bombing campaign in the northeastern suburbs of Damascus, the last major stronghold for rebels in the area of the capital; the campaign left hundreds dead. President Donald Trump endorsed Mitt Romney in Utah's Senate race, another sign that the two Republicans were burying the hatchet after a strained relationship. The U.S. women's Olympic hockey team reached the title game, shutting out Finland 5-0 in the semifinals. A French ice dancer at the Winter Olympics in South Korea suffered a wardrobe malfunction when her glittering emerald costume came unhooked at the neckline, exposing her left breast line on television; Gabriella Papadakis and her partner still managed

to finish the program in second place.
Today's Birthdays: Singer Smokey Robinson is 79. Actress Carlin Glynn is 79. Former Sony Corp. Chairman Howard Stringer is 77. Singer Lou Christie is 76. Actor Michael Nader is 74. Rock musician Tony Iommi (Black Sabbath, Heaven and Hell) is 71. Actor Stephen Nichols is 68. Author

Amy Tan is 67. Actor Jeff Daniels is 64. Rock singer-musician Dave Wakeling is 63. Talk show host Lorianne Crook is 62. Actor Ray Winstone is 62. Actor Leslie David Baker is 61. NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell is 60. Britain's Prince Andrew is 59. Tennis Hall of Famer Hana Mandlikova is 57. Singer Seal is 56. Actress Jessica Tuck is 56. Country musician

Ralph McCauley (Wild Horses) is 55. Rock musician Jon Fishman (Phish) is 54. Actress Justine Bateman is 53. Actor Benicio Del Toro is 52. Actress Bellamy Young is 49. Rock musician Daniel Adair is 44. Pop singer-actress Haylie Duff is 34. Actress Arielle Kebbel is 34. Christian rock musician Seth Morrison (Skillet) is 31. Actor Luke Pasqualino is 29. Actress

Victoria Justice is 26. Actor David (dah-VEED') Mazouz (TV: "Gotham") is 18. Actress Millie Bobby Brown is 15.
Thought for Today: "Look at everything as though you were seeing it for the first time or the last time. Then your time on earth will be filled with glory."
— Betty Smith, American

Newsday Crossword

IT'S CRUNCH TIME by Billie Truitt
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Four-team tourney round
 - 6 Emphatic Spanish assent
 - 10 Great enthusiasm
 - 14 Genetic copy
 - 15 Teheran's country
 - 16 Prefix meaning "all"
 - 17 Bugs Bunny's crunchy meals
 - 19 Beach hill
 - 20 Dined
 - 21 Sound the alarm
 - 22 Parts of the eye
 - 24 Act as arbitrator
 - 26 Water, in Mexico
 - 27 Crunchy picnic entrée
 - 32 Square dance maneuver
 - 35 Interoffice mail abbr.
 - 36 Road that might cross a st.
 - 37 Skeptical comment
 - 38 School kids' transport
 - 39 "Not guilty," for one
 - 40 Note after fa
 - 41 Biblical paradise
 - 43 Agreement
 - 45 Crunchy long green veggies
 - 48 Clothes dryer fuzz
 - 49 "I'm fine with that"
 - 53 Highly rated, as milk
 - 56 Segment
 - 57 Play on words
 - 58 Speed contest
 - 59 Crunchy thin bread
- DOWN**
- 1 "Get lost!"
 - 2 Tickle pink
 - 3 Trimmed the grass
 - 4 End of many a business name: Abbr.
 - 5 Toward the ocean
 - 6 "Yes __, Bob!"
 - 7 Smooth out the creases
 - 8 Occupied a chair
 - 9 Deep understanding
 - 10 Group with Leo and Pisces
 - 11 Ostrich-like birds
 - 12 Vampire novelist
 - 13 Tells untruths
 - 18 Numerical proportion
 - 23 Make unusable
 - 25 "__ ain't broke . . ."
 - 26 Parts of a play
 - 28 Discourage
 - 29 Curly-leafed cabbage
 - 30 __ so (nevertheless)
 - 31 Having no clutter
 - 32 Shape of a hockey puck
 - 33 Woodwind instrument
 - 34 Get cash for
 - 38 Second to none
 - 39 "Hey, you!" sound
 - 41 A Great Lake
 - 42 High-energy
 - 43 Lexus competitor
 - 44 Glide lightly
 - 46 First-born
 - 47 Has the skills (to)
 - 50 Gardener's digging tool
 - 51 Pondered
 - 52 Contest submission
 - 53 Seize
 - 54 Few and far between
 - 55 Pinnacle
 - 56 Secret scheme
 - 60 Campus URL ending
 - 61 Early afternoon

Answer to previous puzzle

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S	L	E	E
I	M	I	N
N	O	E	L
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L	E	T	O
F	S	T	E
A	M	A	G
A	R	E	T
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2/19/19

Homegrown talent has helped Rice ascend into the Top 25

By **DOUG FEINBERG**

AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK — Tina Langley has turned the Rice women's basketball team into a Top 25 program using homegrown talent.

More than half the roster is from Texas and many players grew up within 30 minutes of the university, playing together in high school or on club teams.

"It's nice to represent Houston in that manner," said star Erica Ogwumike. "It is a factor that is pretty big in having such a successful program. It helps us a lot. There's so much support at each game. It makes all of us feel at home here."

Ogwumike also has the comfort of having older sister Olivia on the team as well. The pair transferred to Rice after playing at Pepperdine.

Joining the Ogwumike sisters this year is 6-foot-9 center Nancy Mulkey, who played with Erica on a state championship team in 2015.

She transferred in from Oklahoma and missed the first eight games while recovering from an injury. She's averaging 12.2 points, 6.1 rebounds and 3.8 blocks this season. Other local players include senior Nicole Iademarco, who is third on the team in scoring, and Lauren Grigsby, who averages 7.8 points.

Buoyed by their Texas group, the Owls (22-3) have won 15 straight games — tied with Baylor for the longest winning streak in the country after No. 2 Oregon lost Monday night. Rice earned the first ranking in school history, entering the poll at No. 25.

"It's awesome, it's surreal," Erica Ogwumike said of being ranked. "It



AP photo

Rice coach Tina Langley talks to players during an NCAA college basketball game against Western Kentucky, in Bowling Green, Ky. Buoyed by the second-longest winning streak in the country, Rice has entered The Associated Press women's basketball poll for the first time in school history. The Owls have won 15 straight games and are ranked 25th in Monday's poll.

hasn't fully hit me yet. ... Everyone wants to leave their mark and it's neat to see when we bought into the process things became possible and we started seeing results."

With the appearance in the poll, the Ogwumike sisters now have something in common with older siblings Chiney and Nneka, who starred at Stanford and now play in the WNBA. All four have been ranked at some point during their college basketball

careers — which is believed to be the first time that four sisters have accomplished that feat.

"If that's the case they might have to make a movie or something," the youngest Ogwumike sister said laughing. "My sisters would see the poignancy in that. They did so much at Stanford. They are my role models."

Chiney was quick to point out her younger siblings' accomplishments

in building a program from scratch. Stanford was well established as a women's basketball power before the two older sisters arrived.

Now Erica Ogwumike, who is averaging a team-best 16.3 points and 11 rebounds, hopes to achieve something else that her older sisters did: reach the NCAA Tournament. Rice hasn't been there since 2005.

It's been a steady climb for the Owls since Langley took over in 2015 after spending seven years at Maryland as an assistant — including five as associate head coach. She wanted to build a program that had the opportunity to play for postseason titles every year, and the Owls have been approaching that goal. In 2015-16, they finished 10th in the conference before winning one game in the league's postseason tournament. The next season they won the Women's Basketball Invitational postseason tournament, the first postseason title for the Owls.

Last season they played in the WNIT. Rice was 9-21 the season before Langley took over.

"Four years ago when I met (athletic director) Joe Karlgaard, it was clear we had a shared vision for what Rice women's basketball could become, and that was a nationally competitive program," Langley said. "We are so grateful to all the young women and staff who believed and committed to taking this program to that level. With that being said, this is not our goal."

"Over the last four years, our focus has been on growth. It is one of our core values and has been our trademark for who we are and how we prepare. Our focus right now is on our next opponent."

Davis scores 26 as No. 9 Houston beats Tulane 85-50

By **LES EAST**

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Houston coach Kelvin Sampson was upset at halftime. He felt a lot better when it was over.

Corey Davis Jr. made eight 3-pointers and scored 26 points to help the ninth-ranked Cougars beat Tulane 85-50 on Sunday for their 10th consecutive victory.

Houston led by 17 on two occasions in the first half, but lowly Tulane closed to 37-28 at halftime. Sampson felt his team did too much performing and not enough competing in the first half.

"Entertainers perform," Sampson said. "Drake is an entertainer. In my day, Marvin Gaye and Al Green were performers. Those guys were great, but they were entertainers."

"We had a lot of family and friends in the stands and we put on a performance for them in the first half. In the second half we competed and got back to who we are."

Davis and Armoni Brooks led the way as Houston went 17 for 35 from beyond the arc. Brooks made six 3s on his way to 24 points.

The Cougars (25-1, 12-1 American Athletic) opened the game with a 22-5 run. The Green Wave twice got within eight points early in the second half, but Davis made three 3-pointers during a 17-0 run that put the Cougars in command with a 58-33 lead.

"We had some momentum going into the second half," Tulane coach Mike Dunleavy Sr. said. "They made some 3-pointers late in the shot clock and it looked like we got demoralized, our effort stalled and it snowballed."

Tulane (4-20, 0-12) dropped its 14th consecutive game in the program's longest losing streak in 55 years. They have six more chances to avoid the first winless conference season in school history.

Caleb Daniels scored 13 points for the Green Wave, and Samir Sehic had 12.

BIG PICTURE

Houston: Brison Gresham grabbed nine rebounds



to help the Cougars to a big advantage on the glass.

Tulane: The Green Wave shot 32.1 percent (18 for 56) from the field.

WHO NEEDS FREEBIES?

The Cougars scored 10 points above their season average and won by their third-largest margin of the season even though they attempted just four foul shots in a perfect day at the line. It was the second-fewest attempts this season for Houston,

which went 1 for 2 at the line in a 63-53 victory at Oklahoma State on Dec. 8.

FAST-BREAK EDGE

The Cougars' dominance was reflected in their 26-2 advantage in fast-break points.

UP NEXT

Houston: The Cougars host USF on Saturday, seeking a sweep of the season series after beating the Bulls 69-60 on Jan. 19 in Tampa.

Tulane: The Green Wave visit Memphis on Wednesday. They lost to the Tigers 83-79 on Jan. 13 in New Orleans.

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Murray waits to measure up after picking NFL over baseball

By SCHUYLER DIXON

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FORT WORTH, Texas — Now that Kyler Murray has decided to play in the NFL instead of reporting to spring training as a first-round draft pick by baseball's Oakland Athletics, the questions can shift to the Heisman Trophy winner's height.

The former Oklahoma star says everyone will get their answer at the NFL combine next week. And that was after Murray listed himself at 5-foot-10 Monday before accepting the Davey O'Brien Award as the nation's top college quarterback.

"I've been a 5-10 projected in the first (round), I mean, that's crazy to me, the fact that I'm already projected that high," Murray said. "I'm not over 6-foot. I haven't seen that since I've been alive."

The 21-year-old who won three state championships and didn't lose a game as a high school quarterback in the Dallas area said football became a factor in his decision simply because he finally had a chance to play again.

After signing a contract for a \$4.66 million signing bonus as the ninth overall pick in June by Oakland, Murray led Oklahoma to the College Football Playoff in his only season as the starter while posting the second-best passer efficiency rating in Bowl Subdivision history.

Before throwing for 4,361 yards and 42 touchdowns and running for 1,001 yards and 12 scores, Murray's only extensive college experience was a rough freshman season at Texas A&M in 2015. After transferring to Oklahoma, he was the backup to 2017 Heisman winner Baker Mayfield, the top pick in last year's draft.



AP photo

Heisman Trophy winner quarterback Kyler Murray poses with the Davey O'Brien football award he received in Fort Worth, Texas, Monday, Feb. 18.

"Obviously my career as far as the early stages of my college career, it wasn't looking too hot," said Murray, who like Mayfield lost in the CFP semifinals. "And then after this past season, it was to go in and kind of put myself in the best possible situation. I think I did pretty well."

Murray said he hasn't decided the specifics of his participation in the NFL combine, but Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley believes his time in the 40-yard dash could be an eye-opener. Murray said it's been "two, three years" since ran a 40, at 4.3 seconds.

Most of the attention will be on his height, however. Reminded before the O'Brien ceremony that the 1938 Heisman winner from TCU was 5-7, Mur-

ray said he knew that and added, "So me and him have got something in common."

Given the obvious chance to clarify, he still declined to offer anything more specific than the already-mentioned 5-10.

"I don't wake up in the morning and measure myself so I don't know that," he said. "It's definitely not 5-7."

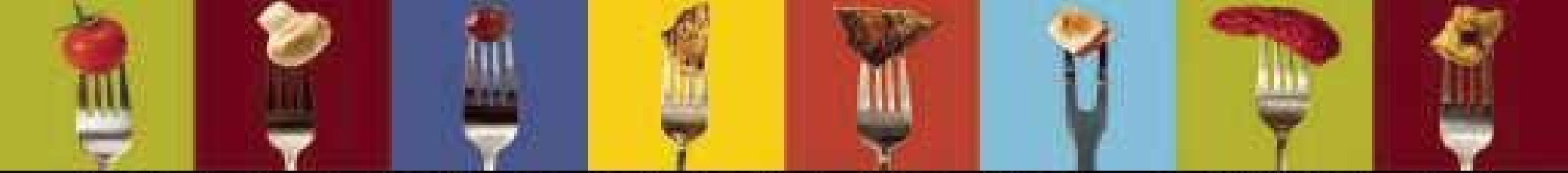
In the same setting a year earlier, Mayfield shot back at a question about whether he could go in the top 10 of the draft by saying his goal was to be the No. 1 overall choice.

After the Browns made that happen, Mayfield won the job early in the season and led Cleveland to seven wins in 2018 after the Browns were coming off a two-year record of 1-31. Now Murray will try to move up the draft board the same way Mayfield did, with a different set of issues to address.

"I'm never the biggest guy on the football field," Murray said. "That's not the way I think, I'm the smallest guy on the field, I have to go out there and do this and do that. I just go out there and play."

Murray also thinks the economics prove his love for football. The deal with Oakland called for him to receive \$1.5 million after approval last summer by Major League Baseball and \$3.16 million on March 1. Murray must return six-sevenths of the money he received, or \$1,285,714.

"Obviously the money wasn't a big deal. I literally played football for free," Murray said. "I could have not even played this football season and just went and worked on just being a professional baseball player. I decided I was going to go play football and now I'm here."



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