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High winds Wednesday cause seven-car wreck on 87

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

High winds swept through West Texas on Tuesday night and Wednesday, finally petering out Wednesday after sunset.

Sustained winds of 35 to 50 miles per hour, with gusts up to 60 mph, tore across Howard County, creating dusty, low-visibility conditions, and resulting in a seven-car pile up on North U.S. 87. While no information on injuries was available, several people were reportedly transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Douglas Cain, a forecaster with the National Weather Service in Midland, said weather should be less dramatic, at least for the upcoming week.

"We have a strong upper trough moving across," Cain said. "The winds are caused by pressure differences. It's a very deep low pressure system, and we have winds aloft that

mix down to the surface during the day. If it's going to be bad, it's normally the worst during the daytime – late afternoon – and then it decreases at night."

Cain said the winds prompted high wind advisories in Howard County, which expired at 1 a.m. this morning.

"The highest gust we've had here at the airport (Midland International Airport) is 63 miles an hour," he said. "That's going to drop off significantly tonight. It'll drop down to 15 to 25 as that upper-level trough moves away. Really, the rest of the week is looking uneventful. On the chilly side – the highs should only be in the 50s – but nothing like we've had the past few days or today.

For more information visit enter the ZIP code 79720 on the NWS website at www.weather.gov.

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



Courtesy photo

First responders block traffic on North U.S. Highway 87 after high winds and blowing dust caused a seven-vehicle accident in the area on Wednesday. No information about injuries was available, but several people were transported to the hospital.

Local Relay for Life turning 25 this year



HERALD file photo

Cancer survivors march with a banner in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum during a previous year's Relay for Life. This year marks the 25th annual local observance of the American Cancer Society fundraiser, and will be held at Comanche Trail Park.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

25 years ... 25 teams ... Let's Relay! Relay For Life has been making a mark through the decades and this year, Howard and Glasscock County Relay teams are celebrating more birthdays by showing off their favorite decade. A call is being sent out to the community to gather a team and get registered.

"This is the 25th anniversary and we want to have 25 teams join us," Julie Alvarez, Event Lead, said. "Our theme this year is Relay through the decades: A cure never

goes out of style! We are ready to bring back the 80s, relive the 90s and dance in the 70s."

According to statistics, 1.6 million people in the United States will be newly diagnosed with cancer this year. As a vital part of every community, the need to raise awareness and fight together, is important, according to Alvarez.

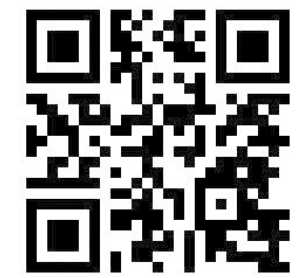
"Cancer touches so many people in our community. Almost everyone, if not everyone, has someone they know that has been impacted by a cancer diagnosis," she said.

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K-9 Veterans Day at Lamun, Lusk, Sanchez



HERALD photo/Anna Gutierrez

From left to right are staff members Nancy Brunson, MDS Nurse, with facility dog, Major, Charlien Lynch, Administrator, with Gus, and Kim Coats, OSR representative from the Veteran Land Board, with Tex, and resident Larry Hilton, are pictured for K9 Veterans Day at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. K9 Veterans Day is a day that people are encouraged to bring their dogs to visit the residents. Facility dog, Major, is a daily fixture at the home. Mr. Hilton says Major runs the halls everyday and loves to take people on walks at least two or three times a day.

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Obituaries

Donald M. Cook



Donald M. Cook, 70, entered into eternal peace on Feb. 27, 2019, at his home in Weeping Water, Nebraska, formerly of Big Spring. He was born April 2, 1948, in Brownfield, Texas, to Myrle and Earl Cook. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 15, 2019, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. A visitation will follow at the funeral home.

Don's family moved to Andrews when Don was in the fourth grade. He graduated from Andrews High School in 1966, having lettered in both baseball and football. He attended Paris Junior College for two years on a baseball scholarship, transferring to North Texas State University, majoring in Industrial Arts. While attending college, he worked part-time in the auto body repair field, a skill he learned from his father. He received his Masters of Education degree from East Texas State University and his counseling certificate from Sul Ross University. His teaching career started at Mesquite High School, teaching auto collision repair. He was the vocational consultant at Texas A&M University and area vocational consultant in Plainview before transferring to Big Spring as TEA area vocational consultant. Don continued his educational career at Big Spring ISD as the vocational teacher,

golf coach, in industrial trades wood shop and as a counselor, retiring in 2005.

Don married the love of his life and best friend, Kay Weir McAdams, in June 1984, and together they shared four children; Jeff Cook (Tina) of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas, Case Thevenot (Tal) of Frisco, Mickie Rawson (Patrick) of Avoca, Nebraska, and Todd McAdams (Karla) of Big Spring; and nine grandchildren, Jenna and Tyler Cook, Jaden and Brinkley McAdams, Patrick Rawson III, Logan and Chase Thevenot and Kason and Kylee Nix.

Don is also survived by his brother, Doug Cook (Betty) of Hurst as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Jodi Rowden; his mother and father-in-law, Ray and Betty Weir; and a brother-in-law, Danny Weir.

Don enjoyed cooking, creating anything possible from wood, gardening, and was very passionate about his golf, which he passed onto his children.

He was the kindest, most-loving, talented and caring man with the most contagious laugh, and loved life to the fullest. His family and friends meant everything to him.

He was such a great husband, father, "Poppa", and dear friend. You will be greatly missed.

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

Paid Obituary

Ronald R. Cross



Ronald R. Cross, 89, was born on May 2, 1929, in Stanton, Texas to Gordon and Josie Cross. He married Georgia Lee Moore on July 14, 1956. Ronald was a carpenter most of his life. His hobbies included gardening, woodworking and reading about Texas history. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving in the Korean War. He was preceded in death by his wife on Aug. 12, 2007;

a daughter, Sheryl Eubank Aug. 10, 2008; a son, Kelley Cross April 25, 2016; his parents; four brothers, H.T, Selwin, Vernon and Glenn Cross; four sisters, Noreen Murphy, Bennie Curfew, Margaret Powell and Mildred Carrigan.

Ronald is survived by one daughter, Gwen Farmer and husband Sam of Milton, Fla.; one daughter-in-law, Debbie Cross; one sister, Rosa Starnes of Lubbock, Tex.; six grandchildren, Thomas Bening

and wife Nadia of Austin, Texas, Toby Hoggard and wife Brooke of Austin, Texas, Candy Jett and husband Mike, and Shana Kay Broussard and husband Chris of Haughton, La., Cody Cross and wife Ashley of Lubbock, Texas, and Mary Cross; 10 great-grandchildren, Mason, Knox, Pike and Brix Bening, Victoria Hoggard, Samantha Jett, Sunshine and Sutton Broussard and Jacob and Eva Cross. Ronald is also survived by one very special nephew and his wife, Spud and Jerri Curfew of Crane, Texas. Spud and Jerri made many trips to Big Spring over the years to visit Ronald, take him out to eat and to doctor's appointments, even after he became a resident at the Texas State Veterans Home in July 2018. Ronald loved Spud and Jerri dearly.

Ronald's memorial will be at Trinity Memorial Park in the Peace Chapel at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 16, 2019.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com.

Paid Obituary

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **VICTORIA LYNN CASTILLO**, 24, of 801 E. 14th St., Rear, was arrested on a warrant for harassment-repeated electronic communication.
- **ALEX JOSE GUZMAN**, 23, of 205 Circle Dr., was arrested on warrants for turning when unsafe, failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalice, and three warrants from another agency.

- **FABIAN PENA**, 36, 1410 Dixie Ave. was arrested on warrants for public intoxication and from another agency.
- **KATHY PENA**, 37, of Belton, Tex., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **JENNIFER LYNN HACKER**, 33, of 2510 Langley Dr., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **JULIA INEZ HESTER-BAGLEY**, 50, of 698 CR 3062, Beckville, Tex., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- **RODNEY LEE SMITH**, 31, of 1162 CR 3102, New Boston, Tex., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa Hwy, and in the 500 block of Westover Rd.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1000 block of San Antonio St. and in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1000 block of San Antonio St.

Take Note

A fund has been set up to assist Debby Salazar-ValVerde with funeral expenses. If you would like to contribute, please stop by State National Bank and speak with Jeff Ward. Checks are to be made payable to "Patsy Rodriguez ITF Debbye ValVerde" and to account number 1003054.

AARP Tax-Aide will offer free income tax preparation each Monday through April 1 at the Big Spring Senior Center at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon. The service is available to all taxpayers with moderate to low income.

Taxpayers need to bring a photo ID for the taxpayer and/or spouse, Social Security cards for everyone on the tax return (Tax-Aide will not do a return without seeing the Social Security cards), last year's tax returns, and W-2s and all other proof of income received in 2018.

Free electronic filing will be available for faster refunds.

For more information contact Ray Alexander at 432-212-3533.

Wildflower Ministries will have their next Foster Informational Meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019. This group meets at Trinity Baptist Church, 1701 E. FM 700. Have you ever considered fostering? Do you have questions? Wait no longer. Your opportunity is here. Come meet foster parents and a licensing

professional to learn about fostering in Howard County. Please enter through the Northwest door in the back of the building.

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, 432-935-0713.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school. The next sacking event will be April 1 and 2 at the old Lakeview High School, 1107 NW 7th St., at 5:30 p.m.

The Academy, an optional program available to all Coahoma ISD students in the first through

fifth grade, is now accepting applications for current students grades first through fifth for the 2019-2020 academic year.

The program is designed to develop academic skills while emphasizing student responsibility, leadership, and self-confidence. It is structured to create an environment that allows flexible scheduling, hands-on learning, incorporation of music and movement into academic lessons while holding students to high expectations of responsibility.

Applicants and their parents must undergo an interview and complete an orientation prior to the start of the program.

Forms can be filled out in the Coahoma Elementary School office, 400 Ramsey, Street, Coahoma. Applications must be submitted no later than 3 p.m. Friday, Mar. 29, 2019.

Students who are already in the program will not have to re-apply.

Merejilda Cortez

Merejilda Cortez, 65, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 13, 2019, in Midland. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, March 15, 2019, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Maria ChairezDeLaRosa

Maria ChairezDeLaRosa, 65, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 13, 2019. Services are pending Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of E. 22nd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of W. 4th St. No transport was required.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 86 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JULIA INEZ HESTER-BAGLEY**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear/possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram)
- **RUDY ALLEN CARPENTER, JR.**, 34, was arrested by BPSD on a warrant for assault of family or household member by impeding breath or circulation.
- **VICTORIA LYNN CASTILLO**, 24, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for harassment-repeated electronic communication.
- **ALEX JOSE GUZMAN**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for bondsman off bond/driving while license invalid, bondsman off bond/failure to maintain financial responsibility, bondsman off bond/violating promise to appear, turning when unsafe, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and driving with license invalid.
- **JENNIFER LYNN HACKER**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear/violation of deferred sentence.
- **FABIAN PENA**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for theft of property (\$750 to \$2,500) and public intoxication.
- **KATHY PENA**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for bondsman off bond/possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram) and on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **RODNEY LEE SMITH**, 31, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for injury to a child/elderly/disabled with intentional bodily injury.

Support Groups

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

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“Cancer affects the lives of so many people close to us, but there is hope and we can fight this together.”

This year Relay will take place at Comanche Trail Park on May 11 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., at the Old Settlers Pavilion.

“We are changing up things this year in hopes of having more survi-

vors join us and get more interaction from the community,” she said.

Registration is open for those wanting to have a team. Registration can be done online at relayforlife.org/big-springtx or by calling 1-800-227-2345.

“We need people from Howard and Glasscock counties to come together to fight back against cancer with the American Cancer Society,” Alvarez said. “Relay For Life is the largest and most impactful fundraising event to end cancer.”

The money raised from Relay will help benefit local residents with services, support and research. The American Cancer Society area office is located in Midland, but provides educational resources, community support and other services to Howard and Glasscock county residents.

“We want to encourage the community to come out and join us. This is a great opportunity to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action to fin-

ish the fight once and for all,” Alvarez said.

Survivors and teams can register online or by calling Julie Alvarez for more information, 432-816-1278 or email julie_alvarez@quorumhealth.com.

Amanda Duforat is the managing editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her email editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Take Note

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you.

• 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.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• 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.

• 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 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.

• 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.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Yellow Rose Cafe at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat. Cost has dropped to \$5 per person.

• Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500

Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 ½ Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

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Ronald R. Cross, 89, died Jan. 7, 2019. Memorial graveside service will be at Trinity Memorial Park in the Peace Chapel at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 16, 2019.

Larry ValVerde, 55, died Saturday. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Rosa Lopez Alvarez, 84, died Sunday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

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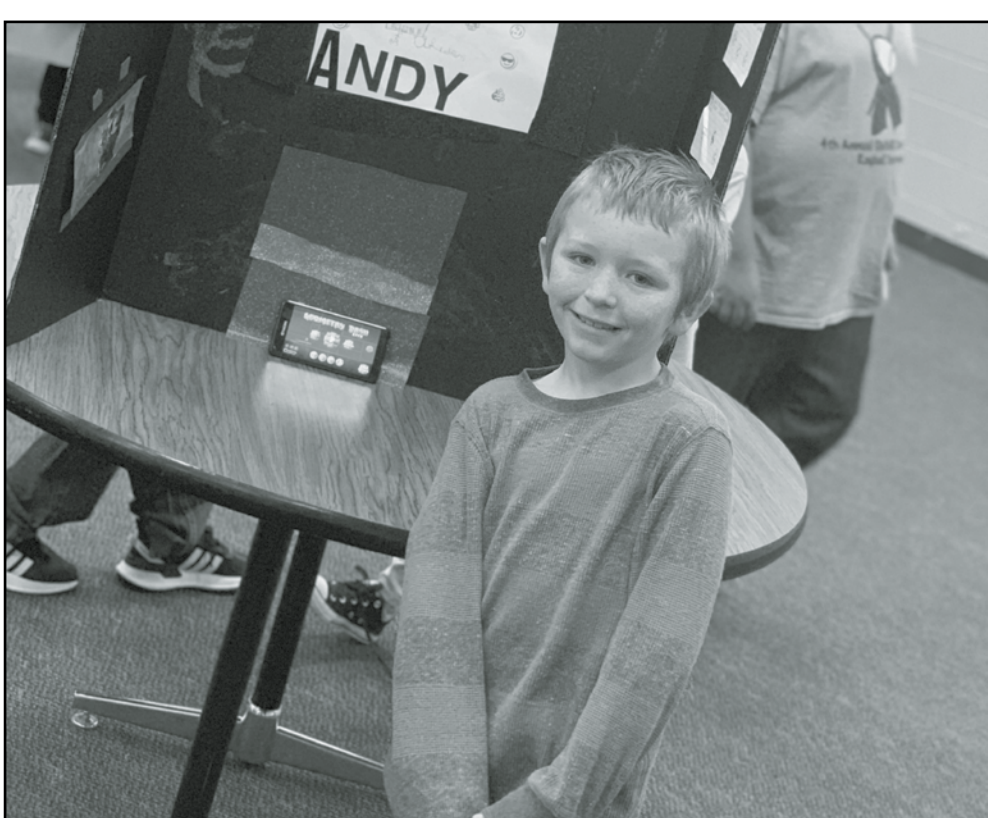
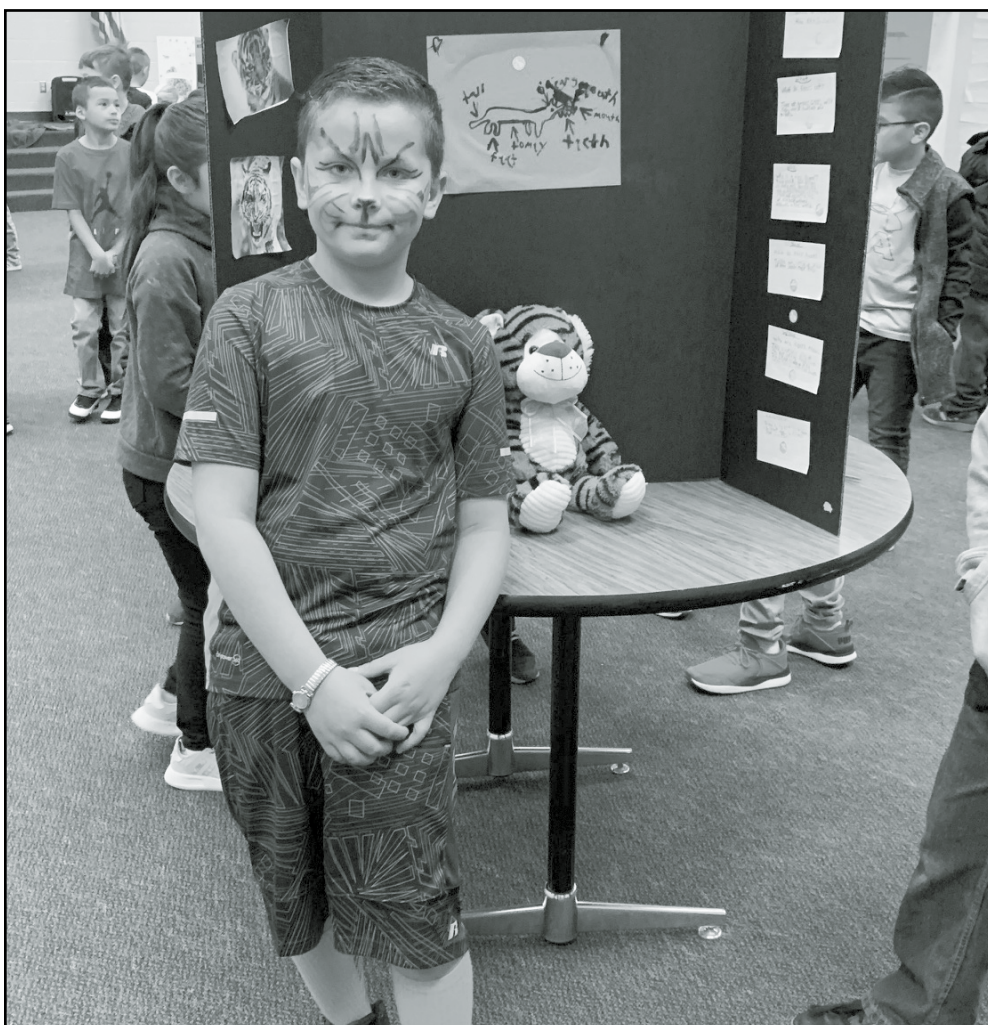
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Coahoma students bring research project to life



Celebrate farmers - National Ag Day

By: GARY NIX

Farmers and ranchers are the backbone of America. They grow food to feed us, fiber to clothe us, and fuel to run our homes and cars. Their hard work and dedication provide economic stability across the nation – stability that supports rural economies and creates much-needed jobs in local communities. No matter who we are, where we live, or what we do, we all have a reason every day to celebrate and thank #ourfarmers.

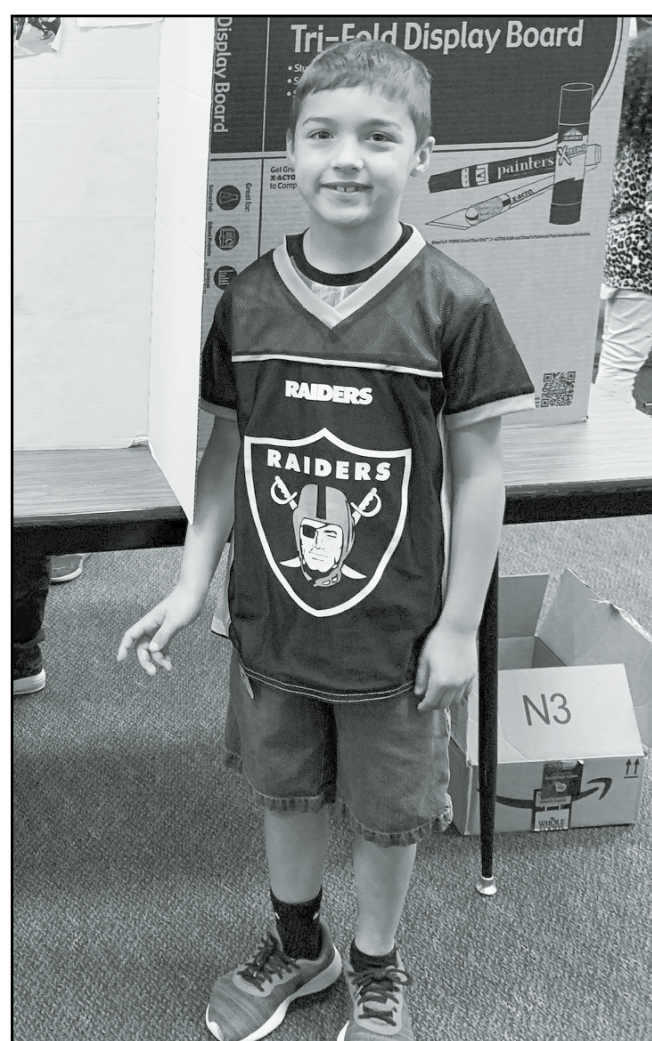
March 14 is designated as National Ag Day. Today and every day, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas join fellow agencies, non-profits, private industries, and consumers in thanking our agricultural producers for their contributions to our nation and beyond.

This year's National Ag Day theme, Agriculture: Food for Life, spotlights

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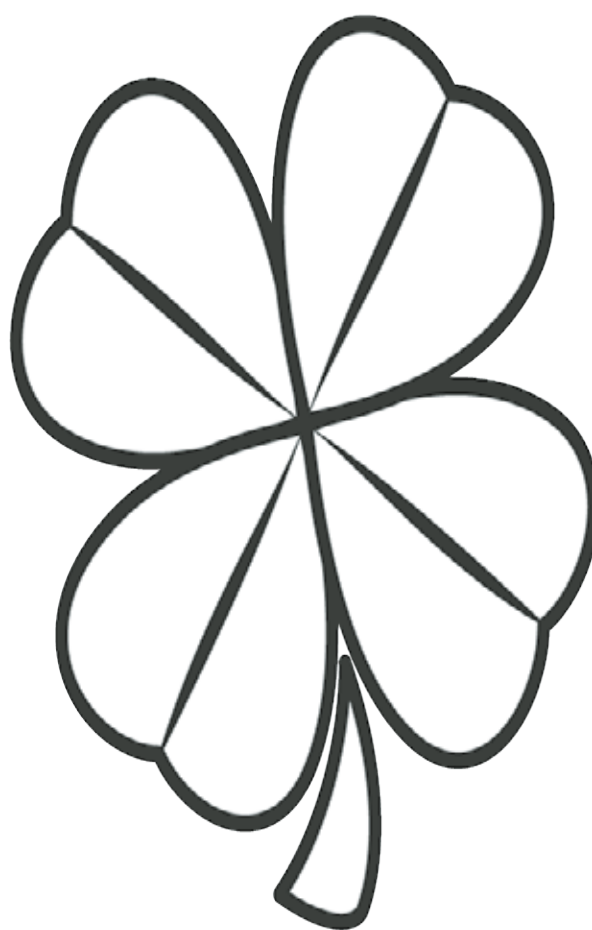
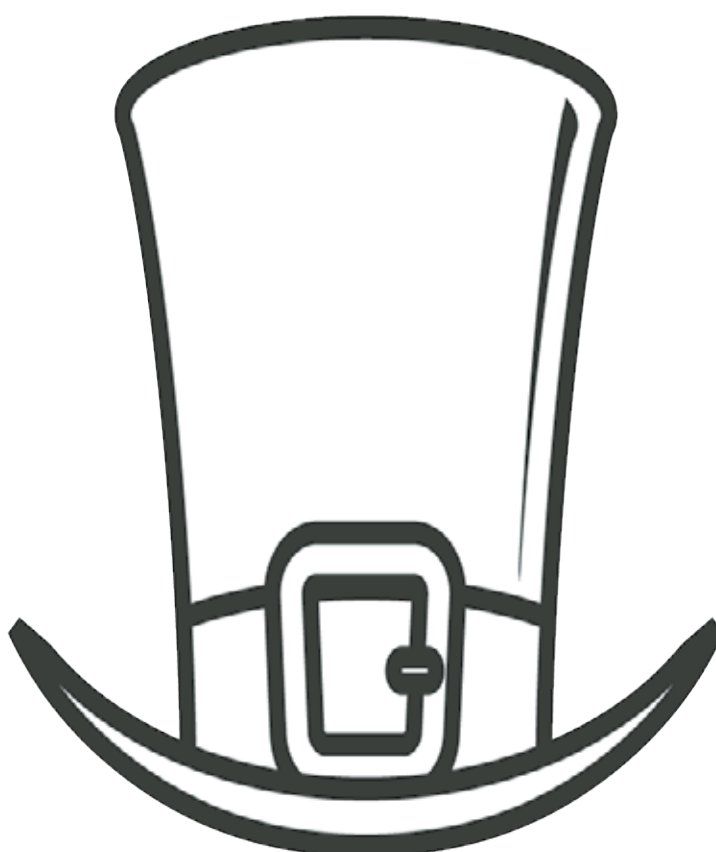
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Lady Steers destroy Lake View 39-5 to go 2-0 in district play

By JORDAN PARR
Sports Editor

FORSAN — On a windy evening that had the Lady Steers home game relocated to Forsan to play district foe San Angelo Lake View, Big Spring put up offensive numbers like I have never seen in a softball game. With 21 hits on the day and an unbelievable 39 runs scored, to say the Lady Steers were dominant would be an understatement. The game was so lopsided that by the end of the first inning the score was already 20-0. From great hitting by Big Spring to poor pitching and terrible fielding from Lake View, there were really no bright spots for the Maidens in the 39-5 thrashing.

The Lady Steers jumped out to an early lead in the first and didn't give up a single run until the top of the fifth to get their second straight district win by a double digit margin. With a 2-0 district record and 49 runs scored during those two wins, the Lady Steers look like the team to beat once again for the district crown.

Jocelyn Torres-Mendoza was clutch at the plate with runners on base in the game. Torres-Mendoza drove in four runs on two hits to lead Big Spring past Lake View for the blow out win. Torres-Mendoza drove in runs on a single in the second and a home run in the fourth.

Big Spring racked up 21 hits on the day. Alexis Starr, Jocelyn Mendoza, Daniels, Torres-Mendoza, Amber Martinez, Joy, Davilla and Ylanna all had multiple hits for the Lady Steers. Daniels, Gonzales, and Starr all had three hits to lead Big Spring offensively. The Lady Steers also swiped 11 bases during the game as four players stole more than once. Ylanna led the way with three bags as Big Spring ran away with the game.

Maddie Daniels got the win for the Lady Steers. Daniels went three innings, allowed zero runs on three hits and struck out six. Kaly Whitehead threw two innings in relief out of the bullpen as well in the win.



Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring batter Maddie Daniels watches Jocelyn Torres-Mendoza slide across home after a passed ball for a score during the Lady Steer's win.

Paulina Moreno took the loss for Lake View. Moreno allowed 18 hits and 24 runs over four innings of relief

while Fernandez started the game for Lake View and allowed three hits and 15 runs. The Lady Steers will

host Sweetwater on Friday March 22 to try to keep their unblemished district record alive and get to 3-0.

Ichiromania returns to Japan: Will he retire, or won't he?



AP photo

Seattle Mariners' Ichiro Suzuki bats during the third inning of a spring training baseball game against the Oakland Athletics in Peoria, Ariz. Jerry Dipoto's first introduction to the world of Ichiro Suzuki was only a small taste compared to what the Seattle Mariners are about to experience when they open the season in Tokyo with a pair of games against the Oakland Athletics. The most decorated player ever to export his talents from Japan to the major leagues is returning home for what could be a farewell to his Hall of Fame career on both sides of the Pacific. His teammates can't wait.

By STEPHEN WADE
AP Sports Writer

TOKYO — There's an adage in Japanese that translates easily to English.

Deru kugi wa utareru. The nail that sticks up gets hammered down.

Ichiro Suzuki has been the nail in a culture that values formality, caution, and deference to authority. Doing it his way, he's developed into Japan's greatest baseball player and arguably its best athlete.

"At such a young age he already had his own mind," said Keizo Konishi, a reporter with the Japanese news agency Kyodo. "The older generation tells young people what they should do. Particularly in the structured baseball world."

Ichiro has played 2,651 major league games since joining the Seattle Mariners in 2001. Konishi has seen almost every one; from Seattle to New York, then to Miami, and back to Seattle. Add on hundreds before that with the Orix BlueWave.

The odyssey returns him to Japan where Ichiro is ex-

pected to play in a two-game series when the Mariners and the Oakland A's open the season March 20-21 at the Tokyo Dome.

Afterward, who knows? Some Japanese want the 45-year-old to finally retire, and the Mariners have said they want to go with youth.

One thing is certain in Tokyo: Ichiromania rules.

He's a source of national pride; the first position player to make it big in the majors, countering the perception that the country produced only pitchers, and players like Ichiro were too small. He's revered for breaking through, for his fashion sense, and his Zen-like training. He'll be the first Japanese player inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame, almost surely on the first ballot.

He can also be aloof and arrogant, known to disdain interviews, and often evasive with a habit of turning his back on reporters and disparaging questions he doesn't like.

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TCU holds off Oklahoma State 73-70 in Big 12 tourney

By AVERY OSEN
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — After blowing a 21-point lead in the second half, Desmond Bane hit a 3-pointer from the corner in the closing seconds to give TCU a 73-70 win over Oklahoma State on Wednesday night in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament.

The Horned Frogs fought off a late comeback by the Cowboys, who outscored TCU 41-28 in the second half. Oklahoma State led by one with one minute to go, but it wasn't enough in the three-point loss.

"I was not surprised they made a run," TCU coach Jamie Dixon said. "I felt I could have done a better job coaching offensively, but we're not perfect."

Kouat Noi scored 20 points to lead TCU (20-12). Bane and Kevin Samuel added 15 points. Alex Robinson had 12.

Lindy Waters and Yor Anei had 17 points apiece for Oklahoma State (12-20). Anei also had seven blocks, which set a program record for a Big 12 Tournament game.

"It just felt normal to me," Anei said. "I was trying to block everything that came to the rim and I was trying to get stops for our team in order to win."

With TCU up 68-54 with seven minutes to go, the Cowboys went on a 16-0 run for a two-point lead with just 25 seconds left.

Oklahoma State took the lead after Waters made a couple free throws. On the ensuing position, Bane hit a 3 and the Horned Frogs closed it out with

two free throws after a missed jumper by Waters.

"We've been here before, as far as keeping our composure," Bane said. "We've got a lot of guys that have played a lot of those games. I was open and just shot it."

Thomas Dziagwa added 12 points for the Cowboys. Cameron McGriff and Isaac Likekele chipped in with 10.

The Horned Frogs looked like a team playing for their NCAA Tournament lives at the start as they jumped out to a 27-11 lead. Noi hit two 3-pointers and Samuel had three dunks in the first 10 minutes.

"We made a really good comeback," Oklahoma State coach Mike Boynton said. "So I'm proud of our guys for not giving in because they could've."



AP photo

TCU's Kevin Samuel (21) competes for a rebound against Oklahoma State's Cameron McGriff, right, and Yor Anei during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in the Big 12 men's tournament Wednesday, March 13, in Kansas City, Mo.

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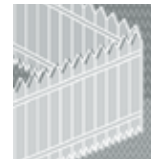
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



one you haven't seen in a long while. Stretches of time inform us in ways that day-to-day familiarity cannot.

LI-BRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's like you're in a movie and all the other characters, the action and the plot twists are there to help you grow your way into your victory sequence. Just trust that this is going to be good.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). "Te absolvo"

is the universal message to you, if you want to take it. There are reasons some won't. They like ruminating. They need to feel bad, or maybe it's just a habit. But if you're ready to let go and move on, you really can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Even though it's wonderful to be liked, appreciated and referred, it's not as empowering as going out and seeking

your own opportunities based on where you'd like to go and who you'd like to know.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your renewed sense of purpose will be like a hovering halo -- not one that indicates your angelic status so much as one that distinguishes you as possibly being able to, in one way or another, fly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Reminder: You're much more than your role, your body, or anything you own. You're more than any story you star in or result you produce. Honor that timeless, eternal part of you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). To you, attracting unwanted attention is much worse than passing for invisible. Anyway, low-key is your ticket

today. There's something you want to observe and you won't be able to if you're too conspicuous.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 14). The skills you pick up will result in big fun -- and lucrative opportunity. But ultimately, it's not about what you're capable of doing. It's about what you gather along the way, which is to say discipline, friends, experience, aesthetic taste and an appetite for excitement. You'll ink a deal in June and make a discovery in September. Aries and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 40, 15, 20 and 36.

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Time Trine

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's always some degree of work that goes into presenting oneself in society. You can make that work easier for yourself in the days to come by taking the time to envision what you need and planning ahead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Stay passive and people will believe what they want to believe or what's convenient for them to believe. The other way is to actively present your belief in a very attractive light, and then stand back and see if there are any takers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The light at the end of the tunnel -- it's the same as the light everywhere, but it has different

significance to the tunnel people. The people in the tunnel are possibly the only ones who fully appreciate what it means.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll return to a tenant of your upbringing that you'd long since abandoned as impractical, inconvenient and untrue. Why now? You'll suddenly see a different sort of sense in it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A conflict of interest will become apparent. At the crossroads of unresolved issues, ultimatums are often among the first tactics that come to mind, and the last tactics that should actually be employed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Things that enhance your perspective include annual appointments and seeing some-

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Choosing between alternatives

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

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

The bidding:
South West North East
1 NT Pass 2 NT Pass
3 NT

Opening lead — four of hearts.

Assume you're declarer at three notrump and West leads the heart four. How would you play the hand?

After winning the heart, you can count six top tricks — two spades, two hearts and two diamonds — so you need three more. Only two suits offer a chance to produce that many tricks — diamonds and clubs. The question, therefore, is which suit offers the best chance of getting you to your goal.

Let's consider the diamonds first. Obviously, if you cash the A-K and the opposing diamonds divide 2-2, your troubles are over. The chief objection to this approach is that the missing diamonds will divide 2-2 only 40 times in 100. More importantly, if the suit does not break evenly, it is unlikely you will be able to score nine tricks before the opponents take five.

In the actual deal, for example, if you play the A-K of diamonds and learn the suit is divided 3-1, you can switch to clubs, but it is already too late. East wins the first club and returns a heart to drive out your second heart stopper. When you play a second club, West's ace, his two good hearts and the queen of diamonds defeat you.

Alternatively, if you tackle clubs first, you could go down if the hearts were divided 5-2 since the opponents would most likely collect two clubs and three hearts before you could score nine tricks.

The dilemma is actually easy to resolve if you assume West's opening lead is his fourth-best heart. If so, since you can see the three in dummy and the deuce in your hand, West cannot have more than four hearts.

For this reason, after taking the first heart trick, it is best to lead the queen of clubs. East wins and continues with a heart, and you force out the other high club. West cashes two hearts, but you then have the rest of the tricks, and it does not matter whether the diamonds are divided evenly or not.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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Sister-in-Law Isn't Much of a Family Member

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for 48 years. We have endured really expensive medical issues over the past several years, and our funds are stretched to the limit.

We are both retired but still work about 20 hours a week. We used my retirement money to pay the many medical bills and have sold our new home to get into a less expensive home. I know that many have endured the same, and we are blessed to both be alive and well.

My question is about a family member who is very rich and brags about her wealth to us all the time. She is a sister who has made over and above what my husband and I have ever made. I am happy for her. However, even though she is well aware of our financial status, she will allow us to pay for her dinners when she's in town and never helps or offers us a dime.

My husband and I have always been responsible with our finances and responsibilities and have never asked for anything from her. We have even worked both full-time and part-time jobs at the same time to be able to take a vacation once a year.

She has traveled around the world, has her home paid off and stays in a warm climate during the cold months of the year. She is almost 80 years old, has been blessed with good health all her life, is single and has no children. She states that she has put money in a trust for her brother but can't believe he is still alive after all his illnesses.

Annie, she knows the financial state we are in. We have had to borrow money from our daughter to not go bankrupt. We are blessed to have her,

too. Her aunt has never made an attempt to be caring as an aunt should be. She is the remaining relative in my husband's family. (Our daughter graduated college, and we are very proud of her. Of course, her aunt was not there for her or us to help her with college expenses.)

I have made crafts for her, sent items to her and always invited her to our home, and she accepts but is not very friendly to me. She only likes my husband because he is her brother.

I don't think she has ever liked me. I didn't come from money, and I went to public school; she was a cheerleader at a private school. Guess I'm not in her class of people.

Could you help me to understand why and tell me what I could do about her attitude? -- Lost Without a Clue but Still Praying

Dear Lost: Don't speculate about what she thinks of your station in life. You can't know, and it doesn't matter anyway. Anyone who would judge another person's class has none.

As for the lopsided nature of your relationship, don't hurt yourself bending over backward for someone who wouldn't lift a finger for you. You're not obligated to make your sister-in-law crafts. You're not obligated to pay for her meals. You're not even obligated to be her friend. This isn't about retaliation or spite. Quite the opposite. It's about making peace with who she is, respecting your differences and giving yourself enough space to love her. Once you've stopped trying so hard, much of the resentment you feel toward her will melt away, even if her behavior hasn't changed at all.

Dear Annie: Is it considered old-fashioned to send an actual thank-you by mail these days?

We attended the wedding of a relative last summer -- the second wedding for both the bride and the groom. They had a big church wedding and a fancy reception. Many friends and relatives were there to share in their happy day, some traveling from out of state.

It's now eight months later, and there has been zero acknowledgment of our wedding gift to them. I know that it didn't get lost or misplaced, because I've asked other people who attended and found that no one has been thanked.

If we had been thanked via email or text, it would have been tacky, but at least we would have been thanked. Yes, people are busy these days, but it's extremely rude to not thank people for attending a wedding and giving a gift.

Maybe the happy couple will see this and it will register. I'm not sure. Thank you for letting me get this off my chest. -- Tired of Rude People

Dear Tired of Rude People: No, it is not considered old-fashioned to write a thank-you note to your guests for attending your wedding and giving a gift. In fact, it is rude not to do so.

Handwritten notes are the most thoughtful way to show appreciation. An emailed thank-you suffices. If the people who gave gifts are just hearing crickets, that's just plain rude.

Dear Annie: I read your response to "Husband of a Hoarder." I have quite a lot of experience with this, seeing as my mother was a hoarder and I have some tendencies in that direction myself. If "Husband of a Hoarder's" wife shrieks and yells, she is refusing to recognize

that she has a problem, and though your idea of encouraging small victories is fine, she must want to recognize a problem and want to correct it. My mother never did.

You suggested Marie Kondo's book. Though that's good for some people, it's very absolutist in its approach. I have found that commitment to a 15-session support group using the book "Buried in Treasures: Help for Compulsive Acquiring, Saving, and Hoarding" -- by David F. Tolin, Randy O. Frost and Gail Steketee -- is better.

Saving and hoarding are two aspects of the problem, but the wife in the letter seems to have the serious issue of compulsive acquiring. Even if her husband makes inroads when it comes to getting stuff out, if more is coming in uncontrollably, he will make no headway. Acquiring is still an issue for me, but the book makes people who want to change aware of why they are how they are. My mother never saw that she had a problem and hence never changed, and the only answer was getting dumpsters when she died. A sad reality. -- Daughter of a Hoarder

Dear Daughter of a Hoarder: I'm very sorry for the loss of your mother. Thank you for sharing some great tips to overcome hoarding. I'm printing your letter in hopes that it helps other people struggling with a similar situation. Other readers wrote in recommending the same book, "Buried in Treasures."

Congratulations on taking steps to seek help for yourself and sharing your experience with others.

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5			1					
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		6						
3				6		8		
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1					3		5	2
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Level: Intermediate

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6	1	8	2	5	4	7	8	9
9	7	5	7	3	6	1	8	8
6	7	8	1	9	2	5	4	3
8	7	9	2	6	1	4	5	7
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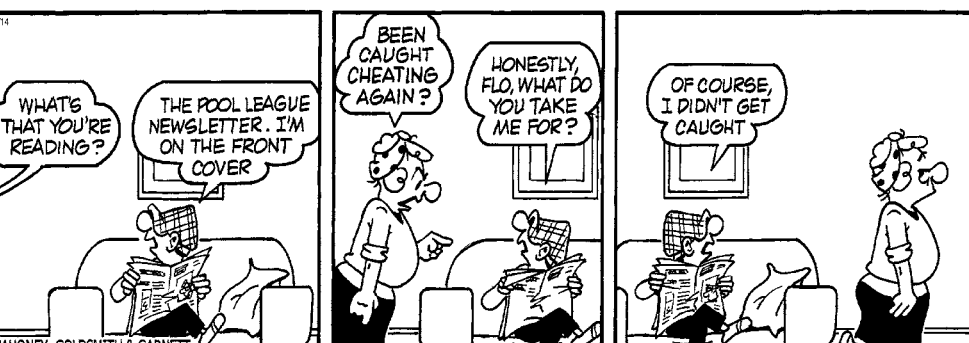
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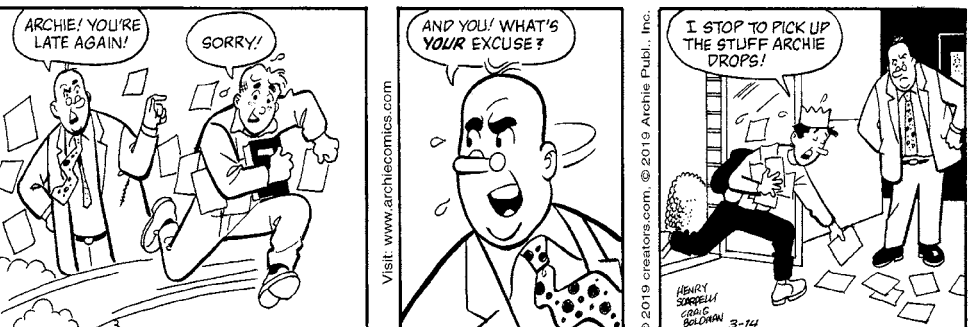
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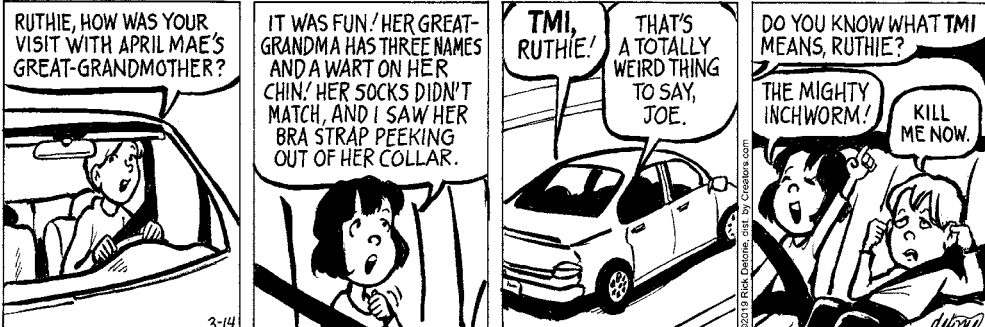
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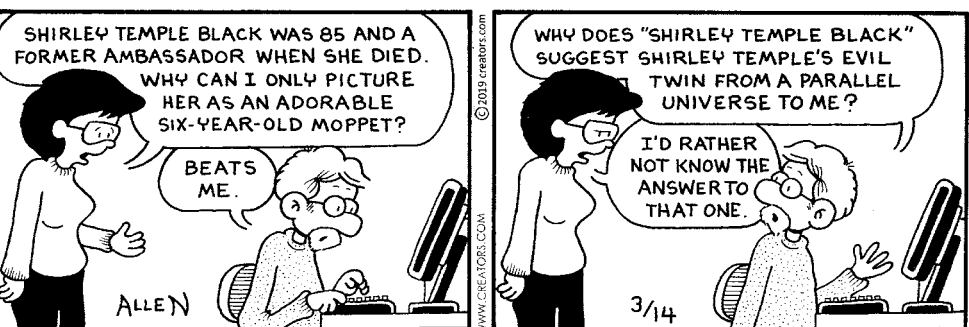
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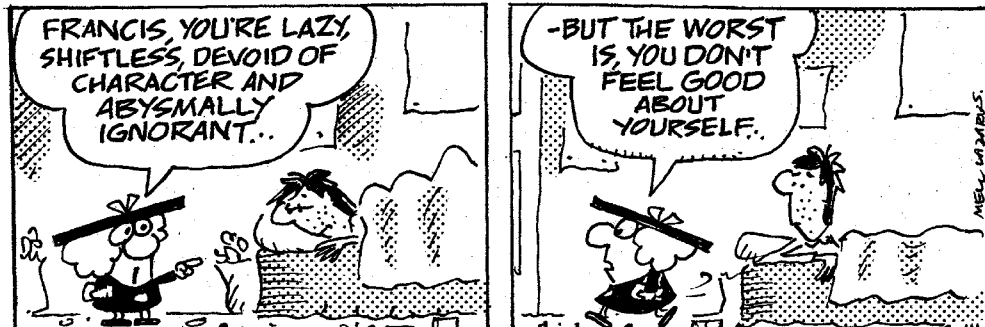
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This Date In History

Today in History
By the Associated Press undefined
Today in History
Today is Thursday, March 14, the 73rd day of 2019. There are 292 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On March 14, 1964, a jury in Dallas found Jack Ruby guilty of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy, and sentenced him to death. (Both the conviction and death sentence were overturned, but Ruby died before he could be retried.)
On this date:
In 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent for his cotton gin, an invention that revolutionized America's cotton industry.
In 1883, German political philosopher Karl Marx died in London at age 64.
In 1885, the Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera "The Mikado" premiered at the Savoy Theatre in London.
In 1900, Congress ratified the Gold Standard Act.
In 1907, President Theodore Roosevelt signed an executive order designed to prevent Japanese laborers from immigrating to the United States as part of a "gentlemen's agreement" with Japan.
In 1962, Democrat Edward M. Kennedy officially launched in Boston his successful candidacy for the U.S. Senate seat from Massachusetts once held by his brother, President John F. Kennedy. (Edward Kennedy served in the Senate for nearly 47 years.)
In 1965, Israel's cabinet formally approved establishment of diplomatic relations with West Germany.
In 1967, the body of President John F. Kennedy was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent memorial site at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.
In 1980, a LOT Polish Airlines jet crashed while attempting to land in Warsaw, killing all 87 people aboard, including 22 members of a U.S. amateur boxing team.
In 1990, the Soviet Congress of People's Deputies held a secret ballot that elected Mikhail S. Gorbachev to a new, powerful presidency.
In 1998, India's Congress party picked Sonia Gandhi, the Italian-born widow of assassinated prime minister Rajiv Gandhi, as its new president.
In 2008, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama

denounced inflammatory remarks from his pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, who had railed against the United States and accused its leaders of bringing on the Sept. 11 attacks by spreading terrorism.
Ten years ago: President Barack Obama met at the White House with Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva (loo-EEZ' ee-NAH'-see-oh LOO'-luh duh SEEL-vuh); afterward, Obama downplayed divisions between the U.S. and Europe over how to tackle the world's financial crisis. Finance officials from rich and developing countries, meeting in Horsham, England, pledged to do "whatever is necessary" to fix the global economy. Altovise Joanne Gore Davis, a dancer and actress and the widow of Sammy Davis Jr., died in Los Angeles at age 65.
Five years ago: The West braced for a vote by the Crimean Peninsula to secede from Ukraine; calling the results all but a foregone conclusion, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry urged Russia's parliament against accepting any offer to claim Crimea as its own. Tony Benn, 88, a committed socialist who irritated and fascinated Britons through a political career spanning five decades, died in London.
One year ago: Tens of thousands of students across the country walked out of their classrooms to demand action on gun violence and school safety; the action came a month after the shooting that killed 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. Stephen Hawking, the best-known theoretical physicist of his time, died at his home in Cambridge, England, at the age of 76; he had stunned doctors by living with the normally fatal illness ALS for more than 50 years. President Donald Trump chose Larry Kudlow, a longtime fixture on the CNBC business news network, to be his top economic aide.
Today's Birthdays: Singer Phil Phillips (Song: "Sea of Love") is 93. Former astronaut Frank Borman is 91. Actor Michael Caine is 86. Composer-conductor Quincy Jones is 86. Actor Raymond J. Barry is 80. Movie director Wolfgang Petersen is 78. Country singer

Michael Martin Murphey is 74. Rock musician Walt Parazaidar (payr-ah-ZAY'-der) (formerly with Chicago) is 74. Actor Steve Kanaly is 73. Comedian Billy Crystal is 71. Former Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., is 71. Actor-writer-comedian-radio personality Rick Dees is 68. Country singer Jann Browne is 65. Actor Adrian Zmed is 65. Prince Albert II, the ruler of Monaco,

is 61. Actress Laila Robins is 60. Actress Tamara Tunie (tuh-MAH'-ruh TOO'-nee) is 60. Actress Penny Johnson Jerald is 59. Producer-director-writer Kevin Williamson is 54. Actress Elise Neal is 53. Actor Gary Anthony Williams is 53. Actress Megan Follows is 51. Rock musician Michael Bland is 50. Country singer Kristian Bush is 49. Rock musician Derrick

is 47. Actress Betsy Brandt is 46. Actress Grace Park is 45. Actor Daniel Gillies is 43. Actor Corey Stoll is 43. Actor Jake Fogelnest is 40. Actor Chris Klein is 40. Actor Ryan Cartwright (TV: "Kevin Can Wait") is 38. Actress Kate Maberly is 37. Singer-musician Taylor Hanson (Hanson) is 36. Actor Jamie Bell is 33. Rock musician Este Haim (HY'-uhm) (Haim)

is 33. Actor Ansel Elgort is 25. Olympic gold medal gymnast Simone Biles is 22. Actor James Freedson-Jackson (Film: "The Strange Ones") is 17.
Thought for Today: "Achieving life is not the equivalent of avoiding death." — Ayn Rand, American author (1905-1982).

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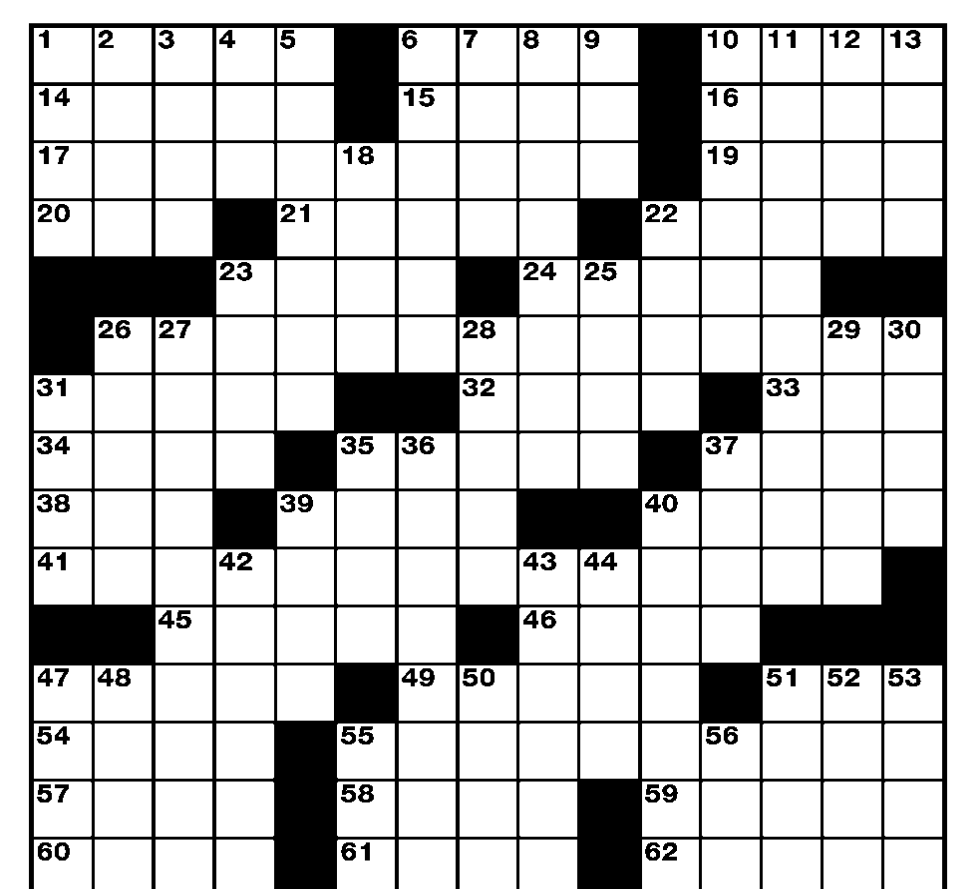
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Warriors, minus Durant, end Rockets' 9-game streak, 106-104

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HOUSTON — In his first season with the Golden State Warriors, DeMarcus Cousins hasn't quite adjusted to the level of scrutiny and interest that comes with playing for the defending back-to-back NBA champions.

And after his best game of the season on Wednesday night in a win over the Houston Rockets, Cousins likened the media frenzy surrounding the team to a soap opera his grandmother watched every day when he was a child.

"I'm sure y'all have heard of it — 'As the World Turns.' She called it her stories. I used to watch it with her and every episode it was something," he said. "That's what this has turned into — 'As the World Turns.'"

So does Cousins, who scored a season-high 27 points to help end Houston's nine-game winning streak with a 106-104 win, want to star in the basketball version of the show?

"No I don't," he said. "I play basketball. I don't look for the drama or stories or anything like that. I just want to go play basketball."

Some have wondered if Cousins is a good fit with this fast-paced team and there have been some growing pains as he's been worked into the team after missing the first 47 games this season recovering from an Achilles' tendon injury.

But on Wednesday, with Kevin Durant out with an ankle injury, Cousins shined. He added eight rebounds and a season-best seven assists as Houston searched, without success, for ways to stop him. There were times the Rockets switched on defense and left much smaller players attempting to guard the 6-foot-11, 270-pound player. But big or small, Cousins didn't care who's



AP photo

Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) goes to the basket past Golden State Warriors guard Andre Iguodala (9) during the second quarter of an NBA basketball game at Toyota Center on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, in Houston.

was on him.

"I don't think anybody can stop me one-on-one period," he said. "So you can put whoever you want on me honestly."

Klay Thompson scored 30 points to allow the Warriors to bounce back after a loss to Phoenix on Sunday, and avoided being swept by Houston after the Rockets won the first three meetings this season.

Golden State, which had lost six of 10 overall, is 4 1/2 games ahead of Houston atop the Western Conference standings. The Rockets are tied with Oklahoma City for third place behind Denver.

After trailing by 14 in the fourth quarter, a three-point play by Chris Paul got Houston within one with

10.8 seconds left. Stephen Curry made two free throws with eight seconds remaining to make it 106-103, and James Harden hit one of two from the line at the other end with 6.4 seconds to go. The miss on the second one bounced high off the rim and was rebounded by Andre Iguodala, securing Golden State's victory.

Harden was unhappy that they didn't play good defense until late in the game.

"We locked in and we got stops and we knew who we were guarding," he said. "We knew who we wanted to score, (but) we should have been knowing that the entire game."

Harden had 29 points and 10 assists for the Rockets, but shot just 2 of 12 on 3-pointers. Paul finished with 24

points.

"We just had too many mistakes," Houston coach Mike D'Antoni said.

Curry added 24 points for Golden State. Durant missed the game with a sprained right ankle.

The Warriors were up by 13 after a reverse layup by Cousins with about 5 1/2 minutes left before Houston used a 7-2 run, with a 3-pointer from Eric Gordon, to get to 102-94.

Thompson added a basket for the Warriors before the Rockets used a 6-0 spurt to cut the lead to 104-100 with 47.7 seconds left.

Thompson made five 3s to give him 203 this season. He joined Curry as the only players in NBA history to have seven straight seasons with 200 3-pointers.

Golden State had a seven-point lead to start the fourth and scored the first seven points of the period, highlighted by a 3 from Thompson, to push the lead to 92-78.

The Warriors were up by 12 in the first half but Houston cut it to 54-52 by halftime. A 3-pointer by Gordon gave the Rockets their first lead early in the third quarter and one by P.J. Tucker seconds later made it 60-56.

The game was tied later in the quarter after a three-point play by Paul before the Warriors used a 9-2 surge to take a 76-69 lead with about five minutes left in the third. Curry had five points in that stretch.

Golden State was up by nine soon after that, before the Rockets got two 3-pointers from Gerald Green to power an 8-2 run that cut the lead to 81-78 with two minutes left in the quarter.

But the Warriors scored the last four points of the period to extend the lead to 85-78 entering the fourth.

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Japanese journalists have often been targets, and organizers say just over 1,000 are accredited for the two games.

"On so many occasions he's given me very interesting answers," Konishi said in an interview with The Associated Press. "But he can give me a hard time. He tries for perfect preparation. So he also requires me to be perfect, which is not easy."

The baseball editor at Kyodo, Takashi Yamakawa described two Ichiro's.

"He's acting, I think. He's playing Ichiro," Yamakawa said. "There are two different aspects. There's the very normal, polite Japanese man. And there's maybe the real Ichiro breaking the rules, fighting for himself. He's always thinking in a different way."

If Ichiro is the seldom-bending nail, his father, Nobuyuki, was the hammer who put his son through rigorous, well-documented daily baseball training from age 7.

"It bordered on hazing and I suffered a lot. But I also couldn't say no to him," American Robert Whiting quoted Ichiro saying in his book "The Samurai Way of Baseball." The book was first sold under the title "The Meaning of Ichiro."

Whiting points out that Ichiro means "most cheerful boy" in Japanese. He writes he "was not always so cheerful about practicing, especially during the harsh winter days of central Japan, when his fingers grew so numb from the frigid air that he could not button his shirt."

Whiting has spent much of his life in Japan writing about baseball and Japanese culture. He speculated that because of World War II and the American occupation, Japan developed an inferiority complex in relation to the United States. Tokyo's 1964 Olympics and the booming economy of the 1970s and 80s remedied much of that, and Ichiro and pitcher Hideo Nomo further boosted morale.

"The athletic field has a different kind of symbolism," Whiting said in an interview with AP. "No American could name a famous Japanese; not a top singer or the prime minister or even the emperor after Hirohito. The Japanese were simply known as people who could make things. But everybody could name Nomo and Ichiro. It had a huge impact on the country's psyche."

From its beginning in Japan about 150 years ago, baseball — known as "yakyu (field ball) — has been viewed as a moral discipline and linked to the martial arts and relentless training.

Whiting recounts how the first game between Japanese and Americans took place in Yokohama in 1898. Japan won 29-4, and many of those players were members of Samurai families.

"Basically, Japanese baseball involves an insane amount of practice," Whiting said. "The whole idea of self-sacrifice and the development of spirit. Japanese baseball starts voluntary training right after the new year and camp starts Feb. 1. American spring training looks like a three-week vacation at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Florida."

Whiting called Ichiro "transformational" with five times the buzz that Nomo created just a few years before.

"He shocked everybody by how good he was. He is an everyday Japanese position player — not a pitcher — who had what it took to be a big star. It was something people didn't imagine before."

Ichiro was must-see TV when he joined the Mariners. Large-screen video displays in central Tokyo played — and replayed — every game as the Mariners won 116 times in the regular season. Ichiro won the American League batting title and was the league's Rookie of the Year and MVP.

An electrical engineer and a weekend baseball umpire and coach, Iwao Fukushi recalls getting

up to watch the Mariners on TV in Gunma prefecture, just northwest of Tokyo, and then heading to work between innings.

"I would go to the office and then watch on the coffee break — just five minutes," he said with a snicker, suggesting it might have been longer. "We saw him every day, and he seemed to always have one or two hits."

Fukushi said he believes Ichiro will continue playing after the opening games, or be-

come a coach. Others think he should stop now.

Some on social media in Japan say he's being used mostly to sell merchandise, suggesting his value now is largely commercial.

"For me, he should quit here," said Takashi

Yamakawa, the baseball editor. "Perfect. It's a beautiful story."

"Whatever he does, take your sunglasses," Whiting added. "Because when he comes to bat, everybody in the stadium will be shooting a flash camera or an iPhone with a flash."



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