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MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Upcoming Events

Tuesday
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Topic: *The Black Death*
Heritage Museum
Noon

Thursday
Thank a Veteran Day

National Police Week
May 12-17

National Hospital Week
May 12-18

21st annual Master the Mountain 5K/10K



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
About 80 runners braved a cold, foggy, drizzly morning Saturday to take part in the 21st annual Master the Mountain 5K and 10K races at Big Spring State Park. First place male and female finishers in the 10K event were Ryan Williams and Lisa Hogue; while the 5K top finishers were Scott Mackenzie and Deloras Shubert. Funds from raised by entry fees in the race will be donated to The Life Center of Big Spring during a check presentation at a later date.

Saturday & Sunday
Southwest Hoops

June 1
Sticks and Tricks
Country Club

June 6
Song Swap at the Spring
5 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Big Spring Area Wide Art Show
Heritage Museum
throughout the month of May

We Salute:
All cancer survivors and caregivers!
Thank you to all those who supported the annual Relay For Life event this past weekend.

Toasty Tuesday Trash Pickup to clean up Crossroads



Courtesy photo
Keep Big Spring Beautiful will clean up the southeast corner of 87 and I-20 for the weekly Toasty Tuesday Trash pick up day. The community is invited to attend. Each Tuesday, the group picks an area of Big Spring to clear litter from. This photo shows last week's project when the group picked up near McDonalds.

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Council to recognize Benavides, welcome Strande at Tuesday meeting

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council will canvass election results at their meeting Tuesday evening – but will only be able to welcome one new member to the council.

Camilla Strande won the District 5 race with 54.42 percent of the vote over Daniel Moreno, who amassed only 39.23 percent, making her the only candidate in a city race to claim victory without a runoff election.

After canvassing the results, the agenda calls for the council to recognize outgoing District 5 Councilman Raul Benavides, and welcome Strande to the council.

The mayor's race resulted in a runoff election between frontrunners Debbie Wegman, who received 47.98 percent of the vote, and Shannon Thomason, who garnered 35.51 percent. The District 4 race also resulted in a runoff. Gloria McDonald, who received 41.79 percent of the votes, will face Shonda Folsom, who received 22.14 percent.

A runoff election is required when no single candidate manages to get more than 50 percent of the votes. The runoff election for city races will be June 8; early voting will start May 22.

In other business, the council will consider awarding three bids. The first, for

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The founding of the first university

By ANNA GUTIERREZ
Staff Writer

The twelfth lecture in the series “Events that Changed History” brings us to the year 1088 and the founding of the University of Bologna in Italy. Although this was not the first organized education in history, it is credited with being the first with the idea of a degree.

The university arose out of a struggle between the Roman Catholic Church and the Holy Roman Emperor. As each side looked for legal precedents to support their positions, they studied the law code created by Emperor Justinian in the sixth century A.D. The scholar Irenaeus was recruited by a powerful supporter of the pope, and soon many students converged to hear his lectures.

Initially, the students were very much in charge of the university. There was no formal admissions process, and fees were paid directly to the professors. The students actually laid out the rules for the professors.

The professors, however, retained all rights to award degrees, and they came up with an undergraduate program that consisted of grammar, rhetoric and logic. Rhetoric and logic are today more widely known as communication and critical thinking, which is still fundamental to general university education today.

Students who completed the undergraduate courses were awarded a bachelor of arts degree, indicating they had

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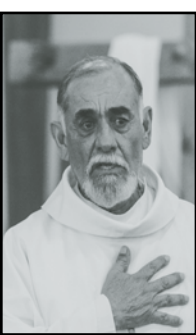
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Obituaries

Deacon Juan " Johnny " Arguello III



Deacon Juan " Johnny " Arguello III, 67 of Big Spring, Texas, was called home to be with the Lord on Thursday, May 9, 2019. During his time on this earth, he served in the Army, God, Church, and his community. He showed his love for God everyday and always saw the beauty in everything, good or bad. His legacy will be carried on through his 10 children, in which his love and will for God's way will live on. He accomplished many things in life and made sure he shared his stories with his brothers and sisters in Christ and was always telling jokes. Deacon Johnny we will be with you again one day smiling and laughing with you, sharing stories and waving "hi" like the Little Rascals. Your prayers have been answered, and we will celebrate your eternal life in heaven, as you would say, "God's Peace".

Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Monday, May 13, 2019, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Johnny was born June 30, 1951, in Stanton, Texas, to Lydia Del Bosque Arguello and Juan Arguello, Jr. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring, except while serving in the Army. He was a deacon at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Johnny is survived by his wife, Connie Arguello of Big Spring; six sons, Noe Arguello and wife, Adela of Big Spring, Juan Arguello IV and wife, Molly of Boise, Idaho, Jake Arguello of Midland, Joshua Arguello and wife, Jessica, Andy Arguello and Tony Arguello, all of Big Spring; four daughters, Stacy Acosta and husband, Alex of Odessa, Susana Arguello of Midland, Sonya Bravo and husband, Jesse, and Naomi Vasquez and husband, Jemery, all of Big Spring; his father, Juan Arguello, Jr., of Big Spring; one brother, David Arguello and wife, Mary Jessie, all of Big Spring; and one sister, Sylvia Jones and husband, Brocky of McKinney; 35 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Johnny was preceded in death by his mother, Lydia Arguello; one daughter, Jasmine Arguello; and one brother, Eloy Arguello.

Pallbearers will be his sons, Noe Arguello, Juan Arguello IV, Jake Arguello, Joshua Arguello, Andy Arguello, and Tony Arguello.

Arrangements are by Myers and 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:

• **CAROLINA OLIVAS MUÑOZ**, 41, of 8640 Hunter Miller Way, Apt. 8205, Odessa, Texas, was arrested on charges of driving with invalid/suspended license with previous conviction,

and theft (less than \$50).

• **TRAVIS WADE COLLINS**, 51, of 105 E. 24th St., was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass of a property/building/aircraft/vehicle.

• **TERRENCE ALI YOUNG**, 30, of 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. 72, was arrested on an outstanding

warrant from another agency.

• **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 700 block of W. I-20.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1700 block of E. FM 700.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported at Coahoma High School.

Take Note

• Maranatha Baptist Academy, at 903 Johnson, is now taking applications for ongoing enrollment for our Fall Session, August 1, 2019-2020 School term. Call 432-213-1046 for an appointment, Dr. Lillian Bohannon, Administrator. Please have shot records and birth certificate available at the time of registration. We use Accelerated Christian Education curriculum for grades Kindergarten through twelfth grade graduation. We provide information so you can home school or use our facilities for full time in our school. We also provided tutoring for all grades. If interested in a quality Christian Education at a price you can afford, please come by or give us a call.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18 +) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 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. 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 meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. 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 is \$8 per person.

Support Groups

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 and 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

WEDNESDAY

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

• Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

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.

• GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly, every Thursday, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

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Weather



Today: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 76. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Tonight: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable after midnight. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 8am. Mostly sunny, with a high near 80. Light south wind increasing to 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night: Clear, with a low around 62. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 89. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday Night: Clear, with a low around 61.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Friday: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms after 8am. Partly sunny, with a high near 86.

Friday Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 8pm. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64.

Saturday: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

COUNCIL

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a 30-inch sewer line replacement project, received a low base bid of \$314,300 from Whitewater Construction Inc. of Waco, and city staff recommend awarding the bid to that company. Two other bids were received on the

project.

The other two bid proposals are for auditing services and cost allocation services, but details of the bids or recommendations are not provided along with the meeting's agenda.

The council will also:

- Consider taking action on an agreement with Global Payments for credit card processing at vari-

ous locations.

• Hear a report from City Manager Todd Darden in which he will announce closure of city offices for Memorial Day, May 27.

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

LECTURE

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certain fundamental skills. Those who chose to continue their education could earn a master of arts degree in Roman law, and later, medicine and theology. Students could be awarded doctoral degrees after having studied for approximately 15 years.

The next lecture brings us to the year 1348 and

the Black Death. Please join us at the Heritage Museum every Tuesday at 12 p.m. The lectures last approximately one hour, and discussion is encouraged after each lecture. If you are fascinated by history, these lectures help put into perspective the effects these events had on the people who lived through them.

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

Take Note

• 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 1/2 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

• 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.

Legendary actress and singer Doris Day dead at 97

AP photo



In this Jan. 28, 1989, file photo, actress and animal rights activist Doris Day poses for photos after receiving the Cecil B. DeMille Award she was presented with at the annual Golden Globe Awards ceremony in Los Angeles. Day, whose wholesome screen presence stood for a time of innocence in 60s films, has died, her foundation says. She was 97. The Doris Day Animal Foundation confirmed Day died early Monday, May 13, 2019, at her Carmel Valley, California, home.

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Doris Day, the honey-voiced singer and actress whose film dramas, musicals and innocent sex comedies made her a top star in the 1950s and '60s and among the most popular screen actresses in history, has died. She was 97.

The Doris Day Animal Foundation confirmed Day died early Monday at her Carmel Valley, California, home. The foundation said she was surrounded by close friends.

"Day had been in excellent physical health for her age, until recently contracting a serious case of pneumonia, resulting in her death," the foundation said in an emailed statement.

With her lilting contralto, wholesome blonde beauty and glowing smile, she was a top box office draw and recording artist known for such films as "Pillow Talk" and "That Touch of Mink" and for such songs as "Whatever Will Be, Will Be (Que Sera, Sera)" from the Alfred Hitchcock film "The Man Who Knew Too Much."

But over time, she became more than a name above the title: Right down to her cheerful, alliterative stage name, she stood for a time of innocence and G-rated love, a parallel world to her contemporary Marilyn Monroe. The running joke, attributed to both Groucho Marx and actor-composer Oscar Levant, was that they had known Day "before she was a virgin."

Day herself was no Doris Day, by choice and by hard luck.

In "Pillow Talk," released in 1959 and her first of three films with Rock Hudson, she proudly caught up with what she called "the contemporary in me." Her 1976 tell-all book, "Doris Day: Her Own Story," chronicled her money troubles and three failed marriages, contrasting with the happy publicity of her Hollywood career.

"I have the unfortunate reputation of being Miss Goody Two-Shoes, America's Virgin, and all that,

so I'm afraid it's going to shock some people for me to say this, but I staunchly believe no two people should get married until they have lived together," she wrote.

She never won an Academy Award, but Day was given a Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2004, as George W. Bush declared it "a good day for America when Doris Marianne von Kappelhoff of Evanston, Ohio decided to become an entertainer."

In 2011, she received a lifetime achievement honor from the Los Angeles Film Critics Association. Friends and supporters lobbied for years to get her an honorary Oscar.

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William Fritsch, 81, died Thursday. He will lie in state Monday from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Deacon Juan "Johnny" Arguello, III, 67, died Thursday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Norma Alvarez, 53, died Thursday. Services are pending. A fund has been set up at the funeral home to help the family with funeral expenses.

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Lady Steers season comes to an end in a regional quarterfinal loss to Burkburnett

By JORDAN PARR
Sports Editor

ABILENE – The Lady Steers had another great season this year but could not find the answer for the Burkburnett Lady Bulldogs in the regional quarterfinal round. Big Spring played tough but only managed to collect 6 hits in total in the two game series with 3 hits in each of the two losses. Inversely, the Lady Bulldogs got 14 hits in the series with 7 in each game.

The Burkburnett pitcher, Jocelyn Bright, was outstanding in the series. Bright struck out 15 Lady Steers in game one and then sat down another 11 batters in game two while only allowing 6 hits and 3 runs in 13 full innings from inside the circle. With the Lady Bulldogs pitching holding Big Spring's bats in check that put

all the pressure on Maddie Daniels and Kynleigh Joy to match Brights performance from the rubber.

In the first game of the series, Daniels Pitched well but with her injury to her knee definitely playing a factor and 3 unearned runs on the scoreboard Maddie just couldn't put the Lady Bulldogs away and gave up 4 runs on 7 hits in a full 7 innings of work. Daniels also helped her own cause in the circle by hitting a big time 2 run shot deep over the left field wall in the bottom of the first to score 2 of Big Spring's 3 runs in the game. Daniels had 2 of the 3 hits in the game with Kalyn Whitehead getting the other. With that lack of offense it was hard for the Lady Steers to ever really get back into the game after falling behind in the top of the second 3-2.

After the two runs Maddie put on



HERALD photo/Jordan Parr

Maddie Daniels throws out a Burkburnett runner at first in the Lady Steers 6-3 loss to the Lady Bulldogs in game one of their regional quarterfinal matchup at ACU this past Friday.

the board in the first inning, the Lady Steers didn't get another run till the bottom of the seventh on an Abby Luna sacrifice RBI. Bright's velocity and location from the pitchers circle was just too much for the Lady Steers to handle at the plate and they fell in game one 6-3.

In game two, Bright continued where she left off in game one. Bright continued to pound the strike zone low and away and kept the Big Spring hitters off balance and out of rhythm the entire game.

Once again Bright held the Lady Steers to just three hits, but this time Bright and the Burkburnett defense didn't allow a single run and closed out the game in the sixth inning with a run rule victory 10-0.

Kynleigh Joy got the start for the Lady Steers in the circle and pitched really well. Joy pitched all six innings and gave up just 1 earned run

on 7 hits. Joy also struck out 5 Lady Bulldogs in the game while walking 4. It wasn't the pitching that became an issue for the Lady Steers in game two of the series, it was the errors. Big Spring committed 9 errors in the field allowing 8 unearned runs to cross home plate and putting an end to the Lady Steers great season with a 10-0 game two loss.

It was a tough way for such a great season to come to an end but these ladies should hold their heads high as Area Champs they have solidified themselves and their program as one to watch for years to come. Congratulations to the Lady Steers on another great season, you ladies make Steer Nation proud. A special thank you to all the seniors and their parents for all they have contributed and sacrificed to help get this team and this program to where it is today.



HERALD photo/Jordan Parr

Alexis Starr gets robbed on a hard liner down the third base line that was snatched out of the air by the Burkburnett third baseman in the Lady Steers 6-3 loss in game one to the Lady Bulldogs at ACU.

Steers fall to Decatur in Area round ending their magical run

By JORDAN PARR
Sports Editor

PLAINVIEW – The Steers put up a heck of a fight against a really great team in the area round of the playoffs at Wayland Baptist this past weekend. With great pitching and stellar plate discipline the Decatur Eagles methodically beat the Steers in two straight games. The Eagles out hit the Steers 16 to 6 in the series and outscored Big Spring 14-3.

In the first game of the series on Friday, Big Spring put up one heck of a fight and almost pulled out a victory with a big time rally in the bottom of the sixth. But it just wasn't enough and despite the heart and grit the Steers showed in their 3 run rally they still couldn't get over the

hump and fell 4-3 in game one. Decatur pitcher Chase Oberle had a lot to do with the Eagles success in game one. He pitched a complete 7 innings in the game and gave up 3 runs on 4 hits while striking out 11 Steers in the victory. Jason Miramontes and Chris Ibanez did their best to counter him on the other side with a combined 8 K's while allowing just 4 runs on 8 hits in the loss. Bryson VanVleet drove in all three runs for the Steers on a 3 run inside the park home run in the bottom of the sixth to make it a one run game. Unfortunately, the Steers couldn't keep the rally going in the seventh and lost the game by one run 4-3.

In game two, the Steers faced off against big time pitching prospect



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Steer pitcher Jason Miramontes throwing hard in the Steers 10-0 loss to Decatur on Saturday at Wayland Baptist.

Bodi Rascon. Rascon lived up to the hype with great location and velocity with all his pitches as well as good break and off speed with his curve and change up. That said the Steers did not play like they were intimidated by him and made a lot of contact and forced Rascon to use a lot of pitches to get them out. The Steers only got two hits on Rascon but put a lot of other balls in play and gave themselves a chance early in the game with Kyler Seymore pitching a no hitter through the first three innings. Unfortunately, in the bottom of the fourth the Eagles found their timing on Seymore's breaking ball and broke open the game with four big runs in the inning and really put the game out of reach with Rascon on the mound.

Big Spring made two pitching changes trying to slow down the

Decatur offensive onslaught, but in the bottom of the fifth the Eagles continued to score runs and closed out the game with six more runs to take the 10-0 run rule victory. The Steers played their hearts out but they just couldn't get anything going offensively facing such a dominant pitcher who knew how to keep the ball down in the zone.

It was a tough way for the Steers season to come to an end but they should hold their heads high for what they were able to accomplish this year, and for the amazing turnaround they had from just a season ago. These young men have represented Steer Nation with distinction from day one and these seniors are as part of us here in Steer Nation are fortunate enough to call our own. Congratulations on a great season Steers



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Senior Jeremiah Cooley closing out the game for the Steers in their game two 10-0 loss to Decatur in the game round at Wayland Baptist on Saturday.

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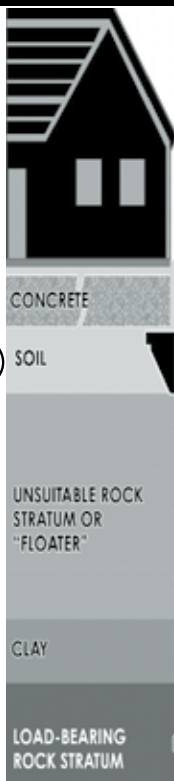
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). What some see as a problem, you treat like an advantage. Reality bends and molds itself until your way of seeing things seems truer than any other way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). What's good can get hobbled by a bad influence; what's bad can be elevated by a good one. This is why the company you keep is so crucial to your success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll enjoy the natural simpatico relationship you have with fellow air signs Libra and Aquarius. It's a jolly tie with professional possibilities as you may as well do business with those

who make it fun.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). While it's not possible right now to luxuriate with your favorite activities for hours on end, you can at least make a slice of time to do what you like to do. True, you'll have to guard that time rather intently.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Give up a bad habit for a good one? If only it were so simple. Well, today represents the rare moment in which it actually may really be so! Just make the trade and see.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Every time you think the thought, do the action and remember what you did, that version of you gets stronger and stronger -- a principle you can use to your advan-

Tomorrow's Horoscope
BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Some acts of generosity are accounted for; others are felt. Generosity of spirit is harder to account for, but always felt. Hitting both categories is good, but if you can do only one, chose gifts of spirit. More good comes of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Today features

an interesting game. You can't help but get emotionally involved. You'll root for the underdog. It doesn't change the odds, but it changes the stakes and the story, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's a lot you could get, don't really need, but would like and use all of the same.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll bond

Should you purchase such items? If you'd get it for your best friend, go ahead and get it for yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's never too early or too late to work on yourself. Every age brings excellent reasons for doing so. Once you decide what you'd like to work on, a "classroom" will show up to facilitate your education.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You appreciate people who can deliver a short, sharp truth, thus oxygenating the scene, keeping everyone awake and fresh. Long-winded stories and elaborate explanations do the opposite.

with a team over a group assignment of sorts. This will take many more hours than you'll first anticipate but when the project wins, everyone wins.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 13). The solar return brings high spirits and curiosity about distant places. Go visit! You'll be invigorated and inspired to create something that will light up your life and improve the lives of others. Physically, you'll become stronger and more energetic, which is excellent because you'll need it to earn extra for your next adventure. Sagittarius and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 22, 19, 42 and 3.

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Annie's Mailbox

Can't Buy Graciousness

Dear Annie: My oldest is about to graduate from high school, and we are celebrating with a party. We plan on having our daughter write out a thank-you card to those who give her a gift and help celebrate her big day. However, last year, at several parties we attended, there was a sign that read: "In lieu of sending thank-you notes, we will be giving a donation to a charity." Is this proper etiquette, or is it simply allowing the graduate to get out of doing what's right? Please tell us what proper thank-you etiquette is as this affects so many people every year at this time! -- Unsure in Ohio

Dear Unsure in Ohio: Sending thank-you notes and donating to charity are both great things, and one does not preclude the other. Yes, I think these parents are missing an opportunity to instill two meaningful life lessons into their children before they go out into the world. The first is that they should always express gratitude for gifts. And the second is that they can't buy their ways out of everything.

Dear Readers: My advice to "Saddened Siblings" generated strong feelings on both sides -- those in favor of the sister who wrote to me and those in favor of her

brother, who has power of attorney for their mother. Many readers liked the idea of holding a family conference with the goal of everyone getting along for their mother's sake. However, one reader, attorney Samuel Johnson, argued persuasively that power of attorney should not apply in this case because the mother is fully capable of making the decision about whether a Do Not Resuscitate order should stand. I agree with Mr. Johnson's conclusion and appreciate that he took the time to educate all of us on this issue, especially me:

Dear Annie: I almost always agree with your advice, but I have to

disagree respectfully but strongly with the advice you gave Saddened Siblings. I am a retired lawyer who practiced in family law and did a lot of work with seniors around competence and planning issues.

It is offensive and presumptuous for these children or anyone else in a similar situation, including spouses, to abrogate to themselves a decision whether to put a DNR order in place. The mother here may well have some mild impairments ("What did I come into this room for?"), but in order to still have the right to make her own DNR decision, she only needs to understand what's at issue, and from what was written in that

letter, she clearly does.

The letter's author proceeded exactly correctly. She, together with her mother's caregivers, made sure that the mother understood the issue, and then let her make the decision, which they accepted. The brother, on the other hand, was wildly out of line, to interpret the fact that his mother is enjoying her life to mean that she would not want a DNR order in place. As long as a person is competent, a health care power of attorney only allows a person to carry out and implement the decisions of the "principal," in this case, the mother.

The care facility was also completely out of line to allow the son to

remove a DNR order on his own authority, unless he lied to the staff about what his mother had said. And the care facility's lawyer would probably be aghast to hear that such a thing happened. It is not for the children to "come together on this issue." It is for the children to defer to their mother's decision.

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By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

West dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
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♠AK 10 9 7 2
♥A
♦A 9 7 4
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♠5
♥Q 10 9 6 5 2
♦8 5
♣J 8 4 2
EAST
♠8 4
♥K 8 7 4
♦K Q 6 2
♣7 5 3
SOUTH
♠Q J 6 3
♥J 3
♦J 10 3
♠A Q 10 9

a diamond to endplay East.
At the second table, the bidding took an unusual turn when West started the proceedings with a very skimpy weak two-heart bid. After North doubled, East bid three diamonds, which by partnership agreement showed heart support and requested a diamond lead. As a result of these shenanigans, South became declarer in six spades, and West's opening diamond lead put the contract in distinct jeopardy.

However, Sharon Osberg, South, found the solution by turning the opponents' bidding against them. She put up the ace of diamonds, cashed the ace of spades and ace of hearts, then led a spade to the queen.

At this point, she knew that East had most likely started with four hearts, four or five diamonds and exactly two spades. This in turn meant that West held more clubs than East, making it more likely that West had the club jack.

Following the courage of her convictions, at trick five Osberg led the ten of clubs and, when West followed low, let it ride! It was then a simple matter to cash dummy's king, return to her hand with a spade and discard two diamonds from dummy on the A-Q of clubs. She then conceded a diamond and claimed the slam to salvage a tie on the deal.

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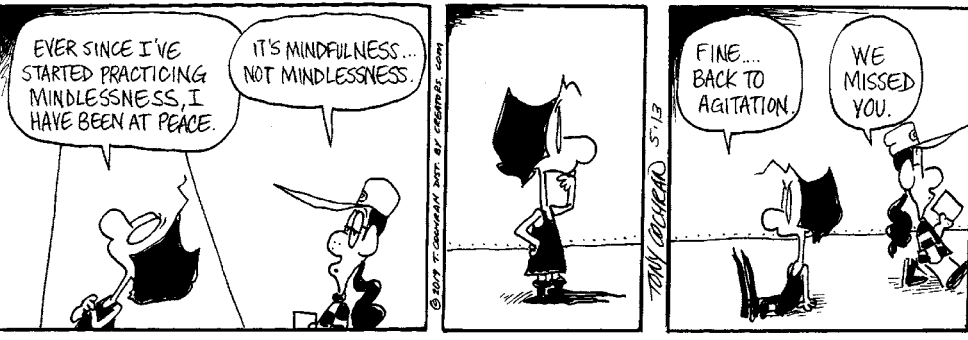
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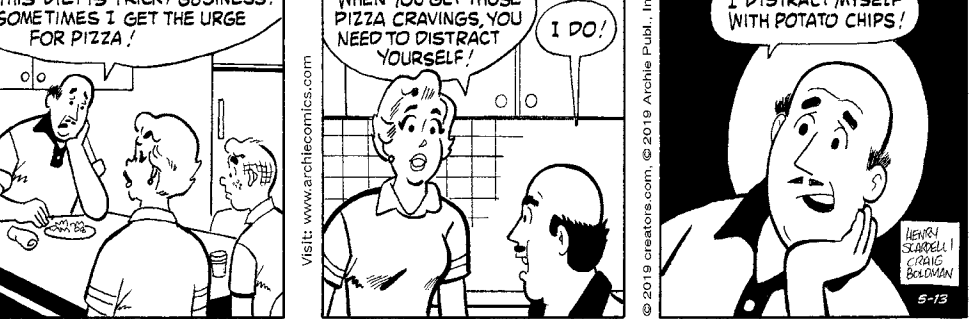
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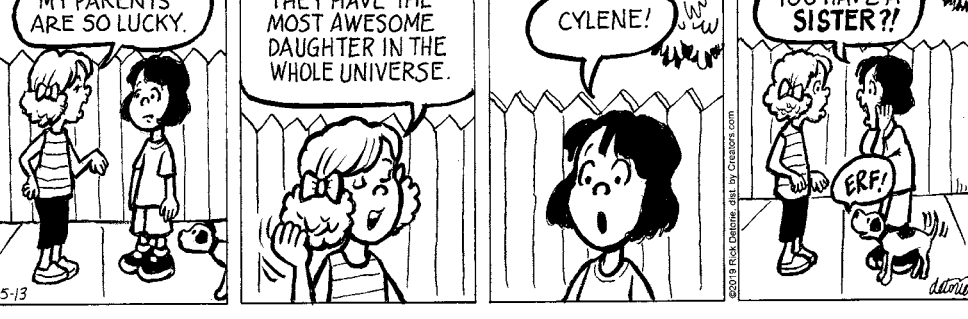
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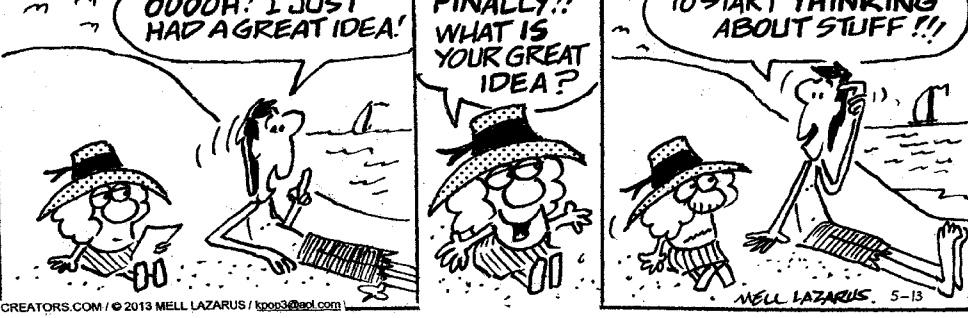
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Monday, May 13, the 133rd day of 2019. There are 232 days left in the year. This is Mother's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:
On May 13, 1981, Pope John Paul II was shot and seriously wounded in St. Peter's Square by Turkish assailant Mehmet Ali Agca (MEH'-met AH'-lee AH'-juh).

On this date:
In 1568, forces loyal to Mary, Queen of Scots were defeated by troops under her half-brother and Regent of Scotland, the Earl of Moray, in the Battle of Langside, thwarting Mary's attempt to regain power almost a year after she was forced to abdicate.

In 1607, English colonists arrived by ship at the site of what became the Jamestown settlement in Virginia (the colonists went ashore the next day).

In 1917, three shepherd children reported seeing a vision of the Virgin Mary near Fatima, Portugal; it was the first of six such apparitions that the children claimed to have witnessed.

In 1918, the first U.S. airmail stamp, costing 24 cents and featuring a picture of a Curtiss JN-4 biplane, was publicly issued. (On some of the stamps, the "Jenny" was printed upside-down, making them collector's items.)

In 1940, in his first speech as British prime minister, Winston Churchill told Parliament, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."

In 1958, Vice President Richard Nixon and his wife, Pat, were spat upon and their limousine battered by rocks thrown by anti-U.S. demonstrators in Caracas, Venezuela.

In 1972, 118 people died after fire broke out at the Sennichi Department Store in Osaka, Japan.

In 1973, in tennis' first so-called "Battle of the Sexes," Bobby Riggs defeated Margaret Court 6-2, 6-1 in Ramona, California. (Billie Jean King soundly defeated Riggs at the Houston Astrodome in September.)

In 1985, a confrontation between Philadelphia authorities and the radical group MOVE ended as police dropped a bomb onto the group's row house, igniting a fire that killed 11 people and destroyed 61 homes.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton nominated federal appeals Judge Stephen G. Breyer to the U.S. Supreme Court to replace retir-

ing Justice Harry A. Blackmun; Breyer went on to win Senate confirmation.

In 2002, President George W. Bush announced that he and Russian President Vladimir Putin (POO'-tih) would sign a treaty to shrink their countries' nuclear arsenals by two-thirds.

In 2004, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld visited the Abu Ghraib (grayb) prison camp in Iraq, where he insisted the Pentagon did not try to cover up abuses there. During a campaign swing in West Virginia, President George W. Bush said he felt "disgraced" by the images of U.S. soldiers abusing Iraqi prisoners but told his listeners that actions of a handful of Americans should not sully the nation's military.

Ten years ago: A judge in West Palm Beach sentenced two men to death for the drug-debt slaying of a family of four on the side of a Florida highway, including two young boys who died in their mother's arms. Atlantis' astronauts captured the orbiting Hubble Space Telescope for five days of repair work. Pittsburgh's Adam LaRoche and Florida's Ross Gload became the first baseball players to have home runs taken away following a video replay review.

Five years ago: A mine fire in Soma, Turkey, killed 301 workers. A European court, in an important test of the "right to be forgotten," ruled that Google had to amend some of its search results at the request of ordinary people when they showed links to outdated, irrelevant information.

One year ago: President Donald Trump said he would help the Chinese telecommunications company ZTE get "back into business"; the Commerce Department had earlier moved to block the company from importing American components. Officials in Hawaii called for more evacuations near the Kilauea volcano amid signs of an imminent eruption at the volcano's summit. (The eruption came four days later.) The body of 69-year-old "Superman" actress Margot Kidder was found by a friend near her Montana home in what was later ruled a suicide from a drug and alcohol overdose.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Buck Taylor is 81. Actor Harvey Keitel is 80. Author Charles Baxter is 72. Actress Zoe Wanamaker is 71. Actor Franklyn Ajaye is 70. Singer Stevie Wonder is 69. Former Ohio Gov. John Kasich (KAY'-sikh) is 67. Actress Leslie Winston is 63. Producer-writer Alan Ball is 62. Basketball Hall of Famer Dennis Rodman is 58. "Late Show" host Stephen

Colbert (kohl-BEHR') is 55. Rock musician John Richardson (The Gin Blossoms) is 55. Actor Tom Verica is 55. Singer Darius Rucker (Hootie and the Blowfish) is 53. Actress Susan Floyd is 51. Contemporary Christian musician Andy Williams (Casting Crowns) is 47. Actor Brian Geraghty is 44. Actress Samantha Morton is 42. Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Ark., is 42.

Former NBA player Mike Bibby is 41. Rock musician Mickey Madden (Maroon 5) is 40. Actor Iwan Rheon is 34. Actress-writer-director Lena Dunham is 33. Actor Robert Pattinson is 33. Actress Candice Accola King is 32. Actor Hunter Parrish is 32. Folk-rock musician Wylie Gelber (Dawes) is 31. NHL defenseman P.K. Subban is 31. Actress Debby Ryan is 26.

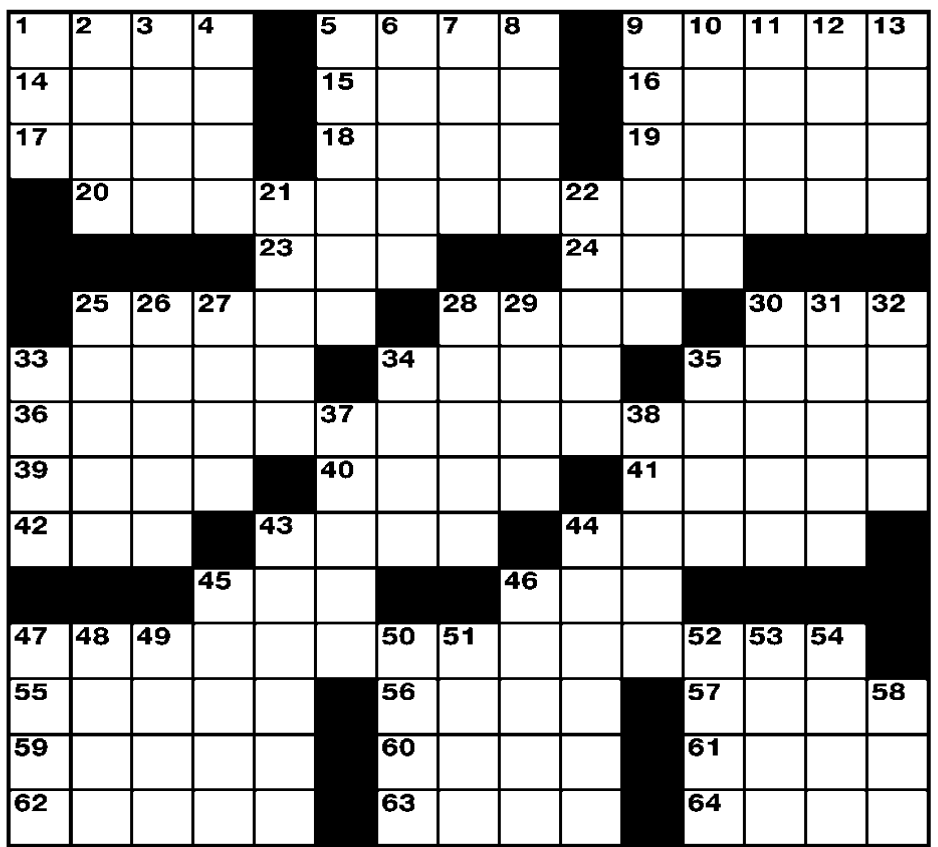
Thought for Today: "What this country needs is a good five-cent cigar." — Thomas R. Marshall, U.S. vice president (1854-1925). (To which American humorist Franklin P. Adams replied, "What this country really needs is a good five-cent nickel.")

Newsday Crossword

PLANE PEOPLE by Sally R. Stein
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Swiss mountains
 - 5 In a competent manner
 - 9 Major tourist attraction
 - 14 Elegant party
 - 15 Factual
 - 16 Emotionally distant
 - 17 Sign of the future
 - 18 Ali ___ (Forty Thieves' adversary)
 - 19 Green tropical fruit
 - 20 Plane's freight loader
 - 23 Part of TGIF
 - 24 "Wow!"
 - 25 Shortened wds.
 - 28 Vehicle in supermarkets
 - 30 St. Pete's state
 - 33 Parcel out
 - 34 Father's Day month
 - 35 Frequently
 - 36 Plane's meal server
 - 39 Salespersons, for short
 - 40 Part of the eye
 - 41 Guys who write jingles
 - 42 Walk-___ (minor roles)
 - 43 Bottom of a statue
 - 44 Stingy one
 - 45 Owned by you and me
 - 46 End of Congress' website
 - 47 Plane's tank filler
 - 55 Writers of verse
 - 56 Snakelike fishes
 - 57 Word-of-mouth
 - 59 Twitter message
 - 60 Earl Grey and pekoe
- DOWN**
- 1 In the past
 - 2 Young sheep
 - 3 "Not guilty," for one
 - 4 Performed a tune
 - 5 Baseball hitter's opportunities
 - 6 Is boastful
 - 7 Oil change, for short
 - 8 "Uh-huh"
 - 9 Fridge message holder
 - 10 Evade
 - 11 Fuel for an old furnace
 - 12 Small bay
 - 13 Worship from ___
 - 21 Circumference
 - 22 See eye to eye
 - 25 Director Woody
 - 26 Radar screen images
 - 27 Swampy grounds
 - 28 Adorable child
 - 29 Hill-building insects
 - 30 Pilot light, for example
 - 31 Solitary-type person
 - 32 Routing letters on an envelope
 - 33 Spherical hairdo
 - 34 Peanut butter holders
 - 35 Finds a sum
 - 37 Crown of a princess
 - 38 Easily duped
 - 43 Pops, as a balloon
 - 44 Airy chocolate dessert
 - 45 Eight-person singing group
 - 46 Alias for F sharp
 - 47 Bldg.'s rental units
 - 48 Des Moines' state
 - 49 Holder of fishing line
 - 50 Greek salad cheese
 - 51 Adolescent
 - 52 Trims (off)
 - 53 A Great Lake
 - 54 At any ___ (nevertheless)
 - 58 Young boy

Answer to previous puzzle
AGNES OF GOD PACK
LEAVE ALONE ANON
INNER TUBES ETRE
NEARBY UKRAINE
ETSY POPSONG
BEGUN USEME
MOBILE ROBOT NOW
PRATING ORIFICE
AAS STEVIENICKS
ALIBI ELMER
CHOICES ESPY
BURUNDI COWPEA
LSAT TEHRANIRAN
ESTA ALBUMTRACK
WREN GOOGOOEYES



Leonard, Raptors to face Bucks, Antetokounmpo in East final

TORONTO (AP) — For the second time in four seasons, the Toronto Raptors are headed to the Eastern Conference final.

While the Raptors won't have to deal with playoff nemesis LeBron James this time, they will face a tough task in controlling Milwaukee Bucks All-Star Giannis Antetokounmpo and the rest of the NBA's highest-scoring offense.

Of course, Toronto will counter with Kawhi Leonard.

He hit the game-winning buzzer-beater Sunday to help Toronto edge Philadelphia 92-90 in Game 7 of its Eastern Conference semifinal series, setting up a showdown between the East's top teams during the regular season.

Leonard's shot bounced around the rim four times before dropping through the basket.

"It was great," Leonard said. "That's something I never experienced before, Game 7, a game-winning shot. It was a blessing to be able to get to that point and make that shot and feel that moment."

Leonard and the Raptors will have a few hours to enjoy it; the conference final begin Wednesday night in Milwaukee. In its only other conference final appearance, Toronto lost to LeBron James and Cleveland in six games in 2016.

The Raptors are well aware of the challenge ahead.



Philadelphia 76ers guard Ben Simmons (25) defends as Toronto Raptors forward Kawhi Leonard (2) drives to the basket during second half NBA Eastern Conference basketball semifinal action in Toronto on Sunday, May 12.

Toronto guard Kyle Lowry said the Bucks have been "pretty dominant" in winning eight of nine postseason games — including the past four straight.

"They've got a lot of weapons and they're pretty deep," Lowry said. "They shoot the ball as well as anybody in the NBA and then they've got the one-man fast break in Giannis."

The Bucks beat the Raptors three times in four regular-season meetings. Lowry was injured when Toron-

to won 123-116 at Milwaukee on Jan. 5.

"We know we've got a tough task at hand," Lowry said. "We have to prepare for it and get ready to go."

Toronto coach Nick Nurse said the Bucks present challenges his team hasn't faced in eliminating Orlando and Philadelphia in the first two rounds.

"It's a little different style that we're going to see," Nurse said. "We're going to have to adjust to that really quickly, obviously, and forget about

how happy we are pretty quickly because it's a hungry team. It's a very deep team, a very good team. We're going to have to continue to grow and we're going to have to play better."

Leonard scored 41 points on 16-of-39 shooting in Game 7 against Philadelphia. He topped 30 points five times in the series and averaged 34.7 points overall.

Nurse said Leonard has been playing at an "elite level" in the postseason. Toronto center Marc Gasol agrees with his coach.

Leonard "can create a shot out of pretty much nothing," Gasol said. "He's a mismatch all around."

In Antetokounmpo, the Bucks have a similar matchup nightmare for Toronto.

The Raptors will need contributions for everyone, including Lowry — who briefly left Game 7 because of a sprained left thumb but returned and played the entire second half.

"I couldn't really pass the ball and grip the ball, but that doesn't matter," Lowry said. "I'm fine."

Milwaukee has been resting since eliminating Boston in Game 5 on Wednesday.

Toronto, which used only seven players on Sunday, will not practice Monday, giving players some extra rest.

They may need it to derail the surging Bucks.

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The Trail Blazers' patience has been rewarded

Tim Reynolds

AP Writer

Bravo, Portland.

Bravo.

Doing the right thing isn't easy in the NBA, where patience is a rare virtue. The Trail Blazers were swept in the first round of the 2017 playoffs. They got swept again in the first round last season. Portland had lost 10 consecutive playoff games going into this year. Ordinarily, that's a recipe for firings, trade demands and roster dismantling.

Instead, the Blazers stayed the course.

And their reward is a trip to the Western Conference final, starting Tuesday against two-time defending champion Golden State.

"It speaks to the character of our organization and what we've become," All-Star guard Damian Lillard said.

The Blazers have become a model of consistency. They could have gone the other way. A lot of teams have gone the other way.

Neil Olshey, the Blazers' general manager, took an uncommonly measured approach last season and kept Terry Stotts — currently the fourth-longest-tenured coach in the NBA. Lillard stayed committed and didn't stomp his feet or force a trade like so many other players in his situation have done or tried to. CJ McCollum, Lillard's backcourt partner who carried them Sunday with 37 points, doesn't mind that he could get more shots elsewhere.

"This is arguably the biggest win that we've had in the franchise for a long time," Stotts said after Sunday's Game 7 win at Denver — the first Game 7 road win in team history. "To be a part of it, to do it the way we did, I'm thrilled."

In a lot of ways, Sunday epitomized what the Blazers have done in recent years. They got down 17 early on the road in a Game 7. They battled, chipped at the deficit, eventually found the right combination of things that worked and didn't panic.

"Just stay with it," Stotts said. "Trust was the biggest thing."

He was speaking of Game 7.

He could have meant the last two offseasons.

Trust takes time to build, and the Blazers now have it from top to bottom. This is how close-knit they are: After the game, Lillard lauded teammates, coaches, the training staff, the front office, the team's security and the members of the sports media relations staff. He forgot nobody.

"Everybody we see every day, everybody's invested in what we've created," Lillard said.

Some teams should be taking notes.

So should some players.

This is an era in which teams spend years tanking instead of competing, yet still charge plenty to fans willing to come see their inferior product. An era where a bad team like Phoenix somehow decides after one year that a well-regarded coach like Igor Kokoskov needs to be fired — a move that means Devin Booker will start his fifth NBA season playing for a fifth different coach. An era where an elite player like Anthony Davis can pursue a trade with a year and a half left on his contract in New Orleans, starting a circus that became a massive



Portland Trail Blazers guard Damian Lillard is hugged by his mother, Gina Johnson, after the second half of Game 7 of an NBA basketball second-round playoff series Sunday, May 12, 2019, in Denver. The Trail Blazers won 100-96.

AP photo

problem for both the Pelicans and the Los Angeles Lakers.

The Blazers didn't demand that someone else fix their mistakes.

They did it themselves.

Olshey knew Portland's roster was flawed after being swept by Davis and the Pelicans last season, that it wasn't deep enough to handle injury issues. So he took a chance on Seth Curry, Warriors star Stephen Curry's brother who wasn't in the league last season, and signed him over the summer. He swung a trade in February and got Rodney Hood to fortify the bench. He fought off plenty of other clubs to sign Enes Kanter when he was freed by the New York Knicks — and that move proved enormous after center Jusuf Nurkic went down with a broken leg.

But the moves Olshey didn't make the last two summers are part of why the Blazers are here now. So are the moves he made three months ago. So, too, are the moves he made four years ago when the Blazers were rebuilders after LaMarcus Aldridge and three other starters left.

"We had the roster turnover four years ago and everybody was quick to shoot us down, count us out," Lillard said. "And at that point, we didn't know for sure what direction we were going to go in."

Now they know.

They're heading to Oakland and the Western Conference final.

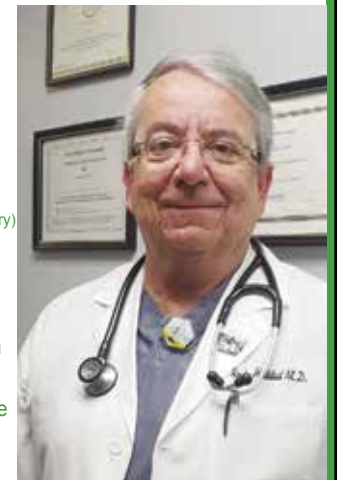
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