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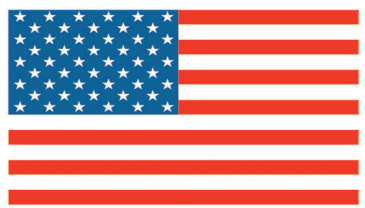
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Toasty Tuesday
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The group will meet at **Local's Restaurant on Wasson Road**

The jury trial slated for May 12, 2021, at 9 a.m. in Judge Averette's court has been cancelled. Jury trials scheduled for other dates will proceed as planned.

Interim Healthcare will be hosting a blood drive on May 5 at 1900 S. Gregg.

Big Spring Art Association Area Wide Art Show is open - the community is invited to stop by the Heritage Museum to view the pieces that were submitted by area artists.

Heritage Museum Annual Members Meeting
 May 6
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McDonald, Wallace and Yanez claim victory in May Election



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Big Spring's Nati Saldivar, left, hugs newly elected Big Spring City Council member for District 2, Diane Yanez, as Alicia Leon looks on. Yanez defeated Willie Rangel Jr. to claim the seat. Incumbents Gloria Byrd McDonald for Big Spring City Council District 4, and Coahoma Mayor Warren Wallace, also prevailed in Saturday's election.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

Out of three contested local races in Saturday's election, two incumbents and one new office holder emerged victorious.

Big Spring citizens will see a new face in the District 2 City Council seat - Diane Yanez defeated Willie Rangel Jr. 83 votes to 29, a margin of 73.45 percent to 25.66 percent. Yanez took a sharp lead in both Early Voting (41-5) and Election Day (33-11) results while Rangel held a small lead in ballots by mail, 13-9.

"I'll look into the infrastructure here in Big Spring, and I also look forward to meeting the needs of all the constituents here in Big Spring," Yanez said

after the results were announced Saturday evening. "Their vote, their voice matters to me. I think it's time for a change and I look forward to working with the council members and going forward now."

Yanez said this race was the first time she has run for City Council.

Big Spring City Councilwoman Gloria Byrd McDonald will retain her District 4 seat after defeating challenger David A. Scott by a margin of 92 to 60 votes, or 60.53 percent to 39.47 percent. While Scott received more votes on Election Day (21-12), McDonald earned more Ballots by Mail (43-14) and Early Voting ballots (37-25) to emerge victorious.

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A Moment in History Red Rock

By **TAMMY SCHRECENGOST**
 Heritage Museum

John Birdwell and his family lived at the T&P Hotel that was located along the railroad tracks. John homesteaded a half section of property at 901 Goliad. During 1900, they built a house that stood far away from other neighbors. The Birdwells wanted to raise their five children away from the all the activity and danger by the tracks. They built a lovely large wood frame house with servants' quarters, barns and an earth and rock dam that was along the draw to the east serving as a water supply. In 1903, shortly after they moved into their new home, the Mollie Bailey Circus was in town. John took the children to the show while Annabel stayed home and took a nap with baby Johnanna. She had just dozed off when she was awakened by a baby's laughter. She looked up to see the ceiling bathed in flames billowing in at Johnanna's crib. Annabel grabbed the baby and quickly fled the house. Neighbors had seen the flames and rushed in to try and put the fire out. With little or no water to work with, the fire quickly consumed the Birdwell home and all the family's



Courtesy photo/Heritage Museum

The Heritage Museum highlights a different piece of Howard County history each week in order to share the foundation of the community with our readers. This week, the Heritage Museum focuses on John Birdwell and his family who lived at the T&P Hotel.

possessions. Annabel stated, "Two men grabbed the china cabinet but, in their rush, they opened it and started tossing out the plates." In the end, only a dresser and a handful of items were salvaged. The girls were distraught be-

cause they lost all their dolls and playthings. The flames were seen from town and people soon crowded around with offers of sympathy. Annabel knew

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Big Spring Rotary Club recognizes area students

Courtesy photos

The Rotary Club recently recognized students from Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan as Students of the Month for March and April. See names of students on Page 3.



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Obituaries

Ronnie Ruiz



Ronnie Ruiz, 50, of Big Spring died Friday, April 30, 2021. Visitation will be Tuesday, May 4, 2021, from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. with a vigil service at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church at 10 a.m.

Ronnie was born Feb. 16, 1971, in Big Spring. He graduated from Coahoma High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran from 1991 until 2012.

He is survived by his wife: Kristen Ethridge of Big Spring; two sons: Ryan Ruiz of Austin and Joshua Ruiz of Coahoma; his parents: Juan and Maria Munoz Ruiz of Coahoma; two brothers: Rene Ruiz and wife Melinda of Coahoma and Juan Ruiz Jr. and wife Sandy of Granbury; two sisters: Rosemary

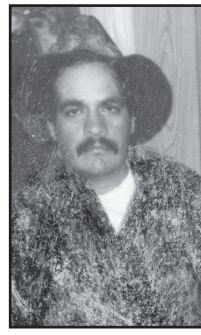
Hernandez and husband David of Big Spring and Christina Cruz and husband Raymond of Lubbock; two aunts: Alicia Torres and husband Victor of Big Spring and Dora Escanuelas and husband Ygnacio Jr. of Big Spring; one uncle: David Ruiz and wife Linda of Coahoma; and his mother-in-law: Helen "Jan" Ethridge of Albuquerque, N.M.; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Bernabe and Pascuala Ruiz and Marino and Claudia Munoz; three uncles: Sammy Munoz, Johnny Munoz and Tommy Regaldo; two aunts: Beatrice Ybarra and Petra Arguello; and his father-in-law: Cameron "Dwayne" Ethridge.

Family suggests donations to the ALS Association.

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

Paid Obituary



David Luera

David Luera, 58, of Big Spring died Sunday, April 25, 2021. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside services and burial will be at Chapeno Cemetery in Falcon Heights, Texas.

David was born June 29, 1962, in Nebraska.

David is survived by one brother: Juan

Luera of Big Spring; three sisters: Maribel Luera of Big Spring, Marcelina Sanchez of Big Spring, and San Juanita Luera of Washington, D.C., and several nieces and nephews.

David was preceded in death by his parents: Alonzo and Marcelina Luera.

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Zeanna McWhirt



Zeanna McWhirt, 90, of Big Spring, died Friday, April 30, 2021. Viewing and visitation will be Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. with family receiving friends from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Graveside services will be at Trinity Memorial Park at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

Zeanna was born on June 29, 1930 in Oklahoma City, Okla.

She is survived by two daughters: Deanna Watson of Slaton and Lynda Bright of Lubbock; and three grandchildren.

In addition to her parents Vernon and Dortha Henry, she was preceded in death by one daughter: Rowena Mattingly; one sister; and one brother.

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Take Note

• Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

• The Howard County Democrats meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Cactus Room located in the Student Union Building of Howard College.

• The Vitalant Bloodmobile will conduct a blood drive from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 5, at Interim Healthcare, 1900 S. Gregg. Sign up in advance at www.vitalant.org using the Sponsor Code "Interim". Before arriving to donate, be sure to eat a good meal, drink plenty of water, and bring a picture ID. Successful donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies. MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Contact Vitalant at 877-258-4825 if you have questions about eligibility.

• Howard College is offering License to Carry Course with class date set for May 15. There is a maximum of 10 students per class; handgun and ammo not provided. Participants must be 21 years of age and have valid ID. Those taking the class will need 50 rounds of ammo and a handgun. Questions can be answered by contacting Dee Lindsey at 432-264-5641 or by e-mail at dlindsey@howardcollege.edu.

• Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center is set to open June 1 and close Aug. 7. The Aquatic Center will be open Tuesday through Saturdays from Noon until 8 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m. until 8 p.m.

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• Forsan Food Pantry will be open twice a month from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Families who are in need can pull up to the front doors of the Junior High/High School and receive a free box of pre-packed meals. If you have any questions or need to pick up a box at a different time, contact Kaci Wash at 432-457-2223 ext 821 or Jenny Sayles at jennysales@yahoo.com.

• Cub Scouts meet Monday from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at NazFamily Church, located at 1400 S. Lancaster.

• Howard County Republican Club meets the second Monday of each month in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

The next meeting will be held in the newly renovated Cactus Room. Everyone is welcome. The meeting takes place at Noon. For more information call 432-213-7628.

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TUESDAY

• 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.

• 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.

• Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations.

We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring.

Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

• 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 325-212-860

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. E-mail information to editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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• A new group named Taking Care of Business has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community.

All Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed as defined by local, state, and federal authorities. At this time refreshments will not be served but you are welcome to bring your own and not share. The meetings take place at 219 South Main Big Spring, Texas. For more information write to Colonel. Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

MAY

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"I thank everyone who took the time to vote," McDonald said in an interview Sunday. "That is what keeps our system the best. I am very honored that the citizens of District 4 again had trust in my leadership to allow me to serve them for another term. As before, I am always willing to listen to all, do my research and vote the best for my community."

McDonald said bringing Interstate 27 to Big Spring is her biggest goal during her new term.

"I'm extremely proud of my past accomplishments and hope to have more in the next three years," she said. "The most important issue for me is making sure we stay strong on getting I-27. That interstate will put Big Spring on the road for great things."

Coahoma's Mayor Warren Wallace, who has served in that role since 2009, once again retains his seat, defeating challenger Lori Gonzales 70 votes to 50, or 58.33 percent to 41.67 percent. Wallace led the race in all three voting categories: Ballots by Mail (5-1), Early Voting (21-16) and Election Day in-person votes (44-33). Wallace could not be reached for comment on his win over the

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if the family had all been at home, the devastation could have been far more severe. She could only mutter, "Thank God for Mollie Bailey." One of the lady's retorted, "Humph! I'll bet that's the only time anyone ever thanked God for Mollie Bailey."

After the fire, the family was devastated, John moved them into the servant's quarters and resolved to raise another house on the spot. He said he had only two specifications, "Make it big enough and make it so it won't burn." With that request, he turned over the design to Annabel. John ordered the stone from the Quito Quarry and the Pecos sandstone was cut and numbered and individually wrapped. The massive stones were a foot thick. It allowed for the house to be cooler in the summer and more insulated in the winter. Most importantly, it added fire protection! Fourteen rooms and a bathroom were in the design as this fulfilled John's request for enough room. Mrs. Birdwell said "It was a race between John and W.R. Cole on who would have the first bathtub. During construction of the home, John felt the shingles would have a longer life if they were dipped in green paint before applying to the roof. Red Rock had a dark green roof and green trim that accented the red sandstone.

A large oak front door with beveled glass greeted those who were about to enter the house. Once inside, a beautiful staircase with massive banisters was the first thing to see. The Birdwell children were often seen sliding down the banister to the landing. Pocket doors were on the left and right of the foyer. Each set led into a large entertaining area. There was a dining room and spacious kitchen on the north side of the home and a parlor and music room, and library on the southwest side. A master bedroom was located on the southeast corner. The rooms were spacious and had 16-foot ceilings. The pocket door entries were flanked by colorful portieres (a heavy velvet drape with fringed tie backs). The second floor consisted of a middle room where the stairwell came up. The stairway was flanked on the north side by the girls' room, which had a playroom off it and a boys' wing along the south side. Between the boys' and girls' rooms was a cupola

room and on the east was a guest room that overlooked the pond. There was a total of five fireplaces in the home. Each was made from the same sandstone used on the exterior of the home. A large double fireplace separated the music room from the parlor and the second back-to-back fireplace separated the dining and reception rooms. The fireplace in the dining room was where John had his Masonic emblem carved into the stone mantle. The bathroom with tub and sink was located next to the kitchen along with a pantry and a butler's pantry. There was a large claw-footed bathtub in the bathroom. Annabell had remarked that the bathtub was so cold they could never use it in the winter. The children discovered they could soap down the slope on the tub and slide down the side. In 1905, people were still hesitant to place a toilet inside their home. The outhouse was still used for those dirty deeds.

The family had fond memories of spending the evenings gathered around the fireplace popping corn and telling stories. Sometimes, one of the girls would entertain with music from the Steinway baby grand piano. The front porch wrapped around the north and south sides of the house.

John purchased roller skates for all the children while he was in Dallas on a business trip. The kids would skate on the concrete porches running down anyone who dared cross their path.

They learned to catch the porch columns just at the right time to swing themselves around. The house sat three feet off the ground and made a great place for the children to play under. There were large leather couches in the parlor and family room area. The Birdwell's did not abide by the Victorian thoughts of children being seen but not heard. Their children were heard loud and clear! Down below the house, were barns where the stock was kept. And to the side of the house were servants' quarters. John built a small one room schoolhouse for his children and the neighbor children to attend. The school was taught by a cousin, Miss. Adeline Hyde. Sometimes, the little schoolhouse was used as a "pest house."

John named the new home, "Red Rock" and it was com-

ROTARY

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The Big Spring Rotary Club recognized several students last month as Student of the Month. Recognitions went to:

Thomas Gabehart and Cameron Allen, both Forsan ISD students; Julia Cox and Brysen Kerby, both Coahoma ISD students; and Falcia Dayha, Maddie Miller and Mattox Evans, all from Big Spring High School.

Each month the Rotary Club recognizes students who have gone above and beyond and been recognized by the teachers and administration at their respective schools.

Congratulations to the students have been recognized for their hard work and dedication during their high school career.

weekend.

In the uncontested race for City Council seat for District 6 recently elected Councilman Maury Smith will remain in the seat. Smith was elected through the Special Election that was held in March to fill the recalled seats.

The Big Spring ISD Board of Trustees District 2 and District 4 seats will be held by Michell Dawn Garcia, District 2 and Tommy Jason Martinez, District 4, due to both races being unopposed.

Forsan School Board also had an uncontested race for the open seats. Incumbents Lewis Boeker and Chris Olson will remain in place.

Forsan City Council had three at large seats, but due to no new candidates, those Council remained unchanged.

Coahoma ISD Board of Trustees had three open seats to be filled this coming election, but due to only three applications being turned in, no election was held. The new official board members for Coahoma ISD for May 2021 will be Michael Brooks, re-elected member; Odis Franklin, re-elected member; and Ryan Rechichar, a new member to the board.

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Marlin Roberson, 93, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home

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pleted in 1905. The address was 909 Goliad. John and Annabell indulged the children however, they never turned anyone away that needed a helping hand. Annabell said John had made a lot of money in the hotel business, trading cattle and real estate. They wanted to share their good fortune. Anytime there was mention of a party, the Birdwell children quickly volunteered Red Rock for the location. There were dances, domino games, and many other fun experiences. Once the children were grown, John's health began to fail. Funds were becoming short in the household, so Annabell started taking in boarders.

"Red Rock" had a short existence as a home. Eventually, the children all married and went their separate way. John passed away on May 25, 1920, and Annabell moved to San Antonio to be near her daughters Maydell and Johnanna. The home was given to the "Sisters of Mercy" and made into a small hospital. Once the Big Spring Hospital was constructed across the street, the home and rooms were rented during the 1930's before the VFW took over ownership. Dances, games, and gay times were in Red Rock once again.

By 1959, the VFW moved their headquarters to a new location as the house became a target for vandalism especially by students from the new high school which had been built south of the home in 1952. Red Rock had truly been a showplace in the city.

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Top: The Big Spring Lady Steers pose with their Bi-District trophy after defeating Herford this past weekend. The lady Steers played Herford in a best of three playoffs series-winning game one 13 to 1 and finished it off with a game two victory 10 to 3. **Middle:** The Coahoma Bulldogettes are pictured with their Bi-District trophy. The Bulldogettes took on Clyde in a best of three series. The first game was held this past Friday, and Coahoma took care of business, winning 10 to 16. Game two was held in Coahoma, and the Bulldogettes blew out Clyde 20 to 3 to seal up the series victory. **Bottom:** Th Forsan Lady Buffs show off their trophy as the team took on and defeated Lockney 9 to 0. All of our local teams are on a roll. Congratulations to all of our local team on a great showing. And good luck with your continued playoff runs.

Texas Rangers rally for 5-3 victory over Boston Red Sox

ARLINGTON, Texas — David Dahl and Brock Holt hit RBI singles in Texas' three-run eighth, and the Rangers took advantage of a costly error on Alex Verdugo, topping the Boston Red Sox 5-3 on Sunday.

Isiah Kiner-Falefa homered to help Texas take three of four games against the AL East leaders, winning a series against Boston for the first time since 2016. Josh Sborz (3-1) got three outs for the win, and Ian Kennedy worked the ninth for his seventh save in seven opportunities.

"It's nice to obviously get three out of four in any series, but against the team that came in with the best record in the bigs," Texas manager Chris Woodward said.

Xander Bogaerts had three hits for Boston, including his fifth homer. Verdugo finished with two hits.

The Red Sox built a 3-1 lead with runs in the second, fourth and seventh innings. They lost a series for the first time since being swept by Baltimore at Fenway Park to open the season.

"Like I told you guys after we started 0-3, we thought we had a good team," Red Sox manager Alex Cora said. "And after we won all those games, we still have a good team. We reset tomorrow."

Bogaerts scored the game's first run after he reached on a towering popup that second baseman Nick Solak lost in the sun. He advanced to third on Marwin Gonzalez's double and scampered home on Hunter Renfroe's grounder to Solak.

The roof was open at second-year Globe Life Field.

Bogaerts connected in the fourth

against Mike Foltyniewicz. But the Rangers got one back in the seventh on Kiner-Falefa's fifth homer and went ahead to stay in the eighth.

Nate Lowe sparked Texas' rally with a walk and swiped second. He came around to score on Dahl's two-out single off Adam Ottavino (2-2), tying it at 3.

Ottavino then walked Kiner-Falefa before he was replaced by Matt Barnes. Holt greeted Barnes with a tiebreaking single to center, and Verdugo's error allowed Kiner-Falefa to score for a 5-3 lead.

"I was able to get a big hit because of the at-bats that the guys had before me," said Holt, who played for the Red Sox from 2013-19. "The Red Sox thing, it's cool, but, I mean, it would have felt good regardless of who it was."

Boston starter Garrett Richards struck out seven while pitching five innings of one-run ball. He allowed four hits and walked one.

"It was a good outing, not obviously the best one," Richards said. "Nobody really wants to go 'five and dive.' I was looking to go a little deeper."

Foltyniewicz permitted two runs and seven hits in six innings.

Joey Gallo scored the Rangers' first run after doubling in the fourth. Gallo and Woodward were ejected by plate umpire Brian O'Nora in the sixth after Gallo disputed a called third strike. Gallo went into play leading the AL with 43 strikeouts and fanned twice Sunday, giving

him 12 in the series.

SHORT HOPS

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 Texas had its first winning homestand of the season at 4-3. ... Bogaerts has five homers this season, all in the past 12 games starting on April 20. He hit four in 26 games last season. ... Rangers DH Willie Calhoun had two hits, extending his career-best hitting streak to nine games. ... Dahl's RBI single followed a 1-for-20 skid.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: C Jonah Heim left in the eighth inning after a pitch bounced off his chest. ... RHP Kohei Arihara (sore right middle finger) had an injection and probably won't make his next scheduled start on Wednesday.

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c/o: **Robert D. Miller Attorney at Law**
608 Scurry Big Spring, TX 79720

DATED the 29th day of April, 2021.

/s/ **Robert D. Miller**
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Dated 30th day of April, 2021.

By: /s/ **Jennifer Wallace**
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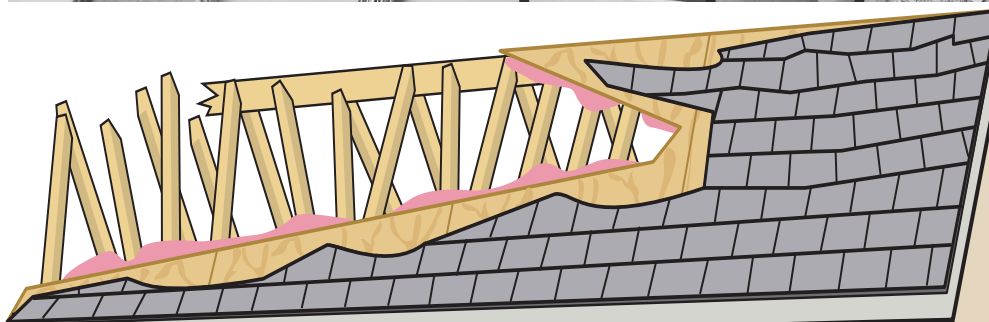
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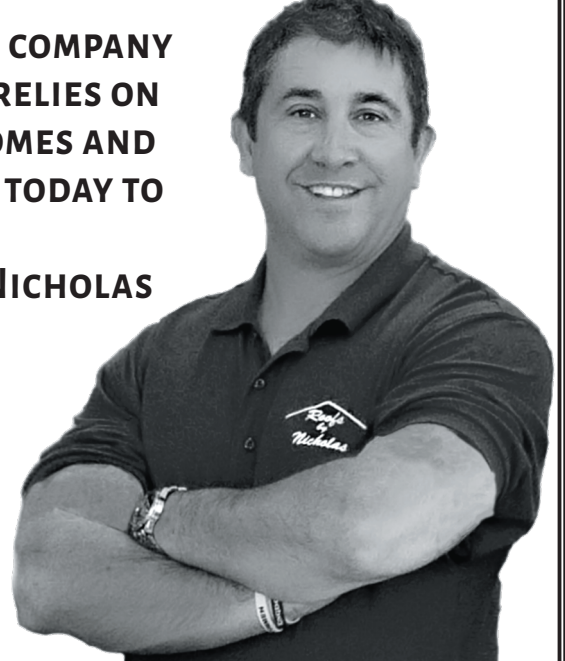
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Aspects of Aeolus

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's no need to hurry. As counterintuitive as it may seem, you'll get there sooner if you slow down. Fast action is unnecessary; it would likely produce time-consuming mistakes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Being fantastic at a job is one thing. People knowing you're fantastic at it is an entirely different area and very important now. Think of this publicity as a job within your job, thus requiring its own skills and systems.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Happy days will return, but the happiness will be different, as happiness, just like fashion, is contextual -- a reflection of the times, always updating, never the same twice.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There are environments more and less conducive to your health, and you're very good at projecting which way it will go for you. The trick is in taking that moment to reflect and make a conscious decision.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You don't feel prepared to go to the next level, and yet the door opens and the brave thing to do is step through -- no, jump through -- before it slides back closed and the train takes off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Today is a little like a field trip to a theme park in which everyone in the party is wearing the same shirt. You can tell who is in your group right away, and you'll keep tabs accordingly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Authenticity and transparency have been buzzwords for years now, to the degree that you're starting to doubt anyone who uses them too much. It's similar to how you've learned not to trust people who say, "Trust me."

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



showered in the bounty that comes from being beloved and admired. Next season, you'll steer in a completely new direction and learn a different world. You'll bank on your instinct for investing in people and finally find the right person for a crucial role. Libra and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 5, 31, 22 and 17.

COSMIC QUESTION: "Are you kidding me right now? Over the last two months, I have sent out job applications, answered ads, given friendly hints and nudges, pitched myself and plain asked for what I wanted at least 20 times to no avail. It's like I can't get a date, job, interest... NOTHING! I now know what it means when people say, 'I can't even get arrested,' because I'm seriously pinching myself to see if I even exist. This has to be a heck of a cosmic climate for a Leo. When will it end?"

You're used to getting attention with a finger snap, or not even. Frankly, you often get attention just by doing things like walking by, looking someone in the eyes, gesturing their way... so this period of cosmic literal ignorance (as in the entities around you are giving you their ignore-ance) feels not just uncomfortable but maybe even devastating. And yet... Would you believe it's how it is for a lot of people a lot of the time? Not everyone has your natural charismatic gifts for entertaining the world. Hopefully, this spell will help you appreciate how good you usually have it. Furthermore, having to work at getting attention and results is an opportunity to figure out what people want and how to tweak what you're giving to match that. More on this tomorrow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Responsibility doesn't burden you in the least today. In fact, you have become so strong through your various roles that you hardly notice the weighty load you regularly carry.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can feel free and simultaneously follow a schedule. In fact, if you didn't schedule your free time, you'd either have far too much of it or none of it, both unfavorable and unliberated states.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're so attractive when you're doing your thing, and the deeper you get into it, the more attractive you become. You wear your passions like a well-styled, custom look.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes, people who think they are offering you their support actually seem to make things more difficult than when you were doing it all on your own. Watch out for that dynamic today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Admirably, you want to please others and ease their burdens. The best way to do this now is to please yourself. You may actually find it more difficult, as there will be some investigation involved in knowing your own preferences.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 3). You let people be themselves, and for this tendency and talent, you are

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Annie's Mailbox

Choose and Commit

Dear Annie: I'm so confused, and I don't know what to do. I have been married for four months, and I truly love my husband and believe that he loves me.

My problem is that he cheated on me about two years ago with multiple women, and not only that, he proposed to one of them. It's a long story. But since then, he's been the perfect guy -- the person I met six years ago.

I can't seem to get past all the things he did to me before we were married. I cry daily even though it's been two years since it happened. He does everything for me, but I'm very unap-

preciative. Should I just call it quits and move on? This is the only way I believe I'll get over this. What do you think? -- Need Answers

Dear Need Answers: The best way to stop agonizing over this is to make a decision and stick with it, no matter what. You could choose to stay with him if you truly believe that he has changed. If so, you must forgive him and put the past in the past -- for good. The worst type of suffering we inflict on ourselves is living with resentment and anger. By setting him free, you will set yourself free, too.

On the other hand, if you cannot truly forgive him, you have to break

up with him, as living in an ungrateful and angry state will only cause a further divide in your relationship.

You have the power to move on either way. You just have to choose.

Dear Annie: My son has been married twice and has a son from each marriage. The sons are 25 years apart. The older one is married and lives in another state. He does not stay in touch with family here as he should, so I decided to do a search online for him. I was shocked!

He is listed as a child sex offender! My son's younger son just turned 5, and I worry because my son keeps saying he

wants to visit his oldest so the brothers can bond. I am also heartbroken, since I helped raise my oldest grandson and he was a very sweet child. Should I tell my son or keep quiet? -- Heartbroken

Dear Heartbroken: I understand your shock and hurt. You have to tell your son about this. Your oldest grandson should not be anywhere near children, including his younger brother. Since you helped raise him, reach out to him and make sure that he is in treatment and has a great psychiatrist.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Famous Hand

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

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♣ Dble Redble Pass
Pass 1♦ 1♥ Pass
2 ♣ 2♦ 3♦ Pass
6 ♣ Pass Pass 6♦
7 ♣

Opening lead — king of diamonds.
This deal was played in New York in the 1956 Masters Team Championship. Harold Ogust, partnered with Boris Koytchou, opened one club. West doubled and North redoubled. When this rolled around to West, he bid one diamond, over which Koytchou said one heart.

Ogust decided to bid only two clubs at this juncture. His partner's heart bid hadn't improved his values one iota, and he was furthermore confident there would be much more

bidding.
There was. West said two diamonds, and Koytchou then bid three diamonds, indicating a void in diamonds and implying club support. Ogust, having kept his hand under wraps up to this point, emerged with a jump to six clubs.

East, certain six clubs would be made, now took the highly unusual action of bidding six diamonds as a vulnerable sacrifice against nonvulnerable opponents. Unwilling to settle for what might be a small penalty when he thought he had a good chance to make a grand slam, Ogust ventured seven clubs.

In fact, he had no trouble scoring 13 tricks. After West's opening diamond lead, Ogust ruffed three diamonds in dummy and discarded one on the ace of hearts. West's 18 high-card points thus proved to be totally worthless.

In our view, West made an ill-considered opening lead. He should have realized that both opponents were bidding largely on distribution and had undertaken a grand slam fully prepared for a diamond opening lead. It was virtually certain from the bidding that dummy had no diamonds.

West should therefore have led a trump initially to try to reduce dummy's ruffing ability. Had he done that, he would have defeated the contract.

Tomorrow: Opportunity knocks but once.
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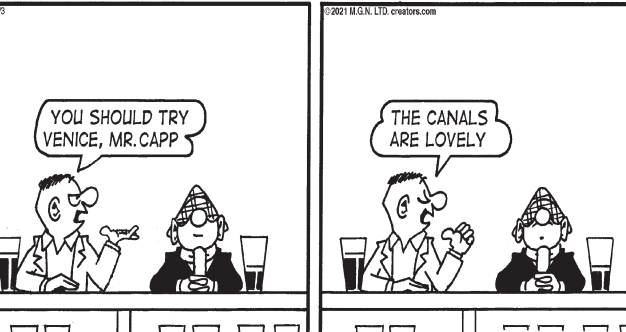
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4	1	8	6	9	3	7	4	5
8	3	9	7	5	6	2	1	4
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7	8	2	6	4	5	1	9	3
5	4	3	1	9	7	6	8	2

ANSWER:

	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
5 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	FamFeud	CBS 7	Tele	News	Christ	Molly	King	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Ice League (DVS)	SportsCenter	Daily Wager	Sooner	Chicago P.D.	Hoarders	Street Out-laws: Full
5 :30	ABC	Noticiero	FamFeud	CBS	Noticias	News	Cost	Hero	King	Burgers	Fam. Guy				Pragmatics	Chicago P.D.	Hoarders	Street Out-laws: Full
6 :PM	News	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7 News	Exaltón Es-tados Unidos (SS)	News	Families	Wild Kratt	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	(-45) Movie: Shazam!	NBA Basket-ball: Warriors at Pelicans	NBA Basket-ball: Marvel's Arena of Heroes	MLB Base-ball: Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins	WWE Monday Night RAW	Hoarders	Street Out-laws
6 :30	WHEEL					The Voice	News	Odd	Law & Order: SVU	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy							
7 :PM	Movie: Incredibles 2, Sarah Vowell	Diseñando tu amor	9-1-1 (DVS)	Neighbor Bob Heart	All Rise	La suerte de Lolí	Jesus IS	Arthur	Arthur	SVU	Fam. Guy							
8 :30	Home E.	Te acuerdas de mí	9-1-1: Lone Star	FOX 24 News at 9	Bull	Buscando a Frida	(-01) Debris	Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	Mike							
9 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	TMZ	CBS 7	Telemundo 20	News	News	Daniel Tiger	Friends	Creek	Conan	Movie: Suicide Squad, Margot Robbie (DVS)	SportsCenter	Rookie	Postgame	Miz & Mrs	(-04) Intervention	(-01) Street Outlaws
10 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Noticiero	Mom	Late Show- Colbert	Caso cerrado (SS)	Tonight Show	Words of House	Donkey	CBS 7	Gold	Wipeout (DVS)							
11 :PM	Nightline	Contacto deportivo	Funny	James Corden	Sin Senos Si	Seth Meyers	Dollars	Donkey	Jokers	Gold	Conan							
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:30	Luminess	Vecinos	Paid Prg.	(-07) CBS Overnight News	Programa	Today-Hoda	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Minute	Healthy	Jokers	Bones						
:AM	(-06) ABC World News Now	P. Luche	Paid Prg.	El gordo y la flaca	Programa	Early Tdy	Israel	Arthur	Paid Prg.	RELIEF	TBS	Bones						
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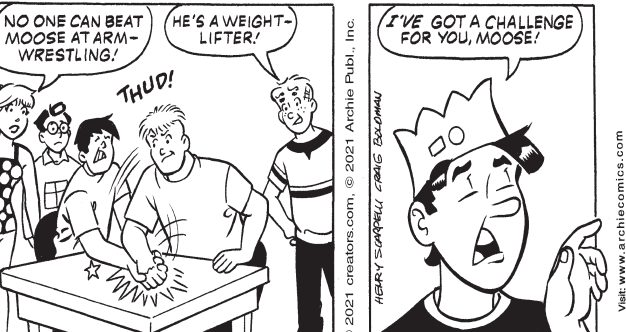
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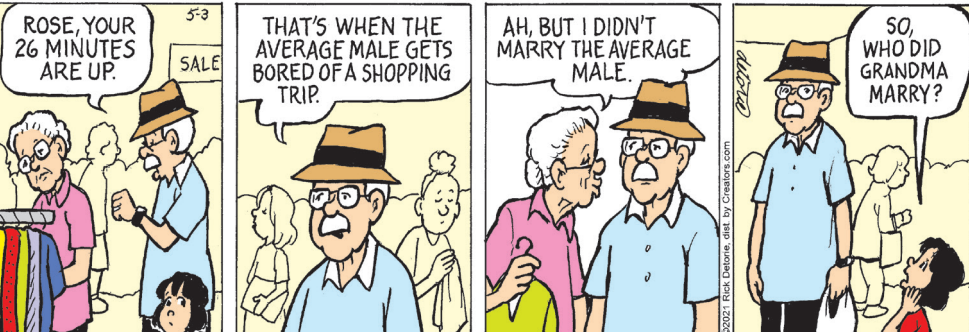
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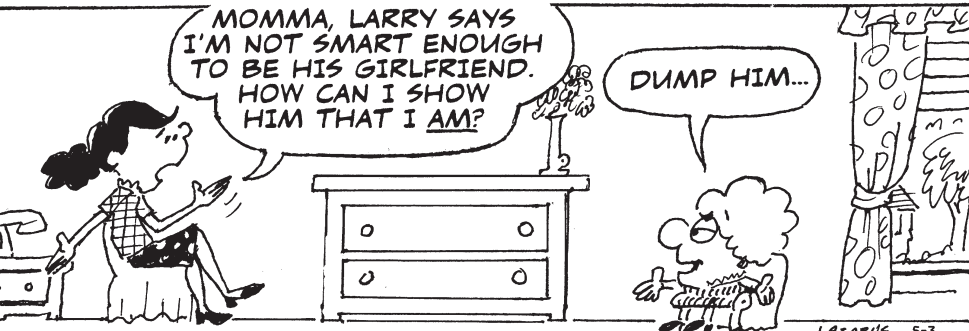
ONE BIG HAPPY



THE BARN



MOMMA



Choose and Commit

Dear Annie: I'm so confused, and I don't know what to do. I have been married for four months, and I truly love my husband and believe that he loves me.

and anger. By setting him free, you will set yourself free, too.

On the other hand, if you cannot truly forgive him, you have to break up with him, as living in an ungrateful and angry state will only cause a further divide in your relationship.

quiet? -- Heartbroken

Dear Heartbroken: I understand your shock and hurt. You have to tell your son about this. Your oldest grandson should not be anywhere near children, includ-

ing his younger brother. Since you helped raise him, reach out to him and make sure that he is in treatment and has a great psychiatrist.

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Dear Need

Answers: The best way to stop agonizing over this is to make a decision and stick with it, no matter what. You could choose to stay with him if you truly believe that he has changed. If so, you must forgive him and put the past in the past -- for good. The worst type of suffering we inflict on ourselves is living with resentment

You have the power to move on either way. You just have to choose.

Dear Annie: My son has been married twice and has a son from each marriage. The sons are 25 years apart. The older one is married and lives in another state. He does not stay in touch with family here as he should, so I decided to do a search online for him. I was shocked!

He is listed as a child sex offender! My son's younger son just turned 5, and I worry because my son keeps saying he wants to visit his oldest so the brothers can bond. I am also heartbroken, since I helped raise my oldest grandson and he was a very sweet child. Should I tell my son or keep

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Sharp point on a farm fence
 - 5 Football officials, for short
 - 9 Bottom of a shoe
 - 13 Attempt to get
 - 14 Elongated circle
 - 15 Sound of a dull impact
 - 16 San Antonio shrine to "remember"
 - 17 Star Wars princess
 - 18 Pressed a doorbell
 - 19 Red ice-cream flavor
 - 21 Strong craving
 - 22 Gender
 - 23 Game show hosts
 - 25 Overtakes on the road
 - 29 West Point student
 - 31 "A likely story!"
 - 32 Tightly stretched
 - 34 Deadens with anesthetic
 - 38 In the vicinity
 - 39 Piece of bacon
 - 41 Very uncommon
 - 42 Brass or bronze
 - 44 Tiny amount
 - 45 A Great Lake
 - 46 Untrue
 - 48 Sofa-leg wheel
 - 50 Group of pro sports teams
 - 53 Football great Marino
 - 54 Curved doorway
 - 55 Make more durable
 - 62 Wizard of Oz dog
 - 63 Easier said ___ done
 - 64 Scarlett of Gone With the Wind

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- 9 Office buildings or bridges
- 10 Chicago airport
- 11 Fencing thrust
- 12 Knives' sharp parts
- 13 Auto fuel
- 20 "Personal" top scores
- 24 Fellows
- 25 ___ colada cocktail
- 26 Eve's second son
- 27 Emblem "of approval"
- 28 Well-fortified fort
- 29 Unusual knickknack
- 30 Take a crack ___ (make an attempt)
- 33 24-hr. cash sources
- 35 Retail shop
- 36 Soft French cheese
- 37 Fortune-teller
- 40 Nut in Southern pies
- 43 "I'll leave it up to ___"
- 47 Tried out
- 49 Fine wool fabric
- 50 Vatican language
- 51 Wear away
- 52 Performer in a play
- 53 Thickly packed
- 56 "Wherefore art ___ Romeo?"
- 57 Military level of authority
- 58 At that time
- 59 Sentry's "Stop!" order
- 60 Historical periods
- 61 Roll-call "no" vote

Answer to previous puzzle

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