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In Memphis, across US, economic averages miss big picture

The Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tennessee — Dozens of FedEx jets queue up for takeoff at the airport here. Beale Street, the heart of the music district, hums with tourists. Yet the empty storefronts in Memphis' moribund downtown and the cash-advance shops strewn near its highways tell another story.

It's a tale of two cities, all in one place. And it's a tale of two Americas: the one that national averages indicate has all but recovered from the Great Recession and the one lost in the statistics.

The pattern is evident in cities and towns across America, from Memphis to Colorado Springs, Colorado, from Wichita to Jacksonville: The national numbers aren't capturing the experience of many typical people in typi-

cal communities.

A key reason is that pay and wealth are flowing disproportionately to the rich, skewing the data used to measure economic health — and producing an economy on paper that most Americans don't recognize in their own lives. That disconnect has fueled much of the frustration and anxiety that have propelled the insurgent presidential campaigns of Donald Trump and Bernie

Sanders.

Again and again, primary voters who were most worried about the economy told pollsters that they had cast their ballots for Trump or Sanders, according to Edison Research, which conducted the surveys on behalf of The Associated Press and television networks.

Trump's candidacy, in particular, has been driven by support in some of the most

economically distressed regions in the country, where jobs have been automated, eliminated, or moved to other states and countries. It's in these places that the outsider message of an unconventional candidate promising a return to the way things used to be resonates most.

Mike Williams voted for Trump in Tennessee's March

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Look to the stars

State park site for stargazing party Saturday evening

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Come sunshine, or even a little bit of cloud cover, the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club of Midland will be atop of the Big Spring State Park Saturday evening for its annual Stargazing party.

"We've been doing this for about 25 years," said Ron Alton, Big Spring State Park manager. "The guys and gals of the West Texas Astronomy Club and I have a policy. Even if there is half cloud cover in the sky, they hoof it over because sure enough the cover clears up in time. You can just bank on it."

The annual event allows those who enjoy staring at the stars as a hobby or who just want a quick peek a chance to learn a little more about the heavens. The club will set up 10 large telescopes on the top of the state park for the public. Some of the heavenly bodies that should be in good position to view Saturday night are Jupiter and four of its moons, Mars, Saturn, the Hercules Star Cluster known by its scientific

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Water, water everywhere



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

People wanting to enjoy Comanche Trail Lake have a lot more lake to enjoy, thanks to recent heavy rains. Storm systems that plowed through west Texas in late May have resulted in increased lake levels across the area.

Want to make a difference for a child? CASA to host luncheon Monday for prospective volunteers

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

If you want to help kids who really need your help, CASA has a job for you.

CASA — Court Appointed Special Advocates — will hold its next Lunch and Learn program from noon until 1 p.m. Monday at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce building at 215 W. Third St. The program is for

anyone interested in learning what the organization does and how they can join.

When a child is removed from their home and placed in foster care, a judge will appoint a CASA volunteer to advocate for that child's best interests. But the responsibilities only start there, said CASA official Sherrie Chevalier.

"The CASA volunteer will get to

know the child — check on how they're doing at school, make sure their medical needs are being taken care of, see that their other needs are being met — as they're going through the court process," Chevalier said. "Basically, you take care of the child and ensure there's at least one stable person in their world as they're going

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Ryan plan stresses border control, immigration

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Paul Ryan is proposing to secure U.S. borders by overhauling the immigration system and installing robust defenses to keep out extremists, criminals and drug cartels.

The plan is part of a national

security strategy the Wisconsin Republican intended to outline on Thursday. It's a key plank in a broader policy blueprint he is crafting that seeks to unite Republicans amid the frequent distractions triggered by Donald Trump's unconventional presidential campaign.

The focus on immigration

and border protection tracks with one of the cornerstones of Trump's platform. Ryan calls for the use of "high fencing" along border areas, but steers clear of the billionaire candidate's signature issue: building a wall to keep people from ille-

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Obituaries

Wilbur Paul Cunningham



Wilbur Paul Cunningham, 79, was born July 11, 1936, in Big Spring, Texas, and died June 6, 2016, in Lubbock, surrounded by his loving wife and family.

Friends will be received from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring, Friday, June 10. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, Saturday, June 11.

Wilbur graduated from Big Spring High School in 1954 and entered Howard County Junior College where he played on the golf team. Wilbur continued his education at the University of Texas in Austin where he was an active member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. After graduating with a bachelor of science in education degree in 1961, Wilbur began a 36-year teaching career in Big Spring ISD as a sixth grade teacher, high school math teacher, and golf coach. As a teacher, coach, and mentor, Wilbur influenced thousands of students over his illustrious career. He helped to shape the future of many young men and women as he taught them math skills as well as life skills. Wilbur will be remembered as a hard-working individual who was dedicated to being a positive influence on those around him.

Wilbur enlisted in the Army National Guard in February 1959, and was called into active duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was honorably discharged from the Army National Guard in 1962.

On Nov. 21, 1964, Wilbur married the love of his life, Donnita White Cunningham. The two were inseparable for 51 years, and enjoyed life as teach-

ers, friends, and mates. They built many special memories with friends and family, and life was always wonderful as long as the two of them were together. On Aug. 19, 1986, they adopted their only child, Weldon Dale Cunningham.

In retirement, Wilbur was active in the Mobile Meals program, where he delivered meals to those less fortunate than himself. He was a Silver Life Master bridge player who loved to play bridge with his treasured friends at the Big Spring Bridge Club. He also enjoyed years of competing in bridge tournaments with his brothers, Grover Jr. and Joe Bruce; his wife; and his special friends, Carlos and Willene Humphrey. In recent years, he enjoyed having breakfast on Wednesdays at Dell's Café with a group of high school friends—Doyle Maynard, Paschal Odom, and Joe Dawes.

In addition to his parents, Wilbur was preceded in death by his twin brother, Weldon Elliott Cunningham; his two older brothers, Grover Bennett Cunningham Jr. and Joe Bruce Cunningham; and his niece, Carol Noble.

Survivors include his wife, Donnita; son Dale; nieces Cherri Collins, Linda Vigness and husband Richard, and Susan Morris and husband John; nephew Robert Bruce and wife Patti; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to local charities such as: Mobile Meals, P.O. Box 765, Big Spring, Texas, 79721; Big Spring Symphony, 808 Scurry Street, Big Spring, Texas, 79720; or the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry Street, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Juan T. Moreno



Juan T. Moreno, 86, of Big Spring died Monday, June 6, 2016, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

A vigil will be held Friday, June 9, 2016, at 7 p.m. at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Saturday, June 10, 2016, at 11 a.m. at Myers and Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 24, 1929,

to Maria (Torres) and Benjamin Moreno in Big Spring. He married Maria Elena Gonzalez April 21, 1958, in Big Spring; she preceded him in death Feb. 17, 1998. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring.

He worked for the Big Spring Country Club as

greens keeper for more than 50 years, retiring in 2016.

Juan is survived by four sons, Luis Moreno of Big Spring, Juan Moreno Jr. of Dallas, Ernesto Moreno and wife Sonya of Dallas, and Hector Moreno of Houston; five daughters, Yolanda Meek and husband Ray of Midland, Grace Moreno of Dallas, Irma Holloway and husband Brandon of Mesquite, and Leticia Medrano and Juanita Rivas, both of Mexico; 22 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren; one son-in-law, Richard Pineda Sr.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by three daughters, Marie Pineda, Ramona Moreno, and Janie Moreno; one son, Sammy Moreno; two brothers, Hijinio Moreno and Pascual Moreno; and one sister, Cesaria Moreno.

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

Pio S. Bustamante



Pio S. Bustamante, 82, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

The family will receive friends Thursday, June 9, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

A vigil service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 10, 2016, at Myers and Smith Chapel, with services immediately following. Burial

will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born July 11, 1933, to Vicenta (Sosa) and Vicente H. Bustamante in Adobe, Texas. He was a Catholic.

Pio is survived by one brother, Francisco Bustamante; and a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by eight brothers, Severino, Pablo, Lino, Pedro, Julian, Reymundo, Elias, and Vicente Bustamante; two sisters, Manuela Perez and Euseyia Guerrero.

Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Police, Sheriff, Fire & EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MITCHELL ALAN DUSH**, 38, of 3600 Hamilton St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

- **KRISTIE NICHOLE GARZA**, 26, of 1202 E. 15th St. was arrested on a charge of evading arrest or detention.

- **ANGELICA RAQUEL MOJICA**, 17, of 1207 Sycamore St. was arrested on charges of assault/family violence and consumption of alcohol by a minor.

- **SAMUEL GALINDO**, 49, of 807 East St. in Eldorado, Texas, was arrested on a charge of theft of service (less than \$100).

- **NANCY RANDO TAYLOR**, 51, of 1613 Harding was arrested on a warrant for driving with an invalid license, and on other outstanding warrants.

- **STEVEN CORBETT AVARY**, 25, of 1600 Wickersham in Austin was arrested on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

- **SAVANNAH HOOPER**, 24, of 2505 Fontana

in Odessa was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

- **JIMMY GERARD RICARDO MCNUTT**, 26, of 1303 Marijo Rd. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **CHRISTOPHER SCOTT HOLMES**, 43, of 1523 E. 17th St. was arrested on charges of displaying a fictitious license plate and driving with a suspended license.

- **MARCOS CHAVE-RA JR.**, 31, of 3914 Parkway Dr. was arrested on outstanding warrants.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of Stadium Avenue.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of West FM 700.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson Road and the 800 block of East 14th Street.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1300 block of East Fourth Street.

- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1000 block of East Fourth Street.

- **DISTURBANCE**

was reported in the 1800 block of South Gregg Street.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report.

- **STEVEN CORBETT AVARY**, 25, was booked by BSPD on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

- **PHILLIP WAYNE BEBEE**, 44, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).

- **MARCOS CHAVE-RA JR.**, 31, was booked by HCSO on warrants for defective stop lamp

and failure to display driver's license.

- **MITCHELL ALAN DUSH**, 38, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear.

- **SAMUEL MEAYA GALINDO JR.**, 49, was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft (less than \$100).

- **KRISTIE NICHOLE GARZA**, 26, was booked by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest or detention.

- **CHRISTOPHER HOLMES**, 43, was booked by HCSO on charges of displaying a fictitious license plate and driving with a suspended license.

- **SAVANNAH FAITH HOOPER**, 24, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for violation

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Weldon Bryant Daniels

Weldon Bryant Daniels, 52, of Big Spring died Tuesday, June 7, 2016, in a local hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Fri 6/10	Sat 6/11	Sun 6/12	Mon 6/13	Tue 6/14
93/67 Morning clouds will give way to sunshine for the afternoon. High 93F. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph.	90/68 A few t-storms possible. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	93/69 A few clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	96/71 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	100/70 Mainly sunny. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:53 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:53 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:53 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:54 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	91	68	Sunny	Kingsville	89	71	P Cloudy
Amarillo	91	64	P Cloudy	Livingston	91	71	Sunny
Austin	90	70	Sunny	Longview	93	69	Sunny
Beaumont	90	73	M Sunny	Lubbock	93	68	M Sunny
Brownsville	88	74	Sunny	Lufkin	91	68	Sunny
Brownwood	89	67	Sunny	Midland	99	71	Sunny
Corpus Christi	86	74	P Cloudy	Raymondville	91	74	Sunny
Corsicana	92	70	Sunny	Rosenberg	89	72	Sunny
Dallas	93	70	Sunny	San Antonio	91	71	Sunny
Del Rio	95	73	M Cloudy	San Marcos	89	69	Sunny
El Paso	100	75	P Cloudy	Sulphur Springs	92	70	Sunny
Fort Stockton	98	68	Sunny	Sweetwater	91	68	Sunny
Gainesville	89	68	Sunny	Tyler	92	69	Sunny
Greenville	91	69	Sunny	Weatherford	91	68	Sunny
Houston	90	73	P Cloudy	Wichita Falls	92	71	M Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	88	63	M Sunny	Miami	86	77	Cloudy
Boston	68	52	P Cloudy	Minneapolis	86	69	Cloudy
Chicago	80	70	Cloudy	New York	74	56	Sunny
Dallas	93	70	Sunny	Phoenix	105	81	P Cloudy
Denver	91	62	Sunny	San Francisco	60	52	Cloudy
Houston	90	73	P Cloudy	Seattle	65	51	Cloudy
Los Angeles	79	62	Cloudy	Saint Louis	91	68	Sunny

Moon Phases

First Jun 12	Full Jun 20	Last Jun 27	New Jul 4
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UV Index

Fri 6/10	Sat 6/11	Sun 6/12	Mon 6/13	Tue 6/14
11	10	11	11	11
Extreme	Very High	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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of probation for theft of property.

- **JIMMY GERARD-RICARD MCNUTT**, 26, was booked by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ANGELICA REQUAL MOJICA**, 17, was booked by BSPD on charges of assault/family violence and consumption of alcohol by a minor.

- **NANCY RANDO TAYLOR**, 51, was booked by BSPD on outstanding warrants.

- **ALONZO VASQUEZ**, 35, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300

block of Veteran's Boulevard. One person was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Drexel.

- **TRAUMA CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Harding. One person was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Bell. One person was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAUMA CALL** was reported in the 900 block of South Gregg Street.

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ECONOMY

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primary, which the billionaire won easily. To many, it would seem that Williams is doing pretty well — he earns \$22 an hour as a maintenance worker at an Owens-Corning factory, along with health care and retirement benefits. But his hourly pay has only recently returned to where it was a decade ago, when he worked as a welder.

“I feel like I’m going backward rather than forward,” Williams, 51, said on a recent afternoon after finishing his shift.

One reason he backed Trump, he said, is that he feels less secure than in the past, when more

manufacturing work was available.

“I remember when you could quit a job today and go to work somewhere else tomorrow,” Williams said.

The depth of that kind of insecurity after seven years of national economic expansion has caught many observers off guard.

“The political reaction to the economy leads me to wonder if we’re looking at the wrong things,” said Carl Tannenbaum, chief economist at Northern Trust and former economist at the Federal Reserve. “The averages certainly don’t tell the whole story.”

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Consider incomes for the average U.S. household. They ticked up 0.7 percent from 2008 to

2014, after taking inflation into account. But even that scant increase reflected mainly the rise in income for the richest tenth of households, which pulled up the average. For most others, incomes actually decreased — as much as 6 percent for the bottom 20 percent, at a time when the economy was mostly recovering.

Or consider employment. The U.S. economy has added a healthy average of roughly 200,000 jobs a month since 2011. Yet most have been either high-paying or low-paying positions. By the end of 2015, the nation still had fewer middle-income jobs than it did before the recession, according to the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce.

That reflects what economists call the “hollowing out” of the workforce, as traditional mid-level positions such as office administrators, bookkeepers, and factory assembly-line workers are cut in recessions and never fully recover their previous levels of employment.

Part-time jobs surged in the recession, too, and remained high in the recovery, even while full-time work was slower to return.

The number of full-time jobs has risen just 1.3 percent since December 2007, when the recession officially began. Part-time positions are up more than 12 percent.

In Memphis, hiring resumed after the recession and the unemployment rate has dropped

to match the national figure of 5 percent. But jobs in low-paying industries, such as retail, restaurants and hotels, are the only category to have fully recovered from the recession, according to Moody’s Analytics. Higher- and middle-paying jobs still trail their pre-recession levels.

In Millington, a Memphis suburb where Trump held a rally in February at a military airfield, residents complain that most of the available jobs are in the fast-food chains that dot Highway 51, the main thoroughfare.

The rebound from the recession has been felt in vastly different ways not only by income levels but across geographic lines. Areas like Las Vegas that still

bear deep scars from the housing crisis have lagged behind the nation’s recovery. So have cities like Memphis that need robust consumer spending to fuel growth at the shipping and logistics firms.

By contrast, cities like Seattle, Denver and Austin, Texas, with heavy concentrations of information technology, management consulting or other highly paid services, have enjoyed a disproportionate share of the job and income growth.

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Edward Orlando Ramirez, 54, died Saturday. A prayer service will be tonight at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Friday at 2:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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CASA

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through all this.”

While the responsibility may sound overwhelming, Chevalier assures potential volunteers that’s not the case.

“It’s not really that intense,” she said.

“Most of my volunteers work about five hours a month, and on the months where they don’t have court, it’s even less than that.”

As has been the case for the past few years, CASA is experiencing a shortage of volunteers.

“In 2015, there were 124 confirmed victims of child abuse in Howard

County, and 136 children in foster care,” Chevalier said. “In 2015, we served 372 children in our seven-county area, but we were not able to serve 105 children because we did not have enough volunteers.”

And the need for volunteers is only going to increase, at least in the near future — Cheva-

lier said the Big Spring CASA office has experienced a sharp increase in case referrals.

“We need at least 20 more volunteers in Big Spring in order to serve all the children,” she said.

Lunch will be provided during Monday’s meeting.

The next volunteer

training date is Saturday. Volunteers, who need to complete an application before registering for training, must be at least 21 years old and be able to pass a criminal history and background check, and commit at least one year to the program.

For more information, contact the Big Spring CASA office at (432) 263-4162.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235.

STARS

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name M13 and the Beehive Cluster or M44. Possible galaxies that may be in view are M81, M82, M104 and M51.

During the party, a video will be presented by Charles Hermann on the night sky.

“It’s a passion of the West Texas Astronomy Club,” Alton said.

“It’s the time of year where you can see a lot of things and of course they’re staying up to the wee hours of the morning and that’s when things come into view for sure. Some years Saturn doesn’t come into view, but to me, that is one of the most impressive ones. Then there’s Jupiter with four of its moons. They are both fun ones to look at so I am excited that both Saturn and Jupiter will

be out.”

On average, the annual Star Gazing party draws about 200 to 250 people, Alton said and advised groups should consider carpooling since parking is limited at the top of the park.

The event begins at 8:30 p.m. Bringing a flashlight is recommended, Alton said.

“We are expecting to see the International Space Station fly over about 10:31 p.m. to the

north,” Alton said. “It’s quite neat. It looks like a bright comet/asteroid zipping by earth.”

The National Weather Service in Midland currently predicts a partly cloudy Saturday night with lows in the 70s. If the event is canceled because of weather, the make up date will be July 9.

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RYAN

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gally entering the United States from Mexico.

Trump also has proposed banning all Muslims from entering the country, which Ryan has rejected.

“America must secure the border once and for all by accelerating the deployment of fencing, technology, air assets and personnel,” Ryan’s strategy reads. “We also must overhaul our immigration system for national security reasons.”

Ryan said the U.S. has repeatedly failed to eliminate serious vulnerabilities in the immigration system, citing the inability to verify comprehensively whether visitors to the U.S. actually leave when their visas expire.

The plan also hammers President Barack

Obama for what Ryan and other Republicans have said is a failed foreign policy. He listed Obama’s refusal to enforce “its red line in Syria” and the international nuclear deal with Iran among the examples.

Ryan outlines in broad strokes a series of measures for defeating the Islamic State group and other extremists. He advocates relying on “local forces” in Iraq and Syria to defeat militants, but indicates Republicans must be prepared to deploy U.S. troops if necessary.

“We cannot take options off the table, because doing so telegraphs weakness to our enemies and emboldens them,” he said.

Ryan’s policy blueprint is aimed at defining what Republicans are for, not just what they are against.

In a video posted last week, he made an appeal to frustrated Republican

voters who are supporting Trump, the party’s presumptive nominee.

“We can get angry and we can stay angry or we could channel that anger into action,” Ryan said in the video.

The few specifics Trump has offered on defense and foreign policy issues have rattled Republicans and unnerved U.S. allies. The billionaire candidate has pledged, if elected, to bring back the use of waterboarding — it causes the sensation of drowning — and worse against captured militants. Congress has outlawed waterboarding along with other so-called enhanced interrogation techniques.

Trump also said he would order the military to kill family members of extremists who threaten the U.S., a position he has since retreated from after being heavily criticized.



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DAILY PRAYER

May we perform an unpublicized act of kindness, Lord, and show Your love to each other. Amen.

Hillary meets the press servants

The most obvious sign of liberal media favoritism is that liberal candidates can avoid press conferences for months at a time, and the media don't complain. After the U.S. consulate in Benghazi was attacked in 2012, the media hammered Mitt Romney at a press conference for daring to criticize President Obama, and then supinely allowed Obama to avoid a press conference. He merely made a statement in the White House Rose Garden to express his sympathies, and then jetted off to a fundraiser in Las Vegas.

Last week, Donald Trump was accused of having a horrific and almost undemocratic attitude toward the press after a contentious press conference. Hillary Clinton avoided a press conference for six months, and the press, like a gaggle of housebroken pets, didn't really care.

On June 6, former "Meet the Press" host David Gregory made excuses for her on CNN: "I think she would much rather give the spotlight of negative publicity to Donald Trump, who's doing an excellent job occupying that spotlight. She'll take the hit." As if anyone in the liberal media were hitting Clinton.

He added: "But I don't think she wants to face a series of questions and follow-up questions on the I.G. report," — on her email server — "on the Clinton Foundation donations and the kind of unscripted nature of a press conference. She'll face those questions in the interviews that she's doing, but I think for her it feels like a more controlled environment."

But Gregory is giving his media colleagues way too much

credit. Hours before, Clinton decided to allow her media servants to address her during an impromptu stop at a community center in Compton, California, and there weren't any "unscripted" questions about her scandalous behavior. These were the questions, brief and obsequious: — "You're on the cusp of being the first female nominee of a major party. What does that mean to you, and how are you reflecting on that?"

— "No matter what happens tomorrow, Bernie Sanders has said the convention in Philadelphia will be contested. Do you think there's anything you can do to change that at this point?"



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— "Is it setting in that you might be making some serious big-time history here tomorrow?"

— "Some prominent Democrats have come out saying we maybe need to re-evaluate the superdelegate system more broadly. Irrespective of what happens in this primary, do you support looking into that and, perhaps, getting rid of that?"

— "Do you think Sen. Sanders should concede as you did in

2008?" — "What role would you like the president to play in your campaign?"

— "Do you expect the president's endorsement as soon as this week?" As if that was doubtful!

But the Clinton-coddling prize goes to NPR reporter Tamara Keith, who uncorked this beauty: "Last night when you took stage in Sacramento, there was a woman standing next to me who was absolutely sobbing. And, she said, 'You know, it's time. It's past time.' You see the women, you see people here. And people just come up to you and they get tears in their eyes. Do you feel the weight of what this means for people?"

The only real question here is whether Keith was describing herself. That wasn't a journalist's question. Clinton gave a boilerplate response about how special it is to give girls the knowledge that they, too, could be president someday.

The reporters asked no questions about scandals; they asked no questions about policy. They only chatted with Clinton about the horse race and her sobbing superfans.

This is the same press corps that yells at Trump, "It seems as though you're resistant to scrutiny, the kind of scrutiny that comes with running for President of the United States?"

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NBC News vs. The Donald

You can't read every email that drops into your inbox. There are just too many. So publicists have learned how to attract attention.

On Monday morning, the following press release appeared in my inbox with a ping. It was not made up. It was not spam. It was from MSNBC, and it announced the results of a major investigation by NBC News.

It was headlined "NBC News Report: 'Donald Trump Does Not Have a Campaign.'"

Which was kind of a surprise. Trump has a campaign plane and campaign rallies and a campaign press corps, so why doesn't he have a campaign?

It's like owning a Rolls-Royce and never driving it.

The press release began, "According to a new Decision 2016 NBC News report headlined 'Donald Trump does not have a campaign,' Donald Trump is a candidate without a campaign — and it's becoming a serious problem."

(The press release could just as easily have begun by stating that "NBC News does not have a person who knows how to write press releases," but I don't want to be snarky.)

The report says: "Republicans working to elect Trump describe a bare-bones effort debilitated by infighting, a lack of staff to carry out basic functions, minimal coordination with allies and a message that's prisoner to Trump's momentary whims.

"Bottom line, you can hire all the top people in the world, but to what end? Trump does what he wants," a source close to the campaign said.

I know it is shocking to have a candidate who "does what he wants," but the alternative is to

have dimwit staff members doing what they want.

True, Trump presents serious problems as a candidate. He's a bigot. He does not understand world affairs. And he does not understand domestic affairs.

But that is not the problem, according to his staff. The problem is that Trump has "a message that's prisoner to Trump's momentary whims" instead of being prisoner to his staff's momentary whims.

That raises a question: If Trump is such a bad campaigner and "does not have a campaign," how has he done so well?

Trump locked up the Republican nomination in late May, while Hillary Clinton — who has a staff the size of Sacramento — was still struggling to lock up her nomination.

The NBC News report also severely criticizes Trump's handling of the Trump University scandal.

The report says: "Aides appeared unprepared for the Trump University story last week, despite knowing in advance that unsealed court documents would reveal explosive allegations of fraud. Beyond a short video of former students praising the program that was posted online, the campaign offered scant pushback.

"The absence of a response to the Trump U story left the candidate to fill the vacuum with a torrent of demagoguery against the federal judge overseeing the case, Gonzalo Curiel, who Trump said was biased by his 'Mexican heritage' despite his Indiana birthplace."

But if Trump had a huge staff, could that staff have prevented him from unleashing "a torrent of demagoguery"? Yes — if it wrapped him in a torrent of duct tape.

The report does throw Trump a few bones: "Despite the campaign's sluggish start, Trump supporters stressed that his unique gifts, especially his ability to command media attention via Twitter and cable news, give

him some leeway to bypass ordinary campaign methods. They also are encouraged by polls that show Trump competitive with likely Democratic rival Hillary Clinton and Republican voters largely united despite the bruising primary."

That is another way of saying, "Hey, this guy is a complete fool, but he's awfully good at it."

And in fact, Trump sent out a tweet that shows how deft he is at social media (despite the usual typos): "I am getting bad marks from certain pundits because I have a small campaign staff. But small is good, flexible, save money and number one!"

NBC News thinks Trump should seek other sources of wisdom, including aides from other past campaigns. Remember that terrific Mitt Romney campaign of 2012, for instance?

The report says, "The Romney campaign, for example, helped push coverage of Obama's 'You didn't build that' quote by organizing events with supporters in the business community in swing states around the country."

I see one problem with that analysis, however. The "You didn't build that" attack was exceptionally stupid and ineffective, even by Romney campaign standards.

But do not despair. "The good news for Trump is that it can only get better from here," NBC News concludes.

That's true. All the Trump campaign needs to do is hire a top adviser to answer criticism with erudite, eloquent, articulate and persuasive responses.

Anybody know what Sarah Palin is doing these days?

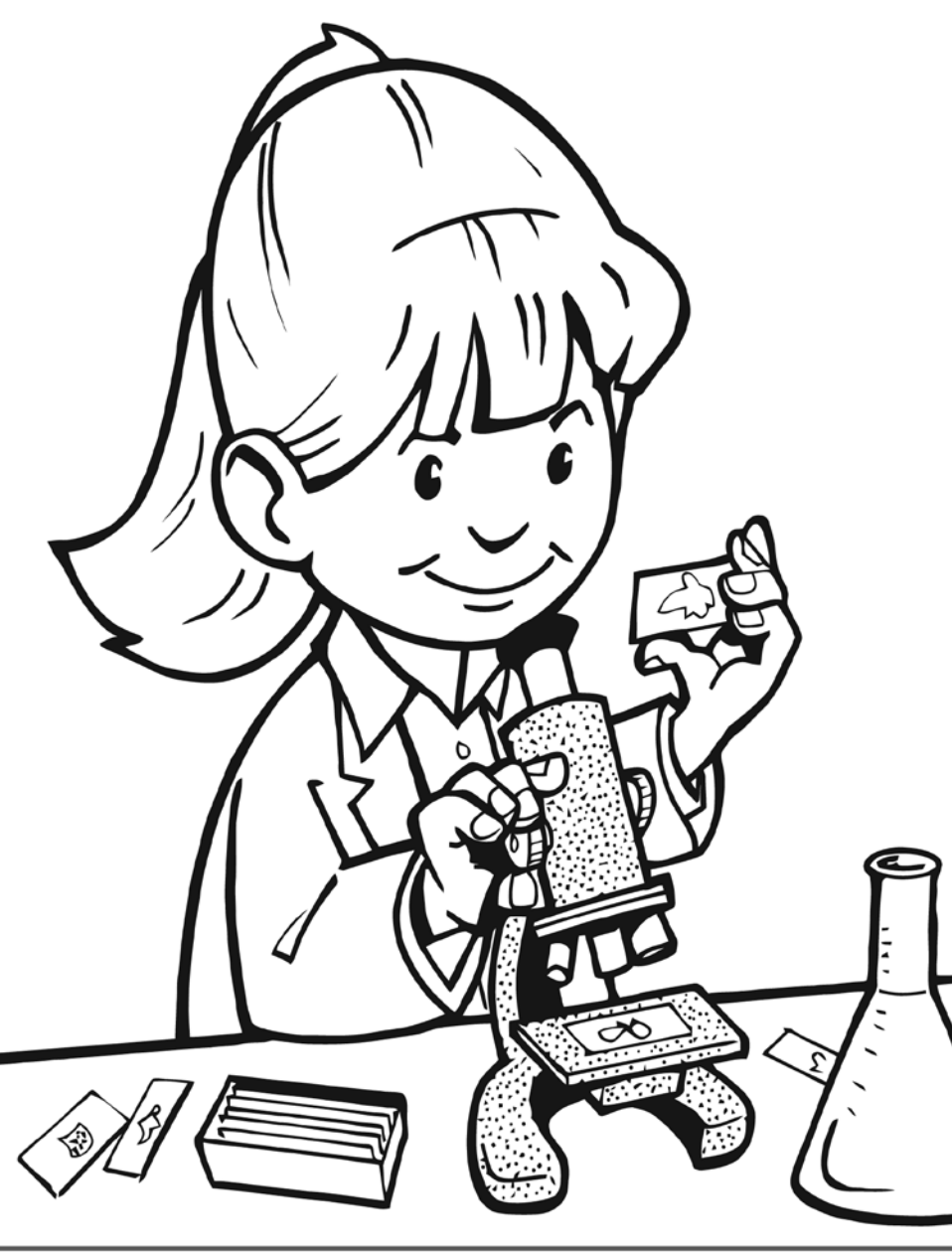
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List 10 words that rhyme with "test."

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3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
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Some answers: best, chest, crest, dressed, guest, jest, nest, pest, rest, west

Name That Tool

Scientists use many tools. Fill in the blanks to name some of them.

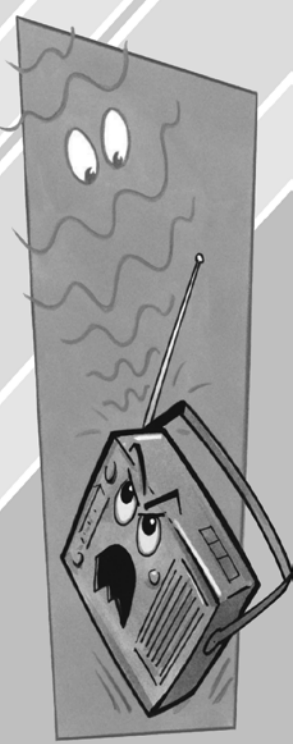
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Answers: 1) Microscope, 2) Thermometer, 3) Test Tube, 4) Scissors, 5) Compass, 6) Scale, 7) Telescope

Jokes

- Q: Why did hydrogen marry carbon?
A: Because they got together.
- Q: What did the receiver say to the radio wave?
A: Ouch! That hurt!



Fact or Fiction? Discovery Challenge

Scientists have made many discoveries. Here are some questions about those discoveries. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) Nicholas Copernicus discovered that the sun is the center of the solar system. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 2) Before Copernicus, people thought the earth was the center of the solar system. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 3) Isaac Newton discovered gravity, the force of attraction. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 4) There is no gravity on earth. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 5) Louis Pasteur's discovery of germs led many doctors to stop washing their hands. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 6) Alexander Fleming discovered a powerful medication known as penicillin. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 7) Wilhelm Rontgen discovered x-ray technology, which allows doctors to see broken bones. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 8) X-rays are only used to see inside the human body. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 9) Jonas Salk discovered a vaccine for a disease called polio. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 10) President Teddy Roosevelt suffered from polio. *Fact or Fiction?*



Answers: 1) Fact, 2) Fact, 3) Fact, 4) Fiction, 5) Fiction, 6) Fact, 7) Fact, 8) Fiction, 9) Fact, 10) Fiction, President Franklin D. Roosevelt suffered from polio

The Scientific Method



Have you ever wondered how scientists make discoveries? They all follow the same general process. It is called the **scientific method**.

There are six steps to the scientific method. First, scientists ask a **question**, like "How can you keep squirrels from eating the seed in the birdfeeder?" Then, they do some **research**. They may watch the squirrels to see how they are getting to the birdfeeder and find out what others have tried to keep squirrels away from their birdfeeders. Next, scientists make a **hypothesis**, or an educated guess, on how to solve the problem. They may reason that the squirrels will stop eating the seed if the birdfeeder is moved out of their reach.

Scientists must do some **experiments** to see if the hypothesis is right. They may move the birdfeeder to different places and measure how much seed the squirrels eat. When the experiments are done, scientists can do an **analysis** of the results. If the squirrels ate less seed, scientists can make the **conclusion** their hypothesis was right and look at their data to determine the best place for the birdfeeder. If the squirrels ate the seed no matter where the birdfeeder was placed, scientists can conclude their hypothesis was wrong and look for another solution.

It might not be where the birdfeeder is placed but what is inside it that is causing the problem. Switching to seed squirrels do not like may solve the problem. To know for sure, you'll have to try the scientific method.

LeBron, Cavs wallop Warriors in Game 3

By TOM WITHERS

AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND — Crawling on the floor after a loose ball, LeBron James gathered himself and quickly got to his feet.

He stood tall, and so did the Cavaliers.

James had 32 points and 11 rebounds, Kyrie Irving added 30 points and Cleveland, pushed for 48 minutes by a delirious, championship-starved crowd, hammered the Golden State Warriors 120-90 in Game 3 on Wednesday night to pull within 2-1 in the NBA Finals.

On their home floor, where they have been dominant all postseason, the Cavs recovered from a 33-point loss in Game 2 and yanked their season from the brink of disaster following back-to-back blowouts in the Bay Area.

"We finally got back to our game," said James, whose energy from the start electrified 20,000 fans, and most importantly his teammates. "It was a good flow, a collective win."

They Cavs did it without starting forward Kevin Love, with little help from their bench and by keeping Stephen Curry penned in.

The league's MVP was mostly MIA, scoring 19 points — two in the first half — on 6-of-13 shooting. Harrison Barnes scored 18 and Klay Thompson 10 for the Warriors, who had won seven straight over Cleveland — the first two finals games by a combined 48 points — and came back to the birthplace of rock and roll looking to party like they did after winning the title in

The Cavs, though, have made this a series after it appeared the War-

riors were on the fast track to another crown.

James had called it "do or die" for Cleveland.

Done and living.

The Warriors didn't look anything like the team that won a record 73 games during the regular season or the one that overcame a 3-1 deficit in the Western Conference finals.

"We were soft," said coach Steve Kerr. "When you're soft, you get beat on the glass and turn the ball over."

Curry didn't offer any excuses, but the two-time MVP hasn't been himself so far in this series.

"I've got to play 100 times better than that," he said, dismissing any notion he's slowed by injuries. "I'm fine. Not the way we wanted the night to go."

Irving bounced back from two rough games out West, J.R. Smith made five 3-pointers and Tristan Thompson did the dirty work inside, getting 13 rebounds for the Cavs, who improved to 8-0 at home and can even the series with a win in Game 4 on Friday night.

The Cavs hardly missed Love, still suffering from a concussion sustained in Game 2. He wanted to play, but is still in the NBA's concussion protocol and has not yet been cleared to return by league and team doctors.

Coach Tyronn Lue started veteran Richard Jefferson and moved James into Love's power forward spot, giving the Cavs a smaller lineup better equipped to run with the Warriors.

The 35-year-old Jefferson gave the Cavs a huge boost in 33 minutes, scoring nine points with eight rebounds.

Leading by eight at half, Cleveland took control in the third quarter when James and Irving combined on a play that symbolized the Cavs' resurrec-



AP Photo/Ron Schwane

Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James (23) dunks against the Golden State Warriors during the second half of Game 3 of basketball's NBA Finals in Cleveland, Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

tion.

Scrambling on his hands and knees while for a ball near midcourt, James got to his feet and whipped a pass to Irving on the left side. Irving returned a lob to James, who latched high and flushed it with his right hand, a basket that seemed to erase all that went wrong for the Cavs in California.

"I wanted to see something great," Irving said of high pass, which forced James to soar. "It was awesome."

Said James, "I had to go get it."

The Cavs had to get Game 3, and James gathered his teammates in the hallway with some instructions.

"Follow my lead from the beginning!" he screamed. "And do your job!"

The Cavs listened, scoring the game's first nine points and opening a 20-point lead in the first quarter, rattling the Warriors.

"They just punched us right in the mouth," Kerr said.

The Warriors won the opener 15, Game 2 by 33 and then lost by 30. What gives?

"It's the NBA," Kerr said. "This is how it is. As Gregg Popovich used to tell me, the other guys make millions of dollars to play too."

Astros finally beat Rangers, 3-1

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Jose Altuve called his tiebreaking two-run double lucky and Houston Astros manager A.J. Hinch used the term crazy when describing all the games against their in-state AL West rival.

Colby Rasmus talked about a sigh of relief after the Astros finally got a win this season over the Texas Rangers — in their ninth try.

Altuve had the game-winning hit on a hard chopper past third base and down the left-field line in the seventh inning and Houston won another game started by Doug Fister, 3-1 on Wednesday night in a game from which Rangers starter Yu Darvish made an early exit.

"It feels good. It can give some momentum to keep winning games against them," Altuve said.

"These games here, they're crazy. Obviously, we know it can be done now in this ballpark," Hinch said. "So, it's a good win for us. A lot of guys did well, from the first hitter



AP Photo/Tim Sharp

Houston Astros' George Springer (4) is congratulated by Carlos Gomez, center, and other teammates after hitting a solo home run off Texas Rangers pitcher Yu Darvish during the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, June 8, 2016, in Arlington, Texas.

all the way to Will Harris at the end closing the door. It was a good team win. ... But there's no reason to celebrate unless we can start to back it up a little bit more. Certainly, it's such a relief to get a win after a couple of tough losses."

Houston had been 0-8 this season against the Rangers, and had lost 12 straight in

Arlington — matching the club record for most consecutive losses in an opposing ballpark. That changed after Altuve's double off Tom Wilhelmson (2-3).

The Astros wrap up this four-game series Thursday, among 10 games left this season against the Rangers.

Fister (6-3) got his fifth

straight win over his last eight starts — all Astros victories. The right-hander had five strikeouts while allowing one run over six innings.

"For me, I don't really look at it that way," Fister said. "I look at it as we continue to play good baseball as a team and go out here and be consistent."

Will Harris worked the ninth for his second score, and 26th consecutive scoreless appearance. His 26 1-3 consecutive scoreless innings are the longest streak in the majors this season.

George Springer led off the game with his 14th homer. But after he struck out on a 63 mph breaking pitch in the fifth inning, Darvish was shaking his arm and didn't return after finishing the inning in only his third start for the Rangers since Tommy John surgery in March 2015.

The Rangers said Darvish's early exit with the game tied 1-1 was a precaution and that an examination by team physician Dr. Keith Meister revealed no issues.

No clear-cut No. 1 creates intrigue at top of baseball draft

By DENNIS WASZAK Jr.

AP Sports Writer

SECAUCUS, N.J. — The Philadelphia Phillies have lots of options — and uncertainty — at the top of the Major League Baseball draft.

They could go with a smooth-hitting high school outfielder with the No. 1 overall pick Thursday night. Or, a slugging college outfielder. Maybe a big college left-hander. A hard-throwing high school lefty might be the choice.

Less than 24 hours before Commissioner Rob Manfred was set to declare that the Phillies were officially on the clock to lead off the draft, there still was no clear indication of who Philadelphia would take.

The choice might be California prep star Mickey Moniak, who could become the first high school outfielder selected No. 1 since Tampa Bay drafted Delmon Young in 2003. The left-handed hitter has solid power to the gaps and is also an outstanding defensive player.

Mercer outfielder Kyle Lewis, a two-time Southern Conference player of year who hit .395 with 20 HRs and 72 RBIs, could be the pick. Louisville's Corey Ray has been the offensive leader (.319, 15 HRs, 60 RBIs, 44 for 52 in stolen bases) for the Cardinals, who are in the NCAA Tournament's super regionals.

Florida left-hander A.J. Puk, a 6-foot-7, 230-pound fireballer, has only two wins for the Gators, but has the stuff that could make him a future ace. He could become the sixth lefty to be selected No. 1 overall, but the second in three years — joining Brady Aiken (Houston, 2014). Only two college lefties have gone first: Arizona State's Floyd Bannister (Houston, 1976) and Vanderbilt's David Price (Tampa Bay, 2007).

New Jersey high school lefty Jason Groome, who threw a no-hitter with 19 strikeouts this season, was also in the mix.

"There's no pressure," scouting director Johnny Almaraz said earlier this week. "We're doing our job to take the best player with the best ability."

Diddle's camp continues at Howard College



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Above: Howard College women's basketball coach Earl Diddle teaches camp-goers basketball techniques. Right: Boys in grades 4-9 practice their shooting form during a drill at Earl Diddle's basketball camp.



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Tomorrow's Horoscope



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Oppositions and Old Stories

If you find yourself living out dramatic plots during this Mercury/Mars opposition, it will feel like this is a unique tale in which you're the protagonist. But what if you're feeling the same way as everyone who has lived out this story? Is there solace in that? Our pain and pleasure link us to our humanity. Our humanity makes us strong.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll have power over the situation this afternoon. Given the choice, the others will opt for the status quo. If you don't like the status quo, then don't even give them that choice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You will place an order that waits in line with a whole lot of other orders. You're not the priority, and yet you'll move quickly up the queue when you say the magic

words. Those words will have to do with making that person feel better about his job.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When greeted with questionable stimuli, your first response will be not to respond. This will buy you time. And ultimately, never responding will be one respectable way to go.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's something in the way you communicate with your loved ones that cannot be duplicated by any other person. You're special. Know this, and expect your people to keep coming back for what only you can deliver.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Progress doesn't always look like stepping forward. Some steps backward are inevitable in the whole pattern of a journey, and therefore they are to be considered progress as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Chances are that you'll dig your heels in. You're still getting used to where you are. You'll move when you're good

and ready and send the signals that tell people to proceed with caution.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You throw out proposals and ideas, asking the others not to get too attached, which of course makes them all the more interested. You take the pressure off of them and they respond by putting some on you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The affirmations you give yourself will have special power. Touch back on your intention. Rid yourself of any cross-purposing activity or even thought. Once you decide what to do, tell yourself that it's as good as done.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The control freak in your life is just trying to do some good in the best way that he or she knows how. What? Is that control freak you today? Well, who would blame you? The world hasn't been entirely supportive after all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Less trying and more doing -- that's the order of the day. In fact,

anyone who is "trying" will go on your radar as being a potential problem for you down the line, whereas those of pure intention make things happen.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You will benefit from solitude. It will, in fact, fill up your heart and feed your soul. The only trouble is, it's hard to get. If you're thinking about others, it doesn't count as having a moment to yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). "No judging" is usually your policy, so it's interesting when you get put in a position where judgment is your job and the best way of helping those around you. You'll take this responsibility seriously and be quite fair.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 9). The first six weeks of this solar return will have to do with helping someone dear to you. In the end, the benefits of your benevolence will be so much greater than you ever could have imagined, though it will be a long time before this boomerang comes back

to you. A change at work will push you higher in September. Aquarius and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 20, 1, 11 and 15.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Hi, Holiday. My birthday is April 27, 1967. Why do I have such a hard time finding love? Seems like every relationship that I've been in never works out. I was with a Cancer (July 15, 1970) recently, and we had a lot in common, as well as love for one another, but that relationship also failed. Do you see me finding love and being in a committed relationship anytime soon?"

Oh, dear Taurus, you can be a "realist" to a fault! By the logic you've laid out here, anyone who is not currently in a relationship is a failure at relationships. I'm hereby banning you from words like "never" and "fail" and begging you to reframe your love life by looking at the considerable beauty, learning, pleasure and joy your many relationships have brought you. Love is a wonder. You are attrac-

tive and have magnetized fantastic connections.

Accept that as a win. Now you're a winner at love, and you will win even bigger in the future. Hold that attitude for as long as you can. When you can stay in that attitude space, you will have so much love in your life you won't be able to stop smiling.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: It's hard to imagine anyone as colorfully vibrant as Johnny Depp going unseen, but the versatile Gemini actor, who has been the vivid Mad Hatter and swag-gering Jack Sparrow, will become the transparent, titular character in the film adaptation of H.G. Wells' "The Invisible Man." Depp was born when the moon was in Capricorn, the sign of professional challenge and also of business moguls.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 13 years old. My parents have been fighting for as long as I can remember. It's not physical, but it is loud, sarcastic and rude, and they don't seem to notice that it affects me, as well as my older siblings. They fight every night, usually about bills, and it seems to be getting worse.

My father is really hard to get along with, and he is a huge control freak and really cheap with money. My mother is the opposite about money, and she spends a lot. My dad is usually the one who starts the fights.

Neither of them thinks there is a problem, but there is. Even after 20 years of being married, they just can't get along. I don't know what to do, Annie. They won't listen to me, they won't stop

screaming at each other, and every single thing we do as a family ends with them fighting. -- Distressed Daughter

Dear Distressed: Your parents have fallen into a pattern of behavior that has been going on for so long that they no longer realize how detrimental it is to their marriage and to their children. We won't get into the likely reasons for the constant bickering, but we can tell you that in order to change this behavior, they probably need third-party intervention, meaning a counselor or clergyperson. Since they won't listen to you, please enlist the help of a trusted adult -- a grandparent, aunt, uncle or a close family friend. Even your school counselor or a favorite teacher might be able to get through to your parents, so they can recognize how damag-

ing such behavior is for those of you who witness it. And talking to one of these adults will also help you find some emotional support for yourself.

Dear Annie: In the past three years, there have been two deaths in our neighborhood. Both times, I made food for the families. One was a casserole and the other was a full meal, soup to nuts. Neither time was the food acknowledged with a note or a thank-you card. I was taught that you send thank-you cards for food received after a funeral. Is this not a Southern custom? Do I continue giving my time and effort, knowing it will not be appreciated or acknowledged? -- Southern Belle

Dear Belle: Sending thank-you notes for kindnesses after a funeral is not limited to any particu-

lar region. It is expected and proper everywhere. People sometimes think that mourners are exempt from such niceties, but this is what friends are for -- to help write notes to those people who made meals, sent flowers or did other such things. (And no, it doesn't matter how many casseroles one receives or wants. You thank the giver regardless.)

Please don't stop making casseroles. Our only suggestions would be to make sure they can be frozen, and to put them in disposable containers so the family isn't obligated to wash and return the dish. We are certain the food was appreciated, even though the neighbors may have been overwhelmed at the time. On their behalf, we'd like to thank you and all the other thoughtful

people who care enough to reach out to others in times of need.

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By Steve Becker

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♦ Q 7
♥ K Q 3
♦ A 8 7 4 3
♣ 8 6 5

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

SOUTH
♦ A K
♥ A J 10 9 8 7
♦ 9 2
♣ A K 3

The bidding:
1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
6♥

Opening lead — jack of clubs.
There are players on whom the sun consistently shines brightly. Their finesses invariably succeed, and when they need a suit to break favorably, it does. But the rest of us poor mortals have had to learn to live with trying to overcome the bad breaks that seem to continually besiege us.

For example, if you were one of the chosen few, you would have very little trouble making six hearts on

this deal. You'd win the club lead with the king, play the ace and another diamond, win the club return with the ace, lead a trump to the queen and ruff a diamond.

The diamonds would divide 3-3, as expected, and the slam would come marching home. You would play two more rounds of trumps, ending in dummy, and then discard your club loser on one of dummy's good diamonds.

But if you were just a plain ordinary mortal, you couldn't afford to play the hand this way. You'd know that a 3-3 diamond division was decidedly against the odds, and that the slam would be unmakeable if the suit proved to be divided 4-2.

So at trick two you would lead a diamond and play low from dummy. This would enable you to make the slam whether the diamonds broke 3-3 or 4-2.
You'd win the club return, lead a diamond to the ace, ruff a diamond, lead a trump to the queen and ruff another diamond. By this time, dummy's fifth diamond would be a trick, and all you'd have to do is draw trumps, ending in dummy, and discard a club on the eight of diamonds.

Such precautions are necessary if you're merely an ordinary mortal.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

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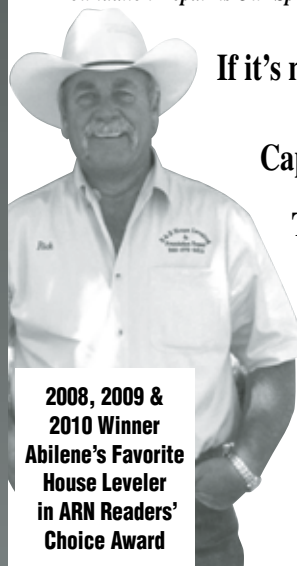
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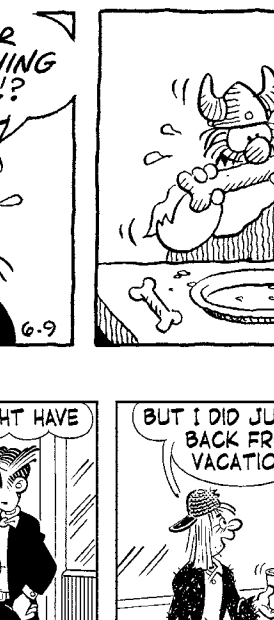
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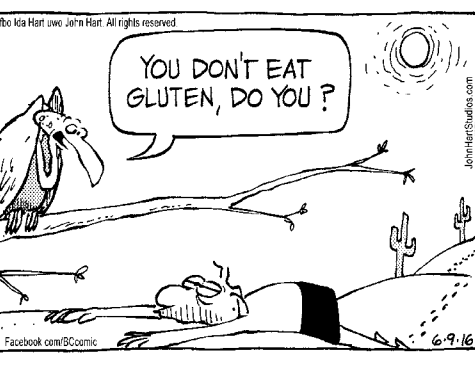
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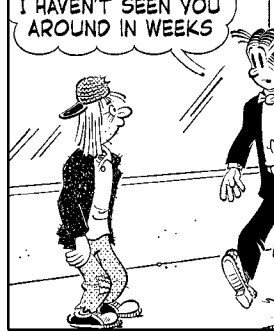
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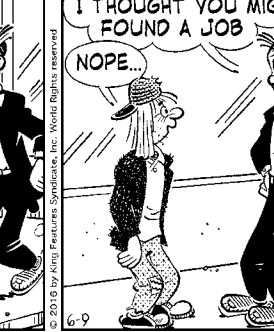
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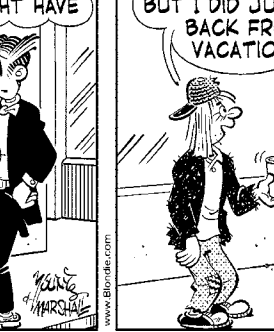
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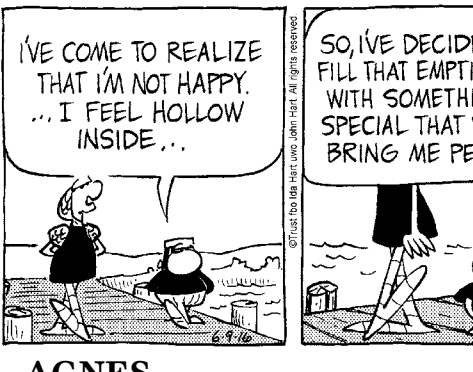
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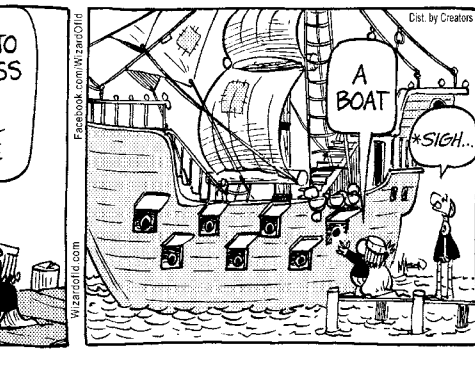
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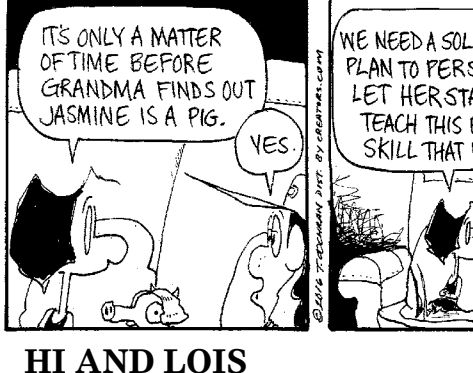
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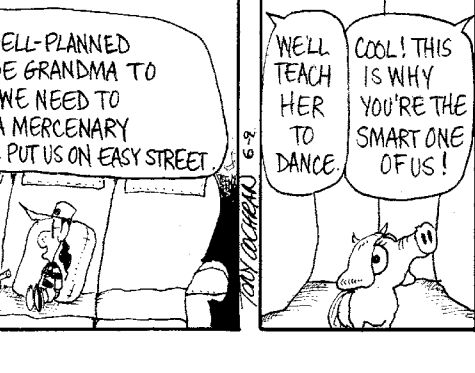
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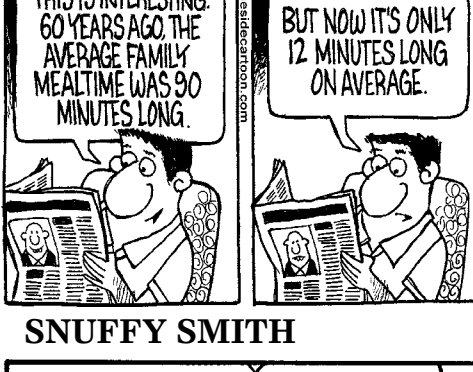
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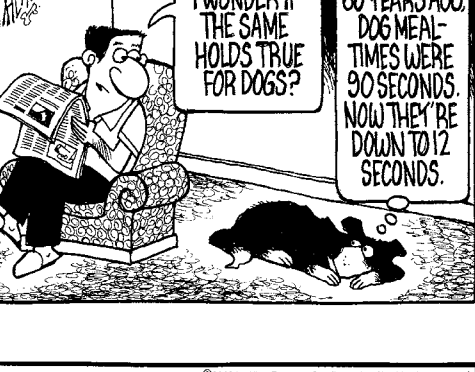
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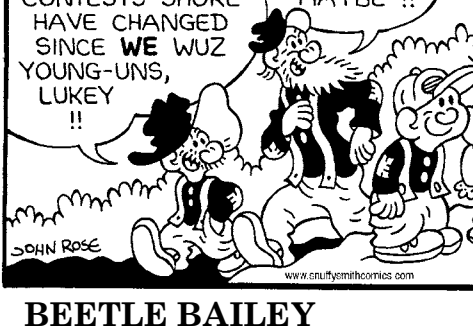
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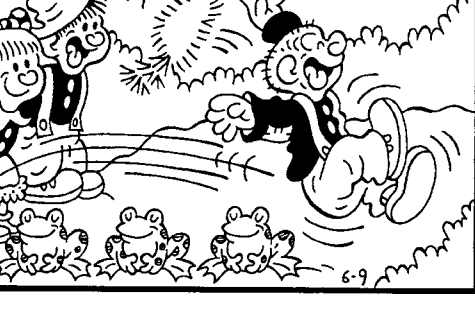
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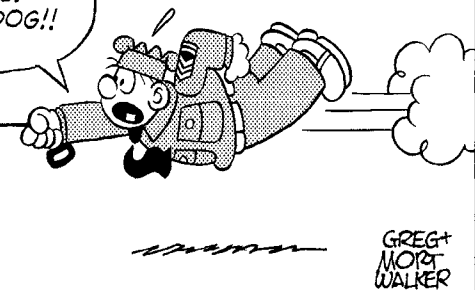
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Parent's Corner

Once read that there are three important requirements for being successful: first, being in the right place at the right time, second, being prepared for the moment, and third, doing something about it.

Success is not an accident, and being in the right place at the right time is really a lesson about persistence. It's a reminder that if we consistently pursue our goals there will be a time when we will be provided an opportunity.

It may not be right now; it may not be today; it may not be tomorrow, but that special moment when opportunity shows itself will happen. It is true that good timing can make all the difference, but what often goes unsaid is that in order to take advantage of such timing one must be prepared for the moment; we must be ready to act, and our determination and focus will guarantee us the successful outcome we so desperately desire.

We can't change most of what goes on around us, but we can decide that we're going to keep on keeping on. At times we may feel lonely and we may think that we've made the wrong decisions. We may even see our friends shaking their head and reminding us that what we're trying to attempt is useless, but we must keep our goals in mind.

If we're not there yet, we

shouldn't think that our goals are impossible. We should just continually remind ourselves that today isn't the right time. Maybe tomorrow is, and that is the most important reason why we should keep trying, because tomorrow might be the day where we find ourselves standing at the right place at the right time.

And when that happens, all of those wrong times and the frustrations we have felt will fade away in the glory of finally figuring it out and knowing that it's all worth it. If we stop doing the right thing before it starts working we have just done the wrong thing. The best way to fail is to quit.

Thomas Edison once said: "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is to always try just one more time."

When we try hard enough and long enough we can't help but end up achieving our goals. Willie Nelson said: "Once you replace negative thoughts with positive ones, you'll start having positive results."

We can't change time; we can't change life, but if we keep doing the things that success demands, and fill our thoughts with positivity, and be prepared to act, then there will come a time when we're going to be in the right place at the right time and accomplish mind-blowing feats of extraordinary success, and that's not just possible, it is inevitable.

Darrell Ryan, BSISD Director of School Safety



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PBUWCD scholarship recipients

Special to the Herald

The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) offers a \$2,000 scholarship essay contest for graduating seniors for each school in our district. The participants were asked to write an essay on the following topic: Texas has devoted a considerable amount of time and attention to

rainwater harvesting and has enacted many laws regulating the practice of collecting rainwater. This water-saving technique can help to conserve the valuable underground water in our aquifers. They were asked to focus on addressing the importance of rainwater harvesting, its benefits, and what the public can do to help.



These children had perfect attendance for the 2015-2016 year at Forsan Elementary School.

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Kelsey Allen leads the Forsan Graduating Class of 2016 through the hallways of the Forsan Elementary School recently amid applause, cheers and high-fives of parents, teachers and students.

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Forsan Elementary student Avery Williams, earned the most Accelerated Reader points at the school by earning 482.5 points.



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