

Former legislator high in praise of late Sen. Clark

One sports historian described the great baseball player Stan Musial as having played the game as it was meant to be played. The historian wrote he would be the odd man out in today's game where often we see players getting ejected or even suspended for arguing or being too aggressive. Not once did he ever argue a call or tactical move. Not only is Stan Musial a legend, he is a true gentleman.

When I first got to Topeka as new state representative in 1994, I got to meet the senators from across the state and got to hear the entire "scoop" about each from legislators, lobbyist, and media. I immediately noticed Stan Clark due to his Dunkard Brethren attire and his friendly Kansas welcome. Having been warned about those nasty western Kansas senators I initially

held his friendship with some degree of skepticism. It was common in the halls of the capitol to hear this or that about each senator. I began to hear a bit about Stan's unusual clothing and that some in the Senate Chamber thought it not to be modern enough. Although everyone agreed it was formal attire it was just a bit different. Since nothing in Topeka is a secret for very long, I am sure he knew about the opinions from time to time but he never compromised himself to conform to the capitol's more modern dress from his faith's formal attire.

Being an urban Johnson County legislator, I found myself in disagreement with some of Stan's, and other western Kansas senators', views on issues such as school tax and school funding. I would become seething with anger when I

thought the Johnson County taxpayers were being raided again for more money to fund rural schools. Ironically, it was Stan who helped me put things in perspective for me. He would explain to me the way initial positions are just that and not to get overly upset about tax or school funding issues on the beginning round of action. He was always honest on how he intended to vote but would emphasize that making law was like making sausage: It would dramatically change appearance before it becomes fully ground up for final delivery.

Stan also demonstrated a trait of being slow to anger. Not all issues go the way he might have preferred but his fight and resolve endured. After such lost battles, there was never a bitter word from his lips regarding senators or representatives

pursuing what they believed to be best for Kansas. His pleasant smile after such rare setbacks was much like that you might see on a farmer's face after a bad crop season. It's the kind of smile and body language that says droughts don't last forever and we will improve farming techniques, despite droughts or floods, to put food on every table.

Like Stan Musial, Senator Stan "the man" Clark was truly an honest broker about his motives and did not take personally the conflicting views/motives of others. I never saw him angry and certainly never heard of any deceptive behavior from him. He never made promises he did not fully intend on keeping. Probably the most unique quality of Stan was the total absence of negative comment. It did not matter if you were conservative, liberal,

moderate, libertarian or even atheist; I believe Stan would pray blessings and wisdom on all of us. He responded to talk in the back halls with patience. He responded to anger with kindness. He responded to alternative political views with genuine friendship for those accepting of the gesture.

I think Kansas has lost a great son and leader in Stan. I say this not because he was an influential Kansas senator, but because he was a good friend. Many of us will never forget the boyish smile he would gladly bestow on us when neither of us had a good reason to smile.

It is indeed rare that you meet someone you could say honestly tried to like everyone he met. For each of us, in our short allotment of time on earth, it is indeed rare to meet a genuine and honest person, and I believe Stan was one that anyone could say was pulling for them to do the right thing and receive full and abundant blessings. When God blesses your life with such ex-

amples, we should thank God for being patient enough and caring enough to show us his love. I will also try to remember how he showed courage to dress and be a bit different from most of us in Topeka and confidently walk down more narrow and steep paths. Like Stan "the man" Musial, Stan Clark's life will always be an example of a true gentleman!

Baseball always has a good ending if you believe the journey is more important than the outcome. Although the current outcome is tough to accept, Stan has started an important new assignment. I can't think of anyone better for the task! Maybe, knowing Stan, he can squeeze in a quick prayer or good word for each of us, even for a grumpy ex-Johnson County politicians like me!!

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Living under the 'Non-Bill of Rights'

The "Non-Bill of Rights" to follow has come to my attention from a number of e-mailers. It is supposedly the creation of a state representative in Georgia. Inasmuch as I can't verify the accuracy of the name used — I won't use the name. I will pass it along as I received it and if it fits your mold, fine, if not, fine. I'm just a clearinghouse for thought. —Tom Dreiling, publisher

Here goes:

√ARTICLE I: You do not have the right to a new car, big screen TV, or any other form of wealth. More power to you if you can legally acquire them, but no one is guaranteeing anything.

√ARTICLE II: You do not have the right to never be offended. This country is based on freedom, and that means freedom for everyone — not just you! You may leave the room, turn the channel, express a different opinion, etc., but the world is full of idiots, and probably always will be.

√ARTICLE III: You do not have the right to be free from harm. If you stick a screwdriver in your eye, learn to be more careful, do not expect the tool manufacturer to make you and all your relatives independently wealthy.

√ARTICLE IV: You do not have the right to free food and housing. Americans are the most charitable people to be found, and will gladly help anyone in need, but we are quickly growing weary of subsidizing generation after generation of professional couch potatoes who achieve nothing more than the creation of another generation of professional couch potatoes.

√ARTICLE V: You do not have the right to free health care. That would be nice, but from the looks of public housing, we're just not interested in public health care.

√ARTICLE VI: You do not have the right to physically harm other people. If you kidnap, rape, intentionally maim, or kill someone, don't be surprised if the rest of us want to see you fry in the electric chair.

√ARTICLE VII: You do not have the right to the possessions of others. If you rob, cheat, or coerce away the goods or services of other citizens, don't be surprised if the rest of us get together and lock you away in a place where you still won't have the right to a big screen color TV or a life of leisure.

√ARTICLE VIII: You do not have the right to a job. All of us sure

want you to have a job, and will gladly help you along in hard times, but we expect you to take advantage of the opportunities of education and vocational training laid before you to make yourself useful.

√ARTICLE IX: You do not have the right to happiness. Being an American means that you have the right to PURSUE happiness, which by the way, is a lot easier if you are unencumbered by an over abundance of idiotic laws created by those of you who were confused by the Bill of Rights.

√ARTICLE X: This is an English speaking country. We don't care where you are from, English is our

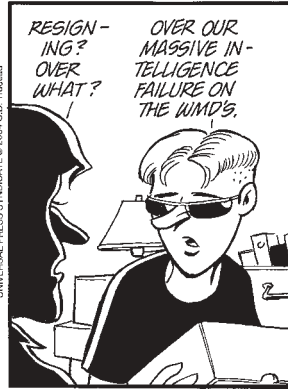
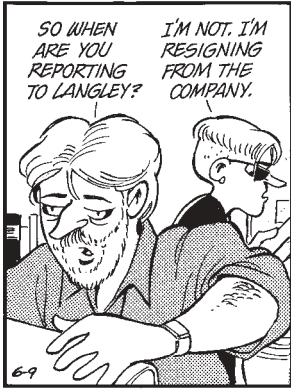
language. Learn it or go back to wherever you came from!

√ARTICLE XI: You do not have the right to change our country's history or heritage. This country was founded on the belief in one true God. And yet, you are given the freedom to believe in any religion, any faith, or no faith at all; with no fear of persecution. The phrase IN GOD WE TRUST is part of our heritage and history, and if you are uncomfortable with it, TOUGH!

So there you have it, the "Non-Bill of Rights." Sounds good, but so do some flavors of ice cream. Feedback to td@nwkansas.com.

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• Gary Trudeau



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WEEKDAYS JUNE 8 - JUNE 14

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	News		Good Morning America				Mak-over	Mak-over	The View		Holly-wood	News	
KSNK/NBC (8) (9)	News Cont'd		Today							Live With Regis and Kelly		Martha Stewart Living	
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News				The Early Show		The 700 Club		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		
K15CG (3)	World News	Yoga	Body Electric	Caillou	Boohbah	Barney-Friends	Dragon Tales	Lions	Sesame Street		Clifford-Red	Teletub-bies	
WGN (13)	Chang-ing	Believer Voice	Celebrity Justice	Hillbil-lies	Hillbil-lies	Happy Days	Matlock		In the Heat of the Night		Rockford Files		
NICK (29)	Oddpar-ents	Rocket Power	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Max & Ruby	Maggie-Beast	Dora the Explorer	Blue's Clues	Dora the Explorer	Blue's Clues	Rugrats	Rugrats	
FAM (30)	Digimon-Digital	Bey-blade	Power Rangers	Digimon-Digital	Growing Pains	Living the Life	The 700 Club		7th Heaven		Full House	Growing Pains	
USA (31)	JAG	Varied	Nash Bridges	Varied	Movie			Varied		Movie		Varied	
TBS (37)	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Movie				Dawson's Creek		Dawson's Creek		Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	
TNT (38)	The Lost World		The Pretender		Charmed		ER		ER		Judging Amy		
DSC (42)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Assignment Discovery		Double Agents		Designer Guys	Designer Guys	Rally Round the House		
A&E (47)	Varied Programs		Movie				Murder, She Wrote		Third Watch		City Confidential		
ESPN (49)	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Sports-Center	Varied	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Varied Programs		
HBO (7)	Movie Cont'd		Varied Programs									Movie	Varied
DISN (17)	JoJo's Circus	Stanley	The Wiggles	JoJo's Circus	The Wiggles	Stanley	Rolie Polie	Rolie Polie	Out of the Box	PB&J Otter	Koala Brothers	The Wiggles	
MAX (21)	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs											

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	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Dr. Phil		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC Wld News
KSNK/NBC (8) (9)	News	Family Feud	Days of Our Lives		Passions		Inside Edition	Family Feud	Millionaire	Jeopardy!	News	NBC News
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		The People's Court		Oprah Winfrey		News	CBS News
K15CG (3)	Reading Rainbow	Mister Rogers	Varied Programs			George Shrinks	Beren. Bears	Liberty's Kids	Cyber-chase	Arthur	Zoom	Business
WGN (13)	News		In the Heat of the Night		Street Smarts	Street Smarts	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Home Improve.	Will & Grace
NICK (29)	Varied Programs						Oddparents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	U-Pick	U-Pick	Varied
FAM (30)	Family Matters	Family Matters	Step by Step	Step by Step	So Little Time	Full House	7th Heaven		Switched!	Knock First	Full House	Full House
USA (31)	JAG	Varied Programs							Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger	
TBS (37)	Cosby	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Seinfeld
TNT (38)	Law & Order		NYPD Blue		NYPD Blue		Judging Amy		Angel		Charmed	
DSC (42)	Surprise by Design		Surprise by Design		Rally Round the House		Double Agents		Varied Programs			
A&E (47)	American Justice		Movie				Murder, She Wrote		Third Watch		City Confidential	
ESPN (49)	Varied Programs								Around the Horn		Interruption	SportsCenter
HBO (7)	Movie	Varied Programs		Movie	Varied Programs			Movie	Varied Programs			
DISN (17)	JoJo's Circus	Stanley	Winnie-Pooh	House of Mouse	House of Mouse	Recess	Lilo & Stitch	Recess	Kim Possible	Proud Family	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister
MAX (21)	Movie			Movie	Varied Programs			Movie	Varied Programs		Movie	Varied

THURSDAY JUNE 10

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	(5:59) News	Ent. Tonight	My Wife and Kids	Hang-time	NBA Basketball: Finals Game 3 -- Los Angeles Lakers at Detroit Pistons. Palace of Auburn Hills. (Live)				News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel!		
KSNK/NBC (8) (9)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Friends (CC)	Come to Papa (N)	Will & Grace	Scrubs (CC)	ER Missing (CC)		News		The Tonight Show (N) (CC)	Late Night (N)	
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Joan of Arcadia	Night Without Stars	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	Without a Trace (CC)			News (CC)	Late Show (N) (CC)	Late Late		
K15CG (3)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Sunflower	Kansas Spotlight	The New This Old House: Hour (CC)	Frontline: Son of al-Qaida (CC)		World News	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)				
WGN (13)	Will & Grace	Home Improve.	In the Heat of the Night	By Duty Bound	WGN News at Nine (CC)		Backer (CC)	Backer (CC)	Eliminate	The 5th Wheel			
NICK (29)	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Sabrina-Witch	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	
FAM (30)	7th Heaven (CC)	Movie: The Great Outdoors ** (1988, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd, John Candy.				Whose Line? (CC)		The 700 Club (CC)		America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)			
USA (31)	JAG Going After Francesca (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims		Movie: Clueless *** (1995) Spoiled Beverly Hills teens careen through the good life. Alicia Silverstone.				Movie: Mallrats ** (1995, Comedy) Shannen Doherty.					
TBS (37)	Seinfeld (CC)	Friends (CC)	Movie: You've Got Mail *** (1998, Comedy) Two bitter business rivals conduct an online love affair.				Movie: You've Got Mail *** (1998, Comedy) Two bitter business rivals conduct an online love affair.						
TNT (38)	Law & Order: Second Opinion	Law & Order: Killer (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Malice (1993) Dark secrets surface after a woman's emergency surgery. (CC)				Movie: Malice (1993) Dark secrets surface after a woman's emergency surgery. (CC)					
DSC (42)	New Detectives: Forensic Science	Monster Garage (CC)		D-Day: Reflections of Courage: The biggest military invasion in history.				Monster Garage (CC)		D-Day: Reflections of Courage			
A&E (47)	American Justice: Tom Capano Trial	Cold Case: Files a woman is suspected of murdering her daughters. (CC)		The First 48 Overkill; Left for				Crossing Jordan Born to Run (CC)		Cold Case: Files			
ESPN (49)	Two on Two (N)	2001 Chicago Dog Show Chicago.		Detroit Dog Show Detroit.		Baseball Tonight (Live) (CC)			SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Baseball Tonight		
HBO (7)	(5:00) Movie: In & Out ** (1997, Comedy) Kevin Kline. (CC)	Movie: Down With Love ** (2003, Romance-Comedy) Renee Zellweger. (CC)				Shock Video		Costas Plus		Deadwood (CC)			
DISN (17)	Sister, Sister	Lizzie McGuire	Movie: Zenon: The Z-Zquel ** (2001, Science Fiction) Kirsten Storms. (CC)				Sister, Sister	Boy Mts. (CC)	Kim Possible	Proud Family	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	
MAX (21)	(5:15) Movie: Murder in the First *** (1995, Drama) (CC)	Movie: Kangaroo Jack * (2002) Jerry O'Connell. (CC)		Movie: From Dusk Till Dawn ** (1996, Adventure) George Clooney. (CC)				Movie: Seduction-Max					

FRIDAY JUNE 11

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	(5:59) News	Ent. Tonight	George Lopez	Married-Kellys	Hope & Faith	Life With Bonnie	20/20 (CC)		News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live Modest Mouse. (CC)	
KSNK/NBC (8) (9)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC (CC)		Dateline NBC (N) (CC)		Las Vegas Year of the Tiger (CC)		News	The Tonight Show		Late Night (N)
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Joan of Arcadia Double Dutch (CC)		JAG Pulse Rate (CC) (DVS)		48 Hours (CC)		News (CC)	Late Show P. Diddy: Jim Gaffigan. (CC)		Late Late
K15CG (3)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Wall-Fortune	Market-Market	Kansas Week		Now With Bill Moyers (N) (CC)		BBC World	Red Green	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)	
WGN (13)	Will & Grace	Home Improve.	Movie: In the Heat of the Night: Grow Old Along With Me (1995, Drama) (CC)				MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Anaheim Angels. Angel Stadium of Anaheim. (Live) (CC)					
NICK (29)	Jimmy Neutron	Spon-geBob	As Told by Ginger	Danny Phantom	Teenage Robot		Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Rose-anne	Rose-anne	Cosby Show	Cosby Show
FAM (30)	7th Heaven (CC)	Movie: Lucky 7 (2003) A lawyer believes that her true love has arrived too soon.		Whose Line?		Whose Line?	The 700 Club (CC)		Paid Program		Paid Program	
USA (31)	JAG The Martin-Baker Fan Club (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims	Law & Order: Special Victims	Touching Evil (CC)		Law & Order: Special Victims		Touching Evil (CC)				
TBS (37)	Seinfeld (CC)	Friends (CC)	Movie: What Women Want (2000) A chauvinistic ad executive can suddenly read women's minds. (CC)				Movie: What Women Want (2000) A chauvinistic ad executive can suddenly read women's minds. (CC)		Movie: Twisted Desire (1996, Drama) Melissa Joan Hart.			
TNT (38)	Law & Order Family Values (CC) (DVS)	Movie: Domestic Disturbance ★½ (2001) John Travolta. (CC)		Movie: Domestic Disturbance ★½ (2001, Suspense) John Travolta. (CC)		Movie: Twisted Desire (1996, Drama) Melissa Joan Hart.		Movie: Twisted Desire (1996, Drama) Melissa Joan Hart.				
DSC (42)	Great Biker Build-off 2	American Casino		American Chopper Mickey-Vinnie Bike 1		American Hot Rod (N)		American Casino		American Chopper Mickey-Vinnie Bike 1		
A&E (7)	American Justice: Dahmer: Serial Killer	Biography Liza Minnelli Liza Minnelli. (N)		Biography Cher A profile of singer and actress Cher. (CC)		Biography Cher A profile of singer and actress Cher. (CC)		Biography Liza Minnelli (CC)		Biography Liza Minnelli (CC)		
ESPN (49)	College Baseball: NCAA Super Regional Game 1 -- Teams TBA. (Live) (CC)	American Casino		American Chopper Mickey-Vinnie Bike 1		American Hot Rod (N)		American Casino		American Chopper Mickey-Vinnie Bike 1		
HBO (7)	(5:30) Movie: Tarzan-City	Deadwood (CC)		Deadwood (CC)		Deadwood (CC)		On the Record (N) (CC)		Movie: Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever ★		
DISN (17)	That's Raven	Lizzie McGuire	Movie: Zenon: Z3 (2004, Science Fiction) Kirsten Storms.		Movie: Zenon: Z3 (2004) Zenon wants to win the Galactic Teen Supreme contest.		Proud Family		Brace-face		Sister, Sister	
MAX (21)	(5:10) Movie: Daredevil (2003)	Movie: Eraser ★★½ (1996) A government agent protects a witness from gunrunners.		Movie: Die Hard With a Vengeance ★★★ (1995, Drama) Bruce Willis. (CC)		Movie: Die Hard With a Vengeance ★★★ (1995, Drama) Bruce Willis. (CC)		Black Tie Nite		Movie: House		