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BSISD budget/tax hearing draws no commenters

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

At their meeting Thursday evening, Big Spring Independent School District trustees held a public hearing to discuss the proposed budget and tax rate for fiscal year 2019, but no local residents took advantage of the hearing to discuss the district's finances.

District trustees went on to discuss the budget and tax rate, which will be voted on August 30.

In other business, the trustees voted 4-1 to approve the fiscal year 2019 budget for the Howard County Appraisal District, with trustee Melissa Miller dissenting.

HCAD Chief Appraiser Lisa Reyna was at the meet-

ing to answer questions for the school board. Questions centered around the HCAD employees' compensation, including retirement plan matching and merit-based pay raises.

In other business, the trustees:

- Heard an update about the district's instructional progress presented by Assistant

Superintendent of Academics and Assessment Dr. Raemi Thompson;

- Heard an update regarding the Guardian Program, which will allow certain teachers and staff to carry firearms on campus during the school day. The update was presented by Big Spring Junior High School Assistant Principal Jim Wom-

ack, who is the district's liaison with the Guardian Program. Wommack praised the support the program has received from both the Big Spring Police Department and the Howard County Sheriff's Department, citing the help the district has received from both Police Chief Chad

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Applying for free and reduced priced school lunches

By **TYLER SCHELLIE**
 Staff Writer

Free and reduced lunch registration applications remain available throughout the entire school year for all of the school districts (Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma etc.), which ensures that anyone eligible receives the lunches they need for the school year regardless of family income. According to benefits.gov, The Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Division administers the National School Lunch (NSLP) and School Breakfast Programs (SBP) for Public Schools. The goal of the NSLP and SBP is to safeguard the health and well being of school children by establishing good eating habits through the availability of adequate food.



Randy Johnson

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Muddy Mongrels obstacle course team raising money for United Way

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

For the second year in a row, Big Spring's Muddy Mongrels are participating in a Tough Mudder, and you can help!

What does all that mean, you ask?

The Muddy Mongrels are the local United Way's team who will compete in the 10-mile long Tough Mudder obstacle course in the Dallas/Fort Worth area September 29.

"It's an obstacle race," said United Way Director Meghan Bias, who is part of the Muddy Mongrels team. "It is 10 miles and 22 obstacles. That's what the team will be doing. You go through mud and the whole gamut."

Bias said the team is accepting sponsors through Sept. 12.

"We are raising money for the 2019 United Way campaign by getting sponsors," she said. "Each sponsor, according to their sponsorship level, will be on the shirts we wear at the Tough Mudder. We are cutting off accepting

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HERALD file photo

In this photo from 2017, Kandis Davis, left, and Meghan Bias, members of the Howard County Muddy Mongrels team, train for last year's Tough Mudder event. The team is again seeking sponsors and donations for this year's event, which is scheduled for Sept. 29, to raise money for the 2019 United Way campaign.

Downtown Throwdown



HERALD photo/Tyler Schellie

On Thursday, August 9, a crowd filled the seats of the Train Car Lounge as Jordan Robert Kirk gave his Downtown Throw Down performance. This event is a battle of the bands type event, and will feature a new band every week for six weeks total. Downtown Throw Down will continue next Thursday with Keeping Harvey Company, a band based out of Midland.

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SMMC Health Splash



HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield

In the picture above, boys and girls receive brand new school supplies for the 2018-2019 school year at the annual Scenic Mountain Medical Center Back to School Health Splash on Thursday. Despite almost having been a literal splash from the rain, it was another successful event.



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Obituaries

Eli Aldridge



Eli Aldridge, 54, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 24, 2018, at his residence. No services are planned. He was born June 26, 1964, in Big Spring, Texas, to Joy Norwood Aldridge and Leroy Aldridge. He is survived by his wife Mary Jane Ortiz of Big Spring; three brothers, Robert Lee Aldridge (Sherry) of Petersburg, Colorado,

Billy Wayne Aldridge (Sylvia) of Big Spring and Keith Aldridge (Katrina) of Missouri; five sisters, Mary Ann Gibson (Samuel) of San Antonio, Alice Summers of Odessa, Martha Woods of Seattle, Washington, Emma Kinard of San Antonio and Doloris Marie Aldridge of Ft. Worth and a number of nieces and nephews.

Eli was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Leroy Aldridge, Jr.

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

Police, Sheriff Reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ANTHONY GEORGE HERMANDEZ**, 49, of 611 N E 10th St., was arrested on a charge on driving while license invalid, and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of E 3rd St., and in the 3600 block of W Hwy 80.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 3600 block of W Hwy

80.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 3600 block of W hwy 80.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- **ANTHONY GEORGE HERMANDEZ**, 49, was arrested by

BSPD on a charge driving with license previous conviction.

- **NICHOLAS VANCE JONES**, 26, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **SHAYLEE DEANN RAYMOND**, 23, was arrested by HCSO on warrants on two counts of possession of controlled substance in between 4 and 200 grams.

Take Note

- Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018, at 7 p.m., Social time @ 6:30 p.m. - Midland Quilters Guild meeting. PROGRAM: 2019 MQG QUILT SHOW PREVIEW -Come join us and discover the hopes and dreams for MQG's 40th Annual Quilt Show to be held in the Midland Convention Center. We will take a 3-D walk through the new convention center scheduled to open in September 2019. Alamo Heights Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1305 N Midland Dr, Midland. FREE.

For more info, call 432-425-3476 or visit <http://www.midlandquiltersguild.com>

- Maranatha Baptist Academy at 903 Johnson is now taking applications for ongoing enrolment for our Fall Session, August 1. Call 432-213-1046 for an appointment. Dr. Lillian Bohannon, Administrator. Please have shot records and birth certificate available at the time of registration. We use Accelerated Christian Education curriculum for grades Kindergarten through twelfth grade graduation.

We provide information so you can home school or use our facilities for full time in our school. We also provided tutoring for all grades. If interested in a quality Christian Education at a price you can afford, please come by or give us a call.

- Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours

a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

- The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

- The Homeownership Preservation Founda-

tion (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

- Legal Aid of North-West Texas, handles legal issues affecting Veterans, Retirees, and their family members. They will have clinics that provides volunteer attorneys that will provide free legal advice (up to 25 minutes depending on the issue). A pro bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child support and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning. The Clinic dates are on Aug. 23 and Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northside Community Center on 110 N.E 8th St. Applicants must be financially eligible to obtain services. Please bring a copy of your DD215 and/or Veterans ID card. Appointments are required.

For more information or to make an appointment, please contact Pete Fierro at 432-332-1207, ext. 4511.

- The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

- The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs.

Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade.

Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St.

For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

Fire, Ems Report

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

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10 Things to Know for Today

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. FATHER RECALLS COMPOUND SUSPECT AS HIGH-STRUNG, NOT RADICAL

A Muslim cleric who leads a well-known New York City mosque says he never believed his son, who is at the center of the New Mexico abuse case, was extreme enough to kill anyone.

2. WHO HAS REMOVED HIMSELF FROM KANSAS VOTE COUNT

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach says he will remove himself from the further counting of votes while his Republican primary battle with Gov. Jeff Colyer hangs in the balance

3. WHAT EFFECT SAUDI ARABIA'S EFFORT TO PUNISH CANADA HAS

Many Canadians say they are less concerned about the potential economic effects than they are worried about the Saudi students and doctors who must return home.

4. WHERE FIREFIGHTERS BATTLE TO CURB WILDFIRE

Firefighters are working to curb a new wildfire threatening thousands of homes in the foothills south of Los Angeles before gusty winds can return to drive its explosive growth.

5. WOMEN'S GROUP BEHIND REBEL MEMORIAL QUIETLY BATTLES ON

The United Daughters of the Confederacy are fighting in court to protect their monuments to the "Lost Cause."

6. WHERE ARBITRARY ARRESTS, ABUSE ARE THE NEW NORM

The government crackdown on unrest in Nicaragua led to the arrests of 2,000 people in Nicaragua in recent months, with at least 400 believed still held in jails, prisons and police stations across the country, The AP learns.

7. COURT TELLS EPA TO STOP SALES OF HARMFUL PESTICIDE

A federal appeals court has ruled that the Trump administration endangered public health by keeping a widely used pesticide on the market despite extensive scientific evidence that even tiny levels of exposure can harm babies' brains.

8. PROSECUTION EXPECTED TO REST CASE IN MANAFORT FRAUD TRIAL

Prosecutors have sought to show the former Trump campaign chairman obtained millions of dollars in bank loans under false pretenses.

9. KOREAS EXTEND CONCILIATORY STEPS TO ASIAN GAMES

The war-separated rivals will take their reconciliation steps to the Asian Games, where they will jointly march in the opening ceremony and field combined teams.

10. PLAYERS DEMONSTRATE DURING NATIONAL ANTHEM

Player demonstrations took place during the national anthem at several early NFL preseason games.

BSISD

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Williams and Sheriff Stan Parker;

- Approved a contract with Howard County for the assessment and collection of taxes;

- Reaffirmed the Code of Ethics for the Board of Trustees outlined in the district's Policy BBF (Local);

- Approved a list of district appraisers for the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS), a system for evaluating teachers.

- Approved the 2018-2019 appraisal calendar for teacher appraisals.

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

Grand jury indicts 17-year-old in Texas school shooting

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — A Texas grand jury on Thursday indicted a 17-year-old student accused of fatally shooting 10 people in May at a Houston-area high school.

Dimitrios Pagourtzis was formally indicted on charges that include capital murder of multiple persons. Under Texas law, capital murder carries an automatic sentence of life in prison with a parole option for those younger than 18.

He also was indicted on a count of aggravated assault of a public servant for the shooting of a school police officer who survived.

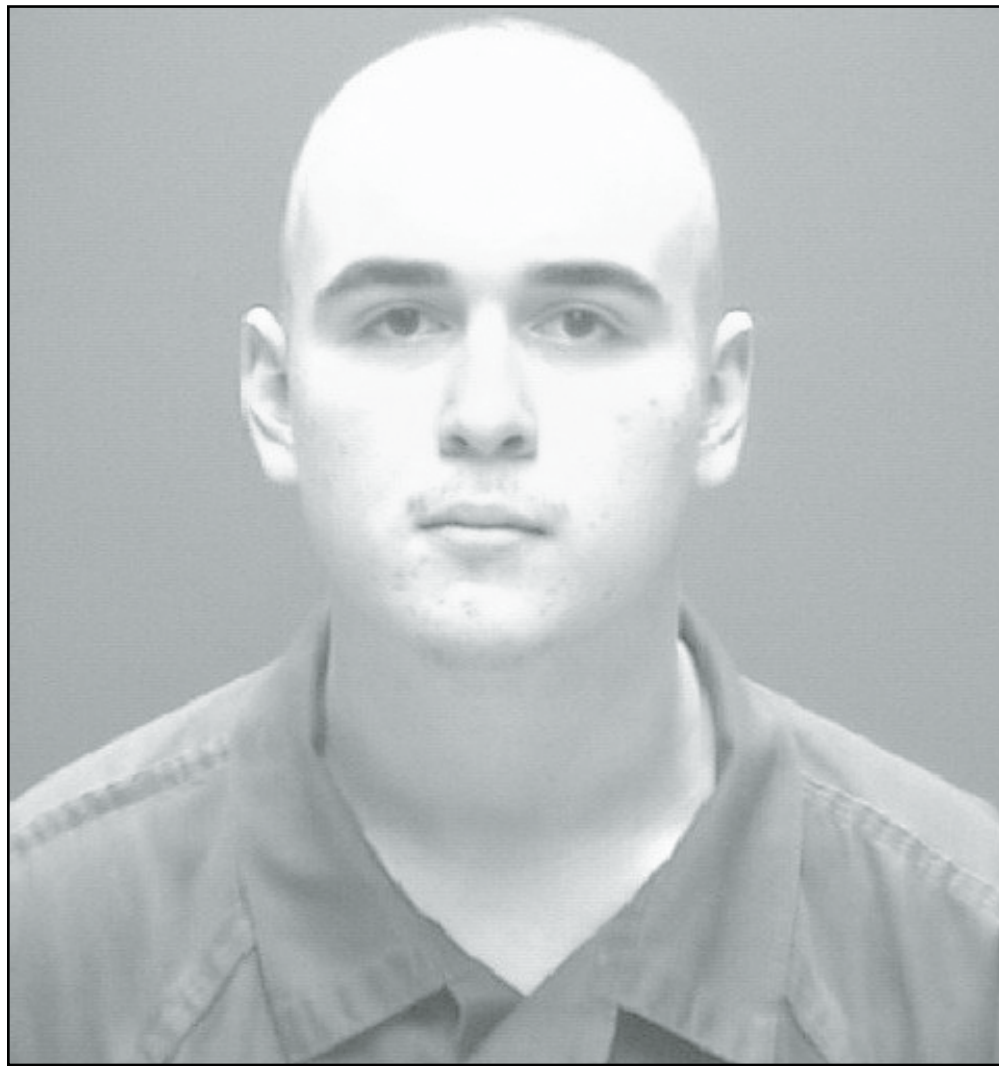
Pagourtzis is being held at the Galveston County Jail without bond. A trial date has not been set.

Investigators have said Pagourtzis admitted going on a shooting rampage at Santa Fe High School that killed eight students and two teachers. Authorities said the teen used his father's pistol and shotgun to burst into the school's art classroom and begin shooting. Witnesses said the gunfire went on for 10 to 15 minutes, and police said Pagourtzis engaged in a prolonged firefight with officers before finally surrendering. Gov. Greg Abbott has said Pagourtzis intended to kill himself but gave up and told police that he did not have the courage to take his own life.

Pagourtzis also had described planning the attack in private journals, according to investigators.

A judge has ordered a mental evaluation of the teen, but the report from that evaluation remains confidential.

The rampage was the nation's deadliest such attack since the mass shooting at a Florida high



school in February that gave rise to a gun-control campaign by teens.

In Texas, grand juries have 90 days from the date of a suspect's detention to indict or not indict a suspect, said Galveston County prosecutor Ross Hill. The Pagourtzis case was presented to a Galveston County grand jury impaneled last month, he said.

After the shooting, Abbott called for schools to have more armed personnel, though he faced pushback after suggesting tightening of some gun laws.

Swimmer recovering after being bitten by shark off Texas

CRYSTAL BEACH, Texas (AP) — Authorities say a 42-year-old man has been bitten by a shark while swimming off Texas and he's being treated for numerous puncture wounds to his right leg.

The Galveston County Sheriff's Office says the man was bitten Thursday morning while swimming near Crystal Beach. The man was bitten above the knee.

The man, whose name wasn't released, was transported to a Galveston hospital. Officials say the victim has injuries that are not life-threatening.

Authorities aren't sure what kind of shark bit the man, who was able to swim to shore and flag down a deputy for help.

LUNCHES

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"The free and reduced lunch comes from a federal program that allows you to sign up at any time during the school year. We want to make sure that if anything comes up financially for a student, or even for new students that enter midway through the year, that they are taken care of and get the help they may need," Forsan Superintendent Randy Johnson said.

In order to qualify for this benefit program, you must be a resident of the state of Texas and a parent or primary caregiver responsible for a child(ren) who attends school (high school or under).

You can fill out the applications, register on each of the schools websites, or contact the administrative office of each

of the schools for more information regarding the free and reduced lunch programs.

Big Spring ISD administration office: (432) 264-3600 and website at <http://www.bsisd.esc18.net/>

Forsan ISD administration office: (432) 457-2223 and website at <https://www.forsan.esc18.net/>

Coahoma ISD administration office: (432) 394-5000 and website at <https://www.coahomaisd.com/>

MUDDY

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sponsorships Sept. 12 so that we have time to get our shirts before the actual event. This is just a different way for us to raise money, and it gives the opportunity for local businesses and supporters of the United Way to get some really good advertising, because there are thousands of people who attend these Tough Mudders in Dallas and Fort Worth, and we'll be wearing the T-shirts with the logos of the people who sponsor our team."

Team members include Bias, as well as Marcus Fernandez, Leslie Sosa, Rachel Hughes, Kandis Davis, Wesley Davis, Omar Tapia, and Rachel McCain.

Last year's team got off to a good start with the fundraising, Bias said.

"It went well. We made right under \$3,000, which is not bad for our first time," she said. "So it went well, and nobody got hurt or died, so everybody was willing to come back and do it again. It's a really great way to get different people from the community together. It's kind of a cool metaphor that we can bring different people from the community together to get through this really challenging obstacle course for a good cause. I think that's a great example of how Big Spring is: People are always willing to get together no matter where they come from, all across the table, to do what's good for the community."

To get involved as a sponsor of the Muddy Mongrels, contact Bias at 432-267-5201.

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Psalm 91: 14-16

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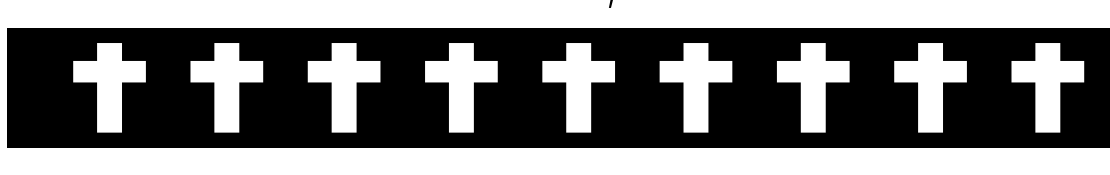
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SEEKING THE LOST

As the good shepherd (John 10), Jesus is greatly concerned for his sheep. Jesus would use this metaphor several times to describe his followers. When you think about the illustration, it is a wonderful picture of who we are and how great our God and Savior is!

In Matthew 18, Jesus has been talking about sin, specifically about the temptation to sin. He reminds us that temptation will always be with us, but that we must not be the ones tempting others. He used a child to make the point that only those who turn to him in childlike faith can enter the kingdom of heaven. We also noticed the implied question Jesus asked – How far would you be willing to go to keep yourself from sinning? We must be as serious about sin as God is.



GREG SURLES

Now, let's look at Matthew 18:10-14. See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish (ESV).

What am I doing – what are you doing – to seek

the lost? The sheep that went astray could be someone in the church who is no longer living faithfully according to the Scriptures. Am I as dedicated as the shepherd in this story? Am I concerned for the spiritual well-being of those who have strayed from the straight and narrow?

Also, according to this context and the emphasis Jesus has placed on the child, this lost sheep could illustrate a young, innocent soul who has reached an age where he/she knows the difference between wrong and right, disobedience and righteousness, yet has chosen to live for themselves instead of submitting to the will of the Lord. Again, within the context, maybe someone has hurt them (despised them, verse 10) which has influenced them to turn away from spiritual matters.

What am I doing to be a proper example to my children and other young ones? May it never be that my words or actions or attitude would lead a young person away from the good shepherd and send them running into the open arms of Satan! What am I doing to try to reach those young souls who have grown up with godly influences but have wandered away from the protection and security of the shepherd?

May we all have the heart of Jesus and share his concern for the lost! That is exactly the reason why he came to earth the first time. Luke 19:10, For the Son of Man came to seek and save the lost.

Greg Surles
Preacher
Birdwell Lane church of Christ

Clouds of Doubt

By Dr. Lillian Bohannon

Did you ever do something in your life and had doubts about whether you were doing the right thing? I think all of us have had that experience. When we make a decision based on all the information we have at our disposal, we must always include God's wisdom in that final analysis.

I recently called my preacher-to-America brother and asked him for his godly opinion on a decision I had made. He told me he had prayed about that same decision and came to the conclusion that both ways were wrong. But one had more going for it than the other. He told me to weigh my options in the light of God's Word and make my decision always based on that.



LILLIAN BOHANNAN

So my conclusion to the whole matter is that I did make the right decision and now must stand on that with all that is within me. God leads my life and I can't do anything except what He calls me to do.

Do you realize that the clouds of doubt over your decision come after you make that decision? It is Satan's ploy to make you think your Godly decision is wrong. He plagues you with instability toward Godliness. When you stand on your decision, God strengthens your stand and you are able to stand. No matter what Satan may throw at you in your Godliness, remember Who is standing with you.

Strength comes in standing together. The Bible says, "Where two or three are gathered in My Name, there am I in the midst of them." Jesus is with us in our standing. Another place in Ephesians it tells us, "...having done all, to stand."

So, if the stand you make is God inspired, you will find Him standing beside you to strengthen you and help you during your clouds of doubting. He said He would be your strong tower. He will be your Shepard. He will be your Saviour. He is the very Word of God the Almighty and Creator of all things. Trusting Him whatever befalls me is like trusting in invincible and indestructible and everlasting and unconquerable God. He is Who He said He is and He is my Saviour from myself.

One of these days, soon and very soon, He will take away all the clouds of doubt and replace them with His clouds of glory. He will come just like He said He would. No doubt about it!!! And that's what I am waiting for. How about you?

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First Baptist Church

"The Sovereign LORD is my strength; He makes my feet like the feet of a deer;

He enables me to tread on the heights." Habakkuk 3:19

Join the people of FBC Sunday at 10:50 am and 5:30 pm as they gather in awe-struck wonder, and exaltation of, The Almighty God, El-Shaddai. Worshippers will honor God with a selection of songs led by Music Minister Alan Schantz, which will include classic hymns of the faith, and contemporary praise and worship music. Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message from Scripture titled "Freedom From Guilt". Drawn from Psalm 51, listeners will be reminded that God will cleanse every inch of a repentant person's heart when we cry out to Him, leaving behind no stain of sin or word of reproach. If you have mobility issues use the west circle drive, and someone will be glad to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the church website at: fbcbig-spring.org. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SERMONS')

At 9:30 Sunday School groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and teens, college students, and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class. Come early to enjoy a time of fellowship and coffee. Evening worship starts at 5:30 in the chapel.

The service is for all ages, and is a special time of preparing one's heart for the upcoming week.

This Sunday night will be a focused time of testimonies from the summer's camps, mission trips, and activities. Childcare is available for young children. The 'Renew Your Mind' challenge continues. Pastor Mark has asked that you join him in reading one chapter of Proverbs each day in the month of August; let's encourage one another to make this time in Scripture a priority. Our next 'Ladies' First' fellowship will be Monday evening October 1st. Thanks to all who planned, set-up, and participated in this past Monday night's get-together. It was a fun and spiritually enriching time; plan now to attend in October.

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Church News

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. The usual Sunday Morning Schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service featuring the pipe organ, Choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday School, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday August 12 Pastor Derrell's message entitled "Assurance, The Witness of the Spirit" is from Romans 8:12-17. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the service live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring. You can watch previous worship service videos on that Facebook page including recordings of our Christmas program, "Our Savior."

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study meets for lunch and a study in Garrett Hall on Wednesdays. The meal is served at 11:50 a.m. for \$5. The group is currently studying the Book of Acts.

Real Life Wednesday night sessions will resume in September. Choir rehearses on Wednesday at 6 p.m. The Praise Team rehearses at 7 p.m.

For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church of fice at 432-267-6394.

College Baptist Church

College Baptist Church meets with visitors and friends on the corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane, Sunday Morning at 9:15 for Sunday School, 10:45 for Worship, 6 p.m. for Sunday night fellowship + desserts and service, lots of activities for our great youth group, and children of all ages, and on Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

Join our Pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans and church family as we worship in singing and studying God's Word. We are all praising God for the rain event He sent our way. How we need His showers of blessing as well. Come worship with us as we praise the Mighty God we serve. Please call

432-267-7429, for more information about this great Church.

Coahoma United Methodist Church

What an exciting week we had at VBS! It was such a pleasure and a time of growth for us and for our community. We were "Shipwrecked! And Rescued by Jesus". During VBS, we asked all of the children to be on the lookout for "God sightings", and they sure found a lot!

We are inspired to keep finding "God Sightings" around our church, community, and anywhere we may go. Sometimes we forget that God is still at work in this world and universe that He created. Have you ever looked for "God Sightings"? Have you seen Him working? This Sunday, Pastor Linda will be discussing John Wesley's Aldersgate conversion and how our hearts can be transformed to seek out God and His will today.

Come join us at 401 N. Main in Coahoma, TX at First United Methodist Church of Coahoma. Our Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. and our worship service is at 11:00 a.m. Don't forget to never stop looking for "God Sightings". Open your eyes to see the exciting work that God is doing in all of our lives and what His next plan will be for you! God bless!

JOSHUA 1:9

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to rejoice in The LORD with them Sunday at 2:00 pm. Pastor Jim Walterhouse welcomes you to be a part of this dynamic group as they worship and study God's Word. Currently, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. For more information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@



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Tuesday August 21 from 6-7 pm will be FBC's Mother's Day Out Open House. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones. The fall semester of MDO begins August 28; Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 pm, and include adult worship choir practice, adult Bible study and prayer time, and youth group. During the summer months, there are no regularly scheduled children's activities on Wednesday nights; however, childcare is available during this time so families may participate.

FBC is looking for a secretary/receptionist to work in the church office. If you are interested in applying, or know someone who might be interested, please call the church at 267-8223, or see Pastor Mark for more information.

To find out more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website: fbcbigspring.org or call 267-8223. FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church. "... may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, ... guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesday's we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have Evening prayer, dinner, and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come

Reflections: Freshman Class of 2022

In the next few weeks a wave of 17 and 18 year olds will enroll at our colleges and universities as freshmen. They have grown up in a post 9/11 world, too young to remember the terrorist attacks on the Twin Towers and the Pentagon. They were mere infants, or yet to be born when that fateful morning dawned.

They are digital. Their earliest memories were formed with PCs and laptops. They have grown up with iPods, iPhones and iPads. Social Media is their world. The internet was here long before they were born.

In some ways their world is unique to any world that has gone before. But in others, they will share in the same experience that shapes every generation. Growing up, leaving behind all the old securities, the familiar routines, the shelter of home. They will carry with them the excitement of launching out on their own, without parental restrictions and supervision. And, at the same time, they will carry the anxieties and insecurities of being on their own, of being alone. They will pursue the

hopes and dreams of a life they cannot predict.

Somewhere in a box, in a dark corner where we store such things, my Baylor freshman slime cap still sleeps: the class of '69, "Ever faithful to the line." My wife's is there too, the class of '71. They are soaked with memories: making new friends; finding our way; finding each other. A half century has passed. We celebrate our 50th anniversary this year. We still get together with friends who shared those first college days. We celebrate with them the memories of God's goodness and His provision along the way.

Like the crowds of 5,000 and 4,000 we have received bread from His hand when we did not know its source. We have taken up 12 and 7 baskets full, running over, more than enough to meet our needs, blessed beyond our expectations. (And still we doubt?) (Mark 8:18-21).

We have sent our own children off to college, two to Baylor. One to the University of Minnesota. I have stood in the silence of their empty room, grieved their going

while celebrating their "growing up." For each of them, as for us, it was the beginning of a new journey. One that never ends this side of Heaven.

This year our oldest granddaughter is among the incoming freshman class at the University of Wyoming. We are excited for her, as is our son and daughter-in-law. We are thrilled and proud of the young woman she has become. At the same time, we know the emptiness she will leave behind, how she will be missed, and the challenges she will face. But we have learned, that in and through it all, God is faithful.

The incoming class of 2022 must hear again the voice of God as He spoke to young Abraham in a far off and distant land, "Go forth from your country and from your relatives and from your father's house to a land which I will show you ... and I will bless you ... and you shall be a blessing." (Genesis 12:1-2).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.



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and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Happenings for August

**Sunday, August 19th - St. Mary's Celebration Cookout. Cookout begins after the church service.

**Saturday, August 25th at 8 a.m. - Men's Breakfast.

Please come for fellowship and a great time to build relationships with each other. Everybody is welcome.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

We at Cornerstone Covenant Church would love the opportunity to Connect with YOU! Please join us this week at one of the following events:

Sunday, August 12th- Join us this Sunday at our 9:00AM & 11:00AM worship service. Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you better.

Monday, August 13th- Let's hear it for the girls! Join us for our Women's Far Above Rubies night. We will be gathering in the ARC from 6-8P.M. We welcome women of all ages to join us for an evening of laughter, fun and fellowship with sisters in Christ. Please bring a dish or finger food to share. If you need more information, contact Debbie Reiger @432-935-1257

Wednesday, August 29th- Join us at 7PM as we all gather in the Main Sanctuary for a Family Night of Worship. Come on out as we Praise, Magnify and

Worship the Lord together.

Van transportation- We have an active Van Ministry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11:00AM Worship Service. If you are needing a ride please contact the church offices.

Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9:00am, 11:00am and Wednesday at 7pm for worship services.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432.264.0015 or email us at info@cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at [facebook.com/CCCBigSpring](https://www.facebook.com/CCCBigSpring) or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Our current Sermon Series is "FOLLOW" Please join us!

There is a new sisterhood for widows in our community. This group is called "PUP" which stands for "Picking Up Pieces." All widows in Big Spring and the surrounding areas are welcome! Meetings will be held the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 6:00 pm and dinner will be served. We would love to see you there! For address or more

info, please contact the church office.

KID CONNECT/GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS

This Sunday, August 12, "God's Warning to Seven Churches" Revelation 2-3

Children's Church begins September 2nd! There will be a Launch Party on August 26th and we will have more information soon! We are excited about this new ministry for children ages K through 4th grade! We will be building on our Kid Connect lessons.

Operation Christmas Child is already in full swing! If you would like more information about how to help with this ministry, contact Sue Smith. Items are need to place into the boxes, donations for postage is also needed.

The Pain Management Class meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. If you have chronic pain and would like to learn how to manage it, please attend this class. It meets in Room 4 of the Adult Connections Classrooms in the Mall.

Volunteers are needed for "Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry to unload trucks on Wednesdays before they are open on the weekend. Hours are on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9:00 to 11 a.m. If you are in need of food, please come see us! We are in the mall. Go in the door where the movie theater

I JOHN 4:16

"And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them."

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Family Secrets

John 8:7 "So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her."

If I were God, there are certain things that I wouldn't let out of the bag, like how Abraham (the father of our faith) pimped his wife Sarah out to Pharaoh, not once, but twice. God's Word is filled with accounts such as this. There's the story of Judah committing incest with his daughter-in-law whom he thought to be a prostitute. Interesting how Christ came from the tribe of Judah!

Why would God tell such family secrets and hang the dirty laundry out for all the world to see? Because it's hard to cast stones when you know

that Abraham and Judah were sinners. Because the Bible is not a rule book, it's a love letter. Because Jesus is not about to let anyone beat us up for our sin.

Sin is never ok. It's bad and it hurts us, but there is a way that God dismisses sin, and it's not by the deeds of the Law or good behavior. He dismisses our sin by the body of His Son, Jesus Christ. This is what the cross of Christ was all about - dismissing our sin by forgiving it. In Christ Jesus God literally sent the punishment of our sin away.

Christ did not come to defend good or innocent people. He came to seek and to save the lost. Christ is not looking to save the easiest sinner. He is seeking the worst of the worst, the vilest of the vile. Christ's grace is scandalous in that He offers it to the morally bankrupt, the socially unacceptable, the repeat offender.

How's that for a family secret?



TOM SLOAN

I SAMUEL 2:2

"There is no one holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God."

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is located and we are in the first spot on the left! If you are interested in volunteering with the "Blessing Box" ministry or the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

Donations are needed for our Blessing Box placed outside in front of the church. This ministry is separate from "Our Daily Bread" and is supported completely by donations of nonperishable foods. Please consider donating nonperishable food items on a regular basis if you are able! Everyone is welcome to take what they need and donations are greatly appreciated.

Come check out our new Ministry Desk! You can find out all kinds of information about our various ministries, activities, etc.

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REFLECTING ON RELIGION:

Taking something old and making it new again

By Roger Keck

2 Corinthians 5:17 reads, "Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has gone and the new is here."

I marvel at what some folks can do with a piece of wood. The creativity it takes to envision something and then set out, with that piece of wood, and make it. What amazes me even more is when someone can take an old piece of wood and re-purpose into something very valuable.

My wife and I have been watching the prices that people will pay for a farm table, coffee table or another piece of furniture made out of re-purposed barn wood or old wooden garages that have been torn down and the lumber saved.

I was looking online and much of this old re-purposed furniture is now worth thousands of dollars. Who would have thought? It seems like this old wood was headed for the burn pile, but someone had the vision enough to snatch it out and rescue it and then turn it into something incredibly beautiful.

We have a heavenly Father that is in the business of taking something old and that appears used up and turn into something of incredible worth. Truth is it was always priceless to the Father, it just may not have shown on the outside.

The prophet Jeremiah 18 uses a similar illustration with clay and the potter. The potter was not pleased with the outcome of the pot, so He refashioned into the image that pleased Him.

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Prescott throws for TD before 49ers rally past Cowboys 24-21

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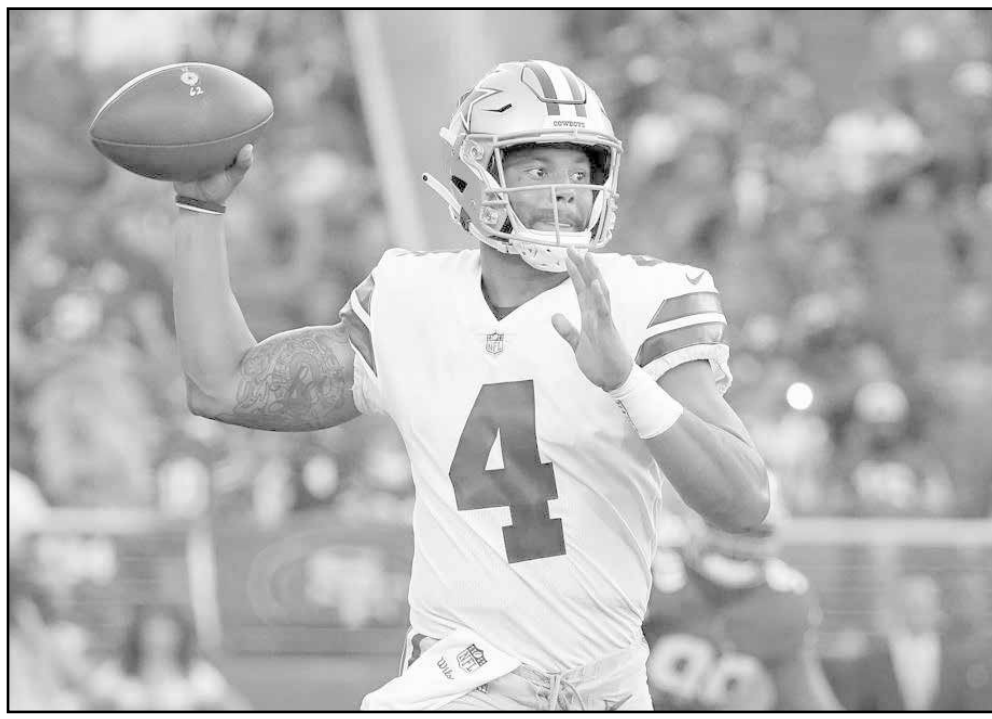
AP Pro Football Writer

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Coach Jason Garrett saw all he needed out of quarterback Dak Prescott on just one drive.

Prescott made the most of his brief appearance in the preseason opener for Dallas by throwing a 30-yard touchdown pass to rookie Michael Gallup on his only drive before the San Francisco 49ers rallied with two late touchdowns to beat the Cowboys 24-21 Thursday night.

"I thought it was a good drive by our offense, a good mix of run and pass," Garrett said. "Dak made some good decisions. He made a really nice run to keep the drive alive. We got the one-on-one opportunity down the sideline, and Michael made a really good release and it was a good throw and catch."

Nick Mullens threw a 7-yard TD pass to Richie James Jr. with 18 seconds left to cap the comeback. Jere-



AP photo

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott throws a pass against the San Francisco 49ers during the first half of an NFL preseason football game in Santa Clara, Calif., Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018.

my McNichols scored on a 1-yard run with 4:24 to go for San Francisco.

San Francisco's Jimmy Garoppolo didn't fare as well as Prescott in his first game action since signing a \$137.5 million, five-year contract this offseason. Garoppolo completed 3 of 6 passes on his one drive.

"We're trying to do something different things and see what works and what doesn't," Garoppolo said. "We haven't been in that situation in a year and you try to get things rolling."

More concerning for the 49ers was the fact that six players left with injuries in the first half with the most concerning ones being shoulder injuries to tight end George Kittle and running back Matt Breida that could sideline them for "some time," according to coach Kyle Shanahan.

"It's what you scares you about training camp, it's what scares you about the preseason," Shanahan said. "You just want the game to end."

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Texans top Chiefs 17-10 in preseason opener



AP photo

Houston Texans cornerback Josh Thornton (36) breaks up a pass in the end zone which was intended for Kansas City Chiefs tight end Alex Ellis (82) during the second half of an NFL preseason football game in Kansas City, Mo., Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018. The Texans won 17-10.

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Patrick Mahomes had a quiet first start for the Kansas City Chiefs.

Mahomes' first appearance as the Chiefs' starting quarterback lasted nine plays and netted 29 yards Thursday during a 17-10 loss to the Houston Texans in the preseason opener for both teams.

Now, the challenge for Mahomes, who finished 5 of 7 for 33 yards on his two drives, is to use the game to get ready for the regular-season opener Sept. 9 at the Los Angeles Chargers.

"We've got to just keep perfecting our craft, keep perfecting the plays and hopefully move the ball and score a few more touchdowns," he said, calling the preseason "a little bit of a tease."

Mahomes, who took over the starting job when Alex Smith was traded to Washington during the offseason, was sacked once and didn't throw a touchdown or interception in a solid, if unspectacular, performance.

"Just scoring a touchdown or a field goal would probably have made it a lot better," Mahomes said. "We moved

the ball a little bit; we made some plays. But at the same time, you want to kind of get the drive going a little bit more."

Eventually, Chiefs fans will get to see Mahomes' full ability on display. He didn't complete a pass longer than 14 yards and never targeted Sammy Watkins — who signed a three-year, \$48 million deal in the offseason — on Thursday.

"Being the quarterback that I am, I like to take shots downfield," Mahomes said. "I just didn't get the opportunity to do it tonight."

The announced crowd of 58,465 also witnessed the return of Houston's second-year franchise quarterback in Deshaun Watson, who was selected two picks after Mahomes at No. 12 overall in the 2017 draft.

Watson won the Texans' starting job last season, but missed the second half of the season with a torn ACL. He played only one series and threw only one pass — a 4-yard completion to wide receiver Bruce Ellington — while handing off four times to running back Lamar Miller.

See **TEXANS**, Page 14

Mayfield and Barkley have strong debuts in opener

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Baker Mayfield and Saquon Barkley lived up to early expectations as the top two picks in the NFL draft in their first action as the Cleveland Browns beat the New York Giants 20-10 on Thursday night.

Replacing starting quarterback Tyrod Taylor late in the first quarter, Mayfield hit 11 of 20 passes for 212 yards, two touchdowns, and converted two fourth-down plays with his feet. The Heisman Trophy winner who was the No. 1 overall pick found tight end David Njoku on a 10-yard TD pass to cap a 14-play, 72-yard drive on his second series. He finished his debut with a completion on a 54-yard slant and run to fellow rookie Antonio Callaway.

Taylor, expected to be coach Hue Jackson's starter as Mayfield learns this season, hit all five of his passes in two series, including a 36-yard touchdown pass to Njoku, a New Jersey na-

tive.

Barkley, the No. 2 pick, electrified the fans at MetLife Stadium, taking a handoff from Eli Manning on the opening play from scrimmage and turning no apparent hole into a 39-yard run down the sideline in front of the Giants' bench. It set up a 42-yard field goal by Aldrick Rosas.

The Penn State running back finished with 43 yards on five carries.

STEELERS 31, EAGLES 14

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Landry Jones and Josh Dobbs each tossed touchdown passes and the defending Super Bowl champion Eagles rested several starters, including quarterbacks Carson Wentz and Nick Foles. Nate Sudfeld threw a pair of touchdowns and two interceptions.

Ben Roethlisberger and Antonio Brown sat for the Steelers and Le'Veon Bell still hasn't signed his franchise tender.

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AP photo

Cleveland Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield (6) looks to pass during the first half of a preseason NFL football game against the New York Giants, Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018, in East Rutherford.

Andrew Luck makes return as Colts beat Seahawks

By **TIM BOOTH**

AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE — Andrew Luck could feel the pressure building as he prepared for his first game action with Indianapolis since the final week of the 2016 season.

When he let go of trying to contain his excitement, the pressure was released.

"I really enjoyed it. I didn't quite know I'd have this much fun getting practice again. I didn't know I'd have this much fun even playing football," Luck said. "It's a preseason game, I'm not going to blow anything out of proportion, but it's still a game, a chance to go up against another color jersey. It was a fun step along the way."

Luck was back under center, leading Indianapolis on a pair of field-goal drives in just over a quarter in the Colts' 19-17 victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Thursday night.

The reintroduction of Luck as the Colts' leader

started with a 17-yard swing pass to Marlon Mack on the first play. It concluded early in the second quarter when his pass intended for T.Y. Hilton was broken up. In between, Luck was bear-hugged by Seattle All-Pro linebacker Bobby Wagner on a scramble run, sacked by Rasheem Green, and also showed flashes his surgically repaired right shoulder is ready to allow him to again be a premier quarterback.

Luck completed 6 of 9 passes for 64 yards, most of that coming on the opening drive when he hit 5 of 7. Luck completed passes to five receivers and threw from a clean pocket on most of his dropbacks, even with starting left tackle Anthony Castonzo not playing.

It had been nearly 600 days since Luck was last on the field, when he threw for 321 yards in a 24-20 win over Jacksonville on Jan. 1, 2017. For one night, Luck looked like his pre-surgery form.

"He just kept saying how excited he was and right before he went out he said 'There's a lot of emotions

right now let's see if I can control them,'" Indianapolis coach Frank Reich said. "It was almost like he was saying, 'I'm going to need to control how I'm feeling, because I'm pretty jacked up.' And he came out in the first drive and handled it like we expected."

Adam Vinatieri made field goals of 33, 51 and 45 yards in the first half, and Michael Badgley's 34-yarder late in the third quarter gave Indianapolis a 12-10 lead. Phillip Walker added a 10-yard TD pass to Darrell Daniels early in the fourth quarter.

Luck's counterpart from the 2012 draft, Russell Wilson, played one series for Seattle. Wilson was 4 of 5 for 43 yards and capped his only drive with a 5-yard touchdown pass to tight end Nick Vannett. It was Wilson's first action playing in the offense of new coordinator Brian Schottenheimer, which will be heavily tilted toward the run.

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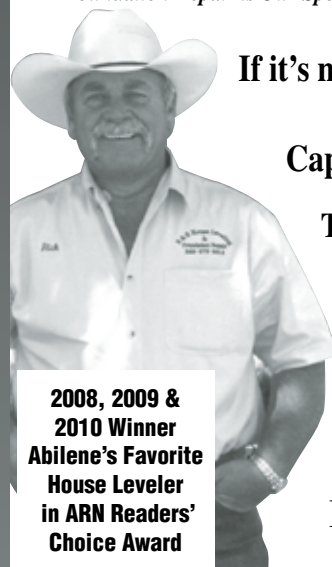


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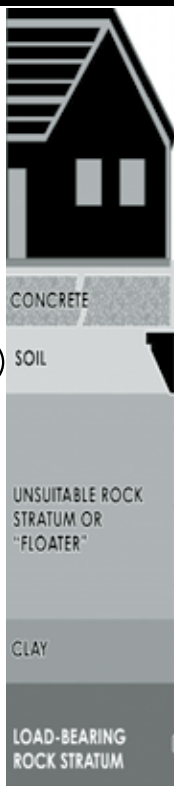
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury/Jupiter Warning

It's not every day that a person gets charmed, as will happen under this arrangement of Mercury and Jupiter. While such enchantments are rare and not to be overlooked, don't be too swept up, either. Charm's spell is not always a fateful link. The ingredients of attachment are different from the ingredients of charm.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Today will call back to an era in which conversation was a status symbol, and those who could manage one artfully were elevated, while those who couldn't were demoted. The judgment will be on a subconscious plane.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Where you invest love, you invest hours, attention and money. This is why anyone who knows you knows whom and what you adore without your having to say a word.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're in a mood to do something sponta-

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



neous for the one you love. People may not like being caught off guard today, though. Sometimes what makes a surprise most pleasant is that it's not really.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Technically, every day is a chance to begin anew. And yet, for better or worse, we are so entrenched in our own identity, relationships and environments that "new" sometimes takes a herculean effort. You're part Hercules today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The situation will pique your existential curiosity and challenge your beliefs. Don't worry: Even the most devoted religious follower or confident atheist is likely to experience moments of spiritual perplexity.

VIRGO (Aug.

23-Sept. 22). You'll add new friends in the weeks to come. Ideally, they will possess qualities to fit your style, such as an above-average sense of humor and at least one heart-break in their past. You resonate with the experienced.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Love comes with problems and risks -- always. That's the nature of it. You'll gladly take those on for the one you love and the joys of your heart will make the downside seem negligible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a logical option on the table, but don't decide strictly based on what looks good on paper. You don't live on paper; you live in the emotional oxygen of your feelings and senses, and, as guides, they won't let you down.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You would never jump ship at the first sign of rough seas. However, you also shouldn't, on purpose, sail directly into a storm. The time to think this through is before you embark at all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Two paths meet, and suddenly you're in a face-off with some-

one going the opposite direction. Neither of you is right. Neither of you is wrong. But for the blockage to clear, someone has to yield the right of way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As is typically the case in human development, being a person of character matters more to you the older you get. You'll forgive someone young for being flighty while still acknowledging the behavior as less than ideal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It is possible to assess and manage a situation without being judgmental about it in a personal way. This type of compartmentalization will make you efficient today.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 10). Though you don't seek fame, you'll love what you do and become well-known for it this solar return. Longevity in love and other things that matter to you will be a cosmic boon of 2019 -- largely because you are magnetized toward making healthy, sustainable choices. Cancer and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 7,

11, 49 and 40.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:
ARIES: Strive to be the one who gives more, knowing you probably won't quite meet that goal, as your taste in people is excellently skewed to generous souls.
TAURUS: The environment matters to romance, and when you take the relationship out of context, the results will surprise you.
GEMINI: The tasks you embark on together will bring you closer.
CANCER: What starts out very well will need new ideas along the way and a whole strategy for the endgame. So the plan will be key!
LEO: You'll have a better time when you feel somewhat secure in a relationship.
VIRGO: You'll gravitate to the creatively endowed.
LIBRA: Mysteries abound. How boring life would be without them. So don't be too quick to solve it or reveal your side of it.
SCORPIO: Self-sufficient people who don't rely on others for entertainment or happiness will be a joy to have around.
SAGITTARIUS: You can trust that love's chord will have a mutual resonance and

savor that for a while without spoiling it with talk.
CAPRICORN: Take it nice and slow.
AQUARIUS: A person who is going through the stage you crossed several years ago will bring you back to that time.
PISCES: It's actually harder to have fun just for the sake of fun than it is to accidentally have fun while you're working to complete a goal together.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: This weekend's new moon in Leo raises the question of what it's like for two Leos in love. The lion is known for having a big, spotlight-loving personality, but Leo is also generous, so there's room for two in the glow, as the attention keeps being passed back and forth. Leo is also the sign of playfulness and children, so it could be that no one in the double-Leo relationship wants to make the "adult" decisions.

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4	2	1	7	5	3	6	9	8
3	8	9	6	4	2	5	7	1
5	6	7	9	2	8	1	4	3
2	4	3	5	1	7	9	8	6
9	1	8	4	3	6	7	2	5
7	3	2	1	6	4	8	5	9
1	5	4	2	8	6	9	3	7
8	9	6	3	7	5	2	1	4

ANSWER:

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

You are the dealer, both sides vulnerable, and have opened One Heart, to which partner has responded One Notrump. What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

- ♠ KQ4 ♥ AQ763 ♦ AJ ♣ Q74
- ♠ KJ6 ♥ AKQ7652 ♦ KJ ♣ 4
- ♠ 4 ♥ AK8653 ♦ AK82 ♣ K7
- ♠ K6 ♥ KQ7643 ♦ AK64 ♣ 9

1. Two notrump. Partner's one-notrump response indicates six to at most 10 high-card points. Whether or not a game is feasible therefore depends upon the strength of his response. The best way to find out is to bid two notrump, inviting partner to continue on to game (most likely in notrump) if he is in the upper half of the range for his previous bid.

In general, a two-notrump rebid by the opener in this sequence shows 16 to 18 points. Responder carries on to game if he has eight to 10 points, and passes if he has only six or seven.

2. Four hearts. You should not want to risk playing at less than game. A jump to three hearts would merely invite partner to bid again, and partner would pass about half the time. So little is needed for 10 tricks to be made — for example, just the queen of spades and queen of diamonds — that partner should not be given the option of passing.

3. Three hearts. Here, with a heart suit that is much less self-sufficient,

partner should be consulted about the advisability of undertaking a game contract. You should be willing to give him the opportunity to pass if he lacks support or his notrump response was sketchy. Accordingly, you make an invitational jump to three hearts (16 to 18 points).

The alternative to three hearts is two diamonds (nonforcing), which understates your heart strength. A jump-shift to three diamonds commits the partnership to game, and your hand simply isn't good enough for that.

4. Two diamonds. This hand is essentially the same as the previous one, except that the queen of hearts has been substituted for the ace. Obviously, the hand is much weaker, so game prospects are not nearly as good.

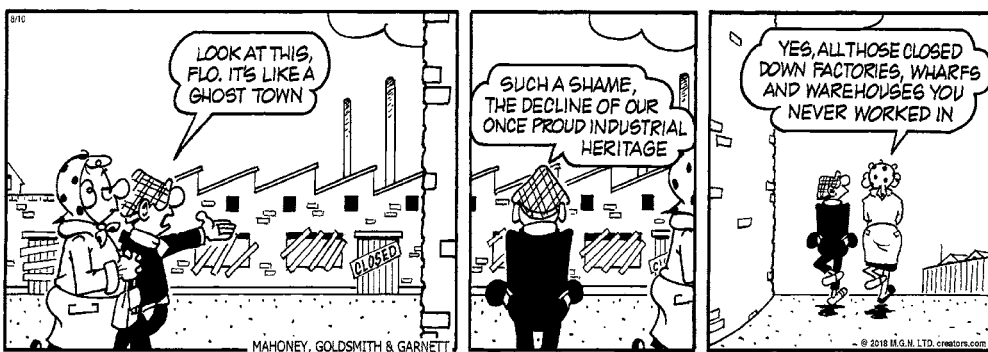
Nevertheless, game is not out of the question, and the problem now is to reach it if it's there. A two-diamond bid serves that purpose best. If partner passes, it is highly unlikely that a sound game contract will be missed. A pass would indicate not only a minimum hand but also better support for diamonds than hearts.

However, if partner bids two hearts over two diamonds — which is just what you would want to hear — game prospects improve, and a continuation to three hearts (invitational) would be in order.

Tomorrow: The handwriting on the wall.

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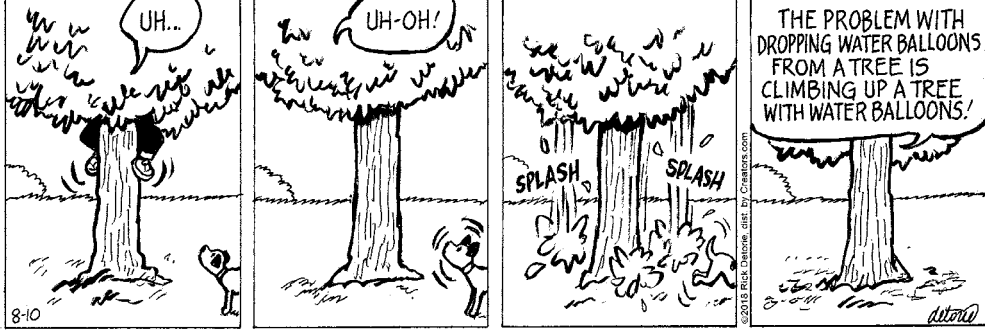
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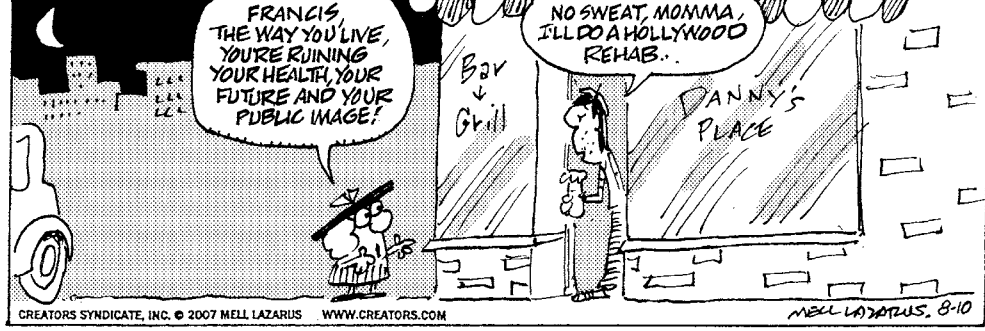
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NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Aug. 10, the 222nd day of 2018. There are 143 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On August 10, 1792, during the French Revolution, mobs in Paris attacked the Tuileries (TWEY'-luh-reez) Palace, where King Louis XVI resided. (The king was later arrested, put on trial for treason, and executed.)

On this date:

In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

In 1846, President James K. Polk signed a measure establishing the Smithsonian Institution.

In 1861, Confederate forces routed Union troops in the Battle of Wilson's Creek in Missouri, the first major engagement of the Civil War west of the Mississippi River.

In 1921, Franklin D. Roosevelt was stricken with polio at his summer home on the Canadian island of Campobello.

In 1949, the National Military Establishment was renamed the Department of Defense.

In 1969, Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people were slain.

In 1975, television personality David Frost announced he had purchased the exclusive rights to interview former President Richard Nixon.

In 1977, postal employee David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, New York, accused of being "Son of Sam," the gunman who killed six people and wounded seven others in the New York City area. (Berkowitz is serving six consecutive 25-years-to-life sentences.)

In 1988, President Ronald Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to still-living Japanese-Americans who were interned by their government during World War II.

In 1991, nine Buddhists were found slain at their temple outside Phoenix, Arizona. (Two teen-agers were later arrested; one was sentenced to life in prison, while the other received 281 years.)

In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 2006, British authorities announced they had thwarted a terrorist plot to simultane-

ously blow up 10 aircraft heading to the U.S. using explosives smuggled in hand luggage.

Ten years ago: At the Beijing Olympics, Michael Phelps began his long march toward eight gold medals by winning the 400-meter individual medley in 4:03.84 — smashing his own world record. The U.S. women's 400-meter freestyle relay team, anchored by 41-year-old Dara Torres, took the silver behind the Netherlands. Stephanie Rice of Australia won the gold in the women's 400-meter individual medley in a world record time of 4:29.45. Pdraig Harrington rallied from three shots behind to win the PGA Championship in Bloomfield Township, Mich. Soul crooner Isaac Hayes, 65, died in Memphis, Tenn.

Five years ago: In an address at the Disabled American Veterans' convention in Orlando, Florida, President Barack Obama assured disabled veterans that his administration was making progress on reducing a backlog of disability claims. A harrowing weeklong search for a missing California teenager ended when FBI agents rescued 16-year-old Hannah Anderson and shot and killed 40-year-old James Lee DiMaggio at a campsite deep in the Idaho wilderness. (Authorities say in addition to kidnapping Hannah, DiMaggio killed her brother and mother at his home east of San Diego.) Singer Edyie Gorme, 84, died in Las Vegas.

One year ago: President Donald Trump, continuing his criticism of Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell following the failed effort to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act, suggested that McConnell might have to rethink his future as majority leader unless he could deliver on Trump's legislative priorities on health care, taxes and infrastructure. North Korea's military described as a "load of nonsense" Trump's warning that the North would face "fire and fury" if it threatened the United States.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Rhonda Fleming is 95. Singer

Ronnie Spector is 75. Actor James Reynolds is 72. Rock singer-musician Ian Anderson (Jethro Tull) is 71. Country musician Gene Johnson (Diamond Rio) is 69. Singer Patti Austin is 68. Actor Daniel Hugh Kelly is 66. Folk singer-songwriter Sam Baker is 64. Actress Rosanna Arquette is 59. Actor Antonio Banderas is 58. Rock musician Jon Farriss (INXS)

is 57. Singer Julia Fordham is 56. Journalist-blogger Andrew Sullivan is 55. Actor Chris Caldovino is 55. Singer Neneh Cherry is 54. Singer Aaron Hall is 54. Boxer Riddick Bowe is 51. Actor Sean Blakemore is 51. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lorraine Pearson (Five Star) is 51. Singer-producer Michael Bivins is 50. Actor-writer Justin Theroux is 47.

Actress Angie Harmon is 46. Country singer Jennifer Hanson is 45. Actor-turned-lawyer Craig Kirkwood is 44. Actress JoAnna Garcia Swisher is 39. Singer Cary Ann Hearst (Shovels & Rope) is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nikki Bratcher (Divine) is 38. Actor Aaron Staton is 38. Actor Ryan Eggold is 34. Actor Charley Koontz is 31. Actor Lucas Till is 28.

Thought for Today:

"It is easier to make a saint out of a libertine than out of a prig."

George Santayana
Spanish-born philosopher
(1863-1952).

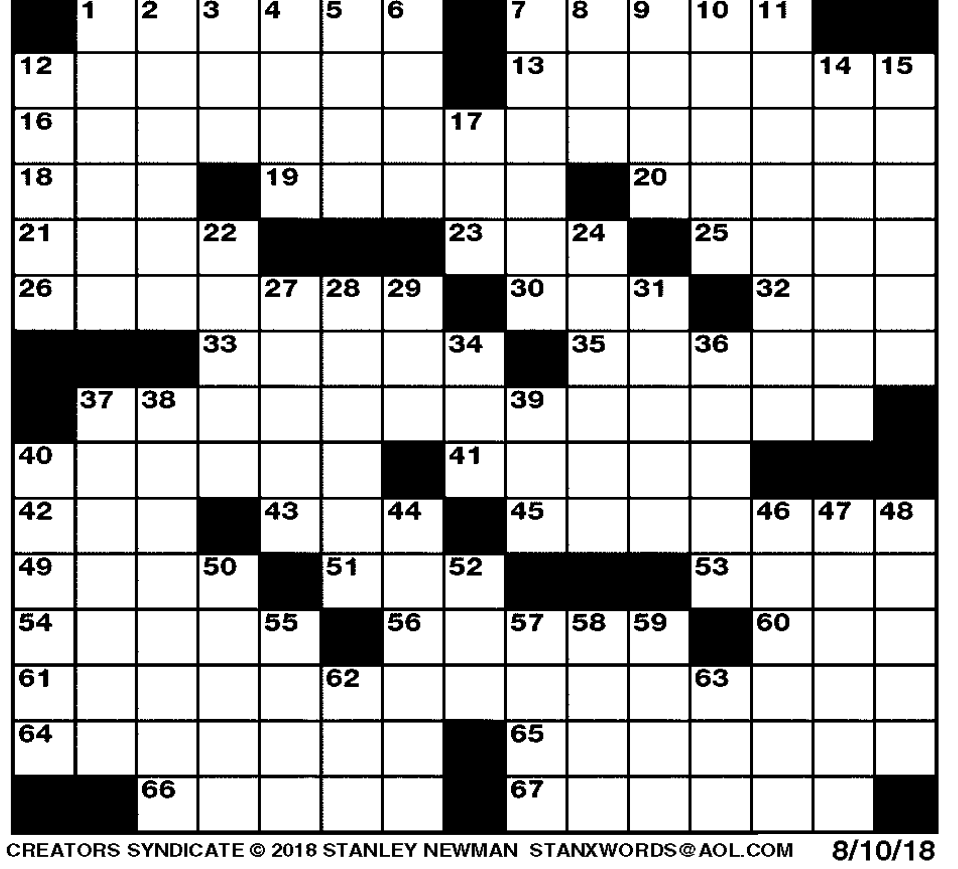
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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Sounded like bagpipes
 - 7 Done
 - 12 Tonic water ingredient
 - 13 Speechless
 - 16 Always in the public domain [no repeated letters]
 - 18 Forest's Oscar role
 - 19 CD originator
 - 20 Really relished
 - 21 Former late-night monologist
 - 23 20-vol. work
 - 25 Columnist pal of cartoonist Bil
 - 26 Ottoman, e.g.
 - 30 Telephonic trio
 - 32 Mid-16th century date
 - 33 Resignation affirmation
 - 35 Trees with beans
 - 37 Impish [no repeated letters]
 - 40 Contract before a union
 - 41 Citadel student
 - 42 Old-school encouragement
 - 43 Anatomical enclosure
 - 45 Gray matter
 - 49 Iowa city
 - 51 Indian physicist on *The Big Bang Theory*
 - 53 Board position
 - 54 Audio cell message, for short
 - 56 Military stations
 - 60 Compass reading
 - 61 Study of fingerprints [no repeated letters]

- DOWN**
- 1 Scottish port
 - 2 Preparing potatoes, perhaps
 - 3 Donator of Lennon's childhood home
 - 4 Just gets by
 - 5 Singer from Donegal
 - 6 Vice Admiral in *The Last Jedi*
 - 7 Made a hole-in-one, typically
 - 8 High degree
 - 9 Raw research
 - 10 Tickle
 - 11 Four-legged guard
 - 12 Calligrapher's purchase
 - 14 Jamal, the movie millionaire
 - 15 Floral parts
 - 17 Frequent court statement
 - 22 Hunting partner of Artemis
 - 24 Era, often (the donkey)
 - 27 ___ asinus
 - 28 Good, in golf
 - 29 Dusk-dawn connector
 - 31 Charlatan
 - 34 Film noir stock character
 - 36 Gives as a source
 - 37 Ensnares
 - 38 Work on your lines
 - 39 Apple since '98
 - 40 News site with a Former USSR section
 - 44 Villainous De Niro role
 - 46 "No fighting"
 - 47 Antonym of "amity"
 - 48 Engage in ___ of wills
 - 50 Fair-bound boy of rhyme
 - 52 Treadmill setting
 - 55 Scandinavian form of Lawrence
 - 57 Refinery refuse
 - 58 Hit the keys
 - 59 Peppy
 - 62 Frat letter
 - 63 Start of Grafton's eighth Millhonne title



COWBOYS

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Prescott sat out the first exhibition game last season but got one series of action against the 49ers this year and looked sharp. He completed all three of pass attempts and converted a third-and-9 with a 12-yard scramble.

He capped his night with the deep ball to Gallup, who beat Jimmie Ward down the sideline. Ward got the start at cornerback in place of Richard Sherman, who is nursing a hamstring injury.

With the release of three-time Pro Bowl receiver Dez Bryant and the retirement of 15-year tight end Jason

Witten, the Cowboys are searching for receiving threats this preseason. Gallup, a third-round pick out of Colorado State, has been impressive so far in camp.

"That's a good feeling," Gallup said. "Especially for me being so young and being a rookie and everything, I needed that boost of confidence. It was a good feeling."

NATIONAL ANTHEM

No players on either team kneeled during the national anthem, although 49ers receiver Marquise Goodwin did raise his right fist throughout the song. The Niners have been at the center of the protests during national anthem ever since Colin Kaepernick began kneeling two years ago. Eric

Reid protested last year but both players are no longer with the team. Linebacker Eli Harrold also kneeled during the anthem the past two years but stood to start this season.

INJURIES

The Niners had a parade of injuries early, starting with LB Malcolm Smith limping off with a hamstring issue on the opening drive. TE George Kittle and backup RB Matt Breida left with shoulder injuries. Thomas and backup tackle Garry Gilliam were sidelined by concussions and Harrold had a lower leg injury.

Cowboys OL Marcus Martin limped off the field in the second half with a toe injury, S Marqueston Huff left with a groin injury, and WR Marchie

Murdock had an ankle injury.

NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES
Joe Thomas got the start at linebacker for Dallas in place of Sean Lee and delivered an interception against C.J. Beathard on a tipped pass by Kavon Frazier. ... Cowboys rookie RB Bo Scarbrough had a 28-yard run and scored a 1-yard TD in the second quarter. ... James had four catches for 46 yards and fellow rookie Dante Pettis caught a 53-yard pass.

HELMET FOUL

There was one penalty under the new rule prohibiting players from leading with their helmets. San Francisco LB Elijah Lee was called for the infraction on a tackle against Scarbrough in the third quarter.

TEXANS

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"I thought it was important for him to go through the whole warmup process and preparation for the game and get out there and operate the offense," Texans coach Bill O'Brien said.

That was good enough for Watson, who relished the return.

"It was a good time to get the juices flowing a little bit, to hear the fans and just walk on the field," Watson said.

Brandon Weeden took over for Houston after the game's opening drive and led back-to-back touchdown drives — including a 12-play, 68-yard drive during his first series that was capped by a 6-yard touchdown pass to rookie tight end Jordan Akins.

Weeden hooked up with Akins for a 14-yard touchdown on the next drive and finished 9 of 11

for 97 yards with two touchdowns after starting out with two incompletions.

Mahomes' backup, Chad Henne, was responsible for the lone Chiefs touchdown — a 24-yard pass over the top to Demarcus Robinson late in the second quarter.

"I want to come out and show the coaches I can make plays, so it was pretty good," Robinson said. "We had a double move called, so I gave him a little hesitation about 5 yards off the line and it was a great ball."

Robinson finished with three catches for a game-high 48 yards, while Henne finished 8 of 14 for 91 yards with a touchdown and an interception.

Several notable players were absent for both teams.

Chiefs safety Eric Berry (Achilles' heel) didn't dress for the game. Backup Eric Murray got the start instead alongside rookie safety Armani Watts, who replaced injured starter Daniel Sorenson (knee).

"When they came and told me (I was starting), was just ready," said Watts, a rookie fourth-round pick from Texas A&M. "That's what you've got to be as the next man up."

Kansas City also was without both starting inside linebackers — Anthony Hitchens, a free-agent acquisition from the Cowboys, and Reggie Ragland.

Houston had its share of absences as well — including linebacker Whitney Mercilus (soft tissue injury), who didn't make the trip.

Linebackers Benardrick McKinney and Jadeveon Clowney, defensive end J.J. Watt, safety Tyrann Mathieu and cornerback Johnathan Joseph also didn't play along with starting wide receivers DeAndre Hopkins and Will Fuller.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

There were no protests from players on either team — though a few Chiefs, in particular, stood well off the sideline near the benches — during the national anthem. It didn't appear that any players went to the locker room for the anthem.

LUCK

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Second-year running back Chris Carson averaged 6.5 yards per carry in limited action.

Seattle's defense scored with 3:15 left when an errant snap was recovered by Joey Ivie for a touchdown.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Three Seattle players ran into the team's locker room prior to the national anthem.

Defensive linemen Branden Jack-

son and Quinton Jefferson, and offensive lineman Duane Brown left the field following team introductions and before the start of the anthem. They returned to the sideline immediately after it concluded. All three were among a group of Seattle players that sat during the anthem last season.

Brown and Jefferson said they intend to continue the action all season.

"The team was aware of everyone's emotions and feelings going forward and we're all supportive of each oth-

er," Brown said.

There were no other actions by either Seattle or Indianapolis players during the performance of the anthem.

EJECTION

Indianapolis safety Shamarko Thomas was ejected late in the fourth quarter after a helmet-to-helmet hit on Seattle wide receiver David Moore.

SHAQUEM'S DEBUT

Seattle rookie linebacker Shaquem Griffin was all over the field in his debut. Griffin led Seattle with nine

tackles, flashing the speed that made him a star in college. But he was also bullied on one play when Indianapolis tight end Jack Doyle used his size to create separation from Griffin on contact and made a 9-yard reception from Luck.

"It felt good to kind of get out there and get your feet wet and kind of get some hits in," Griffin said. "I know the way the league works you don't really get a chance to really tackle too much so to kind of get out there and get a few tackles in."

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Smith-Schuster made a leaping catch over Rasul Douglas at the 33 and ran untouched to the end zone.

Fitzgerald Toussaint had a 3-yard TD run and a 2-point conversion, while Dobbs threw a 29-yard TD pass to Damoun Patterson.

Sudfeld threw a perfect strike for a 63-yard TD to Shelton Gibson and fired a 15-yard TD pass to rookie Dallas Goedert. He finished 10 of 14 for 140 yards.

Wentz still hasn't been cleared for contact after having surgery to repair two torn ligaments in his left knee last December. Foles, the Super Bowl MVP, has missed a few practices with muscle spasms in his neck and shoulder.

Mason Rudolph, a third-round pick competing with Jones and Dobbs for the backup job to Roethlisberger, was 7 of 12 for 101 yards.

PANTHERS 28, BILLS 23

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Bills receiver Kelvin Benjamin's feud with former teammate Panthers quarterback Cam Newton continued before and during Carolina's preseason-opening win.

First, the two exchanged words on the field about 90 minutes before kickoff. Then they each played key roles in touchdowns drives in the first quarter.

Benjamin caught four passes for 59 yards, including a 28-yard touchdown reception from Nathan Peterman on Buffalo's first possession. Newton responded on the next possession, completing 4 of 5 attempts for 67 yards as part of an 85-yard drive capped by Christian McCaffrey's 2-yard run.

The bad blood between the two emerged last week when Benjamin criticized Newton's accuracy and questioned why the Panthers used a first-round pick to draft Benjamin in 2014. It was the latest time Benjamin has voiced his frustrations since forcing his trade to Buffalo in October.

Before the game, a video posted by The Charlotte Observer showed Benjamin chatting with Panthers linebacker Thomas Davis when Newton approached the two and attempted to shake Benjamin's hand. Newton waved away Davis, and then had a brief discussion with Benjamin before the receiver began walking away.

Newton followed and the two talked again. The discussion ended when Benjamin shrugged and turned to walk away, and Newton waved his hand at the receiver's back.

Newton finished 6 of 9 for 84 yards in two series.

BENGALS 30, BEARS 27

CINCINNATI (AP) — Andy Dalton made a solid debut in Cincinnati's revamped offense, throwing for a pair of touchdowns.

The Bengals were last in the league on offense last season, the worst finish in franchise history. They overhauled their

leaky offensive line, and coordinator Bill Lazor injected more diversity into the playbook. It showed the first time out.

Dalton went 6 of 8 for 103 yards, completing four passes of at least 20 yards. He also had an interception that wasn't his fault — John Ross fell on his route and Kyle Fuller returned the pickoff 47 yards to the end zone.

The Bears (0-2) rested most of their starters during a 17-16 loss to the Ravens in the Hall of Fame game, including quarterback Mitchell Trubisky. His preseason debut didn't go very well.

Trubisky was in for two series that netted minus-1 yard on eight plays. The Bears' only first down on those series came on Carlos Dunlap's penalty for roughing the quarterback, a late hit on Trubisky. He missed on a deep sideline pass to Kevin White on his opening throw and finished 2 of 4 for 4 yards.

SAINTS 24, JAGUARS 20

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Blake Bortles completed 6 of 9 passes for 53 yards and scored on a short bootleg. Bortles was poised in the pocket and nearly perfect in one series of work, a significant improvement from the way his preseason started a year ago. Bortles had a five-interception performance during a training camp practice in 2017 and continued to struggle during joint practices with New England. He was benched two weeks into the preseason and had to earn the starting job.

A year later, his starting spot is as solid as just about anyone's on the team. It showed against the Saints.

Bortles led the Jaguars on a 15-play, 79-yard drive to open the game. He converted both third-down passes he faced and finished off the series by going untouched around the right side.

Saints star Drew Brees got the night off, allowing backup Tom Savage to play the first half. Savage completed 10 of 14 passes for 70 yards. Brees only played in one preseason game in 2017.

Mark Ingram, suspended the first four games of the regular season for violating NFL policy on performance enhancers, carried seven times for

23 yards and a touchdown. Ingram scored against Jacksonville's backups and after a 15-yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty kept the drive alive.

BUCCANEERS 26, DOLPHINS 24

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Buccaneers kicker Chandler Catanzaro made a 26-yard field goal with 23 seconds left to cap a 67-yard drive and give them the win.

Ryan Tannehill completed passes on the first four plays in his return from two serious injuries to his left knee, sparking a 40-yard drive that ended with a missed field goal in his only series.

Tannehill, seeing his first action since December 2016, was off-target on his final two throws and finished 4 for 6 for 32 yards.

Tampa Bay's Jameis Winston played the second quarter against Miami's second team and led a group of reserves to 10 points on drives of 32 and 40 yards. He went 11 for 13 for 102 yards in four series.

Winston is suspended for the first three games of the regular season for violating the NFL's personal conduct policy.

Dolphins receivers Kenny Stills and Albert Wilson and defensive end Robert Quinn protested during the anthem. Stills and Wilson kneeled behind teammates lined up standing along the sideline. Quinn stood and raised his right fist. There were no apparent protests by the Buccaneers.

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