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Upcoming Events

JURY TRIAL CANCELLATION FOR MAY 6

Howard County Court under Judge Wiseman is canceling Jury Panel set for May 6 at 9 a.m.

Today

Early Voting Courthouse First Floor

Saturday

Lions Pancake Breakfast

7 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. East Room at Howard College

Jesus Take the Wheel Car Show fundraiser Credit World 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Big Spring Symphony 7:30 p.m. Municipal Auditorium

Master the Mountain May 11 Registration open

Trash Off rescheduled for May 18 More details to come

Forsan Pre-K/ Kindergarten Registration through April 26 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thur. until 7 p.m.

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35 years of horsemanship in Howard County

By ANNA GUTIERREZ
 Staff Writer

The Howard County Youth Horseman Club believe a love for the equine species should be taught to young people at an early age. The HCYHC is a non-profit organization for both adults and children which was started over 35 years ago in order to create interest in showing, training, competition and horsemanship.

The club is run by a five-member board of directors and four officers who meet the first Monday of every month. The board and officers determine the rules, dates of events, and guidelines for that year. All decisions are based solely on the bylaws of the club, which were written at the club's inception.

"Even those that are unable to ride unassisted are encouraged to enter into our lead-line classes and join the

fun," Tina Townsend said. "Our goal as a non-profit organization is to reach out and involve the community in support of all youth, local and in the surrounding areas."

The club teaches are five events, barrels, poles, goat tying, flag racing and straight barrels. Three of these events will continue into the high school level, and two will take the youth into the college level.

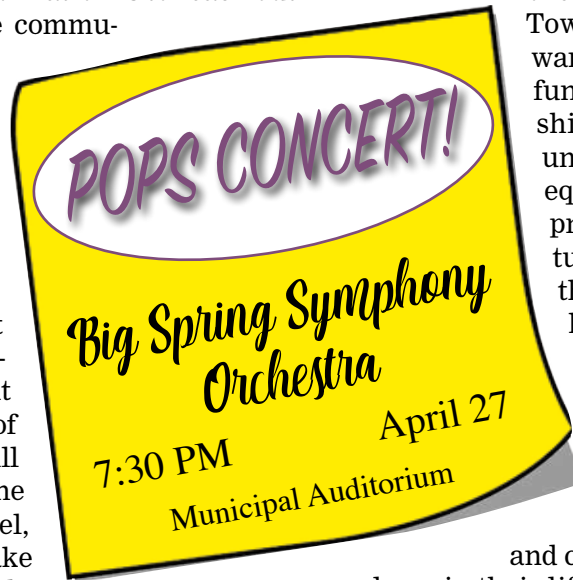
"With the Howard College Rodeo Team being in the community, we encourage all kids and young adults to

strive for an education, along with their love for equine sports,"

Townsend said. "We want the kids to have fun, learn, have fellowship with others, and understand that the equine industry can provide the opportunity to take them through school with hard work, patience and diligence. We also want them to understand equine sports can offer scholarship opportunities ties and can open many other doors in their life."

As a non-profit, volunteers are always needed. Volunteers help run playdays.

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BSJH sending 20 students to state competition

Courtesy photo
 This year Big Spring Junior High is sending 20 students to state competition in the TMSCA (Texas Math and Science Coaches' Association) event. To qualify students had to accrue a required number of points in numerous math and science Saturday competitions this past Spring. The points could have been earned as a team or as individuals. According to BSISD officials, this is the largest group that has gone to compete at the state level.

Pictured left to right: Ismael Castillo, Ian Cortez, Zareth Castillo, Morgan Griffith, Wyatt Cornish, Jaysena Roberts, Ryleigh Pirraglia, Cheyanne Horton, Kortney Moore, Emma Miracle, and David Summers. Second row, left to right: Joseph Gonzales, A'Kalie Berry, David Villagrana, Zuleimy Castillo, Ananya Limaye, and Haily Harrington. Front row, Kaiden Roberts and Tyson Hodges. Sponsors (not pictured) were Teresa Kemp, Chance Urias, and Chan Hyun Sim. Students left for the San Antonio competition on Thursday, and will be competing this weekend.



Sharing a smile Home Hospice looking for volunteers

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

Sharing love, volunteers needed
 One hour per month, a caring heart and a smile can make a difference.

Home Hospice is reaching out to the community in search of those looking to give back to the community and wanting to spread a little cheer.

"Our families are in a rough time when they come to us, and the little kind gestures can make a big difference in those moments," Beverly Grant, Volunteer Coordinator for Home Hospice, said.

Home Hospice works with the mission of providing support for families who are beginning the grieving process, entering a season leading to grieving or have entered a grieving season.

"Grief doesn't always start after a person we love passes away, for many of our families, that process

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Coffee and a tour Opening doors to the community

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

A cup of coffee, a donut and a tour ... what better way to begin your Saturday?

Marcy Place will be hosting Coffee and a Tour April 27 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

"If you are looking for assisted living for yourself or a loved one, we encourage you to come out and join us," Sherrean Jones, Community Relations Manager for Marcy Place, said.

During the come and go event, there will be an opportunity for a tour to be scheduled and possibly even an opportunity for a quick tour, of the facility.

"For those who can't make it to the Coffee and Tour event, they can call and set up a tour. For those wanting to find out about what we offer and looking for an in-depth tour, I would suggest about 45 minutes to be set aside," Jones said.

According to Jones, the facility offers an independent living environment, for those who are needing assistance in day to day activities.

"Our community includes those who need assistance with medi

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Obituaries

Tena Ellene Sawyer



Funeral services for Tena Ellene Sawyer, 67, of Lamesa, will be Saturday, April 27, 2019, 2 p.m., at the Church of Christ of Lamesa with Mark Hackett officiating. Interment will follow at Dawson County Cemetery. Visitation will be held Friday, April 26, 2019, from 6 to 8 p.m. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Tena passed away Wednesday, April 24, 2019, in Lamesa. She was born July 13, 1951, in Lamesa, Texas, to Darrell and Bonnie (Grayson) Zachary. She married Joseph Earl Sawyer on June 26, 1970, in Lamesa. They were married for 33 years. She loved spending time with

her four grandsons and attending their sporting events. She loved gardening and working in her yard. She was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ and the "55 and Alive" Bible study group.

Tena is survived by her children, Chris Sawyer and wife, Cathy of Post, and Nocona Estes and husband, Scott of Dublin; grandchildren, Zachary Sawyer, Sawyer Denman, Jackson Denman, Peyton Sawyer, Brady Estes and Callie Estes; brothers, Thomas Zachary of Round Rock and Vic Zachary of Lubbock; aunt, Anna Gilliam and husband, Ervin of Lubbock; beloved dog, Dottie; and many lifelong, dear friends. Tena is preceded in death by her husband and parents.

To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com

Paid Obituary

Greg Clarke



Greg Clarke, 68, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, April 22, 2019. No services are planned.

Greg was born April 23, 1950, in Kalispell, Montana, to Vera Lee Jones and Earl Fredrick Clark. He married Betty Wilkinson on Sept. 8, 1996, in Reno, Nevada.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Clarke of Big Spring; one daughter, Sherie Matthews and husband Wayne of Nasalle, Washington; two granddaughters; and two sisters.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **TERENCE QUINTEN CROSS JR.**, 19, of 704 S. Bell St., was arrested on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Aylesford St.

• **THEFT** was reported at 2nd and Johnson, 3900 block of Hamilton, and the 5300 block of N. Service Rd.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported

in the 1000 block of N.W. 2nd St., and in the 700 block of Bell St.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 500 block of Westover Rd.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **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 700 block of E. 17th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 100 block of E. 15th St. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of E. Robinson Rd. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Driver Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported

in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Lamar. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6600 block of Craig Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Take Note

Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-0713.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school. The next sacking event will be May 6 and 7 at the old Lakeview High School, 1107 NW 7th St., at 5:30 p.m.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you.

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

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are

available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

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

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

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

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

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

• Big Spring Centennial Lions Club will be having a pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Howard College Cafeteria located in the Student Union Building. Come out and eat breakfast before "A Joyful Season" trade show that is being held in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Pancakes, bacon, sausage, coffee, milk or tea will be served for a donation of \$6 per person. First responders, police and firemen all eat free. All proceeds will be used in our community for Lion charities. Presale tickets are available from any Lions Club member.

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

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

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas.

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Sheriff

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Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 97 inmates at the time of this report.

• **FORTUNATO BARRIENTES**, 25, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for motion to revoke-possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

• **REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK**, 35, was arrested by BPSD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **TERENCE QUINTEN CROSS JR.**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive contact.

• **AARON PAUL DELEON**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for motion to revoke-possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and a charge of possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

• **ANTHONY DELEON**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram), and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **GLENN CHARLEY DAN**, 59, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft of service (\$750 to \$2,500).

• **MATILDA MARIE IRVIN**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for two counts of theft of property (\$100 to \$750), and public intoxication.

• **BRANDON MANUEL ONTIVEROS**, 29, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for failing to maintain financial responsibility and expired registra-

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.

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Weather



Today: Sunny, with a high near 80. East wind 10 to 15 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 61. South wind around 15 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 92. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 60. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 91.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 63.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 86.

Monday Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Tuesday: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 83.

Tuesday Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

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

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• The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank.

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations.

Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact

Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Yellow Rose Cafe at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat. Cost is \$8 per person.

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begins long before their loved one passes," Grant said. "We are able to help them walk through that process, understand what is going to happen and provide resources for them, during that time."

Grant mentioned that services don't end when a loved one passes, but continue even after. The year following the loss of a loved one can be trying as the years to follow, which is why families receive letters, notes on several touch points throughout the year.

"The patients become like our family and we want them to know we haven't forgotten them or their loved one," she said. "Our volunteers play an important role in those times and in the lives of the patients before they pass."

She continued, "Sadly, many of our patients do not have a close circle of friends and family here. Many have had their friends pass on already and

families live out of state, or at least out of town and normal visits aren't always an option, but our volunteers can be that routine, that constant."

Volunteers must be able to pass a background check, have at least an hour a month to share, and complete a training course.

"We are all going to get older one day and this is a way to give back while we can, and show people that someone cares; they don't have to be alone," she said. "There aren't a lot of qualifications honestly, if you have people skills, a friendly demeanor and can be excited about what you are doing, enjoying a visit, sharing a smile, that's really all it takes."

For those interested in volunteering or needing more information, call Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or stop by the office at 111 E. Seventh Street.

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COFFEE

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cations, with every day household chores – cooking, cleaning, laundry – and we have those who are just needing more socialization in their lives," she said.

According to Jones, the Coffee and Tour event is just one opportunity coming up for those wanting to find out more about the community.

"We are always available to offer a tour for those needing to find out more, and we also have our community bingo activities – one coming up May 9 –

and we also will be having more events that will allow the families in the community to come out and see what we have to offer," she said.

To schedule a tour or find out more about the facility, call Sherrean Jones at 268-9041.

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April 27:
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YOUTH

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If you would like information on what it takes to become a volunteer, you can contact anyone within the club, or attend one of the playdays. Playdays are held the second Saturday of every month.

For more information, please follow the Howard County Youth Horseman Club Facebook page. You can also reach them at 432-556-0166.

"We want all members, volunteers, spectators, and the entire community to understand we are here for the equine-loving kids and adults," Townsend said. "Come out and enjoy a nice Saturday with food, fun and a little friendly competition."

Yearly membership fee is \$50, which will include the person who purchases the membership along with their immediate family.

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

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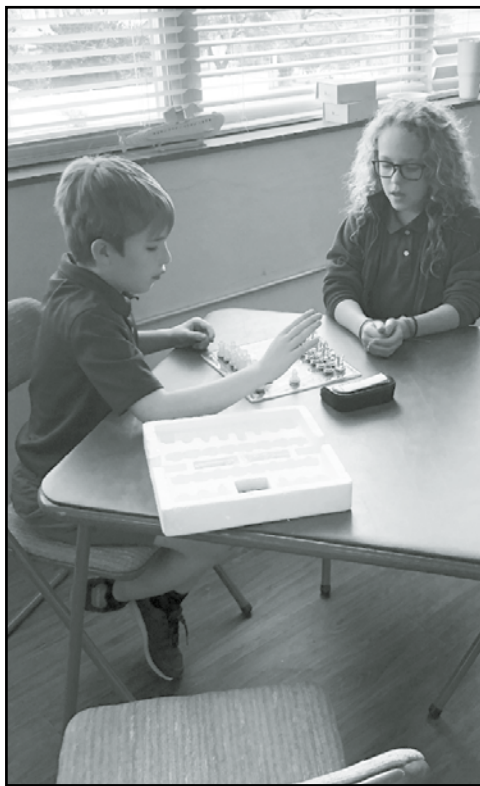
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Runnels Academy students put their lessons into action through unique opportunities. They have also been able to enjoy recess time on their new playground equipment which was recently donated.



Permian Basin UWCD Water Level Averages



STANTON (April 18, 2019) - Each year the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) conducts measurements on observation wells in Howard and Martin Counties. The results of those measurements help determine the annual change of the aquifers in this area.

The difference of the average water level measurements between 2018 and 2019 is a rise of .34 ft. for the District.

For more information regarding water levels, please call the PBUWCD office at 432-756-2136.

TxDOT urges drivers to look twice for motorcycles to help save lives, prevent crashes

AUSTIN - As spring weather draws more motorcyclists onto roadways the risk of fatalities increases. Last year 417 motorcyclists died on Texas roadways, an average of more than one fatality a day. It's a number the Texas Department of Transportation is working to reduce by asking motorists to be extra vigilant.

TxDOT is launching "Share the Road: Look Twice for Motorcycles" - a campaign supporting National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month this May. "Share the Road: Look Twice for Motorcycles" urges drivers to be extra cautious, since motorcyclists are more difficult to see and less protected than other motorists.

"Last year motorcycle fatalities were reduced by 17 %, which is a big step forward; still one death is too many for the Lone Star State," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "As motorcyclists hit the road to enjoy the open air and beautiful scenery, it's important that vehicle drivers and motorcyclists remain alert and look out for each other on the road. We want everyone to enjoy what Texas offers and reach their destinations safely,"

One of the most common crashes between motorcyclists and drivers

occurs when drivers make left turns at intersections, due to motorists' difficulty judging the distance and speed of motorcycles. TxDOT cautions drivers to be extra vigilant when approaching, turning, or driving through an intersection, as 30% of Texas motorcycle deaths in 2018 were intersection-related.

A motorcyclist's "braking" is not always obvious to motorists. Motorcycles decelerate faster than vehicles and motorcyclists can often downshift instead of applying the brake, especially when driving around a curve. This means at times brake lights will not be engaged to signal the motorcycle is slowing down. It is important for motorists to allow for extra distance when they are behind motorcycles.

TxDOT is urging motorists to: Look twice for motorcycles, especially at intersections.

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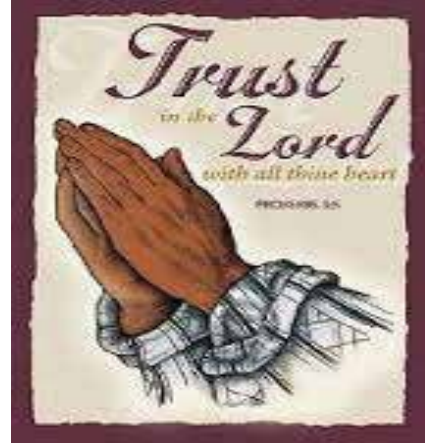
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A Father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families. - Psalm 68:5-6a NIV God has a heart for the orphan. His desire is for all to belong to a loving family. There is a significant need in our community to be a part of what God is doing to "set the lonely in families." Join us this Sunday as we hear about ways we can make a difference in the lives children in Howard County.

Pizza with Parents

Our NazKids' Ministry will be hosting a pizza with parents event following the morning service this Sunday. We are inviting all parents with school aged children to stay for lunch and find out more about all that is happening in our children's ministry.

Coins for Camp

Our teens are collecting coins for camp! Help out our youth by letting go of any loose change you have as they raise funds to get to summer camp. Drop offs for the coins can be made on Sundays or Wednesdays in the foyer or with our youth leaders.

NazFamily Summer Mission Trip

This summer the NazFamily will be taking a team to work with the Nazarene Boarder Initiative in Chihuahua, Mexico. We have several projects lined up with the ministry near the boarder in El Paso and in Mexico from August 4-11. More details will be coming soon. If you are interested in being a part of this team, contact the church office at 432-267-7015.

Now Enrolling

New Hope Christian School is currently enrolling children for our summer program, and Nazarene Christian Academy is enrolling students for the 2019-2020 academic year. Our students experience a fun, safe, and loving environment where they can grow emotionally, socially, spiritually, and academically. Contact us at 432-263-0203 for more information.

First Presbyterian Church

Church News for April 26, 2019

On Wednesday, the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Taylor Todd, meets at 5 p.m. in the church library. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Covenant Class, led by John Ferguson, continues its study Discipleship and Mission. Unit II, "Call to Ministry," based on Matthew, presents lessons "Call and Mission," "Called to Remember," "Called to Proclaim the Resurrection, and "Call and Commissioning."

The Discovery Class is studying the series Unshakable Hope by Max Lucado. In this twelve-session video Bible study, Lucado unpacks a dozen of the Bible's most significant promises, equipping listeners to overcome difficult circumstances, experience lasting security, and make wise decisions.

Presbyterian Women and the local church were able to send \$410 to Casa Hogar Orphanage, Inc. in Ojinaga, Mexico. PW wishes to thank everyone who helped host and serve the Lenten Luncheon, where about 120 were served.

Presbyterian Women invite anyone to meet with them on Tuesday, April 23, at 10:30 a.m. to help clean the church kitchen and communion vessels. After the work, those present will join to eat pizza, followed by the monthly Bible study, Lesson 8 "God With Us As the Holy Spirit."

The Stated Session Meeting for April will be Thursday, April 25, at 6 p.m. in the Church Library.

The monthly Prayer Breakfast is set for Saturday, April 27, at 8 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to come for food and fellowship.

Ellen Austin is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector last Sunday was Buddy Cochran. Ushers last Sunday were Jim Little, Louise Hitch and Helen and Lynn Glass. Communion Servers were Helen and Lynn Glass, Paula Farquhar, and Danny Kennemur.

The lectionary passages for the Second Sunday of Easter are Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:10-31. Rev. Taylor Todd will deliver the sermon. The Chancel Choir will begin the service with the introit "The Strife Is O'er" by Giovanni da Palestrini. The choir will present "The Lord Is My Shepherd," arranged by Jill Gallina, as the offertory.

Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link

that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by former pastor Rev. Craig Holstedt. We hope to have some sermons by Rev. Taylor Todd on the link soon. We would be pleased for you to like us on Facebook.

First Baptist Church

"O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD our Maker! Psalm 95:6

You're invited to become part of the family of First Baptist Church as they gather in honor and adoration of The Living Redeemer Jesus Christ, Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshipers in songs that are a mix of both contemporary praise music and classic hymns of the faith. Pastor Mark Lindsey brings the message titled "Grace Never Ends". Drawn from Luke 2:41-52, listeners will solemnly consider the truth that God is, and has always been, focused on the salvation of mankind extended graciously through relationship with Jesus Christ, and truly, this is God's business and Christ's purpose for which He descended to earth.

FBC now offers Deaf Interpretation in the morning service. If you need assistance accessing the sanctuary due to 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 fcbigspring.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.

At 5 p.m. in the chapel is a church-wide time of prayer; please come and join other believers in this occasion of intimate communication with our Lord.

Evening worship service begins at 5:30 in the chapel, and is a wonderful opportunity to prepare one's heart for the upcoming week. Pastor Mark will break open the Bread of Life-The Bible, as he brings a message of God's encouragement and hope for everyone.

Saturday April 27, FBC is hosting 'Blended and Blessed' from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the chapel. This event is for stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and those who care about blended families. For questions or to RSVP with number attending, email courtneysamsel@bigspringcounseling.org.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 to inquire about available openings for your little ones.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 p.m., and include Adult Bible Study and prayer time, Real LYF for children, youth group, and adult worship choir practice. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332 for details about teen events, or just come to the second floor Youth room at 6 and join the fun!

To find out more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website fcbigspring.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

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse, and wife Debbie, invite you to join this vibrant congregation Sunday at 2 p.m. as they come together in worship and praise of our most merciful and loving God. Currently, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For more information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, including Wednesday evening schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

College Baptist Church

Flowers are blooming here in God's beautiful country of Howard County. Come join us as God continues to allow us to be on the move at College Baptist Church with Him. We met with you as our visitors and friends this Resurrection Sunday. What an inspiring message in song as our choir led by Jamie Scott presented hymns of praise. Then our Pastor preached the truths of the Cross and what the resurrection of Christ did for His children. We are located at the corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. We have Bible Study leaders for Sunday School Sunday Morning at 9:15 for all ages, and at 10:45 our Worship team leads us in praise and hymns. Wednesday, King's Kids, Wee singers, and prayer and Bible study for Youth and Adults all meet at 7 p.m. We praise God for allowing us to exceed our Annie Armstrong Missions offering goal, which is espe-

cially for Home missions. Come celebrate the joy with us in worship as we praise the Mighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429, for more information about this great Church.

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, April 28, Pastor Derrell Patterson's message is "Saved By Grace" from Romans 10:9-10. It is Confirmation Sunday with baptisms and professions of faith by both youth and adults. 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 in Youth Hall instead of Garrett Hall because of the renovation taking place. The meal is served at 11:50 for \$5, followed by a Bible lesson.

Real Life Wednesday night sessions include something for almost everyone. The Children's Choir and Women's Bible Study meet at 6 p.m. Youth, choir rehearsal and Celebrate Recovery are also at 6 p.m. The Praise Team Rehearsal is at 7 p.m.

"Celebrate Recovery" sessions are offered every Wednesday for anyone in the community seeking freedom and healing from hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Worship and helpful Bible-based discussions begin at 6 p.m. The public is invited to drop by the north entrance of the building on Scurry Street any Wednesday.

Other events on the church calendar include:

- National Day of Prayer, Thursday May 2, 12:15 p.m., County Courthouse.
- Senior Sunday on May 5.
- Mother's Day on May 12.
- Vacation Bible School May 28-30 in the evenings from 6 to 8.

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

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You are invited to join us each Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we worship our Lord Jesus Christ.

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, April 28- Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service. Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you better.

April 28- Chosen Generation-Youth
The Youth will have a fundraiser (Chosen Generation take over). Join us right after our 11 a.m. service for a spaghetti lunch and a desert auction. This is to help with the cost of their youth trip. This summer, our youth will attend Youth Camp at Youth for the Nations. The camp is located in Dallas, at Christ for the Nations Institute. Please see Pastor Brandon and Cassie Hughes for more information regarding pricing, fundraising, registering and due dates.

Sunday, May 26- We will be honoring our graduates at our 11 a.m. service. We know you are very proud of your graduate, and we would like to give you an opportunity to acknowledge them. Deadline for packet submission is due

Reflections: How Is Your Soul?

References to the soul seem strangely absent in our churches, but if the churches have stopped talking about the soul, the technological gurus who design apps for our iPhones have not.

A few years ago, the Huffington Post launched an app called "GPS for the soul." The app is based on two truths that say, "that we all have within us a centered place of harmony and balance, and that we all veer from that place again and again." Arianna Huffington stated, "There's a snake lurking in this cyber-Garden of Eden. Our 24/7 connection to the digital world often disconnects us from the real world around us from our physical surroundings, from our loved ones, and especially from ourselves. We see the effects of this in every aspect of our lives."

The Bible speaks a great deal about the soul. The soul can be deeply troubled. David cried out, "My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long?" (Ps. 6:3) and again, "I will be glad and rejoice in your love, for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul." (Ps. 31:7).

Our soul can rejoice. "Then my soul will rejoice in the Lord and delight in his salvation." (Ps. 35:9). Our soul can be refreshed, "He refreshes my soul." (Ps. 23:3) and our soul can be at peace. "Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him." (Ps. 62:1).

Jesus taught that there is nothing in this world more important than the condition of your soul. "What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?" (Mt. 16:26). And again, "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell." (Mt. 10:28). "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Mt. 11:29).

John Ortberg, in his book, Soul Keeping, writes, "We live in a world that teaches us to be more concerned with the condition of our cars, or our careers, or our portfolios than the condition of our souls. ...What if I don't get a promotion, or my boss doesn't like me, or I have financial problems, or I have a bad hair day? Yes, these may cause disappointment, but do they have any power over my soul? Can they nudge my soul from its center, which is the very heart of God? When you think about it that way, you realize that external circumstances cannot keep you from being with God."

What is truly important is not our possessions. Neither is it our physical strength or beauty. Nor is it positions of influence, power or fame. What is truly important is our soul, the essence of who we are. Although our bodies may wither with old age and disease, our souls can continue to grow in grace as we experience God's love while loving others.

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Are You A Rebel?

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

Have you ever sinned? If so, then you are a rebel because all sin is transgression of the Law. But when Christ died and rose again from the dead, the definition of rebellion against God changed because Christ is the end of the Law.

You may say, "Oh, I am not a rebel because I am doing all that I can to be a good person; I go to church; I give tithes of all that I possess; I don't commit adultery; I don't smoke; I don't chew, and I don't go with the people who do."

All this is good and fine, but if you have not believed in Christ, who is the end of the Law for righteousness to all who believe, then you are still a rebel, a rebel against God's love.

God no longer looks at our sin to see if we are rebels, He looks at our unbelief. God doesn't look to see if we are keeping the Law, but rather if we have forsaken the deeds of the Law to believe in Christ's all-sufficient sacrifice.

God sent His only begotten Son to die for our sins because we are all rebels against the Law. All have sinned, and since Christ died on the cross, thus fulfilling the Law in the place of all rebels, the only thing to rebel against now is God's love and grace. And this rebellion is the insistence upon being accepted before God based on our good works (the deeds of the Law).

What then, does it mean to not rebel against God? It means that we have believed that God is no longer mad at us. It means that we have known and

that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m., 11a.m., and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for worship services.

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CHURCH

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Monday, May 6. We appreciate your attention to the deadlines as the staff needs time to prepare for the graduation ceremony.

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When I was a youngster, I would sit at my daddy's table eating the delicious food Momma always fixed for us. Then I would hear my daddy say, "Use your napkin." I would take it out of my lap or pick it up off the floor where I dropped it and wipe my hands and mouth. My brothers wore blue jeans and had a tendency to wipe their hands on them. Hence Daddy's reminder.

I recently heard a story about a man dining in Israel. He had ordered a big steak dinner and realized he hadn't washed his hands. He threw his napkin on the table and proceeded to the restroom. When he returned, his place was cleared and so was his beautiful steak he was so looking forward to eating. He flagged the waiter down and asked what happened to his steak dinner.

The waiter replied, "You threw your napkin on the table, and we thought you were displeased with your meal, so we cleared your plate. If you want, we can fix you another one."

"What does the napkin have to do with it?" The man was trying not to lose his temper.

"Well, Sir, in Israel, the custom is when you are through with your meal, you throw the napkin on the table. If you are coming back, you fold it and place it beside your plate. But since you didn't know our ways, I'll bring you another steak, on us."

There is a verse in God's Word in John 20:7. Peter and John had just arrived at the empty tomb of Jesus, on the first day of the week. They came in response to the women who told them the angel's message. When the two arrived, John looked in (Verse 7) "And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself."

I love the detail in the Bible. I think Jesus left a message to His disciples that day. He is coming back. He's coming to take His Children Home. He's coming soon! Are you ready for His return?

Something to think about...

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!"

On this week after Easter... He is still risen! The resurrection means that we can live with an eternal, undying hope and even in the darkest moments of our life His Light still shines! This hopeful living is articulated beautifully in a meditation by Jesus-it Father Luis Espinal, who was assassinated in Bolivia in 1980. He wrote this shortly before his death:

"There are Christians who have hysterical reactions, as if the world would have slipped out of God's hands. They act violently as if they were risking everything. But we believe in history; the world is not a roll of the dice going toward chaos. A new world has begun to happen since Christ has risen..."

Jesus Christ, we rejoice in your definitive triumph... with our bodies still in the breach and our souls in tension, we cry out the first "Hurrah!" till eternity unfolds itself. Your sorrow now has passed. Your enemies have failed. You are a definitive smile for humankind.

What matter the wait for us? We accept the struggle and the death; because you, our love, will not die! We march behind you, on the road to the future. You are with us and you are our immortality. Take away the sadness from our faces. We are not in a game of chance... You have the last word.

Beyond the crushing of our bones, now has begun the eternal "alleluia!" From the thousand openings of our wounded bodies and souls there arises now a triumphal song! So, teach us to give voice to your new life throughout all the world. Because you dry the tears from the eyes of the oppressed forever... and death will disappear..."

We are Easter people living in a Good Friday world. May we live as people full of eternal hope and shine His light in a hopeless and dark world! Get ready - God is on the move!





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Lady Steers tie series with 9-3 victory over Iowa Park

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

FORSAN – The Lady Steers hosted the Iowa Park Lady Hawks for Game 2, of their best of three bi-district series on Thursday evening at Forsan. Big Spring rebounded after a disappointing 7-5 loss in game one at Iowa Park with a lopsided 9-3 victory in game two to even the series at one game each. The Lady Steers outhit the Lady Hawks 10 to 6 in the victory and led from the first inning on.

In the first inning after holding Iowa Park scoreless, Big Spring jumped out to an early 2-0 lead when Maddie Daniels hit a hard liner off the left field wall with two on for a 2 run RBI double. The Lady Steers blanked the Lady Hawks again in the top of the second before pouring on three more runs in the bottom of the second to

take a commanding 5-0.

In the bottom of the second, it was Jocelyn Olivares that drove in the runs that gave Big Spring the scores to put them in the drivers seat for good. Olivares drove in two runs on a hard liner right back at the pitcher to give the Lady Steers a 4-0 lead before another runs scored on a passed ball to give Big Spring a commanding 5-0 lead heading into the inning.

In the top of the third, Iowa Park finally get a run on the board and cut the Lady Steers' lead to 5-1. The Lady Hawks also stepped up their defense and kept Big Spring from crossing home plate in the bottom of the inning. The Lady Steers answered by holding the Lady Steers Hawks scoreless once again in the top of the fourth and then adding another run on a Kynleigh Joy RBI double to left field in the



Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Kynleigh Joy gets a hit during the Lady Steer's 9-2 win over Iowa Park in the second game of their three game play-off series, on Thursday, April 25. The third game starts at 8 p.m. on Friday in Albany.



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Big Spring first baseman Jocelyn Gonzales catches a throw for an out during the Lady Steer's 9-2 win over Iowa Park in the second game of their three game play-off series, on Thursday, April 25. The third game starts at 8 p.m. on Friday in Albany.

bottom of the inning to extend their lead back out to 5 at 6-1.

Iowa Park answered with another solo run in the top of the fifth, but that wasn't enough of a rally to unsettle the Lady Steers who put up another run on a Leah Davilla RBI single to center field to bring the score to 7-2. Big Spring went on to make short work of the Lady Hawk batters in the top of the six and proceeded to score two more runs in the bottom of the inning when Belle Ramirez hit a two run RBI double to center field to put the game on ice with a 9-2 lead heading into Iowa Park's last at bat.

The Lady Hawks scored one run in the final inning, but the Lady Steers were able to get out of the inning and end the game on a crazy triple play that ended with an Iowa Hawk player being thrown out at home after a pop up double play.

Maddie Daniels got the start and the win for the Lady Steers in a dominant performance from the rubber.

Daniels pitched seven innings and allowed just three runs on six hits, and sat down five on strikes. Raylea Parsons took the loss for Iowa Park in the circle. Parsons threw three and a third innings and allowed three runs on eight hits.

Maddie Daniels and Belle Ramirez led Big Spring offensively with two hits and two RBIs a piece. Olivares, Davilla and Joy combined for another four RBIs, as well, in the big win. With the win the Lady Steers tied the series and will travel to Albany today to finish the series at a neutral location. The game will start at 8 p.m. at the Albany High School softball field. So come out and support our district champion lady Steers as they finish out their bi-district series with the Lady Hawks of Iowa Park. The Big Spring Baseball team will also be playing a practice game against Lubbock Estacado in Lubbock at 7 p.m. and the Steer' track team will be in Lubbock starting at 9 a.m.

Gonzales improves to 5-0, Mariners beat Rangers 14-2

By CHRIS TALBOTT

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Marco Gonzales showed what a steady, efficient and deliberate big league pitcher can do Thursday night, even without an overpowering fastball.

It's something to aspire to for Rangers left-hander Taylor Hearn, who had plenty of time to watch and learn after an abbreviated big league debut.

Gonzales became the first pitcher to reach five wins this season and the Seattle Mariners chased Hearn in the first inning of his first game, beating Texas 14-2 with their highest run total of the season.

Gonzales matched his career high with nine strikeouts, allowed six hits and didn't walk a batter in seven scoreless innings, another flawless start for the Mariners' No. 1 pitcher. Seattle is 6-1 when Gonzales is on the mound this season, and the unassuming right-hander is the Mariners' first pitcher to reach five wins before May.

He's not a power pitcher and he doesn't throw a lot of breaking balls, either, but he's been rock steady during the Mariners' surprisingly hot start.

"People my whole life have told me I don't throw hard enough, so I'll just continue to prove them wrong," Gonzales said.

The biggest challenge for Gonzales (5-0) against the Rangers was staying warm while his teammates jumped to a 5-0 first-inning lead against Hearn (0-1), who was called up from Triple-A Nashville.

The left-hander walked the first batter he faced on four pitches, then issued two more walks to load the bases. Tim Beckham's grounder to third brought in Seattle's first run, and Ryon Healy drove a bases-clearing double into the left-field corner for a 4-0 lead.

Hearn issued his fourth walk, and then first baseman Logan Forsythe

dropped a foul popup before Hearn allowed another single to load the bases again. Manager Chris Woodward pulled Hearn at that point after 39 pitches, his ERA at 108.00.

"It's part of the game honestly," Hearn said. "I think Nelson Mandela said it best. It's one of his quotes that I love: 'You either win, or you learn.' So, that's one thing that I'm taking away from this outing."

Healy finished 3 for 5 with three RBIs and three runs. Beckham hit his sixth home run during a three-run seventh, and the Mariners ended a three-game skid with 14 hits a night after being held to two in a 1-0 shutout at San Diego.

The Rangers have lost four straight and find their pitching staff in disarray. Already down a starter due to injury and uncertain what the rotation will look like next week, Woodward was forced to use five relievers against the Mariners. Each gave up at least one hit.

ONE AND DONE

Japanese rookie LHP Yusei Kikuchi will be making a scheduled "abbreviated" appearance Friday for Seattle, likely pitching no more than an inning. The Mariners plan to have Kikuchi make these short starts a few times during his rookie season to combat a trend the team sees in other Japanese pitchers who have made the transition to the major leagues. In his native country, starters pitch just once a week and seem to tail off after a season or two when coming to the U.S.

"It's just a way to allow him to pull back, kind of recharge the batteries a little bit, and keep an extended life on those batteries as the season goes on," manager Scott Servais said.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: LHP Drew Smyly threw on the side before Thursday's game and will get another session in Friday before the team decides if he's ready to return from nerve pain in his throwing arm. Smyly could miss



AP photo

Texas Rangers starting pitcher Taylor Hearn pauses after walking a Seattle Mariners batter in the first inning of a baseball game Thursday, April 25 in Seattle.

up to two games, but Woodward thinks he'll be back sooner than expected. ... 2B Rougned Odor made his second straight rehab start with Triple-A Nashville on Thursday night. He's rehabilitating a right knee strain. ... 3B Asdrubal Cabrera left the game after the first inning with tightness in his left calf.

Mariners: Jay Bruce (quad) sat out again after injuring his quad Monday. Servais said he could be back in a day or two.

UP NEXT

Rangers: RHP Shelby Miller (1-

1, 7.63) is looking for his second straight win during a shaky start to the season that's included just 15 innings pitched in four starts with more than twice as many walks (13) as strikeouts (six).

Mariners: While Kikuchi (1-1, 4.68) will make the start, top prospect Justus Sheffield has been called up from Triple-A Tacoma to handle the bulk of the work. This is Sheffield's first appearance for the Mariners since being acquired in a deal that sent pitcher James Paxton to the New York Yankees last year.

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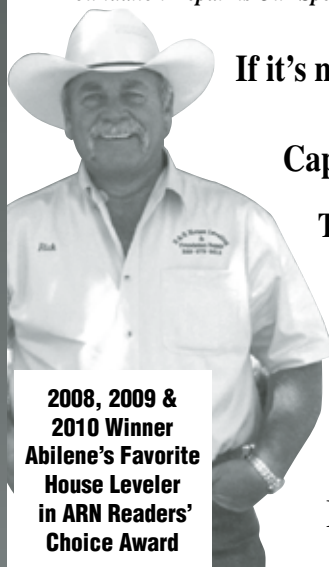
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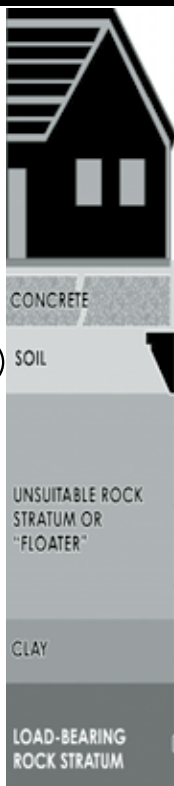
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Dreading Wife's Reaction

Dear Annie:
I am in my 70s, have been married for 42 years and have three grown children. I found out two years ago that I had a child with a woman I had dated 10 years before I met my wife. Her daughter tracked me down and contacted me. She said that he had been put up for adoption, but she tracked him down because her mother was ill and wanted to know how he was doing. She said that she had contacted him and that he was interested in finding out about his birth parents but did not want to cause a problem. She then gave me his contact information. I was shocked and did not know how to proceed. After a couple of months, however, my empathy won out and I contacted him by email. He is 50

years old, successful, with two young daughters and a wife. I sent him information about my grandparents and health, and he never pushed for anything more. Over the last two years, we have emailed back and forth and gotten to know each other. I even had the opportunity to meet him and his wife when we were on business trips in the same town. I must say that I like and respect him.
The problem involves my wife. A few months after I first started communicating with him, I was bothered that I was keeping this important information from her. After all, with the internet and everything, the mother's daughter was able to track me down after 50 years. And these kinds of secrets always have a way of surfacing. When I finally told my wife, she became very upset and said

that she didn't want to talk about it and asked me never to bring it up again. I have taken her at her word, but I have continued my communications with him.
The advice I need concerns the fact that I would like to tell my other children about this discovery. They are in their 30s and established, and I don't think that they would be upset. I just don't want them to find out some other way and know that I kept this secret from them. I would totally leave it up to them if they want to communicate but they would have the information. The only person who knows about this, besides my wife, is my sister. I gave her his contact information in case something should happen to me, and she could let him know.
I want to tell them in the next few

months, but I dread how my wife will react. I am thinking about telling them and explaining that their mother knows but doesn't want to hear anything about it. Is that a good approach? Any advice will be greatly appreciated.
-- Concerned Father and Husband

Dear Concerned: Telling your grown children about your recent discovery of your 50-year-old son is a brave and honest thing to do. It sounds like despite a rough beginning to life, your son has done very well for himself. With DNA testing companies such as Ancestry and 23and-

Me, there is a high likelihood that your children will eventually find out on their own. It is much better to hear the truth from their father. Your wife seems to be in denial about this.

While some partners don't like to think about their partners' pasts, your past is what makes you unique. And your wife married you -- and your past.

Walking on eggshells around your wife about your son will eventually lead to a crack. Try to ask your wife why she feels so uncomfortable talking about him. Reassure

her how much you love her and how proud you are of what sounds like a fantastic family you've created together.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



at times, will feel like it was custom made for you. Everyone gets to see you at your best, though you hardly notice because you're so into the game. Additions to both your support system and your family tree are in store. Pisces and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 49, 3, 32, 5 and 7.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:
ARIES: Give yourself treats so you don't feel deprived or overly eager to partake in life's pop-up offerings.

TAURUS: The profile picture never exactly matches the in-person face. Reasonable expectations are the secret to happiness. **GEMINI:** Dates don't have to be out-of-the ordinary to be completely memorable if there's chemistry and conversation. **CANCER:** If you try and outdo the others, even though you can it will only make you look bad. Better your own best efforts instead. **LEO:** Say what you expect so the other person has a chance to decide if it's something in the realm of possibility. **VIRGO:** Real love accepts the real you. Settle for nothing less. **LIBRA:** You know what you want, but you need to check to make sure that what you're chasing is really that. **SCORPIO:** You have a secret, and it's making you magnetic. **SAGITTARIUS:** You love that you don't feel you have to try around a certain person. You make efforts because you want to, not because you have to. **CAPRICORN:** Don't discount the free dates. A walk in the park might be way more fun than a restaurant. **AQUARIUS:** Communication is a two-way street, though it does feel you're your lane overly trafficked. **PISCES:** The best introductions come through friends.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Aquarius and Taurus get the love of the sun, the moon and each other this weekend. Their couple-strength is a friendship bond as the basis for this dependable situation. Aquarius has the wild ideas and Taurus has the tenacity to build them. Taurus keeps Aquarius grounded in the best way and the loftier ideals Aquarius upholds become a very tangible reality with these two in cahoots.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You could try to hide your feelings, but it's hard and it also won't work. Loved ones are too perceptive. The best way is to find a path to feeling more positively about the scene. Frame it differently.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Directionless people can either waste your time, or help you. For them to help you, you'll have to be a strong leader who imparts, with your vision and influence, a shared goal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have more work to do than the people around you. How annoying! If you even start thinking about how unfair it is, you're sunk. You'll be better off for accomplishing these things, that's the truth. Keep going.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Of course, you want to do things for the people you love and for those you find attractive and interesting. But you really grow your heart by contributing to people who don't meet those criteria.

project. What matters is how you're going to get to the end of the next 10 minutes of it, and then the 10 minutes after that. Keep chugging.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It's easy to avoid drama if you're not interested. You look the other way, don't engage, change the subject or just drive on by. Those who can't seem to ignore drama may be secretly in love with it.

Mixed Bag Moon

Carl Jung said the self is "a coincidentia oppositorum; it is therefore bright and dark and yet neither." If so, it would be impossible for a person to produce purely good or purely bad outcomes. Good, because under this sky it's hard to know if efforts are helping or harming. Check your intention. If your heart is true, maybe that's the best you can do.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): You don't have to worry about how you're going to get to the end of this

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Bidding quiz

You are South in each of the following three hands. What would you bid at the point where the question mark appears?
1. ♠ Q82 ♥ AKQJ93 ♦ 84 ♣ J6
North East South West
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
2 ♦ Pass 3 ♥ ? Pass
3 NT Pass ?
2. ♠ Q863 ♥ KQJ52 ♦ — ♣ KQ84
North East South West
1 ♣ 1 ♠ 2 ♥ Pass
3 ♣ 3 ♦ ?
3. ♠ AK8 ♥ K83 ♦ 2 ♣ AQJ875
South West North East
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
3 ♣ Pass 3 ♥ Pass
?

virtually unbeatable, while four hearts might easily fail.
2. **Four diamonds.** There is a good chance for slam in clubs if partner has spade control. So, although he might have a minimum opening bid, you should explore the slam possibility by cuebidding East's suit to indicate first-round diamond control (the ace or a void).
If partner has ♠ A4 ♥ A7 ♦ J83 ♣ AJ9652, he will either bid six clubs directly or first cuebid spades.
But if he has ♠ 92 ♥ A7 ♦ AJ7 ♣ A97532, he will sign off at five clubs, recognizing that his diamond ace is a useless card opposite your diamond void. It is up to partner to appraise his values in the light of your cuebid.
3. **Four spades.** Partner's bidding implies that he has at least five spades (with 4-4 in the minors, he would have bid hearts first), so it is vital to tell him now about your excellent three-card spade support and, at the same time, that your three-club bid (16-18 points) was based on maximum values. The pump-raise to four spades is a direct effort to get to slam in keeping with the general principle that the more you bid, the more you've got. A three-spade bid would tend to show weaker spade support, or that your three-club bid was based on minimum values.

1. Pass. There is no good reason to think that four hearts will be easier to make than three notrump. On the contrary, it's highly likely that partner has at least one stopper in both black suits and can quickly collect nine or more tricks. In four hearts, you might well lose four tricks, especially with the opening lead going through dummy. You can afford to lose four tricks in notrump, but not in hearts.
A typical hand for partner could be either of these:
♠ K54 ♥ 6 ♦ AK9762 ♣ Q73
♠ A10 ♥ 72 ♦ QJ9653 ♣ AQ2
In both cases, three notrump is

Tomorrow: A trump squeeze.
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Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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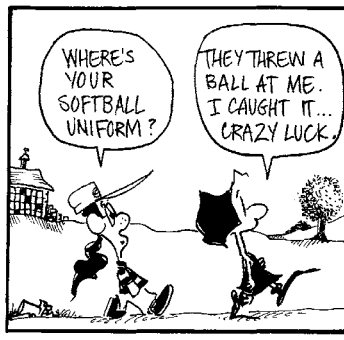
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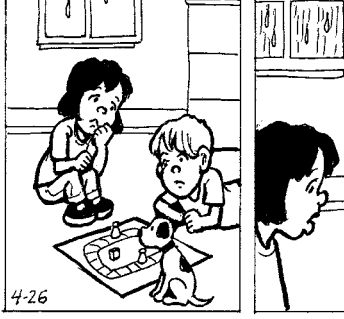
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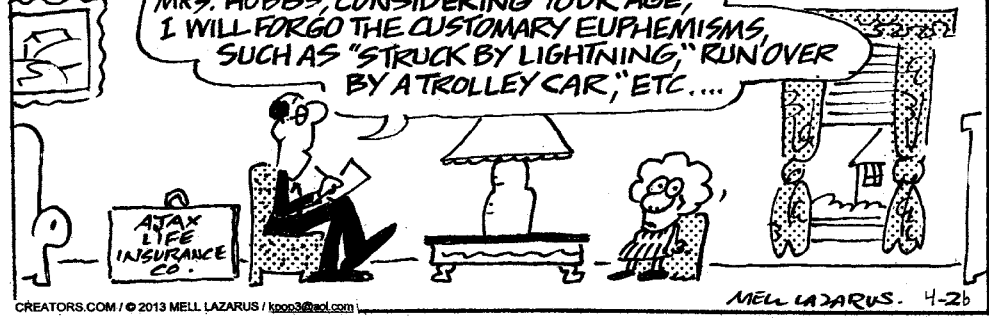
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Friday, April 26, the 116th day of 2019. There are 249 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On April 26, 1865, John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Abraham Lincoln, was surrounded by federal troops near Port Royal, Virginia, and killed. On this date:
In 1564, William Shakespeare was baptized at Holy Trinity Church in Stratford-upon-Avon, England.
In 1607, English colonists went ashore at present-day Cape Henry, Virginia, on an expedition to establish the first permanent English settlement in the Western Hemisphere.
In 1777, during the American Revolutionary War, 16-year-old Sybil Ludington, the daughter of a militia commander in Dutchess County, New York, rode her horse into the night to alert her father's men of the approach of British regular troops.
In 1933, Nazi Germany's infamous secret police, the Gestapo, was created.
In 1945, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain (ahn-REE' fee-LEEP' pay-TAN'), the head of France's Vichy government during World War II, was arrested.
In 1968, the United States exploded beneath the Nevada desert a 1.3 megaton nuclear device called "Boxcar."
In 1977, the legendary nightclub Studio 54 had its opening night in New York.
In 1986, an explosion and fire at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine caused radioactive fallout to begin spewing into the atmosphere. (Dozens of people were killed in the immediate aftermath of the disaster while the long-term death toll from radiation poisoning is believed to number in the thousands.)
In 1989, actress-comedian Lucille Ball died at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles at age 77.
In 1994, voting began in South Africa's first all-race elections, resulting in victory for the African National Congress and the inauguration of Nelson Mandela as president. China Airlines Flight 140, a Taiwanese Airbus A-300, crashed while landing in Nagoya, Japan, killing 264 people; there were seven survivors.
In 2006, Whitney Cerak and Laura Van Ryn, two students at Indiana's Taylor University, were involved in a van-truck collision that killed five people; in a tragic mix-up that took five weeks to resolve, a seriously injured and comatose Cerak was mistakenly identified as Van Ryn, who had actually died in the crash and was buried by Cerak's family.

In 2008, police in Amstetten, Austria, arrested Josef Fritzl, freeing his daughter Elisabeth and her six surviving children whom he had fathered while holding her captive in a basement cell for 24 years. (Fritzl was later sentenced to life in a psychiatric ward.)
Ten years ago: The United States declared a public health emergency as more possible cases of swine flu surfaced from Canada to New Zealand; officials in Mexico City closed everything from concerts to sports matches to churches in an effort to stem the spread of the virus. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton made an unannounced visit to Lebanon, where she met with President Michel Suleiman.
Five years ago: President Barack Obama opened the first visit by a U.S. president in nearly half a century to Malaysia, the third stop on his weeklong goodwill trip through Asia. A British helicopter crashed in southern Afghanistan, killing five NATO troops.
One year ago: Bill Cosby was convicted of drugging and molesting Temple University employee Andrea Constand at his suburban Philadelphia mansion in 2004; it was the first big celebrity trial of the #MeToo era and completed the spectacular downfall of a comedian who broke racial barriers on his way to TV superstardom. (Cosby was later sentenced to three to 10 years in prison.) Mike Pompeo was sworn in as secretary of state, minutes after being confirmed by the Senate; he then flew immediately to Brussels for meetings at NATO headquarters. President Donald Trump's White House doctor, Ronny Jackson, withdrew his nomination to be Veterans Affairs secretary in the face of accusations of misconduct. Teachers in Arizona and Colorado converged on state capitols as they launched widespread walkouts in a bid for better pay and education funding. Four quarterbacks were chosen in the first 10 selections in the NFL draft, with the Cleveland Browns grabbing Heisman Trophy winner Baker Mayfield out of Oklahoma.
Today's Birthdays: Architect I.M. Pei is 102. Actress-comedian Carol Burnett is 86. Rhythm-and-blues singer Maurice Williams is 81. Songwriter-musician Duane Eddy is 81. Singer

Bobby Rydell is 77. Rock musician Gary Wright is 76. Actress Nancy Lenehan is 66. Actor Giancarlo Esposito is 61. Rock musician Roger Taylor (Duran Duran) is 59. Actress Joan Chen is 58. Rock musician Chris Mars is 58. Actor-singer Michael Damian is 57. Actor Jet Li (lee) is 56. Rock musician Jimmy Stafford (Train) is 55. Actor-comedian Kevin James is 54. Record company executive Jeff Huskins

is 53. Former U.S. Poet Laureate Natasha Trethewey (TRETH'-eh-way) is 53. Actress Marianne Jean-Baptiste is 52. Country musician Joe Caverlee (Yankee Grey) is 51. Rapper T-Boz (TLC) is 49. First lady Melania Trump is 49. Actress Shondrella Avery is 48. Actress Simbi Kali is 48. Country musician Jay DeMarcus (Rascal Flatts) is 48. Country musician Michael Jeffers (Pinmonkey) is 47. Rock

musician Jose Pasillas (Incubus) is 43. Actor Jason Earles is 42. Actor Leonard Earl Howze is 42. Actor Amin Joseph is 42. Actor Tom Welling is 42. Actor Pablo Schreiber is 41. Actor Nyambi Nyambi is 40. Actress Jordana Brewster is 39. Actress Stana Katic is 39. Actress Marnette Patterson is 39. Actor Channing Tatum is 39. Americana/roots singer-songwriter Lilly Hiatt is 35. Actress Emily Wickersham

is 35. Actor Aaron Weeks is 33. Electro pop musician James Sunderland (Frenship) is 32. New York Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge is 27.
Thought for Today: "Perfect order is the forerunner of perfect horror." — Carlos Fuentes, Mexican author (1928-2012).

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
1 Bill Nye attire
8 Common 29 Down character
14 Royal name of Spain
15 From long ago
16 Crossroad sight
18 '70s night spots
19 Played up
20 Employee's anticipatory exclamation
22 Cultivating tool
23 Way to memorize
24 Incubator output
25 Risky aspects
26 Encouraging gesture
28 Spring down stairs
30 Attraction near the Pantheon
33 Homophone for "heir"
34 Machine clamp
39 Supped in slippers
40 52 Across fractions: Abbr.
41 Knowing better
42 Exodus high point
43 Supporter's shout
44 Green shade
45 Weakened, in gaming slang
48 Women's suffrage amendment
49 "Average" guy
52 Montenegro money
53 Send forth
56 Endorsed
- DOWN**
1 Be durable
2 Not so high-pitched
3 Card game call
4 Admit, as wrongdoing
5 Commencement
6 Play digressions
7 Get dressed, with "up"
8 America's second-largest island
9 Card game call
10 Fly-__ (airshow maneuvers)
11 Russian Winter Olympics site
12 Whiskey bottle word
13 Supporters' shouts
17 Card game call
21 Rochester's river
26 HS auxiliaries
27 Intro drawing class
29 Creator of Smiley the agent
31 Passing through
32 Card game call
35 Much money, briefly
36 Card game call
37 Moses' grandpa
38 Toy Story dino
46 California's motto
47 Fillet
49 Ceiling supporter
50 Giraffe cousin
51 Award for 29 Down
54 Award at 11 Down
55 Greek peace goddess
59 Easy-listening
60 Recites
62 American Marconi, after 1919
64 Smite

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Spurs force Game 7 with 120-103 win over Nuggets

BY RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — LaMarcus Aldridge and DeMar DeRozan helped San Antonio overcome a huge effort by Nikola Jokic and force a Game 7 against Denver.

Aldridge scored 26 points and DeRozan added 25 to help the Spurs beat the Nuggets 120-103 on Thursday night.

"They've been great at throwing a punch at us and running away with it," DeRozan said. "We tried to sustain that and understand whatever they do we have to match it, be more aggressive, understand we have to keep our rhythm, being aggressive on both ends and we did that."

Jokic scored 27 of his 43 points in the second half to post the third highest point total this postseason behind the 50 by Portland's Damian Lillard and 45 from Golden State's Kevin Durant. Jokic also finished with 12 rebounds and nine assists to fall an assist shy of his second triple double of the series.

Game 7 is Saturday in Denver, where the Nuggets had the league's best home record during the regular season. The winner will face Portland.

"I don't know, it's my first Game 7," Jokic said when asked what he expected in the finale. "It's probably going to be even tougher than this one."

The young Nuggets have to ponder that after a strong effort wasn't enough in Game 6.

Denver dominated the paint, outscoring San Antonio 72 to 36, but the Nuggets were 8 for 31 outside the paint. The Spurs were 4 for 9 on 3-pointers in the fourth quarter to help overcome Jokic's output.

"He played great tonight, he did his thing, that's for sure," San Antonio center Jakob Poeltl said. "But I think



AP photo

San Antonio Spurs guard Patty Mills (8) shoots past Denver Nuggets guard Will Barton (5) during the second half of Game 6 of an NBA basketball playoff series, Thursday, April 25, 2019, in San Antonio. San Antonio won 120-103.

we answered that with a team effort we had a lot of guys coming in and putting up big points and contributing in different ways."

The Spurs had five players score in double figures, including a series-high 19 points from Rudy Gay. Every San Antonio starter shot 50 percent from the field and, for the first time in the series, the Spurs' bench outscored the Nuggets', 36-13.

"We had a lot of people participate tonight," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "Lot of people came and had good games. I think the Nuggets have had that pretty regularly and we had that tonight, so, that was great to see."

The Spurs needed the win to continue the series after a listless performance in a 108-90 loss in Denver on Tuesday in which the Nuggets led by

as many as 30 points.

San Antonio surged to a 34-24 lead by shooting 67 percent from the field in the first quarter while Denver missed all seven of its 3-point attempts.

Jokic kept the Nuggets in the game in the third quarter, scoring 17 points on 8-for-9 shooting.

San Antonio went on a 22-4 run to open the fourth quarter to take command.

Jamal Murray added 16 points and Gary Harris had 14 points for the Nuggets.

TIP-INS

Nuggets: The Nuggets have advanced beyond the first round in eight of 16 previous postseason appearances. Their previous advancement was 2009 when they lost to the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference Finals. ... Denver has used a nine-

player rotation during the series. Juancho Hernangomez, Trey Lyles and Jarred Vanderbilt have played a combined 18 minutes in the series. Isaiah Thomas is active but has not played. ...

Spurs: San Antonio is 23-9 against Denver in seven postseason matchups. The Nuggets' lone series win over the Spurs came in the opening round of the 1985 playoffs. ... It was Popovich's 283rd postseason game, moving him past Pat Riley for second-most playoff games coached. Former Bulls and Lakers coach Phil Jackson tops the list with 333 career postseason games coached. ... San Antonio surpassed 40,000 postseason points in franchise history, joining the Los Angeles Lakers, Boston Celtics and Philadelphia 76ers as the only franchises to surpass that figure.

ILLEGAL?

Malone is curious to see how Murray was injured on a screen by Poeltl in the third quarter.

Murray stayed in the game after remaining on the court for about 15 seconds after taking a knee to the left thigh on a screen by Poeltl. Murray jumped up after the Nuggets called time, grabbed his left thigh and worked to stretch it out. He returned after the timeout and promptly drained a jumper.

Malone said the Spurs have set illegal screens during the series, video of which he has sent to the league.

"The response from the league has been that we're right, but for some reason they don't catch them during the game," Malone said. "I'll have to watch that play, obviously. Jamal got taken out on that play. I don't know if it was dirty or not. I don't think Jakob Poeltl is a dirty player, I really don't, but I have to watch the film to see how that happened and how Jamal went down with that injury."

Texans address need to protect Watson by drafting T. Howard

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Texans chose offensive tackle Tytus Howard of Alabama State with the 23rd overall pick in the NFL draft Thursday night, hoping he can help protect banged-up quarterback Deshaun Watson.

Watson was sacked an NFL-leading 62 times as Houston won the AFC South but lost to the Colts in the wild-card round. Watson played every game in his second year after having season-ending knee surgery as a rookie, but was hurt for a chunk of the season while dealing with a partially collapsed lung and broken ribs from taking hit after hit.

General manager Brian Gaine said they became more impressed with Howard as the scouting process progressed.

"I felt like with each interval he was able to pass each segment with flying colors," Gaine said. "He made a very favorable impression as far as the intangible profile, the person, the character that matched with the physical ability and the physical traits. We felt like he checked all the boxes."

It was the just the second time Houston had selected an offensive lineman in the first round. The last was left tackle Duane Brown with the 26th pick in 2008.

Howard was a quarterback in high school before growing into his 6-foot-5, 322-pound frame. He said working with the strength staff at Alabama State helped him transform his body, and he got a little help in that area from his fiancée's cooking.

"My favorite would be her chicken spaghetti," he said. "I used to eat that back to back nights. I'd eat the whole pan."

He has the versatility the Texans were looking for after starting at both right and left tackle in college and Gaine said he could also play both guard positions. He was named to the SWAC All-Conference team last season after starting 10 games at right tackle.

"The way we look at Tytus is we see him as an offensive lineman ... so he's going to have a chance to compete for a starting role, I just don't know what position it's going to be," Gaine said.

The Texans had three picks in the first two rounds. They come a year after they didn't have any picks in the first or second rounds because they shipped their top two picks to get rid of Brock Osweiler and trade up to get Watson in 2017.

Howard can't wait to begin working with Watson, who was the 12th pick in the 2017 draft.

"I feel like with my athleticism I'll be able to protect him longer since he's more mobile and moves around a lot more," Howard said. "I feel like me



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Houston Texans general manager Brian Gaine speaks during a press conference at the NFL football scouting combine in Indianapolis. Their first priority in this year's draft should be improving the offensive line after quarterback Deshaun Watson was sacked an NFL-leading 62 times as Houston won the AFC South but lost to the Colts in the wild-card round.

and him are going to build a great relationship while I'm there and help win some games for the Houston Texans."

Howard's experience at quarterback in high school gives him a unique perspective when it comes to protecting quarterbacks in his current position.

"I know how being sacked feels, so I try my best not to give up any sacks and I try to play long as I can to keep the guy from hitting the quarterback," he said.

The Texans believe Howard has a high upside since he's only been an offensive lineman for a few years and are looking forward to seeing him develop in their system.

"He has the height, the length, the size, the strength, he lifted well, he ran well, he moved

well," Gaine said. "And then with our infrastructure here in terms of our strength and conditioning program, our sports science element, our player wellness, our training room, our nutrition program, he's going to have all these great benefits to really maximize his potential."

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