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The City of Big Spring has issued a "Boil Water Notice" for residents west of US 87 and south of FM 700. Water for washing hands/face, brushing teeth, drinking, and cooking, etc., should be boiled before use until further notice.

Upcoming Events

JURY TRIAL CANCELLATION FOR MAY 6
 Howard County Court under Judge Kathryn Wiseman has canceled the Jury Panel set for May 6 at 9 a.m.

Today
 West Texas Taco Championship Downtown

Saturday
 West Texas Taco Championship Downtown

Saturday Election Day
Countywide Vote Centers:
 • Ryan Hall/St. Thomas Church, 605 N. Main
 • First Baptist Church, 705 W. FM 700
 • Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 S. Birdwell Ln.
 • Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave., Coahoma 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

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Early voting results up from last year

Voting centers opens options for Election Day 2019

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer



Jodi Duck

About 7.1 percent of Howard County's registered voters cast ballots early in the current local city and school elections – an above-average turnout, according to Howard County Elections Administrator Jodi Duck.

"It was wonderful! We had a very good turnout for early voting this year," said Duck. "We had 1,061 in person during all days of early voting. It was 7.1 percent turnout. We're probably 3 percent higher than we normally are. We usually fall between 4 and 5 percent turnout, and we're touching 7.1, and that's not counting ballot by mail or Election Day yet." Duck said an additional 3 people voted "curbside," a process where election officials bring out a portable voting machine to a person's car to allow mobility-challenged people to vote without getting out of their vehicle.

The highest turnout by far was on the last day of early voting – Tuesday – when 265 voters cast their ballots, followed by last Friday's turnout of 174. The lowest total came on Wednesday of last week, when only 103 voters cast ballots.

Election Day is Saturday, Duck reminded voters who didn't cast their votes early. This year, voters can visit the polls at any one of the four local "Voting Centers," she added. "Regardless of their precinct or district," she said. "Their ballot will be available at any one of those locations. Times are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. Bring your ID."

- The four Voting Centers are located at:
- Ryan Hall/St. Thomas Church, 605 N. Main;
 - First Baptist Church, 705 W. FM 700;
 - Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane;
 - Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. in Coahoma.

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Annual Take Back proves successful

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

The Big Spring Police Department's Narcotics Division in collaboration with the Drug Enforcement Administration completed the National Pharmaceutical Take Back Initiative at Spring Town Plaza, this past weekend.

"This event is always a success regardless of how much we receive because it provided a unified opportunity for the public to surrender expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances, dangerous drugs, and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction," Administrative Lieutenant Brian Gordon, said.

The BSPD joins forces with the DEA twice a year – once in April and once in October – for the past several years in order to provide this opportunity to the community.

"This is a national initiative for the purpose of giving the public a safe alternative for removal and destruction of these substances," Lt. Gordon said. After the event is completed, the contents obtained are hand delivered in sealed containers to the DEA who then takes possession, weighs and destroys.



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

According to information released by the Big Spring Police Department, the annual Pharmaceutical Take Back initiative resulted in 101 pounds of unwanted, unused, and expired controlled substances and five boxes. The next Take Back will be in October.

"These events will continue because it See **TAKE BACK**, Page 3

Tax abatement and on-road water line issues top Wednesday's Commissioners' meeting

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Issues involving a tax abatement request and above-ground water lines placed by oil companies on Howard County roadways were the biggest attention getters at Wednesday's Howard County Commissioners meeting.

The tax abatement issue involved a recent attempt by Howard County commissioners to increase the tax abatement application fee for companies requesting reductions in the property taxes they pay to the county.

"We have an application they have to fill out to be approved for tax abatement, period," said Precinct 2 Commissioner Craig Bailey. "Historically, that number (the fee to apply) had been \$1,000, but we have figured out over time that we cannot adequately process or monitor those for \$1,000. It's more labor intensive than that, because these things go on for 10 years. So what was proposed by (Precinct 3 Commissioner) Mr. (Jimmie) Long at one point was to increase that to \$5,000. Everybody thought that was a good idea, and when we did, we gave that to them, on the form that they filled out." Bailey said a company applying for tax abatement pointed out that such an increase was not allowed by the State of Texas.

"They referenced a state law that said that we could only

charge \$1,000 for that," he said. "So my suggestion, which we passed today, was to send them back their check and tell them that we couldn't adequately handle it. Until the state recognizes that counties cannot facilitate requests for abatement, basically we'll have to pass."

Bailey said he feels the issue is another in a series of state generated initiatives which hamper counties in the performance of their duties.

"It's the same thing that you've heard me say a thousand times: The state makes the rules, and they say, 'You can only do this. You can only do that,'" he said. "Take for example... it's like us sending all these people that have been apprehended by the Sheriff's Office to these other counties. That costs us money. We're basically enforcing the laws that the state sends down for us to enforce, but we don't get any money for it."

Bailey said he doesn't think denying requests for tax abatement will negatively impact businesses choosing to do business in Howard County.

"No," he said. "These people are already here, and it doesn't have anything to do with that, really. It's just the fact that we can't adequately oversee or facilitate their requests at the fee the state has set."

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Obituaries

Wretha Louise Speer



Wretha Louise Speer, 65, passed away in Loraine on Monday, April 29, 2019.

Family visitation is planned for Friday, May 3, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Miller Family Funeral Home. Funeral services will be on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 10 a.m. at Christian Temple, 1927 Hickory St., Colorado City, Texas 79512, with Cory Morris officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Miller Family Funeral Home at Dorn Cemetery, Mitchell County.

Mrs. Speer was born on Oct. 9, 1953, in Big Spring, Texas, to Lee and Nellie (Cherry) Matlock. She was a member of Christian Temple, Loved her Family, Gardening and her dog, Honey.

She is survived by two daughters, Leanne Simp-

son and husband, James Hartfield, and Stacey Jones and husband, Brandon, Loraine, Texas; two sons, Justin Speer and wife, Vickey Bradley, Big Spring, Texas, and Michael "Mikey" DeAx and wife, Ashley, Big Spring, Texas; five grandchildren, Erica Simpson, Loraine, Texas, Tommy James and wife, Nanna Silva, Colorado City, Texas, Dezaray Speer, Loraine, Texas, Taleya James, Colorado City, Texas, and Jacoby James, Colorado City, Texas; two great-grandchildren, Sienna James, Colorado City, Texas, and Dakota Simpson, Loraine, Texas; two sisters, Elaine Dearmond and Becky Sanders, both of Colorado City, Texas; and numerous nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by parents, Lee and Nellie (Cherry) Matlock; husband, Joe "Bear" Speer; and two brothers, Audie and Randy Matlock.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting www.millerfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Paid Obituary

Lora Lou Pierce Springer Eastman



Lora Lou Pierce Springer Eastman, 83, of Grape Creek, died Thursday, May 2, 2019, in a Big Spring nursing home. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 4, 2019, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with her niece, Rev. Nancy Springer, Rector of St. Nicholas Episcopal Church in Midland, officiating.

She was born April 6, 1936, in Big Spring to Randolph and Gussie Pierce. She married J. T. Springer Jan. 7, 1956, and he preceded her in death in 1968. She then married Rev. Clinton Eastman, Dec. 5, 1976, and he preceded her in death in February 2014.

Lora grew up in Martin County and graduated from Stanton High School. She attended Howard College, graduated with an Associate Degree, and then went to Angelo State University and received her Bachelor's Degree in Education. She taught for Stanton ISD for a number of years and continued

teaching in different school districts until retiring in 1990. She enjoyed arts and crafts, fishing and loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include one son, J. T. Springer and wife, Donna of Lenorah; one daughter, Kathryn Springer and fiancé, Ed Bryant of Stanton; a stepson, Darrell Eastman and wife, Paula of Odessa; a step-daughter, Karlene Boucher of Wichita Falls; six grandchildren, Jessi Collins and husband, Matt, J. T. Springer III and wife, Nikki, Toby Pagan, Tyler Springer, Ash Boucher, Ryan Eastman and Bethany Newell; five great-grandchildren; one brother, Robert Ford Pierce and wife, Ramona; one sister, Lynda Osborn; and sister-in-law, Nannette Pierce.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Ruth Stewart; and a brother, Lonnie Pierce.

The family suggests memorials to the Martin County Library, P. O. Box 1187, Stanton, Texas 79782 or a favorite charity.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwwelch.com

Paid Obituary

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **WILLIAM TRAVIS ALLEN**, 36, of 155 Jackson Rd., Fuquay Varina, North Carolina, was arrested on charge of public intoxication.
- **REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK**, 35, of 509 S. Johnson St., was arrested on charges of public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a dangerous drug.
- **ROBERT DALE KENESON**, 41, of 803 Atlantic Ave., Coahoma, Texas, was arrested on an outstanding warrant from an-

other agency and for possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **ANGELA VIOLA GARRARD**, 45, of 601 10th, Post, Texas, was arrested on warrants for theft of property (less than \$100).
- **THEODORE E. RIOS**, 49, of 713 Lorilla St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **ALIX MCKENNA PIERCE**, 25, of 812 S. San Antonio St., was arrested on outstanding warrants from another agency.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 4000 block of Vicky St., and in the 3900 block of

Dixon St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 700 block of E. 11th Place.
- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 2700 block of Apache Dr.
- **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **PURSUIT** was reported on Old West Hwy 80.
- **MISSING ADULT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

Sheriff

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

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

- **WILLIAM TRAVIS ALLEN**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charges of public intoxication, possession of a dan-

gerous drug, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **ANGELA VIOLA GARRARD**, 45, was arrested by BSPD on two warrants for theft (less than \$100).
- **GABRIEL JESSIE HERMANDEZ**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for assault class c-physical contact, and theft (less than \$100).
- **ROBERT DALE KENESON**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a parole violation and for possession

of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **ALIX MCKENNA PIERCE**, 25, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for rider not secured by safety belt and no drivers license.
- **THEODORE E. RIOS**, 49, was arrested by BSPD on a parole violation.
- **STEVEN ALLEN SAVELL**, 33, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for failure to appear-evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

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 en-

trance 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.

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George Smith

George Smith, 90, of Big Spring, died Monday, May 1, 2019 at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

• Shana Sullivan Robbins Lopez Medical Account: Shana was in a diabetic coma and is now in hospice care. Shana is one of our own and graduated from Coahoma High School. She is the granddaughter of Pearl Shifflett, daughter of Sammie and Bobby Sullivan, and mother to Jacob, Garrett and Rachel Robbins. Her family is in dire need of assistance for her medical/burial expenses. If you are able and would like to donate, and account has been set up at Western Bank, Account number 8039141 (locations in Big Spring, Coahoma, Lubbock, Abilene, Brownwood, and Lorraine). We would like to extend the deepest gratitude for any and all donations and prayers. Thank you and God Bless.

• 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 Bohannan, 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. 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.

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Weather



Today: Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly after 1pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 77. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 60%. New rainfall amounts of less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Tonight: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy during the early evening, then gradual clearing, with a low around 56. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 77. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 59. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 85. South wind 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 81.

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

VOTE

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As Duck mentioned, voters should bring a photo ID to verify their identity before voting. Acceptable forms of ID include:

- Driver license
- Texas Election Identification Certificate (EIC) (note: This is not the same thing as a Voter Registration Card)
- Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS
- Texas license to carry a handgun issued by DPS
- US military identification card containing the person's photograph
- US citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph
- US passport (book or card)

The ID need not be current, said Duck, and may be up to four years out of date. In addition, voters

70 and older may use any of the acceptable forms of ID, regardless of how out of date.

If you don't have an acceptable ID you may still be able to vote by bringing one of the following and completing a form:

- Voter registration card
- Certified birth certificate
- Current utility bill
- Bank statement
- Government check
- Paycheck
- Any other government document, such as an out of state driver's license or expired Texas driver's license.

Contact the Howard County Elections Office at 432-264-2273 for more information.

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

MEETING

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Bailey declined to name the company involved in the specific transaction under consideration at Wednesday's meeting.

In other business, Howard County Road Administrator Brian Klinksiek spoke with the Commissioners about companies not complying with all the rules required to place above-road facility – such as water lines – on Howard County roads. Klinksiek presented the idea of requiring an orientation for companies before such items can be placed on the roadways, but the Commissioners demurred.

"We're receiving a number of complaints," Klinksiek said. "These are, basically, you're driving along and all of a sudden there's a sign that says, 'Roadwork Ahead,' there's one that says, 'Be Prepared To Stop,' then there's something lying across the road and a stop sign. That's what we're talking about. These are water transfer manifolds, and instead of boring under the road, they're lying on top. They have been approved by the State of Texas for use on construction projects. They've been used extensively in urban areas. This is an application in a rural area, which gets to be different. The manifolds themselves are about four inches high. The signage basically says come to a stop,

and then you can drive over it. If you try driving over them faster, the bump gets worse and worse."

Klinksiek said the problem comes in when companies disregard some of the rules for placing ramps at the site.

"I allow them to pile crushed road base between the road and the manifold to make a smoother ramp, instead of just having to mount an almost vertical four inches, the way the manifold is designed and approved by TX-DoT. This was to make it a little bit smoother. What most of the transfer companies have done, instead of just building up the four inches to the top of the manifold, they've gone six or eight inches high, and made a bigger mound for you to have to drive over. So if you're driving over one of those, you're really irritated." Improper signage is also an issue.

"A sign that's left on the roadway overnight has to be what we call 'full legal height,' which means seven to nine feet from the roadway to the bottom of the sign," said Klinksiek. "If you drive down a TXDoT road, that's where you see the stop signs, it's where you see the signs that say, 'US 87'; that height is what we're talking about. You drive around the city and you see a stop sign, that's what you see. You get out there on my roads, some of them are right, some of them are not, and I've been working to correct that. These guys have been putting signs down at knee height,

then you get weeds and brush interfering with your ability to see the next sign down the road."

Klinksiek said if unsafe conditions continue, he has the authority to remove unsafe items – including the water manifolds in question – from Howard County roads, and will begin doing so in the very near future. In addition, the commissioners improved giving companies another month or two to comply with the county's regulations for above-road facilities, or the county will stop allowing the water lines altogether.

The commissioners also:

- Held a budget workshop at 3 p.m., before the meeting;
- Approved the Sheriff's Office's application to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards for a variance to allow the Howard County Jail to add 12 beds.
- Approved a contract with Mitchell County for housing of Howard County inmates.
- Tabled the second reading of an ordinance approving the name "Hill Country Drive" for a new road in Precinct 3.
- Denied a multi-stop application for the Gatesville/Hilltop intersection.
- Approved invoices, purchase requests, and budget amendments.
- Approved payroll and personnel considerations.

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TAKE BACK

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provides a safe alternative for removal and destruction of their no longer needed old medicines," he said. "This program is anonymous and all efforts are made to protect the identity of individuals disposing of medications."

Final totals won't be available for a couple of weeks when the process is completed. The next take back will occur in October 2019, with more information to come closer to the event.

Amanda Duforat is the managing editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her email editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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Big Spring High students deputized



Courtesy photo

Pictured above, from left to right are: Elections Official Jodi Duck, Anna Elam, Iisa Saenz, Daelyn Davis, Cailen Carza, and Tyler Lopez.

By Colonel Allen M. Morris

Big Spring High Communications Director

Five Big Spring High students were trained and will serve as Elections Deputy Clerks in the election May 4th. The polls will be open from 7 AM until 7 PM. Voters may vote at any of the polling stations which are:

Ryan Hall/St. Thomas Church
605 North Main Street

First Baptist Church
705 W. FM 700

Dorothy Garrett Coliseum
1001 Birdwell Lane

Coahoma Community Center
306 North Avenue Coahoma, Texas 79511

The student deputies will help run student elections at Big Spring High School in the fall as they use the new electronic voting equipment.

Senator Bettencourt Passes Bill to Create An Office of Inspector General In The Texas Education Agency

AUSTIN - Senator Paul Bettencourt (R-Houston) passed an important piece of bi-partisan legislation unanimously through the full Senate. Similar legislation authored by Bettencourt, Senate Bill 1886, passed the Texas Senate unanimously in the 85th Legislative Session but did not get a vote in the full Texas House. Senate Bill 933 would create an Office of Inspector General at the Texas Education Agency which is currently one of few major state agencies that do not have a OIG office in place. Education is 38.9% of the general revenue monies in the budget. The legislation has 26 Senate co-authors at passage.

"The Texas Education Agency is one of the few major agencies that does not already have authority for an Office of Inspector General. This bill will ensure that taxpayer money is not being wasted and will give the agency the ability to investigate fraud and abuse," said Senator Bettencourt. "With nearly 39% of the current states budget uncovered by an OIG, SB933 will make a difference for taxpayers," he added.

Senate Bill 933 would allow the Office of Inspector General to investigate and initiate reviews of a school district, open-enrollment charter school, regional education service center, or other local education agency as considered appropriate by the inspector general. This legislation is vital due to the lack of explicit statutory authority the Commissioner of Education has on these types of investigations relating to fraud, waste, and abuse by different entities. Senator Bettencourt accepted bi-partisan amendments from Senator West, Johnson and Paxton.

In, at times, shocking testimony before the Senate Education Committee (during the 85th Legislative Session), Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath discussed several incidents which indicated the need for an Inspector General, such as pay-to-play schemes, threats of violence, and even district procurement officials being murdered execution style.

"Taxpayers deserve to know that their money is being spent properly and efficiently," concluded Senator Bettencourt. "An agency that is responsible for monitoring \$60 billion of public money per year needs the accountability that an Office of Inspector General will bring."

Currently, the following Texas agencies already have an Office of Inspector General within their own offices: Health and Human Services, Texas Juvenile Justice Department, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

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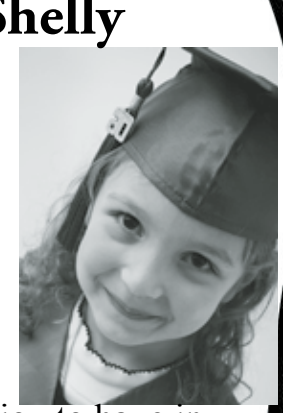
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Church News

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, May 5, Pastor Derrell Patterson's message is "My Leg of the Race" from Hebrews 11:32-12:3. It is Senior Recognition Sunday when we celebrate the High School Seniors during the 11 a.m. service. 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:

- Food2Kids Sacking on Monday and Tuesday, May 6 and 7 at 5:30 p.m.
- Emmaus Community Gathering for Worship, FUMC Sanctuary, 7 p.m.; all are welcome.
- Mother's Day on May 12. United Methodist Women will be recognized. Children's Choir will present a musical during the 11 a.m. worship service.
- 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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Dr. Sandy Z. Sandlin, pastor

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This Sunday, we will read again the wonderful experience of two disciples who suddenly discovered they were walking with Jesus on the afternoon of His resurrection. If you are like me, you would love to have such an experience. And, yet, as believers, we have the real experience of walking with Jesus each day. I am glad Jesus went back to heaven to prepare a place for us, because if He was still here in His resurrected body, He could only be in one place at a time. That is why He gave us His Spirit/ the Holy Spirit/the Spirit of God, Who is with each one and all 24/7. So, today, enjoy the BEST WALK EVER! Enjoy your life with Jesus on the inside by His Spirit. Then, one day, we will all see Him face-to-face. What a glorious day that will be! Until He comes, let's just keep having the best walks ever, each day.

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

Mother's Day, May 12, we will have lunch catered after our worship service. Bring your spouse or mom and enjoy worship and lunch with FCC.

Crestview Baptist Church

We at Crestview Baptist Church want to extend a warm invitation for you and your family to come and join us for worship, discipleship, evangelism, and fellowship. At Crestview, we are all about the gospel of Jesus Christ and serving Him as we learn His Word together. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., and Sunday Worship is at 11 a.m. Pastor Tom Lassiter will be preaching on Micah this Sunday morning. On Sunday and Wednesday nights, at 6:30 p.m., the pastor is teaching through the Book of Proverbs, verse by verse.

If you have any piano playing skills and feel led to use those skills we are in need of a piano player on Sunday morning. You can contact Pastor Tom Lassiter at 432-213-4177.

Please come and join with us at Crestview if you are looking for a church home, where we believe that man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever! We are at 2305 Gatesville Rd. in Big Spring.

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, May 5- 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.

Monday, May 13-Chosen Generation-Youth

The Youth will have a fundraiser at Pizza Inn

from 6-9pm. This is to help with the cost of their youth trip. This summer, our youth will attend Youth Camp at Youth for the Nations. This camp is located in Dallas at Christ for the Nations Institute. Please see Pastor Brandon and Cassie Hughes for more information.

Tuesday, May 21- Join us at 7 p.m. as 50 and over small group will be gathering for a potluck and game night. Bring your game face; we will see you at the Flower's Residence, 2405 E. 25th St. For more information please contact Faye Flowers at 432-213-3883.

Sunday, May 26- Graduations are no small achievement and deserve to be known and celebrated. Join us as we will be honoring and celebrating this huge milestone with our Graduates at our 11 a.m. worship service.

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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 a.m., 11 a.m., and Wednesday at 7 p.m. 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 or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located at 1001 S. Goliad, North of the high school, and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesdays 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 and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

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Bible study and Sunday school begin at 9:30 a.m., and our Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Our Wednesday evening Bible study begins at 6:30 pm. We are studying Ephesians. Our meal is being served from 5:30-6:30. Please come and join us again soon.

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts". Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

First Baptist Church

"Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever." Psalm 107:1

Sunday evening May 5 at 5:30 p.m., you're invited to a special night of honoring God through His gift of music. "How Sweet the Sound" is a time of worship presented by the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church and will feature guest soloist Darrell Schantz from Oklahoma, guest cellist Larisa Bairamova from Odessa, the FBC Worship Choir and Band, and the FBC Adult Handbell Ensemble. Music will include, "Here I Am to Worship"; "What a Beautiful Name", "There's Power in the Blood", "This is Amazing Grace", and numerous other selections. Bring everyone you know, (and invite some people you don't know yet...) and come let God's blessing of music splash all over you!

Rejoice in the LORD and join the family of First Baptist Church as they come together in celebra-

tion of the Living Water, Jesus Christ, Sunday at 10:50 a.m., and for the concert at 5:30 p.m. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in songs that are a mix of both contemporary praise music and classic hymns of the faith. Bringing the message from scripture will be guest speaker, Reverend Chris Liebrum.

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.

Following the morning service will be a luncheon for all Vacation Bible School volunteers in the church dining room. There will be a quick meeting, and this will be the only opportunity to meet regarding VBS, so please try to be there.

Monday May 6, all area women are invited at 6 p.m. to "Ladies' First" in the church dining room. In honor of Cinco de Mayo, we will have a Mexican Fiesta potluck style. Bring your favorite Mexican food dish, and encourage your friends to come. This will be a great time of delightful fellowship and food.

Tuesday May 7 at noon in the FBC dining room, you're invited to join the Triple LLL (Living Longer and Loving It) group for some tasty lunch and terrific time of fellowship. Bring some friends, and enter through the east kitchen doors.

Thursday May 9, the Mission Center/Food Pantry will be open at 9 a.m. It is located on Lancaster one block behind HEB at Iglesias Central.

Men, mark your calendar for the upcoming monthly Men's Breakfast Saturday, May 11 at 8 am. Encourage men you know, and invite some you don't, to this time of fellowship and encouragement in the Lord.

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, wife Julie, and the people of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invite you to join them for worship services Sunday at 2 p.m. Come praise God with this vivacious group for His indescribable love as evidenced by His gift of our Savior Jesus Christ. Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For detailed information about BHDC, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

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Mother's Day

Here are a few things I don't think you will ever hear a mom say:

- "Of course you can play video games all day. That will make you smarter."
- "Yeah, I used to skip school a lot, too. That bodes well for your future."
- "Just leave all the lights on ... it makes the house brighter and you know we're rich."
- "Let me smell that shirt. Yeah, it's good for another week."
- "I don't have a tissue with me. Just use your sleeve."
- "Don't bother wearing a jacket; the wind-chill is bound to improve."
- "I keep telling you to clean your room because I'm studying to be a talking parrot."

Moms say what they say and do what they do because they love us. God gave us mothers as a gift and calls us to honor them. Join us at NazFamily Church on May 12 as we honor the mothers in our midst.

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First Presbyterian Church

Church News for May 5, 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 Service Committee meets Thursday, May 2, at 5:30 p.m. in the church parlor.

Paula Farquhar is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector last Sunday was Buddy Cochrane. Ushers last Sunday were Jim Little, Louise Hitch and Helen and Lynn Glass.

The lectionary passages for the Third Sunday of Easter are Acts 9:1-6 (7-20); Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19. Elder Buddy Cochrane will deliver the sermon and celebrate Communion. The Chancel Choir will begin the service with the introit "The Strife Is O'er" by Giovanni da Palestrini. The choir will present 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.

Doing Right



TOM SLOAN

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Philippians 2:13

I think that we are all on a quest to find someone who will aid us in doing right. But before we can know what that someone would look like, or what exactly it is that they would do to help us do right, we need to know what doing right even looks like.

There are some important questions like, what motivates that person in their desire to help us in our mission to do right? Are they doing right by helping us do right? Can we be sure that they are not manipulating us? Can that person really and truly help us do right in a safe environment, in the absence of religion, politics or condemnation? Are we just supposed to do right for goodness sake? Does someone need to benefit from us doing right in order for it to be considered as something good?

It seems as if there are so many barriers and road blocks in doing right, and if we are not careful, we will lose interest in it. In all of this, the danger is the hardening our hearts to the point of not trusting anyone.

The safest place we can possibly find to do right is in the arms of Jesus. In Christ, God has ordained good works for us to walk in and the Holy Spirit leads us as we follow this path. However, we don't need to be uptight about doing right as long as we are abiding in Christ because He is the vine and we are the branches. This means that it is God which works in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

So, go out today and do the right thing...trust Jesus.

Vacation Bible School support opportunity coming up

Lighthouse Restoration Center will be having a bake sale fundraiser on Saturday, May 11, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., or until sold out. The bake sale will take place in front of Walmart. All proceeds will be used for their annual vacation bible school that is hosted by the church for children in the area. For more information, you can contact Yolanda Mendoza at 432-816-2097. Lighthouse Restoration Center is located at 604 E. 13th St., and can be reached at 432-967-2856.

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Reflections: God Is For You



BILL TINSLEY

Two years ago, my son-in-law participated in his first Iron Man race in Boulder, Colorado. It is a grueling event: a three mile swim followed by a 56 mile bike route and finished off with a 13 mile half-marathon, 72 miles start to finish. In his first Iron Man, we were there, cheering him on. It was important that he knew we were "for him!" We were proud of him.

A few years ago, he had let his weight get out of control and drifted well above 200 pounds, but he was determined to get into shape. Setting a goal was important, and the Iron Man gave him incentive. He lost 50 pounds. It wasn't easy. It might have been impossible if he had tried to do it alone, without the support of family and friends.

We see it everywhere, especially in sports, but it is also true in the classroom and on the job and in every family. It matters when people are cheering us on, lifting us up, letting us know that they are for us. My father did that for me when I was young. I have sought to do the same for my children. They have pursued different paths, chosen different careers, but always I have wanted them to know that I was in their corner, I was "for them."

How much more is that true for our spiritual quest and journey? We each need to know that God

is on our side. He is cheering for us. A few days ago, I came across a very simple statement in the Psalms, one I have somehow overlooked over the many years I have read the Bible. Psalm 56:9b simply says, "This I know, that God is for me."

This was the secret of David's success throughout his life, whether facing wild beasts as a young shepherd, Goliath on the battlefield, the death of his best friend, his own moral failure or the betrayal of his son, Absalom. Down deep, beneath all the terror and anguish of the moment, he was confident of one thing, "This I know, that God is for me."

Wherever you are, God is for you. He wants to redeem you, to save you from the abyss, to turn you from your own destructive impulses and set your feet on fruitful paths. He wants to rescue you from the depths of despair. He will never leave you nor forsake you. "What then shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

You may sometimes feel that you are all alone when facing difficulties and trials. The mountains may seem insurmountable, but this is not so. God knows everything about you. He knows your fears as well as your dreams. He knows your doubts as well as your hopes, and, He has declared Himself for you.

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand" (Isaiah 41:10)

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

Something to think about...

Get real. That is a phrase we have all heard and maybe even used on occasion, but what does it mean to "get real"? One of my favorite excerpts from a classic children's story offers a powerful insight on this important question:



RICHARD SCHNEBERGER

"The Skin Horse had lived longer in the nursery than any of the others. He was so old that his brown coat was bald in patches and showed the seams underneath, and most of the hairs in his tail had been pulled out to string bead necklaces. He was wise, for he had seen a long succession of mechanical toys arrive to boast and swagger, and by-and-by break their mainsprings and pass away, and he knew that they were only toys, and would never turn into anything else. For nursery magic is very strange and wonderful, and only those playthings that are old and wise and experienced like the Skin Horse understand all about it.

"What is REAL?" asked the [Velveteen] Rabbit one day, when they were lying side by side near the nursery fender, before Nana came to tidy the room. "Does it mean having things that buzz inside you and a stick-out handle?"

"Real isn't how you are made," said the Skin Horse. "It's a thing that happens to you. When a child loves you for a long, long time, not just to play with, but REALLY loves you, then you become Real."

"Does it hurt?" asked the Rabbit.

"Sometimes," said the Skin Horse, for he was always truthful. "When you are Real you don't mind being hurt."

"Does it happen all at once, like being wound up," he asked, "or bit by bit?"

"It doesn't happen all at once," said the Skin Horse. "You become. It takes a long time. That's why it doesn't often happen to people who break easily, or have sharp edges, or who have to be carefully kept. Generally, by the time you are Real, most of your hair has been loved off, and your eyes drop out and you get loose in the joints and very shabby. But these things don't matter at all, because once you are Real, you can't be ugly, except to people who don't understand." From "The Velveteen Rabbit" by Margery Williams

There are times we don't feel real, but being real isn't about what we say or how we are made. It is something that happens to us when we realize God's amazing love for us. He loves us even when we get shabby, most of our hair falls off, our eyes drop out and we get all loose in the joints. His is a forever kind of love. When we receive God's unconditional love and live in that love we become real. "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all... so from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view... if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" ~ 2 Corinthians 5:14,16,17 I pray that we will all "get real" today!



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Lady Buffs dominate New Deal 8-1 in the Area round to take a one game lead in the three game series

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

SUNDOWN – The Lady Buffs played a great all-around game on Wednesday to take a 1-0 series lead over New Deal in the Area round of the playoffs. Forsan outthit the Lady Lions 6 to 4 in the game and committed just 1 error compared to the 7 errors committed by New Deal. The Lady Buffs took an early 3-1 lead then put the game away in the bottom of the fifth with a big time 5 run inning to put the game on ice.

In the first inning, New Deal took the lead right out of the gate when the Lady Lions scored on a passed ball to give them a 1-0 lead. That mistake would be the only error on the night for Forsan and that would be the lone run New

Deal got across the plate as well. In the bottom of the first, trailing by 1, the Lady Buffs responded and scored a run of their own to even things up at 1-1 on a solo lead off homer by Aubrie Smith over the left field fence.

In the second inning, Forsan held the Lady Lions scoreless with a three up three down top of the inning with 2 strikeouts. Then, with the bases loaded in the bottom of the inning Ashtyn Pearson scored on an error to take a 2-1 lead and just two batters later Macey Evans scored on another error by the Lady Lions to increase Forsan's lead to 3-1.

Neither team got any offensive production in the third and fourth innings, but in the fifth inning after once again holding New Deal in check, the Lady Buffs went off.



Aubrie Smith hits a solo homer in the Lady Buffs game one win over New Deal in the Area round series.



Courtesy photo/Jodi Mims

Lady Buffs pitcher Ashtyn Pearson throwing game one win over New Deal in the Area round of the playoffs.

Forsan scored 5 runs in the bottom of the fifth inning and put the game away for good. Taylyn Still got things started for Forsan in the big inning when she hit a hard line drive double to bring in the first run of the inning. Two batters later, Still got brought home on an RBI single Brenna East to increase the lead to 5-1. In the very next at bat, Ashtyn Pearson hit a hard grounder to left field that led to another error by New Deal and allowed Kayla Morin and East to score to take a 7-1 lead. Rylee Evans drove in another run on a single to left field later in the inning to round out the scoring in the fifth and give the Lady Buffs a big time 8-1 lead heading into the

sixth.

Neither team had anymore production offensively in the game as the Lady Buffs held on and played great defense to close out game one of the series with a convincing 8-1 win. Forsan did a great job of turning their hits into runs and of not stranding too many runners in the win. East led the Lady Buffs offensively with two hits and one RBI in the game. Pearson got the win for Forsan in the circle. Pearson pitched six and one-third innings, allowed 0 runs on 3 hits and sat down 11 Lady Lions on strikes in an impressive pitching display.

Forsan will play Game Two of their Area Series with New Deal tonight in Sundown at 6 p.m.

Lady Steers hang on to win game one against Glen Rose 5-3

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

ABILENE – The Lady Steers fell behind early, before finding their rhythm and taking control of the game in the middle innings against Glen Rose in game one of their Area Series. Both teams had 8 hits and 2 errors in the game, but it was the Lady Steers who capitalized on those opportunities and took Game One of the series in a tightly contested 5-3 win.

Neither team got anything going in the first inning. Glen Rose drew first blood in the bottom of the second on a solo shot deep over the center field fence by Nance to take a 1-0 lead. Thankfully, Maddie Daniels' mental toughness didn't

falter and she struck out the next two batters to get out of the inning with minimal damage done.

In the top of the third, Big Spring finally found their swings and figured out the Lady Tigers pitcher which led to a big inning offensively for the Lady Steers. With two runners on and two outs, Leah Davilla hit an RBI single to bring Amber Martinez home and tie the score at 1-1. Two batters later with the bases loaded, Kynleigh Joy hit a two RBI single passed the second baseman to give the Lady Steers a 3-1 lead heading into the bottom of the inning.

After giving up the home run in the second Daniels locked in and started dominating from the cir-



HERALD photo/Jordan Parr

Lady Steer pitcher Maddie Daniels getting one of her seven strikeouts in Big Spring's Game One win against the Glen Rose Lady Tigers in Abilene on Thursday.

cle. With her great pitching and great defense behind her the Lady Steer were able to keep the Lady Tigers from scoring any runs in the third or fourth innings while adding two more runs of their own in the top of the fourth. Big Spring added to their lead in the inning on a passed ball that allowed Kalyn Whitehead to score and an RBI sacrifice by Jocelyn Olivares to extend the Lady Steers' lead to 5-1.

In the top of the fifth, Glen Rose started to rally and scored runs in back-to-back inning while holding Big Spring scoreless to make it a 5-3 game heading into the Lady Tigers last at bat. With the game on the line and a rally in progress, Maddie Daniels once again pitched like there was no pressure at all and made short work of the three Lady Tigers she faced for a

three up three down game inning to clinch the Game One victory for the Lady Steers 5-3.

Daniels was great from the circle in the win. She pitched all seven innings and allowed just three runs on eight hits and struck out seven. Daniel's poise under pressure can't be stated enough. Every time the game got close or she gave up a big hit, she settled back in and got out of trouble to help the Lady Steers take game one of their Area matchup against Glen Rose.

Offensively, Kynleigh Joy led the way for the Lady Steers with two huge RBIs while Kalyn Whitehead had the most hits with two.

Big Spring will have today off and will play games 2 and 3 of the series on Saturday at the Abilene Christian softball field.



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Lady Steer's Kalyn Whitehead gets an RBI single to break open the game for the Lady Steers in their Game One 5-3 win over Glen Rose in Abilene.

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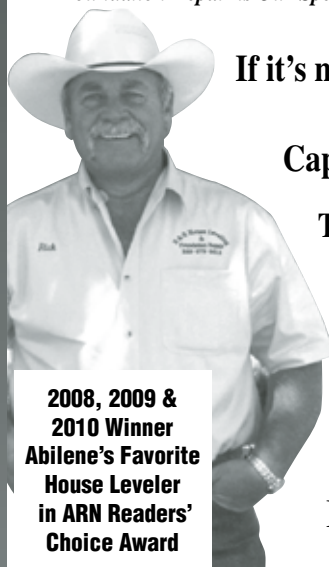
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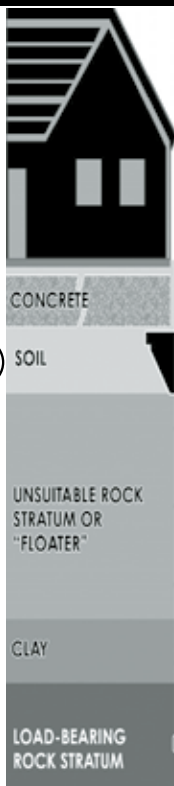
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Annie's Mailbox

Losing My Religion

Dear Annie: We raised our children in church, and then lost our religion. There were so many reasons for that, but there's no going back to any church in the future. Part of our family, a very small part, accepts this. But most have a problem with it. Adding insult to injury, we live in the Bible Belt, and having no religion is very suspect here. The political climate makes all of this even more unbearable.

We can't leave; this is our home. We can't express an opinion with some family members because we'd get disowned or shunned or both. Some of our relationships with close family mem-

bers have never been the same since we left church, which was many years ago.

All of this only reinforces our decision. Who wants anything to do with this type of closed-mindedness? But we have tremendous guilt over raising our children in this way, and then walking away from it. Our only defense is that we were young and dumb and didn't think for ourselves until much later. We were obedient children. We did what we were told, and this is where we ended up.

Religion in the Bible Belt is more than belief; it's a cultural inheritance. How do we move on and keep our roots,

too? One child is distant toward us, but the others are forgiving. It seems like so much of our energy is focused on the distant child, rather than enjoying the others who get where we're coming from and feel as we do. We feel emotionally blackmailed by this child.

I hope you can shed some light on this for me. I love life and feel connected to the universe in so many ways. I just want to spend the remainder of my time enjoying the journey, seeking ways to help others and being truly present in the moment.

Thank you, Annie! I love your column and your thoughtful advice. -- Ironically Blessed

Dear Ironically Blessed: You sound too blessed to be stressed about what other people are thinking about you.

When you raised your children, you did the best you could with what you thought was right at the time. Then you changed your mind about what you thought was right for yourself and your family. The issue is not whether it was right or wrong to raise your children in a church. The issue how to let go of this guilt and to give yourself a break about the choices you made in the past and instead focus on the choices you are making right now.

Guilt and shame will not lead you to your goal of wanting to love the life you live.

If you want to spend your time enjoying the journey and living in the present moment, then continue focusing on the positive and all the beauty of life. No matter what your religion, your goal of wanting to help others is commendable.

Even though it is painful that one of your children is distant from you now, continue to show your child compassion and love. Hopefully, he or she will come around.

In the words of Theodor Seuss Geisel, aka Dr. Seuss, "Be who you are and say what you feel, because in the end those who matter don't mind and those who mind don't matter."

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test your play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Six Hearts, and North leads the queen of diamonds. How would you play the hand?

West	East
♠ A 10	♠ J 8 3
♥ A J 9 6 2	♥ K 10 7 4
♦ A K	♦ 5
♣ A K 7 3	♣ Q 10 6 4 2

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump, and North leads the queen of diamonds, South playing the seven. How would you play the hand?

West	East
♠ 8 5 4 3	♠ A Q 7
♥ 6 4	♥ A K Q 7 3
♦ A 3	♦ 8 5
♣ 8 6 5 3 2	♣ A K Q

1. You are sure to make the contract — even if you lose a trump trick — provided the clubs are divided 2-2 or 3-1, since you can eventually discard your spade loser on dummy's fifth club. The same is true if the clubs are divided 4-0 and North has all four of them, since in that case you can overcome his jack with a finesse and thus get home safely.

The only real danger, therefore, is that South has the J-9-8-5 of clubs, so you should plan the play on that

basis. Once you consign four clubs to South and none to North, it follows that North is far more likely to be longer in trumps than South.

Accordingly, at trick two you should play the ace of hearts, planning to continue with a heart and finesse the ten. This line of play makes it extremely unlikely the slam will fail.

2. Let's assume that you duck the diamond queen and North continues with the six to South's king. You win with the ace, and the question is whether it is better to use the only entry to your hand to lead a spade to the queen at trick three or cash the A-K-Q of hearts in the hope that the opposing hearts are divided 3-3.

There is no doubt that, percentage-wise, the better play is to rely on the spade finesse rather than a 3-3 heart division. In the long run, North will be dealt the king of spades 50 percent of the time, while the hearts will divide evenly only 36 percent of the time, so the spade finesse is clearly superior.

It is only fair to add that in situations like this, the right play sometimes turns out to be wrong, and the wrong play sometimes succeeds. Even so, over the long haul, it is best to go with the odds.

Tomorrow: The vanishing trick.
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SUDOKU

	6			3				
7				4			1	
				1			5	3
4						2		8
				8				
9			4		6			1
		3	1		5			
5	2	9					6	
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Level: Advanced

Here's How It Works:

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!

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

ANSWER:

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!

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Young Moon

There's a lot of stimulus in something as complex and nuanced as a face-to-face encounter and many have at least some degree of anxiety that makes such a social interaction challenging. With this in mind, give everyone, including yourself, a pass for any awkwardness that might ensue as the young Aries moon aligns with Mercury.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). As the warrior of the zodiac, you're very careful to determine what's really worth fighting for before you even think about suiting up. Your time and effort are valuable commodities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Shadows of the soul are easy to clear. You don't have to scrub or organize or manage anything. All you have to do is turn up the heart light (or just generally lighten up) and the darkness disappears.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Whoever told you that making yourself happy was selfish was sadly mistaken. It is, in fact, your job to make yourself happy. And when you follow your bliss, you inspire others to do so, too.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Relationships change in tone as you get to know people better. This will be a good thing -- a delightful thing -- as comfort breeds fun, laughter and interesting developments.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The problem with chasing rainbows is that you can never get to where they are. You arrive and they either disappear or move. It's the same with chasing other lovely illusions, but there's still a lot of fun to be had in the pursuit.

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). After a time of being indecisive and not very excited about your choices, suddenly something new drops in. You want it. You throw your best energy after it. Your aim is true.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Because you've been so warm and inviting, new relationships spring up like green shoots from the ground, a fresh change of your emotional landscape.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 3). Make big plans because your projections and calculations will be extremely lucky over the next 30 days. It's like you're writing some kind of computer program that reality will follow along and flesh out as it runs. A change at work will have you adding new skills. There's a test in September, and then you'll advance quickly. Cancer and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 7, 13, 19 and 44.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: The new moon in Taurus asks if two Taureans can live happily ever after. Certainly, there's enough tenacity in this connection to go on and on indefinitely. However, if there's something they're not seeing eye-to-eye on, then that same stubbornness can work against them in the form of a grudge or unwillingness to compromise or acquiesce. Not this weekend though, which is all romance and fresh starts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may not be an instantaneous fit for a situation, but that doesn't mean it's not for you. Try it on. There's some tailoring that could be done, so to speak.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are many reasons why a person might earn the label of "difficult." A lot of times it's just because that person isn't conforming. And maybe the norm isn't worthy of conforming to.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your skills are getting sharper in the way that most things do -- through friction. It's why you don't bemoan the challenges. They give you the practice you need to become great.

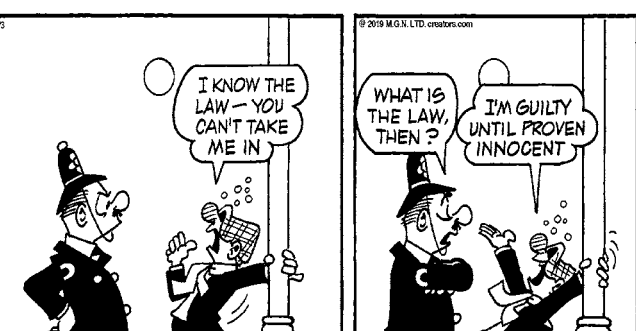
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Things are being worked out behind the scenes while the stage appears to be nothing but a blank space in front of a curtain. Keep watching. You're going to like what happens when that curtain opens.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your feelings will change quickly and completely, so it's better not to air them straight away. Give it time. Don't send the first email, text or letter. Sleep on it. Come back and look at it tomorrow.

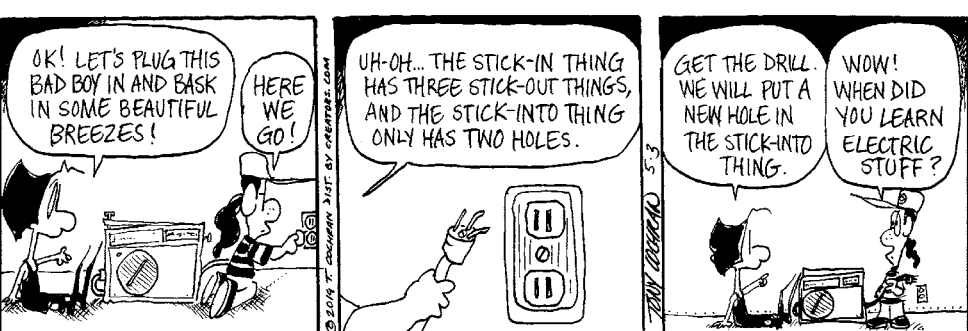
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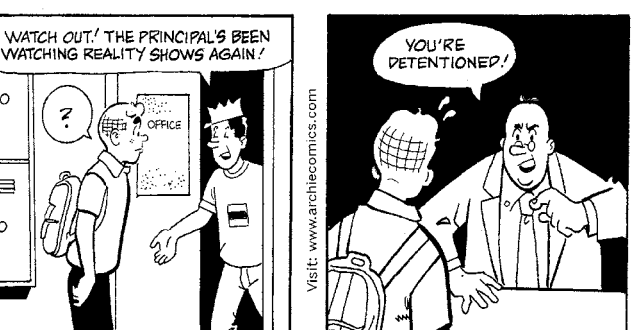
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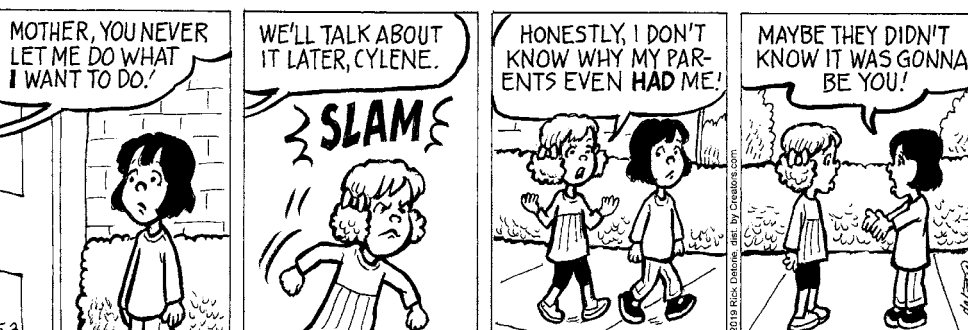
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Today in History

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On this date:

In 1469, political theorist Niccolo Machiavelli was born in Florence, Italy.

In 1802, Washington, D.C. was incorporated as a city.

In 1913, Clorox had its beginnings as five entrepreneurs agreed to set up a liquid bleach factory in Oakland, Calif.

In 1916, Irish nationalists Pádraic Pearse, Thomas Clarke and Thomas MacDonagh were executed by a British firing squad; they were among 16 people put to death for their roles in the Easter Rising.

In 1948, the Supreme Court, in Shelley v. Kraemer, ruled that covenants prohibiting the sale of real estate to blacks or members of other racial groups were legally unenforceable.

In 1952, the Kentucky Derby was televised nationally for the first time on CBS; the winner was Hill Gail, ridden by Eddie Arcaro.

In 1960, the Harvey Schmidt-Tom Jones musical "The Fantasticks" began a nearly 42-year run at New York's Sullivan Street Playhouse.

In 1978, spam email was born as Gary Thuerk (thurk), a marketing executive for the Digital Equipment Corp. of Maynard, Massachusetts, transmitted an unsolicited sales pitch for a new line of computers to 400 prospective customers on ARPANET, a precursor to the internet; the stunt generated some business, as well as complaints. "Sun Day" took place on a Wednesday as thousands of people extolling the virtues of solar energy held events across the country.

In 1979, Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher was chosen to become Britain's first female prime minister as the Tories ousted the incumbent Labour government in parliamentary elections.

In 1986, in NASA's first post-Challenger launch, an unmanned Delta rocket lost power in its main engine shortly after liftoff, forcing

safety officers to destroy it by remote control.

In 1999, some 70 tornadoes roared across Oklahoma and Kansas, killing 46 people and injuring hundreds.

In 2007, British girl Madeleine McCann vanished during a family vacation in Portugal nine days before her fourth birthday; her disappearance remains unsolved.

Ten years ago: Mexican President Felipe Calderon told state television a nationwide shutdown and an aggressive informational campaign appeared to have helped curtail an outbreak of swine flu in Mexico. Ricardo Martinelli won Panama's presidential election.

Five years ago: U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, during a visit to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, said the U.S. was ready to help increase its ties with Africa, but that nations across the continent needed to take stronger steps to ensure security and democracy for its people. California Chrome pulled away down the stretch for a dominant win at the 140th Kentucky Derby. Floyd Mayweather Jr. retained his welterweight title with a majority decision over Marcos Maidana in Las Vegas.

One year ago: President Donald Trump insisted that his reimbursement of a 2016 hush payment to porn actress Stormy Daniels had nothing to do with his election campaign. Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey signed a plan to give striking teachers pay raises totaling 20 percent, ending a six-day walkout. In a reversal, House Speaker Paul Ryan announced that the chaplain of the House of Representatives would stay in his job; Ryan had sparked an uproar when he asked the Rev. Patrick Conroy to resign and said he was dissatisfied with Conroy's pastoral care to lawmakers. A federal grand jury in Detroit indicted former Volkswagen CEO Martin Winterkorn on charges stemming from the company's diesel emissions cheating scandal. (Under Germany's constitution, he could not be extradited to the U.S. to face charges.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Alex Cord is 86. Singer Frankie Valli is 85. Former Idaho Gov. Butch Otter is 77. Sen. Jim Risch, R-Idaho, is 76. Sports announcer Greg Gumbel is 73. Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., is 70. Pop singer Mary Hopkin is 69. Singer Christopher Cross is 68. Country musician Cactus Moser (Highway 101) is

62. Rock musician David Ball (Soft Cell) is 60. Former Sen. David Vitter, R-La., is 58. Country singer Shane Minor is 51. Actress Amy Ryan is 51. Actor Bobby Cannavale (ka-nuh-VAL'-ee) is 49. Music and film producer-actor Damon Dash is 48. Country musician John Driskell Hopkins (Zac Brown Band) is 48. Country-rock musi-

cian John Neff is 48. Country singer Brad Martin is 46. TV personality Willie Geist (TV: "Today") is 44. Actress Christina Hendricks is 44. Actor Dule (doo-LAY') Hill is 44. Country singer Eric Church is 42. Actress Tanya Wright is 41. Dancer Cheryl Burke is 35. Soul singer Michael Kiwanuka is 32. Actress Jill Berard is 29. Actress Zoe De

Grand Maison is 24. Rapper Desiigner (cq) is 22.

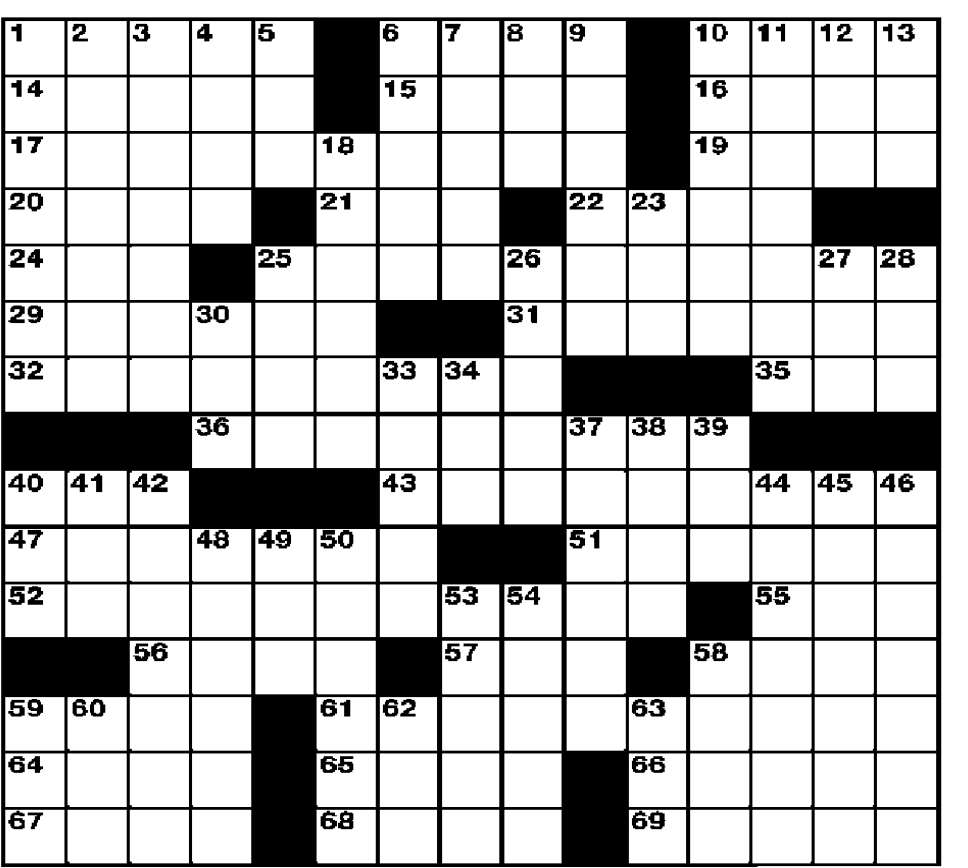
Thought for Today: "Hatred is gained as much by good works as by evil." — Niccolo Machiavelli, Italian political philosopher (born this date in 1469, died 1527).

Newsday Crossword

WHERE'S HE GOING? by Gary M. Larson
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Some Oklahoma natives
 - 6 Where most live
 - 10 Immovable
 - 14 Draws the line (at)
 - 15 Timetable list: Abbr.
 - 16 Scammer in action
 - 17 Scuba need*
 - 19 Multitude
 - 20 '80s PCs
 - 21 Long propeller
 - 22 Turbocharge, with "up"
 - 24 Scammer victim
 - 25 System that varies tasks*
 - 29 Woe, from the Yiddish
 - 31 Break down
 - 32 Korean cuisine staple
 - 35 Shakespearean suffix
 - 36 Quartet within the answers to the starred clues
 - 40 Wool coat wearer
 - 43 With no one around
 - 47 Reagan debater of '84
 - 51 Absorb gradually
 - 52 Not much wanted*
 - 55 Common book-fair sponsor
 - 56 NFL playoff simulator provider
 - 57 What some urns dispense
 - 58 Employed
 - 59 Conclude filming

- 61 Pie flavor*
 - 64 Capital of Helsinki
 - 65 10th-century explorer
 - 66 Pop favorites
 - 67 "Level" effort
 - 68 MLB semifinal
 - 69 Bach vocal work
- DOWN**
- 1 Orchestra members
 - 2 Government funders
 - 3 Greek peak
 - 4 Stress test readouts
 - 5 Compass reading
 - 6 Make __ at (attempt)
 - 7 Ringo's All-__ Band
 - 8 Lodge
 - 9 Invites out for
 - 10 Fried-and-filled tortilla
 - 11 Scuba need
 - 12 Recruiting poster pointer
 - 13 Subject to strain
 - 18 Ensnared, in a way
 - 23 Cask material
 - 25 Hendrix of rock fame
 - 26 Gazes at
 - 27 Loophole
 - 28 Nonspecific ordinal in math
 - 30 Bump hard into
 - 33 Stranger
 - 34 Land in the Seine
 - 37 Bucks
 - 38 Other than that
 - 39 '60s war zone
 - 40 Layer of one-pound eggs
 - 41 Hit the jackpot
 - 42 Makes cherished
 - 44 First place
 - 45 Name meaning "star"
 - 46 Least spirited
 - 48 Oppressor
 - 49 Hieroglyphics reptile
 - 50 Shade tree
 - 53 Storage space for many
 - 54 German beer brand
 - 58 Beehive, for instance
 - 59 With 62 Down, online address
 - 60 Bemoan
 - 62 See 59 Down
 - 63 Intent



Answer to previous puzzle

EXPAT	MASH	AMMO
DEUCE	ONTO	FRED
INTHELINE	OFFIRE	
TATTOO	APPRISES	
	FAT	LAX
OUTOF	THEWAY	SEL
ASAP	HERE	EPOXY
TERPS	NRA	DUCTS
HURON	COLT	SHOO
SPY	OVER	THEHILL
	PRE	HEX
DIALECTS	MTETNA	
UNDER	THEWEATHER	
STAB	ORCA	NOOSE
TOME	RUTS	TNUST

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Harden still dealing with eye injury; will play in Game 3



AP photo

Houston Rockets' James Harden watches from the bench during the first half of Game 2 of the team's second-round NBA basketball playoff series against the Golden State Warriors in Oakland, Calif., Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — James Harden squinted under the bright lights of the Toyota Center court on Thursday and parts of both eyes remained a garish, bloody red.

It was clear Houston's superstar was still dealing with injuries to his eyes after being hit by Golden State's Draymond Green in Game 2. Harden insisted the problem wouldn't keep him out of Game 3 on Saturday as the Rockets try to climb out of an 0-2 hole against the two-time defending champions.

"If I played barely seeing last game, what makes you think I'm going to sit out Game 3?" Harden asked defiantly.

Harden was injured midway through the first quarter Tuesday night after a blow from Green as he tried to rebound a shot he missed. He immediately fell to the court where he remained writhing for a bit before he was tended to by Houston's training staff and taken to the locker room. He returned with about seven minutes left in the second quarter and scored 29 points despite saying that his vision was extremely blurry and that he could see "nothing."

"When he went out he had zero points and he comes back with not even one eye, one eye was almost shut and the other one was blurry and he gets 29 points," coach Mike D'Antoni said. "Not many people would have played. So whatever happens, that's pretty special."

Harden practiced with the team Thursday as the Rockets prepare to host Golden State for two games.

Though both eyes are injured, the left one is far worse than the right with the entire left side of the

eye remaining bloody. The right eye was bloody, too, but it was a much smaller section in the left corner of that eye.

"It's still there," he said. "It's still tough, especially in bright lights but I can see y'all a little bit better so that's all that matters."

Harden said he visited a doctor Wednesday and "he gave me some stuff to calm it down to make it better." He said he didn't know the exact diagnosis of his injury, but the team called it contusions to

both eyes. He added that the doctor told him that he'd be "good," but that it will take a few days to heal.

"That was a freak injury. I feel bad for James," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said after practice Thursday before his team left for Houston. "And obviously Draymond did, too, and went over and apologized. But that's just one of those plays that happens, so I'm glad that James is OK. Everything seems to be fine."

Last year's MVP said he's dealt with a variety of injuries, but that this one has been the most difficult.

"It's different," Harden said. "Like an ankle injury, I've rolled my ankle 100 times or whatnot and you kind of know how to deal with that. When you've got blurry vision and you can't see it's really difficult. But still no excuses."

Harden and D'Antoni scoffed at the notion that he would wear goggles or protective eyewear of any kind Saturday. D'Antoni even went so far as to make a joke about if he'd need something like that to play.

"Maybe one patch over an eye," he said, snickering. "It's going to be the pirate look."



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