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Upcoming Events

Today

Appreciation Picnic
Back in Motion
 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Veteran Benefit Workshop
 Marcy Place
 6 p.m.

July 3

Pops in the Park
 Comanche Trail Amphitheater
 Gates open at 5 p.m.
 Fireworks begin at dark

Fourth of July

Highland South Fourth of July Parade
 Starts at corner of Highland and Robb at 10:30 a.m.

July 5

Senior Dance
 Dora Roberts Community Center
 7 to 10 p.m.

July 6

Coahomoa Freedom Parade
 10 a.m.
 All are welcome to join in the parade.

July 10

Big Spring State Hospital Hiring Fair
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

July 12

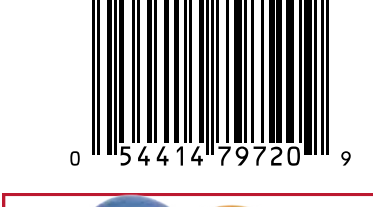
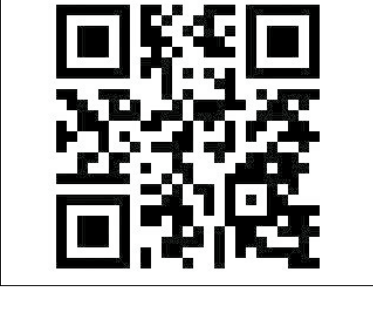
Moonlight Rave Run
 11:55 p.m.
 State Park/Scenic Mountain
 Registration open

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Fourth of July business and service closures

Banks, city offices and other local businesses announce holiday hours

Closed July 4th

Big Spring Chamber
 Closing early July 3

Howard County Offices
City of Big Spring offices
 Fire, police and EMS will continue normal operation

Wells Fargo, State National, BBVA, Western, Big Spring Education FCU, Cosden FCU, Complex Community FCU, Citizens FCU, Lone Star State

Normal business hours will resume on Friday

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Ready for the Fourth of July holiday? So are some staff and employees of local government services, banks, and stores. While some businesses will be open and operate as usual, there are those who will be closing. Here's a list of holiday schedules:

- The Big Spring Herald: Office will be closed on Thursday, with regular 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. hours on Wednesday and Friday.
- Howard County: All offices will close Thursday, and reopen as normal on Friday. Sheriff's administrative of-

fices will be closed, but law enforcement services will operate as normal.

- City of Big Spring: City offices and landfill will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesday and remain closed Thursday. Police, fire, and emergency medical services will continue to operate as normal. All city offices will reopen as normal on Friday.
- City of Coahoma: Coahoma city offices will be closed on Thursday, and reopen as normal on Friday.
- Local banks: Most local banks and credit unions - including:

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Know your options

Veteran benefits workshop hosted by Marcy Place

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Navigating benefits can be confusing and for veterans - with all the guidelines and stipulations - even more so. Marcy Place has partnered with Melson and Associates for a benefit workshop at 6 p.m.

"There are resources out there to help the veterans, but it can be a scary and confusing process," Sherrean Jones, Marcy Place's Community Relations Manager, said. "This workshop is intended to not only ease those fears, but offer assistance to navigate through the process."

Michael Melson will be providing the information and setting up appointments for those veterans who need or want more direction.

"We are hoping that veterans and spouses of veterans will come join us and find out what kind of benefits are out there," Jones said. "Our veterans have given so much for us and our nation, they deserve to get the benefits that are out there for them."

There are still spots available for the presentation. Marcy Place is located at 2301 Wasson Road. There is no cost to attend.

A Veteran's service has no end

Veterans of Foreign War helping 5 kittens find a home



HERALD photo/ Roger Cline
Local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #2013 was on a mission to find five kittens a home, this past weekend. After finding a family of kittens, local members of the VFW post decided to do their part and find a loving home for the kittens. At the time of the photo, one kitten had already found a home. In addition to finding new families for the kittens, they were raising awareness in the community for their post.

Celebrations abound as new month begins

By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**
 Staff Writer

June is already over, which means half of 2019 has passed. It also means we're less than six months away from the Christmas shopping madness. Before all that, though, let's see what we can celebrate this week.

As July begins, you should know that July is National Baked Beans Month, National Grilling Month, and National Hot Dog Month. Do you see a pattern there?

July 1 was National Postal Worker Day. You can celebrate this day anytime by thanking your postal worker. On average, postal workers walk four to eight miles a day delivery our packages and mail. Encourage others to thank their postal workers as well.

Do you have to continuously set reminders? Do you set reminders for your reminders? Then July 2 is your day, as it is observed as I Forgot Day. This day is your chance to make up for all those birthdays and anniversaries you may have forgotten during the year.

July 3 is Stay Out of the Sun Day, and what an appropriate time for this as so many spend the next day outdoors cooking and celebrating our National Holiday.

July 4...well, what else needs to be said about this day? In addition to being Independence Day, this date is also Sidewalk Egg Frying Day. Should a new tradition be started to eat sidewalk-fried eggs rather than traditional hot dogs and and burgers? Somehow, I don't think that would catch on.

July 5 is National Bikini Day and National Apple Turnover Day. Maybe not the best combination of days to recognize together, but go ahead, eat that turnover as you're sitting at the beach or pool in your bikini.

July 6 is National Fried Chicken Day. Did you know chickens were not originally meant for food? Science has basically created the chickens we eat today, and modern domesticated chickens are descendants of red fowl in India and Southeast Asia. Fried chicken has become one of the most popular dishes in the U.S.

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Obituaries

Terri Lee Buchanan



Terri Lee Buchanan, 71, of Borden County, Texas, went home to be with her Lord on Friday, June 28, 2019. A memorial service will be at 3 p.m., Wednesday, July 3, 2019, at the Borden County School auditorium in Gail, Texas.

The family will receive friends 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 2, 2019, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, Texas.

From the time Terri was born in Denver, Colorado on July 30, 1947, until her death, she blessed those around her with her love, faith, and generosity. Terri married the love of her life, Bob Wayne Buchanan, on Feb. 16, 1966. As a young wife and mother, Terri traveled the world with Bob while he served in the U.S. Air Force. They settled in Borden County in 1984 where Terri served as a bookkeeper for Borden County ISD for 25 years. Terri was a member of First Baptist Church of Gail and worked for many years with the youth and younger children with many memorable moments in Chil-

dren's Church.

Left to honor Terri and remember her love are her husband, Bob; four children, Charla Soto, Robert Buchanan (Gracie), David Buchanan (Brian), Richard Buchanan (Carissa); eleven grandchildren, Trey Soto (Paula), Christina Perez (Josh), Tony Soto (Kelsey), Teryn Thomasson (Blake), Patrick Buchanan, Erin Buchanan, Kate Buchanan, Ella Buchanan, Austin Buchanan, Allison Buchanan, Anslee Buchanan; seven great-grandchildren Brylee, Kynzlee, J.T. and Landree Perez, Lyric and Lucca Brainard, and Jett Thomasson; and numerous other much-loved relatives and friends.

Terri was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Edward Couture and Cleo Ione Couture; her son-in-law, Tomas Soto Jr.; and a number of aunts, uncles, and cousins who had special places in her heart.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to the Borden County EMS, c/o Mike Valentine, PO Box 342, Gail, TX 79738.

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

Paid Obituary

Cromwell Rhoton



Cromwell Rhoton, 92, died Saturday, June 29, 2019, in Gainesville. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Mike Moates officiating.

He was born May 18, 1927. He was a lifetime resident of Howard County until moving to Sherman in 2011. He married Lois Smith on Feb. 15, 1944.

They farmed and ranched at Luther. She preceded him in death June 29, 2011. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy.

He is survived by one son, Brent Rhoton and his wife, Jody of Sherman; two grandchildren, Katie Culifer and her husband, Johnny of Tom Bean, and Jamie Rhoton of Sherman; one great grandson, Jonathan Culifer of Tom Bean; two sisters, Gwen Fryar of Big Spring, and Jeannie Cunningham and her husband, Charles of Buffalo Gap; and several nieces and nephews.

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

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CECIL ANTHONY CARSON**, 27, of 6304 E. CR 42, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **GENARO LOPEZ CASTILLO III**, 29, of 1407 Owens, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest or detention.

- **JAMES LEE WOODARD**, 55, of 3601 Connally St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.

- **ALANA DIANE SANCHEZ**, 42, of 1005 E. 16th St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.

- **GARY LEE CLAYTON**, 62, of 1425 E. 6th St., Apt. 131, was arrested on charges of public intoxication, resisting arrest, search or transport, and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

- **DISTURBANCE** was report-

ed in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, and the 100 block of E. 17th St.

- **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 300 block of N.E. 6th St.

- **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of E. 16th St.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2300 block of N. Anderson.

- **ENRIQUE RODRIGUEZ-VARGAS**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **JOSE OMAR SALINAS JR.**, 21, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ALANA DIANE SANCHEZ**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping and failure to appear.

- **ERIK SANCHEZ**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **AARON GALEN VALLE**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for theft of service (\$100 to \$750).

- **JAMES LEE WOODARD**, 55, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

- **DONALD RICHARD WRIGHT**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 91 inmates at the time of this report.

- **LLILIANA AGUILAR**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for theft of property (\$750 to \$2,500).

- **DANI BURCHAM**, 18, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).

- **CECIL ANTHONY CARSON**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

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substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **TOMMY WILLIAM DAY**, 38, was arrested by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

- **SONYA ANNA MARTINEZ**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **CODY LEE MITCHELL**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **MICHAEL PAUL OWEN**, 48, was arrested by BSPD on charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle or watercraft and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

- **YESENIA LIEGH RODRIGUEZ**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for parent contributing to non-attendance of a child.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Stadium. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W. Marcy Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of S. Gregg. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.



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Support Groups

TUESDAY

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

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

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

- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

WEDNESDAY

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

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

THURSDAY

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

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

- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

- GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly, every Thursday, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

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.



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Weather



Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. Southeast wind around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 94. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Independence Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 72.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 96.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 72.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 96.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 95.

Sunday Night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 71.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 95.

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

Plane was sold months before it crashed in Texas, killing 10

DALLAS (AP) — Officials have not yet released the identities of the 10 people killed when a small plane crashed at a suburban Dallas airport, but the aircraft's former owner said Monday that he sold it earlier this year to a Texas-based company.

No information has been released to explain why the Beechcraft BE-350 King Air crashed into a hangar and burst into flames Sunday morning after taking off from Addison Municipal Airport. Officials have said two crew members and eight passengers were killed.

The plane was scheduled to fly to St. Petersburg, Florida. Witnesses and local authorities said the aircraft struggled to gain altitude then veered into the hangar not far from a busy commercial strip and densely populated residential neighborhoods.

Todd DeSimone, the general manager of Chicago-based jet charter company Planemasters, said Monday that he sold the plane to a company based in Addison called EE Operations.

No one has responded to a message left at a phone number associated with EE Operations.

The company's agent in Delaware, where EE Operations is registered, said it would forward a request for comment.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Lynn Lunsford said Monday that the twin-engine plane's tail number, N511EF, was registered in April. The FAA reg-

istry confirmed that the plane was registered to EE Operations.

Lunsford said Monday that the pilots on Sunday used the plane's previous tail number in radio communications and for the flight plan, and that questions about why they were using the old number would be addressed in the investigation.

The National Transportation Safety Board sent a team to investigate at the airport north of Dallas, and officials said during a Sunday evening news conference that it was too early to determine what caused the crash. Another news conference is set for late Monday afternoon.

Edward Martelle, a spokesman for the town of Addison, said the plane was taking off at the south end of the airport and had just lifted off the runway when it veered left, dropped its left wing and went into the hangar.

David Snell, who was getting ready to fly from Addison with a friend Sunday morning, told KDFW TV that the plane didn't sound right on takeoff.

"It looked like it was clearly reduced power. I didn't know if it was on purpose or not, but then, when the plane started to veer to the left, you could tell it couldn't climb. My friend and I looked at each other and we're like, 'Oh my God. They're going to crash,'" Snell said.

Air traffic control tower audio from around the time of the crash does not capture any pilot indi-

cating an emergency or trouble with a plane. But pilots waiting to take off soon thereafter can be heard seeking updates and being told repeatedly to wait.

The plane went down a week after another fatal crash involving a Beechcraft King Air.

On June 21, a slightly different model crashed shortly after takeoff in Hawaii, killing 11 people in the deadliest civil aviation accident since 2011. The skydiving plane also rolled to one side just after takeoff. It became inverted and crashed a short distance from the runway, the NTSB said. It was engulfed in flames and everyone on board died.

Although the registered owner remained the same, the aircraft had recently relocated to Hawaii after it was involved in a 2016 accident in California that left it with significant damage.

Textron Aviation, the manufacturer of Beechcraft planes, is working with the NTSB in the agency's investigation of the Addison crash and is prohibited from offering further comment, company spokeswoman Stephanie Harder said Monday.

Lunsford, the FAA spokesman, said "it's still too early to draw any conclusions about any apparent similarities between this accident and any others."

Associated Press reporters David Warren and David Koenig in Dallas and Caleb Jones in Honolulu contributed to this report.

Take Note

- Coahoma Freedom Parade will take place Saturday, July 6, 2019; parade begins at 10 a.m. The parade line-up will be begin at 9 a.m. at the high school stadium parking lot. Judging begins at 9:30 a.m. There will prizes awarded for Most Patriotic parade entries. A park celebration will be held after the parade. Special guests will include the Masked Rider from Texas Tech University, The Six White Horses from Hardin Simmons University, Jimmy Sherrod and Big Boy Toys from Garden City, and J.R. McNutt will provide live entertainment. A hamburger meal consisting of chips, cookie and a drink, will be sold for \$6 each with proceeds going to the Coahoma Lions Club. Activities include a basketball free-throw contest, bouncy house, and water slide. Caps and t-shirts are available at Coahoma City Hall. For more information, contact Connie Shaw at 394-4000.

- 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.

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Harriet M. Hutchison, 83, died Thursday. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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Wells Fargo, BBVA, State National, Western, Prosperity, Lone Star State, Big Spring Education FCU, Cosden FCU, Complex Community FCU, and Citizens FCU – will be closed Thursday, and operate with regular schedule Wednesday and Friday. Woodforest National Bank inside the Wal-Mart Supercenter will be open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Thursday, with regular hours otherwise.

- Grocery stores: Wal-Mart Supercenter, H-E-B, and Porter's will maintain regular hours throughout the holiday.

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TSTC employee recognized for 35 years of service

(SWEETWATER, Texas) - Sweetwater native Glen Bedgood was recently recognized for his exceptional 35 years of service to Texas State Technical College during TSTC's Employee Appreciation Day.

Since graduating from East Texas State University, now Texas A&M University-Commerce, as a double major in computer science and commercial art, Bedgood has spent his professional career serving the students and employees of TSTC.

"I just felt, and still feel, like this place was my calling. After I graduated college, I came back home to Sweetwater, and it all just fell into place that I should be at TSTC," Bedgood said.

Although Bedgood serves as the senior internal systems analyst for TSTC Human Resources, he has worn many hats during his time at TSTC. He says each job has allowed him a rare chance to understand all the roles

helped him better relate to his TSTC teammates.

His dedication to efficiency and putting the 'human' in human resources has made him stand out to his co-workers over the years.

"35 years -- what an exceptional milestone! Glen has held many positions at TSTC, and his success is due to his attention to detail, job knowledge, and ability to communicate with all he interacts with," TSTC Provost Rick Denbow said.

To one employee in particular, watching Bedgood receive his 35-year plaque was a very special moment.

Jacob Bedgood, Glen Bedgood's son and a TSTC graphic designer, said the moment put into perspective how much his father has dedicated to the college.

"Having grown up only ever knowing my dad to be a TSTC employee, it doesn't always hit me just how much of his life and his energy he's devoted to this organization," he said. "It's certainly a lot to live up to, both as a son and as a fellow employee. But

I'm fortunate to have him setting that example for me. I'm definitely proud of him."

One of Glen Bedgood's favorite things about working at TSTC is the opportunity to make a positive change in a person's life.

"There is something about sharing knowledge and teaching that is just really fun, and I love it. I truly believe in the mission here at TSTC and seeing students succeed," he said.

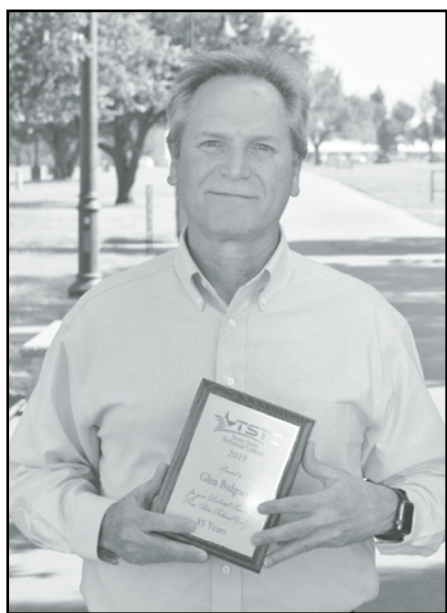
While 35 years may sound like a long time, Bedgood has no intention of leaving anytime soon.

"As long as I am doing good for the college and can make a difference, I don't know why I would ever leave. This is a job I love," Bedgood said.

For more information about TSTC, log on to tstc.edu.

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Glen Bedgood was recently recognized for his exceptional 35 years of service at TSTC.

Drowned father and daughter mourned at El Salvador cemetery

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — A man and his young daughter who drowned trying to cross into Texas were laid to their final rest Monday, a week after a heartbreaking image of their bodies floating in the Rio Grande circled the globe.

About 200 relatives and friends followed a hearse bearing the bodies of Oscar Martínez and his 23-month-old daughter Valeria inside La Bermeja municipal cemetery in southern San Salvador. The ceremony was private, and journalists were not allowed access.

Many wore black and wept. They carried flowers and green palms, and some held signs bearing the logo of the Alianza soccer team favored by Oscar Martínez, who belonged to a group that supports the club.

"For those who cheer you on from heaven," one read.

"I knew them. They are good people, and I can't believe they died this way," said Berta Padilla, who arrived earlier along with about 30 others on a bus from Altavista, the working-class city the Martínezes called home before they left in early April, headed for the United States.

"We came from Altavista to be with Oscar's family," Padilla added. "We are with them in their pain."

Tania Vanessa Ávalos, their wife and mother, returned to El Salvador on Friday ahead of their remains.

A municipal police officer said their graves were in a section of the cemetery named after Saint Óscar Romero, the San Salvador archbishop who devoted himself to helping the poor and was assassinated in 1980. Romero, who was canonized last year, is buried in the crypt of the city's cathedral.

After the burial, relatives stayed behind at the gravesite to say a last goodbye, said family friend Reyna Moran.

"This is very painful, most of all because of the baby. ... They went in search of a better future, but everything came to an end in the river," Moran said.

A collection of floral arrangements adorned the grave, including one from El Salvador's president and first lady. Interior Minister Mario Durán was among those who attended.

The photographs of Martínez, 25, and Valeria, lying face-down along the riverbank, the tiny girl tucked inside his black shirt and her arm draped over his neck, prompted a global outpouring of emotion. They underscored the perils faced by migrants and asylum-seekers trying to reach the United States.

"We are dismayed, shocked, everyone is in pain," said Altavista Mayor Victor Manuel Rivera. "This family has

lost an angel of just under 2 years, and seeing that heartbreaking image, the photo, is shocking."

President Nayib Bukele said late Sunday that the drownings were "a great tragedy" and that there's blame to be shared among governments.

U.S. policies designed to deter Central Americans and others from coming have stalled thousands on the Mexico side of the border as they wait to request asylum in the United States. Meanwhile, Mexico is stepping up immigration enforcement under intense pressure from the Trump administration.

And Bukele, who took office a month ago, said his own country shares responsibility.

"We can speak blame to any other country, but what about our blame?" Bukele said in lengthy remarks, much of them delivered in English. "I mean, what country did they flee? Did they (flee) the United States? They fled El Salvador. They fled our country. It is our fault."

"We haven't been able to provide anything, not a decent job, not a decent school," he continued. "What if there's a little girl who had a decent school here, a decent health care system for her and her family, a decent house with water supply, a job for his parents, for his mother and his dad, a decent job, living in a zone where a gang member would not come to rape her and kill her family?"

Many of those trying to reach the U.S. border in recent months have said they were fleeing grinding poverty, a lack of opportunity and violence in the gang-dominated Northern Triangle region of El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala, or a combination of these factors.

Martínez's mother said last week that the family had hoped to live and work in the United States for a few years, saving enough money to return and build a home of their own.

"These are situations that make visible the problem of migration, something that happens daily,"

said Mario Vega, pastor of the Elim Protestant church, one of El Salvador's largest. "Yesterday it became known that another Salvadoran died in a detention center in Texas, and this is something that happens every day."

Vega criticized U.S. policies on migration and expressed hope that all countries would heed a U.N. call to respect migrants' human rights.

"May God will that this tragedy sensitize people," he said.

Associated Press writers Peter Orsi and Christopher Sherman in Mexico City contributed to this report.

Border Patrol Chief: Sexist Facebook posts 'inappropriate'

CLINT, Texas (AP) — The head of the U.S. Border Patrol says sexist posts and comments mocking migrant deaths in a closed Facebook group for agents and employees are "completely inappropriate."

Carla Provost said in a statement Monday that any employee who violated standards will be held accountable. ProPublica published a report on the group that comprises about 9,500 current and former employees. There are about 20,000 active Border Patrol agents.

Group members posted graphic doctored images of U.S. Senator Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, a New York Democrat. Other posts refer to Ocasio-Cortez and Rep. Veronica Escobar, of Texas, in sexually explicit ways. One member encouraged agents to throw burritos at them during a facility tour Monday.

The assistant commissioner of the office of professional responsibility says the "disturbing social media activity" is being investigated.

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Rangers RHP Shelby Miller designated for assignment

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Shelby Miller has been designated for assignment by the Texas Rangers, becoming the second veteran pitcher in less than two weeks dropped by the team.

The move was made Monday, when the Rangers added left-hander Jesse Biddle to their roster. Biddle was claimed off waivers from Seattle last week.

Miller was struggling in his return from Tommy John surgery, just like former Texas teammate Drew Smyly, who was designated for assignment on June 20.

A native of Texas who had elbow ligament-replacement surgery in May 2017 while with the Arizona Diamondbacks, Miller signed a \$2 million, one-year deal with the Rangers as a free agent last winter. The right-hander was 1-3 with an 8.59 ERA in 19 games, including eight starts, and was moved to the bullpen in mid-May.

Smyly, a left-hander, was 1-5 with an 8.42 ERA in 13 games (nine starts) with Texas after not pitching in the majors the past two seasons.

Angels, MLB mourn Skaggs after pitcher dies in hotel room

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Baseball Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Tyler Skaggs grew up rooting for the Los Angeles Angels, and got to pitch for his favorite team.

The left-hander's next start for the Angels was supposed to be on the Fourth of July holiday, during a week-long trip to Texas that began with Skaggs and his teammates proudly posing in cowboy hats and Western attire by their plane.

Skaggs died Monday, when the 27-year-old pitcher was found unresponsive in his Texas hotel room. The scheduled series opener against the Rangers was postponed.

"Words cannot express the deep sadness we feel right now. Our thoughts and prayers are with (wife) Carli and their families. Remembering him as a great teammate, friend, and person who will forever remain in our hearts... we love you, 45," All-Star center fielder Mike Trout wrote on Twitter.

Angels general manager Billy Eppler described himself as being "in utter shock and disbelief."

The team, in a statement, called Skaggs "an important part of the Angels Family" and said its thoughts and prayers were with his wife and entire family "during this devastating time."

Police in Southlake, Texas, said they were investigating but no foul play was suspected. Skaggs was pronounced dead at the scene after police responded to a call at the hotel Monday afternoon.

Eppler, manager Brad Ausmus and team president John Carpino planned to address the media Tuesday afternoon, before the Angels were scheduled to play that night against the Rangers.

Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said he was "deeply saddened" by Skaggs' death.

"We will support the Angels' organization through this most difficult period, and we will make a variety of resources available to Tyler's teammates and other members of the baseball family," Manfred said in a statement.

With the team out of town, dozens of fans went to Angel Stadium and gathered out front in the hours after Skaggs' death was announced. They left flowers, hats, baseballs, signs, photos and other memorabilia in a makeshift memorial mound.

Sadly, the poignant display strongly resembled the fan-created memorial for Nick Adenhart in 2009 after the rookie pitcher was killed by a drunk driver. That tribute stayed out front of the Big A through the summer.

Near the entrance of the team's hotel in Texas, a fan with an Angels jersey sat on a rock wall with a bouquet of flowers attached to a balloon that

read "thank you."

Skaggs, who got married last December and would have turned 28 on July 13, had been a regular in the Angels' starting rotation since late 2016, when he returned from Tommy John surgery. He struggled with injuries repeatedly in that time but was 7-7 with a 4.29 ERA in 15 starts this season to help an injury-plagued rotation.

In his cowboy-themed Instagram post on Sunday, Skaggs captioned the team photo with "Howdy y'all." The Angels go to Houston this weekend after their series against the Rangers.

"Some guys that didn't even know him were visibly shaken," Texas manager Chris Woodward said, describing the team meeting when his players were told about Skaggs as "one of those moments where you're just kind of numb."

Skaggs was in the same draft class with Trout in 2009, the year the 22-year-old Adenhart was killed. Adenhart was coming off his first start that season, his fourth big league game.

Jose Fernandez, a two-time All-Star pitcher for the Miami Marlins, was killed in a boating crash near Miami Beach, Florida, in September 2016. He was 24.

Darryl Kile, who pitched in the majors for 12 seasons, was on the road with the St. Louis Cardinals when he died in his Chicago hotel room at age 33 in June 2002. Albert Pujols, now a member of the Angels, was Kile's teammate then.

The Rangers said Monday's game wouldn't be made up this week. The Angels return to Texas for another series in mid-August.

Skaggs grew up in Santa Monica, on the west side of the sprawling Los Angeles metroplex, as a fan of the Angels instead of the closer Dodgers. He was drafted 40th overall after he graduated from Santa Monica High School, where his mother, Debbie, was the longtime softball coach.

The Angels traded Skaggs in 2010 to Arizona, where he started his big league career with 13 appearances over two seasons before Los Angeles reacquired him in December 2013. He made a career-high 24 starts last year, but missed time in April this season because of a sprained ankle before coming back strong.

Before he was traded to Arizona, Skaggs roomed in the low minors with Trout when they were on the same team in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 2010.

Cleveland Indians pitcher Trevor Bauer, who played with Skaggs in the Diamondbacks organization, tweeted: "We came up together. We won together. We laughed and celebrated together. Today, we all lose and mourn together."

XFL's plans for upcoming season starting to take shape

By JOE REEDY

AP Sports Writer

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Oliver Luck's first year as the XFL's commissioner has mostly been confined to the office and getting the league's framework set up. The next couple months are what Luck refers to as the fun part of preparing for next year's return.

"We're still a long way from a football game but we are starting to see more of what we are trying to do," Luck said.

The league — which will begin play the week after Super Bowl 54 — is in the middle of conducting "Summer Showcases" in the eight cities where it will have teams. The showcases are similar to pro days on college campuses and the NFL Scouting Combine as coaches get to work with prospects.

Serena Williams opens bid for 8th Wimbledon title, 24th Slam

Associated press

WIMBLEDON, England — Serena Williams renews her bid for her 24th Grand Slam title and eighth at Wimbledon with a Centre Court match against Giulia Gatto-Monticone of Italy.

Williams lost in the final at the All England Club to Angelique Kerber last year.

Kerber opens Tuesday's first-round action in the main stadium against Tatjana Maria.

Eight-time Wimbledon champion Roger Federer then follows against Lloyd Harris.

The first match on No. 1 Court will be Ash Barty's first match since she became ranked No. 1. The French Open champion faces Zheng Saisai.

Rafael Nadal takes on Yuichi Sugita later in the day in that arena.

Analysis: Point guards are getting valued, and rightly so

By TIM REYNOLDS

AP Basketball Writer

Point guards got paid.

Much like the quarterback in football, the point guard is still a critical component in basketball, the on-court leader of a club in most cases — and in the opening two days of free agency, teams paid accordingly for that spot.

Free agency wasn't even 24 hours old and more than \$1 billion had been committed to point guards, led by the \$196 million extension that Damian Lillard will be signing with Portland, the reported \$170 million extension for Jamal Murray in Denver and the \$141 million deals for Kyrie Irving and Kemba Walker.

There's never been an offseason in NBA history where point guards have gotten that much, and there's still plenty more left to be signed.

"I'm a leader in my own way," Walker wrote in an essay directed to his old fans in Charlotte and soon-to-be-new fans in Boston that was published by The Players Tribune. "I'm never going to shout anyone off the court, or get overly negative. It's not my style. But what I do is I take pride in making my teammates better — I'm that lead by example type. I like to keep it direct."

He was duly rewarded.

So were many of his position-mates.

The extensions for Lillard and Murray mean that they won't be seeing free agency for years to come, and proves how much Portland and Denver value those guys. Lillard's extension shouldn't have surprised anyone, and given what the market value is setting up to be for point guards the fact that Denver locked up Murray shouldn't be a shocker either.

"Jamal will be a huge part of our future," Nuggets coach Michael Malone said entering the offseason.

That's clear now.

D'Angelo Russell's sign-and-trade that will send him to Golden State will see his salary start at \$27 million next season and land him just over \$117 million over four years. Malcolm Brogdon isn't a traditional point guard, and he still got \$85 million from four years from Indiana. Terry Rozier could get \$58 million over three years from Charlotte, where he'll replace Walker — who made \$58 million, total, in eight seasons there.

Ricky Rubio got \$51 million for three years from Phoenix. Patrick

Beverley finally got his deserved payday, a \$40 million, three-year agreement to stay with the Los Angeles Clippers.

"Wow," Atlanta's super-talented point guard Trae Young tweeted as deals started flying about. "This is crazy."

Don't worry, Trae.

Your day is coming in about three years.

Chris Paul got a \$159 million, four-year deal last summer from Houston, and from there most of the other point guard signings in free agency were for relatively little money. Golden State's Stephen Curry and Toronto's Kyle Lowry were among the big point guard deals in 2017 — and they went head-to-head this year in the NBA Finals.

For that matter, look at the point guards to win NBA titles in recent years: Lowry in 2019, Curry in 2018 and 2017, Irving in 2016, Curry in 2015, Tony Parker in 2014, Mario Chalmers in 2013 and 2012, Jason Kidd in 2011. It's safe to think that Lowry, Curry, Irving and Parker are all going to the Basketball Hall of Fame, Kidd already has been enshrined — and Chalmers has won NBA, NCAA and Euroleague titles in his underrated career.

Isaiah Thomas and the Washington Wizards agreed on a deal Monday night, a win-win move — Thomas is desperate for an opportunity and the Wizards are still without John Wall. And some really good ones remained on the market Monday, including Rajon Rondo, Tyus Jones and TJ McConnell.

Plus, don't forget that three of the top seven draft picks last month — No. 2 Ja Morant, No. 5 Darius Garland and No. 7 Coby White — all are point guards.

So the spending on ones will continue.

And it's not like any NBA team, especially now, has just one ballhandler. No matter who the starting point guard is for the Los Angeles Lakers next season, LeBron James will probably handle the ball more than anyone and likely lead the team in assists as well. But every team needs a leader at that spot.

"If you have even more playmakers on the court, that's going to be hard to guard," veteran point guard Raymond Felton said last season.

Hard not to pay for, too.

The point guards have made their point, again.

Los Angeles, New York, Washington, Seattle, Houston and Dallas featured 100 players, who were invited by the league, but last weekend's showcase in Tampa had 150. Luck showed the league will begin signing players later this month after the final showcase is held in St. Louis July 13.

Some of the prospects played in the Alliance of American Football, which lasted only eight weeks, but some former NFL players have also participated, including wide receivers Hakeem Nicks and Robert Meacham, quarterbacks Landry Jones and Ryan Mallett and tight end Fred Davis.

"You get a lot of reps. For me, there is a chance to put film out there and show I can still play," said Davis, who last played in the NFL in 2013. "It's good just to know you still have an opportunity to play if you still have some juice left."

Luck is optimistic that the quality of players, especially at quarterback, will be better than the AAF. Luck points to the league being able to offer more at skill positions.

"We have some guys who left the NFL on terms that were not their own but still have 2-4 years left of playing. It gives me hope that we can play solid football," he said.

Some players were not invited to showcases because Luck said they already had a large amount of film. Many have watched if 2012 Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel is on the league's radar, but Luck said that remains to be seen. Manziel played two games in the AAF before the league folded.

This will be a busy month for the league. Besides beginning to sign players, the names and logos of the eight teams are expected to be unveiled. There will also be another session of rules testing using players from The Spring League in Southern California that will be attended by coaches, ESPN and Fox.

The league held a test session two weeks ago, where ESPN and Fox producers got to see how some of the proposed rules will affect a broadcast.

Plans include a 25-second clock between plays — which is 15 seconds less than the NFL, multiple forward passes as long as the players remain behind the line of scrimmage and a creative solution for overtime.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



New Moon and Total Eclipse of the Sun

ARIES (March 21-April 19). We work toward and celebrate abundance, though it's an obstacle more often than not. Too much of a thing lessens its value. It's cumbersome to carry around. It attracts envy. Keep it lean and mean.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Before you cast people in insider roles of your life, there's a pretty extensive get-to-know-you period. You like to see how people handle defeat and difficulty. And how they handle success is even more important.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's pretty easy to figure out what can be controlled and what can't. What's hard is accepting it, not fighting with the truth of the matter, and

turning attention to controllable things only.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can be alert and wise without being worried. It's more of an internal posture shift than anything else -- an attitude that helps you align yourself so you're ready to move instead of draining into hypothetical spirals.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). No matter what your reach or resources are, the first step to getting a message out is making it understandable. It's easier to comprehend a clear whisper than an unclear shout.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Getting away from a thing isn't the same as running away from it like you're scared. Not every retreat is an escape. New goals will help

you put distance between you and the thing you're sensing just isn't right for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The emotions and intent of an action are an intrinsic part of the alchemy. The same action can be done in anger or done with dignity, and that will make all of the difference in what happens next.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you didn't

have all that's making your life so full and interesting now, you'd give a pretty penny to acquire it. And though you've gotten rather used to the way things are, there's luck when you try and see it all anew today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you're working with or for someone, get to know the whole person, to whatever extent that is

possible, instead of centering everything around a transaction. Context is more important than any one detail.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Things don't always feel like what they are. For instance, running can feel more like flying than being in a jet, but the jet will get you there faster. Analyze data today. If you're just going by feel, you'll miss something.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You intend a certain outcome, though what you actually do next may not reflect this. It's like there's two of you living in that body, one that wants to follow directions and one that doesn't.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The difference between the ordinary and the extraordinary isn't always effort,

talent, positioning or anything else easily controllable. Sometimes it's just a mood, a certain lighting, or timing. The X-factor favors you today.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 2). This is a year in which you're truly making it up as you go. You'll get to do and be a lot of different and interesting things. Inspiration will come and go; your real superpower is not relying on it. You work no matter what, pressing on so you can show others the way. Finances improve with flexibility and problem-solving skills. Sagittarius and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 1, 18 and 44.

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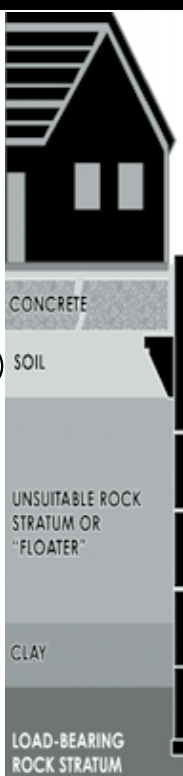
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Annie's Mailbox

Exploring Sexuality or Avoiding Stress

Dear Annie: I've been going through a lot lately, and it's taken an emotional toll. Among other things, I'm in love with someone I can't have. My family is a mess, too. My parents should have divorced a long time ago but are still married, probably just to avoid the hassle of splitting up. My brother's mentally unstable, and while I do absolutely everything I can to support him, that takes a toll on my own well-being. In my own life, I've found myself exploring my sexuality -- which is, of course, an important and beautiful part of figuring out one's identity. I'm having a good time, but I am concerned that I'm using this exploration to cope with the stressful stuff I'm going through. Every day spent without the person I love is full of heartache. So, as much as I believe that sex can be wholesome, I worry I'm partaking for the wrong reasons. Any advice as to how I can tell the difference between positive sexual experiences and sex for the sake of distraction? -- Coping Via Sex

Dear Coping: What concerns me here is not just that you might be using intimacy for avoidance but the particular person with whom you're being intimate, the person with whom you're in love but

"can't have." Friend, you are setting yourself up for a world of hurt if you believe you can convince someone to love you back by sleeping with them or by doing anything else: Love is not a matter of convincing.

All that said, the first line of your letter cuts to the heart of the matter -- which is that you've been going through a lot. Therapy will equip you with tools to replace your unhealthy coping mechanisms. Make an appointment today.

Dear Annie: I've always wanted to have a beautiful garden, full of pretty greenery, flowers, herbs and vegetables, some of which I could use for cooking. The problem is, I don't really want to settle down any time soon. I'm too young to know where I'd like to live for the rest of my life. But I hope that doesn't mean I have to give up on my dream of tending to a lush group of plants. Is there a way I can have both a nomadic lifestyle and a thriving garden? I'm hoping there's some sort of portable, on-the-road option. -- Gallivanting Green Thumb

Dear Gallivanting: You don't need to plant your roots to plant a garden. If you have access to an outdoor space, such as a balcony, patio, yard or alleyway, then container gardening -- which sim-

ply means growing plants in pots as opposed to the ground or a bed -- would be perfect for you. Many vegetables, including bell peppers, can be grown in large pots, provided they get at least six hours of sun per day, and most herbs commonly used in cooking can thrive in pots on sufficiently sunny windowsills. There are, of course, some limits to what you can grow in containers. Check seed packets or plant tags to see whether a plant is container-friendly before purchasing, and check out some books from the library, such as "The Vegetable Gardener's Container Bible: How to Grow a Bounty of Food in Pots, Tubs, and Other Containers," by Edward C. Smith and "Easy Container Gardens" by Pamela Crawford, for general knowledge. With your plants potted and portable, they can grow wherever you do.

In addition to container gardening, dig into community gardens in your neighborhood. Find one at <https://communitygarden.org/find-a-garden>. If there are none in your area yet, check out the page, on the same website, entitled "10 Steps to Starting a Community Garden."

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

ANSWER:

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Good, better, best

East dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ J 5 4
- ♥ A Q 9 3
- ♦ Q 8 6
- ♣ Q 10 9

WEST

- ♠ K 10 8 3 2
- ♥ 5 2
- ♦ J 7
- ♣ K 7 6 3

EAST

- ♠ A 7 6
- ♥ J 10 8 4
- ♦ 10 9 4 3
- ♣ 4 2

SOUTH

- ♠ Q 9
- ♥ K 7 6
- ♦ A K 5 2
- ♣ A J 8 5

The bidding:

East South West North
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — three of spades.

The outcome of many contracts is preordained from the time dummy first appears. Declarer may have everything he needs to assure the contract beyond a doubt, or, conversely, the defenders are certain to emerge victorious.

The most interesting and instructive deals — and the ones that present the greatest challenge in the play — are those where the outcome depends entirely on how well or how badly each side plays.

For example, take the present case where West led the three of spades against three notrump. East won the

spade with the ace and returned the seven, South playing the queen. West allowed the queen to hold in order to maintain communication with East if he regained the lead.

Declarer thereupon cashed the A-K-Q of diamonds and the A-K-Q of hearts, hoping to find either red suit divided 3-3. However, neither suit broke favorably, leaving South a trick short of his goal and apparently in need of a successful club finesse.

But South was a first-rate declarer and saw a much safer alternative. Instead of attempting the club finesse, he led the jack of spades from dummy! This proved to be exactly the right medicine because, after West cashed his three spade tricks, he was forced to return a club from the K-x. As a result, declarer made three notrump.

Well done by declarer, you could certainly say, but let's backtrack to trick two when West elected to duck the queen of spades. This was when West unwisely placed his neck on the chopping block and subjected himself to what happened later on.

He should have realized from South's opening notrump bid that there was almost no chance East would gain the lead again. West should therefore have taken his king and returned a spade at trick three. Had he done that, South would eventually have gone down one.

Tomorrow: Go with the odds.

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Answer: Spark

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THE FOOD BANK
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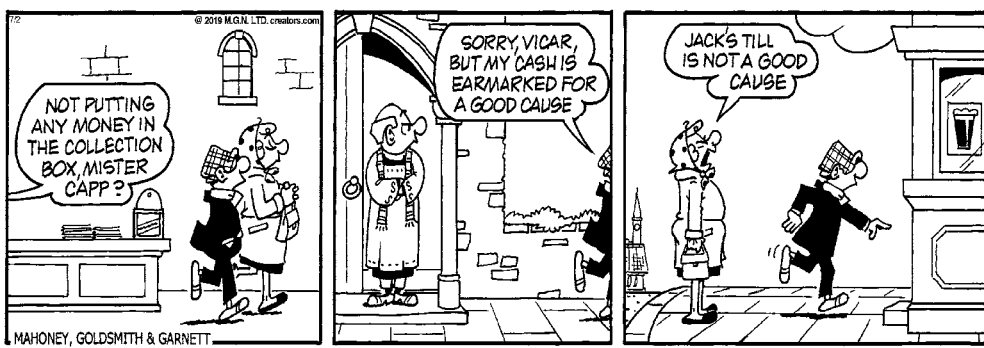
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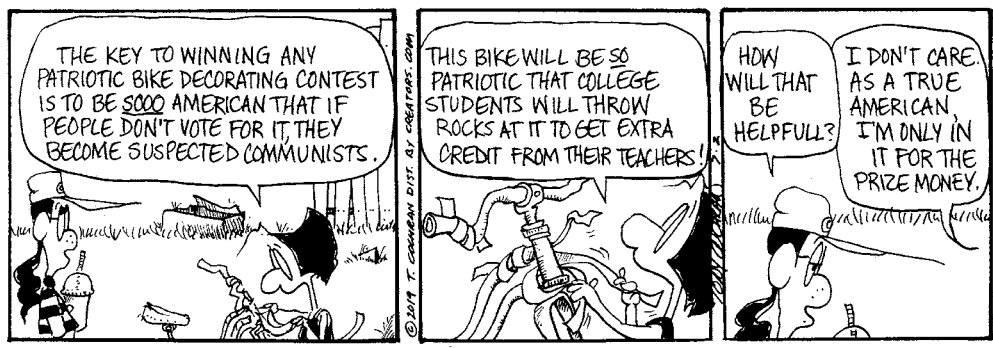
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, July 2, the 183rd day of 2019. There are 182 days left in the year.
 Today's Highlight in History: On July 2, 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.
 On this date:
 In 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."
 In 1881, President James A. Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September. (Guiteau was hanged in June 1882.)
 In 1892, the Populist Party (also known as the People's Party) opened its first national convention in Omaha, Nebraska.
 In 1917, rioting erupted in East St. Louis, Illinois, as white mobs attacked black residents; nearly 50 people, mostly blacks, are believed to have died in the violence.
 In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight along the equator.
 In 1961, author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.
 In 1976, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Gregg v. Georgia, ruled 7-2 the death penalty was not inherently cruel or unusual.
 In 1977, Russian-American author Vladimir Nabokov, 78, died in Montreux, Switzerland.
 In 1982, Larry Walters of San Pedro, California, used a lawn chair equipped with 45 helium-filled weather balloons to rise to an altitude of 16,000 feet; he landed eight miles away in Long Beach.
 In 1987, 18 Mexican immigrants were found dead inside a locked boxcar near Sierra Blanca, Texas, in what authorities called a botched smuggling attempt; a 19th man survived.
 In 1996, electricity and phone service was knocked out for millions of customers from Canada to the Southwest on a record-hot day. Seven years after they shotgunned their parents to death in the family's Beverly Hills mansion, Lyle

and Erik Menendez were sentenced to life in prison without parole.
 In 1997, Academy Award-winning actor James Stewart died in Beverly Hills, California, at age 89.
 Ten years ago: Thousands of U.S. Marines poured into Taliban-controlled villages in southern Afghanistan in the first major operation under President Barack Obama's strategy to stabilize the country. North Korea test-fired two short-range missiles. The 35-nation International Atomic Energy Agency chose Yukiya Amano of Japan as its next head. Federal marshals took possession of disgraced financier Bernard Madoff's \$7 million Manhattan penthouse, forcing Madoff's wife, Ruth, to move elsewhere.
 Five years ago: Palestinians accused Israeli extremists of abducting and killing an Arab teenager and burning his body, sparking hours of clashes in east Jerusalem and drawing charges that the youth was murdered to avenge the killings of three kidnapped Israeli teens. Louis Zamperini, 97, an Olympic runner who survived a bomber crash in the Pacific Ocean, weeks adrift and then years as a Japanese prisoner of war and became the subject of a celebrated book and movie, died in Los Angeles.
 One year ago: Rescue divers in Thailand found 12 boys and their soccer coach, who had been trapped by flooding as they explored a cave more than a week earlier. President Donald Trump interviewed four prospective Supreme Court justices in his search for a replacement for retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy. Harvey Weinstein was charged with a sex crime against a third woman as New York prosecutors continued building cases against the former Hollywood studio boss. Jackson family patriarch Joseph Jackson was buried in the same Southern California cemetery as his late son Michael. Fresh off a landslide victory, Mexico's newly elected leftist president Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador pledged to "reach an understanding" with Donald Trump.

Today's Birthdays: Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos is 90. Jazz musician Ahmad Jamal is 89. Actor Robert Ito is 88. Actress Polly Holliday is 82. Racing Hall of Famer Richard Petty is 82. Former White House chief of staff John H. Sununu is 80. Former Mexican President Vicente Fox is 77. Writer-di-

rector-comedian Larry David is 72. Luci Baines Johnson, daughter of President Lyndon B. Johnson, is 72. Actor Saul Rubinek is 71. Rock musician Roy Bittan (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 70. Rock musician Gene Taylor is 67. Actress Wendy Schaal is 65. Actress-model Jerry Hall is 63. Actor Jimmy McNichol is 58. Country singer Guy Pen-

rod is 56. Rock musician Dave Parsons (Bush) is 54. Actress Yancy Butler is 49. Contemporary Christian musician Melodee DeVevo (Casting Crowns) is 43. Actor Owain (OH'-wyn) Yeoman is 41. Race car driver Sam Hornish Jr. is 40. NHL center Joe Thornton is 40. Singer Michelle Branch is 36. Actress Vanessa Lee Chester is 35. Figure skater Johnny Weir

is 35. Actor Nelson Franklin is 34. Actress-singer Ashley Tisdale is 34. Actress Lindsay Lohan is 33. Actress Margot Robbie is 29.

Thought for Today: "The best way to find out if you can trust somebody is to trust them."
 — Ernest Hemingway (1899-1961).

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Must, informally
 - 6 Lobster cousin
 - 10 Dog in Oz
 - 14 Of farm life
 - 15 Pleasant
 - 16 Apple's music player
 - 17 In any way
 - 18 Folklore meanie
 - 19 Dam with thread
 - 20 Take care of shattered glass
 - 23 "A mouse!"
 - 24 Song for two
 - 25 Local watering hole
 - 26 Actor Affleck or Kingsley
 - 27 Type of camera cover
 - 31 Ten Commandments verb
 - 34 ___ club (school's singing group)
 - 36 ___ carte menu
 - 37 Make a person happy
 - 41 Keogh plan alternative: Abbr.
 - 42 Burden
 - 43 Prohibited things
 - 44 Wood-eating insect
 - 47 Arid
 - 48 Income tax agcy.
 - 49 Polar ice sheet
 - 51 Young dog
 - 54 Express disapproval
 - 59 Sci-fi vehicles: Abbr.
 - 60 Online diary
 - 61 Uncle Sam's land, for short
 - 62 Factual

- 63 Prefix meaning "flying"
 - 64 Ignited again
 - 65 Cowpoke's steed
 - 66 Fireworks that fail
 - 67 Birds' homes in trees
- DOWN**
- 1 Champagne fruit
 - 2 Protruding navel
 - 3 Path for a train
 - 4 Give a speech
 - 5 Mention indirectly
 - 6 \$100 bill, slangily
 - 7 Accurate
 - 8 Land measure
 - 9 Two car-horn toots
 - 10 Stopwatches, for example
 - 11 Oil cartel
 - 12 Voicemail sound
 - 13 Racetrack numbers
 - 21 Play on words
 - 22 007 creator Fleming
 - 26 Crunchy sandwich, for short
 - 27 Not as much
 - 28 Eve's eldest son
 - 29 Female choral voice
 - 30 Quarterback's throw
 - 31 Narrow cut
 - 32 Add to the payroll
 - 33 Worship from ___ sch.
 - 34 Bit of heredity
 - 35 Baton Rouge
 - 38 Pretty good
 - 39 As compensation
 - 40 ___ G BIV (spectrum mnemonic)
 - 45 Young ladies
 - 46 Anger
 - 47 Nickname for a physician
 - 49 Norwegian inlet
 - 50 Building block toys
 - 51 Motel swimming spots
 - 52 Not worthy
 - 53 Exams for HS juniors
 - 54 Baseball great Babe
 - 55 Spherical hairdo
 - 56 Debt documents
 - 57 ___ cheese dressing
 - 58 Phrase of understanding

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England looks to overcome 'ruthless' US in World Cup semis

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LYON, France — England coach Phil Neville says the United States has a ruthless streak.

It's one of the reasons the U.S. has never missed the semifinals at the Women's World Cup, and why the team has three overall titles, more than any other nation.

"America has got that ruthless streak of wanting to win," Neville said. "You saw the last five minutes of the (quarterfinal) game against France. The game management was fantastic. They took the ball into the corner, they knew what it took to win, and they celebrated like winners. That's what I admire, and that's what my team has now. It's about winning."

The third-ranked Lionesses play the defending champions Tuesday in Lyon. The winner will go on to the championship match, facing the winner of the other semifinal Wednesday between Sweden and the Netherlands.

England has never broken through to the final at the World Cup. The Lionesses fell to Japan four years ago in the semis in Canada before going on to defeat Germany in the third-place match for the team's best tournament finish.

Neville said that's not good enough. "My players now want to win," he said. "If we don't get the right result, we'll feel the disappointment and we'll see that as a failure. That's not me being negative, that's just our expectations, and our belief and our confidence and our mindset."

There were questions when Neville was appointed to lead the team early in 2018 because he'd never coached a women's team. But the former Manchester United and Everton star has answered all the critics by building a team that believes it can win.

"I think we've shown throughout this tournament that we can go toe-to-toe with anybody," captain Steph Houghton said.

The Lionesses head into the U.S. game with four straight shutouts in France, including a 3-0 quarterfinal victory over Norway. Jill Scott, Ellen White and Lucy Bronze each scored, with Bronze's goal sealing it.

White, as well as Alex Morgan and Megan Rapinoe, has five goals each in the tournament to lead the field for the Golden Boot. Australia's Sam Kerr also scored five, but the Matildas were eliminated in the round of 16.

Rapinoe has been particularly dangerous in the past two games, scoring twice in a 2-1 victory over Spain in the round of 16 before another brace in the 2-1 quarterfinal victory over France. The performance in Paris on Friday night came as Rapinoe was embroiled in controversy over a video that surfaced of her saying she wouldn't visit the White House if the Americans win the World Cup. President Donald Trump subsequently called her out on Twitter.

The French peppered goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher with shots and the United States settled into a five-man backfield, something French coach Corinne Diacre said she'd never seen the top-ranked Americans do before.

XFL

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The XFL will use a format similar to penalty shootouts in soccer. Teams will line up at opposite ends of the field and get five opportunities from the 5-yard line. The team with the most points at the end wins.

Luck said they are still trying to decide how to determine who goes first, as well as how many points the winning team gets at the end of overtime.

"The best players are deciding overtime and there is the fairness aspect. It

also gets done quickly," Luck said.

Teams will be scouting NFL training camps for more players with another big round of signings happening after Labor Day. The league will then conduct its draft in October.

Besides the eight teams, there will be a roster of players that can be called up in case of injuries. Those players would likely be based in Houston or Dallas. Luck said that would be similar to what they had in NFL Europe.

Los Angeles coach Winston Moss said he has been pleased with what has been seen at the different showcases and how the league is continuing to progress.

"These guys are hungry and when you give that recipe for opportunity great things can happen," he said.

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