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 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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Domestic altercation results in shooting

Multiple shots fired, victim in stable condition

The Big Spring Police Department issued the following press release regarding a shooting which resulted from a domestic altercation, on Tuesday evening.

Special to the Herald

On July 16, at approximately 6:08 p.m., the Howard County Dispatch received a call of a gunshot victim in the 2500 block of Langley.

Big Spring Police Department Officers and City of Big Spring Emergency Medical Services were immediately dispatched and arrived on scene. Officers found an 18 year old male victim with a gunshot wound to his lower back. Officers immediately applied medical care to the victim while securing the crime scene. Once the scene was se-

cured, Emergency Medical Personnel arrived on scene and took over the medical care of the victim, who was subsequently transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The



Big Spring Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division was notified to respond.

The investigation has determined a domestic altercation took place inside a residence in the 2500 block of Langley between Jerome McNally, Black/Male, 60 years of age;

and his 18 year old son. The altercation continued outside of the residence. The altercation escalated which led to Jerome McNally brandishing a firearm and firing at the 18 year old victim multiple times striking him once.

The Criminal Investigations Division submitted a probable cause affidavit to the Justice of the Peace for the arrest of Jerome McNally for the offense of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon "Family Violence" a Felony 1 offense. The Justice of the Peace issued the warrant for the arrest. McNally has since been arrested and has been booked into

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Combined efforts extinguish South 87 fire, Tuesday

Estimated 1,000 acres consumed, cause undetermined

Editors Note: Information for this report was compiled from interviews by KBYG Media Partner Mike Henry and updates provided by HCVFD Facebook Page and initial interviews on scene.

Herald Staff Reports

Several area agencies joined forces Tuesday evening to battle a wildfire, which has been dubbed the South 87 fire.

According to Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper, the call was received around 4:30 p.m. Tuesday regarding a fire near Wildfire Road. The fire was pushed to Brian Road and surrounding area.

Initially, HCVFC Hooper reported three structures were in danger, but all three were able to be saved.

While the fire continued to spread rapidly, several surrounding agencies were called in for support including Glasscock VFD - three units supported - and Sterling



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

A brush fire on South 87 was extinguished Tuesday evening, through combined efforts of the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department, Glasscock County VFD, and Sterling County. Local support services were provided by Howard County Sheriff Office, Mortenson, Road and Bridge, DPS troopers, and other local support. The cause of the fire is still undetermined.

In addition to area fire department support, the Howard County Road and Bridge Department helped, along with Mortenson Wind Turbine Company providing water to keep the pumper and tankers full. Howard County Sheriff's

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Beating the summer heat one fan at a time

By ANNA GUTIERREZ

Staff Writer

Summer is here and triple digits seems to be the norm. Big Spring Center for Skilled Care is once again aiming to help local residents beat the heat, with the third annual fan drive.

"I came up with this idea three years ago," says Christy Brownfield, Big Spring Center for Skilled Care Marketing Director. "The high temperatures can take a toll on families, especially the elderly, because they are on fixed incomes. They don't like to turn down the air conditioner in an effort to keep their electricity bill low."

She continued, "While they may be keeping their bill low, there are other issues that arise. When it gets this hot, they can become dehydrated and ill. These fans can help keep them cool while keeping their costs down."

The first year, Brownfield said there were about 30 fans donated. The project has continued to grow over the years, doubling in numbers last year.

"Last year it doubled to 60 fans. We hope the number of fans donated increases again this year. Thank you to everyone who has donated in the past!"

All donated fans should be new in the box. Fans will be



HERALD file photo

The third annual fan drive has kicked off. Donations of new fans are being accepted, as well as names for those in need of a fan. Christy Brownfield, above, is pictured with last year's donations.

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Obituaries

John Webb Jr.



John Webb Jr., 85, of Stanton, died Sunday, July 14, 2019, in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 18, 2019, at the First Baptist Church with Jonathan Moore and Lee Casas officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Gilbreath Funeral Home.

John was born June 1, 1934, in Martin County to John Webb Sr. and Mary Oaks Webb. He married Melba West Dec. 27, 1954, in Ackerly. John worked for Ector Thornton Implement as a mechanic and then for Cave Bowlin John Deere dealer in the parts department, retiring after 30 years. He served on the original committee for Old Sorehead Trade Days, continued serving on the board for 10 years, and he was past president of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce. John enjoyed woodworking, macramé, crafts and taking care of his dog, Chance.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Stanton.

Survivors include his wife, Melba Webb of Stan-

ton; one son, Steve Webb and wife, Sherion of Midland; one daughter, Debbie Moore and husband, Johnny of Big Spring; five grandchildren, Stephanie Clark and husband, Chris of Odessa, Laura Barber and husband, Donnie of Big Spring, LeAnn Webb and Wesley Burnett of Prosper, Shelly Casas and husband, Lee of Lamesa, and Jonathan Moore and wife, Brandi of Rockwall; eight great-grandchildren, Madelyn Clark, Ameri Clark, Kiley Casas, Averi Casas, Samuel Casas, Clayton Barber, Willow Moore, Lillie Moore and Carson Benton Barber, due in September; four brothers, Robert Webb of Flower Grove, Joe Webb of Ackerly, Jerry Webb and wife, Lawana of Flower Grove, and Jack Webb; sister-in-law, Peggy Webb of Lamesa; a longtime friend, Bob Weddle of Flower Grove; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Wayne Webb; Lafern, late wife of Joe Webb, and Brenda, late wife of Jack Webb.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association, 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite 32, Midland, Texas 79705.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

Verlinda Phillips



Verlinda Phillips, 64, of Big Spring, died Monday, July 15, 2019, at her residence. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Randy Cotton, officiating. Burial will be at Westbrook Cemetery.

Verlinda was born Nov. 5, 1954, in Big Spring, Texas, to Jeanette Charlene Hewett McKee and Raymond Lewis McKee. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She had worked at Malone-Hogan Clinic, Security State Bank and Neeffe Optical. Verlinda married Stanley Phillips on July 13, 1995. She was the co-owner and office manager for Custom Auto Transport. She loved horses and traveling. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Verlinda is survived by her husband, Stanley Phillips of Big Spring; two daughters, Theresa Fernandez (Joey) of Tyler, and Kellie Tubb (Todd) of Big Spring; one son, Steve Phillips (Maria) of Dallas; her mother and second dad, Jeanette and Butch Floyd of Sterling City; four sisters, Rhonda Hayes

and Brenda Canady, both of Big Spring, Terra Lawrence (James) of Tyler, and Marla Arizola (Feli) of Sterling City; two brothers, Rance McKee (Cindy) of Belton, and Preston McKee (Gloria) of Hobbs, New Mexico; four grandchildren, Zachary Fernandez and Ryann Fernandez, both of Tyler, Hayden Tubb of Big Spring, Alex Moore of Dallas, and Talbot Moore of Big Spring; five great-grandchildren; a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Verlinda is also survived by her special niece and caregiver, Amy Jackson.

Verlinda was preceded in death by her father Raymond McKee; one daughter, Teresa Darden; a brother-in-law, Robert Hayes; and a nephew, Bryan McKee.

Pallbearers will be Hayden Tubb, Zachary Fernandez, Joey Jackson, Todd Tubb, Ty Lawrence, Joshua Silva and Scott MacKenzie.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice of West Texas, 1900 S. Gregg Street, Suite C, Big Spring, TX 79720; Gifts of Hope, 2006 W. Tennessee Ave, Midland, TX 79701, or East Texas Down Syndrome, PO Box 6604, Longview, TX 75608.

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

Paid Obituary

Fidencio Rodriguez



Fidencio Rodriguez, passed away July 15, 2019. A rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at Stanton Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral mass will be held Wednesday July 17, 2019, at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Monsignor Schwertner officiating. Interment will follow at St. Joseph's Catholic

Cemetery.

Fidencio was born on Nov. 16, 1945, in Stanton, Texas, to the late Santos and Dominga Rodriguez.

He is survived by daughters, Elvira Stillwell, Rita Freitag, Gloria Ortiz, Josie Rodriguez; sons, Fidencio Rodriguez Jr., Isidro Rodriguez, Gilbert Rodriguez, Tommy Rodriguez; brothers, Santos Rodriguez Jr., Joe Rodriguez; 31 grandchildren; and 35 great grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home and Chapel.

Bonnie Franklin



Bonnie Franklin, 88, of Big Spring, died Monday, July 15, 2019, at her residence. The family will receive friends from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church of Eunice, New Mexico, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity

Bonnie was born June 13, 1931, in Emmett, Arkansas to Ruby Pearl Lough Gill and Thomas H. Gill.

Bonnie is survived by one daughter, Janice Ferguson and husband, Glen of Big Spring; one grandson; two great grandchildren; and one brother, James Gill and wife, Betty, of Lubbock.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, George C. Franklin; and one son, Clayton Thomas Franklin.

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

Jesse Loya

Jesse Loya, 45, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **KEVIN DWAYNE HEFNER**, 41, of 4109 Parkway Rd., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **RICHARD L. GRIFFIN**, 33, of 109 S. Runnels St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.

- **AKKEY THAQUION MCVAE**, 21, of 1001 S. Johnson St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **TONI LYNN CORONADO**, 32, of 310 N. Cecil St., Hobbs, New Mexico, was arrested on charges of forgery of a government financial instrument, and driving with invalid license.

- **KEVIN SCOTT TURNEY**, 56, of 1134 Anita Ct., Apt. B, Brownsville, Texas, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **TEREL DEVON HOUSTON**, 27, of 1206 Langley, was arrested on outstanding warrants from other agencies.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main St., and the 300 block of N.W. 3rd St.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1600 block of W. 2nd St., and the 600 block of Linda Lane.

- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 400 block of S. Austin St.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 5700 block of W. I-20, and the 2600 block of Cheyenne Dr.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 3600 block of Hwy 80 (three incidents)

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1000 block of W. 7th St.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 300 block of E. 3rd St.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 700 block of W. I-20.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 92 inmates at the time of this report.

- **SHAWN CARR II**, 28, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for driving with invalid license, violating promise to appear, and bail jumping/failure to appear.

- **TONY LYNN CORONADO**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of forgery of a government/national instrument, and a warrant for driving with invalid license.

- **RICHARD GRIFFIN**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

- **KEVIN DWAYNE HEFNER**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **EDUARDO HERNANDEZ**, 26, was arrested by GCSO on a charge driving while intoxicated, second offense.

- **SELESTINO HERNANDEZ III**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for evading arrest, and charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **TEREL DEVON HOUSTON**, 27, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and warrants for driving with invalid license and a parole violation.

- **LUCAS ANTHONY LOPEZ**, 24, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 2 (four grams to 400 grams), possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 3 (less than 28 grams).

- **AKKEY MCVAE**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **KEVIN SCOTT TURNEY**, 46, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Support Groups

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 Anony-

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

- Weight Watchers meets at 6

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



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Weather



Today: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101. South wind 10 to 15 mph.
Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 76. South wind 10 to 15 mph.
Thursday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101. South wind around 15 mph.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 74. South wind 10 to 15 mph.
Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101. South wind around 15 mph.
Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 75.
Saturday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101.
Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 73.

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

SHOOTING

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the Howard County Law Enforcement Center. The victim has been transported to University Medical Center in Lubbock and at the time of this release was in stable condition. This continues to be an ongoing investigation and no further information is available at this time.

The press release was issued by Chief of Police, Chad Williams and Administrative Lieutenant Brian Gordon.

FAN

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distributed to the needy around the community. For those who are in need of a fan or know of someone who is in need of a fan, contact Brownfield to have a name placed on the distribution list. If you would like to donate a fan, you can contact Brownfield at 432-816-2977, and she can arrange to pick it up, or you can drop off at Big Spring Center for Skilled Care located at 3701 Wasson Road.

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

FIRE

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Office provided traffic control and Commissioner Craig Bailey also offered support. The fire was reported to be 80 percent contained around 6:30 p.m. and HCVFD switched to mopping up mode around 7:15 p.m. when the fire was reported to be contained. "The fire remains contained, no one was hurt and no structures were involved, but three were successfully defended," HCVFD Chief Hooper reported during a follow up interview Tuesday night. Firefighters remained on the scene cleaning up hot spots to help ensure the fire remained extinguished. "We are guessing about 1,000 acres were burned and the cause remains unknown," Hooper said. A special thank you is also extended to Pizza Hut for providing pizza for the firefighters.

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Karen Edwards, 68, died Friday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Verlinda Phillips, 64, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Westbrook Cemetery.

Bonnie Franklin, 88, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Linda Nunez, 68, died Sunday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jesse Loya, 45, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

- Senior and/or mature adults are invited to come to a dance every first and third Friday each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center, located at 100 Whipkey Drive. Come two-step the evening away, or just mingle with old friends and make new friends. Dances are from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live entertainment. No alcohol or smoking permitted. Cost is \$5 per person.
- 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.

- 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.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of E. 6th St.. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 5000 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W. 8th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical

- Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Rider Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of N. Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3100 block of Cactus Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of E. 11th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of W. 2nd St. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Nolan. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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Odessa Resident Takes Helm of Nation's Preeminent Child Advocacy Association

ALEXANDRIA, Va., (July 16, 2019)—Leslie Boggs, a leadership development expert from Odessa, Texas, has been installed as the 56th president of National PTA, the nation's oldest and largest volunteer child advocacy association. Boggs' installation took place during a ceremony held in conjunction with the 2019 National PTA Convention & Expo in Columbus, Ohio.

Boggs is a certified DISC trainer and a professional consultant. She also has a certification in Nonprofit Leadership and Management and is a member of the John Maxwell Team and Mentorship. Additionally, Boggs has over 20 years of leadership experience at all levels of PTA. For the past two years, she served as president-elect of National PTA. She has also served as chair of several National PTA committees. At the state level, she served as president of Texas PTA from 2014-2016 and was president of New Mexico PTA from 2003-2005.

As a mother of three and a grandmother of four, Boggs is a dedicated and passionate advocate for children and their right to receiving a quality public education no matter their demographics, ethnicity or household income.

"Leslie's expertise and strong leadership skills will be tremendous assets to National PTA and in guiding our association's work to make every child's potential a reality," said Nathan R. Monell, CAE, National PTA executive director. "She is committed to making a difference for the education, health, safety and well-being of every child, and we are pleased to welcome her as president."

As president, Boggs will fight for more funding for mental health access for students as well as for legislation that ensures schools are safe from gun violence. She will also fight for more funding for public schools and to strengthen family engagement for all children. Under her leadership, National PTA will be starting an Engage Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative through its Center for Family Engagement.

"PTA is a community that accepts all and engages and empowers one another to lead, listen, be vulnerable and be courageous as we raise our voices for all children," said Boggs. "I believe that servant leadership empowers others to reach their potential. I am honored and grateful to dedicate

the next two years of my life to leading National PTA and working with the most passionate group of advocates and volunteers to make a difference for the lives and futures of every child."

Boggs will serve as president of National PTA until June 2021.

About National PTA

National PTA® comprises millions of families, students, teachers, administrators, and business and community leaders devoted to the educational success of children and the promotion of family engagement in schools. PTA is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit association that prides itself on being a powerful voice for all children, a relevant resource for families and communities, and a strong advocate for public education. Membership in PTA is open to anyone who wants to be involved and make a difference for the education, health, and welfare of children and youth. For more information, visit PTA.org.

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Texas Prepaid Tuition Program

Newborn Enrollment Deadline Approaches

(AUSTIN) — Texas families have through July 31 to enroll their newborns in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund® and pay this year's rates for all or some future tuition and schoolwide required fees at most Texas public colleges and universities (excluding medical and dental schools, health science centers and other health-related institutions). Newborns are children younger than 1 year of age at the time of enrollment.

"I know what it's like to be the parent of newborns and paying for college was not always at the top of my mind," Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "That's why we're reminding new parents to take advantage of the opportunity to lock in this year's rates."

Under the Texas Tuition Promise Fund, the state's prepaid college tuition program, participants can purchase tuition units and lock in future costs of tuition and schoolwide required fees at most Texas public colleges and universities, based on today's prices.

Enrollment at 2018-19 prices closed on Feb. 28 for children 1 year of age and older. The next annual enrollment period begins on Sept. 1, with new contract prices based on Texas public college costs for the 2019-20 school year.

Complete plan information, including plan description and agreement, current prices, enrollment forms and more, is available at TuitionPromise.org or by calling 800-445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

Hundreds of Cyclists Will Ride 147 Miles Toward a World Free of MS

Lubbock, Texas — 300 cyclists are setting out to raise \$470,000 to make a difference in the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis. Cyclists will ride up to 147 miles over 2 day. Bike MS: Cactus & Crude Ride, presented by Anadarko will depart from Apache Corporation in Midland, TX on July 20 and conclude at Caprock Winery in Lubbock, TX on July 21. The ride will feature fully supported rest stops, amazing volunteer support and a celebratory party at the finish line.

"Bike MS is more than a ride," said Linda Bates, President, National MS Society, South Central. "With each pedal stroke and fundraising dollar, our cyclists are bringing us closer to our ultimate goal – a world free of MS. Funds raised from Bike MS: Cactus & Crude support cutting-edge MS research as well as programs and services for people living with MS in this community."

Bike MS: Cactus & Crude is one of more than 70 rides across the country hosted by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. This year, more than 80,000 people are expected to participate in Bike MS nationwide.

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Glasscock County Appraisal District Budget

The Glasscock County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2020 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on August 15, 2019 @ 8:30 AM at Glasscock Groundwater Con Dist., located at 132 N. Main Street, Garden City, TX 79739. A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget. \$ 449,874.00

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget. \$ 6,834.00

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget. 2

The number of employees compensated under the current budget. 2

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office located at 124 N. Main Street, Garden City, TX 79739.

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Madison Goldberg Grabs Medalist Honors at the 98th Women's Texas Amateur



Left: Madison Goldberg holding her follow through after another great shot during her back nine 35. Right: Goldberg posing with her trophy in front of the official score cards. Madison won the tournament with a final round of 70 to close out the win.

By MARK BUTTON

Texas Golf Association

DALLAS – Madison Goldberg used breathing techniques to steady herself during Tuesday's Qualifying Round in the 98th Women's Texas Amateur at Bent Tree Country Club. The calming tactics worked, as the Austin native shot a 1-under-par 70 to earn Medalist Honors and the No. 1 seed in the Championship Bracket at the state's oldest women's amateur championship.

On a typical sun-splashed summer day in north Texas, Goldberg and the other talented amateurs in the field endured severe heat and 10-15 mph winds during their rounds. By 2 p.m., the temperature reached 98 degrees with a Heat Index of 108. The mercury crested around 4 p.m. at 100 degrees. Goldberg said staying in the moment and relying on her ball-striking helped her navigate through the challenging conditions.

"My irons were piercing through the wind pretty nicely this morning, and my putting was pretty good from six feet and in," said Goldberg, a 19-year-old sophomore at Southwestern University in Georgetown. "I just took really deep breaths and focused on every shot like it was my first."

In addition to winning the overall Medalist Honors, Goldberg took home the Junior Medalist award for players ages 19 and younger. Mina Hardin, a five-time winner of the

Women's Texas Amateur, won Senior Medalist honors for players ages 50 and older. Hardin, who won the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur in 2010 and was inducted into Texas Golf Hall of Fame in 2012, finished with a 6-over 77 on Tuesday.

Arlington's Kate Tran, a junior at UT-Arlington, finished second overall in the Qualifying Round. She made two birdies to balance a pair of bogeys on her way to an even-par 71. Tran grabbed the No. 2 overall seed in the Championship Bracket. Starting Wednesday morning, the event turns to match play; the 32 players with the lowest scores in Qualifying advanced to the Championship Bracket. The rest of the field was divided into seven flights based off the players' GHIN Handicap Indexes.

Jennie Park, a TCU sophomore from Carrollton, shared third place in Qualifying with Julia Gregg, an Arkansas freshman from Farmers Branch, and Hanna Alberto, a Sam Houston State senior from Kingwood. Park, Gregg and Alberto all came in with scores of 1-over 72.

Bent Tree Country Club was in immaculate condition, as it always is when it hosts TGA Championships. This is the third time the Dallas club has hosted the Women's Texas Amateur; Bent Tree also welcomed the 2014 and 1993 editions. Through the years, Bent Tree has hosted a number of TGA Major Championships, including the 106th Texas Amateur in

2015, the 2011 Texas Senior Amateur, 2006 Texas Mid-Amateur Match Play and the 1991 Texas Mid-Amateur.

Course Superintendent Blake Cain and his crew had their work cut out for them in preparation for this week's championship. Bent Tree was deluged with more than 13 inches of rain in June. The property also suffered extensive tree damage during the violent storms that blew through north Dallas in the past month.

"We lost over 85 trees," said Daniel Coughlan, Bent Tree's Head Golf Professional. "A large majority of the cleanup was done in-house by Blake and his team. It truly was something to behold to get it in the condition it is now from what it looked like."

Bent Tree was as pure as ever on Tuesday. The par-71 championship teeing played to 6,255 yards for the Qualifying Round.

This week's championship is a family affair for Women's TGA veteran Suzzette Kirchner and her granddaughter Ryleigh McClain. Kirchner, who just turned 70 and lives in Spring, has played in more than dozen Women's Texas Amateurs over the years. She said she tries to never miss a TGA Women's event. McClain, a 15-year-old sophomore at Kingwood High School, is playing in her first Women's TGA Championship.

It was Kirchner's idea for McClain to play in the Women's Texas Amateur. McClain has been getting more and more serious about competitive

golf, and Kirchner knew this week's experience would benefit her granddaughter.

As for advice, Kirchner kept it simple: "I told her to stay in the middle of the fairways and have fun."

McClain, whose mother is Aurora Kirchner-McClain, the Director of Instruction of the Kingwood Golf Advantage School outside of Houston, was excited to play her first competitive round in a TGA Women's event. The fact that her grandmother is in the field only made it more special, she said.

"It's pretty fun," McClain said. "It shows that golf is a sport for all ages. It's a common bond between my grandma and me."

Kirchner-McClain might be the most excited for her family this week. The former Texas A&M standout said she's proud of her daughter's ambition and grateful that her mom suggested the idea.

"I think it's so awesome," Kirchner-McClain said. "My mom told Ryleigh, 'Come out and learn the ropes.' I know it's going to be a great experience for both of them."

The 98th Women's Texas Amateur continues Wednesday at 8 a.m. with the match play portion of the championship. The Championship Bracket gets underway with the Round of 32, followed by the Round of 16 in the afternoon.

Local Golfer wins Odessa Tournament



Courtesy photo/Debra Lusk

Two of Big Spring's own lady golfers from Comanche Trail won at Ratliff Golf Course on Monday playing in the Permian Basin Ladies Golf Tournament. Debra Lusk (shown above) shot 80 and beat every golfer there winning the Tournament. Trish Gabbard shot 97 and won Second low net in Second Flight. Hooray for our ladies!!!!

Angels beat Astros 7-2 for 5th straight W

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Houston Astros expected the Angels to retaliate against Jake Marisnick in his first game versus Los Angeles since his violent home plate collision with catcher Jonathan Lucroy.

So while the pitch that hit Marisnick in the back in the sixth inning was no surprise, it still left manager AJ Hinch and his Astros profoundly steamed — even after Noe Ramirez insisted he hadn't done it on purpose.

Albert Pujols hit a bases-cleared double during the Angels' six-run first inning, and Los Angeles remained unbeaten in five games since the All-Star break with a 7-2 victory over the Astros on Tuesday night.

But both teams were preoccupied by the moment when Ramirez (4-1) drilled Marisnick between the shoulder blades with a 1-1 pitch in the sixth. Players nearly came to blows moments later, and Hinch vaguely hinted at retaliation if Ramirez isn't punished by Major League Baseball.

"Wasn't everybody expecting something to happen to Jake tonight?" Hinch asked. "I mean, the entire industry was probably expecting it. Our guy got suspended for an unintentional act, and they got a free shot. I feel bad for players nowadays. There's a lot of gray area in what to do."

Marisnick ran over Lucroy while trying to score in Houston nine days ago, leaving Lucroy with a concussion and a broken nose. He is out for at least three more weeks.

Shortly after Ramirez hit Marisnick, a verbal confrontation broke out between Pujols and several Astros in the dugout, including Lance McCullers Jr. and Justin Verlander. Both benches and bullpens partially emptied, but there was no serious physical contact.

"Sometimes you can retaliate, like tonight," Hinch said. "They're going to get away with it, unless he gets suspended. Sometimes you can't, and you get thrown out of the game for backup sliders that hit guys. It's a confusing time. Either the players govern the players on the field like it's always been, or we legislate it to where none of this crap happens. They got a free shot at him with no warning, with no ejection. We'll see if there's discipline, and without discipline, there's not going to be any issue doing it the next time. So if retaliations are in, cool. We're well aware."

Marisnick, a native of nearby Riverside, likely isn't on board with that mentality. He noticeably tried to calm his teammates during the fracas, and he attempted to shrug off the heavy boos that greeted his every move at Angel Stadium.

"It's not what I want," said Marisnick, who had two hits. "It was an unfortunate play back in Houston. I feel terrible about it. To come here and have something like this go down, it (stinks). ... It was a little high, a little inside. There's unwritten rules in baseball, and I think as players we respect them. I think that's a question for him, if it was intentional or not. I'm not the one throwing the baseball."

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Saturn Changes and So Can You

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You always have feelers extended for danger, opportunity and necessary information. You don't notice this until those feelers start tingling like they will today. Your spidey sense is telling you something.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The sweetest words to land on your ears will be "you're right," or possibly, "that's right."... Anything along those lines will do! It's especially satisfying because, well, you are so very right!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When someone joins in on your emotional stance, it feels good. It's not that you need the validation, but when it comes, you calm down, feel comfortable -- happy, even. Perhaps you did need it after all.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your reputation will precede you. You can't control what people say about you, but you can enact behaviors and brand yourself in a way that makes certain definitions stick.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Building bonds is interesting work. The more you talk about things you have in common other than business, the more likely it is that business is going to happen.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The reptilian brain has been keeping humans alive for thousands of years. So try not to blame it too much for firing those fight-or-flight signals seemingly unnecessarily. Just say, "Thanks for the message," and then cozy up to your fear.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The winning move will be one that is pleasantly persistent. The consistency of tone earns trust, and the established pattern primes everyone for what's sure to happen,

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



that is to say, you'll eventually get what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Define success, not only for yourself but also to hear another person's definition. If people working together have different definitions of the success, the journey will be arduous indeed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). "How?" is the question that will bring people together. People who know how will show people who don't. Or perhaps nobody knows how and there will be some enjoyable joint experimentation on the matter.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You suspect that your idea will work well for absolutely everyone involved, though you're currently lacking in the influence needed to execute it. Can you make it seem like the leader's idea?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A hunch is not a magic visitor from the land of intuition. A hunch is a converging combination of different kinds of intelligence. You will feel that a thing is true before you witness it or can explain it to anyone else.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are matters best observed with the closest attention you can give them, which will not nearly be enough to understand them at first. Assume there is more to know, and then keep coming back.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 17). One of your many superpowers is knowing when the party is over. You'll use that instinct to make money, move through adventures and generally execute acts of terrific timing. A stellar deal closes in September. You'll launch a vision before the close of 2019, and a team will assemble to make it real. Aquarius and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 37, 1, 12 and 19.

DEVELOP YOUR INTUITION, VIRGO: Some people can't see the forest for the trees. Virgo, however, focuses in on the trees and sees not only the forest but also the continent, the Earth, the solar system and the universe. For Virgo, attention to detail brings the whole macrocosm into view.

The seemingly mundane is especially alive with psychic information for this practical sign. When Virgo is paying attention, he or she can get signs from things that are a normal part of the daily routine -- grocery store labels, a walk in the neighborhood or junk mail. Virgo need only hone in on the specifics to learn cosmic truth.

One exercise that's perfect for the Virgo's intuitive fitness is documenting a dozen things about a daily experience, such as breakfast. You can write, take a picture, record the sounds, sketch or do something else. What do you notice about the cereal box? The bowl? The light from the window? Once you have a dozen details, go deeper -- find a dozen more. Then, usually by the third dozen, the creative energy starts flowing. Follow your train of thought wherever it goes, and don't censor yourself. Ask, "If this experience of breakfast were to have a message for me, what would it be?"

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Detective story

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
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♥ A K Q 7 4
♦ 4 3 2
♣ 5 4
WEST
♠ A K Q 5 4 2
♥ J 9 6 2
♦ 9 7 5
♣ —
EAST
♠ 10 8 3
♥ 10 5 3
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 9 7 2
SOUTH
♠ 6
♥ 8
♦ K Q J 6
♣ A K Q 10 8 6 3

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1 ♣ 1 ♣ 2 ♥
Pass 4 ♣ Pass 4 ♥
Pass 5 ♣

Opening lead — king of spades.
Good defensive play is based on old-fashioned detective work combined with sound reasoning.
Take this case where West led a spade against five clubs and shifted to a low heart at trick two! Declarer won with dummy's ace and cashed the king, discarding a diamond. He then led a club and, not being equipped with X-ray eyes, went up with the ace, on which West showed out. South later lost a diamond and a club to East and went down one.
There would have been a different story to tell if West had continued

with a spade at trick two. This seemingly automatic play would have given South the contract.
Declarer would have trumped and played the ace of clubs, revealing the club situation. A heart to the ace and a diamond discard on the king would be followed by a club from dummy, South taking the marked finesse to make the contract.
It might seem odd that West shifted to a heart at trick two, which would seem to be a dangerous play. Yet, as we have seen, the heart shift defeated the contract. Such plays are not made by accident, but are based on inferential knowledge. Let's see how West reasoned in this case.
On the king of spades, East played the three and South the six. West knows that East cannot have a doubleton or he would have begun a high-low. He likewise knows East does not have a singleton because that would give declarer three spade losers, which would not be consistent with his bidding. So South has a singleton spade.
West therefore asks himself how his side can possibly score two more tricks. The only hope lies in clubs and diamonds. West cannot know precisely what his partner's club holding might be, but it is surely in his side's best interests to sever South's communication with dummy by leading a heart before the club situation becomes exposed.

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

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!

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ANSWER:



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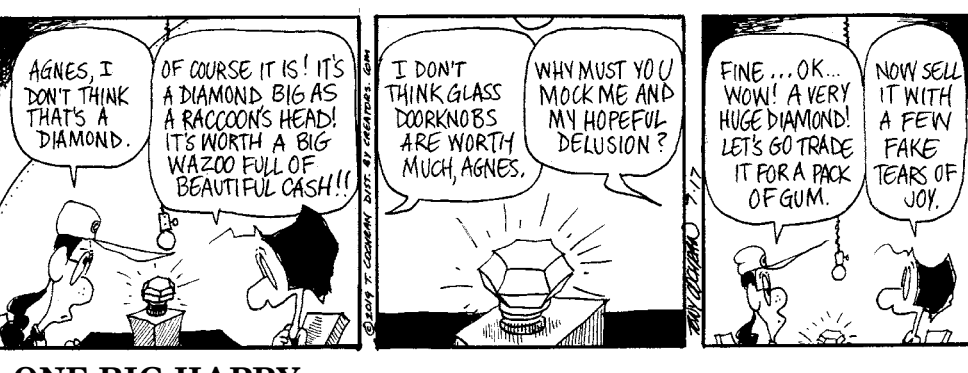


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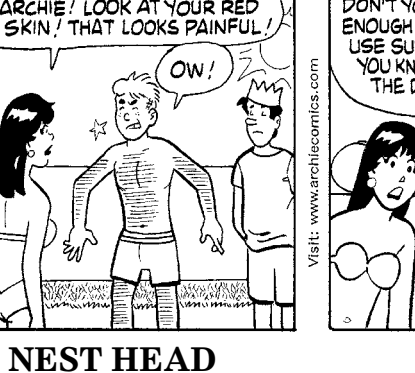
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, July 17, the 198th day of 2019. There are 167 days left in the year. Today's Highlights in History:

On July 17, 1996, TWA Flight 800, a Europe-bound Boeing 747, exploded and crashed off Long Island, New York, shortly after departing John F. Kennedy International Airport, killing all 230 people on board.

On this date:

In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1862, during the Civil War, Congress approved the Second Confiscation Act, which declared that all slaves taking refuge behind Union lines were to be set free.

In 1918, Russia's Czar Nicholas II and his family were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1944, during World War II, 320 men, two-thirds of them African-Americans, were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine in California.

In 1945, following Nazi Germany's surrender, President Harry S. Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II.

In 1954, the two-day inaugural Newport Jazz Festival, billed as "The First American Jazz Festival," opened in Rhode Island; among the performers the first night was Billie Holiday, who died in New York on this date in 1959 at age 44.

In 1955, Disneyland had its opening day in Anaheim, California.

In 1961, Baseball Hall-of-Famer Ty Cobb died in Atlanta at age 74.

In 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit in the first superpower link-up of its kind.

In 1981, 114 people were killed when a pair of suspended walkways above the lobby of the Kansas City Hyatt Regency Hotel collapsed during a tea dance.

In 1997, Woolworth Corp. announced it was closing its 400 remaining five-and-dime stores across the country, ending 117 years in business.

In 2014, all 298 passengers and crew aboard Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 were killed

when the Boeing 777 was shot down over rebel-held eastern Ukraine.

Ten years ago: Former CBS anchorman Walter Cronkite died in New York at 92. Bombs ripped through two luxury hotels in Jakarta, Indonesia, killing seven victims and wounding at least 50 more. The space shuttle Endeavour arrived at the international space station to deliver the third and final component of a billion-dollar Japanese lab. Gordon Waller, of the pop duo Peter and Gordon, died in Norwich, Connecticut, at 64.

Five years ago: Eric Garner, an unarmed black man accused of selling loose, untaxed cigarettes, died shortly after being wrestled to the ground by New York City police officers; a video of the takedown showed Garner repeatedly saying, "I can't breathe." (Garner's family received \$5.9 million from the city in 2015 to settle a wrongful death claim.) All 298 passengers and crew aboard Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 were killed when the Boeing 777 was shot down over rebel-held eastern Ukraine; both Ukraine's government and pro-Russian separatists denied responsibility. Broadway performer Elaine Stritch, 89, died in Birmingham, Michigan.

One year ago: Amid criticism from within his own party, President Donald Trump said he had simply misspoken when he said during his summit with Vladimir Putin that he saw no reason to believe Russia had interfered in the 2016 U.S. election. Former President Barack Obama, speaking in South Africa, denounced Trump's policies without mentioning his name; Obama took aim at the "politics of fear, resentment, retrenchment," and decried leaders who are caught lying and "just double down and lie some more." Alex Bregman and George Springer hit back-to-back homers in the 10th inning, and the American League beat the National League 8-6 in an All-Star Game that included a record

10 home runs.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Donald Sutherland is 84. Actress-singer Diahann Carroll is 84. Rock musician Spencer Davis is 80. Sportscaster Verne Lundquist is 79. Comedian Tim Brooke-Taylor is 79. Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, is 72. Rock musician Terry "Geezer" Butler is 70. Actress Lucie Arnaz is 68. Actor David Hasselhoff

is 67. Rock musician Fran Smith Jr. (The Hooters) is 67. German Chancellor Angela Merkel (AHN'-geh-lah MEHR'-kuhl) is 65. Television producer Mark Burnett is 59. Actress Nancy Giles is 59. Singer Regina Belle is 56. Rock musician Kim Shattuck is 56. Country singer Craig Morgan is 55. Rock musician Lou Barlow is 53. Contemporary Christian singer Su-

san Ashton is 52. Actor Andre Royo is 51. Actress Bitty Schram is 51. Actor Jason Clarke is 50. Movie director F. Gary Gray is 50. Singer JC (PM Dawn) is 48. Rapper Sole' is 46. Country singer Luke Bryan is 43. Actor Eric Winter is 43. Actor Mike Vogel is 40. Actor Tom Cullen is 34. Actor Brando Eaton is 33. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jeremih (jehr-uh-MY') is

32. Actress Summer Bishil (BIHSH'-ihl) is 31. Actress Billie Lourd is 27. Actor Leo Howard is 22.

Thought for Today: "Modo et modo non habebant modum." (By and by never comes.) -- St. Augustine (A.D. 354-A.D. 430).

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS

- Fit together nicely
- Wood-shaving tool
- Demonstrate boredom
- Cream-filled cookie
- Inflexible
- Condo rental
- Grouchy person
- Express one's ideas
- Ancient legend
- Cornucopia
- Fire-setting crime
- "I'd be delighted!"
- Charge towards
- Life story, for short
- "Hot" Mexican food
- Small town
- Make repairs to
- 007 creator Fleming
- Coup (rebellion)
- Unfilled slot abbr.
- Transgression
- Hotel supervisor
- Like better
- Needing a refill
- Neighbor of Turkey
- Patriots' and Steelers' org.
- Smallest amount
- Last-second scoring shot
- Side of a doorway
- In a conflict

DOWN

- Coffee/chocolate flavor
- Mistake
- Scorches in a skillet
- Socializes
- Campus faculty nickname
- Full of sass
- Limber
- Halves of a golf course
- Eve's garden
- "Delicious!"
- Indefinite quantity
- Cleverness
- To the ___ degree (highly)
- Handling the situation
- Dangerous deception
- 1990s commerce acronym
- Accused's explanation
- Person from El Paso
- Born first
- Sum calculated
- Thin streaks of clouds
- Like a 61 Down
- ___ circle (closest advisors)
- Snakelike swimmer
- Mo. metropolis
- Tic-___-toe
- Boyfriend
- Skier's accessory
- Made minor changes to
- Told a little lie
- Mexican of yore
- Not as many
- Yearn for
- Video game pioneer
- ___ stone (unchangeable)
- Shade providers
- Heats up in a microwave
- Witch's concoction
- Typical airliner
- Gorilla or chimp
- Guys

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PRIME BEAT ACRE
EATER ANTE SEES

Oklahoma City Thunder's rebuild will take some time

By **CLIFF BRUNT**

AP Sports Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY— Yosef Maarooof wanted one more Russell Westbrook memory in Oklahoma City.

When he learned Thursday night the Thunder were planning to send Westbrook to the Houston Rockets for Chris Paul and draft picks, the 20-year-old Tulsa resident planned to make the two-hour drive to Oklahoma City with friends. They wanted to take videos and photos in front of the large images of Thunder players that adorn Chesapeake Energy Arena during the season, hoping Westbrook's photo would still be up on Friday morning.

It wasn't, so Maarooof came up with a different tribute. In a video he posted on Twitter, he put on the Westbrook jerseys he's collected since 2012, took them off one by one and laid them side by side in front of the arena. He wore 18 in the video, which has been viewed more than 85,000 times.

Maarooof said Westbrook has always been his favorite player. And the next addition to his collection will be a Rockets jersey.

"He was never perfect, but just the emotion he showed — he was very relatable, I feel like," Maarooof said. "He was the underdog. People have always just not appreciated him the way they should have."

With their emotional sparkplug gone, the Thunder, as we knew them, are no more. Westbrook was the last remaining player from the team that moved from Seattle to Oklahoma City in 2008.

Kevin Durant, James Harden, Serge Ibaka, Paul George and others, all gone. Now Westbrook. The trade to Houston was made official Tuesday.

He spent his entire 11-year career with the Thunder, despite earlier chances to leave. With Westbrook, the Thunder won at least 45 games for 10 straight years and reached the Western Conference Finals four times, including a run to the NBA Finals in 2012.

"It's a lot of heartbreak," Maarooof said as he recalled recent conversations with his friends. "Not to be dramatic, but it really feels like someone died. We're all 20 years old, so we all grew up with Russ, grew up with this team, pretty much through mid-

dle school, high school, college now."

Sure, Westbrook was a league MVP, two-time scoring champion and two-time All-Star MVP. Yes, he was a freakish athlete and triple-double threat every night. And against the odds, he evolved from perceived ball hog to two-time assist leader.

But it goes beyond that for Thunder fans. Westbrook is from the Los Angeles area, and with it came the flash and style one might expect. But he adopted Oklahoma and supported the community with his reading rooms, basketball camps, comedy shows and his yearly Thanksgiving meal at the Boys and Girls Club in Oklahoma City. The night everyone learned Westbrook was being dealt, he was at a comedy club in Tulsa for a benefit show.

"He's like the staple of the franchise," Tulsa comic Hynni B said. "He makes you want to stand up, he makes you want to have heart. You know where he came from, you know what he's doing for the community. It's hurtful to see him to leave."

Most of all, he'll be remembered as the one who had stayed. He signed an extension in 2016, then signed a long-term deal in 2017, forever endearing himself to Oklahoma City fans who felt burned by Durant's departure for rival Golden State.

"When he stuck it out, it was like bro, this is our leader," said Jerry Manna, a Tulsa resident at the comedy show. "This is our guy. After he did that, I didn't care what nobody said. I wasn't accepting no Westbrook slander. No sir."

Westbrook teamed up with Durant and Harden to introduce the Thunder as a league power early this decade. At their height, the young trio led the franchise to the finals seven years ago, a loss to the Miami Heat. Now, Westbrook will be re-united with Harden.

The run in Oklahoma City wasn't supposed to end yet, but George left first for the Los Angeles Clippers, opening the door for an earlier-than-expected reboot. Thunder forward Jerami Grant was traded before Westbrook, and now Oklahoma City has added multiple first-round picks for its rebuilding project. It will take time and coach Billy Donovan will get plenty of chances to tinker with his lineup and give young players experience.

The Thunder haven't been in this mode since the

2008-09 season, but Oklahoma City Mayor David Holt said it is time to embrace it. He notes that the same general manager who brought the success — Sam Presti — is still running the show. And that offers a sliver of hope for aching Thunder fans.

"We're getting a king's ransom for that," Holt said of the Westbrook trade. "He's taking what would have been a nuclear winter at the end of their contracts and quite possibly jumping us into a new chapter a lot faster than we might have expected."

Westbrook is one of the most accomplished current players without an NBA title. In the three seasons after Durant left, Westbrook's Thunder never made it past the first round of the playoffs, even with George. And Westbrook often found his way into conflict. His spark ignited the Thunder, but he often was among the league leaders in technical fouls in recent years. He has stubbornly defended his tendency to shoot more 3-pointers than his percentage indicates he should.

All was forgiven once the news broke. Thunder fans have spent the past several days reminiscing about Westbrook's biggest moments — from the crazy scoop shot against the Lakers in the 2012 playoffs, to the 50-point triple-double and game-winning 3-pointer against Denver that clinched the NBA single-season triple-double record, to the 20-20-20 game this past season against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Now, they're left with memories and hopes that the rebuild works out sooner than later. And of course, they will have the memories he creates when he comes back with the Rockets. Leslie Mahan, a moderator/administrator for Thunder fan pages on Facebook, believes the fans will welcome Westbrook when he returns.

"I honestly think that each time he comes back here, people are going to love and respect him and not boo him because he did a lot for the team, for the organization and for Oklahoma as a whole," Mahan said.

Westbrook will still have his fans in Oklahoma City.

"I'm still going to be a Thunder fan, but I don't plan on missing a Rockets game this season, either," Maarooof said.

Rookie Young outpitches Lynn as Diamondbacks top Rangers 9-2

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — It took more than any homecoming jitters to cool off Arizona Diamondbacks rookie pitcher Alex Young on Tuesday night.

The 25-year-old left-hander allowed one run in 5 1/3 innings to help the Diamondbacks beat the Texas Rangers 9-2. Young (3-0) pitched collegiately about 20 miles from Globe Life Park for TCU in Fort Worth and now lives in nearby Dallas.

Young allowed three hits and one walk to defeat Lance Lynn (12-5), who went into the game with an 8-0 home record this season and led the majors in wins. Young struck out four and was lifted following 79 pitches, the most in his three starts for the Diamondbacks, who have won five of their last seven games.

"It was awesome," said Young, who was 17-10 during three seasons with the Horned Frogs. "I guess just a little butterflies just having some friends and family here and pitching in this stadium before and being close to TCU and close to home, but I was excited to get here."

Diamondbacks manager Torey Lovullo said he wasn't concerned that Young might be too amped up.

"I felt like he could manage his emotions," Lovullo said. "I knew he was going to come into this environment and pitch well."

Ketel Marte's two-run single with the bases loaded in the fifth inning broke a 1-1 tie. Ildemaro Vargas added a two-run home run in the sixth on his 28th birthday, and the Diamondbacks scored four times in the ninth inning aided by two errors.

Young had a scoreless streak that began during his major league debut on June 27 end at 13 innings in the fourth inning on a two-out home run by Joey Gallo. Young also had a hitless streak dating back to that same game end at 9 2/3 innings on a one-out single by Danny Santana in the second inning.

Five Diamondbacks relievers limited the Rangers, who have lost nine of their last 13 games, to one run and two hits over 3 2/3 innings. Texas is 14-18 against left-handed starters and 36-27 vs. righties. Lovullo said he arranged his rotation to have Young and fellow lefty Robbie Ray face the Rangers in this two-game inter-league series.

"We've addressed it all, and I think that we got to do a better job," Rangers manager Chris Woodward said of his batters' struggles against lefties.

Lynn trailed 1-0 with runners on second and third four batters into the game before he struck out the next two hitters to end the inning. That started a run of 12 straight batters retired before Vargas began the Diamondbacks' fifth inning rally with a one-out single.

Lynn gave up five runs on eight hits and one walk, striking out six.

"Today was bad all around," he said.

Hunter Pence went 0 for 4 as the designated hitter in his return to Texas' lineup for the first time since June 16, sidelined by a groin strain that also kept him out of last week's All-Star Game after being voted the American League's starting DH. With runners on first and second in the eighth after Texas scored its second run, Pence lined into a double play to first

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Ramirez, one of the Angels' most effective relievers, repeatedly insisted the whole thing was a misunderstanding.

"I was just trying to sneak a fastball by him," he said. "I threw two sliders away. I think the scouting report on me is I might sneak a fastball in there after a couple off-speed pitches. I tried to sneak one by him in, and it just got away from me. ... They're a good team, so I wasn't trying to give them any sort of chance. They get a baserunner on, they're a pretty good team. They get a rally going pretty good. That's the last thing I was trying to do."

Hinch didn't believe Ramirez, and the manager also wasn't happy about the way it happened.

"I wish they would have handled it better," Hinch said. "It was too high. If they're going to hit guys, they need to hit guys the right way. They don't need to throw two ... sliders and then throw @ a guy at the neck level. That's not right. That's not the right way to do it, even if you're allowed to do it, which you apparently are nowadays."

Mike Trout missed his second straight game with a mildly strained right calf, but Shohei Ohtani and Luis Rengifo also drove in first-inning runs in Los Angeles' eighth victory in 11 games since the death of pitcher Tyler Skaggs.

Tyler White had three hits and an RBI in the Astros' fourth loss in six games. Their division

lead over Oakland is down to 4½ games, matching their smallest advantage since May 9.

With another impressive victory while mourning Skaggs' death, the Angels (50-46) moved four games above .500 for the first time since June 2018, albeit while still in fourth place in the AL West. Los Angeles has scored 54 runs in its last six games.

MARKED MARISNICK

Marisnick was booed heavily from pregame introductions onward. He is currently appealing his two-game suspension for the collision.

"The fans were brutal over the dugout," Hinch said. "He was certainly the villain tonight. I think he handled himself well. He was actually the guy that was trying to calm the issue down whenever there was a bit of chirping."

BAD START

The Angels' first six batters reached base against Astros opener Héctor Rondón (3-2), who gave up six runs on five hits and a walk in just nine batters while failing to get out of the first.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Angels: Trout hopes to return Wednesday. Brian

Goodwin came off the injured list after missing nine games with a bruised wrist and went 2 for 4 while replacing Trout in center.

UP NEXT

Gerrit Cole (9-5, 3.23 ERA), the Newport Beach native who graduated from nearby Orange Lutheran High School, pitches for Houston against an opener and Félix Peña (7-2, 4.32 ERA), who threw the final seven innings of the Angels' combined no-hitter last week.



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