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 Howard Co. Fairgrounds

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Tax abatement guidelines, subdivision rules to be reviewed by County Commissioners

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

The Howard County Commissioners will meet for a regular meeting Monday, Dec. 9 at 3:30 p.m. The meeting will take place inside the Third Floor Courtroom of the Courthouse, located at 300 S. Main.

The Commissioners will begin the meeting with a public hearing addressing changes to the Howard County Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria and changes to the Howard County Subdivision Rules and Regulations.

Anyone intending to address the Commissioner's Court needs to complete and turn in the designated form to County Judge Kathryn Wiseman before the meeting.



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The Howard County Commissioner Court will hold a regular meeting, Monday at 3:30 p.m. in the Howard County Courthouse Third Floor Courtroom.

“The legislature made a few changes

and it's just time for some updates to be made,” Judge Kathryn Wiseman said.

After the public hearing concludes, routine reports will be heard. As part of the County Treasurer's report, delivered by Sharon Adams, there will be more discussion on the Edward Jones 457B. Possible action could be taken after discussion. An executive discussion will take place regarding approval of personnel considerations.

An acceptance of a Friends of the Library donation will take place, as part of the County Auditor's report.

Commissioners will also hear bids to replace lights at the Howard County Library, and discuss and possibly approve a quote for Broader Cyber Insurance Coverage.

Other agenda items will include:

- Discussion and possible action on monthly payroll report and treasurer's

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Hangar 25 Museum's new exhibit highlights nursing

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

A new exhibit has been unveiled at the Hangar 25 Air Museum, featuring an insight to the nursing world in the early 1940s, from the perspective of Mary Ann Findley Wells.

“Not many people keep their history anymore. It's hard to find, especially nursing items from that era,” Kristie Sloan-Green, granddaughter of Mary Wells, said.

Mary Ann Findley Wells was born July 29, 1917, in Atmore, Alabama. Her family moved to Big Spring, Texas in 1919 and bought a farm west of town. She attended Cauble School and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1935. Mary attended Hendricks Hospital Nursing School in Abilene, Texas, and nursing school in New York City.

Mary would return to her hometown of Big Spring (April 1945) and serve with the Nurses Corp at the Big Spring Army Air Field Bombardier School. She met her future husband Sam Wells when her mother invited Bombardier cadets from East Fourth Baptist Church to her home for a home cooked meal.

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Courtesy photo

The new exhibit featuring history from military nursing from the 1940s and some personal history of Mary Ann Findley Wells is open for the community to view.

Local history at Christmas time Potton House to be open weekends this month

By **CINDY PINCH**
 Staff Writer

A piece of Big Spring history will open to the public for the holidays.

The Heritage Museum will be opening the Potton House on weekends throughout the month of December for special holiday hours starting Sunday. The hours will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on December 8th, December 13th through 15th, and December 20th and 21st. Santa will also visit the Potton House on the 14th and the 21st from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

“We decided to decorate, and since we were doing all the decorating, we wanted everyone to be able to come and see the trees that we put in.” Denise McComb of the Heritage Museum said. “See the decorations and have a tour of the house for the holidays.”

Admission is free and the public is invited to see the holiday decorations and experience a part of Big Spring's history. This is a unique way to celebrate Christmas and enjoy learning more about the Potton House and its significance to Big Spring.

“I think people will enjoy the information about the Potton house and how long it's been here in Big Spring.” McCombs said. “And I think they'll enjoy all the decorations we've put up.”

The Potton House was built in 1901 by Mr. and Mrs. Potton. Mr. Potton, an engineer for the railroad had moved his family to Big Spring from England. The house was originally built as a retirement home, but when it

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City of Stanton to hold city council meeting

By **CINDY PINCH**
 Staff Writer

The City Council of Stanton will hold a regular public hearing on Monday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers. In the final meeting of the year, the City Council of Stanton will review routine agenda items and listen to public comments. Other

agenda items the city council will consider and take possible action on are:

- November 12, 2019 minutes and Planning and Zoning minutes
- Hiring Stalling and Herm, CPA for 2018-2019 audit
- Economic Development Reports

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Merry Christmas

Big Spring Herald's Christmas Countdown



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Obituaries

RANDY GRIMES

George "Randy" Randall Grimes was born at Malone Hogan Clinic in Big Spring, Texas, on Oct. 20, 1954, to Richard and Lolita Grimes. He went to be with the lord on Nov. 20, 2019.

Randy lived a life full of adventure throughout the United States, mainly spending time in Texas, Colorado, Arkansas and Florida. He was a big fan of golfing, fishing, hunting and camping (anything in the Great Outdoors), but his kids and grandkids were his real treasures. He loved spending time with them and taking them to Disney World. He loved going on cruises, as well as cheering on his favorite football teams; Texas Longhorns and Dallas Cowboys. He would also spend lots of happy hours next to his loving dog, Cappy. Randy never met a stranger!

Randy was a member of Community Faith United Methodist Church. He was employed in a variety of interesting positions over the years, some of which were manager of a staffing company and owner of his own landscaping company. His last place of employment was probably his favorite—playing carnival games with families at Dollywood!

He is survived by his faithful partner of 17 years, Elaine Grimes of Davenport, Florida. He is lovingly remembered by his mother, Lolita Grimes, brother, Richard Grimes (Sandy), his son, George Grimes (Sara); daughters, Julie Mumfrey (Doug) and Heather Guerra (Mario); step-son, Brian Hoover (Kristin); grandsons: Nate Guerra, Sam Guerra, Miles Mumfrey, Luke Mumfrey, Jack Grimes and Van Grimes; granddaughters, Ava Hoover and

Caitlyn Hoover; and many nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He is preceded in death by his Paternal Grandparents, George and Emma Grimes and Maternal Grandparents V.C. and Jennie Barber of Big Spring, Texas. His father, Richard S. Grimes, of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas, brother Robb S. Grimes of Katy, Texas, sister, Virginia Lynn Grimes, Big Spring, Texas nephew, Jared A. Grimes, Plano, Texas and great niece, Abigale Grace Collis of Rowlett, Texas.

Randy attended and graduated from Big Spring Public Schools. He was a member of Miester Singers Choir, Lieutenant Governor of Boys State, on the Big Spring High School Golf Team, Debate Team, member of First Baptist Church, Youth Choir and Christian Athletes in Big Spring. He served in many capacities of mission work as an adult. Randy attended Howard College, Big Spring and Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.

Memorial services honoring Randy's life will be held at a later date in both Texas and Florida. Updates will be provided via Dignity Memorial. A memorial fund in Randy's memory has been established at Joe Perry Sports Complex, Prestonwood Baptist Church, Plano, Texas. The donations can be made either by check addressed to:

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Thank you for your thoughts and prayers for the family during this time.

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CHRISTOPHER ISAIAH HINOJOS**, 20, of 1207 Sycamore St., was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **HARLEY RAY TAFF**, 39, of 3709 La Junta Dr., was arrested on a charge of failure to control speed.
- **MERICA DIANNE TAFF**, 37, of 3709 La Junta Dr., was arrested on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- **JESUS CARRASCO**, 28, of 301 W. Beaugard, Stanton, Texas, was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 3 (less than 28 grams), and an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **STORMIE NICHOLE GRIGG**, 22, of 2410 E. 24th St., was arrested on a warrant for hindering apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.
- **CASEY ADAM TORRENCE**, 28, of 1607 Hwy 176, was arrested on charges of two counts of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, two counts of theft of a firearm, two counts of unlawful possession of

a firearm by a felon, burglary of a habitation, and three outstanding warrants from other agencies.

- **STEPHEN GONZALES**, 50, of 3606 Parkway Rd., was arrested on charges of reckless driving and assault by contact.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of Richie Rd.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 700 block of E. I-20, and at 4th and Gregg.
- **FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 700 block of W. I-20.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of E. FM 700, and the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **THEFT OF A FIREARM** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 3600 block of Parkway Rd.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported in the 400 block of E. FM 700.
- **PURSUIT** was reported, location unknown.

Sheriff

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 87 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JESUS CARRASCO**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for failure to appear-larceny (\$2,500 to \$20,000).
 - **STEPHEN GONZALES**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on charges of reckless driving and assault by contact.
 - **STORMIE NICOLE GRIGG**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for hindering apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.
 - **CHRISTOPHER ISAIAH HINOJOS**, 20, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

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- **MERICA DIANNE TAFF**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- **CASEY ADAM TORRENCE**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle, and warrants for two counts of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, two counts of theft of a firearm, burglary of a habitation, two counts of burglary of a vehicle, and unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- **CASEY ADAM TORRENCE**, 28, was arrested by DPS on a charge of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Settles. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Settles. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of W. 3rd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Donley. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Creighton. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Larry. One person was transported to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 400 block of E. FM 700. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W. FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.

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Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

- 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.

- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible?

There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session begins Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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.

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WELLS

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The Wells had two children and many grandchildren that loved them dearly. Mary passed November 14, 1989.

"While she (Mary) was in her school in San Antonio, he (Sam) would fly down with the generals to go and visit her," Kristie said. "He would go do his visiting and elbow rubbing with the generals, and then he would go and visit her."

While in the process of moving recently, Kristie found the memories – scrapbooks, old nursing ma-

terials/items, love letters, etc – that her grandmother had kept. Going through the memories, Kristie and her family decided to share those memories with others.

"Their story is a piece of history," Kristie said. "The Hangar (25 Air Museum) houses a lot of amazing stuff out there and it's things people need to see because it is their history ... it's part of Big Spring history."

In addition to the new exhibit featuring Wells nursing history, the museum is working on compiling a new exhibit featuring her husband, Sam Wells.

"The children (and grandchildren) of Mary Wells

have donated mementos from her nursing career," Amber Stokes, Hanger 25 Air Museum Director, said. "Through this donation we are able to feature a piece of military nursing history and honor Mary. An exhibit honoring Mary is now housed in the museum."

The Hangar 25 Air Museum is located at 1911 Apron Drive. To contact the museum, call 432-264-1999.

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Weather



Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 67. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south in the afternoon.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 45. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 52. West wind 10 to 15 mph.

Monday: A 30 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 64. West wind 5 to 15 mph.

Monday Night: Rain likely. Cloudy, with a low around 33. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of rain. Mostly sunny, with a high near 48.

Tuesday Night: Clear, with a low around 31.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 57.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34.

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

POTTON

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came time, Mr. Potton decided he wanted to work a little longer. The family didn't officially move into the house until 1911. With over a hundred years of history, there is much that can be learned about the city and the people who helped make it what it is today. The holiday hours are a unique chance for the community to see the Potton House.

"We just want everybody to come and have a special Christmas. Bring the family, come tour, and see the trees, and get some history of Big Spring," McComb said.

The holiday hours begin Sunday, December 8th. Don't miss your opportunity to visit the Potton House this holiday season.

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COUNTY

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monthly report (as part of County Treasurer's report).

- Discussion and possible action to approve invoices, purchase requests, budget amendments.
- Presentation of Monthly financial reports

- Discussion and possible action on roadway maintenance updates
- Presentation of Clerk's monthly reports
- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action
- Citizen input for those registered to make comments
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future

agendas. The community is encouraged to attend meetings. Those who are in attendance are asked to silence cell phones during the meeting.

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• Food2Kids will again be providing sack lunches to children in the Big Spring area who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It takes just a couple of hours of your time, and the work is very rewarding.

The next sacking event of this 2019-2020 school year will be Monday, Jan. 6 and Tuesday Jan. 7, and they will continue throughout the year on the first Monday and Tuesday of the month. To volunteer, just show up at Lakeview High School located at 1107 N.W. 7th St., at 5:30 p.m.

You can follow their Facebook page for additional information <https://www.facebook.com/food2kids/>.

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

• 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.

• 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, must be able to pass a background check.

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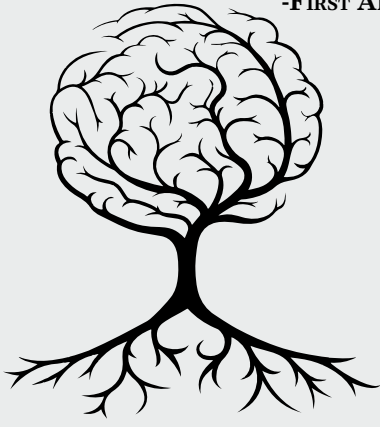
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Opinion

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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, thank You for Your love, peace and goodness which You shine upon us every day.
Amen

The Big Stocking

Mary Urias of Fort Stockton has a beautiful family and a husband who loves her very much. He bought Mary her first bicycle after they were married. He gave her the first teddy bear she had ever owned. Christmas is a big celebration around their house. Decorations are everywhere and Mary prepares a huge meal for everyone to enjoy in the midst of opening presents. Things now are quite different from the way they were when she was growing up in El Paso. She was one of nine children.

Her mother was young and loved to party. Sometimes she would be gone over a three-day weekend and leave Mary to take care of the younger ones.

"I loved my mother," says Mary, "and I tried to be a good daughter. I did everything I could to make my mother love me. When she would leave, she would lock us in the house and tell us never to turn on the stove. She made us a big batch of oatmeal and put some canned milk in it. That's all we had to eat while she was gone: old gray, cold, hard oatmeal." Her mother often gave Mary whippings with

a belt. Santa Claus never came to Mary's house. The only present she got was from a grandmother who gave her a small sack that contained candy and nuts. Mary recalls one childhood Christmas: "I woke up very early. I jumped out of bed and started looking around. There was no Christmas tree. There was no Christmas dinner. There was no Christmas baking, no music, no nothing. It was just dark and gloomy in that little room. But I knew Santa Claus

had come. I started looking everywhere to see what he had left me.

My Mom told me I was not getting anything and told me to stop looking. But I kept looking. I looked everywhere, under pots and pans, in cabinets. The room was tiny but I searched everywhere. I looked out the window and knew that Santa Claus had come, because all the kids in the neighborhood had new clothes, shoes, they had skates and bikes. Little girls had little fur coats on. They had their buggies with their dolls. There were new puppies. There were toys. There

was joy. And I didn't have anything. I went back to searching for my present from Santa Claus. I finally got on my mom's nerves. She pulled out that belt and gave me the whipping of my life."

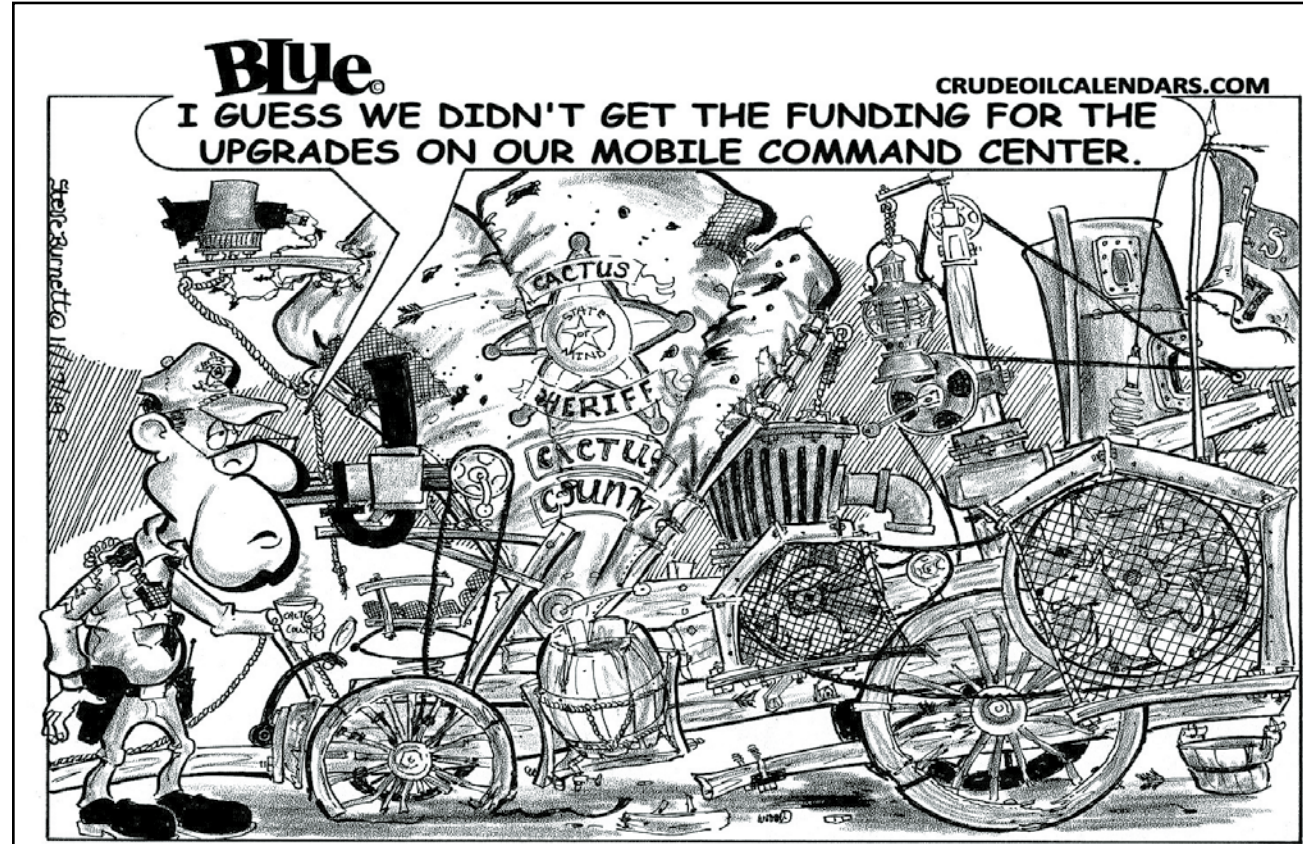
One October when Mary was 39 years old, she was in a restaurant with her daughter and husband and she told them this story. It was the first time they had heard it. A couple of months later, on Christmas day, Mary put her Christmas dinner in the oven, got her children dressed and went to church. When she got home, she rushed into her bedroom to change into comfortable clothes so she could put the finishing touches on her Christmas dinner. And there on the wall was a huge stocking nearly as tall as Mary. It was filled with presents and had a letter attached to it. The letter read: "Mary, for years I have been looking for you. I hope you can forgive me for being lost. I know we will have lots of good Christmases together. I'm glad I finally found you. I love you and I'm all yours. Your long lost Christmas stocking."

Mary hangs that big stocking every year, right along with the stockings for her children and grandchildren.

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TUMBLEWEED SMITH



Mavericks: 'Now' team in Dallas

My Uncle Mort, a dedicated "frog gigger" during most of the 20th century and all the years so far in this one, claims to have made the best possible use of "Indian Summer."

"It was the shortest season ever, limited to a few hours on November 24," he mused. "I'm glad I didn't waste it watching TV. I'd have been dissecting NFL and NBA games--specifically the Cowboys' whimper against the Patriots and the Mavericks easy disposition of the Rockets. Yep, catching sun rays was the best choice."

Mort, at age 107, favors "frog-gigging" over anything on TV, and that's what he did during the aforementioned telecasts. He was up on the frogs, 54-0, when they forfeited.

The old man feels sorry for Jerry Jones, owner of the Cowboys who thought this was going to be "the year." Instead, Jones' brow grows ever more furrowed, and his "flip-flops" on current coaches leave fans guessing. They aren't sure if he's going to fire Jason Garrett or include him in his will.

Mort says Mavericks' owner Mark Cuban is generally silent, letting his team do the talking. Dallas fans may try to "hurry up" completion of the football schedule so they can shift interest to basketball--the way Baylor University fans used to do.

Jones during his visit to New England," Mort said. "Not only did his team lose, it was raining too hard to see the changing tree colors. The best he could muster was varying shades of gray, but mostly dark gray."

I tried to switch the subject back to the Mavs, but Mort wasn't through.

"On whether to wear gloves, ain't this something that quarterbacks can decide before the game starts? Dak chose to wear 'em for the first time ever when he discovered that 'barehanded' wasn't working. Yet, Patriot Quarterback Tom Brady seemed to 'make do' without gloves."

Admitting it a stretch to think of the late Michael Jackson as a quarterback, Mort opined that if the teen idol ever had been, he would have worn BOTH gloves.

My uncle likes the Dallas City Council's decision to re-name a street in Dirk Nowitzki's honor. A portion of Olive Street near American Airlines Center is now "Nowitzki Way."

"Coaches often learn that having a street named for them can be the kiss of death," Mort said. "They'll name a street after you one year, then chase you down it the next."

In Dirk's case, however, fans will smile upon reflection of the "gentle giant" every time they traverse "his" street.

As to Luka Doncic, the newest Mavericks' sensation who is turning heads around the planet,



DON NEWBURY

Mort figures "the sky's the limit," but doesn't see a street in Doncic's future, however. "They're more likely to name a universe for him," my uncle chuckled.

In New Haven, CT, halftime "activities" generated far more coverage than the outcome of the game that would decide the Ivy League Championship.

Bands usually take over at intermission, but if they marched at the Yale-Harvard football game, it was on the parking lot.

Taking over the field were some 500 protestors from both universities (and a few from other places) with arms liked to indicate concerns about global warming, and several other "gruntles."

Police arrested 42 protestors, and an hour passed before the second half resumed. Time from kick-off to final whistle spanned four hours and 40 minutes.

For fans keeping score, Yale prevailed 50-43, but somehow, much of the luster of winning is lost when another evidence of a democracy being ripped apart raises its ugly head.

Must civility continue to spiral downward?

Why is it not surprising that some highly visible folks chose to protest?

It is delicious irony that one person arrested was Sam Waterston, an actor known for his roles in TV's Law and Order, and a Yale graduate.

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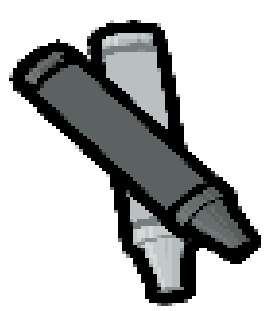
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Lady Steers defeat Crane in Denver City

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

DENVER CITY-- It was a tale of two halves for the Big Spring Lady Steers in their matchup with the Crane Ladybirds on Friday evening.

The Lady Steers started off the contest very slow, scoring only six points in the first quarter and finding themselves trailing by six points after eight minutes of game-time.

How would the team filled with freshman and varsity inexperience respond?

"We let them know that they needed to pressure more," Lady Steers head coach Krystle Jim said. "We started to speed the game up a little more and I think that helped us in getting turnovers and easy baskets and actually making the game go a little bit faster."

Big Spring began to turn it around and put pressure on the Ladybirds offense in the second quarter. The lead would be cut down to four points at half-time but the Lady Steers were not finished bringing the heat.

The third quarter belonged to Big Spring. They converted on well-contested shots and the Ladybirds into turnovers, and were able to get to the free-throw line consistently.

Madison Kuykendall led the way for the Lady Steers behind her whopping 12 rebounds and ability to create second-chance opportunities for her team.

"Our size is one of our greatest strengths," Jim said. "But just getting the



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The Lady Steers bring the ball across half-court in their win against Crane on Friday

confidence up knowing how big we are and using that to our advantage. I think it's now clicking after we've been trying to tell them over and over again about how big they are."

Crane began to commit mistake after mistake and let the Lady Steers lead stretch all the way to double-digits. Big Spring was making it tough on the Ladybirds offense, never letting them get off an uncontested shot.

Early-season tournaments like these can help a team grow together and see how they fare against competition they might not always face. The Lady Steers are using this weekend to gain more confidence and continue to work on not committing as many turnovers.

"We're trying to work on that and getting our kids confidence," Jim said. "We just had a little half-time talk about being mentally tough and not worry about the scoreboard and just going out there and selling everything that they have out there which I think they did a really good job at."

UP NEXT: The Lady Steers will finish up their Denver City trip with one more game on Saturday afternoon.

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Steers fall to Levelland in Denver City tournament quarterfinals



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Big Spring forward Abel Clark backs up man down in the paint and prepares to go up for the shot in the Steers loss to Levelland

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

DENVER CITY-- After winning their opening game of the 2019 Denver City Tamale Shootout on Thursday morning, the Big Spring Steers were back in action on Friday afternoon against the Levelland Lobos.

In a battle between two teams built around speed and quickness, the Lobos were able to take control

of the matchup in the second quarter and advanced to the tournament semifinals with a 58-44 win over the Steers.

"These tournaments help us get in shape for what we want to do," Steers head coach Kris Hise said. "Today we didn't play very good. Our effort in the first quarter and the last quarter was good but we didn't do a very good job in the middle."

All started off well for Big Spring as they led Levelland by a score of 11-10 at the end of the first quarter. From there, the Lobos were able to stymie the Steers offense with their lockdown man-to-man defense. Forced into many double-teamed shots, the Steers were unable to knock down the jumpers and layups that they usually knock down with ease.

Hise decided to throw in his bench players when his starters let the lead slip away and the game began to get away from them with five minutes remaining in the first half. The Steers were outscored 21-9 in the quarter and stumbled into halftime trailing by 11.

"We just quit playing defense," Hise said. "We got beat on the point guard and couldn't keep him in front of us. It put everyone else in a bind."

Big Spring showed some resilience in the second half. Junior guard Kyler Seymore showed spurts of his trademark midrange shooting as he accounted for 17 points for the second game in a row.

His effort was not enough.

All other Big Spring players failed to score in double-digits and it was an overall struggle for the team to get shots to fall. That does not mean the Steers did not give themselves a chance to win the game. After trailing by as much as 19 points, the Steers were able to show off their ability to put points on the board quickly and trimmed the Lobos lead to 10 points with just under two minutes in regulation.

"We have to have some other guys step up and make shots," Hise said. "I thought our post play was better tonight. We just have to do a better job of executing."

An emphasis on getting Seymore more shots on the perimeter would help the flow of the offense and would create more open looks for his teammates. With a month full of tournaments against tough competition still to come, the Steers are still gaining confidence as a group and should be a force to be reckoned with as the season progresses.

UP NEXT: The Steers were knocked to the other side of the bracket and defeated the Permian JV 66-56 on Friday night. They will have another matchup in Denver City on Saturday morning to conclude their tournament trip.

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Coahoma Bulldogs fall to 0-2 after home loss to Ozona

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs staged a valiant effort to overcome a 23-point deficit in the fourth quarter of their game against Ozona on Friday night, but failed to close the gap before the buzzer sounded.

Coahoma lost 46-56 against the Lions.

Both teams got off to a slow start. Half of the first quarter went by before a point was scored. That came from Bulldog Zack Schneider who sank one from behind the free throw line. From then on, the Bulldog offense picked up steam scoring six more points to end the quarter ahead 7-2.

Both teams were playing very physically at this point with fouls racking up. Ozona earned 21 points at the free throw line while Coahoma brought in 19 at the charity strip.

In the second quarter, Ozona took a commanding lead scoring 24 points while Coahoma only picked up seven. Several turnovers in a row hurt the Bulldogs offensive drive.

By the half, Coahoma faced a 12-point deficit heading into the locker room. Returning to the second half, the Bulldogs struck quickly but Ozona snatched away the

momentum earning 17 points and limiting Coahoma to just six.

By the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs were down by 23 but managed to cut the deficit down to 10 before the buzzer sounded.

Next: Coahoma head to Reagan County on Tuesday to take on the Owls. Game time is 8 p.m.

OZONA 56, COAHOMA 46

Ozona: 2, 24, 17, 13 -- 56
Coahoma: 7, 7, 6, 26 -- 46

Ozona: Lana 11, Childress 3, Talamantez 3, Smith 8, Yeager 3, Jesse Vega 11, Joe Perez 12, Mendez 3, Abraham Rodriguez 2.

Coahoma: Isaiah Martin 6, Avry Burgan 1, Braxton Chandler 8, Tony Hagins 3, Zack Schneider 8, Braydon Smith 14, Gaije Hill 2, Noah Dials 1, Kolt Redden 3,

Free Throws — Ozona 21-39, Coahoma 19-41; 3-points — Ozona 3 (Vega, Smith, Talamantez), Coahoma 3 (Smith 2, Chandler); Fouls — Ozona 30; Coahoma 29.



Courtesy Photo/Lyndel Moody

Braydon Smith, No. 12, races down the court followed closely by several Lions during their matchup with Ozona on Friday night. Smith had a team high of 14

Bulldogettes pick up sixth win of the season in Lamesa

Special to the Herald

LAMESA — Madison Rodgers and MaKynlee Overton scored double digits to help lead the Bulldogettes to a 53-25 win over the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes at the O.W. Follis Tournament on Friday.

Overton scored 16 points and Rodgers earned 14 in the non-district match for Coahoma's sixth win of the season.

Lamesa took an early one-point lead at the end of the first quarter, but the Bulldogette defense put the breaks on the Golden Tornadoes limiting them to only six points total in the second and third

quarters and seven points in the fourth.

On offense, Coahoma was relentless with Overton leading the way. The junior accounted for eight of the 14 points earned by Coahoma in the second quarter. Returning from the locker room, Coahoma renewed their offensive attack with a 22-point gain for the third quarter. Abby Lopez had two field goals and a basket from behind the arc for a total of six points to help extend Coahoma's lead over Lamesa 47-17.

The Bulldogettes (6-1) are now 2-0 for the tournament with two games left set for today.

COAHOMA 53, LAMESA 25

Coahoma: 11, 14, 22, 6 -- 53
Lamesa: 12, 3, 3, 7 -- 25

Coahoma — Julia Cox 7, Caitlyn Corley 2, Katelyn Johnson 2, Macee Grant 3, Madison Rodgers 14, Kenzi Canales 2, Abbie Lopez 7, MaKynlee Overton 16.

Lamesa — Daijah White 4, Emma Garcia 2, Tatum Derington 3, Jayli Hood 3, J'Lynn Jackson 10, Amaya Vasquez 3.

Free Throws — Coahoma 4-14, Lamesa 1-8; Three-Point Goals — Coahoma 5 (Rodgers 2, Cox, Grant, Lopez), Lamesa 4 (Jackson 2, Hood, Vasquez).

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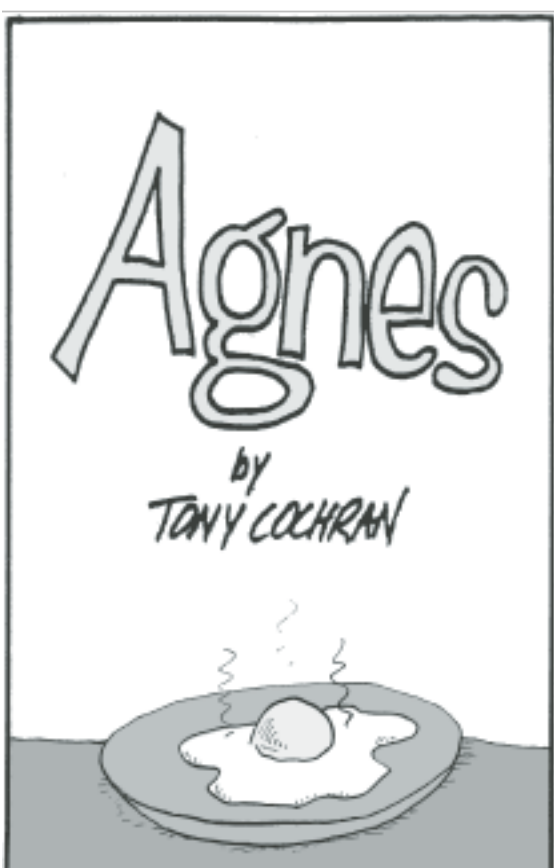
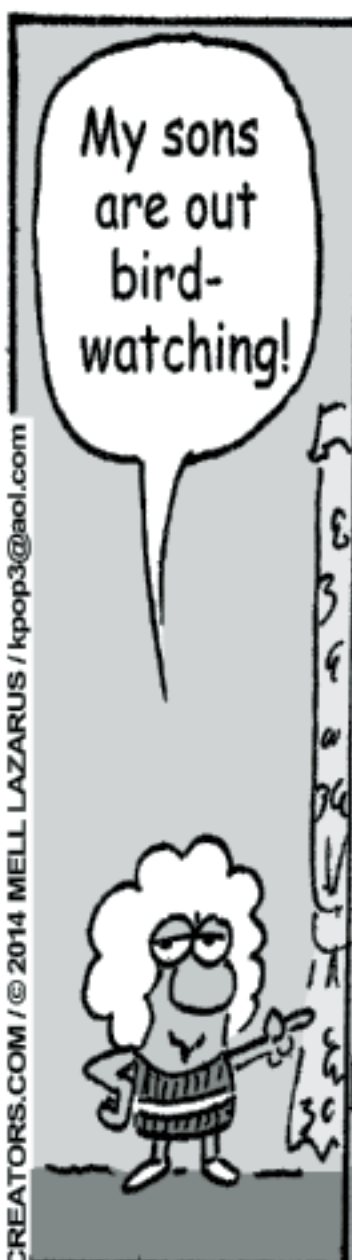
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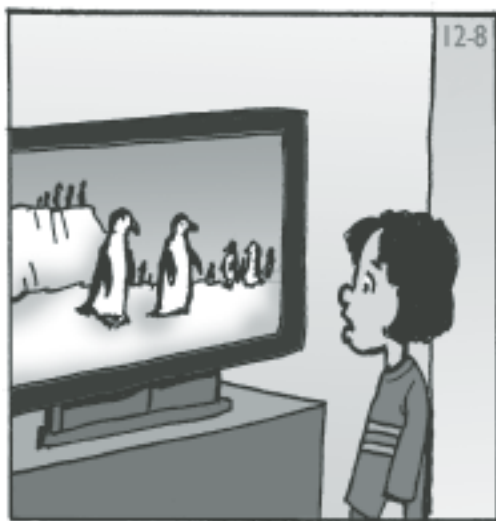
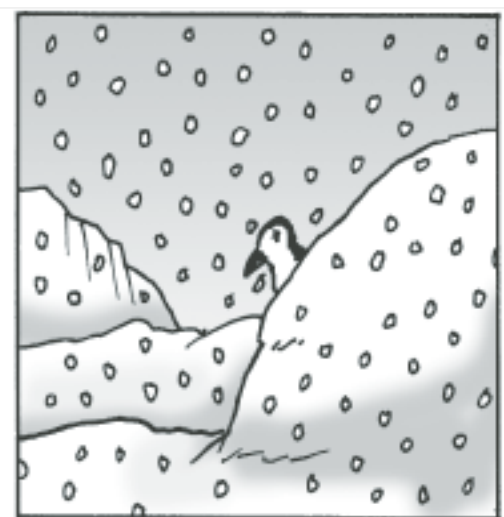
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No. 13 Oregon ends No. 5 Utah's playoff hopes with 37-15 win

By JOSH DUBOW

AP Sports Writer

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The one constant all season for Utah was the ability to control the trenches against any opponent.

With a possible playoff berth and first Pac-12 title in school history on the line, the Utes more than met their match against Oregon.

CJ Verdell ran for 208 yards and broke open the game with two long touchdown runs in the fourth quarter, and No. 13 Oregon spoiled No. 5 Utah's playoff hopes with a 37-15 victory in the Pac-12 championship game Friday night.

"Unfortunately we came up short tonight," coach Kyle Whittingham said. "Disappointing thing is we lost in the one area we've been undefeated this year: line of scrimmage. We didn't win the line of scrimmage for the first time all season, which is, like I say, disappointing. Surprising really."

The Utes (11-2, No. 5 CFP) came into the game hoping to make a case for one of the four playoff spots with a conference title but instead got overmatched by Oregon (11-2, No. 13 CFP) and lost their second straight Pac-12 championship game.

Utah held 11 of 12 opponents to less than 100 yards rushing and led the nation by allowing 56.3 yards rushing per game, prompting plenty of pregame talk about how the Utes' physical dominance could be the determining factor.

The Ducks took that personally and responded. "Definitely put a little chip on our shoulders," Verdell said. "We try not to focus on the outside noise too much. Hearing they're the most physical team in the Pac-12 made us want to come out here and work even harder."

The Utes fell into a 20-0 hole in the first half and then gave up a 70-yard TD run to Verdell after cutting the deficit to 23-15, paving the way for the winner of the Big 12 title game between Oklahoma and Baylor to get into the playoff as long as No. 1 LSU beats No. 4 Georgia for the SEC championship.

"We didn't really think far ahead but it's obvious

what was at stake, more than just the Rose Bowl," left tackle Darrin Paulo said. "It's disappointing. I can't really wrap my head around it right now. We knew that Oregon was a good team and we knew that we can't overlook them so we didn't look beyond that but we knew, everyone knew, what was at stake besides the Rose Bowl."

The Utes got back into the game with TD passes from Tyler Huntley to Zack Moss and Samson Nacua in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 23-15.

Utah then drove into Oregon territory before Huntley was sacked by Keyvon Thibodeaux on second down, leading to a punt on fourth-and-4 from the 40.

Verdell struck with his big run five plays later and added a 31-yard score later in the fourth against the nation's top-ranked run defense to put the game out of reach.

That gave quarterback Justin Herbert and the rest of the senior class a Rose Bowl berth after starting their careers with a 4-8 mark in 2016.

"It's validation," coach Mario Cristobal said. "It's validation for all that they've done. I don't know if anyone here has been through a 4-8 season. I've been through one of those. It's about as horrible and miserable as it gets. It causes some people to break down, some people to quit, some people to leave. Then there's a core that just puts their foot in the ground and says, 'We're going to change things.'"

The Ducks sent the tone early when they stuffed Moss for no gain on two short-yardage attempts from the Oregon 33 on the opening drive. Oregon drove down and took the lead for good on Verdell's 3-yard run.

The Utes kept making more mistakes and the Ducks only added to the lead. After forcing a three and out, Oregon got a field goal on the next drive, then blocked a punt after Utah committed a false start on fourth-and-1 before Brady Breeze intercepted a pass in the end zone.

Oregon then struck on a 45-yard strike from Herbert to Johnny Johnson III and led 20-0 at the break.

THE TAKEAWAY

Utah: The Utes were seeking their biggest win since joining the Pac-12 in 2011. Instead, they had a second straight disappointing performance in the conference title game after losing 10-3 to Washington last year. Now instead of a playoff berth or even a spot in the Rose Bowl, the Utes must hope to stay high enough in the playoff rankings to get into a New Year's Six game.

Oregon: The victory left as many questions for the Ducks as answers. Had Oregon not blown a 21-6 second-half lead to Auburn in the opener or come out flat in a 31-28 loss at Arizona State two weeks ago, the Ducks could have been the team with a case for a playoff berth. Instead they will have to settle for the Rose Bowl.

FOURTH DOWN DECISION

After getting stopped on three fourth and shorts and committing a false start to squander another chance, Whittingham opted to punt on fourth down in Oregon territory with less than 10 minutes to play. The Utes pinned the Ducks at the 10 but the move backfired when Oregon drove the length of the field thanks to Verdell's long run.

"I would have bet the house that our defense would have been able to get a stop," Whittingham said. "Number one run defense in the country. Had a lot of confidence in them at that point. They just creased us on one. That was something we couldn't recover from."

THIBODEAUX'S DAY

Thibodeaux came into the season as one of the most heralded recruits in the country and delivered on the biggest stage he's played on so far. He had 2 1/2 of Oregon's six sacks and also blocked a punt.

"I'm going to continue to get better," he said. "You could say it's only up from here, as long as I keep putting in the work, should see good results."

UP NEXT

Utah: Bowl game to be determined.

Oregon: The Rose Bowl against a Big Ten team on Jan. 1.

AP source: Ole Miss working to bring Kiffin back to SEC

RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

A person familiar with the negotiations says Mississippi is working to hire FAU's Lane Kiffin to be its next head football coach.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Friday night because negotiations were ongoing and Kiffin still has a game to coach.

Florida Atlantic faces UAB in the Conference USA championship game at home Saturday in Boca Raton, Florida. The Owls are looking for their second C-USA title in three years under the 44-year-old Kiffin.

Ole Miss fired coach Matt Luke on Sunday after three seasons. Mississippi would be Kiffin's fifth head coaching job, fourth in college, during a tumultu-

ous career.

Kiffin was hired at 31 to coach the Oakland Raiders in 2007, making him one of the youngest head coaches in NFL history. That lasted 20 games. He did a one-year stint with Tennessee, and then three-plus seasons at Southern California. Kiffin was fired five games into his fourth season at USC, let go in the early morning hours after a Saturday night loss at Arizona State.

Kiffin landed at Alabama as offensive coordinator for Nick Saban in 2014 and helped the Crimson Tide to a national championship in 2015. It ended awkwardly in Tuscaloosa, too. Kiffin departed Alabama just days before the Tide played Clemson in the 2016 College Football Playoff championship game.

Kiffin is 60-34 as a college head coach, including 25-13 at FAU.

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Finding gifts without the travel, supporting community

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tunity for free movie tickets. Other experiences include purchasing tickets to performances by the Big Spring Symphony and purchasing tickets for Howard College athletics.

Know someone who is looking to learn a new skill? Gary B's Music of-

children interested in dance.

"It's easy to get nervous about going to a dance class." Dance Lab owner, Jessica Rutledge said. "I try to create a positive and judgment free zone, because I just want everyone to have a good time. We are all just learning

By CINDY PINCH

Staff Writer

Shopping for the holidays can be stressful. Luckily there are plenty of great places to find gifts right here in Big Spring.

If you're looking to purchase clothing, Big Spring has plenty of great boutiques to choose from. Not sure which size to purchase or what will suit the taste of the person you're shopping for? Many of the boutiques offer gift certificates so the person you're shopping for can get exactly what they want this year. Looking for children's clothes? Check out Splurge and The Wardrobe. Lula Blu Boutique sells clothing for men and women. Other boutiques to check out are Blissful, Southern Blush, Splurge, Famous Elle, and Queens of the Dude Ranch.

A little pampering can go a long way and Big Spring has a lot of options to choose from. Southern Blush recently opened a blow dry bar. For those who may be unfamiliar with the term, a blow dry bar is a hair salon that offers washing, blow drying, and hair styling.

"We added a salon. We're going to have a hair stylist and we have a spray tan booth. We're hoping that when you walk in this door, you're able to get your outfit, get your make-up, get your hair done and get your



HERALD photo/Anna Gutierrez

Southern Blush has unveiled their new addition and is now offering more services; from clothing to beauty it's almost a one stop shop for Christmas. This past week, a fashion show was held featuring several outfits that would make good gift ideas.

Looking for personalized options? Stop by Dazzling Decor and check out their selection.

fers guitar lessons. Lessons are only thirty minutes and once a week.

"We teach music theory, and about the guitar, and how to properly play the guitar." Gary Barrington, owner of Gary B's Music said. "You learn music when you take guitar lessons at Gary B's."

Do you have an artist in your family? Sign them up for a paint and sip class with the Big Spring Sunset Painting Studio. Dance Lab offers classes for children and adults. They will be adding a contemporary and technique dance class in January, making it a perfect gift opportunity for

and hopefully enjoying the process as well."

Want to treat a loved one to a vacation but don't have time to leave town? Try a stay-cation at the Hotel Settles. With a restaurant, bar, and spa you don't have to leave Big Spring to get a luxury experience.

Big Spring is filled with unique and interesting places to shop for gifts this holiday season. Save your gas, and help our community this Christmas by shopping local.

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For those looking for something different for young teens, college students or even older adults looking for a new hobby, guitars and guitar lessons are offered locally at the Spring Town Plaza.

tan so you're ready for the evening." Carla Blagrove, owner of Southern Blush said. "We wanted Big Spring to have something that they don't have to leave town for. They can shop local."

Manicures and pedicures are a great way to feel relaxed and more confident in your appearance. Many salons, such as Bella Nails, offer massages as well as manicures and pedicures.

Home decor can make great gifts. Brenda's Corners offers a great se-

Experiences are a great gift because it gives you the opportunity to make memories with the people you care about. There are plenty of places around Big Spring that you can create memories with your entire family. Big Spring Bowlarama offers a Family Fun Pack that includes two hours of bowling and shoe rentals. Cinemark has the Cinemark Movie Club program that allows unique members only benefits such as discounted concessions and the oppor-



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For those looking for home decor, there is no need to travel outside of Big Spring. Several boutiques locally provide home decor options, from candles to wall decor, blankets and kitchenware.

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Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage sandwich, applesauce, 1% white milk Lunch: Beef nachos, corn, diced peaches, 1% white milk

Thursday: Breakfast: Apple Bosco sticks, 1% white milk Lunch: Hot dog, kickin' pinto beans, applesauce, 1% white milk

Friday: Breakfast: Blueberry waffles, 1% white milk Lunch: Cheese pizza, fresh broccoli, Mandarin oranges, 1% white milk



Big Spring Elementary

Monday: Breakfast: Maple pancake wrap, fresh apple slices, cherry star juice Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, beef and cheese quesadilla, mashed potatoes, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup, fresh zucchini squash, fresh tomato wedges, garden salad

Tuesday: Breakfast: Banana muffin, fresh oranges, grape juice Lunch: Chili mac with corn muffin, ham chef salad with roll, fresh cantaloupe, diced pears, fresh broccoli, fresh roasted carrots, garden salad

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cocoa Puffs cereal, string cheese, applesauce, orange juice Lunch: Chicken Caesar salad with roll, beef steak sandwich, French fries, mac and cheese, fresh apples, diced peaches, corn, fresh celery sticks, garden salad

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ Sandwich, fresh bananas, fruit juice Lunch: Hot dog, diced chicken salad with roll, French fries, fresh grapes, rosy applesauce, kickin' pinto beans, fresh baby carrots, garden salad

Friday: Breakfast: Egg and cheese sandwich, fresh grapes, apple juice Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, soft fish tacos, pineapple tidbits, Mandarin oranges, fresh broccoli, fresh cucumber slices, garden salad

Big Spring Intermediate School

Monday: Breakfast: Apple Frudel, Lucky Charms cereal, fresh apple slices, cherry star juice Lunch: Pizza sticks with marinara, ham chef salad with bread, bacon cheeseburger, French fries, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup, fresh zucchini squash, fresh tomato wedges, garden salad

Tuesday: Breakfast: Banana muffin, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh oranges, fruit juice Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, meatball sub melt, corn dogs, fresh cantaloupe, diced pears, fresh roasted carrots, fresh broccoli, garden salad

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon and raisin bagel, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, apple juice, orange juice Lunch: BBQ pork sandwich, chicken Caesar salad with roll, chicken patty sandwich, fresh apples, diced peaches, corn, fresh celery sticks, garden salad

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ Sandwich, Cocoa Puffs cereal, fresh bananas, pineapple juice Lunch: Spicy chicken sandwich, diced chicken nachos, pepperoni pizza, fresh grapes, rosy applesauce, kickin' pinto beans, fresh baby carrots, garden salad

Friday: Breakfast: Blueberry waffle, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh grapes, apple juice Lunch: Bacon cheeseburger, ham chef salad with roll, chicken patty sandwich, French fries, pineapple tidbits, Mandarin oranges, fresh cucumber slices, fresh broccoli, garden salad

Big Spring Junior High

Monday: Breakfast: Apple blueberry bar, fresh apples, Wango Mango juice Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, ham chef salad with roll, spicy chicken sandwich, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup, fresh zucchini squash, fresh tomato wedges, garden salad

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage kolaches, fresh oranges, pineapple juice Lunch: Chili mac with cornbread, egg platter salad with roll, cheeseburger, French fries, fresh cantaloupe, diced pears, fresh roasted carrots, fresh broccoli, garden salad

Wednesday: Breakfast: Lucky Charms cereal, applesauce, orange juice Lunch: Chicken nuggets, chicken Caesar salad with roll, chicken patty sandwich, French fries, fresh apples, diced peaches, corn, fresh celery sticks, garden salad

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ Sandwich, fresh bananas, fruit juice Lunch: General Tso beef with rice, bean and cheese burrito, hot dog, fresh grapes, kickin' pinto beans, fresh baby carrots, rosy applesauce, garden salad

Friday: Breakfast: Maple pancakes, fresh grapes, apple juice Lunch: Roasted chicken drumsticks, chicken tenders with roll, fruit cheese and yogurt salad, French fries, pineapple tidbits, Mandarin oranges, fresh broccoli, fresh cucumber slices, garden salad

Big Spring High School

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon raisin bagel, waffles with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh apples, diced pears Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Chicken nuggets with a roll

Tuesday: Breakfast: Grape crescent roll, pancakes with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Spaghetti and meat sauce

Wednesday: Breakfast: Bosco egg and cheese sticks, waffles with blueberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh cantaloupe, applesauce Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Salisbury steak with mashed potatoes and a roll

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, pancakes with blueberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh banana, pineapple tidbits Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Chicken fried steak with mashed potatoes, gravy and a roll

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, waffles with blueberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh grapes, diced peaches Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Pizza cheese sticks with dipping sauce

Line 1 Made to Order: Hamburgers, sub style sandwiches, chicken sandwiches, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits, assorted snacks, assorted drinks, assorted milk

Line 2: Pepperoni pizza, speciality pizza, cheese pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits, assorted snacks, assorted drinks, assorted milk

Line 3 Made to order: Nachos, burritos, tacos, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits, assorted snacks, assorted drinks, assorted milk

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Pancakes with sausage, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: Enchiladas or taquit or fajita salad, beans, corn, salsa, fresh fruit, cookie, milk

Tuesday: Breakfast: sausage egg and cheese biscuit or breakfast taquito, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: meatball subs or chili cheese combo, tater tots, veggie cups, strawberries, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: chicken nuggets with mac-n-cheese or Asian bowl or Asian salad, green beans, egg rolls, garden salad, grapes, milk

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll with sausage or cheesy toast with sausage, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: Pizza or ham and cheese melts or popcorn chicken salad, chips, bell peppers, tomato cups, corn, fruity gelatin, milk

Friday: Breakfast: Bulldog breakfast, eggs, biscuit, gravy, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: Hamburger or stuffed baked potato with roll, cucumber slices, cinnamon apple sauce, cookie, milk

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: French toast with sausage patty or cereal, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Steak fingers, chicken boneless bites



(JH/HS), chicken nuggets (elementary), sunbutter and jelly sandwich, pretzel, mashed potatoes, green beans, strawberries, fresh fruit, milk

Tuesday: Breakfast: Chicken biscuit or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Hamburger, spaghetti bowl, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, ranch style beans, garden salad, tots, strawberries and bananas, fresh fruit, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast: Monte Cristo sandwich or cereal, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Pizza or sunbutter and jelly sandwich, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, strawberries, fresh fruit, milk

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Sliced turkey, dressing, green beans, roll, fresh fruit, pumpkin pie, milk
Friday: Breakfast:

Dutch waffle with sausage or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Chicken sandwich, Monte Cristo sandwich, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, French fries, baby carrots, strawberries, fresh fruit, milk

Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Hamburger, garnish, oven fries, zesty cucumbers, strawberries, milk variety

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast strudel, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Chicken fajitas, pinto beans, red bell pepper strips, salsa, grapes, sherbet cup, milk variety

Wednesday: Breakfast: Mini pancakes, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Breaded pork chop, roasted potatoes, brown gravy, savory green beans, apple slices, milk variety

Thursday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch: County pot pie, fresh veggie cup, biscuit, fruit cup, milk variety

Friday: Breakfast: French toast, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Pizza pocket, marinara sauce, Tuscan vegetables, garden salad, peaches, milk variety

Senior Center

Monday: Beef tips, buttered noodles, yellow squash with onions, cookies, biscuit, milk

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meatballs, broccoli, spinach salad with cranberries, oranges, garlic bread, milk

Wednesday: Chicken Pot Pie with mixed vegetables, lettuce and tomato, fat free dressing, banana pudding, crackers, milk

Thursday: Beef enchiladas, beans, rice, pineapple tidbits, chips and salsa, milk

Friday: Tuna sandwich, baked chips, macaroni salad, mixed fruit, milk

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The December Alive After 5 event was hosted by Hotel Settles, on Thursday evening. Chamber members, along with Hotel Settles staff joined together for a network opportunity with community members and new business professionals. For those wanting to host an Alive After 5 event or find out more information, contact the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 432-263-7641.

PBUWCD personnel to begin annual water level measurements in Howard and Martin Counties

Special to the Herald

Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) personnel are set to begin their annual depth-to-water level measurements in mid-December. The data collected helps determine the effect of the 2019 pumping on groundwater levels in the aquifers within the district.

After the measurement is made, a blue vinyl sticker with the observation well number,

the depth-to-water level measurement, and the date of the measurement is affixed to the well equipment or other appropriate surface near the well site.

PBUWCD personnel measure the same wells in the observation well network each year, as long as the individual wells are accessible and provide satisfactory data.

The current depth-to-water measurements in individual wells are compared to that of the previous years to determine the

annual change in water levels of the aquifers within the district.

The staff of the PBUWCD appreciates the cooperation of the landowners as we continue to provide this service for the residents of Howard and Martin counties.

Additional information about the observation well and water level measurement programs is available by contacting the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District at (432) 756-2136 or by visiting our website at www.pbuwcd.com.

National Ranching Heritage Center to Host 41st Annual Candlelight at the Ranch



Courtesy photos

Pictured above left: John Levacy has volunteered for 30 consecutive Candlelight at the Ranch events, which can mean a lot of whittlin' and carvin' for a cowboy depicting life in a ranch bunkhouse during a frontier Christmas. Pictured above right: Harrell House Kitchen: Amy Pope has been a Candlelight volunteer since she was a child in 1989. Her three children and husband join her in the Harrell House, where son Will and daughter Abby sample the Christmas cookies their mother prepares on a turn-of-the-century stove.

Special to the Herald

Visitors will experience a frontier Christmas from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Dec. 13-14 when the National Ranching Heritage Center (NRHC) celebrates its 41st Annual Candlelight at the Ranch.

"This year we've had more volunteer sign-ups than we've ever seen before," said Helen DeVitt Jones Endowed Director of Education Julie Hodges. "More than 200 community volunteers—many dressed in period clothing—will help recreate what Christmas might have been like on the open prairie during frontier days."

The annual event is free to the public with a minimum suggested \$5 donation per family. In addition to more than 4,000 luminaries lining the paths of the 19-acre historic park, holiday scenes created in the historic structures will be lit as much as possible with only lanterns, fireplaces and campfires.

"Pioneer ranches had no electricity, so we try to take each of our historic structures back to what it would have looked like at Christmas in its own time," Hodges said, emphasizing that most of the 51 structures in the historic park are between 100 and 175 years old.

As a result, many new volunteers have both fire and firearm safety training in the days leading up to Candlelight.

In addition to individual volunteers, many community and campus organizations as well as musical groups will welcome guests to Candlelight. Visitors can purchase refreshments in the decorated 1908 Four Sixes Barn while they listen to Brazos West play Christmas music with a Texas swing. Kettle corn will be available on the patio and the Street Sweets Food Truck will sell coffee and sweets.

Santa Claus will be located in the Pitchfork Pavilion but will leave promptly at 9:30 p.m. To avoid long lines, Candlelight uses an "open range" concept that allows visitors to choose in what order they view the historic structures, which lighted pathways they take and when they exit the park prior to closing. The NRHC is wheelchair and stroller accessible.

In cooperation with the NRHC, the International Cultural Center (ICC) at Texas Tech will host a celebration of German Christmas traditions from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13. The ICC is located within easy walking distance of the NRHC and the event is free to the public.

The National Ranching Heritage is located adjacent to the Texas Tech University campus at 3121 Fourth St. For more information, call (806) 742-0498 or view nrhc.ttu.edu.

Financial aid tip of the month, December 2019

Special to the Herald

High school seniors should keep track of deadlines for applying for college financial aid. Here are some tips from KHEEA.

File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible.

Check with the financial aid offices of the schools to which you've applied to determine if they require any forms other than the FAFSA.

Look for scholarships using a free online scholarship search.

Attend any college fairs and financial aid semi-

nars offered at your high school or in your area. If a company charges a fee for helping with applications, remember that you can do that yourself for free. If you decide to pay for help, make sure the company is reputable by checking with the state Attorney General's office or the Better Business Bureau in your area, as well as the area where the firm is located.

KHEEA is a public, non-profit agency established in 1966 to improve students' access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents.

Building Permits

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Jasmine Ahrnkeil, 1301 Princeton, Big Spring
Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Anthony Anderson, 3401 Camellia Dr. #707, Temple
Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St., Big Spring
Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
Letitia Baucham, 1202 Stanford, Big Spring
Linda Beck, 1713 Worley Rd., Banner Elk, N.C.
Joshua Bell, 1962 Tuscola, Snyder
John Bochnicka, 538 Westover Rd. #260
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, P.O. Box 391, Snyder

Douglas "Doug" Lee Brown, 205 W. 14th St. P.O. Box 275, Monahans

James Bullard, 202 Fourth St., Palestine
Melinda Burns, 2218 Carlton Way, San Angelo
Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake

Gloria Cerna, P.O. Box 55, Lamesa
Matilda Cortez, 302 N St. Teresa
Roy E. DeBlanc, 1066 Cutrer Rd., Osyka, Miss.

Laura W. Dennis, 1511 Scurry, Big Spring
Humberto Diaz Jr., 3417 N. Midland Dr, Midland
Nelba DeLosRios Diaz, 10600 McMillian Dr., Austin

Krista A. Dickson, 6917 Todd, Sachse
Jimmy Dodson, 405 31st St., Snyder
Ben Doherty, 5019 McKinney St. No. 105, Dallas

Angela Doty, 1401 E. Rundberg, Austin
Clayton W. Durbin, 6508 Centerpoint, Big Spring
Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder

Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 100 E Parker, Midland
Joanna Esparza, 501 S.Tackitt Seymour, Texas
Carol W. Evans, 809 E 33rd, Plainview, Texas

Chris M. Fagan, 3508 W. Eighth St., Amarillo
Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild Dr., Big Spring
Leza Faulkner, 1102 South Water, Burnet

Jose Enrique Faz, 1008 N.W. 2nd St, Big Spring
Mumduh Felemban, 9338 Perrin Beitel Apt. 701, San Antonio

Alexander Fernandez, 404 Cypress, Colorado City
Juana Fierro, 406 N. W. 5th St., Big Spring
Tracy D. Flores, 2401 Russell Ave., Abilene

Ellen French, P.O. Box 942, Poteau, Okla.
Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa
Johnnie Fuller, 3801 23rd St., Snyder

Juan E. Garcia, 3355 River Road North Keizer, Ok
Mary Jo Garner, 11802 Silver Barring Cove, San Antonio

William Gene Garner, 704 Rosemont, Big Spring
Rosa M. George, 509 W. Second St., Stanton, Texas
Perry Gholar, 1510 Nolan, Big Spring

Elizabeth Gomez, 509 Raleigh St., Plainview
Guillermo Gomez, 2107 Morrison, Big Spring
Jennifer Gonzales, 2616 Hunter Dr., Big Spring

James E. Gonzalez, 604 Neff St., Sweetwater
Jeremy Goodman, 3471 Green Meadow #24, San Angelo

Kay Grant, 4405 N. Garfield #1005, Midland
Isaiah Green, 4801 State St., Abilene
John Grima, 914 E. Sixth St., Big Spring

Thomas E. Gross, 4100 S. Highway 87 #37, Big Spring
Lynn Guerrero, 203 W. Ave #3, Clayton, N.M.
Melissa Gutierrez, 3310 SF Austin, No. 58, Brownwood

Sandra Ann Gutierrez, 1501 N. Fourth Place, 1312 S. Ave. L, Lamesa

Mike Haddix, 401 Humble St. Apt. E, Midland
Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
William J. Harman, HC 76, Box 147K-1, Big Spring

Nicholas D. Hasenbalg, 207 W. Williams St. #9, Breckenridge

Ann Hashem, 120 Airbase Rd. 15-5, Big Spring
Christine Henderson, 420 N. El Paso
Juanita Hernandez, 1502 Bluebird, Big Spring

Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E 4th St., San Angelo
Scott Herrera, H.C 76, Box 97B Ash Rd., Big Spring
Billy Dean Hill, 7117 Alissa, Rowlett

Johnny R. Hill, 704 San Antonio, Big Spring
Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N Texas #198 Odessa

Jim Bob Jennings, 4446 Ridgecrest Amarillo 9001 Indiana Apt D, Lubbock

Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
David Kelley, P.O. Box 724, Salado
Joni D. Kelly, 3050 Co. Rd 139, Colorado

Renola S. Kelly, 4503 LA Salle Circle, Colorado City
Cynthia Lee Kent, Moved to Newport News, Virginia
Kayle R. Lane, P.O. Box 83965, Waco

Rafael Lemus, 1804 Mittel, Big Spring
Jesse Paul Lopez, 101 Scurry St., Big Spring
Ruben Lopez Jr., 107 Milburn St., Snyder, Texas

Clifford G. Lowe, 501 Circle, Big Spring
Patricia D. Lyons, 7502 Interstate 27 number A, Lubbock

Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
Bruce Edward Mallard, P.O. Box 3265 504 Westover, Big Spring

Barbara A. Marshall, P.O. Box 1065, Deming, New Mexico
James Martinez, P.O. Box 269, Ft. Davis

Rene N. Martinez, 8618 Serene Ridge, Big Spring, Texas
Victoria Josephine Martinez, 323 S. Main St., Loraine

Karen McCalister, 5925 Raton Ln. number 154, Ft. Worth
O'Neal McClain, 911 17th St., Snyder
Diana McCool, 504 Donley, Big Spring

Ethel Laverne McVae, 4202 Parkway Rd., Big Spring, Texas
Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring

Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover Rd.
Dana Kay Peach, 1806 N 13th, Lamesa
Nicole Preston, 1605 E 11th place, Big Spring

RECORDS

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Jacquelin Dannon Ramey, 1404 E 6th St. Big Spring
Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
Byron Roberts, 2206 Alabama St Big Spring
Michael Robinson, 801 Anne St., Big Spring
Juan Romero, 2504 March CR, Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring
Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City
Polly Ann Rusk, 4201 W Hwy 80, Big Spring
Elizabeth Salazar, 1808 Hearn, Big Spring, Texas
Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place, Apt. 301, Big Spring
Derrick Dewayne Smith, 703 West 16th, San Angelo, Texas
Leon Torres, 1500 Lincoln, Big Spring
Michael Ray Watson, 1503 Tucson Rd., Big Spring
Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, 2526 Fairchild, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd., Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

Matthew Allen Harvey, 32, and Barbara Carrasco Cruz, 27, both of Oklahoma
Danny Joe Dawdy, 64, and Brenda Kay Blanscett, 64, both of Big Spring
Joshua David Twining, 47, and Heidi Lynn Wagner, 54, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Patricia Villa
Defendant: Elias Villa
Type of Case: Divorce-no children
Date: Dec. 2, 2019

Plaintiff: Crown Asset Management, LLC Assignee of Comenity Capital Bank (my Place Rewards)
Defendant: Julie Morris
Type of Case: Contract-Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: Dec. 2, 2019

Plaintiff: Nustar Permian Transportation and Storage, LLC
Defendant: Walker Farms Ltd
Type of Case: Real Property-Other
Date: Dec. 2, 2019

Plaintiff: State of Texas
Defendant: Kennedy's Bail Bonds
Type of Case: Civil Cases Relation to Criminal Matters
Date: Dec. 2, 2019

Plaintiff: Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC
Defendant: Helen Lozano
Type of Case: Contract/Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: Dec. 3, 2019

Plaintiff: TD Auto Finance LLC
Defendant: Sherry White, Dusty Kirby
Type of Case: Contract-Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: Dec. 3, 2019

Plaintiff: Julio Najera-Garcia
Defendant: Maria Fernandez
Type of Case: Divorce-no children

Date: Dec. 3, 2019

County Court Rulings

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all County Court Rulings.)
Defendant: John Rios
Offense: Possession of Marijuana (less than two ounces)
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$327 court costs, time served.
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

Defendant: Andres Solis
Offense: Possession of Marijuana (less than two ounces)
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$327 court costs, time served.
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

Defendant: Kimberly Michelle Waddell
Offense: Driving while intoxicated-second offense
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$442.10 court costs, 365 days in jail, probated 12 months, 90 day license suspension
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Defendant: Abel Torres
Offense: Evading Arrest or Detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, time served
Date: Nov. 20, 2019

Defendant: Michael Green
Offense: Theft of property (\$100 to \$750)
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, time served
Date: Nov. 20, 2019

Defendant: Michael Green
Offense: Failure to identify-giving false or fictitious information
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, time served
Date: Nov. 20, 2019

Defendant: Marcos Chavera Jr.
Offense: Duty on striking unattended vehicle (less than \$200)
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, time served
Date: Nov. 19, 2019

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Jeanne Adams, individually and as heir of William C. Adams
Grantee: Clay Harris
Property: Lot 13, Blk. 6, Replat of Lots 2 to 9 inclusive, Blk. 4 and replat of all of Blk. 5 of the amended Plat of Muir Heights Addition
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Quentin Vanderbilt and Deborah Vanderbilt
Grantee: Inertia Holdings 1, LLC
Property: Lot 20, Blk. 5, Capehart Addition
Date: Nov. 21, 2019

Grantor: Debra Casey, as an individual and as the independent administrator of the estate of Marvin Monroe Casey, deceased
Grantee: Casey Campers
Property: 1.96 acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 44, Blk. 32, T-1-N, R&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Debra Casey, as an individual and as the independent administrator of the estate of Marvin Monroe Casey, deceased
Grantee: Casey Campers
Property: 8.55 acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 44, Blk. 32, T-1-N, R&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Debra Casey, as an individual and as the in-

dependent administrator of the estate of Marvin Monroe Casey, deceased
Grantee: Debra Casey
Property: 2.694 acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 19, Blk. 32, T-1-N, R&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Debra Casey, as an individual and as the independent administrator of the estate of Marvin Monroe Casey, deceased
Grantee: Debra Casey
Property: Tract 1: Lots 2-7, Blk. 1, Sunset Addition; Tract 2: Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 11, Brown Addition; Tract 3: Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 11, Brown Addition; Tract 4: 0.790 acre tract out of Section 32, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Esmilton Castillo Bueno and Adagmara Galvez Medina
Grantee: John Guaderrama and Esmeralda Guaderrama
Property: Lots 3 and 4, Blk. 44, Original Town of Forsan
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: Hollis A. Eddy-Clemons, Individually and Trustee under the provisions of a trust agreement dated March 22, 2017, and known as the Hollis A. Eddy Clemons Living Trust
Grantee: Performance Pre-Mix Pits, LLC
Property: Parcel of land out of Section 30, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Grantor: A.E. Companies, Inc., formerly known as A.E. Computer Company, Inc.
Grantee: Jay Patel
Property: Lot 12, Blk. 6, Worth Peeler Addition No. 3
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: Timothy Aaren Smith
Grantee: Wanda Brown
Property: Section 5, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 21, 2019

Grantor: Diana Gonzalez
Grantee: Rangeland Property, LLC
Property: 1.83 acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 24, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: Melanie Watson
Grantee: Parks Fuels, Ltd.
Property: Lot 16, Blk. 2, Original Town of Big Spring
Date: Nov. 21, 2019

Grantor: Viola Denise Harris, Becky Jean Powell, and Gregory Porter Hill, Heirs of William Porter Hill, deceased
Grantee: Tony Castillo
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 1, Mesa Addition
Date: Nov. 13, 2019

Grantor: The Fuller 2017 Trust, C.E. (Mike) Thomas III, Trustee
Grantee: Sonia Lusk
Property: 5.0 acre tract our of SE/4 of Section 41, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 19, 2019

Grantor: Birdwell Lane Baptist Church, by and through its appointed Trustees, being Bryan Watson, Chad Harbour and Joshua Keeney
Grantee: Grace Baptist Fellowship
Property: Lot 15, Blk. 3, May Thixton Addition
Date: Oct. 9, 2019

Grantor: Grace Baptist Fellowship
Grantee: Trinity Baptist Church
Property: Tract 1: Lots 13, 14 and 15, Blk. 3, May Thixton Additon; Tract 2: Lot 9, Blk. 4, Thixton Addition

Date: Oct. 9, 2019

Grantor: Phillips Fabrication
Grantee: Performance Pre-Mix Pits, LLC
Property: NW corner of a 3 acre tract out of Section 30, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Grantor: Mickey Lee Butts
Grantee: Roshni M. Patel
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 5, College Park Estates
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Grantor: Roshni M. Patel
Grantee: Shiva Homes, LLC
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 5, College Park Estates
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

Warranty Deeds with Vendors' Liens
Grantor: Sharon Plantt
Grantee: Trent Morgan
Property: Lot 25, Blk. 25, College Park Estates
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Cynthia Bishop, f/k/a Cynthia L. Herrera
Grantee: Guadalupe Olivas
Property: E/2 of Lot 1, Blk. 2, Reynolds Addition
Date: Nov. 26, 2019

Grantor: Eric Wayne Norman and Candy Marie Norman
Grantee: Felipe Rodriguez
Property: Lot 18, Blk. 29, College Park Estates #5
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: John Dodd and Diana Dodd
Grantee: Juan Zavala and Cecilia Zavala
Property: Lot 1, Blk. 1, Jordan Park Estates 1
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: Terry Huitt and Lori Huitt
Grantee: Chad Devine
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 2, Kenwood (Unit No. 1)
Date: Nov. 22, 2019

Grantor: Lonny E. Hergert and Tiana M. Hergert a/k/a Tiana Hergert
Grantee: Donny Leon Allen
Property: 10.20 acre tract out of SE/4 of Section 32, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Grantor: Patricia Sue Nabors, as an Independent Executor of the Estate of Paul S. Nabors, deceased
Grantee: Jeel Donuts, LLC
Property: Lots 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9, the W/60' of Lot 7, and the N/10' of the E/60' of Lot 7, all in Blk. 4, McDowell Heights Addition
Date: Nov. 14, 2019

Grantor: Krista Coccozza and Ian Coccozza
Grantee: Lorraine Cortado Montilla
Property: Lot 16, Blk. 2, Section 1, Village at the Spring Addition
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

Grantor: Connie Schooler, Administrator of the Estate of Nina York Barks, aka Nina Y. Barnes, deceased
Grantee: Traz Gill and Maryann Gill
Property: Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 30, amended Plat of the N/2 of Blks. 28 and 29, the S/2 of Blks. 30 and 31, and Blk. 19, College Park Estates.
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

Grantor: Traz S. Gill and Maryall B. Gill
Grantee: Edward Ray Pitchford
Property: Lot 18, Blk. 1, Roy Chapman Subdivision
Date: Nov. 15, 2019

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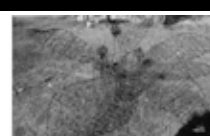
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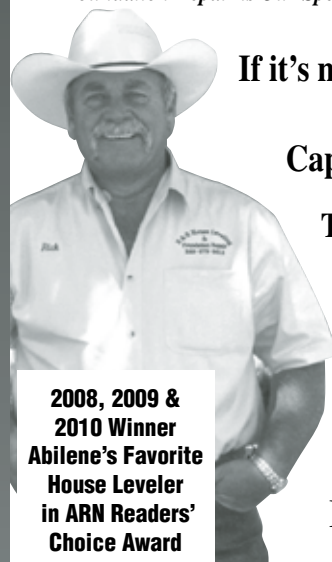
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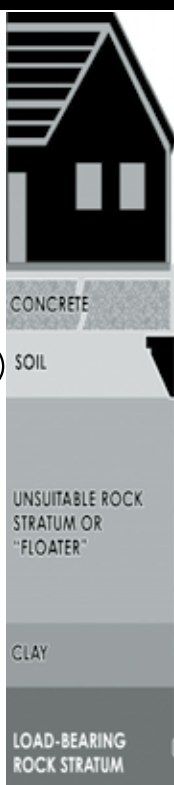
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DATED the 3rd day of December, 2019.

Joshua Hamby Attorney for TINA RUTH SAUCEDO State Bar No.: 24034471 107 W. 4th St. Big Spring, TX 79720 Telephone: (432) 263 8395 Facsimile: (432) 263 4798 E-mail: hambyfirm@yahoo.com

#10382 DEC. 8, 2019

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of GEORGE BENTON SMITH, Deceased, were issued on October 7, 2019, in Cause No. P-14953, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: TINA RUTH SAUCEDO.

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DATED the 3rd day of December, 2019.

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#10381 DEC. 8, 2019

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR NON-COMMERCIAL OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

Trilogy Operating, Inc., P.O. Box 7606, Midland, Texas 79708 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced gas water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation, PAC "54" lease, Well Number 1. The proposed non-commercial disposal well is located 5 miles Northeast of Garden City in the PAC "54" (Fusselman) field in Glasscock County, Texas. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval

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from 2430 to 3950 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within (15) fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

#10379 Dec. 8, 2019

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR INJECTION WELL PERMIT

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ANNIE'S MAILBOX

A Softy or a Sucker?

Dear Annie: One of my young relatives came to me when she was thrown out of her house at the age of 23 by her parents for "no reason," she claimed. I agreed to cosign her lease so she could get an apartment, and I also agreed to pay her rent until she could find a good job. Two years later, she hadn't found a job, and I was still paying for her apartment. I informed her I expected her to start contributing a small amount for rent. She became angry and stopped returning my calls. Then she vanished. Her friends told me she was now living with some guy out of state. The manager of her apartment contacted me and said I still owed rent for the next 10 months, as I was the cosigner, unless I could find someone to take over the lease.

My question is: What should be my reaction to this level of dishonesty? Should I try to find her and take her to court or just forget

the \$18,000 dollars I've spent along with the \$7,000 more I still owe? Is this cause for some kind of retribution? Disown her? Upon my death, she was to get my \$200,000 house, and now I don't believe she deserves anything. Is it reasonable to expect a 26-year-old to be responsible?

Just as an addendum, my nephew did something similar years ago, and she knew all about it and how it had upset me. Did she figure I was a soft touch? I wrote my nephew out of my will. Doesn't she deserve the same fate? -- Financially Abused Father Figure

Dear Financially Abused: In a word, yes. Yes, there's a good chance that she saw how her brother took advantage of you and decided that she could do the same. And yes, I think you should write her out of your will. There are many more deserving people than her.

As for recouping your expenses from the apartment, your course

is less clear. As credit expert LaToya Irby wrote for The Balance: "Either the lender or a debt collection agency ... can file a lawsuit against you for any unpaid part of the debt, even if they don't sue the person you co-signed for." Your best option might be to look for someone who can sublet her apartment for the duration of the lease, if the lease permits subletting. If the lease does not permit subletting, perhaps you can work out an agreement with the landlord to do so, given the circumstances.

It's always worth consulting with an attorney and a financial adviser on matters this serious, so I encourage you to do so.

Dear Annie: I read your recent column regarding the couple that gives so much to family and friends, yet get little in return ("Feeling Used"). I thought your reply was spot on from a practical perspective.

Additionally, "Feeling Used" mentioned the theme of the pastor's

homily being "as you give to others, so you will be rewarded." I think perhaps what they missed in the pastor's homily was "in giving to others, they are serving the Lord and will be rewarded by Him" (Colossians 3:23-24). In other words, their generosity will not necessarily be reciprocated by those to whom they give, although I think that's what they're looking for by way of at least a little appreciation, which is understandable.

I just thought that was worth mentioning. By the way, writing this was harder than I thought it would be. From here on out, I'll stick to my day job. -- Mike

Dear Mike: Whatever job you have, I hope you continue to keep finding time to share your insightful thoughts with the world. Thanks for writing.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



How to Offset a Solar Square

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Achievement is based in a realistic plan. If the plan is wishful and includes an element of luck for it to work, then it's not realistic. Start where you are and change one small thing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It is said that generosity begins at home. Without self-compassion, compassion for others is a show based on approval and external validation. True compassion extends as infinitely inward as it does outward.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Historically, people worked to put bread on the table. Now there's much more personal identity tied into it. A sense of purpose in work is as or more crucial to you now than the compensation.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Though nutritious food and a decent amount of sleep

are keystones of your self-care, perhaps the most important element is a gentle and supportive way of being in your own mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Most mistakes aren't crimes. Over-reactions are a waste of energy. Those who know something of the world are better at keeping things in perspective. These are the people you choose to hang out with.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Though you reserve the right to be interested or uninterested in whatever does or doesn't catch your fancy, you're willing to try a little harder to hook into an idea for the sake of a loved one seeking support or company.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The negligent authority figure brushes things off with a sense that others are being unreasonable in their feelings. Of course, feelings follow their own logic, and the wise will at least make an attempt at decoding.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If the situation seems like a game of elementary school dodgeball in which the teams are painstakingly chosen by fellow classmates, then perhaps the general organization process isn't quite forward-thinking enough.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's like you need instructions for a thing you thought you knew how to do already. Skills are like home decor. They need a good dusting off every once in a while, and this is that time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've been a little unaware of your own needs,

probably because someone else's have been so apparent. This mode is fine for the short term, but it's unsustainable. Get back to treating yourself as you would a loved one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). In every interaction, you think of the other person and how their experience of it is going. This is indicative of great skill in the task at hand, as it is only possible to think of others after the job you're doing is automatic to you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). As much as you might dream of a future era, it's still the daily things you experience that will fortify

your soul. There's something in your routine that needs tweaking, and you'll spot it.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 8). This year has a most inspired balance of chaos and order, leading you to innovate in life and work. Your time with loved ones is golden because you plan it so well, leaving room to get swept up in the unplanned parts. Tightening down on your budget makes it possible to travel and experience more of the world. Virgo and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 14, 3, 33 and 18

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Mercury enters Sagittarius on Monday, opening the way for broader social interaction. Then, on Wednesday, the full moon in Gemini makes a party out of it. You may advance your interests under these auspicious social omens, but don't lead with that. This is supposed to be fun.

There are people who feel so much pressure

in social situations that they forget the purpose -- to be together and experience one another -- and instead they approach the interaction like a game they need to win. If you can make people feel comfortable, take the pressure off and be generally easygoing, then you will have the advantage that comes from learning who people really are instead of learning who they are trying to be.

Chasing ideas is a favorite pastime during this expansive period when the Sagittarius energy is flowing strong. Note that genius often has succinct eloquence while mere intelligence can get very convoluted in its ambitions until it finally hits its stride. If you're not tracking with an idea, give it time to reveal itself to you. Interact with it to work out the kinks. The more you know about a subject, the simpler and more naturally you'll be able to incorporate it.

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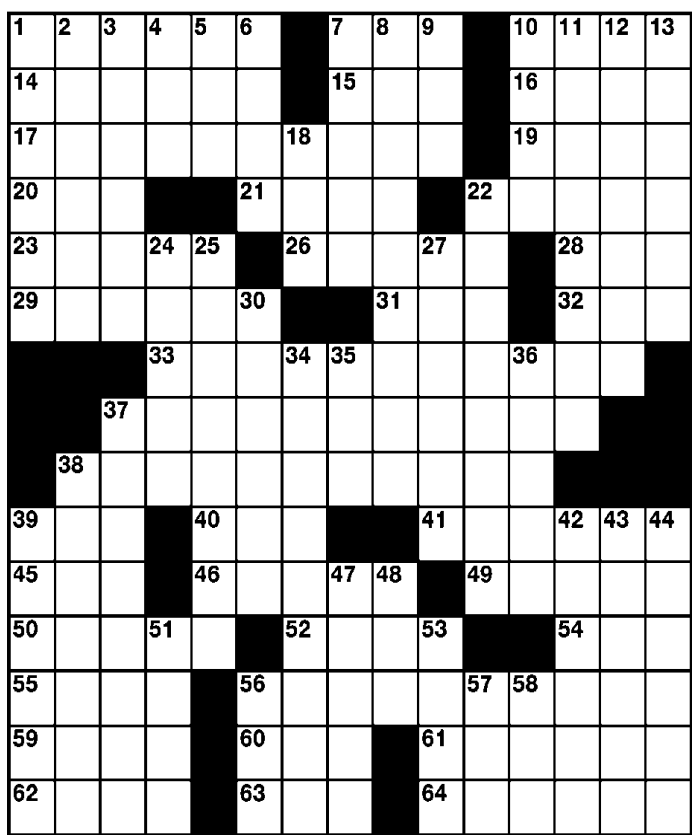
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- ACROSS**
- 1 *Reino ibérico*
 - 7 Sony handheld debut of '04
 - 10 Silent signal
 - 14 Of the above
 - 15 Tail __
 - 16 Distinctive character
 - 17 What a dealer may give you credit for
 - 19 "Surely you jest"
 - 20 Boneless swimmer
 - 21 Material for some spas
 - 22 Opposite of "organization"
 - 23 221B, e.g.
 - 26 Traditional time to sing "Por los Días Pasados"
 - 28 Polypeptide chain builder
 - 29 Big name in Comic Relief
 - 31 Pupil mover
 - 32 Cognizance
 - 33 Parliament's neighborhood
 - 37 Online header of a sort
 - 38 Certain dots on a half-circle graphic
 - 39 Stand for
 - 40 Common fluorine partner
 - 41 Sought a place to eat, informally
 - 45 Main menu openers
 - 46 Beclouded
 - 49 __ bread
 - 50 Muslim woman's face covering
 - 52 Low-tech travelers
 - 54 Steered
 - 55 Musical production
- DOWN**
- 1 Take a course without preparation
 - 2 Scriptural guardian
 - 3 Supplicate
 - 4 Auxiliary
 - 5 "He's just-__ better than he should be": Burns
 - 6 Roasted
 - 7 Wood used for smoking meats
 - 8 *Boy Scout Handbook* safety subject
 - 9 Bk. in electronic health record systems
 - 10 King of Poland's composer (c. 1740)
 - 11 World's largest economy, in headlines
 - 12 Many a wedding playlist choice
 - 13 Auntie Em, for instance
 - 18 No longer, in context
 - 22 Brought up too closely
 - 24 Vain
 - 25 Stop being square
 - 27 Place for strutters
 - 30 Question of confirmation
 - 34 Minor exchange
 - 35 Who cares?
 - 36 Operator of battery Gigafactories
 - 37 Booster unit
 - 38 Occasional catcher
 - 39 Standing
 - 42 Knock off
 - 43 Sends into a swoon
 - 44 Ruler from a tree
 - 47 Minute
 - 48 Corporate promotions
 - 51 Pliny advises to treat their stings with vinegar
 - 53 Unspecified example
 - 56 They play in trays
 - 57 Hulu add-on letters
 - 58 Grayish brown



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Check this out, at the library this week

We had a great turnout for Pictures with Santa; thank you Star Dodge Chrysler and Greater Big Spring Rotary Club for making this event possible.

This week we have Babytime on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and Storytime on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Families and caregivers are welcome to bring their little ones, meet other families and enjoy stories and play. On Thursday we have two sessions of Code Club session one in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and session two at 5:30 p.m.

This week's reviews include, fiction, science-fiction and non-fiction.

Emily Carver longs to have a home of her own, in "A Treasure Concealed" (F PET T) by Tracie Peterson.

Instead she endures a transient existence in the gold mining camps of Montana Territory, where her father's hopes for riches lie endlessly buried. Promises of wealth from this wild land have brought only hardship and disappointment, causing Emily to wonder if her own modest dreams will ever see the light of day.

Caeden Thibault, a young geologist working for the government, is a man trying to escape the pain of his past, and the idyllic mountains of Montana serve his purpose well. In the course of his work, he has seen more than his share of starry-eyed gold seekers. So when Emily Carve catches his attention, he is intrigued by the fact that she isn't pinning her hopes on striking it rich. Will an unexpected discovery come between them or draw them together?

It's a beautiful day in Manhattan in "Sting of the Wasp" (F CLA T) by Jeff Rovin, as excited tourists board the floating Air and Space Museum on the USS Intrepid, until a horrible explosion rips across the flight deck.

The perpetrator is none other than Captain

Ahmed Salehi, an Iranian mastermind whose last terrorism plot was foiled at the last minute by Op-Center. Back in Washington, the White House orders Op-Center disbanded, or so it seems. Unbeknownst to America's enemies, director Chase Williams has been put in charge of a brand-new, top-secret covert attack team known only as BLACK WASP. Its members, each chosen for their unique set of specialized black-ops skills; martial arts expert Lieutenant Grace Lee, sharpshooter Lance Corporal Jaz Rivette, and JAG attorney and criminologist Major Hamilton Breen, have been assigned to seek out Salehi and finally bring him to justice. But Salehi is part of an even more frightening conspiracy, led by a renegade Iranian tycoon determined to establish a new Islamic State that will dwarf the horrors of ISIS. From the heart of Manhattan, to the swamps of Trinidad, to the sun-baked mud villages of Yemen, this new Op-Center is America's only line of defense against a bloody Middle Eastern tyrant.

A new ice age has driven mankind to settlements at the equator in "Rin, Tongue and Dornier" (SF SHA R) by Rich Shapero.

In Clemency, a metropolis sheltered inside a transparent dome surrounded by glaciers-Planning luminary Dornier hears female voices in his sleep. As the voices become more insistent, he seeks help from neuroscientist Rin, who runs tests to identify the location and import of this interior woman, who calls herself "Tongue."

Rin's increasingly invasive experiments help Dornier to visualize Tongue, until he's able to fly through the cosmos of his brain and find the distant asteroid from which Tongue's voices beckon and provoke. Meanwhile, Rin and Dornier fall in love. Is Tongue an agent of change, bringing desire and passion to their lives, or is she Rin's worst enemy?

With Rin's guidance, Dornier lands on the asteroid where Tongue reigns supreme, and explores a mysterious landscape of flames and human monuments- a realm of rapture and portent that threatens to undo them all. With wild imagination and blazing insight, Shapero depicts the inner work-

ings of human desire, probing the depths of our buried passions, and revealing their potential to annihilate us, or set us free.

Follow God's process for growth, and learn how you can benefit from life's experiences in "Crushing: God Turns Pressure Into Power" (248.86 JAK T) by T.D. Jakes.

In this insightful book, author T.D. Jakes wrestles with age-old questions: Is God okay with the coexistence of joy and utter anguish? Do we have to suffer so much loss in this life in order to mature in our faith?

Why would a good Father allow His children to suffer so much pain, injustice and heartache? In his most personal offering yet, Bishop Jakes emphasizes the value of asking these difficult questions and tells crushing stories from his own journey-the painful experience of learning his teenage daughter was pregnant, the agony of watching his mother succumb to Alzheimer's, and the shock and helplessness he felt when his son had a heart attack. But he soon learned that God was using those challenging experiences to prepare him for unexpected blessings.

As the master Vintner, God knows your crops of fruit are merely part of an ongoing greater process to fulfill the destiny He has in store for you. Bishop Jakes wants to remind you that if you are faithful through suffering, you will be surprised by God's joy, comforted by His peace, and filled with His purpose and inspire you to have hope, even in your most difficult moments.

"Books open your mind, broaden your mind, and strengthen you as nothing else can." -William Feather

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Sandra Verdin

Frozen II

In 2013, Disney introduced the world to two new princesses: Elsa and Anna of Arendelle, in the hit movie Frozen. Now the pair are back in the simply named Frozen II...but did it recapture the magic of its six-year-old predecessor?

If you'll remember where the original left off, the people of Arendelle had accepted Elsa (Idina Menzel) and her magic snow and ice powers. Anna (Kristen Bell) and Kristoff (Jonathan Groff) were a couple, and Elsa was alone following the outing of her love interest Hans as a bad guy.

Frozen II starts off with a flashback. The princesses are young children (Mattea Conforti and flashbacks to Eva Bella as young Elsa, Hadley Gannaway and flashbacks to Libby Stubenrauch as young Anna), and their father, King Agnarr (Alfred Molina), tells them a story. It seems that in days of yore, his father, the girls' grandfather, King Runeard (Jeremy Sisto), made a treaty with the forest-dwelling people of Northuldra by building a dam in the Enchanted Forest, their home. However, as the dam is being unveiled, a fight breaks out between the Arendelle and Northuldra. The elemental spirits of air, fire, water and earth are angered, and they cast a fog over the entire Enchanted Forest, barring entry to all outsiders.

Back in the present day, Kristoff has purchased a ring, and is waiting for the right opportunity to pop the question to Anna, and Elsa has begun to hear strange snatches of music that no one else can hear.

Following the music one night, Elsa awakens the elemental spirits, who begin devastating Arendelle. The kingdom's people evacuate, and Elsa vows to travel to the Enchanted Forest to see if she can discover its secrets and somehow keep the spirits from destroying her homeland. Of course, Anna, Olaf the Magic Snowman (Josh Gad), Kristoff and Sven the reindeer tag along (despite her protests).

Arriving at the Forest, they discover that the mist forms an impenetrable barrier around the woods. Well, mostly impenetrable...Elsa uses her magic and the fog parts, allowing them entry. Unfortunately, once they're in, the fog closes behind them...and the same trick doesn't work to allow them out.

Inside they meet the Northuldrans...and some elemental spirits.



I'll just go ahead and say that I didn't enjoy Frozen II as much as I enjoyed Frozen. On the plus side, the new movies gives some answers about what's going on, where Elsa's powers come from, and what her role in the greater scheme of things is. On the down side, those answers are needlessly complicated. They tell the origin of Elsa's powers and what they're for (kinda) without really revealing why the change was necessary or warranted.

In addition, I felt like the whole movie was unnecessarily complicated.

Don't get me wrong, I had fun. But I had more fun sitting at home watching a video of Frozen on my laptop than I did in the theater for Frozen II. Your mileage may vary.

Six and a half stars out

of 10 (For reference, I give Frozen itself which I have not actually reviewed about a 7 and a half).

Frozen II
Director: Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee
Writer: Screenplay by Jennifer Lee, story by Chris Buck, Jennifer Lee, Marc E. Smith, Kristen Anderson-Lopez, Robert Lopez
Production company: Walt Disney Pictures and Walt Disney Animation Studios, distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures.
PG; 1 hr. 43 min.; Animation/Adventure/Comedy; Nov. 22, 2019

Roger saw this movie at Big Spring's own Cinemark Cinema 4, located inside the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. Visit www.cinemark.com and enter the ZIP code 79720 for more information.



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