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**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
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**MLK March**  
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 Meet at corner of Gregg St. and MLK Blvd.

City and County offices closed. Emergency services will operate as usual.

Jan. 25

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Open Art Studio fundraiser  
 BSHS Art Room

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 BSHS at 10 a.m.  
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## Improving access to specialty care through VAVideo Connect

**Special to the Herald**

West Texas VA relies on community care for much of the prosthetics needs of its Veterans, and now with the collaboration between West Texas VA Health Care System (WTVAHCS) and North Texas VA Health Care System (NTXVAHCS) and VAVideo Connect, WTVAHCS Veterans now enjoy greater access to care from VA providers, without having to make the four-hour drive to Dallas.

Kenneth Turner, Army and Navy Veteran, was the first WTVAHCS Veteran to receive specialized care using VA Video Connect and benefit from NTXVAHCS array of specialists.

“This has changed my treatment experience - having a provider available for me in the comfort of my local VA,” said Turner. “The video connection made it easy to see my provider. I was able to walk and demonstrate how well I have been doing working with my Physical Therapists”.

Turner recently lost his right leg and has been receiving care from VA for more than a year. Originally a patient



Courtesy photo

**Veterans will be able to have access to specialty care through VAVideo Connect, allowing connection to a provider from any device with an internet connection.**

of the NTXVAHCS, Turner moved to Big Spring to be closer to his daughter, and now receives care here.

“When Veterans need repairs or a new prosthesis, we had to rely on com-

munity providers.” said Katherine Price, West Texas VA Physical Therapist. “Working with Dallas VA has

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## The Wisdom of History: Lecture 2: WW1 and the lessons of history

By ANNA GUTIERREZ  
 Staff Writer

Dr. Fears posits, “In our next four lectures, I want to examine how the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, and indeed our own brief new millennium, is the most striking proof of failure to learn from the lessons of history.”

World War I was said to be the war to end all wars. It was believed that mankind would never again allow the death and destructions that occurred. Referred to as The Great War, not only was it the most destructive in history, we, to this day, still live the effects.

The last 100 years have seen some of the greatest advances in technology. The world became a global economy. The United States and the greatest countries in Europe were joined in a free-market economy. With the invention of the telephone, telegraph and movies, information was moving faster than it ever had.

The trigger to WWI was the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on June 28, 1914. What led up to this assassination is a source of debate for many historians. Dr. Fears opines that Ferdinand, heir to the Austrian throne, was shot by a terrorist who believed in bringing all Serb-speaking areas, including Bosnia, into a greater Serbian kingdom.

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## BSEDC regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday

By AMANDA DUFORAT  
 Managing Editor

The Big Spring Economic Development Corporation will be holding a regular board meeting on Tuesday, at 5:15 p.m. at 215 W. Third.

The EDC Board will enter into an Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to discuss the Executive Director Position. The position has been opened since Executive Director Terry Wegman announced his retirement at November meeting. Wegman will serve in the role as EDC Director until the end of March 2020.

The board will also be looking to approve the  
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## Wine and Canvas classes hosted by Hotel Settles



Courtesy photos

A Wine and Canvas painting class took place this past weekend at the Hotel Settles. Over the next month, there will be several activities taking place that the community can take part in. More than 20 people attended the class which was held in the Pavilion Room.

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## Obituaries

### Lucille Mundell Nichols



Lucille Mundell Nichols passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2020. The family will receive friends on Monday, Jan. 20, 2020, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Nalley Pickle and Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring, Texas. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020, at Mt. Olive Chapel and Cemetery.

Lucille was born on Feb. 20, 1933, to John and Ethel Mundell in Lamesa, Texas. Lucille married Donald "Tink" Nichols on June 24, 1950, in Big Spring Texas. They were married for 64 years. Lucille was a farmer's wife and a homemaker for the majority of her life. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, and spending time with her family and friends. She was an avid sports fan, especially when it came to watching her grandkids.

She is survived by her daughters, Sandra Hodnett of Big Spring, and Tammy Dyer of Austin; sons, David Nichols and wife, Leah of Bandera, and Chad Nichols and wife, Jackie of Big Spring; grandchildren, Jason Hodnett and wife, Jenny, Mandy Anderson and husband, Phillip, Natalie Baldwin and husband, Jack, Kaitlyn Nichols, and Reagan Nichols; and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Nichols; her parents, John and Ethel Mundell; brothers, Jack Mundell, Buster Mundell, and Don Mundell; sisters, Inez Vegso and Bernice Hardison; son-in-law Freddie Hodnett; and daughter-in-law Diana Nichols.

The family would like to thank Lonnie Cantu and Marcy Hernandez for all the love and care they provided Lucille. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

*Paid Obituary*

### Doyle Railsback

Doyle Railsback, 83, of Big Spring died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **ROBERT ADAM MATA**, 33, of 403 Valley St., was arrested on warrants for criminal mischief (\$2,500 to \$30,000), and burglary of a building.

• **BRENDEN GARCIA**, 18, of 611 Scurry, was arrested on charges of evading arrest or detention, two counts of no drivers license, failure to control speed, and accident involving damage to vehicle (less than \$200).

• **CHAD LEE PUGA**, 35, of 1701 Eubanks, was arrested on charges of evading arrest or detention, possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one to four grams), possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), possession of drug paraphernalia, bailing jumping and failure to appear, driving with invalid license, assault causing bodily

injury, and two outstanding warrants from other agencies.

• **DALTON TODD PHILLIPS**, 23, of 1213 Lafayette 27, Stamps, Arkansas, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated-second offense, and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

• **SCOTT HERRERA**, 48, of 4608 Ash St., was arrested on two outstanding warrants from other agencies.

• **MARSHALL LATON HORN**, 27, of 200 Center Point Rd., was arrested on a charge of assault causing bodily injury to family member.

• **BRANDON M. COURTNEY**, 42, of 503 W. Leatherwood Rd., Lot 102, was arrested on charges of assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium Dr., two incidents.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE**

was reported in the 4600 block of Ash St., 200 block of Center Point Rd., and the 700 block of Ohio St.

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 700 block of E. I-20, and at 3rd and Goliad.

• **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported at Birdwell and FM 700.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 200 block of Center Point Rd., and the 700 block of Ohio St.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 600 block of W. I-20.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 4200 block of W. Hwy 80, 300 block of S. Owens St., and the 200 block of W. FM 700.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, and the 500 block of W. Leatherwood Rd.

## Take Note

• American Legion Post 506 will be having a fish fry, Saturday, Jan. 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are \$10 each. Delivery available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location is 3203 W. Hwy 80. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call 263-2084.

• Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Service will be held at Baker's Chapel AME Church, on Monday, Jan. 20, 2020, at 12 p.m. The church is located at 911 N. Lancaster. National Theme King Center King's 2020 Vision, "The Beloved Community-The Fierce Urgency of Now." There will be guest speakers and grab 'n' go lunch, at no charge. For more information, contact Mrs. Willia Leford at 268-8233.

• The Big Spring Amateur Radio Club will be hosting a Ham Radio Training Course for Technician Class Certification. The class will meet Monday and Thursday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The dates are: Monday, Jan. 20, Thursday, Jan. 23, Monday, Jan. 27, and Thursday, Jan. 30. Upon completion of the classes, a testing date will be scheduled to accommodate those in the class. For more information, email Henry Hunter at [hhunter@poka.com](mailto:hhunter@poka.com), or Pepper Sullivan at [wpsull911@sbglobal.net](mailto:wpsull911@sbglobal.net).

• Do you want to learn English or develop your computer skills? Permian Basin Adult Literacy can help you reach your goals! Classes available in English language learning and computer literacy. Classes are Tuesdays, beginning January 7, 2020, from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Howard College Anthony Hunt Library, 1001 Birdwell Lane. There is a \$25 enrollment fee. For more information, contact Hunter Smith at [hsmith@pbalc.org](mailto:hsmith@pbalc.org), call 432-682-9693, ext. 402, or go to website [pbalc.org/permian-basin-adult-literacy-students/](http://pbalc.org/permian-basin-adult-literacy-students/)

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

• 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?

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in Big Spring. 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.

• 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, Feb. 3 and Tuesday Feb. 4, 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. 7<sup>th</sup> 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.



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## Support Groups

### 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 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.

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### WEDNESDAY

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

• Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-860

### THURSDAY

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

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

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

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



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given our Veterans better access to care,”

VA Video Connect is a service that VA offers to Veterans, allowing them to connect from any device with an internet connection — desktop, smartphone, or tablet. Veterans can connect with their provider from home, work,

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“I’m grateful that I did not have to travel to make this appointment. Having the doctor in the room with me and being able to discuss my rehab with all the professionals in one place, really makes me feel like I’m receiving the best possible care,” said Turner.

Weather



**Today:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 55. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 36. South wind around 5 mph.

**Tuesday:** Showers likely after noon. Cloudy, with a high near 52. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

**Tuesday Night:** Showers likely, mainly before midnight. Cloudy, with a low around 45. South wind around 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

**Wednesday:** A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 66.

**Wednesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 42.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 60.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 60.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 35.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 63.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 38.

**Sunday:** Sunny, with a high near 65.

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

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LECTURE

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Bosnia had been annexed by Austria in 1914.

Says Dr. Fears, “The generation that blundered into WWI did not learn from history, although most of the statesmen were highly educated. For them, security of Europe was based on the idea that the balance of power preserved peace. As long as Russia, France, Germany, Britain, Austria and Italy were roughly balanced in power, then no great war could break out.”

Dr. Fears believed the war in Greece could have been a good lesson for the time. The Grecian War was fought due to a balance of power between Sparta and Athens. Even Winston Churchill knew that wars between democracies lasted longer and were more destructive and that it is a myth that a balance of power ensures peace.

Austria declared war on Serbia, but Serbia had an ally in Russia. Germany vowed to stand

with Austria and declared war on France and Russia. When German forces invaded a neutral Belgium, it prompted Great Britain to join the war.

Dr. Fears points out that in wars of the past, rulers, such as kings, could admit error and pull their forces back. But democracies are accountable to their citizens, and head of state cannot simply pull their troops out.

So the war dragged on. Deadlier weapons were created. Italy and Romania joined the war and eventually the U.S., as well, which changed the course of the war. Over 11 million people died.

This led to the end of the Hungarian Empire, the Russian monarchy was topped, the German emperor fled and Germany became a republic. This is also when the British and French empires began to unravel.

But yet, Woodrow Wilson vowed to spread democracy around the world. As a former history professor, Wilson would have done well to learn lesson from his studies of the struggles

of the South during Reconstruction. Unfortunately, in order to appease the British and French, harsh reparations were imposed on Germany. The Germans were humiliated.

What happens when you try to force democracy? Much of Europe turned to dictatorships with Italy’s Mussolini among the first of them. Democracy became a source of ethnic oppression.

In the U.S., Wilson could not get the Senate to accept the peace treaty, who questioned not only the Versailles Treaty, but also the League of Nations. The U.S. never signed the treaty or entered the League of Nations.

The next lecture will study the rise of Hitler. These history lectures take place every Tuesday at noon at the Howard County Library in one of the classrooms in the basement. We hope to see you there.

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EDC

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2018-2019 Annual Audit presented by Bolinger, Segars, Gilber & Moss, LLP.

Other items on the agenda are routine and include:

- Action to approve minutes of the Dec. 17, 2019 regular meeting
- Action to approve December financials
- Public Comment

• Board Comment

For more information or to view the agenda, visit [mybigspring.com](http://mybigspring.com). For those needing special accommodations or hearing-impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should contact Big Spring EDC at 432-264-6032. Requests should be made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting time.

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Take Note

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

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

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

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call

Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

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

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are in need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

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# Illegal crossings plunge as United States extends policy across border

By ELLIOT SPAGAT

Associated Press

YUMA, Ariz. (AP) — Adolfo Cardenas smiles faintly at the memory of traveling with his 14-year-old son from Honduras to the U.S.-Mexico border in only nine days, riding buses and paying a smuggler \$6,000 to ensure passage through highway checkpoints.

Father and son walked about 10 minutes in Arizona's stifling June heat before surrendering to border agents. Instead of being released with paperwork to appear in immigration court in Dallas, where Cardenas hopes to live with a cousin, they were bused more than an hour to wait in the Mexican border city of Mexicali.

"It was a surprise. I never imagined this would happen," Cardenas, 39, said while waiting at a Mexicali migrant shelter for his fifth court appearance in San Diego, on Jan. 24.

Illegal crossings plummeted across the border after the Trump administration made more asylum-seekers wait in Mexico for hearings in U.S. court. The drop has been most striking on the western Arizona border, a pancake-flat desert with a vast canal system from the Colorado River that turns bone-dry soil into fields of melons and wheat and orchards of dates and lemons.

Arrests in the Border Patrol's Yuma sector nearly hit 14,000 in May, when the policy to make asylum-seekers wait in Mexico took effect there. By October, they fell 94%, to less than 800, and have stayed there since, making Yuma the second-slowest of the agency's nine sectors on the Mexican border, just ahead of the perennially quiet Big Bend sector in Texas.

Illegal crossings in western Arizona have swung sharply before, and there are several reasons for the recent drop. But Anthony Porvaznik, chief of the Border Patrol's Yuma sector, said the so-called Migration Protection Protocols have been a huge deterrent, based on agents' interviews with people arrested.

"Their whole goal was to be released into the United States, and once that was taken off the shelf for them, and they couldn't be released into the United

States anymore, then that really diminished the amount of traffic that came through here," Porvaznik said.

In the neighboring Tucson sector, arrests rose each month from August to December, bucking a border-wide trend and making it the second-busiest corridor after Texas' Rio Grande Valley. Porvaznik attributes Tucson's spike to the absence of the policy there until three months ago.

In late November, the administration began bus-ing asylum-seekers five hours from Tucson to El Paso, Texas, for court and delivering them to Mexican authorities there to wait. This month, officials scrapped the buses by returning migrants to Mexico near Tucson and requiring them to travel on their own to El Paso.

More than 55,000 asylum-seekers were returned to Mexico to wait for hearings through November, 10 months after the policy was introduced in San Diego.

The immigrants were from more than three dozen countries, and nearly 2 out of 3 were Guatemalan or Honduran, according to Syracuse University's Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse. Mexicans are exempt.

Critics say the policy is unfair and exposes asylum-seekers to extreme violence in Mexican border cities, where attorneys are difficult to find.

The American Civil Liberties Union and other groups asked to put the policy on hold during a legal challenge. The U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals heard arguments Oct. 1 and has not indicated when it will decide.

On Tuesday, critics scored a partial victory in a separate lawsuit when a federal judge in San Diego said asylum-seekers who are being returned to Mexico from California must have access to hired attorneys before and during key interviews to determine if they can stay in the U.S. while their cases proceed.

Immigration judges hear cases in San Diego and El Paso, while other asylum-seekers report to tent camps in the Texas cities of Laredo and Brownsville, where they are connected to judges by video.

In Yuma, asylum-seekers are held in short-term cells until space opens up to be returned to Mexica-

li through a neighboring California sector. Those interviewed by The Associated Press waited up to a week in Yuma, though Border Patrol policy says people generally shouldn't be held more than 72 hours.

Volunteers visit Mexicali shelters to offer bus tickets or a two-hour ride to Tijuana, along with hotel rooms for the night before court appearances in San Diego.

Cardenas, who worked construction in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa, said he feels unsafe in Mexico and that it was impossible to escape gangs in Honduras. "They are in every corner," he said.

Enma Florian of Guatemala, who crossed the border illegally with her 16- and 13-year-old sons near Yuma in August, doesn't know if she would stay in Mexico or return to Guatemala if denied asylum in the U.S. The grant rate for Guatemalan asylum-seekers was 14% for the 12-month period that ended Sept. 30, compared with 18% for Salvadorans, 13% for Hondurans and 11% for Mexicans.

"The dream was to reach the United States," she said, holding out hope that she will settle with relatives in Maryland.

While illegal crossings have nosedived in Yuma, asylum-seekers still sign up on a waiting list to enter the U.S. at an official crossing in San Luis, Arizona. U.S. Customs and Border Protection calls the Mexican shelter that manages the list to say how many asylum claims it will process each day. The shelter estimates the wait at three to four months.

Angel Rodriguez, one of 143 Cubans on the shelter's waiting list of 1,484 people, has had bright moments in Mexico, including a beautiful Christmas meal. But the 51-year-old rarely goes outside and he dreads the possibility of being forced to wait for hearings in Mexico after his number is called to make an initial asylum claim in the US.

"That's sending me to hell again," said Rodriguez, who hopes to settle with friends in Dallas or Miami. "If I'm going to seek asylum, I'm going to look to a country that is the safest and respects human rights. That country is the United States of America."

## News Briefs

### 18-year-old shot at Texas high school basketball game dies

An 18-year-old who was shot during a high school basketball game in Dallas died from his injuries, police say. A police news release said Marc Strickland died Friday at a hospital. He was shot Jan. 11 shooting inside a gymnasium during a game between Kimball and South Oak Cliff high schools.

A 15-year-old boy who was charged with aggravated assault after surrendering to police the day after the shooting will now face a murder charge, police said.

The shooting occurred during a fight near a concession stand, according to police. Teenagers were being escorted out of the gym when the gunfire began.

Police said a school district police officer was grazed by a bullet, but not seriously injured.

Dallas Independent School District Superintendent Michael Hinojosa has said that Strickland was a former student in the district and the 15-year-old was a current student.

Hinojosa said about 650 people were inside the gym when the shooting happened.

### Pierson, Small lead Texas State past Louisiana-Lafayette

LAFAYETTE, La. (AP) — Nijal Pearson scored 18 points, Isiah Small

had 12 points and nine rebounds, and Texas State got past Louisiana-Lafayette 68-59 on Saturday night.

Mason Harrell added 12 points and Alonzo Sule had seven rebounds for the Bobcats (12-8, 5-4 Sun Belt Conference), who have won four in a row.

Jalen Johnson had 18 points and seven rebounds for the Ragin' Cajuns (7-13, 2-7), whose losing streak reached four games. Dou Gueye and P.J. Hardy had 11 points each.

Texas State led 66-49 with four minutes remaining and Sule's layup at 2:59 marked the Bobcats' last points and a 68-51 lead. Working the shot clock to its final seconds, the Bobcats missed their last three shots.

Neither team missed a free throw with the Bobcats going 8-for-8 and the Ragin' Cajuns making 13.

Texas State plays Texas-Arlington at home next Saturday. Louisiana-Lafayette hosts Louisiana-Monroe next Saturday.

### Small earthquake reported in south-central Kansas

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP) — A small earthquake was reported in southern Kansas on Sunday.

The U.S. Geological Survey said a magnitude 4.4 earthquake struck about 2 miles (3 kilometers) southwest of Hutchinson shortly after 1 p.m. No damage was immediately reported.

The earthquake happened near where several others have happened before in Reno County, The Hutchinson News reported.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT					EXHIBIT C-3
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES					
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS					
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2019					
Data	10	50	Total		
Control	General	Debt Service	Other	Governmental	
Codes	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds	
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 35,076,937	\$ 1,992,519	\$ 82,076	\$ 37,151,532
5800	State Program Revenues	554,073	974	52,569	607,616
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	-	160,136	160,136
5020	Total Revenues	35,631,010	1,993,493	294,781	37,919,284
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Current:					
0011	Instruction	3,002,767	-	117,097	3,119,864
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	103,576	-	-	103,576
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	3,492	-	-	3,492
0023	School Leadership	308,677	-	-	308,677
0031	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	83,443	-	-	83,443
0033	Health Services	70,424	-	-	70,424
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation	419,053	-	-	419,053
0035	Food Services	6,525	-	369,427	375,952
0036	Extracurricular Activities	335,430	-	-	335,430
0041	General Administration	408,646	-	-	408,646
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,567,887	-	-	1,567,887
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	269,040	-	-	269,040
0053	Data Processing Services	99,968	-	-	99,968
0061	Community Services	85,556	-	-	85,556
Debt Service:					
0071	Principal on Long-Term Debt	-	525,000	-	525,000
0072	Interest on Long-Term Debt	-	707,875	-	707,875
0073	Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	537	-	537
Capital Outlay:					
0081	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	19,813	-	-	19,813
Intergovernmental:					
0091	Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	26,849,376	-	-	26,849,376
0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	49,515	-	-	49,515
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	299,574	-	-	299,574
6030	Total Expenditures	33,982,762	1,233,412	486,524	35,702,698
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,648,248	760,081	(191,743)	2,216,586
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>					
7912	Sale of Real and Personal Property	3,000	-	-	3,000
7915	Transfers In	-	-	191,743	191,743
8911	Transfers Out (Use)	(191,743)	-	-	(191,743)
7080	Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(188,743)	-	191,743	3,000
1200	Net Change in Fund Balances	1,459,505	760,081	-	2,219,586
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	7,644,844	1,348,868	-	8,993,712
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 9,104,349	\$ 2,108,949	\$ -	\$ 11,213,298

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January 10, 2020  
An Open Letter to my clients:

After more than 45 years of practicing law I have determined that it is time to begin the process of closing my law office. It will take awhile to finish up, but to those of you who have pending cases with me I will continue on it until it is completed. We need to get together to determine exactly where we are on your case, therefore, it will be necessary for you to contact me so that we can discuss your case and its status.

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Thanks

Rick Hamby  
Attorney at Law



### Bulldogs down Wolves 46-43 on Friday



Courtesy Photos

Pictured above left: The trio of Gaige Hill, Zack Schneider, and Kolt Redden combine to swat away a C-City shot on Friday night. Pictured above right: Zack Schneider fights through traffic to put up a shot in the district win.

#### Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Bulldogs earned their second district win on Friday by defeating the Colorado City Wolves in a close 46-43 victory. Seniors Zack Schneider and Gaige Hill led the Bulldogs to the win. Schneider had 14 points and Hill got 11 including sinking three 3-pointers.

Next: Coahoma hosts Merkel on Tuesday. The JV team plays at 5:15 p.m. and varsity Bulldogs take the floor at 8 p.m. in the Coahoma Elementary School competition gym.

COLORADO 43, COAHOMA 46

Colorado: 12, 6, 15, 10 -- 43  
Coahoma: 9, 11, 14, 12 -- 46

Coahoma — Isaiah Martin 10, Zack Schneider 14, Brayden Smith 3, Gaige Hill 11, Kolt Redden 3, Garrett Anderson 5.

Free Throws — Colorado 2-9, Coahoma 11-19; 3-Point Goals — Colorado 3, Coahoma 4 (Hill 3, Smith, Martin); Fouls — Colorado 18, Coahoma 17.

### Bulldogettes lose close district battle to C-City 56-52



Courtesy Photos

Pictured above left: A pack of Coahoma Bulldogettes try to force a turnover during their varsity game against the Colorado Lady Wolves last Friday night. Pictured above right: Abbie Lopez prepares to shoot from the charity strip during the 56-52 home loss.

#### Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Colorado City Lady Wolves hit the Coahoma Bulldogettes with a fourth quarter surge to earn a 56-52 win on Friday night.

Coahoma led the game through three quarters but couldn't contain the Lady Wolves in the fourth despite an outstanding effort against the second place team in District 5-3A.

Caitlyn Colrey and Makynlee Overton both scored in the double digits. Corley had 15 and Overton got 16 points. Julia Cox had three 3-pointers.

Next: Coahoma faces Merkel at home to begin the second round of District 5-3A play. The JV team plays at 4 p.m. and the varsity Bulldogettes' game begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Coahoma Elementary School competition gym.

COLORADO 56, COAHOMA 52

Colorado: 10, 18, 9, 19 -- 56

Coahoma: 17, 16, 9, 10 -- 52

Colorado City — Kirsten Koch 8, Krysta Stephen 4, Mia Monroe 15, Kaci Hudson 11, Morgan Munoz 5, Lina Rivera 13.

Coahoma — Julia Cox 9, Caitlyn Corley 15, Macee Grant 3, Madison Rodgers 5, Kenzi Canales 2, Abbie Lopez 2, MaKynlee Overton 16.

Free Throws — Colorado 18-32; Coahoma 12-22; 3-point goals — Colorado 8 (Hudson 3, Monroe 2, Rivera 2, Koch) Coahoma 6 (Cox 3, Corley 2, Grant); Fouls — Colorado 18, Coahoma 20.

### Mahomes' feet, arm lift Chiefs to Super Bowl over Titans

By BARRY WILNER

AP Pro Football Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — With his best imitation of a tightrope walker, Patrick Mahomes high-wired the Kansas City Chiefs into their first Super Bowl since 1970.

Oh sure, Mahomes did his usual superb job passing, but it was his 27-yard tap dance down the left sideline late in the first half that gave the Chiefs their first lead. From there, they outran the run-oriented Tennessee Titans and star back Derrick Henry for a 35-24 victory Sunday in the AFC championship.

At last, for the third time overall, the Chiefs (14-4) are Super Bowl bound.

In two weeks in Miami, they will play San Francisco, which rolled to a 37-20 win over Green Bay in the NFC title game.

"I mean, it's amazing. It really is," said Mahomes, who had 294 yards passing and three touchdowns. "To be here, to be a part of Chiefs Kingdom and to be able to do it here at Arrowhead, these people deserve it. And we're not done yet."

Adding to the joy of the achievement, coach Andy Reid and owner Clark Hunt accepted the Lamar Hunt Trophy — named after his father — emblematic of the AFC title. It was handed over to them by Chiefs Hall of Famer Bobby Bell, with Mahomes and safety Tyrann Mathieu jumping for joy on the make-shift stage.

Next up: chasing the Vince Lombardi Trophy.

"Very excited and very emotional to win the trophy that has my dad's name on it," Hunt said. "Yeah, 50 years were too long, but we're going to another Super Bowl."

"Chiefs Kingdom, we are going to the Super Bowl."

The Chiefs lost in 1967 in the first AFL-NFL Championship Game — nope, it wasn't called the Super Bowl yet — to the Lombardi Packers 35-10. Three years later, one year after the New York Jets shocked Baltimore to lay claim to the AFL being equal to the long-established NFL, Kansas City was back. This time, it was known as the Super Bowl — indeed, Lamar Hunt is credited with coming up with the name — and his Chiefs hammered Minnesota 23-7 with the typical Wild West offensive flair and a staunch defense. Those are characteristics that helped carry KC this season.

Reid isn't as animated as Hall of Famer Hank Stram, who famously urged the Chiefs team to "keep matriculating the ball down the field, boys." Caught up in the moment Sunday, Reid said, "It's awesome," before asking the crowd to chant "How about those Chiefs?"

Moments later, standout tight end Travis Kelce proclaimed, "You gotta fight for your right to party."

There will be plenty of partying on South Beach for Chiefs Kingdom heading into the championship matchup.

"Fired up to go to Miami, got to get on a diet so I can fit into my clothes," Reid said. "Very proud."

As they had done in their past three "elimination" games, the sixth-seeded Titans (11-8) got started quickly. The difference at Arrowhead as opposed to Houston, New England and Baltimore was that the Chiefs had Mahomes, Tyreek Hill, Sammy Watkins and Damien Williams on offense, and a vastly upgraded defense from when they lost in last year's AFC title game. Henry was held to 7 yards rushing in the second half.

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c/o: Sharon Conner, Independent Executor Estate of Garrett M. Gibson 1 Courtney Place, Apartment 306 Big Spring, Texas 79720

DATED the 14th day of January, 2020.

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## Annie's Mailbox

### Achieving King's 'Dream'

**Dear Annie:** Again, it is time to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. He would have been 91 on Jan. 15. Since his death in 1968, so much has changed ... and yet, so much has remained the same.

Sometimes, I wonder, if he were alive, what would King think about how things have gone in the African American community? What would he say? What would he do?

I am sure that King would encourage us to resolve the social and economic challenges that buffet us. He would remind us of individual responsibility, family stability, group cohesion and collective empowerment. And he would remind us that many of the answers and solutions lie within us as a people.

King also would encourage us to show a willingness to know something, to be smart, to be curious and to be willing to learn and accomplish a lot more. While the world we inhabit may not be fair or just, we must be willing to try, and try, and try. We must learn to give life our utmost effort and perform at our maximum capacity.

If King were alive, he would stress the need for building a foundation of empow-

erment for teaching individuals, families and communities how to tap the power within, rather than depending on handouts and the goodwill of others. Accordingly, he would emphasize the importance of family as the original and best departments of health, education, welfare and salvation.

Overall, King would motivate and encourage us to put our minds and backs into the obstacles and barriers before us.

Although King is not alive, his teachings, sacrifices and contributions will always be with us. Therefore, let us draw from his legacy and achieve his "dream" for all of us. What a great way to show respect and appreciation for the man. -- Reflecting on King's Legacy

#### Dear Reflecting:

Thank you for your beautiful tribute.

#### Dear Readers:

Martin Luther King had immense wisdom is his advocacy of nonviolent change. He knew that the most important thing for living a just, peaceful and fulfilled life is love.

May all of you feel love in your hearts as you read through the following handful of quotes that show King's insights, kindness and leadership: --"Darkness cannot

drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

--"We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. There is some good in the worst of us and some evil in the best of us. When we discover this, we are less prone to hate our enemies."

--"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character -- that is the goal of true education."

--"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend."

--"I refuse to accept the view that mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality ... I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word."

--"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

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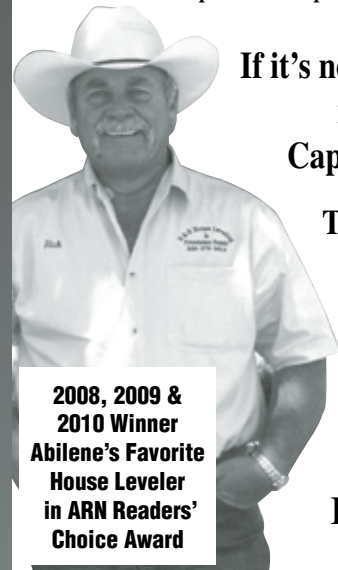
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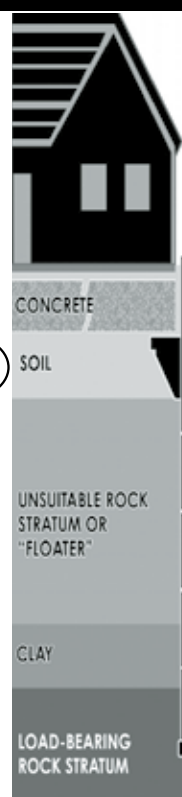
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Aquarius Sunburst

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Figuring out your priorities will be fun, easy and worthy work. The clearer you get about your values, the higher the quality of your thoughts will be. Your mind will organize itself to rally around what you deem important.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Negative thought loops are caused by too much introspection, rumination and self-involvement. The remedy is simple. Tune into other people's needs and see what you can do. Suddenly, you're 10 times happier.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** There are small words that fly on mighty wings. Love is in that mix. So is the admission of humility that comes in the simple series, "I don't know." That one can open worlds.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Maybe your work is self-explanatory, but the truth is that people still need help understanding. Tell, show them, and then teach it again in a different way. Do what it takes to hook them. Then, hop on the success train.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** On the highway of life, you have to be willing to change lanes, slow down and leave via the exit once in a while. Sure, there's life in the race, but it really pales when compared with life beyond those exits.



**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** When you look around, you'll either observe a powerful beauty or feel a beautiful power. You'll commit wholly to the moment, seeking to understand and be a part of this.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Today's mystic image is the tarot card "strength," in which a woman tames a lion using only tenderness. An infinity halo hovers, a reminder that fortitude is a crown from the eternal realms. You couldn't shake it if you tried.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** While there's no real glee in having to scrape together resources, there's something oddly satisfying about this excuse to call on people and find out the extent of generosity in their nature.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** You will allow yourself to dissolve into the contemplation of creating. The workaday world evaporates as you're snatched out of the constant flux and thrust into the world of ideas.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Though you do everything to aim your being toward joy, you'll relate to the Romantic poet William Wordsworth when he wrote of "that sweet mood when pleasant thoughts bring sad thoughts to the mind."

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** There's an irreversible friction between a feeling and its opposite. Knowing what the opposite actually is will be a helpful processing tool, i.e.: admiration and loathing, fear and anger, anticipation and surprise, etc.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Because things are more beautiful when they are true, you'll think twice about certain so-called improvements, especially if they are costly and aimed toward meeting some sort of societal ideal.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 20).** Your mind lights up with big ideas, and soon you'll have several exciting projects on deck. Narrow it down. Plan well. Guard your time. With an accountability partner, you'll keep everything on course. March brings a prize. You'll journey with a kindred spirit. There's a healing in April that brings relief to your whole family. Leo and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 44, 48, 9 and 18.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker  
Famous Hand

East dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
♠ 10 7 3	♥ Q 8 6	♠ Q 9 6 5 4	♥ 5
♦ A 4 2	♣ K J 9 2	♦ Q 9 8 7 5 3	♣ 6
WEST		SOUTH	
♠ J	♥ A J 10 9	♠ A K 8 2	♥ K 7 4 3 2
♦ K J 6	♣ Q 7 5 4 3	♦ 10	♠ A 10 8

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1♥	Pass	1NT
2♥	Dble	3♦	4♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	

Opening lead — jack of spades.  
**This deal occurred** in the semifinals of the 1989 Vanderbilt team championship. Both Souths wound up in four hearts doubled, a contract where declarer seems certain to lose three hearts and a spade for down one. However, one of the declarers found a way to get home with 10 tricks.  
**At the first table,** the bidding went as shown. East's two-heart bid showed length in spades and diamonds, after which North leaped aggressively to four hearts.  
**South won** West's jack-of-spades

lead with the ace, led a heart to dummy's queen and returned the ten of spades. This was covered by the queen and king and ruffed by West, who shifted to the diamond king. Declarer took the ace, ruffed a diamond and conceded a spade to East's nine. West could not be denied the A-J of trump, so South finished down one, -200.  
**At the second table,** where Bobby Wolff was declarer, East also showed a spade-diamond two-suiter during the auction. But here Wolff took better advantage of what he had learned from the bidding.  
**West led a low diamond.** Wolff won with the ace, ruffed a diamond, led a heart to the queen and ruffed another diamond. Then, utilizing his knowledge of the opposing distribution, he cashed the ace of clubs and finessed the ten. When East couldn't ruff, another club was led to the jack, and the king was cashed.  
**Wolff next led a spade** to the king, giving him the first nine tricks. He then played the ace of spades, ruffed by West with the ten. Wolff still had the K-7 of hearts (and a spade) at this point, so he could not be prevented from scoring his king of hearts regardless of what West returned.  
**Making four hearts doubled** was worth 790 points. Added to the 200 gained by his teammates at the other table, this gave Wolff's team a 14-IMP pickup on the deal.

Tomorrow: It only hurts for a minute.  
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SUDOKU

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

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

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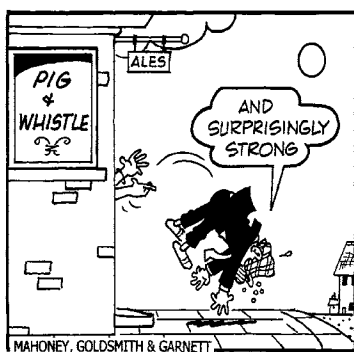
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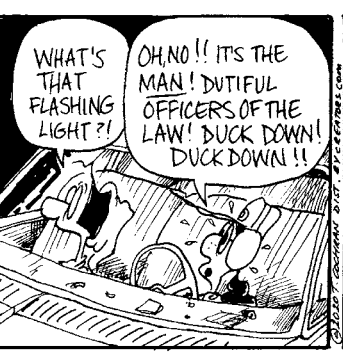


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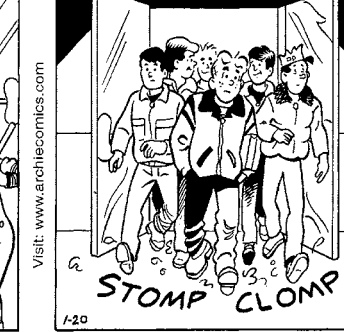
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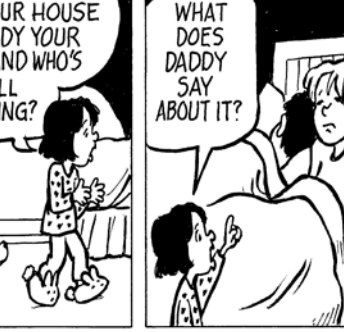
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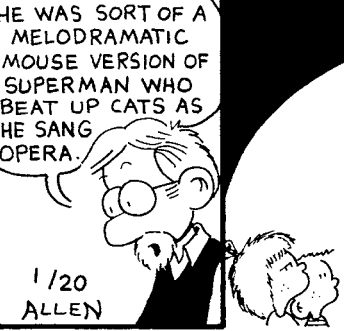
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ONE BIG HAPPY



NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Monday, Jan. 20, the 20th day of 2020. There are 346 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 20, 2001, George Walker Bush became America's 43rd president after one of the most turbulent elections in U.S. history.

On this date:

In 1649, King Charles I of England went on trial, accused of high treason (he was found guilty and executed by month's end).

In 1801, Secretary of State John Marshall was nominated by President John Adams to be chief justice of the United States (he was sworn in on Feb. 4, 1801).

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt became the first chief executive to be inaugurated on Jan. 20 instead of March 4.

In 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating Europe's Jews.

In 1964, Capitol Records released the album "Meet the Beatles!"

In 1981, Iran released 52 Americans it had held hostage for 444 days, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1994, Shannon Faulkner became the first woman to attend classes at The Citadel in South Carolina. (Faulkner joined the cadet corps in Aug. 1995 under court order but soon dropped out, citing isolation and stress from the legal battle.)

In 2003, Secretary of State Colin Powell, faced with stiff resistance and calls to go slow, bluntly told the Security Council that the U.N. "must not shrink" from its responsibility to disarm Saddam Hussein's Iraq.

In 2007, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., launched her first campaign for the White House, saying in a videotaped message on her website: "I'm in, and I'm in to win."

In 2009, Barack Obama was sworn in as the nation's 44th, as well as first African-American, president. Russian natural gas began

flowing into Ukraine after a nearly two-week cutoff that had left large parts of Europe cold and dark.

In 2017, Donald Trump was sworn in as the 45th president of the United States, pledging emphatically to "empower America's 'forgotten men and women.'" Protesters registered their rage against the new president in a chaotic confrontation with police just blocks from the inaugural parade.

Ten years ago: National Intelligence Director Dennis Blair conceded missteps in the government's handling of the Christmas Day 2009 airline bombing attempt in testimony before the Senate Homeland Security Committee.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama, undaunted by the new Republican majority in Congress, issued a sweeping challenge in his State of the Union address to do more for the poor and middle class and to end the nasty partisan political fight that had characterized his six years in office. The Islamic State group threatened to kill two Japanese hostages unless its ransom demands were met. (Kenji Goto and Haruna Yukawa were both slain by their captors.)

One year ago: The Los Angeles Rams advanced to the Super Bowl against the New England Patriots after a 26-23 overtime victory over the New Orleans Saints in the NFC championship game; the outcome might not have been possible without what the NFL acknowledged was a mistake by officials who failed to call a penalty when a Rams player leveled a Saints receiver with a helmet-to-helmet hit in the final minutes of regulation. The Patriots beat the Kansas City Chiefs 37-31 for the AFC championship. The year's only total lunar eclipse was visible throughout North and South America; it took place during the year's first supermoon, when a full moon appears a little bigger and brighter thanks to its slightly closer position.

Today's Birthdays: Former astronaut Buzz Aldrin is 90. Olympic gold medal figure skater Carol Heiss is 80. Singer Eric Stewart is 75. Movie director David Lynch is 74. Country-rock musician George Grantham (Poco) is 73. Israeli activist Natan Sharansky is 72. Actor Daniel Benzali is 70. Rock musician Paul Stanley (KISS) is 68. Rock musi-

cian Ian Hill (Judas Priest) is 68. Comedian Bill Maher (MAR) is 64. Actor Lorenzo Lamas is 62. Actor James Denton is 57. Rock musician Greg K. (The Offspring) is 55. Country singer John Michael Montgomery is 55. Sophie, Countess of Wessex, is 55. Actor Rainn Wilson is 54. Presidential counselor Kellyanne Conway is 53. Actress Stacey Dash is 53. TV

personality Melissa Rivers is 52. Singer Xavier is 52. Actor Reno Wilson is 51. Singer Edwin McCain is 50. Actor Skeet Ulrich is 50. Rap musician Questlove (questlove) (The Roots) is 49. Former United Nations Ambassador Nikki Haley is 48. Rock musician Rob Bourdon (Linkin Park) is 41. Singer-songwriter Bonnie McKee is 36. Country singer Brantley Gil-

bert is 35. Rock singer Kevin Parker (Tame Impala) is 34. Actor Evan Peters is 33.

Thought for Today: "Whatever people in general do not understand, they are always prepared to dislike; the incomprehensible is always the obnoxious." — Letitia Landon, English poet (1802-

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Newsday Crossword

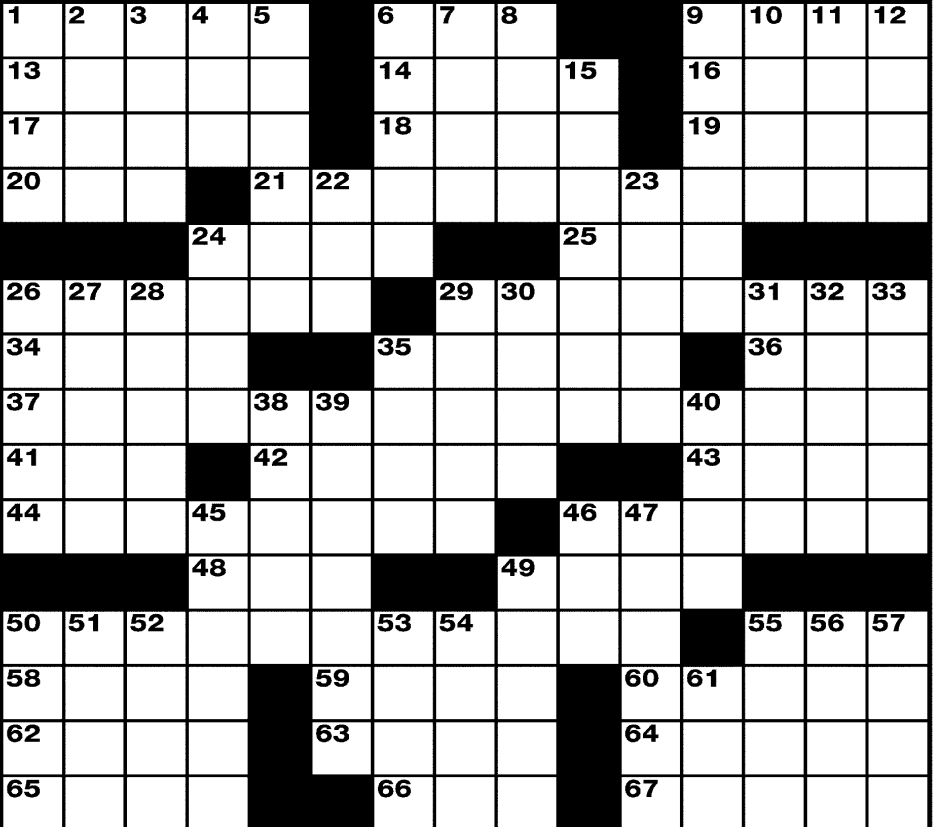
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Back-to-health plan, for short
  - 6 "In \_\_\_ we trust"
  - 9 Have the leading role
  - 13 In the know
  - 14 Skeptical reply
  - 16 Cry of dread
  - 17 Bacteria that cause an illness
  - 18 Small tunneling mammal
  - 19 Allows
  - 20 Mind reader's skill, for short
  - 21 "Delays are always expensive"
  - 24 Secret writing
  - 25 Light brown color
  - 26 Archer's missiles
  - 29 Installed overlapping rectangles on a roof
  - 34 Deliberately avoid
  - 35 Sandal strap
  - 36 Biblical apple eater
  - 37 "The less said the better"
  - 41 Compass point opposite WSW
  - 42 43 Across, more formally
  - 43 "You \_\_\_ kidding!"
  - 44 Hare's race opponent
  - 46 Is significant enough
  - 48 "I wonder . . ."
  - 49 Gelatin shaper
  - 50 "Cupid can hide someone's flaws"
  - 55 Banquet toastmasters, briefly
  - 58 "If I might interrupt . . ."

- DOWN**
- 1 Fury
  - 2 Mothers of lambs
  - 3 Angel's instrument
  - 4 Limb covered by a sleeve
  - 5 Give as a gift
  - 6 "Leggo of that!"
  - 7 Clarinet cousin
  - 8 Local sandwich shop
  - 9 "Bye!"
  - 59 Word-of-mouth
  - 60 Online memo
  - 62 Location
  - 63 Appoint to a job
  - 64 Fry lightly
  - 65 Soft throw
  - 66 Auto's rte.-finding device
  - 67 Attempted

- 10 Now and \_\_\_ (occasionally)
- 11 Poker player's entrance fee
- 12 Reddish, as cheeks
- 15 Giving an exam to
- 22 Passports and dog tags, for short
- 23 Tropical fruit in salsa
- 24 Edible ice cream holder
- 26 Any thing of value
- 27 One-horned African beast
- 28 Measuring stick
- 29 Glisten
- 30 Party thrower
- 31 Ushered through the door
- 32 Notable happening

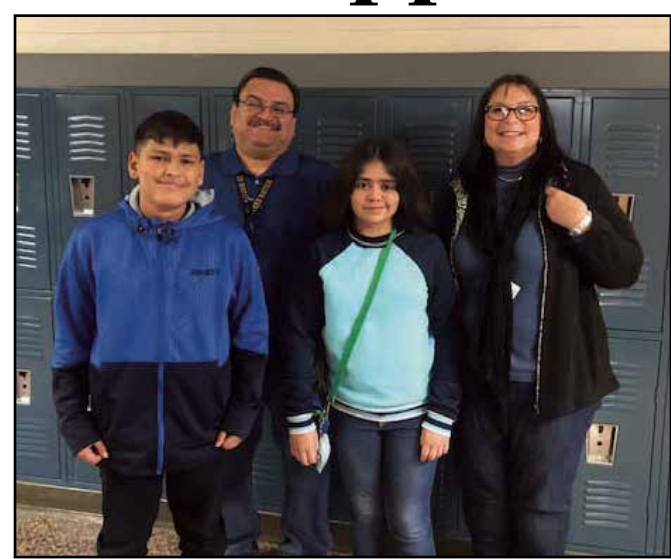
- 33 Bumper dings
- 35 Pegs holding up golf balls
- 38 Actress Watts or singer Judd
- 39 Dark red
- 40 Give praise to
- 45 Central ideas
- 46 Pro and \_\_\_
- 47 Most senior
- 49 Odometer measures
- 50 At long \_\_\_ (finally)
- 51 Cincinnati's state
- 52 Animal docs
- 53 Be boastful
- 54 Night-table light
- 55 Island near Oahu
- 56 Mention as an example
- 57 Snow-gliding vehicle
- 61 Scratch up



Answer to previous puzzle  
G O B A L D    A C C U S E  
R H U B A R D    G R A P H S  
A M R A D I O S    G U N S I T  
V A N    S E X Q U I Z    I N A  
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# BSISD turns Titan Blue to show support



Courtesy photos

Big Spring ISD decided to put down the black and gold for one day and sport Titan Blue in support of former Steer Ryan Tannehill. Students, teachers and administration created signs, put on Titan colors and let the world know the Steers back their own no matter the distance between. See the upcoming weekend edition to see how the community of Big Spring joined in and showed their support for Titan Blue Day.

## TITANS

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"They were doubling all these guys," Mahomes said of his spectacular TD run on which he barely stayed in bounds. "I just ran it and got some good blocking at the end and found a way to get in the end zone."

A week after they overcame a 24-0 deficit against Houston, the Chiefs had to rally again.

Down 10-0 and 17-7, Kansas City didn't flinch, building a 35-17 lead while controlling the clock with a strong ground game. Naturally, Mahomes complemented that with sharp passing, spreading the ball on short and deep throws. The dagger came with a 60-yard completion to Watkins for the Chiefs' 28th straight point midway in the final period.

Mahomes thrust both arms in the air as the crowd sang Whitney Houston's "I Wanna Dance With Somebody."

That somebody will be the 49ers in two weeks.

After taking a 3-0 lead on Greg Joseph's first field goal — with Tennessee's penchant for scoring in the red zone, he hadn't been called upon in his previous four games with the team — the Titans got a huge break. Bashaud Bree-land appeared to make a diving interception, but replay review showed the ball hitting the ground.

Helped by consecutive offside penalties and a fourth-down pass to Adam Humphries for his first career playoff reception, the Titans converted on, what else, Henry's 4-yard run.

Then the Chiefs got rolling, scoring on three successive series. Hill took it in on a shovel pass, later beat top Titans cornerback Logan Ryan for a 20-yard reception, and Mahomes finished the half with his brilliant jaunt down the left sideline with half the Tennessee defense seemingly expecting him to step out of bounds.

That gave the Chiefs a 21-17 lead. It went to 28-17 on Williams' 3-yard run to cap a seven-minute drive. Then Watkins toasted Logan for the clinching long pass.

Henry was held to 69 yards on 19 carries after rushing for 588 yards in the

past three games as an unstoppable force.

"I feel like our backs were against the wall the whole season," Henry said. "But we kept on fighting and kept on believing in each other. I think it speaks volumes about the team we have. We just came up short."

The Chiefs easily outrushed the Titans on Sunday. Mahomes led the way with 53 of those yards and also was 23 for 35 for 294 yards passing.

REID'S RETURN

Reid goes back to the Super Bowl for the first time since the 2004 season, when his Eagles lost to New England. That gap is second longest to Dick Vermeil's hiatus.

"So much effort that went into this," said Reid, who joined the Chiefs in 2013 after 14 years in Philadelphia. "It takes an army, it is not one guy at all. I appreciate the effort by everybody."

TRICKERY

Last week, Henry threw a jump pass for a touchdown against Baltimore. On Sunday, Dennis Kelly emulated his coach, Mike Vrabel. He sneaked free for Ryan Tannehill's lob, falling back awkwardly but holding on for Tennessee's second TD. The backup tackle is the only offensive lineman since 2000 with two TDs receiving in a season. He also had one against Jacksonville.

Vrabel caught 12 touchdown passes as a linebacker, including one in the Super Bowl when his Patriots beat Reid's Eagles.

FOURTH DOWNS

Displaying the gambling nature of both coaches, fourth-down conversions were key on early scoring drives. Humphries, who missed the last six games with an ankle problem, caught a 3-yarder on fourth-and-2 at the KC 29. Two plays later, Henry scored.

On the Chiefs' ensuing possession, they went for it on fourth-and-2 from the Titans 28. Travis Kelce's 4-yard reception continued a march to Hill's first TD.

UP NEXT

Titans: Figuring out if they ran out of gas or were beaten by a more talented team as they head into the offseason.

Chiefs: The Tomahawk Chop will be heard at Hard Rock Stadium in the Super Bowl.

## Mostert lifts 49ers to Super Bowl with 37-20 win vs Packers

By JOSH DUBOW

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Coach Kyle Shanahan received the NFC championship trophy from his Super Bowl-winning father Mike and raised it to the sky.

The San Francisco 49ers have gone on a surprising journey from No. 2 pick in the draft to one of the last two teams standing. They have one of the most unlikely playoff heroes to thank for it.

Journeyman Raheem Mostert rushed for 220 yards and four touchdowns to make quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo mostly a spectator, Nick Bosa harassed Aaron Rodgers from the start and the 49ers beat the Green Bay Packers 37-20 for the NFC championship on Sunday.

"I did have a lot of doubters and naysayers," said Mostert, who has been cut seven times in his career. "Now I get to actually tell them, 'Look where I'm at now.'"

"I never gave up on my dreams."

The Niners (15-3) also had their skeptics after winning just 10 games in the first two seasons under Shanahan and general manager John Lynch.

But they put pieces and systems in place during those rough two seasons and now have advanced to the franchise's first Super Bowl in seven years. The Niners will play the Kansas City Chiefs in two weeks in Miami when Shanahan tries to join his father as coaching champions.

"It was pretty special," Shanahan said of getting handed the trophy from his father at the postgame ceremony. "To get a trophy handed to you by anyone is really cool. ... It was pretty cool it happened there at the end."

After giving a second thorough beating of the season to Rodgers and the Packers (14-4), the 49ers are the third team to make it to the Super Bowl a year after winning four or fewer games.

Cincinnati did it in 1988 and the Rams 1999, with the Rams the only team to go from four wins to a championship in one year.

"It's still kind of surreal," linebacker Fred Warner said. "With the stuff this team has gone through, this organization, it's special. It's the pinnacle of football right here."

Bosa, the prize for last year's rough season as the No. 2 overall pick, helped set the tone when he ended Green Bay's second drive of the game with a 13-yard sack of Rodgers.

Mostert, a former special teams standout, did much of the rest in a remarkable redemption story for a former surfer who carried the ball only eight times in his first three seasons in the NFL while bouncing between teams.

But he has become a key part of the NFC's top team this year, leading the Niners with 772 yards rushing in the regular season and delivering a performance for the ages in the NFC title game.

He had the second-most yards rushing in a playoff game to Eric Dickerson's 248 for the Rams on Jan. 4, 1986, and was the first player to rush for at least four TDs and 200 yards in a playoff game.

He got started when he burst 36 yards on a third-and-8 trap play to open the scoring on San Francisco's second drive and kept ripping off long runs behind impressive blocking.

"He's so fast," tackle Joe Staley said. "He's incredibly fast. He's fearless going through the hole. He has trust in the linemen to block it up. He's a great running back."

He added TD runs of 9 and 18 yards in the second quarter and had 160 yards rushing at the half, becoming the only player in NFL history to rush for at least 150 yards and three TDs in the first half of a playoff game.

Mostert added a 22-yard TD run in the third quarter.

"The lanes that we saw and the way he was running we just wanted to keep feeding him," Shanahan said. "I know he was feeling it. That wasn't too hard to see."

Rodgers and the Packers were unable to match that performance as they got overwhelmed by San

Francisco's dominant front for a second time this season.

Rodgers had a career-low 3.15 yards per attempt in a 37-8 loss here back in November and wasn't much better in the first half of the rematch.

He lost a snap from center to end Green Bay's only promising drive of the half, threw an interception to Emmanuel Moseley late in the half and didn't convert his first third down of the season — in 18 attempts — against the Niners until connecting on a 6-yard pass to Aaron Jones on the opening drive of the second quarter.

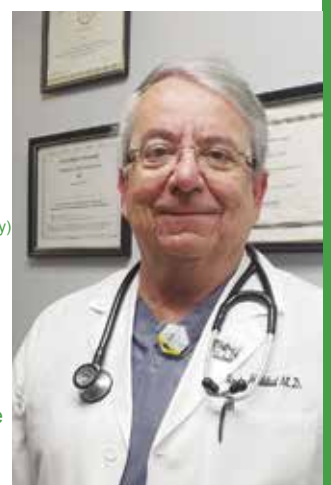
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