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- Jan. 25**
 Silver Wings Ball
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- Open Art Studio fundraiser**
 BSHS Art Room
- Sheriff Debate**
 BSHS at 11 a.m.
 More details to come

- Jan. 27**
 Quilt of Valor presentation
 Honoring first responders
 Dora Roberts Community Center
 6 p.m.

- Feb. 1**
 Big Spring's Got Talent
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- Naz Academy**
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 5 p.m.
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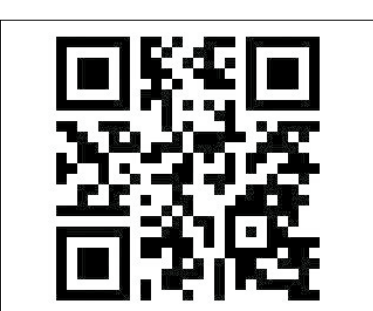
- Feb. 7**
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Recognizing community support



HERALD photos/Amanda Duforat
The DAV recognized the Cross Roads Young Marines (above), Forsan Elementary (above right), and Moses Tijirena (below right) for their support of the DAV throughout the year.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

Community partnerships are the backbone of the growth and support that exemplifies Big Spring and Howard County. Through partnerships a more positive impact is able to be made across the board. In recognition of the continued support provided to the veteran community, the local DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Chapter 47 honored several community partners during the January meeting. According to Ed Meiser, DAV Chapter 47 Commander, a lot of people have for

a number of years now helped support our veterans in Big Spring. Through the support of volunteer services, monetary donations and other contributions, local veterans have been able to receive much needed assistance over the years.

“Our mission is building better lives for American disabled veterans,” Ed Meiser, local DAV Chapter 47 Commander, said. “Our current mission is fulfilling our services to the men and women who served. The community of Big Spring and Howard County

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‘The Good, The Better and The Beethoven’ continues season on Feb. 8 at Municipal Auditorium

By SAVANNAH GEER
 Staff Writer

Big Spring Symphony will host their third concert of the season on Feb. 8 in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. This performance is a part of the season entitled “The Good, The Better, and The Beethoven,” in celebration of Beethoven’s 250th birthday.

“This concert will be conducted by returning guest, John Giordano with a special soloist performance by Nicole Keeling. The show will feature a mixture of standard opera and popular Broadway music,” Conductor Keith Graumann said. “While this is not a pop concert, there is a good mixture of pop culture music in with the standard

symphony stylings.”

John Giordano has led a distinguished career in music. He recently retired from Texas Christian University as Distinguished Fellow in Music. He has conducted in many countries from Mexico to Taiwan.

“Our symphony features elite artist expression and for those who have never attended a symphony concert before, hopefully, once they hear the music at this show, they will want to return,” Graumann said.

Keeling is the daughter of Principal Trombone player, Doctor Bruce Keeling. She’s a native of the South Plains of Texas and has earned advanced music degrees from the University of Oklahoma and served as an apprentice with

Opera Colorado and Music Academy of The West. She appeared in several operas and is a recent district winner in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. She’s also performed with the Amarillo Opera and the Utah Festival Opera.

“We have wanted to feature Nicole for a while now,” Graumann said, “I have followed her career for a number of years, and we are excited to be able to have her join us.”

The performance will include many familiar pieces from shows such as Oklahoma, Evita, South Pacific, and West Side Story. One of the highlights of the show is Beethoven’s Symphony

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Big Spring XC Debate continues winning tradition



Courtesy photo
BSHS’s CX Debate team won their 19th consecutive district championship and continued a 19 year streak qualifying a team or teams for the State competition. This year, the CX team won the top four places. Alisa Gonzales and Orlando Martinez were district 5 4A champions, and Wesley Schmidt and Peyton Woellert were runners-up. Both teams will travel to Austin and compete March 20 - 21.



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Obituaries

Don Randolph "Randy" Cheatham



Don Randolph "Randy" Cheatham passed away Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020, in Lubbock, Texas at the age of 65.

Funeral service will be held Saturday, Jan. 25, 2020, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, Texas, 906 S. Gregg St. at 2 p.m.

Randy was born on Oct. 2, 1954, at Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring, Texas, to Robert and Ruby "Roman" Cheatham.

Randy graduated from Sands High School, class of 1973, Ackerly, Texas. He continued his education at Howard College where he played basketball and Texas Tech University. "Guns UP"

Randy retired after 40 plus years in the oil and gas

industry.

He enjoyed outdoor life with his many friends that included hunting, fishing, football and BBQ-ing. He had a passion for music, history, animals and a cold beer.

He is survived by his wife, Tammie "Phillips" Cheatham of Big Spring, Texas; stepsons, Justin (Aimee) Abernathy and Shannon Smith of Midland, Texas; sister, Robbie Diane Cheatham of Inks Lake, Texas; nephews, Roman (Tanya) Sager of Freer, Texas and Robert (Lea) Sager of Sinton, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude towards all that loved and supported Randy.

Memorial donations can be made to Cooks Children Medical Center in Ft. Worth, Texas.

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

Paid Obituary

Oscar Canales, Sr

Oscar Canales, Sr., 62, died Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with funeral expenses

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **THADDEUS ONTARIO STRAUGHTER**, 29, of 1313 Dixie was arrested on charges of evading arrest or detention with previous conviction, failure to identify-fugitive giving false or fictitious information, and an outstanding warrant from another agency.

• **JODY WAYNE DAWDY**, 55, of 1511 Sycamore St., Apt. B, was arrested on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

• **DANIEL RENE URQUIDEZ**,

28, of 1000 Bluebonnet Ave., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **GABRIEL GEORGE QUINTANA JR.**, 22, of 2601 N. Birdwell Lane, was arrested on three outstanding warrants from other agencies.

• **ALEXANDER DANIEL ROULETTE**, 24, of 91 Seagrave Cir., Hardy Fulton, Arizona, was arrested on a charge of assault of family or household member and intentionally or recklessly impeding normal breathing or circulation.

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported at 15th and Settles, at Go-

liad and FM 700, and at San Antonio and 7th St.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 3200 block of E. I-20.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 3200 block of E. Hwy 350

• **THEFT OF A FIREARM** was reported in the 800 block of N. Gregg St.

• **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 400 block of S. Owens St.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore St., and in the 300 block of W. Leatherwood.

Sheriff Report

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 86 inmates at the time of this report.

• **JODY WAYNE DAWDY**, 55, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family violence.

• **GABRIEL GEORGE QUIN-**

TANA, 22, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for two counts of failure to maintain financial responsibility, and violating promise to appear.

• **ALEXANDER DANIEL ROULETTE**, 24, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault of family or household member impeding breathing.

• **THADDEUS ONTARIO**

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at I-20 mile marker 165. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Rd.. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of S. Main St. One person was transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Tubb Loop. 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 5000 block of Midland Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Edwards.

Take Note

• The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will present an evening of Beethoven February 8 in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. The evening will be a celebration of the composer's 250th birthday. Guest conductor John Giordano is returning to Big Spring to conduct the orchestra for this significant event. Soprano Nicole Keeling will be the featured soloist. She's a native of the South Plains of Texas and earned advanced music degrees from the University of Oklahoma. She has appeared in several operas and is a recent district winner in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. Doors open at 6:30 and the performance begins at 7:30 February 8. Ticket outlets include HEB, the Karat Patch, Heritage Museum and Chamber of Commerce.

• Support Kayln Whitehead get to Europe, as part of Team Texas, for an opportunity to play volleyball. On Jan. 25 - until food runs out - Kalyn and her family will be outside Walmart offering brisket burritos, as a fundraiser. There will also be more information on other fundraising opportunities and how to donate to the upcoming trip.

• 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, or Pepper Sullivan at wpsull911@sbcglobal.net.

• 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.

• 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.

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Support Groups

FRIDAY

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

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. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-860

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have really poured out their hearts to us, through donations, services, band, music and all the other help with numerous programs we do throughout the year.”

The support of our community and donated time helps the DAV and its members continue to do not only accomplish their mission, but expand their reach and support offered.

“We are so blessed and grateful for a community such as Big Spring and surrounding areas,” Meiser said. For the last three years, DAV Chapter 47 has been presenting Certificates of Appreciation to those who have stepped up and helped make a difference in the lives of local veterans. The certificates are created by Senior Vice Commander Mike Tarpley.

The Cross Roads Young Marines - a local youth organization focused on teaching positive growth, leadership qualities and respect - were the first of the organizations represented to be recognized during the meeting.

“In recognition of exemplary performance and unconditional service in assisting the DAV Chapter 47 of Big Spring and service to disabled veterans in the community through DAV sponsored events, including the 9-11 Memorial Service, DAV Dove Hunt, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals you are to be commended for your accomplishments as fine

young cadets,” Meiser said.

Forsan Elementary was recognized for their monetary donation that was presented to the DAV during the 2019 Veteran’s Day Ceremony. Monies were raised throughout the school through a donation drive and friendly competition between classes.

“This recipient blew me away this past year, on Veteran’s Day,” Meiser said. “I had a call from Cheridan Fulgham at Forsan Elementary, and (she informed me) they wanted to present their donations to us that had been gathered in the school. These donations came from their hearts.” Meiser and Clarence Hartfield attended the Forsan Elementary Veteran’s Day program, last year, and at the end of the program, were presented with a donation totaling a little over \$2,996.

“Those kids really did a fantastic job and we are so proud of them,” he said. “In recognition of your support for DAV Chapter 47 of Big Spring, thank you from the officers and DAV Chapter 47 for all your hard work for getting donations to help disabled veterans. Your donations will help many veterans such as food, funding, rent, electricity, water, making repairs on their houses and more. Thank you for being so patriotic ...”

The Chief of Volunteer Services at the West Texas VA Medical Center, Moses Tijirena, was also recognized by the DAV for his selfless contributions throughout the year.

“He is always around when we need him and doing his part, taking care of the veterans here in Big Spring,” Meiser said. “For your generosity to your

voluntary services and support of our nation’s military heroes, your thoughtfulness for Disabled American Veterans organizations to help fulfill our mission of building better lives for our nation’s disabled veterans and their families. For no veteran should have to go without the necessities of life. You’re sincerely appreciated in your efforts to help ensure no veterans are left behind.”

In addition to the three presentations made during the meeting, the DAV also mentioned and honored the Big Spring High Rhapsody and Big Spring High School Band. Representatives of these groups were not available to attend the meeting, but their certificates will be presented at a later date. Both groups helped with the 9-11 Memorial Ceremony held at the Spring Creek mall this past year.

“In recognition of your exemplary performance and unconditional service in assisting the DAV in the 9-11 Memorial Service,” Meiser said. “Through your generosity through your voluntary service and sharing your musical talents in the remembrance of our nation’s fallen heroes. Your true display of Americanism is appreciated by the DAV and the Veteran community. Thank you.” Those wanting to find out more about the local DAV Chapter, become a member or find out how to donate, can follow the new Facebook Page - DAV Big Spring or contact one of the members.

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vendors including, H-E-B, the Karat Patch, Heritage Museum and the Chamber of Commerce.

The Big Spring Symphony invites everyone in the community to attend this performance.

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Weather



Today: Sunny, with a high near 63. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south in the morning.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 44. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 69. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming northwest after midnight.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 66. Northwest wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the afternoon.

Sunday Night: Clear, with a low around 40.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 71.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 42.

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

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no. 5, 4th movement.

Those interested in attending the event may purchase tickets in advance by contacting 432-816-5196. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the performance begins at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 8. Tickets are on sale with select

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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, 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. 7th St., at 5:30 p.m. You can follow their Facebook page for additional information <https://www.facebook.com/food2kids/>.

- 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 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.

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What is the enemy?

Maybe I should have asked who is the enemy? Many times it isn't who we think it is. Enemies come in all shapes and sizes and ages. When I was a child, I thought my enemy was anyone who was over me in authority. I would rebel and be mad or sad because I was made to do what I was supposed to do.

My brother was at times my enemy because he would make fun of me or mock my words just to aggravate me. I would retaliate and be sent to my standing corner for getting angry. Then I would yell out to Mother, "Momma, Bryant's looking at me." That's when a great-aunt would become my enemy. She would mock me in a whiney voice meant to sound like me. It got so I wouldn't say anything when she was around.

Then I had a group of friends who at times would be my enemy. When one of us would get mad at another, everyone in the group would be made at the person who caused the anger. Then we would apologize and be friends again. Emotions for teens are the hardest to deal with.

Now when my anger gets the best

of me, I end up having to forgive just myself for it. My enemy is sometimes myself because I have hurt someone with my words.

But why do we have enemies? Most of the time it has nothing to do with the person. It has more to do with our relationship with our Creator God. He is never our enemy. He calls His own His friend. So in our relationship with God, only one being is our enemy. The Word of God says we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against, powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world. Our enemy is Satan and the evil he throws against us.

So how do we fight against an unseen enemy? We read God's Word, stay close to Him in prayer, fellowship with other believers, and realize people are not our enemy. That's why Jesus tells us to pray for them.

So put on the whole armor of God, so we can fight against the wiles of the devil. Then pray to stay close to our Source of strength, peace, and comfort in this dark world. Lord, we sure thank You for Heaven.



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Reflections: "Secrets"

You would think that we would have learned our lesson about secrets. President Nixon and "All the President's Men" thought that they could get away with it. But every word uttered in the oval office found its way into print and into the public. The Watergate tapes ripped the mask off the public image of politics and left an entire generation disillusioned.

Twenty years later, Bill Clinton assumed that what he did in private would remain secret. But what happened with Monica Lewinsky behind closed doors became public record resulting in the second presidential impeachment in history. In his autobiography, Clinton confessed, "The question of secrets is one I have thought a lot about over the years...Secrets can be an awful burden to bear, especially if some sense of shame is attached to them...Of course, I didn't begin to understand all this back when I became a secret-keeper...I was always reluctant to discuss with anyone the most difficult parts of my personal life."

The Wikileaks secrets were first released in 2010. Most of the documents appeared to be trivial and petty. Some of them serious. All of it stemmed from words written and spoken in secret places that the participants never dreamed would be read or heard by anyone else, but what was said in private is now public.

Edward Snowden released classified National Security documents to the mainstream media in 2013. Facing possible prosecution in the United States, he continues to live in Russia.

Jesus warned us that our secrets would become public. He said, "But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known. Accordingly, whatever you have said in the dark will be

heard in the light, and what you have whispered in the inner rooms will be proclaimed upon the housetops." And again, He said, "For nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has anything been secret, but that it would come to light."

Our conduct in secret is the most important part of our life. What we do and say when we are alone, when we think no one else is looking, that is the part of our life that will ultimately determine our success or failure. Jesus constantly encouraged his followers to focus on what they did in secret. "When you pray," He said, "go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you." And, "when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving will be in secret; and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you."

Jesus taught that those who say and do things privately that they do not want others to know about are like cups that are only washed on the outside. A slimy green scum continues to grow on the inside. He compared people who keep up a public image that is not consistent with their secret conduct to marble tombs in graveyards. They appear whitewashed and clean on the outside, but inside they are filled with rotting flesh and decayed bones. (Matthew 23:26-28).

When you do what is right in private, what is seen in public will take care of itself. The most important part of your life is the secret part.

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Jesus is not a false God

And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, and stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment." Luke 7:37-38

There is only one thing that depresses, discourages and disheartens me more than my sin, and that is the solution which works-based religion offers for it. If I must do good works to solve my sin problem, then I have no hope, no joy, no comfort, no blessings, no sanctification, no justification. We come to Jesus and we sit at His feet, listening to His words because we are scared to make promises to sin less. We know that our sin is so exceedingly sinful that we don't dare seek a solution to it any-

where else but at Jesus' feet. With the Apostle Paul, we are sold under sin (Romans 7:14) and no amount of good works can afford us the comfort and joy we find in the presence of Jesus.

Better to wash Jesus' feet with our tears and wipe them with the hairs of our head than try to wash away our sins by our own good works. Better to kiss Jesus' feet and anoint them with perfume than to figure out a way to be justified by the deeds of the Law.

To some, this may sound like idolatry. But it is not, it is the worship of our great Messiah Redeemer, the only true God. If Jesus is not God then yes, this sort of admiration and show of love and affection is idolatry. If Jesus' sacrifice was not sufficient, then His grace is a dangerous heresy. But if His sacrifice was all-sufficient (and it is), then the gospel of the grace of God is the only true doctrine.



TOM
SLOAN

Something to think about...

"Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other. "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams." ~ Genesis 37:19-20

Joseph was a dreamer. This week we celebrate another dreamer. Dreamers stir things up because they look beyond what "is" to what "could be", they challenge the status quo, and force us out of our comfort zone. God's story is full of dreamers. I believe that is because God has a dream and all great dreams are rooted in His dream for His children and all of creation.

It can be a scary to live into a dream rather than sticking with the reality that we already know. That is why following God requires faith. We must believe that His dream is better than our current reality and we will get there if we stick with Him. In the immediate world, it may cost us dearly, but the end result will be worth it.

As we pray, "Lord, Your kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." We are really praying that God's dream would become a reality in our world. We need to keep dreaming. I believe that Martin Luther King's dream is not only "deeply rooted in the American dream," but is

also deeply rooted in God's vision for us. It is important to reflect on that dream again today.

"And so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

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.

I have a dream today!" Keep dreaming! As Dr. King also said, "We must learn to live together as brothers [and sisters] or perish together as fools." May we be a people so filled with the love of God that we will live into God's ultimate dream where all things are reconciled back to Him in Christ.



RICHARD
SCHNEBERGER

The Profanity

"Give me neither poverty nor riches...Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, "Who is the Lord?" Or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain." (Proverbs 30:8-9)

The air today is filled with many theological words, used in a most theological manner. The sin from profanity has become almost deafening. The strange thing is that so few people seem to notice, or care.

It has not always been so. For example, in 1745, "Profane Oaths Acts" were passed in England making profanity punishable by the courts. I don't know how effective this legislation proved to be, but decent people were concerned.

31 years later, in the United States, General George Washington penned the following words in his orderly book on Aug. 3, 1776.

"I am sorry to be informed that the foolish and wicked practice of profane swearing, a vice heretofore little known in the American army, is growing into fashion. I hope that the officers will, by example and influence, endeavor to check it; and that both they and the men will reflect, that we have but little hope of the blessing of heaven on our arms, if we insult Him by our impiety and folly.

Added to this it is a vice so mean and low that every man of sense and character detests and despises it. It is obvious from our text that Agur feared the possibility of this dreadful sin, but we moderns take profanity for granted. We pass it off without a second thought.

God spoke early to man as to how His name was to be used. From the top of smoking, quaking, Mount Sinai the command was given, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that speaketh His name in vain." (Exodus 20:7).


If profanity flavors your speech, watch out! It is a sure sign of an inner sickness. Jesus said, "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." (Matthew 12:34). If your speech is profane, what must be the condition of your heart?

Don't give in to the profanity explosion. Speech salted by profanity is pathetic. It blatantly introduces to the whole world the course and vulgar person. Say, have you been giving yourself away lately?

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Church News

Spring Creek Fellowship

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry will be open second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 9 to 11 a.m. If you are in need of food, come see us. Sponsored by Spring Creek Fellowship Church. Located in the mall across the hall from the movie theater. Volunteers are needed to unload trucks on Wednesdays before they are open on the weekend. If you are interested in volunteering with the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

All men are invited to the weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. at Evita's Restaurant in the mall. Please join us.

Children's Church is a great place for your child to learn and play while you enjoy worship. This ministry is for children ages kindergarten through fourth grade. We will be building on our Kid Connect lessons. Please bring your children for the fun and learning.

"PUP" which stands for "Picking Up Pieces" is a new sisterhood for widows in our community. All widows in Big Spring and the surrounding areas are welcome. Meetings will be held the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served. We would love to see you there. For address or more info, please contact the church office.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Funeral Meal Team
- Nursery
- Children's Church
- Van Ministry
- "People Helping People" Ministry
- "Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry

The Signal Mountain Quilters Group meets on the second Friday of each month. This group is open to all in the community who are interested. The proceeds from the quilt they are making this year will be donated to The Life Center. You may see the quilt in the foyer.

The Pain Management Class meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. If you have chronic pain and would like to learn how to manage it, please attend this class. It meets in Room 4 of the Adult Connections Classrooms in the mall.

The Taylor School of Ministry is now in session. This session will address "How to Study the Bible". If you are interested, please contact the church office.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving widows in our area with small projects and "honey do" kinds of things. This ministry operates through donations. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, either in a "hands on" way or by donation, please contact the church office.

We have an "App" for your convenience. It is easy to work with and has many applications. Go to your App Store, search for "The Church App" and download. Then search for "Spring Creek Fellowship Texas". That should take you to our Home Page.

Weekly Happenings:

- Sunday
9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups
- 10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.- "Holy Grounds Café" is open with coffee, drinks and fellowship.
- 10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.-Worship Service
- 11 a.m.-12 p.m.-Children's Church
- 5 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- Tuesday-
6 p.m.- Pain Management Class-Room 4
- 7 p.m.-Women's Bible Study
- Wednesday-
Community Groups-various times and places
- Thursday
7 p.m.-Men's Bible Study-Kingdom Disciples
- Saturday
7:30 a.m.-Men's Prayer Breakfast. Breakfast at Evita's Restaurant in the mall.

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office or visit our website at springcreekfellowship.org.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org.

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. The usual Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday school, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday, Jan. 26, Pastor Derrell's sermon is, "The Hound of Heaven", from Luke 15. Jesus told parables about a lost coin, a lost sheep,

and a lost son. God pursues the lost. God pursues us! The choir anthem is "Wade In the Living Water". Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the service live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring. You can watch previous worship service videos on that Facebook page including recordings of our Christmas program, "Our Savior".

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study meets in Garrett Hall. The meal is served at 11:50 for \$5, followed by a Bible Study from the Book of John.

Real Life Wednesdays include Celebrate Recovery, choir rehearsal, women's Bible study, children's choir, and youth meetings which all meet at 6 p.m. The Praise Team Rehearsal is at 7 p.m. The College Ministry, Wesley Foundation, meets on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at Howard College.

"Celebrate Recovery" sessions are offered every Wednesday in Youth Hall for anyone in the community seeking freedom and healing from hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Worship and helpful Bible-based discussions begin at 6 p.m. The public is invited to drop by the north entrance of the building on Scurry Street any Wednesday. Men's Step Studies meet at 8 a.m. on Sundays in Youth Hall.

Other events on the church calendar include:

- February 1: Wesleyan Covenant Association Gathering, Lubbock, LakeRidge UMC (10-2)
- February 2: Youth Fundraiser Dinner, Garrett Hall, beginning at 11 a.m.
- February 3 and 4: Food2Kids Sacking, 5:30 p.m., 1107 N.W. 7th St.
- February 7-9: "Disciple Now" Youth Weekend
- February 11: United Methodist Women Lunch and Program, Youth Hall
- February 14-16: Youth Ski Trip
- February 26: Ash Wednesday Services, 12:30 p.m. Garrett Hall; 6 p.m., Sanctuary
- February 27-March 1: Men's Walk to Emmaus

For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www.funccbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

College Baptist Church

Do you know that whatever your need, God can help you with it. Is it time to renew your commitment? What a unique opportunity we have to increase our eyesight as we dive into a brand new year. SEND, First Priority, Bible teaching, preaching from God's word, and back pack ministry are all ongoing ministries at College Baptist Church located at the southeast corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. We invite you to come join us on Sundays for Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:15 for all ages, followed by worship at 10:45 in the auditorium. GA's at 5 p.m. for grades first through fifth girls' missions. Then Bible study for youth and adults at 6 p.m. Wednesday we have a Craft time, King's Kids, and prayer and Bible study for youth and adults all beginning at 7 p.m.

Come worship with us as we celebrate the God of all seasons. No matter the program, we enjoy the worship time. Our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, helps us as we delve into God's word, which inspires us to live as Jesus lives through us. Get your spiritual 20/20 vision on and come and be a part in these joyful activities with us in exciting worship as we praise the mighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429, for more information about this exciting, loving church.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. Currently, they are joining with the First Baptist Church family in the main sanctuary with interpreters provided. First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700. For information about additional activities or to learn more about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, contact Pastor Jim Walterhouse at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness." Psalm 115:1

There's no better time than now to become part of a church family, and First Baptist Church extends a heartfelt invitation to come together with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. as they give praise and honor to The King of Kings and LORD of Lords, Jesus Christ. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a blend of contemporary praise music and classic hymns of the faith. Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message, and all will be encouraged through the Scriptures'

reminder that Jesus is the true Messiah and Savior of the world, and that through faith in Him, eternal life is secured. Also, during the morning service, the youth pastor candidate and his wife will share their testimony.

FBC offers Deaf Interpretation in the morning worship service. If you need assistance accessing the sanctuary due to mobility issues, use the west circle drive, and someone will be glad to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the church website at: fbcbigspring.org. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SERMONS').

At 9 a.m., The Gathering Place, FBC coffee shop, is open, and you're invited to have some coffee and a sweet treat while enjoying a time of fellowship. Greeters are happy to direct you to The Gathering Place which is located in the former library space.

At 9:30, Bible study/Sunday school groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and teens, college students, and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class.

At 5 p.m., you're invited to gather in the parlor, across the hall from the chapel, for a time of prayer. This is a special time of focused prayer for our community, and church body. Don't miss the blessing.

Evening worship service begins at 5:30 in the chapel and is a wonderful opportunity to prepare one's heart for the upcoming week.

Wednesday night meals are served from 5-6 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Reservations are required by Monday noon to assist with planning; call 267-8223 or go to fbcbigspring.org to save your place and learn more.

Wednesday evening schedule includes: 5:45 p.m. children's activities; 6 p.m. adult Bible study, and worship choir practice; 6:15 p.m. youth activities; contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332 for details about teen events, or just come to the second floor Youth room at 6:15, and join the fun. At 7:30 p.m., the worship band rehearses, and there's room for you if you play an instrument. Contact Music Minister Alan Schantz at 267-8223 or just stop by Wednesday evening if you're interested in being part of praising God through participation in the Worship Band.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 to hear about available openings for your little ones. To learn more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website: fbcbigspring.org or call 267-8223.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church. "...may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, ...guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7 May God draw you ever closer to Him each day of 2020.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located at 1001 S. Goliad, north of the high school, and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesdays we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m., and evening we have evening prayer, dinner, and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Happenings for February

- Shrove Tuesday – February 25

We will have Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. We will be serving pancakes, sausages, bacon, and eating together as a community before the symbolic fasting of Lent begins. All the community is welcome and there is not a charge for the meal.

- Ash Wednesday – February 26

On Wednesday, Feb. 26, we start the Lenten journey with Ash Wednesday service. We have a service on Wednesday at 6 p.m. From that day until Easter, we will be into 40 days of Lent. This service is open to everybody in the community, and we hope and pray you will join us as we begin the Lenten Journey.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 26, 2020

CHURCH

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“Celebrating and Sharing God’s Love and Grace in our lives”.

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Lamb or the church office, please call 432-264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

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

Phillip Reid will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to

106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: “Morning Meditation Thoughts”. Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

First Presbyterian Church

The Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 p.m. in the library, and the Chancel Choir rehearsal is at 6 p.m.

The Thursday Lunch Bunch will meet January 23 at Joe’s Bistro on FM 700.

The Stated Session Meeting for January is on the 23 at 6 p.m. in the church library.

The monthly Prayer Breakfast is Saturday, Jan. 25, at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please come share good food and fellowship and bring a friend.

Presbyterian Women will meet Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 2 p.m. in the library for a brief business meeting followed by the Bible study of Lessons 4 and 5 of the study Love Carved in Stone by Eugenia Gamble.

Ushers last Sunday were Jim Little, Louise Hitch, Doug Mays, and Jake Patterson.

Ellen Austin will be in charge of Take Ten on Sunday, Jan. 12.

Lectionary passages for the Third Sunday after Epiphany are Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; I Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23. The Choral Introit is “Surely the Presence of the Lord.” Rev. Taylor Todd will deliver the sermon. The offertory will be “Variations on Thaxed,” by Tom Trenney on the organ by Gabe Martinez, organist and choir director. The Noisy Offering will be collected during the Children’s Moment.

Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what’s happening at the church by visiting our website www.fpcbs.org We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

We at Cornerstone Covenant Church would love the opportunity to Connect with you. Please join us this week at one of the following events:

- Sunday, Jan. 26- Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service. Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you better.

- Monday, Feb. 10- Let’s hear it for the girls! Join Women’s Far Above Rubies for an evening of laughter, fun and fellowship. We welcome women of all ages and ask that you bring your favorite dish to share. We will gather in the ARC from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information contact Debbie Rieger at 432-935-1257.

- Van transportation- We have an active Van Ministry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship service. If you are needing a ride please contact the church office.

Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for worship services.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our administrative office at 432-264-0015 or email us at info@cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at [facebook.com/CCCBigSpring](https://www.facebook.com/CCCBigSpring) or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

Crestview Baptist Church

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

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

NazFamily Church

- 20/20 Vision

Fan = “an enthusiastic admirer.” We are fans of sports teams and super stars, but most of us wouldn’t give our lives for them. In Jesus day the crowd was full of fans. Many people admired Him, but few were willing to become His followers. Is that how you define your relationship with Jesus? An "enthusiastic admirer"? Close enough to Jesus to get the benefits but not so close to require sacrifice? The question isn't whether you will wear a cross, but whether you will bear a cross. He is not looking for fans, but for followers. Not just any follower though - a completely committed follower. Join us at NazFamily Church this Sunday as we define the relationship and discover what it means to be a A fully committed Follower!

- Alpha

Got questions? Life is full of questions. Some are relatively trivial: What should we have for dinner? What are we going to do this weekend? What should we watch? But then there are the deeper questions of life: Why are we here? Why do bad things happen to good people? What happens when we die? The Alpha Series is a 12 week study designed to help us explore the deeper questions of life and faith. Join us as we continue the journey at NazFamily Church this Wednesday. There will be a family meal at 5:30 p.m., and the series will begin at 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there.

- NCA Chili Cookoff

Nazarene Christian Academy is hosting a Chili Cookoff and Silent Auction on Feb. 1, 2020, from 5 to 7 p.m. If you would like to be entered into the chili competition, call NCA at 432-263-0203 x 203 to be entered. There is a \$10 donation to enter the competition. To come enjoy the silent auction and enjoy some chili, it is \$10 donation per person. NCA is not just a school, but it is a school on a mission to raise up a new generation of Christian leaders. Come on out and support NCA.

- Men’s Prayer Breakfast

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. (Proverbs 27:17) The first Saturday of every month the NazFamily hosts a men’s prayer breakfast at 8 a.m. You won’t find a better breakfast anywhere in town. It is always a time of great food, fellowship, and faith building together. All men are invited to join us as we sharpen and strengthen one another!

- SuperBowl

NazFamily is joining with The Bridge and PBOEM for a Super Bowl watch party at the Elite RV Clubhouse on Feb. 2nd at 5 p.m. This is a family friendly outreach event. Bring some snacks and invite your friends to come watch the big game together.

- Marriage Retreat

Save the date: Feb. 14-15 will be our annual NazFamily Marriage Retreat. Contact Howard or Sally Callendar to sign up: howard@callenderinc.com

U.S. Supreme Court hears arguments in school choice case

The Center Square undefined

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday heard oral arguments in a Montana school choice case that could directly impact 37 state constitutions banning public funds from being used on religious schools.

During the arguments, the court's conservative justices seemed ready to strike down at least some state restrictions banning all public funds from being used on religious schools.

The case in question, *Espinoza v. Montana Department of Revenue*, is considered by many to be a landmark religious liberty and school choice case dating back to 19th century law, which many argue is unconstitutional because it requires governments to prohibit public funding from being directed toward religious schools.

Montana was among many western states to adopt such an amendment after Congress stipulated in 1875 that doing so was a pre-condition of joining the Union. Montana joined the Union in 1889 after delegates to the 1889 Montana constitutional convention passed the Blaine Amendment to the state constitution.

In 2015, Montana launched a program that provides tax credits to individuals and businesses that donate to private schools. The donations then are used as financial aid for parents who can't afford to send their children to private schools but want to.

Shortly after the program was launched, the state barred any of the money from going to religious schools, citing the Blaine Amendment. But three families filed suit, challenging the decision.

The Montana Supreme Court eventually ruled the entire program was unconstitutional and struck it down. The decision was appealed the U.S. Supreme Court, which agreed to hear the case.

Conservative justices on Wednesday questioned whether the decision was discriminatory.

"What if the state said you can use scholarship funds for private schools, but not for Jewish or Protestant schools? Wouldn't that be discrimina-

tion?" Justice Brett Kavanaugh asked.

The Michigan-based Mackinac Center for Public Policy was one of several groups across the country to file an amicus brief in support of the parents who challenged the ban.

"The case offers the Supreme Court the opportunity to reject anti-aid, or Blaine, amendments," the Mackinac Center said in a news release. "This could remove the remaining major legal obstacle to universal educational choice in many states, including Michigan."

Patrick Hughes, president and co-founder of the Liberty Justice Center, which also supports the parents, said that "families have a constitutional right to choose a school for their children that reinforces their values and beliefs rather than undermining them. The First Amendment is a stalwart against rogue moves like that of Montana. The state is using the First Amendment to discriminate instead of protect, and the Supreme Court must uphold the rights of Americans of all religions to participate in school choice."

The Supreme Court is expected to rule on the case by the end of its term in June.

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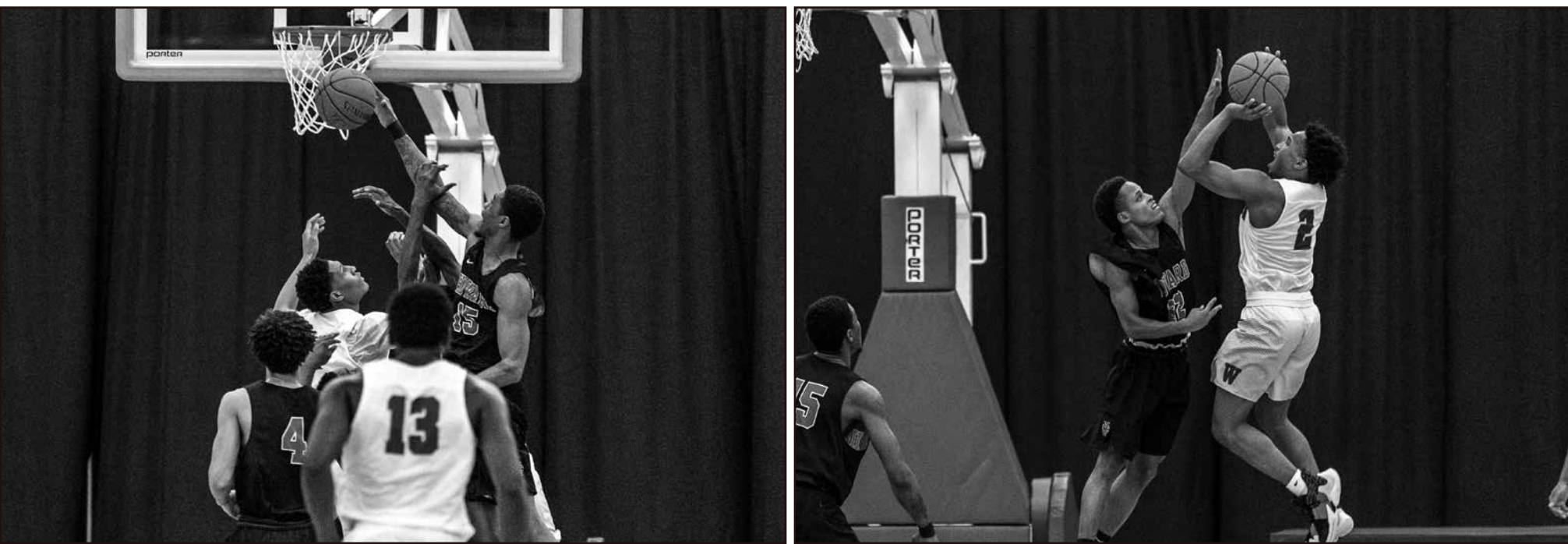
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Howard Hawks come from behind to defeat Western Texas 63-61



Pictured above left: Forward Lacey Watson aggressively swats a shot away during his double-double performance. Pictured above right: Guard Mohamed Musa came off the bench to tightly contest another shot in the Hawks' second conference win.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

SNYDER -- The Howard Hawks (12-9) won a 63-61 thriller against the Western Texas Westerners (16-5) in a conference matchup on Thursday night. After trailing for most of the entire second half, the Hawks' Eric Reed Jr. drove to the basket hard and easily laid in the game-winning basket with under one second to play.

"It was such an ugly game," Hawks Coach Scott Raines said. "We never had any flow offensively. It's another night that we shoot below 30-percent from three but as the game went along you could just feel that we had the right guys out there and they were into fighting. When team's complete the way our guys did tonight, it's so much fun to coach them."

There was an apparent defensive battle brewing throughout the first half between these two similar-caliber teams on Thursday night. Through the first seven minutes of the contest, the game was tied at four points apiece with neither team seeming to gain an edge on offense. Midway through the first half, things started to pick-up for the Hawks as starting guard Klay Brown drained two beautiful high-arc jumpshots for a quick five points that jump-started the Howard offense. Brown was 3-for-4 from beyond the arc in the first half and was leading the Hawks with 11 points at the break.

Western Texas answered the challenge by converting on a three-point shot and by making it an emphasis to feed the ball inside to forward Ben Smith and find guard Leland Kirkendoll near the perimeter. Smith scored nine points in the first half and was a problem for the Hawks to stop with his hard-driving approach to the basket. Meanwhile, Westerners' guard CJ Smith was seemingly open

even when he was guarded and also notched nine points in the first 20 minutes on 3-of-4 from deep.

The impressive offensive duo helped the Westerners charge into the half with a 30-22 lead between their ability to adjust to the Howard defense in the first half. The Howard offense appeared to cool off heading into the half and were searching for consistency from their playmakers.

They would find it in the second half.

Both offenses were wide awake and fired out of halftime with 23 combined points through the first five minutes. Brown was able to knock down his fourth trey in-a-row early in the second half and the Hawks were able to climb back into the game after a weak finish to the first half.

"Klay was tremendous," Raines said. "It was the first time we started him in a while and we thought playing him at the four would cause a bigger guy to guard him, He got open for some threes and we're probably just blown out of the building if he doesn't hit those first-half threes."

Following a few strong possessions from the Howard offense, Western Texas put a halt to their momentum with an emphatic dunk off a steal by Westerners' starting guard Darius Mickens. In a game that was being dominated by both squad's backcourts, the Western Texas pairing of Smith and Mickens was continually making momentum-shifting plays.

Western Texas was holding an eight-point lead with just under 10 minutes remaining in regulation as the Hawks attempted to make their final push for the win. Even in their losses this season, Howard has been tough to put away as they always fight until the final whistle.

Thursday night was no different.

Every time that Western Texas appeared to be pulling away, the Howard offensive attack would

find a way to pull themselves back within striking distance. Offensive rebounding was a strength for Howard all-night-long and on one possession a second half opportunity created by Tucson Redding cut the score to 53-48 with under seven minutes to go. A few minutes later following three lead changes, the Hawks would take a 56-55 lead on a Lacey Watson putback. Smith would respond minutes later with another three for the Westerners that would tie the game at 58. Following another Redding triple and a shooting foul that gave Mickens three shots, the game was tied at 61 with six seconds to play.

The ball was inbounded and sophomore guard Eric Reed Jr. charged down the court. As Reed Jr. drove the lane, there was a gap in the defense that he would exploit for the game-winning layup with under one second to play.

"I was just thinking how I started off the game slow and knew that I needed to finish," Reed Jr. said,

The Howard Hawks pulled out a tough win against a very good conference opponent and will be looking to keep their momentum going into the next game. After a strong second half from the entire team there will be expectations to bring the same intensity into the next game.

"No promises, but we're coming," Reed Jr. said.

"We're coming."

UP NEXT: The Hawks will host South Plains next Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. inside the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Shawn Moran is the sports editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, email sports@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Lady Hawks lose sixth straight in road loss to Western Texas

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

SNYDER -- The Howard Lady Hawks (5-17) lost their sixth game in a row on Thursday night by a score of 62-42 in a conference rivalry matchup with the Western Texas Lady Westerners (8-9). With a depleted bench and fatigue beginning to set-in on some players in a long season, the Lady Hawks were unable to control momentum and were sent home with another double-digit loss.

"We lost our momentum, they hit some shots and got some rhythm, and that was the game," Lady Hawks coach Earl Diddle said.

In the first quarter the Lady Hawks were able to frustrate the Lady Westerners offense by making quick switches on the defensive end and forcing the Western Texas offense into bad shots. On several occasions, the Western Texas ball-handler would drive the lane or not set their feet which would set up off-balance shots that were badly missed. Meanwhile, the Lady Hawks were able to knock down three shots from beyond the arc in the first 10 minutes of regulation and gave themselves a four-point lead heading into the second quarter.

Howard continued to hold the pedal to the metal heading into the second quarter with a 17-13 lead by continuing to apply pressure defensively. Western Texas was visibly rushing their possessions and had continued to turn the ball over without getting a good shot on basket. Lady Hawks forward Jazz Bethea collected two blocks underneath the basket in the first half and the Howard gameplan appeared to be firing on all cylinders.

Then, the tables began to turn midway through the second quarter.

With five minutes to go before halftime, the Lady Westerners flipped the script and went on a run by knocking down a pair of three-point shots and forcing the Lady Hawks into a handful of bad turnovers. Howard managed to only score six points in the second quarter and after a hot start to the game found themselves trailing 27-23 at halftime.



Courtesy Photo/Tony Claxton (claxtonphotography.com)

Pictured above: Guard Averie Benson puts up a shot in the loss to the Lady Westerners on Thursday night.

"We had a tough time moving the ball on them and the ball movement and player movement creates dribble-drives," Diddle said. "We've got some players that have been out a couple days and due to those injuries we're just trying to get through the game. We've got to have better ball movement and player movement."

Both teams started the second half with continued offensive struggles in a back-and-forth game that switched leads on several occasions. Through the first five minutes of the half both teams scored only four points and were finding their success within 10 feet of the basket. A few lazy passes near the top of the key from the Howard offense left

Western Texas with a wide-open path to the hoop that they were able to convert on consistently and grow their lead to nine points, 41-32, going into the fourth.

The Lady Hawks failed to make any long-range shots in the final 30 minutes of regulation after draining three in the first quarter and the continued reliance on the three-point shot hurt the team. With less possessions including a tough drive through the paint the Lady Westerners were able to focus their defense on the perimeter and force the Lady Hawks into costly turnovers.

"We've got a history of turning the ball over and they took advantage defensively," Diddle said.

The fourth quarter was the least kind 10-minute frame to the Lady Hawks in their district rivalry on Thursday night. Western Texas starting guard Morgan Dial was lethal from long-range to close out the game and led her team with 16 points by knocking down 4-of-10 from beyond the arc. Lady Westerners leading scorer Clarrissa Francis was held to only four points but in a game where the Howard offense evaporated after an injury to guard Keona Loftis, the Western Texas role players picked up the slack.

Western Texas outscored Howard 21-10 in the fourth quarter and cruised through the last few minutes of regulation on the way to their fourth win in their last six games. Against a team that is 10th in the nation in opponents' three-point percentage, the Lady Hawks struggled mightily and converted on only 3-of-18 from deep.

With a week off before their next game against the No. 1 team in the nation, the Lady Hawks will be attempting to get a few players healthy and end their current extended losing streak.

UP NEXT: The Lady Hawks will play host to the South Plains Lady Texans next Thursday night at 5:45 p.m. inside the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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Public Notice

The Planning and Zoning Commission will forward their recommendation to the Big Spring City Council for a second Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.** in the City Council Chambers at 307 E. 4th St.

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Annie's Mailbox

Wedding Gifts Under Warranty?

Dear Annie: My very good friend "Pamela" has a son who recently got married. The wedding took place in the middle of September. The bride decided at the beginning of December that she didn't want to be married. My question is this: Who gets the gifts? The bride and groom were living with her parents until they bought a home, so they didn't use any of their wedding gifts. The groom just bought a house. I say that he should get the gifts; he is not the one who decided to leave the marriage. -- Wedding Present Problems

Dear Wedding Present: The law varies by state. Generally, if the gifts were given to the couple, then the gifts are communal property and will be divided up however the rest of their property is divided up. It's worth the husband consulting an attorney on this matter. Morally speaking, that's a differ-

ent question, but I tend to agree with you: This woman put him out in the cold. The least she could do is let him have the toaster.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have lived together for more than 30 years, and we decided to get married about 15 years ago. We live in a different state than his family and don't see them often. We do exchange cards, holiday gifts, calls, etc. Several women in his family (specifically, his sister and her adult daughter) will not address me in writing by my name. I kept my birth name when I married and they know that, but anything they send to us either refers to "John and Mary Smith" (his last name) or "The Smiths." My husband has reminded them of my name, and I have included a little note on some holiday cards in the past to remind them as well. I can only assume that they disagree with my decision to keep my own name, and it continues

to upset me. It feels disrespectful, to say the least. My husband thinks it's no big deal. Is he right? Is it worth me reaching out directly to each of them to ask why they are doing this when I otherwise don't have a lot of contact with them, or should I just let it go and try not to let it bother me? -- Ms. Addressed

Dear Ms. Addressed: Write this off as ignorance. Sure, there's a chance they're deliberately disrespecting your choice to keep your name -- but you'd only be assuming that. Recall that old saying about what happens when you assume: The language is a shade too colorful for a family paper, but the gist is not to do it.

Truly, it costs you nothing to generously give others the benefit of the doubt, even to those who haven't earned it. So presume innocence, and ask your husband to remind them again of your last name. If he resists because "it isn't a big deal," tell him that

it's important to you. Not every matter needs to be cataclysmic to be worthy of addressing.

Dear Annie: Thanks for your article on grieving and saying, "Don't let anyone tell you how or when to grieve." My brother was killed in a gun accident 39 years ago and my mother was never the same. I remember her saying that after a while someone tried to be "helpful" by suggesting it was time to move on. It didn't go over well. -- Gary in Indianapolis

Dear Gary: I am so sorry for the tragic loss of your brother. And I'm sorry your mother had to hear those words when she was suffering. There is no perfect thing to say to someone who is grieving: The most important thing you can do is just to show up for them and listen.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

Partner bids One Heart. What would you respond with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠ KJ874 ♥ A852 ♦ 73 ♣ 85
2. ♠ 63 ♥ AQ97 ♦ AK1032 ♣ K8
3. ♠ AQ98 ♥ 10 ♦ K92 ♣ AJ764
4. ♠ 8752 ♥ J8653 ♦ A942 ♣ —

1. Two hearts. This is preferable to one spade, the alternative response. To bid one spade would create an awkward problem if partner rebid two clubs, two diamonds or one notrump. A preference bid of two hearts would then constitute an underbid, as you have much better trump support than partner would expect, while a jump-preference to three hearts would be a substantial overbid.

Furthermore, if partner rebid two hearts over one spade, you'd be torn between whether to pass or raise to three hearts, and either call could prove to be wrong. A direct raise to two hearts, indicating six to 10 points and adequate trump support, avoids these potential problems.

2. Three diamonds. Slam is a distinct possibility, but you're in no position to judge whether or not it can be made. It is therefore best to make a jump-shift response, alerting partner to the prospect of a slam, and then let him decide how far to go. Of course, you plan to show your heart support next.

3. Two clubs. Here your goal is to

try to describe your distribution as accurately as possible, planning to bid two spades over partner's expected two-diamond or two-heart rebid. This sequence will show, by inference, that your clubs are longer than your spades.

It would be a serious mistake to bid one spade initially rather than two clubs. If you were to bid spades first and clubs later, there would be no way your partner could know you had more clubs than spades. In a case where you know you are going to get to a game and could even have a slam, there is no good reason to muddy the waters by bidding spades first when there is a simple way to describe your actual distribution.

4. Four hearts. Here you combine your offensive chances with your defensive fears by leaping to game. Your heart length would be a defensive liability if the opponents played the hand, and the chief purpose of leaping to four hearts is to make it difficult for them to enter the fray.

At the same time, you should not feel overly surprised if partner buys the contract at four hearts and then makes it. Your club void, five trumps and ace of diamonds might prove to be just what he needs. Hands of this sort depend largely on how well they fit with partner's cards, but the winning strategy in the long run is to bid game at once and let the opponents try to sort things out.

Tomorrow: Bad news, good news.

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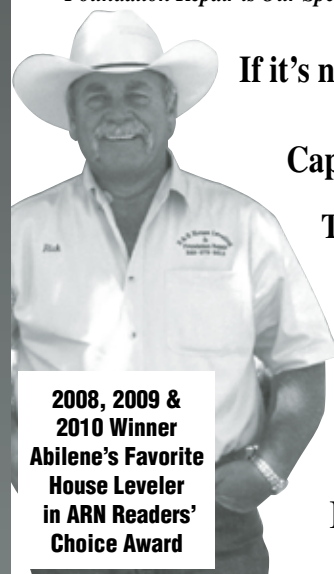
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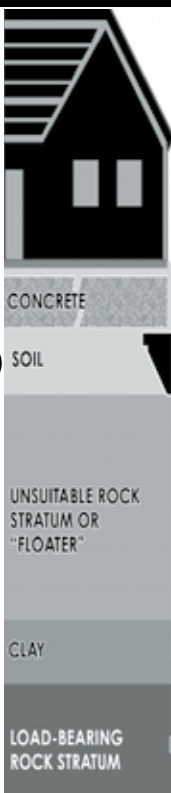
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Aquarius New Moon

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

the right thing to do in the moment will be heroic and deeply moving to someone else.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Relationships are a two-way loop. Just as you toil with your powers of perception to present your best self and build the relationship, the other person toils similarly to receive your ideas and meet your expectations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Psychologists refer to the "integrated self" like it's possible for an infinitely complex creature in an equally complex environment to be fully united in thought, emotion and action. All we can do is our best.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Avoid those who can't take a joke and won't give one. The humorless lack subtlety of thought, are risk-averse and worst of all are apt to spread the soul-sucking disease of seriousness.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Though thoughts may whiz by in an unintelligible blur, the emotion you're feeling is evidence of their content. Slow down, rewind, investigate. Chances are those sadness-producing thoughts aren't even true.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll ruminate over an exchange. Sure, in the greater scheme of things perhaps this exchange is meaningless with results of no real consequence, and yet somehow it also means everything.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You get to choose with whom you spend time. Most people take the best of the ones they see around them, sampling from but a few hundred of the 7 billion people on earth. You'll have luck casting a much wider net.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People worth their salt will foul up just like the rest, but they'll



own up to their mistakes and try to make amends. Anyone who tries to brush errors under the rug is a potential danger source.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Word of the day: pantisocracy -- a utopian social order in which all are equal in status and responsibility. The group won't get there. None ever has. But anything you can do to shore up differences will be appreciated.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are invisible tethers that hook you into certain people and endeavors and keep your rapt attention there though there is so much else you could pay attention to if you wanted. Why? See if you can figure it out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). As for these thoughts that you'd rather not have, you don't have to flee them, battle them or bottle them. Avoid feeding them like an ugly little pet. Try distraction. Not everything has to be turned into an emotional journey.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are no longer afraid of the thing that used to keep you from love. Take a moment to acknowledge the growth and really absorb what it's like to be here... because you're about to have another spurt.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll go on unselfconsciously just doing you. What you believe is simply

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 24). In a rather unusual and delightful twist, what you invest in will bring you both momentary and long-term fulfillment. This seldom happens! What a pleasure to not have to expend willpower on the things that are good for you because your attractions handle the whole deal. Health, wealth and vitality are yours. Virgo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 1, 44 and 16.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: You shouldn't always have to earn your fun or pay for it down the line. There are people who just want to see you smile. **TAURUS:** Beauty depends on mostly order, and a drop of chaos. **GEMINI:** You'll get more attention than you're comfortable with -- an interesting test of your limits. **CANCER:** The truth can only be processed in small doses. **LEO:** Desire will be the most important factor in the success of a love affair. **VIRGO:** Someone is giving you gorgeous propaganda. It's safe to eat up, as long as you're not fooling yourself. **LIBRA:** No one is the one, but many are one of the ones. **SCORPIO:** You'll offer enough to satisfy both need and greed. **SAGITTARIUS:** You're a true original. You'll change what people come to expect about love. **CAPRICORN:** You don't have to suffer for anything, not art, not spirituality, not love. **AQUARIUS:** The tests of love are a battery of short little one-question quizzes spaced out over the semester. **PISCES:** You find the tenderness in your own heart first and then find it the heart of another.

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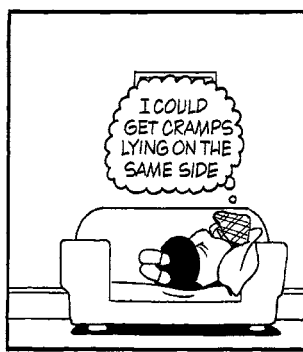
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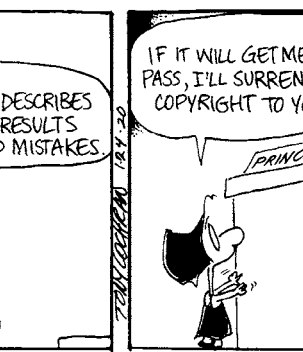
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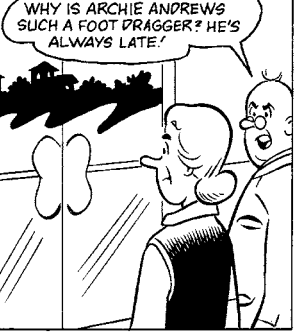
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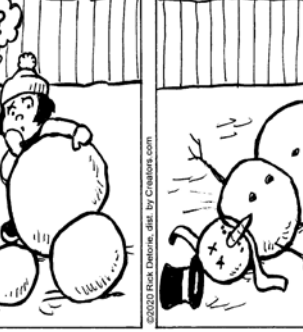
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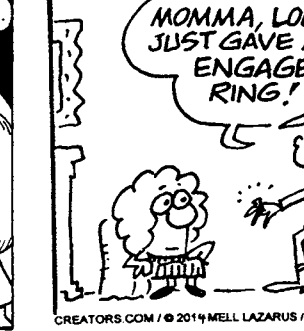
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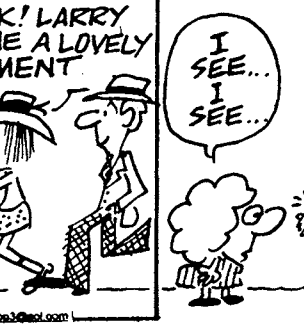
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Friday, Jan. 24, the 24th day of 2020. There are 342 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 24, 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill concluded a wartime conference in Casablanca, Morocco.
On this date:
In 1848, James W. Marshall discovered a gold nugget at Sutter's Mill in northern California, a discovery that led to the gold rush of '49.
In 1935, beer was first sold in cans in Richmond, Virginia, by the Gottfried Krueger Brewing Co.
In 1939, at least 28,000 people were killed by an earthquake that devastated the city of Chillan (chee-YAHN') in Chile.
In 1945, Associated Press war correspondent Joseph Morton was among a group of captives executed by the Germans at the Mauthausen-Gusen concentration camp in Austria.
In 1965, British statesman Winston Churchill died in London at age 90.
In 1984, Apple Computer began selling its first Macintosh model, which boasted a built-in 9-inch monochrome display, a clock rate of 8 megahertz and 128k of RAM.
In 1985, the space shuttle Discovery was launched from Cape Canaveral on the first secret, all-military shuttle mission.
In 1987, gunmen in Lebanon kidnapped educators Alan Steen, Jesse Turner, Robert Polhill and Mitheshwar Singh. (All were eventually released.)
In 1989, confessed serial killer Theodore Bundy was executed in Florida's electric chair.
In 1993, retired Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall died in Bethesda, Maryland, at age 84.
In 2003, former Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge was sworn as the first secretary of the new Department of Homeland Security.
In 2018, former sports doctor Larry Nassar, who had admitted molesting some of the nation's top gymnasts for years under the guise of medical treatment, was sentenced to 40 to 175 years in prison. Singer Elton John announced that he would be re-

tiring from the road after an upcoming three-year global tour.
Ten years ago: In an audio message, Osama bin Laden endorsed the failed attempt to blow up a U.S. airliner on Christmas Day and threatened new attacks against the United States. Afghanistan postponed parliamentary elections. The Indianapolis Colts beat the New York Jets 30-17 in the AFC championship game. The New Orleans Saints of the NFC made it to their first Super Bowl after battering the Minnesota Vikings 31-28 in overtime. Bowler Kelly Kulick became the first woman to win a PBA Tour title, beating Chris Barnes in the final of the 45th Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas. Actor Pernell Roberts, 81, died in Malibu, California.
Five years ago: President Barack Obama condemned the murder of Japanese hostage Haruna Yukawa by the Islamic State group and called for the immediate release of another Japanese hostage, journalist Kenji Goto (Goto was beheaded by his captors days later). Parts of the Northeast got their first real taste of winter as a storm dumped rain, sleet and snow as it moved up the coast. "Birdman" received the Producers Guild of America's highest film award.
One year ago: Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro called home all Venezuelan diplomats from the United States and closed its embassy, a day after ordering all U.S. diplomats out of the country; the Trump administration had said the order wasn't legal because the U.S. now recognized opposition leader Juan Guaido, and not Maduro, as Venezuela's legitimate leader. The Senate voted down competing Democratic and Republican plans for ending a 34-day partial government shutdown, but the setbacks prompted bipartisan talks aimed at temporarily halting the longest-ever closure of federal agencies.

Today's Birthdays: Cajun musician Doug Kershaw is 84. Singer-songwriter Ray Stevens is 81. Singer-songwriter Neil Diamond is 79. Singer Aaron Neville is 79. Actor Michael Ontkean is 74. Actor Daniel Auteuil is 70. Country singer-songwriter Becky Hobbs is 70. Comedian Yakov Smirnoff is 69. South Korean President

Moon Jae-in is 67. Actor William Allen Young is 66. Bandleader-musician Jools Holland is 62. Actress Nastassja Kinski is 59. Rhythm-and-blues singer Theo Peoples is 59. Country musician Keech Rainwater (Lonestar) is 57. Comedian Phil LaMarr is 53. Olympic gold medal gymnast Mary Lou Retton is 52. Rhythm-and-blues

singer Sleepy Brown (Society of Soul) is 50. Actor Matthew Lillard is 50. Actress Merrilee McCommas is 49. Blues/rock singer Beth Hart is 48. Actor Ed Helms is 46. Actor Mark Hildreth is 42. Actress Christina Moses is 42. Actress Tatyana Ali is 41. Rock musician Mitchell Marlow (Filter) is 41. Actress Carrie Coon is 39. Actor Daveed Diggs is 38.

Actor Justin Baldoni is 36. Actress Mischa Barton is 34.
Thought for Today: "I think of a hero as someone who understands the degree of responsibility that comes with his freedom." — Bob Dylan. Copyright 2020, The Associated Press. All rights reserved.

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1 Two-Oscar actor who once roomed with two-Oscar Hackman
8 Meanderings
15 Court order
16 Keyboarder's base
17 Part of a villainous visage
19 *Dancing With the Stars* panel name
20 Poetic feet
21 A spring season
22 "Graphic" group
24 *Moby-Dick* social call
25 Some heads of households
27 Writer Hubbard
29 What powers some mice
30 NLCS overseer
33 Liquids sold in liters
36 Offered in a store
38 Is begrudging of
41 Part of a nation's sovereignty
42 Made smoother
43 Mdse.
44 Guinness center
45 Bicentennial president
47 FM station stock, maybe
48 Keats subject
49 Vocalized
53 Java Sea setting
56 Stock up on
58 Spend, with "out"
59 Minestrone morsels
63 Triple, for instance
64 Well-liked things

- 65 Film plots
66 Overpowering exaltation
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1 "Aqui se español"
2 Having premiered first
3 Fire starter
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5 Early 11th-century date
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7 Artist in a Boxing Hall of Fame
8 The object at hand
9 *Monarque mâle*
10 "___ dreaming?"
11 Keeps hidden
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Mavericks make 22 3-pointers, beat Trail Blazers 133-125

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Damian Lillard had another big performance, scoring a game-high 47 points. But a tough loss and issues with the officiating had the Portland Trail Blazers star in a foul mood.

Luka Doncic scored 27 points to go with nine assists and six rebounds, and the Dallas Mavericks made 22 3-pointers in a 133-125 victory Thursday night with a complete team performance that overcame Lillard's hot shooting.

After picking up a technical foul in the final seconds, Lillard voiced his frustrations with the officiating.

"We're down by 13 with four minutes left, I was driving for a reverse layup and I got smacked on the head," Lillard said. "I asked (the referee) why he didn't call it and he said, all three of us agreed you leaned into him."

"That's an insult, man."

One game after scoring a career-high 61 points, Lillard became the first player in franchise history to score 100 points over two games.

"Before the game, I tried to pass a note down to their locker room to tell Lillard that he had my All-Star vote," Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle said. "Obviously, he didn't get the note, but he had my vote before he went for 47 against us. What an amazing player. He's virtually impossible to stop. He's got an iron will. He's obviously a great leader."

"When he's on the floor they're hard to beat no matter what."

The Mavericks needed Doncic, who scored 20 of his points in the first half, and plenty of help in the win.

Dallas had six players make at least three 3-pointers, and it was the sixth time this season the Mavericks made 20 3s, with Seth Curry and Jalen Brunson leading the way with four each.

The 43 combined 3-pointers made by Dallas and Portland tied an NBA record. Trevor Ariza, recently acquired in a trade from Sacramento, scored a season-high 21 in his Portland debut.

"I thought he was terrific," Blazers coach Terry Stotts.

Lillard's hot shooting alone wasn't enough to stay in front of a high-powered Mavericks team that has the league's No. 1 ranked offense. Although Dallas went off for a monstrous 45-point quarter to begin the game, Lillard kept Port-

land within striking distance.

The Mavericks cooled in the second quarter — but only a little bit. They pushed their lead to as high as 17 in the second quarter. Even after missing their last eight 3-pointers to end the half, they still led 78-63 at halftime.

After the Mavericks' lead ballooned to as much as 25 in the third quarter, Lillard got hot again. He scored nine straight points in the third quarter to cut the lead to 11 with under five minutes left in the quarter. Another 3-pointer by Carmelo Anthony cut the lead to eight and it was a 17-0 run before the Mavericks snapped it on a 3-pointer from Dorian Finney-Smith with 3:19 left in the third. Dallas led 103-90 after three quarters.

After losing center Dwight Powell to a season-ending Achilles injury, the Mavericks played more with Kristpas Porzingis at center.

"We're running out of big men, so were going to be smaller in a lot of these situations," Carlisle said. "This is an adjustment that we needed to make tonight, so we had a lot of spacing to attack the paint. Him being on the floor creates problems for the other team defensively."

Porzingis had 20 points and five rebounds while shooting 3 of 4 from the 3-point line.

TIP-INS

Mavericks: Doncic earned his first All-Star selection Thursday. "So excited for him, so excited for our franchise," Carlisle said. "It's so well-deserved. It's just a really exciting time — for our team, for him, for his career and certainly the future." The NBA announced that Doncic would be in the pool of starting players from the Eastern and Western Conference to be selected by All-Star captains LeBron James and Giannis Antetokounmpo.

Trail Blazers: Thursday was the first game for three new players on the Blazers acquired in a trade from Sacramento: Ariza, Caleb Swanigan and Wenyen Gabriel. Stotts told reporters that Ariza would start upon arrival and that his veteran experience makes it easier for Portland to operate like usual. "A lot of the actions, he's seen before," Stotts said. "We've thrown a lot at him. Since he'll be out there with four other guys who know what's going on, it shouldn't be too difficult for him. For other players, it will be more difficult."

UP NEXT

Mavericks: at Utah on Saturday night.

Trail Blazers: home vs. Indiana on Sunday night.

Herbert, other Senior Bowl players hope staying put pays off

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MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — A year ago, Oregon quarterback Justin Herbert decided to stick around for his senior season instead of turning pro. Wisconsin linebacker Zack Baun didn't really have much choice.

Both had impressive final college seasons, including a head-to-head Rose Bowl matchup, and believe they're more NFL-ready now. They're among the participants in Saturday's Senior Bowl game for senior NFL prospects and some junior graduates.

Some of them, including Baun, have only recently emerged as legitimate prospects. Others like South Carolina defensive tackle Javon Kinlaw and Michigan State defensive end Kenny Willekes stayed in college for one more season largely because of injuries. Ditto for Alabama linebacker Terrell Lewis.

"I wanted to be a better leader, a better teammate, a better quarterback," said Herbert, who would also have been a likely first-round draft pick last year. "All these things that I felt like I accomplished this year."

He did turn in perhaps his best season with 3,471 yards, 32 touchdowns and six interceptions. Herbert is one of the top quarterbacks in an upcoming draft where LSU Heisman Trophy winner Joe Burrow is the likely No. 1 pick and some of the 99 underclassmen granted eligibility by the NFL are among the most coveted prospects.

Alabama quarterback Tua Tagovailoa is one of them and a potential top-5 pick.

Lewis, Arizona State running back Eno Benjamin, Texas A&M wide receiver Quartney Davis and Utah State quarterback Jordan Love are among the juniors in the Senior Bowl who have already graduated. Lewis, a fourth-year junior, and Love are widely regarded as potential first-round picks.

Lewis's fellow Alabama linebacker Anfernee Jennings opted to return for his senior season and try to improve his stock, and feels like he did just that.

Crimson Tide coach Nick Saban, who lost six underclassmen to the draft counting Lewis, said he advises all his juniors to leave if they're likely first-round picks.

"I think most of our guys have made a good decision that way," Saban said. "I think in Anfernee and Terrell's case, both, they certainly did themselves a lot of good by coming back. I think most of our players who have come back have been able to do that."

Herbert and Baun are hoping that call pays off for players like them, too.

Willekes (broken leg) and Kinlaw (torn hip labrum) both indicated they likely would have left after their junior seasons but for the injuries. Kinlaw especially is pegged as a likely first-rounder after earning first-team Associated Press All-America honors.

Willekes posted a career-high 10.5 sacks and finished as Michigan State's career leader with 51

tackles for loss. In the last offseason, he spent time at Von Miller's pass rush summit in Las Vegas and working with former NFL defensive end Chuck Smith.

"I do feel a lot more ready, especially mentally," Willekes said. "I feel like I was still a little young last year and I had some growing up and maturing to do and I was able to do that."

Lewis had two major injuries but was finally healthy last season and had six sacks, leading the team with 16 quarterback pressures. He missed 10 games in 2017 with an upper arm injury suffered in the opener against Florida State and sat out the next season with a preseason knee injury.

His health has been a hot topic in conversations with NFL teams.

"That's definitely a big question for a lot of organizations: Can they trust that I'll be durable to last throughout the whole season," Lewis said. "I don't blame them. I would too if I was a GM and I've got a million dollars that I'm just handing to a young 21-year-old kid. I invite the questions with open arms, so it's not really that big of a deal for me."

Baun made huge leaps as a senior, more than doubling his previous career totals with 12.5 sacks and 19.5 tackles for loss. He said he didn't even consider leaving early for the draft but buckled down in trying to work on his weaknesses.

"I don't think a player in the country has improved as much as I did from 2018 to 2019," Baun said.

Florida hosts No. 1 Baylor in marquee Big 12/SEC matchup

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Here are a few things to watch as most Southeastern Conference schools face off against the Big 12 in the annual Big 12/SEC Challenge:

GAME OF THE WEEKEND

A lot of attention will be focused on Gainesville and whether host Florida (12-6, 4-2) can upend top-ranked Baylor. The Gators are 2-16 all-time against the No. 1 team in The Associated Press poll, but an upset could result in an eighth team atop the rankings next week. Florida lost 84-82 at first-place LSU on Tuesday night but seeks its second victory over a top-five team in three games after upsetting then-No. 4 Auburn last weekend.

Other notable pairings include Tennessee visiting No. 3 but short-handed Kansas in Allen Fieldhouse. The Jayhawks will be without forwards Silvio De Sousa and David McCormack following suspensions Wednesday by the school and Big 12 Conference for their involvement in Tuesday night's bench-clearing brawl at the end of their 81-60 victory against rival Kansas State. No. 15 Kentucky visits No. 18 Texas Tech with the Wildcats seeking to go to 5-0 lifetime against the Red Raiders, last year's national runners-up. No. 16 Auburn hosts Iowa State while Missouri visits No. 14 West Virginia. Defending league champion LSU, 6-0 in SEC play, seeks its eighth consecutive victory when it visits Texas.

LOOKING AHEAD

Alabama is one of three teams lurking just two games behind LSU. The Crimson Tide (11-7, 4-2) have won three consecutive games and four of five, including last week's 83-64 rout of then-No. 4 Auburn. After hosting K-State, Alabama and the SEC's top offense (83.1 points per game) will try to gain ground next week at LSU, which is second in scoring at 80.2. Alabama also hosts Arkansas.

NUMBERS GAME

Vanderbilt's 23-game SEC regular season losing streak is just one shy of the conference record set by Sewanee from 1938-40. Last weekend against Tennessee, the Commodores missed all 25 3-point attempts to end their streak of 1,080 games with at

least one made 3 since the NCAA implemented the arc during the 1986-87 season. ... During its current seven-game winning streak, LSU's last five victories have been decided by a total of 13 points. ... Auburn ended a two-game skid by making 10 3-pointers in Wednesday's 80-67 win over South Carolina after combining for just 11 from deep against Alabama and Florida. ... Kentucky sophomore guard Immanuel Quickley has made 18 of 37 3-pointers over his past seven contests and is averaging 17.1 points in that stretch.

IMPACT PERFORMER

Mississippi State sophomore forward Reggie Perry has helped the Bulldogs bounce back in a big way af-

ter losing their first three SEC games. Perry pulled down 13 rebounds and matched a career high with 26 points for his fourth consecutive double-double Wednesday as Mississippi State beat Arkansas 77-70 for its third straight victory. Perry is the first Mississippi State player to total 20 double-doubles in his freshman and sophomore seasons since Erick Dampier did it in 1993-94 and 1994-95. Perry is averaging a double-double this season, as he leads the SEC in rebounds (10.3) and ranks fifth in scoring (16.9).

ON THE WOMEN'S SIDE

LSU visits No. 23 Tennessee on Sunday in a matchup of contenders pursuing top-ranked South Carolina.

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