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## Being proactive, staying healthy

*Precautions, signs and symptoms related to Coronavirus (COVID-19)*

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

For the past few weeks, the nation has been following updates regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19). In an effort to meet the needs of the west Texas area and local region, Scenic Mountain Medical Center in partnership with Odessa Regional Medical Center is releasing information on preventative measures and basic information regarding the virus.

“Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China,” ORMC/SMMC Chief Medical Officer Dr. Rohith Saravanan, said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, since the initial discovery the

virus has spread into the United States, with the virus showing up in more than 60 locations internationally. On Jan. 30 the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak a public health emergency of international concern.

“The virus that causes COVID-19 probably emerged from an animal source, but now it seems to be spreading from person to person. It’s important to note person-to-person spread can happen on a continuum,” Dr. Saravanan, said. “Some

diseases are highly contagious like measles while others are less so. At this time, it’s unclear how easily or sustainably the virus that causes COVID-19 is spreading between people.”

The CDC has confirmed cases in Washington, where the first death related to the virus was confirmed this past weekend, Oregon, California, Arizona, Wisconsin, Illinois, Massachusetts, and New York. According to a story by the Washington Post as of Monday, March 2, there have been 87 coronavirus cases in the United States. The global death toll has surpassed 3,000, with two of those being in the U.S. To follow updates on the total count of cases visit the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>.

“There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19,” Dr. Saravanan said. “There is no specific anti-viral treatment. People

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**Re-Elect Sheriff Stan Parker**  
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## National Breakfast Week recognized March 2-6

*Mary Moo visits with Kentwood Students on Monday, visits BSISD throughout the week*



HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

Mary Moo visited with Kentwood Pre-K students on Monday to help kick off National Breakfast Week. Students were able to give hugs, hi-fives and handshakes as they entered the cafeteria for lunch. Activities will be taking place across the district throughout the week.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

Starting the day off with a healthy meal is important, especially for school age children. In an effort to encourage healthy eating and educate on the importance of breakfast, students and staff at Kentwood took some time and had some fun kicking off National School Breakfast Week with Mary Moo.

“Celebration activities during NSBW are aimed at raising awareness about healthy breakfasts served at school, increase student participation, offer a platform to share successful implementation strategies,” Judi Rodriguez, Big Spring ISD Food Services Director Liaison, said.

Mary Moo showed up to have lunch with students Monday, and enlisted their help in filling up her friend Ace’s plate with a healthy meal. Students were provided stickers to stick on the plate and took part in an opportunity for giveaways and were able to enjoy some ice cream.

“We just want to make kids aware how important a healthy breakfast is,” she said. “Healthy minds is what we are trying to encourage, they will learn more if they have a full stomach.”

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## Spring Forward as Daylight Saving Time approaches



Courtesy image/Metro

Daylight Saving Time will take place this coming weekend. Before going to bed on Saturday, spring forward with your clocks, time changes at at 2 a.m. March 8.

By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**  
 Staff Writer

It’s that time of year again. On March 8, 2020, at 2 a.m., clocks will magically jump ahead one hour. Well, maybe not magically. Thank goodness we live in a time where most of our clocks change automatically.

Daylight Saving Time is probably the preferred time for most people. The sun rises an hour later, but you get that sunlight in the evening instead. Here in West Texas, that means during the hottest summer months, the sun won’t set until nearly 10 p.m.

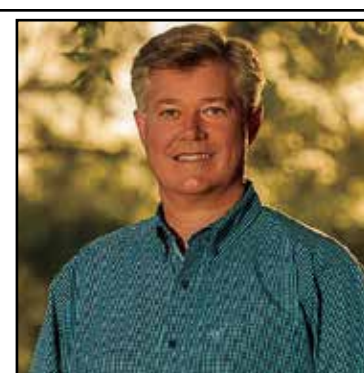
We hear a lot of reasons why people prefer Daylight Saving Time, one of the most common being that people don’t want the sun to be setting at 6 p.m. like it does in the winter months. Well, it wouldn’t set at 6 p.m.; it would be closer to around 9 p.m. in our area, and hour earlier than it normally does.

The Earth is actually tilted on its axis 23.4 degrees, meaning it doesn’t stand straight up and down. During the summer months, the Earth is tilted more toward the sun, which is why days are

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## Obituaries

### Robert Allan Goodrich,

Robert Allan Goodrich, 64, of Big Spring, passed away Sunday, March 1, 2020, in a Lubbock hospital. No services are planned at this time.

Survivors include his wife, Sallie Goodrich; one daughter, Alexandra Goodrich; one son, Paxton,

Goodrich; his mother, Hazel Goodrich; one brother, Richard Goodrich; and one sister, Deborah Nouri.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

### Harold Witt

Harold Witt, 80, died Monday, March 2, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Luis Luera

Luis Luera, 58, died Sunday, March 1, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Curtis Thompson

Curtis Thompson, 60, died Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **CYNTHIA GALE BULLARD**, 59, of 2908 Cherokee St., was arrested on a warrant for harassment.

• **WILLIAM RAY BULLARD**, 67, of 2908 Cherokee St., was arrested on a charge of criminal

mischief (\$100 to \$750).

• **STEVEN LAWRENCE FRANKLIN**, 35, transient, was arrested on charges of criminal trespass of a property, building, aircraft or vehicle, and criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750)

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 2600 block of S. Gregg St., 200 block of E. 3rd St.,

and at 3rd and Owens.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2900 block of Cherokee St.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter Circle.

• **BURGLARY IN PROGRESS** was reported in the 1400 block of E. 11th Place.

## Sheriff

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

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

• **MICHAEL ALCANTAR**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated, and driving with invalid license with previous conviction or suspension.

• **ALFONSO BACA III**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant from the Attorney General-failure to appear/motion for enforcement/contempt.

• **TONY RAY BINGHAM**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping and failure to appear.

• **CYNTHIA GALE BULLARD**, 59, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for terroristic threat of family or household member.

• **WILLIAM RAY BULLARD**, 67, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).

• **JOSE LOPEZ CHAVEZ III**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one to four grams).

• **REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public in-

toxication.

• **PHILLIP EUGENE CUMMINGS**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **STEVEN LAWRENCE FRANKLIN**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on charges of criminal trespass, and criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).

• **LAQUANA RENA GRAY**, 22, was arrested by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated, and possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

• **PAUL DANIEL LEE**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one to four grams), and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

• **SEAN EDWARD MARBLE**, 31, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for speeding 10 percent above posted limit.

• **COOPER ARRINGTON MARTIN**, 23, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property (\$100 to \$750).

• **MICHAEL JOSEPH MCNEW**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass, and a warrant for a parole violation-simple burglary.

• **MICHAEL JESSIE PINEDA**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on

warrants for four counts of bail jumping and failure to appear, possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram), and evading arrest or detention.

• **JENNIFER DEANN PITTMAN**, 27, was arrested on a warrant for motion to revoke-driving while intoxicated.

• **ERIC DEAN RODRIGUEZ**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for theft of service (\$750 to \$2,500).

• **PAUL WILLIAM SHUGART**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

• **DAVID RAY SMITH**, 55, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

• **JASON JERMAINE SMITH**, 44, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for theft of service (\$100 to \$750).

• **AL THOMPSON III**, 40, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for operating an unregistered motor vehicle, no drivers license, and rider no secured by safety belt.

• **JAMES LEE WOODARD**, 55, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for violating promise to appear.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Place. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• **MEDICAL CALLS**, two, were reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was trans-

ported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

## Take Note

• Scenic Volunteers will be having their annual jewelry sale April 7 and 8, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Medical Plaza, right next door to the hospital.

• Kindred at Home will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, March 31, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Vitalant Bloodmobile will be on site. See Nicole Doose to sign up. The Sponsor Code is BSKindred. Eat a good meal, drink plenty of water, and bring a picture ID.

• AARP Driver Safety Course will be taking place on Thursday, March 12, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The course is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Class takes place at the Big Spring Senior Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. Why take the AARP Smart Driver Course? Because driving has changed since you first got your license and doing so could save you money. Please

call 267-1628 for more information.

• Mitchell County Hospital will be having a Book and Gift Sale on Tuesday, March 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, March 4 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Great products at great prices! Mitchell County Hospital is located at 997 W. Interstate 20, Stanton, Texas.

## Support Groups

### TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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

• 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

### THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

• GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6 to 8 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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# Weather



**Today:** Isolated showers, then scattered showers and thunderstorms after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 66. Southwest wind around 10 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 50%. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

**Tonight:** Showers and possibly a thunderstorm. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. Low around 47. Northeast wind 10 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New rainfall amounts between three quarters and one inch possible.

**Wednesday:** Showers and possibly a thunderstorm. High near 49. North wind 15 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New rainfall amounts between three quarters and one inch possible.

**Wednesday Night:** Cloudy, then gradually becoming partly cloudy, with a low around 36. North wind 10 to 15 mph becoming northwest 5 to 10 mph after midnight.

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

# COVID

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with the virus can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.”

According to Dr. Saravanan, the CDC is reporting those who have tested positive for the virus have exhibited the following symptoms: high fever, cough and shortness of breath. Severe complications also associated with this virus exhibited by many patients included pneumonia in both lungs.

“The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus,” he said. “Simple everyday actions can help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses included avoid close contact with people who are sick, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands, and wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer

that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.”

Recommendations that have been issued by health care providers and the CDC include the following: stay home when sick; cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and then throw tissue in the trash, and clean and disinfect frequently touched objects or surfaces.

“Those who have traveled to China within the past 14 days and feel sick with a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing should seek medical care,” Dr. Saravanan said. “Call the office of your health care provider before you go and tell them about your travel and symptoms. They will provide instructions on how to get care without exposing other people to your illness.”

While a face mask is not required for those not ill, those experiencing these symptoms or

feeling ill are encouraged to wear a facemask when around other people. For those with a confirmed case of COVID-19 should remain under home isolation precautions until the risk of secondary transmission to others is thought to be low.

At press time, there are no confirmed cases of Coronavirus in Howard County. Those who have traveled recently and are feeling the above symptoms are encouraged to contact your health care provider. Area schools have also been taking extra precautions in order to keep the area youth and families healthy. For more information or to follow updates by the CDC visit, [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)

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# MARY MOO

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National School Breakfast Week is recognized March 2-6 by the School Breakfast Program, which provides nearly 12.4 million low-income children with a nutritious morning meal each school day. Kentwood kicked off their week by serving breakfast for lunch and has planned different activities to take place throughout the week.

“Each day the kids will get a breakfast bag which will contain a special prize for the day,” she said. “Each gift is aimed at getting them involved and

participate, while focusing on healthy meals.”

In an effort to promote healthy eating at breakfast, BSISD has been providing free breakfast to students for about 15 years now. Everyone can enjoy a free breakfast at any of the campuses.

While students at Kentwood were able to take part in breakfast for lunch, students at Big Spring High School will now be able to enjoy a Ramen Noodle Bar and build their own soup bowl.

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# Take Note

• Coahoma Lions Club will be hosting their annual pancake supper on Tuesday, March 3. The supper will be held at Coahoma Elementary Cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m. Proceeds from the Pancake Supper help fund scholarship opportunities for Coahoma High School graduating seniors.

• AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone, and if you're 50 and older, and can't afford a tax preparation service, AARP Tax-Aide was made especially for you. They understand that retirement or other life changes may mean your taxes are a little more complicated now. With the help of our team of IRS-certified volunteers, we make it easy for you.

AARP Tax-Aide Service will be available at the Big Spring Senior Center every Monday, beginning on Feb. 3, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. There's no fee and no sales pitch for other services, and AARP membership is not required. Additional information can be found on the AARP web site [https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2004/about\\_aarp\\_taxaide.html](https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2004/about_aarp_taxaide.html)

• 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.

• 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, March 2 and Tuesday March 3, 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/food-2kids/>.

• 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 Rannels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

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Curtis Thompson, 60, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Luis Luera, 58, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Harold Witt, 80, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

# TIME

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longer and hotter. While it is hotter in the Northern Hemisphere, in the Southern Hemisphere, including South America, Australia and Africa, it will be winter.

The March Equinox, which will also be the first day of Spring, will occur on March 19, 2020. During this time, the sun will be directly above the Earth's equator, and day and night will roughly be the same amount of time. This day has been celebrated as a day of renewal and rebirth by many cultures around the world. But don't believe that myth about being able to balance an egg; you can do that any day of the year.

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# Navy is overhauling education system as US advantages erode

By JENNIFER McDERMOTT

Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — The U.S. Navy is overhauling its approach to education because the nation no longer has a massive economic and technological edge over potential adversaries, according to a strategy it is releasing Monday.

The Education for Seapower Strategy 2020, provided to The Associated Press ahead of its release, is the first unified, comprehensive education strategy for the Navy and Marine Corps, said John Kroger, who is implementing the strategy as the Navy's first chief learning officer.

It is very much a response to the nation's geopolitical position in the world today, versus the advantages it had at the end of the Cold War, Kroger said, noting China's economic strength and investments in 5G networks, energy storage and other major technologies that matter for war-fighting.

The Navy wants to create a naval community college to provide associate's degrees to tens of thousands of young sailors and Marines, at no cost to them. It plans to unify the schools within the existing naval university system, similar to a state university system, and invest in them, as well as enact new policies to encourage and reward those who pursue professional military and civilian education.

"In a world where potential adversaries are peers economically and technologically, how do you win?" Kroger said in an interview. "We think we can out-fight potential opponents because we can out-think them. In order to do that, we must have, by far, the best military education program in the world."

Kroger came to the Navy from Harvard University, where he was a visiting professor at Harvard Law School and leader in residence at the Kennedy School of Government. He was president of Reed College in Portland, Oregon, from 2012 to 2018, and previously served as Oregon's attorney general. Kroger served as a Marine from 1983 to 1986.

Though the need to ensure an advantage in fighting wars is driving the reforms, Kroger said, the educational opportunities will change how and whom the Navy recruits. It's more challenging to recruit when there's relatively low unemployment, he said.

The strategy does not specifically say how much the Navy is looking to spend on education or where the money will come from. Kroger said it will rely mostly on existing education funding that can be used in a more cost-effective way. About \$109 million was transferred from other Navy programs this fiscal year to pay for immediate education needs, including startup costs for the community college.

The Navy will ask Congress for more money for education beginning in fiscal year 2022, but the numbers aren't finalized, Kroger said. He estimated it will cost \$40 million to \$50 million annually for the community college, to educate about 40,000 people each year.

There would not be a physical community college campus. Some general education classes would be provided online, but sailors and Marines would do the vast majority of their coursework online through civilian universities and community colleges that partner with the Navy. The Navy plans to seek approval from Congress this year and enroll the first students next year.

For the existing naval schools, the Navy wants to do budgeting for the system as a whole and Kroger will review their curriculum to avoid unnecessary duplication. The schools — the Naval War College in Rhode Island, Marine Corps University in Virginia, Naval Postgraduate School in California and Naval Academy in Maryland — will be expected to align their plans with the strategy.

To encourage service members to pursue educational opportunities, academic achievement will be rewarded by the boards that decide promotions and integrated into fitness reports and evaluations. There's a close connection between a person's curiosity and aptitude for learning and their capacity to lead, the strategy states.

When the United States entered World War II, nearly all its admirals were Naval War College graduates. Now, less than a quarter of them are because the Navy hasn't stressed education as much, Kroger said.

"It's somewhat of a shift, I think, from ways people think about the effectiveness of the armed forces," he said. "We're not talking here about how fast our jets are, how powerful our missiles are. We're talking about the brainpower of our team."

## New US guidelines urge a hepatitis C check for most adults

By LAURAN NEERGAARD

AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most American adults need to be checked for hepatitis C, say guidelines released Monday that urge millions more people to get screened for the liver-damaging virus that can fester for decades it's spotted.

The call for expanded screening for Americans ages 18 to 79 is the first since 2013 when U.S. health authorities urged all baby boomers to get a one-time hepatitis C test because that age group appeared at particularly high risk.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force said Monday that hepatitis C is on the rise because of the opioid crisis, prompting the recommendation to expand testing.

Finding infection early is critical now that drugs are available that cure most people after two to three months of treatment. And the price of those costly medications has dropped sharply in recent years.

Authorities estimate that only about half of people with hepatitis C know they're infected. The task force concluded that more widespread screening would be cost-saving, giving its recommendation a rating that requires insurance companies to cover testing without patient co-pays.

About 2.4 million people in the U.S. are living with hepatitis C, and there were an estimated 44,700 new infections in 2017 alone, the task force reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

That's largely due to the opioid epidemic: The most rapid increase in infections over the past decade has been in young adults, 20- to 39-year-olds who inject drugs, the task force found. Sharing needles is the main way that hepatitis C spreads in the U.S.

"It is time to revisit the effective but now outdated baby boomer screening recommendations, and the updated recommendations ... are welcome," Drs. Camilla Graham of Harvard Medical School and Stacey Trooskin of the University of Pennsylvania wrote in an accompanying editorial.

They weren't involved in the guidelines, but cautioned that in addition to virus testing, greater access to hepatitis C treatment and addiction treatment are needed.

While there's limited information on hepatitis C infections in teens, the task force said doctors may consider screening those known to be at risk because of past or current drug use.

## Woman tests positive for Coronavirus after release from quarantine in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A woman who was released from quarantine in San Antonio before health officials learned she had tested positive for the new coronavirus may have exposed up to a dozen people at a hotel before she was brought back into isolation, officials said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Sunday that it was re-testing the patient, who had been released from isolation Saturday but later returned after a lab test was "weakly positive."

The San Antonio Express-News reported that the woman was brought to Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland on Feb. 7 from Wuhan, China, and had first tested positive around Feb. 12.

The woman had tested negative for the virus on Feb. 21 and Feb. 25 and was released Saturday, health officials said. Rear Adm. Nancy Knight, who leads the CDC's Division of Global Health Protection, told the newspaper that the woman was "extremely compliant" when she was met by health officials Sunday at a hotel, which she did not identify.

Knight said the woman's hotel room was disinfected and closed for use. She told the Express-News that it's possible the latest oral and nasal swab test detected pieces of dead virus, which would not be transmissible.

Local and state officials expressed concerns Sunday night over the patient's initial release.

"The fact that the CDC allowed the public to be exposed to a patient with a positive COVID-19 reading is unacceptable," San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg. "We will hold the CDC accountable to providing complete transparency for the public. This situation is exactly why we have been asking for federal officials to accept the guidance of our medical community."

## Heavy rains raise specter of more flash flooding in South

ATLANTA (AP) — Several waves of heavy rain are in store for flood-weary residents in the South.

The rains will again bring the potential for flash flooding in several southern states, forecasters said.

Rainfall Monday and Tuesday is expected to saturate the soil in Alabama, setting the stage for possible flash flooding by mid-week, the National Weather Service said. Up to 6 inches (15 centimeters) of rain is possible from this week's expected rains in Alabama.

Northern and central Georgia could see up to 5 inches (13 centimeters) of rain from showers and storms Monday through Thursday, forecaster said.

In Mississippi, some flash flooding is expected Tuesday night through Wednesday night, the weather service said.

Isolated severe storms will be possible from east Texas to the Carolinas on Monday, according to the The National Storm Prediction Center in Normal, Oklahoma. Northern Mississippi, eastern Arkansas and west Tennessee are among areas where severe storms will be most likely.

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# Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering board shares big "Hurrah"

ALPINE, Texas – The Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering board shared a big "Hurrah" at a debriefing last week over the success of its inaugural performance following a successful 33-year run of the earlier Texas Gathering.

Event organizer Bob Saul congratulated the board and the board returned the compliment. Sales of tickets, branded merchandise, performer CDs, and others all exceeded expectations and some sessions, including the popular Youth Poetry Contest, had standing-room-only crowds.

Others drawing packed houses included Red Steagall, Jean Prescott, R.P. Smith, and Jack George.

Jack is 13 years old and lives in Quemado, a small ranching community in western New Mexico. Together with the delightful and talented teenage musician siblings, Brigid and Johnny Reedy, George gave attendees a glimpse at the future of cowboy poetry.

Some downtown Alpine businesses reported

brisk activity and very positive comments about the Gathering. One said he did not hear a single complaint from the Gathering visitors.

Performers and audience members alike had positive comments to the Board after the event.

"Please let me know if there is any way I can help the board keep this thing going," performer Jeff Gore said.

Audience members said they were "blown away by the quality of the performers," and "You all really nailed it."

"Best entertainment ever," another said. "We'll be back."

Some also sent short notes to the board. "Congratulations to you and the whole Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering group for pulling off what many thought was impossible," an Alpine rancher wrote. "My hat is off to you for planning and executing a successful event."

Another came from a Palo Pinto County ranch-

er. "What a great gathering! Congratulations," he wrote. "We were very happy to participate in the 'inaugural!'"

Total attendance was estimated at between 1,800 and 2,200 people. The total tickets issued were 2,106 with 940 for paid afternoon shows and 1,166 for paid evening shows.

"Those are not total attendance figures," Co-Chair Gene Nowell said. "Most bought tickets to more than one show and we had many free shows that didn't require tickets."

"Hopefully, by next year, we will find a way to come up with total attendance," he said. "What we do know is that it was greater than some of us had hoped."

Nowell said the board and many volunteers worked hard to make it all happen. "We did two years worth of work in about six months and clearly it paid off," he said.

# Beekeeping: An Educational Family Experience

## Special to the Herald

Keeping a hive of bees can be an educational family experience as well as providing honey for your table and pollination for your garden and flowering plants. Most city ordinances allow up to two bee hives per city lot.

Interest in beekeeping has exploded over the past 10 years. As an example, five years ago, there were 13 bee clubs located in Texas. Today, there are 56 active clubs and more being created.

Honey bees are an important part of our environment and help produce 2/3 of the food that we eat. Honey is not the only thing bees do for us. Besides honey, bees aid in pollination and produce wax that is used in candles. Bee sting therapy can also be used in medicine.

To learn how to keep bees and use their products, you can attend the 12th Annual Beginning Beekeeping School to be held March 21 in Brenham. Sponsored by the Central Texas

Beekeepers Association, the school will include sessions on beginning beekeeping, apitherapy (the use of bee products in medicine), how to extract honey, where to get your bees and many more interesting topics.

The one day school is open to the public and families are welcome to attend. Last year there were 660 folks from throughout Texas and other states who attended the school.

The cost of the school is \$65 per adult and \$25 for students. The admission includes a catered Bar-B-Que lunch with Blue Bell Ice Cream. There is even the opportunity to "suit up" and visit a live bee hive while a beekeeper opens the hive and shows you the queen and honey inside. Prior registration is required.

To learn more about the school, you can visit:

[www.tinyurl.com/2020BeeSchool](http://www.tinyurl.com/2020BeeSchool). For more information, call 979-277-0411.



# Lawn service platform expands to Odessa

## By Nathaniel Miller

Odessa American

ODESSA - Gene Caballero knows lawn work can be tedious and tiring.

In high school, Caballero said he did lawn services for gas money; for textbook money while in college; and continued working the trade during the summer months after college. From pulling weeds to cleaning up leaves, he said he's done it all and knows homeowners can sometimes let lawn care fall to the wayside.

Then in 2012, Caballero helped launch GreenPal, a website that allows homeowners to ask for bids for local vendors to help take care of basic lawn services.

Set up in more than 45 states and in large metros, Caballero said the company is now available in Odessa.

"We launched in Houston, San Antonio, El Paso, Austin and all those cities last year," Caballero said. "You start seeing some smaller submarkets in that state gaining traction ... and when that happens, we launch in that market."

Caballero said the process for using the website is influenced by Uber and

Airbnb, where homeowners can put in their address and local vendors — using Google Street and aerial views of the lawn — offer bids on projects. The homeowner then selects which vendor to work with.

When services are complete, the vendor then takes a picture and uploads their work and, once approved by the homeowner, the vendor receives their funds.

Services offered include mowing, leaf pickup, weed pulling and gutter cleaning, Caballero said.

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# Coahoma baseball and softball off to a hot start to the season

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

Both the Coahoma baseball and softball teams have jumped out to incredible starts to their season. The softball team has been lighting up the scoreboard and has, for the most part, dominated the competition through two early-season tournaments. The baseball team just concluded an almost perfect tournament trip in Post. Both teams will be back on the diamond this week before heading into another tournament over the weekend.

The Herald caught up with softball coach Alex Orosco and baseball coach Chris Arista to talk about their thoughts on the start to the season:

**What do you think of your teams start to the season?**

**Orosco:** "I think it's going excellent. I think the girls have been waiting for this and they were not happy with the way the season ended last year. I challenged them (about being better than last year) and they accepted that challenge and I think it's starting to show."

**Arista:** I feel like we're in a good spot right now. We just have to continue to grow as a team and continue to get better each day. I'm impressed with the fact that we've had and we just need to keep working.

**Any players that have taken a noticeable step forward?**

**Orosco:** I know it sounds cliché but it truly is a team effort. From the top of our lineup to the bottom of our lineup. They're all stepping up in every point of the game whether it be offensively, defensively, pitching-wise, or catching-wise. These girls are buying in and I think this team could be pretty special.

**Arista:** Ky Kemper. He was a freshman last year and ended the season as a varsity player and now he's elevated his game in the first five games that we've played. We also have some seniors that are constant and they know what to do because they've been at the varsity level for two years. A lot of the guys that are returning players are starting to show growth in their game and it's exciting.

**Thoughts on tournament play?**

**Orosco:** It's hard to gauge your own team until you face competition. These girls are capable of beating anybody, any day, anywhere... When we went to San Angelo, I thought that was the most impressive because of the competition there. The fact that we're able to compete and come out on top of these teams is a good feeling.

**Arista:** I was very impressed. The thing that stood out to me was our pitching. We had some quality pitchers get on the mound and throw. Our hitting is finally getting to where I expect us to be. But I'm really proud of the guys that got on the mound and threw very well.

**What do you want to see out of your team going forward?**

**Orosco:** I'd like to see us continue to play at a high-quality level. As a coach, you want to see the offensive production that we've had. Overall, expect us to be playing at a high level. We're playing at a high level now and it's very appropriate because we start off with Clyde (in district play).

**Arista:** I would like to see us going out there and competing against quality opponents that were going to see. I just want to go out there and compete like we did this past weekend.

**How does this team compares to team's from the past?**

**Orosco:** "I think the biggest difference is this team is truly team-first. These girls know what is expected of them. They put aside their own personal vic-



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**The Coahoma flag flies over the baseball field at the high school. Coahoma has jumped out to a great start in both baseball and softball to begin the 2020 season.**

ries for the overall good of the team. When these girls start sacrificing their own personal victories for the good of the team, the team wins."

**Any adjustments that have had to be made?**

**Arista:** Just the kids getting accustomed to my coaching. You can see over the past weekend and last couple of games that they're starting to adjust to where I want them to be and how I want them to play.

The Bulldogettes look like a team that is building more and more confidence each game and could be a serious contender come postseason time. Both teams are determined, team-first squads that want to win and mark their place in the Coahoma history books. After an impressive start to the season for both baseball and softball, all eyes will be on seeing just how good these Coahoma teams really are.

UP NEXT: The Bulldogettes are set to host Lake View on Tuesday night (if weather permits) while the Bulldogs will head to a road game against Post. This weekend the Bulldogettes will take part in the Big Spring Tournament while the Bulldogs will hit the road once again for the Hawley/Anson Tournament.

Shawn Moran is the sportswriter at the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, e-mail sports@big-springherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

### NCAA Men's Basketball Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Kansas	26-3	1600	1
2	Gonzaga	29-2	1514	3
3	Dayton	27-2	1453	4
4	Baylor	25-3	1395	2
5	San Diego St	28-1	1375	5
6	Kentucky	24-5	1253	8
7	Florida State	24-5	1164	6
8	Seton Hall	21-7	1145	13
9	Maryland	23-6	1041	9
10	Louisville	22-6	948	11
11	Creighton	22-7	843	10
12	Duke	23-6	809	7
13	Oregon	22-7	802	14
14	Villanova	22-7	779	12
15	BYU	24-7	756	17
16	Michigan St	20-9	726	24
17	Auburn	24-5	575	15
18	Iowa	20-9	492	18
19	Ohio State	20-9	489	23
20	Penn State	21-8	367	16
21	Houston	22-7	265	25
22	Virginia	21-7	219	NR
23	Illinois	20-9	208	NR
24	Wisconsin	19-10	179	NR
25	Michigan	18-11	94	19

### RECEIVING VOTES:

Butler (68), UCLA (54), Stephen F. Austin (47), East Tennessee State (31), West Virginia (22), Providence (17), Colorado (13), Marquette (12), Arizona (9), Texas Tech (9), Northern Iowa (4), Oklahoma (4), Stanford (4), Arizona State (4), Wichita State (2), Saint Mary's (2), LSU (2), New Mexico State (2), USC (1), Belmont (1), Vermont (1)

### DROPPED FROM RANKINGS:

West Virginia (20), Colorado (21), Texas Tech (22)

### NCAA Women's Basketball Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	S. Carolina	29-1	747	1
2	Baylor	27-1	713	2
3	Oregon	28-2	700	3
4	Louisville	27-3	641	5
5	UConn	25-3	618	6
6	Maryland	25-4	615	7
7	Stanford	25-5	550	4
8	UCLA	25-4	541	9
9	Mississippi St	25-5	489	10
10	NC State	25-4	459	8
11	Northwestern	26-3	450	14
12	Gonzaga	28-2	447	11
13	Arizona	23-6	372	13
14	Oregon State	22-8	331	17
15	Texas A&M	22-7	293	12
16	Kentucky	21-7	259	15
17	South Dakota	27-2	254	20
18	DePaul	25-5	247	16
19	Iowa	23-6	232	18
20	Indiana	23-7	211	22
21	Princeton	24-1	153	23
22	Florida State	22-7	142	19
23	Missouri State	24-4	104	21
24	Arizona State	20-10	75	24
25	Arkansas	22-7	44	NR

### RECEIVING VOTES:

Duke (16), Rutgers (10), Old Dominion (7), Central Michigan (7), TCU (6), Virginia Tech (4), Marquette (4), Texas (2), James Madison (2), Tennessee (2), LSU (2), Florida Gulf Coast (1)

### DROPPED FROM RANKINGS:

TCU (25)

## Big Spring participates in large track meet at Frenship

WOLFFORTH -- The Big Spring Steers and Lady Steers varsity track teams found the going rough at the Don Black Invitational this past weekend as Big Spring competed in a loaded field. The two day event attracted teams from El Paso Franklin to Dimmitt in the Panhandle.

The Steers, powered by Kyler Seymore's second place finish in the high jump, 6-foot-2, scored 12 points to finish 14th out of 17 teams. Seymore, a regional qualifier as a sophomore last season, finished behind the winning jump of 6-4 by Slade Ebenstein of Midland Lee. Christian Combs of Lubbock Monterey and Ty Cunningham of Lubbock Cooper also jumped 6-2, but Seymore finished second because of fewer misses.

The Lady Steers scored five points, finishing 13th out of 15 teams. The Lady Steers top finisher was junior Falicity Calderon who placed fifth in the 800 meters in a time of 2 minutes, 33.29 seconds.

There was a first place tie for the boys team title. Frenship and Lub-

bock Cooper both scored 92 points. Midland Lee was third at 75, Clovis, NM was fourth with 73 points and Lubbock High finished fifth with 60 points.

Canyon won the girls team title with 100 points, followed by Frenship with 81 and Midland High with 74 points. Lubbock Monterey was fourth (66) and Midland Lee (54).

The Steers and Lady Steers will be competing in the Big Spring Invitational Friday at Blankenship Field. The field events start at 1 p.m., the 3200 meter run starts at 4 and the 400 relay begins at 5:30. some of the teams expected to attend are Brownfield, Andrews and Hobbs, NM.

On Thursday, Big Spring will be hosting a junior high track meet at Blankenship Field. The field events begin at 12:30 p.m.

The varsity track and field team will be hosting another home meet for the area on Friday afternoon at the Big Spring Invitational.

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

#10478 March 3, 2020

### Annie's Mailbox

Fretting the Next Day

**Dear Fretting:** First, and most importantly, happy birthday! As we age, most people become anxious about adding one more year to our age rather than enjoying the day as a way to celebrate what we've accomplished and what's still ahead.

No one can avoid aging, but it's important to remember that each new year enables us to experience life in new ways and to grow. Aging gives us opportunities to spend with family and friends, to meet friends, see new places, taste new foods and on and on. Rather than looking anxiously toward the day, look excitedly toward the next experience and appreciate every little moment. The summation of these memories will create a rich and well-lived life. Also, remember that your birthday is a very special day that your parents want to celebrate.

Your birth marked an extraordinary experience in their lives.

**Dear Annie:** This is a few months too late, but in response to the many letters about sending out Christmas cards, I'd like to share my experience. A couple of years ago, my husband was experiencing some ill health during the Christmas season. It was a very difficult time that we were going through, and I was unable to send our Christmas cards as I had done for so many previous years.

Instead, with the help of my computer and email, I created a beautiful e-card, complete with holiday pictures copied and pasted from the internet. These cards can be as creative as one wishes by using family pictures or any other holiday decor. Just add a thoughtful message/greeting, along with your love and wishes for blessings for them in the New Year.

Now, I quickly am able to "send" greetings to all on my card list in no time at all. I've done this with birthdays, too. Many of your readers might enjoy "sending" their cards in this way. It's fun and SO easy! -- Mary, Florida

**Dear Mary:** Sometimes, all it takes to make a frustrating situation easier is to look at it from a different angle. In this case, you were willing to untraditionally maintain a tradition by stepping outside your comfort zone, sitting down at your computer and creating an e-card that shared your appreciation for your loved ones -- no stamps required! And best of all, you were able to spend more time with your husband while he was ill. Thank you for sharing.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com).

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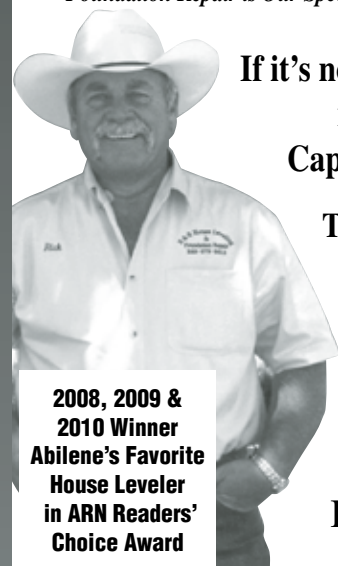
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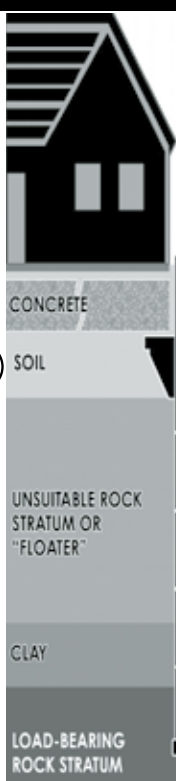
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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker  
The bidding tells the tale

West dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A K 6 4 3  
♥ 7  
♦ Q 9 4  
♣ K 8 5 2

**WEST**  
♠ Q J 10 9 8 7 2  
♥ K 10 4  
♦ 6  
♣ J 7

**EAST**  
♠ —  
♥ J 9 8 6 5 3 2  
♦ 8 3 2  
♣ Q 10 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ 5  
♥ A Q  
♦ A K J 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 6 3

The bidding:  
West North East South  
3♠ Pass Pass 4♦  
Pass 4♣ Pass 6♦

Opening lead — queen of spades.

The importance of planning the play of a hand before proceeding cannot be overemphasized. Declarers prone to impulsive play eventually learn how costly this can be.

Consider this case where South reached an excellent six-diamond contract after West opened with a pre-emptive three-spade bid. North's four-spade cuebid showed first-round spade control plus interest in slam, and South was happy to oblige.

West led the queen of spades, covered by the king and ruffed by East. South could not avoid also losing a club at the end, so he finished down one.

Declarer was clearly at fault for losing the slam. Given West's three-spade bid, it was virtually certain that East would ruff the king of spades at trick one. Having been thus forewarned, South should have played a low spade from dummy on the opening trick, preserving North's A-K of spades for later use.

If West next led another spade, declarer would again play low from dummy and ruff in his hand. It then would have been a simple matter for South to ruff the queen of hearts in dummy before drawing trump, after which the A-K of spades would furnish discards for his two losing clubs. In all, declarer would score six diamonds, two spades, two clubs, the heart ace and a heart ruff for 12 tricks.

A good case can be made for playing a low spade from dummy on the opening trick even with no opposing bidding. But in the given circumstances, declarer's play at trick one was suicidal as well as impulsive, and it cost him a vulnerable small slam.

Tomorrow: Inferences and deductions.  
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### Venus Poses Questions

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** You learn the true nature of a person when you travel together, especially on a road trip. But if you don't have time for all of that, the other shortcut to learning the nature of a person is to move furniture together.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Loved ones will bring you stress, but it's the best kind of stress, the kind that challenges your heart and hones your most useful virtues -- tolerance and compassion.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Your worldview is a collection reflecting your own thought processes and having little to do with what people around you want you to think. Even so, it's a good day to challenge some of your opinions to see if they still hold up.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Though you don't expect life to bring you pleasure and joy, you'll get more than what you would have considered to be your share. Accept it without argument. We have to take these things when they are readily on offer.

### Tomorrow's Horoscope

#### LEO BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

(July 23-Aug. 22). It will be better to add responsibilities to your load than to risk getting bored. Note that troublemaking can be an irresistible part of human nature, though easily avoided by people who are busy and involved.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** While not getting what you want can be a blessing, there's something to be said for trying again. Anything worth having will come with the price tag of several failed attempts.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Friendships change; it's natural. And efforts must be made to keep the relationship strong or to reconnect, as the case may be. You'll be successful in this regard.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** It's impos-



sible to succeed at an endeavor if you don't know what are the parameters of success. To set some boundaries, the first thing to determine is what, or more likely whom, the effort is for.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Chemistry is created constantly and matters in all things, not just romance. Pay attention to the chemistry at work in your professional and social realm as well as your chemistry with food and places.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** It's exciting to see where people's interest flows. Curiosity, among the most attractive qualities, is more easily demonstrated by people looking around this big world than by people looking into their phones.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You like to let people discover you slowly, to let your story unfold in increments. It helps people understand you better because they can take the time to really process what they know about you.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** The word "amateur" is derived from the Latin "amare" meaning "to love." Out of love, you'll put an unreasonable amount of time into a project that in all likelihood won't pay you back. In the end, you'll be very happy you did.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 3).** You get newer instead of older this year, as the solar return has a rejuvenating effect. You'll learn the nuances of an area and become such an expert you can no longer see the world the same way. There are thrilling social wins, and you'll keep excellent company all year, surrounded by interesting and loving people. Capricorn and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 4, 44, 31 and 16.

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6	1	7	9	3	8	9	8	4
5	9	6	1	9	6	2	7	4
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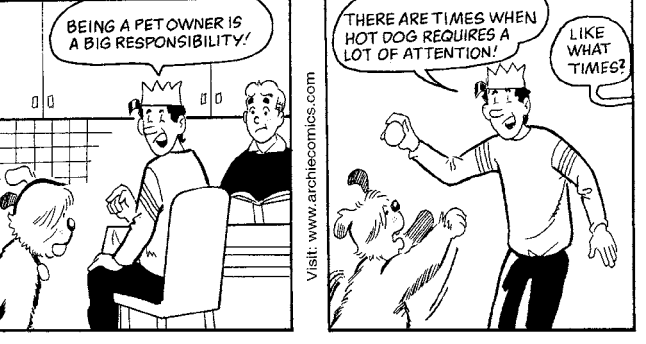
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This Date In History

Today in History

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On this date: In 1791, Congress passed a measure taxing distilled spirits; it was the first internal revenue act in U.S. history.

In 1845, Florida became the 27th state.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln signed a measure creating the National Academy of Sciences.

In 1894, British Prime Minister William Gladstone submitted his resignation to Queen Victoria, ending his fourth and final premiership.

In 1934, bank robber John Dillinger escaped from the Lake County Jail in Crown Point, Indiana, along with another prisoner, Herbert Youngblood.

In 1943, in London's East End, 173 people died in a crush of bodies at the Bethnal Green tube station, which was being used as a wartime air raid shelter.

In 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board.

In 1985, coal miners in Britain voted to end a year-long strike that proved to be the longest and most violent walkout in British history.

In 1991, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. Twenty-five people were killed when a United Airlines Boeing 737-200 crashed while approaching the Colorado Springs airport.

In 1996, Israel declared "total war" against the militant group Hamas after a bus bomb in Jerusalem killed 19 people, including the bomber, the third such suicide attack in eight

days.

In 2001, a plane carrying members of a National Guard engineering crew crashed in heavy rain near Macon, Ga., killing all 21 people on board.

In 2002, voters in Switzerland approved joining the United Nations, abandoning almost 200 years of formal neutrality.

Ten years ago: Appearing before a White House audience of invited guests, many wearing white medical coats, President Barack Obama firmly rejected calls from Republicans to draft new health care legislation from scratch. Greece announced painful new austerity measures, cutting salaries for government workers and raising sales taxes as it tried to snuff out a financial crisis threatening Europe's economy. British politician Michael Foot died in north London at age 96.

Five years ago: In a direct challenge to the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu stood before Congress and bluntly warned the U.S. that an emerging nuclear agreement with Iran would pave "Iran's path to the bomb." President Barack Obama pushed back sternly, saying the U.S. would never sign such a deal and that Netanyahu was offering no useful alternative.

One year ago: A tornado roared into the small community of Beauregard, Alabama, killing 23 people; it was the nation's deadliest tornado in nearly six years.

**Today's Birthdays:** Singer-musician Mike Pender (The Searchers) is 79. Movie producer-director George Miller is 75. Actress Hattie Winston is 75. Singer Jennifer Warnes is 73. Actor-director Tim Kazurinsky is 70. Singer-musician Robyn Hitchcock is 67. Actor Robert Gossett is 66. Rock musician John

Lilley is 66. Actress Miranda Richardson is 62. Rock musician John Bigham is 61. Radio personality Ira Glass is 61. Actress Mary Page Keller is 59. Olympic track and field gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey is 58. Former NFL player and College Football Hall of Famer Herschel Walker is 58. Actress Laura Har-

ring is 56. Contemporary Christian musician Duncan Phillips (Newsboys) is 56. Rapper-actor Tone Loc (lohk) is 54. Actress Julie Bowen is 50. Country singer Brett Warren (The Warren Brothers) is 49. Actor David Faustino is 46. Gospel singer Jason Crabb is 43. Singer Ronan Keating (Boyzone)

is 43. Rapper Lil' Flip is 39. Actress Jessica Biel is 38. Rock musician Blower (AKA Joe Garvey) (Hinder) is 36. Musician Brett Hite (Frenship) is 34. Pop singer Camila Cabello is 23. Actor Thomas Barbusca (TV: "The Mick") is 17. Actress Reyllynn Caster is 17.

**Thought for Today:** "Nothing is really real unless it happens on television." — Daniel J. Boorstin, educator and Librarian of Congress (1914-2004). Copyright 2020, The Associated Press. All rights reserved.

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**ACROSS**

- "Hey, you!" whisper
- Degrees in finance: Abbr.
- Gave a talk
- Not at the office today
- Alan of M\*A\*S\*H
- Hydrant attachments
- Major general or rear admiral
- Moisten thoroughly
- Spots of land in the ocean
- Prodded a person
- Get married
- Government agent, for short
- Darned, as a sock
- Debtor's written promises
- Large porker
- Online memo
- Marriage vows
- Undecorated
- Did a best man's job, holding champagne
- Engrave deeply
- Caribbean and Mediterranean
- Evaluates
- Sales \_\_\_ (taker of orders)
- Male deer
- Literary spoof
- Chimp or gorilla
- Work with needle and thread
- Discussed an issue in detail
- Fry lightly
- Revise, as a manuscript
- "This is terrible!"
- Marriage vow platform

**DOWN**

- Remove the rind from
- Stuff in a goodie bag, informally
- Performed a tune
- Young boy
- Gathered in a crowd
- What a heart pumps
- Eve's spouse
- "Oh, for Pete's \_\_\_!"
- Polishes, as shoes
- Sat for a photo
- Capital of Norway
- Sharp, as eyesight
- Shape of a dollar sign
- Resided
- Helpful to have
- Taxi fare calculator
- Overplay a part
- Civil rights org.
- Saucer or dinner plate
- Delegate's badge
- \_\_\_ and aahs (sounds impressed)
- French-speaking Caribbean nation
- Out of \_\_\_ (needing repair)
- Honking birds
- Notion
- Impolite kid
- Lauder of cosmetics
- Free-for-all fight
- Shape of a globe
- Occupying a chair
- "When You Wish Upon \_\_\_"
- Goosebumps author R.L.
- Angelic ring
- Convertible or sedan
- Family rooms
- Much-admired celebrity
- Shape of a pound cake
- Cleveland's state
- Loosen, as a tie
- \_\_\_ the line (didn't act up)
- America's Uncle

Answer to previous puzzle

APR	GASP	SLOB																	
HULAS	ONTO	TOGO																	
GRUMP	ETAS	EURO																	
TAMBOURINE	ETAS	EUDEN																	
SPOON	KARL																		
	FILL	SIDES																	
COAX	TEAM	GRAPE																	
BONY	SAYAH	USES																	
SPELL	DELI	MEDS																	
SWOOP	RENT																		
	PLOD	DEPTH																	
BATH	PERCUSSION																		
OREO	PLEA	TAMPA																	
LEAN	EVEN	SLEEP																	
DARE	DEFT	MRS																	

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# Athletic Support: Lack of respect for track

By **ELI CRANOR**

Special to the Herald

Dear Athletic Support: My daughter is in her final year of track at Tennessee Tech. Before my daughter and her class arrived, the team had never come close to a championship. Since she's been here, the team won the 2018 indoor and outdoor championships followed by the 2019 indoor championships. The school has no banners for them in the stadium or the gym. I asked the Athletic Director about not having banners at a basketball game, and he told me they have their trophies out front. They also practice in that gym when it's too cold, but I was told banners are only for teams that play in the gym. It's been this way throughout my daughter's career. Why is track always treated like a secondary sport? — No Respect

Dear No Respect: My wife was a collegiate pole vaulter. Before that, she set Arkansas state records at the high school level. I can still remember watching her (we went to the same high school) warm up before track practice each day. I can also remember the heated disputes between the track coach and the football coach, arguments over which sport would get to use the facilities and at what times.

As you can probably guess, the football coach won most of those disagreements. After reading your question, it doesn't sound like much has changed. Other sports seem to always take precedent over track.

Here's a good example: The University of Arkansas has won 48 national championships as of 2020. The track team has won 42 of the 48 championships, but if you were to poll the Razorback fanbase, I can almost guarantee you they wouldn't be happy.

The reason? The football team stinks!

I don't know why there's such a difference in popularity between track and other sports, but I will say this deal about the lack of banners is bogus. If I was that Athletic Director, I'd be doing everything I could to promote my school and its successful athletic programs, especially the girls' track team. Go, Awesome Eagles!

Dear Athletic Support: A basketball coach told my son that if he played football next year, he wouldn't step foot on the basketball court. Why would a coach say something like this to a 14-year-

old, and what is the correct way to respond as an athlete and as a parent? — Wassup Wit Dat

Dear Wassup: This is by far the most popular type of question I get for this column, and honestly, it's scary. I've already addressed the dangers of early specialization in previous columns, so let me focus on this coach's ridiculous ultimatum.

Any coach that's trying to manipulate a 14-year-old kid like this needs to be checked. If I was you, I would try to schedule a meeting with him and discuss the situation. Be careful not to throw your son under the bus, though; you don't want the coach taking it out on him afterwards.

But something should definitely be done here. It might even be worth trying to talk to your school's Athletic Director. And if that doesn't work, maybe it's time to reconsider playing for this coach at all.

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# White scores 19 as Bulls hold off Doncic, Mavericks 109-107

By **ANDREW SELIGMAN**

AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Coby White scored 19 points, Otto Porter Jr. added 18 in his return from a broken left foot and the Chicago Bulls hung on to beat the Dallas Mavericks 109-107 Monday night when Luka Doncic's desperation heave bounced off the rim.

Denzel Valentine added a season-high 17 points and the Bulls won for just the second time in 12 games even though leading scorer Zach LaVine sat out with a strained left quadriceps.

"We have been there a lot with winning teams," Valentine said. "We've been right there. It actually feels good to come out here and beat a team like that."

The Bulls thought they were ready to make a jump in the Eastern Conference and contend for a playoff spot after winning only a combined 49 games the previous two seasons. They've been hit hard by injuries and haven't performed the way they envisioned. But they're still in the running for a postseason berth, though their odds aren't great.

"We're not thinking about that," Porter said. "We're just trying to get guys back and (pick up) the Ws right now. When it gets down to we're gonna need

a couple games, then we'll get into a playoff mode where everything is very detailed."

**HANGING ON**

The Bulls outscored Dallas 33-17 in the third quarter to turn a 10-point half-time deficit into an 81-75 lead, and withstood a big push in the final minute.

The Mavericks were trailing 107-99 when Maxi Kleber dunked with 18 seconds left. Delon Wright then got a steal and fed Dorian Finney-Smith for a 3-pointer that made it a three-point game.

Chicago's Thaddeus Young missed the first free throw before hitting the second with 13 seconds remaining.

Finney-Smith hit another 3 to make it 108-107 with three seconds left before Chicago's Wendell Carter Jr. made the second free throw after missing the first. Finney-Smith then threw a long inbound to Doncic, who barely missed from in front of the scorer's table and was annoyed he didn't make it.

"I'm supposed to make that shot," said Doncic, who practices desperation heaves. "I wanted to make that shot, but I just missed it."

Porter played 17 minutes and made three 3s in his first appearance since Nov. 6. Valentine surpassed his previous season high of 16 points, and White continued his strong run.

## TRACK

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### Big Spring Results from Don Black Invitational

#### JV Girls

High Jump - 1. Taylor Partlow, 4'10".  
Pole Vault - 1. Alyssa Pullins 8'6".

#### Varsity Girls

800 - 5. Falicity Calderson 2:33.39.  
Discus - 6. Jha'Niah Johnson 105'4".  
400 Relay - 6. (Kayla Mathews, Amooneaq Green, Kayleigh Munoz, Gracie King), 50.93.

#### JV Boys

100 - 6. Chris Martinez 11.77.  
400 - 5. Korbin Olsen, 56.66  
400 Relay - 6. Fredrick Rubio, (Kaegen Mitchell, Phillip Martinez, Chris Martinez), 46.06.  
Long Jump. - 6. Sa Quan Fizer, 18'9".

#### Varsity Boys

1600 Relay - 5. (Jabez Jones, Damian Franco, William Woloverton, Dusty Chavez), 3:32.02.  
High Jump - 2. Kyler Seymore, 6'2".

Big Spring JV & Varsity tennis meets moved to Thursday in Brownwood due to weather conditions.

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