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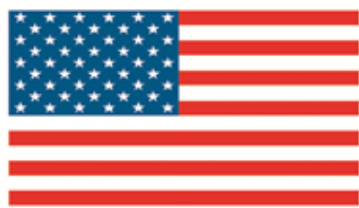
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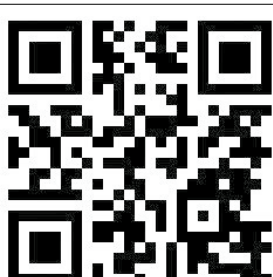
The local United Way is reminding everyone to Wash Your Hands, while raising funds for a special COVID-19 fund that will help support local agencies who are needing extra support due to COVID-19. To find out more visit the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County Facebook page.

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Gov. Abbott announces non-essential businesses to close; *Texas school closures also extended through May 4*

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

During a press conference on Tuesday afternoon Governor Greg Abbott issued the Executive Order No. GA-14 relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities during the COVID-19 disaster. During this press conference, Gov. Abbott also announced statewide the closure of non-essential businesses through April 30, 2020 and extended school closures through May 4, 2020.

Shortly after the order was announced, local school districts began communicating with students and families via Facebook pages and other avenues of communication regarding extended closure.

“BSISD will continue education our kids through virtual learning, as well as supplying packets for parents to pick up for their kids at the designated campuses, and designated times,” BSISD Superintendent Jay McWilliams, said in a Steer Nation communication letter. “Let’s all continue keeping a positive attitude and continuing practicing social distancing in order to hopefully end this crisis sooner than later. Thank you for your support and

understanding during this time of crisis in our community.”

The letter also stated that breakfast and lunch will continue to be served across the community at the 23 various locations. Steer Nation will also be able to view a live video update three times a week on the Facebook Page as well as through the BSISD website.

“We strive to keep our community up to date and well informed as we possibly can during this very difficult and unprecedented time.”

Forsan ISD and Coahoma ISD also issued statements on their Facebook pages and through other utilized forms of communication.

Coahoma ISD will also continue serving the grab and go breakfast/lunch bag between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. District leaders are expected to meet today and will release more information after that meeting has concluded.

“CISD appreciates your patience and understanding as we navigate through

this unprecedented situation together,” a statement issued through Coahoma Independent School District stated.

Forsan ISD announced school at home will continue through the end of April.

“Please continue to reach out for support as you need it. We miss our students and hope to see them all back soon,” a statement on Forsan School District Facebook page said.

Upon receiving the Governor’s Executive Order Mayor Shannon Thomason met with the Emergency Management Team to discuss and review the order.

After reviewing the order, the City of Big Spring and Emergency Management team issued a statement announcing Governor Abbott’s Executive Order.

“The protocols allow exceptions for essential activities and services based on the Department of Homeland Security’s guidelines on the Essential

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Gov. Abbott

Registration for online Ag Symposium open

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor



Tommy Yeater

Farmers, ranchers and other Ag professionals will have an opportunity to take part in online education with the upcoming, 2020 advocating for Agriculture Symposium set for Tuesday, April 14 from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

According to Tommy Yeater, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent in Howard County, this is the 9th annual Agriculture Symposium. This particular educational opportunity is held in Corpus Christi as a face-to-face conference. However, due to the current situation with social distancing encouraged and the limiting of gathers to less than 10 people, this particular session has been opened up to the

whole state of Texas and is being offered online.

“We are trying to keep an educational presence going, even with all this going on,” Yeater said. “I highly encourage our area farmers and ranchers to check it out. I truly believe they will like it.”

According to the agenda provided by the local Ag Extension

office, the symposium will have information regarding Hemp production laws in Texas, New Range and Pasture Herbicides, Fertilizing: options, accurate prescriptions and a Cattle Fever Tick update and more.

“Dr. Megan Clayton, Dr. Joe Paschal and Dr. Josh McGinty will each be providing some of the information in the symposium,” Yeater said. “This is a good opportunity for our local Ag producers to take part in and get some CCUs.” Yeater continued, “With the current situation limiting our educational presentations it’s important to take part of this one. We are looking at other opportunities, but as of right now it is looking like it will be May or later before we can get another educational opportunity in.”

Those who take part in the symposium will receive two CCUs after the end of the program.

Those wanting to take part can register online at <https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/ag>. Registration must be done no later than April 12. The registration fee of \$10 must be paid at registration. Those wanting to find out more information can contact Megan Clayton at megan.clayton@ag.tamu.edu. Once registered, participants will receive a link to the symposium the day before the webinar.

Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

1 fatality in Glasscock County crash Monday

Herald Staff Report

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) issued a report Tuesday afternoon regarding a two- vehicle fatality crash in Glasscock County on Monday afternoon.

According to the DPS report, at 6:08 p.m. in the area of RM 2401 and RM 1357 – 10 miles east of Midkiff, Texas – a 2013 Peterbilt, truck-tractor, towing a semi-trailer driven by Arnaldo Tavarez-Lugan, 29-year-old of Midland, Texas was traveling west on RM



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Obituaries

Ross “Roundman” Roberts

Ross “Roundman” Roberts, 93, of Coahoma, passed away, Monday, March 30, 2020. Private family graveside services will be 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2020, at the Coahoma Cemetery.

He was born April 8, 1926, in Coahoma and married Loreta Fern Kiser March 25, 1944, in Stanton. She preceded him in death Oct. 11, 2009.

Ross served in the United States Navy during World War II. He worked as a pumper for Fina for 32 years and owned and operated Roberts Auto Supply in Coahoma for 40 years. He enjoyed gardening and fishing and was a member of the Coahoma Church of Christ.

Survivors include three children, Linda Robertson of Lubbock, Gary Roberts and wife, Twylia of

Jerline Teresa (Debus) Frysak

Jerline Teresa (Debus) Frysak, 94, of St. Lawrence, passed away at her residence on Monday, March 30, 2020. Due to the covid-19 virus we are limited to the amount of people who can attend the services so the family is asking people to please pray a rosary at 6 p.m. on Wednesday night for her repose of her soul. Graveside services will be for immediate family only at 2 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2020, at St. Lawrence Cemetery.

Jerline was born Feb. 24, 1926, in Runnels County, Texas. She was born at home on the farm in Rowena, Texas, to John A. and Amelia (Schwertner) Debus. Jerline, one of four daughters born to John and Amelia grew up on the farm working to milk the cows and help with any chores assigned to them.

She met and was courted by August Matthew Frysak and later married him on Dec. 25, 1947. They had a farm on the river bottoms in San Angelo and took up residence there. Later on, August got a loan on the GI Bill to purchase a farm here in Glasscock County, Texas. August would drive back and forth from San Angelo for several years to clear and farm the land before moving Jerline and his family down here with him in the 1950’s. It was very hard in those days and Jerline was there in the fields alongside August to build the massive operation she owned today.

Jerline was a member of the St. Theresa Altar Society, in Wall, Texas, in the early years and played organ for church and many weddings and events for the parish of St. Ambrose. When they moved to St. Lawrence she also played organ in church

Sylvia “Cheva” Arguello

Sylvia “Cheva” Arguello, 58, of Big Spring died Monday, March 30, 2020. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Sylvia was born October 21, 1961, in Big Spring to Elizabeth and Manuel Jimenez. She was a C.N.A. having worked at Parkview Nursing Home and Lamun-Lusk- Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. Sylvia loved to play Bingo, an avid Dallas Cow-

boy fan, and babysitting her grandchildren. She is survived by one son: Rick Arguello and his wife Nicole of Midland; two daughters: Sally Mendoza and her husband Jonathan of Big Spring and April Solis of Big Spring; one brother: Rosendo Jimenez and his wife (Mary Ann) of Big Spring; three sisters: Rachel Fuentes and her husband Alex of Marlin, Yolanda Gonzalez of Big Spring, and Becky Coker and her husband Shawn of Big Spring; ten grandchildren; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one sister: Sally Jimenez. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Coahoma, and Gayla Carlile and husband, Albert of Colorado City; five grandchildren, Tina Frazier, Tara Vancil, Regi Roberts, Jayci Brock and Kynzi Kaczyk; and eight great-grandchildren, Ashlyn Frazier, Kaylie Kaczyk, Hayden Vancil, Saydee Vancil, Covy Brock, Finley Brock, Rayce Roberts and Kavan Kaczyk.

He was also preceded in death by a grandson, Heath Carlile; and a son-in-law, Jerry Robertson.

Honorary pallbearers will be Bruce Allen, Marty Brooks, Terry Denton, Hayden Vancil, Rodney Brooks, Danny Walker, Patric Robinson and Donnie Reid.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer’s Association at www.alzfdn.org.

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

Paid Obituary

for the St. Lawrence Parish. She was a member of the St. Theresa Altar Society in St. Lawrence also. She supported August, serving on the Board of Directors for the Soil and Water Conservation District here in Glasscock Co. for over 30 years until his death in 1983 and took over his position on the board on July 11, 1983 until present. She has been on the Board of Directors for 36 years currently serving as Board Chairman.

However, her most important and favorite job, was being a mother to her five children, grandmother to her nine grandchildren, and great-grandmother to her nine great-children. She loved her family and especially her sisters, Alfreida, Gloria, and Genevieve.

She is survived by her son, Kervin Frysak; her son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Linda Frysak; her daughter and son-in-law Kathleen and Kenneth Schniers; son -in law, Warren Lange and Carol Cruz; grandchildren, Dustin Lange and wife, Dana Lange, Kendrick Lange, Heath Lange, Adam Frysak and wife, Jennifer Frysak, Matthew Frysak, Alicia (Frysak) Hansford and husband, Seth Hansford, Kaycee Schniers, Timothy Schniers and wife, Olivia Schniers, Brittany Schniers; great -grandchildren, Jackson Frysak, Luke Frysak, Christy Lange, Berklee Schniers, Bergen Schniers, Raymond Brown, August Hansford, Elwood Hansford, and Lincoln Hansford.

Jerline is preceded in death by her parents, John and Amelia Debus; her husband August Frysak; her children, Theresa Jean Frysak, and Sharon Gail (Frysak) Lange. She is also preceeded in death by her sister, Genevieve (Debus) Schwartz.

Pallbearers will be her grandchildren, and arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of E. Third Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Albroomt. One person was transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of 4th Street and San Jacinto. One

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Food Pick Up Info

Big Spring ISD will be providing sacked meals for students while the campuses are closed. Meals will be available at three schools from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday. Meals can be picked up at any of the three campuses where they are being handed out, which will be Moss, Marcy and Big Spring Junior High School. At both March and Moss, pick up will be in the bus lane behind the campus. At BSJH, pick up can be made at Door #3 on the east side of campus.

Children in Big Spring ISD can also pick up meals at the following times and locations:

From 9 a.m. to 9:55 a.m., you can pick up at:

- Bus 13-Navajo and Choctaw
- Bus 14-Bauer
- Bus 15: Larry and McDonald
- Bus 27: 5th and Abrams
- Bus 28: 3rd and Lockhart
- Bus 77: Parkway and Hearn
- Bus 85: Goliad Elementary
- Bus 86: 6th and Circle
- Bus 90: Southridge RV Park
- Bus 96: Albroomt and Randolph

From 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m., you can pick up at:

- Bus 13-Barcelona Apartments
- Bus 14-Lakeview
- Bus 15: Colby and Drew
- Bus 27: 8th and Lorilla
- Bus 28: Roy Anderson Complex
- Bus 77: Airport and Mobile
- Bus 85: Scott and Macausian
- Bus 86: Washington Elementary
- Bus 90: Oasis and Neill
- Bus 96: Anderson School

Lunch is also available at North Side Movement for all children in the area. Meals can be picked up at Ryan Hall, located behind the church, at 605 N. Main St. To comply with Governor Abbott’s mandate, all meals will be set-up drive-through style. No meals will be served inside the hall. Deliveries will depend on number of volunteers available. You can follow the North Side Movement Facebook page for additional information.

Coahoma ISD will provide take-home lunches to all students while the campuses are closed. Students can pick up a lunch at the back door of the cafeteria, Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Forsan ISD will be providing sacked meals for students while the campuses are closed. Meals are available at the following three locations: Forsan Elementary at the south entrance of the building, Special Education 87-20 Coop, or “The Pad”. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., and lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If your restaurant or organization is helping feed students during this time, please e-mail us information and we will be sure to include it in our listing and let the community know. On behalf of the Big Spring Herald and all those who are able to receive support during this time, we say Thank You for all that you are doing and continue to do. The support is much appreciated and does not go unnoticed.

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Critical Infrastructure Workforce. Examples of these essential services include healthcare, grocery stores, banking and financial services, utilities, child care for essential service employees, and government services. The order also includes exemption for religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. All critical infrastructure will remain operational, and government entities and businesses will continue providing essential services,” the press release from the City stated. “This Executive Order does not prohibit people from accessing essential services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station, providing or obtaining other essential services, hunting or fishing, or engaging in physical activity like jogging or bicycling, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.”

The City of Big Spring is evaluating this order and how it applies to the citizens of Big Spring. We will have more information coming soon. The Governor’s order read as follows:

Weather



Tonight: Cloudy during the early evening, then gradual clearing, with a low around 58. South wind around 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 87. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 77.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective 12:01 a.m. on April 2, 2020, and continuing through April 30, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVD-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC and the White House Coronavirus Task Force:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

“Essential services” shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and in any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices.

In providing or obtaining essential services, people and businesses should follow the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, implementing social distancing, and working from home if possible. In particular, all services should be provided through remote telework from FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE — 2PM 01CLOCK MAR 31 2020 Governor Greg Abbott Executive Order GA-14 March 31, 2020 Page 3 home unless they are essential services that cannot be provided through remote tele-work. If religious services cannot be conducted from home or through remote services, they should be conducted consistent with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, and by implementing social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms, massage establishments, tattoo studios, piercing studios, or cosmetology salons; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options for food and drinks is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing essential services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the gro-

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2401 and came to the intersection of RM 1357. At the same time, a 2016 GMC Sierra, driven by Stanley J. Petty, Jr., 34-year-old of Fairfield, Texas, was traveling west on RM 2401 and failed to control his speed striking the tractor-trailer in the rear. According to the report, it is not known if Petty was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident.

At the time of the accident, the weather was clear and road conditions were dry. Petty was pronounced at the scene by J.P. Brandy Farris.

cery store or gas station, providing or obtaining other essential services, visiting parks, hunting or fishing, or engaging in physical activity like jogging or bicycling, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in person contact with people who are not in the same household.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance as determined through guidance from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before May 4, 2020.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services allowed by this executive order or allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

Given under my hand this the 31st day of March, 2020. FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE 2 1’M O’CLOCK MAR 31 2020 This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-08, but not Executive Orders GA-09, GA10, GA-11, GA-12, or GA-13, and shall remain in effect and in full force until April 30, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

According to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, for the purposes of Texas Executive Order GA-14, the following are considered “Essential Services”: healthcare/public health, law enforcement, public safety and other first responders; food and agriculture; energy, water and wastewater; transportation and logistics; public works and infrastructure support services; communications and information technology; other community – or government based operations and essential functions; critical manufacturing; hazardous materials; financial services; chemical; defense industrial base; commercial facilities; residential/shelter facilities and services; and hygiene products and services.

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Ashlee “A.A.” Taylor, 39, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sylvia “Cheva” Arguello, 58, died Monday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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Additional locations added to quarantine mandates for air travelers coming into Texas, road travel from Louisiana now impacted

AUSTIN – In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to prevent further spread into the state of Texas from hotspot areas, Governor Greg Abbott has tasked the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) with enforcing two Executive Orders surrounding travel into the state of Texas. GA-11 was issued on March 26 and specifically addresses air travel, while GA-12 was issued on March 29 and addresses travel by roadways from Louisiana into Texas.

The requirements under both Executive Orders are the same — a covered person under the mandated quarantines shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. A violation of the orders is subject to criminal penalties, and the department encourages all individuals to abide by all measures that have been enacted by the Governor to mitigate the consequences of the current public health disaster.

The quarantine restrictions related to air travelers do not apply to travel related to military service, emergency response, health response or critical infrastructure functions. The quarantine restrictions related to ground travel include all the previously mentioned exclusions, plus travel related to commercial activity.

Additional Locations Added for Air Travel Under GA-11

Last week, Governor Abbott issued GA-11 requiring individuals traveling to Texas — with Texas being their final destination — through an airport from the Tri-State Area of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, as well as from the city of New Orleans, to comply with a mandatory 14-day self-quarantine. GA-11 was expanded by proclamation on Sunday, March 29, to include air travelers coming into Texas from the following locations: California; Louisiana; Washington; Atlanta, Ga.; Chicago, Ill.;

Detroit, Mich.; and Miami, Fl.

DPS Troopers are stationed at Texas airports to screen passengers traveling from the designated quarantine areas. Travelers who are subject to the self-quarantine are required to complete this travel form to provide DPS with identifying information, including their full name, date of birth, home address, driver license/passport information and quarantine location.

Requirements for Road Travel Into Texas From Louisiana

Effective Monday, March 30, at noon, GA-12 states that every person who enters the state of Texas through roadways from Louisiana will be subject to the mandated 14-day self-quarantine. DPS has

been tasked with enforcing GA-12, and the public can expect to see an increased law enforcement presence along the Texas/Louisiana border. The form for arrivals for road travelers is also available online.

Mandatory Terms and Enforcement

Pursuant to Governor Abbott's Executive Orders, individuals must comply with the Mandatory Terms of Self-Quarantine. While we anticipate wide compliance with Governor Abbott's Executive Orders, the department will vigorously enforce the executive order, as these orders are designed to protect the public and stop the spread of COVID-19. It is important to note that under Texas Government Code § 418.173, failure to comply with these mandatory terms is a criminal offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000, confinement in jail for up to 180 days, or both. DPS will take the appropriate enforcement action against anyone who fails to comply with the Executive Orders.

Travel information, including the required form and the mandates for self-quarantine, can be found online at www.dps.texas.gov/COVIDtravel.



HHSC Launches Statewide COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line

AUSTIN – Texas Health and Human Services has launched a 24/7 statewide mental health support line to help Texans experiencing anxiety, stress or emotional challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This new resource offers COVID-19-related mental health support for all Texans. People can call the Statewide COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line 24 hours a day, 7 days a week toll-free at 833-986-1919.

“Through this new effort, we are connecting Texans with mental health professionals who can help provide support to those who are feeling overwhelmed and stressed,” said Sonja Gaines, Deputy Executive Commissioner for Intellectual and Developmental Disability and Behavioral Health Services. “It can be helpful to talk to someone when you are facing anxiety, depression and stress, which are not uncommon to experience in the face of a rapidly changing situation like a pandemic.”

Operated by the Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD, the support line offers trauma-informed support and psychological first aid to those experiencing stress and anxiety related to COVID-19. Counseling services are confidential and free of charge to people who call the hotline.

“It is important to recognize how our mental health can be affected by the pandemic,” said Sen. Jane Nelson. “The mental health support line for COVID-19 will go a long way to ensure Texans who are struggling with anxiety, depression or other mental health issues can access the care they need.”

For general health-related information and precautions on COVID-19, people can visit the DSHS webpage and the CDC webpage. To stay up-to-date on the latest news impacting HHS services and regulated providers, people can visit the HHS COVID-19 webpage.

For more information on mental health resources, find your local mental health authority here.

Helping youth understand mental health through 4-H

Special to the Herald

Micah Palacios, 18, of San Antonio is no stranger to grappling with her feelings and striving to maintain a positive mental attitude.

At only 9, she began to slowly but consistently lose more and more of her hair. She didn't know why, but it was coming out in clumps.

“My mother first noticed I had a bald spot,” she explained. “Then my hair just kept falling out a little at a time. By the time I was 10, I had lost about 75% of it.”

Her doctor diagnosed her with alopecia areata, an autoimmune disease that attacks the follicles and causes hair to fall out, usually in patches.

“But I didn't just lose my hair, I lost my self-confidence and became depressed,” she said. “This was the time in my life I was supposed to be going out and trying new hairstyles, but I didn't have enough hair. I was self-conscious and didn't want people to see me.”

Fortunately, she said, her 4-H friends helped her rediscover her confidence. Program support and coping skills

“I've been in Texas 4-H for 11 years now, and because I'm home-schooled 4-H has been my outlet for a lot of social and educational activity,” Palacios said. “And while people in public would stare at me when I lost my hair, my 4-H friends never did and never pointed it out. They let me know there was more to me than my hair and, while I didn't realize it at the time, 4-H was also providing me with coping skills.”

She said those coping

skills included the opportunity for her to learn about nutrition and develop her own sense of style.

“I learned how a balanced diet can improve your health and give you more energy,” Palacios said. “And the lessons I learned in the 4-H program about style and design helped me cope with my situation by embellishing hats and finding scarves and bandanas to cover my hair. They helped me feel better about myself.”

She said due to the personal difficulty she had experienced as well as the support shown by both her 4-H peers and adult mentors within the program, she wanted to share her perspective on mental health with other young people.

“Although my hair grew back when I was 13 or 14, I'll never forget the emotional impact that had on my life and the realization that other young people needed to understand the effect their own thoughts and emotions can have on their mental health.”



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Those without broadband struggle in a stuck-at-home nation

NEW YORK (AP) — In Sandwich, New Hampshire, a town of 1,200 best known as the setting for the movie "On Golden Pond," broadband is scarce. Forget streaming Netflix, much less working or studying from home. Even the police department has trouble uploading its reports.

Julie Dolan, a 65-year-old retiree in Sandwich, has asthma. Her husband has high blood pressure. Dolan doubts her standard home internet could manage a remote medical appointment, and these days no one wants to visit the doctor if they can help it. That leaves 19th-century technology -- the phone. "That is all I would have," she says.

As schools, workplaces and public services shut down in the age of coronavirus, online connections are keeping Americans in touch with vital institutions and each other. But that's not much of an option when fast internet service is hard to come by.

Although efforts to extend broadband service have made progress in recent years, tens of millions of people are still left out, largely because phone and cable companies hesitate to invest in far-flung rural areas. Government subsidies in the billions haven't fully fixed the problem.

Many more simply can't afford broadband. U.S. broadband costs more than in many comparable countries -- an average of \$58 a month compared to \$46.55 across 29 nations, according to a 2018 Federal Communications Commission report.

Such disconnected people "already have to work harder to tread water," said Chris Mitchell, who advocates for community broadband service at the Institute for Local Self-Reliance. "I don't think people appreciated the magnitude of the problem."

Even in cities, the high cost of internet access means many go without. Low-cost local alternatives such as libraries and cafes have shut down.

In St. Louis, Stella Ashcraft, 63, lives from check to check and can't afford internet. Her senior cen-

ter, where she plays bingo, does puzzles and gets lunch five days a week, is closed. So is her church and the library where she checks email. She's gotten texted photos of her newborn grandchild, but forget about a Zoom call to see the baby.

"I feel very withdrawn, isolated, alone," she said.

There are no definitive numbers on those without broadband. The FCC puts the number at 21 million, but its data is faulty and most likely undercounts the problem. An independent group called BroadbandNow pegs it at 42 million. The digital divide disproportionately affects rural areas, African Americans, Latinos and Native Americans on tribal lands.

Phone and cable companies have pledged not to cut people off if they can't pay bills and opened their Wi-Fi hotspots to the public. Some are expanding low-cost programs for poor people and lifting data caps so more people can get and stay connected.

Millions of Americans working from home are learning to use online video in place of face-to-face meetings, but that's not an option for those with only a trickle of data service.

Brie Morrissey, who owns a building outfitted with broadband in Dublin, New Hampshire, would prefer to maintain social distance by working from home. But she keeps heading into the office for the connection, and as a result, is constantly cleaning the place -- wiping down door knobs, the bathroom sinks and "every inch of the building," she says.

Morrissey avoids other tenants and won't rent space to anyone else. Most people recover from the virus, but the elderly and those with underlying conditions are more likely to get seriously ill or die.

"I have to tell people to stay home and that we can't accommodate them, which is a hard thing to do for a small business owner in a small town," she said. "You obviously want to help. But following guidelines means for the most part we can't."

Students, meanwhile, struggle with a "homework gap" when they can't get or submit assignments, much less watch online lectures or participate in discussions. Online schoolwork is now the norm, but the millions of students who don't have home internet or access to computers at home require creative solutions as schools shut down.

In rural western Alabama, less than 1% of Perry County's roughly 9,100 residents have high-quality internet at home, so online lessons are out. County teachers spent three days manually loading scanned images of math worksheets and other materials on to iPads and Chromebooks for the system's 1,100 students to take home while out of class, said Superintendent John Heard.

A New York City family shelter has no Wi-Fi and 175 school-age children, only 15 of whom have laptops. City schools are sending some kids tablets equipped with internet service. But Estrella Montanez, who runs the shelter, worries that kids will have trouble managing remote work.

"Many families are not so tech-savvy," she said.

Lawmakers want the federal government to send schools and libraries more money to lend out Wi-Fi hotspots to students. But the FCC says it's not authorized to do that under current law and is discussing a solution with Congress.

On Navajo Nation, the country's largest Native American reservation, it's common to see people sitting in their vehicles at night outside local government centers, fast-food restaurants and grocery stores to connect to Wi-Fi. Diné College is lending laptops to students and asking internet providers to improve service.

Digital-access advocates hope that this crisis propels the government to do more to get people connected. In some places, relief was expected later this year. But that's too late to help with the current crisis.

Affordacare Urgent Care Clinics notify patients of a security breach

ABILENE -- Affordacare Urgent Care Clinics (Affordacare) has notified patients of a security breach that occurred earlier this year.

On February 4, 2020, Affordacare discovered that its servers suffered a ransomware attack. The attack occurred on or around February 1, 2020. Upon further investigation, Affordacare learned that its servers also were accessed by hackers and some confidential information may have been removed. Affordacare recently sent letters to those patients who may have been affected by this incident.

Affordacare's servers contained limited confidential information to include the patient's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, age, date of visit, location of visit, reason for visit, insurance plan provider, insurance plan policy number, insurance group number, treatment codes and descriptions, and brief comments from the health care provider. Please note this incident did not affect patients' electronic health record, labs, Social Security numbers or any personal payment information.

The letter recently sent to patients whose information may have been compromised included instructions on how to implement safeguards in response to this incident. Affordacare is offering potentially affected patients identity theft protection services through ID Experts®. Services include: Twelve months of credit monitoring and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services.

More information can be found in the letter provided to affected patients. Affordacare also notified law enforcement authorities and appropriate State and Federal authorities.

VLB Chairman George P. Bush provides loan penalty relief for veterans during COVID-19 outbreak

AUSTIN - Today, Texas Land Commissioner and Chairman of the Veterans Land Board George P. Bush announced that in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) will provide temporary relief to Veterans with VLB loans. The VLB recognizes the unique circumstances induced by COVID-19 and has taken measures to ease the burden of loan and housing penalties on the Veteran community.

The VLB will be following various protections as outlined by the VA, FHA, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. These measures include a temporary moratorium on credit reporting, evictions and foreclosures, and a temporary suspension of late payment penalties. Current borrowers with loans should contact their loan servicer for assistance and more information.

"The Veterans Land Board is here to serve Veterans, both in times of prosperity and turmoil," said Chairman George P. Bush. "It is our commitment to serve those who have served us. As we come together as a community to defeat this pandemic, the VLB will be providing relief to Veterans with VLB loans. Our Veterans most pressing concern should be their health and safety, not their ability to maintain a home or land loan during this uncertain time."

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Howard’s Jazzeem Bethea commits to Arkansas-Pine Bluff

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sportswriter

Following a productive two seasons in Big Spring at Howard College, Lady Hawks guard/forward Jazzeem Bethea has committed to continuing her basketball career at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB).

“We’re extremely happy for her,” Lady Hawks coach Earl Diddle said. “I thought she had a pretty good year. There were times where I thought she played really well and I think it was enough to get her a Division I scholarship.”

The lengthy Bethea was the team leader for Howard during the disappointing 2019-20 season for the Lady Hawks. She was the only Howard player that started in all 29 games this past season and the sophomore averaged 27.2 minutes played per game.

Bethea is a highly-active player that makes her difference mainly on the defensive side of the ball with her quick reaction time that allows her to make steals and consistently block shots. The Seattl native led the Lady Hawks with an average of 1.5 steals per game and she will need to continue her high-energy style of play at the next level.

Diddle is close friends with Bethea’s new head coach, Dawn Brown, and relayed what intrigues the Lady Golden Lions coaching staff so much about the JUCO standout.

“Her athleticism, her energy, and her ability to constantly try to get better. She does love the game and she loves being on a team and I think that’s why she’s a very good teammate,” Diddle said.

The two-year starter at Howard also led the team in rebounds per game (5.1) and was near the top of the charts in assists per game (1.3) as well. Bethea averaged 7.7 points per game and scored in double-digits a total of five times this past season. The most points that she scored in a single game was when she put on a clinic at Eastern Arizona and notched



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Jazzeem Bethea weaves her way through traffic to put up a layup during a home game against Odessa this past season.

18 points on a sky-high 62.5 field goal percentage.

Even though Bethea put together a strong enough career while at Howard to gain recognition from schools that were recruiting her, the soon-to-be junior must improve her consistency on the offen-

sive end. She was not the highest scorer on the Lady Hawks and also went through stretches during games where she could not get a shot to fall.

Bethea had low shooting percentages all-around during her sophomore campaign but never seemed to lose confidence in her game. Even with her being one of the team’s highest scorers, she had a low field goal percentage (28.9), three-point percentage (12.5), and free throw percentage (67.4). The future Lady Golden Lion always made up for her inconsistency on offense with a high motor and ability to out-muscle and out-rebound her opponents.

Next fall, Bethea will be suiting up in the black and gold for UAPB under second year head coach Dawn Brown. Their 2019-20 season ended with a big loss to No. 2-ranked Texas Southern in the Southwest Athletic Conference (SWAC) tournament and the Lady Golden Lions finished their first season under the tutelage of Brown with a 7-22 record.

“They press all over the floor so they’ve got big numbers and play up to 10-12 people and I feel like that fits her style,” Diddle said. “I think she probably needs to be in a full-court game.”

While UAPB participates in the FCS subdivision of NCAA Division I athletics, they do fill their schedule against Division I powerhouses such as Tennessee and Texas Tech. With several games each year against some of the top-level college competition in the country, Bethea will be able to see just how she fares against some of the top NCAA women basketball players in the nation.

Unsurprisingly, another Howard athlete will be moving onto the next level after another successful run as a Lady Hawk.

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NJCAA Announces Cancellation of Spring Sports Season

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sportswriter

Following the recent recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the NJCAA has made the difficult decision to cancel all upcoming basketball championships as well as spring competition, effective immediately.

This move will prevent the Howard baseball and softball teams, as well as the Hawks rodeo team, from finishing their 2020 seasons. After jumping out to solid starts in both softball and baseball, the decision is disappointing to the Howard coaching staffs but it is completely understandable.

"In light of the progressive evolvement of the COVID-19 situation, the NJCAA has decided to end all competition for the remainder of the academic year," NJCAA President & CEO Dr. Christopher Parker said. "As an association, the NJCAA exhausted all possible avenues to potentially postpone competition for both upcoming basketball championships and spring sport competition. We believe following the recommendations of the CDC is in the best interest of our member colleges and our student-athletes."

So, while there were efforts to extend the season somehow, the NJCAA leaders decided that it would be best to scrap the 2020 spring athletic calendar and start fresh next season.

Spring competition includes all practices, regular season, postseason, and national championship play. With most people being told to self-quarantine, these student-athletes will finish out their academic year and then possibly look to continue their athletic careers an extra season at the junior college-

level.

According to the updated eligibility rules for spring sports, no spring sport student-athlete who was enrolled at a member college in 2020 will be charged a year of participation. This will help sophomores who only had a few games under their belts continue their playing careers for at least one more year, if they choose to do so.

Along with the cancellation of competition, all on and off-campus recruiting for all sports will be halted until April 15 with further evaluation to be assessed at that point in time. This means that Howard and their rivals will not be able to host recruits on visits until the summer and that could set some programs back exponentially.

The NJCAA will explore the opportunity to expand allowable Letters of Intent for spring sports for both the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years under the recommendation of the NJCAA Eligibility Committee.

The NJCAA will also continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as more information becomes available.

There will be no junior college sports until the fall when football starts back up, and no sports at Howard until the next basketball season begins in November.

How the Howard coaching staffs respond to this uncertain time will be important to the future success of the Hawks and Lady Hawks.

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NCAA to give spring sport athletes extra year of eligibility

By RALPH D. RUSSO
AP College Sports Writer

The NCAA will permit Division I spring-sport athletes — such as baseball, softball and lacrosse players — who had their seasons shortened by the coronavirus pandemic to have an additional year of eligibility.

The NCAA Division I Council voted Monday to give spring-sport athletes regardless of their year in school a way to get back the season they lost, but it did not guarantee financial aid to the current crop of seniors if they return to play next year.

Winter sports, such as basketball and hockey, were not included in the decision because many athletes in those sports had completed all or most of their regular seasons, the council decided.

The council is made up of college sports administrators representing all 32 D-I conferences, plus two members of the student-athlete advisory committee. Earlier in the day, 60 SAAC members released a letter calling for the council to provide the extra eligibility to all athletes whose seasons were impacted by the COVID-19 related shutdown.

Voting is weighted to give the Power Five conferences more say. Chairwoman Grace Calhoun, who is Penn's athletic director, declined to reveal the final vote.

"At the end we really did coalesce around all of the decisions that we made today," Calhoun said. "They were strongly supported."

How much scholarship money will be made available to each athlete whose college career would have ended this spring will be determined by the athlete's school. The amount could range from nothing to as much the athlete received had been receiving.

The added scholarships could cost a school hundreds of thousands of dollars more than it would usually spend on spring-sport athletes. The extra expenses come at a time when athletic departments could be facing cutbacks. The pandemic forced the cancellation of the NCAA men's basketball tournament, which cut the association's distribution to members by \$375 million this year.

"We had long discussions around the fact that this does not avoid substantially difficult circumstances, but what we felt was important was to localize that decision-making and to ensure that we were as permissive as possible," Calhoun said.

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Anger Explosions Causing Worry

Dear Annie: My son is in his 40s and throws temper tantrums! Any little thing can set him off. It's so bad that his son asks him if he's mad, fearing that something has set him off. He is going to marriage counseling and admits he has a temper, but nothing changes.

When he loses it, he becomes like a different person. His eyes glaze over, and he throws things. I'm concerned that it's only a matter of time before someone gets hurt.

I'm wondering if there could be a chemical imbalance, or some other medical issues, that control his flying off the handle. His relationships are suffering. This has been a problem in his previous relationships, too. Is there anything I can do to help? -- Worried-Sick Parent

Dear Worried-Sick Parent: Calling them temper tantrums makes him sound like he is still a little boy. He is an adult. What you describe could be intermittent explosive disorder, which is characterized by sudden angry outbursts.

While marriage counseling is a good thing, it sounds like he also

needs his own therapist who specializes in anger management. He could also attend anger management support groups. You sound like a wonderful parent. The best thing you can do is not baby him and encourage him to get professional help.

Dear Annie: I'd like to offer an idea for the man who finds it difficult to express his feelings in therapy. He described my husband perfectly.

One day it hit me that my professional, high-functioning, "normal" husband might have mild Asperger's syndrome. Although we were both shocked that it was possible nobody had figured out until he was in his 60s, we pushed forward.

We read articles and books on Asperger's syndrome that perfectly described his emotional unavailability and communication problem. We suddenly became aware that neither of us had really understood the thought process and communication of the other all these years. We have been using new techniques to further our understanding of each other.

Now, rather than arguing, we try to reframe our discussion and guide each other to understanding. It

has been an epiphany to realize how often we are actually on the same page. I often ask how he feels about issues, to help both of us realize that genuine, deeply caring feelings are in there.

After years of being unable to communicate well on an emotional level, we understand each other far better and have developed a deeper connection than we have ever had. We move forward together as a work in progress. Now that we're recently retired, we do more together, travel more, talk more and love each other more. I encourage others to consider the possibility of Asperger's syndrome before they give up on a loving relationship. -- Still Under Construction

Dear Still Under Construction: I applaud you for taking the initiative to really work on your relationship by better understanding your husband. Your letter highlights the importance of communication, empathy and understanding -- three key ingredients for a healthy and joyful relationship.

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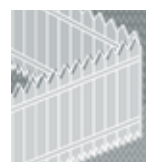
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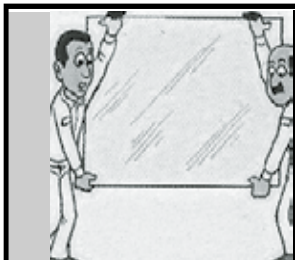
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year! No, that's not an April Fools' joke. Many ancient cultures celebrated the start of the new year on or around April 1, which closely follows the vernal equinox. The Cancer moon forms a harmonious trine with Mercury and then Neptune, which puts imagination on tap for pranksters everywhere.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Sometimes, you're behind your friends and colleagues. and sometimes you're ahead. Both ways have benefits and deficits. In the end, it's not your position in the race but what you do with it that matters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Giving your loved ones the best of you will be a lot easier when you don't feel deprived. Just because you choose to serve others doesn't make you their servant. Make sure the roles are balanced.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Well done is better than well said, except in a case like today, when you'll be presented with a possibility that you just don't feel like doing. Then well said is better, and thing to say well is "no."

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A drop of sentimentality can infuse the moment with feeling. Too much of it is like too much honey in the tea. It becomes so overly sweet that the other flavors become indistinguishable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Hands-on is the quickest way to learn. As for today's interesting work, you wouldn't want to do it all of the time, but having this experience enriches your perspective.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are legends of people living to be hundreds of years old. The truth of them is doubtful, and yet, certain practices make you feel like you're getting younger. You'll do more of those today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The impression you get when you meet someone new will be like a line drawing in a coloring book. You'll fill in the colors with subsequent visits, but the initial form will remain.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Don't worry about making anyone like you, convincing the skeptics or pleasing the audience. When you do what you're interested in doing, a team will emerge quite naturally to support you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Not every idea you have is worth following, but the good ones will keep coming back to mind. Some of them have persisted for years, and you're just now giving them their due.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Moods are conveyed in facial expressions and fonts, body language and lighting, music and weather. Close your eyes and try to see the mood inside you. Don't let its message be muffled by the external world.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Much about who you are was forged by others when you were too small to make your own decisions. Now that you are able to control some of your circumstances, you're forging your character out of choice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Since regret never moved things forward, you'll use what you've learned to make new choices. An excellent one will have the sort of quick outcome you can immediately build upon.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (APRIL 1). You're a rebel, a dreamer, a creator and a fighter. You fight for yourself, your family and the health of the world. You fight in small daily actions, votes, purchases, in the people you choose and in the way you show your love and respect. By your next birthday, you'll look back amazed at the difference you made. Leo and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 33, 40, 21 and 6.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The numbers game

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

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

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

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1 ♦ Pass 2 NT
Pass 3 NT
Opening lead six of spades.

Many players find it difficult to count out a hand. You would think this ought not to be the case because, after all, everybody knows there are 13 cards in each suit, and that each player is dealt 13 cards.

When it comes to applying this knowledge to a particular deal, however, many players fall down on all job, either because they are too lazy or because they simply think they are not capable of it.

Consider today's hand. South starts with eight sure tricks and needs to find a ninth. How should he go

about his task after he ducks two rounds of spades and wins the third? He sees he may pick up a trick in either diamonds or clubs, depending on how those suits are divided. But he cannot afford to let West gain the lead in the process, so at trick four he leads a low club and plays the eight from dummy.

East wins with the ten and returns the queen of hearts. Declarer lets him hold the trick — the fourth for the defense — in order to gather as much knowledge of the opposing distribution as possible. East then continues with a heart to dummy's king.

South is now in position to assemble all the information he needs to make the contract. He cashes the ace of hearts and then the A-K of clubs. As these tricks are taken, West is forced to discard two spades.

What has South learned about West's hand at this point? He knows West started with exactly five spades (East showed out on the third round of the suit). He also knows West started with exactly two hearts and two clubs (West showed out on the third round of both suits).

Declarer therefore knows that West's four unknown cards are all diamonds. Accordingly, he leads a low diamond to the king, a second diamond back to the queen and then another diamond. When West plays the seven, South finesses the ten with absolute assurance that it will win.

Tomorrow: The first step tells the tale.

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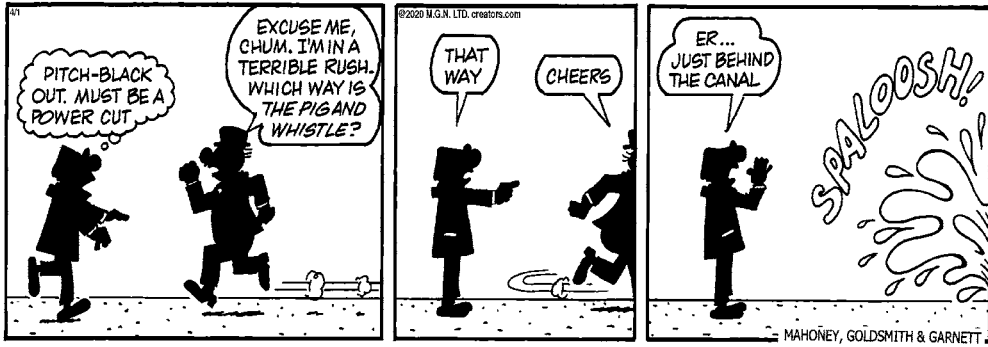
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8	6	4	5	3	7	1	2	9
1	5	8	2	9	4	6	7	3
4	1	3	7	5	2	6	9	8
6	2	8	6	4	8	3	7	5
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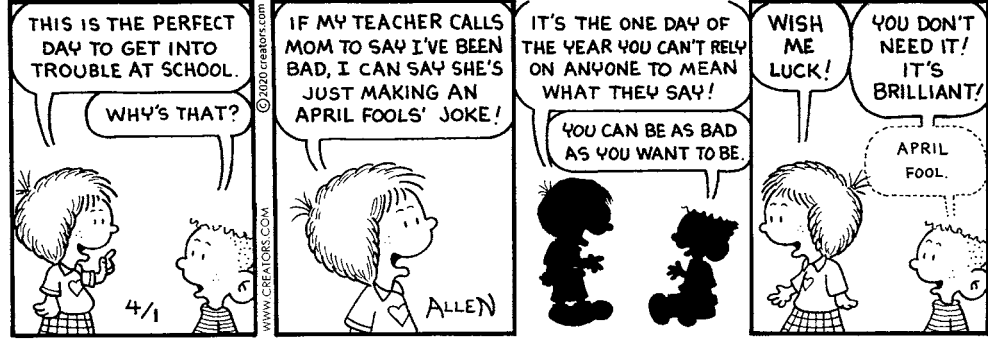
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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, April 1, the 92nd day of 2020. There are 274 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 1, 1976, Apple Computer was founded by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak and Ronald Wayne.

On this date:

In 1789, the U.S. House of Representatives held its first full meeting in New York; Frederick Muhlenberg of Pennsylvania was elected the first House speaker.

In 1891, the Wrigley Co. was founded in Chicago by William Wrigley, Jr.

In 1917, Scott Joplin, “The King of Ragtime Writers,” died at a New York City hospital; he was believed to have been 49 years old.

In 1945, American forces launched the amphibious invasion of Okinawa during World War II. (U.S. forces succeeded in capturing the Japanese island on June 22.)

In 1954, the United States Air Force Academy was established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

In 1963, New York City’s daily newspapers resumed publishing after settlement was reached in a 114-day strike. The daytime drama “General Hospital” premiered on ABC-TV.

In 1970, President Richard M. Nixon signed a measure banning cigarette advertising on radio and television, to take effect after Jan. 1, 1971.

In 1972, the first Major League Baseball players’ strike began; it lasted 12 days.

In 1984, Marvin Gaye was shot to death by his father, Marvin Gay (correct), Sr. in Los Angeles, the day before the recording star’s 45th birthday. (The elder Gay pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and received probation.)

In 1987, in his first speech on the AIDS epidemic, President Ronald Reagan told doctors in Philadelphia, “We’ve declared AIDS public health enemy no. 1.”

In 1992, the National Hockey League Players’ Association went on its first-ever strike, which lasted 10 days.

In 2003, American troops entered a hospital in Nasiriyah (nah-sih-REE’-uh), Iraq, and rescued Army Pfc. Jes-

sica Lynch, who had been held prisoner since her unit was ambushed on March 23.

Ten years ago: Roman Catholic cardinals across Europe used their Holy Thursday sermons to defend Pope Benedict XVI from accusations he’d played a role in covering up sex abuse scandals. Dayton denied the previous year’s national champs another title as the Flyers beat North Carolina 79-68 to win the NIT. Actor John Forsythe, 92, died in Santa Ynez, California.

Five years ago: Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J., was charged with accepting nearly \$1 million worth of gifts and travel from a long-time friend in exchange for a stream of political favors on the donor’s behalf; a defiant Menendez, maintaining his innocence, declared he was “not going anywhere.” (The Justice Department dropped charges after a trial ended in a hung jury.) Eleven former Atlanta public school educators were convicted of racketeering for their role in a cheating scheme to inflate students’ scores on standardized exams. California Gov. Jerry Brown ordered officials to impose statewide mandatory water restrictions for the first time in history. Cynthia Lennon, the first wife of John Lennon, died at her home in Spain; she was 75.

One year ago: Britain’s parliament rejected four alternatives to the government’s European Union divorce deal, options that would have softened or even halted the departure; the votes left the U.K. with 12 days to come up with a new plan or crash out of the bloc in chaos. A second woman said former Vice President Joe Biden had acted inappropriately, touching her face with both hands and rubbing noses with her in 2009. Algerian President Abdelaziz Bouteflika (ahb-DUL’-ah-ZEEZ’ boot-uh-FLEE’-kuh) agreed to step down before the end of his fourth term in April, yielding to growing calls for his

resignation after two decades in power.

Today’s Birthdays: Actress Jane Powell is 91. Actor Don Hastings is 86. Baseball Hall of Famer Phil Niekro is 81. Actress Ali MacGraw is 81. Rhythm-and-blues singer Rudolph Isley is 81. Reggae singer Jimmy Cliff is 72. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito is 70. Rock

musician Billy Currie (Ul-travox) is 70. Actress Annette O’Toole is 68. Movie director Barry Sonnenfeld is 67. Singer Susan Boyle is 59. Actor Jose Zuniga is 58. Country singer Woody Lee is 52. Actress Jessica Collins is 49. Rapper-actor Method Man is 49. Movie directors Albert and Allen Hughes are 48. Political commentator

Rachel Maddow is 47. Former tennis player Magdalena Maleeva is 45. Actor David Oyelowo (oh-YEHLOH’-oh) is 44. Actor JJ Field is 42. Singer Bijou Phillips is 40. Actor Sam Huntington is 38. Comedian-actor Taran Killam is 38. Actor Matt Lanter is 37. Actor Josh Zuckerman is 35. Country singer Hillary Scott (Lady Antebellum) is

34. Rock drummer Arejay Hale (Halestorm) is 33. Actor Asa Butterfield is 23. Actor Tyler Wladis is 10.

Thought for Today: “Our wisdom comes from our experience, and our experience comes from our foolishness.” — Sacha Guitry, Russian-born French actor-writer-director (1885-1957).

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Moisturizer's skin soother
- 5 Highly skilled
- 10 Writing tablets
- 14 __ pas (misstep)
- 15 At no time
- 16 Creative thought
- 17 Otherwise
- 18 Small segment of a play
- 19 Closes, as a winter coat
- 20 Mottoes
- 22 Animal parks
- 23 “__ the ramparts . . .”
- 24 Warm and cozy
- 26 Huck Finn's buddy
- 30 Sculpt, as clay
- 32 Fireplace residue
- 33 Unrealistic hope
- 38 Staircase bar
- 39 High winds
- 40 Opera solo
- 41 Brand of tablet computer
- 43 Feathered friends
- 44 Fiber-rich cereal
- 45 Forms of verbs
- 46 One-celled organism
- 50 That lady
- 51 Volcanic outflow
- 52 Little wedding party member
- 59 Change for a ten
- 60 Change for a ten
- 61 Surface measurement
- 62 Bring on board
- 63 Slip past

- 64 Outlandishly funny
 - 65 Segments of a play
 - 66 Tennis great
 - 67 Final stages
- DOWN**
- 1 Two or three
 - 2 Tra-__ (song sounds)
 - 3 Depose
 - 4 Company VIP
 - 5 Reply
 - 6 Indoor design
 - 7 At any time
 - 8 Remain unsettled
 - 9 Railroad bridges
 - 10 Tomatoey pie
 - 11 Señor's “so long”
 - 12 Train terminal
 - 13 Smart-mouthed
 - 21 Weed-removal implements
 - 25 Strange
 - 26 __ Lee cakes
 - 27 Letters meaning “Pronto!”
 - 28 Electric mixer setting
 - 29 Give a holler
 - 30 Italy's fashion center
 - 31 Pundit's essay
 - 33 Another nickname for Dad
 - 34 Desert rarity
 - 35 Makes mistakes
 - 36 Workplace assistant
 - 37 Church service
 - 39 Long-necked beasts
 - 42 Recede
 - 43 Tavern serving
 - 45 Grad school writings
 - 46 Oahu welcome
 - 47 Frenzied
 - 48 Out in the open
 - 49 Makes less difficult
 - 50 Person from Stockholm
 - 53 “As I __ and breathe!”
 - 54 Racetrack shape
 - 55 Stare (into)
 - 56 Where shahs once reigned
 - 57 Tear to shreds
 - 58 Sets (down)

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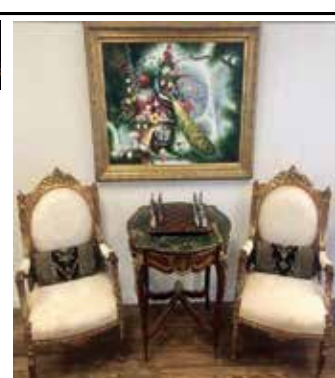
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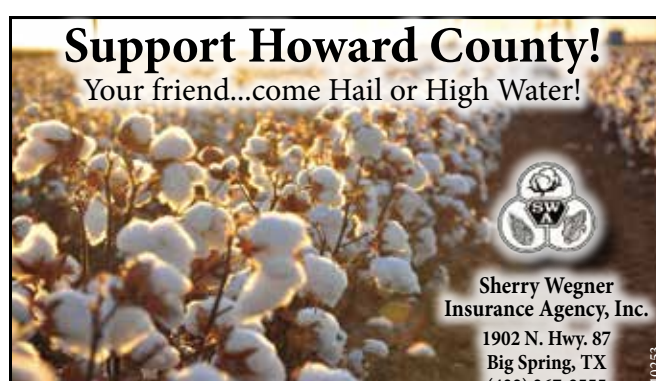


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