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Cancellations/ <u>Postponed events:</u>

Gun and Blade Show for April 4-5 at Horseshoe Pavillion has been cancelled

Forsan ISD, Coahoma ISD, Big Spring ISD *extended closures* through May 4

> Health Fair for April 4 has been postponed until August 8.

KBSB has cancelled Trash Off set for April 4 along with all other activities, including Toasty Tuesdays until *further notice.*

Master the Mountain 5K/10K set for April 18 at the State Park has also been postponed. No new date available yet.

Lady Steer welders earn blue ribbons, advance to State

AMANDA By DUFORAT

Managing Editor

The welding torches have been placed down for the time being and the welding room at Big Spring High School is sitting empty, as the nation deals with COVID-19 pandemic. However, before the pandemic took hold of day to day lives, the The Ladv Steer Welders were making waves and building their path to State.

According to Welding Instructor Dennis Woody, the Lady Steers have been growing this past year in exponential fashion – in numbers and in skill level. In addition



The Lady Steers welders were the only female team and the only female competitors in a recent welding hands on weld test and 75 quescompetition. The team all received blue ribbons and tion written test; the team did advanced to State. Due to COVID-19 UIL cancelled all very well, but didn't place in the activities, but the accomplishment is still something top three, in this category. to be proud of. Way to go Lady Steer welders.

female team in the competition and the only females in

to their certifications being reached, skill levels advancing, the Lady Steers qualified for State.

With the announcement of school being cancelled through See WELD, page 3

Fire Danger season is upon us; safety tips by HCVFD

By AMANDA DUFORAT Managing Editor

The West Texas wind has arrived, which means fire danger is rising.

The Howard County Volunteer Fire Department has responded to a few grass fire calls this week already, with two back to back calls on Monday afternoon. According to HCV Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper both fires were able to be contained quickly and were kept small. "Thankfully all the greenery allowed us to keep the fires on Monday small,"



April 3, the UIL also issued a cancellation for their competitions as well.

While State competitions may have been cancelled for this vear, it does not take away from the accomplishments that the students have achieved.

The Lady Steers received a blue ribbon (State Qualifier) on the project they built - a metal and wood spring rocking chair - with the score of 94 out of possible 100. The Lady Steer Welders also competed in the threeperson team welding (welding application). This particular competition category involves a

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Hooper said. "Right now The Howard County Volunteer responded to two brush fires earlier this week. would be a good time for Both fires were able to be contained quickly.

everyone to start creating defense space around their homes."

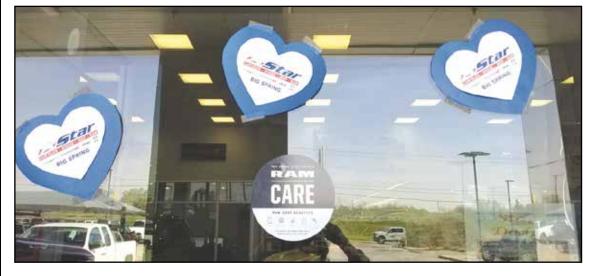
As residents begin to clear a defense area at their homes,

Fire Chief Hooper stated that there should be a clearing with-

in 30 feet of your home and its attachments. Other recommendations are:

See FIRE, Page 3

Star Dodge shows heart as they join 'Heart Hunters'



Area businesses and local residents are joining in the "Heart Hunters" initiative and placing hearts in their windows. The hearts represent unification in the community, add positivity in the day of those who see them and offers up an opportunity for families to "hunt for heart" as they drive around town. While social distancing is still encouraged, this is an activity that families can take part in while keep-

ing in accordance with Gov. Abbott's guidance. If your business or home has placed hearts up, share a photo or two with us. Let Big Spring's heart shine as we go through this together. Photos can be e-mailed to editor@bigspringherald.com.



Local

Food Pick Up Info

Big Spring ISD will be providing sacked meals for students while the campuses closed. Meals are 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 #5 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: Albrook and Randolf 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 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. No meals will be provided on the Easter holiday.

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 restau-

Mae Aiko Mayhall, 75 of Big Spring died peacefully at home April 1, 2020, surrounded by her loved ones. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m., Friday,



April 3, 2020, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Tommy Culwell of Snyder, Texas officiating. Intermittent will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Obituaries

Mae was born Nov. 28, 1944. in Ookala, Hawaii and graduated from Laupahoehoe High School in 1962. She married Kenny Mayhall on July 27, 1962, at Hongwanji Mission in Papaaloa, Hawaii and moved to

Big Spring, Texas, in 1964, where they established their home.

Mae retired from Howard County Appraisal District in 2004. After retiring, she then worked parttime at the Howard County Elections.

Mae was a loving and kind person and will be missed dearly by all who knew her. She loved being around her family and friends and loved traveling back to Hawaii to visit with family. She was

Janis Neighbors

Janis Neighbors, 80, of Big Spring died Wednesday, April 1, 2020. Funeral services will be at 11



ing activity:

port.

a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Scott Kirkland, pastor of Trinity Baptist

ity Memorial Park. Janis was born Jan. 23, 1940, in Lubbock, to Zaola and Paul Barfield.

She was a lifetime resident of Howard County and a member of Trinity Baptist Church. She

was a homemaker, but she also worked at the Big

The Howard County Sheriff's ported to Scenic Mountain Medi-Department reported the follow-

Sheriff, Fire/EMS reports

cal Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 600 block of Colgate. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 100 block of S. Sixth Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

(Main Switchboard)

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mounan active member of Midway Baptist Church.

Survived by her son, Shane Mayhall of Big Spring; two brothers Charles Awazu and his wife Amy of Orange County, CA; Paul Awazu of Aia, Hawaii and one sister Eiko Fujino of Paauilo Hawaii; In-laws Red and Mary Ann Ross of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Lindsay Mayhall of Seattle WA, Zachary Mayhall and his wife Taylor of Euless, Texas, Hannah Tolle of Denver, Co; Shelbey Mayhall of Dallas, Texas and two great grandchildren, Titus Scott and Ryder Lynn of Euless, Texas, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kenny, son Scott Mayhall, parents Madaichi and Tomoe Awazu, and one brother Herbert Hideo Awazu.

Pallbearers will be Bobby Tolle, Zachary Mayhall, Don Stabino, Michael Nairn, David Ross and Elmer McMahan

The family would like to thank Interim Healthcare Hospice for their compassion and care with Mae and the family.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at <u>www.myer-</u> sandsmith.com

Paid Obituary

Spring State Hospital.

Janis is survived by two daughters: Larenda Larson and her husband David of Big Spring, and Verna Toscano and her husband Guido of Arlington; daughter-in-law: Nora Gamble of Coahoma; 7 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and one sister: Viola Norman and her husband Jimmie of Big Spring.

In addition to her parents, Janis was preceded in death by her husband: Aubrey Neighbors; one son: Clay Gamble; and one brother: Kenneth Barfield.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid Obituary

 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 200 block of Texas Road. No transport was needed.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 200 block of E. 8th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2600 block of Larry. No transport was needed.



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ard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this re-TONY MORENO MAR-

QUEZ, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of burglary of habitation. • RUDY ORTEGA III, 21, was

Note - Officials with the How-

arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Big Spring Fire Department/ EMS reported the following activity:

• MEDICAL CALL was report-

Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trin-



rant 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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ed in the 600 block of Bucknell tain Ave. No transport was needed.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700 block of Apron Drive. One person was trans-

affected businesses.

SBA loan information

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Big

Spring Economic Development Corporation and

Leading EDG understand the serious challenges

our country faces as a result of the Coronavirus

pandemic. In response to this crisis, the Small

The Economic Injury Disaster Loan ("EIDL"), is currently available, but only by applying directly

to the SBA via the online portal: https://www.sba.

gov/disaster/apply-for-disaster-loan/index.html.

Business Administration ("SBA") has created new programs geared towards financial relief for

Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2400block of Cindy. No transport was required.

Medical

432-264-7205 (Fax)

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LOCAL

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 Make sure plants are carefully spaced, low growing and free of resins, oils and waxes that burn easily.

• Mow your lawn regularly.

• Prune trees 6–10 feet from the ground.

• Create a spacing of 30 feet between tree crowns.

•Create a 'fire-free' area within 5 feet of your home, using non-flammable landscaping materials.

• Remove dead vegetation from under the deck and within 10 feet of the house.

• Water plants, trees and mulch regularly.

• Consider xeriscaping if you are affected by water restrictions.

"Having a 30 to 100 feet area around your home allows a good defense and aids in our efforts should a fire arise," Hooper said. When it comes to tree clusters there should be 30 feet between them and limited to two to three trees in a cluster; individual trees should be spaced 20 feet apart.

"A mixture of deciduous trees, such as oaks and maples, and coniferous trees, like pines are good to plant," he said. "If you are able to create fuel breaks with driveways and gravel walkways it helps."

Hooper also encouraged clearing out smaller conifers that are growing between taller trees and removing heavy accumulations of woody debris. The object is to reduce the density of tall trees so canopies do not touch.

Those looking to burn brush are encouraged to call the Howard County Vol-



Today: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 69. West wind 10 to 15 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Tonight: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Increasing clouds, with a low around 43. East wind around 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Saturday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a high near 56. Northeast **Affordacare Urgent Care Clinics updates** Information about security breach

allowed after sunset.

avoid fire danger include:

• Avoid burning trash on dry, windy days

al grid to keep burning material contained.

nearby vegetation and cause a wildfire.

verter on the underside of your vehicle.

eral soil at least five feet wide around any burn barrels.

• Stay with outdoor fires until they are completely out.

her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

County Volunteer Fire Department Facebook page.

• Watch for rocks and metal when bush hogging or mowing.

ABILENE, TEXAS - Affordacare Urgent Care Clinics (Affordacare) has notified patients of a security breach that occurred earlier this year. Hackers attacked Affordacare's servers and were able to compromise information on or around Feb. 1, 2020. Once Affordacare discovered the incident on Feb. 3, 2020, the vulnerability was removed, and law enforcement agencies were notified. Affordacare did not pay the ransom.

Initially, Affordacare believed the scope of the information affected was limited. However, Affordacare has learned the breach also may have affected Social Security numbers, diagnosis codes, relevant medical history, and other health care information in addition to what was previously reported. Future updates will be posted at Affordacare's website: https://affordacare.com/.

Affected patients were offered 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 mailed to affect-

ed patients. Affordacare recommends patients to take advantage of this free service offering.

Patients can call toll free (833) 570-0384 or go https://ide.myidcare. to com/affordacare to enroll in these services or for any related assistance.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

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

Janis Neighbors, 80, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mae Mayhall, 75, Wednesday. died Funeral service will be at 3:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

THE CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

unteer Fire Department at 432-270-7160 or 432-264-2244 to call dispatch so the HCVFD is aware. Fire Chief Hooper also reminds that no burning should be

taking place in winds higher than 15 miles per hour and no active flames are

A few more fire safety tips offered, regarding what not to burn and how to

Check to see if weather changes are expected. Postpone outdoor burning if

Before doing any burning, establish wide control lines down to bare min-

• Burn household trash only in a burn barrel equipped with a screen or met-

• Never attempt to burn aerosol cans heated cans will explode. Flying mate-

• Keep water and hand tools ready in case your fire should attempt to spread.

Avoid parking vehicles in dry grass tall enough to touch the catalytic con-

To keep up with more fire safety tips and other updates, follow the Howard

Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact

rial may cause injuries and the explosion may scatter burning material into

shifts in wind direction, high winds or wind gusts are in the forecast.

Howard County Appraisal District (HCAD) has closed our building to the public access until further notice. The appraisal district staff will continue answering phones and correspondence in the office 8:00AM-5PM. We will assist the public by phone, fax, mail and email, information can also be obtained from our website, www.howardcad.org. The office personnel are keeping their distance and limiting the number of people in the office. These directives are in response to President Trump's National Emergency Declaration and Texas Governor Greg Abbott's Public Health Disaster Declaration.

wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Saturday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 49. East wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Sunday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 74. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Sunday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Monday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a high near 80. Monday Night: Mostly cloudy,

with a low around 60.

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

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the competition.

"They went up against very seasoned veterans with years of experience," Mr. Woody said. "I am so very proud of how the Lady Steers Welders took on this competition and won blue ribbons and made it to State. They had to learn at a very accelerated rate."

He continued, "It has been an amazing year and am looking forward to next vear.

To contact the Big Spring Herald staff email <u>editor@bigspringherald.com</u> or call 432-263-7331

ists is set for Tuesday, April 14, 2020 from 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The symposium can be attended from the comfort of your home. To register visit https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/ag. For more inforamtion email megan.clayton@ ag.tamu.edu.

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As the Chief Appraiser for Howard County Appraisal District, I will continue to do my best for the citizens of Howard County within the confines of the law. In light of the pandemic, it is important for you to know Texas appraisal districts have been in contact with the Governor's office and taxing unit organizations. However, there are currently no waivers or extensions pertaining to this year's ad valorem appraisal year. We are asking the Governor for guidance in the matter of our 2020 reappraisal plans and the impact it will have on our citizens suffering economic hardship during this time.

Our offices are about to undergo the busiest time of the year concerning taxpayer visits and correspondence. We are fast approaching the time to send 2020 Appraisal Value Notices. Texas appraisal districts are mandated to appraise as of January 1 and will go through the same "checks and balances" as in past years. Texas school funding will still be reliant on timely establishing accurate market values. Certified Appraisal Values will be sent to the taxing units by July 25.

There is currently nothing in the property tax law to allow the current pandemic to factor into this year's property tax appraisal valuation. While we are all sympathetic to the situation we are facing, we will comply with the Texas Property Tax Code until the Governor provides some resolution. By not taking immediate action related to this year's ad valorem appraisal process, the matter will only exacerbate an already serious time for Texans. For questions concerning the appraisal district, please call 432-263-8301, fax 432-263-8303 or email at cad@howardcad.org. You may also reach out to Governor Abbotts office at 1-800-843-5789. Thank you and stay safe.

RELIGION

Reflections: True treasures revealed during the COVID crisis



week ago, my wife and I went for a walk keeping our 6 foot distance from others. Two children rode up on their bikes, a brother and sister ages 8 and 6. They



asked us to come to their house so we could play with them. When we stopped at our daughter's house, our granddaughter drew blue circles in the street with sidewalk chalk 6 feet apart so we could visit. Their neighbor asked me if I had ever seen anything like the Covid-19 crisis that we are experiencing. I said, "No, I am only 73."

Bill This is unique in our lifetime. We TINSLEY have never seen Americans encouraged, if not ordered, to stay in their houses and isolate from their neigh-

bors.

Silence has settled over the earth. Gone are the roars of the crowd from baseball stadiums in America and soccer stadiums in Europe. Arenas stand starkly empty and quiet where amplifiers vibrated the air and tens of thousands danced and sang. Churches are vacant, amplifiers and organs silent. Children's laughter has vanished from playgrounds and parks, replaced by a whispering wind and an occasional bird. Waves wash up on empty beaches closed to tourists and residents alike.

We believe a better day will come. But now we need the love of another human being, a smile, an embrace, a kiss on the cheek. Now, more than ever, we need to know God's love. We have been shocked to discover how fragile our lives are, not just for the aged and infirm, but for all of us, for the entire human race. For China, Iran, India, South Korea, Italy, Spain, France, the UK and us. This is global. We are faced with a stark reminder that we are all human and we are all mortal.

Previous generations walked where we walk and discovered what we need to discover: that even death cannot separate us from God's love. David wrote, "Just as a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him. For He Himself knows our frame; He is mindful that we are but dust. As for man, his days are like grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourishes. When the wind has passed over it, it is no more, and its place acknowledges it no longer. But the lovingkindness of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him" (Psalm 103:13-18).

While most of us expect to survive this crisis and look forward to resuming life as we knew it, there are thousands who will lose loved ones. Their stories are heart-rending. Thousands are dying in isolation, their families unable to comfort them or gather for their funeral. It took one month for the first 1,000 to die. Two days for that number to double. I have no idea what the numbers will be when you read this. At the same time stories of kindness, thoughtfulness and sacrifice abound.

We have an opportunity to listen, to embrace God's lovingkindness demonstrated in Scripture through the life of His Son. We have the opportunity to emerge on the other side with appreciation for the true treasures we have taken for granted: the laughter of children playing on the playgrounds, dinner at the table with neighbors and friends, assembly in churches for worship, congregational singing, hugs and kisses.

The whole world has been connected through common suffering and loss. We have been reminded that every single human life is important. Every human being needs God. He will never leave us nor forsake us. His love is everlasting.

Two of Tinsley's books are available Free April 1-5 as eBooks on Amazon: search for William Tinsley Sermon on the Mount or Bold Springs. Email bill@ tinsleycenter.com.

Lock Down

hen I was a child of 12, my brother and I loved to ride our bikes anywhere in our small town in Northern Nevada. Mother was headed to the grocery store and told us to ride only around the block. So we decided to ride three miles away to the rodeo grounds to search for pop bottles. The return back then was 5 cents for small ones, and 25 cents for big ones. We spent almost two hours and found quite a few. We thought we were rich.



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As we worked our way back to the entrance, loaded down with our treasure, we heard voices of several older kids. One was our neighbor's son. We hid and listened as they stole our bikes and put them in their pick up truck.

We realized as we walked that three miles back home that we were really going to "get it." We were late, we were filthy and sweaty, and we were hungry, and I was scared spitless. And we didn't have a way to carry our booty of bottles back with us. Not only that, we both knew we had disobeyed Mother.

When we arrived home, Mother met us with tears of relief in her eyes. Daddy met us with his belt in his hand. I didn't understand then, but I do now. Mother's tears were those of anxiety over her lost children, and relief that we were safe and home at last. Daddy, on the other hand, was furious because he knew we needed to learn the important lesson of protective obedience. It

was a lesson I never forgot. Even to this day, if I think my mother wouldn't approve of my actions, her wisdom guides me to the right choice.

So Dad gave us a choice. I chose corrective discipline instead of breaking my date to a Boy Scout dance. My brother chose to break his date. Some three years later another incident where I was out with people Dad wouldn't allow his dog to be around. That time I was grounded from the leaving the house for

30 days. LOCK DOWN!

Now in our day, we are seeing our nation going into lock-down mode. Or President hasn't demanded 30 days, but has in essence grounded us for another 30 days.

So as a free people what have we done? And what will we do? Lock down for me meant punishment or corrective action for my behavior. As I look back it was more for my protection from a mom and dad who loved me.

So, do we have the integrity and maturity in our nation to lock down and accept the protective action of our government? Or do we ignore it and travel abroad to possibly infect others and ourselves with CV-19?

When Daddy grounded me, I could still go to church. Now we are asked not to do even that. Frustration, anger, and sometimes tears from this older person are becoming the new norm.

But they don't have to be. Praise music, prayer, and worship in groups of two or three brings God near, even in our midst. Church is all this and more.

God has gotten some of His people, called by His name, their attention. Our wicked ways need to be confessed and repented of. Our fathers' hearts need to turn back to their children so the children's hearts can turn back to their fathers.

Now is the time for all Christian to pray and seek the face of their Father in Heaven Who is still reigning. He is waiting to hear our voice and lift His protective lock down and forgive our sin and heal our land.

For 30 days as a free people, we can choose to lock ourselves in with our Holy God and watch Him turn our hearts back to Him.

Remember He heals the broken hearted and sets the captive free. Let's pray and see what God will do. Then give Him glory for what God has wrought. May it be marvelous in our eyes.

Fallen from Grace

alatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

That's it.

There is nothing more to grace. Grace brings us to faith, that faith which empowers us to trust that

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The gospel of the grace of God teaches us that there is nothing good we can do to gain His favor and nothing bad to lose it. Why and how, then,



would the grace of God lose its comforting power in the life of a sinner? Grace loses its comforting power when we come to believe that it is

our responsibility to be good enough to gain God's blessings on our lives... ...this is falling from grace.

Grace is not a license to sin, but rather the power to trust and follow Christ.

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If we view grace as the power to sin **S**LOAN freely then, sooner or later, we will see this grace as nauseating heresy. And when grace becomes heresy, it loses its comforting power in our

lives.

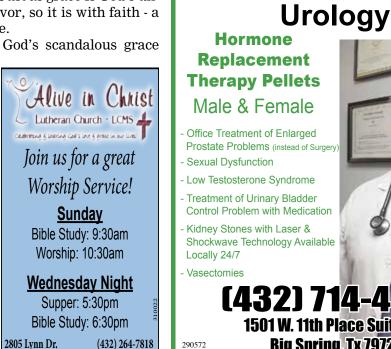
We are saved by grace through faith. So, grace is the power of God to trust Christ's all-sufficient sacrifice for our sin.

Christ alone is sufficient. Just as grace is God's unconditional, unmerited favor, so it is with faith - a gift to be received by grace.

The main objection to God's scandalous grace is that in it, there are

no rules to live by. And there are no rules because Christ Himself is our life and guide. Christ is not a self-help program by the which we are guaranteed some magical formula to cease from all sin. Christ is the voice we follow when we know we sin way too much.

The real issue is not - can you stop sinning? The real question is - can you trust Christ with your sin?



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BIG SPRING HERALD CUTEST KID CONTEST!

Submit your children's pictures for our Cutest Kid Contest!

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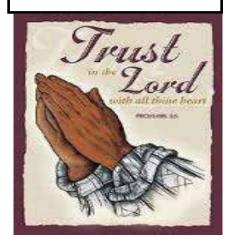
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Galatians 2:20



Love has no fear because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of judgment, and this shows that his love has not been perfected in us. 1 John 4:18





The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation.



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Church News

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church, LCMS Psalm Sunday

"Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives."

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

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

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study has stopped for the Lenten Season. Please join us for our Lenten Services every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m., you can also catch us on our Facebook page for a Facebook Live the service begins at 7 p.m. We will have a Maundy Thursday/Good Friday Service at 7 p.m. on April 9. We will have our Eggstravangza on Saturday, April 11 from 10 a.m. until Noon. Bring your kids and join us! Our Easter Service will be on April 12 at 10:30 a.m. Please come and join us. Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts." Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

Crestview Baptist Church

We at Crestview Baptist Church want you to know that we are here if we can do anything for you during these difficult times. If you need anything, and we can provide it, just call us at 432-213-4177. Leave a message, and we will call back if we can assist you in your need. You know, one thing this virus has caused many to seriously consider is the fact that tomorrow is not guaranteed to any of us. In light of that, here is a very important question: Are you trusting in a god you have dreamed up in your imagination, who winks at your lifestyle, or are you trusting in the Christ of the Bible?

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the service live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring. You can watch previous worship service videos on that Facebook page including recordings of our Christmas program, "Our Savior".

Only one Sunday morning worship service will be held from April 5 to April 26 through Facebook Live and will be broadcast as normal over KXCS-105.5 FM at 11 am. April 5 is Palm Sunday. You may mail prayer requests and offerings to the church at 400 Scurry Street in Big Spring or give offerings online through our ""Tithely" app, also available through our church website. Please check our Facebook page to find ministry and activity updates. Because of the national emergency caused by the Coronavirus most of the activities of the church are postponed at least for the month of April. For more information on any activity, please visit the website at <u>www.fumcbs.com</u> or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

erything that has breath praise You forever! All creation testifies of Your majesty! We thank You, Father God, for the recent rains, and acknowledge Your Divine Hand as the seasons change. As we see green leaves sprout from dormant tree limbs, and flowers emerge from seemingly empty soil, we marvel at their beauty and remember Your promise to make all things new; thank You LORD. You bring light out of darkness, strength from weakness, and hope from despair; You specialize in giving life to that which is dead, and Your Living Water fills to overflowing wells that are empty and dry. Jesus, You are the answer to every question! We thank You for loving us, and for Your indescribable compassion. Forgive us, Father, for our selfishness and pride; forgive us, also, all the times we have taken Your precious love for granted, and sought Your Hand rather than Your presence. We know, LORD, that no situation escapes Your notice, and You are sovereign over all. The times we live in may be uncertain....but You, LORD, never change. In awestruck humility, we bow before You in grateful adoration that You have placed our feet upon The Rock of Jesus Christ. While we may be physically distanced from each other...You are always near. Please Father, unite our hearts in closer unity to Yours, and to each other's as never before. Help us, to fix our minds on You, LORD. We ask in faith for wisdom, thankfully receiving it as You grant it to us as promised in Your Word. Great is Your faithfulness! We thank you LORD, that as we navigate this corona virus situation, our path through it grows brighter and brighter. We ask for Your continued guidance each day, and for health amid hidden dangers. LORD, our hope is in You alone! Throughout these circumstances, there is much we cannot understand...but we trust You. We may feel overwhelmed...but we trust You. We may feel discouraged...but we trust You. We may feel afraid... but we trust You. O LORD, You are our strength, our hope, our courage, our compassion, our wisdom, our source of health, and our righteousness. Please keep us close to You, Father, that we might walk daily in integrity with tender concern for everyone. In Your name, Jesus, we take authority over fear and panic in this world wide health crisis, knowing that Your Word has declared that You have forgiven all our sins and healed all our diseases. Thank You for Your merciful loving kindness.

You are The Great Physician, and we thank You, Father, that no weapon formed against us will prosper, and we ask that You would restore health to all infected with the corona virus that they might declare Your praise before every nation on earth, and give You glory. We ask that through this health crisis, all who do not know You...will turn to You, and accept Christ as their Lord and Savior, and that hell would be plundered as The Gospel overtakes this virus, and souls are saved. LORD, there is no disease beyond Your healing ability.

Your Word tells us that the enemy, Satan, seeks to kill, steal, and destroy. Chaos is his home, and fear is his invitation into any situation, but he is bound by Your authority, and this corona virus situation is under Your feet! We ask that You quickly stop the spread of this virus! We acknowledge that You are the source of all healing. We pray for Your protection and encouragement for our leaders, doctors, nurses, researchers, and all healthcare workers. We ask You, Father, to multiply Your comforting presence in the echoes of isolation, especially those in nursing homes and care facilities. We ask that You restore double all lost income and revenue to those whose jobs and businesses have been negatively impacted. We thank You for Your provision, friendship, and love. We thank You for the finished work of The Cross! We cry to You LORD, believing You hear us and are bringing streams of Living Water to the desert of corona virus. Jesus, we know You are The Good Shepherd who tenderly cares for us. We thank You, LORD, for bringing beauty from the ashes of this health crisis situation. We love You, and await with confident expectation Your answer to our prayer. In the Name Above All Names: Jesus Christ. Amen. FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church. "....May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,...guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

p.m. on FACEBOOK. Wednesday evening Prayer and Bible study for all ages beginning at 7:00 p.m. on FACEBOOK and You tube.

We are trying to comply with the complications the COVID-19 has caused on our Community. Please pray for our nation and your families. Do a prayer walk around your church this week. Pray for your youth pastor as he does youth happenings on social media. The video team and worship teams need your prayers. Prayer text your pastor and youth pastor and families and church workers this week, and let them know you are praying for them. Pray with your elderly. Ask them for advice when you can't find necessities. Keep a journal of how God is speaking to you during this time of lock-in with Him.

Worship together with us as we celebrate the God of all seasons. No matter the program, we enjoy the worship time where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, helps us as we delve into God's Word, which inspires us to live as Jesus lives through us. Get your spiritual 2020 Vision on and be a part in these joyful activities with us in exciting worship as we praise the Mighty God we serve. Please call: 432-267-7429, for more information about this exciting, loving Church.

Spring Creek Fellowship

All services and other activities have been cancelled until further notice due to the Corona Virus Situation. Check our Facebook page, our website and the App for daily videos of inspiration.

We will have live feed Worship Services on our Spring Creek Fellowship Facebook page on Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Lloyd will also be doing daily videos to lift up our spirits, keep in contact and keep everyone updated on information as needed.

Know we are all praying for a quick resolution to the current state of our world, our leaders, medical personnel and everyone effected. Please follow our leader's advice and take care of yourselves and be considerate of others. Check on your neighbor, stay a safe distance away and please leave some toilet paper at the store for someone who has none.

We cannot wait to see you in person again when this is all over. There will be great celebration and lots of hugs to go around!

If you are in need or have a way to help those in need at this time, please contact the church office.

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

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

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

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The service times for Holy Week at St. Mary's Episcopal Church are as follows:

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday - 10:30 a.m.; Monday & Tuesday, April 6 & 7 - Evening Prayer - 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, April 8 - Stations of the Cross -5:30 p.m.; Maunday Thursday, April 9 - 6:00 p.m.; Good Friday, April 10 -12:00 p.m.; Sunday, April 12 - Easter - 10:30 a.m. All services will be streaming live from our Facebook page, http://www.facebook.com/StMarysBig-Spring/

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Blessed Hands Deaf Church is currently joining with the First Baptist Church family in the main sanctuary with interpreters provided. Due to the current corona virus health crisis, BHDC and FBC leadership are conducting worship services online at 10:00 am Sunday morning. Please go to: <u>fbcbigspring.org</u> or First Baptist Church Big Spring Facebook or contact Blessed Hands Pastor, Jim Walterhouse at: <u>jwalterhouse@gmail.com</u> for additional information. First Baptist Church is located at 705 W FM 700. "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths." Proverbs 3:4-5

First Baptist Church

"ButtheLordisfaithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one." 2 Thessalonians 3:3 Worship online with the people of First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 10:00 am, and join hearts and minds in giving all praise, glory, and honor to Jehovah-Rapha, The LORD Who Heals. Worship service will be live-streamed through the church website and Facebook-live; go to fbcbigspring.org or First Baptist Church Big Spring on Facebook. Wednesday evening Bible teachings led by Pastor Mark Lindsey are available, also. Call 432 267-8223 for additional information. Pastor Mark also welcomes you to contact him at: 432-254-0176 if you would like to talk about what it means to accept Jesus as your personal Savior and Lord. FBC invites all believers to join them in prayer: Almighty God: We come before You praising Your Holy Name. You, and You alone, Jehovah-Yahweh, are the one true God, The Great 'I Am', The Alpha and The Omega, Creator, Redeemer, Comforter, Counselor, and Sovereign LORD of all. May ev-

College Baptist Church

II Chronicles 7:13-14 tells us: "If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Pray that Big Spring and Howard County Christians will follow God's pattern for Revival.

All activities for our church have gone to virtual reality on our FACEBOOK page or You tube at our regularly scheduled times. SEND, First Priority, Bible Teaching, Preaching from God's Word, Back Pack Ministry, Women of the Word fellowship, are ongoing ministries at College Baptist Church located at the corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane.

We invite you to join us on FACEBOOK and You tube for the next month, every day for prayer, Sundays for: all ages, as we worship the God we serve at 10:45. Then Bible study for all ages at 6

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

Another week when the church continues to find identity outside the walls of the local building. Members are reaching out to each other by prayer, phone, mail, email, text message and other creative means to remind each other that the church is a body of believers who care about one another and the world around them. Although it is not prudent to congregate physically, the church can meet by radio and through Faith Notes on the computer to worship God and remember the events of Palm Sunday.

Lectionary passages for the Palm/Passion Sunday are Palm: Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29; Passion: Isiah 50:4-9; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27 or Matthew 27:11-54. Dr. Taylor Todd, Interim Pastor, will lead the worship service this week via recording from his home in Alabama. The modified worship service will be available on Radio Station KBST 1490 AM and on a recording on the church's website fpcbigspring.com.

Click on the tab SERMON and select the sermon for the week. The worship service will include announcements/updates, a call to worship, scripture readings, sermon, affirmation of faith, pastoral prayer, and benediction.

Dr. Todd expects to be back in Big Spring the week before Easter. Watch the church news for plans for some kind of special worship service for Easter/Resurrection of the Lord Sunday.

Anyone wishing to hear Dr. Todd's sermon on March 22, or Tom Koger's sermon on March 29, may go to the church's website (see address above), and click on the sermon tab for that date.

As everyone realizes, these are extraordinary times and circumstances, but with prayer and use of all of the digital and technical means of communication, God's people can continue to be His hands and feet and voice.

You may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

Religion

Recovery story: A Fort Worth rector beat **CORONAVITUS After a two-week battle** And he couldn't get over the space helmet. Social distancing seriously to keep

By NICHOLE MANNA

Fort Worth Star-Telegram As he sat in an isolation room at a hospital in Fort Worth, the Rev. Robert Pace felt humbled.

Days earlier, he thought he had the flu. His body ached and he woke up with a deep cough and fever. He visited his doctor, who sent him home with a Tamiflu prescription and directions to keep hydrated. Soon, his fever went away. He led the Lenten program at Trinity Episcopal Church of Fort Worth on March 4, but made sure to stay out of close contact with worshipers. He didn't shake their hands.

But then the fever returned and suddenly it got harder to breathe, according to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. He skipped church that Sunday. Then his friends started to call him.

"Did you see someone at that conference you went to tested positive for COVID-19?" they asked. Then, he made the connection.

"I felt miserable," he said, adding that he called the Tarrant County Public Health Department at about 10:30 p.m. on March 8, but got a machine.

He called his doctor the next morning and told him about the conference. He met his doctor at the Baylor All Saints Emergency Room.

In a day, he would find out he was positive for CO-VID-19 — the first known case in Tarrant County.

When Pace, 53, was admitted to the hospital, he was put inside a negative air pressure isolation room. His only view was of the doctors and nurses as they prepared to step inside his room.

"I was so humbled by it because for every time someone had to come in to take care of me, it would take them about five minutes to put on their gear because they had to put on a gown, gloves, and this space-looking helmet they would put on," he said.

He made sure before pressing the button for help that he really needed it. He didn't want the health care workers to have to go through all of that preparation for nothing.

"I finally asked them about that space helmet thing and one of the nurses said,' We could wear just regular masks with you, but we don't have enough of them," he said. "That was three weeks ago and they already had a shortage and it makes me really sad to think that that mask shortage has probably gotten worse."

Pace said his difficulty breathing never escalated to needing a respirator. Because of that, he was able to go home for self-isolation on March 11.

It was the longest time he and his wife of 31 years, the Rev. Dr. Jill Walters, 55, went without physically seeing each other.

"I was in the master bedroom and she was in the rest of the house," he said. "She cooked meals and would leave them on the floor and knock on the door. I would get the food and close the door. For eight days, that was it. That's how we functioned."

They communicated through FaceTime and texts. Every day they would pray together before going to sleep.

"She takes care of me when I'm sick and I take care of her when she's sick and to not have her be able to physically give me even a pat on the head, it was difficult," he said.

Pace said his health has steadily improved. On March 19, he received his second negative COV-ID-19 test and was officially released from quarantine.

He and Walters ordered tacos to celebrate.

Pace had never felt sicker in his life than during the time he was fighting off the disease caused by the novel coronavirus.

"This coronavirus is no joke," he said. "It's a very serious illness and it's been very difficult. I've had the flu and I've had coronavirus and coronavirus is so much more serious."

The virus attacked his lungs quickly and having difficulty breathing was scary. Pace now wants to urge everyone to take the recommendations of social distancing seriously to keep the virus from spreading.

"Just stay at home," he said. "We are called to love our neighbors and we do this just by staying at home and being isolated. That doesn't mean we don't have to take care of our neighbors by checking in on them. We can be socially connected while remaining physically separated, so please do that.

Pace said he felt inspired by the doctors, nurses and other health care workers who helped him remain healthy. He said that includes those at the Tarrant County Public Health Department, who checked in on him and the more than 45 other people he had been in contact with before testing positive.

His inspiration goes beyond that.

"The grocery workers, the mail carriers, the food delivery people — we've had people bringing food to our house and I'm just so grateful to all of the people who are keeping our society going and all the people who are taking care of each other in all of the new ways we should take care of each other, he said.

Because of that, when his pulmonologist, Dr. John Burk, called and asked him to donate plasma, Pace immediately said yes.

"We have antibodies that could be used to help those who are testing positive by donating our plasma," Pace said. "I'll go give as much plasma as I can, what a blessing to have something like this come out of this. I want to help people all I can."

Part of that help will begin when Pace returns to Trinity Episcopal Church of Fort Worth to lead the service, which will be streamed through Facebook Live or Zoom.

"We will all be physically separated from each other and all of the people worshiping in their pajamas, I hope, but that's how this should be," he said. "We will be worshiping together and that's inspir-

ing for this new reality right now as we defeat this virus."

Drive-In, online service, and other creative ways to worship



Governor Abbott, **Attorney General Paxton provide** joint guidance for houses of worship operating as essential services

AUSTIN - Governor Greg Abbott and Attor ney General Ken Paxton today issued joint guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 14 on religious services conducted in congregations and houses of worship.

"All Texans must work together to stop the spread of COVID-19, and houses of worship face a particular challenge as we work to combat this pandemic," said Attorney General Paxton. "This guidance provides clear direction for houses of worship to protect the health and safety of Texans as they continue to hold religious services, exercise their religious liberty, and serve their faith communities." The Executive Order GA 14 defines essen tial services to include "religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship." Orders given by state or local governments prohibiting people from providing or obtaining certain services must ensure that the orders do not violate the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, Article I of the Texas Constitution, and the Texas Religious Freedom Restoration Act, which protect the rights of Texans to freely exercise their religion. For information on the spread or treat ment of Coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit the Texas Department of State Health Service es website.

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Courtesy photo

Above is the NazFamily Drive-In church service held this past Sunday. Pictured left: Life Church had members gathered around their computer screens for a live streaming of church service this past Sunday.

Courtesy photo/Karol Jimenz Below is the worship portion of the service at NazFamily's Drive-In service that as held this past weekend.





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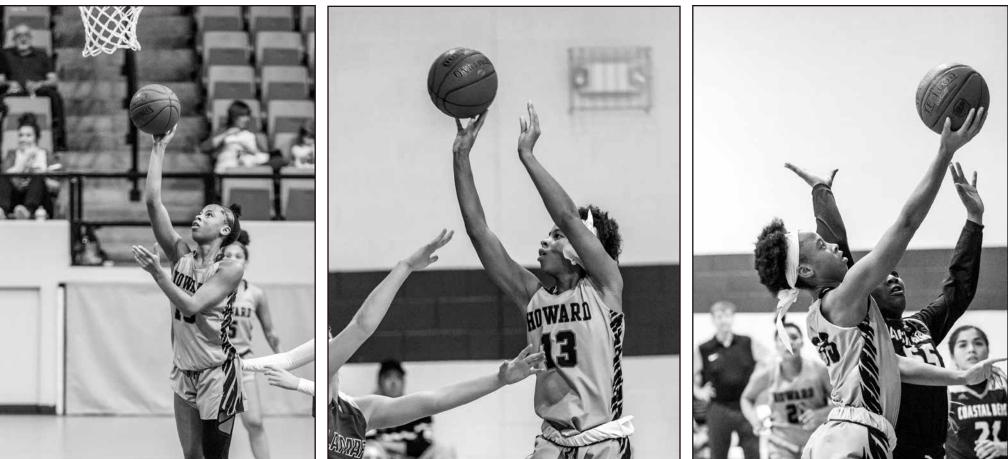
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BIG HERALD

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Jazzeem Bethea ready to make her mark on Arkansas-Pine Bluff basketball



Bethea (13) makes a series of shots during her one season as a member of the Howard Lady Hawks. The sophomore made her mark all over the court and was a bright point for Howard during a down 2019-20 season.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

A few days ago, Howard women's basketball star Jazzeem Bethea announced her commitment to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. But if you knew Bethea, then you would know that the journey that finally landed her at a Division I program began on a basketball court in Seattle almost 10 years ago.

Bethea moved to Seattle from Minnesota when she was in the sixth grade and immediately fell in love with the sport because it gave her a sense of camaraderie and connection with her new community. She dedicated a lot of time to improving her game over the next couple of years and was an impressive all-around player and scorer while at Cleveland High School in Seattle. The best part about her game was that she still had plenty of room to grow after picking up the sport later than most college-level talents do.

"I told myself I was going to play basketball because it was the only thing that was going to be the same no matter what. If I was to move anwhere in the world, basketball would still be the same. So, I play for the consistency," Bethea said.

The next challenge for Bethea upon her gradua-

the roster. Her hard-driving approach to the basket and high-energy play on defense made her a fan favorite and the focal point of opposing team's gameplans.

At the winter break point of the 2019-20 season, four members of the Lady Hawks decided to leave the program and left the team shorthanded for the remainder of the season. At the end of the season, the Lady Hawks were lucky to have two players coming off the bench and Bethea was forced to play a high amount of minutes consistently against toplevel conference competition.

Howard finished the past season with an underwhelming 7-22 record that several around the program have described as being a "crazy" year. But even with the disappointing season from the Lady Hawks that included a seven-game losing streak through the entire month of January, Bethea was still able to keep her head up high and put enough solid film on tape to catch the attention of the Arkansas-Pine Bluff program.

"It was a tough year," Bethea said. "To stay above water and to stay afloat was just to remember why I was there. The sport of basketball comes with all sorts of tribulations and triumphs and I just had to keep in mind that, 'Yes, this sucks. But this is not normal." It isn't normal to be a part of a team that has so many girls leave. I just knew that no matter the wins or losses, it's just basketball." Through all of her trials and tribulations, Bethea has finally wound up where she has wanted to since she was in the seventh grade. While her stat sheet was not the prettiest during her one season at Howard due to a lack of playmakers on the team, her level of effort never wavered and she was able to catch the eye of an up-and-coming Division I women's basketball program. "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."

commit to the Lady Golden Lions was the opportunity to be an important building-block piece that would be vital to the future of the program.

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"I value being molded into a program and not necessarily the program being molded around me," Bethea said. "To go to a program that is still putting the pieces together is extremely exciting to me. To be incorporated from the beginning rather than trying to fit in is something that I found super important and it's a change from what I've been used to."

Arkansas-Pine Bluff plays an aggressive style of defense and like to keep their rotation deep with fresh legs always on the court. Bethea should be able to step into a role immediately in their system and will move to frustrating her new rivals in the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

What has Bethea been doing to prepare herself for the increase in skill level?

"The Division I level has way more committed girls and the competition is definitely there," Bethea said. "Girls just want to be there and they know what's at-risk and they know what's at-stake. I'm just going to be happy to be a part of somethingwith a group of girls and help them get to where they want to be.'

tion from high school in 2018 was a one-year pitstop at Eastern Arizona College. The Lady Gila Monsters were a competitive bunch and Bethea was able to step right in and contribute as a freshman. After being the highest-scorer on her high school squad, the 5-foot-9 guard notched 10 double-digit point performances during her one season in NJ-CAA Region 1.

She started 16 out of the 27 games that she played in and averaged 7.8 points per game while playing in the Arizona Community College Athletic Conference (ACCAC). Bethea also contributed 3.6 rebounds per game, 1.1 assists per game, and 1.0 steal per game to the Lady Gila Monsters 18-13 record in the 2018-19 season.

Following her productive freshman season in Thatcher, Arizona, longtime Howard coach Earl Diddle persuaded the Seattle native to uproot herself to a new place that she has never lived for the second time in two years to play for the Lady Hawks.

"It was the perfect amount of exposure for me," Bethea said. "Coming out of such a big high school and being such a big recruit, it was the perfect slowed-down, undercover kind of place that I needed to just grow as an athlete."

Upon her arrival in Big Spring, Bethea immediately became one of the most talented players on Lady Golden Lions coach Dawn Moore will be

entering her second season at Arkansas-Bluff Pine Pick and is build-1 ing up her 2 roster in her 3 own vision. 4 One of the big-5 selling gest 6 points that 7got Bethea to 8

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Cowboys sign troubled Aldon Smith

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

In one of the most surprising moves of the NFL offseason, the Dallas Cowboys decided to sign former All-Pro pass rusher Aldon Smith to a one-year, \$4 million contract.

Smith has not played in the NFL since 2015 after a string of off-field incidents derailed his playing career and led to an indefinite suspension.

He has played for both the San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders in his career and has compiled 180 combined tackles, 51 tackles for loss, 47.5 sacks, and

six forced fumbles. His brightest season was in 2012 when he racked up 19.5 sacks during the 49ers' NFC Championship-winning season.

19 Jerry Jones has taken chances 20 on troubled players before and 21seems to be diving back into 22those waters head-first. After 23not playing for the past four NFL 24seasons, it is still a question how 25much Smith will be able to con-26tribute on the field this season. 27

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No matter what, Bethea will bring her tremendous work ethic and love for the game with her to Pine Bluff. She plans to major in journalism and perform well enough on the court to possibly extend her playing career even beyond college. For now, her goal will be to impress Coach Brown enough to earn her minutes on the court. After picking up a basketball in middle school and deciding that she would use that ball to shape her future, Bethea has worked tirelessly to earn a Division I scholarship.

Mission accomplished.

Bethea's basketball journey has brought her to this point and she is just getting started.

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2020 NFL Mock Draft (Sports Illustrated)									
Team	Player	Position	College						
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Dolphins	Tua Tagovailoa	QB	Alabama						
Giants	Jedrick Wills Jr.	OT	Alabama						
Lions	Jeffrey Okudah	CB	Ohio State						
Chargers	Justin Herbert	QB	Oregon						
Panthers	Derrick Brown	DT	Auburn						
Cardinals	Tristan Wirfs	OT	Iowa						
Buccaneers	Andrew Thomas	OT	Georgia						
Browns	Isaiah Simmons	LB	Clemson						
Jets	Mekhi Becton	OT	Louisville						
Raiders	Jerry Jeudy	WR	Alabama						
49ers	CeeDee Lamb	WR	Oklahoma						
Jaguars	Javon Kinlaw	DT	South Carolina						
Eagles	Henry Ruggs III	WR	Alabama						
Falcons	K'Lavon Chaisson	DE	LSU						
Cowboys	CJ Henderson	CB	Florida						
Dolphins	Xavier McKinney	S	Alabama						
Raiders	Kristian Fulton	CB	LSU						
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not fit all. SAGITTARI-US: You think you know what you find attractive, but sometimes your body decides for you. CAPRICORN: People want you to drop everything to be with them when they want you, but your schedule is important to consider, too. Prioritize yourself. AQUARIUS: Uncomfortable awkwardness is the price of admission to real connection. **PISCES: New shoes** will be lucky as will be anything you do to walk this world with swagger and style.

won't LEO (July 23-Aug. feel 22). Though you may like a doubt your path, don't job at turn back. Forward all. march. The scenery will get better up ahead.

The time to change is when you're certain. Give yourself the leeway to toy with ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You can occupy the present

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Dreams have been called postcards from another world, an interior landscape where a different language is spoken. The awake and reasonable part of you could crack some of this subconscious code today.

GEMINI (May 21-

June 21). It would be easy to blame circumstances for the things you don't have time for today, but that goes against your sense of responsibility. Instead, you'll make extra efforts to prioritize what matters to you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Unfamiliar people are much easier to read after you've dropped all assumptions and released the need to rush to an assessment. Ask queswithout being there. Your internal reality is constantly reaching into the future, back to the past or to the realms where the opinions and stories exist. Bringing yourself to the present moment takes effort.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You appreciate easy, delightful hours but you don't expect every moment to be a smooth adventure. This helps you take on challenges without the stress and drama that comes with thinking things should be different.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you had all the money you could possibly spend, then would you still be doing this work you're doing today? If not, what work would you still be willing to do? A job you

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thoughts and actions that run at cross-purposes with what you want? Drop them. Decide what to do and then tell yourself that it's as good as done.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The routines of your day are the basis for your happiness. Any steps to tweak them, even slightly, toward thinking and feeling better will, over time, make a huge difference.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll casually put your proposal on the table. You may consider letting people peek at the deal while telling them that it's not available. All people wants what they can't

19-March 20). There's something in the way you communicate with your loved ones that cannot be duplicated. You're special. Know this and expect your people to keep coming back for what only you can deliver.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (April 3). If you don't really want something, obstacles are ever-present, overwhelming and unsolvable. When you really want something, you either don't see obstacles or you see, solve and surmount them right quick. Your cosmic birthday gift is clarity as to your desire. It changes everything. You're powerful -- magical actually. Pisces and COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: It's true

that an Aries and Leo relationship starts like a house on fire. Their collective energy can be as loud and competitive as a sports event or as sweepingly passionate as an opera. The key to keeping love alive is to take periodic breaks to recharge and reflect. When they get enough time to miss the other person, the reunion will be the strike of the match that sets the heartfires burning all over again.

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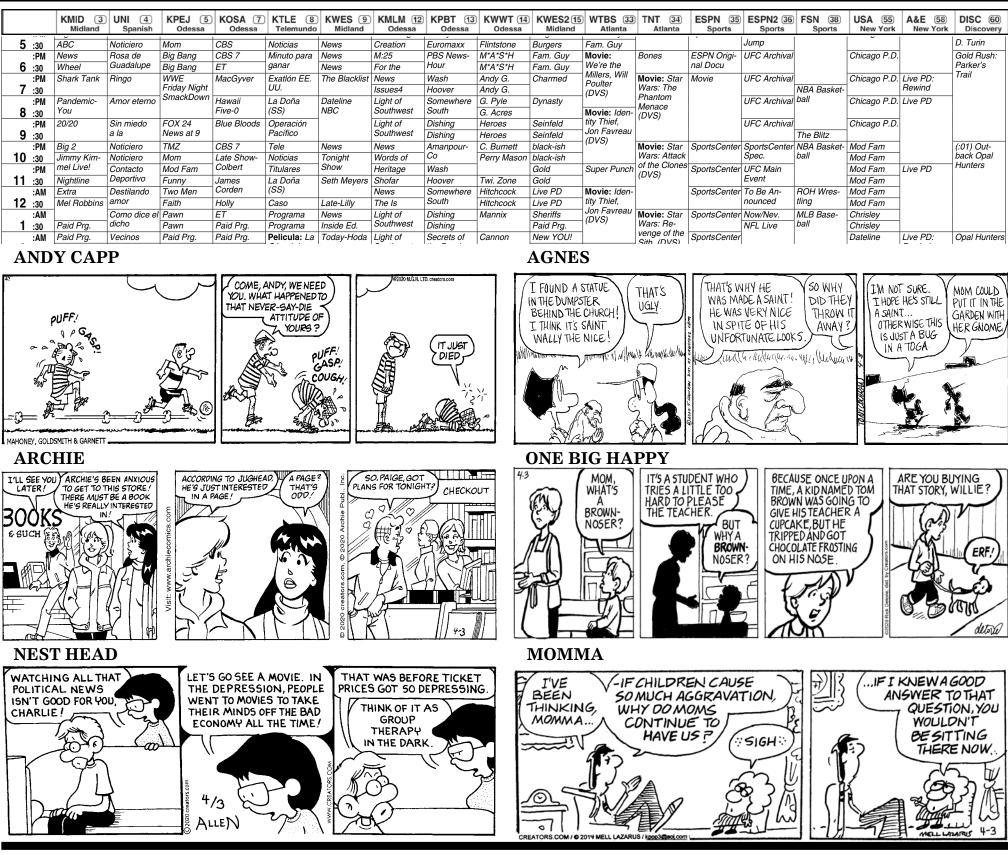
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Friday, April 3, the 94th day of 2020. There are 272 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 3, 1996, Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski (kah-ZI-HN'-skee) was arrested at his remote Montana cabin.

On this date: In 1860, the legendary Pony Express began carrying mail between St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California. (The delivery system lasted only 18 months before giving way to the transcontinental telegraph.) In 1882, outlaw Jesse James was shot to death in St. Joseph, Missouri, by Robert Ford, a member of James' gang.

business executives crashed in Croatia, killing all 35 people aboard.

In 2003, moving with a sense of wartime urgency, the House and Senate separately agreed to give President George W. Bush nearly \$80 billion to carry out the battle against Iraq and meet the threat of terrorism.

Ten years ago: The leader of the Anglican church, Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, said in remarks released by the BBC that the Roman Catholic church in Ireland had lost all credibility because of its mishandling of abuse by priests. White supremacist Eugene TerreBlanche, 68, was bludgeoned to death on his South African farm in a dispute with black farm workers over wages. Connecticut senior Tina Charles was the runaway choice as The Associated Press' women's college basketball player of the year. Nebraska's Connie Yori was named The Associated Press' women's college basketball coach of the vear. Five years ago: Information retrieved from the "black box" data recorder of a doomed German airliner showed its copilot repeatedly accelerated the plane before it slammed into a French mountainside, killing all 150 people on board. Pope Francis, presiding at the traditional Good Friday Colosseum procession, decried what he called the "complicit silence" about the killing of Christians. Sarah Brady, who became a gun control activist after her husband, James, was shot in the head in the attempt on President Ronald Reagan's life, died in Alexandria, Virginia, at age 73, eight months after being widowed. One year ago: Former Vice President Joe Biden acknowledged that his tendency toward physical displays of affection and encouragement had made some women uncomfortable; he promised to be "much more mindful" of respecting personal space. The House Judiciary Committee approved subpoenas for special counsel Robert Mueller's full Russia report. British Prime Minister Theresa

May and the country's main opposition sought a compromise deal to prevent an abrupt British departure from the European Union.

Today's Birthdays: Conservationist Dame Jane Goodall is 86. Actor William Gaunt is 83. Songwriter Jeff Barry is 82. Actor Eric Braeden is 79. Actress Marsha Mason is 78. Singer Wayne Newton is 78. Singer

Tony Orlando is 76. Comedy writer Pat Proft is 73. Folk-rock singer Richard Thompson is 71. Country musician Curtis Stone (Highway 101) is 70. Blues singer-guitarist John Mooney is 65. Rock musician Mick Mars (Motley Crue) is 64. Actor Alec Baldwin is 62. Actor David Hyde Pierce is 61. Rock singer John Thomas Griffith (Cowboy Mouth) is 60. Comedian-actor

Eddie Murphy is 59. Rock singer-musician Mike Ness (Social Distortion) is 58. Rock singer Sebastian Bach is 52. Rock musician James MacDonough is 50. Olympic gold medal ski racer Picabo Street is 49. Actress Jennie Garth is 48. Actor Jamie Bamber is 47. Actor Adam Scott is 47. Christian rock musician Drew Shirley (Switchfoot) is 46. Comedian Aries Spears is 45. Actor Matthew Goode is 42. Actress Cobie Smulders is 38. Rock-pop singer Leona Lewis is 35. Actress Amanda Bynes is 34. Actress-comedian Rachel Bloom is 33. Actress Hayley Kiyoko is 29. Rock musician Sam Kiszka (Greta Van Fleet) is 21.

Thought for Today: "I didn't invent the world I write about -

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In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, New Jersey, for the kidnap-murder of Charles Lindbergh Jr.

In 1942, during World War II, Japanese forces began their final assault on Bataan against American and Filipino troops who surrendered six days later; the capitulation was followed by the notorious Bataan Death March

In 1944, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Smith v. Allwright, struck down a Democratic Party of Texas rule that allowed only white voters to participate in Democratic primaries.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed the Marshall Plan, designed to help European allies rebuild after World War II and resist communism. In 1968, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. delivered what turned out to be his final speech, telling a rally of striking sanitation workers in Memphis, Tennessee, that "I've been to the mountaintop" and "seen the Promised Land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight that we, as a people, will get to the Promised Land!" (About 20 hours later, King was felled by an assassin's bullet at the Lorraine Motel.)

In 1973, the first handheld portable telephone was demonstrated for reporters on a New York City street corner as Motorola executive Martin Cooper called Joel S. Engel of Bell Labs.

In 1990, jazz singer Sarah Vaughan died in suburban Los Angeles at age 66.

In 1991, English novelist Graham Greene died at age 86.

In 1996, an Air Force jetliner carrying Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and American

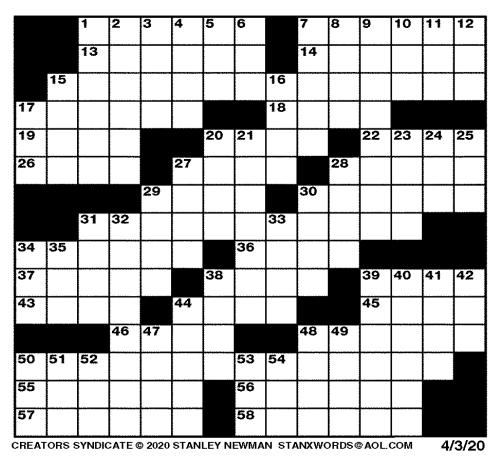
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- 3. Contest entries may be completed using markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- 4. Adults may assist in completing entry form information, but NOT in coloring pictures
- 5. All entries must be received by the Big Spring Herald by 5pm on Thursday, April 9th, 2020
- 6. Winners will be published in the Sunday, April 12th edition.
- 7. Decision of judges is final.
- 8. Employees of the Big Spring Herald and contest sponsors are not eligible to win.
- 9. All submissions become property of the Big Spring Herald and may be published accordingly.

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