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4 new COVID-19 cases in Howard County

Special to the Herald

On June 26, 2020, the City of Big Spring and Howard County officials were notified of four (4) new positive test results for COVID-19. The individuals are isolating at home and are currently exhibiting mild symptoms. These new cases have been determined to be community spread. The affected individuals are:

- A 27-year-old male;
- A 11-month-old female;
- A 16-year-old male; and
- A 32-year-old male.

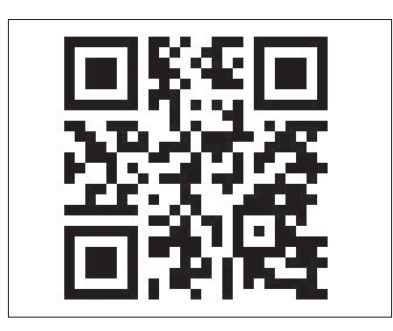
This is the 31st through 34th cases of COVID-19 in Big Spring/Howard County. To date, we have had (34) thirty four confirmed COVID-19 positive cases in Big Spring and Howard County. We currently have sixteen (15) active cases. Big Spring and Howard County have had 18 people recover as of today.

Officials take this opportunity to remind everyone of the importance of continuing to take proper precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. COVID-19 remains a major concern in our community and we urge citizens to wash their hands, wear a mask, social distance and avoid travel when possible.

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Health officials encouraging community to slow the spread

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

As the nation continues to deal with an exponential rise in COVID-19 cases, the discussion has risen on what precautions should be put into place and what measures can be taken to help slow the spread. Governor Greg Abbott issued an Executive Order reducing restaurant and business capacity to 50%, all bars are to close, and rafting trips have been shut down.

According to information released by Governor Gregg Abbott and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Texas numbers have doubled the past couple of weeks, as they continue to rise at the faster rate since the pandemic began. While there are more tests being done contributes to the increased numbers, it is not the sole factor in increased cases.

“While it is true that more tests are being done which allows us to know about more cases, it is important to understand that there are more of

those tests that are returning positive,” Dr. Rohith Saravanan, Chief Medical Officer, said.

At the end of May, the percentage of positive tests was sitting at 4.5% and now, as we sit in the middle of June, the positive return rate is sitting at 9-10%. The rate has doubled which indicates we are in a dangerous part of the curve. With the nation focusing heavily on the rise in cases, announcements have been coming out about the states with the fastest rate increases and Texas is amongst the top. An example provided by Dr. Saravanan, Ector County began with a few hundred cases a couple weeks ago, last week there was a couple hundred cases announced and this week Ector County is sitting at more than 600 cases. Howard County has recently announced the 30th case with more than 40 tests pending.

“There is an exponential rise going on and if there is anytime that we should be taking this more seriously, there has



Dr. Rohith Saravanan

not been a time than now that we should be taking it more seriously,” he said.

From a doctor’s standpoint, according to Saravanan is to place a physical barrier when in public. This could be a mask – which is encouraged in public, especially large, compact crowds – or the use of plexiglass where transactions are taking place. Secondly, social distancing is an effective precaution since the coronavirus is spread through respiratory - through the nose and mouth – droplets. These droplets, potentially containing thousands of particles of the virus, from the mouth can stick in the air for about six feet or so before they fall to the ground and land on the surface

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Recall petition filed on ‘Dereliction of Duty’ for District 5 and District 6 Council seats

By **ERICA MORSE**
 Herald Contributing Writer

The petitions have been filed and the signatures are being gathered, according to one Big Spring resident determined to recall two City Council members for walking out during Tuesday’s meeting.

Dylan Archer-Pauchet, who lives in District 3, filed the petition late Thursday, citing a ‘premeditated and coordinated dereliction of duty on their part’ by walking out mid-session after frustrations boiled over between Council members and the Mayor. Four representatives exited the building – Jim DePauw (District 6), Camilla Strande (District 5), Raul Marquez, Jr., (District 1), and Terry McDaniel (District 3).

Council members Raul Marquez, Jr., and Terry McDaniel – who participated in the walkout – were omitted from the petition, as their terms are already expired, and they will not appear on the November ballot. However, Archer-Pauchet has requested their immediate resignations from the Council.

It was the conduct of the Council Members during a debate over infill lots, Archer-Pauchet said that led to his filing.

“Leaving your post isn’t something they should do,” he

said. “It’s cowardly.”

With rising COVID-19 cases, job losses in the region, rising property taxes on the table, and 2021 budget discussions ongoing, Dylan Archer-Pauchet said there are more important things the Council needs to be worried about at this time.

“They’re not willing to sort the problems out or get ahead of them,” he said.

According to Article XI, Section 2 of the City Charter, ‘Such petition shall be signed by a number of qualified voters of the city at least equal to thirty-five percent (35%) of the votes cast at the last regular city election, but in no case to be signed by less than one hundred (100) qualified voters of the city.

The only requirement is that voters live in District 6 and are represented by Jim DePauw or District 5 for Camilla Strande. To remove DePauw, 100 signatures are needed; 145 are required to remove Strande. First-time voters are eligible to sign the petition.

If the required signatures are obtained, DePauw and Strande will be on the ballot for November, to give voters a chance to remove them – or keep them – on the Council.

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Raising awareness for Wound Care Awareness Month

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Millions of people are affected by it each year, but not many know there are treatment options located in Howard County for it. According to statistics almost seven million people in the United States are dealing with chronic wounds. The West Texas region, specifically Big Spring and Howard County, have a facility that can treat these wounds with advanced modalities; Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine has been serving the community for the past three years.

“This is a problem millions of people throughout the U.S. are suffering every day from, an epidemic, that’s only expected to grow over the next decade,” Tiffany Crawford, Program Director, said. “This problem drastically affects people by diminishing their overall quality of life and potentially decreasing life expectancy if left untreated.”

Chronic wounds – sores or ulcers that do not heal - can be painful, dangerous and scary for many who are dealing with them. Annually, the cost associ-

ated with chronic wounds totals about \$50 billion and effects 14.5% of medicare beneficiaries each year. Most patients dealing with chronic wounds experience them on their legs and feet, but a chronic wound can occur anywhere on or in the body, according to information provided by The Wound Care Center.

“An aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity and vascular disease contribute to the chronic wound epidemic,” Crawford said. “Big Spring and Howard County have a high rate of diabetes and an aging population which makes this one of the services that will benefit a good portion of our community.”

According to statistics, the incidence is expected to rise at a rate of two percent annually over the next decade. Approximately 30% of untreated chronic wounds result in amputation and five years post-amputation the mortality rate is 50%.

“The solution fortunately, there is hope for people who suffer from chronic wounds. Every team member within the

Healogics network of nearly 700 Wound Care Centers dedicates themselves every day to healing and caring for people with hard to heal wounds, and our center at Scenic Mountain is one of those!” she said.

The local Wound Care Center provides a variety of advanced healing modalities, including skin grafts, hyperbaric oxygen chambers, contact casting and more. Each treatment plan is designed specifically to the individual in order to heal the wound properly and quickly. When a wound does not heal, according to data provided by the WCC, due to poor circulation, infection, edema, insufficient nutrition/lack of protein or continued trauma.

“If you or a loved one is experiencing a chronic non-healing wound, The Center for Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine is here for you,” Crawford said. “Our dedicated clinicians and medical professionals want to take this journey with you and help you find the relief you deserve, and help you regain

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Obituaries

Joe Gonzales



Joe Gonzales, 37, of Colorado City, formerly of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 24, 2020, in San Angelo. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Vigil Services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Joe was born June 22, 1983 in Lamesa to Olivia and Francisco Gonzales.

Joe is survived by his wife: Amanda Gonzales of Colorado City; four children: Isreal Enriquez of Lenorah, Isabel Gonzales of Colorado City, Iliana Gonzales of Colorado City, and Irena Gonzales of Colorado City; two grandchildren; six sisters: Criselda Gonzales of Big Spring, Gracie Mojica of Big Spring, Stella Gonzales of Big Spring, Adela Gonzales of Big Spring, Olivia Schenck of Big Spring, Ofelia Gay of Big Spring; three brothers: Frank Gonzales, Jr. of Big Spring, Juan Gonzales of Big Spring, and Jesse Ray Gonzales of Big Spring.

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

Gary L. O'Dell

Gary L. O'Dell went to be with the Lord on March 31, 2020.

He was born in Ft. Worth, Texas on July 7, 1946, to Amy Lee Echols Purcell. He is survived by his two daughters, Jenna L. Fahrer and Meredith D. Prue; three grandchildren; five great grandchildren; four

brothers; and two special aunts.

A service to celebrate Gary's life will be held at 11 a.m., on July 7, 2020, at First Presbyterian Church of Coahoma, Texas, with a burial following at Coahoma Cemetery.

For full obituary and to make condolences to the family go to www.SturtevantFuneralHome.com

Take Note

• NazFamily Church is gearing up for 2020 Vacation Bible School. VBS is set for July 6-10 from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. NazFamily is located at 1400 Lancaster. For more information, call 432-267-7015.

• The Life Center in Big Spring is helping moms and dads with a Diaper Day Giveaway! Call for a five minute phone appointment and a pickup time for free diapers, wipes and formula. 432-606-5041.

• The National AARP Tax-Aide officials have noti-

fied us that they will not allow many of the local sites to reopen for tax preparation this year.

They made the decision using a map that shows the growth of positive COVID-19 cases at this time. Since the numbers in Howard County have recently increased, our Big Spring site will not be allowed to reopen for 2020.

There is a free government site that you may use to complete your own taxes. The website is: irs.gov/freelfile.

The deadline for filing is July 15, 2020.

RECALL

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If the November recall is successful, the Council would vote on temporary appointees for the remainder of those terms.

When asked what message he has for City Council members right now, Archer-Pauchet offered the following: "The constituents are watching", he said. "It's politics - you're damned if you do, damned if you don't, but I would ask them to do what's right for the people".

Anyone living in District 5 or 6 who wishes to sign the petition may call Dylan Archer-Pauchet at (432) 213-4081. A voter ID number, which can be found on the voter registration card, is required to sign the petition.

According to a post made by Mayor Shannon Thomason, The City Council is scheduled to meet in Special Session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at City Council Chambers. The meeting is open to the public. Anyone wishing to speak during Public Comments and cannot attend may do so over the phone by calling 432-264-2411.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **TAMMY LOCKHART**, 43, of 1311 Madison Street, was arrested on a charge of warrant from other agency (x2) and assault causes bodily injury family member.
- **MARK ADRIAN PEREZ**, 34, of 507 E. 17th street Rear, was arrested on a charge of criminal

mischievous between \$100 and \$750.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 800 S. Main Street; 3500 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of State Park Drive; 1200 block of Settles Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 800 block of Rosemont Street; 3600 block W. Hwy 80.
- **THEFT OF FIREARM** was

reported in the 1200 block of S. Douglas Street.

- **FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 300 block of S. Gregg Street.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the area of 14th and Benton.
- **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 81 inmates at the time of this report.
- **TAMMY KAY COKER**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid (DWLI), violate to appear prom-

ise to appear, and aggravated assault causes bodily injury.

- **CHANCE RAY LANG**, 33, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of Bondsman off bond - evading arrest detention with vehicle, unauthorized use of vehicle, aggravated assault with deadly weapon, and aggravated assault with deadly weapon.
- **MARK PEREZ**, 34, was ar-

rested by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750 (x2).

- **BRANDON MICHAEL SMITH**, 17, was arrested by BSPD, on a charge of public intoxication.
- **KAY DONNA STANBERRY**, 69, was arrested by DPS on a charge of evading arrest detention with vehicle.

WOUND

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the quality of life you deserve."

She continued, "Awareness, as with any other disease or chronic illness, is an important part in the healing process. The more education we can get out to our community, the more successful we will be in exposing community members needing treatment and in turn have a higher success and healing rate. Being able to understand when to seek treat-

ment is an important part of the healing journey." To find out more information about services provided, call the Wound Care Center at 432-268-5370. The center is located at 1501 W. 11th Place, inside the West Texas Medical Plaza.

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Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees It, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations.

We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session begins Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

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

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



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Check this out, at the library this week

The library will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of Independence Day, we will reopen Monday, July 6. This week for Virtual Summer Reading Program-Imagine Your Story we will take a musical journey with Rhythm Path, we will explore music, and musical instruments, join us Facebook or YouTube on Wednesday at 10 AM. Log in to Code Club and learn coding, registration is free and coders can log on at any time. This week in Kids Camp theme is Spy Camp, follow the links on our Facebook page or website to sign up. Crafts kits are free and available at the circulation desk. More information about Summer Reading Program can be found on our website on the "Summer Reading June 1-Aug 5" section.



Sandra Verdin

This week's reviews include mystery, science fiction, and biography.

After the sudden death of his wife, Tom Kennedy believes a fresh start will help him and his young son Jake heal in "The Whisper Man" (M NOR A) By Alex North. A new beginning, a new house, a new town. Featherbank. But the town has a dark past. Twenty years ago, a serial killer abducted and murdered five residents. Until Frank Carter was finally caught, he was nicknamed "The Whisper Man," because he would lure his victims out by whispering at their windows at night. Just as Tom and Jake settle into their new home, a young boy vanishes. His disappearance bears an unnerving resemblance to Frank Carter's crimes, reigniting old rumors that he had an accomplice. Now, detectives Amanda Beck and Pete Willis must find the boy before it is too late, even if that means Pete has to revisit his great foe in prison: The Whisper Man. And then Jake begins acting strangely. He hears a whispering at his window.

S.T. a domesticated crow, is a bird of simple pleasures in "Hollow Kingdom" (SF BUX K) By Kira Jane Buxton. He spends his days hanging out with his owner, Big Jim; avoiding the slobbering affections of Big Jim's loyal but dim witted dog, Dennis; trading insults with Seattle's wild crows; binge watching nature documentaries; and binge eating the finest food humankind has to offer: Cheetos. Then, on a beautiful summer evening, Big Jim's eyeball falls out of his head, and S.T. starts to feel like something isn't quite right. When his tried and true remedies from beak delivered beer to an inventive cocktail of stolen pharmacy drugs fail to bring Big Jim back to health S.T. is left with no choice but to abandon his old life and venture out with his trusty steed, Dennis to find a cure. Outside the safety of his home, the city of Seattle is a wild and frightening new world. Big Jim's neighbors, victims of the same mysterious malady, are now devouring everything warm blooded in their path, and the once orderly suburbs have become feral jungles. Meanwhile, local wildlife is abuzz with cryptic rumors, which the cowardly S.T. has no choice but to follow if he wants to rescue the only world he knows from certain destruction. S.T. believes that despite all its flaws the world is worth saving.

India, 1921: Perveen Mistry, the daughter of a respected Zoroastrian family, has just joined her father's law firm in "The Widows of Malabar Hill" (M MAS S) By Sujata Massey. Armed with a legal education from Oxford, Perveen also has a tragic personal history that makes women's legal rights especially important to her. Mistry Law has been appointed to execute the will of Omar Farid, a wealthy Muslim mill owner who has left behind three widows. But Perveen notices something suspicious in the paperwork: all three of the wives have signed over their full inheritance to a charity. What will they survive on? The widows live in full purdah in strict seclusion, never leaving their

quarters or speaking to men. Are they being taken advantage of by an unscrupulous guardian? When Perveen investigates, tensions escalate to murder, and she must figure out what really happened on Malabar Hill before its innocent women and children meet further harm.

Brian Kilmeade tells the story of America's fight for Texas in "Sam Houston and the Alamo Avengers: the Texas victory that changed American history" (B HOU S). While the story of the Alamo is familiar to most, few remember how Sam Houston led Texans after a crushing loss to a shocking victory that secured their freedom and paved the way for America's growth. In March 1836, the Mexican army led by General Santa Anna massacred more than two hundred Texans who had been trapped in a tiny adobe mission in San Antonio for thirteen days. Jim Bowie and Davey Crockett died there, along with other Americans who had moved to Texas looking for a fresh start. The defeat galvanized the surviving Texans. Under General Sam Houston, the tiny army of settlers rallied, only to retreat time and time again. Having learned from past battles, Houston knew it was poor strategy to aggressively retaliate. He held off until just one month after the massacre, when he and his army defeated Santa Anna's troops in at the Battle of San Jacinto, and in doing so won the independence for which so many had died.

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Governor Abbott takes Executive Action to contain spread of COVID-19

Special to the Herald

Governor Greg Abbott today issued an executive order limiting certain businesses and services as part of the state's efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19. This decision comes as the number of people testing positive for COVID-19 and the number of hospitalizations have increased and the positivity rate in Texas increased above 10%, which the Governor previously stated would lead to further preventative action. The targeted, measured directives in the executive order are based on links between certain types

of businesses and services and the recent rise in positive cases throughout the state.

The order includes the following:

- All bars and similar establishments that receive more than 51% of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages are required to close at 12:00 PM today. These businesses may remain open for delivery and take-out, including for alcoholic beverages, as authorized by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
- Restaurants may remain open for dine-in service, but at a capacity not

to exceed 50% of total listed indoor occupancy, beginning Monday, June 29, 2020.

- Rafting and tubing businesses must close.
- Outdoor gatherings of 100 or more people must be approved by local governments, with certain exceptions.

"As I said from the start, if the positivity rate rose above 10%, the State of Texas would take further action to mitigate the spread of COVID-19," said Governor Abbott. "At this time, it is clear that the rise in cases is largely driven by certain types of activities, including Texans congre-

gating in bars. The actions in this executive order are essential to our mission to swiftly contain this virus and enhance public health. We want this to be as limited in duration as possible. However, we can only slow the spread if everyone in Texas does their part. Every Texan has a responsibility to themselves and their loved ones to wear a mask, wash their hands, stay six feet apart from others in public, and stay home if they can. I know that our collective action can lead to a reduction in the spread of COVID-19 because we have done it before, and we will do it again."

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for a couple of minutes. Droplets from the nose - a sneeze - are smaller and can last in the air for several hours and travel more than six-feet.

"It's important to understand this because it re-emphasizes the importance of social distancing," he said. "It also helps explain why a mask is important or a physical barrier. For those who may unknowingly have the virus, if they were to be in public and sneeze or cough these droplets with the virus don't get transferred to another person."

Hand-washing and disinfecting of high traffic surfaces is also an important piece in slowing the spread across the community. The ability to flatten the curve does exist, but will only be obtained by the majority doing their part in their communities.

"Now that the shutdown has been lifted people are going out thinking no shutdown means back to normal," he said. "That's the part people aren't understanding, it's not back to normal; it's trying to get back to some level of normal, but it's a new normal with the disease process."

At this time with no vaccine yet created, precautions are the defense against the virus. As numbers increase the community has to remember the risk factor is still there. While many of the new cases have been confirmed as community spread, the importance of practicing precautions so the curve can be slowed. As the state has begun to reopen, Dr. Saravanan stresses the importance of adhering to the guidelines.

The access to testing is one of the contributing factors to rising numbers, as previously mentioned, but the turnaround time for those tests is increasing as the volume of tests is also increasing. According to Dr. Saravanan, testing is taking about four to five days for turnaround depending on the capacity of the lab. Locally there are several access points in the Howard County community, including Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emergency Room, Scenic Mountain Medical Group Triage, Shannon Medical Clinic, and other local provider offices.

Over the past few weeks, the last few announcements of positive tests have been marked as community spread, where the previous positive cases were linked to travel or exposure. The definition of community spread is when the point of exposure can not be pinpointed.

"Since we are in the exponential rise in the curve, we need to also understand where this disease is coming from," he said. "Before it was just a few people coming into our county. In that situation we could contact trace and figure out exactly who this was, where they got it from and where they exposed people in our county. That is not the case any longer. Now we are seeing people who can't tell you for certain how they got exposed or who they got it

from."

Another contribution to the increased numbers is related to the issuance of the tests. In the early stages of the pandemic, with the testing kits being limited, testing was limited and was only conducted on those who met certain criteria. At this point in the curve, as testing kits become more readily available to communities, anyone showing symptoms or who feel they have been exposed can request a test.

"The best thing we can do is identify and isolate," Dr. Saravanan said. "The identification in the past was the test, but now that is community spread I would go as far as to say, it is safe to assume it is everywhere. Therefore, if you have symptoms you can assume you probably have COVID, with or without the test."

As the state of Texas and the community of Big Spring begins to re-open and begin to get back to life, Dr. Saravanan emphasizes the importance of honoring the assumed social contract that community members hold with each other.

"The re-opening did not get implemented as it should have. We went from full shutdown to full on re-opening rather than the initial Governor's plan, which is one of the reason's we've seen the sharp rise," he said.

According to data that has been provided by several health officials, across the nation and in West Texas, the majority of cases are happening in the younger group between 20s and 40s. This is the group that are out doing more traveling, socially gathering more, exposing themselves to the disease process. While this group is not the group that is reflecting the hospitalization numbers associated with COVID-19 or the group bearing the brunt of the disease, such as the immune compromised and the elderly population, they are the ones exposing the population that is at risk for hospitalization and at a higher risk of mortality.

"I need the community to understand, this is not about one person telling another person what to do or what not to do," he said. "This is more of a social contract between all of us. The social contract is I won't get your grandma sick and you won't get my grandma sick. If we have that social contract with each other, we will hold each other accountable where we will wear masks."

He continued, "Wearing masks is one of the things that we know helps slow the spread of the disease by keeping those droplets contained. Even if you are asymptomatic carrier you can spread the disease. We have a responsibility as a member of this community to protect those who are most vulnerable."

As numbers continue to rise drastically, with no relief in sight, Dr. Saravanan wants to remind the community of the consequences of not taking precautions and numbers continuing to rise at the rate they are. At this point there are hospital beds available to treat those with the virus should the

need arise, however, the lack of staff availability in rural areas such as West Texas is a hindrance in being able to provide the appropriate care.

"No our hospital beds are not an issue, but it's important to remember those beds are no good without the staff to treat the patients; staffing is already an issue with the pandemic and if the numbers continue to rise it could be an even bigger issue," he said.

While that nation has already experienced a shutdown the impact is one that is still being recovered from in many areas, including Big Spring.

"We don't want to go through another shutdown. That is the absolute last option. We do not want to push our community to where the only option is that last option," he said. "If we do keep getting people sick. If we do keep getting the high risk population sick our healthcare system is going to get overwhelmed. Once that happens our hands will be tied; we won't be able to make a decision on how to protect our own community, we will be told to shut down."

Governor Abbott has recently announced that schools in Texas can return to the classroom this Fall, summer workouts can begin, and more activities are starting to come online. However, with the recent spike locally, area schools have made the call to postpone or halt summer workouts for the safety of the students and faculty.

"If we could push this social contract and the social precautions, more of us could agree the best push forward is to do everything we can to curve the rise of this disease," Dr. Saravanan said. "Masks, social distance and personal hygiene are the three things we can do as a community."

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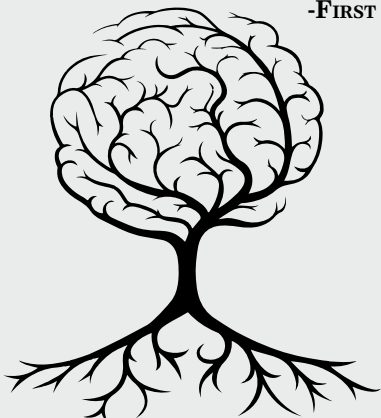
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Joe Gonzales, 37, died Wednesday. Visitation will be from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Vigil Services will be at 7:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 AM Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

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Gorman Falls: A challenging destination

Water cascades 70 feet down a steep bluff at Colorado Bend State Park south of San Saba. The area is known as Gorman Falls and has more than one stream. There is a narrow rush of water just a few feet away from the tall one. The water moves fast down a crevice between a tall bluff and a caliche hillside. It's a shady spot with an observation deck overlooking the Colorado River.

The waterfalls never quit flowing and provide a pleasing sound to enjoy while you recover from your hike to the falls.

We had made arrangements to meet Debbie Hicks, the interpretive resource manager of the park.

I'm glad we did because the drive to the park is long enough for you to think you'll never get there.

But the highway has lots of

curves and passes through some beautiful hills and valleys.

"We are definitely off the beaten path. The road got paved 6 years ago. Before that it was a caliche road so it was a long time getting here. You had to drive between 10 and 15 miles per hour.

Once the road got paved that opened up the public even more. Our visitation last year was 78,000 and included visitors from Iran, Peru, Spain, Norway, Australia and New Zealand.

Also, when you pass that first cattle guard in the park, this is open rangeland. No Fences. Cows are on the highway."

Debbie told us that the trail to get to the falls is challenging. That didn't scare us since my wife Susan and I are in good shape. I'm glad she warned us because it is a treacherous journey to the falls. We climbed into Debbie's pickup and drove to the falls' trailhead. Debbie told us we had a mile and a half hike ahead of us.

"There's very little shade out there," she told us. "And the last 45 yards of that trail is at a 45 degree angle. There's cable to hold

onto but the rock is so slick from all the foot traffic it's like walking on glass."

Gorman Falls is the main attraction at the park, which covers 5300 acres. It's a popular destination for hikers and mountain bikers.

"It's ups and downs and switchbacks and it's just wonderful. We have a rugged park here with different types of terrain and difficult trails. We have a lot of caves."

The park has 61 campsites. Motorhomes must be self contained. The Colorado River offers all kinds of activities including fishing for white bass and crappie.

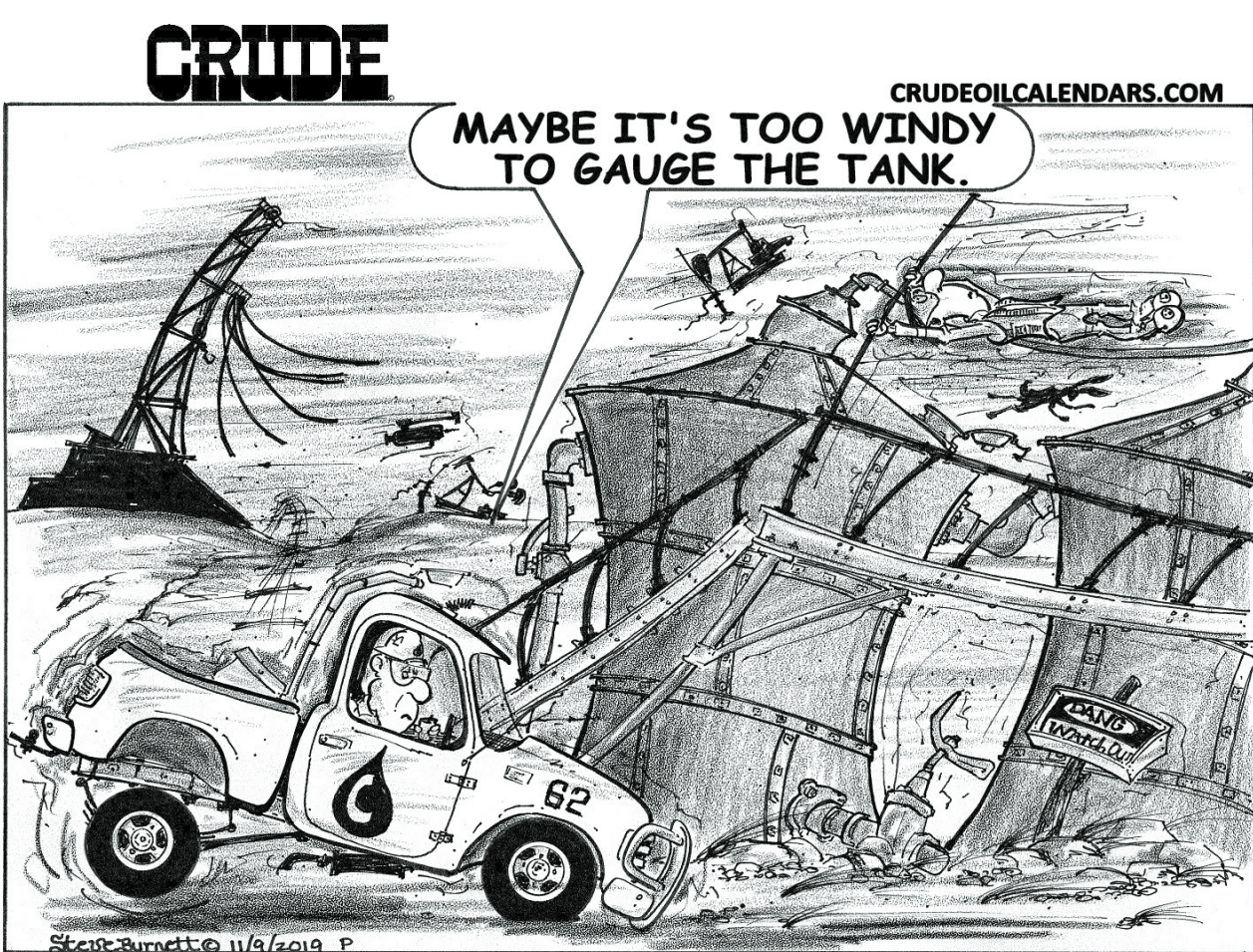
"There's fly fishing, boating, kayaking, you can swim in some parts of the river itself. We're ten miles from the mouth of Lake Buchanan, which is the beginning of the upper Highland Lakes. Some folks will put in at the boat ramp that we have here, go down to Lake Buchanan, spend the day and come back up."

While the park is mostly for active people, some folks go there for peace and quiet like they find at the Spicewood Canyon overlook.

The wind rustles by and birds chirp. It's a serene spot.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH



Many happy returns

Uncle Mort isn't his usual self. His 108th birthday is at hand, and he's hung up on whether to have a "real" party, or join the growing list of folks who are "computer Zooming" to celebrate special occasions. (Printers are shaking their heads, turning out fancy invitations with the word "virtual" in big type.)

"Maybe I'd do well to throw a 'virtual' party," Mort mused. "Most people would understand they aren't expected to attend, but that sanitized gifts, gift cards or cash left near the cattle guard by the front gate would be appreciated."

His is a dilemma of vast dimensions, and instead of "ballyhooing" his arrival at age 108 on July 4, he's seriously considering wife Maude's growing insistence that he forget about numerical birthdays. "I'd heap rather kinfolks think of Mort as an 'ageless uncle,' and friends who talk about 'the old guy out in the country' whose name they can't recall."

In a land mired in the "what ifs," Uncle Mort is leaning toward "virtual." After all, since he's an imaginary person, maybe his take on things usually has "what if?" twangs.

Mort has warm memories of dozens of birthday parties where he received lots of presents, and even more "many happy returns" wishes.

The phrase stuck in his mind,

so he researched its origin, learning that the expression has been tossed around at birthday parties—as well as a few other celebrations—for almost three centuries. It simply is an expression of hope that celebrants will have many more happy years to enjoy.

Mort's mind swirled with memories of bygone days when his heroes enjoyed truly happy birthdays. Foremost was author/speaker/motivational king "Zig" Ziglar. Hundreds of friends and loved ones gathered for a fancy dinner and testimonials to mark the "59th anniversary of his 21st birthday" when he reached age 80. (He died at age 86 in 2012.)

"I'm glad we have his books and cassette tapes. It's a treat to read Ziglar books while playing a 45 rpm record of Kate Smith singing 'God Bless America'. We could use a good dose of his thoughts and her singing right now," he added. (Smith died in 1979 at age 86.)

My uncle says he's enjoyed "many mirthful days," and fears that during quarantines, such times are more "girthful" than "mirthful."

What to do? For most of this year, most Americans have been too close to food for too much of the day.

My friend Pat—whose good cheer through good times and bad provides anchors for thousands of others—insists on maintaining a "sunny side up" disposition. She even smiles broadly when "girthful" topics come up, including admission that she has

"fluffed up" in quarantine.

"During April, I had no appetite," she says. "I didn't care to eat anything, and pounds seemed to melt away. But, things changed in May. I ate everything that wasn't nailed down.

The pounds have returned, and they brought their friends along."

While on the subject of food, my uncle smiled the other day upon entering Stanley's BBQ place in Tyler.

Masked personnel carefully escorted customers inside one at a time.

Even as they salivated at the thought of "chowing down" on the 'cue, they tried to maintain social distance instructions by "remaining one cow length apart."

Uncle Mort is as "befuddled" as the rest of us concerning COVID-19. But he does have strong opinions, and they aren't "virtual."

He asks a reasonable question: "Are you telling me that my chances of survival are in direct proportion to others exercising common sense?"

He made this final observation: "If you believe all of this will end and we'll soon get back to normal with the snap of a finger, raise your hand, then slap yourself in the face with it!" Let's all wish Mort "many happy returns," or as many more as he wants.

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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, please oil the squeaky hinges of the doors of our lives with Your love and grace. Amen

20 Howard Hawk athletes named to WJCAC Spring All-Academic Team

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sportswriter

The Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) announced their 2020 Spring All-Academic Team earlier this week and a staggering 20 Howard College athletes made the cut.

These athletes come from the basketball, baseball and softball teams and were able to excel in the classroom during the Spring semester. Each coach at Howard College puts a large amount of stock into how their athletes perform in school and they could not be happier with the results that the members of their teams put together this past school year.

It is a great honor to be named to any postseason team and to be recognized as an All-Academic Team selection displays the hard work that not only goes into these young student-athletes' playing careers but also the determination that they have continued to show in the classroom.

Now, let us take a look at some background of each WJCAC All-Academic Team selection and how they performed in their respective sports this past year.

Baseball

Wilson Galvan

Galvan did not play a game for the Hawks during the 2020 season.

Trey Garlett

The sophomore pitcher recorded on three games and finished 2020 with a 1-1 record on the mound. He pitched 10.2 innings and finished his short sophomore season with an 7.59 ERA.

Elliott Hayward

The freshman outfielder played in five games and the young player struggled mightily at the plate during his first season in Big Spring. Hayward was only able to record one hit in 12 At-Bat's (.083 BA). He was, however, able to steal two bases and show off his athleticism on the offensive side.

Noah Huerta

The sophomore left-handed pitcher played 4.0 innings for the Hawks in the 2020 season. In those four innings, he struck out six batters but also gave up five hits and four runs.

Santiago Jimenez

The freshman only managed to pitch 0.1 innings but gave up two hits and five runs scored. Jimenez will get another season to refine his skills and show off his stuff for the Howard coaching staff and fans.



Trey Nordmann

The freshman right-handed pitcher also was limited to only 4.0 innings pitched in 2020. He showed off his skills on the mound by striking out 10 batters and only allowing one hit. He finished the short season with a perfect 0.00 ERA.

Seth Ochoa

The sophomore played in all 17 games for the Hawks during the 2020 season. He scored 10 runs on 11 hits and had two additional four runs. Ochoa hit three doubles but his ended the year with a less-than-ideal batting average (.204).

Kevin Ortiz

The freshman catcher played in seven games for Howard during 2020. Ortiz finished with a solid batting average (.333) on 18 At-Bat's and was able to score five runs.

Ryan Sandoval

Sandoval was a freshman who did not appear in a game for the Hawks during the 2020 season.

Men's Basketball

Malik Brikat

Brikat was a sophomore forward who started eight games for the 2019-20 Hawks in a loaded lineup. The big man did not play many minutes but averaged 4.2 points per game and led the team in field goal percentage (51.5). He also grabbed three rebounds per game and was a shot-blocking presence near the basket.

Zach Cummings

The sophomore guard suffered an injury early in the season and was limited to nine games played last season. He started four games early in the year and finished the year with 3.9 points per game and looked to be a strong distributor from the point guard spot.

Softball

Daphne Gregory

Gregory was a freshman this past season that did not see much playing time being stuck behind Bailey Martinez on the depth chart. In her limited time, she was able to collect three hits in her three total At-Bat's (1.000 batting average).

Marin Musicant

Musicant stepped in as an instant contributor when she arrived at Howard and was a star pitcher for the Lady Hawks for the past two seasons. She was off to a 9-1 record during the first month of the season and recorded an ERA of 2.42. Musicant also recorded 23 strikeouts with her drop ball style of pitching and was able to play nine complete games in her shortened sophomore season. She will be playing next season at East Tennessee State University.

Kirklynd Newsom

The Lady Hawks' sophomore utility player appeared in 18 games and finished the season with a .194 batting average. Newsom scored 11 runs and was able to blast three home runs during the 2020 campaign. In addition, she was one of seven Lady Hawks to finish the season with double-digit RBI (10).

Barbora Saviola

Saviola finished the season as the NJCAA Division I leader with 12 home runs as she dominated at the plate for the entire season. She also had team-leading 35 runs batted in, and 31 runs scored. Saviola had three multi-homer games this season and did her part in helping the Lady Hawks out to a strong 18-4 record.

Sarah Urrea

The sophomore outfielder had 30 at-bat's this past season and finished the year with a .267 batting average with 12 runs scored and two runs-batted-in (RBI). She also showed off her speed and base running ability by finishing second on the team with six stolen bases.

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Pocono twin bill weekend loses luster with no fans at track

By DAN GELSTON

AP Sports Writer

LONG POND, Pa. (AP) — The billboard at the entrance to Pocono Raceway has photos of Chase Elliott and Kyle Busch and "First-Ever NASCAR Doubleheader" in bold letters.

The kicker comes at the bottom of the sign: "Kids Free."

A grand gesture -- and a needless one.

Keep the kids at home. Their parents, too. Yes, even you Charlize Theron. After allowing a small number of fans into races in Florida and Alabama, none will be allowed at this weekend's races at Pocono.

The absence stings a bit more this season for a track that first held a Cup race in 1974. Pocono is the site of a Cup Series twin bill, with one race on Saturday, one on Sunday, and the second race comes with a twist. The field for Sunday's race will be set by inverting the lead-lap finishers from race No. 1.

The tri-oval track has suffered its knocks through the years, and enthusiasm among drivers -- and fans expected to bring their wallets and pack the infield for a Pocono Party unlike anyone could remember -- was through the roof.

Joey Logano, the defending Cup champion, noted at this year's Daytona 500 how Pocono had a distinct feel.

"Pocono used to just be a race in Pocono. It wasn't a big deal," he said. "Now it's an event. There are two races in one weekend and that's a cool way of turning it into a big event."

Not anymore. The big news at the track Friday -- certainly not in the sport where Bubba Wallace continues to dominate national headlines -- was the opening of the regenerative organic farm Pocono Organics.

"We had something amazing going but things change," Pocono CEO Nick Igdalsky said. "We've got to change course and adapt. That's what we're doing. It's bittersweet. It's really bitter that we can't have fans here. This was going to be one of the most spectacular events we've had in decades."

Talladega Superspeedway was allowed up to 5,000 fans for its race weekend and only 1,000 of them, mostly military members and their guests, were allowed two weeks ago at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

Pocono sits in Monroe County which has entered Pennsylvania's green designation. The green phase limits public gatherings to 250 people. But Gov. Tom Wolf's guidance to professional sports mandates no spectators, even in green.

"Honestly, to me, it's full house or nothing," Igdalsky said. "We want to see that. That's what makes us happy."

Igdalsky declined to address specific projected attendance numbers but said the track had seen 30% growth in sales.

"Our infield was already at 80% capacity by March and that's when we also

added, before we started selling tickets, 800 new spots to the infield," he said.

Joe Gibbs Racing has drivers who have won the last five races at Pocono (though Martin Truex Jr.'s 2018 win came with Furniture Row Racing) and Denny Hamlin won his fifth Cup race at the track last season. Kyle Busch and Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin Harvick are 5-1 favorites on Saturday.

"I don't have more to learn there and maybe some of the newer drivers will make the bigger strides from one race to the next," Hamlin said.

PGA FedEx Cup Standings Top 30				
Standing	Golfer	Points	Behind	Wins
1	Webb Simpson	1583	0	2
2	Justin Thomas	1543	-40	2
3	Sungjae Im	1526	-57	1
4	Rory McIlroy	1213	-370	1
5	Patrick Reed	1165	-418	1
6	Brendon Todd	1110	-473	2
7	Daniel Berger	1091	-492	1
8	Marc Leishman	1059	-524	1
9	Sebastian Munoz	1034	-549	1
10	Lanto Griffin	1026	-557	1
11	Abraham Ancer	970	-613	0
12	Xander Schauffele	942	-641	0
13	Bryson DeChambeau	928	-655	0
14	Tyrrell Hatton	913	-670	1
15	Hideki Matsuyama	869	-714	0
16	Joaquin Niemann	831	-752	1
17	Kevin Na	827	-756	1
18	Cameron Smith	787	-796	1
19	Cameron Champ	780	-803	1
20	Collin Morikawa	747	-836	0
21	Scottie Scheffler	697	-886	0
22	Nick Taylor	692	-891	1
23	Adam Scott	685	-898	1
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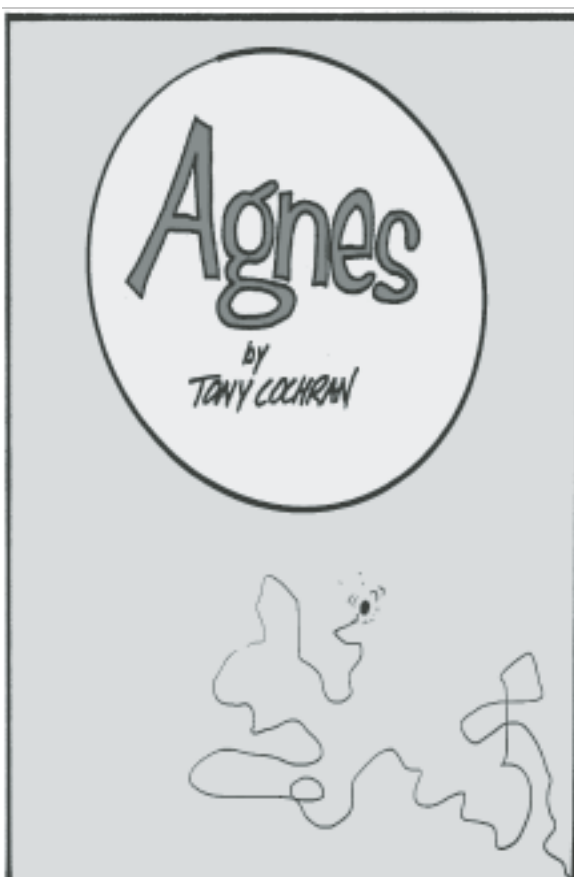
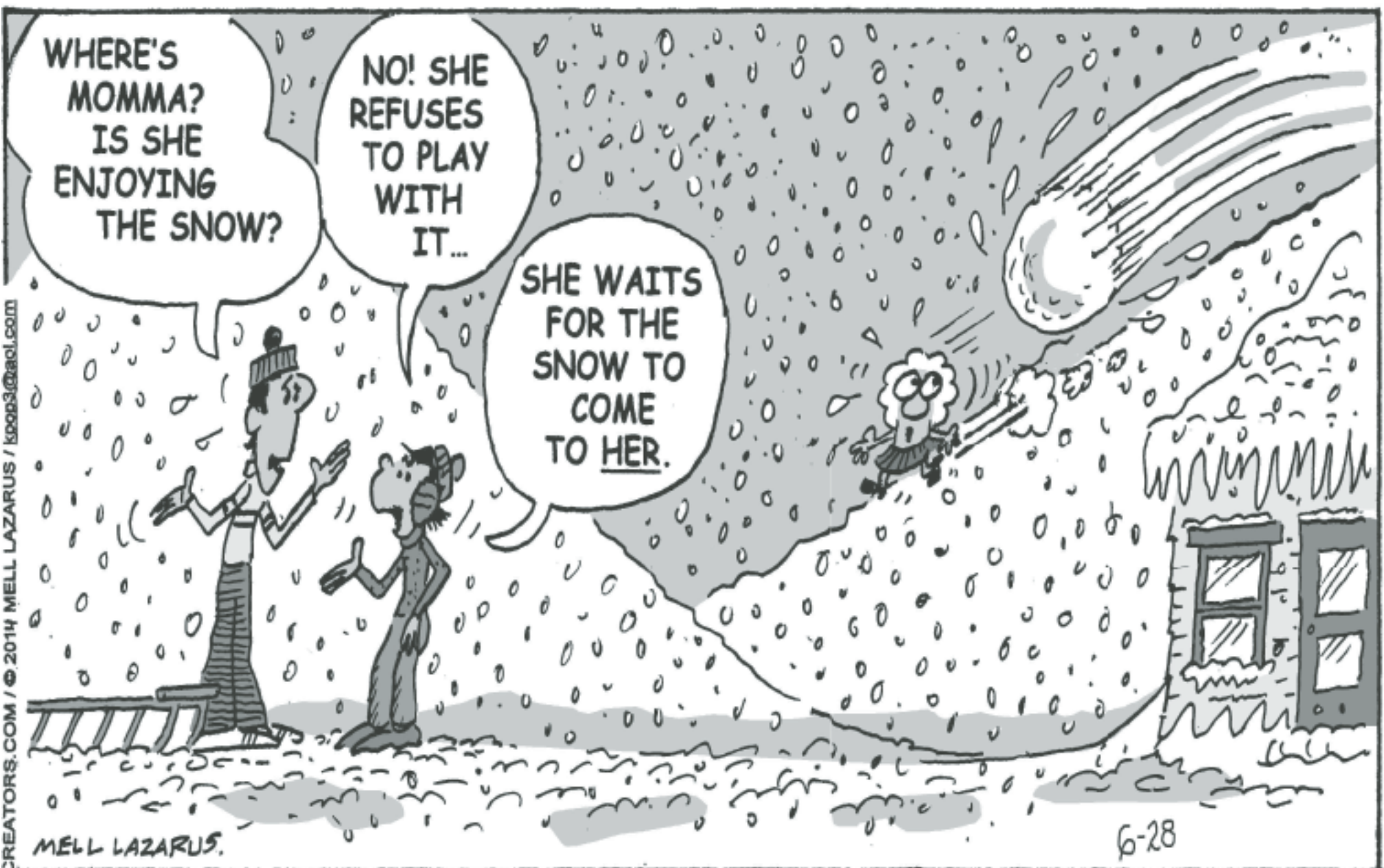
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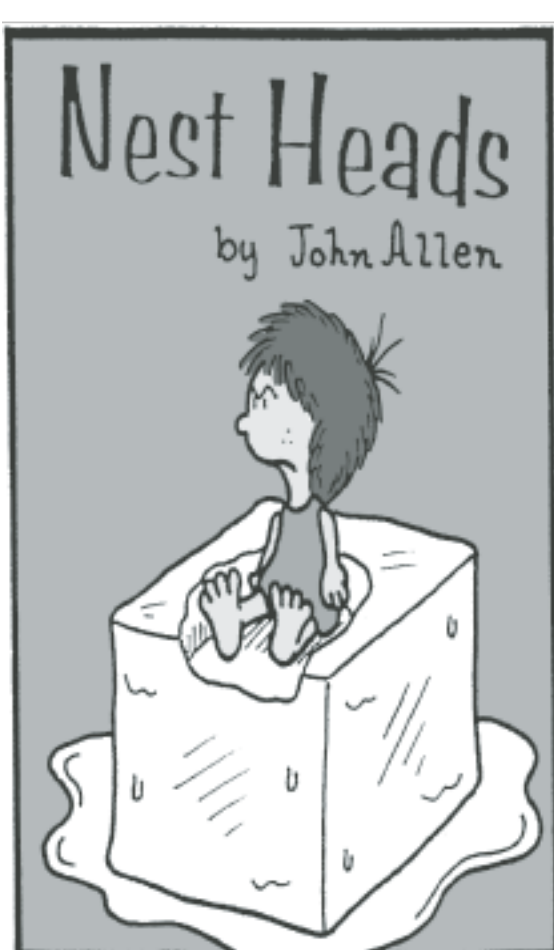
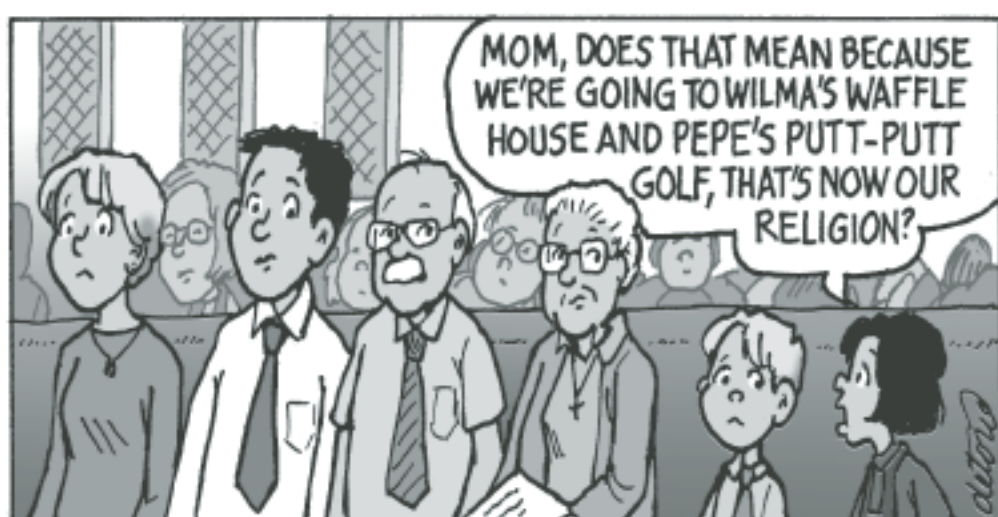
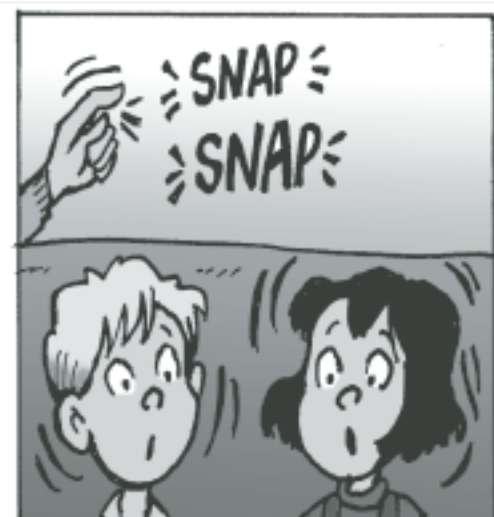
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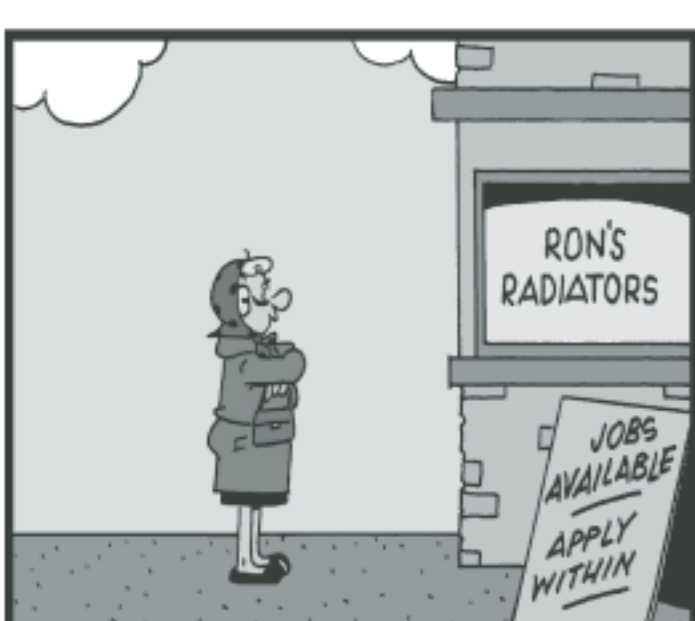
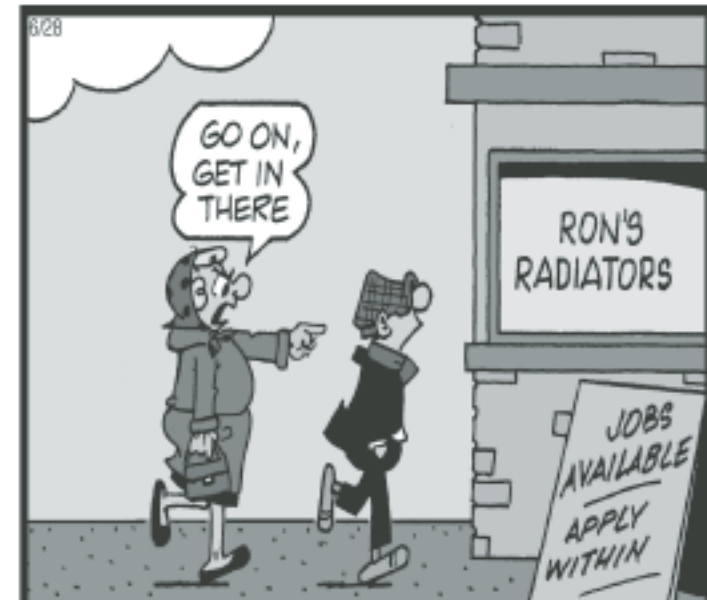
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NBA, players sign off on final terms for restarted season

By **TIM REYNOLDS**

AP Basketball Writer

The NBA and the National Basketball Players Association have finalized terms of the deal that will allow the league to restart the season at the Disney World campus near Orlando, Florida next month.

The league and the union made the announcement Friday.

Many of the details were already known, such as how "stringent health and safety protocols" would be in place for the 22 teams that will be participating, that no fans will be present and that games will be held in three different arenas at the ESPN Wide World of Sports complex.

With all necessary details completed and agreed upon, the league said it would release the schedule for the 88 "seeding games" — eight games for each of the 22 clubs, starting on July 30 — later Friday, as well as the national broadcast schedule for that portion of the season.

"We have worked together with the Players Association to establish a restart plan that prioritizes health and safety, preserves competitive fairness and provides a platform to address social justice issues," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said. "We are grateful to our longtime collaborator Disney for its role in playing host and making this return to play possible, and we also thank the public health officials and infectious disease specialists who helped guide the creation of comprehensive medical protocols and protections."

Those protocols will be critical, given the current state of coronavirus testing in Florida.

Numbers in the Sunshine State have soared in recent weeks, and Orange County — the Orlando area — has seen at least 10% of all tests come back positive for 10 consecutive days. That's more than double what the rate in that part of the state was from June 6-15, and more than 10 times higher than the 0.9% clip of positive tests there from May 9-22.

Earlier Friday, the league and the union announced that 16 of 302 players tested on Tuesday, the first day of mandatory testing leading up to the restart, came back positive for coronavirus. Players who tested positive must remain in self-isolation until they satisfy public health protocols for discontinuing isolation and have been cleared by a physician.

"It has taken true collaboration between the league and the union — special kudos to our Executive Committee and several other team reps — along with the continued support and assistance from medical experts, public health officials and many others," NBPA executive director Michele Roberts said. "Additionally, our platform in Orlando presents a unique opportunity to extend the ongoing fight against systemic racism and police brutality in this country."

The league and the union announced earlier this week that addressing racial issues and inequality in the country will be a priority during the restarted season.

The NBA suspended its season March 11 because of the virus.

Bubble-free life means MLB players, coaches must be careful

By **DAVID BRANDT**

AP Sports Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — Baseball's bubble-free environment is an anomaly as the sports world tries to come back amid the coronavirus pandemic.

Instead of bringing a group of teams to Disney World (like the NBA and MLS) or concentrating on a few hub cities (like the current NHL plan), Major League Baseball has 30 teams spread all over the United States and potentially Canada, with players, coaches and team personnel trying to stay healthy while cases are still spreading.

Needless to say, it won't be easy.

Arizona Diamondbacks GM Mike Hazen said he'll be constantly reminding everyone in his organization about the delicacy of the current situation. It's especially important in Phoenix, where COVID-19 cases have increased substantially over the past few weeks.

"High-risk behavior is going to impact you and the person standing next to you and the person standing next to them," Hazen said. "We're going to be extremely mindful of it. The protocols are going to answer some of those things for us, but away from the field, I believe we are going to have to make sure everyone understands exactly what we mean by high-risk behavior."

"Things are going to have to change temporarily in our lives to be able to do this."

That means altering the way baseball players behave on and off the field.

The on-field portion is largely addressed in a hefty manual that covers everything from hotels to showers to spitting. It will be awkward and sometimes not particularly practical, but teams are vowing to do their best.

"You're putting a lot of people in a small, confined space, which is the one thing the medical experts are telling us not to do," Oakland A's GM David Forst said. "So we'll have to limit clubhouse time as much as possible, guys will have to wear masks as much as possible."

Then there's the considerable amount of time players will spend away from the field.

Texas coach Chris Woodward said health issues will be critical throughout the season and the usual carefree life of a ballplayer will be a bit more tame. While health is obviously the most important issue, there's also the on-field realization that losing players for several days to COVID-19 might also be the difference between wins and losses.

"The younger guys that are single that, you know, tend to be a little bit more social," Woodward said.

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Women's Basketball Anais Bonnemaïson

The consistent starter for the Lady Hawks last year will be returning for the 2020-21 season. Bonnemaïson started 19 games last season and was one of the strongest contributors near the end of the year. She averaged 5.5 points per game and was a consistent threat from beyond the arc. She led the Lady Hawks in assists per game (1.4) but will need to get stronger in the rebounding game at her front court position.

Vinyet Garcia

Garcia played in 27 games last year with just four

starts in her last year in Big Spring. The guard led the Lady Hawks in percentage from three-point range (38.2) and managed to score just over four points per game (4.4).

Keona Loftis

The future Sul Ross State player suffered a late-season injury but started 20 games in Earl Diddle's system during her freshman year. Loftis scored 5.4 points per game for the low-scoring 2019-20 Lady Hawks. She will now be heading off to Alpine where she will play for the Lady Lobos.

Kaylyn Tompkins

Tompkins played only five games for the Lady Hawks last season with limited playing time. She did not record a single point and will not be returning next season.

Howard College Athletics and their players continue to show their prominence both in their sports and in the classroom. With 20 players named to the All-Academic Team, the coaches have shown that academics are just as important as athletics if you are a member of their program.

Basketball will be starting back up soon with two completely revamped rosters. That means a new crop of student-athletes to bring more of these prestigious postseason accolades to the Howard College programs.

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Making memories on Father's Day



Photo submitted by Shelley-Scott Marquez
Celebrating dad on Father's Day.



Photo submitted by Heaven Bolton
Right: Daddy and daughter enjoyed a round of golf on Father's Day.



Photo submitted by Eddie Levens
This family spent their Father's Day enjoying a Filipino meal called Boodie Fight. The food is served for soldiers and eaten with hands. It builds camaraderie with the troops, but for Levens and his family, it celebrates the union and bond of the family. His father-in-law, Oseas Sulatan, is the patriarch. He is kind, loving and respectful to all. Characteristics that are very much needed in today's society he gives out freely. Levens said, "Thank you dad for all that you do for us and the family."



Photo submitted by Laurie Martinez
Above a family celebrates dad.



"He makes me laugh."

Photo submitted by Stacey Wurmnest Flores



Photo submitted by Jerica Bryans
A special moment on Father's Day was celebrated and a memory to last a lifetime.



Photo submitted by Mindy Sedberry

A little bit of golfing and grilling took place with the Sedberry's. Peyton Sedberry is a local business owner - Big Spring Fire Extinguisher - and a Captain with the Midland Fire Department. According to his wife, Mindy, he is incredibly funny, loves to travel anywhere their boys ask and is up for all their adventures. He supports Mindy in all her crazy health food and running fun and still does whatever he can to help their parents and anyone else in need. The amazing part is he doesn't realize how wonderful he is and is way to humble according to his wife.



Photo submitted by Shiloh Salazar
Daddy and daughter fishing time took place at the Comanche Trail Park on Father's Day for this family. Memories were made trying to catch a few fish.



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The Pet Connection's Pet Talk Where People and Pets Connect

Training a dog, building a friendship

By MELANIE GAMBRELL,

Pet Care Specialist

Having a well trained obedient dog is not only an asset and benefit to your family, but a benefit to your community and neighborhoods.

With a trained dog you don't have the issues of them running loose in the neighborhood, getting into neighbor's trash, chasing their cats, destroying others property or barking/howling at the moon. When a family invests the time and training of their dog it opens up something that they have never experienced before, a true bond between man and beast that now is unbreakable.

You've heard "You Can't Teach An Old Dog New Tricks"! Well, I don't believe that for one minute and with the rescue, I see dogs of all ages and train dogs of all different breeds. So don't hesitate if your dog is an older dog, with the proper training any dog can become a super star. If you're looking at training a younger dog or puppy, just keep in mind that you may need to do a refresher course. Younger dogs and puppies have a limited attention span, when training you need to keep that in your mind.

Are you thinking that your dog needs to be of a specific breed or purebred dog to be trained?

Any dog has the potential to learn any type of training commands. You don't have to have an AKC (American Kennel Club), UKC (United Kennel Club) or CKC (Canadian Kennel Club) registered dog to perform any of the basic commands to have a well trained dog. However, do know about the breed you have, know about their strengths and weaknesses. If training a Golden Retriever, understand that this breed loves to Retrieve and capitalize on that. If you have a Heeler breed, understand that they may want to heel you and your children around the house, or may be more prone to nipping at your heels.

If you're thinking of taking it to the next level of training and entering a sanctioned obedience competitions or trial, then contact your local kennel club for more information on signing up your dog. You'll find AKC All-Breed Trials, Mixed-Breed Trials and Foundation Stock Service Breeds competitions. You may even be interested in signing up for Agility Competitions. If you're just interested in passing an AKC, CGC (Canine Good Citizen) contact a AKC Kennel Club in your area or a member to find out when the next CGC will be held. I'll go into what's involved in a CGC in this series later on.

Before you begin we need to gather up your training supplies, training collar and leash and let's decide where your training will take place. When I train, I like to use a training collar such as a Martingale collar or a training choke collar.

Now, before you go off, I want to be perfectly clear, any and all collars used in an inhumane way can and will be harmful to any dog. Learning the correct and proper way to use any training collar, i.e. a prong collar, electronic collar or even a web collar is a must.

Any training collar left on a dog after the training session is over is NOT RECOMMENDED and needs to be removed. Any training collar not used in a humane way can and will cause serious injury to your dog.

Never leave especially a choke chain on your dog when not supervised, if the collar gets caught or the dog gets hung up, it can and could possible kill your dog or cause serious injury. Did you know

that there is a right and a wrong way to putting on a choke chain? This is probably the hardest thing I teach when doing a training class. When using a choke chain or training collar, remember to have about 6" of slack in a relaxed collar.

Too much or too little can hamper your training and possibly cause injury to your dog. I can't stress enough, checking for proper fitness, making sure the collar is on correctly and making sure your dogs collar is adjusted can save your dog in the long run. By properly adjusting your dogs collar, allow (2 fingers) to slide easily between the collar and it's neck for a proper fit. Do this if you are using a leather, flat or nylon collar. A too tight collar can cause serious injury and imbed in the dog's neck and a too loose collar can cause him or her to snag on a fence or free branch or allow another dog's mouth to become caught. It's a good rule to check the collar often, check for proper adjustment and condition of your collar.

When training I love using a nice quality leather leash for any size dog. If we are training a small breed dog, I'd suggest using a 6' leather leash, but I'd go with a h" width. Over the years when working with larger breeds and having a nylon leash, you'll quickly find out that a nylon leash will bum your hands if your dog was to suddenly pull away from you. So, I recommend a 6' leather leash and one that is an inch or wider in width for larger, heavier breeds. Choose a leash that fits good in your hands and is balanced with the size of your dog.

A 6' leash is great for walking and training and still allows for room to explore. Leather leashes properly stored and handled will last you through many of family members and will only get better over time. Using a retractable or lung fine to train for distance comes in many different lengths and styles. If you're training in an area that isn't secure for your pet, this is a great backup option when working off lead. Never use a retractable leash when walking into a Vet's Clinic/Hospital, Groomer or in an area where other people and dogs are present. When I witness this, most of the time the people at the other end of the leash have no clue or idea where there pet is, thus causing a disturbance with the properly secured dogs. Don't be that person, know at all times where your dog is at the end of your leash.

Have you given it any thought as to where you'd like to do your training? If your training area is close by, at your home, next door or close in the neighborhood you'll be more motivated to train.

When training I suggest training on a concrete patio or driveway, something that is suitable to your dog's size. The smaller the dog, the less training area needed, the larger the dog, the more space you'll need. Dog's see with their noses as well as with their eyes. so when training on dirt or grass they sometimes will become distracted to all the smells. When training you want your dog to be completely focused on you. If have special training needs, running out doors, gates or problems with digging or jumping on doors

you will want to train at home. When I train, I teach a behavior training class at home and leave your lesson plan for that week marked out on your concrete driveway.

Each week that I come, I will change the lesson plan to keep it fresh for both you and your dog.

Choose a time that is both good for you and for your dog. You want the time you spend with your dog to be a positive and productive time. Choose a time where you can spend 20-30 minutes without interruptions to train. With the summer's heat beating down, I'd suggest training early morning or later in the evening, if temperatures al-

low. If it's too hot or too cold, you or your dog won't enjoy the training and it will lead to other behavioral issues. I'm asked quite often who should do the training, the wife, husband or children?

When doing the initial training, I'd like to see whoever does the training be the ones who have the most time and patience. For training I'd like for the adult to take the lead, I've learned over the many years of teaching, that I'm training not only the dog but the owner and it takes a certain amount of passion and patience to train. If I've got 2 people wanting to do the training, both must make the time to work the 20-30 minutes a day, attend all training sessions and each must be consistent with the training. 6 weeks may not sound like a lot, but when training, having a routine and being consistent may mean the difference on a pass or fail on your dogs training progress.

At the end of your training class you should have a well-behaved dog that anyone should be able to walk and have control over.

We've researched the breed type, gathered up all your training supplies, decided where the training will take place, when would be the best time to train and you 1<10w who will be doing the training! The next step will be to start your training, so check back as we begin the journey the next time we meet.

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Dandruff on cats can sometimes be a serious problem, and may lead to dangerous health issues for your pet.

Special to the Herald

COLLEGE STATION, June 22, 2020 – Dandruff may be a cosmetic inconvenience that many people dread, but cats can suffer from this condition as well.

Dr. Lori Teller, a clinical associate professor at the Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, shares with pet owners the diverse causes of this condition and how to treat dandruff in a feline friend.

"The causes of dandruff in cats can range from relatively simple, such as obesity that limits a cat's ability to groom, allergies, or the build-up of the undercoat, to more serious issues such as fleas or a skin infection, to very serious issues such as cancers like cutaneous lymphoma," Teller said. "There is also a condition called 'walking dandruff' that is caused by the Cheyletiella mite. This mite is usually prevented by flea control products."

Other potential causes of feline dandruff include other external parasites (such as ticks and demodectic mange), bacterial or fungal infections, malnutrition or an interrupted abil-

ity to groom (caused by factors like kidney disease, diabetes mellitus, pancreatitis or even discomfort from arthritis).

"If an owner notices dandruff, it is certainly worth having the cat checked to rule out an underlying problem, especially if the cat has other concurrent problems," Teller said. "If the cat is itchy;

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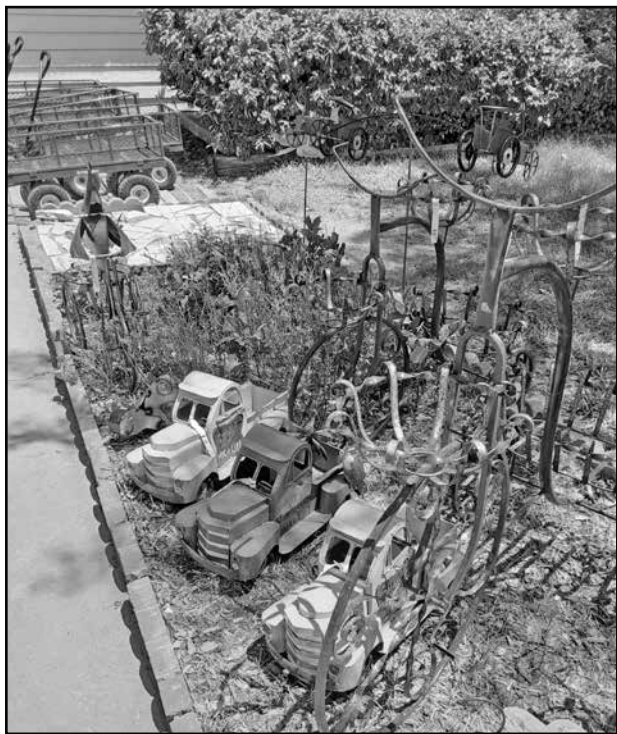
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Plants were a major factor in the creation of human civilization. They allowed early humans to move from hunter-gatherers to permanent cities and towns. In the ancient world beautiful gardens were created along with gardens grown for practical reasons, herbs for medical purposes, fruit and vegetables for food. As man became more civilized, an upper class emerged with a desire for purely decorative gardens.

Ever wonder how the idea of plant ownership became part of our culture? The first ownership of house plants is the fabled Hanging Gardens of Babylon. Built by King Nebuchadnezzar for his wife it is listed as one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. House plants became a status symbol of wealth and luxury meant to impress. Wealthy Egyptians and Greeks began keeping them in terracotta pots, Romans preferred marble pots.

The Victorian era saw the first use of house plants by the middle class, books and guides became available making this possible.

House plants became mainstream after WWII. Today modern propagation and breeding techniques have increased the diversity of house plants available. No longer a status symbol for wealth the house plant has now become a symbol of beauty, wellness and clean living. Plants are central to our wellbeing not only as food but as key compo-



HERALD photo/Carrie Harvell

Johansen's Nursery has an array of color throughout the year, and has added yard decor to their selection.

nents of cultures, religions and medicines

A nursery is a place where plants are grown to a desired age then sold. There are three types of nurseries:

Retail, they sell to the general public. Wholesale, they sell to other nurseries and commercial gardeners and Private, they sell to institutions and estates.

Johnnie Johansen started Johansen's nursery in 1957. He worked for the city of Big Spring and after he finished for the day he would work in his nursery and do landscaping. In 1977 his son Carl and wife Teri took over and opened it to the public, Carl was just out of the Air Force. As soon as they opened, they started doing landscaping for residential and commercial customers as well as maintaining the nursery.

"Landscaping for us is designing not just mowing edging and cleaning up," Teri Johansen said. "Carl started out designing landscapes by drawing them on paper, now he uses the computer."

"Most of my training has been on the job," Carl said. "I have taken some design courses but most of it has been a learn as I go process".

"When I do a landscape design, we do a blueprint using plants native to this area and include lighting as well as water and rock features in our designs," he said. "We just recently started lawn care as part of our services. This means we will do applications to lawns; feed fertilizing and pruning. This property was a Baptist encampment when my father bought it. He had to promise not to build anything on it where beer would be sold or dancing would occur. I think he fulfilled his promise," Carl said.

"April and May are our busiest months, currently we are having to bring in more plants than we can grow, around 30,000 this year so far. The shelter in place has encouraged people to reconnect with planting gardens and decorating their living spaces with color plants. We are working on second and third generation customers. It is so gratifying when our customers bring in pictures of their gardens to show us," Teri said. "We started the 'yard art' five years ago. We are thrilled with how well it has been accepted by our customers," she said. "In December we have

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Drought emerging in parts of Texas

Special to the Herald

Despite rains in parts of Texas and more in the immediate forecast, summer 2020 looks like it will be especially dry and hot for most of the state, according to a Texas A&M Forest Service expert.

Brad Smith, Texas A&M Forest Service Predictive Services department head, said much of the state looks vulnerable to drought and potentially severe late-summer fire season.

Smith said parts of North Texas experiencing various levels of drought received noteworthy rains over the weekend with more rain in the forecast. A system of storms pushed south into Texas and delivered rain down to the Interstate 20 corridor.

But prior to the rains, the drought monitor indicated an emerging dryness across much of the state, Smith said. Other indicators, including rainfall deficit, drought change and fire activity maps, showed Texas was moving further into drought and entering wildfire season earlier than usual.

"The rains may help because we are seeing some significant amounts, but with conditions like what are expected as we get deeper into summer and temperatures rising, it may not be enough to keep vegetation, especially grasses, green," he said.

Drought and rainfall deficits

The question is how much the most recent lines of storms and those in the immediate forecast will meet the moisture needs for specific areas as the state moves into the heart of summer, he said.

Smith said it would take consistent storm systems delivering rainfall across dry parts of the state to avoid drought in areas.

"The thing about summer in Texas is that it's typically hot and dry," he said. "There's typically a rainfall deficit in most parts of the state, and so combining that with hot and dry conditions means it will be hard to build up soil moisture."

Smith said West Texas, which historically catches rainfall during monsoon season - late-May through mid-June - slipped further into drought.

Meanwhile, South Texas and parts of the Coastal Bend, which were experiencing severe to extreme drought in early spring, have received rainfall that has completely changed conditions.

But Smith is not convinced there will be enough rain in some areas to avoid severe drought through July and August. He said an upper-level weather pattern looks like it will create a high-pressure system that could prevent northern storms from delivering rain to Texas, especially in the southern areas.

"A high-pressure system can act like a forcefield

that keeps storms out," he said. "So, barring tropical storms forming and delivering rainfall, I'm not optimistic about outlooks for July and August."

Summer outlook heating up

Outlooks are also calling for above-normal temperatures, which will contribute to soil moisture maintenance and evapotranspiration in plants and grasses, he said. In high temperatures, it doesn't take long for plants and grasses to begin stressing, wilting without rain.

Smith said the Texas A&M Forest Service is concerned arid weather will create conditions for a severe late-summer wildfire season. Usually upticks in fires begin in mid- to late-July.

But state officials are tracking rising numbers of wildfire ignitions around the state already. Since June 9, Texas A&M Forest Service and local fire departments responded to 90 wildfires that burned a total of 21,692 acres. Many of the wildfires were sparked by equipment use, welding, mismanaged debris burning and roadside starts.

"The fire season has begun earlier than usual, and rainfall outlooks don't look significant," he said. "A tropical pattern could change everything, but all the signals are pointing to a hot, dry summer."

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

CENTRAL

Most areas needed moisture. A few areas received 0.5 to 1 inch of rain. Rain was in the forecast. Temperatures were in the 90s. Brush control was being done. Producers were cutting and baling hay, but yields were below average. Pastures dried down significantly, and corn received rains a little too late as most fields had tasseled and formed ears. Early season corn looked promising, but late-planted fields needed rain badly. Corn silage harvest started. Cotton needed rain within the next five to 10 days. Nearly all counties reported short soil moisture. Overall rangeland and pasture conditions were mostly good, while crop conditions were fair. Livestock conditions were good overall.

FAR WEST

Temperatures averaged above 100 degrees with lows in the mid-60s. Rain showers produced 0.5 to 3 inches of rain mostly in central parts of the district. Hail and small funnel clouds were spotted, but minimal damage occurred. High winds and hot days caused rangeland grasses to dry out. Fires have become more prevalent in some areas.

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Areas that received storms reported flooding and washed out fields. Emerged cotton was damaged, and the majority that hadn't emerged was most likely washed out. Most all dryland cotton was expected to fail, and sorghum was not expected to produce much if anything. Irrigated cotton was suffering and will worsen as plants get closer to blooming. Corn pollinated and was now in the soft dough stage. Water use was at its peak, and growers would like to shift some water to cotton. If they do, corn will suffer without rain. Watermelons and pecans were hanging on but needed water. All remaining winter wheat and oats left were grazed out. Most pastures had little to no grass, and cattle were relying on supplemental feed. Some liquidation may start soon. Shipping of lambs began. Farmers finished up cotton planting and replanting.

WEST CENTRAL

Days were hot, dry and windy. Cotton planting neared completion with most dryland fields needing moisture to emerge. Irrigation had difficulty keeping up with crop moisture requirements. Rangelands and pastures showed signs of moisture stress. Livestock were in fair to good condition. Cattle markets were steady with large runs reported.

SOUTH

Most areas reported mild weather conditions with very short to adequate soil moisture levels. Daytime temperatures were in the 90s. Maverick County reported 2-3 inches of rain and cloudy conditions. Jim Wells County also reported 2-plus inches of rain. Frio and Starr counties reported some scattered rainfall. Peanut planting continued. Corn was maturing and drying out. Cotton was in the bloom, and Bermuda grass hay was being cut and baled. Hit-and-miss rain showers in Hidalgo County made it hard for farmers to cultivate their sesame crops and spray their cotton. Showers have also slowed hay production. Grain sorghum and cotton in Hidalgo County continued to be harvested. Corn was drying out and nearing harvest time as well. Irrigation applications were active on cotton, cucumbers and corn. Melon harvest was expected to begin soon. Sorghum fields made good progress. Wheat and oat harvests were completed. Wind speeds decreased, which helped moisture to stay in the topsoil longer. Food plots of sorghum and sunflowers were growing. Irrigated crops like the watermelons, cantaloupes and coastal Bermuda grass were in good condition. Livestock producers reported native rangeland and pasture conditions were mostly fair to good but declining in drier areas. Forage production in wetter areas continued to improve.

Volumes at local cattle auctions remained low and cull sales declined. Feeder calf prices were low but steady for this time of year. Pecan growers were busy applying irrigation water, with no severe insect pressures reported.

RECORDS

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Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover Rd.
Dana Kay Peach, 1806 N 13th, Lamesa
Nicole Preston, 1605 E 11th place, Big Spring
Jacquelin Dannon Ramey, 1404 E 6th St. Big Spring
Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
Byron Roberts, 2206 Alabama St Big Spring
Michael Robinson, 801 Anne St., Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring
Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City
Polly Ann Rusk, 4201 W Hwy 80, Big Spring
Elizabeth Salazar, 1808 Hearn, Big Spring, Texas
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Derrick Dewayne Smith, 703 West 16th, San Angelo, Texas
Leon Torres, 1500 Lincoln, Big Spring
Michael Ray Watson, 1503 Tucson Rd., Big Spring
Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, 2526 Fairchild, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd., Apt. #28, Big Spring

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Isomeric Industries Inc.
Defendant: Coil Chem, LLC
Type of Case: Civil Case - other
Date: June 19, 2020

Plaintiff: Cavalry SPV I, LLC assignee of Citibank N.A.
Defendant: Tommy Chavarria
Type of Case: Contract – Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: June 19, 2020

Plaintiff: Chris Chaney
Defendant: Terri Chaney
Type of Case: Divorce – children
Date: June 22, 2020

Plaintiff: State of Texas
Defendant: David Parrish
Type of Case: Seizure
Date: June 22, 2020

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Thurman Ricky White and Pamela R. White
Grantee: Jacob Marquez and Tanya Marquez
Property: A tract of land in Sec. 44, block 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry Co. Survey.
Date: June 12, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.
Grantee: Laura Weber Isele and Frederick C. Isele, Jr. co-trustees of the Frederick C. Isele Jr. and Laura W. Isele trust agreement u/a/d March 5, 2013
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.
Grantee: Lyle W. Miller and Sara E. Wood, co-trustees of the Lyle and Theresa Miller Living Trust u/a/d May 22, 2018
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.
Grantee: Mary E. Johnson
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.
Grantee: Aaron Olson
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.
Grantee: Julie Olson
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey

Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.

Grantee: Lucas Olson
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

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Grantee: Jamie Marner
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

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Grantee: David J. Weber
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

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Grantee: James K. Weber
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: David J. Weber and Laura Weber Isele as co-trustees of the James and Margaret Weber revocable Texas property trust u/a/d January 19, 2010.

Grantee: Thomas L. Weber
Property: Section 35, block 33, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: June 10, 2020

Grantor: William Darrell Grambling
Grantee: Ruben Diaz and Esmeralda Diaz
Property: Lot 10, block 31
Date: June 15, 2020

Grantor: George Morado
Grantee: Angel Velazquez
Property: A 5 acre tract of land, more or less (Tract A) out of the SW/4 of Section No. 23, block 33, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.
Date: June 15, 2020

Grantor: Justin Morgan and Carol Morgan
Grantee: Flora C. Cibrian
Property: Lot 16, block 7, North Belvue Addition
Date: June 16, 2020

Grantor: William Richard Leach
Grantee: William W. Leach
Property: Lot 32, block 5, Douglass Addition
Date: June 18, 2020

Grantor: Marcos Deleon
Grantee: Kayla Torres
Property: Tract No. 1: Lot 7, block 3, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1; Tract No. 2: N'20 of 8, block 3, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1; beginning at the Northwest corner of Lot 8.
Date: June 17, 2020

Grantor: Lanny Kirby
Grantee: Clint Stanley and Brittny Stanley
Property: Being a 10.08 acre tract (Tract 4A) (N/2 of Tract 4) out of the SW/4 of Sec. 8, block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: March 16, 2020

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Liens

Grantor: Helen Richardson, single person
Grantee: Emily Marie Holguin
Property: Being lot 6, block 7, Avion Village
Date: June 12, 2020

Grantor: J. Hopper Homes, LLC
Grantee: John Irwin
Property: Being lot 6, Hill Country Estates
Date: June 15, 2020

Grantor: Anthony Heath Wright
Grantee: Truth and Love Homes, LLC
Property: Being all of lot 1, block 3, Hillcrest Terrace
Date: June 15, 2020

Grantor: John Irwin and Ashli Irwin
Grantee: Robert Parks
Property: Being all of Lot 15, block 5, replat of lots 2-9, Inc., block 4, and replat of all block 5 of the amended plat of Muir Heights Addition
Date: June 15, 2020

Grantor: Darla J. Barton Lynch and Dale E. Earnest and Danita G. Earnest
Grantee: Kaci Michelle Allen and Larry Evans Allen II
Property: Lot 21, block 6, Suburban Heights Addition
Date: June 16, 2020

Grantor: Russell L. Bush and Julie Robin Bush
Grantee: Thomas E. Black Jr.
Property: Tract 1: Lot 7, block 3, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1; Tract 2: The N.20'8, block 3, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1
Date: June 17, 2020

Grantor: Lisa Kim Sledge and Karen sue Nachlinger
Grantee: Vanesa Rodriguez
Property: Acres: 0.506, Lot 12, block 4, Western Hills IRR 123 acq 08242015 block/tract 331S 0.506 acres, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas as shown on the 2015 Howard CAD property information sheet, dated Aug. 5, 2015, property ID#R000010694. Property Location 2700 Navajo Drive, Big Spring, Howard County.
Date: June 19, 2020

Grantor: Andrea Cansino, Gaylon Knowlton, Ginger Eggleston and Cheryl Castillo
Grantee: Savannah L. Perkins
Property: Being a 1.52 acre tract comprised of 3 tracts: 0.506 acre tract described in a warranty deed filed in Volume 1040, Page 180, of the Official Records of Howard County, Texas, a 0.505 acre tract described in a warranty deed filed in Volume 777, Page 147, of the Official Records of Howard County, Texas, and a 0.510 described in a warrant deed filed in Volume 556, Page 300, of the Deed Records of Howard County, Texas all out of the NW/4 of Section 45, block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
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Sealed Bids for construction of Runway 6-24 PAPI Installation and Taxiway E Lighting Improvements will be received by Mr. Shane Bowles, Public Works Director, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, until 3:00 PM local time on 7/07/2020, at which time Bids received will be opened and read. Project consists of installation of taxiway lights and a PAPI-2 on Runway 6-24.

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Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with Section 00 21 13, "Instructions to Bidders."

ADDENDUM NO:1

Attention to all Prospective Bidders/Plan Holders is directed to the following modifications for the referenced Project Manual, Specifications, and Drawings. This Addendum forms part of Project Manual and Specifications, shall be attached to Project Manual and Specifications, and modifies original Specifications dated May 2020 as noted:

I. CHANGES TO NOTICE TO BIDDERS/ADVERTISEMENT:

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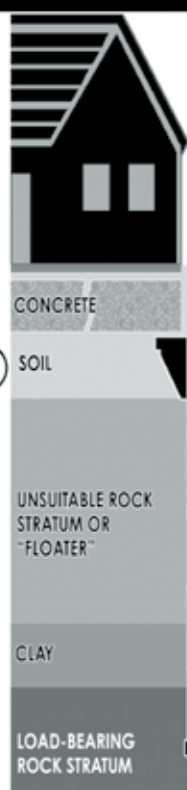
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 035-2019 WHICH ADOP- TED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY ACCEPTING THE CORONA VIRUS RELIEF FUND FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS CARES ACT DISTRI- BUTION TO BE USED FOR COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EXPENSES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLI- CATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC HUNTING ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AT O. H. IVIE RESERVOIR

Application for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas will be accepted by mail only beginning July 15, 2020 and ending August

Public Notice

15, 2020, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office.

Hunting Permits will be limited, and requests for information and application packets should be made by calling the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) at 432-267-6341, or by writing to:

CRMWD
ATTN: Public Hunting
P.O. Box 869
Big Spring, Texas 79721
www.crmwd.org/recreation

A public drawing for the WMA Public Hunting Permits for the 2020 Hunting Season, will be held at 1:00 p.m. on August 21, 2020, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office, located near the north end of the dam. All applicants are welcome to attend the drawing, if they desire.

#10555

PUBLIC NOTICE

Advertisement for Request for Proposals

RFP# 20-006 SIMULATION LAB ENTERPRISE AUDIO VISUAL CAPTURE & MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Howard County Junior College District is accepting sealed Requests for Proposals for a Simulation Lab Enterprise Audio Visual Capture & Management System.

Documents may be obtained from Steven A. Smith, Chief Business Officer, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720. Responses will be accepted through 2:00 PM, Tuesday, July 14, 2020, in Old Main South Annex, Room A2, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be read into record.

All questions should be directed to Steven A. Smith, Chief Business Officer, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432) 264.5019. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all responses

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Bids

The Forsan Independent School District is now accepting bids for the following:

RFB # 20-003 – Concrete Work

Public Notice

Documents may be obtained from Jason Mims, Business Manager, Forsan ISD, 411 W 6th St., Forsan, TX 79733, (432) 457-2223 x 223. Bids will be accepted through 2:00 PM CST on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 in the Superintendent's Office, Forsan JH/HS, 411 W 6th St., Forsan, TX 79733, at which time they will be read into record. Proposers are instructed that a formal opening will not occur. The District will negotiate with qualified proposers concerning documents submitted. The final determination of proposal award will be made at a future board meeting.

All questions should be directed to Jason Mims, Business Manager, Forsan ISD, 411 W 6th St., Forsan, TX 79733, (432) 457-2223 x 223., e-mail jmims@forsan.esc18.net Forsan Independent School District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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Courthouse, 117 E. Currie Street, Garden City, Texas, until **9:00 am., July 13, 2020**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened, read aloud and tabulated. These bids will subsequently be considered for award by the Commissioners Court of Glasscock County. The Commissioners Court may, at its discretion, award to more than one bidder.

Each bid should include: **1) the unit price per cubic yard (or per ton) bid for the specified graded base material and 2) the location in Glasscock County of the pit or stockpiled material;** and shall be **signed by the Bidder**. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the **Glasscock County Judge**. The envelope should have the name of the Bidder and **"July 2020 Graded Base Bid"** typed or written on the outside of the envelope. If submitted by mail or delivery service, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Glasscock County Judge, P.O. Box 67, 117 E. Currie Street, Garden City, Texas 79739. Any bid received after the time and date specified will not be considered.

Glasscock County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicalities, informalities or minor defects, or to accept the proposal or proposals they deem to be in the best interest of Glasscock County, including awarding to more than one bidder.

Material Specifications

Successful Bidder(s) shall furnish uncontaminated material of uniform quality that meets the following specifications from the 2014 Edition of the Texas Department of Transportation *Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets, and Bridges*:

Graded Base shall be **Grade 1, Type A** material, in accordance with the requirements for 1) gradation, 2) liquid limit and 3) plasticity index, as set forth in **Table 1 – Material Requirements under Item 247 – Flexible Base**. Additives such as lime, cement, fly ash, or other materials shall not be used to modify aggregates in order to meet these requirements, or

Modified Grade 1 (maximum size material <1½"), **Type A** material, in accordance with the requirements for 1) gradation, 2) liquid limit and 3) plasticity index, as set forth in **Table 1 – Material Requirements under Item 247 – Flexible Base**. Additives such as lime, cement, fly ash, or other materials shall not be used to modify aggregates in order to meet these requirements.

Before any material is purchased by the County, the successful bidder(s) must submit to the County Judge a report from an acceptable testing laboratory certifying

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that the material to be purchased meets or exceeds these material specifications.

Address questions concerning these specifications or bid procedures to Don W. Bonifay, Engineer for Glasscock County, at donbonifay@gmail.com, or (432) 230-6815.

Measurement and Delivery

The specified material shall be supplied and measured by the cubic yard or by the ton. Conversion factor between cubic yards and tons will be assumed to be 1.25 tons/cubic yard unless bidder submits proof of a different conversion factor which must be confirmed by the County's Engineer.

Material shall be located at the successful Bidder's location, which must be in Glasscock County. This location shall be stated in the bid document. There is no minimum or guaranteed quantity of material stated or implied with the award of this bid.

Bids will include these options:

1. Material loaded by the successful Bidder into trucks provided by the County; and
2. Material loaded by the County into trucks provided by the County.

The term of this bid shall be six months from the date of award.

Payments

Bids submitted shall be a unit price amount (in U.S. Dollars), which shall constitute the total cost for each cubic yard or ton requested and received by Glasscock County. Payment shall be monthly. Invoices submitted to the Glasscock County Treasurer at least seven days prior to the Glasscock County Commissioners Court's regularly scheduled meeting, will be paid within two days after that Court meeting. Invoices shall include daily individual tickets showing quantities loaded each day.

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Level: Advanced

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

ANSWER:



By Steve Becker

Post-mortem

South dealer. North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠10762
♥5
♦Q863
♣K1094

WEST
♠—
♥KJ97632
♦954
♣632

EAST
♠AKQJ4
♥A4
♦1072
♣875

SOUTH
♠9853
♥Q108
♦AKJ
♣AQJ

The bidding:
South West North East
1 NT 2♥ 2 NT Dble
Opening lead — seven of hearts.

This deal reportedly occurred in England some years ago during a match between two teams of medical students.

At the first table, South wound up playing at two notrump doubled after the bidding shown. North's two-notrump bid will most likely be regarded by many readers as a strange distortion of his values, but ours is not to reason why — we merely report what happened.

East had good reason to doubt South's ability to make two notrump, so he doubled. Apparently, the standard of play was much higher than

the standard of bidding, because the defense proceeded to function perfectly and exacted the maximum penalty.

East won the heart lead with the ace, cashed five spade tricks, then returned a heart, through declarer's Q-10. The defense thus scored the first 12 tricks, and South finished down 2,000.

There must have been something peculiar about the North hand that appealed more to the medical eye than it would to most others, because the bidding at the second table took this exotic turn:

South West North East
1 NT 2♥ 2♣ Pass
3♠ Pass Pass Dble

East thought it unlikely that three spades could be made, so he doubled when that contract rolled around to him. After leading the ace of hearts, he cashed the A-K-Q-J of trump and played another heart. When the smoke cleared, the autopsy revealed that South had gone down eight — 2,400 points, including East's 100 honors.

Thus, the North-South pair that went down "only" 2,000 at the first table gained 400 points on the deal! Our source does not reveal whether they viewed the operation as a success, but they obviously bid the hand better than the North-South pair at the other table!

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to beach fun. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 16 = s)

A. 16 19 13 18 25

Clue: Covered in grit

B. 16 5 13 17 8 6 24 11

Clue: Solar illumination

C. 16 10 19 6 5 17 17

Clue: Coastal bird

D. 16 2 8 14 16 5 8 11

Clue: Water wear

Answers: A. sandy B. sunbight C. seagull D. swimsuit

Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS

Mars in Aries Day One

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll gladly be someone's safety net. It will be tempting to provide such a help to one who is already very capable, but, of course, helping those who really need it is more important.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Don't worry about being original today. You already are and cannot help but be. Copying work you admire will prime you for eventually creating your own masterpiece.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Whether you like or agree with a person is probably irrelevant to your strategy today. In order to make the goal, you must give the person with the ball your full support.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You often learn the most from people you disagree with, which is why it makes no sense to circulate strictly with people who are like you.

Diversity is strength.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's a world of difference between what people say and what they do. Your comprehensive understanding comes from observing others in action, all the while knowing that each move speaks volumes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The pro is just an amateur who has made and recovered from many mistakes. Your personal life will benefit from the application of a few marketing principles, particularly, knowing your niche and differentiating yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). One person's bitterness may cause mild annoyance for the world at large but will be potent poison to the bitter individual. For an immediate health boost, release all grievances and grudges.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Should you impart your exact vision, or should you

be more collaborative? The art is in what you leave out. When in doubt, choose space and let people fill it with their imaginations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are wise to the fact that urgency is usually a disguise people use to get more quickly to the result they want. Take back the power. Do things on your timetable, not theirs.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Different languages exist within the same language. You listen to what people speak and speak their language back to them, thus creating an atmosphere of trust.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll find yourself aware of your own presence and wondering who the "you" is who seems to be witnessing you. In this way, you are similar to most of the great gurus and spiritual-seekers who have walked this earth.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It makes no sense to worry about what could be. It's impossible to judge the probability of this thing you are worried about, so why try. Let it go. What will be, will

be.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 28). It's all good surprises this year! You'll love how relationships support you in ways you expect, and many you don't. You'll make purposeful commitments and affirm your beliefs in actions taken through the fall. There's a new resource that opens up at the end of 2020, allowing you to surpass prior limits. Aries and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 19, 6, 22, 9 and 1.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Mars is hotheaded in Aries. Normally, this transit would last a few weeks. Because of a well-placed retrograde, Mars will be aggressively at home until the early shades of 2021. Sound familiar? With this plethora of passionate energy in the mix, it is wise to touch back on virtuous values such as patience and maturity.

It is easy to be re-active. This is the way of children. A mature

mind is one that has developed a tolerance for a certain amount of discomfort. Instead of reacting immediately to a stimulus, there's an ability to pause and consider the next action. In a reactive world, restraint, curiosity and humility are actually a superpower. These are the qualities that are sorely lacking in our current hostile environment. When a mature mind is in the driver's seat, the action doesn't have to be perfect to cause a degree of harmony. Intent matters. So does leadership.

Leaders are made, not born. While certain personality types are more likely to want to lead than others, wanting to be in charge does not, in and of itself, make a good leader. The best leaders are often reluctant assumers of responsibility who took the reigns out of a sense of duty because others either weren't stepping up or were ill-equipped for the position.

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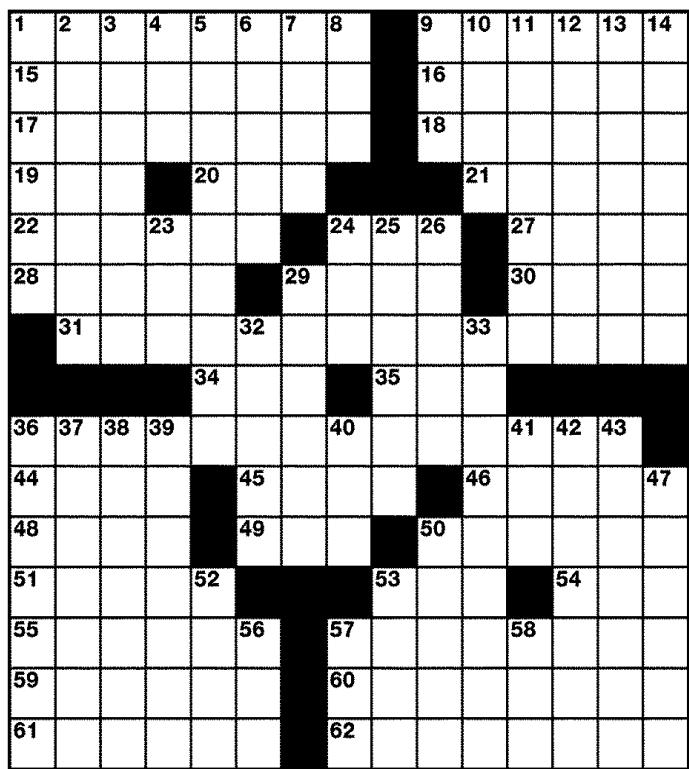
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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Lester Ruff Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS 1 Familiarize (oneself) 9 Way out 15 Toll road alternative 16 Courage to Change seller 17 Not readily shared 18 Benefit of exercise 19 Common core 20 Monarca hereditaria 21 Latter-day chickpea product 22 Nearly all bananas, to botanists 24 ___ Things Considered (bird blog) 27 Ruckus 28 Pop ___ 29 Motive for a negative opinion 30 Big buzzing beast in Futurama 31 Accidental 34 See 24 Down 35 Extremity indicator 36 Sound advice from a decorator 44 Buffet servers 45 Former IndyCar apparel provider 46 "The ___ Administration" (Hamilton tune) 48 Determination 49 It's had OMG since 2011 50 Hymnal praise 51 Square 53 '80s mile-run record holder 54 Antonym of "exciting" 55 eBook ancestor 57 Myanmar's second city

- DOWN 1 Facet 2 Science Olympiad setting 3 Get-it-over-with-quick 4 People, so to speak 5 Frond features 6 They'll get into your dinner 7 In order 8 QANTAS hub 9 Get into your dinner 10 Zero-star dinner 11 Game Goldfinger cheats at 12 Carrey's Bruce Almighty girlfriend 13 Caption anagram 14 Alert to take a defensive position 23 Vowelless Scrabble play 24 With 34 Across, train hobbyist's buy 25 Opening announcement 26 Product name not derived from 56 Down 29 Economic incentive for innovation 32 Spanish word for "courtyard" 33 Completed an accounting 36 City on the Savannah 37 Nut butter descriptor 38 Cue from a quarterback 39 Ship now an L.A. maritime museum 40 Creature swallowed by crocodiles 41 Way to 47 Down 42 Universal Studios D'oh-nuts seller 43 Any of seven members of a UN member 47 Consent 50 Cable car signals 52 Follower of fair, foul or free 53 City near the English Channel 56 pH adjuster in cosmetics 57 Test in a tube 58 Endeavoring to be



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Answer to previous puzzle BAA ALVA LAURA OWL SLAIN ELTON LAT TENSEMONT AROMA DOMINANCE SESAME RICA NOD KOAN CARB SALESREP DRAMA AGES PRESS OMAN TOGAS GOTSMART DESK SETI MAC CHIA TODDLE ANAEROBES RERAN COFFEEBREAK ABE ATEIT LIARS GEM WESTS EELS SLY 6/27/20



Annie's Mailbox

Dealing with a Dinner Table Bully

Dear Annie: I know a 60-year-old woman who wears high-heeled shoes and no pantyhose with miniskirts -- without even a slip underneath. When she wears light-colored miniskirts, they're somewhat see-through in the daylight. She wears bikini-style underwear, and through the skirt, there are visible rolls around her bottom, waist and stomach. She's not really someone to whom I can say something, so what would you recommend? -- Curious

Dear Curious: Quit looking so closely.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been socializing with another couple, "Cal" and "Sandy," for many years. We go out to dinner often and have taken trips together. Cal has always made snide and off-color remarks. He would say derogatory things about my political affiliation, my profession (I'm a teacher) and my children. He always laughs and acts like he is joking. I usually brushed it off and chalked it up to him being an insecure bully.

Recently, he asked my opinion about our pastor's request that we wear face masks in public to keep others safe. I said that I thought it was important, especially since my

father was currently in the hospital suffering from the coronavirus. He is a resident of a nursing home that has been on lockdown since March, and there was a large outbreak of the virus at his home. It has been a difficult time for my family since we have not been able to visit him.

A few days later, we were having dinner with Cal and Sandy along with two other couples. Cal made a snide comment about my political affiliation, which I brushed off, and he made a snide comment about my profession, which I also brushed off. He then made derogatory comments about my dad's so-called coronavirus illness. My dad had just been released from the hospital that day and, thankfully, was doing much better. I was shocked and didn't say anything at that time.

The next day, I did a lot of thinking and decided to cut this man out of my life. I unfriended him on social media and made a vow to not associate with him again. Is it fair to ask my husband to also quit associating with Cal? It's going to be difficult because we go to the same church, and he and my husband are in a club together. -- Hurting in Louisville

Dear Hurting in Louisville: Cutting Cal out of your life sounds

like a great decision. He sounds insensitive and like a true bully. Right now, your focus should be on your well-being and your family's well-being. In the future, if you find yourself with a bully such as Cal, and the wherewithal to have such a conversation, consider telling him to stop the snide comments. Sticking up for yourself is an act of self-care that can create a ripple effect of others sticking up for themselves, too.

It's time to have an honest talk with your husband. He heard what Cal said about your father and your profession, as well as Cal's lack of social graces so as not to discuss political issues at the dinner table. When this happens in the future, how would you like your husband to support you? And if he is to continue his friendship with Cal, then your husband must demand an apology from Cal to you.

What about Sandy? She has to be married to this man. Reaching out to her might also be a good idea.

Best of luck either ridding yourself of Cal or teaching him some manners and lessons in kindness.

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

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BBB Scam Research: Employment scams hit those already in financial crisis

A new study released by the Better Business Bureau (BBB) finds that nearly three-quarters of those who lose money to employment scams are already in financial crisis, and do not have enough income to cover their monthly bills. In addition, more than half of people targeted by employment scams (53%) reported being unemployed at the time of the encounter.



Employment scams were the #1 riskiest scam in 2018 and 2019, according to the BBB Risk Index, which measures exposure, susceptibility, and monetary loss based on reports to BBB Scam Tracker. Only weeks after the release of the latest BBB Scam Tracker Risk Report in early March, the COVID-19 pandemic forced the shut-down of businesses across North America. Hundreds of thousands who lost their jobs began seeking new jobs via online platforms and other means. In response, BBB launched a new research project to better understand how employment scams are being perpetrated, who is being targeted, the overall impact of these scams, and how to help people avoid losing money to them.

The Employment Scams Report examines findings from an April 2020 survey of 10,670 U.S. and Canadian consumers reporting employment scams to BBB Scam Tracker. One surprising finding is that sixty-five percent of consumers reported that their "job offer" was related to becoming a "warehouse redistribution coordinator" or some similar

titles involving the reshipment of packages (which often involve stolen goods). In many cases, these scammers impersonated well-known retailers like Amazon and Walmart to seem legitimate, posting jobs on major online employment platforms with few prerequisites or requirements.

The report also highlights those who are most at risk for employment scams. Students and individuals ages 25-34 were more susceptible and likely to be victimized, while those ages 45-54 and 65+ reported higher median dollar losses. In addition, military spouses and veterans were more likely to fall victim than non-military consumers, and reported losing significantly more money to employment scams. In Texas, 108 employment scams were reported to Scam Tracker between March and May of this year, an increase of 28% over the same time period in 2019.

Survey results reinforced that consumer education is a critical component of fighting back against these scammers. Those who avoided losing money were much more likely to report previous knowledge of employment scams and tactics (20% versus 7%).

Use these tips to avoid falling victim to employment scams:

Be aware of unusual procedures. Job offers without interviews are a red flag of employment scams, as well as employers that overpay and ask to wire back the difference. Take note of companies that promise opportunities or high income if you pay them for training.

Check official job postings. Scammers will often use emails, social media or online job boards to

reach targets. They are also known to use actual company names, addresses and human resource contacts found on the internet. If a job posting seems too good to be true, go directly to the company website and check their career page directly. If a website is charging you for information about a job opening, it is probably a scam.

Educate yourself. Being aware of how a scam works is key in protecting yourself and your wallet. For example, some jobs, such as secret shoppers or caregivers, are more likely to be fronts for employment scams. You can visit BBB.org/ScamTracker to see what employment scams look like in your area.

For tips on how to avoid employment scams, visit BBB.org/EmploymentScams.

To learn more about how scammers are targeting employees working from home during COVID-19, go to BBB.org to find tips from BBB Serving the Heart of Texas.

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Housing market buffeted by the coronavirus and economic shutdown, but the outlook is brighter

Special to the Herald

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Data from the latest Health of Housing Markets Report (HoHM Report) from Nationwide economics finds that housing sustainability in the U.S. has fallen to levels not seen since the depths of the Great Recession.

Across the United States, the dramatic worsening of the labor market due to COVID-19 caused the national Leading Index of Healthy Housing Markets (LIHHM) to fall sharply in the second quarter to 100.3, down by almost six points from the first quarter. This puts the LIHHM only into neutral territory, however, indicating modest concerns about housing sustainability for the national housing market into the first half of 2021. Despite the hit to housing coming from the drop in the job market in the first half of 2020, low mortgage rates and continued solid household formations should lead to a quicker improvement during the expected economic rebound.

The HoHM report is a quarterly measure of the health of the U.S. housing market using the LIHHM, a proprietary, data-driven view of the near-term performance of housing markets for the nation as a whole and for 400 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) and divisions. For each MSA, the LIHHM uses local-level data to incorporate the unique characteristics of regional housing markets. The focus of the LIHHM is on the entire housing market's health, rather than a projection of house prices or home sales.

More concern about local markets

In a sharp turn from the first quarter, the HoHM report finds only 44 of 400 MSAs are

rated positively, down from 233 in the first quarter. Meanwhile, 219 of 400 housing markets in the U.S. are now in neutral territory, while 137 markets have a negative ranking, the highest number of negative rankings since the third quarter of 2010. Fortunately, 120 of these markets are negative by only one ranking (out of a possible four), indicating a slightly elevated concern about housing health in those markets. The remaining 17 negative markets have a minus two ranking, indicating a modest downturn in the housing market is likely in the near term.

"The breakdown of rankings for metropolitan areas is the weakest it's been since 2010, with only about 10 percent of markets now rated positively," said David W. Berson, Nationwide senior vice president and chief economist. "A quarter of all housing markets are now negative, and half are in neutral territory, showing just how widespread the impact of COVID-19 has been within local markets across the U.S."

Mandated stay-at-home orders to flatten the infection curve of COVID-19 shut down housing markets across most of the country during the typically busy spring buying season. Existing home sales plunged by 17.8 percent for April and home builders substantially cut housing starts in anticipation of reduced homebuyer demand.

Looking forward, Nationwide economics projects a 13 percent decline for total home sales in 2020, which will be the largest drop in year-over-year sales since 2008. Despite the overall decline, signs of recovery have appeared in the second quarter.

FLOWER

Continued from Page 3B

the living Christmas Trees, this has become a very special tradition for our customers," Teri said. "The City of Big Spring will accept donated living Christmas tree if someone buys one and cannot plant it, also Howard College.

"We have customers from all over the state, I have even helped a customer from New York City. We specialize in the personal touch; our customer is like family to us," she said.

"Our business has evolved just like everything else. I remember when our plants came in metal containers and the trees were wrapped in burlap. This business is a blessing for us and for our community. Not only are we adding beauty to our town but we are providing jobs. We have high school kids who come work here on weekends and during the summer. Randy Hull is over our landscaping and irrigation crew and is loved by everyone. He started in 1996. We have former employees who come back and help out," she said.

"We work with local groups to help with fund raisers. I am very involved with Relay for Life and we support our local sports teams. When people shop with us, they are not only supporting a local business but giving back to the community as well. We are very fortunate that other business in town support us too," Teri said.

The manager of a nursery overhears an employee talking to a customer. "No, we haven't had any of that in a long time," the employee said. "And I don't know when we will be getting any more."

The customer leaves and the manager walk over to talk to the employee.

"Never tell a customer we can't get them something," he said. "Whatever it is they want we can order it and then deliver it." The employee nods. "What did they want?" asks the manager.

"Rain," replies the employee.

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CAT

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losing hair; vomiting; has a change in appetite, water consumption or litter box use, or if the owner notices skin lesions or parasites, it is worth a visit to the veterinarian."

Teller also advises that cat owners who are allergic to their pet may be bothered by cat dander and that a veterinary visit may allow for treatment of the cat that can help alleviate allergy symptoms in their owner.

"The treatment for feline dandruff will depend on the cause," Teller said. "Some parasites may be treated with good flea control. Infections may require topical or systemic antibiotics or antifungals. Certainly, any underlying systemic disease should be treated. If obesity or arthritis is part of the problem, weight loss or pain control may be recommended."

If no underlying problems are determined, an owner might be advised to brush their cat daily to distribute their pet's natural skin oils throughout the coat and remove existing dandruff. If a cat has long hair or a thick coat, the cat may need to be brushed several times a day.

Cat owners should consult their veterinarian to determine which grooming practices are best for their pet.

"If the dandruff is more than just a few flakes, if the cat is itchy or is not acting normally, or if anyone else in the family (human or animal) develops skin lesions, it is worth a trip to the veterinarian," Teller said.


Although it is important for pet owners to practice their due diligence and check in with their veterinarian to rule out the more serious causes of feline dandruff, Teller says that in many cases, dandruff is a minor condition.

"Most of the time, dandruff is a benign problem


for the cat," she said. "Fortunately, other cats don't judge them for flaky skin, so if your veterinarian gives your cat a clean bill of health, don't get too bothered by the dandruff."

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