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COVID-19 UPDATE
 Week of September 14th, 2020

ACTIVE COVID-19 CASES: 130	
Tests Performed	5507
Results Pending	11
Confirmed Positive	461
Regulation Tests	5085
Patients Recovered	302
Patients Follow Up Pending	15
Patients Exclusion	14

FCI Big Spring announces continued Covid-19 approach as cases move through the facility

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

From the national level, to state level, to local level, the plan to combat the coronavirus pandemic has not yet been made clear. Each level of our nation is taking the battle as best they can and FCI Big Spring is no different. While business must continue to operate as normal to ensure safety and security of the inmates, new procedures and protocols have been activated.

"Safety and security of our institution is always the first consideration in any decisions that are made. Keeping our communities safe, as well as our inmate population is our cumulative mission," Paula Chavez, President L3809 at FCI Big Spring, said.

FCI Big Spring is the only federal facility in Howard County and houses a total of 1,069 inmates between the gen-

eral population and the camp facility. "I believe we may be seeing a new normal throughout the Bureau in many aspects of our findings through this pandemic," she said. "From institution lay-out, to staffing levels, to screening sites, many things will be scrutinized in the after action to better prepare us. We are like a city within itself, and we have to do the best we can to slow the progress of this pandemic. Once it's here - which it is - our best defense becomes the correct actions to slow the spread."

Nationwide the Bureau of Prisons initiated what was a rare National Lock-down, as a way to combat the pandemic, according to Chavez. The lock-down called for all normal operations to cease and inmates were restricted to very minimal controlled/segregated movement within the housing units and institution. Services needed continued, but

there have been many changes to the delivery of those services. Our staff began bringing the services to the inmates instead of having them travel throughout the facility in large groups.

"Along with the national implementation, FCI Big Spring implemented staff cross-contamination rosters that restricted staff movement to a designated area of coverage. These early moves are what have thus far helped us keep our positive case count at approximately 10% of the population," she said.

Also as part of the National Lock Down implemented in April, visitations were put on pause. At this time no visitors are allowed, but inmates are remaining in contact through phone calls and mail. According to Chavez, plans are in motion to implement modified visits in the

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Dove Hunt Closing Ceremonies
 Spring Creek Fellowship
 Sept. 19
 6 p.m.

City Council Meeting
 Council Chambers
 Sept. 22
 5:30 p.m.

DAV 100th Anniversary
 Sept. 25

Rail Crossing Awareness Day
 Sept. 25

Bikes Across Big Spring
 Sept. 26
 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Coahoma Lion's Club Trade Day & City Wide Garage Sale
 Sept. 26
 8 - 5 p.m.

Friends of the Library Book Sale
 Oct. 16-17
 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

White Sock Campaign kicks off for PAD Awareness Month - Raising Awareness one sock at a time



Courtesy photo

The White Sock Campaign has been going for the past couple of years as SMMC Wound Care Center aims at raising awareness for PAD month.

By **IRIS RANGEL**
 Herald Staff Writer

Get involved with Wound Healing's annual PAD Awareness Campaign! Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) is a condition that develops when the arteries, that supply blood to the internal organs, arms, and legs, become completely or partially blocked as a result of atherosclerosis. Advanced PAD results in delayed wound healing and greater risk for limb loss.

The Save a Leg Save a Life Foundation has launched a fun

interactive way to educate the public about a common, yet serious condition that can result in heart attack, stroke, amputation, and even early death if left untreated.

"The goal of the Wound Healing Center's annual campaign is to increase awareness for timely detection and treatment to reduce the risk of amputation and improve the overall quality of life," SMMC's Director of Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine Tiffany Crawford said.

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Remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

The nation as we knew it changed forever 19 years ago on Sept. 11, 2001. On that fatal day, 2,977 people lost their lives and more than 6,000 were injured as two planes crashed into the World Trade Center towers, the Pentagon and a field in Pennsylvania. The Sept. 11 attack is the deadliest terrorist attack on United States soil since Pearl Harbor.

Last Friday, the 14th annual 9/11 Memorial at the Plaza was held in honor of those locally who gave their lives in the fight since September 11. In addition to honoring those locals who lost their lives, the ceremony serves as a tribute to all civil and military heroes. The ceremony is hosted by Disabled American Veterans Chapter #47 and the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

"The horrible sacrifices of human life that were made on that dreadful September day. Let's always remember we are one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all, from sea to shining sea," DAV Commander Ed Meiser, said.

The Cross Roads Young Marines conducted a flag folding ceremony in honor of those who have fought for the United States and allowed for the freedoms that are held today. Following the flag fold-



HERALD photo/Amanda Duforata

The Cross Roads Young Marines held a flag folding ceremony at the 9/11 Memorial at the Plaza. The 14th annual event serves as an opportunity for the community to come together and remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice, from Howard County, since the 9/11 attacks.

ing, guest speaker Veteran Carlos Torres delivered a short speech recalling his time in the military and that dreadful day that has gone down in history.

Torres is a native of El Salvador and came to the United States landing in California, at the age of 7. After graduation, he joined the California National Guard in 1994 and transferred to the United

States Army in 1996. After 21 years of service, Torres retired in 2015 at the rank of Staff Sergeant, and currently is employed at the West Texas VA Healthcare System. He is also the Chaplain for the DAV Chapter # 47 in Big Spring.

"I want to start off by thanking every

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Obituaries

Linda Denise Stephens



Linda Denise Stephens, 64, of Big Spring was called to her heavenly home on Friday, Sept. 11, 2020. A celebration of life will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 21, 2020 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. A reception will follow at the Welch Reception Center from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Linda came into this world Dec. 11, 1955, in Amarillo, Texas. She married her soul mate Darrell Stephens, Feb. 3, 1982, in Big Spring, Texas. Linda's love of nursing lasted thirty years. Her adoration of life included family, family gatherings and anyone willing to share a meal in her home to experience her love of cooking. Her love of being a wife and mother lasted her lifetime which set her above all.

She leaves behind her husband of 38 years, Darrell Stephens. Two loving daughters, Dina King and Tiffany King both of Big Spring. Five adored grandchildren, Stormie Grigg of Big Spring, William Grigg of College Station, Jordin Petree, Zoie King and Shawn Dumont all of Big Spring. Two cherished great-grandchildren, Wyatt and Zaelyn Grigg. Two brothers, Chuck and Mark Stroud and one sister, Debra Maas of Big Spring and many loved nieces and nephews.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents Charles and Betty Jo Stroud.

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

Paid Obituary

Lucy McElreath

Lucy McElreath, 75, of Big Spring died Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020.

Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Brad Dugan

Brad Dugan, 62, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 11, 2020. Graveside service will be at 2:00 PM Monday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Brad was born April 15, 1958, in Snyder. He married Pam Ayers on March 6, 1981 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on May 31, 2017.

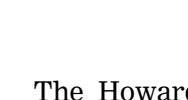
Brad is survived by one son: Brad Dugan, Jr. of Big Spring; mother: Pansy Dugan of Midland; two brothers: Danny Dugan of Stanton and Shelby Dugan of

Midland; one sister: Lisa Dugan of Midland; two grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Brad was preceded in death by his father Wayne Dugan.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com



Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 92 inmates at the time of this report.

- **ALONSO MUNOZ FLORES JR.**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on charges of bail jumping and failure to appear and assault family violence.

- **EPIFANIO JOE GUZMAN JR.**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on charges of failure to appear/manufacture delivery of a controlled substance penalty group one (less than one gram) (x2), unlawful possession of a firearm by felon, and evading arrest detention.

- **AKKEY MCVAE**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ASHLEY RAE MIRAMONTES**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by felon and parole violation.

- **RAYNA MARLENE RODRIGUEZ**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft of firearm.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **AKKEY THAQUION MCVAE**, 22, of 806 Ohio Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **RAYNA MARLENE RODRIGUEZ**, 23, of 1413 Wood, was arrested on a charge of theft of firearm.

- **ALONSO MUNOZ FLORES JR.**, 32, of 325 W. Leatherwood Road, was arrested on a charges of assault family violence threat or offensive touch and warrant – other agency.

- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson Road.

- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 1700 block of W. 4th Street.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 7800 block of N. Service Road.

- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of 4th and Goliad.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- **BURGLARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 1900 block of S. Goliad Street.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 300 block of W. Leatherwood Road.

- **THEFT OF FIREARM** was reported in the 1500 block of Kenney.

- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 600 block of State Street.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1600 block of Mesquite.

Mike Henry



Mike Henry, 59, of Big Spring died Monday Sept. 7, 2020 in Big Spring. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Mike is survived by his sister, Robyn Coatney of Amarillo, nieces Chezney Coatney and Haley Ferguson, nephew Alex Ferguson, great nephew Zoel Soto and great niece Elenor Stead.

Mike was born to Jan and Robert Henry on March 16, 1961 in Amarillo, Mike was a graduate of Coahoma High School, Class of 1979 and later went on to study journalism at Howard College.

spending time with family and friends, especially his grandchildren.

Peter is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Sandra; their children Debbie Hattenbach and husband James, Patty Hill, Wendy Levell and husband Ed, Lisa Speed and husband Mike, Charles Cahoon, bonus daughter Lori Speck and husband Mike; his sister Judy Yeakey; his grandchildren, Lindsey Gooding, Dustin Hattenbach, Davis Hannibal, Jenna Hannibal, Ross Speed, Taylor Griesbach, Allison Speed, Amy Blankenship, Claire Levell, Brantley Cahoon, Gage Speck and K'Dynce Speck; his 7 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters Grethen Burke and Barbara Roberts.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to the ETLD Scholarship at Howard College.

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Mike worked for nearly 40 years for several radio stations across west Texas, first as a DJ and later as a news director and award-winning reporter. From a range of George Strait to George W. Bush, Mike interviewed multiple celebrities, politicians and just plain regular people over the years. He was also a musician, composer/songwriter and artist himself.

Mike tirelessly reported the news, even while his health was declining, never losing his sense of professionalism nor sounding the worse for wear. He will be sorely missed by family, friends and community.

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

Paid Obituary

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.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama. No transport was required.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of 4th and Goliad. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Settles. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of S. Johnson Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Angela Road. No transport was required.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area

of FM 848 and N. Highway 87. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Westover. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of E. 15th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.



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Sandra Verdin

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planning for hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, and the location of other health services, estimating the number of people displaced by natural disasters and more. (Census.gov) Read more about the importance of the census data and how it impacts our community by visiting 2020census.gov. If you have responded to the census you have taken a step toward making Howard County count for the next ten years, take time to remind friends and family to respond today. Any information provided on the census is confidential by

law and cannot be used against you. Howard County counts, make sure you count for the next ten years. This week we will also open up late on Thursday, Sept. 24, the library will be closed from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will reopen the library at 2 p.m.

This week's reviews include:

The vector calculus blazing through Cas Russell's head lets her smash through armed men twice her size and dodge every bullet in "Zero Sum Game" (SF HUA S) by S.L. Huang.

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FCI

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near future. While coronavirus case numbers are looking high, at the moment, for FCI Big Spring; one of the highest in the system according to data recently released, it is not due to lack of safety protocols and is in alignment with projected numbers of Covid-19 case spread. "The flow of Covid through the United States had West Texas as the last to receive wide spread cases. We (FCI Big Spring) are no different and our sister institutions in our region had much higher numbers at a much faster rate earlier in the year," Chavez said. "Our only blessing in the struggle is that locally we have had the time to learn from what proved to be early unknown mistakes. Combine that with an amazing working relationship between staff and the current Warden Rick Marques, has us truly being successful thus far in comparison."

The overwhelming focus that has been taken on Covid cases in the prison system, including FCI, has shed light on the ever evolving pandemic and its arrival to the West Texas region and Howard County. While there are many negative impacts that have been felt across the nation from the pandemic, there are some good processes coming out of this challenge. As with everyone else - businesses, municipalities, school districts, etc. - FCI has also discovered some good altered operations that may remain after the pandemic. Currently all staff are being screened prior to daily entrance into the facility and those who do not pass the screening site are turned away and given the proper protocol to follow for their individual situation. "We have gone through great lengths at FCI Big Spring to alter, build and construct alternate housing areas for inmates who are positive symptomatic, positive asymptomatic and those who are negative. Thus far, these methods are proving overwhelmingly successful in com-

parison to the rate and effects other Bureau facilities have endured who weathered this storm before us," she said. "Inmates are placed into appropriate areas and closely monitored for any needs or changes. Only at the point that an inmate has fully recovered, and/or negative do they return to housing with other well inmates." One of the biggest challenges for the facility, according to Chavez, has been housing a large number of inmates together, due to the fact that we all know with the pandemic together is not better. The prison setting is not the ideal for the pandemic and almost serves as a petri dish for the virus. In addition to the creativeness and dedication it takes to be able to house the large number of inmates safely during this pandemic, the morale of the staff is a close second when it comes to challenges. "We ask that the community and families have faith and don't buy into the rumors," Chavez said. "We care and we care that you know we are here right now. The Federal Law Enforcement Officers - not guards, we

don't have guards - at FCI Big Spring pride ourselves on the public being able to forget we exist. That simply means a job well done." She continued, "Many of us here are homesteaders, third, fourth and fifth generation. We love our town and we take pride in providing an under-layer to the law enforcement community here that keeps us all safe at night along with our families. We are doing all we can to not only contain this in house, but now that Covid is our reality, every course of action we take is geared toward having this beast of a virus move very controlled and very slow through out our institution so we do not overwhelm our community resources and we minimize the impact on the public. Those with questions are encouraged to reach out to the FCI. Information will be provided as is able. Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

SOCK

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Raising awareness for this condition is easy and can be done with something you probably already own: one white sock! To help spread the message, simply wear one white sock on your leg, take a picture, and post it to your personal and institutional social media. Don't forget to tag Tiffany Crawford, the Wound Healing Center, and Scenic Mountain Medical Center. To put this condition in realtime perspective, according to Crawford, last year's census statistics show that PAD will effect over 700 Big Spring residents 65 and older. In addition to this, the Big Spring community has an extremely high diabetic population. One in three diabetics over the age of 50 is also likely to have the disease. Crawford has been an advocate for wound healing for the Big Spring community since 2018 and the campaign has been running annually ever since. The PAD campaign will run through the entire month of September, so there is still plenty of time to join in and bring awareness to the community. According to Crawford, 20% of people 65 and older have PAD today. PAD has signs and symptoms, but 40% of people with PAD do not experience symptoms. People 65 and older are two to three more times likely to undergo amputation and PAD contributes to 10-30% of all lower extremity ulcers. "The white sock is such a strong, unspoken symbol for promotion of solidarity alongside the many wound care patients that can often only wear one shoe," Crawford said. PAD is a tremendous impact of chronic wounds and this creates an even greater risk for limb loss. Those at higher risk:

- previous family history of heart disease
- high blood pressure
- high cholesterol

- previous heart attack or stroke
- overweight
- physically inactive

Typical signs of PAD:

- fatigue or heaviness in the limbs
- cramping in the thigh or calf after walking or climbing stairs followed by relief after resting
- leg or foot pain
- pale or blue skin color change on feet

"I am asking you, the city of Big Spring, to please join me in support for those diabetic patients with late-stage PAD who have had an amputation or risk of amputation due to delayed treatment by sporting one white sock," Crawford said. "Together, let's help save life and limb by kicking off this campaign city wide!" Please contact Tiffany Crawford at tiffany.crawford@steward.org if your organization is supporting this movement and is looking to snap group pictures. Iris Rangel is a Staff Writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email reporter@big-springherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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one for being here. You are here because there is something in your heart you want to keep on and not be forgotten," Torres said. "This is a blessed nation..." Joining the service was never a planned venture for Torres. The main focus was to make money for a car and a living. While he had seen recruiters visit his high school, contact was never made. After working in a warehouse job for about six months, at minimum wage, he realized he was not on the path for him. At that time, with the support and direction of his friends, he decided to pursue higher education. "I went to register for classes and they were having a job fair. The one next to me was a California National Guard. I payed attention to them and decided to ask some questions," Torres said. The National Guard representative explained the process; the enlistment required one weekend a month, two weeks out of the year and when needed. In Torres' mind, it was the perfect job. "I'm going to get highly trained. I'm going to come home and when they need me they will page me, and they will come pick me up in a helicopter and I will go on a mission," he said. "That's what I had in my mind. I didn't ask the guy any other questions because I think deep inside I had already made up my mind." After serving in the National Guard for two years, Torres switched to active duty with the Army. He served his time, working in tract vehicle repair. His plan was to work his four years as Active Duty, return back to California and serve as LAPD. Before he was completed, he served in Kuwait for six months. Once that tour was completed, he was headed back to National Guard and then to Navy Bravo school. "I learned a little bit of a different lifestyle, new personalities. Even though everyone has the same uniform you are going to meet different people and that's part of what makes this a beautiful place," Torres said. "It's about people, not about the organization that you work in, but the people." After Torres concluded his speech, the unveiling ceremony took place honoring the fallen soldiers. This year there was a new ribbon displayed honoring Steven Evrard for making a difference. Evrard was a former officer with the Big Spring Police Department and was killed in Iraq.

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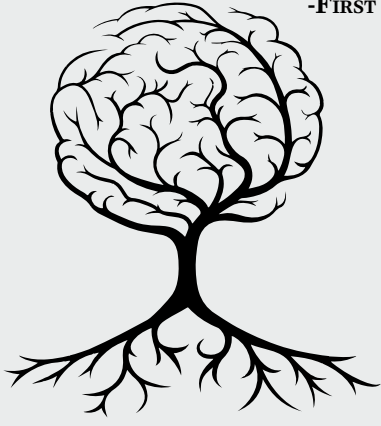

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Is Bend the new Luckenbach

Bret Cali has the general store and café at Bend in San Saba County. He is one clever dude and just might be the new Hondo Crouch, the late self-proclaimed foreign minister of Luckenbach. Hondo became famous for his shenanigans at the little town he bought and put on the map. Major singers appeared at Luckenbach, even wrote and sang songs about the place.

Bret is putting Bend on the map and is having fun doing it.

He has the perfect background for it.

He's a world traveler, marketing expert, entertainer and entrepreneur.

"People still love to go to those backwoods, out of the way places," says Bret. "I bought the store here at Bend after the previous owner told me I was crazy for even wanting it. I had similar establishments in other small towns, but something clicked when I got to Bend. I bought an

old building across the street, found an old board and painted Bend City Hall on it and we'll have 200 people a day taking pictures of it."

He has made Bend a destination for people looking for fun. Sometimes the line of cars around his place stretches for a mile or so. He is constantly busy finding musicians, preparing food, filling his store with merchandise and being a character.

"We have people from all walks of life that come here: rich folks, working folks, whatever. The vibe here is so good and everybody is so happy. You can relax here. I mean there are chickens jumping up on the stage while the band is playing. The drummer is right next to where the chickens roost so the drummer is having to shoo chickens off his snare drum and cymbals.

I never tell the band that's going to happen so it's something new to them. Tourists get a kick out of it."

You can spend the night at Bret's place.

He has cabins and an Airstream trailer he calls the Moon Pie Motel.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Golf

Dear Editor

I enjoyed the recent article about Alex Leuschner, a Big Spring golfer, now attending Big Spring High School. He is really playing some great golf. Alex is an exceptional young golfer and good enough, if he continues like new on the course, to go on after graduation and/or college to pursue golf as a professional. He is a super nice individual off the course as well. I enjoy keeping up with his accomplishments.

These are some other Big Spring golfers who lived in Big Spring and started playing golf here and became golf professionals.

They are out there touring golf pros and teaching golf pros (all PGA):

- John Basden: Golf pro at Tucson Arizona; Ventura Country Club
- Eric Lusk, previously golf pro at Austin, Texas
- Jake McCullough, golf pro now at Odessa CC, Odessa, Texas
- Jerry Simmons, previous golf pro at BSCC and Dallas area
- Joe Sharpnack, previous golf pro at Denver, Colorado, Applewood CC

When someone suggests that life is difficult, there's the temptation to ask, "Compared to what?"

Actors dating back to Shakespeare have cited another comparison concerning the difficulty of making audiences laugh. They've said it thusly: "Dying is easy, comedy is hard."

Within a specific current context, Fletcher's Corny Dog Pop-Up Stands are offering "bargains" when compared to the Dallas Cowboys' take-out menu during games at AT&T Stadium. The former is to make us mindful of the canceled Texas State Fair, and the latter to yesteryear's packed stadiums for Cowboy games.

My aged Uncle Mort, fiddle-string tight and apt to climb over gates to save hinges, remains a natural born skeptic. An advocate of the centuries-old phrase that a fool and his money are soon parted, he says that fools ordering AT&T take-out are instead "took-in."

The AT&T fare-for diehards whose game attendance currently is problematic at best-makes Fletcher's State Fair food seem cheap.

Cancellation of the fair is a "downer," but Fletcher's menu prices are "uppers" alongside the AT&T offering. For starters, Fletcher's "pop-up" stands offer corn—and assorted other dogs—for \$5-\$7 each. Lemonade at \$4 is the cheapest item. (Cash is NOT accepted, and orders must be placed in advance.)

Rail

Dear Editor

Per Texas Rail Advocates "In the last decade over \$19 billion in federal grants & programs were distributed to other states for freight & passenger rail projects & improvements. Texas got only .0001% of that \$19 billion."

Two Big Spring citizens – realizing Big Spring would not have any representative there for that purpose – took it upon their personal expense to attend the Dallas seminar.

Two grants were awarded to Big Spring. Big Spring has had a Ports to Plains representative for many years ---- result over \$100 billion was attracted & spent in the Big Spring area. Participation seems to pay.

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You might be there when opportunity knocks.

Patsy Sharpand

Big Spring

Bobby McDonald

Big Spring

Expensive tastes

You may want to float a loan for the AT&T Stadium's At Home Menu. Orders are due three days before Cowboy games and are to be picked up or delivered the day before the game.

The minimum order is for 4-6 people, or one can order for 10-14 or 16-20.

Featured spread is the "Sunday Fun Day Game Day," offering smoked prime rib, turkey, roast beef, ham, veggies and rolls for 16-20 people for \$1,200, or the family-sized portion for \$360. Don't know if they have the pre-figured 15%-20%-25% tip options. Delivery fee is \$15. You may NOT pass "go," but playing Monopoly instead of ingesting food that

reminds fans of the Cowboys might make more sense.

My friend Lanny Hall and his wife Carol get "kicks" out of culinary procurements in out-of-the-way places, the kind often staffed by teens with limited arithmetic skills.

On a recent trip to Branson, they scarfed down wonderful fried pies at a small store in a sleepy town. They decided to buy a half-dozen pies to munch later at their Branson condo.

"Sorry, can't do it," the young man said. Figuring he might be befuddled by the "half-dozen" number, Lanny countered: "Can you sell me one fried pie six times?" The deal was on....

Back home in Abilene, he ordered eight hushpuppies from the take-home menu. "I can't sell you eight," the teen responded.

"Usually when you use somebody's name you might get a notice to quit using it because of trademark infringement or what not. Sure enough I got a package from Moon Pie. They said they loved it, sent a banner and asked if I wanted anything else."

He keeps a list of interesting interactions he has had with customers.

"I've had people walk into our little country store and order a caramel soy latte. A woman in a Keep Austin Weird t-shirt wanted to rent a skillet for the night. I told her she could rent it for \$10 but she had to bring it back within 5 years. I had some kids ask if I had marshmallow sticks. I actually do. I have probably 50 bags of marshmallow sticks in 2 different lengths. I have a sign in the cabins that says please don't bring your charcoal grill into the cabin. It has happened more than once. I sprint across the backyard and tell the guests they'll suffocate and burn down the place. There's not a lot of outdoor skills being taught in a lot of places."

About three times a week someone tells him Bend is the new Luckenbach.

They also tell him he makes the best hamburger they've ever had.

The young man said he could, however, sell him four. "I'd like four hushpuppies," Hall said. "And I'd like a second order of the same thing."

Again, the retired university president and skilled public servant who made three successful runs for the State Legislature was equal to surmounting obstacles between him and a transaction for eight hushpuppies.

All this reminds me of a long-ago stop at a McDonald's to purchase a 27-cent senior coffee.

I was ready to hand her a quarter and two pennies, but she didn't pour the coffee, even though the pot was full. "Can't sell you coffee or anything else," the girl said, "Our computer is broken." Words like "no" or "can't" don't set well with Hall. He would have tried bartering, maybe with a pack of gum. And he would have gotten his coffee.

The late Hugh White was a long-ago Mayor of Alpine, popular with everyone except mayoral candidates. Owner and operator of the popular Highland Village Café, he befriended all.

He routinely cashed Sul Ross students' checks, even if they had no IDs. Smiling, he pointed to a sign above the cash register which summed up his business philosophy.

Hang the grammar, here's what it said:

"There ain't hardly any business got these days that ain't went out after."

He was the best.

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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, thank You for our
todays and our tomorrows.

Amen

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Big Spring scores late for 20-17 win over Brownfield Friday night on the road

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sports Writer

BROWNFIELD — That was tougher than expected.

The Big Spring Steers prevailed over the Brownfield Cubs 20-17 on Friday night following a last-minute, 2-yard touchdown run by quarterback Gabriel Baeza.

"It's a frustrating win but I'm happy with the effort from our guys. When we needed a drive, we put one together," Big Spring Head Coach Cannon McWilliams said.

Big Spring battled with Brownfield for all four quarters but the Steers never seemed to be out of the driver's seat. They owned the total yardage battle and their defense played strong for all 48 minutes of action.

The defense was led by the play of line-backer Isaiah Holloway and the unit was able to play strong throughout the game. A few penalties and turnovers by the Steer offense kept Brownfield in the game and almost allowed them to run away with a victory. This is an issue that McWilliams will be working hard to correct before next Friday's road contest against Lubbock High.



HERALD Photo/Shawn Moran

The Big Spring offense lines up before Baeza punches it in from two yards out for the game-winning score.

man on a leaping play that gave his team the ball inside their own 35-yard line. The second throw was a deep pass that traveled a little too far for the intended receiver and into cornerback Jaden Martinez' hands.

Both defenses continued to play hard while holding up the opposing offense. The game went into halftime tied 7-7.

Holloway continued his great game by intercepting a pass on Brownfield's first offensive possession of the second half. That gave the Steers the ball just one yard shy of the red zone and they seemed to be in great position to take back the lead.

After a few plays, Baeza connected with Cantu once again for a gain of 12 yards. The Steers were sitting with first-and-goal at the Brownfield 2-yard line and seemed ready to punch it in for a score. However, on the next play, there was a fumbled snap and the Cubs were able to recover deep inside their own territory on a gut-wrenching end of a drive play for the Steers.

Brownfield had the ball inside their own 2-yard line and quickly went three-and-out. There was a short punt and the Steers were able to take back over deep inside Cub territory. Following a chop-block on first down, Baeza ran left through and past the defense on his way to the house for a 35-yard touchdown run that ended with him diving through a few defenders and into the end zone. The extra point was good and the Steers held a 14-7 lead with just over six minutes remaining in the third quarter.

On the next drive, the Cubs had a great return on special teams that put them in terrific field position. However, they were struggling to move the ball and were bailed out by a defensive holding call on third-and-long. A few short plays later, Cubs' quarterback Zarius Garcia found a wide-open Pete Marroquin for a 5-yard passing touchdown. The extra point was good and the game was

quickly tied back up at 14-14.

The Steers got close to scoring a few drives later but when they were facing a fourth-and-goal from the 19-yard line, Brownfield's Austin Sisson broke through the line and sacked Baeza for a big loss which caused a turnover on downs.

The Cubs subsequently moved quickly down the field and took a 17-14 lead following a 30-yard field goal by #32 with six minutes remaining in regulation.

Big Spring needed a score but were unable to get much going on the ensuing drive. They once again turned the ball over on downs and Brownfield had a chance to win the game if they could grab a couple of first downs and run out the clock.

The Steers had different plans. "Past teams would have folded with a minute-and-a-half left," McWilliams said. "We didn't do that tonight and when we needed to make a play, we made it."

The Steers started their final offensive drive of the night on their own 37-yard line. Baeza made a quick 7-yard pass to wide receiver Maverick Yanez on first down and quickly ran for an additional 12 yards on the next play. Facing a 1st-and-10 from the Brownfield 43, the Steers' coaching staff drew up a play that had been open all night but they'd be unable to connect on. Baeza fired a deep pass down the middle on a post play to wide receiver Kaegen Mitchell for 41 yards.

"We just wanted to run the post again because they hadn't covered it all evening. We had about five or six chances in-a-row at it and they still didn't cover it. We just have to start connecting on those more often," McWilliams said.

This set the Steers up at the 2-yard line and Baeza snuck it in for a score with just 25 seconds remaining. Big Spring's defense held the Cubs over their last few plays and the Steers moved to 3-0 on the season after escaping with a 20-17 road victory on Friday night.

McWilliams knows that his team could have performed better and hopes this teaches a lesson to them to never take any opponent lightly.

"I hope this game taught us a huge lesson," McWilliams said. "We can't ever take any opponent lightly and I think we did that tonight. I hope we learned our lesson and we continue to fight."

Big Spring will need to come to play next Thursday night when they travel to take on Lubbock High with a chance to move to 4-0.

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GAME RECAP

Big Spring's offense got straight to work on Friday night by utilizing the quick passing game. Baeza completed nine straight passes on the opening drive that was capped off with an 8-yard touchdown reception by wide receiver Jose Cantu. On the play, Baeza scrambled around for a few seconds before finding Cantu cross the middle of the field. Cantu made a leaping snag on a dangerous throw and was able to fight his way for the last few remaining yards before reaching the end zone. Eli Cobos kicked the extra point and the Steers looked to be locked-and-loaded after scoring on their first drive of the night. Big Spring was now leading 7-0 with over eight minutes still to go in the opening quarter.

"We came out on fire and moved the ball right down the field and scored," McWilliams said.

The next three combined drives from both teams were three-and-out's as both teams appeared to have settled down following Big Spring's first score.

Facing a 3rd-and-12 from their own 45-yard line, the Steers were looking for a pass play that would extend their drive. Baeza rolled out, scanned the field, and could not find an open man. By this time, the Cubs' pass rush had gotten to the junior quarterback and Baeza fumbled the ball in the process of trying to extend the play. Brownfield cornerback Deion Blackwell scooped up the ball and returned it around 40 yards to the end zone for the Cubs' first score of the game. Their kicker nailed the extra point and the game was tied at 7 with one minute to go in the first quarter.

Big Spring's defense continued to hold up and play strong over the next few drives. Holloway was making plays all over the field and was laying big hit after big hit on the Cubs' ball-carriers. Defensive lineman Elijah Garcia also delivered a few big hits of his own and the Steer defense seemed to be clicking on all cylinders.

"Hats off to our defense because they are playing really well right now," McWilliams said.

In the second quarter, the Steers had two straight offensive drives that ended in interceptions. On the first one, an attempted screen pass was grabbed behind the line of scrimmage by a defensive line-

Coahoma wins big 34-0 over



Courtesy Photo/Coahoma ISD

Coahoma's Isaiah Martin makes his way through the line on a rushing play in Friday's dominating 34-0 win over Colorado City. The Bulldogs scored early and often and have now moved to 4-0 on the season. Down in McCamey, the Forsan Buffs came from behind for a 31-30 victory in overtime following a failed two-point conversion by the Badgers. Forsan is now 2-2 and have won two straight games.

MLB Standings (Through 9/18/20)

AMERICAN LEAGUE									
	W	L	PCT	GB	HOME	AWAY	RS	RA	
EAST									
Tampa Bay Rays	33	18	.647	-	17-9	16-9	256	207	
New York Yankees	29	21	.580	3.5	21-7	8-14	266	212	
Toronto Blue Jays	26	23	.531	6	12-7	14-16	238	258	
Baltimore Orioles	22	29	.431	11	12-18	10-11	239	250	
Boston Red Sox	19	32	.373	14	8-17	11-15	235	307	
CENTRAL									
Chicago White Sox	33	17	.660	-	17-10	16-7	267	187	
Minnesota Twins	31	21	.596	3	21-5	10-16	233	188	
Cleveland Indians	27	23	.540	6	12-11	15-12	206	170	
Detroit Tigers	21	28	.429	11.5	11-13	10-15	216	279	
Kansas City Royals	21	29	.420	12	10-13	11-16	207	230	
WEST									
Oakland Athletics	31	19	.620	-	18-7	13-12	238	182	
Houston Astros	25	25	.500	6	18-7	7-18	240	237	
Seattle Mariners	22	28	.440	9	12-9	10-19	215	267	
Los Angeles Angels	21	30	.412	10.5	13-14	8-16	254	279	
Texas Rangers	18	32	.360	13	13-13	5-19	181	257	
NATIONAL LEAGUE									
	W	L	PCT	GB	HOME	AWAY	RS	RA	
EAST									
Atlanta Braves	29	21	.580	-	15-8	14-13	286	242	
Miami Marlins	25	23	.521	3	8-13	17-10	214	236	
Philadelphia	24	25	.490	4.5	16-12	8-13	257	261	
New York Mets	23	27	.460	6	10-13	13-14	252	246	
Washington	18	29	.383	9.5	9-16	9-13	219	243	
CENTRAL									
Chicago Cubs	30	20	.600	-	18-12	12-8	230	199	
Cincinnati Reds	25	26	.490	5.5	12-11	13-15	200	215	
St. Louis Cardinals	22	24	.478	6	11-11	11-13	193	190	
Milwaukee Brewers	23	26	.469	6.5	12-14	11-12	210	224	
Pittsburgh Pirates	15	34	.306	14.5	10-14	5-20	178	258	
WEST									
L.A. Dodgers	36	15	.706	-	16-8	20-7	288	180	
San Diego Padres	32	19	.627	4	19-8	13-11	286	207	
San Francisco	25	24	.510	10	16-9	9-15	251	246	
Colorado Rockies	22	27	.449	13	11-16	11-11	228	282	

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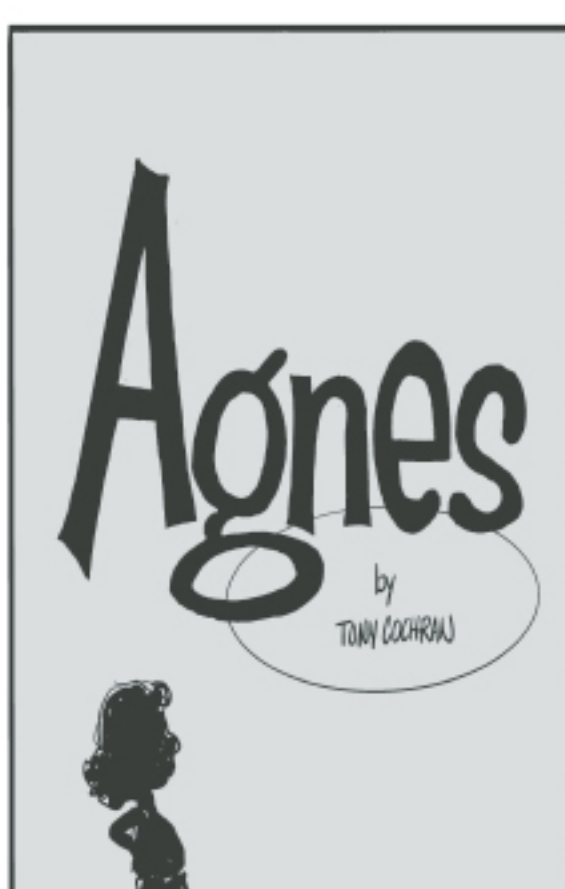
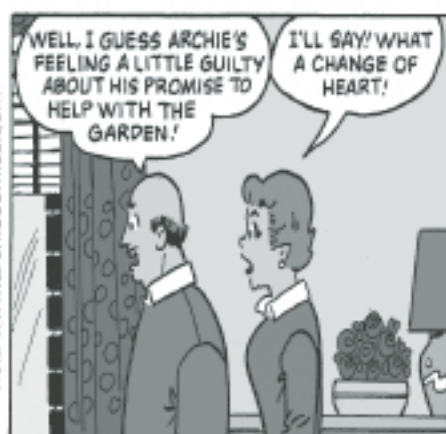
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Until she discovers someone who can twist people's minds. Someone intent on becoming the world's puppet master. Cas should run, like she usually does, but there's only one problem, she doesn't know which of her thoughts are her own anymore.

Straight arrow FBI Agent Kate O'Hare and charming Con Man Nicholas Fox are on the hunt for a kidnapped billionaire in "The Big Kahuna" - Fox and O'Hare #6 (M EVA J) by Janet Evanovich and Peter Evanovich. It should be a breeze after taking down drug cartels and thwarting terrorists. But to succeed they'll have to face their greatest challenge putting up with each other. The missing man is a Silicon Valley big shot known to all as the Big Kahuna. Nick and Kate's only lead takes them to Hawaii, where the missing man's free spirit, dropout son, spends his day looking for the perfect wave and his nights puffing weed. To get close to the Kahuna's son, Kate and Nick go undercover as a married couple in the big wave, surfer community of Maui's north shore. Living a laid back, hippy-dippy lifestyle isn't exactly in Kate's wheelhouse, but the only thing more horrifying is shacking up with Nick Fox, even if he does look pretty gnarly on a longboard. If they don't catch a break soon, waves aren't the only thing she's going to be shredding (or bedding).

Though she's still recovering from a series of tragedies, Joanna Brady's life has never been busier in "Field of Bones" - Joanna Brady #18 (M JAN J) by J.A. Jance. Her older daughter is off to college, her five-year old son is full of energy and boundless curiosity, and she's just given birth to a new daughter, on the same night she won her third election as Cochise County sheriff in a squeaker of a race. In addition, her husband, Butch, is away on an exhausting book tour. Despite her devotion to her work, Joanna is determined to see her maternity leave through this time. But in this beautiful desert landscape, home of Wyatt Earp, Tombstone, and the shoot-out at the OK Corral, a monster is roaming free, a serial killer who has transformed Joanna's small corner of the Southwest into a field of bones. When a teenager turns in a human skull found on the far side of the San Bernardino Valley in the Peloncillo Mountains between Arizona and New Mexico, it is the beginning of a multiple homicide case. As much as she would rather stay home with her newborn and lose herself in the cold cases to be found in father's long-unread diaries, Joanna instead finds herself overseeing a complex investigation involving multiple jurisdictions and an FBI profiler.

"Blindside" (AUCD F PAT J) by James Patterson and James O. Born Michael Bennett and the mayor have always had a tense relationship, but now the mayor sees in Bennett a discreet investigator with family worries of his own in "Blindside" (AUCD F PAT J) by James Patterson and James O. Born. Just one father helping another. The detective leaps into the case and sources lead him to a homicide in the Bronx. The victim has ties to a sophisticated, hacking operation -- and also to the mayor's missing daughter, Natalie, a twenty-one-year-old computer prodigy. The murder is part of a serial killing spree, one with national security implications. And suddenly Bennett is at the center of a dangerous triangle anchored by NYPD, FBI, and a transnational criminal organization. Michael Bennett has always been an honorable man, but sometimes, when the lives of innocents are at stake, honor has to take a back seat. Survival comes first.

"To encounter a fine book and have time to read it is a wonderful thing." - Natalie Goldberg

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Sands off to 1-2 start, lost to Whitharral Friday 56-6



Courtesy Photos/Imagin Frieson & Monica Quiroz

Pictured above: A pair of Sands' playmakers make their way down the field during a 46-0 win over the Lubbock Titans last Friday.

By SHAWN MORAN
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The Sands Mustangs have had a solid start to their 2020 season in their six-man district. They kicked off their season on the road against the Roby Mustangs and were sent home following a heart-breaking 46-45 loss.

Last Friday night, Sands bounced back and pounced on the Lubbock Titans early and often en route to a 46-0 shellacking in their first home contest of the season.

Sands traveled just north of Levelland Whitharral on Friday night to take on the Panthers and lost big, 56-6.

The Mustangs will continue to work and improve as the season moves on. Their next game will be against the Southland Eagles at home next Friday at 7:30 p.m.

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NFL SCHEDULE WEEK TWO

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
New York Giants (0-1) @	Chicago Bears (1-0)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Atlanta Falcons (0-1) @	Dallas Cowboys (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Detroit Lions (0-1) @	Green Bay Packers (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Jacksonville Jaguars (1-0) @	Tennessee Titans (1-0)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Minnesota Vikings (0-1) @	Indianapolis Colts (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Buffalo Bills (1-0) @	Miami Dolphins (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
San Francisco 49ers (0-1) @	New York Jets (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Los Angeles Rams (1-0) @	Philadelphia Eagles (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Denver Broncos (0-1) @	Pittsburgh Steelers (1-0)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Carolina Panthers (0-1) @	Tampa Bay Buccaneers (0-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Washington Football (1-0) @	Arizona Cardinals (1-0)	3:05 p.m. (FOX)
Kansas City Chiefs (1-0) @	Los Angeles Chargers (1-0)	3:25 p.m. (CBS)
Baltimore Ravens (1-0) @	Houston Texans (0-1)	3:25 p.m. (CBS)
New England Patriots (1-0) @	Seattle Seahawks (1-0)	7:20 p.m. (NBC)
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By AMANDA DUEORAT

Managing Editor

Howard County businesses, residents, and veterans joined together to remember those lives lost in the 9/11 attacks and all those who have served since.

The morning began with the annual Prayer at the Pole at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Pastor Sam Segundo offered a word of prayer and city and county officials spoke heartfelt sentiments.

The evening concluded with the 14th annual 9/11 Memorial at the Plaza, hosted by the local D.A.V. Chapter and Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

The Cross Roads Young Marines held a flag folding ceremony honoring those who have sacrificed for their country before the unveiling ceremony of the remembrance ribbons. This year a new ribbon was added in remembrance of another life lost.

Never Forget - Howard County remembers 9/11

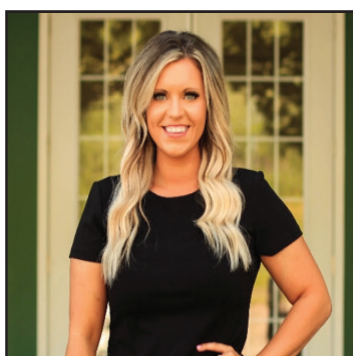


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Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: BBQ chicken melt, egg chef salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll bites, yogurt with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Pizza sticks with sauce, popcorn chicken salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar, donut, cereal with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken-n-waffles, taco salad, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Coco Puff pastry, yogurt with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, chef salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Bblueberry waffle bites, cereal with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, yogurt, cheese and fruit salad, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Elementary

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken patty sandwich, egg chef salad, Sun Chip snack mix, assorted fruits and vegetables, 100% juice box, assorted milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco puff pastry, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken nachos, popcorn chicken salad, assorted fruits and vegetables, 100% juice box, assorted milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Mini Cinnamon bagel bites, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken nugget wrap, taco salad, assorted fruits and vegetables, 100% juice box, assorted milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Bagel with jelly, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Country Fried Steak, American Sub sandwich, assorted fruits and vegetables, 100% juice box, assorted milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Coco Puff pastry, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Tony's pepperoni pizza wedge, fruit, yogurt and cheese plate, assorted fruits and vegetables, 100% juice box, assorted milk.

High School

Monday: Breakfast: Apple frudel, waffles bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cherrios Cereal, assorted fruits and juice, milk. Lunch: Cheesy Fry Burger, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff pastry, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: BBQ pork loaded potato, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple cinnamon muffin waffles bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Fish tacos, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Chocolate muffin, waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal, assorted fruit and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Walking taco, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Intermediate

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted fruit and juice.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken,

pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Banana benefit bar, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PB&J sandwich, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Chocolate filled crescent, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Junior High

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Sugar donut, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Banana benefit bar, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Chocolate filled crescent, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza, assorted juice and milk.

Kentwood

Monday: Breakfast: Fudge pop tart, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Chicken patty sandwich, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: French toast bites, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Mini cinnamon roll bites, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon bagel bites, fruit, 1% white milk. Lunch: Bagel cheese pizza, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal bar, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Hot dog on a bun, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Blueberry waffle bites, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Tony's cheese pizza, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: French toast sticks, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); French toast sticks with sausage or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Steak fingers or chicken and waffles or PB&J sandwich, tots, baby carrots, Strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal bars, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Sausage kolache with cheese stick or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Pulled port BBQ sandwich or Asian bowl tangerine chicken or Turkey and cheese sub, savory green beans, fries, snowball salad, fresh fruit and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Honey buns, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Chicken and waffles or cereal, mandarin oranges, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Pizza or Turkey chef salad or PB&J sandwich, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, applesauce cup, fresh fruit and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Breakfast pizza or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Chicken fajitas or chicken nuggets with mac and cheese (elementary); Nashville hot chicken strips with mac and cheese (JH/HS) or turkey and cheese sub, baked beans, baby carrots, grapes, fresh fruit and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Mini powdered donuts, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Mini pow-



dered donuts with bacon or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Pizza or mini corn dogs or PB&J sandwich, corn, tots, strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk.

Coahoma ISD

Breakfast: Elementary, Junior High and High School

Monday: Early bird sandwich or breakfast pizza, 100% fruit juice, fruit milk.

Tuesday: French toast with sausage or Monte Cristo sandwich, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Power breakfast, biscuit, gravy, eggs, bacon, 100%, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Pancake wrap or sausage, kolache with yogurt, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Friday: Cinnamon roll with sausage or biscuit with sausage, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch: (K-8)

Monday: Corn dog with tater tots or oven roasted chicken or chef salad, green beans, roll, baked beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.

Tuesday: Nachos grande or taco soup with corn bread or taco salad, beans, salsa, tomato cup, cucumber slices, peaches, ice cream cup, milk.

Wednesday: Crispy sandwich with fries or Xtreme burrito or crispy chicken salad, corn, fresh veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk.

Thursday: Asian bowl with egg roll or hamburger steak with brown gravy or Asian salad, biscuit, roasted potatoes, crunchy broccoli salad, mandarin oranges, milk.

Friday: Pizza or chef salad, carrots, garden salad, fresh seasonal fruit, cookie, milk.

(9-12/High School)

Monday: Corn dog with tater tots or oven roasted chicken or chef salad, green beans, roll, baked beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.

Tuesday: Nachos grande or taco soup with corn bread or taco salad, beans, salsa, tomato cup, cucumber slices, peaches, ice cream cup, milk.

Wednesday: Crispy sandwich with fries or Xtreme burrito or crispy chicken salad, corn, fresh veggie cup, fruit gelatin, milk.

Thursday: Asian bowl with egg roll or hamburger steak with brown gravy or Asian salad, biscuit, roasted potatoes, crunchy broccoli salad, mandarin oranges, milk.

Friday: Pizza or chef salad, carrots, garden salad, fresh seasonal fruit, cookie, milk.

Senior Center

Monday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, apple slices, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken and dressing with gravy, red potatoes with cheese, California vegetables, pumpkin pie, rolls, milk.

Wednesday: Beef macaroni casserole, seasoned greens, tossed salad, FF ranch, cookies, milk.

Thursday: Smoked sausage, sauerkraut, baked beans, peaches, bread, milk.

Friday: Chicken salad, pasta salad, pickled beets, crackers, milk.



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Chamber of Commerce happenings ...



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Chamber Ambassadors along with the Chamber of Commerce joined together to show appreciation, during the weekly Thank You Presentation. This week Expedition Royalty received a Thank You banner in recognition of their support to the community and other local businesses. For those wanting to find out how to become a Chamber member or opportunities to network in the community, contact Debbye ValVerde, Executive Director at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, at 432-263-7641.



Courtesy photo/Bruce Schooler

Chamber Ambassadors along with the Chamber of Commerce joined together to host a ribbon cutting at Encompass Health. Encompass is a home health agency that has been serving Howard County for more than 15 years. The office is located at 111 E. 7th Street. After the ribbon cutting ceremony, those attending were treated to a grab and go breakfast along with information about services provided by Encompass.

Highlighting Howard Co. Business Shaking things up - Feel Good Nutrition seeing results

By AMANDA DUFORAT
Managing Editor

A journey starts with one step forward and the willingness to take on the unknown. Feel Good Nutrition owner, Jonathan Campolla, is one who can attest that stepping into an opportunity and watching it flourish.

A little more than a year ago, on Aug. 1, 2019, Campolla took over the Herbalife shop located on Gregg Street when a former team member decided to no longer run the business side of things.

"I was working at Albertson's and living in Las Cruces, New Mexico, when I heard about this opportunity," Campolla said.

After having watched his cousin be successful



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GasBuddy weekly gas prices for Texas

Texas gas prices have fallen 2.6 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$1.88/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 0.7 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 38.1 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.49/g today while the most expensive is \$2.49/g, a difference of 100.0 cents per gallon. The lowest price in the state today is \$1.49/g while the highest is \$2.49/g, a difference of 100.0 cents per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 3.2 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.17/g today. The national average is down 0.5 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 38.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

Historical gasoline prices in Texas and the national average going back ten years:

September 14, 2019: \$2.26/g (U.S. Average: \$2.56/g)
September 14, 2018: \$2.61/g (U.S. Average: \$2.85/g)

September 14, 2017: \$2.49/g (U.S. Average: \$2.63/g)
September 14, 2016: \$1.96/g (U.S. Average: \$2.18/g)
September 14, 2015: \$2.09/g (U.S. Average: \$2.33/g)
September 14, 2014: \$3.19/g (U.S. Average: \$3.39/g)
September 14, 2013: \$3.30/g (U.S. Average: \$3.51/g)
September 14, 2012: \$3.66/g (U.S. Average: \$3.87/g)
September 14, 2011: \$3.45/g (U.S. Average: \$3.63/g)
September 14, 2010: \$2.53/g (U.S. Average: \$2.71/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Midland Odessa- \$1.95/g, down 7.1 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.03/g.

San Antonio- \$1.79/g, up 2.2 cents per gallon from last week's \$1.77/g.

Austin- \$1.85/g, up 1 cent per gallon from last week's \$1.84/g.

"Seasonal factors, as expected, are pushing gas prices down in most areas across the country. In addition, oil prices have hit a rough patch on renewed concerns about the economy and falling demand, leaving motorists

the beneficiaries for the next few weeks," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "No one should be in a rush to fill up as prices will likely continue to trend lower, especially as the summer gasoline requirement ends on Tuesday, ushering in cheaper to produce winter gasoline and a return to less fragmentation in supply since winter gasoline is common nearly coast-to-coast, making it less of a headache to produce fuel since it can be used universally."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. Unlike AAA's once daily survey covering credit card transactions at 100,000 stations and the Lundberg Survey, updated once every two weeks based on 7,000 gas stations, GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://FuelInsights.GasBuddy.com>.

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SHAKE

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on the business end of Herbalife products, when the opportunity arose, Campolla jumped on it. Within a few days of finding out about the opportunity, he had packed his bags and set out on his way to Big Spring, Texas, and the West Texas region.

“This is so much more than making shakes and smoothies all-day everyday,” he said. “This is about helping people see results, healthy results.”

Herbalife products have been in mainstream attention for the past several years now. Howard County has had a handful of shops open and close over the years since the inception of the health products. Currently, there are two physical locations – store fronts – operating in Big Spring. The Herbalife line contains teas, energy supplements, protein bars and more, in addition to the protein shakes.

“Customer service is a big part of what I do. It’s about creating a welcoming environment, but it’s also about showing the business opportunity that awaits in addition to the positive health results,” he said. “Every day there is an opportunity to have a great day or a rough day, but despite what the day may bring it’s a big focus for me to keep my eye on the positive and let the negative roll off my back.”

When Campolla began his business a little more than a year ago, he had about 15 regular customers, but has since grow to a steady 35 or so customers per day. Of course, that’s just in one year’s time that he has seen his client base double and the results serve as motivation. In the next year, in spite of the obstacles presented with the current pandemic and state-wide shutdown,

he is striving to not only double but possibly triple his clientele numbers.

“I’m not where I want to be, but I’ve made some good progress so far. It’s all about results and the only way to achieve those results – in business and in our health – is to focus on one day at a time and stay positive,” he said. “You have to continue to think positive even with the setbacks.”

He continued, “The biggest thing in all this is personal growth and self-improvement. Whether you are looking for better health, additional tips to keep the healthy lifestyle or a business opportunity these products can provide that. It’s about networking, forming a community that wants to see you succeed because in the end, if one person succeeds then everyone sees and can experience some growth.”

In addition to the health shakes and other nutrition products, Campolla is looking to kick off a fit camp community at the beginning of 2021. He envisions a network of those who want to build their physical endurance and improve their healthy lifestyle.

“It’s about finding that support that will not only motivate you, but will walk with you,” he said. “You can tell someone what to do, show them how to do it, but it comes down to do you want to do it. The biggest thing to remember is that results aren’t going to happen overnight and that’s okay, but with consistency you will see results.”

For those wanting to find out more about Feel Good Nutrition product line or upcoming fit camp experience, contact Campolla through Facebook or by stopping in the shop. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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County Court Rulings

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all County Court Rulings.)

Defendant: Alexander Franco
Offense: Criminal Mischief between \$100 and \$750
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$270 court costs, \$10 reimbursement fee
Date: 08/11/2020

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Tyler Seal
Defendant: Samantha Sullivan
Type of Case: Divorce - No Children
Date: September 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Jasmin Quesenberry

Defendant: Coby Quesenberry
Type of Case: Divorce - Children
Date: September 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Gabriel Martinez
Defendant: Veronica Martinez
Type of Case: Divorce - Children
Date: September 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Xavier Moya
Defendant: Apache Corporation and Garrett Parker
Type of Case: Injury/Damage - Motor Vehicles
Date: September 11, 2020

Plaintiff: Brittany Fair
Defendant: Tyrone Brown
Type of Case: Protective Order - No Divorce
Date: September 11, 2020

Plaintiff: Jessica Renteria
Defendant: Rocky Renteria
Type of Case: Divorce - No Children
Date: September 14, 2020

Plaintiff: Patterson - UTI Drilling Company LLC.
Defendant: KSW Oilfield Rental, LLC.
Type of Case: Injury/Damage - Other Product Liability
Date: September 14, 2020

Plaintiff: Crown Asset Management, LLC. Assignee Of Comenity Capital Bank (the Home Card)
Defendant: Irene Talamantez
Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: September 15, 2020

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Dorothy Rae Upton
Grantee: Michael Shane Forrest
Property: All of Lot 10, block 9, College Park Estates
Date: August 7, 2020

Grantor: Gerald R. Dykes and Joseph A. Murley as heir of Linda Dykes, deceased
Grantee: Zandra Hargrove
Property: Lot 4, block 3, amended Piner Heights Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in the Plat records of Howard County, Texas
Date: September 9,2020

Grantor: Angelita R. Ortega
Grantee: Juanita Rubio Galvan and Celsa C. Rubio
Property: Being lot 5, block 1, Capehart Addition to the City of Big Springs, Howard County, Texas
Date: August 4,2020

Grantor: Big Spring ATS, Inc.
Grantee: Hardgrave Joing Holdings, LLC
Property: Being all of Lots 10 and 11, block 3, McDowell Heights Addition
Date: September 11,2020

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Grantor: Michael Shane Forrest AKA Michael Shane

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Grantee: James Paul Foresyth
Property: All of Lot 10, block 9, College Park Estates
Date: September 3,2020

Grantor: John Richardson and Sue Richardson aka Suzanne Richardson
Grantee: Brandon Douglas Gartman and Hannah Gartman
Property: Being Lot 10, block 1, Amend Piner Heights Addition
Date: September 4,2020

Grantor: Kimberley Parrish
Grantee: Colton Tyler Ver Steeg
Property: Being all of Lot No.3, block 27, Monticello Addition #7 of a plat of S/2 of blocks 23 and 26, and the N/2 of blocks 27 and 28 to the City of Big Spring.
Date: September 4,2020

Grantor: Kim Pollard
Grantee: Truth and Love Homes, LLC
Property: Lot 6, block 6, Hall Addition, 60x110 Big Spring
Date: September 9,2020

Grantor: Wayne and Kathleen Dawson Family Living Trust
Grantee: Joseph Harrison and Ruth Ann Harrison
Property: Being all of Lot. No. 18, in block No. 7, Addition No. 3, to Highland South No. 4, an addition to the City of Big Spring
Date: September 3,2020

Grantor: Peter D. Paul and Nora B. Paul fka Nora G. Billalba
Grantee: Angelica Ramirez Andrade
Property: Lot No. 5, block 10, Suburban Heights Addition
Date: September 10,2020

Grantor: Susan F. Jackson and Johnny S. Jackson
Grantee: Alex Broussard
Property: Being Lot 9, block 1, a replat of Lots 5-10, block 1, Lots 3-9, Block 2 and Lots 3-20, Caroline Court Subdivision to the City of Big Spring
Date: September 10,2020

Grantor: Travis Lynch and Susan Schlegel
Grantee: Aaron Telchik
Property: Being all of Lot No. 6, block 23, Monticello Addition
Date: September 11,2020

Grantor: Elrod Hobbs, LLC
Grantee: Quentin Tyler Camden
Property: Lot 3, amended plat of block 2, La Loma Addition to the City of Big Spring
Date: September 11,2020
Grantor: Dahmer Holdings LLC
Grantee: Crystal Nicole Garcia
Property: Being all of Lot 10, and the S/5’ of Lot. No. 11, all in block No. 7, in Washington Place
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CITY OF BIG SPRING NOTICE TO BIDDERS RFP 20-023: Executive Search Firm - City Manager

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, TX, the City of Big Spring, Texas is seeking sealed proposals from qualified firms/providers to perform executive search services for the position of City Manager.

The City will accept sealed proposals addressed to the City of Big Spring, Human Resources Department, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, until October 6, 2020 at 3:00 p.m., from firms/providers interested in providing the requested services.

The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any or all formalities.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Advertisement for Hail Damage Roof Repair or Replacement

Howard College and the Southwest College for the Deaf are accepting sealed proposals for the construction of Hail Damage Roof Repair or Replacement on the Howard College campus located at 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, and the Southwest College for the Deaf campus located at 3200 Avenue C, Big Spring, TX 79720.

Documents may be obtained from Vernon L. Dunagin, AIA Consulting Architect, 1200 Crest Haven, Bulverde, Texas 78163 (Ph. 210.875.6178; email: architect.vernon@gmail.com) . Drawings and Specifications may be examined at the office of J. Phillip Furqueron, Architect, 407 Charismatic Drive, Midland, Texas 79705. Documents will be emailed (PDF file extension format) from Architect (Ph: 432-270-3646; email: jpfarc@gmail.com) There is no cost or deposit required for this option. An unlimited number of digital copies will be available (PDF file extension format) upon a non-refundable cost of \$20.00 per CD, plus applicable sales tax. Two sets of paper copies will be available upon deposit of \$100.00 per set. Deposit is refundable provided documents are returned in accordance with the Instructions to Proposers. Responses will be accepted through 2:00 p.m. CST, October 15, 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. The Howard College Board of Trustees will select the successful proposer at a future Board Meeting.

Proposals must be sealed and marked as Howard College/Southwest College for the Deaf Hail Damage Roof Repair or Replacement. Selection criteria used to evaluate each proposal is stipulated in Document 00200 – Instructions to Proposers.

A voluntary pre-proposal conference for buildings on the Howard College Birdwell Lane campus will be held at the Cactus Room in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building on September 28, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. CST.

A voluntary pre-proposal conference for buildings on the Southwest College for the Deaf Avenue C campus will be held at the Administrative Conference Room in the

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Burke Administration Building on September 28, 2020, one hour after completion of the pre-proposal conference at the Howard College Birdwell Lane campus.

Proposals shall be made on a stipulated sum basis on the attached forms for furnishing of all labor, materials, services, and equipment necessary for and incidental to the Project as called for on the Drawings and in the Project Manual. Owner will be utilizing the competitive sealed proposal procurement method as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 2267.001 - .059, and Subchapter D.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Citation Oil & Gas Corp. P O Box 690688 Houston, Texas 77269

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Glorietta, Clearfork, San Andres, Grayburg, Seven Rivers, Queen and Yates of the Chalk Estate** Lease, Well Number 24W.

The proposed injection well is located **8 miles SW of IATAN, in the HOWARD GLASSCOCK (CONSOLIDATED) Field, in Howard County.**

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from **1500 to 2968** feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0327501 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Sep 16, 2020 Status/Permit No. 865039 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Oct 7, 2020 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 14, Bk. 31 T2N, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1154, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 14.3 miles N direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Oct 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

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Lease/Unit Name : BIG DADDY B
Lease/Unit Well No. : 1848WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 637.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 2010.0
Lease Lines : 759.0 F SE L, 327.0 F SW L
Survey Lines : 759.0 F SE L, 327.0 F SW L
Wellbore Profile(s) :
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Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 325.0 F NE L 500.0 F SE L
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BH County: HOWARD
Section: 25 Block: 31 T2N
Abstract: 188
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 70.0 F SE L 330.0 F NE L
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Lisa Hunt, at (432)8484833.

#10660
CAUSE NO. P-15057

IN THE ESTATE OF
DICK C. NICHOLS,
DECEASED

IN THE COUNTY COURT
OF
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS
AGAINST THE ESTATE OF
DICK C. NICHOLS,
DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of DICK C. NICHOLS, DECEASED were issued on September 9, 2020, in Cause No. P-15057 pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to BRENT ALAN NICHOLS.

The address of BRENT ALAN NICHOLS is 6900 FM 243 East, Bertram, Texas 78605.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

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DATED the 26th day of August, 2020.

/s/Brent Alan Nichols
BRENT ALAN NICHOLS

#10665

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Citation Oil & Gas Corp.
P O Box 690688
Houston, Texas 77269

Is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into formations which are non-productive and productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Glorietta, Clearfork, San Andres, Clear Fork and Tubb in the Chalk G.O.-A- Lease**, Well Number **21**.

The proposed injection well is located **15 miles SE of Big Springs**, in the **HOWARD GLASSCOCK (CONSOLIDATED) Field**, in **Howard County**.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from **2087 to 3928** feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0327493
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Sep 16, 2020
Status/Permit No. 865036
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Oct 7, 2020
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 14, Bk. 31 T2N, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1154, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 14.3 miles N direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Oct 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:
FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : JESSUP
Lease/Unit Well No. : 1943WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 638.72
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 1277.0
Lease Lines : 758.0 F SE L, 357.0 F SW L
Survey Lines : 758.0 F SE L, 357.0 F SW L
Wellbore Profile(s) :
Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 995.0 F SW L 500.0 F SE L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 24 Block: 31 T2N
Abstract: 1302
Survey: T&P RR CO / MOR-

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Lease Lines: 70.0 F SE L 990.0 F SW L
Survey Lines: 70.0 F SE L 990.0 F SW L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Lisa Hunt, at (432)8484833.

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After the lazy days of summer, fall often arrives with packed schedules and everyone getting back on track, whether for work or school. Busy families may not have much time to spend in the kitchen these days, but they don't need to devote hours to cooking. Even quick meals can serve up significant flavor.

In the time it takes to boil rice, this recipe for "Creamy Rice With Roasted Shrimp and Tomatoes," courtesy of "Real Simple Dinner Tonight: Done" (Time Home Entertainment) from the editors of Real Simple, can be put on the table. Arborio rice makes this dish creamy, but if it's unavailable, long-grain rice also can be used — just follow the package directions for cooking.

Creamy Rice With Roasted Shrimp and Tomatoes
Serves 4

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 cup Arborio rice
- 1 cup dry white wine
- Kosher salt and black pepper
- 1 pound peeled and deveined medium shrimp
- 2 pints grape tomatoes
- 8 sprigs fresh thyme
- 2 cloves garlic

- Heat oven to 400 F. Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a large saucepan over medium heat.
- Add the onion and cook until soft, 5 to 7 minutes. Add the rice and wine and cook, stirring, until the wine is absorbed, 1 to 2 minutes.
- Add 2 cups water and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper to the saucepan. Simmer, covered, until the water is absorbed and the rice is tender, 18 to 20 minutes.
- Meanwhile, on a rimmed baking sheet, toss the shrimp, tomatoes, thyme, and garlic with the remaining tablespoon of oil and 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper. Roast until the shrimp are opaque throughout, 15 to 20 minutes. Serve over the rice.

By Steve Becker

A little T-L-C

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ Q 6 3
♥ 9 6 4 3
♦ K 10 4
♣ 10 9 7
WEST
♠ A 9 5 2
♥ Q 10 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ 8 6 3
EAST
♠ K 8 7
♥ K J
♦ J 8 6 5 2
♣ 5 4 2
SOUTH
♠ J 10 4
♥ A 8 7
♦ A Q 7
♣ A K Q J

The bidding:
East 2 NT South Pass West 3 NT North Pass
Opening lead — two of hearts.

Some hands require a certain amount of delicate handling if declarer is to get home safely. In these cases, even the slightest slip can cost declarer the contract. Take this case where West led a heart against three notrump. South took East's king with the ace, led a diamond to dummy's king and returned a low spade, covering East's seven with the jack. It didn't matter whether West took his ace or ducked the jack to preserve his only entry card. In either case, South would sooner or later make nine tricks.

What did declarer do that was so marvelous? Actually, nothing extraordinary. However, he did avoid two pitfalls, and to that extent he played the hand well. First, South did not make the mistake of ducking the king of hearts at trick one. Had he done that, East would have returned the jack of hearts at trick two, allowing West to overtake with the queen and play a low heart back to establish his ten if declarer ducked the second heart lead. South would then have lost three hearts and the A-K of spades for down one. Second, South did not make the mistake of leading a spade from his hand at trick two. Had he done that, he would also have failed. East would have won the spade with the king, cashed the jack of hearts and led a spade to West's ace to set the contract. It is true that South would have made only eight tricks — even the way he played the hand — if East had gone up with the king at trick three when a low spade was led from dummy. However, the reply to this is very simple: How many players do you know who, holding the East cards, would have risen with the king of spades without seeing declarer's hand? If you know such a player, our advice is to avoid playing against him!

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



The Message of a Mercury Conflict

ARIES (March 21-April 19). At the root of a predicament is a motive. To understand how the predicament came to be, you must understand the motive. Today, the answers will defy logic. Today, the answers will be hidden in a heart.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Hesitation, reticence, dread, anxiety -- these are all messages sent from one part of yourself to another. Listen and heed the call. It will help you steer away from the rocks and into deeper waters and calmer situations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Who is in control? If you know this, you will begin to know how best to work the situation and possibly turn it to your advantage. If you misunderstand this, the consequences will teach you where you went wrong.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Love doesn't solve every

problem. For instance, you can't eat it, nor can you rely on it to make two lives jive together in perfect sync. Love is a crucial ingredient in the recipe, but it's not the only ingredient.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The one who makes the first move is always more vulnerable -- to rejection, judgment, errors and more. That's what makes the first move a power move. The advantages are commensurate with the risk.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be the mouthpiece for the group, but first you'll be its ears. You'll gather the info and then present it, putting minds at ease and settling expectations into just the snug spot where they're most likely to be met.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Saying "we should get together" almost never winds up as a plan. It's almost as though people who say it don't want to actually see one another. You'll have luck extending a specific invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're in a position to give exactly what was asked for, and it's a good thing because, in this matter, close will not be good enough. Before you deliver, check and double-check your work.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People close to you know which of your buttons to push and how hard. You have the power to rewire the inner circuitry however you like. They'll get pressed, and what happens next is up to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've received so many unexpected benefits from an endeavor that what you were originally trying to

accomplish doesn't even seem that important anymore. Still ... it's time to get back to it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Some people seem like they want to be in a relationship, but what they really want to be is served. When you stop providing what's being explicitly or implicitly asked of you, what happens?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Circumstances remain the same, but their significance to you changes. Because of this, you'll process your environment differently and experience a deep sense of calm.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 20). You'll

break a karmic chain and favorably alter the future for generations. This is not done in one crucial moment but rather through small daily decisions that cement a way of being. A strange trade opens financial resources to you. The relationship sector is positively ripe with sweetness, love and laughter. Leo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 33, 7, 14 and 1.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: What comes with the you-package? What's it like to talk to you, love you, live with you? As the sun moves into Libra, the sign of partnership, we are wise to consider our own value in relationships. It's a cosmically perfect time to gain awareness around this key part of being.

To take up the cause of another is to put one's own agenda on the back burner for a time to prioritize the other person. Not everyone is capable of this selflessness. There are some who are so afraid of losing

themselves they cannot operate in this order. Even when they help, they have their own reasons for doing so, which they keep front of mind. It is fine to accept help from these types as long as you don't go in blindly. Smooth dealings absolutely rely on understanding other people. The greater the understanding, the more ease there will be.

The rules of transaction are different from the rules of love. To treat a relationship based on quantifiable exchange, as though it were based on less tangible qualities such as loyalty and adoration, is a mistake that will have consequences. Expectations are different for various types of relationships. To get this wrong is to create a degree of suffering -- which is what happens when expectations get set and unmet.

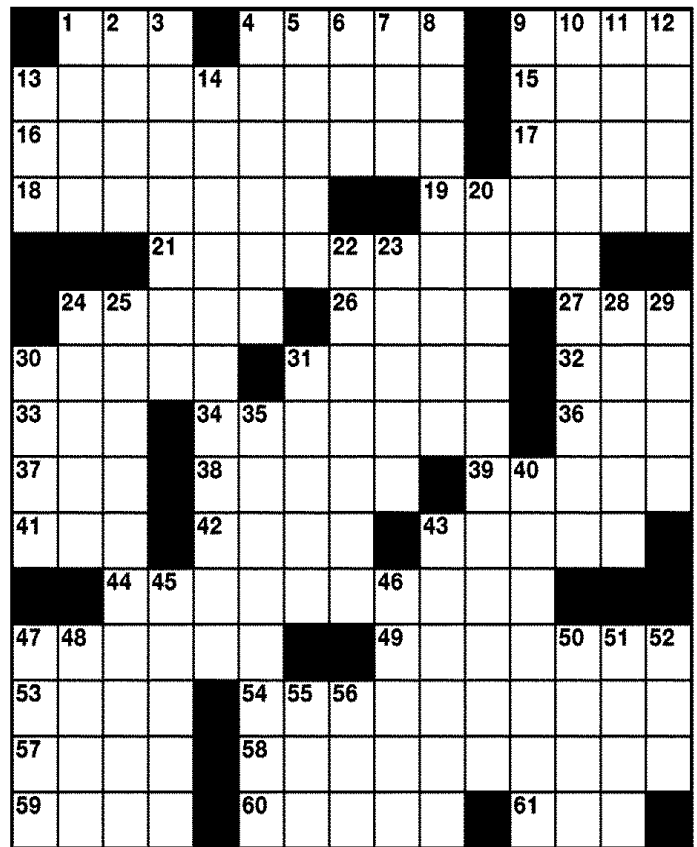
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Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Matthew Sewell

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Color close to silver
 - 4 Weight-bearing bone
 - 9 Latter-day cheaters
 - 13 Underwater defense
 - 15 Real creep
 - 16 Inspiration appreciation
 - 17 Garth Brooks, by birth
 - 18 Sore
 - 19 Traditional Alaskan basket material
 - 21 Sci-fi staple
 - 24 Prevent from crashing
 - 26 "Inventin' jokes ___ easy": Rocky Balboa
 - 27 "Cool" that's made a comeback
 - 30 Whom Ebert called "that twinkly professional Irishman"
 - 31 Consigns
 - 32 Bar display
 - 33 ___ style (esteemed Chinese calligraphy)
 - 34 "Truly?"
 - 36 Open divider
 - 37 End that's often clipped
 - 38 Flyspecks
 - 39 Seasonal occasions for pool diving?
 - 41 Ancient New Testament character
 - 42 Blackwood product seen on stages
 - 43 Rome's ___-Shelley Memorial House
 - 44 Sobersided
- DOWN**
- 1 Tender feeling
 - 2 Many a ratio
 - 3 Thrown-together attention-getter
 - 4 Get to stream, say
 - 5 In reserve
 - 6 Cost curb
 - 7 Patisserie article
 - 8 Kingston trios, often
 - 9 Impressively muscular, from a "puffed-up" word
 - 10 Twits
 - 11 Toronto-to-Columbus midpoint
 - 12 Marvel debut of '63
 - 13 Reign over
 - 14 They take the edge off
 - 20 Puts away childish things
 - 22 Does a hip-hop dance
 - 23 Where curlers work
 - 24 Sanskrit word for "seat"
 - 25 Medieval military governments
 - 28 Fortes
 - 29 They get stabbed with toothpicks
 - 30 Scratch
 - 31 Hold
 - 35 Two shovels for "work available," for example
 - 40 Where a bundle is won in *Rain Man*
 - 43 Submits for approval, perhaps
 - 45 Dislodges
 - 46 Top of the heap
 - 47 Horde head
 - 48 Green type
 - 50 Term akin to "rabbi"
 - 51 Name shared by an eminent astrophysicist and another "astro-" notable
 - 52 Former ailer of *20Q* and *Bingo America*
 - 55 Pagan leader
 - 56 Pastime inspired by JRR Tolkien



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Annie's Mailbox

Grieving and Wanting to Love Again

Dear Annie: I'm a man with a very difficult problem. My deceased wife and I separated. I was halfway through a six-month cancer treatment when she left. After a few days, she called and told me that she had made the biggest mistake of her life by leaving me. However, she would not return home. I got tired of the everyday battle with the chemo, so I went to my dad's.

He, my wife and I talked often and even met to spend time together. While all this was going on, she was diagnosed with terminal cancer and wanted to be with her family in her final days. I agreed, and she went back to her hometown. We talked periodically, and I knew she was very ill but did not know that she was so close to death. She passed away in 2018.

My problem is that I still love her. There's not a day that goes by that I don't think of her. I live alone and have friends but I don't have a close relationship with a woman. I miss that very much. What am I to do? I'm still young enough to fall in love again. -- Missing Love

Dear Missing: I am very sorry for your

loss. There is life before you lose someone you love deeply, and life after. And you, my friend, are living in the after.

While I can't take away your pain, I can suggest a few things that might help. For starters, find a support group for people who have lost spouses. Try not to be so hard on yourself. You will find love again, but you must deal with your grief first. Be patient and give yourself time to heal. You will always have memories of your wife, and, in time, you will start making new memories.

Dear Annie: I just read the letter from "Lonely Later in Life." I was going down the same path when a verse from my daughter's youth came to me, "If it's to be, it's up to me." I'm a homebody, but know that being alone all the time is not healthy. I moved to a new town and determined the move to be my new beginning. By visiting the town's website. I discovered that the library and the senior center hold many events that interest me, and decided to join a group at the library that met every two weeks to work on handcrafts. I attended every meeting and sat next to someone different each time. When COVID-19 caused us to cancel our

gatherings, we continued getting together on Zoom. We all look forward to that time of visiting online, sharing the projects we are working on and talking about what we might do when we are once again free to socialize.

Something else that has helped me meet people is to go for a daily walk around the neighborhood. I force myself to be the first one to say hello to everyone I meet, and it makes me feel good to see them smile. Now, we look forward to seeing each other if only for that hello. Some have stopped to talk for a few moments, especially if they have pets or children and I comment about the sweet dog or the happy child, or even the beautiful day. Always remember, "If it's to be, it's up to me!"

I hope that "Lonely Later in Life" can find small ways to feel Happier Later in Life. -- It Starts with Hello

Dear Hello: Thank you for the reminder that a simple friendly greeting is all that's needed to make someone's day -- and perhaps to make a friend.

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

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Answer to previous puzzle

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The Pet Connection's Pet Talk: Where People & Pet's Connect

Winterizing for your pets

By MELANIE GAMBRILL

Pet Care Specialist

Snakes are on the move (don't forget to get your rattlesnake booster), migratory birds are packing up to move south, the autumn equinox is just around the corner and fall is in the air. Have you begun to prepare for the cold nights of WINTER for your pets? As the days begin to cool off, now's the purrfect time to think about and get ready to winterize your pets and winterize for your pets!

What do I mean when I say winterize your pets? Many that have outside pets know that over the summer months their coats have become a bit unkempt and matted. Generally spring and fall is the time we see a coat change in our animals. Spring they are loosing the coat from winter, shedding, blowing coat and fall we are growing our winter coats. If you have an outside dog or cat that hasn't been brushed out regularly, you'll notice some matted spots or areas throughout their coats. Now would be the opportune time to make that phone call to your favorite groomer or veterinarian to get your pets groomed and de-matted. As a long-time business owner and groomer, a good bath and brush out is just what is needed to help insure that your pet has the best chance at staying warm this winter. When you have a dog or cat that has a matted coat, this can cause health issues. It may only start out with a matt or two, but eventually those tiny mats will turn into one large matt and this prevents the pet from maintaining their body heat and keeping warm. If your pet is strictly an outside pet and is out in the elements, matts that are wet or moist can not dry out and can cause a major and serious skin issue. A wet, matted animal is a breeding ground for flies to lay their eggs and allowing maggots to fester into the skin. So it's very important to keep a close eye on your outside pets and make sure that they have a safe and dry place to be during the colder, wet month ahead.

If you have inside, outside pets that like to wear doggie sweater, remember to remove those sweaters everyday and check your pets. Long-haired breeds that continually wear dog sweaters will also



Courtesy Photo

matt up if not closely watched. I use a wonderful de-matting product when grooming those 15 years, that I highly recommend for anyone with pets. You can get it from your local feed store and the product is made by Absorbine ShowSheen and it's called

Miracle Groom. This product is a leave-on product and works without any soap and water. Miracle Groom is great for removing burrs and stickers from your dog's and cat's coat. I loved it because it made my grooming last, it repels dirt and urine and is great used as a detangler. Mist some onto your pet's coat, wait just a few minutes, I like to rub it into their fur and then brush or comb as normal. This product can be used on any pet, long hair to short hair, dogs, cats, horses, sheep, goats, and anything that needs a grooming.

So now that we have gotten your pet's coat nice and groomed up, let's work on winterizing for the outside. Over the past many years, I have invested in Quonset huts or pig huts. I have purchased them locally at the hardware store and I absolutely love these. I've found that just an igloo dog house whether I am using them for my pig or goats, or even my dogs, these really aren't something that is going to keep them warm in the winter. You might find one brand over another that is thicker, but all in all, these are nothing but a plastic shell.

To set up a warm, winter area for my animals to get out of the elements, I start first with a thick piece of plywood to lay out on the ground. Then I will lay a thick, heavy rubber mat (that are sometime used in stock or horse trailers) on top of the plywood. I purchase these black mats at Tractor Supply and I get the thickest they have. For me, this gets my animals up off the ground and helps keep the inside of the Quonset hut dry. I am not a fan of using dog beds or blankets in my huts or igloo dog houses, only because my animals think they should drag them out into the yard! I will use straw (not hay) or I will use flake shavings for their bedding. So I have my plywood, my rubber mat, and then I place my Quonset hut over the top of those and then I can place my igloo dog houses under the Quonset hut. Keep in mind when placing in your dog house, be sure to face them towards the inside of your hut. This keeps moisture and wind from entering your dog house and keeps your bedding and pet dry. These huts are large enough that I can place two (2) medium to large igloo houses inside a Quonset hut. The Quonset hut also has a small flap opening at the back of the hut if you'd like to use a heating lamp. Use caution if using a heating lamp, you don't want your pet getting burned by the light and you definitely don't want to start a fire inside your hut.

This year I am going to try making housing out of insulated ice chest for my feral cats at work. If you have feral animals in your area, providing somewhere out of elements such as a barn, shed with dry bedding such as straw is a humane thing to do.

Personally, if I could, I'd have all my animals inside a nice warm building, but I know that isn't always possible or feasible to do. If you like the idea of the Quonset hut and you're a talented artist, you can also paint and do cool designs to have the hut blend in with any surroundings.

Now, we've been all groomed up, we have the coolest critter pad on the block and now it's time to think about feeding time for those critters that will be outside this winter. It's time to think about upping those calories for all pets, domestic and livestock. Make sure that you are feeding a name brand pet food. You may want to increase the amount of food that you are feeding on a daily basis and you might want to visit with your pet's veterinarian to

see if adding wet food is an option. I never recommend free feeding (leaving food out all the time) only because it can invite other animals to help themselves to your pet's food, mice, rats, skunks, raccoons, and you'll be non the wiser. The food can also become wet and if not checked regularly, can mold or rot causing your pet to become sick. When you have to feed everyday, it only creates that loving bond with you and your pet, but it will also help you be on top of any issues that might arise early. Fresh clean water is a must and I know how hard that is during freezing temperatures. Different companies make heated water containers that come in many different sizes and for all types of animals. You may want to invest in one to ensure your pet has constant access to water.

If you have livestock, now is the time that I slowly begin to introduce alfalfa and grains into what I am already feeding. If you are new to feeding alfalfa and grains I encourage you to contact your feed provider or veterinarian and let them walk you through the proper amounts to feed. You can do great harm and possibly even death if you are uneducated when feeding livestock, so please do your research. Providing them a place to get out of the wind, rain, and elements will help also in maintaining their body weight and help keep them warm. If you horse will allow, they make insulated coats, but please again do your research on the length of time they should wear them.

We all love bird watching and you may still have your hummingbird feeders out. You be the judge of when you bring in your hummingbird feeder. Hummingbirds are migratory birds and their internal biological clock will tell them when it's time to go south. Depending on where you live, your birds may have moved on, but other birds from different regions may be passing through your area. You may see stragglers passing through, those that were from late hatching and might need a bit of nourishment to make their journey. I love keeping a bird feeder out along with a shallow watering bowl for all species of birds, even the common house sparrow.

For more information, contact me at r4thepets@aol.com

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How to choose the right fertilizer for home vegetable gardens

Know what you need from the fertilizer

By LAURA MUNTEAN

Texas A&M AgriLife

Trips to the local garden center can be a bit overwhelming when trying to decide what fertilizer is best for your home vegetable garden.

With a bit of knowledge about the fruits and vegetables you're planning to grow and understanding what your goals are for your garden, these tips from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service horticulture expert Lisa Whittlesey can help you make the best plan for your home garden.

Knowing which vegetables you want to grow and what nutritional requirements those vegetables have is key to picking out the fertilizer best suited for your garden.

Plants require light from the sun, moisture from rainfall or irrigation, and nutrients from fertilizers, compost or manure. An adequate amount of all three will help get your garden off to a good start.

Types of fertilizer

There are many types of fertilizer, including organic, non-organic, water-soluble and slow-release fertilizers.

Fertilizer can be added in many different forms, including organic, non-organic or traditional, water-soluble and slow-release.

"Gardeners often choose these based on personal preference," Whittlesey said. "Organic is great for working into the soil, while granular fertilizers can be used during planting, and liquids are good for transplants."

"It is important to remember that plants require nutrients, or fertilizer, to do well," she said. "And plants don't care where their fertilizer

comes from, whether it is organic or traditional. As long as the nutrient requirement is met, the plant will thrive and do well in your garden."

Fertilizer labels N-P-K

There are three numbers located on each bag, representing the amount of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium in that particular fertilizer. A complete fertilizer will include all three components.

"If you are gardening in an area you haven't gardened before, a soil test might be a good indicator of what your soil really needs," she said. "Some nutrients, especially phosphorous, stay in the soil longer, while things like nitrogen tend to not stay in the soil as long. A soil test will tell you existing levels of all nutrients and

will give gardeners recommendations of what to add. You may, or may not, need a complete fertilizer, depending on your existing soil nutrient levels."

All parts of a plant can benefit from nitrogen, including the roots, leaves,

stems, flowers and fruits, and it also provides plants with their green color. If the leaves begin to yellow or the whole plant turns pale green, a lack of nitrogen may be the reason.

But beware, too much nitrogen may kill your plants. It is also important to not use lawn fertilizers in your garden, as they contain too much nitrogen and may injure vegetables.

While phosphorus is needed to help form roots, flowers and fruit, a phosphorus deficiency causes stunted growth and poor flowering and fruiting.

Plants benefit from potassium in many ways, and a potassium shortage may be visible in stunted growth and yellowish lower leaves.

lowish lower leaves.

"Typically, your leafier greens and lettuces will benefit from a higher amount of nitrogen, and the vegetables that you may be harvesting fruit from may require a higher amount of phosphorous and potassium," she said.

If you are unsure whether or not you need a fertilizer, grab a soil test for your garden or visit AgriLife Extension for more information on fertilizing your garden.

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Pumpkin Possibilities



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Pumpkins are produced in a variety of sizes, colors, and skin textures from orange to white and everything in between.

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When I was young and Halloween time came around, I remembered excitedly trying to figure out what costume to create (few were store bought then) and how to carve the pumpkin for the Jack-o-Lantern. At that time, you only had one type of pumpkin to get at the grocery.

It was the orange one, you just had to decide what size you could afford to purchase. Now ornamental pumpkins and gourds are a big industry in Texas. Texas is the fourth leading state in commercial pumpkin production, and generates \$2.4 million for farmers, with an economic impact of \$7.4 million in the state. Five thousand to 8,000 acres are planted annually in Texas and 90% are in the west Texas region.

The pumpkin is a cucurbit along with cucumbers, melons and squash. Scientifically speaking, pumpkins are fruit because they grow from the flowers of the plant and hold the seeds. The confusion comes from the culinary world that usually bases the classification on flavor, texture and uses thus a lot of people view the pumpkin as a veggie. Vegetable or fruit the pumpkin has a lot going for it. While pumpkins serve as festive decor for fall, they have more benefits than meets the eye. They are extremely nutrient-dense, containing high levels of vitamins and minerals, and low in calories. Just one cup of cooked pumpkin contains more than 200 percent of your daily recommended intake of Vitamin A.

Pumpkin seeds have a variety of health benefits on their own too. They are rich in the amino acid tryptophan, which aids in the creation of serotonin (the chemical in our brain that regulates mood and keeps us happy). Pumpkin seeds also contain phytosterols, which are a plant-based chemical that has been shown to reduce levels of "bad" cholesterol. Other health benefits of pumpkins include high levels of potassium to help restore the body's electrolyte balance, vitamin C to keep your immune system strong and fiber to help you feel fuller longer. My favorite view of a pumpkin is in the form of a homemade pumpkin pie. As the holi-

days approach, the debate over which pie to choose is tough, is it the Texas Pecan or the Pumpkin? If a healthier choice may sway your decision, here's a breakdown from AgriLife Extension.

If you swap and eat a slice of pumpkin pie instead of pecan pie, you automatically save 170 calories and 33 grams of added sugar. Pecan pie has 500 calories per slice, or 1/8 of the pie, and 61 grams of sugar. Pumpkin pie of the same size slice has 330 calories and 29 grams of sugar. The slice of Pumpkin is also 90% of your daily value for vitamin A and 15% of your daily value for calcium. AgriLife Extension didn't comment on the heaping spoonful of Cool Whip that comes with my slice of pumpkin pie!

Pumpkins have been grown in North America for thousands of years. Native Americans ate pumpkins roasted, boiled and stewed, and they roasted the seeds for food. Much like squash blossoms, pumpkin blossoms can also be stuffed and eaten. Even the leaves of pumpkins can be cooked and eaten. Pumpkins are mostly water. So used in the right way, they can be a good substitute for higher-calorie ingredients like butter and other fats.

1/2 cup of pumpkin puree = 1/2 cup of oil

3/4 cup of pumpkin puree = 1 cup of butter

1/4 cup of pumpkin puree = 1 egg

A large amount of pumpkins, close to ninety percent, are produced for seasonal ornamental use. No longer is there just the choice of what size your orange pumpkin will be, but if you want that color at all. The optimal time for planting pumpkin seeds in Texas is June.

Pick a place where there is an abundance of sunlight and space for the vines to grow and scatter. Harvest time usually starts in September.

Jason Pyle with Pumpkin Pyle in Floydada raises 50 to 70 different varieties of pumpkins, including jack-o-lanterns, specialty pumpkins and ornamentals. His biggest sellers are Jack-o-Lanterns. They can grow to the size of a volleyball and larger. The Big Max is a large carving pumpkin variety that grows to be about 100 pounds and 20 inches in diameter. To the opposite extreme, miniature Jack-Be-Little pumpkins weigh between 4 and 8 ounces.

TSTC begins fall semester at a distance

SWEETWATER - It was a different sight for many returning students at Texas State Technical College this week.

Students were greeted with entrance and exit signs, social distancing markers, and signs detailing TSTC's COVID-19 safety protocols.

"Because of this pandemic, we have to follow these rules," said Keith Aguirri, a Diesel Equipment Technology instructor in Sweetwater, during a student safety orientation session on Monday. "We are going to make sure each (student) is safe."

It was a similar message from Welding Technology instructor Taylor Elston, who said students began the day learning safety protocols for classroom and lab sessions. Lance Eastman, interim provost, said TSTC's top priority is to keep students, faculty and staff safe while on campus.

"Students are now limited to the areas in the school necessary for their program," he said. "TSTC has done everything possible to keep our students and faculty safe and assist any student who has struggled in this distance learning transition."

During the student safety sessions, social distancing was practiced, and in each classroom, only one person sat at a table.

"Having these safety measures in place will make everyone feel better, and we will be working in a safe environment," said Diesel Equipment Technology student Cade Palmer of Menard.

Lumina or White Pie are a ghostly white pumpkin great for decorations, however, you can also get the dark black Pumpkin Table Ace (acorn squash) to contrast with the oranges and white pumpkins in your fall decorations. Even the textures of the pumpkin exterior come in different choices from smooth to a warty or "ugly" bumpy exterior. No matter your choice of color or texture or what you plan to use the pumpkin for, it is certain that pumpkins are a big agriculture staple for the American consumer.

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