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## Howard College Trustees vote on new organizational structure

By **IRIS RANGEL**  
 Herald Staff Writer

The Howard College Board of Trustees met in regular session Monday afternoon to discuss various agenda topics such as organizational changes, COVID-19 Response Status #7, and an Open Howard College update.

President of the Board of Trustees Dr. Cheryl Sparks provided information on organizational changes within the Cabinet level of Howard College. Over the last 15 months, there have been several resignations and pending retirements within the Cabinet including District Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Amy Burchett, District Special Projects Officer Terry Hansen, Workforce and Community Development Officer Jamie Rainey, Administrative Dean of Instruction and Student Services Pam Callan, and Co-Executive Dean for SWCID Danny Campbell.

Burchett will be taking over additional responsibilities from the Administrative Dean of Instruction and Student Services.

Hansen, already under transition for retirement, will be moving into a role

for the Big Spring/SWCD's roofing project until January 2021.

Rainey, realizing the challenges with budgets Howard College is facing, made a personal decision to retire early in December of this year.

Callan will also be taking on additional duties for her role as Administrative Dean of Instruction and Student Services.

Campbell will be taking over interim roles from Nancy Menura, who resigned last December.

"These are just efforts that we're making to try to go ahead and address what we've seen in the budget over the summer and then as we move into this next year. We know that it's going to be a very challenging legislative session, and we're just trying to prepare for those situations," Sparks said.

Trustee Ben Zeichik motioned to approve the organizational changes and was seconded by Trustee Patricia Bennett. The motion passed unanimously.

An update for the Howard County Appraisal District Board resignations/nominations was also given during the meeting. With there being two resignations within the Appraisal District

Board, Trustees do have the option of nominating individuals for the open positions. The Board did not provide any nominations at this time.

Trustees then discussed the COVID-19 Response Status #7 alongside an Open Howard College Update. According to Sparks, each of the 13 counties with Howard College have experienced an increase in cases. The Spring and Summer schedules for students are also built with COVID guidelines in place in order to continue to prevent the spread of the virus. Fall semester will also be ending before Thanksgiving, with a December mini-session following shortly after. Sparks also noted that Howard College has seen an increase in requests to transition back to face to face classes and are doing what they can in order to accommodate students' needs while staying safe. Also noted in the Response Status #7 is the continued delay with FCI classes and dual credit courses with ISDs in the surrounding area. FCI classes do have the possibility of beginning Nov. 1, but will have changes in delivery approach, according to Sparks.

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### Upcoming Events

- City Council Meeting**  
 Oct. 27  
 5:30 p.m.  
 City Council Chambers
- Early Voting continues through**  
 Oct. 30  
 Howard County Courthouse
- H-E-B Halloween Safe Stop**  
 Oct. 31  
 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
- Election Day**  
 Nov. 3

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## Howard County Commissioners discuss routine agenda during Monday afternoon meeting

By **IRIS RANGEL**  
 Herald Staff Writer

County commissioners met in regular session yesterday afternoon in order to discuss routine items. Commissioners are meeting on the second floor of the County Courthouse until further notice due to early voting taking place on the third floor.

Commissioners moved into the first agenda item Right of Way and Utility Easement-The City of Big Spring. This easement was noted to be taking place on the road to the Big Spring landfill. However, according to County Judge Kathryn Wiseman, the contract was not yet ready for review. Due to this, Commissioner Craig Bailey moved to table the item and was seconded by Commissioner John Cline.

County Treasurer Sharon Adams then began to discuss with Commissioners regular agenda items such as Personnel Considerations, Treasurer's Monthly and Quarterly Report, and 2020 FMCSA CDL Driver Policy.

According to Adams, there was an increase in personnel



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**Howard County Commissioners met in the 2nd Floor Courtroom for Monday's regular meeting as early voting is taking place in the 3rd Floor Courtroom.**

considerations due to needs in voting clerks. Wiseman also noted that, according to Election Administrator Jodi Duck, despite the icy weather within the next few days, the County Courthouse is required to remain open for voters.

Regarding the FMCSA CDL Driver Policy, this item was to simply approve an updating of the employee handbook to allow for annually scheduled drug testing for new and current hires.

Personnel Considerations, Treasurer's Monthly and Quarterly Report, and 2020 FMCSA CDL Driver Policy were passed in a unanimous vote.

County Auditor Jackie Olson initiated conversation with Commissioners discussing the approval of invoices, purchase requests, and budget amendments. According to

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## Take a trip to 1980 Big Spring: Stop by Heritage Museum and grab a unique gift idea this Christmas

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

As the holiday season approaches, gift ideas are starting to arise. The Heritage Museum of Big Spring is offering a unique gift this holiday season that will allow a stroll down memory lane and provide an opportunity for family time. The museum recently received the newest gift idea for 2020 - Vintage Big Spring Map puzzles.

"This was an idea I had considered in the past and this map seemed to be the right subject," Tammy Schrecenghost, Heritage Museum Director, said. "This is a fun activity to do as a family, at gatherings during the holidays, and it offers a chance to reminisce about the 1980s."

As many others felt the impact of the pandemic sweeping across the community, the Heritage Museum is no different. With numerous events cancelled this year due to the limited group sizes allowed to gather, the museum had

to cancel the annual Legends and Legacy summer event. Legends and Legacy leads up to the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo - which was also cancelled this year - and honors the cowboy impact and history in Howard County. The event also serves as the largest fundraiser for the museum.

"We have seen an increased demand for puzzles during the pandemic. Families are spending more time at home and more time together," she said. "We received the puzzles a couple of weeks ago and they are selling fairly quickly. We encourage everyone to stop by the museum, take a look at a completed puzzle and purchase one for themselves or for a unique gift idea."

According to Schrecenghost, the museum will continue to stock the puzzles and is looking at adding to the collection each year. This year, the puzzle focuses on the 1980s and features many



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**The Heritage Museum has unique gift ideas once again this year. A Vintage Big Spring Map puzzle is the gift to give this year; not only will it be a unique gift, but it supports the preservation of local history.**

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## Obituaries

### Jack Harvell



Jack Harvell, 64, of Sand Springs died Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jack was born Sept. 29, 1956, in Temple, Texas. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army; Helicopter Crew Chief having served in Hawaii. He was a line foreman of Dixie Electric - now Expanse. He married Jo Ann Permenter on April 13, 2020, in Big Spring. He spent most of his life in Big Spring and was a Baptist.

Jack is survived by his wife: Jo Harvell of Sand Springs; two daughters: Stephanie Williamson and

her husband John of Sand Springs and Crystal Eckerly of Michigan; one son: James Clark of Michigan; one brother: Jim Harvell and his wife Faye of Sand Springs; two sisters: Linda Hoover and her husband James of Big Spring and Sandra Kennedy and her husband Rick of Oklahoma; four grandchildren: Kinsley Kirby, Sarah Eckerly, Emma Eckerly and Jackson Eckerly; and several nieces and nephews.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents: Inez and Vernon Harvell; one sister: Brenda Geurin; two brothers: Steve Harvell and David Allor.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

*Paid Obituary*

### Librado Mendoza Calderon

Librado Mendoza Calderon, 81, of Big Spring died Sunday, Oct. 25, 2020. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Frank Galan

Frank Galan, 63, of Big Spring died Monday, Oct. 26, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



### Don Surridge

Don Surridge, 88, of Big Spring, formerly of Sonora, died Friday, Oct. 3, 2020.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

David was born Dec. 19, 1932, in Rochester, NY.

David is survived by his wife:

Terry Surridge of Big Spring; two sons: Gary Surridge of Dallas and Jerry Surridge of San Antonio; one step-daughter; one step-son; three grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

David was preceded in death by his parents: James H. Surridge and Rosa.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Take Note

• Mental Health First Aid is a skills-based training course that teaches participants about mental health and substance-use issues. There are adult, and youth, courses available in both in-person and virtual formats. The West Texas Centers MHMR here in Big Spring offers MHFA to independent school district (ISD) employees, community members, veterans, servicemembers and their families and higher education institution employees. Please use the contact information below for further information.

Oct. 29 - Youth Mental Health First Aid (virtual);

Nov. 9 - Adult Mental Health First Aid (virtual);  
Nov. 16 - Adult Mental Health First Aid (virtual);  
Nov. 17 - Adult Mental Health First Aid (virtual);  
Nov. 19 - Youth Mental Health First Aid (in-person class)

• Big Spring Theatre presents Haphazardly Ever After by Jeff Fluharty on Nov. 6 and Nov. 7. The performances will take place at 6:30 p.m. both nights in the Big Spring High School Auditorium. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the High School in Room 121 from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this report.

• **DAKOTA WOLF BACKES**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft property (\$100 to \$750) shoplifting.

• **GARY WAYNE BRITO**, 28, was arrested by HCSO on charges of unauthorized use of vehicle and tamper with identification numbers.

• **AUBREY LAVOR BRYAN**, 48, was arrested by

DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **KAMERON RAY COKER**, 17, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of unauthorized use of vehicle.

• **MITCHELL BRADY DUQUETTE**, 21, was arrested by DPS on a charge of possession of controlled substance penalty group three (less than 28 grams).

• **CHRISTOPHER JAY MENDOZA**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **MARTIN ARMANDO RIVAS**, 45, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL**

was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL**

was reported in the 2900 block of Hunter Glenn. No transport was required.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of Highway 350 and CR 1205. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL**

was reported in the 2500 block of Lynn Drive. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson Road. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the

2500 block of March Circle. No transport was required.

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• **DAKOTA WOLF BACKES**, 21, of 1104 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place, was arrested on a charge of theft property (\$100 to \$750) shoplifting.

• **GARY WAYNE BRITO**, 28, of 3902 E. 350 Highway, was arrested on charges of unauthorized use of motor vehicle and tampering with identification numbers.

• **CHRISTOPHER JAY MENDOZA**, 38, of 1507 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **FORGERY** was reported in the 1800 block of S. Gregg Street.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of N. Highway 87.

• **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 900 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

• **BURGLARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 4100 block of E. FM 700.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of Highway 80 Creighton.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1800 block of E. FM 700.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 5600 block of S. Service Road.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1300 block of Elm Street.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

• **THEFT** was reported in the area of Lintner and FM 818.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street.

• **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 2000 block of Morrison Drive.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

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# COUNTY

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Olson during the budget amendment portion of the meeting, Howard County received \$32,000 in a COVID-19 Response Grant for elections. Invoices, purchase requests, and budget amendments were all approved unanimously.

Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek provided updates regarding accepting and requiring permission for bids on RFBs 2020007, 2020008, and 2021002. For RFB 2020007, Ridgeback Asphalt LLC provided the lowest bid at \$352,685.75. Commissioner Cline motioned to approve permission to enter a contract and was seconded by Commissioner Bailey.

Klinksiek then went into discussion regarding RFB 2020008, requiring permission to go out for bid. According to Klinksiek, construction would take place on 350 towards Old Colorado City Road. Also noted was the intent to lower speeds down to 50 mph for the duration of construction in order to maintain safety.

The last RFB discussed by Klinksiek was 2021002, which would take place in Precincts 1, 2, and 4. Both RFB 2020008 and 2021002 were approved in a unanimous vote.

Before ending the roadway portion of the meeting, Klinksiek also mentioned the upcoming icy weather and noted that he, DPS Sergeant, and TxDot were in talks for preparations for the inclement weather situations. According to Klinksiek, most roads

have been pretreated or are in the process of pretreatment in efforts to prevent unsafe road conditions.

Commissioner John Cline then moved into discussion regarding the renewal of oil leases with Four Sevens. Cline noted that there were seven small tracts that had reached the end of their mineral leases and were looking to renew per the County's approval. Commissioner Cline motioned to approve the renewal of all seven leases and was seconded by Commissioner Bailey. The motion passed unanimously.

Before adjourning for the evening, Commissioner Cline provided an election issue with a family who has tested positive for COVID after the mail-in voting registration deadline. The two individuals in the family

who would like to vote are looking to be able to vote online. The family would need to send in proper paperwork showing positive tests and file a petition to District Judge Timothy Yates. A motion was made by Commissioner Cline to allow the family to file a petition in order to vote online. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bailey and passed unanimously.

Judge Wiseman noted before the ending of the meeting that there is a possibility of the courthouse being closed Oct. 27 due to inclement weather, on the premise that Big Spring ISD would also choose to close. In the event that the courthouse does close, in-person voting will still be taking place on the third floor of the courthouse.

# HOWARD

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Spring/Summer 2021 registration for Howard College will begin Nov. 10. The schedule for the Spring/Summer semester will be available Nov. 2.

Also noted during the update, a virtual college fair booth is live and will remain up through Nov. 20. As of Oct. 15, 271 students have visited the booth. There have also been in-person visits and presentations given and some in-person campus tours have begun. Currently, there are 12 FAFSA nights scheduled for parents and students, with one of them being held virtually.

"Howard College will continue to expand virtual events for student activities (PolitiTaco Tuesday, Hispanic Heritage Month, Banned Book Week, etc.)," Sparks said.

Howard College COVID-19 Dashboard, last updated on Oct. 23, Big Spring campus has eight confirmed positive cases, six recovered cases, and two active cases; Lamesa campus has one confirmed positive case, one recovered case, and zero active cases; San Angelo campus has four confirmed positive cases, four recovered cases, and zero active cases; and SWCD campus has zero cases across the board.

It is noted that the total number of confirmed cases on the COVID-19 Dashboard are a cumulative number of self-reported positive COVID-19 cases, student, and employee that resulted in campus exposure. There is the possibility of higher confirmed case numbers within students and staff, however, those cases are not reflected in the above numbers due to there being no campus exposure from them.

Howard College has purchased new software to conduct the check-in process for residence halls in the Spring semester. At this time, residence halls will be closed during winter break to all students.

Sparks also provided an athletic field update for the Big Spring campus stating funds have been gathered to replace the softball and baseball field scoreboards. Monies collected have been collected through fundraising, an anonymous donor, and a donation given by Sonic.

There was also mention of a new project for Howard College's Construction Trade Program at the Big Spring campus to build a new softball field house. This project would take approximately two years in order to collect appropriate funding and materials, but would allow for students within the program to receive hand-on training in their field of interest. The estimated monies needed for a new softball field house would be approximately \$62,000.

The Board then discussed Howard College's Quality Enhancement Plan Annual Report where the Howard College LEADS Program is entering its fourth year of implementation. This report includes completion rate trends, as well as current student learning outcomes results.

According to LEADS Co-Director Cindy Smith, 301 students began the LEADS program in Fall 2019 and 259 have completed the program. This amount equates to a 86% completion rate district-wide for the third year of the LEADS program.

The Quality Enhancement Plan Annual Report showed extensive results exceeding goal expectations across every Howard College campus, since the program began in 2017.

Some of the more notable results indicate a 86% district-wide program completion rate for year three of the LEADS program and a 83% fall to spring retention rate for the district.

"Cindy I was excited the first year that you did this, but as you see the data coming along year by year... I mean it's just an outstanding program," Trustee Patricia Bennett said.

The LEADS presentation and statistics can be found at [www.howardcollege.edu](http://www.howardcollege.edu) inside the Board of Trustees tab, under Meeting Documents.

Other topics discussed and approved during the meeting included:

- Minutes of regular meeting Sept. 28, 2020
- Checklist for Sept. 2020
- Monthly reports of auxiliary services
- Personnel matters, Internal audit report
- Report on Coliseum

chiller request for proposal

- Hail Damage Roof Repair or Replacement request for proposal
- Blackboard Outcomes Module (Grant Funded)
- Handbook and Catalog changes, Boardbook Update
- Legislative and General updates
- 2020 Virtual Association of Community College Trustee Annual Congress Report; Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Almanac

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## MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Gerald Ferguson, 64, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Albert Leal, 72, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jack Harvell, 64, died Thursday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Harley Taff, 40, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Don Surridge, 88, died Friday. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Librado Mendoza Calderon, 81, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with a vigil service at 7:00 PM. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Alvino "Bino" Noyola, 68, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Frank Galan, 63, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Billy Turner, 61, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

# PUZZLE

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businesses that are no longer standing in Big Spring, including Fina Refinery, J.W. Charde, Rositas, Choate Company. It also features some that are still standing, including the Big Spring Herald office.

"The money we raise from the puzzle sales will go into the museum operations budget and serve as this year's fundraiser," she said. "As usual, we still have the Memorial Bricks that can be purchased as a way to memorialize loved ones lost."

For those who do not live in Howard County, the museum will ship the puzzles. More information can be found about the puzzles, along with more photos of the unique puzzle, on the Heritage Museum Facebook page.

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# Eyes turn to Texas as early voting surge surpasses 2016

By PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press

Texas has already cast nearly 7 million votes, more than anywhere in America, and Glen Murdoch couldn't get his ballot in fast enough after becoming a U.S. citizen this summer.

"I was champing at the bit," said Murdoch, who moved to Austin from Australia shortly after President Donald Trump took office, and cast a ballot last week to vote him out.

It's a rush to the polls in Texas like seldom seen before.

More than a week before Election Day, Texans have already cast as many early votes as they did in 2016 and are nearly 80% of the way toward hitting the total — both early and on Election Day — counted four years ago. The voting bonanza has some Democrats optimistic that decades of low turnout and undisputed Republican dominance may soon be a thing of the past.

But what that it all means for Texas is far from clear. Voters don't register by party in the state, making it difficult to know which party or presidential candidate has an edge. Polls are unusually close in Texas, but neither President Donald Trump or Democrat Joe Biden has swung through Texas, focusing on clear battleground states instead like Arizona and Florida.

That said, the Biden campaign decided Sunday that Texas was worth a visit from the nominee's running mate, Sen. Kamala Harris, announcing that she would visit the state on Friday. Details were not released, but Harris has focused on mobilizing Black voters, which suggests that cities like Houston and Dallas might appear on her schedule.

Striking numbers of early voting are across the board in Texas — in big cities that are solidly Democrat, in tipping-point suburbs where Republicans are losing ground and, to a lesser extent, in heavily Latino counties along the border. In Harris County, home to Houston, more than 1 million votes have already been cast.

Democrats have long believed a breakthrough was only a matter of rousing millions of nonvoters, particularly within the state's booming Latino

population. Roughly 50% of voters currently registered to vote in Texas have never voted or vote infrequently, according to the voter information firm L2.

A turnout surge could come with major political consequences. Democrats believe they have a shot at winning control of the statehouse, a half-dozen competitive U.S. House races and a Senate seat, not to mention 38 electoral votes that could seal the deal for Biden.

Republicans say Democrats are getting way ahead of themselves as usual, but are also clear-eyed that the final turnout will likely be historic.

Derek Ryan, a GOP data analyst, predicted this week that Texas turnout would likely surpass 12 million, or roughly 3 million more voters than 2016 — more than the population of neighboring New Mexico.

"It's hard to say, 'Yes, if we reach 12 million then Democrats win,' because you never know," said Abhi Rahman, a spokesman for the Texas Democratic Party. "But on balance, yes, if we reach 12 million voters we'll win this election."

Republicans don't buy it. In Austin's fast-growing suburbs, Williamson County went for Trump by 9 percentage points four years ago. GOP county chairman Steve Armbruster said most of the county's nearly 370,000 registered voters now have no recent primary history. He feels confident the GOP will win a good chunk of them.

"I haven't seen any kind of support or excitement or enthusiasm on the Democrat side," Armbruster said after returning from a local Trump rally Saturday.

The surge has unfolded at a moment when cases of the novel coronavirus, blamed for more than 17,000 deaths in Texas, are rising again and a wave of lawsuits over voting rules continue. Whereas the vast majority of states are allowing widespread mail-in voting because of coronavirus fears, Texas is only one of five that refused, choosing instead to expand early voting by one week. That extended period helps explain Texas' huge numbers so far with still a week of early voting to go. With most voters ineligible to submit ballots by mail, the outcome in Texas may be revealed sooner than other states on Election Night.

"We know from 2018 there at least a half-million people that don't mind switching back and forth between parties as they go down the ballot. And that's a significant number," said Steve Munisteri, a GOP strategist and adviser to Republican Sen. John Cornyn, who is in a close reelection battle against Democrat MJ Hegar.

More than 56 million voters have already cast their ballot across the country, and election experts are suggesting that as many as 150 million Americans may vote.

In Texas, the focus is on suburbs where Democrats made significant inroads in 2018. A major battleground is Collin County, outside Dallas, which has more than 1 million residents and backed Trump by 17 percentage points in 2016. Two years later, Democratic congressman Beto O'Rourke came within 5 percentage points of winning the booming county during his close but failed U.S. Senate run.

More than half of the county's voters have already gone to the polls, the highest rate in Texas. The same is true in neighboring Denton County, another traditional GOP stronghold. On Saturday, Republican Gov. Greg Abbott made a second campaign swing this week through the North Texas area that will be decisive in whether Democrats claim a majority in the Texas House for the first time in 20 years.

In heavily Latino counties along the border, turnout has not been as high as elsewhere. In Hidalgo County, the percentage of registered voters who've already cast a ballot is slightly down from the same point four years ago.

In Houston, Bob Bailey cast his vote early for Trump with only the economy in mind. He hadn't cut his shaggy hair in months, but what worried him most about the pandemic was his job at a gymnastics center. Half his co-workers — roughly two dozen people — have been laid off, and he said the business is only breaking even since reopening.

"My job, everybody's job," said Bailey, 60, ticking off his worries outside one of the more than 100 early voting centers around Houston, which is three times as many as a normal election year. "We're not making a lot of money."

## El Paso imposes curfew as virus cases overwhelm hospitals

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Residents in the Texas border city of El Paso have been urged to stay home for two weeks as a spike in coronavirus cases overwhelms hospitals, prompting the state to dedicate part of the city's civic center as a makeshift care center for the ill.

El Paso County Judge Ricardo Samaniego on Sunday night issued a stay home order with a daily curfew from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Violators could be fined \$500 under the order, but the curfew does not apply to people who are going to or from work or out for essential services, including grocery stores and healthcare.

"We are in a crisis stage," said Samaniego, the county's top elected official.

On Monday, the county reported a new record high in daily coronavirus cases, with 1,443 cases of the virus recorded. That breaks the daily record of 1,216 cases that was set Saturday.

The county had 853 patients hospitalized for the virus on Monday, up from 786 a day earlier.

Earlier Sunday, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said 50 hospital beds will be set up in the convention center and another 50 beds could be added if

needed.

Abbott ordered the alternate care site to expand hospital capacity in the El Paso area in response to the coronavirus surge, he said. The site, scheduled to open this week, will provide additional medical equipment and medical personnel.

The surge in El Paso cases comes as President Donald Trump downplayed the virus' effect on Texas, saying during last week's presidential debate: "There was a very big spike in Texas, it's now gone."

The state has already provided over 900 medical personnel to El Paso, some of whom will be staffing the convention center site.

"The alternate care site and auxiliary medical units will reduce the strain on hospitals in El Paso as we contain the spread of COVID-19 in the region," Abbott said.

As of Sunday, Texas has reported a total of 862,375 virus cases statewide since the pandemic began. An estimated 91,885 active cases was the most since Aug. 30, and the 5,206 COVID-19 hospitalizations reported statewide Sunday was the most since Aug. 22.

## One killed in shooting by Border Patrol agent in Texas

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — A U.S. Border Patrol agent investigating suspected human smuggling with other agents in Texas fatally shot a person driving a vehicle carrying people believed to be in the country illegally, federal officials said Saturday.

Border Patrol agents, Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials and the Webb County constable's office had stopped a semi in Laredo Friday and found several people inside the trailer, according to a statement from Customs and Border Protection spokesperson Rick Pauza.

Another semi then arrived at the scene, according to a statement, and law officers identified themselves and were approaching the tractor-trailer when the driver began moving in re-

verse, pinning a Border Patrol agent against another vehicle.

Other agents then opened fire, shooting the driver, who was pronounced dead at the scene. The injured agent was taken to a hospital, where he was treated and released Saturday, according to the statement.

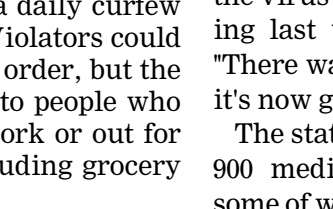
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# Breaking down the Big Spring Lady Steers 2020-21 basketball schedule



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Above left: Tristan Smith steals the ball away from an opponent last season. Above right: Former Big Spring player Trinity Galloway and current team leader Ryen Terrazas play tight defense on an offensive player during a game last winter.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

Winter sports are coming.

Next month, the Big Spring Lady Steer basketball team will begin their 2020-21 season. Their first game of the regular season will be Nov. 14 in a home contest against Lamesa as they will begin their attempt to bounce-back from last year's disappointing season.

The Lady Steers won only eight games last season but stepped off with a strong district run and should be able to turn some of those close losses into wins this winter.

The season is fast-approaching and there is just over one week until their first scrimmage. New Head Coach Eric Tuttle is excited for this upcoming season and believes that his team has enough talent to put together a strong season.

The following is the Lady Steers' 2020-21 schedule:

**Scrimmage One (11/5): @ Andrews (6:00)**

Big Spring lost their one meeting with the Lady Mustangs last season. In early January, Andrews defeated the low-scoring Big Spring Lady Steers 48-33.

**Scrimmage Two (11/10): @ Garden City (6:00)**

Big Spring lost their early meeting with the Lady Barkats last winter. In the second game of the season, Garden City defeated Big Spring 39-37.

**Game One (11/14): vs. Lamesa (12:30)**

Lamesa defeated Big Spring 34-26 last season.

**Game Two: (11/17): @ Borden County (6:30)**

**Game Three (11/21): vs. Crane (12:30)**

The Lady Steers defeated Crane 48-34 during a tournament last season.

**Game Four (11/23): vs. Shallowater (12:00)**

**Game Five (11/24): vs. San Angelo Central (12:30)**

San Angelo Central was able to dominate and defeat the Lady Steers by 30 points last season in a game played at Central (53-23).

**Game Six (12/1): vs. Midland Christian (6:00)**

**Game Seven (12/4): vs. Pecos (7:30)**

**Game Eight (12/5): @ Idalou (2:30)**

**Game Nine (12/8): @ Fort Stockton (6:00)**

Big Spring was able to beat Fort Stockton 54-44 last season in their first game following Christmas Break.

**Game 10 (12/11): @ Midland Lee (6:15)**

**Game 11 (12/15): @ Lubbock Cooper (6:00)**

**Game 12 (12/18): @ Abilene Cooper (5:30)**

Abilene Cooper last December when they were able to defeat the Lady Steers 45-25.

**Game 13**

**(12/29): vs. Andrews (12:30)**

This will be the second meet-

ing with Andrews. They play the Lady Mustangs in their first scrimmage of the season.

**Game 14 (12/30): vs. Sundown (1:00)**

In a tournament last season, Sundown defeated Big Spring 44-20.

**Game 15 (1/2): vs. Fort Stockton (2:00)**

This will be the Lady Steers' second non-district meeting with Fort Stockton this year.

**Game 16 (1/5): @ Estacado (7:30)**

In the first district game of the season, the Lady Steers will be playing a team that they did not even go up against once last season. It will be a new district rivalry matchup for both sides.

**Game 17 (1/8): vs. Lake View (7:30)**

Big Spring swept the Maidens last season. In their first meeting, the defeated Lake View 32-25 in a low-scoring affair.

**Game 18 (1/12): vs. Snyder (7:30)**

Snyder was able to beat Big Spring both times they played last season. In their first meeting, the Lady Tigers won 40-27.

**Game 19 (1/15): @ Levelland (7:30)**

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## Texas Junior Golf Alliance

### Invitational Set for Oct. 31 – Nov. 1

Special to the Herald

MONT BELVIEU – The Legends Junior Golf Alliance will host the second Texas Junior Golf Alliance Invitational at Eagle Pointe Golf Club in Mont Belvieu from Oct. 31 – Nov. 1.

In 2012, the four most prominent junior golf tours in the state joined forces to create the Texas Junior Golf Alliance. The goal was to give junior golfers greater access to top-tier statewide competition while lessening the burden of travel expenses. The partnership between the TGA's Legends Junior Tour, Northern Texas PGA, Southern Texas PGA and the Houston Golf Association has been a success.

To add another elite junior golf tournament to the Alliance's schedule, the LJT hosted the first Texas Junior Golf Alliance Invitational last year. Now in its second year, the event will welcome one of the strongest fields of the season.

"We were very encouraged about the addition of the Texas Junior Golf Alliance Invitational to our LJT schedule last year," LJT Tournament Coordinator Adam Schulte said. "This event has welcomed a strong field both years, and we're excited to crown a new set of champions this weekend."

Home of the most competitive junior golf in the state, the LJT wanted to increase its Alliance partners' opportunities for their tournament winners to earn spots in LJT's elite championships. That's how the Texas Junior Golf Alliance Invitational field was determined. Winners of select events from the NTPGA, STPGA and HGA's junior tours received invitations to the tournament as well as players ranked high on the current LJT Player of the Year Points Lists.

Last year, Henry Frizzell of Frisco claimed his second LJT title after consecutive rounds of

3-under-par 68. He totaled 10 birdies and an eagle through 36 holes and recently started his collegiate golf career at Arkansas Tech University.

In the Girls 12-18 Division, Elna Sinz of Katy also picked up her second LJT victory of the 2019 season. She carded back-to-back rounds of even-par 71 to hold off Tillie Claggett by three strokes. Sinz just began her freshman year as a member of the Auburn University Women's Golf Team.

Daniel Zou of The Woodlands won the Boys 14 & Under Division after posting 8-under-par 134 for the championship. He carded nine birdies and only one bogey en route to a six-shot victory. This year, Zou will look to win a Texas Junior Golf Alliance Invitational title in the Boys 15-18 Division.

Collectively each year the four organizations provide playing opportunities to more than 6,000 junior boys and girls in 500-plus tournaments. The NTPGA's All-American Tour and STPGA's Prestige Tour serve as qualifiers into Legends Junior Tour Invitationals.

"We are always looking for new ways to get juniors into elite competitions," STPGA Executive Director Thomas Hutton said. "The Alliance has allowed all of us to work together, grow junior golf participation and create opportunities all over Texas."

The final championship of the season to count toward LJT Player of the Year Standings will feature a field of 84 players. Three divisions compete separately: Boys 15-18, Girls 12-18 and Boys 14 & Under. Matthew Comegys of Plano leads the Boys 15-18 Division; while Lauren Nguyen of Katy leads the Girls 12-18 Division and Trenton Mierl of Austin leads the Boys 14 & Under Division.

The first round begins at 8 a.m. on Oct. 31. Final Round pairings will be redrawn according to first round scores and begin at 8 a.m. the next day.

## NCAA Football AP Top 25 (Week 9)

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Clemson (52)	6-0	1,539	1
2	Alabama (10)	5-0	1,494	2
3	Ohio State	1-0	1,402	5
4	Notre Dame	5-0	1,353	3
5	Georgia	3-1	1,292	4
6	Oklahoma State	4-0	1,201	6
7	Cincinnati	4-0	1,100	9
8	Texas A&M	3-1	1,094	7
9	Wisconsin	1-0	950	14
10	Florida	2-1	933	10
11	BYU	6-0	906	12
12	Miami (FL)	5-1	888	11
13	Michigan	1-0	839	18
14	Oregon	0-0	784	13
15	North Carolina	4-1	758	14
16	Kansas State	4-1	562	20
17	Indiana	1-0	466	NR
18	Penn State	0-1	443	8
19	Marshall	5-0	379	22
20	Coastal Carolina	5-0	282	25
21	USC	0-0	243	24
22	SMU	5-1	208	16
23	Iowa State	3-2	205	17
24	Oklahoma	3-2	155	NR
25	Boise State	1-0	113	NR

**RECEIVING VOTES:**

Memphis (105), Liberty (85), Tulane (80), Louisiana (50), Army (44), Auburn (41), Minnesota (40), Utah (36), Northwestern (20), Arkansas (15), Washington (15), Purdue (8), Arizona State (7), Appalachian State (6), California (4), Boston College (2), Texas (2), San Diego State (1)

## NFL SCHEDULE WEEK SEVEN RESULTS

**THURSDAY**

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
New York Giants (1-6)	Philadelphia Eagles (2-4-1)	22-21, Eagles

**SUNDAY**

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
Detroit Lions (3-3)	Atlanta Falcons (1-6)	23-22, Lions
Cleveland Browns (5-2)	Cincinnati Bengals (1-5-1)	37-34, Browns
Pittsburgh Steelers (6-0)	Tennessee Titans (5-1)	27-24, Steelers
Carolina Panthers (3-4)	New Orleans Saints (4-2)	27-24, Saints
Buffalo Bills (5-2)	New York Jets (0-7)	18-10, Bills
Dallas Cowboys (2-5)	Washington (2-5)	25-3, Washington
Green Bay Packers (5-1)	Houston Texans (1-6)	35-20, Packers
Tampa Bay Buccaneers (5-2)	Las Vegas Raiders (3-3)	45-20, Buccaneers
Kansas City Chiefs (6-1)	Denver Broncos (2-4)	43-16, Chiefs
San Francisco 49ers (4-3)	New England Patriots (2-4)	33-6, 49ers
Jacksonville Jaguars (1-6)	Los Angeles Chargers (2-4)	39-29, Chargers
Seattle Seahawks (5-1)	Arizona Cardinals (5-2)	37-34, Cards (OT)

**MONDAY**

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
Chicago Bears (5-1)	Los Angeles Rams (4-2)	TBD



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protest the application with  
cross-examination or  
presentation of a direct case.  
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plicable in the hearing. If you  
have any questions regard-  
ing the hearing procedure,  
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**THIS NOTICE OF APPLICA-  
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The location and identity of  
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FIELD: SPRABERRY  
(TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name: MARCY  
Lease/Unit Well No.: 1WA  
Lease/Unit Acres: 625.5  
Nearest Lease Line (ft): null  
Lease Lines: 749.0 F N  
(OFF-LEASE) L, 2226.0 F E  
(OFF-LEASE) L  
Survey Lines: 749.0 F N  
(OFF-LEASE) L, 2226.0 F E  
(OFF-LEASE) L  
Wellbore Profile(s) :  
Horizontal

Lateral: TH1  
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Lease Lines: 552.0 F N  
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(OFF-LEASE) L

Terminus Location  
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Section: 1 Block: 33 T1S  
Abstract: 358 Survey: T&P  
RR CO

Lease Lines: 87.0 F N L,  
1134.0 F W L  
Survey Lines: 87.0 F N L,  
1134.0 F W L

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approximate depth of 10000  
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If you have questions regard-  
ing this application, please  
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representative, Emily  
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#10703

**Texas Commission on  
Environmental Quality****NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF  
APPLICATION AND  
INTENT TO OBTAIN  
WATER QUALITY PERMIT  
RENEWAL**

**PERMIT NO.  
WQ0001768000**

**APPLICATION.** Alon USA,  
LP, P.O. Box 1311, Big  
Spring, Texas 79721, which  
owns a petroleum refinery,  
has applied to the Texas  
Commission on Environmen-  
tal Quality (TCEQ) to renew  
Texas Pollutant Discharge  
Elimination System (TPDES)  
Permit No. WQ0001768000  
(EPA I.D. No. TX0104515) to  
authorize the discharge of  
treated wastewater at an in-  
termittent and flow variable  
volume via Outfalls 001, 002,  
and 003. The facility is lo-  
cated at 200 Refinery Road,  
Big Spring, in Howard  
County, Texas 79720. The  
discharge route is from the  
plant site via internal Outfall  
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or to I-20 Lake (an asphalt-  
lined impoundment with a

leak detection system that is  
not authorized to discharge  
and is not a water in the  
state) in the watershed of  
Beals Creek or to Outfall 003;  
via Outfall 003 to either Out-  
fall 103 (for oilfield water-  
flood operations) or Outfall  
002; and via Outfall 002 to  
either oilfield waterflood oper-  
ations or via pipe directly to  
Red Draw Reservoir; thence  
to Red Draw; thence to Beals  
Creek; thence to Colorado  
River Below Lake J.B.  
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application on June 23, 2020.  
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available for viewing and  
copying at Howard County  
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Texas. This link to an elec-  
tronic map of the site or facil-  
ity's general location is  
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tesy and not part of the ap-  
plication or notice. For exact  
location, refer to application.  
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**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.**

TCEQ's Executive Director  
has determined the applica-  
tion is administratively com-  
plete and will conduct a tech-  
nical review of the applica-  
tion. After technical review of  
the application is complete,  
the Executive Director may  
prepare a draft permit and  
will issue a preliminary de-  
cision on the application. **No-  
tice of the Application and  
Preliminary Decision will  
be published and mailed to  
those who are on the  
county-wide mailing list  
and to those who are on  
the mailing list for this ap-  
plication. That notice will  
contain the deadline for  
submitting public com-  
ments.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUB-  
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submit public comments or  
request a public meeting  
on this application.**

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to provide the opportunity to  
submit comments or to ask  
questions about the applica-  
tion. TCEQ will hold a public  
meeting if the Executive Di-  
rector determines that there is  
a significant degree of public  
interest in the application or if  
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A public meeting is not a  
contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A  
CONTESTED CASE HEAR-  
ING.**

After the deadline for  
submitting public comments,  
the Executive Director will  
consider all timely comments  
and prepare a response to all  
relevant and material, or sig-  
nificant public comments. **Un-  
less the application is di-  
rectly referred for a con-  
tested case hearing, the re-  
sponse to comments, and  
the Executive Director's de-  
cision on the application,  
will be mailed to everyone  
who submitted public com-  
ments and to those per-  
sons who are on the mail-  
ing list for this application.**  
If comments are received,  
the mailing will also  
provide instructions for re-  
questing reconsideration of  
the Executive Director's de-  
cision and for requesting a  
contested case hearing. A  
contested case hearing is a  
legal proceeding similar to a  
civil trial in state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CON-  
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YOU MUST INCLUDE THE  
FOLLOWING ITEMS IN  
YOUR REQUEST: your  
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and proposed permit num-  
ber; the location and dis-  
tance of your  
property/activities relative  
to the proposed facility; a  
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Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at

https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address, and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Alon USA, LP at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Nishanth Singh at 432-263-9452.

Issuance Date: September 21, 2020

#10705



# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## A light in the tunnel

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠AK4  
 ♥KJ3  
 ♦KJ108  
 ♣J42

**WEST**  
 ♠76  
 ♥109  
 ♦Q762  
 ♣K9653

**EAST**  
 ♠932  
 ♥7652  
 ♦43  
 ♣A1087

**SOUTH**  
 ♠QJ1085  
 ♥AQ84  
 ♦A95  
 ♣Q

The bidding:  
 North East South West  
 1 NT Pass 2 ♣ Pass  
 2 ♦ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
 4 ♠ Pass 6 ♣

Opening lead — ten of hearts.

Everyone occasionally runs into the vexing problem of which way to take a two-way finesse for a missing queen. Consider South's problem in this deal, where all he has to do to make the slam is to guess the location of the queen of diamonds.

West leads the ten of hearts, won with dummy's king. Declarer begins by playing three rounds of trump and three more rounds of hearts.

This brings him to the moment of truth when he must decide which opponent is more likely to have the queen of diamonds. If South finesses in the right direction, he is sure of making six, and may even make seven. But if he finesses in the wrong direction, he is sure to go down, losing a diamond and a club.

There are no absolute guarantees, but on the basis of what has transpired thus far, South should play West for the queen of diamonds. In the course of winning the first seven tricks, South has learned that West started with two spades and two hearts, while East has shown up with three spades and four hearts.

This leaves West with nine unknown cards that might include the queen of diamonds, and East with only six cards that might include the queen.

It follows that West is more likely to have been dealt the queen than East, so declarer should take the diamond finesse through West.

Accordingly, South cashes the ace of diamonds at trick eight, unblocking the ten from dummy, then continues with the nine and lets it ride. When the nine wins, he repeats the finesse and winds up scoring all the tricks.

Tomorrow: All's swell that ends well.

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# SUDOKU

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

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

ANSWER:

# Tomorrow's Horoscope

## Mercury and Venus Harmonize Relationships

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



sume to know anything about other people.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Associative memories will play a role in today's decision-making process, although not all of the memories are vivid, many being as faint as ghosts and yet still powerfully influential.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Wherever you go, you cultivate a sense of belonging meant for everyone around you, not just the few you know or the few that are similar to you. In this way, you are a light in the world.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** No state of being is intrinsically better than another, though you have your preferences. You wouldn't willingly choose to be inconvenienced or uncomfortable, though what you gain will make the trouble worthwhile.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You probably don't realize how important it is that you show up. You are bringing something of value to the table, though because it is also integral to who you are, you don't experience it as anything out of the ordinary.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** You set out knowing what you want at the end of the journey. Getting that specific prize will not, in the end, be very important. It's the hope of a prize that opens the world, not the prize itself.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Your social network is as unique a possession as can be. Sharing it will help you see this much more clearly and will inspire you to continue cultivating new connections.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Everyone you come into contact with is living a vividly complex life, though some are more inclined to give you a peek into it than others. You're lucky today because you do not as-

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 27).** So much more is possible than before, and opportunities crop up all around you. You can take next month's exciting outcome as a sign to stay that path. This early success is only the first nugget in a bag of gold. Keep it all rolling by making sure you have helpful partners and a system of accountability and support. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 33, 10, 28 and 41.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Keep track of those strange details that don't readily fit. Things that seem unrelated on the surface, you'll find, are quite related indeed if you dig but a little deeper into the matter.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Some are afraid that putting together a bucket list will cause too much focus on their own demise when the opposite effect will occur. Living gets more exciting. The longer the list, the more life it represents.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** No two relationships are the same, so there's no single approach to relationship success. However, today, your way of learning about others before you decide where to take things will work beautifully and universally.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** We all have feelings that we're not sure how to or whether to express; you're not alone in that. What does set you apart today is your exquisite instinct and follow-through in this regard.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** You don't need to know everything about a person to make a relationship work, but do try to find out a little more about where the other person is coming from. That will make today's interaction much smoother.

**COSMIC QUESTION:** "I'm a Leo and a giver. One of the things I give a lot of is attention. I'm a good listener and I learn a lot about people. I end up letting them dominate conversations mostly, and I come away knowing a lot more about people than they know about me. Later, when they bring things up, I cringe at how they get it wrong or just don't seem to know me very well. I like listening to people, but sometimes I feel like it's not fair that no one knows me. Also, people do get boring sometimes, and it's not fair that they don't give me my turn. What do you make of it?"

Your sign is known for generosity and having a big, open heart. You'd do well to add a few helpful social skills to your arsenal. I advise you to team your curiosity and excellent listening skills with two abilities. The first is the ability to recognize when you're nearing the limits of your natural curiosity and veering into the territory of emotional labor. In other words, recognize when you get bored with the conversation, when the other person feels taxing to you and when your responses seem motivated more by kindness and social grace than genuine interest. I will tell you the second skill tomorrow.

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# Annie's Mailbox

## Cyberbullying Solutions

**Dear Annie:** This is about the young girl who was being bullied by some schoolgirls. Our daughter got bullied, and I want to share how my wife handled it. She invited the mothers and daughters over for coffee and dessert. She made it clear the invitation was mandatory. They all came. It was a nice meeting.

She explained what was going on and why bullying is unacceptable. If it didn't stop, she said, she would take further action, and no one wants that to happen. The mothers were surprised to hear what their daughters were doing. It not only stopped, but the girls all became friends. I'm sure all their lives changed. Bullying can scar some people for life. -- A Solution

**Dear Solution:** It's amazing that your wife took the high road and taught your daughter to do the same. It is good that the bully and her mother showed up. If they had refused, more serious action like letting the school know would have been mandatory.

Many readers reacted to this column. Read on to see more letters on cyberbullying.

**Dear Annie:** You missed one important piece of advice to Concerned Mother about her daughter being cyberbullied. Contact her school. Most schools have programs in place to deal with students who engage in cyberbullying. The mother and daughter are obligated to try and prevent this from happening to others, and the school needs to be made aware that this is happening, even though it didn't take place in

a classroom setting. -- School First

**Dear Annie:** I have been in education for 18 years. I have been a teacher, department chair, dean and an assistant principal. So I read with interest the letter from Concerned Mother about her daughter being cyberbullied. Mom needs to contact her daughter's school principal. Even though the party took place outside of school and off school grounds, it is still affecting the daughter and her schooling. In most states, the principal can still take action against the girl(s) who posted the modified picture and made disparaging comments. Additionally, the school might have mental health professionals who could help her daughter. -- PhD in Education

**Dear Annie:** I would like to add to your

response to Concerned Mother, whose 14-year-old daughter was bullied over social media by someone she thought was her friend.

I think you missed an opportunity to teach both girls a life lesson. The parents of this young lady, in my view, should have reached out to the other girl's parents in person to talk about what their daughter is doing on social media. They might be unaware. It would give them a chance to hold their daughter accountable for a very negative behavior. It would also teach the girl who was victimized how to stand up for herself in an appropriate way.

It might be better if the parents, after talking, arranged an in-person meeting between all four parents and the two girls, to talk about accountability for rude, hurtful behaviors and the full impact they can have on

another human being. I would want to know if my child did that to another.

There would definitely be consequences, such as no social media for a while, no phone, monitoring her posts and contacts, as well as therapy.

If my daughter was the victim, I would have therapy for her as well.

As parents, our job is to teach our children how to be good people with integrity. We need to teach by example, with love. -- Empathic Parent

**Dear Empathic Parent:** Thank you for your letter. I love the idea of taking a hurtful situation and turning it into a learning opportunity. That is the only way we can stop bullying from taking place.

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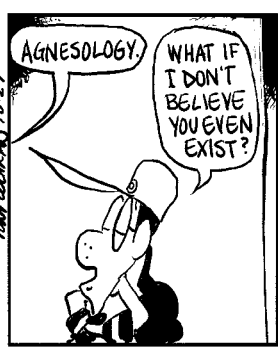


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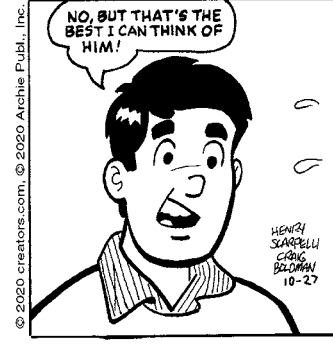
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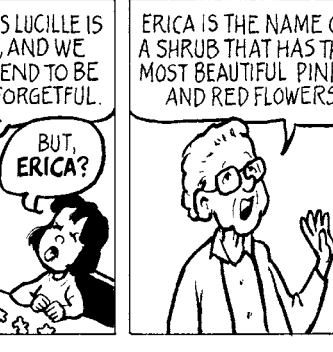
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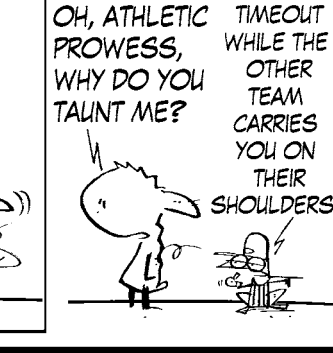
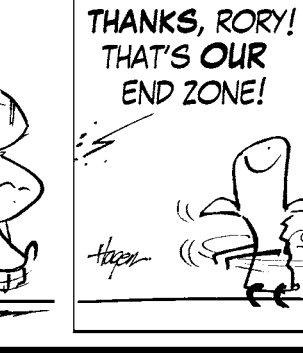
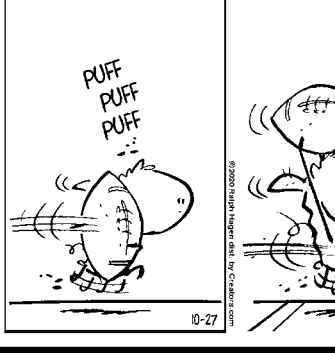
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 27, the 301st day of 2020. There are 65 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History

On Oct. 27, 1904, the first rapid transit subway, the IRT, was inaugurated in New York City.

On this date:

In 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the United States Constitution, was published.

In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.

In 1941, the Chicago Daily Tribune dismissed the possibility of war with Japan, editorializing, "She cannot attack us. That is a military impossibility. Even our base at Hawaii is beyond the effective striking power of her fleet."

In 1954, U.S. Air Force Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. was promoted to brigadier general, the first Black officer to achieve that rank in the USAF. Walt Disney's first television program, titled "Disneyland" after the yet-to-be completed theme park, premiered on ABC.

In 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, a U-2 reconnaissance aircraft was shot down while flying over Cuba, killing the pilot, U.S. Air Force Maj. Rudolf Anderson Jr.

In 1978, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin (men-AH'-kem BAY'-gin) were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize for their progress toward achieving a Middle East accord.

In 1995, a sniper killed one soldier and wounded 18 others at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (Paratrooper William J. Kreutzer was convicted in the shootings, and condemned to death; the sentence was later commuted to life in prison.)

In 1998, Hurricane Mitch cut through the western Caribbean, pummeling coastal Honduras and Belize; the storm caused several thousand deaths in Central America in the days that followed.

In 2001, in Washington, the search for deadly anthrax widened to thousands of businesses and 30 mail distribution centers.

In 2004, the Boston Red Sox won their first World Series since 1918, sweeping the St. Louis Cardinals in Game 4, 3-0.

sel Harriet Miers withdrew her nomination to the Supreme Court after three weeks of brutal criticism from fellow conservatives.

In 2018, a gunman shot and killed 11 congregants and wounded six others at Pittsburgh's Tree of Life synagogue in the deadliest attack on Jews in U.S. history; authorities said the suspect, Robert Bowers, raged against Jews during and after the rampage. (Bowers, who is awaiting trial, has pleaded not guilty; prosecutors are seeking a death sentence.) Hundreds of Mexican federal officers carrying plastic shields blocked a Central American caravan from advancing toward the United States after several thousand migrants turned down the chance to apply for refugee status in Mexico and obtain a Mexican offer of benefits.

Ten years ago: Dozens of Jewish extremists hoisting Israeli flags defiantly marched through the Arab-Israeli town of Umm el-Fahm, chanting "death to terrorists" and touching off clashes between rock-hurling residents and police. Former Argentine President Nestor Kirchner died at age 60. The San Francisco Giants won the first game of the World Series, defeating the Texas Rangers 11-7.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama, addressing the International Association of Chiefs of Police in Chicago, defended officers who had come under intense scrutiny amid a breakdown in relations between law enforcement and minority communities, and said police couldn't be expected to contain problems that society refuses to solve. Walgreens confirmed it was buying rival pharmacy chain Rite Aid for about \$9.4 billion in cash.

One year ago: In an address from the White House, President Donald Trump announced that Islamic State leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi had died after U.S. special operations forces cornered him during a raid in Syria. (Al-Baghdadi blew himself up as U.S. forces approached.) Former U.S. Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, a founder of the Congressional Black Caucus who'd been one of the longest-serving members of

Congress, died at his home in Detroit at the age of 90; he'd been among the high-profile politicians toppled by sexual harassment allegations in 2017. Freshman Rep. Katie Hill, a rising Democratic star in the House, resigned amid an ethics probe; she said explicit private photos of her with a campaign staffer had been "weaponized" by her husband and political opera-

tives. Today's Birthdays: Actor-comedian John Cleese is 81. Author Maxine Hong Kingston is 80. Country singer Lee Greenwood is 78. Producer-director Ivan Reitman is 74. Rock musician Garry Tallent (Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band) is 71. Author Fran Lebowitz is 70. Rock musician K.K. Downing is 69. TV

personality Jayne Kennedy is 69. Actor-director Roberto Benigni is 68. Actor Peter Firth is 67. Actor Robert Picardo is 67. World Golf Hall of Famer Patty Sheehan is 64. Singer Simon Le Bon is 62. Country musician Jerry Dale McFadden (The Mavericks) is 56. Internet news editor Matt Drudge is 54. Rock musician Jason Finn (Presidents of the United States of America) is

53. Actor Sean Holland is 52. Actor Channon Roe is 51. Actor Sheeri Rappaport is 43. Actor David Walton is 42. Violinist Vanessa-Mae is 42. Actor-singer Kelly Osbourne is 36. Actor Christine Evangelista is 34. Actor Bryan Craig is 29. Actor Troy Gentile is 27.

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Rock source of petroleum
  - 6 Chooses, with "for"
  - 10 Tiny amount
  - 14 Piece of a flower
  - 15 Map out
  - 16 Stuck-up person
  - 17 Love, in Italy
  - 18 Coin in Italy
  - 19 Beasts in a sty
  - 20 Green-to-red BLT ingredient
  - 23 "Dear old" father
  - 24 Point of a constellation
  - 25 In the past
  - 27 Attorney's expertise
  - 30 Vapor from a radiator
  - 34 Petroleum measure: Abbr.
  - 35 The Lone Star State
  - 37 Large crowd
  - 38 Green-to-yellow foliage
  - 41 \_\_\_ days (time long past)
  - 42 War horse
  - 43 Plop down on a chair
  - 44 Actress Close
  - 45 Pampering place
  - 46 What a spider spins
  - 47 Shape of a hockey puck
  - 50 Athlete who's paid
  - 52 Blue-to-red horizon
  - 59 Not worth debating
  - 60 Memo header
  - 61 "Same here"
  - 62 "If it \_\_\_ broke . . ."

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- 9 Nose, informally
- 10 Belongs to, as a club
- 11 "You have my word \_\_\_"
- 12 Diner take-out order
- 13 Belly muscles
- 21 Just hangs around
- 22 Pulverized, as potatoes
- 25 Rings \_\_\_ (sounds familiar)
- 26 Forest clearing
- 28 Planet's line of rotation
- 29 Would like to have
- 31 Remove a pencil mark
- 32 Stray from the script
- 33 Thaw
- 34 Online diary
- 35 Game played at Wimbledon
- 36 Rung of a ladder
- 39 Long-running feud
- 40 Falling-apart cars
- 46 Triumphed in the end
- 48 Doesn't attend
- 49 Skeptical person
- 51 Corrodes, as iron
- 52 Work hard
- 53 Sharpen, as skills
- 54 General vicinity
- 55 School semester event
- 56 Reduced-price event
- 57 Radiate, as rays
- 58 Helpful hints
- 59 Page in an atlas

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# Bird Keys On Current To Win Bassmaster Central Open On Neely Henry

GADSDEN, Ala. — Focusing on current-related habitat enabled Cody Bird of Granbury, Texas, to win the Basspro.com Bassmaster Central Open on Neely Henry Lake with a three-day total of 34 pounds, 1 ounce.

Bird placed third on Day 1 with a limit of 13-1 and moved into the Day 2 lead after adding 11-9. On Championship Saturday, he turned in a limit of 9-7 and earned the \$35,000 top prize for his first B.A.S.S. win.

"I have two seconds, a third, a fourth, two fifths, a sixth and three sevenths — it feels good to finally win one," Bird said. "I'm just not a closer. This time, when I got up there, I made up my mind that they were going to have to take it from me."

"It took me a while, but it was worth it. I earned this one, for sure."

Fishing fast to cover lots of water, Bird said he covered a 15-mile stretch up the Coosa River. Throughout the event, he reported making upwards of 100 stops a day — often visiting key spots multiple times — and making approximately 1,000 casts a day.

Bird formulated his fast-paced strategy for the tough fall transitional period that found Neely Henry in a stingy mood. Bites were scarce, but Bird quickly dialed in the types of spots he needed to fish.

"I had a terrible first day of practice, so I decided to run up the river and check it out," he said. "(Alabama Power) was running water wide open and the fish were really biting, so I figured that I was going to stay in that area."

"I knew the fish wouldn't bite as good when they weren't running water, so I ran tons of little drains that had water running out."

Bird said he also targeted docks positioned in areas with good current exposure.

"I had a couple little stretches where I could line up with where the current came down," he said. "The end of a dock is always good and you could get in behind them and find a few fish."

"I also caught several goods ones off stumps. I didn't ever catch many off laydowns, but they were on stumps."

Catching a mix of largemouth and spotted bass, Bird did most of his work with Lucky Craft RC 1.5 square-bills. He had each bait custom-painted in bright chartreuse patterns, but

presentation was the most important element.

"The whole key to it was burning that bait," he said. "The water was a little clear for a squarebill, so you had to trick them. I don't know how many spots hit my bait at the boat and didn't take it."

Matthew Robertson of Kuttawa, Ky., finished second with 33-1. The first two days saw Robertson weigh limits of 11-0 and 11-8. On Saturday, he missed his limit by one fish but turned in the biggest sack of Championship Saturday — 10-9.

"This week I've just been winging it; fishing stuff I never fish," Robertson said. "I stayed on the main river and threw a Strike King Red Eyed Special spinnerbait."

Stephen Browning of Hot Springs, Ark., finished third with 32-11. After a Day 1 bag of 9-5 had him in a tie for 38th place, Browning found his biggest sack on Friday — a 13-6 limit that included a 5-5. He closed with a 10-pound Day 3 limit.

Targeting wood, riprap, chunk rock and gravel banks, Browning caught his fish on a Z-Man JackHammer ChatterBait with a Z-Man Razor ShadZ trailer and a Jewel finesse jig with a craw worm.

"It was just typical river fishing; you just fish what's in front of you," Browning said. "Realistically, I had (approximately) the same bag three days in a row, I just had that big fish on Friday that bumped me up really good."

Browning won the \$750 Phoenix Boats Big Bass award for his 5-5.

Fifth-place Kenta Kimura, of Osaka, Japan, won the \$500 Garmin Tourna-

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## NFL Standings (Through Week Seven)

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (AFC)													
EAST				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Buffalo Bills				5	2	0	.714	2-1	3-1	3-0	4-2	174	178
Miami Dolphins				3	3	0	.500	1-2	2-1	1-2	2-2	160	113
New England Patriots				2	4	0	.333	2-2	0-2	1-0	2-2	115	143
New York Jets				0	7	0	.000	0-4	0-3	0-3	0-5	85	203
NORTH				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Pittsburgh Steelers				6	0	0	1.000	4-0	2-0	1-0	4-0	183	118
Baltimore Ravens				5	1	0	.833	2-1	3-0	2-0	3-1	179	104
Cleveland Browns				5	2	0	.714	3-0	2-2	2-2	3-2	200	221
Cincinnati Bengals				1	5	1	.214	1-2	0-3-1	0-3	1-5	163	194
SOUTH				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Tennessee Titans				5	1	0	.833	3-1	2-0	2-0	4-1	188	153
Indianapolis Colts				4	2	0	.667	3-0	1-2	0-1	2-2	157	115
Houston Texans				1	6	0	.143	1-3	0-3	1-1	1-4	166	217
Jacksonville Jaguars				1	6	0	.143	1-2	0-4	1-2	1-5	154	220
WEST				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Kansas City Chiefs				6	1	0	.857	2-1	4-0	2-1	6-1	218	143
Las Vegas Raiders				3	3	0	.500	1-2	2-1	1-0	1-2	171	197
Los Angeles Chargers				2	4	0	.333	1-2	1-2	0-1	2-1	149	154
Denver Broncos				2	4	0	.333	0-3	2-1	0-1	2-3	116	153
NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (NFC)													
EAST				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Philadelphia Eagles				2	4	1	.357	1-2-1	1-2	1-1	2-2	163	196
Washington Football				2	5	0	.286	2-2	0-3	2-1	2-3	133	165
Dallas Cowboys				2	5	0	.286	2-2	0-3	1-1	2-4	176	243
New York Giants				1	6	0	.143	1-2	0-4	1-2	1-5	122	174
NORTH				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Chicago Bears				5	1	0	.833	2-1	3-0	1-0	5-0	128	116
Green Bay Packers				5	1	0	.833	2-0	3-1	2-0	4-1	197	159
Detroit Lions				3	3	0	.500	0-2	3-1	0-2	2-3	156	165
Minnesota Vikings				1	5	0	.167	0-3	1-2	0-1	0-3	155	192
SOUTH				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Tampa Bay Buccaneers				5	2	0	.714	3-0	2-2	1-1	2-2	222	142
New Orleans Saints				4	2	0	.667	3-1	1-1	2-0	3-1	180	174
Carolina Panthers				3	4	0	.429	1-2	2-2	1-2	2-3	162	168
Atlanta Falcons				1	6	0	.143	0-4	1-2	0-1	1-6	184	207
WEST				W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Seattle Seahawks				5	1	0	.833	3-0	2-1	0-1	3-1	203	172
Arizona Cardinals				5	2	0	.714	2-1	3-1	2-0	4-2	203	146
Los Angeles Rams				4	2	0	.667	2-0	2-2	0-1	4-1	152	114
San Francisco 49ers				4	3	0	.571	1-3	3-0	1-1	2-2	181	136

ment Rewards.

John Goul of Philadelphia, Miss., won the co-angler division with a three-day total of 17-15. Goul weighed two fish for 4-11 on Day 1, added a three-fish limit of 5-10 on Day 2 and earned his first B.A.S.S. win with a final round limit of 7-10.

Paired with Bird, Goul caught his final-round fish on a 3/8-ounce Dirty Jigs Finesse Jig in the Go To color with a watermelon Zoom Twin Tail trailer. He dyed the trailer tips chartreuse.

"He was cranking and paralleling the bank and he just gave me a few targets that just happened to have quality fish on them," Goul said. "I caught fish as shallow as 6 inches, and I caught

my biggest from the end of a tree in about 8 feet of water."

Jason Henson of Rome, Ga., won the \$250 Phoenix Boats Big Bass award among co-anglers with a 4-0.

Jason Christie of Park Hill, Okla., leads the Central Open points race with 547 points, followed by Darold Gleason with 540. Bassmaster Elite Series pro Lee Livesay is in third with 539, followed by Marc Frazier in fourth with 533 and Elite pro Brandon Palaniuk with 531.

Christie leads the Falcon Rods Bassmaster Opens Angler of the Year standings with 929 points.

## LADY STEERS

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In another new district match-up, the Lady Steers will go up against a team that crushed them 71-17 last season.

**Game 20 (1/19): @ Sweetwater (7:30)**  
Big Spring won both meetings against the Lady Mustangs last season. The first game was a 46-33 victory for the Lady Steers.

**Game 21 (1/22): vs. Estacado (7:30)**

**Game 22 (1/26): @ Lake View (7:30)**

Big Spring won the second meeting 50-39 last season.

**Game 23 (1/29): @ Snyder (7:30)**

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They will need to replace the productivity of recent graduate Trinity Galloway in various spots on the court this season. Galloway was the leading scorer for an offensively-challenged team last season. She was also consistently one of the best defenders on the hardwood.

Tuttle is sure to be working on getting his playmakers open shots while also teaching them how to defend teams who may have more size than them. It will be an interesting season to follow as the Lady Steers aim to put their past in the rearview and focus on winning each and every time they take the court.

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