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## Friends of the Library Book Sale raising funds, meeting needs

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

Things are starting to roll again and the Friends of the Library are thankful for that. The Fall Friends of the Library Book Sale has wrapped up and marked a success. "We had a great book sale," Tammy DePauw, Friends of the Library member said. "We were a little worried with how this sale would be perceived with us being in the middle of the pandemic still, but overall we ended up doing well." The Friends of the Library typically hosts two book sales each year, one in the Spring and one in the Fall. Due to the pandemic sweeping in, the Spring Book Sale was cancelled. Throughout the year an abundance of donations have come in, including books, puzzles, audio

books and movies. "We have had an influx of donations and it was impossible to have it in one room. We ended up having three rooms full for the book sale," DePauw said. "I am thinking people used Covid as a time to either read a lot or clean out their book and movie shelves, maybe both." She continued, "In one day alone we had 65 sacks and 20 boxes come in. We had people bring donations in by the pickup load. We had around 200 movies brought in one day." For those who were unable to attend the weekend Book Sale, there is still an opportunity to stock up one new reading material and movies. There are a few tables set up in the library, along with access to



**HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat**  
 The Friends of the Library hosted the annual Fall Book Sale last weekend. Despite the pandemic, a good crowd showed up to support the sale. Funds will be used to benefit the Howard County Library.

## From a teachers perspective: Holding class in a pandemic

By **IRIS RANGEL**  
 Herald Staff Writer

What does a school look like during a pandemic? For some districts, this means being entirely virtual and outside of the classroom. For others, it may not look any different than it did a year ago with classes being held in-person at full capacity. However, many classrooms are somewhere in the middle of these two. This year, school has taken on a re-imagining like no other in such a short period of time. For Big Spring ISD 6<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies Teacher/Assistant High School Tennis Coach Connie Riddle, this year has had it's bit of uphill battles with how quickly changes and adjustments need to be made compared to last year. "The difference for me this year would definitely be the minimum contact and figuring out ways to have the kids work in groups, yet still separated far enough. In tennis, it has been almost the same except when our kids go to sit in the bleachers they have a specific spot and they have to have their stuff there. Last year, some of our players had a great chance winning district and doing well in regionals. Unfortunately, the pandemic robbed us from seeing them compete at their highest level," Riddle said. Across the world, teachers like Coach Riddle are grappling with the

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## Election Update

**Herald Staff Report**

As of press time, there are still four states whom have not submitted total vote counts in the Presidential Election. In Electoral Votes, Joe Biden is in the lead with 264 votes and President Donald Trump is sitting at 214 votes. Thursday evening no progress was made in vote count as no states turned in final counts. At this point the results are as follows in the four non-completed states: Georgia is sitting at 99% reporting with Biden having taken the lead with 49.4% of the votes. Georgia is worth 16 electoral votes.

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## Visitor Restrictions in Place at Scenic Mountain Medical Center

**Herald Staff Report**

As the nation continues to deal with the coronavirus pandemic, and the case count continues to rise across the State of Texas, Scenic Mountain Medical Center has issued a reminder on the limited visitor access in the facility. "The health and safety of our patients, visitors, employees, and our communities remain our top priority at Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC)," SMMC Marketing issued in a press release. "Therefore, in line with the latest guidance provided by the CDC and the Texas Department of State Health related to COVID-19, we maintain a no visitor policy with the following exceptions: End-of-life patients may have one visitor at a time, limited to immediate family only, and other visitors must remain outside the facility until rotated in. Pediatric patients will be allowed no more than two designated visitors per hospital stay, as well as Laboring or Post-partum patients who will be allowed one designated visitor/labor partner per hospital stay." Scenic Mountain Medical Center will have all patients who enter the hospital through available access points to be screened immediately upon arrival. At this time points of entrance will be limited to the hospital main entrance - off of Martin Luther King Blvd - and the Emergency Department Entrance - off of FM 700. "SMMC has taken every precaution and made the necessary preparations to care for patients in a safe, controlled

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## Spreading thankfulness throughout the month of November



**HERALD Staff Report**

The holiday season is upon us and Thanksgiving is only three weeks away. While this past year has been filled with lots of unexpected and unknown, there are plenty of things to be thankful for as we wrap up this year. Throughout the month of November, each day, the Big Spring Herald will be highlighting reasons to be thankful. The community is encouraged to e-mail us at editor@bigspringherald.com or leave their comments on the Big Spring Herald Facebook Page, share a photo and the reason you are thankful. Share one reason you are thankful this year, or two, or share one every day.

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## Obituaries

### Melba Rich

Melba Rich, 85, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020.



Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Evergreen Chapel.

Melba was born April 27, 1935, in Roff, Oklahoma. She married J. C. Rich on Dec. 16, 1948, in Colorado City. He preceded her in death on Nov. 20, 2011. Melba was a rural mail carrier in Stanton, Leonora, and Tarzan area for over 30 years.

Melba loved to crochet and she also loved to watch bull riding and baseball.

Melba is survived by four daughters: Jacque Hagins and her husband Freddie, Judy Simer and her husband Gary, Patsy Simer and her husband Larry, and Vicki Bryan and her husband Jim; one son: Jim Rich and his wife Tori; 10 grandchildren: Chris, Angela, Michael, Michelle, Brittany, Amber, Randi, Rikki, John, Brad, and Roy; and several great and great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a grandchild: J. C.

Honorary pallbearers will be Chris Hagins, Michael Simer, John Bryan, Brad Bryan, Roy Miles, Brian McHenry, Mitchell James and Jeff Thigpen.

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

*Paid Obituary*

### Shawna Mize

Shawna Mize, 26, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m.



Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with expenses.

Shawna was born July 8, 1994, in Snyder, Texas. She worked at the TA Travel Center.

Shawna loved puzzles, writing poems, art, especially coloring, and on TV she especially loved Law and Order.

Shawna is survived by her parents: Wendy and

Richard Neefe of Big Spring; Jeremiah Coker of Colorado City, and Jason Mize of Big Spring; ten brothers and sisters: Aaron Neefe, Brent Riffe, Haley Mize, Wesley Mize, Leo Neefe, Rodney Falasz, Anastasia Coker, Kaylee Coker, Jeremiah Coker, and Courtney Coker;

Grandparents: Della and Robert Riffe, Laura Coker and Albert Edens, and Laverne Boyett; great grandparents: Frances Coker and Gladene Cate; two nephews: Fernando Morales, Jr, and Thatcher Kirkum; and a number of aunts, uncles, and cousins.

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

*Paid Obituary*

### Robert P. Diaz

Robert P. Diaz, 59 of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 2, 2020.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

## Take Note

• Help2Heal, Helping Parents to Lead healing conversation with kids and teens will be taking place on Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. until Noon at First Church of the Nazarene, located at 1400 S. Lancaster. An RSVP is required for planning. Find out more by reaching out on Facebook or 432-267-7015 or by e-mail at [stacyleos@yahoo.com](mailto:stacyleos@yahoo.com).

• 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.

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. Face masks are required. Children 5 and under are free.

• Howard County Republican Club meets the second Monday of each month at 421 Main Street. Everyone is welcome. The meeting takes place at Noon. For more information call 432-213-7628.

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

• St. Vincent de Paul will be open the following dates beginning November 2020. Food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will be suspended at this time, but will resume on Dec. 17.

Distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building. In December 2020, the food distribution will continue the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday as scheduled. SVDP will be closed from December 18 through January 7, 2021.

• Isaiah 58 will be open on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. further notice, for the safety of their volunteers and those they serve. Those receiving services are asked to enter the parking lot on 9th Street and exit onto Scurry. Please bring a form of identification with you to pick up food. Masks are required and those receiving food boxes will need to place boxes in their own vehicles until further notice. All these efforts are being put in place to help slow the spread and ensure the safety of those volunteering and those receiving services.

• Permian Basin Multiple Sclerosis Support Group for information, encouragement and support. The group meets monthly on the Second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express at 5321 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Odessa. If you or someone you know has been touched by MS, or if you are just interested in more information please feel to contact Gary Tidwell at [garylteagle1987@gmail.com](mailto:garylteagle1987@gmail.com).

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the area of Stallings and Rockhouse Road.
- **THEFT** was reported in the area of Moore School Road and Webb Lane.
- **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- **CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE** was reported in the 400 block of S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 2500 block of Dow Drive.
- **TELEPHONE HARASSMENT** was reported in the 600 block of W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in 1800 block of S. Johnson Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 400 block of Westover Road.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1000 block of E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street.

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.

- **CHARLES RAY ATKERSON**, 62, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of theft property (\$150K to \$300K).
- **JOSE GARCIA**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on charges of expired registration, no driver's license (when unlicensed), and violation of bond/protective order.
- **CHAD JUSTIN MORRISON JR.**, 27, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of motion to adjudicate/possession of controlled substance penalty group one (greater than or equal to four grams less than 200 grams).
- **SIDNEY BROOKE PATTERSON**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of resist arrest search or transport.
- **MICHAEL D. JHOVON PHILLIPS**, 20, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of bailman off bond/unauthorized use of vehicle.
- **LATASHA MARIE RODRIGUEZ**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **NEZIAH XAVIAR TURNER**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on charges of theft of firearm, manufacture delivery of controlled substance penalty group one (greater than or equal to one less than four grams), manufacture delivery of controlled substance penalty group 3/4 (greater than or equal to 28 grams less than 200 grams), unlawful possession of firearm by felon, and possession of controlled substance penalty group two (greater than or equal to four grams less than 400 grams).
- **KIMBERLY WEEKS**, 63, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

## Support Groups

### FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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## 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. (x2)
- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 4100 block of Dixon. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of S. Benton. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Howard County Airport. No transport was required.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 700 block of Colgate Avenue. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Harvard Avenue. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Bluebird. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3100 block of S. Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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# Weather



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**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 52. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph

**Saturday:** Sunny, with a high near 76. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

**Saturday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 56.

**Sunday:** Sunny, with a high near 82.

**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 58.

**Monday:** Sunny, with a high near 83.

**Monday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 49.

**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 69.

**Tuesday Night:** Clear, with a low around 39.

**Veterans Day:** Sunny, with a high near 70.

**Wednesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 50.

**Thursday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

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

# THANKS

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“This is an opportunity as a community for us to shift our focus to the things we have to be thankful for, and in reality, our community is filled with giving hearts, support resources, and kind spirits,” Big Spring Herald Editor Amanda Duforat said. “We are looking forward to hearing from our community on what they are thankful for this year.”

In addition to featuring “I am thankful...” each day throughout November, the Big Spring Herald will also do a feature on Nov. 21-22 highlighting “We are thankful for.”

“Our community is the lifeline of our newspaper. We strive to tell the stories that exist in our community, in addition to being a source for local and breaking news. Community input is important and appreciated by our staff.”

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# CLASS

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rollercoaster of challenges that arise with teaching during a pandemic. Coach Riddle herself has taught 6<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies at Big Spring ISD for seven years, and mentions from this year of teaching, she has learned to become more malleable, yet to still be overly prepared.

“A lesson I’ve learned is to go with the flow and to always have a backup plan for the backup... and just in case, have an extra backup plan for that plan,” she said.

Some have said, “Everyone is a first year teacher again this year.” To Riddle, this year has brought more work for everyone and finds that preparing herself with music helps her in order to

get ready to teach.

“I think it’s different for everyone. It’s difficult for everyone in every grade level and has created a lot of work. I like to listen to a playlist of several songs over and over to get myself ready for the classroom. Even now, I walk in with music playing to get myself ready,” Riddle said.

Riddle also noted the need for parents to keep communicating with their student’s teachers in order to allow their children to have a successful and productive classroom experience this year.

“The atmosphere in my classroom hasn’t changed, except not being able to have groups. We still have fun and goof around, yet are serious at the same time. Parents, your kids rock, and I thank you for all your support, just be sure to communicate with

teachers,” she said.

Along with support from the community and parents/guardians, Riddle has also implemented unique teaching elements to her classroom to keep somewhat of a “normal” experience for students.

“I have implemented Quizizz and Kahoot. The reason it’s unique is I get a quick feedback on what my students know and what I might need to review. Memes are also involved because who doesn’t like a good meme to tell you to keep up the good work or to try again. This is all because our students have better access to technology thanks to the district,” Riddle said.

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# BOOK

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the basement is still open for those wanting to browse.

“This sale was our fundraising for the year. There will be no more fundraising this year,” she said. “We plan to have another sale in late March or early April.”

DePauw said the funds raised from the book sale and other donations made to the Friends of the Library, McNaughton Books are purchased for the library along with audio and electronic books. In the past, the Friends of the Library have also supported the Children’s reading program and helped update technology for the community to use.

“Our county doesn’t really have the money to fund some of these projects so that is where we come in. Last year through grants, donations, books sales and our read a thon we were able to purchase new computers for the computer room as well as new carpet, tables chairs paint etc.,” she said.

One of the most current needs at the Howard County Library is to upgrade some of the children’s computers.

Those who wish to donate to Friends of the Library can do so by sending monetary donations to: Friends of the Library, 500 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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# SMMC

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and professional way,” the press release stated.

For more information on visitor policies or to stay updated with the latest information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical.org

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# Take Note cont.

• O’Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

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# VOTE

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While Biden has a few more physical votes in Georgia, Biden and Trump sit at 49.4% of the vote.

Nevada is sitting at 84% reporting with Joe Biden sitting at 49.4% with 604,251 votes. Nevada is worth six electoral votes.

North Carolina is sitting at 94% reporting with President Trump at 50.1% with 2,732,084 votes. North Carolina is worth 15 electoral votes.

Pennsylvania is sitting at 97% reporting with Joe Biden at 49.5% with 3,295,319 votes. Pennsylvania is worth 20 electoral votes.

Vote counting will continue through Friday and as updates are provided, the Big Spring Herald website will be updated throughout the day. At this time, the election is sitting close.

The City of Big Spring, on Thursday afternoon, issued a press release regarding majority requirements for Recalls, Filling Positions, and Special Elections. The public service announcement reads as follows:

“The City has received some questions recently on election result rules and procedures after recalls.

Each election of two or fewer candidates or “Yes” or “No” question is determined by a majority vote. The majority is of the votes cast on that specific election item.

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1 John 4:18

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1 John 4:18



The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation."  
**Psalm 91: 14-16**

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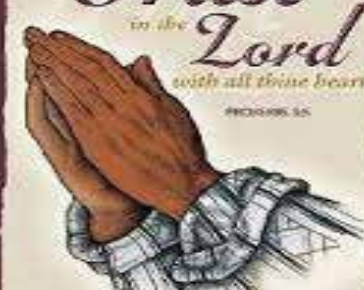
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Matthew 4:23

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(Joel 2:23)


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## Church News

### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by social gathering outside the church in the Courtyard & Bennett Garden. On Wednesday's we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have Evening prayer and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Facebook - Live Streaming

Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., St. Mary's will be Live Streaming their service on Facebook, website - [www.facebook.com/StMarysBigSpring/](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysBigSpring/). What a great way to listen OR participate in the service at the comforts of your home or wherever you may be at that time of day.

### Crestview Baptist Church

At Crestview Baptist Church, we believe the most fulfilling pursuit for a body of believers is not entertainment, gimmicks, or programs. The most fulfilling pursuit for a follower of Christ is to know Christ and His Word, so that we may live for Him. If you believe that, please come and worship the king with us! Sunday School starts at 10 a.m., Worship begins at 11 a.m., and our Sunday and Wednesday night meetings are at 6:30 p.m. We are studying the books of Acts. Come and be with us at 2305 Gatesville Rd., Big Spring.

### NazFamily Church

This Sunday - "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." (James 1:17) At NazFamily we believe God is a loving Father who pours out blessings on His children. Join us this Sunday as we acknowledge and receive the Good Gifts that God offers with deep gratitude and genuine praise.

Men's Breakfast - "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17) All men are invited to join us this Saturday at 8 a.m. for our Men's Prayer Breakfast as we sharpen and strengthen one another. You won't find a better breakfast anywhere in town.

Marriage Celebration Service - What if God brought our spouse into our life not to make us happy, but to make us holy? We believe that marriage is a sacred gift to be cherished and honored. Whether you are married, divorced, widowed, or never been married, you won't want to miss our special marriage celebration service on Sunday, Nov. 15.

Help 2 Heal - Often as parents and youth leaders we want to reach out to help our children with the struggles and hardships of life but feel powerless. Come to our Help 2 Heal seminar on Nov. 21 at 9 a.m. to learn skills and insights that will help you lead your children through grief and trauma. Rays of Hope music therapist is also speaking on how music can help teens. Parents and Youth Leaders are welcome to the Free Event.

NazFamily Thanksgiving - Give thanks and get full! Sunday, Nov. 22 will be our NazFamily Thanksgiving Feast. Bring your favorite holiday dish to share. And let's join together for a time of worship, food, and fellowship. We will also have a dessert auction during our Thanksgiving Feast. All of the proceeds will go to support our Nazarene Christian Academy. Contact Kaleigh Sullivan for more information: [ksullivan@ncabigspring.com](mailto:ksullivan@ncabigspring.com)

34th Annual Live Nativity - On Saturday, December 5th, we will have an all church breakfast at 8 a.m. After the breakfast we invite everyone to stay and help us setup for the Drive Thru Nativity. Our 34th Annual Live Drive Thru Nativity will run Dec. 11 - 13 this year. We need your help. See Pat or Candy Chesworth to sign up.

Food Boxes - Every Tuesday and Thursday we make food boxes available in our church office from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. for anyone in need. If you know someone who needs an extra blessing they can come by the office at that time or contact us at 432-267-7015.

### Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church (aka - CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ.

We would love the opportunity to Connect with YOU! You can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship.

Please join us this week at one of the following events:

Sunday, Nov. 8 - Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. for our onsite worship service. Our 11 a.m. service will be onsite & online. You can find our CCC Live Worship Experience online at [facebook.com/CCCBigSpring](http://facebook.com/CCCBigSpring) or at Cornerstone Covenant Church Live on YouTube (look for the CCC logo).

Monday, Nov. 9 - Join us for our Women's (FAR) Far Above Rubies women's night from 6-8 p.m. in the ARC. Our desire is to foster an environment of opportunity for women to grow in their relationship with Christ Jesus and to connect with one another. This is a potluck style fellowship so bring a dish to share, also bring your bible and a friend.

Join Chosen Generation Student Youth Ministry at their very own 11 a.m. Sunday Service in the Youth Sanctuary. This is a live worship ser-

vice geared for Senior and Junior High Students. Come experience authentic worship, connect with friends and discover what it means to be accepted, loved and CHOSEN!

Wednesday, Nov. 11 - Join us this Wednesday at our 7 p.m. worship/bible study service. We love seeing what happens in people's lives when they discover God through the study of His Word. We have Bible classes for all stages of life, from toddlers and teens to classes for adults. Together we explore the Bible and what it tells us about the God who has woven His story through history and is present with us now.

Saturday, Nov. 14 - Join Men's 41 Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. in the ARC. We strive towards building a community of faithful men who are equipped to lead themselves and their families on a closer walk with God. On our journey, we will unpack what it means to be godly servant-leaders and challenge each other to pursue that life.

Transportation Ministry - You need a ride to church? CCC offers picks-up services on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship service. If you are needing a ride for Sunday please contact the church office.

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CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432-264-0015 or email us at [info@cccbigspring.org](mailto:info@cccbigspring.org). You can also find us at [www.cccbigspring.org](http://www.cccbigspring.org) if you would like more information.

### College Baptist

We are praising God for the cool weather, and praising Him for healing those with COVID. Come see what God is doing at the corner of 11th and Birdwell Lane. We are open on Sunday morning at 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages. Worship time is 10:45 a.m. Wednesday activities begin at 5:45 - 6:30 p.m. for a fellowship meal. Youth activities start at 6 p.m. and adults meet for Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m. with children meeting for King's Kids and Krafts. Girl's Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m. We have begun Choir practice for our Christmas musical. Come join in the fun as we prepare for the celebration of our Lord Jesus's birth.

Services for Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, are in the building at 11th and Birdwell. We are live streaming on our Facebook page as well. Come catch God's perfect 2020 vision! We have face masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer available, and we are practicing social distancing. Families are sitting together. Visitors, it was a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us, it will be exciting to welcome new faces and old alike. Our services are lively and worship.

Sunday School is open for all ages as well as we slowly emerge from the pandemic, and we encourage you to come and see what God is doing at College Baptist Church as we continue on a mission for Him.

Children Division renovations are on target and small details are nearing completion. Praise the Lord for those who have worked so hard to get it ready. Or target date is this Sunday for the first through fifth grades to again occupy their new facilities. Thanks for all who worked so hard to make this happen. What a time to be thankful to our God!

We definitely enjoy the worship time as our ministry team leads us in songs of praise, and where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, inspires us as we delve into God's Word, leading us as Jesus lives through us. Come study the makings of a Godly family founded on the rock solid foundation of Jesus. Keep your spiritual 2020 vision on as we near the end of this year. Be a part in these joyful activities and exciting worship, praising the almighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429, for more information concerning Men's, Ladies', and youth meetings at this great and friendly church.

### First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. To contact Pastor Brian Michaelz or the church office, call 432-517-4821

This coming Sunday, Pastor Michaelz sermon will be Spiritual Growth Hebrews 5:12

May the God of endurance grant you to live in such harmony with one another. Exploring what the Bible reveals about personal growth, why all growth is spiritual growth and how you can grow in ways you have never thought possible.

Birthdays this month: Linda Miracle November 16

On our prayer list this week is:

Randal Brooks, Larry Oster, Ethel Cassidy, P.J. Luke, Gary Kelly, Coleman, The Reyes Family and everyone dealing with Covid either with it or close to someone who has tested positive. All Caregivers. If you or someone you know would like to be placed on the FCC prayer list, please contact the church office or tell one of the members.

Although all churches have been commissioned to make disciples for Jesus, not all churches go about it the same way. We are intentional about creating a culture that reaches those who are spiritually searching for God. This culture is defined by what we truly value. We reach out with unconditional acceptance to all people. You have issues? That's ok so does everyone. Don't consider yourself overly spiritual? No big deal we believe the church exists for all people not just those who have it all together. We believe Jesus is for everybody: rich, poor, educated or not, abled or disabled, married or single.... you get the point. Romans 5:8 "God demonstrates his own love for us in that while we were sinners, Christ died for us". This means he

is for you. Your past does not disqualify you. Your current circumstances do not limit God's desire to work in and through your life. Your future is not dictated by your record, your reputation or your reservations. Wherever you are today, you matter to God and there is a place for you in His family. Our vision is to be a place where people from all walks of life come together and discover grace, find an authentic community and live with as purpose. It does not matter if you grew up in a church or have never been, we invite you to come as you are to experience "church" in a fresh way. If that sounds good to you, we would enjoy meeting you.

Sunday morning Social Time - pre-Worship Service - starts approximately 9:30 a.m. in the Sitting Room by the office. Donuts, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Hot Tea and Bottled Water.

Worship Service starts at 10:50 a.m. Hope to see you there

### First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

Elder nominations may be turned in to the church office during this week. They will be shared with the Nominating Committee who will bring a slate of new Elders for a vote during a Congregational Meeting in November.

First Presbyterian Church now has a Sermon Podcast on iTunes. The sermon from last week may be found at [www.fpcbigspring.com/Sermons](http://www.fpcbigspring.com/Sermons).

Members who wish to order poinsettias for the church Christmas decoration are asked to contact the church office with the number of plants and the names of those to be honored or memorialized this week. The flowers are \$12 each.

For anyone wishing to join in a daily prayer, one may go to [www.fpcbigspring.com](http://www.fpcbigspring.com) and select Daily Prayers. Rev. Allen Cross also posts a Weekly Devotional at that website, which may provide food for thought or help during time of stress or feelings of isolation. The devotional is posted on Wednesdays.

Presbyterian Women, who were scheduled to meet Tuesday, October 27, had to cancel the meeting because of inclement weather. PW met Tuesday, November 3, at 2:00 p.m. The study this year is Into the Light: Finding Hope through Prayers of Lament by P. Lynn Miller.

Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Anyone wishing to join in the study by Zoom can find the link to the meeting in Faith Notes or online at the First Presbyterian Fellowship group on Facebook.

The Thursday Lunch Bunch meets in Fellowship Hall at 11:30.

The Service Committee will collect all of the food bags this Sunday and organize the food to be taken to Howard County Resources or the Salvation Army to help families in need.

Members of the church have been reading the Psalm during Sunday worship. Sandy Raef was the lay reader last Sunday.

The Sunday morning Take Ten fellowship in the parlor between Sunday School and worship has resumed. Patti Horton is host for this week.

The congregation was especially blessed with musical offerings during last weeks' service by a trumpet solo by Elijah Flores and a trumpet trio of Jayden Burciaga, Elijah Flores, and Gabe Martinez.

Lectionary passages for the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost are: Psalm 78:1-7; Matthew 25:1-13; Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; I Thessalonians 4:13-18. As a part of the commemoration of All Saints' Day last Sunday those members of the congregation who have joined the Church Triumphant in this year remembered were Marj Carpenter, Gerald Ferguson, Lynn Glass, Joe Horton, Ronnie Jones, and Flynn Long. Rev. Allen Cross will lead the worship service. Organist/music director Gabe Martinez leads the music on the organ and piano.

Anyone who is not attending worship physically may hear the service on KBST 1490 AM at 11 a.m. as usual or online at [www.fpcbigspring.com](http://www.fpcbigspring.com) by selecting the SERMONS tab and the correct date. A copy of the liturgy for the service may be downloaded from the website or by receiving a copy by calling the church office

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

### First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Our Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet and hymns. At 11 a.m., The Bridge service featuring contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KBYG-105.5 FM. You can also find the services live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring.

On Sunday, Nov. 1, Pastor Ricky Carstensen continued with his sermon series, "How does God See His Church" God sees His church as God's Chosen Nation. In 1 Peter 2:9-10, Peter uses the imagery of the Church as being His chosen nation. There are two things Peter wants us to understand, 1. Our position before God in verse 9 and 2. The Church's purpose in the world. This next week Pastor Ricky

will be sharing How God sees the church as "A Mighty Army". Come join us this coming Sunday



## Reflections: Dogs To The Rescue

When Covid first hit us in February, we thought perhaps it would be short-lived. As it raged through Europe and set its sights on the U.S., we accepted the “stay-at-home” initiatives, hunkered in our houses, gave up shopping and eating out. When the NBA cancelled its season, we knew it was serious. We hoped, tough, that by summer it would be over.

Perhaps it was the sacrifices we made in the spring, perhaps it was luck, but Covid seemed to relax its grip and we ventured out. Sports found a way, with the NBA bubble, golf tournaments without spectators and stadiums mostly empty. Major league baseball concluded an abbreviated season and delivered a nail-biting World Series. In some respects, we have learned to live with Covid.

But, with our guard down, the number of infections has sky-rocketed and we could face more stringent measures going into winter and the holidays. At least, for many of us, we have our dogs to get us through.

Dogs are an important part of our neighborhood. Our young neighbors across the street moved in a year ago with their pet bulldog, Rooney. They adopted him as a puppy, pure white. He is now full-grown and built like a bowling ball. Rooney never meets a stranger. Everybody loves Rooney. The newlywed couple next door to them just adopted Scout. I am not sure of Scout's breed. She is 5 months old and already a big dog, sweet, compliant and happy to have a home. They treat her like their child.

We have a 12-year-old Pembroke Corgi named Buddy. If you have read this column in the past, you are familiar with Buddy. When he was younger Buddy went fishing with me in my flat-bottom boat. The front of the boat was his. He stood in the front and sniffed the wind to locate the fish. He was good at it. At least he thought so. Corgis think they are good at anything.

Once he leaned too far and sniffed too hard and fell in the lake. Corgis aren't built for water. Their stubby legs don't give much traction for swimming. He coughed, sputtered, went under and splashed for all he was worth until I grabbed him and hauled him back into the boat, soaked and shivering.

It reminded me of Peter's experience when he stepped out of the fishing boat to meet Jesus on the Sea of Galilee. I expect Peter was a better swimmer than Buddy, but there he was splashing and floundering around in the sea, helpless. Until Jesus reached out, lifted him up and hauled him back into the boat.

God has done that for me many times. Across the years I have fallen out of the boat financially, unable to sleep at night, worried about how to make ends meet. I have sunk over my head in work, overwhelmed by responsibilities and challenges. I have found myself drowning in grief with the loss of someone I love. And now Covid, and an uncertain future, seems to be overwhelming us all.

Every time I have fallen into waters over my head, God has pulled me up and hauled me back into the boat. He is strong enough to save you and He will not let you drown when circumstances threaten to overwhelm you.

Jesus said, “In the world you have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33). “The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you. (Deuteronomy 31:8).



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## Know Your Weapons

“Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.” Ephesians 6:13

The whole armour of God includes truth (Jesus is the truth), the breastplate of righteousness (that righteousness which is of God by faith), the shoes of the gospel of peace (that peace which we have with God through Christ), the shield of faith (that faith which comes from God and is not of the Law), the helmet of salvation (by grace we are saved; not of works) and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God (that Word which is Christ Himself).

Every single part of the armor of God has been baptized (submersed) in the blood of the Lamb of God which takes away the sin of the world. The whole armour of God came from Christ's wounded side, hands and feet. Consequently, our weapons are not things like our own purity, faithfulness or good works. If the armour of God is not practical and useful, then, this armour is of no use to us. When I say practical and useful, I mean that they must be powerful for our defense against our enemy who accuses us day and night before our God. However, if we are to understand the practicality and usefulness of these weapons, we must first learn to identify our enemy, his tactics and the prize he seeks in his warfare against us.

The prize he seeks to take from us is the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free.

Our enemy's primary tactics are legalism – the mixture of Law and grace. All of the fiery darts of the wicked have been designed to tempt and provoke us to put the new wine of the new covenant in the old bottles of the old covenant. Our enemy's greatest desire is that the wine of the new covenant burst the old bottles of the old covenant so that the new wine might be lost. Satan is so very astute in his war against this new wine, and he will stop at nothing that it might be spilled and wasted. How do we keep this from happening? How do we ensure that we always place the new wine in the new covenant bottles? We do this by knowing our weapons. Listen to Jesus on the cross when He said – it is finished – and you will learn to identify and use the whole armour of God.

## CHURCH

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for Sunday school and Worship!

On Saturday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m., the church hosted a drive thru Trunk or Treat it was a big success. Thanks to all the volunteers who made it possible.

On Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 6 p.m. “Celebrate Recovery” is being offered in the Youth Hall for anyone in the community seeking freedom and healing from hurts, habits, and hang-ups.

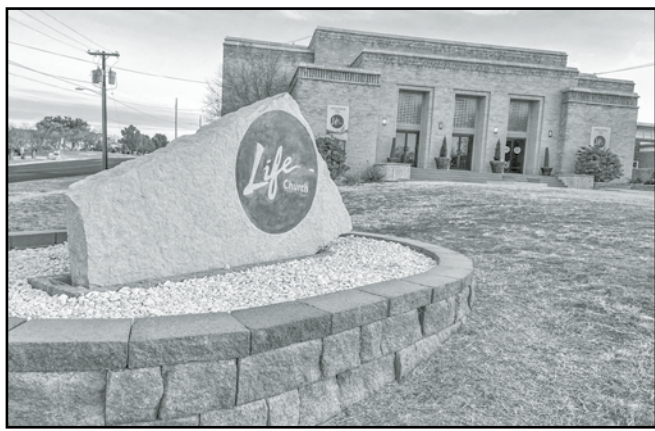
Ladies Bible study on Wednesday, at 6 p.m. The ladies will be meeting in the Open Door Class room. For more information contact our church office.

Youth will be meeting on Wednesdays at 6 -7:30 p.m. for a message from Gods word and fun fellowship. The Wesley college ministry will be meeting at 7:30-9 p.m. for fellowship and a message.

The Bridge Rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 6 -7:30 and Choir rehearsal will be 7:30-9 p.m.

For more information on any activity, please visit the web site at [www.fumcbs.com](http://www.fumcbs.com) or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

### Life Church



We are excited to open our doors and welcome

our Life Church friends to the campus this Sunday. In order to meet this Sunday we will continue to follow the guidelines that have been set and provided by the Texas State Attorney General: limited capacity, proper spacing between seats and rows, sanctuary will be cleaned and disinfected, if you or someone in your family have underlying health issues we are encouraging you to watch and participate in the service remotely. Masks are not required but are encouraged to be worn. Wash your hands and use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer will be available as you enter the sanctuary.

Pastor Kevin will continue his verse by verse study on the book of Revelation this Sunday. Be sure to purchase a Scripture Journal for this series. They are available for \$5.00 at the kiosk.

Baptism Sunday will be on Nov. 15. If you are interested in getting baptized please email [manny@golifechurch.net](mailto:manny@golifechurch.net).

Life Church will be hosting an Inner Court Worship service on Saturday, November 21st at 7pm in the Life Church Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to join us for this special night.

We will have Corporate Prayer on Wednesday night from 6:30-7pm.

Ladies, you are invited to join us every Wednesday at noon for our Seek Prayer Group. The Zoom meeting information for Seek can be found on our One Sisterhood Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/onesisterhoodbigspringtx/>

Champion Culture Youth will meet on Wednes-

days from 7:00pm-8:30pm on the Life Church Campus. For more information about Champion Culture and their plans for the summer visit and follow the Champion Culture Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ChampionCultureLifeChurch/>

Life Kids will have their classes this Sunday. Our Nursery is available for those ages newborn to 2. Our Toddlers class serve those ages 3 & 4. Our Elementary class serves those ages 5-10 Visit and follow the Life Kids Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Life-Kids-Life-Church-Big-Spring-TX-1654730487977488/> for more information.

Our Neighbor to Neighbor Outreach team will be going to visit our neighbors around our campus on Saturday morning from 10-11:30am. The purpose of this ministry is to find the need and fill it.

For more information about our events or groups please visit our website [www.golifechurch.net](http://www.golifechurch.net)

### Spring Tabernacle

Spring Tabernacle is located at 1209 Wright Street. Services are at 10 o'clock. If you fee like you've been going through a dry spell come and praise the Lord with us on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

It helps to praise the Lord because His word says “When yyou praise me I'll lift the spirit of heaviness off you.

We all need a touch from our Lord.

## How Do You Wrap a Hug?

What happens when you get disconnected in an important phone call? What happens when you get disgusted with a friend and decide to disconnected for a while? What do we have to do to connect the dots in a mystery situation? Do any of us even realize how much we need to stay connected to this race of life?

If we run a business, we need to stay in touch with those we serve. If we are involved in people's lives, especially if they are of our older population, we must, must, must not let them feel neglected. If we have a family, our support in any situation is so important to us as well as the one about whom we are concerned.

So how do we stay connected? So glad you asked! If I pray, I can pray for those on my contact list. If I use my phone, I can give an unexpected call to let them know I'm just thinking about them. Cards, letters, e-mail, text messages, sending

Scripture texts of encouragement, and personal visits to homes of those you care about are just a few ways to show people you want to stay connected.

So why should we do this? What's the purpose? I believe a person needs at least twelve hugs a day to feel fulfilled. To wrap a hug and send it to people is called encouragement. When this world attacks, for whatever reason, we need that support group to overcome the worst.

When God sent Jesus to earth in the form of a little bitty Babe in a manger, Mary wrapped Him in a hug. The angels wrapped the shepherds in a heavenly host hug to tell them about that same Babe. The shepherds wrapped Jesus in a hug, as they came to worship Him. The wise men brought gifts of costly hugs to Him.

When God told us in His Word that He loved us enough to allow His Son to pay the penalty for our sin on the Cross, He was giving the world a holy hug. When I asked Jesus to be my Saviour, He gave me a holy hug called eternal life. He connected me to His forever Family.

I can only stay in touch with Him when I stay close to my God. I love when He answers my prayers. I also love, love, love it when He gives me His Holy hugs. Now go hug somebody. Let them know you care.



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# Lady Steers show improvement in preseason scrimmage against Andrews

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Lady Steers took the hard-wood against an opponent for the first time this season on Thursday night in Andrews. Big Spring traveled to take on the Lady Mustangs in a season-opening scrimmage that was sloppy at times, but showed off the team's strength on defense and an ability to brush off mistakes.

The scrimmage was split into four separate mini scrimmages, with the score being reset to zero at the end of each eight-to-ten minute quarter. Big Spring tied the first quarter with Andrews by a score of 2-2 as both offenses were struggling to find the net.

Then, they controlled the entire second quarter and won 13-4 with a combination of strong offense and defense. Following a five-minute halftime break, the Lady Steers returned to the court where Andrews was ready to step up their game. The Lady Mustangs were able to defeat the Lady Steers 13-9 in the third and seemed to have found a high-scoring combo in two of their forwards. In the last quarter of the night, Big Spring fought hard and was able to prevail over Andrews 14-12. In total, the Lady Steers outscored the Lady Mustangs 38-31 for a head-to-head scrimmage victory.

"I felt that defensively we played very well, especially for just getting into the swing of things leaving volleyball season," Head Coach Eric Tuttle said. "I think defensively we played very well and it opened up some easy baskets for us. There was a bunch of girls diving around on the ground for loose balls and I've been preaching to them to hustle and they got after it tonight."

Big Spring will now begin looking ahead to their season-opener on the road against Garden City next Tuesday night. The Lady Steers will continue working on refining their man-to-man defense over the next few days of practice while also working on slowing down the game on the offensive side of



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**Senior Jacqueline Belew attempts a free throw as both the Lady Steers and Lady Mustangs prepare for the rebound.**

the ball. The team has shown a great ability to play strong defense and grab plenty of steals, but they sometimes become too quick-twitched when the ball is in their hands - which leads to turnovers of their own.

Starting junior point guard Tristan Smith had a strong game for the Lady Steers and will be the leader of their offense this season. There were several accurate touch passes that Smith delivered to her teammates all over the court on Thursday night. Her best was a full-court heave to the wide-open Alex Enriquez straight down the side of the court. Enriquez was then able to easily hit a layup for an all-around great offensive play. On one play, Smith grabbed a steal, drove the entire court and was fouled en route to a three-point play.

Jacqueline Belew made her presence felt on the boards Thursday night when she was grabbing rebound after rebound for the black and gold. Also on the low-block was junior forward Ryen Terrazas, who made some good scoring plays and was knock-

ing off the offseason rust with the rest of her teammates.

Big Spring appears to have solid depth on this team's roster and Tuttle knows what he wants to see from his team before their regular season opener next week.

"We need to work on being patient on offense," Tuttle said. "We'll work on everything, though. We still have a lot of things that we need to work on. We're going to just tighten everything up."

This team is meshing together well on the court with plenty of new faces set to play meaningful minutes this winter. They will be getting a better season than last winter and Tuttle seems to be whipping them into shape. His passion for the game and his team can be heard from the bleachers and that level of enthusiasm should trickle down to his players on the court.

With just a few days before the season opener against the Lady Bearkats of Garden City, the Lady Steers have a little time to fix the issues that plagued them on Thursday night. They are an experienced bunch that loves the game and will be trying for double-digit wins this season.

"We will have more experience this year on the court," Tuttle said. "A lot of girls have already played varsity minutes from last year. That will be big in getting more wins."

Basketball season is here. The Big Spring Lady Steers have arrived.

UP NEXT: Big Spring travels to Garden City to take on the Lady Bearkats next Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m.

Shawn Moran is the sports writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

## Clunn gets specific for Lake Fork lead on Thursday

Special to the Herald

QUITMAN — A highly specific presentation plus one key bite gave Rick the Day 1 lead at the Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest benefiting Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on Lake Fork with 29 pounds, 4 ounces.

Spending his day in the mid- to lower-lake region, Clunn targeted docks with an Ichikawa Rick Clunn RC King Kong Shad 10 squarebill. He found one particular structure most productive and relied on a specific undisclosed presentation.

"I fished several docks, but I caught all but one of my (limit fish) off of one dock," Clunn said. "I found this dock in practice and it had a lot of fish holding in front of it. Today, I pulled up there and I did not see those fish, but I guess they were there."

"You can throw at that dock all day and if you're not doing it exactly right, you're not going to catch them," he said. "I can fish behind three other boats and if they're not doing (what I'm doing), I'm going to catch fish."

Middy delivered an unexpected opportunity that propelled Clunn into the lead. Moving to another spot, he passed a round, sandy point that looked appealing enough to merit a few casts with a dif-

ferent reaction bait. One of them tempted an 8-9 largemouth, which stands as the day's second-largest fish.

"I caught that big one trying to find other places," Clunn said. "That was just one of those gift fish. I don't even know where he came from and I couldn't duplicate the cast."

"In practice, I was catching a few fish late in the day off of stuff like that. Most of the fish I caught, I caught them where I was expecting to catch them. But I didn't expect to catch that one."

Noting that Fork's tremendous number of quality fish justifies its trophy lake reputation, Clunn said he caught about 15 keepers today, but his three big bites (8-9, 6-6 and a 5-9) were the 13-9 in-the-makers.

"This lake is so full of fish, you're fishing over a thousand to catch one," he said. "The key here is you have to get those two key bites to get you up over that 20-pound mark."

Clunn said he plans on fishing a similar game plan on Day 2. He's confident he's around plenty of fish, but he said today's bag was surprising.

"I didn't expect to catch 29 pounds," Clunn said. "The thing about the fall is that fish are finicky. But I'm doing something I like to do. This is Act I of a four-act play. Tomorrow's Act II, so we'll

see what happens."

Patrick Walters of Summerville, S.C., is in second place with 25-14. Fishing main-lake standing timber in about 20 feet, Walters described his area as fairly obvious. The key, he said, is finding the fish in the right depths for feeding.

"When they're shallower than 10 and they're not sitting in 20, or they're not on the bottom, you can catch them," Walters said. "There are fish on every inch of this lake, but when you find them in the right position, you can catch them."

"You want to find the bait, but there are certain pieces of structure and when you find it, it is usually the recipe for a good time."

Walters said he caught his fish on a variety of baits including a big spinnerbait, a jerkbait, crankbait, dropshot and a big Texas-rigged worm.

Seth Feider of New Market, Minn., is in third place with 23-4. He caught his two best fish — a 9-9 and a 5-2 — on a Rapala OG flat-sided crankbait fished over a long, flat point in 4 to 6 feet of water.

"I started on a point where I'd caught three keepers in 18 feet of water in practice," Feider said. "I wasn't catching anything, but it was cloudy so I kept sliding up that point and caught those two in shallow water."

## Howard College hires new Women's Basketball Coach

Special to the Herald

BIG SPRING — Howard College has hired John Ishee, III, former head women's basketball coach at Pratt Community College, as the new Women's Basketball Coach for the Hawks. Ishee will be on campus meeting with the team and will start his official duties on November 4, 2020.

The position was recently opened after the retirement of long-time Hawks coach, Earl Diddle.

"We are very excited to bring Coach Ishee to Howard College," said Terry Hansen, Chief Athletics and Special Projects Director. "The experience he brings to the table will be invaluable for our program moving forward."

Ishee comes to the Hawks after 3 years of success with Pratt Community College. Prior to that, he has coached at the high school, community college, and university level in Texas as well as New Mexico, Missouri, and Mississippi.

Most recently, he was a finalist for the 2020 Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) 2 year/community college national coach of the year while his team also pulled out a huge win over then #12 Seward County, breaking a 28 year and 53 game losing streak. As evidence of the focus on the student athlete, his 2020 team was 9th in the nation for WBCA team GPA with a 3.51.

"Although I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Pratt, I am very excited about the challenge ahead and being a part of the Hawk Athletics program," said Ish-

ee. "Howard College has a great athletic tradition built by coaches Anna Smith, Royce Chadwick, Matt Corkery and Earl Diddle, just to name a few. I'm grateful to Dr. Sparks, Mr. Hansen, and Mr. Yeater for the opportunity to step in line and contribute to the tradition of excellence."

Coach Ishee received his Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Education degree from the University of Southern Mississippi. He has accumulated numerous awards and honors throughout his basketball career of 35 years.

"I'm anxious to meet this group of young women that will be representing Howard College. We know we have our work cut out for us as the WJCAC conference is historically one of the best, but I'm ready to get to work," stated Ishee. "I look forward to working with assistant coach Meesha Wade and appreciate everything she has done in recruiting and keeping the team moving forward in preparation for the upcoming season."

For more information about Howard College and Hawk Athletics visit [howardcollege.edu](http://howardcollege.edu) or [hchawk.com](http://hchawk.com). Sports Information contact: [Cindy.Smith@howardcollege.edu](mailto:Cindy.Smith@howardcollege.edu) or 432-264-5034.



John Ishee III

## NFL SCHEDULE WEEK NINE THURSDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
Green Bay Packers (6-2)	@ San Francisco 49ers (4-5)	34-17, Packers

### SUNDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
Denver Broncos (3-4)	@ Atlanta Falcons (2-6)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Seattle Seahawks (6-1)	@ Buffalo Bills (6-2)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Chicago Bears (5-3)	@ Tennessee Titans (5-2)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Baltimore Ravens (5-2)	@ Indianapolis Colts (5-2)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Carolina Panthers (3-5)	@ Kansas City Chiefs (7-1)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Detroit Lions (3-4)	@ Minnesota Vikings (2-5)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
New York Giants (1-7)	@ Washington Football (2-5)	12:00 p.m. (FOX)
Houston Texans (1-6)	@ Jacksonville Jaguars (1-6)	12:00 p.m. (CBS)
Las Vegas Raiders (4-3)	@ Los Angeles Chargers (2-5)	3:05 p.m. (FOX)
Pittsburgh Steelers (7-0)	@ Dallas Cowboys (2-6)	3:25 p.m. (CBS)
Miami Dolphins (4-3)	@ Arizona Cardinals (5-2)	3:25 p.m. (CBS)
New Orleans Saints (5-2)	@ Tampa Bay Buccaneers (6-2)	7:20 p.m. (NBC)

### MONDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
New England Patriots (2-5)	@ New York Jets (0-8)	7:15 p.m. (ESPN)



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#### PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 162341

**APPLICATION AND  
PRELIMINARY DECISION.**  
Victory Rock Texas, LLC,  
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Annie's Mailbox

Marriage Is More Than Being There

**Dear Annie:** I have been married to a caring, sweet, very cool woman for the last 13 years. We have four children. Like all marriages, we've had our ups and downs, but I thought we were solid.

manipulating her. While I've seen how manipulative her family can be, I've never been manipulative toward her, at least not intentionally. I've always supported her emotionally, and I've never withheld money or anything like that.

But when I told her that I didn't think I was being manipulative, she said she really had just fallen out of love. She talked about how I wasn't affectionate with her; I didn't hold her hand. Well, I have been sleeping on the couch a lot of nights the last few years, only due to my not wanting to roll on our 3-year-old, who slept in our bed almost every night.

We have not been intimate the last few years except when she was tipsy and wanted to. I was not into it but went along with it. But if it was more affection and handholding that she'd wanted, I wish she had just told me. I guess I overlooked the little things.

I think about our four children and what our splitting up would mean for them. I worry about my wife's stability and, consequently, our youngest daughter's safety. I refuse to initiate the divorce on my end because we took a vow. Or should I just give up? Do you think I could find someone who would like

me for me and accept the kids? I am probably one of the easiest people to get along with, and I always try to do the right thing. -- Heavyhearted Husband

**Dear Heavyhearted:** I commend you for taking your wedding vows to heart. But being a good partner isn't just about staying in it; it's about staying present for it. Of course, your intimacy has suffered when you've been spending nearly every night on the couch. But if this is really the first time that your wife is raising any of these issues with you, then you both owe it to your marriage to try to work through them. Ask her to attend

couples counseling with you. And if she insists on divorce, don't rush into your next relationship. Work on developing your self-esteem and communication skills first, so you'll be bringing your best, healthiest self to the table.

**Dear Annie:** You recommend Al-Anon a lot in your column. It's a good idea in theory, but in the small town where I live, when you walk into those meetings, you walk into a cohesive, preexisting group whose members just sit and talk to each other. I wish it would be better managed so that we could all benefit. -- D.K.

**Dear D.K.:** From

what I know of Al-Anon, your experience is the exception, not the rule. I encourage you to give it another try. Al-Anon suggests trying six different meetings before deciding that the program isn't for you. If there aren't six meetings near you, you can find telephone meetings on their website (al-anon.org/al-anon-meetings/telephone-meetings). Another support group for families and friends of alcoholics is SMART Recovery (smartrecovery.org). I hope you find the help that you're looking for.

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

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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## Bidding Quiz

Your partner bids One diamond. What would you respond with each of the following five hands?

- ♠ J763 ♥ AQ5 ♦ 83 ♣ Q842
- ♠ KJ8 ♥ AJ9 ♦ Q64 ♣ AJ76
- ♠ K74 ♥ AQ96 ♦ 10 ♣ AJ872
- ♠ Q852 ♥ 7 ♦ Q10743 ♣ KQJ
- ♠ K96 ♥ AK8 ♦ Q865 ♣ AK5

1. **One spade.** Some players might respond one notrump under the misconception that the spade suit is too weak to bid. This would be a faulty approach, because it would ignore one of the cardinal goals of the bidding process — to try to find an eight-card major-suit fit.

If partner has any four spades, the suit becomes playable but might well remain undiscovered after a one-notrump response. In many cases, bypassing the spade response will result in reaching an inferior notrump or minor-suit contract instead of the more desirable spade contract.

2. **Three notrump.** This response indicates 16 or 17 points, notrump distribution (usually 4-3-3-3) and stoppers in the unbid suits. It differs from a two-notrump response (13 to 15) only in point count.

3. **Two clubs.** It would be a mistake to make the cheaper response of one heart with a strong hand that offers a certain game and a potential

slam — possibly in clubs. In such cases, you should start by bidding your longest suit first to give yourself the best chance of reaching the proper contract. You plan to bid hearts next and in that way notify partner that you have only four hearts and a longer club suit. If you respond initially with one heart and later bid clubs, there is no way partner can know that your longer suit is clubs.

4. **One spade.** Your hand is too weak for three diamonds (forcing) and too strong for two diamonds. As usual when you are midway between a single and double raise, you bid a side suit before showing support for partner's suit. Besides, partner may well have four spades, in which case spades would be the preferred contract, particularly with a potential game in the offing.

5. **Three clubs.** A jump-shift by responder shows at least 17 points and announces interest in a slam. With 19 points and a fit for partner's suit, your hand is much too good for a leap to three notrump, as partner is not obliged to bid over that response.

It is unusual to jump-shift in a three-card suit, but here there is no better alternative. Note that the jump-shift is made in clubs, not hearts, since partner will tend to support a major suit far more readily than a minor.

Tomorrow: Penny-wise, pound-foolish.  
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury Strife and Thought Control

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Don't get too hung up on nailing the accuracy of every decision right now because that will hold you back from making any choice at all. Best guesses are good enough.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** There are times in life when it does seem as though all your happiness is dependent on a single outcome. It's an illusion, and if it's not helping you, then it's time to be more realistic about the stakes.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** The limits on your perception include mechanisms adapted over hundreds of thousands of years to keep you safe and grounded in a shared reality. Even so, you'll challenge them and win.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** No one wants in on the process; they just want the transformation. That's fine. You can use the principle to your advantage. Do the transformational work. Don't talk about it. Put that energy into the price tag.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** With a mind abuzz with ideas, wishes, hopes and dreams, just be sure to also spend a good deal of focus on the practical aspects of the present moment. If you don't enjoy today, pleasure stays out of reach.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Projects, dreams and relationships have as much of a life cycle as anything that breathes. When it's over, it's over, and

there's nothing that can revive it. The gift is a clean slate, the embrace of something entirely new.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You know how to buckle down and work hard, but that's not the best strategy for today. The situation asks you to envision solutions that are different from the ones that brought success in the past.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You're a social genius. Not only do you play well with others, you also introduce people who wouldn't otherwise know one another. You put two and two together in a way that adds up to so much more than four.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Some of the best people you know have fallen right into your life without ever being vetted in any way. You just happened upon greatness, and you will do it again.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** When you do nothing, nothing happens. There's a time and place when "nothing" is just about the most perfect thing you could do! Not now though. Today, the risks will be worth it.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You'll

praise someone, and it will go straight to the heart. The other thing is that people are generally skeptical of flattery, but the way you do it is so pure that it dissolves defenses.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** This is a rare moment with a cosmic gift to match. What a boon! You'll have an idea about how to improve your life and, bonus, you will be completely right about it, too.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 6).** You're so productive and successful over the next 10 weeks. It will be a little fun to know you inspire envy along with the other benefits your hard work reels in. A windfall in March is well-deserved. There's a crossroads in May, but don't worry because whatever you choose, you wind up in the same lovely place. Aries and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 38, 2, 11, 4 and 18.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES:** You know you like someone a whole lot when you would go just about anywhere with that person because it's the company, not the location, that matters. **TAURUS:** The person who triggers your excitement can also triq-

ger your fear, curiosity and adoration. **GEMINI:** People are not who you think they are. Ask more questions. **CANCER:** A match in styles isn't everything, but it's something great to go on. **LEO:** The financial aspects of a relationship will play a huge role this weekend. **VIRGO:** The one with excellent self-care will also take excellent care of you. **LIBRA:** You're bubbling with ideas about what's next in a relationship. Go with all of them. **SCORPIO:** Stop worrying about how to present yourself and just be who you are. Accept your natural impulses as correct. **SAGITTARIUS:** You don't have to have a lot in common with a person to have great chemistry together. **CAPRICORN:** You're uniquely poised to see what others cannot. **AQUARIUS:** Preparing for an event will take longer than the event itself -- much, much longer. **PISCES:** It will be easier to love the person your family also loves.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** What Leo and Scorpio have in common (besides major luminaries currently inhabiting their realm) is a love of story. Leo comes at it from a dramatic standpoint, sensing where the conflict is and rising, heroically, to meet the challenge. Scorpio comes at it with powers of transformation, without which there is no story at all. The story they work on now? A jointly written love story.

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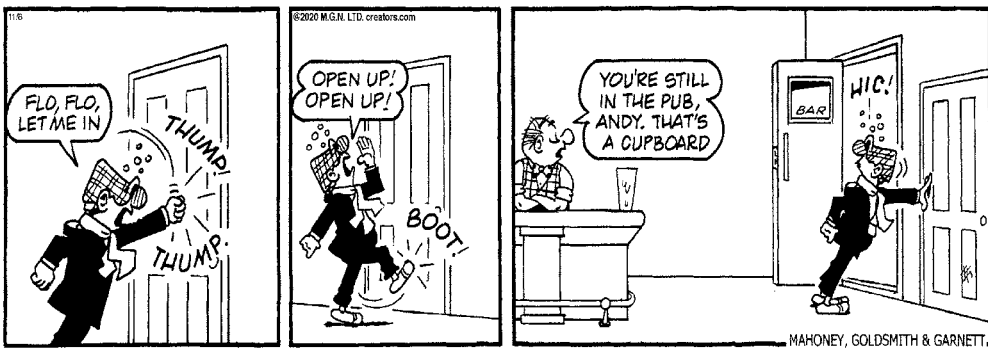
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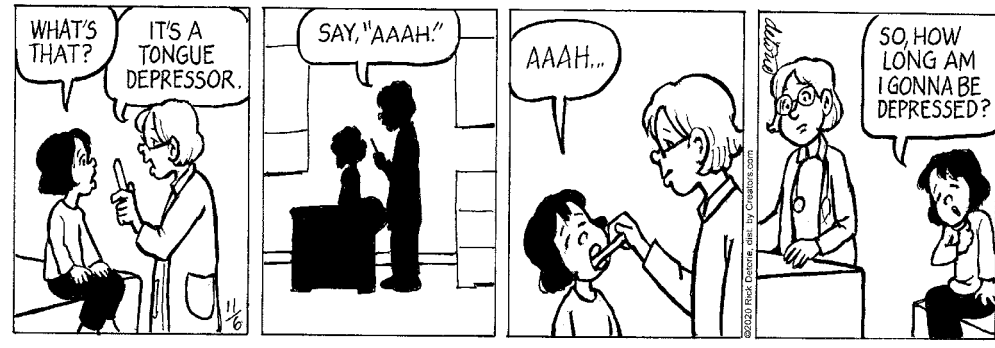
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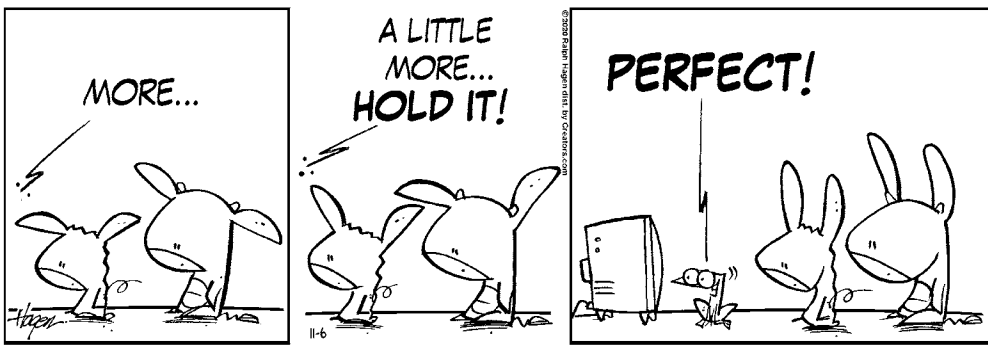
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Friday, Nov. 6, the 311th day of 2020. There are 55 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 6, 1860, former Illinois congressman Abraham Lincoln of the Republican Party was elected President of the United States as he defeated John Breckinridge, John Bell and Stephen Douglas. On this date: In 1854, America's "March King," John Philip Sousa, was born in Washington, D.C. In 1861, James Naismith, the inventor of the sport of basketball, was born in Almonte, Ontario, Canada. In 1893, composer Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky died in St. Petersburg, Russia, at age 53. In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower won re-election, defeating Democrat Adlai E. Stevenson. In 1977, 39 people were killed when the Kelly Barnes Dam in Georgia burst, sending a wall of water through Toccoa Falls College. In 1984, President Ronald Reagan won re-election by a landslide over former Vice President Walter Mondale, the Democratic challenger. In 1986, former Navy radio-man John A. Walker Jr., the admitted head of a family spy ring, was sentenced in Baltimore to life imprisonment. (Walker died in prison in 2014 at age 77.) In 1990, about one-fifth of the Universal Studios backlot in southern California was destroyed in an arson fire. In 1997, former President George H.W. Bush opened his presidential library at Texas A&M University; among the guests of honor was President Clinton, the man who'd sent him into retirement. In 2012, President Barack Obama was elected to a second term of office, defeating Republican challenger Mitt Romney. In 2014, the march toward same-sex marriage across

the U.S. hit a roadblock when a federal appeals court upheld laws against the practice in four states: Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee. (A divided U.S. Supreme Court overturned the laws in June 2015.) In 2016, FBI Director James Comey abruptly announced that Democrat Hillary Clinton should not face criminal charges related to newly discovered emails from her tenure at the State Department. Ten years ago: President Barack Obama opened his 10-day Asia trip on a somber note in Mumbai, India, where he memorialized victims of devastating terror attacks two years earlier, declaring, "We'll never forget." A Yemeni judge ordered police to find Anwar al-Awlaki, a radical U.S.-born cleric, "dead or alive" after the al-Qaida-linked preacher failed to appear at his trial for his role in the killing of foreigners. (Al-Awlaki was killed in a U.S. drone strike in the mountains of Yemen on Sept. 30, 2011.) Five years ago: President Barack Obama rejected the proposed Keystone XL pipeline, declaring it would undercut U.S. efforts to clinch a global climate change deal at the center of his environmental legacy. (President Donald Trump would reverse the Obama decision.) One year ago: Democrats announced that they would launch public impeachment hearings the following week; first to testify would be William Taylor, the top U.S. diplomat in Ukraine. In its latest step away from a nuclear accord with world powers, Iran said it would start injecting uranium gas at midnight into 1,044 centrifuges at the underground Fordo facility. The Senate

gave final congressional approval to a bill making some types of animal cruelty a federal felony. Today's Birthdays: Actor June Squibb is 91. Country singer Stonewall Jackson is 88. Singer P.J. Proby is 82. Actor Sally Field is 74. Singer Rory Block is 71. Jazz musician Arturo Sandoval is

71. TV host Catherine Crier is 66. News correspondent and former California first lady Maria Shriver is 65. Actor Lori Singer is 63. Actor Lance Kerwin is 60. Rock musician Paul Brindley (The Sundays) is 57. Former Education Secretary Arne Duncan is 56. Rock singer Corey Glover

is 56. Actor Brad Grunberg is 56. Actor Peter DeLuise is 54. Actor Kelly Rutherford is 52. Actor Ethan Hawke is 50. Chef/TV judge Marcus Samuelsson is 50. Actor Thandie Newton is 48. Model-actor Rebecca Romijn (roh-MAYN') is 48. Actor Zoe McLellan is 46. Actor Nicole Dubuc is

42. Actor Taryn Manning is 42. Retired NBA star Lamar Odom is 41. Actor Patina Miller is 36. Actor Katie Leclerc (LEH'-klehr) is 34. Singer-songwriter Ben Rector is 34. Singer-songwriter Robert Ellis is 32. Actor Emma Stone is 32. Actor Mercedes Kastner is 31.

Newsday Crossword

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                                | <b>65</b> Some reality show routines | <b>11</b> Like a toy piano's sound       | <b>39</b> Dreaming period             |
| <b>1</b> It's indisputable                   | <b>66</b> Nearly done with waiting   | <b>12</b> Best Actor as Stephen (2014)   | <b>40</b> Surface pressure, for short |
| <b>5</b> Home-row keys for the left hand     | <b>67</b> Effective ending           | <b>13</b> Stops for a bit                | <b>45</b> Big name in juice and sauce |
| <b>9</b> Badger cousin                       |                                      | <b>16</b> Acquisitive nature             | <b>47</b> Polo person                 |
| <b>14</b> Park City's place                  |                                      | <b>18</b> Baseless, as charges           | <b>48</b> Ring shape                  |
| <b>15</b> Horsy Yuletide tune                |                                      | <b>23</b> Wood beside a window           | <b>49</b> Social calendar occasion    |
| <b>17</b> Not quite dating                   |                                      | <b>25</b> Courtroom title                | <b>50</b> Shiny button material       |
| <b>19</b> Glowing remnant                    |                                      | <b>26</b> Sudden idea                    | <b>51</b> Natural gripper             |
| <b>20</b> Eight bits                         |                                      | <b>27</b> Scottish isle                  | <b>55</b> Measure of force            |
| <b>21</b> Create a cap, perhaps              |                                      | <b>28</b> Table extender                 | <b>56</b> Charging option             |
| <b>22</b> "It's our fault"                   |                                      | <b>29</b> Latter-day "Bye!"              | <b>58</b> Party headliners            |
| <b>24</b> Eager agreement                    |                                      | <b>33</b> Mud, essentially               | <b>59</b> Metrical praise             |
| <b>26</b> Common minigolf obstacle           |                                      | <b>35</b> Deliberate difficulty          | <b>61</b> ___ in "nice"               |
| <b>30</b> Female rabbit                      |                                      | <b>36</b> Slimming procedure, familiarly | <b>62</b> USVI summer setting         |
| <b>31</b> On a streak                        |                                      | <b>37</b> KP thing                       |                                       |
| <b>32</b> Argue a case                       |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>34</b> Dr. Zhivago backdrop               |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>38</b> Dating                             |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>41</b> At the limit, with "out"           |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>42</b> Decorative greenery                |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>43</b> Simpsons guy with a long last name |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>44</b> Keeping quiet                      |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>46</b> Cylinder in construction           |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>48</b> Hamilton                           |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>52</b> Very willing                       |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>53</b> Shape without corners              |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>54</b> "Look what I did!"                 |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>57</b> Surpass                            |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>60</b> Beyond dating                      |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>63</b> Not based on good sense            |                                      |  |                                       |
| <b>64</b> Plus-size supermodel               |                                      |  |                                       |

Answer to previous puzzle

EPA	STEM	SAVE
POLK	GLOVE	EXAM
ISLE	LATER	VENT
CINEMA	VERITE	
SEEPED	TYRANT	
SWIM	NSF	PAVER
TOYOTA	CHELICA	
ALE	ATEUP	SKY
NAVAJOS	ERAPE	
OVATE	ORE	UNTO
XANADU	ERIEGATO	
WIVAC	LEGATO	
THAT	USUAL	MAIL
IONS	LIBRA	ACME
PENT	ASSN	TAR

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## Big Ben, 7-0 Steelers visit as Cowboys keep turning QB wheel

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger goes into Pittsburgh's game against longtime rival Dallas with nearly 7,500 career passes in the regular season.

The two choices to start for the Cowboys don't have 10 between them. Put that high on the list of reasons Dallas is the biggest underdog it has been at home in 31 years with the undefeated Steelers visiting Sunday.

"You have to keep forging forward because there is always a path to victory," Cowboys coach Mike McCarthy said. "I understand what our record is. We had some areas of improvement in our last game. We need to build off of that."

The Cowboys (2-6) will start their fourth quarterback of the season after star Dak Prescott's season ended with a broken ankle and Andy Dalton went from one protocol to another — concussion to COVID-19.

Regardless of McCarthy's choice, it will be the first career start for Garrett Gilbert or Cooper Rush, just as it was for rookie Ben DiNucci last week after Dalton's concussion.

DiNucci was so overmatched in a 23-9 loss to the Eagles, McCarthy decided the experience of just being in the league for Gilbert and Rush was a better bet against a nearly two-touchdown favorite than giving DiNucci another shot.

Drafted in 2014, Gilbert has thrown just six passes while bouncing around — and sometimes out — of the league. Rush had three pass attempts in three seasons as Prescott's backup before he was waived in the offseason after the Cowboys signed Dalton, who started for nine years in Cincinnati.

Gilbert was signed off Cleveland's practice squad after Prescott's gruesome injury, and Rush rejoined after Dalton went down two weeks ago against Washington. Rush was let go by the Giants in September.

"Obviously this is an awesome opportunity," said Gilbert, the former Texas quarterback whose college career ended nearby at SMU. "You'd love for it to be under different circumstances. Obviously hoping Andy gets back as soon as possible and gets well soon, but I'm excited about it."

"I think Cooper's in the same boat. Whoever's name is called Sunday, we're both going to be excited about the opportunity. We're getting ready to win a game, so the two of us are preparing the best we can together."

Roethlisberger, who missed all but two games last year because of elbow surgery, has a proud franchise on the verge of a club-record eighth straight win to start the season. The only other time the Steelers were 7-0, they won the third Super Bowl title to finish the 1978 season — the second of two championship victories over the Cowboys in the 1970s.

Pittsburgh is wrapping up three straight road games with the first of three in a row against teams with a combined 5-17-1 record (Cincinnati and Jacksonville are next). The previous three opponents had one or no losses after Week

6 (Cleveland, Tennessee and Baltimore). The last team to run such a gauntlet was Super Bowl-winning New England in 2004.

"The last two weeks have been just draining games," Roethlisberger said. "We might be drained during the week and whatnot, so this is one of those weeks where you mentally focus on the preparation in terms of the meeting time and things like that. When Sunday comes, you can be as tired as you want during the week, you have to dial it in and get ready to go."

### UP AGAINST IT

The Cowboys have lost all three games not started by Prescott, and haven't scored a touchdown in the past two. Now they face a defense that leads the NFL with 30 sacks and is third with 10 interceptions.

"I don't really know how to categorize 'rah-rah speech,'" McCarthy said. "I talk to the football team very direct and honest and with a high level of emotion in our team meetings."

### STOPPING ZEKE

The NFL's second-ranked run defense got pushed around against the Ravens, who piled up 265 yards on the ground, the most the Steelers have allowed in over two decades. Tomlin allowed the Steelers "bled, and bled badly" while Baltimore controlled the clock for long stretches in the Steelers' 28-24 win.

The Cowboys likely need a standout performance from Ezekiel Elliott to have any chance to spring the upset. And Tomlin knows it.

"He's an elite, elite running back, arguably the best in the business," Tomlin said of the two-time rushing champion who was limited in the two most important practices of the week with a hamstring injury.

At the same time, the Steelers have been effective this season when facing high-profile backs. New York Giants star Saquon Barkley was limited to 6 yards on 15 carries in the season opener, and Tennessee's Derrick Henry was held to 75 yards in a victory over the Titans last month.

### JUJU ON THAT BEAT

While Roethlisberger has made it a point to spread it around, he has consistently found JuJu Smith-Schuster when things get tight. Smith-Schuster caught all eight of his passes in the second half against the Ravens, including two tough third-down receptions in which he bulled his way for enough yardage to extend what became scoring drives.

"Third down gets you paid," Smith-Schuster said. "You make those crucial catches that are going to get you first downs, move the sticks. The dirty work. I love doing the dirty work, I love going inside, bang-bang catches, running across the middle and not being afraid to get hit. I do embrace those balls down the middle."

## Texans-Jaguars could be considered AFC South pillow fight

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — The Jacksonville Jaguars have been here before. Fairly often, too.

The Jaguars (1-6) are last in the AFC South, the same spot they occupied in each of the last two seasons and three times in the last four years.

This time, though, they have company.

Houston (1-6) is tied with Jacksonville at the bottom of the division. The Texans haven't brought up the rear in the South since 2013.

One of them will double their win total and escape the AFC South cellar when they meet Sunday. The home crowd might even be secretly pulling for the visiting team.

On pace for another losing season, many among the Jaguars faithful already have turned their attention toward potential leadership changes, the NFL draft and the prospect of finding a franchise quarterback. Landing Clemson's Trevor Lawrence, Ohio State's Justin Fields or North Dakota State's Trey Lance might depend on losing games the rest of the season.

Jacksonville has dropped six in a row, giving up at least 30 points in each one, and is now making a quarterback change.

Rookie Jake Luton, a sixth-round draft pick from Oregon State, will start in place of Gardner Minshew (thumb) and make his NFL debut against the Texans. The 6-foot-6 Luton has NFL size and a big arm. But he lacks mobility and experience, and has a lengthy injury history.

Luton may have caught a break Thursday when the Texans placed three linebackers, including standout Whitney Mercilus, on the COVID-19 list. Jacob Martin tested positive for the coronavirus, and Mercilus and Dylan Cole were forced to isolate for five days because of contact tracing. They have

to test negative for five consecutive days before rejoining the team.

"Man, they just need to forfeit the game," Jaguars defensive end Josh Allen quipped. "Just get all them guys healthy and move onto Week 10. I'm just kidding. I hope everybody is healthy over there. I don't wish nobody to get sick or miss any games. I'm just ready to play."

"We've got to play with the cards that we're dealt with and they've got to play with the cards that they're dealt with, and we'll just see how it goes Sunday."

The series has been all Houston of late.

The Texans have won five straight, 11 of 13 and 16 of the last 20 against Jacksonville, a streak of oneness in an era of NFL parity.

Houston's lone win this season came against Jacksonville, a 30-14 victory a month ago in Romeo Crennel's debut as interim coach. The Texans have since given up a combined 77 points in consecutive losses to Tennessee and Green Bay.

"Well, I think everybody thinks we stink and so I'm going to tell them that we stink. OK?" Crennel said. "And then if we can do better than that, if we can get some deodorant, then we'll smell a little bit better. A win is like deodorant to me."

### GROUND GAINS?

The Texans continue to search for ways to improve their run defense and running game while being among the worst in the NFL in both areas.

Houston ranks 31st in run defense, allowing 165.9 yards a game on the ground, and is last in rushing yards (84.9).

David Johnson has been mostly ineffective since joining the Texans in a trade that sent star receiver DeAndre Hopkins to Arizona in March. The Tex-

ans believe he might be pressing a bit as his struggles have mounted.

"He wants to get out there and probably try to hit a home run at times where he probably needs to take what's given," running backs coach Danny Barrett said. "We talk about being patient and the game will come to him."

### WATSON WINS

Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson is undefeated in five starts against Jacksonville, a constant reminder that Jacksonville could have — and probably should have — drafted him with the fourth overall pick in 2017. Jaguars personnel chief Tom Coughlin chose running back Leonard Fournette instead and stuck with embattled starting quarterback Blake Bortles.

Watson, meanwhile, won consecutive division titles before losing more games already in 2020 than any other regular season.

"You're looking at someone that has a high level of confidence, has a really good arm, can throw it deep, short, has good accuracy, plus he can run," Marrone said. "So there's a lot of things that you have to be able to defend to try to stop him."

### DOUBLEHEADER

Stadium workers will work long into the night Saturday getting TIAA Bank Field turned around between college and pro games.

Florida and Georgia will play in front of about 18,000 fans Saturday afternoon, and seats, club areas and locker rooms will have to be cleaned, sanitized and prepped for the NFL game the next day.

It's the first time the Jaguars will play a home game the day after the rivalry known as the "World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail Party."

## Sam Ehlinger gets last shot against West Virginia at home

By **JOHN RABY**

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No. 22 Texas and West Virginia made statements last week to keep their Big 12 title hopes alive.

The dream will likely end for one of them on Saturday as the league starts to weed out a half-dozen contenders in a tight race for two spots in the championship game. The Longhorns (4-2, 3-2 Big 12) and Mountaineers (4-2, 3-2) enter their match-up in Austin, Texas, locked in a third-place tie with No. 19 Oklahoma.

Texas has climbed back in the race by winning two straight since dropping back-to-back games.

"I feel like people wrote us off too soon," said Texas defensive lineman Ta'Quon Graham.

With new coordinators on both sides of the ball, Texas coach Tom Herman called his team "a work in progress. There's times out there where it feels like we're playing with 11 true freshmen. Our guys are learning on the fly as fast as they possibly can."

Quarterback Sam Ehlinger is going after his third career win over

the Mountaineers but has yet to beat them at home. Ehlinger has thrown for seven TDs and run for three more against West Virginia, whose defense has tightened up this year to allow the fourth-fewest yards in the nation at 256 per game.

"We can't take a day off," Ehlinger

said. "We don't have the luxury of being undefeated in Big 12 play. We have no choice and every game is a big game from here on out."

Like Texas, West Virginia has been hot and cold at times and will be challenged to give an overall effort similar to last week when it beat Kansas

State at home. The offense has finally gotten a number of big plays to approach that of its defense.

Quarterback Jarret Doege is 12th nationally in passing yards, one spot ahead of Ehlinger, and has put together three straight 300-yard games.



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