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## Cowboys and Heels Trade Show returns to Big Spring at The Courtyard

By IRIS RANGEL  
 Herald Staff Writer

The Cowboys and Heels Trade Show is back for another year in Howard County. After five years of shows, The Cowboys and Heels Trade Show will take place in the downtown Big Spring at the Courtyard on Nov. 14 - 15, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

According to Cowboys and Heels Trade Show Owner Danielle Ramirez, guests can expect to shop more than 30 vendors. Vendors will have all kinds of goodies to shop from including native items, home decor, candles, Scentsy, jewelry, aprons, boutiques, knives, handbags, chalk couture, door prizes and much more.

Prior to the show, Ramirez noted that when coronavirus shut down local venues and businesses earlier this year, her trade shows were at a stand still. Last year, Ramirez also had to cancel a show that was meant to be held in Lubbock and their yearly Christmas show, due to personal reasons. Through all these recent hardships, The Cowboys and Heels Trade Show has persevered and will begin its comeback right here in Howard County.

"Hosting the show for this long has been a blessing for sure. As 2020 came around, it made shows impossible. Due to COVID, we had to cancel three shows because venues were closed and quarantine. However, we are very excited to be able to host the show finally and we want to continue to be able to do them not only for our

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## Honoring our Veterans



**Veteran Damien Tarple, SPC 4, served in the U.S. Army from September 1996 - 1999. He served a year in Korea. We THANK YOU for your service!**

### Upcoming Events

**County Commissioners Special Meeting**  
 Nov. 17  
 10:30 a.m.  
 County Courthouse

**City Council Meeting**  
 Nov. 17  
 5:30 p.m.  
 City Council Chambers

**United Way Empty Bowls**  
 Nov. 19  
 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
 Dora Roberts



"I am thankful for my family and my job."  
 Vanessa Billalba



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## BSISD Board of Trustees recognize Theatre students

By IRIS RANGEL  
 Herald Staff Writer

Big Spring ISD Board of Trustees meeting yesterday covered various topics such as enrollment, donations, and special recognitions.

Trustee Julie Harris called the meeting to order and Trustees began the meeting with the consideration of approval for various donations. According to Director of Business Melissa Tarbet, BSISD received several donations. The donations consisted of a \$1,500 donation from Gunsight Mountain Wind Energy Center towards the purchase of a vision screening machine; a \$3,200 donation from the H.O.P.E. Foundation towards Al-



HERALD photo/Iris Rangel

**Cast members of Haphazardly Ever After were recognized by the BSISD Board of Trustees at the Thursday evening meeting.**

len Morris to develop labs for the high school physics program; a \$1,000 donation from the Masons in efforts for the high school students to host a Christmas party for area children including purchasing and

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## Unofficial voting totals ready to be canvassed

By AMANDA DUFORAT  
 Managing Editor

The Howard County Elections Office completed tabulating the votes from the General Election on Thursday afternoon.

According to Howard County Election's Administrator Jodi Duck, there were two curbside machines from early voting that had not been counted in the previously released unofficial totals from the Nov. 3 election. Those two machines included a total of 210 votes. On Thursday afternoon 118th District Judge Timothy Yeats witnessed, along with candidates Eddilisa Saldivar (Ray) (County Commissioner Pct. 1), Nick Ornelas (District 1, City Council), Cody Hughes (District 3, City Council), and Roger Rodman (District 3, City Council).

After counting the additional 210 votes, the projected winners of each

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## BSHS Business Students hear from Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman



Courtesy photo

Howard County Judge Kathrine Wiseman recently took time to meet and talk with business students at Big Spring High School via video conferencing. Big Spring High School offers numerous business courses through its Career and Technical Education Department. Some of those courses include; Business Information Technology I and II, Virtual Business, Human Resources, Accounting, Money Matters, Real Estate, and Principals of Information Technology.

## Coahoma Junior High 212 Students



Courtesy photo

**Kierstyn Beeman, Esan Sullivan, Jacob Padron, Jett Archer ; not pictured Brailee Bennett and Addison Collier**

**Special to the Herald**  
 Coahoma Junior High has 6 new 212 Students! These students have gone above and beyond with their leadership qualities!

Jett Archer is a 6th grader who likes gaming! His

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## Obituaries

### Frances Jean Jennings

Frances Jean Jennings, 85, of Big Spring, went to be with her Lord and Savior Monday, Nov. 9, 2020. Graveside funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 13, 2020, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Oct. 26, 1935, in Big Spring to B. Y. "Ben" and Dillie Files Dixon. She married Jimmie Ralph Jennings March 12, 1959 in Odessa.

Jean attended Big Spring schools. She was employed for many years for the CPA firm, Lee, Reynolds and Welch, and also for Ross H. Boykin. She was a former member of the Spring City Chapter ABWA and served as Program Chairman, Vice-President, and President and was named Woman of the Year in 1973. She was a former member of the National Secretaries Association and served as Recording Secretary and President

### Adrian Ayala

Adrian Ayala, 62, of Big Spring, passed away Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020 at Baylor Scott & White All Saints Hospital. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwwelch.com](http://www.npwwelch.com).

### Feliciano Martinez

Feliciano Martinez, 82, of Big Spring died Thursday Nov. 12, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Juana O. Rocha

Juana O Rocha, 83 of Big Spring died Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020. Visitation will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, 2020, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Saturday, Nov. 14, 2020, at 2:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born in Hidalgo, Texas, to Marcelino and Herminia Olivarez on Nov. 16, 1936. She was a housewife and caregiver. She loved to cook; and enjoyed spending quality time with family.

and was named Secretary of the Year in 1979. Jean served several years on the Advisory Committee for Secretarial Science at Howard College. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmie R. Jennings of Big Spring; two daughters, Donna Flud of Fletcher, NC and Renee Burleson and husband, Mike of Big Spring; three grandsons, Dan Brewster, Cody Burleson and Jacob Burleson; six great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; four sisters, Vera Mae Messenger, Sudie Belle Beeman, Anna Locklar and Illa Morgan; and two brothers, Dick Dixon and Floyd Alton Dixon.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwwelch.com](http://www.npwwelch.com)

*Paid Obituary*

### Jimmie Jones

Jimmie Jones, 84, of Big Spring, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2020. Public viewing will be at the Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Funeral services will be at the Myers & Smith Chapel on Monday, Nov. 16, 2020 at 11 a.m. by special invite only due to the pandemic and social distancing in place.

Pastor Pauletta Allison will be officiating.

Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park. The family requires masks be worn.

She is survived by her husband: Marcos G Rocha Sr.; two sons: Marcos Rocha Jr and Gustavo Rios of Big Spring; three daughters: Rosaura Shoup of Big Spring, Rosemary Green of Lago Vista, and Marylou Gonzales of Del Rio; two sisters and three brothers. Several grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; one son: Alvino Noyola; four brothers and two sisters.

Special Thanks to the Third floor Scenic Mountain nursing staff as well as Home Hospice.

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

*Paid Obituary*

## Take Note

• Several local boutiques are teaming up to say thank you to essential workers. On Nov. 12 and Nov. 19, shops will remain open until 8 p.m. Essential workers are invited to come in and shop, specials will be offered during this shopping time. Essential workers must present their ID - Name Badge to receive special

offers. The following shops are taking part in the promotion: The Wardrobe, Lula Blu, FamousElle, Queens of the Dude Ranch, Splurge, The Crowned Bird, Krazy Kow, Dazzling Decor, Inspirations, Blue-Eyed Buffalo and Southern Blush.

• 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 [stacey-leos@yahoo.com](mailto:stacey-leos@yahoo.com).

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **LORI ANN COKER**, 37, of 624 Caylor Drive, was arrested on charges of credit card or debit card abuse and warrant - other agency.

• **TANYA JEAN JENKINS**, 32, of 207 Washington Boulevard, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ISAAC XAVIER CERDA**, 18, of 900 S. Scurry Street, was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention, possession of marijuana (less than or equal

to two ounces), and possession of dangerous drug.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 3600 W. Highway 80.

• **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 700 block of W. I-20.

• **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2100 block of S. Gregg Street.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 600 block of S. Main Street.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 12<sup>th</sup> and Benton.

## 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.

• **ISAAC XAVIER CERDA**, 18, was arrested by BSPD on charges of evading arrest detention, possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and possession of dangerous drug.

• **LORI ANN COKER**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on charges of credit card or debit card abuse (x2).

• **LAURA COLLINS**, 52, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated/open alcohol container.

• **LELDON TAYLOR JENKINS**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on charges of theft property (\$2,500 to \$30K) (x2).

• **TANYA JEAN JENKINS**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **SONNY JORDON OLIVIO**, 47, was arrested by BSPD on charges of burglary of habitation and parole violation.

• **JOSE ERMINIO RAMIREZ JR.**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated with child passenger.

• **ABEL ABRAHAM RUEDA**, 31, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of controlled substance penalty group one (greater than or equal to one gram less than four grams), unlawful possession firearm by felon, and aggravated assault with deadly weapon.

• **PAUL LOZANO TORRES**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of resist arrest search or transport.

• **ANTONIO SERRANO VEGA**, 54, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of aggravated assault date/family/house with weapon.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of N. Lamesa Highway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 800 block of Sgt. Paradez. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of Caprock Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. (X2)

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of MM 179 I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of FM 846 and FM 1584. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of 11<sup>th</sup> and Goliad. Three people were transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2900 block of Sherrod Road. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Mulberry Avenue. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Oak Glenn. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Wright. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Similar. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2100 block of S. Gregg Street. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

## 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.

### SATURDAY

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

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**BSISD**

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wrapping gifts alongside the chance of being in the Big Spring Christmas Parade; a \$1,500 donation from Aramark Foodservice Corporation for \$1,000 to be set aside as a culinary scholarship for a Big Spring high school student and \$500 to be given as a discretionary donation for the district.

“Thank you guys for everything, it’s great,” BSISD Superintendent McWilliams said.

Trustee Manny Chaveria moved to approve the donations and was seconded by Trustee Maria Padilla. The motion passed unanimously.

McWilliams then moved into the special recognition portion of the meeting where the Board recognized One Act Play participants for the BSISD play Haphazardly Ever After. The recently rescheduled play will take place Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. The Board alongside McWilliams recognized the collaborative efforts of both Big Spring junior high and high school students. Haphazardly Ever After consists of a 32 students cast, with seven tech students full of 7th, 8th graders and high school students.

“We’re so proud of all the kids who are involved in this play. We encourage everyone to go out and see this play, it really is something to go out and see,” McWilliams said.

Afterwards, a public hearing was held to discuss the Big Spring ISD Financial Accountability Rating (School FIRST) and the Annual Financial Management Report for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year. According to Chief Financial Officer Susan Bryan, BSISD has received a rating of 100 for the 2018-2019 school year. Last year BSISD received a rating of 98. The increase in score rating is due to paying debt monies back and ensuring that the district is passing audits, and staying timely and compliant, ac-

ording to Bryan.

It was also noted that districts would have to project attendance in the near future with the Annual Financial Management Report, a concern that McWilliams and Bryan discussed during the meeting.

Regarding the report items on the agenda, Trustees conversed over a Food Service and Maintenance & Transportation Bid Report and the 2019-2020 Annual Bilingual/ESL Program Review and 2020 TELPAS Results.

Concerning the bid, the original due date was Oct. 23, 2020, by 4 p.m. on, however, it was extended to Oct. 30, 2020, at 4 p.m. to ensure all bids were received from the postal service and freight carrier services. The Food Service and Maintenance & Transportation bids are meant to form a multi-vendor list to secure supplies, equipment, outside labor, and contracted services, according to Tarbet.

For the 2019-2020 Annual Bilingual/ESL Program Review, it was noted that the state of Texas requires all school districts to report an annual evaluation of the district’s Bilingual/ESL program, by BSISD Bilingual and ESL Coordinator Rosie Lopez.

In 2019-2020, 169 total student population in grades PK-12, were identified as English Learners

(ELs). According to Lopez, all teachers on every campus were trained to use the English Language

Proficiency Standards during in-service professional development at the beginning of the year.

There is also ongoing training being provided in areas of Sheltered Instruction, ELPS (English Language Proficiency Standards), and Differentiation Strategies, stated by Lopez.

For the 2019 school year, minimal data was shown due to a lack of STARR and TELPAS testing taking place as a result of the cancellations from coronavirus.

Other items reviewed and approved during the meeting:

\* Board Minutes for the Oct. 8, 2020 regular meeting and Oct. 12, 2020 special meeting

\* Financial reports

\* Annual investment report

\* Approval of tax roll

\* Force Majeure Agreement with Sinclair Oil & Gas Company, Chugash Exploration, L.P., and Four Sevens Operating Co., Ltd.

Regarding the canvass for the Nov. 3, 2020 School Board Election Result for District 1, Trustee Harris canvassed the votes as required by law.

The conduction of the Post Election Procedures for Elected Officials and Board Organization, including Election of Officers, were tabled and postponed until the next Board meeting.

Nearing the end of the meeting, Superintendent McWilliams provided several updates regarding resignations and retirements, enrollment, COVID-19, and district updates.

According to McWilliams, there was one resignation for a Marcy Kindergarten teacher given on Oct. 5, 2020.

Concerning the Big Spring enrollment update, McWilliams noted that enrollment is still down for BSISD. As of Oct. 2, 2020, BSISD enrollment currently has 3,798 students enrolled, a 266 student decrease from last year. There are also 3,248 students enrolled in face to face instruction and 449 students enrolled in virtual instruction.

“We knew we were going to take a hit in enrollment this year. If you look around at any other district, enrollment is down everywhere,” McWilliams said.

Assistant Superintendent for Operations George Bancroft alongside McWilliams provided a COVID-19 update stating as of Monday, Nov. 9, there have been 61 cases since the school year began. With BSISD employees, there are 8 active cases; 53 recovered cases; 197 total quarantined; 22 currently quarantined; 155 returned to campus; and 4 employee to employee transferred cases.

Regarding students, there have been 60 total cases since the school year began which equates to one case a day. With students, there are 9 active cases; 51 recovered cases; 383 quarantined (10% of the student population); 74 currently quarantined; and 309 students returned to instruction.

“It’s odd to say, but it’s almost becoming a routine. Our teachers and students know what to do when we find out there’s a case and we go through the procedure,” Bancroft said. “Our biggest issue is the quarantine numbers and keeping our teachers in line with COVID safety measures. We can’t really force people to not go out to dinner with their friends on the weekends.”

Bancroft also mentioned an instance where a positive case was found to have been in contact with 100 students.

In this circumstance, parents and guardians were contacted for all 100 students and were given the option to quarantine their students, however, it was not mandatory. Bancroft stated that for all 100 students, not a single parent or guardian chose to quarantine their student.

“This just shows that our parents want their kids in school and we need to continue to provide them with that service,” he said.

Before adjourning for the evening, a district update was also given by McWilliams where he mentioned that from this point on there will be a district update every meeting. For this update, McWilliams noted that BSISD will be hosting the in-person junior high UIL competition on Dec. 9. McWilliams and Trustees also stated that there will be a special meeting held on Nov. 19 at 5:15 p.m. concerning the swearing in of elected officers.

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**VOTES**

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election remained the same.

The unofficial results, in the contested elections, from Election Night 2020 in Howard County are as follows with the additional 210 votes counted on Thursday afternoon:

- County Commissioner, District 1 Commissioner Pct. 1 – Eddilisa Saldivar (REP) won with 64.46% instead of the previously reported 64.31% of the vote and 896 votes instead of the previously reported 872 votes.

- County Commissioner, District 3 Commissioner Pct. 3 – Jimmie Long (REP), incumbent, won with 77.27% instead of the previously reported 77.37% of the vote and 1,870 votes instead of the previously reported 1,846 votes.

- Howard County Assistance District – The proposal failed with 70.10% of the vote instead of the previously reported 70.34% voting against for a total of 2,211 votes instead of the previously reported 2,165 votes.

- City Council Member, District 1 – Nick Hilario Ornelas won with 56.93% instead of the previously reported 57.21% of the vote and 267 votes instead of the previously reported 262 votes.

- City Council Member, District 3 – Cody Hughes

won with 50.15% of the vote instead of the previously reported 50.31% of the vote and 494 votes instead of the previously reported 490 votes.

- City Council Member Recall District 5 (Camilla Strande) – Passed with 58.68% instead of the previously reported 58.63% of the vote and 801 votes instead of the previously reported 785 votes.

- City Council Member Recall District 6 (Jim DePauw) – Passed with 52.05% of the vote instead of the previously reported 51.68% of the vote and 381 votes instead of the previously reported 369 votes.

- City Council Member Recall Mayor (Shannon Thomason) – Failed with 55.70% of the vote instead of the previously reported 55.72% of the vote and 3,214 votes instead of the previously reported 3,156 votes.

- Big Spring ISD School Board District 1 – Tom Olague Jr., incumbent, won with 59.67% of the vote instead of the previously reported 59.80% of the vote and 364 instead of the previously reported 354 votes.

For the 2020 General Election there were a total of 17,650 registered voters with 10,306 ballots cast, for a voter turnout of 58.39%.

“I am saddened by our local turnout. I think we could have done alot better,” Duck said. “We tried to facilitate as many avenues as possible to get people voted, but I am sad we didn’t even meet what

we did in 2016.”

Big Spring ISD canvassed the votes on Thursday at their regular meeting for the month; the City of Big Spring and Howard County will be canvassing votes on Tuesday, Nov. 17. Once the entities have canvassed the votes and the state has certified, the totals will become official.

“Everything considering all the problems we’ve had as a nation with the Covid and all that we handled it very well; voters handled it well and my staff handled it brilliantly,” Duck said.

Once the City of Big Spring canvasses the votes, they will have 120 days for the Special Election for the recalls. At the same time, preparations will begin for the May elections which will involve City and School Board. According to Duck, once the Special Election dates have been set, there will be an opportunity for those not registered to vote to get registered. In order to cast a vote in the Special Election, a voter did not have to cast a vote in the General Election.

As dates are decided more information will be released and deadlines will be posted on the Howard County Elections Facebook page.

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**SHOP**

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shoppers, but also for our vendors,” Ramirez said.

In order to align with CDC guidelines, The Cowboys and Heels Trade Show will have sanitizing and temperature stations before entering as well as a brief screening of questions prior to admittance. However, masks will not be enforced, according to Ramirez.

“Some of our vendors make a living doing shows and traveling, and we want to the able help by hosting our show and making sure it’s the best that it can be. This show is still standing and growing due to our vendors. Without them, there would be no Cowboys and Heels Trade Show,” she said.

This year, the Cowboys and Heels Trade Show will also be hosting their very first Wine and Canvas Class starting at 4 p.m. Saturday. To register

for the class, contact Danielle Ramirez at 432-466-5141. According to Ramirez, there are only 16 slots left for the class and snack will be provided.

“We want the community to come out; grab a friend or two, maybe three, or just bring the whole family, hang out and help support the small businesses. We want the community to enjoy some good food, drinks, and music all while shopping,” Ramirez said. “We will not have a cover charge, but you can make donations for our volunteers that help make this show possible.”

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steak and after high school graduation he will attend college to be a veterinarian.

Kierstyn Beeman is an 8th grader who loves to read and would like to attend college to become a veterinarian. Her favorite meal is potato soup.

Jacob Padron is an 8th grader who enjoys looking at and learning about the stars! His favorite food is pizza and he would like to become a welder after college.

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Rosa Mesta, 57, died Monday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday with a vigil at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park

Luis Flores, 97, died Tuesday. Funeral service is 10:00 AM Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Rosa Roberts, 73, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 3:00 PM Friday at the Garden City Cemetery.

Jimmie David Jones, 84, died Tuesday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral will be at 11:00

AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Gregory Phillippe, 71, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Evelyn Anderson, 91, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Feliciano Martinez, 82, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Juana Rocha, 83, died Wednesday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2:30 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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favorite food is pizza and he would like to attend college to be a video game programmer.

Brailee Bennett is a 6th grader who likes to read, listen to music, and write stories. Her favorite meal is chicken alfredo and she would like to become a social worker after high school; focusing in the adoption and foster care programs.

Addison Collier is a 7th grader who loves spending time outdoors, hunting and fishing. She enjoys playing volleyball, basketball, and cheering on the Bulldogs! Addi is also involved in FFA and enjoys showing her pigs. Her favorite food is cheeseburgers and after high school graduation she would like to pursue a career working with animals!

Esan Sullivan is a 7th grader who enjoys painting and building models. His favorite meal is salisbury



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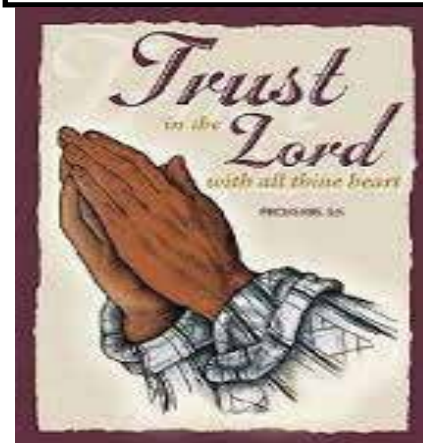
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# Church News

## NazFamily Church

**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.

**Fireside Worship** - Our next Fireside Worship will be on Nov. 18 at 6:30 p.m. Bring out your lawn chairs and blankets and join us for a time of worship and prayer around the fire pit. Following worship will be a time of fellowship with hotdogs, s'mores, and around the fire.

**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.

**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.

## 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.

## 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. 15 - 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 and 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).

Join Chosen Generation Student Youth Ministry at their very own 11:00AM Sunday Service in the Youth Sanctuary. This is a live worship service 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, November 18th - Join us this Wednesday at our 7:00PM 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.

Transportation Ministry - You need a ride to church? CCC offers picks-up services on Sundays for our 11:00AM 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.

## 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.

## 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, A simple message "Love God, Love People" Matthew 22:36-40

Birthdays this month: Linda Miracle Nov. 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-19 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.

What we believe:

We believe that Jesus is the son of god, and we proclaim Him Lord and Savior.

We believe that all people are God's children.

We believe in freedom of belief in allowing the Holy Spirit through scripture reading and prayers to guide all who seek to follow God in the way of Jesus.

We believe in the oneness of the Church

Who we are:

We are real people proclaiming real faith in a real world.

We are a group of people seeking to follow God in the way of Jesus and who are seeking to be a movement of wholeness in a fragmented world.

We strive to be a faithfully growing church that demonstrates true community.

We strive to be people known by faith, hope and love.

We strive to embody what Jesus proclaimed as the greatest commandment: Love God with everything we have and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

The red chalice symbolizes the central place of communion in worship. The X-shaped cross of the disciple Andrew is a reminder of the ministry of each person and the importance of evangelism.

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.

## Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

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

Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 am and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Last Sunday we installed Bobby Roever as our new Vicar. Congratulations Bobby!!!

The readings for this Sunday are Zephaniah 1:7-16, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, and Matthew 25:14-30. The psalm is Psalm 90:1-12.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study has restarted. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. We are studying Lutheranism 101. Please come and join us.

Bobby Roever will present the scripture readings this week.

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

## First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The congregation thanks Linda Lindell for providing music on the piano for the worship service last Sunday. Thanks also to Ransom Colette for the oboe solo on "Sonata Op.160" by Camille Saint-Saenz during the offertory. Ransom is drum major for the Division I Steer Band.

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).

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.

Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 6 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 collected all of the food bags last Sunday and will organize the food to be taken to Howard County Resources or the Salvation Army to help families in need at their next meeting on Thursday, November 12, at 5:30 p.m. The Service Committee is also asking for 10 frozen turkeys for Thanksgiving. They may be brought to the church kitchen.

The Finance Committee met Thursday, November 5 to discuss pledging and a budget for 2021.

The Communications Committee met Monday, November 9, at 6:00 p.m.

The Nominating Committee meets this week to prepare a slate of nominees for the next class of Elders, which will be presented for a vote at the Congregational Meeting immediately after worship Sunday, November 15.

The Worship Committee meets Monday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. in the parlor.

The November Session Meeting is Thursday, Nov. 19, at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Presbyterian Women meet at 2 p.m. in the Theater Room for Bible study and business meeting.

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

Lectionary passages for the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost are: Psalm 123: 1,2; Matthew 25:14-30; I Thessalonians 5:9-11. Rev. Allen Cross will lead the worship service. His sermon topic is "Fear and Joy." 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 November 8, Pastor Ricky Carstensen concluded his sermon series, "How does God See His Church" God sees His church as "A Mighty Army". In Matthew 16:13-19, Jesus wanted His disciples to see that the world doesn't know who He is. Jesus said, He was going to establish His church to tell the world who He is and that the church would be like a mighty army storming the gates of hell. This next week Pastor Ricky will be sharing about our "Spiritual Veterans". Come join us this coming Sunday for Sunday school and Worship!

On Wednesday, November 11, we remembered our Veterans. It's a time to honor, remember and thank a veteran for serving our country in the armed forces. Many sacrifices were made and for some the ultimate sacrifice made on our behalf. Let's continue to remember our veterans that have served our country as well as those who are actively serving our country. Thank You!

On Wednesday November 18, 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 6:00 P.M. The ladies will be meeting in the Open Door Classroom. For more information contact our church office.

Youth will be meeting on Wednesdays at 6:00-7:30 P.M. for a message from Gods word and fun fellowship. The Wesley college ministry will be meeting at 7:30-9:00 P.M. for fellowship and a message.

The Bridge Rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 6:00-7:30 and Choir rehearsal will be 7:30-9:00 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.

This Sunday is Baptism Sunday. If you are interested in getting baptized please email [mannyn@golifechurch.net](mailto:mannyn@golifechurch.net) or call 432-816-9464.

Life Church will be hosting an Inner Court Worship service on Saturday, November 21st at 7pm in



## Real Problem, Real Solution

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved). Ephesians 2:4-5



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Sin is not the real problem, I am. My sin is not the real problem, my human nature is. So, if I am the problem, then Christ is the solution. If my person is the real problem, then the person of the Lord Jesus Christ is the real solution to my problem. Sin is not sin unless I commit it because it is inanimate without me.

Because of the fact that I am the problem, and not my sin, sinlessness is not the real solution, Christ is. His nature in me

is the only solution. If my humanity (and not my sin) is the real problem, then, the solution is not in me nor is it found in anything that I can do to remedy the problem. Sin did not enter into the world by its own power, sin entered into the world by a man (Adam).

If death entered into the world by sin, and we being dead in trespasses and sins, Christ gave us life, this means that our real problem is not our sin. Our real problem is death that comes by sin. Does Christ solve the problem of death that comes by sin by making us sinless in the flesh? No! He solves the death problem by giving us life because He is the end of the Law for our righteousness. This is true because where there is no Law, there is no transgression.

If sin were our real problem, then God would justify our sin. But sin is not the root problem, we are,

and for this reason, God justifies sinners, not sin. When God justifies the sinner, that sinner is forever forgiven, regardless of the sins the sinner may commit in the future.

If we miss the truth that says that Christ is the end of the Law, then we miss the whole point of the gospel. If we are blind to the fact that Christ is the end of the Law, then we are blind to the whole truth of the whole gospel. No sinner can ever be justified in the presence of the Law because the Law focuses on sin. The Law does not focus on justification, sanctification or blessing. The Law has one purpose and that is to condemn and kill the sinner. When Christ justifies the sinner, He performs a miracle, the miracle of life. But this miracle must be done in the absence of the Law because no life can be found in the letter of the Law. Life can only be found in Christ and Christ alone.

## I'll Be Back Soon

As I youngster my mother and dad usually went grocery shopping together. We lived in a two bedroom house in a family of eight. When they went shopping, we would stay home and clean house, with each one assigned to chores to do by the time they got home. I don't remember if we got them all done by that set time or not. I just remember working hard to complete my task.



LILLIAN  
BOHANNAN

If they were late in coming, we would play in the backyard in the dirt, or swing from the big oak tree tire swing, or play games with the neighbors. We seemed to be a happy group.

But when my parents returned, we all trooped out to bring the month's worth of groceries. We had a big round table in the dining room that was full of sacks we brought in. Where Momma put them in the kitchen was her decision. But my, my, the food we would bring into that little house was amazing. Hundred pounds of potatoes, fifty pounds of flour and sugar, bushels of apples or peaches, seemed like a ton of bananas, meat to go in the freezer, was just to name a few. As you can see we ate very well.

But looking back on my parents coming home from the store, we were more excited to see them, rather than what they were bringing with them, especially if they were late. The fact that they said to us before they left, "We'll be back soon," was a promise that we looked forward to, because they were our security rock.

Jesus made the same promise in His Word. In John 14:3 states: "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." And while we are still here, we have tasks to complete. He told us to occupy until He comes.

Jesus is the Secure Rock, our Sure Foundation. When He left earth, His promise to Return is our hope in this present world. It is looking like it did back before the Flood of Noah. We must be completing the tasks of sharing His Good News, loving our neighbors, and anything else we can to further His Kingdom. Even though no one knows exactly the day or the hour, we will be excited to see Him as He is, because He is coming back, SOON!

## Insatiable Eyes

Sometime over the past few months I read an article about the old patriarch Lot. I started tracing out what was said and found how easily we can be caught up in the wiles of Satan.

There are many warnings in Scripture about "the lust of the eyes" (I John 2:15-17) that can turn our hearts away from that which is godly and eternal. Solomon's sober caution certainly is significant, especially since he had admonished his son, "Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look strait before thee" (Proverbs 4:25). Similarly, Job had "made a covenant with his eyes" (Job 31:7).

Abraham's nephew, Lot, eventually lost everything after he "lifted up his eyes" and chose to "pitch" his tent toward Sodom" (Genesis 13:12), developing an initial tolerance for that ungodly environment and unwilling to separate from the people who were "wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly" (Genesis 13:13).

Later, Lot actually dwelt in Sodom, with his goods (Genesis 14:12). Soon the association became a lifestyle, a conscious choice in spite of obvious wickedness that caused him great distress, "for that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds" (2 Peter 2:7-8). Chedorlaomer sacked the cities and took Lot captive. Even then, he was so tied to his association with the Sodomites that he went back!

Finally, Lot "sat in the gates of Sodom" (Genesis 19:1) when the angels came to destroy the city. That's equivalent to being one of the "movers and shakers" of the city.--perhaps even comparable to being on the city council. This tragic life had every opportunity to share in the joys of Abraham's calling, but threw it all away for the sake of his "eyes." Perhaps God may grant us eyes that "see" truth.

The thought that preceded this article was this, how many do you and I know that do not want God anywhere in their lives except in their language....



RALPH  
ANDERSON

## Reflections: Stars

I normally begin my day outdoors where I spend time in prayer. When winter drops the temps and the sun rises late, I bundle up and find my place on our back deck, under the stars.



BILL  
TINSLEY

Our deck is on the south side of the house. Orion and Taurus greet me in the winter sky, easily distinguished among the lesser lights. They have always been there, occupying their same place in the sky since time immemorial.

These are the same stars Abraham saw when he left Ur of the Chaldees. The same stars that guided Moses in the wilderness. The same stars David watched when he shepherded sheep. The same stars the Magi studied when they found a star in the east that led them to Bethlehem. When I look at the stars, I feel connected to the entire universe, no longer limited by time and space. In my fleeting moment on earth I am part of all that has gone before and all that will yet come.

They are a stabilizing force. Nothing we can do on earth will change them. The nearest star is approximately 25 trillion miles away, or 4.24 light years. When the dust has settled from the Presidential election and the pandemic has passed, the stars will remain in their place as they have done through every plague, every war, every natural disaster, and every lifetime. They are a constant, silent and brilliant testimony to

God's majesty.

The Bible has a lot to say about the stars: "When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them? Human beings that you care for them?" (Psalm 8:3-4) NIV.

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars; and calls them each by name. Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit" (Psalm 147:3-5).

"Praise him sun and moon; praise him all you shining stars. Praise him highest heavens, and you waters above the skies. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created and he established them forever and ever" (Psalm 148:3-6).

"To whom then shall you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. ... Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak." (Isaiah 40:25-26).

The stars have a way of putting things in perspective.

## Something to think about...

"My Dad can beat up your Dad!" I vividly remember several arguments on the school playground that ended with this clear declaration. As a child, I had complete confidence that my Father was the strongest person in the world and nothing could take him down. There was a sense that no matter what trouble I got myself into, he would always be there to rescue me. Standing in the shadow of my hero provided a deep sense of security and peace in life.

My parents came out to visit this weekend and it is evident that their age is quickly catching up with them. It is hard to watch as time takes its toll on their bodies. They twinge in pain through normal, everyday movements. As our friend Burl used to say, "Getting old ain't for sissies!" I don't remember exactly when I realized that my dad wasn't the toughest person on earth, but it never really diminished his status in my eyes. He is still a hero in my life for so many reasons beyond his physical strength.

My earthly dad may not be able to beat you up anymore, I don't really want him to try (I honestly hope my children don't make those kinds of statements), but for the followers of Jesus there is truth to the declaration that our Father is stronger than anything we face. No enemy can take Him down and He is always ready to rescue us. 1

John 4:4 says it clearly: "You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world."

What a powerful reminder! What if we really received this Word, how would it change the way we live today? In the midst of all the chaos and turmoil that we face in this world, this passage made me think of that great song This is My Father's World. I love the third verse:

"This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget

That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world: the battle is not done:

Jesus who died shall be satisfied, And earth and Heaven will be one."

We have a good and loving Heavenly Father who can whop all of our enemies. He is bigger than anything we will face this week and He's got your back. May we stand in His shadow, so that we can walk in the security, confidence, and peace we have as the children of God! "Greater is the One who is in you than the one who is in the world!" If we believe it, let's live like it's true.



RICHARD  
SCHNEGERGER

## CHURCH

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the Life Church Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to join us for this special night.

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 Wednesdays 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.

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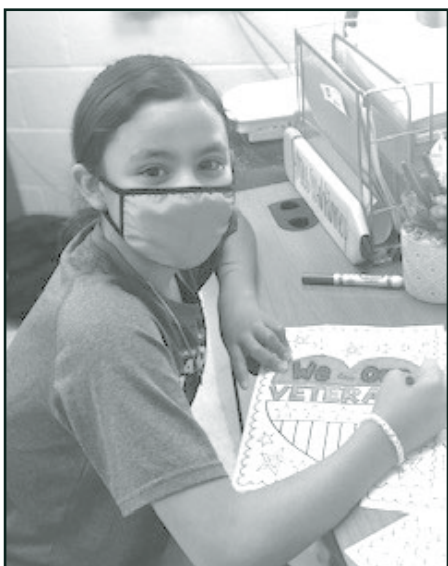
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Big Spring Intermediate students took a moment to show their appreciation on Veterans Day and designed posters and wrote letters for our veterans. Pictured above left: Writing letters to our veterans is 5th grade student Aimme De La Cruz. Pictured above center and above right: Mr. Twining's art classes worked on banners for our Veterans.



Courtesy photos

The 5th grade class was honored to perform at the Veteran's Day Assembly today at Forsan Elementary School. Songs included the "Star Spangled Banner", "We Honor You" by Rodger Emerson, and "Tribute to the Armed Services" arranged by Lloyd Larson. Script speakers were Landon Harrison, Madi Reeves, Max Myers, Trysten Webb, Jules Nichols, Kaden Bratcher, and Marcus Jayden O'Neal. We Honor You soloists were Paxton Skaggs, Elyssa Amaro, Eliana Zuniga, and Trysten Webb. A recording is available to watch in the Forsan Elementary Facebook page. The program this year was not open to the public, but the community is encouraged to watch online by visiting the district website.

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# Coahoma falls to Canadian 62-14 in Bi-District round Thursday night in Tulia



Above left: Freshman quarterback Grant Glidewell gets ready to pass the ball to a wide receiver downfield. Above right: Head Coach Chris Joslin speaks with his team on the field following the loss on Thursday night.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

TULIA — In a game where the final score did not show the amount of heart and fight that was displayed on the field, the Canadian Wildcats defeated the Coahoma Bulldogs 62-14 on Thursday night.

It was a disappointing loss and end to the season for a Coahoma team that has been depleted by injuries over the past few weeks. After being predicted to have a down year by some preseason publications, the Bulldogs played with a chip on their shoulders all-season long and made it back to the postseason.

While a postseasoners end to a hectic 2020 football season for the Bulldogs, Coahoma coach Chris Joslin is still proud of the way his team performed and competed against the top-ranked 3A-2 team in the state.

“We played the second half tonight like we have all-year. We’re going to play until the end,” Joslin said. “We talked about it before and there was a lot of games that canceled tonight, but we’re going to show up and play, and we’re going to play until the end. I couldn’t be more proud of a group of kids. That team (Canadian) right there is really, really good. Last week, a Top 10 team got beat 63-13 by them. We’re not that far away, we just need to stay healthy and get better each year. I love this football team.”

Coahoma fell behind 55-7 at halftime after being attacked in the first half by a steady dose of pinpoint pass after pinpoint pass from senior quarterback Josh Culwell and the shifty and hard-nosed style of senior running back Hayze Hufstedler. Culwell tossed five first-half touchdown passes to three different receivers while Hufstedler scored two touchdowns on the ground.

Coahoma’s struggle to the end zone in the Thursday night game with the Bulldogs trailing 48-0 with just under four minutes remaining in the first half. After two unproductive plays to start-off the drive, junior running back Brysen Kerby took the handoff, hit the open hole, and sprinted untouched the rest of the way to the end zone for a 76-yard touchdown run. That play finally put the Bulldogs on the board and let them know that the Canadian team, while strong and dominant, are not invincible.

“Those guys over there make it difficult on a lot of people,” Joslin said. “We found a few things and kept fighting until the end. We got on the board a couple times and got some stops. It’s minor victories but against a team like that, you’re just looking to compete and I thought our kids competed tonight.”

The second half was overall more evenly-matched with Coahoma making a few big plays and the teams both only scoring one touchdown in the final two quarters. There was one stretch where Coahoma played great complementary

football and it allowed them to put another score on the board.

Canadian was facing a third-and-long in their own territory when Culwell dropped back to pass. He sailed a ball deep downfield in an attempt to gain the first down but was instead intercepted by Billy Starr. Starr got the ball all the way to the Wildcat 30-yard line where the Bulldogs would begin their drive. After a five yard gain on first down, Kerby took the handoff on second down and ran a right tackle the remaining 25 yards into the end zone.

Hufstedler would score a third touchdown (50 yards) a few minutes later that put the Wildcats ahead 62-14 and would prove to be the last score of the game. Canadian decided to switch to the second-string players following that Hufstedler score and the remaining time was spent with both teams trying to move the ball downfield.

Now that Coahoma’s 2020 season is over, they will have a group of talented seniors that will be departing in the spring and not returning to the gridiron next fall. Joslin will still have some big-time contributors such as Kerby and Starr ready to lead the Bulldogs on the field next season. Joslin also got freshman quarterback Grant Glidewell some valuable Varsity experience over the past couple of weeks and will rely on the dual-threat signal-caller to lead his offense next year.

“The future is as bright as it could be,” Joslin said. “We’re going to go back to work and get better this offseason. The future is bright all the way down to junior high teams. It’s fun at Coahoma right now.”

The Bulldogs (6-4) will now switch gears into offseason mode and begin preparing for the long road back to Friday nights under the lights next fall.

### SCORING PLAYS:

- (10:56 1Q): Josh Culwell pass to Reagan Cochran for 8 yards (7-0 Canadian)
- (5:05 1Q): Luke Flowers 46-yard run (13-0 Canadian)
- (1:26 1Q): Hayze Hufstedler 35-yard run (20-0 Canadian)
- (10:55 2Q): Josh Culwell pass to Gary Anderson for 34 yards (27-0 Canadian)
- (9:04 2Q): Josh Culwell pass to Gary Anderson for 30 yards (34-0 Canadian)
- (6:27 2Q): Josh Culwell pass to Gary Anderson for 8 yards (41-0 Canadian)
- (3:25 2Q): Brysen Kerby 76-yard run (48-7 Canadian)
- (1:35 2Q): Hayze Hufstedler 3-yard run (55-7 Canadian)
- (8:30 3Q): Brysen Kerby 25-yard run (55-14 Canadian)
- (7:44 3Q): Hayze Hufstedler 50-yard run (62-14 Canadian)

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# Sylvester Holds On To Lead At B.A.S.S. Nation Championship

Special to the Herald

FLORENCE, Ala. — Blake Sylvester was a bit worried the spot he pounded to grab the Day 1 lead in the TNT Fireworks B.A.S.S. Nation Championship on Pickwick Lake might not be as productive a day later.

It wasn’t, but it didn’t matter.

Sylvester, a 29-year-old Plaquemine, La., resident, caught a limit of five bass Thursday that weighed 12 pounds, 3 ounces. Added to the 16-10 limit he caught Wednesday, he has a tournament-best 28-13 total heading into the final day on this 43,000-acre impoundment of the Tennessee River.

Despite his position atop the leaderboard after both days of fishing, Sylvester has struggled to get the Pickwick largemouth bass to bite. He found a stretch of submerged grass in approximately 6 feet of water that was productive in practice, and he fished it almost exclusively on Wednesday but got only a handful of bites. Sylvester returned there Thursday, but he didn’t catch his first bass until after 11 a.m.

With nothing in his livewell more than halfway through Day 2, Sylvester wondered if he should stick with the grass or look for another area. He chose to remain on his primary spot, and it finally paid off with six keeper bites, five of which made it to Thursday’s weigh-in at McFarland Park.

“Back home, I would have left the spot in a heartbeat,” he said. “But in the three days I spent here before we were off-limits, plus the three days we practiced, that was the only spot that I was really confident in.”

Still, it was extremely difficult to stay when nothing was biting.

“I was thinking about what my sob

story would be when I weighed in today,” he said with a laugh. “Really, I was looking at the same thing over and over again. It was tough. I must have thrown a thousand times.”

Sylvester said his bite ignited only when he switched colors on his lure of choice. He said that simple change was the difference between fishing Friday’s championship round and heading home to Louisiana.

It’s no surprise he’ll head back to the grassbed Friday, hoping it can sustain him for a wire-to-wire championship win and a spot in the 2021 Academy Sports + Outdoors Bassmaster Classic.

“I think it has more fish,” he said. “They’re there for a reason. It has all the right conditions. I might run some stuff tomorrow morning to catch some smallmouths, but I’ll wind up back in the same spot. It’s been the best one here so far.”

Sylvester is one of 12 competitors who survived the cut and will fish Friday. The top three among them will earn berths in the Classic to be held March 19-21 on Lake Ray Roberts near Fort Worth, Texas.

The winner of this week’s tournament will also win \$20,000 cash and \$16,000 in paid entry fees to compete on the 2021 Bassmaster Elite Series. The winner can opt instead to receive entry to the 2021 Bassmaster Opens, and B.A.S.S. will provide a “Nation’s Best” wrapped boat to use on either circuit next year.

Utah’s Terry Peterson won

the co-angler division Thursday with a two-day total of 21-7. Peterson was presented the Louis “Pee Wee” Powers Trophy for winning the division and collected \$10,000 cash and paid entries to all Basspro.com Bassmaster Opens tournaments in 2021.

B.A.S.S. officials outfitted him with a boat to use in Friday’s final round, and he’s the only one of 46 co-anglers competing Friday.

Peterson jumped to the top of the co-angler leaderboard Wednesday with a 14-10 limit and followed with three bass Thursday that weighed 6-13.

“I only started fishing B.A.S.S. Nation four years ago,” the 52-year-old West Jordan, Utah, resident said. “Having a chance to make the Classic

tomorrow, it’s like an amateur playing golf in The Masters. It’s an amazing feeling, and it’s really close to reality right now.”

The Top 12 co-anglers split \$31,500 in cash after Thursday’s weigh-in.

Wisconsin’s Pat Schlapper placed second in the boater division with 28-7, followed by Vermont’s Michael Comeau with 26-12 and Arizona’s Justin Kerr with 26-1.

The Top 10 competitors in the boater division automatically advanced to the final round, as did the co-angler champion and anyone who placed among first or second in one of five B.A.S.S. Nation Regional tournaments who wasn’t in the Top 10 at Pickwick.

## NFL SCHEDULE WEEK TEN THURSDAY

| Away Team                | Home Team                | Final Score  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Indianapolis Colts (6-3) | @ Tennessee Titans (6-3) | 34-17, Colts |

### SUNDAY

| Away Team                   | Home Team                    | Time of Game     |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| Houston Texans (2-6)        | @ Cleveland Browns (5-3)     | 12:00 p.m. (FOX) |
| Washington Football (2-6)   | @ Detroit Lions (3-5)        | 12:00 p.m. (FOX) |
| Jacksonville Jaguars (1-7)  | @ Green Bay Packers (6-2)    | 12:00 p.m. (FOX) |
| Philadelphia Eagles (3-4-1) | @ New York Giants (2-7)      | 12:00 p.m. (FOX) |
| Atlanta Falcons (6-3)       | @ Carolina Panthers (3-6)    | 12:00 p.m. (FOX) |
| Denver Broncos (3-5)        | @ Las Vegas Raiders (5-3)    | 3:05 p.m. (CBS)  |
| Los Angeles Chargers (2-6)  | @ Miami Dolphins (5-3)       | 3:05 p.m. (CBS)  |
| Buffalo Bills (7-2)         | @ Arizona Cardinals (5-3)    | 3:05 p.m. (CBS)  |
| Seattle Seahawks (6-2)      | @ Los Angeles Rams (5-3)     | 3:25 p.m. (FOX)  |
| San Francisco 49ers (4-5)   | @ New Orleans Saints (6-2)   | 3:25 p.m. (FOX)  |
| Cincinnati Bengals (2-5-1)  | @ Pittsburgh Steelers (8-0)  | 3:25 p.m. (FOX)  |
| Baltimore Ravens (6-2)      | @ New England Patriots (3-5) | 7:20 p.m. (NBC)  |

### MONDAY

| Away Team               | Home Team             | Time of Game     |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Minnesota Vikings (3-5) | @ Chicago Bears (5-4) | 7:15 p.m. (ESPN) |



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Annie's Mailbox

A Friend or More

**Dear Annie:** I'm a senior at university. I'm living with my boyfriend this semester, so we're in the same "family unit" and are able to be around each other without masks and social distancing.

I've been seeing my boyfriend -- let's call him Raul -- for about a year and a half now. We're getting along rather well, and I can really envision a future together. However, this is the first serious relationship I've been in, and the two of us are most likely going to be in very different places once the academic year is over. Raul's applying to grad schools in Europe, and I'm looking to work for a

nonprofit in the United States. Neither of us would feel good about letting the other compromise their plans or ambitions or dreams.

That aside, while I was back home in Vermont during the onset of the pandemic, I got to spend a lot of time with childhood best friend -- let's call him Vermont Boy -- who just broke up with his girlfriend of three years. I felt that there was a spark between us, but nothing happened over the summer. Vermont Boy and I have been texting every day since. He also has similar interests to mine and wants to stay in the States -- in New England, preferably. At one point over the summer, it felt as though

we were about to kiss, but I think he held back since he knew I'm in a relationship. I'm glad we didn't kiss, but I also really wish we had.

I feel like the end is near with my boyfriend, but we live together. I feel restless every time I think about Vermont Boy. Things are still going so smoothly and sweetly between me and Raul and, for emphasis, we live together! But there is a sort of bitterness that comes with knowing we have to go our separate ways. What should I do? -- At a Crossroads in Romance

**Dear At a Crossroads:** I don't know if Vermont Boy is the one for you, but I know that Raul is not. Ending

things now is the fairest and kindest thing that you can do for him. From there, see where things go with Vermont Boy, but also entertain the possibility of being single. Sometimes, when we can't decide between two things, it's because neither option is right.

One important caveat: Please take social distancing precautions, such as wearing masks, meeting outside, and maintaining six feet of distance, when seeing anyone new.

**Dear Annie:** I'm single but wanting a relationship. How does one go about dating in the current climate, with pandemic restrictions in place? -- Looking for

Mr. Right

**Dear Looking:** This is not an ideal time to be dating new people, but the reality is that people crave companionship. Dating websites are the main, and perhaps only, way to meet folks at the moment. Many sites offer free basic memberships and affordable premium memberships, such as OkCupid and Plenty of Fish. Try one out.

When you find a promising match, try going on a "virtual date" -- e.g., order takeout from the same restaurant, and video chat while you eat it. Eventually, you may decide that you want to try an in-person date. Take the usual precautions

of meeting in a safe, public place, along with the pandemic precautions of staying six feet apart, wearing masks and meeting outside. And communicate your safety expectations ahead of time.

Sure, this is a cumbersome amount of hoops to jump through. But it won't be too long before life resumes more normally, and first dates will return to their normal level of awkwardness. In the meantime, embrace the slower pace of courtship during COVID-19.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

With neither side vulnerable, you hold the following hand:

♠ K94 ♥ 8 ♦ KJ954 ♣ AQ73

1. Your partner bids One Club, and you respond with One Diamond. Partner rebids Three Clubs. What would you bid now?

2. You open One Diamond, and partner responds with Two Notrump. After you bid Three Clubs, partner says Three Notrump. What would you bid now?

3. Your left-hand opponent opens One Heart, your partner overcalls with One Spade, and your right-hand opponent bids Two Hearts. What would you bid now?

4. Your partner opens Three Hearts, and the next player passes. What would you bid now?

1. **Four notrump.** A grand slam is highly likely if your partner has three aces, and the best way of learning whether he has them is by using Blackwood. There is very little risk attached to this bid, since partner is virtually certain to have two or three aces for his previous bids. If the response to four notrump is five hearts (two aces), you will stop in six clubs; if the response is five spades (three aces), you plan to bid seven.

2. **Pass.** Your distribution is not ideal for notrump, but all you can reasonably do is pass. Your three-

club bid warned partner against notrump, and he has said in effect that nine tricks in notrump are more likely to be made than 11 tricks in a minor. Partner should not be surprised that you have a singleton somewhere, as your three-club bid alerted him to that possibility.

3. **Four spades.** Partner should have at least five reasonably strong spades for his overcall, so to bid less than game would be an insult to his card play. True, you'd like to have a fourth trump, but the good Lord didn't deal you one. Your 13 high-card points and singleton heart more than compensate for this small flaw. A three-spade bid would merely invite partner to bid again.

4. **Pass.** It normally takes two opening bids, or their equivalent, to make a game. You certainly have a sound opening bid, but partner doesn't -- otherwise he would have opened with one heart. Opposite a preemptive bid, it is much more advisable to count potential tricks in the combined hands than to rely on point count. Typically, partner would be expected to take six tricks with his own hand, to which you can add two or, if you're very lucky, three, assuming normal distribution of the opposing cards. A reasonable expectancy is that partner will make three hearts or go down one, so you should pass.

Tomorrow: Self-discipline.  
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ANSWER:

Mars Lifts Friday the 13th Curse

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Accept pangs of frustration as feedback that you should adjust your plan or alter your aim. These feelings only need to be experienced for a fraction of a second to have served their practical purpose.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** The atmosphere will be a bit stale upon arrival and, as sensitive as you are, it will be clear that someone's got to crank out the good vibes that will turn this around, and that someone is probably you.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You usually realize what people are protective of before you cross a boundary, but sometimes there are hidden rules you only know about once you come up against them and experience the pushback.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Go ahead and aim high while working low -- doing the groundwork that will bring step-by-step, gradual success. A good plan will include simple measures and lots of repetition.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Social interaction can be so involving that it's hard to know just how you're feeling in the midst of it. Notice how you feel in the moments after you leave though because that feeling says a lot.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You'll have an exhilarating sense of forwarding movement today, though perhaps not in the area you want to move. That's OK because progress in any area will eventually bring you forward in others.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** It is impossible to know how another person is seeing the situation; however, with a combination of curiosity and empathy,

you will come about as close as it gets to this superpower.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** A past let-down has influenced you to view your present circumstance in a less-than-helpful way. Rethink and rewrite your history. Your opinion of what happened is what matters, and that's something you can change.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** To put one's head in an alligator's open jaws is more foolish than bold, but that's the price of the gator-stunt. Perhaps it's also foolish to put one's heart in the hands of another and hope for mercy, but that's the price of love.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Jealousy is golden! It tells you what you really want and care about. Still, it's often better expressed in a journal or some other private way, as it's not the most attractive quality and can skewer the balance of relationships.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** It takes more than love to make a relationship work. Right now, it's the simple act of making and keeping agreements that will tell you all you need to know about how the relationship is doing.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** You'll listen to the same story a few times, but when patterns become too repetitive, it's both taxing and a sign that the other person isn't holding up their end of the conversational bargain.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS TODAY'S



**BIRTHDAY (Nov. 13).** This solar journey has you keenly aware of how every experience changes you in some way. Because of this, you put yourself in the line of beauty and sign yourself up for the challenges that might blossom the qualities you desire to embody. You will be surprised and pleased by the results of these endeavors. Cancer and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 40, 44, 28 and 14.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:** ARIES: It's the simple observations you make that get someone's attention, make them feel seen and begin the process of building trust. TAURUS: People feel they are owed your response, but is this really true? GEMINI: Being around someone makes you nervous -- a sign that there's electricity and potential there. CANCER: What you do for comfort isn't the same thing as what you aspire to be doing. LEO: How you feel when you're with a person isn't the whole story. How do you feel when you're driving away? VIRGO: To present yourself in the way you think is most attractive, having nothing to do with the other person's preference, is in and of itself the most attractive choice you could make. LIBRA: The universe is shaped by the power of attraction -- and so are you! SCORPIO: Because you respect someone, you're willing to give

attention and space in the measures they prefer. You should expect the same. SAGITTARIUS: You need to experience a person in five or six different environments before you feel you really know them. CAPRICORN: You're not sure who is under the spell of whom, but there's definitely some magic happening. AQUARIUS: You'll be delighted at how a person expresses feelings about you. PISCES: Love is not having to constantly explain, defend or justify your choices.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** Scorpios expect depth from one another -- deep love, deep thoughts, deep empathy. This new moon weekend, with both the sun and moon in Scorpio, earth's shadow prevents the moon from reflecting much of the sun's light. It begs the question of how reciprocal a double Scorpio relationship can be? Each Scorpio must give the other a chance to shine or the relationship spins quickly out of balance.

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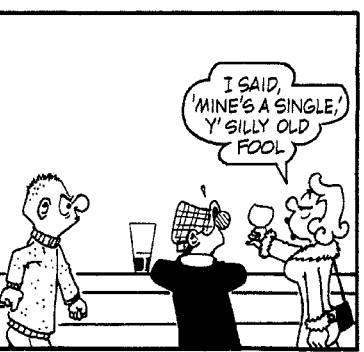


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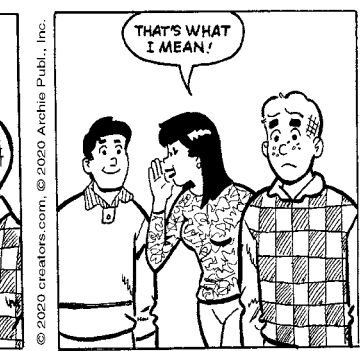
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Friday, Nov. 13, the 318th day of 2020. There are 48 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 13, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin met at the White House, where they pledged to slash Cold War-era nuclear arsenals by two-thirds. In 2014, Clayton Kershaw became the first pitcher to win the National League MVP award since Bob Gibson in 1968; Los Angeles Angels' outfielder Mike Trout was a unanimous pick for the AL MVP.

Justin Verlander won a second American League Cy Young Award, beating fellow Houston Astros pitcher Gerrit Cole; New York Mets ace Jacob DeGrom won the National League prize for the second straight year. Today's Birthdays: Journalist-author Peter Arnett is 86. Actor Jimmy Hawkins is 79.

Blues singer John Hammond is 78. Country singer-songwriter Ray Wylie Hubbard is 74. Actor Joe Mantegna is 73. Actor Sheila Frazier is 72. Musician Andrew Ranken (The Pogues) is 67. Actor Tracy Scoggins is 67. Actor Chris Noth (noth) is 66. Actor-comedian Whoopi Goldberg is 65. Actor Rex Linn is 64.

Actor Caroline Goodall is 61. Actor Neil Flynn is 60. Former NFL quarterback and College Football Hall of Famer Vinny Testaverde (tehs-teh-VUR-dee) is 57. Rock musician Walter Kibby (Fishbone) is 56. Comedian and talk show host Jimmy Kimmel is 53. Actor Steve Zahn is 53. Actor Gerard Butler is 51.

Writer-activist Ayaan Hirsi Ali is 51. Actor Jordan Bridges is 47. Actor Aisha Hinds is 45. Rock musician Nikolai Fraiture is 42. Former NBA All-Star Metta World Peace (formerly Ron Artest) is 41. Actor Monique Coleman is 40. Actor Rahul Kohli is 35. Actor Devon Bostick is 29.

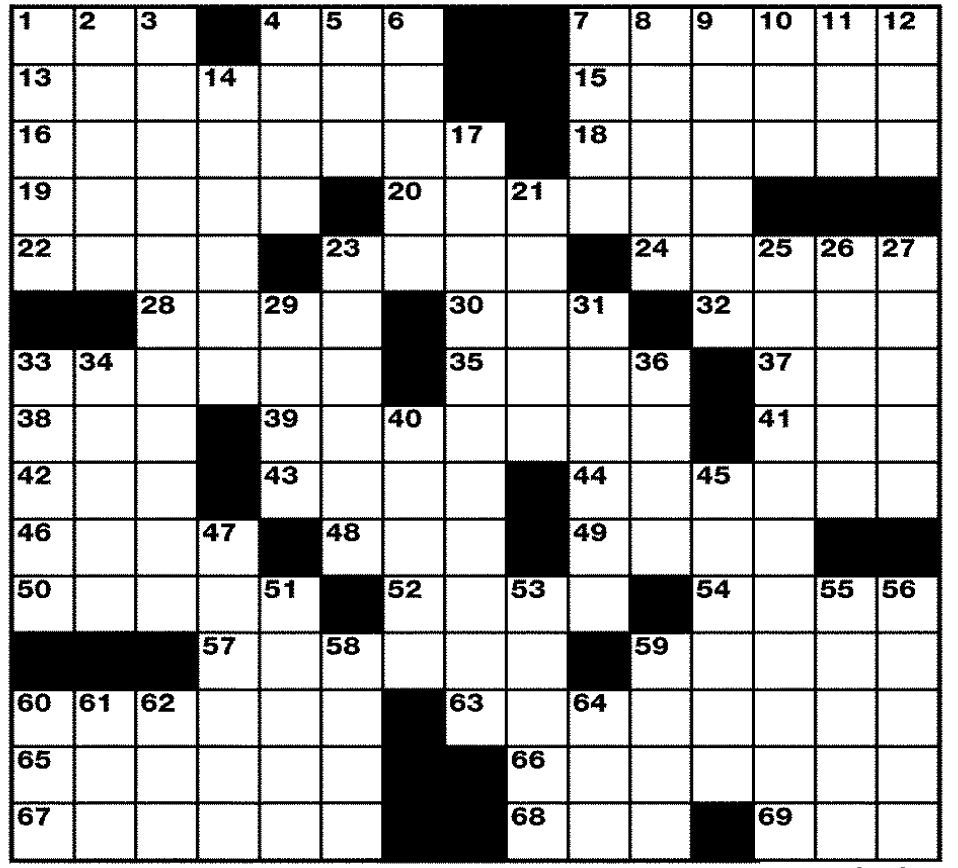
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Answer to previous puzzle: VILLA, SOME, DAB, ORION, OPEN, SORE, GOTTON, CANDY, CAKE, ANTS, ACU, RADAR, LIE, EYE, INSTANT, SCRIP, PRITA, NSA, DIP, MEN, ACAP, ICE, CREAM, CONES, RDAS, IAMYON, ELM, OSSO, PEACH, DEEP, FRY, BUS, TIE, ACHOO, MESS, BETA, CHOCOLATE, ECLAIR, TAMO, ERRS, CASES, STE, EKES, CHEST



# Casey rides the buzz of Masters history to 65 and early lead

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Already seven months behind schedule because of the pandemic, the most unusual Masters was 30 minutes old Thursday when the silence was interrupted by a rumble down by Amen Corner.

No roars this week. Just thunder. And then a weather delay of nearly three hours.

All that, and it was still worth the wait. Paul Casey matched his lowest score at the Masters with a 7-under 65, giving him a two-shot lead among half the field fortunate to play in perfect scoring conditions. Tiger Woods matched his lowest start, a 68, and kept a bogey-free card in a major for the first time in 11 years.

The course was different than what they expected, a result of the rain and the calendar. The silence was exactly what they expected because majors haven't had spectators in 16 months.

But it was still the Masters. "So many people like myself are just excited to play this," Casey said. "This is a treat. It always has been and always will be a real treat."

No doubt, the absence of roars was as eerie as the sound of a drone that approached the first tee as Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player prepared to hit their ceremonial tee shots. The Masters is using two drones this year, a first.

"A lot of firsts today. That's kind of the way this entire year has been," Woods said. "The fact that we're able to compete for a Masters this year, considering all that's been going on, it's a great opportunity for all of us."

Casey found energy from the familiarity of the course, from the history, from the mystique. And it was enough to carry him to a round he needed on a day — a partial day — of low scoring. Twelve of the 48 players who finished shot in the 60s.

Woods, a notorious slow starter despite his five green jackets, had one moment where he thought trouble might lurk. It was the fifth hole, which he

bogeyed all four rounds last year when he won the Masters. He hit a low fade off the tee that left him 227 yards to the hole.

"Hit a 4-iron to the back edge and it only rolled out a foot," Woods said. "That doesn't happen here."

The biggest crowd — about 100 people in this case — was two groups ahead of Woods watching Bryson DeChambeau smash shots into trees and one shot into the azaleas bushes behind the 13th green. He was lucky to find it because his provisional shot went into the creek. He still made double bogey, though he managed to scratch out a 70.

So much action, typical of the Masters, and so little volume.

And for so many players, they wouldn't want to be anywhere else.

"I was vocal earlier in the year about not enjoying golf in a pandemic," Casey said. "I didn't know how the fan-less experience would be and so far, I've not enjoyed it. I've had nothing, or very little, to draw on from being out playing tournament golf. The Masters, though, this week it still has a buzz to it. There's an energy and a little bit of vibe."

"Yes, it's clearly a lot less than what we're used to. But there's something about this place. I felt excited to be here."

The excitement for Casey began on the fearsome 10th hole when he hit his approach to a front pin about 5 feet away for birdie. He had eagle chances on both par 5s on the back nine and settled for birdies. He took on a left pin at the par-5 second with a 6-iron and watched the ball plop 6 feet away for eagle.

"You can't hit that shot in April," he said. "It pitched and stopped instantly, and that shot in April would have one-hopped over into the patrons."

Webb Simpson played a tidy round, making eagle on No. 2 after the turn and finishing with seven pars for a 67. He was joined by Xander Schauffele, a

runner-up to Woods last year, who had seven birdies in his round of 67.

"You're going at pins that you wouldn't really feel that comfortable with," Schauffele said. "There's so many spots where your ball will stay. It was just really strange."

Lee Westwood wasn't sure he would ever make it back to the Masters, earning a ticket back with his tie for fourth in the British Open last summer. The best player without a major showed he still has some life at age 47. He shot 31 on the front and limited the damage on the back for a 68, joining the group that included Woods, former Masters champion Patrick Reed, Hideki Matsuyama and Louis Oosthuizen.

Dustin Johnson, the world's No. 1 player, was among those who played in the afternoon and had to return Friday morning to finish. He opened with an eagle on No. 2 and was 3 under at the turn. Justin Thomas started with three straight birdies and was at 5 under through 10 holes.

Rory McIlroy also played in the afternoon, made bogey on his first hole and was struggling to make birdies. He was even par at the turn, which felt worse on a day like this.

The delay was the last thing the Masters needed with limited daylight hours leading to the two-tee start. Every minute counts, and it was doubtful 36 holes could be completed by Friday.

The loudest cheer — applause, certainly not a roar — came for Nicklaus and Player hitting tee shots so early that they couldn't see where they landed. Five groups got through one hole before the siren sounded to stop play for 2 hours, 45 minutes. And then players began to light up the course as the clouds moved to the east and those famous shadows from Georgia pines stretched across the fairways.

It looked just the Masters, minus the spring blooms, even if it didn't sound like one.

# Cowboys' brass believes in McCarthy amid all-but-lost debut

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The open week must be feeling a lot like the offseason for first-year Dallas Cowboys coach Mike McCarthy: virtual meetings, with the players instructed to stay away from the facility for COVID-19 reasons.

The pandemic disrupted McCarthy's plan for getting his program going, and injuries derailed the season once it started, most notably the broken ankle that sidelined star quarterback Dak Prescott for the year.

Even though McCarthy's Dallas debut is all but wrecked just nine games in, owner Jerry Jones and his son, chief operating officer Stephen Jones, believe they picked the right replacement for Jason Garrett, who was in charge for nearly a decade.

"Absolutely. Unequivocal," Stephen Jones said when asked if McCarthy would return in 2021 regardless of the finish to a so-far dismal 2-7 season.

"I've got my man and I've got the way to handle through these tough times," Jerry Jones said on his radio show recently.

The Cowboys had to stay away from headquarters during their open week because a positive COVID-19 test for Pittsburgh tight end Vance McDonald turned up a day after he played 24 snaps in the Steelers' 24-19 victory over Dallas.

Assuming there isn't an outbreak among Dallas players, they should be back to in-person work Monday before returning Nov. 22 at Minnesota.

Dallas hopes backup QB Andy Dalton is back by then. He made two starts in Prescott's place before getting a concussion against Washington, then went on the COVID-19 list about the time he was expected to clear concussion protocols.

As a result, the the Cowboys have had four starting quarterbacks in a span of five weeks after already having lost their tight end (Blake Jarwin, knee) and both tackles (Tyron Smith, neck; La'el Collins, hip) to season-ending injuries.

"We still have to line up and play like everybody else and we're getting better as a football team," McCarthy said. "But it's like anything in life, you don't really appreciate it as much until you don't have it. Not having the offseason program, and things like that, it's been challenging."

The defense under new coordinator Mike Nolan was abysmal early, repeatedly blowing assignments while giving up the most points through five games in franchise history. The unit is still on a record pace for futility, but has improved. It's eerily similar to

2005, the last time McCarthy and Nolan were on the same staff. Nolan was coach in San Francisco, McCarthy the offensive coordinator. The 49ers finished 4-12 with four starting QBs and a terrible defense.

Stephen Jones looks elsewhere for comparisons — to 2006, McCarthy's debut as a head coach in Green Bay. The Packers started 1-4 and were 4-8 before winning their last four games. Green Bay made the playoffs nine of the next 10 seasons and won a Super Bowl.

"The way we've played, especially the first seven games on the defensive side of the ball, it was frustrating for everybody, I think, to watch how we played there," Stephen Jones said. "But I do think we're coming around. You've got to take a deep breath on these things."

Jerry Jones hasn't been available to reporters all season because of the pandemic; he normally answers questions after every game.

The outspoken billionaire has had some testy moments with the hosts of his two weekly radio appearances, mostly over questions about whether the players are buying in and whether McCarthy has already lost the locker room.

"We wanted someone that in case the you-know-what hit the fan, that had the credibility and the doability to ... stand tall and strong as the head coach," Jerry Jones said. "And he's doing that. He's doing that in the face of adversity."

The Cowboys stuck with Garrett longer than their fans wanted, believing he could end what is now a 25-year stretch without the storied franchise even making the NFC championship game. Last year's 3-0 start fueled already high expectations, and when Dallas faded and missed the playoffs,

the Joneses sought a new voice for the first time since 2010.

"You're changing a culture," Stephen Jones said. "We like stability. That's why we stayed with Jason for 10 years, and we know these things don't happen overnight in terms of when you turn things around."

If Dalton returns and stays healthy, the Cowboys could finally have some stability at quarterback without Prescott. Now the trick is winning a

game without the 2016 NFL Offensive Rookie of Year. Dallas is 0-4 so far.

Two-time rushing champion Ezekiel Elliott is without a 100-yard game this deep into a season for the first time, and what was the NFL's No. 1 offense with Prescott is far from it without him. But the defense seems to be figuring out Nolan's plan.

If nothing else, McCarthy goes forward figuring he won't be one-and-done in Dallas.



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