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Darden hired back as City Manager after Executive Session

Ornelas, Hughes sworn in as Councilmembers

By IRIS RANGEL

Herald Staff Writer

Big Spring City Council convened for a special meeting Tuesday evening to canvass the Nov. 3, 2020 General Election and heard several ordinances covering the recent Special Election regarding the recalls of Mayor Shannon Thomason, Council member Camilla Strande and Council member Jim De-Pauw, and a two hour Executive Session resulting in the rehire of Todd Darden as City Manager.

Council members began with discussion concerning an emergency reading of an ordinance canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the general election held on Nov. 3, 2020. City Mayor Shannon Thomason along with all other Council members reviewed the results. Thomason then read the vote counts and percentages aloud and motioned to pass the emergency reading. Council member Gloria McDonald seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Thomason then recognized the outgoing Council members for District One and Three with plaques honoring their services and diligent work for the City of Big Spring. After the outgoing of the former Coun-

cil members Raul Marquez and Terry McDaniel, Mayor Thomason then administered the Oath of Office to Duty Elected Council members Nick Ornelas and Cody Hughes.

According to Thomason, who referenced the City Charter, as he was a part of the special election regarding the recalls, he could not be present for the canvassing of the Special Election held on Nov. 3 regarding the recalls for Mayor Thomason, Council member Camila Strande, and Council member Jim DePauw. After the Mayor was no longer present in the meeting, Council member Doug Hartman read aloud the Special Election results and motioned to approve them. He was seconded by new Council member Cody Hughes to pass unanimously.

Afterwards, Mayor Shannon Thomason rejoined the meeting and motioned to approve an emergency reading for a Special Election to be held on March 6, 2021 for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the unexpired term for Council member District 5 and 6, by way of majority vote of the qualified voters of those respective districts. Newly elected Council member Hughes seconded for the vote to pass unanimously.

Before the ending of the Election Results portion of the meeting, Thomason also chose to nominate Council member Hartman for the position of Mayor Pro Tem, and by acclamation from the rest of the Council, Hartman was awarded the position.

Interim City Manager Shane Bowles began his report for the evening covering a contract and sales report from Texas Communities Group, LLC. According to Bowles, 20 out of 28 proper ties were sold at auction at a minimum bid of the tax monies owed on them There will also be a later auction for the properties that were not sold at the time without the minimum required. Monies collected from the auction equated to \$196,000 and will be split amongst city taxing entities.

"Getting these now into actual property owners that can take care of these

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County canvasses votes, holds budget workshop



HERALD photos/Iris Rangel

The Howard County Commissioners met for a special meeting on Tuesday morning. Commissioners canvassed the votes from the General Election held Nov. 3 and then moved into a budget workshop.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Howard County Commissioners convened for a special meeting Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. in the Third Floor Courthouse.

Before heading into a budget workshop, the Commissioners canvassed the results from the General Election which took place on Nov. 17, 2020.

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CISD Board to meet Thursday evening

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

The Coahoma ISD Board of Trustees will convene for a regular meeting on Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Elementary Board Room, located at 400 Ramsey Street in Coahoma.

The school board will hold roll call and establish a quorum before calling the meeting to order. Once the opening ceremony has taken place there will be a moment for open forum, allowing those wishing to address the board an opportunity to do

As part of the consent agenda the board will look to approve minutes of previous meeting and bud-

get amendments. The Board will look to possibly approve the 20-21 District and Safety committee members and the FIRST Report. The board will hear the District

Improvement Plan during Thursday's meeting. An agreement with Pate Architects will also be on the table for discussion and possible action

from the board. As part of routine agenda items, the Enrollment/ADA/WADA reports will be provided to the board as well as the financial reports and upcoming meeting dates.

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Obituaries



Feliciano Martinez

Feliciano Martinez, 82, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020.

Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with vigil service at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020. Graveside service will be at Mount Olive at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. Feliciano was born Jan. 24, 1938,

He is survived by two brothers: Albert Martinez of Big Spring, and Jesus Martinez, of Mexico; one sister: Gloria Martinez of Mexico; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents,

three brothers, and one sister. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Fu-

neral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Oralia Armendariz

Oralia Armendariz, 86 of Big Spring passed away peacefully in her home on Sunday,

Nov. 15, 2020. A Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

She was born July 6, 1934, to Eusebio and Juanita Martinez in Mertzon, Texas. Oralia was a housewife. She loved watching the Price is

Right with Bob Barker, playing Bingo and spending time with her family.

Oralia is survived buy two sons, Arthur Armendariz and Marcus Armendariz both of Big Spring, two daughters, Teresa Martinez and husband Victor Martinez, Jr. III of Big Spring and Monica Rios and husband Robert of Bastrop, Texas and fifteen grandchildren that she adored as they all grew up and loved unconditionally and thirty-three great

She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Armendariz of fifty-five years, one son, Jesse Armendariz and one daughter Vickie Gonzales.

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

Paid Obituary

Eduardo Ornales

Eduardo Ornales, 62, of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 16, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Bobby Driver

Bobby Driver, 89, of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 16, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Alan Mathies

Alan Mathies, 68, of Big Spring died Tuesday Nov. 17, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mary Sipes

Mary Sipes, 72 of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 16, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral

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Aree McNally

Aree McNally, 77, of Big Spring passed away on Nov. 16, 2020, in Big Spring, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Dorothy Deavenport

Dorothy Deavenport, 93, of Stanton passed away on Nov. 16, 2020, in Abilene, Texas. She will lie in state at Gilbreath Funeral Home

on Nov. 19, 2020. A graveside service will be held Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, at 12 p.m. at Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Sharon Dedmon

Sharon Dedmon, 74, of Big Spring, died Monday

Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral



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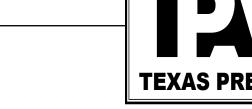
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properties and do something with these properties benefits Big Spring as a whole," Bowles said.

Bowles then went into discussion regarding the next Large Item Pickup. Large Item Pickup will take place on Nov. 18 - today - within District 5. Next month will be the second pick up for District

For the ending of the City Manager's Report, Bowles also mentioned that the regular meeting, intended to be held on Thanksgiving, is cancelled and the next City Council regular meeting will be held on Dec. 8, 2020.

City Councilmembers then moved into discussion regarding the Safer Grant. Fire Department Fire Chief Craig Ferguson provided an update to the Council stating that the Big Spring Fire Department is having a hire test on Dec. 3 and is still currently taking applicants for certified firefighters.

In the last meeting, discussion was held on the possibility of the city being required to pay back certain monies used from the Safer Grant, however, Ferguson did assure the Council that through a meeting with FEMA about the current state of the grant, the City would not need to pay back the money already used and is in good standing with FEMA. Council member Cody Hughes, District 3, motioned to approve the increase of the General Fund budget to be used for additional expenses for ten new firefighters and Council member Nick Ornelas, District 1, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Thomason kicked off discussion regarding the formation of a committee with the intent of reviewing and recommending amendments to the Charter of the City of Big Spring.

"We have certain issues with our city charter that date back to its original adoption in 1926. So there are things that have been superseded by state statute... Basically at 94 years old, it's probably a good idea to give it a once over and come up with some recommended changes for it and some updates," Thomason said.

Mayor Thomason made a suggestion for each Council member to nominate an individual within their district to be a part of the committee, however, concerns were discussed with the deadlines for the formation of the committee as Charter elections would need to take place in either May 2021 or Nov. 2021, according to City Attorney Andrew Hagen.

The committee would also be under the Opens Meeting Act and have fast approaching deadlines as soon as February. As an agenda item regarding nominations to be made for the committee were not on the agenda, a special meeting was agreed upon by the Council to take place on Monday, Nov. 30. Any constituents within each district, including District 5 and 6, that would like to apply for a position on the committee, would need to contact city staff.

During the City Input portion of the meeting, Mayor Thomason noted the increase in COVID-19 cases within Howard County and the possibility of another shutdown soon. The shutdown would require certain entities per the Governor's orders, to decrease capacity to 50% and close all bars and clubs. This shutdown would be required due to SMMC representatives mentioning the hospital levels soon approaching past the 15% capacity,

according to Thomason.

"Unfortunately it looks like our hospital numbers will exceed 15% for Area J... When that happens, we will have to drop back down to 50% and bars will have to close again," Thomason said.

There have already been some changes made with the Senior Center no longer being open for in-person dining and several city owned properties being closed until Jan. 4. After Council Input had concluded, a motion was

made to adjourn into Executive Session regarding Personnel Matters for the City Manager and City Attorney, and after a two hour Executive Session discussion, Council members reconvened. Upon reconvening the meeting, Council mem-

ber Gloria McDonald, District 4, made a motion to hire former City Manager Todd Darden back as new City Manager. A second was made by Council member Cody Hughes and the motion passed in a unanimous vote.

There was no action taken for the City Attorney position.

Agenda items also approved during the meeting included:

- City Council Minutes for the Special Meeting of Oct. 29, 2020 • Final reading of an ordinance declaring the City
- of Big Spring as a Sanctuary City for the Unborn by amending the title of the

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- Delegate authority to the Mayor to negotiate, include, and execute a pipeline right-of-way agreement with Carruth Energy and an indemnity agreement with Sinclair Oil and Gas Company. While representatives from Sinclair Oil were planning on being at the Tuesday evening meeting, due to Covid-19 precautions, the representatives took part in the meeting and addressed the City Council via a Zoom meeting.

To see the Tuesday evening meeting, visit the City of Big Spring website or view the KBest Media Facebook page. A recording of the meeting will also be aired on Channel 17 through Suddenlink.

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Feliciano Martinez, 82, died Thursday. Graveside service will at 10:00 AMWednesday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Ricardo Serrano, 70, Thursday. died Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Felix Perez Perez, 87 died Friday, November 13, 2020. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM Wednesday at Smith Myers Home. Funeral Funeral Mass will be at 4:00 PM Wednesday Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Manuel Gonzales, 63, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sharon Dedmon, 74, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers Smith Funeral & Home.

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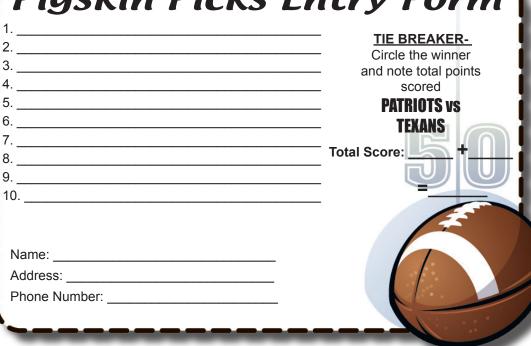
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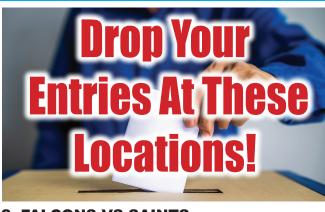




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"Depth did hurt us but it didn't beat us,"

Big Spring did not give up on Tuesday

gave the Cubs a handful of second-chance

opportunities that they always seemed to

Do you have an interesting sports item or

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Showtime Steers drop season opener on the road against Brownfield 85-65

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

BROWNFIELD — The Big Spring Show time Steers made their 2020-21 season debut on Tuesday night in Brownfield against the hometown Cubs. Overall, it was a rough night for Big Spring on both sides of the court and they fell 85-65 in their first game

"It wasn't pretty," Big Spring coach Kris Hise said. "We are used to playing fast and getting after it the entire game and we struggled from the second quarter on. We struggled because we stayed in foul trouble and they killed us with fresh guys. We will be excited to get the rest of our guys in the future but are excited that they are Guard Chris Martinez goes up for a layup on Tuesday continuing to win in football because it will **night against the Brownfield Cubs.** carry over to us later on. Biggest reason we

lost is we didn't put the ball in the net. We got a lot of good open shots and just

Senior guard Kyler Seymore led the Steers with a 31-point double-double, but it was not one of his best performances on the court. He began the night ice cold from the floor and did not seem to get fully heated up until late in the game. Now that he has the first game of the season under his belt, he will be able to turn the corner and start leading his team to some wins during his last season in the black and gold.

Some other top performers for Big Spring included Alex Leuschner (eight points and seven rebounds) and Chris Martinez (10 points and six steals). However, the Showtime Steers were playing with a lineup of only eight players with some of their roster still locked-in to football season.

On the other hand, Brownfield appeared to have their full roster and 11 players recorded at least one point for them. Three of those players finished with double-digit points scored and the Cubs' bench outscored Big Spring's 30-7. Senior guard Jaden Martinez led Brownfield with 21 points and his inside-out shooting ability was hard for Big Spring to contain.



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Madison Rodg-

ers sank a three-

pointer to pull

the Bulldogettes

within one point

of tying with 15.7

Post on Tuesday

convert on Tuesday night. Brownfield began the game with a fullcourt press and did not ease up at all throughout the game. The Cubs were playing lockdown man-to-man defense and it was forcing Big Spring to make

some errant passes and take bad shots. Hise took note of all the problems that plagued his team on Tuesday night and will be working to correct them in practice. The next time they take the court will be against Colorado City on Saturday afternoon with a chance to put the bad loss behind them.

"We have to work on our rebounding and shooting. I was proud of our effort, we just need to do fundamental basketball better," Hise said.

UP NEXT: Big Spring will travel to C-City on Saturday afternoon to challenge the Wolves. JV will play at 2:00 p.m. while the Varsity will play at 3:30

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

Lady Steers lose big on road in Borden County

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Lady Steers lost their first game of the new season on Tuesday night when they fell big to Borden County 88-44.

Big Spring is now 2-1 on the season and lost to a very strong Lady Coyotes team. Head Coach Eric Tuttle was shocked at how well Borden County shot the ball throughout the game and knew there was not much his team could have done to knock their opponent of their rhythm.

In the first half the game

was competitive, but the Lady Coyotes really took control of the game in the second half.

"We came out flat in the second half and turned it over to their press a little bit. They got some easy shots and extended their lead to 25 or 30 points. They shot lights out. Sometimes you play teams that just don't miss and they were firing it up from all over the court," Tuttle said.

The top scorers for Big Spring were Ryen Terrazas (12) and Tristan Smith (10).

Bulldogettes lose close game to the Post Lady Antelopes on Tuesday



Courtesy Photo seconds left in

Madison Rodgers goes the game against up for a shot.

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night. With the game on the line, the Dawgettes laid down the pressure on the Lady Antelopes in an attempt to force the turn over, but instead, fouled. The Lady Antelope made the most of the opportunity and drained two more baskets at the charity stripe to walk away with a 36-39 win.

MaKynlee Overton posted a team high of

Special to the nine points followed by Rodgers with eight and Kenzi Canalaes with seven. The Bulldogettes brought the heat upon Post with the threes. Julia Cox, M. Rodgers, Isabella Cox, Brynn Rodgers and Canales netted a 3-pointer

> Next: Coahoma (1-2) hosts Monahans on Saturday. Game times are: JV at 12 p.m., Varsity at 1:30 p.m.

> JV: Cayhill Lewis' last basket of the game fell in just after the buzzer in the JV Bulldogettes win over Post on Tuesday night.

Lewis led the Bulldogettes to a 22-12 victory with a game high of 16 points for the night. Shae Lang had four and Kinzlee Moran netted two for Coahoma. The two teams played a close game for three quarters but the Dawgettes turned up the heat in the fourth to rack up 14 points compared to the Lady Antelopes

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Forsan moves to 2-0 with win over Garden City

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

Tuesday was a good night for the Lady Buffs of Forsan. They were led by a tremendous shooting game from beyond the three-point that allowed them to pull away and grab their second win of the season on Tuesday night on the road against the Garden City Lady Kats (46-29).

Senior guard Rylee Evans led the Lady Buffs with 20 points and Kaeli Woodall added 13. Both players were able to heat up from beyond the arc and that helped Forsan be able to extend their

Forsan was trailing 15-14 at halftime but they came out firing in the third quarter and it seemed like they could not miss.

"The third quarter we came out hot and it seemed like everything we threw up went in which was good because we really needed that." Forsan coach Seth Johnson said.

Heading into the fourth with a 35-27 lead, Forsan outscored Garden City 11-2 in the final quarter to head home with a win.

Big Spring set to host three playoff games

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

There will be three postseason football games played at Memorial Stadium this week.

On Thursday, the Decatur Eagles (6-5, 4-1) will play the

Clint Lions (6-0, 4-0) at 6:00 p.m. for a chance to advance on to the third round of the playoffs. On Friday, there will be a double-header at Memorial Sta-

dium. First, the Hawley Bearcats (9-2, 5-0) will play the Sundown Roughnecks (9-2, 4-1) at 4:00 p.m.

Then, in a matchup of six-man teams, the Garden City Bearkats (6-4, 2-1) will play the Westbrook Wildcats (10-1, 3-1) at 8:00 p.m. The Wildcats defeated the Bearkats 74-28 back in

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

NFL Standings (Through Week Nine)

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (AFC)													
EAST	W	${f L}$	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	\mathbf{PF}	PA			
Buffalo Bills	7	3	0	.700	4-1	3-2	4-0	5-2	272	265			
Miami Dolphins	6	3	0	.667	3-2	3-1	1-2	3-2	251	182			
New England Patriots	4	5	0	.444	3-2	1-3	2-1	4-3	189	211			
New York Jets	0	9	0	.000	0-5	0-4	0-4	0-7	121	268			
NORTH	w	L	L T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA			
Pittsburgh Steelers	9	0	0	1.000	5-0	4-0	3-0	6-0	271	171			
Baltimore Ravens	6	3	0	.667	2-2	4-1	2-1	4-3	244	165			
Cleveland Browns	6	3	0	.667	4-1	2-2	2-2	4-3	216	244			
Cincinnati Bengals	2	6	1	.278	2-2	0-4-1	0-4	2-6	204	250			
SOUTH	W	${f L}$	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	\mathbf{PF}	PA			
Indianapolis Colts	6	3	0	.667	3-1	3-2	1-1	3-3	242	177			
Tennessee Titans	6	3	0	.667	4-2	2-1	2-1	4-3	249	235			
Houston Texans	2	7	0	.222	1-3	1-4	2-1	2-5	200	252			
Jacksonville Jaguars	1	8	0	.111	1-3	0-5	1-3	1-6	199	271			
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Kansas City Chiefs	8	1	0	.889	4-1	4-0	2-1	7-1	286	183			
Las Vegas Raiders	6	3	0	.667	2-2	4-1	3-0	4-2	255	241			
Denver Broncos	3	6	0	.333	1-3	2-3	1-2	3-4	186	254			
Los Angeles Chargers	_	7	0	.222	1-3	1-4	0-3	2-4	226	245			
Los Aligeres Chargers	4	•	U	.444	1-0	1-1	0-0	4-1	220	240			
NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (NFC)													

Denver Broncos	3	6	0	.333	1-3	2-3	1-2	3-4	186	254
Los Angeles Chargers	2	7	0	.222	1-3	1-4	0-3	2-4	226	245
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Philadelphia Eagles	3	5	1	.389	2-2-1	1-3	2-2	3-3	203	232
New York Giants	3	7	0	.300	2-3	1-4	3-2	3-6	195	236
Washington	2	7	0	.222	2-3	0-4	2-2	2-5	180	218
Dallas Cowboys	2	7	0	.222	2-3	0-4	1-2	2-5	204	290
NORTH	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	\mathbf{PF}	PA
Green Bay Packers	7	2	0	.778	3-1	4-1	2-1	5-2	277	224
Chicago Bears	5	5	0	.500	2-3	3-2	1-1	5-3	191	209
Minnesota Vikings	4	5	0	.444	1-3	3-2	3-1	3-3	236	247
Detroit Lions	4	5	0	.444	1-3	3-2	0-3	3-4	227	267
SOUTH	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	\mathbf{PF}	PA
New Orleans Saints	7	2	0	.778	4-1	3-1	3-0	6-1	271	213
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	7	3	0	.700	3-1	4-2	2-2	4-3	296	226
Atlanta Falcons	3	6	0	.333	1-4	2-2	1-1	2-6	243	251

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Aural and visual clues

Now, Bill had been around for a North dealer East-West vulnerable. while and knew the value of an ace **NORTH** when he saw one. Especially, two ♠QJ983 aces. He knew that East, a worthy **♥**J93 foeman, also appreciated the power **♦** 10 6 3 of an ace. And here was East, obvi-**♣**10.7 ously aware he was missing two aces, WEST **EAST** bidding six hearts, apparently with **♦** K 6 the expectation of making it. ♥K876 ♥ A Q 10 4 2 So Root bid six spades, believing ♦J542

West

South

Should you believe your eyes or

your ears? This question comes up

from time to time at the bridge table,

and there is no easy answer to it. It

depends on the hand you've been

dealt, the opponents you're playing against and any other factors that

For example, take South's prob-

lem on this hand. South was the late

Bill Root, one of the game's top play-

ers and teachers. All he did was to

overcall East's one-club bid with one

diamond, and the next thing he knew,

he was faced with a six-heart bid by

♣K J 8

The bidding:

may be present.

East

North

Pass

Pass

SOUTH

his ears rather than his eyes. And he **♣**AQ96543 was right, of course, since six hearts would have been a breeze for West.

West doubled six spades, and the hand was played there. The defense didn't find its diamond ruff, so six spades went down only two — 300 points. A double or a pass by Root would have given East-West a vulnerable small slam.

Afterward, West expressed his regret that he had not bid seven hearts instead of doubling. He had something there, since North would have had a difficult guess as to whether to lead a spade or a diamond against seven hearts. A diamond lead, of course, would have allowed West to make the grand slam.

But Root said the matter was academic because he would have bid seven spades over seven hearts. He could not afford to risk losing 2,210 points as the result of a wrong lead when a relatively cheap sacrifice was available. He was willing to pay a small premium to take out insurance against a big loss.

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

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Venus and Saturn Tension Mounts

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Feeling hesitant and resistant can be taken as a signal you're in danger, or it doesn't mean this at all. Today, it's just a simple fear of the unknown and should be brushed off in the name of learning.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The current way works, but you can't help but wonder if there's a more efficient method. Condensing tasks, thereby freeing up time, feels like a sacred cause, and appropriately so. Time is among your most precious resources.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You have something to express, though you won't be sure exactly what it is or the best way to put it out there until you start talking. Communication is an experiment. Give yourself plenty of chances.

CANCER (June **22-July 22).** You're focused on a future event. However great it will be, today is just as great. If you knew that someday you would be nostalgic about this very day, then what would you do differently to savor it?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You cannot make the future because it's a collaboration. However, you can and will strongly influence the people around you by envisioning your version and feeding that vision with your words and actions.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

By Holiday Mathis $_{\text{less pre-}}^{\text{tions, the}}$ GO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll mine gems of happiness all over the place -- and time -today. You'll revel in glori-

VIR-

ous moments as you time travel through joyous moments of your memory and your projections of the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Having too little to do doesn't feel good to you. Having too much is worse. There's a sweet spot in the middle -- just enough stress to keep you on your toes and not enough to drain you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your cosmic boon: well-calibrated confidence. You're realistic about what you can achieve and seeing the smiles you elicit along the way will give you just the right amount of confidence.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Today's decisions aren't major, but they're tricky. There are consequences to be had, and they'll happen on many levels. Check around, research, put in the deep thought.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll be doing some forecasting. The more specific you are in your predicpared you'll for a variety her reserves of willpower: As the sun moves comes. toward Sagittarius, the Make contingency plans.

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WILLPOWER FOR

SENSITIVE PEOPLE:

To the sensitive Pisces

who wants to bolster

sign ruled by Jupiter,

self-control slips a little

out of style. Sagittarius

is the sign of expansion

and abundance. It's a

time when people seek

"more" and "other." But

however you wish, why

and use it to seek more

self-control? Here are

three ways:

fear not. Because you

can use this energy

not trick the system

of out-Allow for uncertainty.

> 1. Your body repairs itself while you are sleeping, and willpower replenishes it, too. Getting proper rest and nutrition are top ways to keep your tank full. Next, turn to your environment.

2. Remove temptation from your path. Hack your daily routines so they naturally promote your desired behavior.

3. Look at unsatisfactory relationships. If you are regularly upset by a relationship, consider it enemy No. 1 to your willpower reserve. You'll be amazed at how healing or ending this relationship will favorably affect your reserves. Simply stated, happy people have more willpower. Pisces cannot be happy people if a central relationship is in an unhappy

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Disagreement won't be an obstacle to progress. In fact, it's an essential tool in improving things. Today's disagreement has a way of balancing out errors and promoting more expansive thinking.

be over, but don't let

the anticipation rob you

of appreciation for the

now. The finish line is

an illusory delineation.

The end of this journey

is the threshold of the

next.

stage you're in right

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Nov. 18). You refuse to buy into the status quo vision because you see more than people around you are accepting. With your imaginative approach, you'll make extraordinary things happen. A deal comes together before the end of the year, thanks to your investigative problem-solving. Love is lavished on you. Aries and Gemini adore vou. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 4, 44, 48

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He did not take our refusal to help him very well, and my husband is feeling guilty about not helping him out, although we really cannot afford this any longer. I feel we had no choice

tunity as well.

and that he must learn to deal with life's problems himself. Am I right? Will he learn? -- Enabler No More

Dear Enabler No More: Yes, you are right. He is a 27-yearold adult and very capable of providing for himself. This was the kindest thing you could do for him and his self-esteem -- in the long run. He might be mad and have a little tantrum, but once he is over it, he will realize that he can indeed take care of himself and will hopefully apologize to you for having acted like a child. Give a man a fish and he will always ask for more; teach him to fish and he can provide dinner for himself and his entire family.

Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: This is a message to the girl who was cyberbullied: I know you have a beautiful spirit because you thought the best about the girls and didn't understand their ugliness. Internal beauty gets more beautiful with time, physical beauty less so. (That doesn't mean you're not beautiful outside, too.) The main girl and her followers are attacking you because they see that you are different. Using their experience and vocabulary, the closest they can come is "nerd." It is your choice to be bullied or not, not theirs. If you're not bullied, they will be wasting their time, and people will see them as they are.

Don't look at their

stuff, and don't pay

attention to them in school. To be more "nerdy," write, "I forgive you, and I am moving on." Help another good nerdy girl, as two are stronger together. It will encourage others and open up a whole new world with the kind of people you want to be with. They are out there. -- Concerned Grandmother

Dear Concerned:

Thank you for your beautiful letter. Focusing on the beauty inside of people will lead to a much happier, more fun and more joyful life. Your vibe attracts your tribe, and you are encouraging this beautiful young girl to find her tribe. I love it!

Dear Annie: Before cyberbullying, my grandson was physically bullied by a leader and two boys. They knocked him down, broke his arm and threatened his life in school. They got away with it. My daughter contacted the police, who secured counseling for the bullies. The police said that in another year, the boys would have been so emboldened as to be beyond help and most likely would be in the criminal justice system.

Today, my "nerdy" grandson has a master's degree and a lovely wife. They have a darling baby; a nice home; many kind, successful friends; and spectacular careers. Happy endings can take time and effort. --Grateful Grandma

Dear Grateful Grandma: It was wonderful that your daughter involved the police and you were all able to stop events that could have turned tragic. I'm always reminded of the famous Aesop's fable of the tortoise and the hare. Sometimes, the slower to develop or bloom end up winning the race. In life, that goal is to find happiness and to be surrounded by friends and family, filled up with warmth and love. You should be so proud of your grandson, and your daughter is something special.

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

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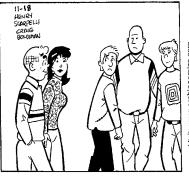
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MOM SAYS HE'S THE 'ONLY PERSON SHE KNOWS WHO CAN

WORK UP A SWEAT TEXTING!

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THE BARN

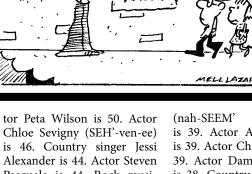






I'LL BE READY IN A

MINUTE, GIRLS.



DON'T WORRY, APRIL MAE.MY DAD IS REAL

FAST ON THE PHONE.

This Date In History Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 18, the 323rd day of 2020. There are 43 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 18, 1978, U.S. Rep.

Leo J. Ryan, D-Calif., and four others were killed in Jonestown, Guyana, by members of the Peoples Temple; the killings were followed by a night of mass murder and suicide by more than 900 cult members.

On this date:

In 1883, the United States and Canada adopted a system of Standard Time zones.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of the Somme pitting British and French forces against German troops ended inconclusively after 4 1/2 months of bloodshed.

In 1928, Walt Disney's first sound-synchronized animated cartoon, "Steamboat Willie" starring Mickey Mouse, premiered in New York.

In 1963, the Bell System introduced the first commercial touch-tone telephone system in Carnegie and Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

In 1966, U.S. Roman Catholic bishops did away with the rule against eating meat on Fridays outside of Lent.

In 1985, the comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," created by Bill Watterson, was first published. (The strip ran for 10 years.)

In 1987, the congressional Iran-Contra committees issued their final report, saying President Ronald Reagan bore "ultimate responsibility" for wrongdoing by his aides. A fire at London King's Cross railway station claimed 31 lives.

In 1991, Shiite (SHEE'-eyet) Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon freed Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite and Thomas Sutherland, the American dean of agriculture at the American University of Bei-

In 1999, 12 people were killed when a bonfire under construction at Texas A-and-M University collapsed. A jury in Jasper, Texas, convicted Shawn Allen Berry of murder for his role in the dragging death of James Byrd Jr., but spared him the death penalty.

In 2003, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled 4-to-3 that the state constitution guaranteed gay couples

the right to marry. In 2004, Britain outlawed fox hunting in England and Wales.

In 2009, two days before turning 92, Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., set a record for longest-serving lawmaker in congressional history at 56 years, 320 days. (That record was broken in 2013 by U.S. Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich.)

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama rallied former diplomatic and military chiefs from both parties to pressure reluctant Republican senators into ratifying a nuclear weapons deal with Russia. (The Senate ratified the treaty the following month.) General Motors stock resumed trading on Wall Street, signaling the rebirth of an American corporate icon that had collapsed into bankruptcy and was rescued with a \$50 billion infusion from taxpayers. Felix Hernandez of the Seattle Mariners was chosen as the AL Cy Young Award winner.

Five years ago: The Islamic State group announced that it had killed a Norwegian man and a Chinese man after earlier demanding ransoms for the two. Raphael Holiday was executed by the state of Texas; he'd been convicted of setting a fire that killed his 18-monthold daughter and her two young half-sisters at an East Texas home in Sept. 2000. Jake Arrieta of the Chicago Cubs aced out Dodgers stars Zack Greinke and Clayton Kershaw for the NL Cy Young Award while Houston lefty Dallas Keuchel won the AL honor. One year ago: The Trump administration said it no longer considered Israeli settlements in the West Bank to be a violation of international law; the position marked a reversal of four decades of American policy, and undermined efforts by the Palestinians to gain statehood. China said a 55-yearold man had been diagnosed

with bubonic plague after

killing and eating a wild rab-

bit; two other plague cases had

already been discovered in the

capital Beijing. Beauty com-

pany Coty said it was buying a

51 percent share of reality TV

star Kylie Jenner's beauty busi-

ness in a deal that valued her

company at about \$1.2 billion.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bren-

da Vaccaro is 81. Author-poet

Answer to previous puzzle

Margaret Atwood is 81. Actor Linda Evans is 78. Actor Susan Sullivan is 78. Country singer Jacky Ward is 74. Actor Jameson Parker is 73. Actor-singer Andrea Marcovicci is 72. Rock musician Herman Rarebell is 71. Singer Graham Parker is 70. Actor Delroy Lindo is 68. Comedian Kevin Nealon is 67. Pro Football Hall of Fame quarterback Warren Moon is

64. Actor Oscar Nunez is 62. Actor Elizabeth Perkins is 60. Singer Kim Wilde is 60. Actor Tim Guinee is 58. Rock musician Kirk Hammett (Metallica) is 58. Rock singer Tim DeLaughter (dee-LAW'-ter) is 55. Actor Romany Malco is 52. Actor Owen Wilson is 52. Actor Dan Bakkedahl is 52. Singer Duncan Sheik is 51. Actor Mike Epps is 50. Ac-

Pasquale is 44. Rock musician Alberto Bof (Lukas Nelson & Promise of the Real) is 43. Rapper Fabolous is 43. Actor-director Nate Parker is 41. Rapper Mike Jones is 40. Actor Mekia Cox is 39. Actor-comedian Nasim Pedrad

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Insignificant
- 5 Bear on a sky map
- **9** "Thou ___ not steal"
- 14 Fencing sword
- 15 "It was someone else"
- 16 Gray-brown stocking shade
- **17** Extremely reliable 19 Virginia's Blue
- Mountains 20 Post-OR area
- 21 8 Down, for one 22 8 Down solos
- 23 Monarch's seat 25 Nanny goat's
- offspring 26 Persevering
- through difficulty 33 Sunday singing group
- 36 Cupid alias 37 Halloween greeting
- 38 Prefix for dynamic
- **39** Nothing at all
- 40 Dinner, for one
- 41 Apple computer **42** Emphatic Spanish
- affirmation 43 Ahead of the
- due date
- **44** Do unpleasant interactions
- 48 Have unpaid bills **49** Legally obligated **53** Artistic category
- 56 Back-to-zero button **59** Hit head-on

selection

60 Similarly **61** Mattress

- **63** "Shut your trap!" **10** Salon creation **64** Minor argument
 - feelina
- **66** Double curves
- **67** Santa's burden
- 68 Thumbs-up votes

DOWN

- 1 Earn through good work
- 2 Important era
- 4 Cartoon scream

- spoon
- 8 Verdi work set in Egypt
 - waterway

- 65 That "green"

- 3 Happen again
- 5 Still sealed
- 6 Acting job
- 7 Mix with a
- 9 Narrow

- - 11 German car **12** Links org. for
 - women 13 Pegs used by
 - the 12 Down
 - 18 Sub tracker
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 - 25 Metric wt.
 - measures 27 Aladdin's benefactor
 - 28 From Dublin 29 "Truly!"
 - **30** Lyft competitor
 - 31 Hockey score
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 - in a tent 34 Get well 35 Black-and-white

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 - biologists 52 TV awards
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City Indoor rentable facilities to be closed for the remainder of the year, due to Covid-19 cases increasing

The City of Big Spring issued a press release Tuesday afternoon regarding the rental of indoor, city-owned facilities for the remainder of the year. The release reads as follows:

Special to the Herald

City of Big Spring

Due to the recent increase in COVID-19 cases, the City of Big Spring will be closing all cityowned indoor rentable facilities for the rest of the vear. The included facilities are the Dora

Roberts Community Center and the Municipal Auditorium.

The Senior Center will also close to congregate dining but will continue to offer home delivered meals and to-go meals. We will re-evaluate in January 2021. If you have rented a facility, you will be contacted by City Staff. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

For questions concerning rentable facilities please contact Terri Telchik at 432-264-2323, and for questions concerning the Senior Center please contact Gina Valencia at 432-267-1628.

For any other questions please contact Hayley Herrera, Community Services Director, at 432-264-2516.

The Commissioners can vassed the votes for Precinct 1 and Precinct 3. Commissioner Jimmie Long will continue serving as Precinct 3 Commissioner and the swearing in for new Commissioner for Precinct 1, newly elected Eddilissa Saldivar, will take place at an upcoming meeting.

County Commissioners were set to discuss the purchase of Pocket Park, but due to not enough information being available, Commissioner John Cline made the motion, with Commissioner Craig Bailey making the second, to table the item until more information could be obtained. Further clarification was needed as no cost was on the proposed deed that had been submitted.

County Auditor Jackie Olson discussed the financial report and informed the Commissioners an application had been submitted for \$450,000 of Covid relief funding.

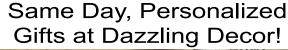
Following the action items, the Commissioners moved into the Budget Workshop to discuss road and bridge projects.

The next meeting of the Howard County Commissioners is set for Nov. 23.

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