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A Tale of thanks

By SAM BRYANS
 Runnels Academy Student

Thanksgiving, to me, is a holiday that reminds me of solidarity with my family. The unbreakable bond between all of us—it unites everyone together.

When we all gather for the vast feast, together we hold hands, bow our heads and, with our eyes closed, pray. We thank the Lord for a relationship between us and for the safe travels and the food.

Also, when I think of Thanksgiving, I think of the history of the holiday. When the Pilgrims and the Indians gathered for the feast reminds me as well of relationships with friends and how you can grow close to people who aren't related to you, but you have a special bond with.

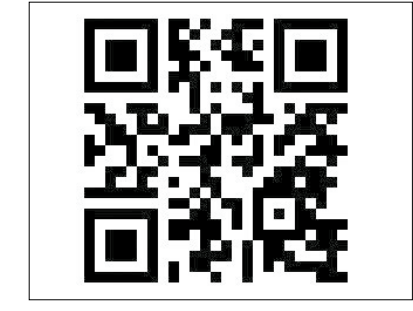
So, take the time to call on old friends or relatives, and thank them for being part of your life. But, most importantly, thank the Lord for your family and friends and the food.



Upcoming Events
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 Deadline: Dec. 10

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Operation Love Letter: Send a message of hope this Thanksgiving



Pictured above left is staff at Marcy Place holding one of the banners to be decorated by residents to show appreciation for the Operation Love Letter drops. The banners were created by Russ Rutledge in support of the project. Pictured above right: Big Spring High School is one of the many organizations who took the time to decorate drop off buckets that are placed throughout the community, in hopes of receiving letters for Operation Love Letter.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

As families gather together this holiday season don't forget to grab a pen and paper and extend that love into the community by writing a letter or

two for Operation Love Letter. One local resident, Jay Flores, felt a tug on his heart to meet a need in the community and not only has he responded to that tug, but has extended an invitation to everyone in the community - young and old alike - to share

in the journey. "God works in great and mighty ways, and when we come together in unity love is expressed in so many forms and so many ways," Flores said. "This was a thought and then it was spoken out, and scripture says if we speak things into existence it can come to pass and if it is of God according to Acts 5:39 if it is of God you can not overthrow it least you be fighting against a man of God." Drop off buckets have been placed throughout the community, with more than 30 locations accepting letters. The

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Big Spring Intermediate students give thanks to local veterans for their sacrifice and service



Big Spring Intermediate wants to take a moment and honor the teachers who not only serve the students on a daily basis, but have also answered the call to serve their country. Mr. Paddie, 6th grade SS teacher, served 8 1/2 years in Army Calvary; Ms. Brittnee Lopez, librarian, served in the Army Reserves 2 1/2 years and is still going; and Mrs. Gail Adlesperger, 5th math, served in the United States Army for 25 years. The students at Big Spring Intermediate also showed their pride for their veterans by displaying them on their lockers in November. The sacrifices these brave men and women have made are not forgotten and do not go unrecognized. From those at Big Spring Intermediate, a heartfelt Thank You goes out to all those who have proudly served their country.

Giving Thanks this Thanksgiving Day 2020

Big Spring Herald staff members share gratitude with community

By IRIS RANGEL
 Herald Staff Writer

As Thanksgiving arrives, the holiday season is in full swing. People everywhere are a little bit cheerier and the warm and fuzzies have come after a holiday dedicated to counting your blessings passes.

The Big Spring Herald is made up of a small, hard-working, diligent team of employees that ensure every newspaper that hits the stands is recent, local, newsworthy information six days a week.

With the current situation across the globe, now more than ever are people grateful for family and friends.

After 116 years of service to the Howard County area, the Big Spring Herald would like to share what they are most thankful for during this holiday season and some insight on a few of their own holiday traditions for day full of thanks.

A letter from Big Spring Herald Publisher - Rick Nunez:



Pictured above left is Circulation Manager Robert Smith with his family. Pictured above right is Advertising representative Brienne Miller-Juarez pictured with her family.

I am thankful for my family, career and staff. I wish everyone a healthy holiday.

We traditionally put up our Christmas tree after Thanksgiving, however my wife Pat has decided to start the

holiday season much earlier this year. Each day as I come home from work it looks more and more like Christmas with added Christmas decorations,

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Obituaries

Joyce Eugenia Barber
Carroll

Joyce Eugenia Barber Carroll of Big Spring passed away on Friday, Nov. 20, 2020. Graveside services were held at Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at 2 p.m. with Ricky Carstensen officiating.

Joyce was born Aug. 13, 1935, in Mitchell County. She married Loy Carroll on Feb. 7, 1952. He died Sept. 29, 2000. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County. She was a homemaker but also worked a number of years at Neefe Optical.

Joyce was a great cook. She was an avid Texas Rangers fan and she loved the Inspiration channel. She is survived by three sons: Jarrell Carroll and

his wife Betty of Big Spring, Bruce Carroll of Toronto, Canada, and Colin Carroll and his wife Monica of Big Spring; one daughter: Tonia Carroll Russom and her husband Mark of Midland; nine grandchildren: Cristi Savage and her husband Steve, Wade Russom, Kyle Carroll and his wife Jeannie, Justin Hobbs and his wife Leslie, James Womble, Pete Carroll, Collin Michael Carroll, Christopher Blaze Carroll, and Chance Carroll; and 10 great granddaughters: Helena Bridge, Sierra Savage, Reagan Savage, Mira Savage, Kayleigh Russom, Sadie Jo Russom, Mackenzie Carroll, Sophie Carroll, Piper Hobbs, and Jenna Hobbs.

Honorary Pallbearers were Kyle Carroll, James Womble, Justin Hobbs, Wade Russom, Collin Michael Carroll, Christopher Blaze Carroll, Chance Carroll, and Pete Carroll.

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

Paid Obituary

Trinidad Rios-Rios

Trinidad Rios-Rios, 43, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Nov. 22, 2020.



Viewing and visitation will be on Monday, Nov. 30, 2020, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a Vigil service at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be on Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020 at Myers & Smith Chapel at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Trinidad was born March 12, 1977, in Big Spring.

He is survived by two sons: Ruben Rios-Rios of Austin, and Trinidad Rios-Rios of Harker Heights; two daughters: Alivia Rios-Rios of Kempner, and Bryanna Beville of Lubbock; his mother: Margie Arsiaga Garcia of Big Spring; two sisters: Benjamin Rios-Rios of Big Spring, and Alyssa Arsiaga of Big Spring; and two nephews; one niece; and one granddaughter.

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

Take Note

• The Howard County Courthouse will only be open by appointment. All doors except the handicapped entrance located on the west side of the building will be locked. All who enter will be screened following Covid guidelines. Face masks are required for all who enter.

• After the Thanksgiving break, CISD will follow the below schedule. Nov.30-Dec.3rd In person instruction (Mon.-Thurs.); Dec.4 Remote Learning for all students (Friday); Dec. 7-10 In person instruction (Mon.-Thurs.); Dec. 11 Remote Learning for all students (Friday); Dec.14-17 In Person Instruction. Remote Friday's provide the district with the opportunity to deep clean, separate for 72 hours, and time to be intentional on student learning. Each campus administrator will provide more detailed information. On these remote learning Fridays, lunch will be available for pick up between 10 a.m. and Noon.

• City of Big Spring offices have moved to by appointment only or electronic communication only. Contact information for all departments can be found on the city website at mybigspring.com.

• Christmas in Coahoma at the Park, Saturday, Dec. 12 from 3 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. There will be hayrides and caroling, Christmas art projects for kids, free coffee, hot cocoa, popcorn and cookies. There will also be a Best Decorated House Contest for houses in Coahoma City Limits. Deadline for entries is Dec. 9 at Coahoma City Hall. Both events are sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club.

• Forsan Food Pantry will be open twice a month from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Families who are in need can pull up to the front doors of the Junior High/High School and receive a free box of pre-packed meals. If you have any questions or need to pick up a box at a different time, contact Kaci Wash at 432-457-2223 ext 821 or Jenny Sayles at jennysales@yahoo.com.

• Cub Scouts meet Monday from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Naz Family Church, located at 1400 S. Lancaster.

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

• A new group named Taking Care of Business has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The

focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community. There is no membership fee and attendance is not taken.

The only requirements are that you be positive or want to be more positive than you are, consider yourself to be a good person but want to be better than you are, and that you have a desire to help others be better too. Childcare is available during the discussion time if you let us know. Topics to be avoided include Religion and Politics, though we can dance around them.

Taking Care of Business is being sponsored by the local Masons and it meets in the Masonic Lodge on the court square. It is not necessary that you have any masonic affiliation to participate in this Growth Group. All Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed as defined by local, state, and federal authorities. At this time refreshments will not be served but you are welcome to bring your own and not share. The meetings take place at 219 South Main Big Spring, Texas. For more information write to Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

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

• The Senior Supper Club has come out of hibernation to resume its normal Tuesday evening dinners. The Come-One-Come-All group will be meeting on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and orders will be placed around 5:30 p.m. after much socializing from a distance. The Senior Supper Club is an informal group of folks from Howard County who meet at least weekly and sometimes more for Dutch-Treat food at different area restaurants.

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Tina White

Tina White, 62, of Big Spring, died Monday, Nov. 23, 2020. A private memorial service will be held.

Tina was born on May 5, 1958, in Kansas. She married Vernon White in 1992 in Big Spring. She lived in Big Spring her whole life.

She is survived by her husband: Vernon White of Big Spring; two sons: Jefery Flentge and Justin Flentge of Big Spring; seven grandkids; and six sisters.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, three sisters, one son, and one grandchild.



Thanks to our friends and customers for giving us so much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving. We appreciate your trust in us, and we wish you all the very best.



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Police, Sheriff/Fire/EMS reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **SHANE MICHAEL DUNN**, 45, of 2004 N. Monticello St, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ANTHONY PAUL MUNOZ**, 62, transient, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication with three prior convictions.
- **PETE CHAVARRIA JR.**, 27, of 2501 Larry Drive, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 1200 block of Wasson Road.
- **HIT AND RUN** was reported in the 1000 block of Marvin Road; 1500 block of Sycamore Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the area of 2600 block of Rebecca Drive; around Owens and Third; 1200 block of Marijo Avenue.
- **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80..
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 4200 block of Parkway Road.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1300 block of Colby Avenue.

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 92 inmates at the time of this report.
- **TONY RAY BINGHAM**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family violence/threat.
 - **PETE CHAVARRIA**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **SHANE MICHAEL DUNN**, 45, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **MATILDA MARIE IRVIN**, 23, was arrested by DPS on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram; possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams; and driving while intoxicated.
 - **ANTHONY PAUL MUNOZ**, 62, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication with three prior convictions.

Big Spring Fire and EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of N. Monticello. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to SMMC.

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3300 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Kentucky Way. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4400 block of Palm St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Sunset Blvd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of N. Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the area of South Seventh and Presidio. One person was transported to SMMC.

LETTER

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community is encouraged to write a letter, simply addressed to Dear Friend and share a few lines letting the residents at the nursing facilities and veterans home know they are not forgotten.

"As we go through Covid, this isn't about our businesses, it's not about anything other than having love overcome all this negativity," he said. "I want to extend a personal thank you to all who have been involved in this so far. It's amazing how many people come together for this cause," Flores said.

According to Flores, the goal for letters is 5,000 so that every resident at the local nursing homes and care centers are able to receive a few letters each.

The letters will be divided and dropped off at each of the care facilities in the Big Spring community. The projected plan is to have the letters delivered right before Christmas.

For more updates or for ways to help support Operation Love Letters, follow the Operation Love Letters Facebook page.

Also, for those who would like to write an electronic letter, e-mail it to operationloveletters@gmail.com.

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Gregory Phillippe, 71, died Tuesday. Graveside services with Military Honors will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at The Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

Maria Diaz.77 died Thursday. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Rudolfo DeLeon, Jr. 86, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Tina White, 62, died Monday. Private family services will be at a later date.

Trinidad Rios-Rios, 43, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Monday with a Vigil service at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Lydia Jojola, 74, died Wednesday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Wednesday and the family will receive friends from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Trudy Louise Sherril, 58, died Thursday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday, November 27, 2020. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel

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God Bless!

THANKFUL

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which is a great feeling. The way the world is right now, it makes a big difference when you come home to something special.

A letter from Big Spring Herald Manager Editor - Amanda Duforat:

"I am thankful for the valleys God has taken me



Courtesy photo

Pictured above is Editor Amanda Duforat and her family and friends gathered around the table in a previous Thanksgiving gathering.

through for it is in those times that I learned the most valuable lessons. I am thankful for the ability to slow down in life - even if it was because of an unexpected unwanted virus - and take in the blessings that are in my life. I am grateful for my kiddos and the new perspective they bring into my life. As they say, out of the mouths of babes wisdom flows. I am also thankful to be blessed with a support system who choose to do life with me, and thankful for a community that invests into me as much as I try to invest into it. Most importantly I am thankful for the ability and the opportunity to pursue my passion on a daily basis and share the stories of our community."

A letter from Big Spring Herald Senior Advertising Executive - Angela Lance:

"I'm thankful for family and friends. It's such a blessing to have both of our families here locally.

We don't have to stress about traveling during the holidays, which means more time at home with our babies. Not everyone gets along with their in-laws...but I have the best. I'm extremely thankful for them and all that they do for us and our girls. It's very rare to have life-long friends, as everyone's lives change after high school. I'm so thankful that I have an abundance of life-long friends, and that we are all still so close and get to raise our children together."

A letter from Big Spring Herald Circulation Manager - Robert Smith:

"I am not only the Circulation Manager at the Herald, but my wife and I own and operate A-Bob's Bail Bonds, so we always have to be available. Because of that, our family always comes to our home located in the back of the office. At any time on Thanksgiving we have between 14 and 20 people gather. My wife is an excellent cook - you can tell that by looking at me. We always have plenty of good things to eat while we sit around and just enjoy each others company. Oh yeah, there might be a little football watching going on too. I am thankful for my family, my wife, my four daughters, my two granddaughters, my three son in-laws and I am very fortunate that at the age of 60, I still have both of my parents. I am thankful that we are all doing well health wise. I am especially grateful that my two youngest daughters have come back

home to Big Spring and both teach at Big Spring Junior High. My baby Reba had a little girl, Reagan, 19 months ago and is pregnant and expecting again next April. Stormi just bought a house and is doing well teaching history and coaching. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. We have cut our group down to only 8 this year due to Covid. Please stay safe, wear a mask when out, and about and wash your hands often. God bless everyone and take care of our military here and abroad."

A letter from Big Spring Herald Graphic Designer - Sandra Green:

"I am thankful for life itself. I'm thankful to God for the blessings of family and friends. I thank God for keeping all of my family healthy and safe. For the good times and the bad. For the patience and the sustaining power that God provides. I started a Zoom bible class in May of this year, since we have not been able to have church services since March. The Zoom bible class has been such a blessing to me. I have been able to meet with people that I would have never met in the local church, sharing the Word of God with friends and family from, Virginia, North Carolina and Texas, getting acquainted with my family in a different way. There are still mountains in my life, but God is helping me to climb them. I thank God for my workplace, my boss, my co-workers. Even though we won't get



Courtesy photo

Pictured above is Advertising Executive Angela Lance with her family in a previous holiday photo.

we have all managed to stay healthy during these times. I am thankful that we continue to have our jobs, as well as thankful for the people that do those jobs alongside us. My family's tradition is a bit odd, but we always make it a point to have breakfast together as our own little family of three before all the craziness of the holiday kicks in. We sit and eat and relax before each of us goes to do our part to get ready for the family dinner. It is very special to me, because it is easy to get lost in the rush of the holiday and forget that the holiday is about

family - not food or gifts or anything else."

A letter from Big Spring Herald Sports Writer - Shawn Moran:

"I am thankful for my family, fiancée, friends, and my past that has made me who I am today.

As far as Thanksgiving traditions go, my family and I used to always spend the day together while cooking, traveling, and spending the holiday with our extended family. Since I left home for college in 2014, Thanksgiving has become more of a two-person holiday for my fiancée and I. We always spend the whole day together in the kitchen cooking and will soon have our own Thanksgiving traditions to follow yearly. Until then, Thanksgiving is all about having a good day with the person who means the most to me."

A letter from Big Spring Herald Staff Writer - Iris Rangel:

"I am thankful for where my life has taken me so far. I've been able to see and do many things I never dreamed I would. I'm grateful for my family and friends. Through both of them, I have been able to accomplish receiving a first generation degree and set a new stepping stone for generations to come. I am also thankful for what will come my way in the future. I'm sure there will be trials I will encounter where hard decisions have to be made, but I know in the end, I will land right where I am meant to. With my large family being scattered across Texas, traditions of gathering together may look a little different this year, but I know that we will all be with each other in spirit. I wish the same for you and your family this Thanksgiving and Christmas. Remember - time is short. Spend ever bit of it with someone or something you love."

As always, the Big Spring Herald is thankful for the community that it serves. Thanksgiving is a time to celebrate with the ones we hold dearest - little ones, significant others, dear friends and family. In the spirit of family, comfort, and all things cozy, try spending this time at home and enjoy it with those you love. No blessing is too big or small to count during Thanksgiving.

Iris Rangel is a Staff Writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email reporter@big-springherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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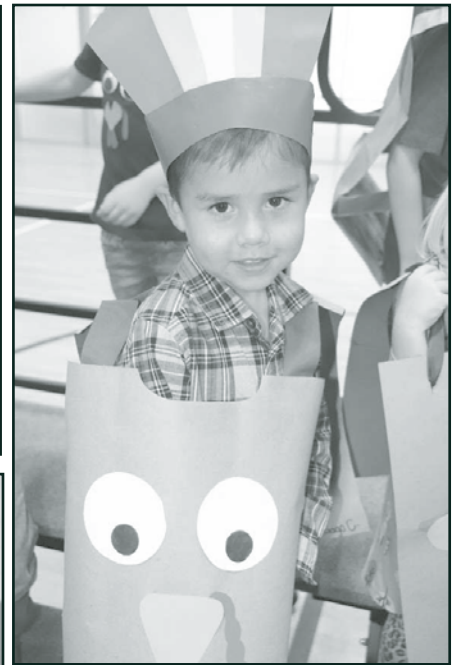
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A Thanksgiving Program by Forsan Elementary



Courtesy photos
Forsan Elementary Pre-K students performed the annual Turkey presentation in celebration of Thanksgiving Day. The program may have looked a little different, but the turkeys were cute as always.

Runnels Academy students share essays of gratitude

Editor's Note: Runnels Academy students were tasked with writing an essay describing what Thanksgiving means to them. Each student had the opportunity to write an essay, share their thoughts and family traditions. The Big Spring Herald will be featuring those essays for the holiday season.

Thanksgiving

By: JACE HILL
Runnels Academy Student

For my Thanksgiving we go to my grandma's house. At my grandma's house we pray. Then we let grandma go first and then we go to get out food and go sit down at the counter table, or in the living room. After that we get dessert. My favorite is chocolate pie or cheese cake with strawberry jam. Then we talk about eat while watching a tv show. I am thankful for

my family, food, and animals. After that we go to our deer lease and check and see what we need to buy. Then we drive to town and get groceries and supplies for camp. When we get back to camp, we unload the groceries. When it is dinner time we start the fire. We usually cook hamburger patties and fries or steak and a salad. If it's deer season, we wake up at 6:30 in the morning and drive to the deer blind. We wait for a deer or a hog to walk out. To shoot a deer, it's antler must be outside of it's ears. If we shoot the deer, we have to tag it. Then we bring it back to camp and get the deer. After that we take it to a processor and pay the person money to process our deer. Next we wait for the person to call us back so that we can come pick up our

deer meat or you can donate the deer. Finally you can turn on the grill and start cooking.

Thanksgiving Tradition

By: CREIGHAN SAMSEL
Runnels Academy Student

When me and my family have Thanksgiving we go to our grandparents house and to other aunt's and uncle's house and every Thanksgiving something cool happens and we always have fun and have a big Thanksgiving feast and have turkey and we have deviled eggs and beans and one of my grandparents have dogs.

Every Thanksgiving

By: SHAYLEE FALCON
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Every Thanksgiving we go hunting for turkey to have it for dinner. We have pumpkin pie with whip cream on top, fruit, carrots and corn. We spend Thanksgiving with our loved ones and give thanks to the Lord whenever we bless the food. It's a nice way to have a dinner.

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DPS Increases Enforcement for Thanksgiving Holiday

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is encouraging drivers to make safety a top priority this holiday, as increased travel can present additional challenges for drivers.

As part of the nationwide Operation CARE (Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort) initiative, DPS Troopers will be increasing patrols through Sunday, Nov. 29. DPS Troopers will be looking for drivers who violate the law, including those who are speeding, driving while intoxicated, failing to wear a seat belt, driving without insurance and not complying with the state's Move Over, Slow Down law, among other traffic violations.

"As we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, we want to remind every Texan of their duty to drive defensively and help keep our roadways safe," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The holidays may look different this year, but it is still up to each of us to obey traffic laws and make safety our top priority behind the wheel."

During DPS' 2019 enforcement effort, a total of 59,146 warnings and citations were issued, including 6,460 for speeding; 716 for seat belt and child seat violations; 1,247 for driving without insurance; and 406 for violations of Move Over, Slow Down. Last year's enforce-

ment efforts also resulted in 304 DWI arrests, 231 felony arrests and 183 fugitive arrests.

In addition to Operation CARE, DPS Troopers are also participating in the annual Click It or Ticket initiative, which runs through Nov. 29, with an emphasis on enforcing seat belt use for both drivers and passengers.

DPS offers the following safety tips for the Thanksgiving holiday:

- Don't drink and drive. Make alternate plans if you are consuming alcohol.
- Move Over or Slow Down for police, fire, EMS, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) vehicles and tow trucks stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated. Show the same courtesy to fellow drivers who are stopped on the side of the road. This year alone, between Jan. 1 and Nov. 9, DPS issued 11,349 warnings and citations for violations of this law.
- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle — it's the law.
- Slow down, especially in bad weather, heavy traffic, unfamiliar areas or construction zones.
- Eliminate distractions while driving, including the use of mobile devices. Texas law prohibits the use of portable wireless devices to read, write or

send an electronic message unless the vehicle is stopped. Also, if you're using a navigation device or app, have a passenger operate it, so you can keep your eyes on the road.

• Drive defensively, as holiday travel can present additional challenges.

• Don't drive fatigued — allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

• On multi-lane roadways, use the left lane for passing only. Not only is it courteous driving and avoids impeding traffic, Texas law requires slower traffic to keep to the right and to use the left lane for passing only (when posted).

If you can Steer It, Clear It: If you are involved in a non-injury crash and your

vehicle can be moved, clear the traffic lanes to minimize traffic impact. Leaving vehicles in a traffic lane increases traffic congestion and leaves those involved with an increased risk of harm or a secondary wreck. On some highways, if you don't move your vehicle when it's safe to do so, it's against the law.

• Check your vehicle to make sure it is properly maintained and always ensure your cargo is secure.

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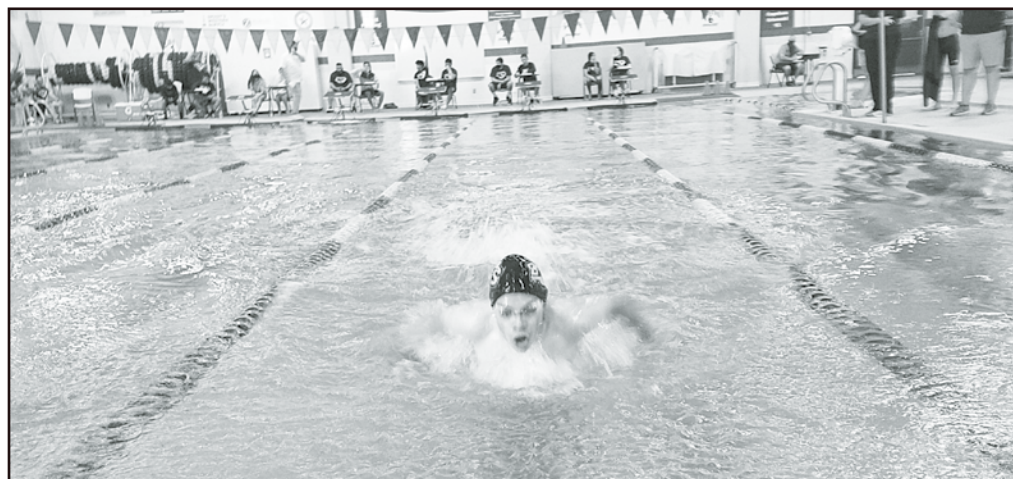
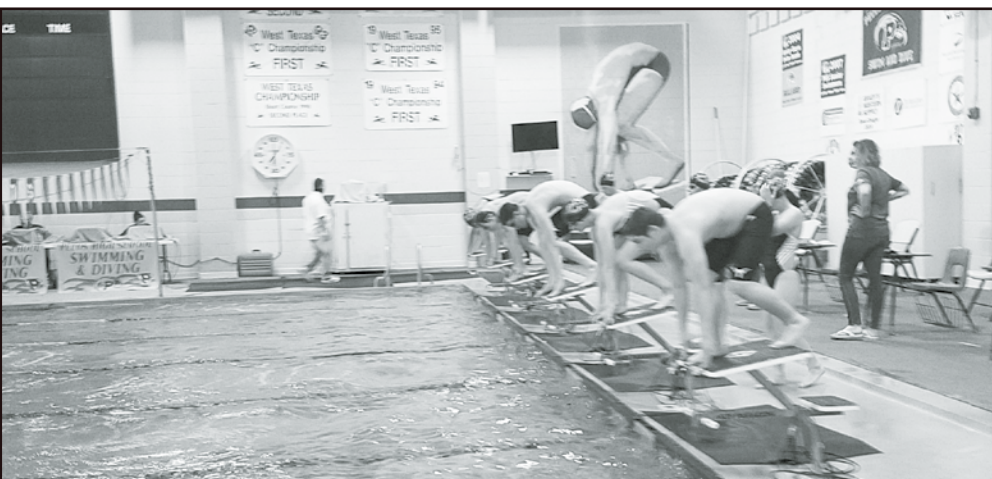
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Big Spring Swim & Dive team puts together strong performance in Pecos



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Above left: A group of swimmers prepares to run through a warm-up round last weekend in Pecos. Above right: A Big Spring swimmer dives their way through the pool during the butterfly race. Big Spring boys won the meet while the Lady Steers finished second.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Swim Team participated in their seventh meet of the season and second meet of the year that was held in Pecos last weekend. The schools that participated were Big Spring, Lubbock Coronado and Lubbock Monterey. It was an overall strong day in the pool for Big Spring as a team with the girls finishing second (85.5) behind Lubbock Coronado (98) and the boys were victorious (121) over both Lubbock Monterey (57) and Lubbock Coronado (16). This meant that the Steers and Lady Steers finished first (206.5) in the combined team scores in front of Coronado (114) and Monterey (71.5). The next time the Big Spring swim team will take to the pool is Dec. 1 in Abilene at McMurry University for a Double Dual meet with Abilene High and Abilene-Cooper.

The following are the results for Big Spring's swimmers from the Pecos Tri-Meet this past weekend out west:

In the Girls' 200-Yard medley relay, the quartet of freshman Arely Cruz-Garcia, sophomore Naomi Reyes, freshman Katherine Greene and sophomore Malaki Vaughn finished in second-place with a final time of 2:22.54.

In the Boys' 200-Yard medley relay, the group of sophomore David Summers, sophomore Ismael Castillo, senior Manuel Castillo and sophomore Toby Phillips took home the gold in that race on the day (2:12.90).

In the Girls' 200-Yard Freestyle, sophomore Jayda Overton finished in third-place with a strong performance (2:52.72). Her teammate, freshman Katherine Greene (5th, 3:00.78), rounded out the top five for that particular race.

Freshman Ethan Barker finished fourth in the Boys' 200-Yard Freestyle (3:13.62) and was the only

Steer swimmer to place in the event.

Sophomore David Summers was the only Steer or Lady Steer to compete in the 200-Yard IM and was able to finish in first-place (2:54.10).

Sophomore Malaki Vaughn finished in first-place in the Girls' 50-Yard Freestyle with a final time of 29.82 seconds. Her teammates Brooklyne Heffle (5th, 35.12) and Steffany Pina Arment (7th, 39.21) also finished in the Top 10 performers for that specific race.

In the Boys' 50-Yard Freestyle, Manuel Castillo (1st, 25.33) was the top Steer finisher. Fellow Steer swimmers Ismael Castillo (2nd, 30.16), Toby Phillips (4th, 32.45), and Carson Millsap (5th, 33.10) also placed in the Top Five.

Freshman Katherine Greene finished in first-place (1:36.06) in the Girls' 100-Yard Butterfly as there was no competition for her to go head-to-head against.

Senior Manuel Castillo was the only Steer competitor in the Boys' 100-Yard Butterfly and finished in first-place (1:04.68) over Anthony Lucero from Lubbock Monterey (1:16.06).

Sophomore swimmer Malaki Vaughn finished in first-place (1:04.77) in the Girls' 100-Yard Freestyle. Her teammates Naomi Reyes (2nd, 1:04.96) and Jayda Overton (6th, 1:20.37) all finished inside the Top 10.

Carson Millsap finished third in the Boys' 100 Yard Freestyle with a final time of 1:15.73. His teammate, freshman Matthew Nieves, finished fourth with a time of 1:27.70.

Cruz-Garcia was the only Lady Steer swimmer to participate in the Girls 500-Yard Freestyle race and finished in 7:05.46.

Two of the three swimmers to take part in the Boys' 500-Yard Freestyle race were from Big Spring. They ended up finishing in second (Pantoja-Strickland, 6:44.96) and third-place (Griffith, 7:06.07).

The group of Naomi Reyes (48.86), Malaki Vaughn (15.28), Jayda Overton (56.74), and Arely Cruz-Garcia (29.37) took home the gold in the Girls' 200-Yard Freestyle Relay with a total time of 2:30.25.

Big Spring finished first in the Boys' 200-Yard Freestyle Relay with the grouping of David Summers, Christian Pantoja-Strickland, Ismael Castillo, and Manuel Castillo (1:54.78). Ethan Barker, Matthew Nieves, Carson Millsap, and Morgan Griffith finished in third with a time of 2:23.83.

Cruz-Garcia finished in first-place (1:21.17) in the Girls' 100-Yard Backstroke. Heffle finished behind her as she tied with a Lubbock Monterey swimmer for third-place (1:36.69). On the boys' side, Pantoja-Strickland placed second (1:19.76) while Summers placed third (1:20.58) and Barker finished in fourth (1:41.71).

Naomi Reyes finished in second-place in the Girls' 100-Yard Breaststroke (1:28.53), while Pina Arment was disqualified. On the boys' side, Ismael Castillo (2nd, 1:27.94), Griffith (3rd, 1:38.10), and Nieves (4th, 1:52.88) rounded out the race.

Lastly, the grouping of Overton, Heffle, Pina Arment and Greene finished in second-place in the Girls' 400-Yard Freestyle Relay (5:34.44). On the boys' side, the quartet of Pantoja-Strickland, Phillips, Griffith and Millsap were the only group to race and finished in first-place (4:57.72) to close out Big Spring's strong day in the pool.

Big Spring's divers took the pool last Friday and they also finished strong from the diving board. Toby Phillips placed in second (211.10) and Pantoja-Strickland finished third (185.05). Vaughn placed in third (212.60) on the girls' side of the competition.

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Williams Claims Victory At Tough Bassmaster Central Open On Lewisville Lake

Special to the Herald

LEWISVILLE, Texas — Enduring a tough day marked by mishaps and disappointment, Tommy Williams of Shepherdsville, Ky., won the Basspro.com Bassmaster Central Open on Lewisville Lake with a three-day total of 41 pounds, 15 ounces.

On Day 1, Williams caught a second-place limit of 18-8 and trailed early leader Brandon Dillard by 6-1. Adding a Day 2 limit of 15-8 sent him into Championship Saturday with a 6-3 lead.

On Saturday, that margin proved essential as Williams found only three keepers for 7-15, but held on to claim the top prize of \$35,933 and a berth in the 2021 Academy Sports + Outdoors Bassmaster Classic presented by Huk

scheduled for March 19-21 on Lake Ray Roberts.

"Everybody knows how tough it is to win a tournament when you have a missed opportunity and I had a couple of them," Williams said. "The fish bit funny today. I had fish blow up on a spinnerbait and I lost fish on a flipping stick.

"I fished clean all week, but today, they just pulled off. But it's been a wonderful experience. Texas has treated me well. This is the first time I've been in contention to win one of these events."

Williams spent his tournament in three areas. Two comprised windward pockets with baitfish blown into dense tangles of shallow wood. The third was a main-lake flat.

"I spent seven days of practice and it came together on the third day," he said. "I fished my strengths through the whole thing."

He flipped the wood with a Texas-rigged green pumpkin creature bait with the tails dipped in chartreuse. On the flat, he fished a 1/4-ounce spinnerbait with a single No. 3 willow-leaf blade and a chartreuse curly tail grub for a trailer.

The two-pronged attack served him the first two days, but he struggled in the final round.

"My first fish this morning came off when I pinned him against a log," Williams said. "He was about a 2 1/2-pounder and I said 'This is how it's gonna go.'

"The next bite, I caught a good one,

then the next fish came off. Then it was the dink-fest. I caught more short (undersized) fish in an hour and a half than I caught all week."

Williams added another keeper mid-morning, but after multiple days of fishing pressure from him and other competitors sharing the area, the shallow wood bite fizzled.

"I told the camera crew 'I have some spinnerbait fish that I'm going to have to go fish sometime today,'" he said.

Making that move in the latter part of the day, Williams experienced one of his most frustrating moments around 1:30. Williams had a big fish boil under his spinnerbait without committing. When he followed up with the creature bait, the fish bit but missed the hook.

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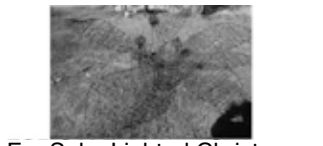
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By Steve Becker

A well-played hand

South dealer.
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♠ A 6 4 2
♥ A 5 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 8 6 5 2
WEST
♠ Q 10 3
♥ 10
♦ Q 9 7 5 4 2
♣ Q 10 7
EAST
♠ K J 8 7 5
♥ J 9 8
♦ J
♣ J 9 4 3
SOUTH
♠ 9
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
♦ A K 6 3
♣ A K

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass
3♦ Pass 3♠ Pass
4NT Pass 5♥ Pass
6♥

Opening lead — five of diamonds.
This deal comes from a team-of-four championship. Six hearts was reached at both tables, but only one of the declarers made the slam.

At the first table, South won the diamond lead with the ace, played a heart to the ace and continued with a heart to the king. When West showed out, declarer played the king of diamonds, ruffed by East. With two small diamonds remaining in his hand and only one trump left in dummy, South had to lose another

diamond for down one.
At the second table, against the same opening lead, declarer played the hand with far more cunning. He drew a round of trump with the king and then, to cater to the possibility that East had started with a singleton diamond, crossed to dummy with a spade and returned a diamond.

Had East ruffed, South would easily have made the rest of the tricks by drawing a second round of trump and then ruffing his remaining diamond loser in dummy. But East correctly discarded a spade on the diamond lead, and declarer won the trick with the king.

South thereupon led a third round of diamonds and ruffed with dummy's ace! He then returned to his hand by ruffing a spade.

Next came the fourth round of diamonds, ruffed by declarer in dummy and overruffed by East to produce the first and only trick for the defense.

Thus, the second South made six hearts thanks to his far more cautious and thoughtful approach to the play. He established a trump trick for East by ruffing his third diamond with dummy's ace, but by doing so assured that he would be able to ruff both of his diamond losers in dummy and so finish with 12 tricks. South may have lost the battle not to lose a trump trick, but he won the war.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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			2			8	1	
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7	1		8	3				2
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8	1	5	7	2	2	6	9	3
6	9	2	8	1	9	7	5	3
7	9	7	8	2	6	4	7	8
5	9	3	2	6	7	4	8	1
9	1	6	4	7	5	3	2	8
2	7	8	6	1	4	5	2	3
3	9	3	8	8	3	8	8	5
7	6	1	3	8	8	3	4	2
2	7	8	1	4	6	5	3	9
4	3	9	5	2	7	6	8	1
5	1	6	8	3	9	7	2	4

ANSWER:

Hungry Taurus Moon Rules Thanksgiving

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Remembering how it used to be will bring gladness, wistfulness, unity and the beginnings of a plan for future days. You're especially compatible with Leo now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have a kind word for the contributions of others. This comes easily to you because you are genuinely excited and impressed with the surprises of the day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There are those around who have a harder time with socializing than you do. Some will use you as a model and others will submit to your coaxing and charms.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You find a way to bridge the gap between you and the people you want to be near but can't. You don't even have to think about adding the personal touches that make this happen; they'll come with your intention.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The feelings of warmth coming at you are undeniable. It will be wonderful to find out that you are part of people's fondest memories. If you don't get verbal affirmation of this, assume it's true and keep building your legacy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's a little quirky, the things you most appreciate about your current life. Thinking about what makes

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



you happy, your senses light up and your creativity whirrs like a magical engine of fantastical production.

but to bring on the accidental, incredible flair.

TION: Expounding on yesterday's question about gratitude (see archives for part one and two). "Every time I start a gratitude practice, the habit never sticks. Maybe I'm just an ingrate. Can you help this ungrateful Capricorn?"

Center your grateful thoughts on that which have personal relevance to you and your life. While it's admirable to be high-minded in this regard, if you are struggling for consistency you're not going to get by tasking yourself with being a "good person" during these gratitude sessions. Try selfishness instead.

Linking your gratitude to satisfaction and enjoyment, rather than duty, will make your gratitude practice so appealing that it will be a pleasure to include in your daily life. Making your practice something private -- like a prayer you do by yourself, a journal entry or a walk you take to reflect -- will take away the social pressure of coming up with appropriate sentiments. As you take a moment to honor that which you are grateful for, skip the cliches and get right to the things that really light your senses. When did you feel most alive recently? That's a good place to start. Remembering the sensations, feelings and thoughts that were running through you is an act of gratitude that affirms your vitality and pays homage to the animating current that flows through all things.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A kindness you gave long ago (and may not even remember giving) is now coming back to you in a new form. You'll get a prime opportunity to slow down so you can notice and acknowledge the gift.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You give people something to smile about. You're playful, and many will be highly receptive to your kind of fun. If they aren't, then it's only because they are not in a position to let levity in. You're still better for trying.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). While you appreciate the tastes and comforts of the season, it's the small ones who win your heart. Their eyes and smiles are a gift that sends your spirit in somersaults.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You use empathy to navigate the ins and outs of your social life and this proves to be a navigational system that will not go wrong. Neither cloud cover nor electrical outage nor signal shortage can stop it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Don't worry about how you're going to pull it all off. You will. You can count on yourself and others can count on you, too. Just make sure there's someone around who can take pictures of this because it will go down in history.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 26). You're a person who will knock yourself out for others. You'll do everything in your power to make sure that the team is winning. This quality will take you far this year. Even though your personal satisfaction often matters less to you, you'll have at least 10 chances to gloriously inhabit it. Virgo and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 2, 22, 12 and 14.

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Celebrating Thanksgiving

Dear Readers: As we celebrate Thanksgiving, look into all of the beautiful, life-changing benefits that gratitude can have for our health and the health of the people and animals around us.

When we practice noticing the big things we're grateful for, the small things, annoyances and disappointments don't overwhelm us so easily. We remember how we are blessed to experience every moment and don't get caught in the joy-sucking pettiness of life, which can make everyone around us miserable, too.

Gratitude helps us to not sweat the small stuff and to remember that it's all small stuff.

Gratitude blesses you. It opens you so that more can come in. It expands the vibrational space around you. When you're living in that expansive space, more of everything will flow into your life.

And this year, due to COVID-19 and other circumstances, many families and friends will be celebrating separately. In the spirit of merriment and gratitude, here are some classic poems to celebrate the holiday as curated by poetry experts Bob Holman & Margery Snyder.

While your loved ones might not be physically together, you can have fun reading these to each other.

Known as "Over the River and Through the Wood," this poem from 1844 illustrates a snow-filled New England Thanksgiving journey. In 1897, it was made into the familiar song.

"The New-England Boy's Song About Thanksgiving Day" by Lydia Maria Child

"Over the river, and through the wood, / To grandfather's house we go; / The horse knows the way, / To carry the sleigh, / Through the white and drifted snow."

Know any pumpkin

pie lovers? They might enjoy this poem from 1850.

"The Pumpkin" by John Greenleaf Whittier

"And the prayer, which my mouth is too full to express, / Swells my heart that thy shadow may never be less, / That the days of thy lot may be lengthened below, / And the fame of thy worth like a pumpkin-vine grow, / And thy life be as sweet, and its last sunset sky / Golden-tinted and fair as thy own Pumpkin pie!"

As a reminder that this day means more than just the day itself, this 19th-century poem harkens back to Thanksgiving memories of yore.

"No. 814" by Emily Dickinson

"One day is there of the series / Termed "Thanksgiving Day" / Celebrated part at table / Part in memory-"

This 1918 poem of surviving through hardship and still being thankful is very relevant in 2020.

"Fire Dreams" by Carl Sandburg

"I remember here by the fire, / In the flickering reds and saffrons, / They came in a ramshackle tub, / Pilgrims in tall hats, / Pilgrims of iron jaws, / Drifting by weeks on beaten seas, / And the random chapters say / They were

glad and sang to God."

And, finally, this 1921 verse is perfect to share with children.

"Thanksgiving Time" by Langston Hughes

"When the night winds whistle through the trees and blow the crisp brown leaves a-crackling down, / When the autumn moon is big and yellow-orange and round, / When old Jack Frost is sparkling on the ground, / It's Thanksgiving Time!"

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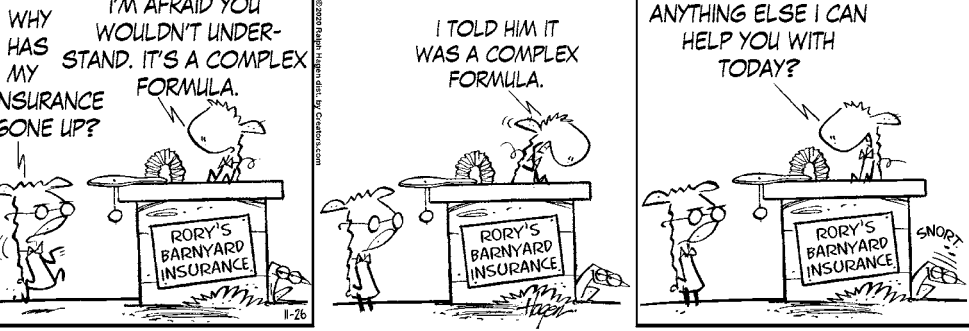
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 26, the 331st day of 2020. There are 35 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 26, 2000, Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris certified George W. Bush the winner over Al Gore in the state's presidential balloting by a 537-vote margin. On this date: In 1789, Americans observed a day of thanksgiving set aside by President George Washington to mark the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. In 1883, former slave and abolitionist Sojourner Truth died in Battle Creek, Mich. In 1917, the National Hockey League was founded in Montreal, succeeding the National Hockey Association. In 1933, a judge in New York ruled the James Joyce book "Ulysses" was not obscene and could be published in the United States. In 1941, U.S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull delivered a note to Japan's ambassador to the United States, Kichisaburo Nomura (kee-chee-sah-boor-oh noh-moo-rah), setting forth U.S. demands for "lasting and extensive peace throughout the Pacific area." The same day, a Japanese naval task force consisting of six aircraft carriers left the Kuril Islands, headed toward Hawaii. In 1943, during World War II, the HMT Rohna, a British transport ship carrying American soldiers, was hit by a German missile off Algeria; 1,138 men were killed. In 1950, China entered the Korean War, launching a counteroffensive against soldiers from the United Nations, the U.S. and South Korea. In 1973, President Richard Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, told a federal court that she'd accidentally caused part of the 18-1/2-minute gap in a key Watergate tape. In 1986, President Ronald Reagan appointed a commission headed by former Senator John Tower to investigate his National Security Council staff in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair. In 1992, the British government announced that Queen

Elizabeth II had volunteered to start paying taxes on her personal income, and would take her children off the public payroll. In 2007, Sen. Trent Lott announced his retirement after a 35-year career in Congress. Washington Redskins star safety Sean Taylor, 24, was mortally wounded during a botched armed robbery at his home in Palmetto Bay, Florida. (Taylor died the next day.) In 2008, teams of heavily armed Pakistani gunmen stormed luxury hotels, a popular tourist attraction and a crowded train station in Mumbai, India, leaving at least 166 people dead in a rampage lasting some 60 hours. Ten years ago: Nineteen-year-old Somali-born Mohamed Osman Mohamud was arrested by federal agents in Portland, Oregon, after an elaborate sting operation in which Mohamud was led to believe he would be detonating a van of explosives during the city's Christmas tree lighting ceremony. (Mohamud was later sentenced to 30 years in prison.) President Barack Obama received 12 stitches in his upper lip after taking an errant elbow during a pickup basketball game with family and friends visiting for the Thanksgiving holiday. Five years ago: French President Francois Hollande and Russian President Vladimir Putin agreed to tighten cooperation in the fight against the Islamic State group. Pope Francis celebrated his first Mass in Africa; later that day in Nairobi, Kenya, the pope met with several hundred priests and nuns, urging them to serve others and not be served. The White House underwent a Thanksgiving Day lockdown after a man draped in an American flag jumped the fence. One year ago: Heavy snow and wind shut down highways in Colorado and Wyoming and forced more than 1,000 travelers to sleep over-

night in Denver's airport after hundreds of flights were canceled as the Thanksgiving travel period went into high gear. Top-ranked Duke lost to Stephen F. Austin, 85-83, for the Blue Devils' first home loss to a nonconference foe since 2000. Today's Birthdays: Impressionist Rich Little is 82. Singer Tina Turner is 81. Singer

Jean Terrell is 76. Pop musician John McVie is 75. Actor Marianne Muellerleile is 72. Actor Scott Jacoby is 64. Actor Jamie Rose is 61. Country singer Linda Davis is 58. Actor Scott Adsit is 55. Blues singer-musician Bernard Allison is 55. Country singer-musician Steve Grissauer is 55. Actor Kristin Bauer is 54. Actor Peter Facinelli is 47.

Actor Tammy Lynn Michaels Etheridge is 46. DJ/record label executive DJ Khaled (KAL-ehd) is 45. Actor Maia (MY'-ah) Campbell is 44. Country singer Joe Nichols is 44. Contemporary Christian musicians Anthony and Randy Armstrong (Red) are 42. Actor Jessica Bowman is 40. Pop singer Natasha Bedingfield is 39. Actor Jes-

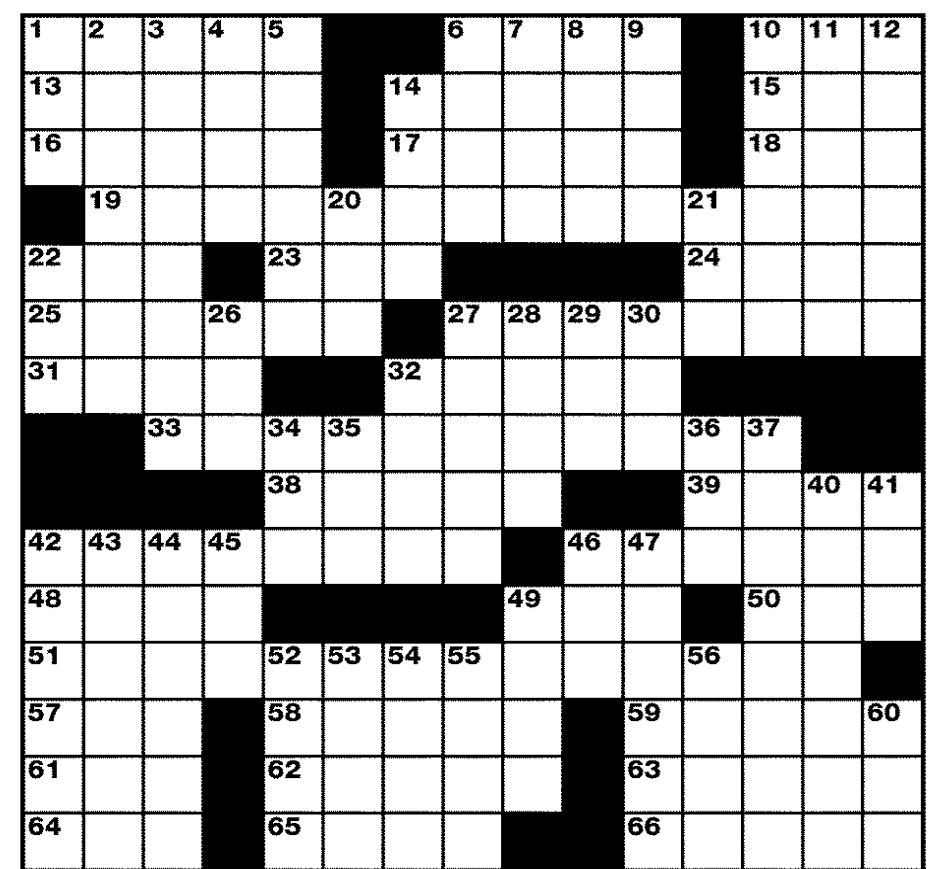
sica Camacho is 38. Country singer-musician Mike Gossin (Gloriana Rock) is 36. Rock musician Ben Wysocki (The Fray) is 36. Singer Lil Fizz is 35. MLB All-Star Matt Carpenter is 35. Actor-singer-TV personality Rita Ora is 30. Actor/singer Aubrey Peeples is 27.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Slugger in Malamud's *The Natural*
 - 6 Arm: Fr.
 - 10 Venerable tech giant
 - 13 Soprano's gig
 - 14 Oblique direction
 - 15 "The Purloined Letter" author
 - 16 Radioactivity action
 - 17 Flower that does well in shade
 - 18 Attila follower
 - 19 "Shut up!"
 - 22 Sound from a ponderer
 - 23 Comics cry of discomfort
 - 24 Rice of vampire fiction
 - 25 Ascended
 - 27 Pay attention
 - 31 Otter cousin
 - 32 Fuzzy-skinned fruits
 - 33 "Shut up!"
 - 38 Set to rest
 - 39 Word on Irish euros
 - 42 Planetary motion
 - 46 A Musketeer
 - 48 Voice-over descriptor
 - 49 Era
 - 50 Picnic fare, for short
 - 51 "Shut up!"
 - 57 Spoil, as food
 - 58 Black tea of India
 - 59 Naruhito's home
 - 61 Encouragement from Enrique
 - 62 What are made for the future
- DOWN**
- 1 Tray for bricks
 - 2 Scan meant to minimize anxiety
 - 3 Attractive, as clothing
 - 4 Sandwich sausage, for short
 - 5 Vote for approval
 - 6 Dab with a towel
 - 7 Carelessly quick
 - 8 Opposite of post-
 - 9 Bankable actor
 - 10 Galaxy alternative
 - 11 Ludlum's agent
 - 12 Patched up
 - 14 Become visible
 - 20 ___-GMO (food package label)
 - 21 Noise from a nursery
 - 22 Omelet ingredient
 - 26 Runner for racing
 - 27 Powerful leader
 - 28 Out of town
 - 29 Wine cocktail
 - 30 Linguistic ending
 - 32 European scale measure
 - 34 Chocolate factory vessel
 - 35 Yale student
 - 36 Vast amount
 - 37 Far-off place, figuratively
 - 40 Certain steaks
 - 41 ABA designation
 - 42 Scottish folk hero
 - 43 Symbol of Maryland
 - 44 Become ragged
 - 45 Tankard filler
 - 46 Before now
 - 47 She's not buying it
 - 49 Money sources, briefly
 - 52 Doesn't shut up
 - 53 Nobel Peace Center city
 - 54 Its academy is in CO
 - 55 Vent one's anger
 - 56 Out of town
 - 60 Many an oxide in rocks

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