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Christmas in Boomtown 2020 Parade cancelled



HERALD file photo

The Christmas in Boomtown 7th annual Parade, which was set for this coming Saturday has been cancelled for safety reasons.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Unhitch the trailers, go ahead and string the lights, but this year there won't be a Christmas in Boomtown parade. An announcement was made Tuesday morning, in the best interest of the health and safety of the community and participants, the 7th annual Christmas in Boomtown Parade is cancelled for this year.

The annual Forsan Christmas in Boomtown Parade was set for 10 a.m. this Saturday, but due to an increase in cases across Howard County, the decision was made to cancel the parade.

"This is such a fun tradition for our little town to bring the community together," Jenny Sayles said.

"However, with the cases increasing and several cancellations already, due to people being sick, we decided it was in the best interest to go ahead and not hold the parade this year."

Sayles continued, "We want families to be able to enjoy the holidays this year, and while this decision was made with heavy hearts, we feel it is the best decision for all."

While the Christmas in Boomtown

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center has reported:
 • 24 Covid-19 positive patients
 • 7 in ICU
 • 17 in MedSurg/Telemetry
 Hospital capacity is full for Covid-19 patients and 75% full for regular in-patients

SMMG Testing through 12/1:
 • 1,012 tests
 • 227 positives
 • 763 negatives
 • 22 pending

Howard County has reported:
 • 2,055 positive cases
 • 34 Covid-19 fatalities
 • 1,274 recoveries
 • 747 active cases

* SMMC provided numbers for in-house patients / SMMG testing since the onset of Covid-19 ; information from Texas Health Dept. website

First Church of Nazarene continues tradition Live Nativity Drive-Through set for Dec. 11-13

By **IRIS RANGEL**
 Herald Staff Writer

The First Church of Nazarene is hosting their 34th annual "Live" Nativity Drive-Through on Dec. 11-13th from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The entrance to the Nativity Drive-Through is best approached from the west on Martin Luther King Boulevard and south on Lancaster. The First Church of Nazarene is located at 1400 Lancaster.

The Nativity Drive-Through is made up of over a 100 person cast and includes live animals, painted and decorated scenes to represent ancient buildings and places, and a luminary trail that leads participants through a presentation of the story of Christmas.

There will also be a professionally produced compact disk and/or digital audio that can be played in participants' cars or an electronic device. This disk tells attendees the story of each scene that took place over 2,000 years ago.

With the current pandemic, the First Church of



HERALD file photo

The First Church of Nazarene will once again be hosting the Drive-Through Nativity Scene as their gift to the community. The event will take place Dec. 11-13.

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Photo op with Santa offered this Saturday Howard Co. Children's Advocacy Center invites community to stop by

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Santa Clause is coming to Big Spring for a special photo op. Howard County Children's Advocacy Center will be hosting the special North Pole guest and offering an opportunity for the community to drive through and snap a photo with the children or the pets.

"We want families to have access to fun holiday events without having to compromise social distancing," Kelli Crouse with the Howard County Children's Advocacy Center said.

The event will be taking place Dec. 6 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at Crossfit Big Spring, located at 1011 East 11th Place. All photos taken will be digital.

"This event will be a fundraiser for the Advocacy Centers and will serve as the annual fundraiser for the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County," Crouse said. "We are only going to be accepting cash and it will be \$5 per

car."

Those wanting to have a photo will be able to stay in their car and have Santa come to you. Each car is asked to keep participants inside the car for the photos, as the event will be strictly drive through to help maintain social distancing.

The Howard County Children's Advocacy Center opened its doors in 2018 and has been providing local services to Howard County, alleviating the travel for those needing services. The center serves children and non-offending caregivers who have experienced abuse or neglect or have been witness to a violent crime. The staff and volunteers help in conducting forensic interviews while working with law enforcement. The services are

free of charge, which include therapy.

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Obituaries

Benny Allen Lockhart

Benny Allen Lockhart, 81, loving husband, father and grandfather, passed away peacefully on Nov. 21, 2020, at his home.



Ben was born to Carl and Lucille Barber Lockhart in Feb. 1939. He married the love of his life, Sandee McKinney, on March 14, 1970. They had 50 loving years together.

He lived an extraordinary life surrounded by people who respected and adored him. He touched numerous lives as a DPS Trooper for 22 years and as Howard County Judge for 16 years. Known to many as "Gentle Ben" or "The Judge", his favorite thing to be called was "Peep" by his long-awaited grandkids. He often joked that he would not live long enough to see grandkids. The joke was on him when he was blessed with twin grandkids in August 2012. He was also proud of his bonus grandsons, Randy Paige Jr

and Nick Paige.

We miss him terribly but rejoice that he is whole again. We find comfort in knowing that we will see those sparkling blue eyes again someday. And, that he is reminiscing with his fishing buddies and family. He was an incredible husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He taught so many lessons in life and left an amazing legacy that will carry on.

Ben is survived by his beautiful wife Sandee. His daughter Kelly Paige and husband Randy Sr. of Big Spring, TX, one brother, Jimmy Lockhart and wife Wanda of Big Spring, TX. Four grandchildren Randy Jr., Nicholas, Kylee and Kade Paige. Also, several nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents Carl and Lucille Lockhart, three brothers Tom, Don and Gene, and sister, Sue Mize.

A memorial service will be scheduled for some time in the Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Paid Obituary

Fredrick Wayne "Tee" Johnson



Fredrick Wayne "Tee" Johnson, 71, of Midland, Texas, was called from his earthly home on Tuesday morning, Nov. 24, 2020. He was the eighth child, born Feb. 22, 1949, in Winchester, Texas, to Will and Izell Bledsoe Johnson. He was united in marriage to Mary Sue Ellison-Johnson on March 16, 2010 in Midland, Texas. She remained his loving wife and best friend until his passing.

He grew up in Big Spring, Texas where he attended Lakeview School (grades 1-9) and Big Spring High School (grades 10-12). After graduating from high school, he was drafted into the U.S. Army where he bravely and honorably served his country for two years; including one year in Vietnam. When he returned home, he enrolled at Howard County Junior College where he received an associate's degree in Psychology. He worked for the Big Spring State Hospital while attending college and a few years thereafter. He was later employed by the U.S. Postal Service in Midland, Texas where he worked for 30 years to retirement. Most recently, just to have something to do, he drove cars for Toyota and a few other dealerships.

Mr. Johnson was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, cousin and friend. He was baptized when he was a young boy and was add-

ed to the Lord's church. Like his mother, he loved reading his bible. He also had a quiet, gentle spirit like his father. He would do anything he could for those in need. He will be deeply missed and always loved.

He leaves to cherish his love and memory, his wife, Mary Sue Johnson of Midland; his daughters, Tonya (Edward) Redic, and Candyce Johnson of Midland; his son, Aaron Dow Ellison of Lamesa, his brothers, Uli "Billy" Johnson and Roy "RC" Johnson of Big Spring, Robert (Martha) Johnson of Lubbock; his sisters, Charles Green and Willene Knox of Big Spring, Jennie Johnson of Odessa, and Izell "Twinkle" White of Murfreesboro, TN; his adopted brother, Albert "Poe Will" Wilburn of Los Angeles, CA; his grandchildren whom he absolutely adored (13 grands and 4 great grands); and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and close families and friends: the Baucham's, Brown's, Forman's, Green's/Williams'; Bernard & Minnie Hastings, Robert Jackson and David Harris.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by his parents, Will and Izell Johnson; one son, Richard Andrew "Andy" Ellison; brother, Melvin Johnson; his paternal grandparents, Jim Johnson Sr. and Hattie Kirkland Johnson; his maternal grandparents, Robert "Bobby" Bledsoe Jr. and Maude Henderson Bledsoe.

Due to COVID-19, there will not be a funeral. However, the family will have a memorial celebration at a later date.

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 600 block of W. 16th Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the area of Nickles Ice and Water.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 7000 block of S. Service Road.
- **BURGLARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 400 block of E. 23rd Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

Sheriff

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.

- **MONICA ROSE CERVANTES**, 29, of 1600 Nolan Street, was arrested on a charge of motion to adjudicate/forgery financial instrument.
- **CARRIE LYNN O'BRIEN**, 45, of 2606 Hunter Drive, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance penalty group one (greater than or equal to one gram less than four grams).
- **DAVID RIOS**, 34, of 711 Creighton Street, was arrested on charges of motion to revoke/evading arrest detention with vehicle and violating bond/protective order.
- **HENRY RODRIGUEZ**, 53, of 1608 Bluebird, was arrested on a charge of unlawful possession of firearm by felon.

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Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Avion. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Andree Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of NW 10th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of W. 18th Street. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of NE 11th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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City of Big Spring searching for Charter Committee members, announces PPC results

Herald Staff Report

During Tuesday's meeting of the Big Spring City Council, nominations for Charter Committee members were discussed. Each of the Council members brought forth a name for the committee, with Councilwoman Gloria McDonald abstaining due to conflict of interest. With no representative from District 5 and District 6 present at the meeting, due to recent recalls of Camilla Strande and Jim DePauw, the Council decided to place notice of representation from these districts.

On Tuesday afternoon, the City of Big Spring released a notice asking for those who live in District 5 and District 6 and are interested in serving on the Charter Committee to come forward. The press release read as follows:

Citizens that live in District 5 and District 6 who are interested in serving on the City Charter Committee are advised to contact Nora Hernandez at 264-2347 to have their name submitted before City Council. This committee is being formed to review the current City Charter.

In addition, the City of Big Spring also issued a release about the Public Protection Classification Results. The press release read as follows:

On November 1, 2020, City Officials were notified that Big Spring was awarded a Public Protection Class 03/3x from the Insurance Services Office (ISO).

ISO's Public Protection Classification Program (PPC) plays an important role in the underwriting process at insurance companies. In fact, most U.S. insurers – including the largest ones – use PPC information as part of their decision making when deciding what business to write, coverages to offer or prices to charge for personal or commercial property insurance.

PPC is important to fire departments as well. Communities whose PPC improves may get lower insurance rates. PPC also provides fire departments with a valuable benchmark and is used by many departments as a valuable tool when planning, budgeting and justifying fire protection improvements.

The goal is to accurately reflect a community's fire suppression and control resources through the Public Protection Classification (PPC) system.

Congratulations and thank you to the Big Spring Fire Department!

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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.

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

Dennis Reynolds, 52, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Demetrius Pruitt, 53, died Tuesday. Private family services will be held Saturday at 1:00 PM at Cornerstone Covenant Church.

Shirley White, 87, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Margie Barron, 93, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Cecilia Bedell, 73, died Friday. No services will be held.

Jack Merrill, 67, died Sunday. Viewing will be from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Thursday, with family receiving friends from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Funeral service will be Friday at 10:00 AM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

• Isaiah 58's last distribution will be Dec. 15 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. The food pantry will be closed for the holiday season, through the end of the year beginning Dec. 21. through January 5, 2021.

• The City of Big Spring recently announced that due to a recent increase in COVID-19 cases, all indoor city-owned rental facilities including our venue, The Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, will be closed for the rest of the year. With this announce-

ment and with no other venue options that will properly social distance our musicians, we will be unable to kick off our season on Dec. 19 with our "Holiday Spectacular" Concert.

Be watching our Facebook page, Symphony website (Bigspringsymphony.org), the Big Spring Herald, KBYG and KBST for further details and a new kick-off date for our season, appropriately entitled, "The Versatile Big Spring Symphony".

PARADE

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Parade may not be taking place this year, decorations have started to go up across the City of Forsan and the festive spirit is flowing through. Those wanting to experience a little bit of Christmas cheer are encouraged to take a drive out to Forsan and see the houses that have been decorated and the décor that lines the main street in Forsan.

"Thank you so much to all who help make our Christmas in Boomtown Parade such a huge suc-

cess each year," Sayles said. "We want to wish everyone a very, merry Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone for the parade next year."

For more information, contact Jenny Sayles at 432-816-6168.

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DRIVE

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Nazarene is taking steps to ensure that all volunteers are being monitored for symptoms. However, the Nativity Drive-Through allows for participants to stay in their vehicles and stay more than six feet away from each scene, so there is minimal risk for exposure.

"Whether you have been every year, or this is your first time, you will be moved by the dramatic portrayal of God's amazing love for us all. Every year we hear people tell us that the Nativity Drive-Through is one of their fixed family traditions. We are blessed to be able to continue offering this gift to our community," First Church of Nazarene Rev. Richard Schneberger said.

For further information, contact 432-267-7015.

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Big Spring Lady Steers stampede Midland Christian 57-37 on Tuesday night

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sports Writer

After winning the opening tip and making a couple passes, Big Spring's Jacqueline Belew knocked down a wide open three-point shot from dead center. That shot gave the Lady Steers a quick 3-0 lead, and they did not look back from there.

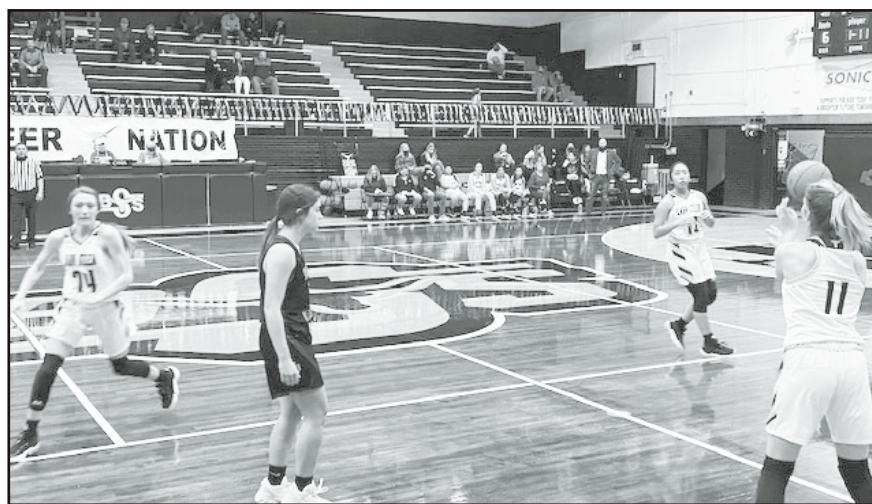
Big Spring started out hot and went up 19-0 early in the second quarter before Midland Christian was able to score their first points of the game. They controlled each aspect of the game and their defense forced the Lady Knights into many mistakes en route to a 57-37 victory on Tuesday night.

It was a nice way to get back on track for the Lady Steers, who had lost four straight games before prevailing against Midland Christian.

"There have been a couple games where we should have won, but we were being too careless with the ball. Tonight I wanted to see more control out of our offense and they did a good job of that," Head Coach Eric Tuttle said.

Big Spring was clicking on offense all-game long and there were three Lady Steers that finished with double-digit scoring numbers. Tristan Smith led the Lady Steers with 19 points to go along with seven assists and a handful of steals. Ryen Terrazas scored 12 points and had 10 rebounds for her second great job on both sides of the ball.

Each and every Lady Steer was hustling all over the court on Tuesday night. They were diving for loose balls, fighting for tough rebounds, and playing physical defense on a group that was prone to turning the ball over. Belew,



HERALD Photo/Shawn Moran
Jacqueline Belew passes the ball to an open Mya Blanco in Tuesday night's 57-37 win over Midland Christian.

Smith and Terrazas each recorded multiple steals throughout the game and at times seemed to just snatch the ball right out of their opponents' hands and take it the other way for an easy layup.

Making those easy layups had been a focus in practice over the past few days and Tuttle believes making those shots early allows his team to not fall behind and have a hole to dig themselves out of.

"It helps when we make layups early. That was our downfall the last couple of games because we didn't make those easy buckets early. We'd go into halftime missing 20 layups and that's 40 points that were leaving out there. Tonight, we only had three misses going into the half. That helps us tremendously and opens up things for our shooters later in the game," Tuttle said.

There was a solid crowd that filled Steer Gym and even a few of Tuttle's old players that he used to coach came to watch his team in action.

"I appreciate those guys. They've been wanting to come and watch the Lady Steers play. I'm just so glad that some old players, girls and guys, came out tonight to support the Lady Steers," he said.

Now, the Lady Steers will be looking to take the momentum from Tuesday night's win and bring it to the hardwood the next time they play.

UP NEXT: The Lady Steers (3-4) will host the Pecos Lady Eagles on Friday night at Steer Gym (7:30 p.m.).

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

Showtime Steers win third straight, 75-19 over Grape Creek



HERALD File Photo

Kaegen Mitchell guards an inbounds pass against Andrews. Mitchell led Big Spring with 17 points last night on the road.

By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Showtime Steers dominated the competition on the road Tuesday night for a 75-19 victory over the Grape Creek Eagles.

Kaegen Mitchell led Big Spring with 17 points and he was one of three Steers to score in double digits. Gavin Padron added 11 points of his own and Gavin Greathouse accounted for 10 points. In all, 12 Big Spring players recorded at least two points on a night where they played without an injured Kyler Seymour.

Head Coach Kris Hise was pleased with the selfless way his team played and was thrilled with the strong defense his team played that converted into points on the offensive end.

"I thought that we distributed the ball pretty evenly," Hise said. "When Kyler

is in there, they can focus on him and know that he's going to get some shots up. I think we distributed pretty evenly last night though, which made us a little bit harder to guard. In the end, it really wasn't our offense that led to the points. Our defense played strong and that led to most of our points."

The Steers are now 3-1 on the season and riding a three-game win streak. Since they have had their full roster, Big Spring has not lost a game and looks like a deep and talented team that will only keep improving.

UP NEXT: Big Spring (3-1) will play an undefeated Reagan County (6-0) team on Friday night at home.

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Basketball in a mask? Rare but not unheard of in pandemic

By DOUG FEINBERG
AP Basketball Writer

It is not unusual to see players and coaches wearing masks on the sideline as the college basketball season gets going.

The DePaul and Creighton women's teams have taken it a step further: Their players are wearing masks while they are on the court competing.

"The first week I complained every day, but now it's normal as we wear them every day in practice," said Deja Church, a senior guard for DePaul. "It's kind of normal now. I don't like it, but whatever keeps us and the coaches and everyone safe is what matters most."

The NCAA does not require masks on the court, though it recommends them on the bench along with social distancing guidance for its member schools and other steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19. But masks are still very uncommon in organized basketball and that is unlikely to change.

DePaul coach Doug Bruno said he took the advice of the school's medical staff. His 20th-ranked team has worn masks in every practice since Aug. 7 and played its first two games wearing them.

Creighton coach Jim Flanery said he left it up to his players to decide whether they wanted to wear masks in games. A majority of them are wearing them.

"Our contact tracer has told us it will be impactful in terms of contact tracing and determining whether we'd have to pause if someone on the other team tests positive," Flanery said. "We gave (the players) the information and let them make the decision."

NCAAW Basketball AP Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	South Carolina (29)	3-0	749	-
2	Stanford (1)	1-0	704	-
3	Connecticut	0-0	689	-
4	Baylor	1-0	665	-
5	Louisville	2-0	607	-
6	Mississippi State	1-0	586	-
7	Arizona	1-0	566	-
8	North Carolina St.	2-0	564	-
9	UCLA	1-0	494	-
10	Oregon	1-0	477	-
11	Kentucky	2-0	466	-
12	Texas A&M	2-0	412	13
13	Indiana	1-0	342	16
14	Maryland	2-1	327	12
15	Northwestern	0-0	289	17
16	Arkansas	3-1	265	14
17	Oregon State	1-0	256	18
18	Gonzaga	0-1	193	21
19	Ohio State	1-0	189	20
20	DePaul	0-1	187	19
21	Missouri State	2-1	153	24
22	Syracuse	1-0	142	23
23	Iowa State	1-1	128	15
24	Michigan	2-0	110	25
25	Texas	2-0	65	NR

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4	Wisconsin	2-0	1,287	7
5	Illinois	3-0	1,281	8
6	Duke	1-0	1,185	9
7	Kansas	1-1	1,169	6
8	Michigan State	2-0	1,028	13
9	Creighton	1-0	981	11
10	Houston	3-0	949	17
11	West Virginia	3-0	943	15
12	Villanova	2-1	939	3
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15	Virginia	1-1	581	4
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19	Richmond	2-0	382	NR
20	Kentucky	1-1	363	10
21	Oregon	0-0	338	20
22	Florida State	0-0	304	21
23	Ohio State	2-0	282	-
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25	Arizona State	2-1	233	18

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

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Early Days of Mercury in Sagittarius

ARIES (March 21-April 19). New relationships have their own special magic, a spark that can largely be created by our fantasies of who we want people to be and who we want ourselves to be.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Of all the notable sounds you'll hear during the day, the two you'll enjoy most will be your name on the lips of a delightful someone and the low din of life in the distance, uninterrupted by anything that requires your attention.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Wanting a particular outcome too badly makes you less aware of the nuances of timing. Help yourself play it cool by doing what it takes to return to a state of relaxed neutrality.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It seems like with sufficient evidence to make your point, the others would concede without drama. It is not so, as everyone has their own opinion about the evidence. The only way to reduce drama is to drop out of the fight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Items in your everyday life get out of control, seeming to have lives of their own or decaying in some way before your eyes. When the back of the closet and the refrigerator are decluttered, so will be your mind.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The easiest people to be around today will be neither re-

lated to you nor reminiscent of anyone from your original family. You'll see another side of yourself because they do.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The anchors of life are very useful and can keep you from drifting, emotionally or otherwise, to parts unknown. But you're supposed to lower them when the ship is at rest, not en route.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). With the internet alive and eager with information, you have to be a little judicious about what you ask. There are things you really don't want to know. Once you learn, you cannot unlearn, so go carefully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You like the look of the situation and now it's time to do a deeper dive. Is there substance here to match? If there is, then you'll know within 10 questions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You cannot develop yourself and ignore yourself at the same time. You are a reliable entity who must be listened to, first by you. Put self-approval before validation from others, and then act on what you approve of.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Certain individuals seem crystalized against the truths you hold so dear. On the bright side, if it were not the case, you wouldn't have nearly the drive to explore, practice and celebrate this important part of who you are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You would rather do the listening than the talking, but what's out there to listen to today will either be too quiet to hear or, quite frankly, not worth listening to. Take this as an invitation. The world needs your contribution.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 2). Your social grace is admirable to many and a talent you can rely on. You'll intuit when to step forward and when to step back, and in doing so, you'll create a beautiful dance of relationships. A much-needed break from work will come with once-in-a-lifetime experiences. A decision in February increases family closeness. Leo and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 32, 16, 3, 39

and 4.

COSMIC QUESTION: "Does he love me? He is a Gemini, and I am a Leo. Early on, I manipulated him into saying he loved me because I felt that I didn't want to be with someone who didn't love me. Now, how can I trust he really loves me and doesn't just say it because I made it a deal breaker?"

If he gave you something you wanted because he wanted to keep you, then was that not a token of love? Maybe he has baggage around the words "I love you," and yet, he spoke them anyway for you. Now that you've decided that the means didn't justify the end, you require other proof. So, how it is that you would prefer to receive your love? A gesture? A gift? Different words? A physical manifestation of some kind? It might be interesting to explore this in a journal or a conversation with a trusted person, although don't be surprised if you decide on a piece of love's proof, request it, get it and then still don't feel completely loved. In the end, seeking proof of love is just another form of approval seeking, and thus trying to get internal fortification from external means. It never works. The wholeness you seek is accomplished by determining your own set of estimable acts and approving of your process of executing them.

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Annie's Mailbox

Hard to Listen to Friend's Complaints

Dear Annie: My good friend, who happens to be in her 40s, moved back in with her parents over five years ago because of her health and for financial reasons. Her parents have allowed her to live with them and don't require her to pay rent.

My friend is constantly complaining about her mother. She makes her mom out to be one of the worst moms ever. She feels her mom isn't very nice to her and that her mom finds fault in everything that she does. This gets hard to listen to every time we're together.

Her parents are in their late 70s and early 80s. Perhaps her mom just wants to enjoy being retired together with her husband -- to not have to take care of, or tiptoe around, a daughter who doesn't appreciate what she

has done for her.

I would love to say these things to my friend, but I am afraid she won't take it well from me. I really think she would have a better relationship with her mom if she moved out. What do you think? -- Concerned Friend

Dear Concerned Friend: You are probably correct that some distance between your adult friend and her mother might be a good thing for their relationship. If she is really a good friend, and you are concerned about her unhappiness, then suggest that she move out. In the end, it is up to your friend and her mother to communicate better and try and live in peace.

However, you do not have to allow her to complain about her mom every time you are together. Next time you are with her and she starts to share

negative commentary about her mom, let her know that you appreciate her being open with but you're wanting to talk about more positive topics. Focusing on the positive doesn't discount the difficult, though it can remind us of the good.

You don't need to stay in these toxic conversations. The best thing you can do is be patient with your friend, but don't let her dump all of her negativity onto you. And encourage her to seek the help of a professional. We all need to share our feelings, and a counselor or therapist can offer an empathetic ear.

Dear Annie: Online romance scammers are a real problem, and I have a few suggestions for how to detect them and how to deal with them.

Typically, they write sweet nothings and paint themselves as

perfect. Some dead giveaways are that they don't answer your questions, and they use poor grammar and punctuation in their typing. Their "sweet speeches" are probably copied and pasted over many times. Very often, they are from out of state or even out of the country.

If you are suspicious of someone on a dating site, then ask him to take a selfie and send it to you. He probably won't do it. If he refuses, report him to the dating website. I've done this several times. He'll be off the site tomorrow. -- Seen It Before

Dear Seen It Before: Thank you for your suggestions. I hope your insights will help others in similar situations.

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EAST
♠96
♥10864
♦52
♣107652

SOUTH
♠K8432
♥—
♦KQ976
♣AJ3

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Dble Pass Pass
2♦ Pass Pass (!) Pass

Opening lead — king of hearts.
Not many members realized at first how little Sylvia knew when she started to play with the experts at the club. But it didn't take the cognoscenti long to discover the vast areas of ignorance in Sylvia's game, nor did it take them very long to try to take advantage of her shortcomings.
While it may be that all's fair in love and war, I always had reservations about the propriety of some players at the club who psyched against Sylvia. She had such an extraordinary talent for doing the wrong thing that it seemed to me they

should have left well enough alone instead of trying to make things even more complicated for her.
But there were times when such tactics boomeranged against the perpetrators. One of her first great triumphs occurred on this deal when Sylvia (East) was playing against two of the more larcenous members of the club.
South bid a spade, and West doubled. North, who could smell a psychic a mile away, assumed his partner was throwing a curve, and he passed. Sylvia, who couldn't tell the difference between a takeout double and a Wiener schnitzel, thought her hand was too weak to bid, so she also passed.
South assumed the spades were all banked against him and so ran to two diamonds. West passed, and North, having first congratulated himself on diagnosing the opening spade bid as a psychic — apparently confirmed by his partner's runout to two diamonds — also passed. Sylvia then closed the auction with a pass.
You never did hear such a ruckus as took place after South saw the dummy and realized he was playing in two diamonds when six spades was practically laydown.
Sylvia never quite understood why he squawked so much, since South wound up making his partscore with two overtricks.

Tomorrow: Happy ending.
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Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:
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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8	9	4	6	3	7	2	2	9
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2	9	7	8	9	6	3	1	4
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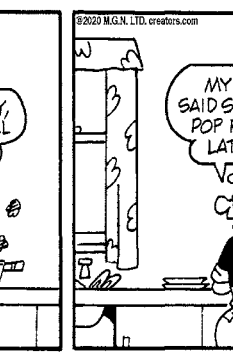
ANSWER:

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PM	News	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7	El domo del dinero (SS)	News	Cowgirl	Xavier	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Seinfeld							
30	Wheel	Te day la vida	The Masked Singer (DVS)	ET	88th Annual Christmas in Rockefeller	News	Israel	Molly	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Big Bang							
PM	Gold	Amor eterno	SEAL Team	Todo por mi hija	Light of Southwest	Light of Southwest	Arthur	Dateline	Coroner	Big Bang	Big Bang							
30	Conners	Como tú no hay dos	FOX 24 News at 9	SEAL Team	Falsa identidad (SS)	Christmas	Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	Seinfeld	Big Bang							
30	For Life (DVS)	Noticiero	TMZ	CBS 7	Tele	News	News	Pink	Friends	Creek	Conan							
PM	Big 2	Noticiero	Mom	Late Show-C Colbert	Noticias	Tonight Show	Words of Dr. Wil	Sesame	CBS 7	Gold	Seinfeld							
30	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Contacto deportivo	Funny	James Corden	Alias JJ	Seth Meyers	Issues4	Tiger	Jokers	Gold	Conan							
AM	Nightline	Inocente de ti	Simpsons	Drew Barrymore	Caso	Late-Lilly	Jesus IS	Nature	Forensic	Steve Wilkos Show	New Girl							
30	Extra	Papá a toda madre	Pawn	Dr. Carras	Programa	Inside Ed.	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Jerry Springer	Outdoor	New Girl							
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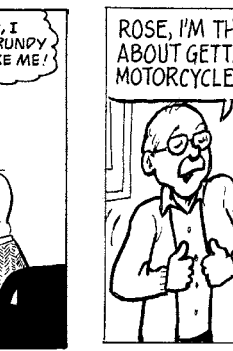
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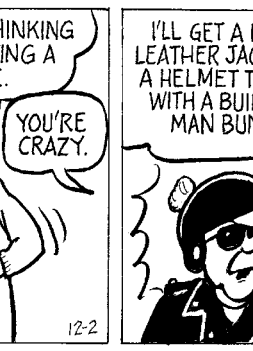
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Wednesday, Dec. 2, the 337th day of 2020. There are 29 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 2, 1982, in the first operation of its kind, doctors at the University of Utah Medical Center implanted a permanent artificial heart in the chest of retired dentist Dr. Barney Clark, who lived 112 days with the device.
On this date:
In 1804, Napoleon crowned himself Emperor of the French.
In 1816, the first savings bank in the United States, the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, opened for business.
In 1823, President James Monroe outlined his doctrine opposing European expansion in the Western Hemisphere.
In 1859, militant abolitionist John Brown was hanged for his raid on Harpers Ferry the previous October.
In 1942, an artificially created, self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction was demonstrated for the first time at the University of Chicago.
In 1954, the U.S. Senate passed, 67-22, a resolution condemning Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., saying he had "acted contrary to senatorial ethics and tended to bring the Senate into dishonor and disrepute."
In 1957, the Shippingport Atomic Power Station in Pennsylvania, the first full-scale commercial nuclear facility in the U.S., began operations. (The reactor ceased operating in 1982.)
In 1970, the newly created Environmental Protection Agency opened its doors under its first director, William D. Ruckelshaus.
In 1980, four American churchwomen were raped and murdered in El Salvador. (Five national guardsmen were convicted in the killings.)
In 1993, Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar was shot to death by security forces in Medellin (meh-

deh-YEEN').
In 2000, Al Gore sought a recount in South Florida, while George W. Bush flatly asserted, "I'm soon to be the president" and met with GOP congressional leaders. Actor Gail Fisher died in Culver City, Calif. at age 65.
In 2016, 36 people died when fire erupted in an illegally converted warehouse in Oakland, California, during a dance party.
Ten years ago: The House voted, 333-79, to censure Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., for financial and fundraising misconduct; it was only the 23rd time that the House had invoked its most serious punishment short of expulsion. LeBron James scored 38 points to lead the visiting Miami Heat to a 118-90 victory over the host Cleveland Cavaliers; it was James' first game back in the city where he had played for seven years before leaving via free agency.
Five years ago: A couple loyal to the Islamic State group opened fire at a holiday banquet for public employees in San Bernardino, California, killing 14 people and wounding 21 others before dying in a shootout with police.
One year ago: The House's impeachment report on President Donald Trump was unveiled behind closed doors for key lawmakers. Montana Gov. Steve Bullock ended his Democratic presidential campaign; he was the third Western governor to fail to gain traction in the race. Chicago's retiring police chief, Eddie Johnson, was fired in connection with an incident in which he had been found asleep at the wheel of his car. As representatives from nearly 200 countries gathered in Madrid for a two-week meeting on tackling global warming, U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres

urged countries not to give up in the fight against climate change.
Today's Birthdays: Former Attorney General Edwin Meese III is 89. Former Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., is 81. Actor Cathy Lee Crosby is 76. Movie director Penelope Spheeris is 75. Actor Ron Raines is 71. Country singer John Wesley Ryles is

70. Actor Keith Szarabajka is 68. Actor Dan Butler is 66. Broadcast journalist Stone Phillips is 66. Actor Dennis Christopher is 65. Actor Steven Bauer is 64. Country singer Joe Henry is 60. Rock musician Rick Savage (Def Leppard) is 60. Actor Brendan Coyle is 57. Rock musician Nate Mendel (Foo Fighters) is

52. Actor Suzy Nakamura is 52. Actor Rena Sofer is 52. Rock singer Jimi (cq) HaHa (Jimmie's Chicken Shack) is 52. Actor Lucy Liu (loo) is 52. Rapper Treach (Naughty By Nature) is 50. Actor Joe Lo Truglio is 50. International Tennis Hall of Famer Monica Seles is 47. Singer Nelly Furtado is 42. Pop

singer Britney Spears is 39. Actor-singer Jana Kramer is 37. Actor Yvonne Orji is 37. Actor Daniela Ruah (roo-ah) is 37. NFL quarterback Aaron Rodgers is 37. Actor Alfred Enoch is 32. Pop singer-songwriter Charlie Puth is 29. Actors Deanna and Daniella Carterman are 28.

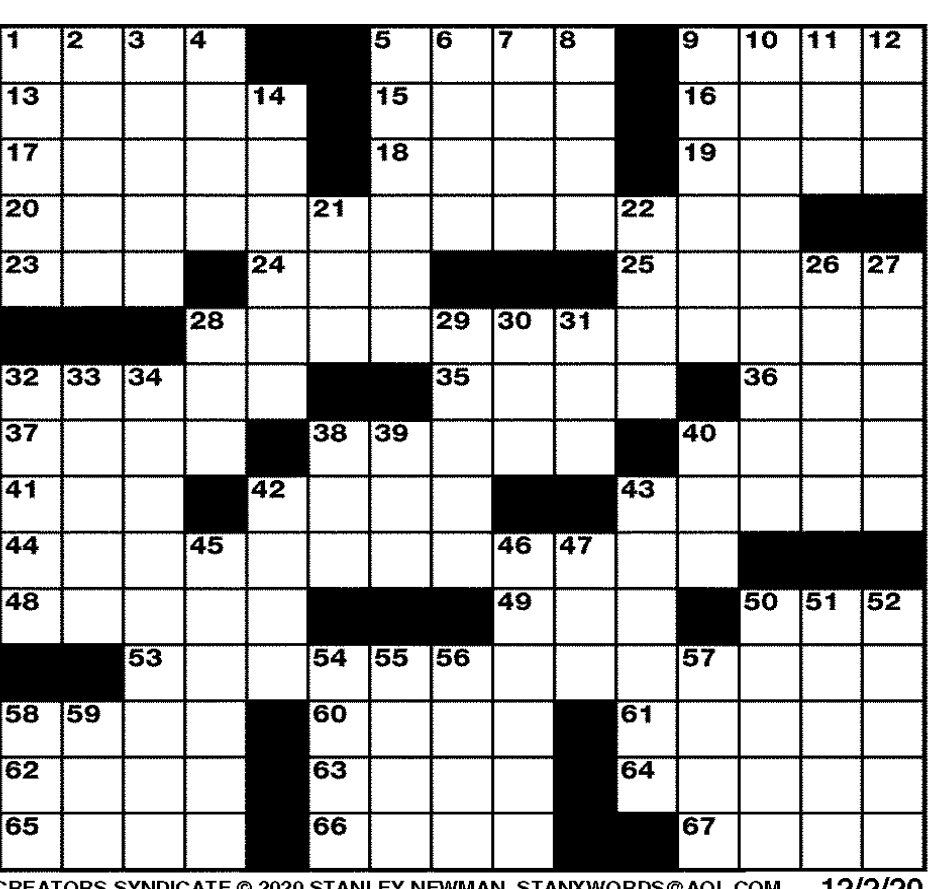
Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
1 "Dam it!"
5 Polka __ (fabric pattern)
9 Farmland measure
13 Be victorious in
15 Cleveland's lake
16 Place on display
17 Farming student, informally
18 Vampire novelist
19 Walk through water
20 Thrilling carnival ride
23 Move to and __
24 Twosome
25 Poe's middle name
28 Romantic carnival ride
32 Metallic envelope closer
35 Highly skilled
36 Drag from behind
37 Holder of small spice jars
38 1, 5, or 9
40 Suffix for kitchen
41 Well chosen, as words
42 Julius Caesar garment
43 Villain's smile
44 Horsy carnival ride
48 Take a nap
49 Federal code-cracking org.
50 Dreadful
53 Watery carnival ride
58 San __ (Silicon Valley city)
60 "That's funny!"
61 Boxing wins
62 Vicinity
63 Yoked beasts

- 64 Slither like a snake
65 Toward the left, on a map
66 Neighbory
67 Singles in a wallet
DOWN
1 Sneezy or Bashful
2 Severity, as of rules
3 __-Saxon
4 End of a kite
5 Minister's helper
6 "Simple question, yes __?"
7 Fey of 30 Rock
8 Takes a look at
9 Additionally
10 EB White's spider
11 Fishing stick
12 Lamb's mom
14 Prepared to drive a golf ball
21 Seek office
22 President after Teddy Roosevelt
26 Take __ (decide on democratically)
27 More recent
28 "For shame!"
29 Poe's first name
30 Hawaiian garland
31 Poet's "frequently"
32 Packs in tightly
33 Tuxedo's collar fold
34 Some "Best" Oscar winners
38 Pet that growls

- 39 "It's my turn now"
40 Conclusion
42 Keyboarding mistake
43 Chips, pretzels, etc.
45 Get leftovers ready
46 In stock
47 Find a purpose for
50 Pay to participate
51 Make amends
52 Where office workers work
54 "In that case, sure"
55 Car to hail
56 At that time
57 Angelic ring
58 Lower part of the face
59 Mined mineral



Answer to previous puzzle
SPEW IBET FLARE
ALTO NERO RAGED
SEAL BAIL ERODE
HALFPOUND EGGNO
ERS CUE
TROJAN LEAPFROG
RECUR SOWS RUTH
ITEM RIVET INTO
ARAB OLES METES
DONOGOOD RESORT
SUM SON
BATHS HAMBURGER
UBOAT OREO YOYO
FLUIKE SEAT ANEW
FETIED EARS AISS
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