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Get your gaming on ... Esports monthly tournaments kick off

Upcoming Events

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County Christmas Grocery distribution
 Dec. 12
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 10 a.m.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

Let the games begin ... Big Spring Esports is hosting Battle of the Bands this week, beginning today through Friday. The competition will run all week, with funds being divided between the Big Spring Band and the Esports league/Generation Esports.

"This competition came to fruition because Generation Esports values arts and music, and they realize it is a difficult time for both of

those right now during the pandemic," Amber Griffith, E-Sports Coach and English teacher at BSISD, said. "This is a competition that can be taken part in at your own home. Generation Esports feels that even during a pandemic we can play video games together, apart."

Any Big Spring High School student can take part in the competition and in doing so will receive a glimpse into the competitive world of gaming.

"When it comes to competi-

tive gaming there are rules, structure and it is an entirely different level of play that some people are unaware of," Griffith said. "It's also an opportunity for me to see how they in consideration for the Esports teams."

She continued, "However, if they don't have the time to be on our team, this tournament is a great/flexible way to participate. Everyone always says there is nothing fun to do in Big Spring; this

is a fun and different school activity that not only supports our Pride Drive, but it allows students to show off their gaming skills."

Those wanting to enter the competition can do so for a

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Operation Love Letter is accepting letters to be distributed to area nursing home residents. Drop off locations are located throughout town.

City offices available by appointment or electronic communication only

Chamber of Commerce Annual Toy Drive
 Deadline: Dec. 10

Angel Trees are out in the community.
 Deadline: Dec. 15 for angel adoption.

Christmas Tree Forest is open at Heritage Museum.



State National Bank announces Employee of the Year 2020

Special to the Herald

Debra Friesen, a teller in the Lamesa Branch of the State National Bank, has just been named the bank's Employee of the Year. "When my name was called I was in shock. It was just an honor to be nominated," says Debra. "It made me feel good." Her co-workers agreed on the choice. "They were nearly as excited as I was."



Courtesy photo

Debra is barely 21 years old and when she started working at the bank 2 years ago it was the first job she had ever had, unless you count helping her dad with the cotton harvest after graduating from Lamesa High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society and played volleyball and basketball. "We went to Regionals two years in a row."

State National Bank recognized the Employee of the Year for 2020. This year's recognition was awarded to Debra Friesen.

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COVID-19 UPDATE

Scenic Mountain Medical Center has reported:

- 23 Covid-19 positive patients
- 6 in ICU & 4 vents

Hospital capacity is full for Covid-19 patients and 75% full for regular in-patients

SMMG & SMMC Testing through 12/7:

- 2,097 tests
- 558 positives for 26.6% positivity rate

For the month of December, 161 patients have tested of which 48 were positive for a rate of 29.8% positivity. No tests are pending.

Howard County has reported:

- 2,223 positive cases
- 43 Covid-19 fatalities
- 1,513 recoveries
- 667 active cases

*SMMC provided numbers for in-house patients/SMMG testing since the onset of Covid-19; info obtained from Texas Health Department website

Salvation Army served more than 750 meals for Thanksgiving, looking to serve more at Christmas



Courtesy photo

In addition to the Angel Tree angels, the Salvation Army - through the support of the community - delivers food boxes for the holidays to help ensure families are able to enjoy a Christmas meal.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

The Salvation Army has wrapped up the Thanksgiving holiday and is in gear for the Christmas holiday. With the support of numerous volunteers, the Salvation Army was able to

distribute 751 meals, which is 250 meals than last year. "We knew the need would be greater with everything that has happened," Lt. Charlise Godwin, said. "We are thankful we were able to support this many people this year, and are so appreciative of the support from our volunteers who made it possible to meet this need."

Volunteers, along with the Salvation Army Lieutenants Ben and Charlise, gathered up the meals and set out on Thanksgiving Day to ensure families across Howard County were able to enjoy a

warm meal for the holiday. "In my deliveries, an 87 year old man, Richard, opened the door and asked if I would come into his house to bring his meal. He informed me that he lived alone, and he wouldn't have a Thanksgiving meal unless we delivered it to him. I was quickly reminded why we do what we do," Lt. Ben Godwin said.

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Obituaries

Tomas Nava Sanchez

Tomas Nava Sanchez, 74, of Big Spring passed away on Dec. 2, 2020.

Due to the pandemic, the family has decided to have private services.

Tomas enjoyed studying global geography and had a passion for politics. He loved supporting his local government associations and being on the road.

Tomas Nava Sanchez is survived by his daughters, Yolanda Perez and husband Daniel, and Blanca Sanchez and partner Gilbert Pego Recio; his son,



Thomas Sanchez Jr. and wife Candace; his grandson, Steele Sanchez; his granddaughters, Danielle Sanchez and partner Johnny Rios, Jasmine Grosse, and Chloe Sanchez; his sisters Margarita Yanez and Lucila Sanchez; and his multiple nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Epifanio Hernandez Sanchez and Consuelo Nava; and his brothers, Francisco Sanchez and Emilano Sanchez.

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

Paid Obituary

Margie Barron

Margie Barron, 93, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020.

A vigil will be on Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2020, at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Grave-side service will be Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020, at 10 a.m. at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Margie was born on Aug. 14, 1927, in Ft. Worth. She lived in Big Spring for eight years and was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Margie loved to help people. She was great at communicating with others, especially if they were in need. She was always happy with a big smile on her face.

Margie is survived by her son: Augustine (Augie) Garcia and beloved daughter-in-law, Mina Garcia, of Big Spring.

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

Paid Obituary

Billy Jack Darden

Billy Jack Darden, 83, of Midland, formerly of Coahoma, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020. The family will receive friends from 12 p.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday Dec. 10 at First Baptist Church in Coahoma. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. following the visitation. Brother David Newton, associate pastor of Crossroads Fellowship will be officiating, with burial at the Coahoma cemetery.

Billy Jack was born March 5, 1937 in Big Spring, Texas to Jack and Lena Darden. He married Jeanie Bobo, May 31, 1958. He began his career with Star Pipeline and later with Fiberglass Specialist company. He loved Jesus, his family, fishing and football. Billy Jack enjoyed visiting and always had a story or two. His grandkids called him Papa Jack. He and Jeanine enjoyed watching their grandkids play sports. He enjoyed singing as well.

He was a member of Crossroads Fellowship in Odessa. Billy Jack married Carolyn Touchstone,



March 14, 2020 at Crossroads Fellowship.

He is survived by his wife: Carolyn Darden of Midland; son Billy Joe Darden of Midland; 3 grandchildren: Brandi Rice and her husband Shannon of Midland, Blake Darden and his wife Lori of Spring Branch, Bryan Darden of Austin; great grandchildren; Kayleigh Rice, Tristen Rice, Hunter Darden, Addison Darden, Aleah Darden and Bodie Darden. Many nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife Jeannie, granddaughter-in-law Hanna Darden; three brothers, G.A., Joe, Aubrey and one sister Francis.

Pallbearers are Blake Darden, Bryan Darden, Shannon Rice, Tristen Rice, Hunter Darden, Adam Norris and Todd Darden.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church of Coahoma or Crossroads Fellowship in Odessa, Texas.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral home.

Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid obituary

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Apron Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Heaton Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3800 block of Piper Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

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

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of W. 9th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **GRASS FIRE** was reported in the 1600 block of E. Thire Drive. The fire was contained.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report.

• **MICHAEL JOHN ARCHIBALD**, 62, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

• **PAUL LEE BERRINGER**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **GABRIEL RAY BOMAR**, 24, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault with deadly weapon.

• **ALEXANDRA DIANE BOSLEY**, 18, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of aggravated assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

• **JACOREION KEYUNDR** CAMPBELL, 17, was arrested by BSPD on charges of hindering officers discharging of duties and resist arrest search or transport.

• **BILLY JOE CHAVERA**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on charges of unauthorized use of vehicle and public intoxication.

• **CARL EDWARD DUHAMEL**, 43,

was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication, injury to child, and violation of bond/protective order.

• **JAYLYN GAGE HERNANDEZ**, 20, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

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

• **BENNY DWAYNE LOFTON**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and failure to appear.

• **CODY JAMES MATTESON**, 33, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causes bodily injury.

• **JASON C. RODRIGUEZ**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **CHRISTOPHER M. SANDOVAL**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of unlawful restraint.

• **AARON CHRISTOPHER VERA**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance penalty group two (greater than or equal to four grams less than 400 grams).

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Meet-n-Greet set for Dec. 10 at 6 p.m.

Herald Staff Report

A meet and greet will be taking place for Precinct One.

Newly elected County Commissioner for Pct. 1, Eddilisa Ray is hosting the event on Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. at Prairie View Baptist, located at 1004 W. FM 2230.

During the meet and greet there will be an opportunity to discuss the future of Precinct 1.

A special guest speaker, Brian Klinksiek, Road and Bridges Engineer, will also be at the event to discuss information.

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Obituary

Ryan Fite

Ryan Fite was 19 years old. On Dec. 4, 2020 everything changed. He became a cherished memory which will never vanish. Instead of a light fading, he became a burning flare of warmth felt by all. Ryan's reach stretched far beyond the walls of his home. Beyond his enormous circle of friends. Past the limits of love. He left an impression on countless people. He will never be for-



gotten by those who knew him, and they will never not feel the impact he left and still has on them. Ryan was born in Wichita Falls, Texas on Aug. 14, 2001. Before his first year, he and his father, James moved to Big Spring, Texas, to be closer to family. Later in life, his father would introduce him to Amanda, who he would eventually refer to as "my mom" to people. Ryan also met 3-year-old Alyssa who would latch onto him as his little sister. James and Amanda married, and a family of four was formed. He attended Big Spring High where band was life. He played percussion and loved everything about it. He graduated in 2019, and even after high school, would go to any and ev-

everything where he could watch his successors in band play. Ryan had several families besides James, Amanda, and Alyssa. He was welcomed in many of his friend's homes, where he would take off to for sometimes days. No one worried because he was always with "family" no matter where he was. Ryan had no problem saying, "I love you" and following through by showing that love. If he knew you, then you were genuinely cared about. Everything about Ryan... his heart, his impact, his reach... is infinite. Because of that, Ryan will not be forgotten. Instead, he will be forever. Survivors include his parents, James and Amanda Fite; his sister Alyssa Wellner; a brother Matthew

Carrasco; grandparents Don and Ann Fite, Lisa Kennedy, Edward Carrasco; and many other loving family members and even more friends. Ryan was preceded in death by his birth mother, Brianne Carrasco. Ryan will lie in state Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2020, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Mt. Olive Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

AWARD

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In addition to her position as teller, she helps out in other areas like new accounts and bookkeeping.

"I do a little bit of everything." She feels she has found a home at State National. "It's a really good place to work. I like my co-workers and my bosses," she says. Debra lives with her parents, loves enchiladas and the TV show Grey's Anatomy. When she has a

chance, she goes snowboarding in Santa Fe or Ru-doso. "It looked like something I'd like to try, so I got into it. I go two or three times a year."

GAME

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small entry fee of \$5. This is the first of a series of competitions that will take place on a monthly basis between now and May 2021. All students are encouraged to

sign up and join the competition. Games offered are NBA2K, Madden2K, Rocket League, Super Smash Brothers Ultimate and Mario Kart. "This competition is a National Tournament and we will actually be competing against other schools," she said. "Over the four

days of play, there are 24 different opportunities to get in their three games. The more wins we have as a school, the better." To find out more information or to get signed up, contact Amber Griffith at the Big Spring High School.

MEAL

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"There were probably many others with a story similar to Richard's, and that's why this day is so important." In addition to the volunteers who helped serve and delivery meals, from the Salvation Army, Al's and Sons BBQ handled smoking the turkeys that were used to prepare the meals. In addition, Zeno Office Solutions continued their support and once again made a huge impact. Each meal consisted of turkey, ham, stuffing, mashed potatoes, corn, green bean and a slice of pumpkin pie. "We are so grateful for our volunteers year round, but especially at the holidays when the need seems to be so much greater," Lt. Charlise Godwin said. Now that Thanksgiving is behind us, the Salvation Army is focusing on Christmas. Angel Trees have been set out around town and angels are ready to be adopted. Those wanting to adopt an angel this year need to have their gifts turned into the Salvation Army by Dec. 11. This year, we, also, have over 500 "angels" to provide Christmas gifts for this

year, seniors and children under the age of 13. In addition, the Red Kettles have also been placed and the bells are ringing. "We are still needing volunteers to help ring the bells this year," Lt. Charlise Godwin said. "The Red Kettles will be out from now until Christmas Eve. All these funds help support the Angel Tree and holiday projects. This is the largest fundraiser of the year for the Salvation Army." She continued, "The great thing is every penny that is dropped in the Red Kettles stays right here in Howard County and provides support in our own community."

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

Margie Barron, 93, died Thursday. A Rosary will be at 7:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside service will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

H. D. Lopez, 70, died Monday. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Maria De La Garza, 74, died Wednesday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Monday with a Vigil Service at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Arthur Yanez, 65, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith

Funeral Home. Josefa Salgado, 88, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home

Sylvia Polanco, 77, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Lenora Mancha, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Marvin Patterson, 95, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Billy Jack Darden, 83, died Sunday. The family will receive friends Thursday from Noon until 2:00 PM at the First Baptist Church in Coahoma followed by his funeral service at 2:00 PM at First Baptist Church of Coahoma with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

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5. All entries must be received by the Big Spring Herald by 5 pm on Monday, December 14, 2020. Winners will be published in the Sunday, December 20, 2020 edition.
7. Decision of judges is final.
8. Employees of the Big Spring Herald and contest sponsors are not eligible to win.
9. All submissions become property of the Big Spring Herald and may be published accordingly.

Big Spring sweeps competition in Dual Meet against Abilene High & Pampa

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Swim Team participated in another Double Dual swim meet last Saturday afternoon in Abilene. The participating schools included Abilene High, Big Spring, and Pampa. It was a meet that the Steers dominated by sweeping both opponents in all three categories. Big Spring's boys defeated Abilene High (68.00 - 65.00) and Pampa (94.00 - 14.00). The Big Spring girls turned in a similar strong performance by also defeating Abilene High (85.00 - 37.00) and Pampa (75.00 - 42.00). In the combined category, Big Spring earned a hard-fought win over Abilene (153.00 - 102.00) and crushed Pampa (169.00 - 56.00).

"We have a lot of talent this year from experienced swimmers who have been competing since they were in Junior High, and we have a few who swam before that," Head Coach Randall Shaw said. "I feel that this is potentially the best team we have had in the past 10 years. The main difference this season is that we have been allowed in the pool. In years past we have had to wait two or three months while pool repairs were made."

Those repairs are now finished and the Big Spring facility has been given all the practice time that they can handle this year.

"Aside from having a pool, we are allowed more time to practice," Shaw continued. "We have been allowed to have two a days for the first time, and that has made a huge impact on our skill, speed, and endurance in the water. We have increased our workload by as much as two thousand yards more a day. When you increase the workload like that and include the talent we have, it makes a huge difference in our ability to compete."

The following are the complete results for Big Spring's swimmers from the Double Dual last Saturday in Abilene:

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 first-place with a total time of 2:27.05. They defeated the relay team from Abilene by almost 20 seconds (2:46.50) to claim victory.

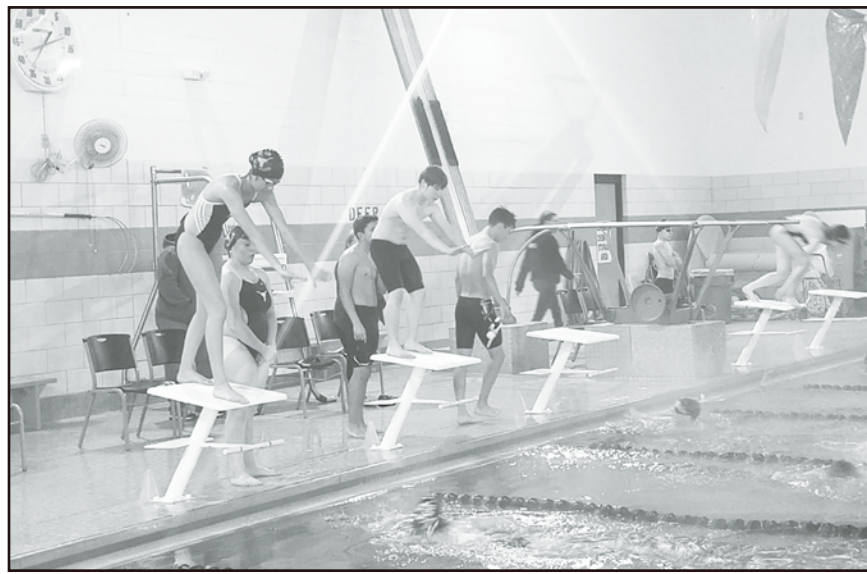
In the Boys' 200 Yard Medley Relay, the group of sophomore David Summers, sophomore Ismael Castillo, senior Manuel Castillo, and sophomore Smith Cate finished in second-place with a total time of 2:07.84. They finished just slightly behind the team from Abilene High (2:03.52) as the Big Spring relay team continues to improve in this race.

In the Girls' 200 Yard Freestyle, sophomore Jayda Overton finished in first (2:59.35) and freshman Katherine Greene finished right behind her in second (3:07.86). Big Spring freshman Christian Pantoja-Strickland also finished in first-place in the Boys' 200 Yard Freestyle (2:34.04).

Sophomore David Summers finished in second-place in the Boys' 200-Yard IM (2:52.12), while no female Big Spring swimmer participated in that particular event.

Three Lady Steer swimmers finished in the top five spots for the Girls' 50 Yard Freestyle. Sophomore Malaki Vaughn finished in second (29.65), freshman Arely Cruz-Garcia finished third (30.95), and freshman Steffany Pina Arment (40.78).

In the Boys' 50 Yard Freestyle, Manuel Castillo was the top performer for the Steers and finished second with a final time of 25.70 seconds. His time was less than one second behind the winning swimmer from Abilene High (24.80). Meanwhile, sophomore Ismael Castillo finished third (31.18), sophomore Toby Phillips finished fifth (32.11), sophomore Carson Millsap finished sixth (32.90), freshman Ethan Barker finished seventh (35.01),



Courtesy Photo

Swimmers line up to take some practice laps before the races on Saturday's Dual Meet in Abilene.

and freshman Matthew Nieves placed ninth (36.88).

Sophomore Naomi Reyes took home the gold in the Girls' 100 Yard Butterfly (1:29.15) while freshman Katherine Greene took home the silver (1:38.39). In the Boys' 100 Yard Butterfly, senior Manuel Castillo also finished in first-place (1:05.50).

Sophomore Malaki Vaughn was the top finisher for Big Spring in the Girls' 100-Yard Freestyle when she raced her way to a second-place finish (1:08.04). Sophomore Jayda Overton finished in fourth-place (1:19.28) and freshman Brooklynne Heffle finished in seventh-place (1:22.89).

Sophomore Smith Cate finished second in the Boys' 100 Yard Freestyle with a time of 1:01.65. Sophomore Toby Phillips placed in fifth (1:13.45) and sophomore Carson Millsap finished directly behind him in sixth (1:21.67).

Christian Pantoja-Strickland finished in second-place in the Boys' 500 Yard Freestyle (6:55.95), while teammate Arely Cruz-Garcia finished first in the Girls' 500 Yard Freestyle (7:19.62).

The group of Vaughn, Cruz-Garcia, Overton, and Reyes took home the gold in the Girls' 200 Yard Freestyle Relay with a total time of 2:12.83. In the Boys' 200 Yard Freestyle Relay, the quartet of Summers, Pantoja-Strickland, Cate, and Manuel Castillo finished in second-place (1:52.55) behind the team from Abilene High.

Heffle finished in first-place in the Girls' 100 Yard Backstroke with a time of 1:39.22. Cate (2nd, 1:18.65), Summers (3rd, 1:18.82), and Barker (6th, 1:43.47) all placed in the Top Six of the Boys' 100 Yard Backstroke.

Naomi Reyes finished in first-place in the Girls' 100 Yard Breaststroke (1:29.52) as she continues to dominate that race. Pina Arment finished in fifth-place of the same event (1:55.37). On the Boys' side, Ismael Castillo (2nd, 1:35.07) and Nieves (3rd, 1:48.75) finished one after the other.

Lastly, the grouping of

Overton, Heffle, Pina Arment and Greene finished in third-place in the Girls' 400 Yard Freestyle Relay (5:41.95). On the boys' side, the quartet of Phillips, Pantoja-Strickland, Millsap, and Ismael Castillo took home first (5:13.90).

The Steers are continuing to improve as a team and are putting together a string of strong performances against some tough competition. Big Spring will compete next this weekend when they head to Seminole for a Tri-Meet on Saturday. It will be the swim team's last meet before Winter Break. Shaw's confidence in his team is currently sky-high and Big Spring has a chance to put together a record-setting season with a strong finish.

"This season has been in the works for many years and our success is not accidental," Shaw said. "We are about to take a two week break (after Seminole), then come back and make a final push for the championship part of our season. We look to push the yardage up a little more when we come back from break then set the team up for a good taper season. With a good taper we should be able to peek at the right time in the season and see a lot of big time drops. This is the exciting part of our season and I am predicting unprecedented season finishes for our team."

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

NCAAW Basketball AP Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Stanford (24)	3-0	740	2
2	Louisville (2)	4-0	689	5
3	Connecticut (2)	0-0	675	-
4	NC State (2)	4-0	670	8
5	South Carolina	4-1	647	1
6	Arizona	3-0	605	7
7	Baylor	2-1	552	4
8	Oregon	4-0	525	10
9	Kentucky	4-0	504	11
10	Texas A&M	4-0	463	12
11	UCLA	2-1	452	9
12	Mississippi State	2-1	413	6
13	Arkansas	5-1	409	16
14	Maryland	3-1	342	14
15	Indiana	2-1	304	13
	Oregon State	3-0	304	17
17	Northwestern	0-0	271	15
18	Ohio State	3-0	191	19
19	Michigan	3-0	170	24
20	Syracuse	3-0	169	22
21	Missouri State	2-1	162	-
22	South Dakota State	3-0	104	NR
23	Texas	3-1	69	25
24	DePaul	1-2	63	20
25	Gonzaga	1-2	62	18

RECEIVING VOTES:

South Florida (59), Iowa State (54), North Carolina (38), Arizona State (12), Notre Dame (8), West Virginia (6), Wake Forest (5), Boston College (4), Ohio (4), Georgia (3), Virginia Tech (2)

NCAA Basketball AP Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Gonzaga (54)	3-0	1,518	-
2	Baylor (7)	3-0	1,470	-
3	Iowa	3-0	1,385	-
4	Michigan State	5-0	1,296	8
5	Kansas	4-1	1,195	7
6	Illinois	3-1	1,104	5
7	Houston	4-0	1,090	10
8	Creighton	3-0	1,068	9
9	Villanova	4-1	1,033	12
10	Duke	2-1	954	6
11	West Virginia	4-1	918	11
12	Tennessee	0-0	767	13
13	Wisconsin	3-1	750	4
	Texas	4-1	750	17
15	Virginia Tech	4-0	688	16
16	North Carolina	3-1	547	14
17	Texas Tech	4-1	541	17
18	Virginia	3-1	474	15
19	Richmond	2-0	419	19
20	Florida State	1-0	350	22
21	Rutgers	3-0	293	24
22	Ohio State	3-0	287	23
23	Arizona State	3-1	218	25
24	San Diego State	4-0	123	NR
25	Louisville	4-0	122	NR

RECEIVING VOTES:

Michigan (107), Saint Louis (94), Florida (90), Indiana (40), Oregon (26), Oklahoma State (26), Marquette (22), Missouri (19), UConn (12), Xavier (9), Clemson (7), Alabama (5), Washington State (3), Maryland (2), SMU (1), Oklahoma (1), UCLA (1)

Athletic Support: "Parents who refuse to wear masks to games"

By ELI CRANOR

Special to the Herald

Dear Athletic Support: We just started my daughter's senior basketball season, but things are getting weird already. We've already had to cancel a game due to COVID, and I'm sure it won't be the last. The thing that I'm struggling with right now, though, is how some of the other parents refuse to wear masks when we're in the gym. There are "rules" about this, but they don't seem to matter. I overheard one parent the other night say that we all just need to "toss the masks." This parent wasn't wearing a mask, of course, and none of the school officials did anything about it. He just got to keep sitting there, spreading his germs all across the stands, and no one said anything to him. I was so upset I couldn't even focus on my daughter's game. I just



ELI CRANOR

kept cutting my eyes to the other parents (there were more than just this one guy) who refused to wear a mask. At this point, I'm flabbergasted that anyone could really think masks were the problem. We all want the same thing. We want our daughters

to have a great senior basketball season, but the parents that won't wear their masks are going to be the ones to cause it to come to a screeching halt!

—Wear Your Mask

Dear Mask: One of my favorite books of all time is Stephen Covey's, The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. In this book, Mr. Covey explains what he calls a person's "Circle of Control."

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Bids will be presented to the Commissioner's Court at 3:30 PM December 28th for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Jackie Olson - Howard County Auditor

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♦	K Q 6 5 2	♣	6
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♠	K J 5 4	♥	J 8 7
♦	J 9 8 3	♣	10 4
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♠	Q 7 6	♥	K 9 2
♦	10	♣	Q J 9 7 5 2
SOUTH			
♠	A 10 2	♥	A 6 3
♦	A 7 4	♣	A K 8 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♦ Pass
2 NT Pass 3 NT
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Today's deal from a team event provides a case in point. West led a spade against three notrump, declarer taking his ace on the third round. Nine tricks were assured if the diamonds were divided 3-2, so South cashed the A-K. This revealed the 4-1

break, leaving him with only seven winners.

There was no point in continuing diamonds since the defenders would then be certain to score five tricks (three spades, a diamond and a heart) before declarer could score nine. South therefore turned his attention to the heart suit, cashing the ace and then leading a low heart to the ten (he would have done better to lead a low heart to the ten first). Instead of taking the king, however, which would have given declarer an easy nine tricks, East followed smoothly with the nine!

This left declarer in a quandary. If East actually had the king, the winning play was to continue with a low heart from dummy.

But if West had the K-J remaining, the contract could be made only by crossing to the ace of clubs and cashing the king before leading another heart toward dummy. West could take the king and cash a spade, but since he would have no clubs at that point (presumably having started with four spades, four hearts and four diamonds), he would next have to lead a heart or a diamond to dummy, and finally chose the latter approach. But when he played the A-K of clubs and led a heart, East produced the king and cashed three good clubs to score a well-deserved two-trick set.

Tomorrow: Nowhere to hide.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

The things that go right don't have nearly the scientific value as the ones that go wrong.

That's where the excitement, fun and learning come from. There's nothing that cannot be embraced in this whole day.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You can own the day and still move through negative emotions. Negativity isn't a bane to overcome; rather, it's part of life to process and use. Shade gives the picture dimension.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It will be impossible to dedicate yourself to solving a problem without accidentally solving something for yourself in the process. Everything you give will also be a gift to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Loving people can still harbor secret blame for one another for less-than-ideal outcomes. Though it's true that some of the problems are no fault of your own; it doesn't change what needs to be done about it now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you knew that your whole purpose in an endeavor



or was to lay a launching pad for the next person's rocket, would you still put in the work? Of course, you would, just as your predecessor did for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You see what's around you and glimpses of something a little farther -- enough to tease you into journeying on. Pack fortifications. The distance is more distant than it looks.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If it feels like you're stuck in a spot, then it's only because you are. The good thing is that you noticed. Also, there are about ten easy ways to get out of this and hundreds of more hard ways. You're one phone call away from freedom.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 8). A different kind of life is shaping up for you in 2021 and an agreement will change to better fit new circumstances. It will be so exciting to be asked to do the very thing you enjoy most. Your talent sings and grows. Family needs something new from you, and you'll love what you have to learn in order to provide it. Aquarius and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3,

38, 17, 1 and 49.
COSMIC QUESTION: "I should have married my ex-boyfriend, a Libra I left a decade ago. When I see him and his happy family, gorgeous wife and two adorable children, I am plagued with regret. I'm single. The relationship I broke up with him for lasted less than a year and was with someone terrible. I think about my ex every night and stalk his wife's social media pages. Any advice for a very regretful Sagittarius?"

Regret is a prison cage you make for yourself to punish yourself for past wrongs. It is arguable whether this sort of penal system works in any form, since a detained prisoner is in no position to learn the tools for reform. You can't learn from your mistakes from a cage of regret. The key that imprisons you self-blame. Turn that key the other way and set yourself free.

What if you are not to blame? What if you were not ready for that relationship at that time? What if there were other factors at a play that you're forgetting about now? Could you take a leap of faith in your ability to choose what's right for you? Could you look back at the one who made those decisions 10 years ago and say, "She had her reasons..." and leave it at that? More on this tomorrow.

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ANSWER:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Good news! Elaborate problems will not need elaborate solutions. Simple solutions applied repeatedly to multiple layers will do. Amazing progress will be made with one effective measure repeated hundreds of times.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You don't expect people to read your mind, but it would be nice if they would at least tune into the tone you're using or retain a few words of what you say. Oblivious people may just need to be awakened.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your identity is not a cultural narrative. You may enact aspects of a type; try them on as one would a costume. They're not your real clothes. No single person entirely fits a stereotype, though many fill out aspects of it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Who doesn't love a bouncy ball? You smack it on the ground, and then you're never quite sure what kind of chase will come next. The equivalent of a bouncy ball will be hiding inside one of your tasks of the day.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Being first on the scene will give you multiple advantages. For starters, the silence before the action will be magical. Then it's like the opening credits roll of a movie, rich in foreshadowing with plenty of clues about what's to come.

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Annie's Mailbox

Put a Ring on It

Dear Annie: I have been dating and living with my man now for one and a half years. We are not young; he's 66, and I'm 58. He's been married twice, and both times ended in divorce. I have been married once and am divorced.

When we first got together, we both told each other "no" to getting married again, but now I would like to be his wife. We love each other. But I'm not sure how to go about changing his mind. We both have older kids from our previous marriages.

We have a house together, pay bills together and are doing

great with life. I am wondering how to go about changing his mind so that I could be Wife No. 3. -- Wanting Commitment

Dear Wanting Commitment: If you want commitment, then continue to show your commitment to growing this relationship. (SET ITAL)You(END ITAL) have to open up the conversation. It's not about changing his mind; it's about expressing to your partner how much you love him and that you would like to be joined in marriage. He might be more receptive than you think, especially because your lives together are going so well.

Dear Annie: I read so much in your column about divorce and all the pain, anger and divisiveness that can go with it. It doesn't have to be that way. I have gone through three divorces, but have now been married to my present wife for 16 years. Two of my ex-wives were having extramarital affairs, and the divorces were quite nasty. I had children with all three ex-wives, and it was extremely painful for the kids.

But time has passed, and we have all "buried the hatchet." We are not only civil with each other but are all good friends. In fact, we have gone on several family vacations together. And every holiday -- or birth-

day of a family member -- we celebrate together. Yes, I mean ALL of us! Three ex-wives and their husbands, and all the children, along with my present wife and myself.

Some people may think that is crazy, but my children have thanked us and told us many times how it made their lives so much better. They've seen many of their friends whose parents had gone through a similar bitter divorce, and now the family was completely divided, leaving the children with the dilemma of wondering which parent they were going to spend their birthday, holiday, school program or athletic event with.

All six of my children through these marriages are best friends and get together all the time. They never think of themselves as "half" brothers or sisters.

I give a lot of credit to my present wife. When we were first married, she wasn't happy about the fact that I was friends with my exes, but she quickly realized that they were not a threat to our marriage, and she is now very close friends with them all.

I also give credit to a quote from Mark Twain that made me realize that bitterness and anger weren't the best way to respond to a divorce -- or any

other situation. He said, "Anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured." It doesn't hurt the person you are bitter at, but it eats you alive. It sure has made our lives much happier! -- Made It All Work Out in the End

Dear Made It Work: Your letter offers many good tips, and it points out that, despite the ups and downs of life, things can work out in the end. Your wife sounds like a real peach, and a saint, too.

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

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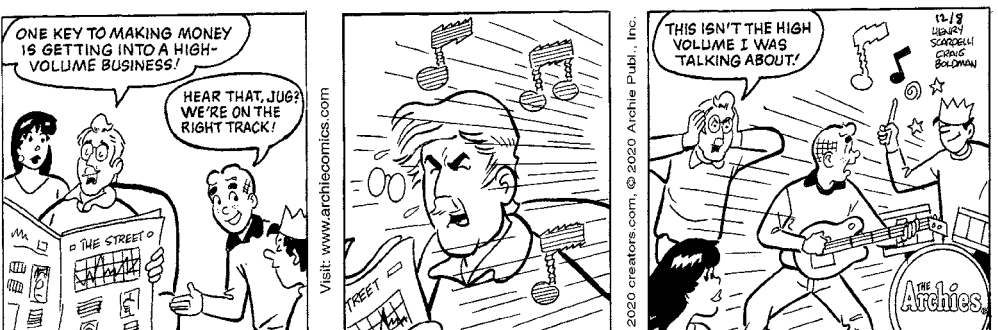
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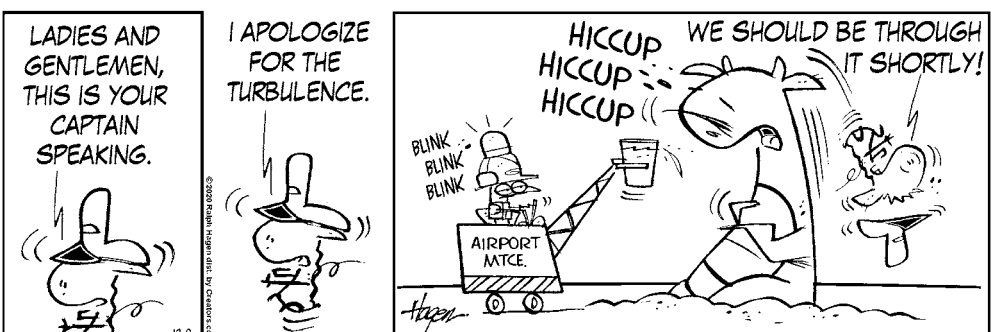
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Tuesday, Dec. 8, the 343rd day of 2020. There are 23 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 8, 1941, the United States entered World War II as Congress declared war against Imperial Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor.
On this date:
In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued his Proclamation of Amnesty and Reconstruction for the South.
In 1886, the American Federation of Labor was founded in Columbus, Ohio.
In 1949, the Chinese Nationalist government moved from the Chinese mainland to Formosa as the Communists pressed their attacks.
In 1972, a United Airlines Boeing 737 crashed while attempting to land at Chicago-Midway Airport, killing 43 of the 61 people on board, as well as two people on the ground; among the dead were Dorothy Hunt, wife of Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt, U.S. Rep. George W. Collins, D-Ill., and CBS News correspondent Michele Clark.
In 1980, rock star and former Beatle John Lennon was shot to death outside his New York City apartment building by an apparently deranged fan.
In 1987, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed a treaty at the White House calling for destruction of intermediate-range nuclear missiles.
In 1991, AIDS patient Kimberly Bergalis, who had contracted the disease from her dentist, died in Fort Pierce, Fla., at age 23.
In 1998, struggling to stave off impeachment, President Bill Clinton's defenders forcefully pleaded his case before the House Judiciary Committee. The Supreme Court ruled that police cannot search people and their cars after merely ticketing them for routine traffic violations.
In 2008, in a startling about-face, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed told the Guantanamo war crimes tribunal he would confess to masterminding the Sept. 11 attacks; four other men also abandoned their defenses.
In 2012, Pakistan's president visited a British hospital where a 15-year-old schoolgirl, Malala Yousafzai (mah-LAH'-lah YOO'-suhf-zey),

was being treated after being shot in the head by a Taliban gunman in October.
In 2013, hundreds of thousands of protesters poured into the streets of the Ukrainian capital of Kyiv (KEE'-ihv), toppling the statue of former Soviet leader Vladimir Lenin and blocking key government buildings in an escalating stand-off with the president on the future of the country.
In 2014, the U.S. and NATO ceremonially ended their combat mission in Afghanistan, 13 years after the Sept. 11 terror attacks sparked their invasion of the country to topple the Taliban-led government.
Ten years ago: President Barack Obama rejected claims that he had betrayed Democrats by cutting a deal with Republicans on Bush-era tax cuts and implored his party to back the compromise, arguing it could jumpstart the economy. Hackers rushed to the defense of WikiLeaks, launching attacks on MasterCard, Visa, Swedish prosecutors, a Swiss bank and others who had acted against the site and its founder, Julian Assange. A fire that started during an inmate brawl swept through an overcrowded prison in Chile, killing at least 81 people.
Five years ago: China declared its first ever red smog alert as poisonous air quality forced the government to close schools, order motorists off the road and shut down factories in and around Beijing.
One year ago: Puppeteer Carroll Spinney, who voiced and operated Muppets Big Bird and Oscar the Grouch on "Sesame Street" for nearly 50 years, died at his Connecticut home at the age of 85. Rapper Juice WRLD, age 21, who rose to the top of the charts with "Lucid Dreams," died after what was called a "medical emergency" at Chicago's Midway International Airport; a coroner determined that the death resulted from an accidental overdose of the opioid oxycodone and co-deine. Actor René Auberjonois, best known for the TV shows "Benson" and "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine," died of lung cancer at his Los Angeles home; he was 79.
Today's Birthdays: Flutist James Galway is 81. Singer Jerry Butler is 81. Pop musician Bobby Elliott (The Hollies) is 79. Actor Mary Woronov is 77. Actor John Rubinstein is 74. Actor Kim

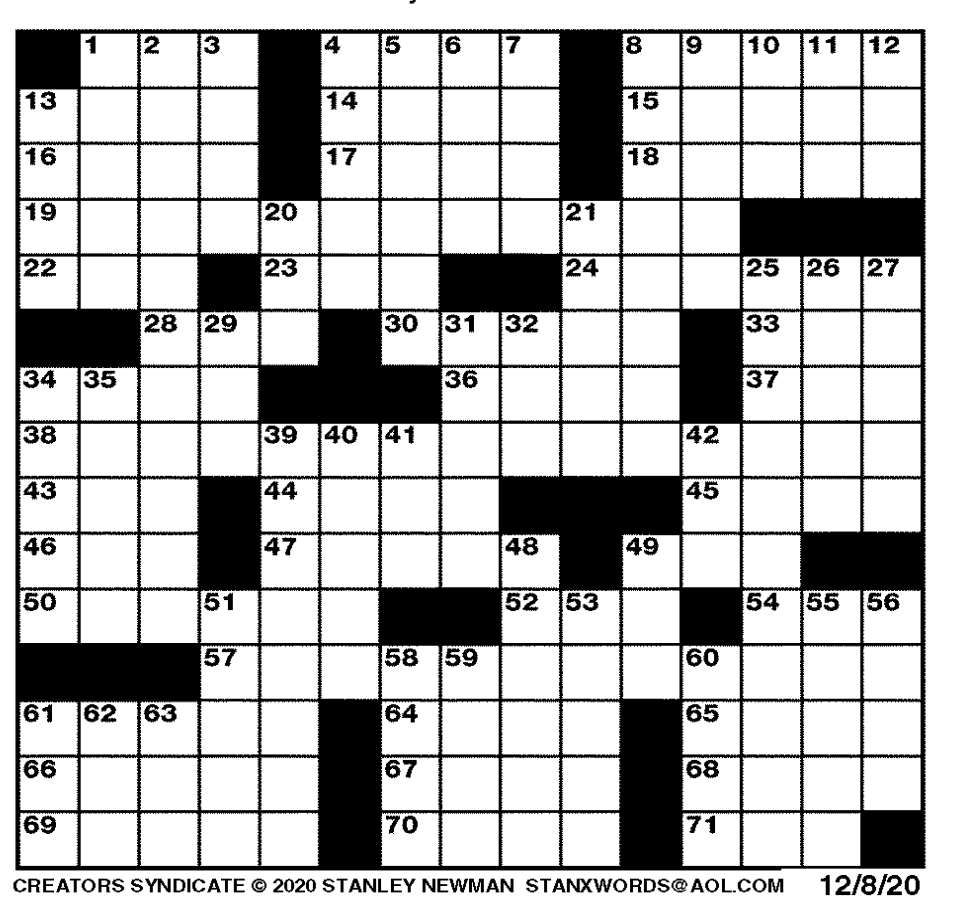
Basinger (BAY'-sing-ur) is 67. Rock musician Warren Cuccurullo is 64. Rock musician Phil Collen (Def Leppard) is 63. Country singer Marty Raybon is 61. Political commentator Ann Coulter is 59. Rock musician Marty Friedman is 58. Actor Wendell Pierce is 57. Actor Teri Hatcher is 56. Actor David Harewood is 55.
Singer Sinead (shih-NAYD') O'Connor (AKA Shuhada' Davitt) is 54. Actor Matthew Laborteaux is 54. Baseball Hall of Famer Mike Mussina is 52. Rock musician Ryan Newell (Sister Hazel) is 48. Actor Dominic Monaghan is 44. Actor Ian Somerhalder is 42. Rock singer Ingrid Michaelson is 41. R&B singer Christette Michele is 38. Actor Hannah Ware is 38. Country singer Sam Hunt is 36. MLB All-Star infielder Josh Donaldson is 35. Rock singer-actor Kate Voegelé (VOH'-geh) is 34. Christian rock musician Jen Ledger (Skillet) is 31. NHL defenseman Drew Doughty is 31. Actor Wallis Currie-Wood is 29. Actor AnnaSophia Robb is 27.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
1 Female sibling, for short
4 Visit a store
8 Bugs Bunny adversary Fudd
13 Baseball batter's lightly hit ploy
14 Sulk
15 Annoyance that may be "pet"
16 "¿Cómo ___ usted?"
17 Pub beverages
18 Just sat around
19 Upscale waterside region
22 What fills basketballs
23 Arabian Nights guy ___ Baba
24 Enclosures for voting
28 Doggie doc
30 Improved, as one's muscles
33 Use oars
34 Without a warranty
36 "It wasn't me"
37 Nation s. of Canada
38 Movie industry, slangily
43 Electric fan's slowest setting
44 Bad weather for golf
45 Supervisor
46 "___ we having fun yet?"
47 Apple's tablets
49 Evergreen tree
50 Emphasize
52 Apple-filled dessert
54 A great distance away
57 Ancient period when alloys originated
61 Play guitar with your fingers
- DOWN**
1 Japan's raw fish
2 One asking questions of applicants
3 Male deer
4 Tiny
5 "Stop right there"
6 Oil cartel
7 Money in Mexico
8 With a new show in the series each week
9 Resulted in
10 Brooks or Gibson of films
11 December 24th or 31st
12 Color of a Santa suit
13 ___ carotene (vitamin A source)
20 High-fiber grain
21 Aids and ___ (helps in a crime)
25 Two-choice test format
26 Hydrant attachments
27 Graceful lake birds
29 Letter before tee (nonstop)
31 For hours ___
32 Partner of neither
34 Book of maps
35 Taking little time
39 Guys from Dublin
40 Run out, as a subscription
41 Through, on an itinerary
42 Slugger's stat, for short
48 Precisely accurate
49 Aladdin's tasseled hat
51 Piano practice piece
53 Without any skill
55 "One more time!"
56 Country singer McEntire
58 "Spoiled" kid
59 Tug-of-war cord
60 Online auction site
61 Caribbean, for example
62 HD sets in dens
63 Sharp door knock

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Answer to previous puzzle
AMMO SCAT PASTA
LIED MALE ALTAR
ELSE ANTE SLANT
CLASSROOM SACKS
DATE DUNKS
DRAWS SNIP
TAINT ACES LOOP
NYSTOCKEXCHANGE
TASKS HINT AVERT
PINE ERASE
STOIC TWS
STALE FIREHOUSE
TOXIC EDEN ASIA
ALIVE LENT HENS
YESSES LAIDS URGE

Alamo Shootout Set for Dec. 12-13 at River Crossing

Special to the Herald

SPRING BRANCH – The Alamo Shootout will be played at River Crossing Club from Dec. 12-13. The first Alamo Shootout was played in 2010, and after a brief hiatus between 2012-16, the only Legends Junior Tour championship played in the San Antonio area returned to the schedule in 2017. “The Legends Junior Tour really benefits from having great junior golfers from all over the state and the golf courses in San Antonio are some of

the best,” LJT Tournament Director Kevin Porter said. “River Crossing Club will be a great test for our players, and the Alamo Shootout has secured a strong field each year since it was put back on the schedule.” Last year, Jeffrey Zatorski of Houston fired a final round 2-under 70 at Fair Oaks Ranch Golf & Country Club’s Live Oak Course. The 2021 University of Texas

commit posted 5-under for the championship to capture the Boys Division by one stroke. In the Girls Division, Carrollton’s Symran Shah clinched the victory over Tillie Claggett of The Woodlands on the first sudden-death playoff hole and claim her first LJT win.

SUPPORT

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In short, your circle of control is what you can actually control. Seems simple, right?

Well, it should be, but most people’s “Circle of Concern” (another Covey term) extends much wider than their “Circle of Control.” In other words, it’s human nature for us to want to fix every problem, even the ones we have absolutely no control over.

Parents who refuse to wear masks are a problem you cannot control. So, please, don’t miss out on your daughter’s senior season by focusing on them instead of what’s happening on the court.

The only thing you might could do is seek out a school administrator — a principal, or maybe even the superintendent — and discuss your concerns with them. What they do after that conversation is once again out of your control.

But that’s it. That’s the only card you can play. Does this make the other parents who refuse to wear masks right? Absolutely not. I’m with you. They are the problem, but there’s nothing you or I can do to change their minds.

The thing we have to remember — regardless of whether or not someone is wearing a mask — is that we’re all still on the same team. I know I’ve said that before. But we have to. Now more than ever.

Why? Because your daughter, my daughter, and every other kid on every other court in America,

is watching. Someday, hopefully sooner rather than later, COVID will be gone. When that day comes, what will our country look like? Will we come together like never before? Will we still be on the same “team?”

I hope so.

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NCAA Football Results

Thursday (12/3)

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
Louisiana Tech (5-3)	@ North Texas (3-5)	42-31, Louisiana Tech
Air Force (3-2)	@ Utah State (1-5)	35-7, Air Force

Friday (12/4)

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
#25 Louisiana (9-1)	@ Appalachian State (7-3)	24-21, Louisiana

Saturday (12/5)

Away Team	Home Team	Final Score
Syracuse (1-10)	@ Notre Dame (10-0)	45-21, Notre Dame
UCLA (3-2)	@ Arizona State (0-2)	25-18, UCLA
#4 Ohio State (5-0)	@ Michigan State (2-4)	52-12, Ohio State
#5 Texas A&M (7-1)	@ Auburn (5-4)	31-20, Texas A&M
#15 Oklahoma State (6-3)	@ TCU (5-4)	29-22, TCU
Western Carolina (0-3)	@ #17 North Carolina (7-3)	49-9, North Carolina
Rice (2-2)	@ #21 Marshall (7-1)	20-0, Rice
Toledo (3-2)	@ Northern Illinois (0-5)	41-24, Toledo
Kansas (0-9)	@ Texas Tech (4-6)	16-13, Texas Tech
Texas (6-3)	@ Kansas State (4-6)	69-31, Texas
Nebraska (2-4)	@ Purdue (2-4)	37-27, Nebraska
Penn State (2-5)	@ Rutgers (2-5)	23-7, Penn State
Memphis (6-3)	@ Tulane (6-5)	35-21, Tulane
Arkansas (3-6)	@ Missouri (5-3)	50-48, Missouri
Troy (5-5)	@ South Alabama (4-7)	29-0, Troy
Bowling Green (0-5)	@ Akron (1-4)	31-3, Akron
Ball State (4-1)	@ Central Michigan (3-2)	45-20, Ball State
Eastern Michigan (1-4)	@ Western Michigan (4-1)	53-42, Eastern Michigan
UL Monroe (0-10)	@ Arkansas State (4-7)	48-15, Arkansas State
#6 Florida (8-1)	@ Tennessee (2-6)	31-19, Florida
West Virginia (5-4)	@ #9 Iowa State (8-2)	42-6, Iowa State
#12 Indiana (6-1)	@ #16 Wisconsin (2-2)	14-6, Indiana
#19 Iowa (5-2)	@ Illinois (2-4)	35-21, Iowa
#24 Tulsa (6-1)	@ Navy (3-6)	19-6, Tulsa
Boston College (6-5)	@ Virginia (5-4)	43-32, Virginia
Stanford (2-2)	@ #22 Washington (3-1)	31-26, Stanford
Georgia Tech (3-6)	@ North Carolina State (8-3)	23-13, North Carolina St.
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