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Howard College Board hears Covid update, discusses roof repair

HOWARD

By IRIS RANGEL

Herald Staff Writer

Howard College Board of Trustees

convened Monday afternoon for a routine agenda. Trustees covered topics such as a hail damage roof repair and replacement project update/change order and the ninth Covid-19 Response Status.

Once the meeting was called to order, Trustees began discussion regarding

a hail damage roof repair or replacement project update/change order. According to District Special Projects Officer Terry Hansen, contractors have been out working on roofs

for the SWCD and Howard College campus. There was also mention of 130 cubic yards being vacuumed off of

one building at the SCWD campus equaling 13 dump truck loads. There will be a combination of repairs and replacements to several campus buildings, with the biggest replacement taking place at the SWCD campus.

A change order was also discussed for the roof repair and replacement proj-

ect where 17 new items need to be added. This would extend the project until September 2021, according to President Cheryl Sparks. Project

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One vehicle accident results in fatality Sunday

Herald Staff Report

According to the Texas Department of Public Safety an accident occurred on FM 818, 10 miles southwest of Big Spring, on Sunday in the early morning hours at

The one vehicle accident resulted in a fatality according to the report issued Monday afternoon.

Justice of the Peace Robert Fitzgibbons pronounced Jose Ramirez, 46 year old, of Pharr, Texas, on the scene of the accident.

According to the report, the vehicle was traveling south on FM 818 when it left the roadway and rolled. At the time of the accident, the weather was clear and dry. According to the report Pharr was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident.

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Pictured above left are awards earned by Mike Sanchez while he was in the military. Pictured above right is Veteran Sanchez while he was serving in Vietnam.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

A path that may not have been chosen, but a path that was needed. Military service at the time of the Vietnam War was not an option, but more of a call to action. While today there is the option to make the decision to fight for the country, more

than 50 years ago when the call was issued you answered; and while the option may not have been their's the soldiers who went over and fought for their country, if given presented by Mayor Larry McLellan on the opportunity would step up and do their duty again if asked. At the age of 20, Mike

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The Big Spring Herald stands in support of all Veterans. The above is part of a proclamation presented by the Big Spring City Council in honor of everyone that has served our Country. Please take a moment today to thank a Veteran. This proclamation was behalf of the Big Spring City Council

on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018. God Bless our veterans! If you know a veteran we should recognize, please send the information

editor@bigspringherald.com.

County Commissioners extend burn ban, ban certain firework sales through January 2021

By IRIS RANGEL

Herald Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners met Monday to discuss various routine items. The Commissioner's meeting also included conversation over the current burn ban and firework ban.

County Judge Kathryn Wiseman called the meeting to order Commissioner Craig Bailey moved into discussion regarding the current burn ban and a possible firework ban upcoming the

new year. According to Bailey, who also had discussion with Texas Board Services and Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper, the current burn ban for Howard County would need to be extended for another 90 days.

"[Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper] doesn't expect substantial rain until March or April. We are still in drought conditions. We've had so many bad fires last year we need to keep this under wraps," Commissioner Bailey

Commissioner Bailey also made a motion to approve a firework ban and restrict the sales of sticks and fins

through January 2021. Both bans were approved through a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Bailey then initiated conversation regarding the South Mountain Tower bid where he stated that there were three bids provided to the county. The first bid would alconstruction for a 330 foot tower at an approximately \$207,880 cost; the second bid would allow construction for a 380 foot tower at an approximately \$235,450 cost; and the third bid

tion for a 400 foot

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Obituaries

Eddie Richie Moreno

Eddie Richie Moreno, 55, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Dec. 11, 2020, in a Houston hospital. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16. 2020, at the Family Faith Center with Rev. Samuel A. Segundo, Jr., officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Dec. 24, 1964 in Lamesa, Texas, to Jesus and Lupe Moreno. He married Olivia Valenzuela Aug. 12, 1983, in Denver City, Texas. Eddie graduated in Denver

City and worked in the oil field for years. He had a pasion for the holistic profession which he completed. He became a homeopathic physician, chiropractic practitioner and acupuncturist. He was able to touch and transform many lives. He was a

member of Family Faith Center.

Survivors include his wife, Olivia Moreno; three children, Edgar Moreno and wife, Danielle, Elgin Moreno and wife, Crystal, and Emmeline Beltran and husband, Patric; eight grandchildren, Delaney Moreno, Caliana Moreno, Evony Moreno, Gracelynn Falcon, Emmery Moreno, Jadis Spencer, Cataleya Moreno and Annalisia Moreno; two sisters, Evie Moreno Gonzales and Ebie Serda; several nieces and nephews; his loving companion, Denae; and his grand dogs, Bella and Lily.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Ramon and Blanca Valenzuela.

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

Paid Obituary

Jan "Coach" East

Jan "Coach" East, 75, of Big Spring passed away on Dec. 12, 2020. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences may be made at www. npwelch.com.

Rick Arguello Rick Arguello, 62, of Big Spring,



died Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2020 from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. with a Rosary at 7 p.m.. Funeral services will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2020 at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Mount Olive.

Rick was born on May 31, 1958 in

Big Spring.

He is survived by two sons: Ricky Arguello of Midland, Eric Michael Arguello of Big Spring; one daughter: Sally Mendoza of Big Spring; and several grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews; two sisters: Rosemary Hernandez of Big Spring, Diamantina Abeyta of Lubbock; and one brother: Jose Arguello, Jr. of Albuquerque, NM.

He was preceded in death by his parents Jose and Herminia Arguello; and one brother.

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

Jennifer Carnahan

Jennifer Carnahan, 72, of Forsan, died Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020. Memorial services will be at Trinity Baptist Church at 1:00 PM Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity: Note - Officials with the Howard

County Jail reported having 90 inmates at the time of this report.

- WILLIAM OSIER BEAN, 40, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault causes bodily injury family vio-
- 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. • EMERSON DANERY CRUZ, 20,

• REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK,

- was arrested by DPS on a charge of theft of firearm. • **CLINTON JAY EPKE**, 41, was ar-
- rested by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication. • JASMINE ALIZE FIGUEROA,
- 22, was arrested by BSPD on charges of contraband correction facility, possession of controlled substance penalty group one (less than one gram), and theft property (\$100 to \$750).
- BRENDEN GARCIA, 19, was arrested by BSPD on charges of bail jumping and fail to appear (x2) and aggravated assault with deadly weapon.
- MARIA CELESTE MARTINEZ, 23, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

39, was arrested by HCSO on a charge

of public intoxication.

JORGE FERRUSCA OLIVARES,

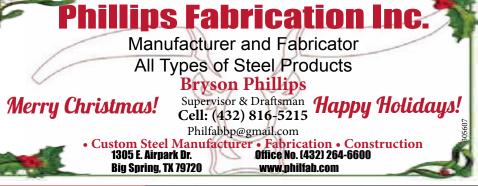
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• JAY FRANK OLIVAS, 30, was arrested by HCSO on charges of failure to appear/fail to comply with sex offender registration, disregard stop sign,

no motorcycle operator's license, and bailsman off bond/terroristic threat of family/household. • SILVANO PALACIOS PEREZ,

- 31, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated/open alcohol container.
- JAVIER MAZANARES PINE-DA, 40, was arrested by BSPD on charges of criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).
- TINA MARIE RAWLS, 31, was arrested by BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid (DWLI), ride not secured by safety belt, violate promise to appear (uniform act), and fail to appear - motion for enforcement/contempt.
- · JOHNNY CALEB, 24, was arrested by BSPD on charges of ride not secured by safety belt, violate promise to appear (uniform act), fail to identify fugitive intent give false information, possession of drug paraphernalia, and theft property (\$100 to \$750).
- ELFIDO VASQUEZ PEREZ, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- KARLIE WHITE, 28, was arrest ed by BSPD on a charge of assault fam ily violence.

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Joseph Earl Meads

Joseph Earl Meads, 69, of Big Spring passed away on Dec. 12, 2020.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Online condolences may be made at www. npwelch.com.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity: • SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported in the

- 1900 block of Simler Drive. • ASSAULT was reported in the 1400 block of S.
- Johnson Street. DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in
- the 1400 block of S. Johnson Street. SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported in the
- 1000 block of S. Scurry Street. • CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the
- 1500 block of E. 5th Street. • MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1100
- block of N. Lamesa Highway.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity: MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block

- of Westover Drive. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900
- block of N. Highway 877. One person was trans ported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1600
- block of Lancaster. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2200
- block of S. Main. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2300
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Sanchez, was drafted and called to serve in the Vietnam War. As a young man still fresh out of school trying to find his way in the world while attempting to adjust to married life, he was about to be thrown into an unknown situation with no real understanding of when he would be returning.

"I was called because the Vietnam War was escalating. They needed more boots on the ground and there weren't enough volunteers going in as the war continued to escalate. My draft number came up, and I went," Sanchez said. "I got the call, went to get my physical, passed, and then I had a few days to get my affairs in order, and then, I went."

The draft was implemented by President Roosevelt under the Selective Training and Service Act, which was singed in to place in 1940. The draft continued through war and peacetime until 1973, and served as a way to ensure enough soldiers would be available to fight in the wars. According to statistics, more than 10 million men entered the military service through the Selective Service System during World War II alone, not counting those who were called up as Sanchez and many others were. While admittance into the military has been volunteer based since 1973, in the case of a national emergency an Act of Congress could reinstate the draft.

Mike Sanchez served in the American Division A Company 3/21 196 Infantry Brigade. On Nov. 11, 1967 he entered the United States Army and began the two year service that he would undertake before getting wounded in battle. Sanchez's service came to an end in November 1969. Basic training for Sanchez, along with Advance Infantry was completed at Fort Polk, Louisianna.

"It was a good thing that I was young. I didn't know what I was getting into. It was scary," he said. "I guess that's why they say the young guys fight the battle.'

While the call to service was one that Sanchez would answer again if needed, entering the service was not the original plan he had in mind. However, the service was not a complete mystery or foreign thought; his brother and uncles had served in the military before. Before being called up for the draft, Sanchez had been looking in to the Job Corp program that had been started by President Kennedy. However, the venture into the Job Corp took a turn and before he knew it, Sanchez and his friend had entered the military.

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"When I found out that I was drafted ... it was a good thing I guess. I needed it. I wasn't doing anything, heading no place and nothing going on for myself. I needed to get something going so I could make a better living," Sanchez said. "Originally, we went in – my friend and I – with the buddy system, but then we were separated real quick.

He continued, "It was my turn to serve. I thought I could better myself with me being in the service. I didn't want to go to war, but it was what I needed. It helped shape me.'

As any serviceman can tell you, the willingness to fight for your country may be a noble and honorable decision, but it does require sacrifices. Time lost with family, missing the ability to be able to comfort loved ones in their time of need, and walking in uncertainty of what is around the corner can be a hard life. The battle wounds attributed to battle are not limited to physical scars, but as many soldiers will tell you, leave lasting emotional scars as well.

'While I was over there Josie's mom passed away. We were out in the jungle and it took almost two weeks for the letter to get to me for me to find out," Sanchez said. "She was here having to deal with that on her own."

One of the things that formed a silver lining of the time in the service was the anticipation of being able to see his wife, when allowed. After awhile soldiers were able to have seven days leave and for those seven days San-

chez spent time with his wife. It was the December 1968 when the couple was able to meet in Hawaii before Sanchez had to head back into battle. However, it wasn't long after that Sanchez would soon be returning home due to a combat wound.

"I had about seven days left until I was supposed to be going stateside, and I ended up getting wounded. I remember I would complain about carrying the radio; it was heavy and it was in addition to all the other equipment we had to carry, but that day, I



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was glad I was carrying that radio," Sanchez said. After Sanchez was wounded he was pulled out of his unit and was sent back stateside. To this day,

those in the unit were not aware if he even made it out and recovered from his wounds. A few years ago, Sanchez was able to meet up with a couple of military comrades, but has not been in contact with many.

"We went in as strangers and honestly, we came out as brothers. From the time I left I kept up with Vietnam, and I still do," he said. "On my way home, I had heard about the unwelcoming comments soldiers were receiving, and I was just ready to get home with as few stops as possible."

Sanchez ended up flying on a smaller plane right into the old Howard County Airport, instead of making several stops along the way and landing in Midland. The Vietnam War was not a war that drew appreciation for those who fought so bravely, but instead it was a war that continued to leave scars on veterans as they returned home to harsh words and once again had to endure a battle on the home front.

'The guys who served went over there and did what they had to do. They did their jobs; they did

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Josefa Salgado, 88. Thursday. Funeral Service will 10:00 at Saturday December 19, 2020 at Life Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Lenora Mancha, died Saturday. Memorial Services will be at 1:00 Saturday, December 19, 2020, at Myers & Smith Chapel and the family will receive friends from Noon until 1:00 PM Saturday

Maria Greene, 79, died Sunday. Vigil services will be at 7:00 PM Monday at Myers Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

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Ricardo "Rick" Arguello, Tuesday. Vigil services will be at 7:00 PM Tuesday. Funeral ser vices will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Charles S. Burks. Sr., 85, died Saturday Graveside will be 10:00 AM Thursday at Ackerly Cemetery.

Santos Lopez, 52, died Friday. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jennifer Carnahan,72, died Sunday. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM Thursday at Trinity **Baptist Church**





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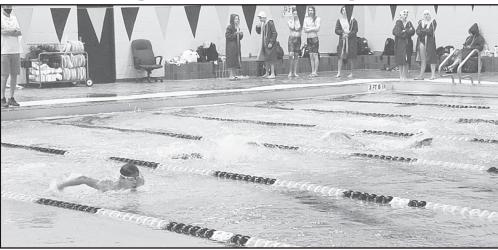
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Big Spring Swim Team puts together strong showing in Seminole over weekend





Courtesy Photos

Above left: Manuel Castillo makes his way through the pool while performing the butterfly stroke. Above right: Members of the Big Spring Steer swim team and coaching staff pose together after the meet.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Swim Team participated in their final meet before Winter Break last weekend at the Seminole Tri-Meet. The schools that participated were Abilene Wylie, Big Spring, and Pecos. It was a strong day in the pool for the Steers as a team with the women defeating both Abilene Wylie (84.00 – 77.00) and Pecos (94.00 – 66.00), while the men defeated Abilene Wylie (108.00 -67.00) but lost to Pecos (124.00 -95.00). In the combined scores, Big Spring lost a nail-biter to Pecos (190.00 -189.00) but cruised to a victory over Abilene Wylie (192.00 – 144.00). Seminole's pool does use a meter pool opposed to a yard pool, so the times do seem slower than usual.

"Its always difficult to convince kids that they swam well at this meet every year," Head Coach Randall Shaw said. "When they are use to swimming a :29 on a 50 free in a yard pool then we go to Seminole and they swim a :34 for a 50 free in a meter pool. If you calculate the times and convert back to a yard time we are actually faster than we were in most of our swims."

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

In the Girls' 200-yard medley relay, the quartet of Arely Cruz-Garcia, Naomi Reyes, Katherine Greene, and Malaki Vaughn finished in first-place with a final time of 2:43.41.

In the Boys' 200-yard medley relay, the group of David Summers, Ismael Castillo, Manuel Castillo, and Smith Cate were finished in third-place (2:23.62).

In the Girls' 200-yard Freestyle, Jayda Overton (5th, 3:24.15) and Katherine Greene (6th. 3:24.44) rounded out the competition by finishing almost in uni-

Christian Pantoja-Strickland finished third in the Boys' 200-yard Freestyle

Sophomore David Summers was the only Steer or Lady Steer to compete in the 200-Yard IM and was able to finish in third-place (3:14.10) behind two Pecos

Malaki Vaughn finished in first-place in the Girls' 50-Yard Freestyle with a final time of 33.81 seconds. Her teammates Brooklynne Heffle (6th, 40.56) and Steffany Pina Arment (8th, 45.23) also finished in the Top 10 performers for that specific race.

In the Boys' 50 Yard Freestyle, Manuel Castillo (1st. 27.78) was the top Steer finisher and won the race. Fellow Steer swimmers Smith Cate (7th, 30.13), Is-

mael Castillo (11th, 36.44), Carson Millsap (12th, 36.15), Toby Phillips (13th, 36.27), Ethan Barker (14th, 38.76) and Matthew Nieves (15th, 40.98) rounded out the competition.

Katherine Greene finished in second-place (1:49.76) in the Girls' 100-Yard Butterfly while teammate Naomi Reyes did not finish.

Senior Manuel Castillo wad the only competitor in the Boys' 100-Yard Butterfly and finished in second-place (1:14.01).

Malaki Vaughn finished in first-place (1:15.03) of the Girls' 100-Yard Freestyle while her teammate Jayda Overton (4th, 1:32.62) also placed in the Top Five. Smith Cate finished second in the Boys' 100 Yard Freestyle with a final time

of 1:10.08. His teammates Toby Phillips (4th, 1:18.67) and Carson Millsap (7th, 1:22.93) also competed hard in the event and put together a solid showing for

Arely Cruz-Garcia placed second in the 400-Meter Freestyle (6:23.62) while Christian Pantoja-Strickland (2nd, 6:04.54) and Morgan Griffith (3rd, 6:21.03) took up two places in the Top Three of the same competition on the men's side.

(37.91), and Arely Cruz-Garcia (34.36) took home first-place in the Girls' 200-Meter Freestyle Relay with a total time of 2:19.86. Big Spring finished third in the Boys' 200-Meter Freestyle Relay with the

The group of Naomi Reyes (33.06), Malaki Vaughn (34.53), Jayda Overton

grouping of David Summers, Ismael Castillo, Smith Cate, and Manuel Castillo (2:06.13). The second Big Spring group of Christian Pantoja-Strickland, Carson Millsap, Toby Phillips, and Morgan Griffith placed fourth (2:24.87). Cruz-Garcia finished in fourth-place (1:35.45) in the Girls' 100-Meter Back-

stroke by narrowly beating out her teammate Brooklynne Heffle (5th, 1:47.93). On the boys' side, Summers placed second (1:28.65) while Barker finished in fourth (2:00.55). Naomi Reyes finished in first-place in the Girls' 100-Meter Breaststroke

(1:38.42), while Pina Arment placed third (2:02.09). On the boys' side, Griffith (5th, 1:46.87), Ismael Castillo (6th, 1:47.67), and Nieves (7th, 2:01.49), rounded out the race. Lastly, the grouping of Greene, Heffle, Pina Arment, and Overton finished in

third-place in the Girls' 400-Meter Freestyle Relay (6:25.23). On the boys' side, the quartet of Griffith, Pantoja-Strickland, Millsap, and Phillips finished in third-place out of three groups (5:29.84).

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

AP Interview: Indians owner says name won't change in 2021

CLEVELAND (AP) — The Cleveland Indians are changing

their name — they just don't know to what or when. Expressing that "it's time," owner Paul Dolan said that after months of internal discussions and meetings with groups, including Native Americans who have sought to have the team stop using a moniker many deem racist, the American

In an exclusive interview with The Associated Press on Monday, Dolan said: "The name is no longer acceptable in our

League franchise is dropping the name it has been known by

Dolan said the team will continue to be called Indians until a new name is chosen. That "multi-stage" process is in its early stages and the team will play — and be branded — as the Indians at least through next season.

"We'll be the Indians in 2021 and then after that, it's a difficult and complex process to identify a new name and do all the things you do around activating that name," Dolan said. "We are going to work at as quick a pace as we can while do-

"But we're not going to do something just for the sake of doing it. We're going to take the time we need to do it right." Dolan said the team will not adopt an interim name until

choosing its new one. "We don't want to be the Cleveland Baseball Team or some other interim name," he said, adding he hopes the new name

"will hopefully take us through multiple centuries." Cleveland's move follows a similar decision by the NFL's Washington Football Team, previously known as the Red-

"It was a learning process for me and I think when fairminded, open-minded people really look at it, think about it and maybe even spend some time studying it, I like to think they would come to the same conclusion: It's a name that had its time, but this is not the time now, and certainly going forward, the name is no longer acceptable in our world," Dolan

As Cleveland considers new names, Dolan said Tribe, the team's popular nickname for decades, has been ruled out.

"We are not going to take a half-step away from the Indians," said Dolan, acknowledging Tribe was an early choice. "The new name, and I do not know what it is, will not be a name that has Native American themes or connotations to it." The decision was welcomed by Native American groups

that met with the club.

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"The team made a genuine effort to listen and learn," said Cynthia Connolly, executive board member of the Lake Erie Native American Council in the Cleveland Indigenous Coalition. "We hope this serves as a blueprint for other professional teams and the 200-plus high school teams in the Ohio area.

NFL Standings (Through Week 14)

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (AFC)										
EAST	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Buffalo Bills	10	3	0	.769	6-1	4-2	4-0	7-2	359	321
Miami Dolphins	8	5	0	.615	4-3	4-2	2-2	5-4	330	245
New England Patriots	6	7	0	.462	4-2	2-5	2-1	5-4	277	279
New York Jets	0	13	0	.000	0-7	0-6	0-5	0-10	183	393
NORTH	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
x - Pittsburgh Steelers	11	2	0	.846	6-1	5-1	4-0	8-1	349	237
Cleveland Browns	9	4	0	.692	5-2	4-2	2-3	6-4	348	368
Baltimore Ravens	8	5	0	.615	3-3	5-2	3-2	5-5	363	273
Cincinnati Bengals	2	10	1	.192	2-4	0-6-1	0-4	2-7	244	338
SOUTH	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	${f T}$	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Tennessee Titans	9	4	0	.692	4-3	5-1	4-1	7-4	390	336
Indianapolis Colts	9	4	0	.692	4-2	4-2	2-2	5-4	372	300
Houston Texans	4	9	0	.308	2-4	2-5	2-2	3-6	295	359
Jacksonville Jaguars	1	12	0	.077	1-6	0-6	1-4	1-9	261	383
WEST	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
z - Kansas City Chiefs	12	1	0	.923	5-1	7-0	4-1	10-1	403	281
Las Vegas Raiders	7	6	0	.538	2-4	5-2	3-1	5-4	350	391
Denver Broncos	5	8	0	.385	2-4	3-4	1-3	4-5	257	347
Los Angeles Chargers	4	9	0	.308	3-4	1-5	0-3	3-6	297	362

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EAST	\mathbf{W}	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Washington	6	7	0	.462	3-3	3-4	3-2	4-5	287	275
New York Giants	5	8	0	.385	2-4	3-4	3-2	4-7	238	291
Philadelphia Eagles	4	8	1	.346	3-3-1	1-5	2-2	4-5	277	328
Dallas Cowboys	4	9	0	.308	2-4	2-5	1-3	3-6	298	400
NORTH	W	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
z - Green Bay Packers	10	3	0	.769	5-1	5-2	4-1	8-2	410	323
Minnesota Vikings	6	7	0	.462	3-4	3-3	3-1	4-5	333	355
Chicago Bears	6	7	0	.462	3-4	3-3	1-3	5-5	282	291
Detroit Lions	5	8	0	.385	1-5	4-3	1-4	4-6	310	389
SOUTH	W	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
x - New Orleans Saints	3 10	3	0	.769	5-1	5-2	5-0	8-2	368	265
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	8	5	0	.615	4-3	4-2	2-2	5-4	370	294
Atlanta Falcons	4	9	0	.308	2-5	2-4	1-3	2-8	328	322
Carolina Panthers	4	9	0	.308	2-5	2-4	1-4	3-6	307	332
WEST	W	${f L}$	\mathbf{T}	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
Los Angeles Rams	9	4	0	.692	5-1	4-3	2-2	8-2	325	246
Seattle Seahawks	9	4	0	.692	6-1	3-3	2-2	6-3	393	324

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (NFC)

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z = Clinched Division e = Eliminated

Arizona Cardinals

San Francisco 49ers

Dealon Stanley

Dealon Stanley of Odessa, formerly of Big Spring passed away at age 94 on Nov. 25, 2020. He lived an



incredible life with much joy and enthusiasm. He touched many people and was a beloved son, brother, soldier, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother-in-law, uncle, and friend. Dealon was born Nov. 28, 1925, in Winters, Texas, the seventh of eight children of John and Laura Stanley. Family was always the center of Dealon's life. His brothers

and sisters Ira, Noma, Nolan, Glen, Ethel Mae, Delbert and Quenten, were a tight clan and faithfully looked after each other all their lives. As young boys, Dealon and his brother Delbert would go to town on Saturdays with a dime. They would buy one double feature movie ticket for a nickel and a box of .22 shells for target shooting and hunting with the other nickel. Since Delbert and Dealon looked like twins, they were able to exchange seats at the movie during intermission. Dealon and Delbert were inseparable during their youth.

At age 19, Dealon enlisted in the Army and served in the Pacific Theater during World War II. The marksmanship skills honed in childhood earned him a sharpshooter marksmanship award during basic training. Dealon fought in some of the most intense fighting on the island of Luzon in the Philippines and was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for this campaign. Dealon and his unit were being readied for the invasion of Japan when the war ended, and he was subsequently deployed to Japan as part of the occupation force for over a year. Dealon's unit was assigned to protect food shipments and to provide security to hold free elec-

After the war, Dealon returned to West Texas and tried his hand at farming in Howard County with brother Delbert. During this time, he met the love of his life, Patsy Burrus, whom he married on Valentine's Day 1950. Dryland cotton farming during this time was tough due to the multi-year drought.

Dealon took on extra work as a pipe fitter and welder's helper during construction of the East Vealmoor gas plant north of Big Spring, Texas between Luther and Vincent. His work ethic caught the eye of the new plant operations superintendent, and upon completion of construction, he offered Dealon the opportunity to join the team to start up and operate the plant. This led to a 35-year career in the plant as operator and Field Gas Metering Inspector in its gathering system. He ultimately retired from Texaco, and during his retirement party, one of Dealon's fellow shift workers indicated Dealon did not need a watch to know when to relieve him at shift change, just a calendar.

Initially, operations employees at the plant lived on-site in housing referred to as "The Camp." This led to a close-knit community of families that created lasting memories of birthday parties, parades, and holiday celebrations. Patsy and Dealon lovingly reared four children at The Camp, and the Stanley family has friendships from those years that are still strong today.

Dealon's love of the outdoors made camping an important activity for the young Stanley family, with nearby Lake Thomas as a favorite site during the summer to swim and water ski with family and friends. He also loved to hunt and fish, and his marksmanship at long range was legendary. Dealon took the time to teach his sons and grandsons the skills and responsibilities of hunting, cleaning and cooking game.

In 1969, Patsy and Dealon bought a house in Big Spring and moved from The Camp. This home was the center of activities for the extended Stanley family and friends, especially during holidays. Dealon's seven grandchildren and many others have wonderful memories of the frequent gatherings at the house.

Patsy and Dealon were always active in their children's interests, including school activities, Boy Scouts and Little League baseball. They were long time members of 14th and Main Church of Christ and active in the Big Spring VFW.

After Dealon retired, he and Patsy travelled extensively and took multiple road trips to spend summers in Alaska in a RV camper. Catching and

canning salmon was always a mission for these trips. They also spent as much time as possible with their beloved grandchildren. Dealon was heartbroken when Patsy passed

in 2006. He was supported by family and friends, kept busy with the VFW and after a time, attended area senior dances. At one of these dances, he met Jimmie Dean Tindol, who had lost her husband, Lee. Dean and Dealon dazzled on the dance floor and soon found that, even more significantly than a love of dancing, they had lived lives that shared many parallels. Dean and Dealon married in 2008, maintaining homes in Big Spring and Odessa Dancing, family, attending 14th and Main and Sherwood Churches of Christ, and caring for each other continued to be the center of their lives.

Dealon will be greatly missed by his wife, Dean Tindol Stanley of Odessa; four children, Steve Stanley and wife Vicky and their son Colin and wife Nora and their son Jefferson, and Kelly and wife Meagan and their daughter Reese; Donna Yacoe and husband Peter and their son Phillip; Larry Stanley and wife Karen and their children, Melissa and husband Clay and their sons Connor and Brenner, and Brandon and his wife Jill and their children Burke and Eva; and John Stanley and wife Cindy and their daughters Raegan and husband Sam and their sons Brody and CJ, and Shayna and husband Gary and their children Camila and Jonas; and two stepchildren, Terri Pate and husband Danny, and Jimmy Tindol and wife Jan and their children and grandchildren.

Private family services will be held. Dealon will lie in state at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020, and Friday morning from 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations in Dealon's name to one of his favorite charities: Cal Farley Boy's Ranch, Salvation Army, or your local food bank.

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

Paid Obituary

Charleta Butrum

Charleta Butrum, 66, of Big Spring, went home to her Heavenly Father Saturday, Dec. 12, 2020. Memorial Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17,

2020, at the Peace Chapel located at Trinity Memorial Park officiated by Glen Carrigan. Due to the current situation with COVID, masks and social distancing is highly encouraged. Charleta was born May 10, 1954,

in Big Spring, Texas to James and Betty Findley. She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1972. She was also a loving, and devoted Mother, Memaw, Sister, Daugh-

ter, Friend, Mother-In-Law. Charleta was also a loyal Wife to the love of her life, her rock, Roger Butrum whom she married on Dec. 10, 1993.

Charleta worked as a seamstress at Walls Factory Outlet, and most recently as a Receptionist for Dr. Kuprianowicz and Dr. Johnson. She was a faithful prayer warrior and member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. Charleta adored spending time with her family, crocheting and her weekly Saturday lunch visits with her mother and sisters. Charleta was a true Proverbs 31 woman, even in her darkest times during multiple agonizing surgeries and this final illness she praised and worshipped her Lord, Jesus Christ. She was able to pray, smile and laugh knowing that her future was secure in Heaven. We are all blessed to have had her in our lives.

Charleta was preceded to Heaven by her father, James Willard Findley and sister, Margaret Darling. Survivors include her beloved husband, Roger Butrum of Big Spring; mother, Betty Findley of Big Spring; two sisters - Vicki Eastman and her husband Ed of Strafford, VT and Jamie Roberts and her husband Troy of Stanton; two daughters - Candi Whitehead and her husband Kenneth and

Jennifer Overton and her husband Jerry all from Big Spring; three sons – Brian Mims and his wife Angie from Big Spring, Matthew Mims and his wife Virginia of Gun Barrel City, Texas, and Stefen Stone and his wife Jenn of Midland, Texas; and two bonus daughters Lori Melaas and her husband Bill of Spokane Valley, WA and Shelly Hoffman and her husband Tyler of Artesian, SD; 17 grandchildren - Chris Mims, Sashauna Farmer, Gage Farmer, Krysta Whitehead, Hali Huckabee and her husband Alex, Spencer Wells and his wife Brooke, Courtney Overton, Brianna Mims, Olivia Mims, Savannah Humann, Layla Stone, Jason Butrum, Austin Butrum and his wife Nicole, Bryce Melaas, Eric Melaas, Rachel Bucholz and Malori Hoffman. 6 great grandchildren - Aubree Acosta, Paxtyn Acosta, Kaysen Kerby, Beau Avery Walker, Beau Butrum and Dena Butrum; and numerous, very loved nieces and nephews.

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Paid Obituary

HERALD photo/Iris Rangel to approve the change order and Howard College Board of

Howard College's campus and \$300,913 for the SWCD campus for a total of \$801,055. It was also noted that monies used for the repair and replacement project would be used from insurance Trustee Adrian Calvio moved

was seconded by Trustee Ben Trustees will meet again in Board included: Zeicheck. The motion passed in January. a unanimous vote.

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costs would equal \$600,142 for

Sparks then moved into the COVID-19 Response Status #9/Open Howard College Update. Sparks mentioned the recent dramatic increase in positive cases for Howard County.

According to Howard College's website, last updated on Dec. 11, the Big Spring campus has 15 lab confirmed positive cases, 12 recovered cases, and 3 total active cases; the Lamesa campus has 2 lab confirmed positive cases, 2 recovered cases, and 0 active cases; the San Angelo campus has 12 lab confirmed positive cases, 12 recovered cases, and 0 active cases; and the SWCD campus has 3 lab confirmed positive cases, 3 recovered cases, and 0 active cases. These numbers do include both employees and students.

"We've tried to do what we can to give students some kind of student life opportunity. Student life just looks different...and students are doing their best to adapt as well," Sparks said.

Afterwards, the Board covered handbook and catalog changes, stating that there were several positions not filled yet in the executive cabinet for the college. However, Trustees did also mention that they are looking forward to the new changes for the reorganization taking place within some of the

district positions. "We have other things that are happening as a part of our rework that we're very fortunate to do with our Title X Grant and we're very excited to complete that," Sparks

Trustees then read a resolution for retirement for Workforce and Community Development Officer Jaime Rainey. This meeting would be Rainey's last after 13 years of partnership with Howard College.

Other items on the agenda that were approved/discussed by the

- Minutes of regular meeting on Nov. 16, 2020
- Checklist for November 2020 Monthly reports of auxiliary services
- Personnel matters
- Procedural calendar
- Internal audit report
- Education Code 51.525/Fall 2020 report · Preparation for substantive review
- Board of Trustees Institute 2021/Webinars
- Annual safety and fire reports

• Cooperative Purchasing Services, Inc.

Before adjourning for the afternoon, Trustees discussed upcoming activities for Howard College. Friday, Dec. 18 will be the last day before winter break for faculty and staff; offices will reopen on Jan. 4. Dorm check-ins will take place on Jan. 5th for the new semester and continue over a week-long

period. Spring semester will also begin on Jan. 19th and classes offered will be available through a combination of virtual, face-to-face, and hybrid types. The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Jan. 25. During the future meeting, the Board of

Trustees will be performing a self-evaluation.

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Santos Lopez

Santos Lopez, 52, of Big Spring, died Friday, Dec. 11, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on

Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2020 until 9 p.m. Funeral service will at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Thursday, Dec. 17 2020 at 2 p.m. with Michael Villarreal officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial

Santos was born Nov. 1, 1967 in Del Rio.

He is survived by his wife: Julie Lopez of Big Spring; one daughter: Angelica Lopez of Big Spring; three sisters: Maria Jesusa Ramirez of Dallas, Frances Magallanes of Big Spring, and Hela Lopez of Big Spring; four brothers: Joe Lopez of Big Spring Art Lopez of New Braunfels, Richard Lopez of Big Spring, and Johnny Lopez of Big Spring; nieces; and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Alfaro and Celia Lopez.

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

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tower at an approximately \$242,000 cost.

According to Bailey, it would be in the county's best interest to construct the 400 foot tower due to the enhanced structural build of the building and upgraded antenna coverage. Bailey also noted that the location of the tower is prime real estate and provides almost 100% coverage across the county, which could favor the county if an interested tenant was looking to lease out the building.

Commissioner Bailey then motioned to approve the third bid and was seconded by Commissioner John Cline. The motion passed unanimously.

County Road Engineer Brian Klinsiek provided Commissioners with roadway updates stating that there has been substantial work completed in Precinct 3 and work will still continue forward with patching and repairing certain areas of the county.

Klinsiek also reviewed a change order to RFB2020002 with Commissioners stating CR 39 needed to be added to the project. This addition would increase the contracted amount by \$15,789.97. The motion passed unanimously.

County Clerk Brent Zitterkopf then began discussion with Commissioners stating that the total receipts for the courthouse are down due to there being fewer criminal hearings and a decrease in activity for the county overall. The monthly report was then approved by Commissioners.

Items discussed/approved during the meeting

- County Treasurer personnel considerations with Commissioner Ray abstaining, monthly payroll report, and Treasurer's monthly report
- HealthyYOU vending machine County Auditor invoices, purchase requests,
- budget amendments, and November financial reports; Financial statements for Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) and Juvenile Probation Department
- Tax Assessor Collector annual report education hours, 2019-2020 Workers Comp Audit refund check in the amount of \$3,989.00

The next regular County Commissioners meeting will be held on Dec. 28. County Judge Wiseman also noted that there would need to be a special meeting held at the beginning of the new year for the swear in of all elected officials and the approval of their bonds.

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West Texas Opportunities, Inc. (TRAX) is accepting applications for a driver for Public and Medical Transportation in Big Spring. Applicants must be at least 25 years old, must have a good driving record, be well-organized, dependable, attend work as scheduled, and have a Texas Class C driver license in good standing. Applicants must obtain a Medical Examiner's Certificate at WTO, Inc. expense, before hiring and kept current thereafter, at company expense. Ability to speak both English and Spanish is preferred. Drivers must successfully complete CPR/first aid training within 60 days of employment. Pre-employment substance abuse testing required. A criminal background check will be required. Benefits package includes company-paid medical, dental and life insurance, retirement plan, 16 paid holidays, 12 Annual Leave & 12 Sick Leave days per year. Obtain an application at 2001 Scurry St. or print application online at www.gowto.org. Contact Paula Vela at 806-872-8354 with questions. Position open until filled. WTO, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer.

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Venus Enters **Sagittarius**

ARIES (March

21-April 19). Test ideas

in small ways before you

go big-time. Even though

be diverse enough to get

a good idea of what your

were you to take the idea

TAURUS (April 20-

May 20). There is no bad

quality that doesn't have

quality that doesn't have

a downside. Embrace the

dualities instead of judg-

ing or fighting them and

GEMINI (May 21-

ure out that your assump-

proves your evolution and

is part of your brilliance. A

contribute to your ongoing

lack of stubbornness will

CANCER (June

22-July 22). Learning

June 21). Once you fig-

tion was incorrect, you'll

quickly abandon it. This

you grow in power.

an upside and no good

actual results would be

wider, the feedback will

be valuable.

your sampling may not

success.

together creates a bond. Challenging environments and circumstances reveal what a person is willing to give to life in order to grow, know and accept more about it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). What is emotional safety? It's being around people you can trust to keep their word and expecting them to do so, or it's being around people known to disappoint and expecting them to do so.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). One of the most difficult relationships to form or maintain is a relationship with an extremely busy person.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Bonds are often built in the margins of the action, and for a terribly busy person, those margins are narrow

BRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

You're attracted to purposeful people, and you fear aimlessness, secretly believing it to be contagious. Be careful not to make a quick judgment on the matter. Not all who wander are lost.

SCORPIO (Oct. **24-Nov. 21).** Just when you're not expecting much from a project, task or relationship, you'll experience a moment that takes it to the next level. Once you experience it, there's no going back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. **22-Dec. 21).** When you speak, things happen. You change things with talk. You'll connect with people and the world in ways that wouldn't have happened had you not made it so with your words.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). You've gotten good at blending in with a group. From here, you are quite powerful, as you have the alliance of many. Soon, it will be your turn to take a stand, be seen and heard. Your platform is coming togeth-

By Holiday Mathis $^{\text{er.}}$



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Before you try to separate and categorize things, step back from the mess to look for patterns and connections within it. That insight will be harder to detect once you start moving everything around.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People can feel that your heart is in the right place, so don't worry if some of the words come out wrong. Knowing the right thing to say and saying it the right way is a learned skill that takes practice. Heart can't be taught.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Dec.15). Long overdue appreciation will come your way. Your uniqueness will be understood by people who see deeper and know more. You won't let acknowledgment and praise go to your head. You'll use the power surge to turn people's attention toward making a difference for situations and people you care about. Taurus and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 20,

11, 38 and 40.

COSMIC QUES-

TION: "I initiate everything -- texting, meeting, affection, etc. He always says goodbye first. I feel like I'm chasing him, and I hate it. He's a Scorpio. I'm the Cancer who thinks he's a magnet, except why can't he feel the force of it, too?"

Before you cry "unrequited," make sure you're giving him a chance to "requite." Your private, mysterious Scorpio is very imaginative and needs a place for his imagination to extend.

Consider that every relationship is actually four relationships. There is your relationship with the person, and then there is your relationship with your idea of the person. The other person has the same dynamic going on. In the beginning, your idea of the person and the actual person may be pretty far apart, and that's OK. We project into this idea our assumptions based on the little information we have, also we project who we want and need the person to be.

That relationship with the fantasy is essential and a huge bonding agent to the relationship. And it can only become strong when you leave enough space inside of the relationship for a person to miss you, dream about you, be insecure about you, etc. In short, before you

give up, give him your silence and nonattention deliberately, as a gift to the relationship, and then see if you get a different reaction.

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By Steve Becker A team effort

suit. Since he did not want to risk a

heart shift by East through his king

contract - he decided to lead the

first diamond from dummy.

- which posed a real threat to the

So at trick two, he crossed to the

jack of clubs and returned the dia-

mond three, planning to play the

eight from his hand and thus lose the

lead to West, who could not hurt him

with a heart switch. But on the dia-

mond lead from dummy, East alertly

inserted the nine, forcing declarer to

take the king in order to keep East off

South would still have been in

good shape had West followed low to

this trick. But West did his part by

dropping the queen under the king!

Now there was no way to make the

contract. Declarer struggled for a

while but eventually finished down

Had West not gotten rid of the

NORTH **♠** J 10 8 ♦ A 10 7 6 3 **♣**AQJ6 WEST EAST **♦** K 7 5 3 **♠**Q642 ♥A 10 7 5 ♥QJ98 **♣**8 7 2 SOUTH ♥K642

South dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

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East Pass

> diamond queen, South would have allowed it to hold the next trick, after which the contract could not be defeated. While it certainly requires presence of mind to drop the queen under the king, the play is clearly correct. If South has the missing jack, the queen is useless. If East has it, disposing of

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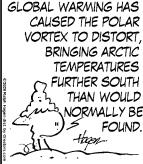






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This Date In History

Today in History Today is Tuesday, Dec. 15,

the 350th day of 2020. There are 16 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 15, 2013, Nelson

Mandela was laid to rest in his childhood hometown, ending a 10-day mourning period for South Africa's first Black president.

On this date:

In 1791, the Bill of Rights, the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, went into effect following ratification by Virginia.

In 1890, Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull and 11 other tribe members were killed in Grand River, South Dakota, during a confrontation with Indian police.

In 1944, the U.S. Senate approved the promotions of Henry H. Arnold, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas MacArthur and George C. Marshall to the five-star rank of General of the Army and the nominations of William D. Leahy, Ernest J. King and Chester W. Nimitz as Admi-

rals of the Fleet. In 1965, two U.S. manned spacecraft, Gemini 6A and Gemini 7, maneuvered toward each other while in orbit, at one point coming as close as one foot.

In 1967, the Silver Bridge between Gallipolis (gal-ihpuh-LEES'), Ohio, and Point Pleasant, West Virginia, collapsed into the Ohio River, killing 46 people.

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter announced he would grant diplomatic recognition to Communist China on New Year's Day and sever official relations with Tai-

In 1989, a popular uprising began in Romania that resulted in the downfall of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu (chow-SHEHS'-koo).

In 2000, the long-troubled Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine was closed

In 2001, with a crash and a large dust cloud, a 50-foot tall section of steel — the last standing piece of the World Trade Center's facade — was brought down in New York.

In 2009, evangelist Oral Roberts died in Newport Beach, California, at age 91. In 2012, a day after the massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, President Barack Obama declared that "every parent in America has a heart heavy with hurt" and said it was time to "take meaningful action to prevent more tragedies like this."

In 2016, a federal jury in Charleston, South Carolina, convicted Dylann Roof of slaughtering nine Black church members who had welcomed him to their Bible

Ten years ago: The U.N. Security Council gave a unanimous vote of confidence to the government of Iraq by lifting 19-year-old sanctions on weapons and civilian nuclear power. Time magazine named Mark Zuckerberg, the 26-year-old co-founder and CEO of Facebook, its Person of the Year. Movie producer, director and writer Blake Edwards, 88, died in Santa Monica, California. Baseball Hall of Famer Bob Feller died in Cleveland at age 92.

Five years ago: Sens. Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio clashed over U.S. military intervention, government spying on Americans' communications and immigration as front-runner Donald Trump defended his provocative call for banning Muslims from the United States during a Republican presidential debate held in Las Vegas. In a major policy change, Secretary of State John Kerry accepted Russia's longstanding demand that Syrian President Bashar Assad's future be determined by his own people. One year ago: The Hallmark

Channel said it would reinstate commercials for a wedding-planning website featuring same-sex couples;

Answer to previous puzzle

ads following a complaint from a conservative group. Today's Birthdays: Singer Cindy Birdsong (The Supremes) is 81. Rock musician Dave Clark (The Dave Clark Five) is 78. Rock musician Carmine Appice (Vanilla Fudge) is 74. Actor Don Johnson is 71. Ac-

the network had pulled the

tor Melanie Chartoff is 70. Movie director Julie Taymor is 68. Movie director Alex Cox is 66. Rock musician Paul Simonon (The Clash) is 65. Movie director John Lee Hancock is 64. Democratic Party activist Donna Brazile is 61. Country singer Doug Phelps (Brother Phelps; Kentucky Headhunters) is

60. Movie producer-director Reginald Hudlin is 59. Actor Helen Slater is 57. Actor Paul Kaye (TV: "Game of Thrones") is 56. Actor Molly Price is 55. Actor Garrett Wang (wahng) is 52. Actor Michael Shanks is 50. Actor Stuart Townsend is 48. Figure skater Surya Bonaly is 47. Actor Geoff Stults is 44.

12 Place to

13 "Silly" bird

22 Person, place

26 Short and thick,

as fingers

28 Puts to work

30 Have in mind

29 Wide belt

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37 Part in a play

27 "Ali ___ and the

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Actor Adam Brody is 41. Actor Michelle Dockery is 39. Actor George O. Gore II is 38. Actor Camilla Luddington is 37. Rock musician Alana Haim (HYM) is 29. Actor Maude Apatow (AP'ih-tow) is 23. Actor Stefania Owen is 23.

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Wood strips
- 6 Eve's husband
- 10 Thick carpet
- 14 Erected
- **15** Scholarly volume
- 16 Metric weight, for short
- 17 Defendant's story 18 Pirate's take
- 19 Fascinated by
- 20 Large grocery
- 23 Prosecuting attys. 24 Small batteries
- 25 "Yeah, right!"
- 27 In a bustling way
- **31** Deserve
- 33 Strong_ OX
- **34** Droplet
- 36 Hospital
- professional
- 40 Current
- must-read
- **43** Drained of color
- 44 Voice below
- soprano 45 Sky-colored
- 46 Carolers' songs
- 48 Some cooked
- chickens
- 50 Seller
- 53 Sheep's cry
- **54** Pub pint
- 55 Evening
- viewing **62** Highlands miss
- **64** Field of expertise
- **65** "Yes ___, Bob!"
- 66 Suffix for kitchen
- **67** Shades of light brown

- **68** More chilly **69** Dry run
- 70 Aide: Abbr.

71 In want

- 2 Doozy
- 3 "Take ___ from
- me" 4 Toothpaste
- holder
- **5** Corkscrew
- shape
- 8 Run
- (go wild)
- 10 Hit the slopes

2 3

11 Yoga practitioner in India

- **DOWN**
- Health clubs

- 6 Mythical lifter
- 7 Entrance

- 32 Revise 35 Israeli airline
- 9 Shooting star
- with "out" 41 Nose around

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38 Tart-tasting

39 Scrapes by,

- **CREAM OF THE CROP** by Billie Truitt Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com
 - 42 Like some diet exchange vows
 - foods 47 Misprints
 - **49** Dried fruit in
 - trail mix
 - 50 Person paid to
 - park cars 51 Make very
 - happy
 - 52 Wasps' homes
 - 53 Cruel person
 - **56** Some savings
 - plans, briefly 57 Clothing-store
 - section with ties
 - 58 Cats' quarry 59 A Great Lake
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If there is a school or team that truly cares about fighting racism, these mascots cannot co-

The name change by the Indians is the latest by an organization reacting to a national movement, which gained momentum in the wake of widespread civil rights protests last summer, to have prejudicial names and symbols removed.

Across the South, Civil War monuments were taken down, and in some cases names were taken off buildings.

Houston Astros manager Dusty Baker agreed with the decision.

"I spent a lot of time with the Native Americans, especially the Cheyenne tribe in Montana, and I grew up with a lot of Navajo kids in Southern California," he said. "And so I think I think that it's apropos. And it's as good for the times and it's been a long time coming."

Dolan said his "awakening or epiphany" came following the death of George Floyd, a Black man who died while being arrested by white Minneapolis police officers this summer.

Cleveland's announcement was praised by Washington NFL coach Ron Rivera, who said his perspective changed after reading "The Real All-Americans," a novel about a Native American football team.

Rivera said he received angry letters from

Washington fans who were upset with the name

"But I've also gotten some notes from Native Americans that have



said thank you for doing that and for respecting our wishes," Rivera said. "The one thing I hope is that we don't forget them. We don't ignore them. We start paying attention to their plight and do right by them. They are Americans that do deserve the respect of us."

Dolan knows there are plenty of Indians fans who disagree with the decision. "I consider myself a fifth-generation Cleve-

lander," he said. "It's in our blood and baseball and the Indians are synonymous, and that goes to the whole intent versus impact thing. Nobody intended anything negative by our attachment to the name Indians, but the impact has been tough." Cavaliers forward Larry Nance Jr. grew up in

the Cleveland area and has always followed the Indians. He said the change is overdue. "To me if the Native American people don't

appreciate that name, then it's time to go,' Nance said. "I'm not just a fan of the Cleveland Indians, I'm a fan of Cleveland baseball. If they change their name to whatever it may be, the Spiders, the Guardians, whatever it is, I'm still going to be a fan. "Just because they changed the name doesn't

mean I stop loving the players, stop loving the manager. If it makes a group of people feel less marginalized, then I'm all for it," he said.

It was only hours after Washington's decision in July that Dolan announced a thorough review of Cleveland's name.

VETERAN 2

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what they were told, and they deserve the recognition for that," Sanchez said. "It's different now, service members draw respect from the masses, and it's not uncommon to hear a thank you or gesture of gratitude. Those gestures, those positive comments help, they help us heal.: He continued, "We fought hard, and we didn't lose the

war. Every fire fight we went into we won, but we were over there fighting with one hand tied behind our back as the politicians fought the war on the home front.' Once Sanchez arrived home, he began adjusting to life back at home. In 1974, he became one of the first three who

went through the Radiology Program at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. After receiving his certification from that program, he went on to serve 33 years at the West Texas VA Medical Center, where he continued to serve veterans. "I wanted to help my fellow veterans and during that

time I feel like I did a lot of good," he said.

The duty of a veteran never truly ends, even years after they've returned home. That commitment to serve his country was stirred once again as he - along with the rest of the world - watched 9/11 events unfold. As a veteran that attack hit a little bit harder and the need to once again defend his country began to well up inside.

"I am proud to have served my country... I would do it again," he said.

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