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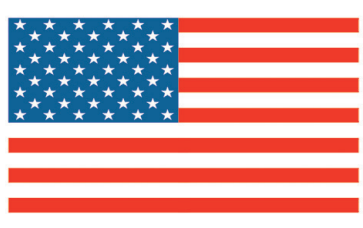
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## A Moment in Time The Carters at 810 Gregg

By **TAMMY SCHRECENGOST**  
 Heritage Museum



Courtesy photo/Heritage Museum

Joseph George Carter arrived in Howard County in 1885 at the young age of 18. Leaving his birth home in Ohio, he had decided to go west for work and begun herding sheep and digging wells for Jim Currie, early settler in Howard-Glasscock area. Currie encouraged Joseph to homestead some land, and the 320 acres he filed on were the beginnings of his ranch. On June 16, 1897, he married Lillian Marks, who had come to Howard County in 1895 to teach school. She lived with her aunt's family, Mr., and Mrs. W.R. Settles on their ranch south of Big Spring and taught at Panther Draw School. After the wedding ceremony, Joseph and his bride traveled to San Antonio, on horse and buggy, for their honeymoon. Through the years, Joseph slowly

**Pictured is the Carter Home built in 1914.**

converted the herd of longhorns to Angus, importing purebred Angus bulls from Scotland to improve the quality of the cattle. In the 1920's, oil had been discovered creating a sizable increase in the land value and income.

The couple had 4 daughters before giving birth to two sons. They were all

educated at home and taught by their mother and several governesses. A red one-room schoolhouse was built by Joseph and a neighbor to allow for neighboring children to attend school as well as the Carter children.

In 1915, the Carters built a "town" home for the children to attend a higher level of education. They sold their cattle, leased the ranch, and moved to Big Spring, building a two-story home at 810 Gregg. Downstairs included a parlor, spacious kitchen, dining room, and a large bathroom that had a massive bathtub. The upstairs had large spacious bedrooms with 9-foot ceilings and walk out porches to enjoy the southern and eastern breezes. The home was situated on a large lot facing east on the west side of Gregg.

In 1925, once the children were of age, See **HISTORY**, Page 3



**HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat**  
**Howard County received another large amount of snowfall this weekend. Many church services went online.**

### Upcoming Events

**Howard County Commissioners Court**  
 3:30 p.m.  
 Today

**Large Item Pick Up**  
 Jan. 20; last day to schedule Jan. 19

**Silver Wings Ball**  
 Jan. 30

**The Club at Silver Hills**  
 5:30 p.m. cocktails

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## Ballot placement determined for Special Election

**HERALD photo/Iris Rangel**

The drawing has been held to determine placement of names on the Special Election, set for March 6, ballot. For District 5, candidates will be listed as: Daniel Moreno followed by Troy Tompkins. District 6 will be listed as Casey W. Pledger followed by Maury Smith. Pictured above is Daniel Moreno - District 5 candidate - at the drawing which was held inside City Hall. Moreno was the only candidate who was in attendance for the drawing.



## Forsan Buffalo Band to be recognized by school board during regular board meeting

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

The Forsan High School Buffalo Band recently brought home the 2nd Place Silver Trophy from the State UIL Marching Competition in San Antonio, and that achievement will be recognized by the FISD School Board during Monday's school board meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Monday at 6 p.m. and will take place in the Auditorium on the Junior High/High School campus.

After the recognition of the Buffalo Band takes place there will be a moment for public comment allowed. At the conclusion of public comment, the board members will move into discussion and possible action on the external financial auditor's report.

A public hearing focused on the Texas Academic Performance Report including Federal and State Report Cards will be held. Once the public hearing has concluded, the Administrator's Reports will be delivered by the Junior High and High School principals and Superintendent Randy Johnson. Mr. Johnson will present the enrollment report along with future agenda items and an update on the Old Gym (H.D.Smith).

As part of the consent agenda, the school board will look to approve December meeting minutes, monthly financials and Emergency Operations Plan. Also on the agenda is the order of a Trustee Election along with a resolution regarding extension of leave during precautionary exclusion. Personnel matters, including hiring and resignations, as well as Superintendent Current Year Evaluation and contract will be up for discussion.

*Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.*

## Lending a helping hand

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

As residents and the City of Big Spring gear up for the first Large Item pick up for 2021, one local organization - ALSA Car Club - along with City Council District 1 Representative Nick Ornelas are teaming up to ensure District 1 residents wanting to take advantage of the pick up program can do so.

"My top priority is to clean up my district, and we have a lot of elderly residents who need the help. This is one way to show my constituents we are here to help in any way we can," Nick Ornelas, District 1 Representative, said. "The ALSA team asked me to let them know if I ever needed anything and this is a great opportunity to collaborate and give back to the community."

The large item pick up for District 1 is scheduled for Jan. 20 and all items will need to be placed on the curb by 7 a.m. that day. Those wanting to take part in the program will need to call and schedule pick up by the end of day on Jan. 19. There is no cost to take part in the pick up program or to receive help with getting your items to the curb. When calling to schedule a pick up, residents will be asked if they are 60 and over and are in need of assistance. For those who are in need of assistance their contact information will be obtained and then shared with those who will be helping to get the items to the curb.

"Everything we are facing now, during this pandemic makes it even more important that we come together and help one another," Ornelas said.

He continued, "Random acts of kindness have a powerful ripple effect; so, let's be a helping hand and help out however we can."

To schedule a large item pick up, District 1 residents will need to call the Public Works Office at 432-264-5201 or e-mail nhernandez@mybigspring.com.

For those needing assistance to get

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## Obituaries

### Elida Robles Fuentes "Ali"

Elida Robles Fuentes, "Ali", passed from this life on Jan. 3, 2021, in Midland, Texas. She was born July 14, 1950, to Angelita and Juan Robles.

She is the much loved mother of Gabriel Fuentes and Gracela and husband, Javier Ponce. Cherished grandmother of Natalia and Dominic Garcia of Odessa, Jessica and Craig Leach of Clyde, Cassandra and Aaron Villa of Odessa, Alyssia Fuentes of Rotan, and Alexander Ponce of Austin. Great grandmother of Xzavier, Bradley, Austyn, Mariano, Darian, Samuel, Beau and Mateo. She loved them dearly,



enjoyed spending time with them and she laughed.

Dear sister of Martina Espinoza, Ida Sanchez, Juan Robles, Rosalinda Yanez, Manuela De Los Santos, Joe Robles, Oscar Robles and Irene Deleon all of Big Spring, Texas. Remembered and cherished by her many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband Jose; her parents; brothers Ismael, Rosendo, and Albert; and sister, Sylvia Robles.

Visitation will be Thursday, Jan. 14, 2021, from 1-9 p.m. at Odessa Funeral Home. The Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be Friday, Jan. 15, 2021 at 10 a.m. at the Odessa Funeral Home chapel, followed by interment at the Odessa II section of Ector County Cemetery.

*Paid Obituary*

### Erma Geraldine (Lashbrook) Dunne

Erma Geraldine (Lashbrook) Dunne, of Carrollton, formerly of Big Spring, passed from this life into eternal life on Monday, Jan. 4, 2021. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

### Esequiel P. Flores Sr.

Esequiel P. Flores, Sr., 65, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021. Visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be at Myers & Smith Chapel on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 at 11 a.m. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Mauricio "Morris" Hernandez, Sr.

Mauricio "Morris" Hernandez, Sr., 66, of Lawton, OK, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a vigil at 7 p.m. Services will be at Myers & Smith Chapel on Thursday, Jan. 14, 2021 at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Support Groups

### MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees It, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

• Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m.

## Take Note

• A benefit for Sheri Bailey - funds to benefit medical expenses and funeral expenses - will be held at the Eagles Lodge at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. There will be brisket plates for sale along with other fundraising opportunities.

• West Texas Centers will be hosting the January 2021 Mental Health First Aid training classes twice in January. The classes will be held on Jan. 26, 2021 for Adult Mental Health First Aid, and Jan. 28, 2021 for Youth Mental Health First Aid. Both classes will be virtual.

• A gofund me page for Ed Flores, who recently tested positive for coronavirus and was recently transferred to Lubbock. Donations are requested to help with medical bills and travel expenses so his wife can be close with him. Ed worked with Shroyer for about 25 years and 87 Auto Sale as a mechanic; he has always been willing to help out people even when they didn't have enough money to pay him. Donations can be made at GoFundMe by Monica Medina. For more information on how to help, e-mail jessemonica1234@gmail.com or call 432-517-7675.

• The City of Big Spring recently announced that due to a recent increase in COVID-19 cases, all indoor city-owned rental facilities including our venue, The Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, will be closed for the rest of the year. With this announcement and with no other venue options that will properly social distance our musicians, we will be unable to kick off our season on Dec. 19 with our "Holiday Spectacular" Concert. Be watching our Facebook page, Symphony website (BigSpringsymphony.org), the Big Spring Herald, KBYG and KBST for further details and a new kick-off date for our season, appropriately entitled, "The Versatile Big Spring Symphony". Thank you for your continued support and patience as we navigate through these unusual times. We hope to see you very soon. May you and your family stay safe and healthy through the rest of this Holiday Season!

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

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

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

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

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

• A new group named Taking Care of Business has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community. There is no membership fee and attendance is not taken. The only requirements are that you be positive or want to be more positive than you are, consider yourself to be a good person but want to be better than you are, and that you have a desire to help others be better too. Childcare is available during the discussion time if you let us know. Topics to be avoided include Religion and Politics, though we can dance around them.

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

meeting.

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

• The Senior Supper Club has come out of hibernation to resume its normal Tuesday evening dinners. The Come-One-Come-All group will be meeting on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and orders will be placed around 5:30 p.m. after much socializing from a distance. The Senior Supper Club is an informal group of folks from Howard County who meet at least weekly and sometimes more for Dutch-Treat food at different area restaurants. Sometimes the group also meets for cards, dominoes, or desserts and fellowship. For more information, contact Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@gmail.com.

• St. Vincent de Paul will be open the following dates beginning November 2020. Food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will be suspended at this time, but will resume on Dec. 17. Distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building. In December 2020, the food distribution will continue the 2nd Thursday as scheduled. SVDP will be closed from December 18 through January 7, 2021.

• Permian Basin Multiple Sclerosis Support Group for information, encouragement and support. The group meets monthly on the Second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express at 5321 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Odessa. If you or someone you know has been touched by MS, or if you are just interested in more information please feel to contact Gary Tidwell at garylteagle1987@gmail.com.

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street.

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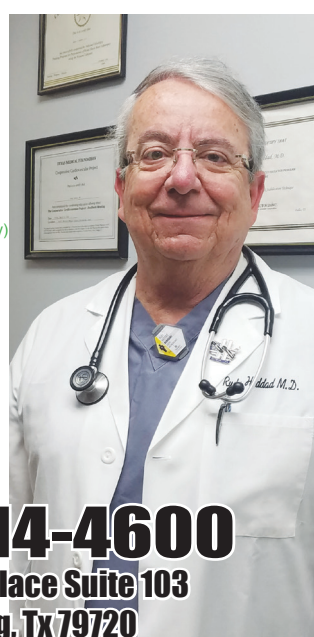
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# VA warns of vaccine scam as doses arrive in the community

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Now that the COVID-19 vaccine is becoming available, scammers are calling, texting and emailing Veterans with promises of vaccine availability and early access to vaccines.

These promises are lies. The people sending these messages are identity thieves. They are after your sensitive personal information, such as your Social Security Number, and your money.

How can you know if the message you receive about a vaccine is a real VA message or a scam? Here are some tips on how to avoid scams and how to tell the difference.

Here's how VA will contact you

VA is beginning contact with Veterans to offer and administer COVID-19 vaccinations. You can sign up for vaccine updates by visiting <https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/stay-informed>. This is a valid and reliable source of information about VA's COVID-19 vaccine response.

Plus, individual VA medical facilities will soon start contacting Veterans about the vaccine. Outreach will most likely come through the VA.gov website, VEText, MyHealthVet or VA emails. VA may also reach out to you via the US Postal Service through letters and postcards. Or you may get a phone call.

What VA will never do

No matter how we contact you, VA will never request money or your full Social Security Number through phone, email, or text message.

VA will never ask for your full Social Security Number or personal health information through a

vaccination request call.

VA will never include hyperlinks in texts or emails that will take you to unofficial or non-secured web pages that ask you to provide personal information. Non-secured sites look like this: "http://." Secured sites look like this: "https://."

VA will never require payment in exchange for providing the vaccine early and will not require payment to become eligible for the vaccine.

The information you provide is up to you

If you do receive a phone call from a VA medical center, you may be asked to provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number or your date of birth. It is up to you if you choose to provide that information.

To be safe, we recommend that you politely hang up and then call the medical center back so that you can be sure you are actually speaking with a real Veteran health provider. Use the number you have saved in your contacts or search for the facility contact information on their website.

Don't just click that link

If you receive an email or text that directs you to click a hyperlink to a website, don't. You have no way of knowing if it's actually the website it's supposed to be. Instead, open your browser, type in the address of the site and visit it directly.

Scams to look out for

COVID-19 vaccine scams come in many forms: emails, website traps, texts and phone calls. Here are the top vaccine scams the FBI warns about:

Payment to be added to a vaccine waitlist.

Ads, websites, texts, phone calls and emails offering early access to the vaccine for a fee.

Emails or phone calls from people claiming to

work at a medical center or insurance company offering the vaccine but requiring personal medical details to check eligibility.

Messages, calls or emails claiming that the government is requiring you to get the vaccine.

Ads on social media for the vaccine.

Avoid all these types of outreach and do not engage with the scammer at all.

Learn More

To learn more about how to protect yourself from vaccine scams:

Tips from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on how to avoid COVID-19 scams: <https://www.fcc.gov/covid-scams>.

General FCC tips on how to avoid giving personal information to scammers over the phone: <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/spoofing-and-caller-id>.

Better Business Bureau information on what to expect from scammers and how to spot a coronavirus vaccine con: <https://www.bbb.org/article/scams/23475-bbb-scam-alert-a-covid-vaccine-is-on-the-way-so-are-the-scams>.

Tips from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on avoiding COVID-19 vaccine scams:

<https://www.fda.gov/consumers/health-fraud-scams/fraudulent-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-products>.

<https://www.fda.gov/consumers/consumer-updates/beware-fraudulent-coronavirus-tests-vaccines-and-treatments>.

Tips from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control on avoiding COVID-19 vaccine scams: <https://blogs.cdc.gov/publichealthmatters/2020/06/beware-scams/>.

## Railroad Commission Exceeding Goals for Oil and Gas Well Inspections

AUSTIN – In 2018, the Railroad Commission began work toward the ambitious goal of inspecting every one of the nearly 440,000 oil and gas wells in the state at least once every five years. The agency is well on its way to exceeding its goal again this year.

One of the Texas Legislature's performance measures for the RRC tracks the percentage of wells that are uninspected in a five-year cycle. For the 2020-21 biennium the goal is to have that percentage be 5% or less in each fiscal year. The Commission also employs a risk-based approach in determining inspection sites, through which high priority wells and facilities are inspected more frequently than the five-year interval in accordance with the agency's Oil and Gas Monitoring and Enforcement Plan.

At the end of fiscal year 2020 only 1% of wells had not been inspected in a five-year cycle. RRC inspectors are well ahead of pace in fiscal year 2021. As shown in the table below in just the first quarter of the fiscal year the Commission already achieved its goal of having less than 5% of wells uninspected, a number that will keep improving as inspections continue for the rest of the year.

In the year before instituting the goal to inspect every well at least once in a five-year cycle, 58% of oil and gas wells had not been inspected at that interval. Since the goal was instituted in fiscal year 2018, the agency has exceeded the annual goal each fiscal year.

The benefit of the increased frequency of inspections, which determine compliance with Commission rules, has been a broad reduction in the number of violations for oil and gas wells.

"We have worked diligently toward achieving this goal," said RRC Director of Field Operations Clay Woodul. "Our inspectors deserve all the credit for this accomplishment, which is even more impressive considering the pandemic we have been dealing with."

Technology improvements have allowed the Railroad Commission to become more efficient in utilizing its limited resources. In 2015, the implementation of the ICE reporting system, which is a web-based application and stands for Inspection, Compliance, and Enforcement, gave the agency the ability to track inspections at the well level, rather than by lease. This helped the agency map wells and identify those wells that had not been inspected in the previous five years.

Field inspectors, who often work in remote parts of the state, were given the ability to file their reports remotely using ICE without the need for an internet connection. Reports are uploaded when a connection is available. Among other features, ICE also provides inspectors with access to comprehensive, real-time data to help them determine compliance while on site, rather than waiting until they return to a district office.

The Railroad Commission continues to set the bar higher for itself. For fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the agency's goal is to reduce still further the percentage of wells uninspected in a five-year cycle to below 0.25%.

About the Railroad Commission

Our mission is to serve Texas by our stewardship of natural resources and the environment, our concern for personal and community safety, and our support of enhanced development and economic vitality for the benefit of Texans. The Commission has a long and proud history of service to both Texas and to the nation, including almost 100 years regulating the oil and gas industry. The Commission also has jurisdiction over alternative fuels safety, natural gas utilities, surface mining and intrastate pipelines. Established in 1891, the Railroad Commission of Texas is the oldest regulatory agency in the state. To learn more, please visit <http://www.rrc.texas.gov>.

## HISTORY

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the couple sold the home and returned to their beloved ranch in Glasscock County. They sold the Gregg Street home in 1927 to the Bells.

Francis Bell turned the house into a boarding home during World War II. Soldiers stationed at the Big Spring Bombardier School, rented out some of the rooms. At one time, she said there were 13 people staying in the home and sharing the one

bathroom. The Bells built, The Corral Café, in the front yard of the home that faced Gregg. This building still stands today and was formerly Hughes Optical and later Kilgore Optical.

By 1963, the old house had needed a roof and urgent repairs. The porches and floors were starting to lean, and the rain and elements had caused severe damage. The wallpaper was stained and peeling, and the flat top roof was full of holes. In 1963, there were no HGTV or do it yourself programs on how to save a deteriorating home. The only solution was to tear

it down. Once the Corral Café had been built in the front yard, the allure and ambiance had been destroyed along with the house at 810 Gregg.

*Editor's Note: Each week the Heritage Museum shares a different piece of Big Spring |Howard County history to help our readers gain a better understanding of the foundation that brought our community to where we are today. The Heritage Museum is one of the ways the history of our community is able to be preserved for future generations.*

### MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Alvin Marin, 83, died Thursday. Visitation 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Sunday with a vigil service at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service at 10:00 AM Monday.

Mauricio Hernandez, 66 died December 17, 2020. Visitation will be until 9:00 PM Wednesday with a Rosary at 7:00 PM. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Terry Coates, 61, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Larita Beck, 69, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## We Salute!

There are those in the community - local business, individuals, or civic organizations - who have gone above and beyond. There have been those moments that have made a positive impact on the community and we want to recognize those moments, contributions and people:

- The Big Spring Police Department for taking the available resources and helping stranded motorists during the New Years Eve/New Years Day snowstorm.

- The Bridge and PBOEM for hosting the food distribution, blood drive and soup luncheon.

Recognizing the great things happening in Big Spring is important. Send in your recognitions to [editor@bigspringherald.com](mailto:editor@bigspringherald.com).

## HELP

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items to the curb, contact Ornelas at 432-270-1116 or by e-mail at [nornelas@mybigspring.com](mailto:nornelas@mybigspring.com).

In addition to the support being provided during the large item pick up, Ornelas said he plans on partner-

ing with the ALSA Car Club on the second pick up for District 1, which will occur in July.

If any other local organizations would like to offer their support and help residents who are unable to get their items to the curb, but would like to take part in the program, contact the Public Works Office.

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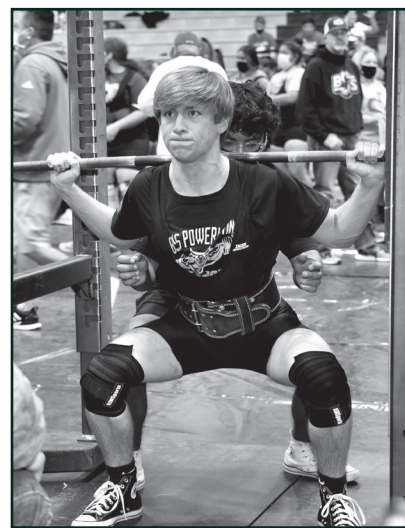
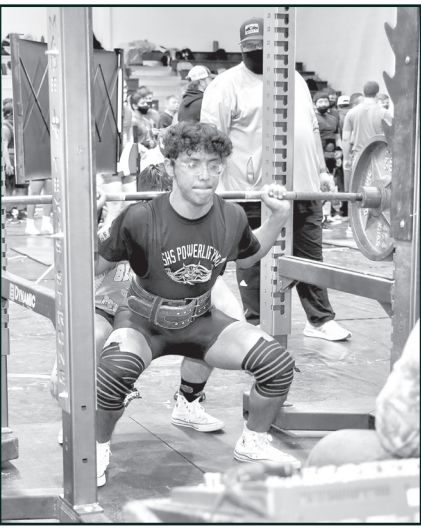
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Far Left: Josh Lopez placed 1st in the 148 weight class. Second from left: Kenny Richardson placed 2nd in the 132 weight class; Third photo: Ashlin Calvio placed 2nd in the 105 weight class: Left: Shawn Mendoza placed 1st in the 165 weight class. The Boys placed 1st and the Grils brought in a 2nd place win.

### Brees, Saints pull late win for 21-9 playoff win over Bears

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Drew Brees will get to celebrate his 42nd birthday by preparing for a playoff game that will also feature the one active NFL quarterback older than him.

Brees completed 28 of 39 passes for 265 yards, connecting with Michael Thomas and Latavius Murray for touchdowns, and the New Orleans Saints defeated the Chicago Bears 21-9 in an NFC wild-card game Sunday.

The victory for the Saints (13-4) and Brees, who turns 42 on Friday, sets up a divisional-round meeting next weekend in the Superdome with Tampa Bay and 43-year-old QB Tom Brady. The Saints won each regular season matchup with the NFC South rival by double digits.

"The minute that he signed with the Bucs and came to the division, you felt like that was going to be a team to contend with, that was going to be a

team that would have playoff aspirations and beyond, just like us," Brees said of meeting Brady in the playoffs for the first time. "So, I guess it was inevitable."

Alvin Kamara rushed for 99 yards and added a 3-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter after sitting out the regular-season finale and not practicing this past week because of contracting COVID-19.

"I was fine, no real symptoms," Kamara said of his absence. "I got a bye week. It's like, you have no choice but to sit and recover and get your body back right. I felt good."

The Bears (8-9) put forth a scrappy performance defensively that prevented the Saints from building more than a one-touchdown lead until Murray's 6-yard catch-and-run made it 14-3 late in the third quarter.

That score resulted from a big Bears mistake: Safety Eddie Jackson, lined

up for an apparent blitz, jumped off-side for fourth-and-3 from the Bears 13-yard line.

"It was basically a no-brainer freeze. We were just going to take a delay (of game) and then kick the field goal," Payton said. "It worked pretty well."

Two plays later, Brees scrambled right and spotted Murray waving for the ball. Brees sent a short touch pass over onrushing linebacker Khalil Mack, and Murray sprinted straight to the goal line, diving through converging tacklers to reach the end zone.

Brees' first touchdown pass in the opening quarter was 11-yards over the middle to Thomas, back from a three-game absence to help heal a nagging ankle injury. The 2019 Offensive Player of the Year missed nine games this season and had not caught a touchdown pass since December 2019.

"He had a few big plays for us and he's going to continue to have more and more big plays," Payton said. "I'm glad that he had that time to really stay off his ankle. And I know it's not 100% but, man, he's going to be significant for us in all of these games."

Thomas finished with five catches for 73 yards and Deonte Harris, back from a neck injury, caught seven passes for 83 yards.

Tashaun Gipson set up Chicago's first points and might have prevented a Saints score on the same play. He got his hand on the ball as Taysom Hill fluttered to throw deep. The ball fluttered a few yards and defensive lineman John Jenkins caught it, setting up Cairo Santos' 36-yard field goal to make it 7-3.

But the Chicago offense struggled against a defense ranked fourth in the NFL. Mitch Trubisky was 19 of 29 for 199 yards and one inconsequential

### Leonard gets 10,000th point, Clippers beat Bulls 130-127

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kawhi Leonard scored a season-high 35 points, going over 10,000 in his career, and the Los Angeles Clippers rallied to beat the Chicago Bulls 130-127 on Sunday.

Leonard reached the milestone on one of his five 3-pointers in the third quarter, when he scored 21 points. His points and 3-pointers made were the most in a single quarter in his career. Leonard's last 3-pointer in the quarter gave the Clippers their first lead since they scored the game's first basket. In all, he had seven 3-pointers, tying his career high.

Paul George had 28 points, seven rebounds and nine assists for the Clippers, who avoided their first three-game losing streak of the season. Lou Williams added 21 points off the bench.

Zach LaVine led six Bulls in double figures with a season-high 45 points — four off his career high — and he made a season-best 10 3-pointers.

THUNDER 129, NETS 116

NEW YORK (AP) — Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 31 points to lead Oklahoma City over Brooklyn.

Gilgeous-Alexander was one of six players to fin-

ish in double-figure scoring for the Thunder, who won their third straight and beat Brooklyn for the fifth consecutive time.

Hamidou Diallo finished with 25 points, Al Horford had 22, George Hill added 14, and Lugentz Dort and Isaiah Roby had 13 each.

Kevin Durant scored 36 points for Brooklyn after sitting three games after being exposed to COVID-19. Caris LeVert added 21 points, Jarrett Allen had 15 points and 10 rebounds, and Timothe Luwawu-Cabarrot scored 12 as the Nets dropped their second straight.

NUGGETS 114, KNICKS 89

NEW YORK (AP) — Nikola Jokic had 22 points, 10 rebounds and five assists in another short night, and Denver reached .500 for the first time this season with a victory over New York.

The Nuggets opened 1-4 after reaching the Western Conference finals last season but have now answered with four wins in five games.

Gary Harris added 14 points for the Nuggets, who got only nine from star guard Jamal Murray.

Julius Randle had 29 points, 10 rebounds and five assists for the Knicks, which the team said made

him the only player other than Hall of Famer Oscar Robertson to have at least 200 points, 115 rebounds and 70 assists in his team's first 10 games of a season.

JAZZ 96, PISTONS 86

DETROIT (AP) — Donovan Mitchell scored 13 of his 28 points in a decisive first quarter, and Utah held on for a victory over Detroit.

The Pistons were coming off an overtime win over Phoenix on Friday night in which they rallied from a 23-point deficit, but they couldn't climb out of another big hole.

Utah scored the game's first nine points and never trailed. The Jazz went on a 17-0 run later in the first, pushing their lead to 20 before the quarter was over.

Jerami Grant scored 28 points for the Pistons, who cut the deficit to six late in the third quarter. They had the ball down five late in the fourth, but Rudy Gobert blocked a shot by Mason Plumlee, and Mike Conley made two free throws to make it 93-86 with 1:00 remaining.

Conley finished with 22 points.

### Athletic Support:

#### “Multi-million-dollar buyouts don't make sense”



Eli Cranor

**Dear Athletic Support:** I'm a huge college football fan. With all the COVID stuff, this was by far the weirdest season I can remember. The quiet stadiums. The coaches in masks. Canceled games. The list goes on and on. One thing that hasn't changed, though, is the massive amount of money universities still pay their head football coaches. I'm an alumni of a large college in my state. I can't begin to tell you how many letters I received this year, asking for me to donate money to help keep the athletic program going. My university even ended up cutting a few sports to stay afloat. This smells like a big fat lie to me, seeing as how they're still paying our football coach all his money. To make matters worse, other schools are paying to fire their coaches! These multi-million dollar buyouts are ridicu-

lous, especially right now. Our country is hurting. People are waiting for their stimulus checks. But college football coaches are making millions, even after they get canned! Are our priorities as a country way off, or I am I just crazy?

Buy Me Out

**Dear Buy Me Out:** You're not crazy. Things are definitely off at the upper-echelon of college football. There's no reason at all for coaches to make that much money. So how does it happen?

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mind paying ten million out of their own pockets to get an old coach out and a new one in.

Prime-time college athletics is a multi-billion-dollar business. And a lot of that money comes from private donors. Yes, it is sickening to think there are millions of dollars being spent to fire college football coaches while the rest of America fights over toilet paper and prays for \$600 stimulus checks.

But that's just the way it is.

The chances of coaches' salaries going down anytime soon is unlikely.

The best we can hope for—and I have heard talk of this—is the end of buyouts.

I'm not actually sure how this would happen, as it would take a restructuring of all the FBS coaches' contracts at exactly the same time. But if it does happen, I think college football will be better off for it.

Eli Cranor is a former professional quarterback and coach turned award-winning author. Send questions for "Athletic Support" to eli.cranor@gmail.com

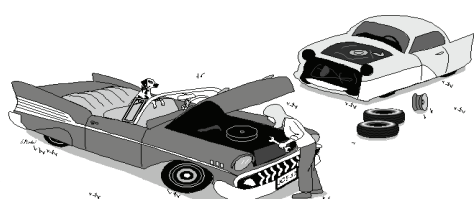
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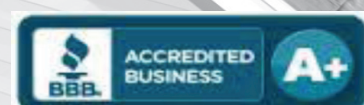
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Annie's Mailbox

Late Husband's Family Bothering Me

Dear Annie: I'm a 39-year-old mom of four. My husband recently passed away, in April of this year.

His family was never very kind to me when he was alive, and they haven't changed now that he's gone. I've been dealing with their judgment and hostility. They find any little thing they can to criticize me and gossip about me. And I'm just wondering how to stop them from talking about my life when they have no idea what they're talking about. Please help! -- Mrs. Fed Up

Dear Fed-Up: I am so sorry that your husband died and that your in-laws are making life harder for you. I'm going to pass along something that someone once shared with me: What other people think of you is none of your business. That's not an admonishment. It's a mantra. They're entitled to their opinions, and you're entitled to ignore them. The more you can accept that, the lighter you'll feel.

Reach out to friends and family who shore you up rather than giving any weight to the opinions of people who

would tear a grieving widow down.

Dear Annie: For six years, I've been with a man -- let's call him "Ben." We have one child together and one on the way. I'm frustrated because I do all of the housework even though we're both employed. We divided up expenses. He pays for the house payment and the babysitter when we need one, and I pay for all of the utilities and groceries. I also do most of the childcare tasks.

I don't feel like I should have to ask for him to get off his butt and help; I feel like he

should naturally want to help and just do it. I've noticed that when we are around his family, he jumps to help them with anything in a split second. He seems like he would just rather be lazy when it comes to our own home life, expecting me to do all the domestic work.

I'd try talking to him about this, but he's not a talk-about-your-feelings type of guy, more of a sort-your-own-laundry type of guy. In the past, anytime I've brought up anything remotely uncomfortable, he seems to register it as a threat and says something negative directed towards me

and not at all helpful to resolving the issue. Advice? -- Unheard Girlfriend

Dear Unheard: I empathize with your hesitation, but to give up on honest communication is to give up on the relationship. When you don't feel you can express yourself, resentments will continue to pile up, like so many unwashed dishes.

Try finding a time when you're both relaxed, and casually ask if he'll help you make a list of priorities around the house. This will help you both better understand which tasks the other feels are im-

portant, and it will give you the chance to talk it out and compromise in areas where your views differ. Approaching it with a spirit of collaboration is different than exhaustion or resentment. Hopefully, he won't go into defensive mode. If he still shuts down, then you might ask him about attending couples' counseling together. Addressing the underlying communication issues would help with the housework issue as well as all other aspects of your relationship.

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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker  
**Famous Hand**

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ Q 10 9 2  
♥ A K Q 2  
♦ A 5 3 2  
♣ 9

**WEST**  
♠ 7 5  
♥ J 10 9 8  
♦ K Q 10 7 6 4  
♣ 8

**EAST**  
♠ J 6 4 3  
♥ 6 5 4  
♦ 9  
♣ J 7 5 4 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 8  
♥ 7 3  
♦ J 8  
♣ A K Q 10 6 3

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♥ Pass 2♣ 3♦  
Dble Pass 4♣ Pass  
4♦ Pass 4NT Pass  
5♥ Pass 5NT Pass  
6♦ Pass 7♣

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

This deal occurred in the women's teams at the 1996 World Olympiad in Rhodes, Greece, in the match between Denmark and China. It features excellent play by Denmark's Bettina Kalkerup, who brought in a grand slam that seemed destined to fail due to a 5-1 trump split.

West led the king of diamonds against Kalkerup's seven-club contract. Given West's preemptive three diamond bid, declarer feared she

would be done in immediately by East's ruffing the opening lead. But when East followed to the play of the ace, Kalkerup had at least a fighting chance, and she made the most of it.

Her first move was to lead dummy's nine of clubs and let it ride after East followed low. Next came a spade to the ace, and the club ace then revealed the 5-1 trump break. It now seemed declarer would have to lose a trump trick to East's jack, but Kalkerup proved otherwise by orchestrating a trump coup.

She began by cashing the spade king and then played the A-K-Q of hearts, discarding the eight of diamonds. She then ruffed dummy's fourth heart to bring about this position with four tricks remaining:

North  
♠ Q 10  
♦ 5 3

West East  
Immaterial ♠ J  
♣ J 7 5

South  
♠ 8  
♣ K Q 10

Kalkerup now led a spade to dummy's queen, and it was all over. With the lead in dummy and declarer holding the K-Q-10 of clubs over East's J-7-5, East's "sure" trump trick went up in smoke.

Making the grand slam yielded a 17-IMP gain for the Danish team.

Tomorrow: How to unseat a monarch.  
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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

**Cosmic Simplicity**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** While you shouldn't be afraid to invest in yourself, do try the free options first. There are many excellent ones. Also, what has worked for your friends? It's a good place to start and maybe as far as you need to go.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** There are things you want to turn down and things you want to turn up. Unfortunately, one dial is handling it all. Focus on what to increase. One gesture starts it.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** If you're not obsessed with the goal, it's not quite good enough for you. When you're hooked into a passion, the next three weeks are incredibly productive.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** The PR guru insists that there's no such thing as over-exposure and that most people are hindered by obscurity. You could test the theory, as you've lots to show and tell people today. Go wild!

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Fear is like that boiling pasta pot. If you wait, it will build; it will boil over; it will be a mess. Be decisive, and act fast. Knock down the heat before it becomes uncontrollable.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Normally you would trust your intuition, but what about when you have a slew of conflicting hunches?

Gather all the information. Keep track. Don't act. You can sort later.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Some chocolate is delicious not despite its bitter qualities but because of them. You can apply it to your relationship sector, which is made dear by sweetness and made interesting by sprinkles of past pain.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** When it comes to friends, you'll take quality over quantity any day. In fact, the better a friendship is, the more time you want to give it, which is too hard when there are dozens of people trying to get your attention.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Maybe you can't balance your time so well today, considering how much work there is to be done. You can, however, get clear on your priorities. And at the end of the day, you'll feel satisfied with how you spent it.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** There's healing, and then there's acting like everything is fine and hoping that no one notices the pain. You've done it both ways

before, which is why you can spot the difference in others and help wherever possible.

**NEW MOON PRE-SHOW:** These moments before the first new moon of 2021 are ideal for reviewing what worked and what didn't in the previous season. The process is made much easier by a lack of judgment on the matter. The Capricorn lunar vibes ask, "How objective can you be?" Capricorn energy is practical and effective, if not slightly harsh in its embrace of reality.

Instead of seeing your own actions as favorable or unfavorable, acceptable or unacceptable, good or bad, weak or strong, try this as a thought experiment: Distance yourself. Be like the Capricorn goat, climbing to ever-loftier vantage points. Sure, the oxygen is scarce up there, but that can help intensify your vision. Can you be objective enough about your life to see it as a series of cause-and-effect occurrences instead of a cloud of feelings, impulses and destined events?

What did you do that worked? What did you do that didn't work? What accidental outcomes would you like to have more or less of in the months ahead? Chances are good that repeating the same moves will bring the same results. The tricky part is being detached enough from your own ego to recognize what you did back there.

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# SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers

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

	3			4	5			
8								
	7	1	8		2			
	5		9		1		3	
		7		4	6			
	1	2	3					6
					7		9	
9	8			3		2		1
7	4			1		3	6	8

Level: Beginner

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

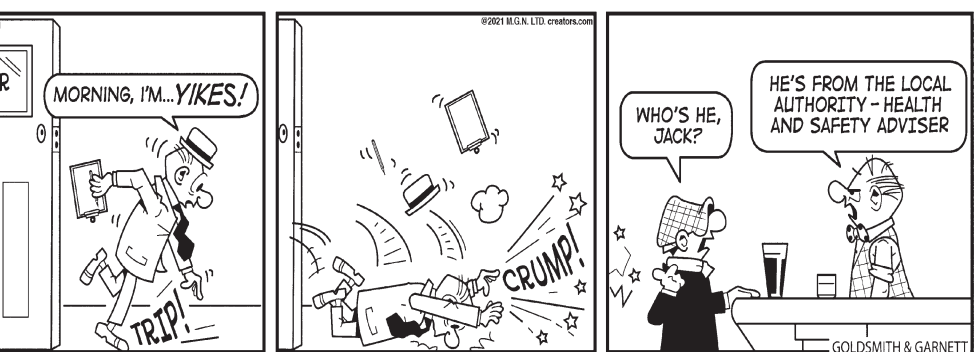
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3	9	7	5	4	6	8	1	2
6	5	8	9	2	1	7	3	4
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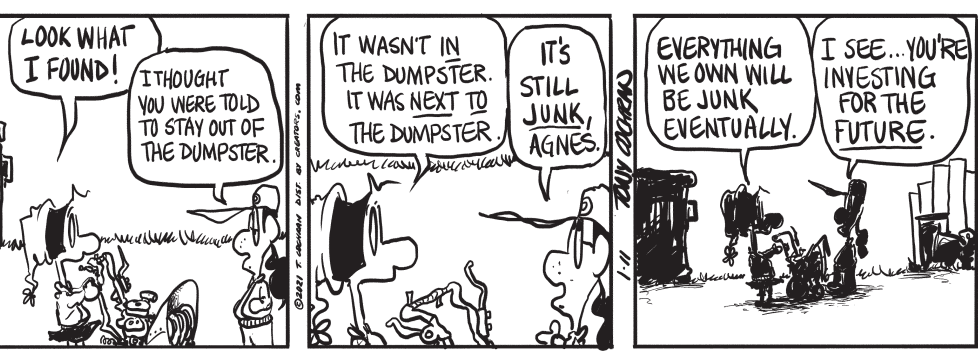


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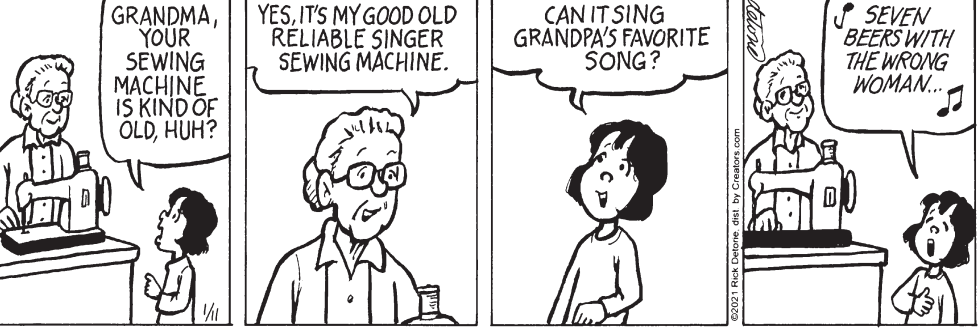
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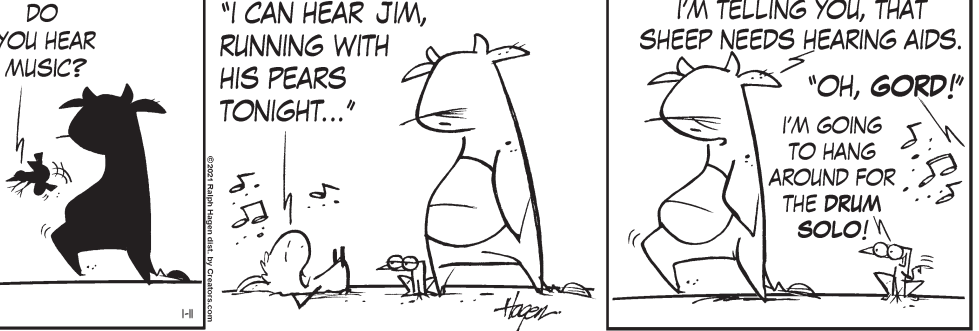
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Monday, Jan. 11, the 11th day of 2021. There are 354 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 11, 2020, health authorities in the central Chinese city of Wuhan reported the first death from what had been identified as a new type of coronavirus; the patient was a 61-year-old man who'd been a frequent customer at a food market linked to the majority of cases there.

On this date:

In 1815, Sir John A. Macdonald, the first prime minister of Canada, was born in Glasgow, Scotland.

In 1861, Alabama became the fourth state to withdraw from the Union.

In 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt proclaimed the Grand Canyon National Monument (it became a national park in 1919).

In 1913, the first enclosed sedan-type automobile, a Hudson, went on display at the 13th National Automobile Show in New York.

In 1927, the creation of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences was proposed during a dinner of Hollywood luminaries at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

In 1935, aviator Amelia Earhart began an 18-hour trip from Honolulu to Oakland, California, that made her the first person to fly solo across any part of the Pacific Ocean.

In 1943, the United States and Britain signed treaties relinquishing extraterritorial rights in China.

In 1964, U.S. Surgeon General Luther Terry issued "Smoking and Health," a report that concluded that "cigarette smoking contributes substantially to mortality from certain specific diseases and

to the overall death rate."

In 1978, two Soviet cosmonauts aboard the Soyuz 27 capsule linked up with the Salyut 6 orbiting space station, where the Soyuz 26 capsule was already docked.

In 1989, nine days before leaving the White House, President Ronald Reagan bade the nation farewell in a prime-time address, saying of his eight years in office: "We meant to change a nation and instead we changed a world."

In 2001, the Army acknowledged that U.S. soldiers killed an "unknown number" of South Korean refugees early in the Korean War at No Gun Ri, but said there was no evidence they were ordered to do so.

In 2010, Miep Gies (meep kees), the Dutch office secretary who defied Nazi occupiers to hide Anne Frank and her family for two years and saved the teenager's diary, died at age 100.

Ten years ago: During a public Mass at St. Odilia Catholic Church in Tucson, Arizona, several hundred mourners remembered the victims of the shooting rampage that killed six people and wounded Rep. Gabrielle Giffords. David Nelson, 74, who co-starred on his parents' popular TV show "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," died in Los Angeles.

Five years ago: Gunmen stormed into a Baghdad mall, killing 18 people; the Islamic State group claimed responsibility. Northern Ireland lawmakers appointed Arlene Foster as the first female leader of their unity government. No. 2 Alabama outlasted No. 1 Clemson in a 45-40 victory in the College Football Playoff championship game. Baseball Hall of Famer Monte Irvin, 96, died in Houston. William A. "Bill" Del Monte, the

last survivor of the devastating San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906, died at a retirement home in nearby Marin County at 109 years old.

One year ago: Iran admitted that its military had "unintentionally" shot down a Ukrainian jetliner three days earlier, killing all 176 people aboard; the statement

blamed "human error" for the

shutdown, which took place just hours after Iran launched a barrage of missiles at U.S. forces.

Today's Birthdays: Former Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chrétien (zhahn kray-tee-EHN) is 87. Actor Mitchell Ryan is 87. Actor Felix Silla is 84. Movie director Joel Zwick is 79. Country

singer Naomi Judd is 75. World Golf Hall of Famer Ben Crenshaw is 69. Singer Robert Earl Keen is 65. Actor Phyllis Logan is 65. Musician Vicki Peterson (The Bangles) is 63. Actor Kim Coles is 59. Actor Jason Connery is 58. Former child actor Dawn Lyn (TV: "My Three Sons") is 58. Rock musician Tom Dumont (No Doubt) is 53. Movie director

Malcolm D. Lee is 51. Singer Mary J. Blige is 50. Musician Tom Rowlands (The Chemical Brothers) is 50. Actor Marc Blucas is 49. Actor Amanda Peet is 49. Actor Rockmond Dunbar is 48. Actor Aja Naomi King is 36. Actor Kristolyn Lloyd is 36. Reality TV star Jason Wahler is 34. Pop singer Cody Simpson is 24.

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Small rugs that say "WELCOME"
  - 5 Formal party
  - 9 Black bird
  - 13 Rebound of a sound
  - 14 Aroma
  - 15 Question answered "Yeah, you!"
  - 16 Shy away from
  - 17 Half a quart
  - 18 Repetitive behavior pattern
  - 19 Little spiny mammals
  - 21 Gives off, as light
  - 22 "By all means!"
  - 23 Adolescent years
  - 24 Moon's surface depression
  - 28 Coldness in the air
  - 30 Dances at luaus
  - 31 Very dry, as a desert
  - 32 Apiece
  - 36 Computer password creator
  - 37 "Great minds think \_\_\_"
  - 38 Woodwind instrument
  - 39 Western flat-topped hill
  - 40 Judge's garb
  - 41 Spiteful, as a remark
  - 42 Specifies, as a person
  - 44 Squandered
  - 45 Easily fooled person
  - 47 Droop
  - 48 With no more patience
- DOWN**
- 1 Netlike material
  - 2 Muscle soreness
  - 3 Dull sound of a fall
  - 4 Ballad or carol
  - 5 Burrowing rodent
  - 6 Spanish farewell
  - 7 Taking quite a while
  - 8 \_\_\_ and crafts
  - 9 Color-changing lizards
  - 10 Batman's partner
  - 11 Leaves off a list
  - 12 Moistens
  - 15 Bicycle tire
  - 20 What visors shade
  - 23 Sea's rise and fall
  - 24 Buddy
  - 25 Sneaky scheme
  - 26 Pub beverages
  - 27 Large hairy spiders
  - 28 Infant beds
  - 29 Trail walk
  - 31 Lotion's soothing ingredient
  - 33 Slightly
  - 34 Secret message
  - 35 Follow, as advice
  - 37 General's fighting force
  - 41 Legendary epic
  - 43 Colorado ski resort
  - 44 Rouses from sleep
  - 45 End of hostilities
  - 46 Totaled up
  - 47 Fastener twisted into wood
  - 48 Movement of a river
  - 49 Gears with teeth
  - 50 Stare at
  - 51 Small fruit pie
  - 52 Creme-filled cookie
  - 53 Liquids for frying
  - 54 Utters

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