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# Special Election Early Voting has kicked off at the Howard County Courthouse Early voting will run through March 2; extended hours March 1 and 2

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Early voting for the Special Election has officially kicked off. Due to a power outage at the Howard County Courthouse, the first few hours of Early Voting took place at the City Council Chambers. As soon as power was restored the voting location was moved back to the Howard County Courthouse, at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday. There are two candidates competing for each position - District 5 and District 6 seat which will be replacing the seats formerly held by Camilla Strande, District 5 and Jim DePauw, District 6.

The special election will take place on March 6, with Early Voting to begin Feb. 17. Those who are needing to receive an ABBM application will need

to do so by Feb. 23.

"Only those registered to vote in those two districts can vote for their council member," Howard County Elections Administrator Jodi Duck said.

Due to the election being called a Special Election vote centers will not be used. Instead of the vote centers that were utilized last election, votes can be cast at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on Election Day. Voters can still cast their ballots at the Howard County Courthouse during early voting as usual.

"Unlike most elections, we will have 10 days of early voting beginning on the 17th of February and it will end March 2," Duck said.

The extended voting days will be March 1 and 2, with polls being open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Other normal election rules apply, including a valid

photo ID will need to be presented to vote, campaign rules - no campaigning beyond the designated area - along with registration deadlines.

"We are asking that the voters be aware of the dates and deadlines as we will also be preparing for the upcoming City and School elections on May 1, 2021. These two elections will overlap, and we do not want the voter's missing important days," Duck said. To find out more information follow

the Howard County Elections Facebook page or call the Howard County Elections Office.

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

## Winter weather conditions continue to impact Howard County as temperatures remain low By AMANDA DUFORAT



Managing Editor

The Artic Blast that arrived at the end of last week continues to linger in Howard County. Through the continuous efforts of Oncor employees, City workers, TxDOT crews and other support services power has continued to be restored to households allowing for the number of households without electricity and water to be brought back

Atmos Energy issued a few tips to help reduce your energy as the colder weather continues bringing power outages and questions to the grid stability.

· Lower your thermostat to at least 68 degrees

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Courtesy photo/Monette Rowden

The winter weather, below normal temperatures for the Howard County region, seem to be sticking around longer than predicted. As snow began to fall upon the area earlier this week, residents were able to enjoy the beauty it created

## VA reaches milestone vaccinating its 1 millionth Veteran

WTVAHCS has 400+ available appointments for Veterans to receive the COVID-19 vaccination

#### Special to the Herald

**WTVAHCS** 

This week, the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Veterans Health Administration vaccinated its 1 millionth Veteran with their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

West Texas VA Health Care System (WTVAHCS) has administered nearly 2500 first doses of the Moderna vaccine to local Veterans and more than 1,000 second doses. The VA began COVID-19 immunizations in December 2020. As of February 17, VA has vaccinated 329,685 of Veterans with a second dose. Second doses of the Moderna vaccine

the second dose completes the course of vaccination. VA's COVID-19 National Summary publishes vaccination data daily on Veterans, including information on employee and federal partner vaccinations. For those reviewing the

are given 28 days after the first dose;

site, when an individual receives both doses from VA, they have completed their vaccine course; therefore, "second dose" and "completed" are synony-VA follows current Centers for Dis-

ease Control and Prevention (CDC)

guidance and the VA COVID-19 Vac-

cination Distribution Plan. During

the limited supply phase, VA facili-

ties have made progress through CDC

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The West Texas VAHCS has been offering Covid-19 vaccines through drive-thru clinics to help ensure all veterans in the service area who want to be vaccinated have the opportunity to do so.

Phase 1a and are offering vaccines to Veterans in Phase 1b, which includes Veterans aged 75 and older. However, some sites are offering vaccine to additional Veterans at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19 as supply permits.

"VA guidance encourages local flexibility in order to maximize COVID-19

vaccine access and efficiency and limit potential vaccine waste," said Acting VA Under Secretary for Health Richard Stone, M.D. "In this limited supply phase, our COVID-19 vaccination strategy is balancing site-specific resources, facility needs, vaccine availability,

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- The Big Spring Symphony Association has kicked off the 39th season. The concerts will take place at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be sold at the door, but patrons are strongly encouraged to purchase tickets in advance online at www.bigspringsymphony.org or local ticket vendors: H-E-B, Heritage Museum, The Karat Patch or the CVB office. Students are admitted free. Perforamance adjustments have been made due to Covid-19 to assure the health and safety of everyone. Patrons are asked to arrive early and ushers will seat them in six foot social distance format. Everyone needs to wear a mask upon entering the facility. There are still two performances left: March 20 will be the Music of Queen 'Bohemian Rhapsody' featuring Jeans n' Classics and April 24 will be Pops Extravaganza The Texas Tenors
- The City of Big Spring has reopened all indoor rentable facilities as of Monday, February 1, 2021 for normal operations. We still request that individuals holding events and persons attending events adhere to the following: Please wear a mask when not eating or drinking anything; Make sure to wash and/or sanitize your hands regularly; If you are not feeling well, running a fever, or have been exposed please do not attend events.
- All City of Big Spring offices have reopened to the public effective January 19, 2021. We ask citizens to act responsibly and follow all health precautions and sanitizing guidelines. We strongly recommend that citizens continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands frequently, stay home if you're sick, and wear a mask when in public areas.
- West Texas Centers will be hosting the 2021 Mental Health First Aid training classes in February. Adult mental health virtual class will take place Feb. 17 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.; in-person adult mental health first aid class will take place Feb. 23, at 3205 Hwy 87 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.; and the final class in the series will take place Feb. 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. virtually.
- 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 Shrover 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 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.
- 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 in the Cactus Room at Howard College. The next meeting is Jan. 20 and will be held in the newly renovated Cactus Room. 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

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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 Howard County Library meeting rooms will be opening up – at limited capacity – on Feb. 1. There will only be five people allowed in the small room and 15 in the large room and can only be used by appointment only by community organizations. No parties or social gatherings will be allowed at this time. For more information, call the Howard County Library.
- 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 group will be meeting at Cowboys this week; Feb. 16 at Hunans and Feb. 23 at Spanish Inn. 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 dis-

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cussions 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 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 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. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.
- Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.
- Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057. Toasty Tuesday is also a weekly clean up effort that takes place around town at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday. The locations is normally announced on the Keep Big Spring Beautiful Page along with in the Monday edition of the Big Spring Herald.
- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you.
- · Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-
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## Church News

#### First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Our Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m.. Traditions service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet and hymns. At 11 a.m.., The Bridge service featuring contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m.. on radio station KBYG-105.5 FM. You can also find the services live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring.

On Sunday, Feb. 14, Church was cancelled due to the weather, electrical outages and water issues. Pastor Ricky shared with us about the Transfiguration from his home through Facebook live. He shared that we to need to experience the Glory of the Lord. In John 17 Jesus prays a wonderful prayer, He prays for Himself, He prays for the apostles, and He prays for all of us. In that pray he mentions "glory" eight times. Later in verse 11, He prays for us, "I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one." That's a shared GLORY! So let us as believers share that glory with the world! On Sunday, Feb. 21, Pastor Ricky will be starting a Lenten series on the "Last Week of the Life of Jesus" We look forward to seeing you.

Hopefully, we will be back to our regular schedule on Wednesday nights. Wednesday, Feb. 24, "Celebrate Recovery" will meet in youth Hall at 6 p.m.; Wednesday night Youth activities begin at 5:30 in the Partee Building; The Bridge rehearsal on Wednesday beginning at 6 p.m.; The Choir rehearsal is at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday; Ladies Bible study, Wednesday at 6 p.m.

For more information on any activity, please visit the web site at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

#### **Cornerstone Covenant Church**

Cornerstone Covenant Church (aka - CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. We would love the opportunity to Connect with

YOU! You can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship.

Please join us this week at one of the following

Sunday, Feb. 21 – Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. for our onsite worship service. Our 11:00AM service will be onsite & online. You can find our CCC Live Worship Experience online at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring or at Cornerstone Covenant Church Live on YouTube (look for the CCC logo). Wednesday, Feb. 24 – Join us ONSITE & ON-LINE

service. We love seeing what happens in people's lives when they discover God through the study of His Word. Let us explore the Bible together and see what it tells us about the God who has woven His story through history and is present with us now. Transportation Ministry - You need a ride to

this Wednesday at our 7 p.m. worship/bible study

church? CCC offers pick-up services on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship service. If you are needing a ride for Sunday please contact the church office. Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified,

spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m. (onsite) 11 a.m. (onsite & online) and Wednesday at 7 p.m. (onsite) for worship services.

#### College Baptist Church

What are we doing to serve our God in 2021?!?

Just praising God at College Baptist Church, as we welcome new members through salvation and baptism! Come see what God is doing at the corner of 11th and Birdwell Lane. We are open on Sunday morning at 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages. Worship time is at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Youth activities start at 6 p.m. and meal between 6-6:45 with families. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting is at 7 p.m. with children meeting for King's Kids and Krafts. Nursery is as needed. Girl's Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m. Come join in the fun as we are celebrating a New Year in serving our Lord.

Services for February 21, 2021, are in the building. We are live streaming and on our Face Book page as well. Catch up on God's perfect plan! We have face masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer available, and we are practicing social distancing. Families are sitting together. Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again—it will be exciting to welcome new faces and old alike. Our services are lively and worshipful.

College Baptist Church continues on mission for our Lord. We have so many things we do it's difficult to list them all. Come help us serve our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We definitely enjoy the worship time as our ministry team leads us in songs of praise, and where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, inspires us as we delve into God's Word, leading us as Jesus lives through us. Come study what it takes to really 'Know the Lord our God," knowing He cares for us so much He sent His only begotten Son to save us. Focus on Jesus as we continue into the New Year. as our pastor reminds us every Sunday, Jesus is coming SOON! Take a part in these joyful activities, and exciting worship, praising the Mighty God we serve. Please call: 432-267-7429, for more information concerning Men's, Ladies' and youth meetings at this great and friendly church.

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As the cold temperatures persist, natural gas users are asked to curtail the use in their homes. In addition to City Press Releases and announcements regarding local re-

pairs, outages and conservation, the Public Utility Commission of Texas also issued a press release earlier in the week regarding the Emergency Order on Electricity Pricing. "In response to the weather-induced electricity crisis currently affecting

Texas, the Public Utility Commission of Texas met in an emergency open meeting this evening to address concerns that certain pricing mechanisms were not generating an optimal response to the challenge. In its order, the Commission directed the Electric Reliability Council of Texas to modify pricing models to more accurately reflect the scarcity conditions in the market. Specifically, the Commission directed ERCOT to ensure that firm load being shed in ERCOT's Energy Emergency Alert Level 3 operating condition is accounted for in ERCOT's scarcity pricing. The decision was spurred by ERCOT's discovery that energy prices across the system were clearing at less than the current system-wide offer cap of \$9,000 established by Commission rule. When notified, the Commissioners agreed that energy prices across the system clearing as low as approximately \$1,200 during the first day of the weather crisis was inconsistent with the fundamental design of the ERCOT market. Because energy prices should reflect scarcity of the supply, the market price for the energy needed to serve load being shed in the face of scarcity should also be at its highest."

# **Obituaries**

John Wayne Roberts John Wayne Roberts, 79, of Garden City died Sun-

day, Feb. 14, 2021. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021, at Garden City Cemetery.

> He was born Aug. 20, 1941, in Stanton to Lizzie and Hayden Roberts. He is survived by three daughters:

Paula J. Buske of Abilene, Lawana Sebree of Big Spring, and Sylvia Gar-

cia of Big Spring; three sons: Troy Roberts of Stanton, James Roberts of Garden City, and John Roberts of Midland; one brother: David Roberts; seven grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by four sisters

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

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#### **FRIDAY**

 Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at **Trinity Baptist Church** in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

 AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY** Alcoholics Anony-

mous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

### **SUNDAY**

**MONDAY** 

mous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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# **Support Groups**

#### TUESDAY

 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.
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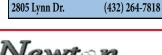
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Psalm 91: 14-16







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of the hand, so you will respond to the leading of Christ to the point where you say, "I myself no longer live, but Christ lives in me."

Galatians 2:20



Rejoice, you people of Jerusalem! Rejoice in the Lord your God! For the rains he sends are an expression of his grace. Once more the autumn rains will come, as well as the rains of spring.

(Joel 2:23)



God's love supply is never empty. "For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth."

(Psalm 103:11)







## Church News

#### Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

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Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 am and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invita-

tion to join us this Sunday. The readings for this Sunday are Genesis 22:1-18, James 1:12-18, and Mark 1: 9-15. The psalm is Psalm

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is back. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. We are studying Lutheranism 101. Please come and join us.

Our Lenten Services began on Wednesday, February 17 and will be every Wednesday evening at 7pm until March 24. Please join us each Wednesday evening.

Dolline Budke will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts". Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

#### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by social gathering outside the church in the Courtyard & Bennett Garden. On Wednesday's we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have Evening prayer and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Facebook – Live Streaming: Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., St. Mary's will be Live Streaming their service on Facebook, website – www.facebook. com/StMarysBigSpring/. What a great way to listen OR participate in the service at the comforts of your home or wherever you may be at that time of First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The Season of Lent begins with an Ash Wednesday Service in the Chapel on February 17, at 7:30 p.m. If the power is off, the service will be cancelled, but the imposition of ashes will be done at the beginning of next Sunday's worship service for those who wish to participate. Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 6:00

p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Anyone wishing to join in the study by Zoom can find the link to the meeting in Faith Notes or online at the First Presbyterian Fellowship group or on the Calendar on the church website on Facebook.

The Thursday Lunch Bunch meets in Fellowship Hall at 11:30.

Presbyterian Women will meet at 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, February 23.

The Session meeting for the month will be Thursday, February 25, at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

.The Discovery Class continues a study by Margaret Feinburg entitled Taste and See: Discovering God Among Butchers, Bakers, ad Fresh Food Makers, a culinary exploration that puts scripture in terms of everyday activities. Vicki Miller is leading Lesson Four "Savoring the Salt of the Earth." This lesson is held over for another week since church did not meet in person last Sunday.

The Covenant Class is considering meeting again. If any of the members would like to meet, they are asked to notify the church office.

The Youth Bible Study, which is meeting in the Tent Room, has begun a study "Faith Questions: Being Presbyterian" led by Tom Koger.

The Children's Class begins lessons about Ash Wednesday and the Season of Lent.

The Sunday morning Take Ten fellowship in the parlor between Sunday School and worship has resumed. Nancy Koger is host for this week.

Lectionary passages for the First Sunday in Lent are: Psalm 25: 1-10; Genesis 9:8-17; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 19:9-15. Rev. Allen Cross will lead the worship service. Organist/music director Gabe Martinez leads the music on the organ and piano.

First Presbyterian Church now has a two iTunes podcasts: The Daily Prayer Podcast and The Sermon Podcast. The sermon from last week may be found at www.fpcbigspring.com/Sermons.

For anyone wishing to join in a daily prayer, one may go to www.fpcbigspring.com and select Daily Prayers. Rev. Allen Cross also posts a Weekly Devotional each Wednesday at that website, which may provide food for thought or help during time of stress or feelings of isolation. He often broadcasts from various sites around the church or around

Anyone who is not attending worship physically may hear the service on KBST 1490 AM at 11:00 a.m. as usual or online at www.fpcbigspring. com by selecting the SERMONS tab and the correct date. A copy of the liturgy for the service may be downloaded from the website or by receiving a copy by calling the church office

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

#### NazFamily Church

This Sunday

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. (Mt. 5:48 NIV) Are you a perfectionist? It can be a challenge living or working with a perfectionist. Everything has to be "just right" or it is all wrong. We live in a culture that idolizes perfection. Much like the Platonists of the ancient world, we seek after the ideal. We want the perfect smile, the perfect nose, the perfect body, the perfect job, the perfect day, the perfect family and on and on. Of course, nobody's perfect and we wear ourselves out with this endless pursuit of perfection. Join us this Sunday as First John call us away from this unattainable goal to pursue one thing-Perfect Love!

Rekindled - Due to the weather, We rescheduled our Rekindled Retreat to February 19 & 20 with special speakers Cal & Ceresa Callender and music by Amanda Kleeb. Don't miss this opportunity to rekindle your relationship and rekindle the love. Contact Howard Callendar for more information or to sign up: howard@callenderinc.com or (661) 549-

Scout Sunday - Troop 5 will be camping on our property and participating in our service on Sunday, February 21st as a part of Scout Sunday. Come out and support our Scouts!

SNU Pastor's Forum - NazFamily will be a host site for the SNU Spring Pastor's Forum on March 8th with Dr. Lenny Luchetti. He serves as Professor of Proclamation and Christian Ministry at Wesley Seminary and is responsible for the development and teaching of the preaching courses the seminary offers. Dr. Luchetti is the author of Preaching Essentials: A Practical Guide, which was honored by Outreach Magazineand Preaching Magazine as one of the best books on preaching in 2012-13. He's also recently written Preaching with Empathy: Crafting Sermons in a Callous Culture.

Food Boxes - Every Tuesday & Thursday we make food boxes available in our church office from 10am - 12pm for anyone in need. If you know someone who needs an extra blessing they can come by the office at that time or contact us at 432-267-7015.

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# Something to think about...

'n their hearts human beings plan their lives.

But the Lord decides where their steps will take them. ~ Proverbs 16:9

Have you ever missed an appoint-Inclement ment?



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weather, power outages, traffic delays, or family crises can interfere with planned schedules. Often when we experience redirection in our day we regard it only as a frustrating intrusion. But, is it possible that God is detouring us because He has something significant for us to do? The Lord may have

ordered a divine appointment that is way more important than anything we had on our agenda. I wonder sometimes how many of these supernaturally scheduled meetings I've missed because I didn't have my spiritual tuner turned on.

Scripture records several divinely directed encounters. The story of Phillip and the Ethiopian eunuch is a great example. We read in Acts 8 that the Spirit led Philip away from the crowds on a detour in the desert. Philip may have wondered what in the world he was doing way out there. He was a long way from the heart of his ministry activity.

But out in the middle of nowhere, he encountered a traveler. As Philip inched closer to the chariot, he realized this foreigner was attempting to understand Scripture and needed some spiritual direction. He was in the right place at the right time to lead this man into an experience with the Living God. Thankfully, Philip didn't miss this divine appointment.

We experienced several divinely orchestrated encounters this weekend. With the panicked predictions of a polar vortex affecting our area, we encouraged everyone to stay home on Sunday and safely watch the service

A few people didn't get the memo, and came out anyway. On her way to church, Kathrine happened to pass someone walking against the wind in this arctic weather. She was able to offer him a ride and, with her help, he safely arrived at his destination. I'm not sure he would have made it if the Lord didn't send Kathrine his way. I believe she made that divine appointment.

Don and Sherri also felt compelled to brave the weather and join us for worship. They happened to pass someone shivering outside one of Don's stores and immediately turned around to check on her. Kelly was stranded. She had been traveling on the Grev Hound trying to get back home to Georgia and was now stuck in the Big Spring blizzard. She couldn't find anyplace open that would cash her check. With

no place to go and no cash, she was getting desperate. Don invited her to warm up at church and she jumped at the opportunity. I introduced myself to Kelly and explained it would be a different kind of service than usual. But with tears in her eyes she replied. "This is exactly what I need today." After church, Don was able to get her check cashed and Kathrine was able to help her to find food and a place to

They were at the right place at the right time to share God's love with Kelly. Whatever else they had to scratch off their schedule, I'm thankful they didn't miss this divine ap-

pointment. It is amazing how many opportunities we have to share love when we're paying attention.

You will probably miss several scheduled appointments this week, but I pray you stay tuned in to the Spirit so that you don't miss the divine ones! #ShareLove

# How are we supposed to live?

ut on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on char-

ity, which is the bond of perfectness." Colossians 3:12-14

The message we find in the Word

of God is that as believers in Christ, we are no longer under the Law (the ten commandments), but under grace. Some have asked if this means that we can just go out and live like we want or if this is a license to sin. The answer to these questions of course is -TOM no! Well, if we are no longer under the Law, but under grace, and if grace is not a license to sin, how do we keep it out of the ditch? How are we supposed to live? The

Apostle Paul tells us how we are supposed to live when he talks about mercy, kindness, humbleness, meekness, longsuffering and forgiveness. But then he says that the most important thing is

love, which by the way, is the bond of perfectness.

When God calls us to His grace, we are delivered from the Law that we might live by the bond of perfectness which is love. The new rule under the liberty of grace is – do no ill to your neighbour. No longer do we live under the watchful eye of the Law, but clothed with the bond of perfectness. And there is a lot of wiggle room in this bond because as Paul says – if any person has a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. If we put on charity (love), we will be too busy to pay any attention to the ten commandments as we occupy ourselves in mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness,

longsuffering and forgiveness

But the best part is that we are not really the ones doing all of this, it is Christ who does it all because - even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. We love Him because He first loved us.



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AURUS (April 20-May 20). The Spanish tradition of relaxing at the table after a heavy meal and talking for an hour or so is called sobremesa, or "over the table." Your day offers a similar opportunity to bond and share information.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Various lessons will be imparted, some seemingly more useful than others. Take note, regardless, to accommodate unforeseeable applications that will surely arise in the far-flung future.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Just when you think you know where everything belongs, there's a country cat on a crosswalk; in the window of a high-rise, the silhouette of a mouse, or, in today's case, the non-animal equivalent of these things.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though it might be convenient to be better and more widely understood, you're not willing to trade validation for your right to complexity. So those enigmatic parts of you remain, mysterious to all, even to yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When it's your game, you're allowed to write rules, name the prizes and dole out the hints, too. Consider also that the most popular and enjoyable games tend to, once established, stay consistent within their own limitations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The innocence you once had will not return. In its place is a custom-made sword and shield, which you will use to defend the innocence of others, as you understand its preciousness more than anyone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll get the sneaking suspicion that someone is trying to live vicariously through you. It's not a terrible dynamic, as you are loved, tended to and sup-

#### Tomorrow's Horoscope ported,



Anand ridharawrites, are on our because are ing You've recently fallen, and it was for a good cause. To-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Each emotion has its preferred animation style. Joy jumps. Melancholy settles. Jealousy creeps. Today, you may have feelings you can't name, but track their movement and later it will come to you.

day's risk will be more temperate and graceful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Many who seek attention are also looking for validation. You don't need that. You need people who want what you can offer. You focus not on showing off but on showing enough so that you can find your right audience.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Just being where the conversation goes down is an initiation of sorts. All who witness are influenced and all who weren't there are outsiders on the matter. It's why you make an effort to be involved.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 19). This year is a study in contrasts. As it becomes clear what you're doing, who to involve and how you feel about it, your productivity soars. The clear lines between what's for you and what's not for you make it easy to schedule and execute plans. You'll aim high with a goal and meet it in May. Virgo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 13, 2, 28 and 17.

same advice goes for love and money situations: Don't invest more until you start to see a return on your initial investment. TAURUS: Too much too soon is a bad sign and the word written on that sign is "co-dependency." GEMINI: Your aim

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: The** 

is to make everyone feel special. Though, on a very practical level, it is necessary to prioritize people just like you prioritize other things in your life. CANCER: You'd like to be an oasis of love, though it takes certain conditions to create an oasis -- much nurturing is necessary for your flourishing. LEO: You're interested in reliable people only and that's how you'll show up, too. VIRGO: Whatever you want in a relationship, you need to communicate those needs explicitly. LIBRA: It's futile to ignore the influence of the outside world on a relationship. The way other people see your relationship will make a difference in the way things play out. SCORPIO: Make a deal with yourself that you will be in charge of your emotions and don't allow yourself to fall for anyone who hasn't done the work to warrant it. SAGIT-TARIUS: You'll develop a better sense of what you want to share and which topics are off-limits. CAPRICORN: You've purged yourself of past pain and will have a fresh start. AQUARIUS: It takes a minute to get your bearings in a relationship, but now you know what cards you're holding and you're coming up with a strategy for how you want to play them. PISCES: What works is bland topics

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** With the Gemini moon reflecting the radiance of the Aquarian sun, these two air signs lock onto one another with sizzling attraction. It plays out with the snappiness of a film noir damsel wise-cracking to the detective in such a way that makes the audience sure she committed the crime herself. Confessions of love sound like cutting wit, but they both know the language so translating is no problem.

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Dear Annie: Last

month, I lost the man of my dreams, my husband. It hurts so bad without him. I don't know what to do. I miss him terribly. He was my everything for years now. He was my heart and soul. My heart is broken into a million pieces. I have talked with counselors; some help, others don't. We still had so many plans for the future. It just hurts. I want him back but l can't have that. I want to cry and at the same time want to laugh and smile for all the good times we had. I feel so lost and empty without him. I feel like I lost a part of me that day. Is there any advice you can give me? --

Grieving Wife

### Dear Grieving

Wife: I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. As therapist and grief advocate Megan Devine writes in her book "It's OK that You're Not OK": "There is a quiet, a stillness, that pervades everything in early grief. Loss stuns us into a place beyond language." There are no words to adequately address your pain, but here is my meager attempt.

You've suffered a devastating blow. It feels like you lost a part of yourself that day because you (SET ITAL)did(END ITAL). I won't attempt to offer you solutions, because your grief is not a problem; it's the natural reaction to this traumatic, life-altering event. I say all this not to make you feel worse but to

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make you feel heard.
All of your feelings
-- from desperation,
to anger, to numbness, to the wholebody heartache that
thrums beneath it all
-- are valid.

That doesn't mean you're condemned to a lifetime of suffering, or that you need to endure this alone. I commend you for reaching out to others for support over the past few weeks, and I encourage you to keep doing so. Continue trying out counselors until you find one you like. Eventually, you might even consider joining a grief support group. While the pandemic may make it difficult to meet in person, there are online grief-support communities, such as Grieving.com and GriefInCommon.com.

Lastly, keep hold-

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Dear Annie: I am 32 and living at my childhood home with my mother. I was once away at college and had several mediocre jobs in a few different cities. However, my inability to find a job that paid well enough to sustain my independence resulted in me moving home with my mother a few years ago. I was laid off in May due to COVID-19, but my employment there was rocky anyway.

certain failures, and I'm incredibly embarrassed and ashamed. I am desperate to take responsibility for my life and become an adult, but the fear

and my inadequacy

I look back on

are overwhelming. I am having difficulty coping. Am I destined to struggle for the rest of my life? -- Man-Child

Dear Man: It breaks my heart to hear how you talk to yourself. I can tell from your letter that you're a thoughtful, emotionally intelligent person. But all the reassurances in the world won't mean a thing if your depression and anxiety keep getting the last word. So, first and foremost, you must prioritize your mental health, through therapy and any other necessary treatment. And if you feel like you might hurt yourself or just would like someone to talk to,

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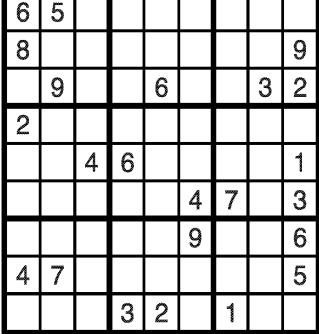
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# SUDOKU



Level: Advanced

#### 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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ANSWER:

# Contract English Bridge

## Bidding quiz

You are South, neither side vulnerable. The bidding has been:
West North East South

1 ◆ Dble Pass ?

What would you bid with each of the following four hands?

- 1. ★ A983 ♥ A983 ♦ 6 ♣ Q986 2. ♠ J84 ♥ Q72 ♦ KJ83 ♣ A96 3. ♠ 9 ♥ J642 ♦ 8653 ♣ AQ87 4. ♠ KJ87532 ♥ 10 ♦ J4 ♣ 954
- 1. Two diamonds. Assume you have this hand and your partner, the dealer, opens the bidding with one spade, one heart or one club. You would presumably drive the hand to at least a game even if you were by nature an underbidder.

The fact that an opponent opens the bidding first should not alter your assessment of a hand after partner doubles, indicating support for the unbid suits and the values for an opening bid. In this case, you should certainly feel your side has a game, and the only question is how to reach

Rather than try to guess which suit to jump to game in, it is better to cuebid diamonds and force partner to choose a suit. You can then raise to game in whatever suit he names.

**2. Two notrump.** You don't often hold 11 points when partner makes a

takeout double, but when you do, you must show them by making a jump-response (or by cuebidding the opponents' suit, as in the previous problem). Here, the most illuminating bid you can make is two notrump, showing a balanced hand of 10 to 12 points with the opponents' suit stopped. Partner can then pass or bid

on as he chooses.

3. One heart. Here you're a trifle short for a jump-response, so the only problem is whether to bid one heart or two clubs. One heart is better largely because the doubler is nearly always more interested in hearing about a major suit than a minor suit. This is readily understandable, since it is easier to make a 10-trick game

than an 11-trick game.

The heart response will lead to a sound game far more often than a two-club response, despite the great difference in the quality of the two guits.

4. Three spades. This is not a strength-showing bid; it merely says you have great spade length little a preemptive b By Steve Becker; three-bid. Partner can pass with minimum values for his double or carry on to game with a bit extra. Strength-showing responses would be two spades (invitational), four spades or a cuebid of the opponents' suit.

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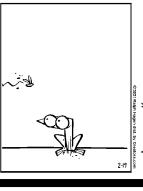
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This Date

In History

Today is Friday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 2021. There are 315 days left in the year.

On Feb. 19, 1942, during World War II, President

Franklin D. Roosevelt signed

Executive Order 9066, which

paved the way for the reloca-

tion and internment of people

of Japanese ancestry, including

U.S.-born citizens. Imperial

Japanese warplanes raided the

Australian city of Darwin; at

In 1807, former Vice

President Aaron Burr, accused

of treason, was arrested in the

Mississippi Territory, in pres-

ent-day Alabama. (Burr was acquitted at trial.)

In 1846, the Texas state gov-

ernment was formally installed

in Austin, with J. Pinckney

Henderson taking the oath of

In 1878, Thomas Edison received a U.S. patent for "an

improvement in phonograph

In 1945, Operation Detachment began during

World War II as some 30,000

U.S. Marines began landing on

Iwo Jima, where they commenced a successful month-long battle to seize control of

the island from Japanese forc-

In 1968, the children's program "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," created by and starring Fred Rogers, made its

network debut on National

Educational Television, a fore-

runner of PBS, beginning a

In 1976, President Gerald R. Ford, calling the issuing of the

internment order for people of

Japanese ancestry in 1942 "a

sad day in American history,"

signed a proclamation formally

In 1986, the U.S. Senate approved, 83-11, the Genocide

Convention, an international

treaty outlawing "acts committed with intent to destroy, in

whole or in part, a national,

ethnical, racial or religious group," nearly 37 years after the pact was first submitted for

In 1992, Irish Republican

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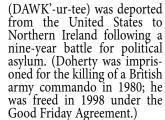
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**Today in History** 

Today's

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In 1997, Deng Xiaoping (dung shah-oh-ping), the last of China's major Communist revolutionaries, died at age 92.

In 2003, an Iranian military plane carrying 275 members of the elite Revolutionary Guards crashed in southeastern Iran, killing all on board.

In 2008, an ailing Fidel Castro resigned the Cuban presidency after nearly a halfcentury in power; his brother Raul was later named to succeed him.

In 2019, President Donald Trump directed the Pentagon to develop plans for a new Space Force within the Air Force, accepting less than the full-fledged department he had wanted.

Ten years ago: Security forces in Libya and Yemen fired on pro-democracy demonstrators as the two hard-line regimes struck back against the wave of protests that had already toppled autocrats in Egypt and Tunisia. The world's dominant economies, meeting in Paris, struck a watered-down deal on how to smooth out trade and currency imbalances blamed for a global financial crisis.

Five years ago: Harper Lee, author of "To Kill a Mockingbird," died in Monroeville, Alabama, at age

One year ago: About 500 passengers left the Diamond Princess cruise ship in Japan at the end of a two-week quarantine that failed to stop the spread of the coronavirus among passengers and crew; the number of confirmed cases aboard the ship topped 600. The number of deaths in China from the virus rose past 2,000. Iran's state-run IRNA news agency said the virus had killed two Iranian citizens. President Donald Trump announced that Richard Grenell, the U.S. ambassador to Germany, would become acting director

Answer to previous puzzle

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of national intelligence. A man who had posted an online rant calling for the "complete extermination" of various races and cultures shot and killed nine people, most of them Turkish, in an attack on a hookah bar and other sites near Frankfurt, Germany; he was later found dead at his home along with his mother.

Today's Birthdays: Singer

Smokey Robinson is 81. Actor Carlin Glynn is 81. Former Sony Corp. Chairman Howard Stringer is 79. Singer Lou Christie is 78. Actor Michael Nader is 76. Rock musician Tony Iommi (Black Sabbath, Heaven and Hell) is 73. Actor Stephen Nichols is 70. Author Amy Tan is 69. Actor Jeff Daniels is 66. Rock singermusician Dave Wakeling is 65. Talk show host Lorianne

Crook is 64. Actor Ray Winstone is 64. Actor Leslie David Baker is 63. NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell is 62. Britain's Prince Andrew is 61. Tennis Hall of Famer Hana Mandlikova is 59. Singer Seal is 58. Actor Jessica Tuck is 58. Country musician Ralph McCauley (Wild Horses) is 57. Rock musician Jon Fishman (Phish) is 56. Actor Justine Bateman is 55. Actor Benicio

Del Toro is 54. Actor Bellamy Young is 51. Rock musician Daniel Adair is 46. Pop singeractor Haylie Duff is 36. Actor Arielle Kebbel is 36. Christian rock musician Seth Morrison (Skillet) is 33. Actor Luke Pasqualino is 31. Actor Victoria Justice is 28. Actor David (dah-VEED') Mazouz (TV: "Gotham") is 20. Actor Millie Bobby Brown is 17.

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- 60 Region of ancient Turkey
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He was born premature and weighing only five pounds when his parents Kristin and Tim, adopted him. Dalton Kasel has had a fighting spirit from the start. That fight is what has propelled this young man into being one of the best athletes and Bullriders the sport has.

Dalton grew up in Muleshoe, Texas; as a young child, he was always full of energy. From the age of only one, his parents got him a rocking horse, and it wasn't long before the young man was riding his horse like it was a bucking bull. The rocking horse wasn't the only thing that Dalton would ride. He also loved climbing on his dad's back and having his dad try to knock him off. Little did he know he had already had riding in his bones.

Daltons family didn't grow up around Rodeo; it was watching football on Sundays with his dad that he found the sport of bull riding. After the Football games would end on Sunday afternoon, then Bullriding would come on. Dalton was instantly hooked watching every chance he got. While his parent thought he would outgrow his passion for being a Bullrider, his love grew even more. At the age of 11, Dalton attended his first Rodeo camp. A year later, he went to his second camp. It was then that he begged his parents to get on the back of a real Bull. So at the age of 14, his father, Tim, got him into

never stopped since.

Dalton would carry his love of the sport with him to High School, where he rode for his high school team. Dalton would go on to compete at the Nation High School Finals Rodeo, finishing fourth. He was able to meet Chad Castillo, the head rodeo coach for Howard College at that time. Castillo recruited the young Kasel to come to Big Spring, Texas, and start his college career. Dalton gives his time at Howard as a huge learning point for his career. His ability to ride and practice frequently was tremendous in getting the young man confidence and experience.

Entering his Freshman Year in 2018 for Howard, the young man had a promising season until he suffered a lacerated Kidney. The injury only motivated him to have an excellent Sophomore year. Dalton was able to make it to the College National Finals Rodeo that year. He would go on to have afantastic Final finishing second.

Dalton made his Touring Pro Divison debut in March in Belton, Texas. On June 1, 2019. Dalton had zero points and was unranked. It wouldn't take Dalton long to set the Bull riding community abuzz. On June 20, 2019, he won and finished runner-up, making it a full sweep at the Touring Pro Divison in Williston, North Dakota. After the impressive showing at the North Dakota event. Dalton went on to have six top 10 finishes for the Touring Pro Divison level. including runner-up efforts in Santa

Babara and Rocksprings. In Santa Barbara, the rookie turned heads by riding the PBR World Champion Bull Contender Spotted Demon for a stunning score of 93 points. He then followed up, going three for four capped off by a 90.5 point ride on Deep Water to win the event in Big Sky, Montana.

It was then Dalton got to make his debut on the PBR big-

gest stage. He would accomplish something that only four riders in the past ten years have done. Dalton won the first round by ridding Sun Country for a blistering score of 88.75. He would end up finishing seventh at the event overall. The finish would move Kasel up to 37 in the world. He then went on to place 15th the very next weekend. Dalton would then go on to compete in the fourth and final PBR Major event of the year. Kasel would go on to win round one with an 89.25 point ride on Karabagh. He then beat the second round with a fantastic score of 92 on Fearless. Dalton would go on to continue to climb in the rankings have a historic rookie vear. He would

number 8 in the world while also winning the PBR Rookie of the year honors.

Dalton Kasel is a passionate young man who is motivated to be the best in the world. His goal is to be the number one bull rider in the world and win multiple World Championships. One thing is obvious the sky is the limit for this young man.

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