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<u>Upcoming Events</u>

City Council Meeting **Today** 5:30 p.m. Council Chambers

Large Item Pick Up District 2 Wednesday

Take a moment to thank a veteran for their service.

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# Howard County designated as a Purple Heart County during Monday's Commissioner Meeting



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A declaration was made marking Howard County as a Purple Heart County during Monday's County work with TXDoT (Texas Department of Commissioner meeting.

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Contributing Writer

At their meeting Monday afternoon, Howard County Commissioners designated the county "A Purple Heart County," recognizing local servicemen and women who have been injured or killed in combat. The commissioners unanimously approved a resolution adopting the measure, which also designated Feb. 22, 2021, as "...the day in Howard County, Texas, to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart Medal," given by the United States military to its men and women who have been wounded or killed in the line of duty.

Jim Bracken, Chapter Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart's Austin-area chapter, presented the commissioners a sign acknowledging the county is now an official Purple Heart county.

"If you are a Purple Heart county, that entitles you to

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# **Howard College Board of Trustees to convene** Wednesday evening at 6, for routine agenda

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Howard College Board of Trustees will be convening for a regular meeting on an irregular day. The Board will be convening on Wednesday afternoon at 6 p.m. after a short Executive Session at 5:45. The meeting will take place in the Tumbleweed Room of the Student Union Building.

The meeting will begin with the invocation and recognition of guests, followed by communication to the board. Approval of routine matters will take place, which will include approve of minutes of regular meeting from Jan. 25, 2021, monthly checklist for January 2021, monthly reports of auxiliary services, personnel matters and internal audit report.

There is no unfinished business to be revisited which will allow the Board to move directly into new business. As usual the discussion will begin with Visioning and Future Directions. The vision, mission, values, and strategic planning for the district will be discussed as well as Board of Trustees Institute webinar report. Dr. Cheryl Sparks will be providing the Open Howard College update as well as the Covid-19 response status #11. There are no reports for Big Spring, Lamesa or San Angelo specifically. The update reported for SWCD will include Advisory Council Membership.

As part of the performance measures/outcomes the Board will be presented with accountability measures including operational indicators, financial indicators which

will include quarterly investment report, and student success indicators including Spring enrollment and contact hour report.

The Board of Trustees will look at President's Contract/ Job Description before discussing an electricity bid. Annually the Board looks at bids and this is a routine agenda

The Board will also be looking at handbook and catalog changes before heading to discussion on construction/ renovation projects. Updates will be given regarding the Big Spring/SWCD roof project and change orders. The Big Spring Campus boiler and chiller project will also be discussed as updates are provided.

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# Medical Center has reported 02/22/2021: • 1 Covid-19 positive patients • 0 in ICU & 0 vent

Scenic Mountain

Updates

through Feb. 22: • 3467 tests • 803 positives for 23.2% positivity rate • 0 pending

SMMG & SMMC Testing

From Dec. 2020 - Feb. 22, 1531 patients have tested of which 293 were positive for a rate of 19.1% positivity. 0 test is pending.

> **Howard County has** reported as of Feb. 22:

- 2963 positive cases
- 95 Covid-19 fatalities
  - 84 Active cases • 4290 recovered
- 1506 probable cases

# **Outpatient COVID testing** in Big Spring

Gregg Street Clinic 2301 South Gregg St Big Spring, Texas 79720 Clinic Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

910 S Main St Big Spring, TX 79720 Clinic Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

West Texas Medical Plaza 1501 W 11th Place Big Spring, Texas 79720 Clinic Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

Big Spring Urgent Care 1700 W. FM 700 Suite B

> Affordacare 710 S. Gregg Street

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



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Last week the Big **Spring Herald staff** was treated to a sweet surprise. Faye's **Flowers** delivered a lovely bouquet of roses to show their appreciation and support of the Big Spring Herald and community business. Through the tough times, partnerships and local support is what makes the local economy continue to grow

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# **Obituaries**

# Frankie Orlene (Key) Hazelwood



Jerry Read

Frankie Orlene (Key) Hazelwood, 77, of Big Spring passed away Feb. 19, 2021. Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memo-

She was born in San Angelo, Texas to parents Ernest Key and Dorothy (Conn) Key on June 12, 1943. She married Martin Frank Hazelwood in 1961 and he preceded her in death in 1987.

Jerry Read, 67, of Big Spring,

died Friday, Feb. 19, 2021. View-

ing and visitation will be held

on Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021 from 9

a.m. to 9 p.m. at Myers & Smith

Funeral Home. Graveside ser-

vices will be on Wednesday,

Feb. 24, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at

Mount Olive Memorial Park

with Doug Shelley, Pastor of

East Side Baptist Church, offi-

Jerry was born on Sept. 12,

1953 in Big Spring and was a

ciating.

lifetime resident. He worked all of his life for an oil

Nancy Brownfield, 85, of Big Spring, died Tues-

Viewing and visitation will be Thursday, Feb. 25,

2021 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral

Home. Services will be Friday, Feb. 26, 2021 at 1 p.m.

at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity

Frankie enjoyed playing video games, listening to Elvis Presley, and watching her favorite football team the Dallas Cowboys. She

loved her family more than anything.

She was preceded in the death by her parents, Ernest and Dorothy Key; and husband, Martin Hazel-

LOCAL

Those left to cherish her memory are her children: Mark Hazelwood and wife Carolina, Wally Hazelwood and wife Connie, Dorothy Shaw and husband Jay; brother, Connie Key and wife Lou; grandchildren: Jonathan Shaw and wife Sarah, Tiffany Carnett and husband Josh, Paola Villta, and Pablo Villta; great grandchildren: Logan Shaw, Ashton Gray, Dyllan Gray, Claire Carnett, and Carson Carnett; as well as numerous nieces and neph-

Arrangements are by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

# Paid Obituary

company and was currently at Sabil Drilling. Jerry loved golfing.

He is survived by his wife: Debbie Read of Big Spring; two sons: Marc Read and wife Blanca of New Town, ND and Nick Read of Midland; two grandsons: Juan Villanueva and Hailey Read; and one brother: Ricky Read and wife Alicia of Midland.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Mildred

and Dick Read. Special thanks to Big Spring Fire Department,

Howard County Sheriff Department, Judge Seales, and Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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

### Paid Obituary

Nancy was born on Jan. 19, 1936 in Canton, Texas. She is survived by two daughters: Janis Brownfield of Big Spring and Holli Nan Adams of Abilene.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son: Kevin Lee Brown-

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

# **Support Groups**

# **TUESDAY**

Memorial Park.

day, Feb. 16, 2021.

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

Nancy Brownfield

- 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. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session beging Sept. 3, 2019. 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.

# WEDNESDAY

• Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-860

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- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment op-
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group. is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane.

For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@Bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

# The GEO Group, Inc. For available positions,

**Sheriff** 

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 91 inmates at the time of this re-

- JUSTIN ANDREW AMARO, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of racing on highway.
- GARY WAYNE BRITO, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of vehicle and possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams. • JUSTIN DWAYNE HAGERMAN, 32, was
- arrested by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams; and abandon endanger child.
- SABRINA VALENCIA MADRID, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of FTA/Theft of property between \$1,500 and \$20K.
- JAMES ELIJAH MARLOW, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. RAYMOND LEE MARSHALL, 22, was ar-
- rested by BSPD on a charge of racing on highway. • EVAN DRAKE MATHEWS, 25, was arrested
- by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. • RYAN LEE MONTEMAYOR, 25, was arrest-
- ed by HCSO on a charge of fail to identify fugitive intent give fale information. • ANNA RHEA NICKLE, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of MTA/Possession of con-
- trolled substance less than one gram. DAVID WAYNE O'BRIEN, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ROBERT RICHARD PEARSON JR., 32, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of burglary of a
- BRYSON O'NEIL VANDERBILT, 35, was arrested by HCSO on two charges of manufacture delivery controlled substance less than one gram, no drivers license when unlicensed.

# Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700
- block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. •MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2500
- block of Central. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 800
- block of S. 1st Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700
- block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3600
- block of Boulder. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1800
- block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 8000

block of N. Hwy 87 One person was transported to

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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. Ev eryone 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
- 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 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 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 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 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 so-

cializing 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.

# **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

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Nancy Brownfield, 85, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, February 16, 2021. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Home. Funeral Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity.

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Transportation) to place roadside signs on the side of the road, highways, state highways, county roads, so that when someone is driving down the road they can see that Howard County supports its Purple Heart recipients," Bracken said.

"We are so proud of our men and women who have served in the military," said County Judge Kathryn Wiseman following Monday's Commissioner's Court meeting. "This is one more way to honor them, by designating Howard County as a 'Purple Heart county.' So we'll be posting signs. We'll have this sign up in the courthouse at some point, after we decide where to put it. But we are just so very proud of our military connection and of our military heroes here in Howard County."

In other business, a power outage at the Howard County Courthouse caused by

recent winter weather prompted a discussion of the possibility of purchasing a new generator for the facility.

"We had a real scare," Wiseman said. "Sharon Adams, our county treasurer, ended up coming up here to the courthouse Tuesday at 4 o'clock, and she was up here until after 12 o'clock a.m., and she was doing payroll one by one by one by one, until she got our employees paid. So we might need to look at purchasing a generator, somehow, for (Adams') office to be on call here at the courthouse."

While the courthouse has a large generator, it is currently set up to power the building's fourth floor jail during a power outage.

While the item was not on the meeting's agenda, commissioners will be looking at the discussion item during a future meet-

Chief Deputy Dean Restelli of the Howard County Sheriff's Department presented the commissioners with a memorandum of understanding with the Midland Police Department allowing that department to use the driving track at the Howard County Airport.

The commissioners also approved the regular personnel report, treasurer's

monthly report, invoices, purchase requests I line-item ▮ transfers.

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Trustees will look at Dora Roberts gift resolution before moving to the President's Report. Dr. Sparks will discuss upcoming activities and recognitions.

Board education and development will include legislative and general

updates as well as Community College association of Texas Trustees (CCATT) future webinars.

Before the meeting adjourns the Trustees will hear the Chair's report. The next meeting will be March 29.

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By MELINDA DESLATTE and TAMMY

Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — States redoubled their efforts to get the coronavirus vaccine into arms Monday after last week's winter weather closed clinics, slowed vaccine deliveries and forced tens of thousands of people to miss their shots all while the nation drew close to recording 500,000 deaths from COVID-19.

President Joe Biden planned to mark the milestone with a moment of silence and a candle-lighting ceremony at the White House. He will also order U.S. flags lowered at federal buildings for the next five days.

In Louisiana, state health officials said doses from last week's shipments were delivered over the weekend and were expected to continue arriving through Wednesday. New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio said last week's supply arrived Monday. And in Nashville, Tennessee, health officials were able to vaccinate more than 2,300 senior citizens and teachers over the weekend after days of treacherous weather.

"We'll be asking the vaccine providers to do a lot," said Louisiana's top public health adviser, Dr. Joe Kanter, who expects it to take a week or two to catch up on vaccinations after a storm coated roads with ice and left many areas without running water.

Snow, ice and weather-related power outages closed some vaccination sites and held up the necessary shipments across a large swath of the nation, including in the Deep South.

As a result, the seven-day rolling average of adminstered first doses fell by 20 percent between Feb. 14 and Feb. 21, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The White House said that about a third of the roughly 6 million vaccine doses delayed by bad weather were delivered over the weekend, and the adminstration planned to work with shippers and states to catch up this week. Press secretary Jen Psaki said catch-up doses will be sent to vaccination centers "as soon as they can handle them."

The effort unfolded as some states began expanding the pool of people eligible to receive shots.

Some hospitals, clinics, community sites and pharmacies that are in Louisiana's vaccination network will get double allocations of doses this week — just as Gov. John Bel Edwards starts offering shots to teachers, daycare workers, pregnant women and people age 55 to 64 with certain preexisting conditions. Last week's weather prompted local health of-

than 500 people with doses that otherwise would have expired, including hundreds at homeless shelters and residents of a historically Black neighborhood who were mostly seniors with underlying health conditions. New York City officials expected to catch up on vaccinations after being forced to delay scheduling

ficials in Nashville, Tennessee, to vaccinate more

mayor said Monday. "That means we've basically lost a full week in

tens of thousands of appointments last week, the

our vaccination efforts," DeBlasio said. "But it will not stop us from reaching our goal of 5 million New Yorkers vaccinated by June because we still have the ability and the capacity to do it."

Illinois' top doctor said a plan to expand vaccines this month to people with underlying health conditions is being delayed by a shortage of doses, and it will take months for supply to meet demand. Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike's comments in a weekend Chicago Tribune opinion piece come amid complaints of shortages and difficulties in obtaining appointments.

More than 7.3 million Californians have received at least one vaccine dose, but supplies are well below the amount the state has the capacity to administer, Gov. Gavin Newsom said Monday.

California anticipates receiving 1.4 million doses this week and 1.5 million next week, Newsom said during a stop in Long Beach on a tour of vaccination efforts around the state.

Meanwhile, some states are lifting restrictions on residents, as the number of new infections eases.

In New Jersey, fans will be allowed to attend sports and entertainment events at the state's largest facilities in limited numbers starting next week, Gov. Phil Murphy said Monday.

New Jersey venues with an indoor seating capacity of 5,000 will be able to fill 10% of seats and outdoor venues with over 5.000 seats can fill 15% starting on March 1, the Democratic governor said on sports radio station WFAN.

Face coverings and social distancing will be required at events.

# The Postscript

**Carrie** 

Classon

**Entertaining Remington** 

I remember, a long time ago, when I used to have a social life.

My husband, Peter, and I have been visiting his sister, Lori, once a week while she battles cancer. She was in yesterday for another radiation treatment, and we are waiting to hear if she will be feeling well enough for a visit this weekend. And so we stay home, as we have since March of last year.

Lately, we have taken to picking up our groceries at the curb. I was skeptical. I'd never had another person choose my broccoli for me.

> They did a surprisingly good job, and it's one more thing we can do to feel a little safer while visiting Lori. But it's also a little sad because the grocery store is the only place I go. Now, I go nowhere except on my long daily walk and to

> visit Lori. And the only person who comes to our house is our neighbor, Yvonne, and the dog, Remington.

Yvonne's dad is 90 and frail. He hasn't been out of his house other than for a couple of doctor appointments and the occasional drive around town. Yvonne is keeping extra safe so she can bring him meals and groceries. Yvonne just retired and thought she'd be going places and doing things she couldn't do while she was working. Instead, she's walking her son's dog, Remington. Our twice-weekly visits from Remington have become the center of our so-

Yvonne rings the doorbell and then steps back off the stoop. But Remington strains on his leash in anticipation. Yvonne confirms these visits are the high-

Peter makes a wonderful smoked salmon, and we save the skin for Remington. I bring it out on a plate, along with a bowl of water. Remington eats the salmon and has a drink and then waits, poised, for the entertainment.

Entertaining Remington has become an elaborate affair.

Peter brings out exactly six "pub snacks," which are crackers he has renamed "pup snacks." He tosses them high in the air and Remington catches them. Peter calls this Remington's "circus trick," and Yvonne and I cheer wildly every time Remington catches a cracker. You can see Remington's fierce concentration as he performs for three adults, focused on his performance. It's a lot of pressure for one young dog, becoming the center of three adults' social calendar.

This routine has become so firmly established that, one day, I was late with

the salmon and Peter tossed the crackers before its arrival. Remington was visibly confused but caught the crackers. Then, one by one, he carefully placed them on the step to eat after the salmon because he knew that was the way it was supposed to be done.

And all the while we have been entertaining Remington, we have missed important milestones, experiences we will never have, moments lost forever.

My parents are in their 80s and I missed both their birthdays. My niece turned 18, which is impossible to believe. I hardly recognize my nephew on Zoom. He seems to have grown a foot and his voice has changed. I have missed

attending the theater, missed seeing the ocean, missed entertaining friends, missed going to restaurants, missed hugging my family. And those are just things I know I have missed. Meanwhile, Remington

competes twice weekly for the title of "World's Best Circus Dog," my only live entertainment for the past 11 months.

"See you soon!" Yvonne says when she leaves.

"Goodbye, Remington!" I say, and Remington leaves, tail wagging.

I hope he comes back

Till next time, Carrie

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The wounded Indiana State Prison officers were transported Sunday to a hospital in Michigan City, where one was pronounced dead and the second was listed in serious condition, Indiana State Police said.

Inmate Tymetri Campbell, 38, faces several preliminary charges, including murder, for allegedly attacking the officers Sunday afternoon in a common area at the prison in Michigan City, State Police Sgt.

Ted Bohner said Monday.

their families."

Bohner said he did not know what type of weapon was used in the stabbing and that no additional details, including a possible motive, would be immediately released on the attack, which state police are still investigating.

The Indiana Department of Correction posted a statement on Facebook saying that, "Our thoughts and prayers







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# Bulldogettes win Bi-District championship





Pictured above left: The Bulldogettes pose with Bi-District trophy. Pictured above right: Julia Cox works around a couple of Ballinger defenders during the Bulldogettes 51-47 win.

### Special to Herald

It's been a long time since the Coahoma girls basketball team came home with a gold ball. On Friday that drought ended when the Bulldogettes claimed the bi-district championship with a come-from-behind 51-47 victory against Ballinger.

"That's the special thing about them, they don't ever give up," said Bulldogette head basketball coach Jim Kinnear. "At one point, I looked up at the scoreboard, and we were down eight or nine, but then we went into halftime down by one. We got down in the second half by four or five and fought back again. Then we got the lead. They do what they need to do. You have to give them credit."

Early on the Bulldogettes found themselves in foul trouble but managed to keep most of the damage off the scoreboard.

"You have to contribute that to our bench," Kinnear said. "We have girls sitting on the bench that when it's time for them to play, they know their role, and they do an outstanding job."

Early in the first quarter, the Bulldogettes found themselves in a sevenpoint hole before Julia Cox connected back-to-back 3-point goals to put Coahoma back in the game at 6-7 by midquarter.

With 2:50 left in the first, Coahoma went on a 5-point run that culminated with Post MaKynlee Overton scoring a basket to push Coahoma into the lead (11-9) for the first time in the game. However, the resilient Lady Cats surged back to end the quarter ahead by one point (13-14) and continued the momentum in the second quarter with a 10-point run to push ahead by 9 points forcing Coahoma to once again dig out of a hole. The Bulldogettes went on a 12-4 run to end the half down by one, 27-28.

Returning from the locker room, both teams went into defensive mode with little luck at the net. By the end of the third quarter, the Lady Cats were still on top by two points, 32-34 and pulled away by four points at the start of the fourth.

Then, Overton was fouled com-

pleting a successful field goal and nailed the extra point to close the gap within one once again. The CHS senior soon followed by burying two more at the free throw line to propel Coahoma ahead on the scoreboard.

By mid-quarter, the Lady Cats retook the lead for the last time after burying a 3-point goal, however, 17 seconds later Cox answered with her fourth 3-point basket of the night to send Coahoma back over the top by one, 43-42. Six points later, the Bulldogettes were smelling victory after finding themselves up 49-42 with 1:48 left in the game.

Shaken but determined, Ballinger scored with less than a minute left and converted the extra point to pull within four points. However, Madison Rodgers found herself at the charity stripe with 33 seconds left, and she didn't disappoint. The CHS junior buried both shots to pad Coahoma's score, 51-45. The Lady Cats made two more penalty baskets with 20 seconds left, but the Bulldogettes held them off to claim the victory.

Cox led Coahoma to victory amassing 24 points. Overton chipped in 11. Madison Rodgers and Kenzi Canales had seven points each.

Next: Coahoma faces Peaster in for the area round at 6 p.m. Monday in Clyde.

# COAHOMA 51, BALLINGER 47

Coahoma: 13, 14, 5, 19 -- 51 Ballinger: 14, 14, 6, 13 -- 47

Coahoma — Julia Cox 24, Shae Lang 2, Madison Rodgers 7, Kenzi Canales 7, MaKynlee Overton 11.

Ballinger — Addison Martin 10, Jewel Klaras 8, Emma Toliver 7, Cynthia Camarillo 5, Jenna Battle 14, Chelsea Martinez 3.

Free Throws — Coahoma 15-28, Ballinger 14-24; 3-Point Goals — Coahoma 4 (Cox); Ballinger 3 (Toliver, Camarillo, Battle); Fouls — Coahoma 21, Ballinger 20.

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lead had been from the 10-9-x.

But East produced the nine and

returned the ten of clubs, and South

eventually went down one, losing a

In the post-mortem that followed,

and should — have made the con-

tract. When West led the ten of spades

at trick two, South should have

played low from dummy and also

This extraordinary play would

have left West helpless. Let's assume

he leads another spade, which is the

best he can do. This time declarer

wins with the ace, plays three rounds

of trump ending in dummy and ruffs

the seven of diamonds. He then leads

a spade to dummy's king and exits

with the queen of diamonds, on

West wins with the ace but must

either return a club to South's A-Q or

else lead a diamond, allowing

declarer to ruff in dummy as he sheds

Declarer is in an excellent posi-

tion at trick two to visualize the sce-

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provided he has the presence of

mind to duck West's ten of spades

lead in both hands. All he has to do is

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it was discovered that South could

diamond, a spade and two clubs.

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EAST

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West dealer. Both sides vulnerable. **NORTH** 

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**♥**J962 ♦ Q 7 4 **4**843

WEST **♦** 10 6 3 **♦**Q974 **V**854 ♦ A K J 10 3 ♦9852

**♣**KJ752

**↑**A52 ♥AKQ1073

**♣**A Q 6 The bidding:

West North East South Pass Pass Opening lead — king of diamonds. Post-mortems are sometimes

SOUTH

highly instructive. Consider the aftermath of this deal where South got to four hearts and West led the king of diamonds, on which East played the

West shifted to the ten of spades, dummy playing the jack, East the queen and South the ace. Declarer drew three rounds of trump and then led a low spade to dummy's eight in the hope that West's earlier spade

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# **Dreamy Moon Trine**

**ARIES (March** 21-April 19). You're attracted to people and things for a reason, though sometimes not a good one, or at least not good enough to warrant further action. True wisdom is knowing what's worth pursuing.

**TAURUS (April 20-**May 20). You will work up a lot of energy and put it into the thing you desire. Is it industriousness, manifestation or magic? Whatever you call it, it's a recipe that's bringing you what you want.

**GEMINI (May 21-**June 21). Don't forget about the power of anticipation. The more a person waits for something, the more he or she wants it. Attention is an investment. A very effective way to hold attention is in the style of a dangling carrot.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You could give them what they want straight away. Then they will expect that every time. This kind of stability builds trust. Sometimes trust is what's needed; other times, surprise is the key element.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). No one is born knowing how to handle this world and get along with people. All of the behaviors have to be learned. Your open mind and forgiving heart will keep you perpetually learning.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are those who think that only a fool responds to

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problems without the critical



thought. What you know is that sometimes, relying on your unthinking response is the wisest move you can make.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's such a thing as too much structure. Uptight scenes could use a playful, disruptive force. Your childlike impulses may surprise them at first but will prove to be a force for good.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your social instincts are on point. You know when to get serious and when to lighten the mood, take a risk and go for the laugh. Deep connections can be (and often are) made out of a string of lighthearted moments.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Whatever you are going through, you know that others are in the same boat. And still, others are in a sinking ship, envying your boat or seeing it as their rescue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are

By Holiday Mathis part of the brew,

magic element that makes it sing, in fact. So, the successes of the group are also your success-

es, and you will do well to celebrate with all the pride of ownership.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your patience will be tested, if not your temper, but you've much more self-control than the forces that bear. People see how well you handle yourself, and you'll rise in the esteem of a key player.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You've a talent for sharing just the right and necessary thing. You'll teach someone a skill or value that maybe doesn't seem like a big deal to you, though it has life-changing potential.

**TODAY'S BIRTH-**DAY (Feb. 23). The superficial goals get met, but they are not the ones that are important to you anymore. You go deeper and ask, "What else?" The question starts a process of creativity and outreach. You'll move through feelings and relationships, receptive to the great gifts coming your way. You resonate with

vitality. Aries and Virgo

adore you. Your lucky

numbers are: 5, 24, 22, 1 and 15.

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TION: "He's a Pisces and more sensitive than me (and I'm highly sensitive!) He writes me poetry. We have philosophical conversations. I like how he looks, his job, etc. He

ticks all the boxes and

why am I not in love?"

then some. ... So ...

You are not alone in this phenomenon. We think we know what we want in love, but then we get it and it doesn't move us -- or we don't get it at all and we're crazy about a person in spite of ourselves. One reason is that love is a process, not a checklist. If you could just purchase the right one and take it home. it would be like other things available in the store -- useful and exciting until they're not. What was the seduction process like with this highly compatible and box-ticking Pisces?

As you mention, your signs are both driven by emotion. But don't forget that emotions don't just happen willy-nilly. They are often responses to the challenges of a game. If he has offered his heart to you before you feel you've earned it, a process has been skipped. That process is essential to falling in love. His tender heart is invaluable, and yet, without elements like mystery, chase, uncertainty and more, it will go unvalued by both of

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# Bad-Tempered Sister-

Dear Annie: I was close to all my brothers when we were growing up, especially because we had no extended family around. Our grandparents and aunts and uncles were quite a distance away. All of us really felt it, and the siblings always wanted spouses who could provide what we never had -- a close relationship

with our family. Recently, my brother was married, and his wife was quite an adjustment. She is selfish, ungrateful, needy, overbearing, jealous and competitive. She is very proud, does the bare minimum and raves about her work. But my mom will do so much, and my sister-in-law will take advantage of it. The worst thing is that she baits my parents by using my brother and her kids. Whenever we try to

show her that family is important, she says we are coming in between their marriage. We have come to terms that she has a problem. When she is angry, she just blows up -- a total nut job! We call her a

roller coaster because

of her mood swings.

The thing is my brother is not a strong leader because she won't let him be. I know I sound biased, but really. She will cut him off when he talks, and she can't hold her tongue. I feel that he would rather let her have her way to avoid a fight. She complains about everything! I'm used to it, and it's been a few years, but now she is tearing our whole family apart.

She really struggles with jealousy and is extremely jealous of my other brother and his wife. She cuts them out

of family parties. She is a nightmare on vacations and holidays; she always wants things her way. It's becoming too much. How do you deal with one person destroying an entire family?

We have tried having open communication without attacking her, but she still goes back to the same story, and now my parents and I are sick of family gatherings.

She's become a constant stress! So much so that I don't even want to try anymore. She fights with

**EVERYONE!** Sorry for venting. I'm so tired of her. What do you do when life gives you ... THAT in-law? -- Sister in Despair

**Dear Sister in** Despair: It sounds like you have a brother in despair. Your sister-inlaw is a very insecure and unhappy person. This combination makes for a difficult relationship with anyone, including herself. With this in mind, instead of focusing on all she has done wrong, maybe you could be more empathetic to your brother and shift your focus to supporting him. Continue to reach out in ways that you think would benefit him. Maybe it's going for a walk with him or sending him a nice email. Have an honest conversation with him about your family's concerns with his wife's behavior and confrontational personality. You might have to take a break from including her at family gatherings if she continues to ruin them.

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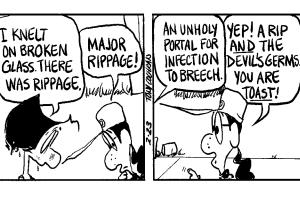
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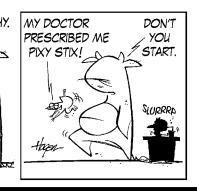


# RUTHIE, COSETTE AND I CANNOT GO ON A WALK WITH YOU. COSETTE DIDN'T LIKE HER LUNCH. SO, SHE LEFT ALL THOSE LITTLE PYRAMIDS ON THE FLOOR



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# This Date In History

# **Today in History**

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 23, the 54th day of 2021. There are 311 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 23, 1836, the siege of the Alamo began in San Antonio, Texas.

On this date:

In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln arrived secretly in Washington to take office, following word of a possible assassination plot in Baltimore.

In 1870, Mississippi was readmitted to the Union.

In 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt signed an agreement with Cuba to lease the area around Guantanamo Bay to the United States.

In 1942, the first shelling of the U.S. mainland during World War II occurred as a Japanese submarine fired on an oil refinery near Santa Barbara, California, causing little damage.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. Marines on Iwo Jima captured Mount Suribachi, where they raised two American flags (the second flag-raising was captured in the iconic Associated Press photograph.)

In 1954, the first mass inoculation of schoolchildren against polio using the Salk vaccine began in Pittsburgh as some 5,000 students were vaccinat-

In 1965, film comedian Stan Laurel, 74, died in Santa Monica, California.

In 1981, an attempted coup began in Spain as 200 members of the Civil Guard invaded Parliament, taking lawmakers hostage. (However, the attempt

collapsed 18 hours later.) In 1995, the Dow Jones industrial average closed above the 4,000 mark for the first time, ending the day at 4,003.33.

In 1998, 42 people were killed, some 2,600 homes and businesses damaged destroyed, by tornadoes in central Florida.

In 2007, a Mississippi grand jury refused to bring any new charges in the 1955 slaying of Emmett Till, the Black teenager who was beaten and shot after being accused of whistling at a white woman, declining to indict the woman, Carolyn Bryant Donham, for manslaughter.

In 2006, Japan's Shizuka Arakawa (shih-ZOO'-kuh ahrah-KAH'-wah) stunned favorites Sasha Cohen of the United States and Irina Slutskaya (sloot-SKY'-yah) of Russia to claim the ladies' figure skating gold medal at the Turin Winter Olympics.

Ten years ago: In a major policy reversal, the Obama administration said it would no longer defend the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act, a federal law banning recognition of samesex marriage.

Five years ago: Donald Trump won the Nevada Republican caucuses; Marco Rubio finished second while Ted Cruz placed third. A 26-year-old gunman killed four family members and torched their house in Phoenix before being shot dead by authorities.

One year ago: Chinese President Xi Jinping defended the Communist Party's response to the coronavirus as "timely and effective," but warned that the epidemic was still "grim and complex." Japan reported the third fatality from among those who'd been aboard a quarantined cruise ship. Iran raised its death toll

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to eight, the highest toll outside China; Italy reported 152 cases, the largest number outside of Asia, including three deaths. Italian authorities said they would shut down Venice's famed Carnival events in a bid to stop the spread of the virus.

Today's Birthdays: Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Fred Biletnikoff is 78. Author John Sandford is 77. Countryrock musician Rusty Young is 75. Actor Patricia Richardson is 70. Former NFL player Ed "Too Tall" Jones is 70. Rock musician Brad Whitford (Aerosmith) is 69. Singer Howard Jones is 66. Rock musician Michael Wilton (Queensryche) is 59. Country

singer Dusty Drake is 57. Actor Kristin Davis is 56. Former tennis player Helena Sukova is 56. Actor Marc Price is 53. TV personality/businessman Daymond John (TV: "Shark Tank") is 52. Actor Niecy Nash is 51. Rock musician Jeff Beres (Sister Hazel) is 50. Country singer Steve Holy is 49. Rock musician Lasse (loss)

Johansson (The Cardigans) is 48. Film and theater composer Robert Lopez is 46. Actor Kelly Macdonald is 45. Rapper Residente (Calle 13) is 43. Actor Josh Gad is 40. Actor Emily Blunt is 38. Actor Aziz Ansari is 38. Actor Tye White (TV: "Greenleaf") is 35. Actor Dakota Fanning is 27.

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# **Newsday Crossword**

# **ACROSS**

- 1 Flat French hat
- **6** Crunchy
- sandwich letters **9** What planes fly
- through **14** San Antonio site to "remember"
- 15 Sunbeam
- 16 Molar or incisor
- 17 Site of the Wright Brothers' flight
- 19 "Ain't so!" reply 20 Twisty letter
- **21** "That's
- amazing!"
- 22 Fascinate
- 24 Pottery ovens
- 26 Eisenhower nickname
- 27 Soundness of mind
- **30** Horseback jaunt for a kid
- 35 Piece of fabric **36** Bit of plumbing
- **37** Linen fiber
- 38 Campus mil. org.
- 39 Becomes dim
- **40** Italy's capital, in Italy
- 41 "This doesn't look good"
- 42 Matured
- 43 Entangle, as
- yarn **44** Renovation
- 46 "That's the truth!"
- 47 Sergeant, for one: Abbr.
- 48 Sirloin or
- T-bone 50 Orchestra
- conductor
- 54 Possessed **55** Body art, for
- **58** Easy (simple)

short

- - something is changing

**59** Know how

- **62** Tour of duty 63 Male sheep
- **64** Sound part of a
- broadcast 65 Woolen
- footwear
- **66** "My lips \_\_\_
- sealed"
- 67 Enjoys a novel

- DOWN
- 1 Cook in the
- oven 2 Yale students
- 3 Lab maze
- runners 4 CPR expert

5 Think casually

- about
- 6 Muscular strength

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- 7 Attorney's field
- 8 Little kid 9 Awkward, as a situation
- **10** Hot dog for a
- rabbi **11** Tiny bit
- **12** Elite British
- boarding school **13** Took a photo of
- 18 Sacred
- 23 Halves of a golf
- course
- 24 Place for dirty dishes
- 25 Web-spinning
- crawlers 27 Disorderly
- crowd, in London

- 31 Newspaper's think piece

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28 Luau greeting 29 Unacceptable

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  - 32 Start of a valentine phrase
    - 33 Titled British
    - women
    - 34 Praise highly
    - 36 Calendar sheet
    - 39 Kind deed 43 Highway gunk
    - **45** Groups of eight
    - 46 Messy pile
    - 49 Central idea
    - **50** Where Boston is: Abbr.
    - 51 On the subject of
    - 52 Grand-scale tale 53 Gumbo veggie
    - 55 "Look, I did it!"
    - 56 Corrosive
    - chemical
    - **57** Ring decisions, briefly
    - 60 Something to
    - whisper into

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61 Wish undone

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# Baseball is finally here! It's opening day!

**S**PORTS

<u>By Dustin Pope</u>

Herald Sports Writer

This Sports reporter thinks it is one of the biggest days of the year; it was opening day for the Big Spring Steers Baseball team. After last season got cut short due to the Global Pandemic, it was finally time for the Steers to take the field once again. Big Spring would take care of business in devastating fashion, beating the Rangers 13 to 0.

What a difference a week makes; after a week full of fridged temperatures, you could not ask for a better day in late February for the Big Spring Steers to kick off the 2021 Baseball season. This Monday, Feb. 22, the Big Spring Steers were set to take on the Greenwood Rangers. The first inning began, with Ricky Escovedo getting the mound to start the season. To start the game, Escovedo took charge early in the game; after giving up a couple of early walks, the young Sophomore pitcher would buckle down and get out of the inning, giving up zero runs to close out the top of the first. Heading to the bottom of the first, it was Big Spring who would also get off to a slow start, and the Steers were not able to muster up anything, leaving the score 0 to 0 after the first inning.

The second inning would be a much different story. The young Escovedo would settle down and cruise through his half of the second easily. That would bring the Steers back to the plate, and boy did they deliver. The inning started with Escovedo showing that not only does he have skills on the bump, but the young man has a good eve at the plate. He was able to work the pitcher and eventually talk a walk to become the first base runner of the year. Next up to the plate would be Braxton Sizenbach. He, like Ricky, would show his patience at the plate, causing back-to-back walks. That would bring up Maverick Yanes, who was able to get a single making this the first base hit of the year for the Steers. With the bases loaded, third baseman Jose Cantu stepped into the batters' box, and he would come through for his team. Cantu smashed a base clearing double, scoring three runs. The decisive second inning would not stop there as the young Steers would go on to put up three more runs to close out the 2nd inning with a lead of 6 to 0.

Beginning the third inning, Escovedo had a sixrun lead in his favor. The young pitcher would not allow Greenwood to ever get into a grove mixing up his pitches and keeping the Ranger hitter off balance. Escovedo would finish his day on the mound, not giving up a single run and striking out three on the day. After a substantial second inning, the Steers were not done, they came into the third inning wanting to replicate their results from the previous inning, and they would do just that, putting up another six-run inning, increasing the lead to 12 to 0.

Kyler Seymore would take the mound to start the fourth for the Steers, and the young man picked up where his predecessor left off as he struck out two in his only inning of work and gave up no runs once again. The Steers would step into the batter's box in the bottom of the fourth with a commanding lead of 12 to 0. Big spring would go on to tack on one more run to take the lead 13 to 0.

fifth as Eli Cobos would take the mound. Like the previous two pitchers, Cobos was too much for the Rangers as he would end the inning, giving up no runs. The game was then called, and the Steers had notched the season's first victory.

The steers won this game in every aspect of the game. They dominated on the mound; they produced at the plate, they played well in the field, making big plays when they needed to. It was an outstanding opening day performance that the head coach Daniel Carillo was proud of. The fifthyear head coach is a fantastic motivator, and you can see his love of the game and this team. Coach Carrilo has a group of special kids he gets to mold every day. This season could be something special for these young Steers, and it is a journey I look forward to watching.



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Jose Cantu hits a 3 run double in the bot-The Rangers were allowed one more at-bat in the tom of the second inning. The steers would go on to win 13 to 0.

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# Bulldogs head to Playoffs after beating Sonora

The Bulldogs hit the ground running in the first quarter and never looked back to earn a 47-35 victory against So-

After waiting out the arctic freeze that brought Texas to virtual halt for nine days, the two teams were able to meet on Saturday to battle for the last remaining District 5-3A playoff spot.

From the start, Coahoma dominated the game. They outscored Sonora 15-6 in the first quarter. By the second quarter, the Broncos had bounced back, keeping pace with Coahoma at the scoreboard, but they were unable to make any headway to cut down their nine-point deficit by halftime.

Returning from the locker room, the Bulldogs continued to pile on the pressure especially defensively to stay comfortably ahead and keep their season alive.

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