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Expectations & Illusions exhibit at Heritage Museum will feature refreshments



A new exhibit at the Heritage Museum will be launching March 2 and run through April 23. The community is encouraged to stop by and view the work created by a local artist.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

A new work of art will be featured at the Heritage Museum in the next few weeks. A new exhibit "Expectations & Illusions" featuring the work of local resident, Meghan Bias, will be on display at the Heritage Museum from March 2 through April 23.

In addition to the exhibit, an artist reception will be held on April 10 at 6 p.m. offering the community an opportunity to speak one-on-one with the artist. The reception

me," Bias said. The exhibit will include HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat non-traditional artwork according to Bias. The

exhibits are creations outlining the life and story of Bias herself. A final number of displayed pieces has not yet been

and snack foods, and pos-

sibly musical entertain-

ment. Final details are

being worked out on the reception and will be

announced closer to the

"It's an opportunity to

welcome everyone and

thank them, and thank

the museum for having

date of the event.

decided, but Bias did say that there will be pieces from her college years mixed in with recently created pieces.

"... It's a visual narrative of my story, and that's why I love art," Bias said. "One of the things I love about art is that it's this wonderful opportunity to talk to people without saying anything at all. It crosses time, language, gender... you can walk into a museum

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center announces expansion to visitor access

Special to the Herald

The health and safety of our patients, visitors, employees, and our communities remain our top priority at Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC). Therefore, in line with the latest guidance provided by the CDC and the Texas Department of State Health related to COVID-19, we maintain limited visitor policy for the following areas.

Visitor Policies - Effective Monday, March

•End-of-life patients: There may be 1 visitor at a time, limited to immediate family only. Other visitors must remain outside the facility until rotated in

- •Pediatric patients: No more than 2 designated visitors per hospital stay
- Laboring or Post-partum patients: 2 designated visitor/labor partner per hospital stay

•CCU: One adult visitor per day • ER: One adult visitor per day

•Medical/Surgical: One adult visitor per

- Patients with physical or intellectual disabilities: 1 support person over the age of 18 will be allowed during hospital stay

All patients who enter the hospital through available access points will be screened immediately upon arrival. Points of entrance will be limited to:

- Hospital main entrance
- Emergency Department Entrance

SMMC has taken every precaution and made the necessary preparations to care for patients in a safe, controlled and professional way. For more information on visitor policies or to stay updated with the latest information, visit www.scenicmountainmedi-

COVID-19 Updates

Effective immediately in Texas, Phase 1B of vaccination will focus on people for whom there is strong and consistent evidence that COVID-19 makes them more likely to become very sick or die. Preventing the disease among people who have these risk factors will dramatically reduce the number of Texans who die from the disease and relieve pressure on the healthcare system by reducing hospital and ICU admissions. Vaccination will also reduce absenteeism among the front-line workers at the greatest risk of severe disease and protect individuals at risk for health inequi-

Need information about eligibility and where to receive your COVID-19 vaccine? Find answers to this and check the status of vaccine availability at www.scenicmountainmedical.org/vaccine

> **Howard County has** reported as of 02/26:

- 2972 positive cases
- 98 Covid-19 fatalities • 51 Active cases
 - 4335 recovered
- 1512 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

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West Texas Medical Plaza 1501 W 11th Place Big Spring, Texas 79720 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Big Spring Urgent Care 1700 W. FM 700

Unhealthy mouth can lead to negative impacts on your life

By DAVID WARD, DDS

Special to the Herald

A study from the University of North Carolina shows having good dental health can make you smarter. Want to be smarter? Start by reading the rest of this article!

This study looked at brain function in people aged 45-64. A large group of these people were tested thinking and memory tests. The people who had a healthy mouth scored higher in cognitive (thinking) and memory tests than those who had lost most or all of their teeth. They also scored higher than those who still had their teeth but who had significant periodontitis (infection of the gums and bone around their teeth). "Perio" for short.

The fact that having good dental health can help your general health, is called the "oral-systemic health connection". This shows up in two main ways.

The more teeth you have lost, due to decay or Perio, the more likely you

are to be obese, diabetic, and have high blood pressure. You would think people eating with dentures would lose weight since conventional dentures do not chew nearly as well as real teeth. The opposite is true though. People with painful or missing teeth or with dentures tend to have a much softer and less healthy diet since most have a hard time chewing healthy foods like lean meats, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Note that dental implants can replace missing teeth and make dentures function much, much better!

The second part of the oral-systemic connection is the fact that periodontitis is associated with higher rates of many other medical problems. These include heart disease, stroke, diabetes, dementia, several cancers, pneumonia in elderly and premature births in younger women. The cause seems to be that the inflammation and bacteria from the periodontitis can literally spread throughout the body. Newer studies

have implicated periodontitis in premature aging of skin, erectile dysfunction, and susceptibility to COVID-19 major complications such as ventilator need

and death. Why? With periodontitis, the underside of the gum next to the teeth (periodontal pocket) is very much infected. In total surface area this infected area is about the size of the palm of your hand. This constant, but usually painless, infection is constantly pumping bacteria, toxins, and inflammation into your blood stream. This is Not a healthy situation!

The signs of periodontitis are red and bleeding gums, loose or shifting teeth, chronic bad breath, and swelling or pus around the teeth. Periodontitis is also the most common reason for people to lose all their teeth and end up in dentures. At my office we offer LANAP laser periodontal surgery for those

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Our commitment to Howard County runs deep. We have made deals for thousands of acres here, and our people have decades of experience serving Permian Basin mineral rights owners. Get in touch today for a free evaluation of your property and its mineral rights.



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Obituaries

Brittney Kole Smith
Brittney Kole Smith passed away Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021. Brittney was born Dec. 27, 1979, in Big Spring, Texas to Gary and Karan Phillips.



She married Morris Smith on June 28, 2010, in Las Vegas, Nevada. She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1998. She attended Howard College and achieved certifications as a Phlebotomist and Medical Assistant. She worked as Assistant Youth Sports Director at the San Angelo YMCA. She devoted much of her time and energy to working with kids and serving her

community. She was passionate about her family and friends. She loved spending time with Morris and their son Jadyn and enjoyed anything her nieces were involved in.

Brittney is survived by her husband Morris of San Angelo, mother Karan Phillips of Big Spring, brother Jason Phillips and wife Lauri and nieces Kendall and Reagan all of Forsan, Grandmother Joyce Davidson of Andrews, Father-in-law Noble Smith and

wife Cheryl of Houston, step children Hayley and Keshaun Smith of Minnesota, Brother-in-law Damon Carroll of San Angelo, Brother-in-law Noble Smith, Jr of Austin, Brother-in-law Dexter Smith of Houston, and multiple aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who were very dear to her.

Brittney's life might seem too short to many but those who knew her understand that the quality of her life far exceeds the quantity of time that she lived. Her smile and personality brought so much joy to her family and friends.

We find comfort in knowing Brittney is in no more pain and is loving on Jadyn and Dodo.

The family suggests memorials to the Gary "Dodo" Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund at Forsan ISD.

PO Box 689

Forsan, TX 79733

Funeral services will be at Christian Church of San Angelo, Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 11 a.m. with graveside service at 3 p.m. at Trinity Memorial. On-line condolences can be made at shafferpioneer.com

Paid Obituary

Feliciano Gonzales

Feliciano Gonzales, 76, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

• AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will offer free income tax preparation every Monday through Monday, April 5, 2021, from 8 a.m. until Noon at the Big Spring Senior Citizen's Center. The Senior Center is located at 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring, Texas. The service is available to all taxpayers with moderate to low income. Covid protocols will be observed: masks required, appointments required and no children allowed. Taxpayers need to bring: a photo ID, social security card for every person on tax return; last year's tax return and W-2s and all other proof of income received in 2020. Free electronic e-filing will be available for faster refunds.

• 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 fa-

cilities 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.

Support Groups

 Alcoholics Anonymous 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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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.

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Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activ-

Note - Officials with the Howard mates at the time of this report.

- MARQUEZ CAMERON, 20, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two evading arrest detention. ounces.
- MARIE DYANA RAMIREZ, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- ANTHONY PAUL MUNOZ, 62, County Jail reported having 89 in- was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
 - ANDREW ISAIH SHOBER, 24, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS tain Medical Center. reported the following activity:

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Duke. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900 block of MLK Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
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- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1500 block of Wood Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

This Week In Sports

A lot happened in the sports world this week from Patrick Mahomes and his finance Brittany Matthews welcoming their first child to Mitchel Schwartz undergoing back surgery. In the NFL this week, the Steelers announced they wanted Big Ben to come back and the Titans released Adam Humphries. Jason Pierre- Paul of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers had surgery on his left knee. The Tennessee Titans donated \$100,000 to aid recovery after the huge snowstorm in Texas.

In MLB news, Cy Young award winner Sahne Beiber wanted to talk about his contract with the Cleveland Indians. Jose Abreu tested positive for COVID-19, but the White Sox said he is asymptomatic. In MLB trade news the Oakland Athletics traded Dustin Fowler to the Pittsburgh Pirates for strait-up

This week the NBA was full of news with Kyrie Irving saying he is happy to try to push for an image of Kobe Bryant to be the NBA logo. Also, Bradley Beal, Giannis Antetokounmpo, and Zach LaVine scored more than 30 points in their respective games while Shai Gilgeuos- Alexander scored 42 points. The Minnesota Timberwolves suspended Malik Beasley for 12 games without pay after he pleaded guilty to a felony count of threats of violence from an incident that occurred in September, 2020.

A lot happened this week in the world of sports and we can't wait to see what next week brings us.

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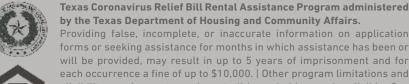
COVID-19 has affected Texans across the state. We have emergency funds available to help Texas renters pay current and past due rent and utility bills - even if the landlord has already sued for eviction in their local court.

Households must have incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income and meet other eligibility requirements. For full details, visit TexasRentRelief.com.

For Information and to Apply

833-9TX-RENT Toll Free 833-989-7368

TexasRentRelief.com Assistance is available in multiple languages.



by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. Providing false, incomplete, or inaccurate information on application forms or seeking assistance for months in which assistance has been or will be provided, may result in up to 5 years of imprisonment and for each occurrence a fine of up to \$10,000. | Other program limitations and eligibility requirements apply, not all households may be eligible. See TexasRentRelief.com for details. | Funds may no longer be available by the time a household applies.

Texas Winter Storm Survivors in 18 Additional Counties Can Apply for Federal Disaster Assistance

Special to the Herald

DENTON - Texas homeowners and renters in 18 additional counties who suffered damage from the winter storm that recently struck Texas may now apply for disaster assistance with FEMA.

If you have insurance and are applying for disaster assistance, you must also file a claim with your insurance company as soon as possible. By

law, FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. If insurance does not cover all your damage, you may be eligible for federal assistance.

The fastest and easiest way to apply is by visiting www. disasterassistance.gov.

If it is not possible to regis-

ter online, call 800-621-3362 (TTY: 800-462-7585). The toll-free telephone lines operate from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. CDT, seven days a week. Those who use a relay service such as a videophone, Innocaption or CapTel should update FEMA with their specific number assigned to that service.

The 18 additional counties are: Atascosa, Bandera, Brooks, Duval, Eastland, Ector, Goliad, Howard, Jim Hogg, Karnes, Kleberg, Leon, Llano, Newton, Robertson, Trinity, Webb and Willacy.

When you apply for assistance, have the following information readily available:

A current phone number where you can becontacted

Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying

Your Social Security number, if available

A general list of damage and losses

FEMA

If insured, the insurance policy number, or the agent and company name If it is safe to do so,

start cleaning up now. Take photos to document damage and begin cleanup and repairs to prevent further damage. Remember to keep receipts from all purchases related to the cleanup

and repair. Disaster assistance may include financial as-

sistance for temporary lodging and home repairs, low-interest loans to cover uninsured property losses, and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the di-

The additional counties join the 108 counties pre-

viously approved for disaster assistance.

The counties are: Anderson, Angelina, Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Bosque, Bowie, Blanco, Brazoria, Brazos, Brown, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Cherokee, Collin, Colorado, Comal, Comanche, Cooke, Coryell, Dallas, Denton, DeWitt, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Fannin, Fort Bend, Freestone, Galveston, Gillespie, Gonzalez, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Hood, Houston, Hunt, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Johnson, Jones, Kaufman, Kendall, Lavaca, Liberty, Limestone, Lubbock, Medina, Madison, Matagorda, Maverick, McLennan, Milam, Montague, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Nueces, Orange, Palo Pinto, Panola, Parker, Polk, Rockwall, Rusk, Sabine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Scurry, Shelby, Smith, Stephens, Tarrant, Taylor, Tom Green, Travis, Tyler, Upshur, Val Verde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Wharton, Wichita, William-

Low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration are available to businesses, homeowners and renters. Call the SBA at 1-800-659-2955 (TTY: 800-877-8339) or visit www.sba.gov/ services/disasterassistance.

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not knowing the artist you are looking at and still feel a connection."

The community is invited to stop by the Heritage Museum and view the exhibit. At the display there will also be a book where visitors will be able to share their feedback and thoughts on the artwork.

For those who like the work, there will be an opportunity to purchase the pieces displayed. More information can be obtained at the Heritage Museum or by reaching out to the artist, Meghan Bias.

The Heritage Museum is located at 501 Scurry. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday

through Saturday.

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patients with severe Perio issues and non-surgical care for those with less severe issues.

So, here's the moral to the story. If you want to be smarter, thinner, and healthier, take care of your mouth. The ability to chew well for better nutrition is important. So is the prevention of oral inflammation and infection, which can affect the rest of the

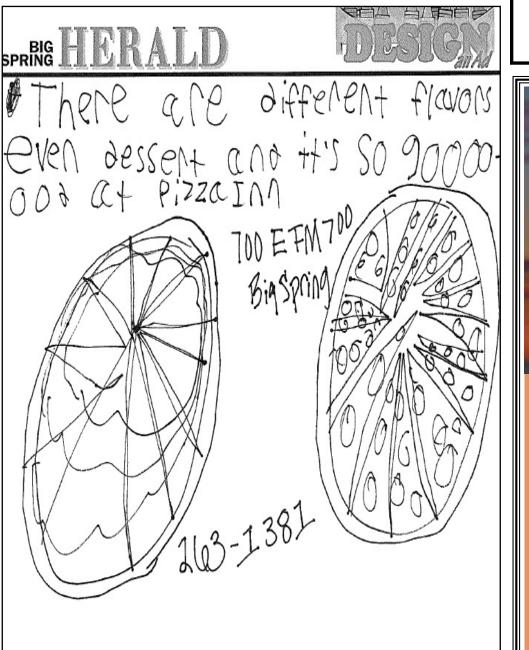
daily. See your dentist regularly. Treat your gum disease or cavity issues. Don't wait until it hurts or you

Brush and floss (or water pick)

are probably too late. If you already are missing teeth, replace them, with dental implants if possible, as they function just like real teeth. Even if you already have dentures, they often can be stabilized with implants to greatly improve their function to allow a more healthy diet.

Dr. David Ward practices comprehensive general dentistry in Big Spring. He has been awarded a Fellowship in the Institute for Advanced Laser Dentistry for laser periodontal surgery and a Fellowship and Mastership for dental implant surgery with the American and International Dental Implant Associations

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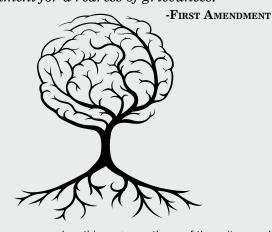
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Opinion T tant day

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."



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There's so much that we don't understand, Lord, but You do.

May we trust in You.

Daily Prayer

Amen

March 2: Just another day

here's not much hoopla, no organized statewide celebration but March 2nd 1836 is an important day in the history of Texas. That's the day Texas became a republic and declared its independence from Mexico. It was a long time coming.

In 1820 Moses Austin asked the Spanish government in Mexico for permission to settle in Texas. He was granted land, but Austin died soon thereafter and his son, Stephen F. Austin, took over the project. In 1821, Mexico declared its independence from Spain and Austin negotiated a contract with

the new Mexican government to allow him to bring 300 families to the undeveloped area. Others joined in the settlement and soon the Mexican settlers were in the minority. Mexico was not pleased with this situation and passed laws to restrict the flow of immigrants to the new land. In 1833 Austin went to Mexi-

co seeking statehood for Texas within Mexico but was sent to prison. He was released in 1835, the year Mexican dictator Santa Anna demanded that citizens of Gonzales return a cannon

that had been used to defend against Indian attack. When Mexican troops were sent to retrieve the cannon, Gonzales residents fired it at them while yelling, "Come and take it." That became known as the first battle of the Texas Revolu-Texas formed an army **Tumbleweed**

under Sam Houston and established a provisional government. A convention of Texans met at Washington

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on the Brazos with the purpose of drafting a constitution and declaring independence from Mexico. In December of 1835 the Texas Army drove Mexican troops out of Sam Antonio. In February of 1836 Santa Anna's Army began its assault on the Alamo. The delegates in Washington on the Brazos voted in the Declaration of Independence on March 2nd during the siege on the Alamo.

The Alamo battle was fierce. Santa Anna attacked with more than 3,000 soldiers. The Texans were sorely outnumbered with less than 200 troops. For 12 days the former mission was bombarded by cannon and rifle fire. Colonel William Travis smuggled out a message to Texans that read, "I shall never surrender or retreat. Victory or death." The Mexicans claimed victory over the Alamo defenders on March 6, 1836.

Six weeks later, General Sam Houston's Army surprised Santa Anna's troops at San Jacinto with shouts of "Remember the Alamo." The Texans defeated the Mexican troops and captured Santa Anna. The Mexican dictator withdrew his troops south of the Rio Grande and recognized Texas as a republic. For nearly ten years Texas existed as a separate country with Houston as its first president. In 1845 Texas joined the union as the 28th state.



Masks coming and going

during the past year. many who are in need. **L** Until then, they were largely worn by health professionals, New Orleans Mardi Gras revelers, and, of course, robbers counting on 'em to provide incognito status. That was then and this is now.

Around the globe, rank and file

wear them during all waking moments, many with multiple layers to better protect themselves from COVID-19.

My Uncle Mort, whose brain has churned with unlikely gimmicks during most of his 108 years, is quietly collecting washable masks. He's tying them in bundles of 12 for resale later. "On that great getting' up morning when we no longer need to wear them 'frontards, I think we'll wear 'em 'backards' so we can straighten our ears," he contends.

The pandemic, truth to tell, is responsible not only for immeasurable loss and heartache, but also for considerable "reverse thinking" in much that we do. During a recent music theo-

ry class, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary prof Nathan Burggraff easily identified all attendees, save one. One young lady had forgotten to wear her mask, but quickly she put "Now I know who you are,"

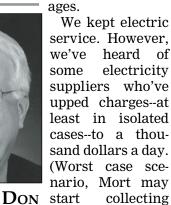
Burggraff said. "I didn't recognize you without your mask."

Tragic as they are, problems faced by so many has brought out the best in others able to help and do so! News accounts abound

he market for masks has with heart-warming accounts reason enough for me to sentence changed dramatically of both time and resources for myself to the woodshed. Its spell-

In some cases, fixing one problem means that another one is about to demand attention.

For example, people in some communities left water dripping in all faucets to keep pipes from freezing, only to learn later that such remedies led to water short-



kerosene lamps.) **Newbury** Remaining "inhouse" for days, I've had plenty of

time for reading. I welcomed the arrival of a book whose author I handed a B.A. Degree at Howard Payne University in 1995. I'd lost touch with Dr. Toby Shockey, a recognizes speaker and author who has earned additional degrees-the Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Doctoral Ministry from Trinity Seminary.

I usually avoid books with twoline titles; in this case, an exception is granted.

The book, in short, is wonderful. Its title is Ancient Paths, Light and Life from the Scriptures Jesus Read. Dr. Shockey's Old Testament-based devotionals are vivid and richly meaning-

ful. I've never read a better devo-

tional book. It also has provided

ing, grammar and punctuation are virtually perfect.

After my first reading, I decided to read it again. Having written a few books, I've groaned each time over a few dozen blatant errors causing my face to be in a constant shade of crimson for several days after release of each book

I remember Dr. Shockev clearly, mostly for his intelligence, commitment and scholarly pursuits. (One day, during his senior year, I asked, "Toby, are you making all A's?" Smiling and head downward, he admitted that he had all A's "so far.")

It was an easy decision to recommend the book, as well as write a blurb for his second book to be out soon. Try as I might, I was able to note just one spelling error. I called him, indicating that his mention of the Edomites "whooping up" on an enemy surely was intended to be "whupping." I explained that only Texas Aggies--as well as cranes—are capable of "whooping."

He humbly agreed that "whupping" would have been a better word choice.

From time to time, I may have written some well-chosen words. Trouble is, they are interspersed with hundreds that aren't!.... (Dr. Toby's book is available in paperback; contact him by email, tobyshockey@mountaintime.org.)

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Big Spring Steers baseball team gears up for Third annual Comanche Classic this weekend

Herald sports writer

The Big Spring Steers Baseball team traveled to Pecos For a three-day tournament that would take place in Pecos and Fort Stockton. The third Annual Comanche Classic would find the young Steers playing five games over the next three days. Big Spring would kick off the tournament by taking on The Presidio Blue Devils. The Steers would waste no time starting the tournament by putting on a dominant performance beating the Blue Devils 11

Kyler Seymore would take the mound for his first start of the season. Seymore would start the game showing pinpoint control and assert his dominance early on. He would not allow any action on the bases and finished the top of the first, not allowing a runner to reach base.

As the bottom of the first rolled around, it was time for the Steers bats to produce. Pablito Dsiaz would lead off the game. Diaz would waste no time impacting the game by driving the ball deep to the gap and getting the uncommon inside the park Home Run! The Steers would ride that momentum player after player would find a way to get on base. They would end the first inning with six runs crossing the plate.

Taking a 6 to 0 lead into the second gave Seymore a cushion; the young man did not need it. The Steer would show off his skills on the mound keeping Presidio off balance all game long. He would again cruise through the inning, striking out two in the inning and not allowing any runs. The bottom of the second would bring the Steers back to the plate. Gabriel Baeza would lead off the inning, earning a walk. He would then steal second base. Braxton Sizenbach would also make the pitcher work earning himself a free trip to first. Baeza was able to score in the inning, stretching the lead to 7 to 1.

The third inning went exactly like the first two for Seymore, who continued to overmatch the Blue Devils. He would go on to strike out the side in the third. The Steers' bats took a break from the onslaught, making this the only inning the Steers did not push a run across the plate.

Seymore would still be in control heading into the fourth. He would allow his first base hit of the

game. The Steers would then erase that baserunner by throwing him out while he attempted to steal second. Seymore would work around a couple of baserunners this inning, once again shutting the door on Presidio, not allowing a run. Joshua Miramontes would kick off the Steers' end of the Fourth inning by leading off the inning with a triple. Beza would step to the plate and hit a single to drive home Miramontes. Isaiah Diaz would get into the fun by smashing a single of his own that moved Baeza to third. Sizenbach would then reach base again, working himself yet another walk on the game showing his patience at the plate. Jona-



than Miller would then Pinch hit and work a single of his own. Marc Prieto would step into the box with the bases loaded and show the Steers' patience at the plate all game long by working yet another walk forcing home another run. The Steers would end up adding four more runs in the bottom of the fourth, extending the lead to 11 to 1.

Seymore would step back on the mound. The steer pitcher would go on to allow the only run of the game. The game was called after the end of the top of the Fifth. Seymore would finish the day going five innings, only allowing two hits, giving one walk, one run, and striking out ten batters on the day. The bats would have eight hits driving home 11 runs. It was a great dominating performance for the Steers Baseball team.

Having a short turn around the Steers would now have to take on the Pecos Eagles in their second

game of the Commanche Classic. This game would be a nail-bitter going

very last at-bat. Unfortunately, the Steers would fall just a bit short, losing their first game of the season to Pecos by a score of 3 to 2.

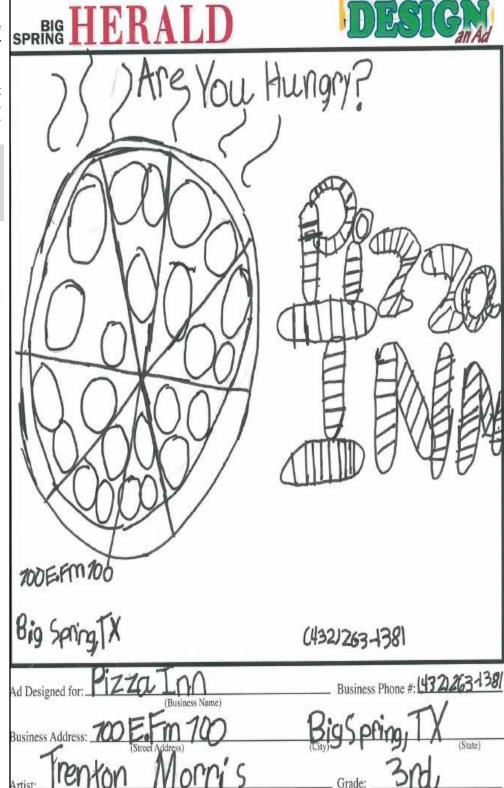
In this game, the Steers would be the visiting team and would be the first to take to the plate. The Steers would go down in order in the first inning. Ricky Escovedo would take the bump start the second game of the tournament for the Steers. He would do exactly what he need to do to make key pitches and getting out of the inning with zero

The second inning would find Big Spring able to get some runners on the bases but could not find a way to push them across. As this pitcher's duel loomed on, it was Escovedo who match the Pecos pitcher step for step, not allowing any runs once again to cross the plate.

As the game went on, it was clear this was going to be a closely contested contest. The Pecos Eagles would breakthrough first, scoring two runs in the bottom of the fourth. The Steers would answer back, scoring one run in the top of the fifth, making it a one-run lead heading into the fifth. The steers would go on to tie up the game to close out the fifth inning. Neither side could muster much in the sixth inning. Heading into the seventh, the Steers would have a shot getting a runner to reach third but could not get him across the plate. Heading into the bottom of the seventh, it would be the Pecos Eagles that we're able to secure the win in walk-off fashion, winning the game 3 to 2. It was a hard-fought game for the Steers, who showed the fight and grit a Coach Castillo team is known for. Next up, the Steers will travel to Fort Stockton to play the Kermit Yellowjackets in the early game; then, they will play Fort Stockton in the night game. They will follow that with a Saturday morning game against Alpine.

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Prairie View routs Mississippi Valley State

Jawaun Daniels had 20 points and 12 rebounds as Prairie View extended its winning streak to nine games, routing Mississippi Valley State 82-62 on Thursday night.

Cam Mack had 13 points, six assists and six steals for Prairie View (10-4, 9-0 Southwestern Athletic Conference). Faite Williams added 11 points and eight assists, and Boe Nguidjol also had 11 points.

Prairie View posted a season-high 25

Terry Collins had 16 points for the Delta Devils (1-19, 1-11). Caleb Hunter added 15 points and eight rebounds. Alex Perry had six rebounds.

back and forth until the

The Panthers improve to 2-0 against the Delta Devils for the season. Prairie View defeated Mississippi Valley

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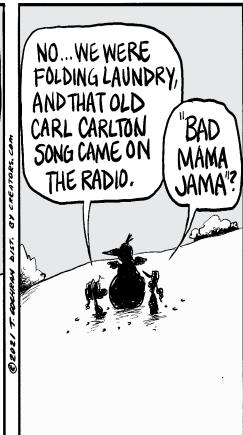
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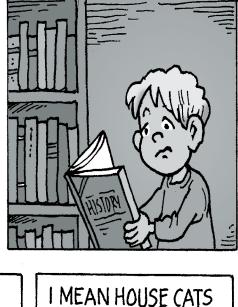












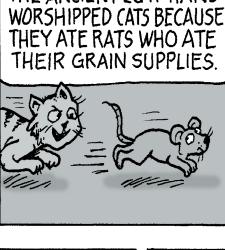














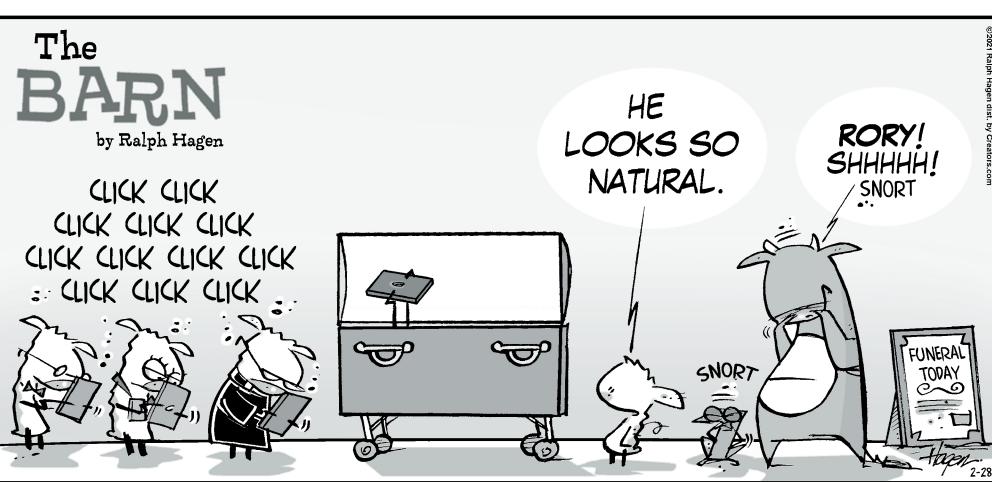




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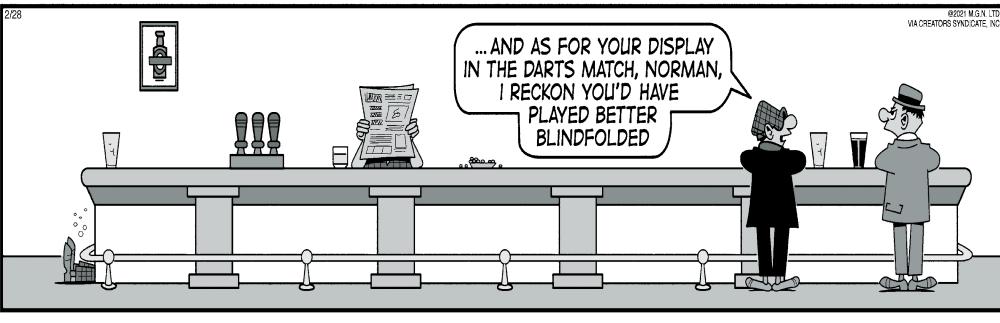
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Howard County Library would like to thank Mrs. Nancy Owensby who generously donated her late husband's, Willard Owensby, Topaz® EZ HD High-Definition Video Magnifier to the library. The video magnifier will be available at the library for patron use. Mrs. Owensby related that her late husband Willard used the video magnifier to read articles and newspapers. The TOPAZ® EZ HD is an easy-touse desktop video magnifier that provides clear and

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sharp magnification of documents, newspapers, photos, and other items. With simple to use controls, you can make quick magnification, color, and brightness adjustments to best suit your vision needs. Mrs. Owensby wanted to note that her husband was an avid reader and a long-time library patron, and she hopes that the document reader will be helpful and enjoyed by many. The video magnifier will be placed by the magazine area, come visit the library to use the video

magnifier. This week's reviews include fiction, large print fiction, large print mystery, and

large print western. Stepping into this diabolical scenario is Sally Grissom, leader of the Presidential Protection team. who learns of the disappearance of the First Lady in 'The First Lady" (FPAT J) by James Patterson and Brendan DuBois. The disappearance of the First Lady comes in the wake of the scandalous revelation of the President's affair. The First Lady seems to have merely escaped to get away from the media storm but the White House receives a ransom note along with what could be the First Lady's finger. Now Sally is in a race against the clock, and she cannot trust anyone. Especially as she wonders: Could the kidnappers be from inside the White House?

In 1936, in "The Last Train to London" (LP F CLA M) By Meg Waite Clayton, the Nazis are little more than loud, brutish bores to fifteen-year old Stephan Neuman, the son of a wealthy and influential Jewish family and a budding playwright whose playground extends from Vienna's streets to its intricate underground tunnels. Stephan's best friend and companion is the brilliant Zofie-Helene, a Christian girl whose mother edits a progressive, anti-Nazi newspaper. But the two adolescents' carefree innocence is shattered when the Nazis take control. There is hope in the darkness, though. Truus Wijsmuller, a member of the Dutch resistance, risks her life smuggling Jewish children out of Nazi Germany to the nations that will take them. It is a mission that becomes even more dangerous after the Anschluss, Hitler's annexation of Austria, as across Europe, countries close their borders to the growing number of refugees desperate to escape. Tante Truus, as she is known, is determined to save as many children as she can. After Britain passes a measure to take in at-risk child refugees from the German Reich, she dares to approach Adolf Eichmann, the man who would later help devise the "Final Solution to the Jewish Question," in a race against time to bring

tain future abroad.

Robin Lockwood is a young criminal defense attorney and partner in a prominent law firm in Portland, Oregon in "A Reasonable Doubt" (LP M MAR P) by Phillip Margolin. A former MMA fighter and Yale Law graduate, she joined the firm of legal legend Regina Barrister not long before Regina was forced into retirement by early onset Alzheimer's. One of Regina's former clients, Robert Chesterfield, shows up in the law office with an odd request, he's seeking help from his old attorney in acquiring patent protection for an illusion. Chesterfield is a professional magician of some renown and he has a major new trick he's about to debut. This is out of the scope of the law firm's expertise, but when Robin Lockwood looks into his previous relationship with the firm, she learns that twenty years ago he was arrested for two murders, one attempted murder, and was involved in the potentially suspicious death of his very rich wife. At the time, Regina Barrister defended him with ease, after which he resumed his career as a magician in Las Vegas. Now, decades later, he debuts his new trick, only to disappear at the end. He's a man with more than one dark past and many enemies, is his disappearance tied to one of the many people who have good reason to hate him? Was he killed and his body disposed of, or did he use his considerable skills to engineer his own disappearance?

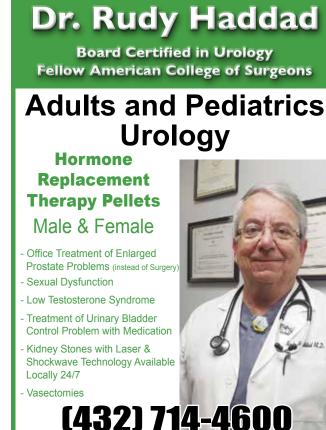
It's 1874 in "Cottonmouth" - Guns of Samuel

ing his life as a Texas Ranger, Samuel Pritchard has finally settled into a peaceful life in his hometown of Atherton, Missouri. As marshal, he hopes to put his bloody past behind him. To see his sister marry his lifelong friend. To find a wife and raise a family. For the first time in his life, Pritchard isn't gunning for anyone, and no one is gunning for him. Or so he thinks. Strangers have arrived in Atherton. Hardeyed men with guns. Someone has placed a bounty on Pritchard's head: \$10,000 in gold, deposited anonymously in a Wells Fargo bank, payable to anyone who puts the legendary pistolero in a pine box. This is the story of Samuel Pritchard. A small-town sheriff with a larger-than-life reputation, lightning-fast guns, and a long list of enemies who'd love to see him dead.

I believe there is power in words, power in asserting our existence, our experience, our lives, through words. Jesmyn Ward, "The Fire This Time: A New Generation Speaks about Race" (2016)

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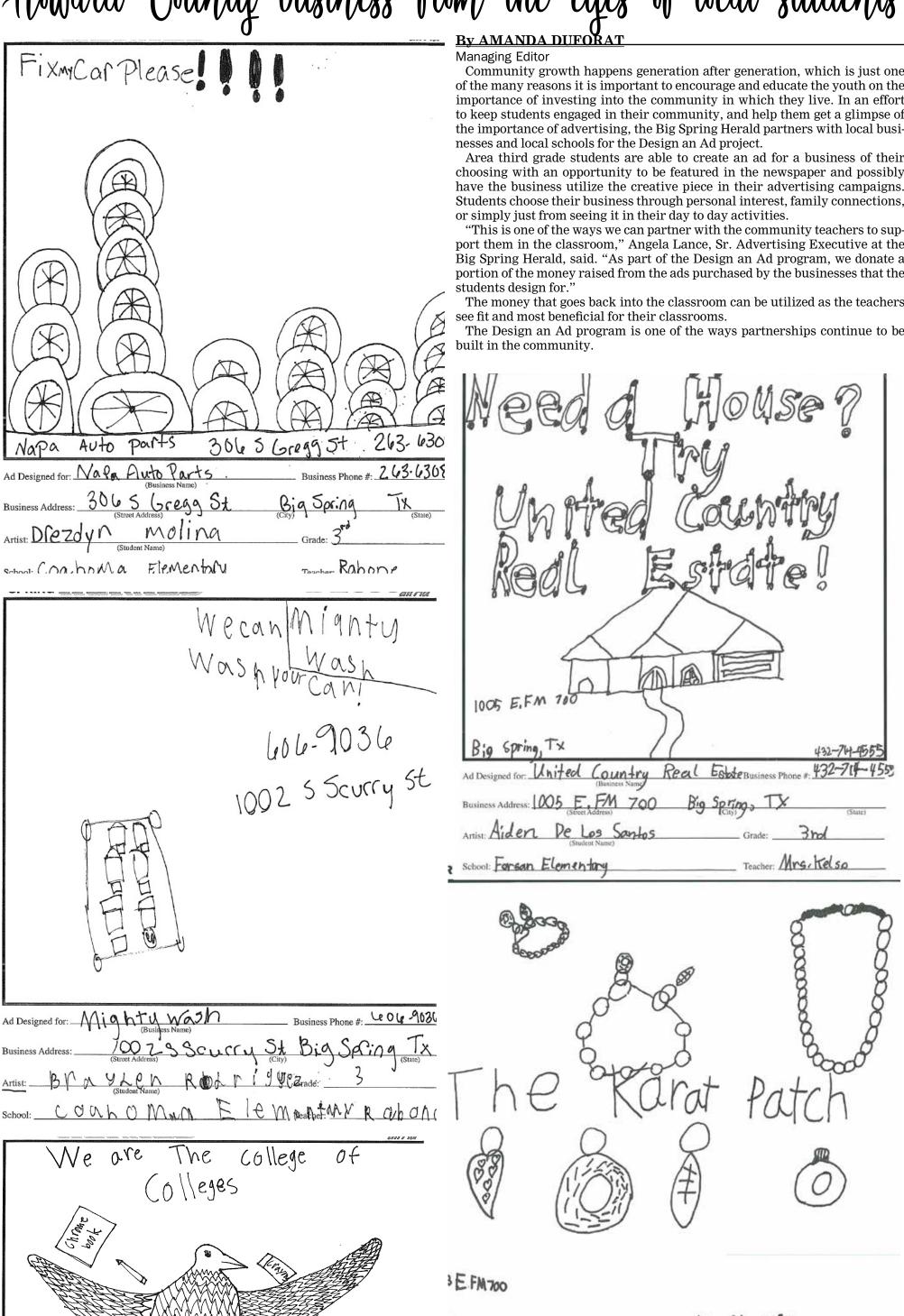
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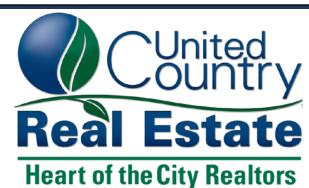
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Howard County business from the eyes of local students



the importance of advertising, the Big Spring Herald partners with local businesses and local schools for the Design an Ad project. Area third grade students are able to create an ad for a business of their choosing with an opportunity to be featured in the newspaper and possibly have the business utilize the creative piece in their advertising campaigns. Students choose their business through personal interest, family connections, or simply just from seeing it in their day to day activities. "This is one of the ways we can partner with the community teachers to support them in the classroom," Angela Lance, Sr. Advertising Executive at the Big Spring Herald, said. "As part of the Design an Ad program, we donate a portion of the money raised from the ads purchased by the businesses that the students design for.' The money that goes back into the classroom can be utilized as the teachers see fit and most beneficial for their classrooms. The Design an Ad program is one of the ways partnerships continue to be built in the community. Real School: Forsan Elementary

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Howard County Lunch Menus

Big Spring ISD

Elementary Breakfast

Monday: Apple Jack cereal pouch with string cheese, apple slices, 100% juice box, white or choc-

Tuesday: Warm Pillsbury whole grain Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, orange smiles, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Wednesday: Danimals strawberry yogurt crush cup with crackers, red delicious apple, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Thursday: Warm strawberry splash pancakes, whole banana, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Friday: Warm Coco Puff Pastry green grapes, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.



Monday: Tyson chicken nuggets with roll, ham and cheese sandwich, egg chef salad, emoji shaped fries and mixed fruit cup, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Tuesday: Chicken taco meat, nachos, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, popcorn chicken salad, grape tomato bites and strawberry applesauce, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Wednesday: Waffle bites with sausage patty, American sub sandwich, taco salad with tortilla chips, baby carrot bites and diced peaches, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk. Thursday: Tyson chicken patty sandwich, ham

and cheese sandwich, chicken and cheese, garden salad with roll, baked beans and green grapes, 100% juice box, white or chocolate milk.

Friday: Tony's pepperoni pizza wedge, danimals yogurt, string cheese, blueberry muffin, steamed green beans and clementine orange, white or chocoalte milk.

Intermediate

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon French Toast bites, yogurt and cinnamon elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or hot hammy sammy with fritos.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, blueberry muffin and string cheese. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or BBQ ribette sandwich.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff Pastry, yogurt and chocolate elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or cheeseburger pocket.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, banana muffin and string cheese. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or baked pasta casserole with garlic bread.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, yogurt and cinnamon elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or walking taco with Doritos.

Junior High

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon French Toast bites, yogurt and cinnamon elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/ spicy chicken, pizza or hot hammy sammy with fritos.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, blueberry muffin and string cheese. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or BBQ ribette sandwich.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff

Pastry, yogurt and chocolate elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or cheeseburger pocket.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch pastry, banana muffin and string cheese. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or baked pasta casserole with garlic bread.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, yogurt and cinnamon elf grahams. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or walking taco with Doritos.

Kentwood Pre-K

Monday: Breakfast: Maple waffle bites, fruit, 1% white milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets with smile fries,fruit, 1% milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon poptart fruit, 1% white milk. Lunch: Pasta with sauce, roll and cookie, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Chocolate chip muffin, fruit, 1% white milk. Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap, fruit, 1% white milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast sausage, pizza, fruit and 1% milk. Lunch: Cheese pizza wedge, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

High School

Monday: Breakfast: Apple cinnamon muffin waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Trix cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken drumstick, baconburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegeta-

Tuesday: Breakfast: Vanilla glazed donut, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese/burrito,

refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Fish with mac and cheese, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese/burrito, refried beans, Trix cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken-n-waffles, baconburger, chicken/spicy chicken

sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice. Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon

sugar donut, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, cinnamon toast crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and

juice, assorted milk.

Friday: Breakfas: Cherry frudel, waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Coco Puffs cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Big Steer burger/walking taco, hamburger/cheeseburger, chick-

en/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza.

Anderson Accelerated Monday: Breakfast: French toast bites.

cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Pepperoni pizza. egg chef salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits. Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon toast

crunch pastry, cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Spicy chicken sandwich, popcorn chicken salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Wednesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal

with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Bosco sticks with sauce, taco nacho salad, assorted vegetables juice, assorted fruits, assorted Thursday: Breakfast: Apple frudel, cereal and

string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, chef salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, cereal

and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Walking taco, yogurt, cheese and fruit salad, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Coahoma ISD

Coahoma K-12 Breakfast

Monday: Sausage Biscuit, 100% fruit juice, fruit,

Tuesday: Breakfast burrito with hashbrowns, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken-n-waffles, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

> Thursday: Stuffed bagel with sausage or pancakes with sausage, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Friday: Dutch waffle with bacon or french toast with bacon, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Coahoma K-8 Lunch

Monday: Country fried steak with gravy or Bulldog meatloaf or chef salad, mash potatoes, okra, roll, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti bowl with breadstick or french bread pizza with marinara or tuna salad, garden salad, California veggies, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Bonelss chicken wings or Texas Chili with cornbread or chef salad, celery sticks, carrots, peaches, pudding, milk.

Thursday: Mexican combo plate or quesadillas or taco salad, corn, beans, salsa, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday: Popcorn chicken with roll or sloppy joes, vegetable medley, potatoes, pears, dessert,

Lunch Monday: Country fried

Coahoma 9-12

milk.

steak with gravy or Bulldog meatloaf or chef salad, mash potatoes, okra, roll, strawberries, milk. Tuesday: Meat and

cheese chalupas or enchiladas or taco salad, rice, salsa, zesty cucumbers, beans, rosy applesauce, milk. Wednesday: Chicken

tenders with biscuit, gravy or hamburger or tuna salad, broccoli, sweet potatoes, mixed fruit, dessert, milk. Thursday: Chicken

spaghetti with breadstick or pizza or crispy chicken salad, garden salad, carrots, fresh apple slices, milk.

Friday: Fish with mac

and cheese or BBQ on a bun, chips, potato salad, green beans, orange smiles, dessert, milk.

Forsan ISD

Breakfast

Monday: French toast sticks, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); french toast sticks with sausage or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Tuesday: Cereal bars, fresh fruit, fruit juice and

milk (elementary); Sausage kolache with cheese stick or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk Wednesday: Honey buns, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Chicken and waffles or ce-

real, mandarin oranges, fruit juice and milk (JH/ HS). Thursday: Breakfast pizza, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Breakfast pizza or cereal,

strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Friday: Breakfast: Mini powdered donuts, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Mini powdered donuts with bacon or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS).

Lunch:

Monday: Steak fingers or chicken and waffles or PB&J sandwich, tots, baby carrots, strawberry

cup, fresh fruit and milk. Tuesday: Pulled pork BBQ sandwich or Asian bowl tangerine chicken or turkey and cheese sub, savory green beans, fries, snowball salad, fresh fruit and milk.

Wednesday: Pizza or tur key chef salad or PB&J sandwich, fresh veggie cup garden salad, applesauce cup, fresh fruit and milk.

with mac and cheese (elementary) Nashville hot chicken strips with mac and cheese (JH/HS) or

Thursday: Chicken fajitas or chicken nuggets

turkey and cheese sub, baked beans, baby carrots, grapes, fresh fruit and milk. Friday: Pizza or mini corn dogs or PB&J sand-

wich, corn, tots, strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk.

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Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon pull-a-parts, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: BBQ on a bun, cole slaw, celery, apple slices, cookie milk

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal bar, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit cup, milk variety.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Waffle, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Meat and cheese, chalupas, salsa, cucumbers, refried beans, apple sauce, milk variety.

Thursday: Breakfast: Muffin, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger, broccoli, sweet potato fries, mixed fruit, milk variety.



Friday: Breakfast: minı panyogurt, cakes, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza sticks, garden salad, carrots, grapes,

cookies, milk variety.

Senior Center

Monday: Hamburger steak with grilled onions, fried okra, Au gratin potatoes, oatmeal cookies, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Chili dog cheese and onion, tator tots, banana pudding, milk. Wednesday: Roast turkey dressing, candied sweet

potatoes, green peas, waldorf salad, rolls, milk. Thursday: Soft beef tacos, Spanish rice, refried

beans, green salad with tomatoes, bread pudding,

Friday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli with cheese, applesauce, bread, milk.



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Chamber of Commerce happenings

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

The first quarter of the year is almost over. With one month left in the first quarter of 2021, the Chamber of Commerce is moving along with annual

event planning. A couple weeks ago, the Chamber held a successful Virtual Chamber Banquet and Expo. In routine fashion, the passing of the gavel took place naming Kristy Tyra as the new Chamber of Commerce President for the year ahead. Outgoing President

Mark Richardson handed over the gavel during the virtual ceremony. In addition to the passing of the gavel, the Man and Woman of the Year, Russ McE-

wen Community Award, and 5 Under 55 recognitions were announced before the event concluded.

Now that the Chamber Expo is wrapped up for this year, the Chamber is shifting gears and refocusing on the annual health fair. Discussions are taking place on how best to move forward with the

health fair for this year, as well as planning for upcoming ribbon cuttings, Thank You presentations and Alive After 5 networking opportunities.

To keep up with Chamber of Commerce happenings follow the

Chamber of Commerce Facebook Page; to keep up with updates regarding the Health Fair follow the Big Spring and Howard County Health Fair page.

USDA NRCS extends Agricultural Conservation Easement application date to March 10, 2021

TEMPLE — The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service in Texas has extended its application deadline for the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) from March 1, 2021, to March 10, 2021, due to recent weather-related power outages across Texas. While NRCS accepts easement applications on a continuous basis, applications for the next funding consideration must be submitted by March 10, 2021.

ACEP Agricultural Land Easements provide financial assistance to eligible partners for purchasing easements that protect the agricultural use and conservation values of eligible land. In the case of working farms, the program helps farmers and ranchers keep their land in agriculture.

ACEP Wetlands Reserve Easements allow landowners to successfully restore, enhance and protect habitat for wildlife on their lands, reduce damage from flooding, recharge groundwater and provide outdoor recreational and educational opportunities. Tribal landowners also have the option of enrolling in 30-year contracts. To learn about ACEP and other technical and

financial assistance available through NRCS, call your local USDA Service Center or visit www.nrcs.

Highlighting Howard Co. Business

A forest of possibilities - Sophia's Forest



Courtesy photo

Local resident Shiloh Salazar recently ventured out into a new journey, creating wooden toys for her daughter. The new journey has since expanded and been launched into a small business called Sophia's Forest.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

One local resident has found a way to not only create unique toys, but to create toys that are environmentally friendly - in more ways than one. Big Spring Mom Shiloh Salazar was on a search for wooden toys one day for her own daughter, and as her search continued, she decided to make her own. That one toy turned into an idea and before long the idea grew into her own business adventure - Sophia's Forest.

Sophia's Forest launched in February 2021 officially, but began making test items and taking custom orders in August of last

"I am fortunate enough to be a stay at home mom, but I needed a hobby that allowed me to do something I liked in between being "just" a mom," Salazar said.

The idea to build wooden toys was not a far stretch for Salazar since she has spent the past year or so creating sensory bins to aide in her daughter's development. For the past couple of years, Salazar's daughter - Sophia - has been in occupational therapy and was constantly needing new toys/ tools to help her meet the goals.

"Living on one income, it isn't always possible to go out and get new tools/toys so I decided I would take some spare wood we had to make her a balance beam," she said. "After I made the balance beam I found the hobby I

was looking for." As many know, the power of solandfills; cial media can spread like wild-

flower. After making the balance beam, friends began to want to have items made for their kids and as the requests came in, the idea grew and opportunity grew into the formation of the business. The items created by Sophia's Forest are unique with the intent to last. The toys are made with wood and don't require batteries to operate.

"These items won't be found in department stores and could become heirlooms passed down from generation to generation," she said. "Anyone who loves wooden toys, or who enjoys being environmentally friendly, or is just looking for something different for their kids newborn to 12 years of age."

In addition to creating toys for

children of all ages, there have been a few items that have been requested office or home decor. An added bonus, with each purchase a postive impact is planted that will grow over the years.

"When opening the business we wanted to give back in any way we could. By making wooden toys we are keeping plastic from entering into

that

wasn't enough for me," Salazar said. "I wanted to do more. So we partnered with a company called One Tree Planted, and with every purchase we donate to One Tree Planted and plant two trees.'

Through this effort and the sales made since the inception of the business, through the purchases made 10 trees have been planted in the Appalachia Moun-

While the family owned business adventure may come with some challenges, the rewards that come with it go beyond what one may be able to imagine. The reward of creating a one-ofa kind item and sharing talent with others are just a couple of reasons why Sophia's Forest is not only looking to expand, but doing what it can to make an impact with an everlasting impact.

"Do it! Start slow, do your research, create a solid business plan, make sure you are set apart from others in the same market, make sure you know the market you are getting into and lean on friends who can guide you," she said. "There will never be a good time, never enough time; you just have to do it."

To find out more about products offered or to request information, follow Sophia's Forest on Facebook or Instagram or email sophiasforest2@gmail.com. Messages are normally answered within a few hours. An online shop is coming soon, but has not officially launched.

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



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Felipe Anguiano III, 37, and Marilyn Marlene Maple, 59, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Howard County, Et Al Defendant: Roy Phillips Type of Case: Tax case Date: February 22, 2021

Plaintiff: Howard County. Et Al. Defendant: Citizens National Bank Type of Case: Tax case Date: February 22, 2021

Plaintiff: Victoria Estraca Defendant: Ramon Estraca Type of Case: Divorce - no children Date: February 18, 2021

Plaintiff: Ally Bank Defendant: John Mulkey, Linda Branch Type of Case: Civil case - other Date: February 18, 2021

Plaintiff: Deborah Rodriguez Defendant: Evangelina Barrera de Gomez, Mauro Gomez

Type of Case: Injury/damage - motor vehicle

Date: February 22, 2021

Plaintiff: Sharon Germond

Defendant: Michael Archibald Type of Case: Divorce - no children Date: February 22, 2021 Plaintiff: Avalanche Equipment LLC

Defendant: Bullfrog Services a/k/a Bullfrog Svcs, JSPZA Guardian Energy Services, LLC d/b/a Guardian Energy Services, Jackson Thompson Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/

Commercial/Debt

Date: February 23, 2021

Defendant: Jimmy Morales Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/

Plaintiff: Synchrony Bank

Commercial/Debt Date: February 24, 2021

Warranty Deeds Grantor: Sonia Lusk, Debra Lusk and

Eric Lusk Grantee: Debra Lusk

Property: Tract 1: Lot No. 6, in block

No. 10 Monticello Addition to the City of Big Spring Howard County, Texas according to the map or plat of said addition filed in Envelope #72B in the Office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas. Date: January 28, 2021

Grantor: Joe Lusk, Sonia Lusk, Debra Lusk and Eric Lusk

Grantee: Debra Lusk and Eric Lusk Property: Lots 3 & 4 Wrights Airport Annex Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, more commonly known as 1307 Kindle, Big Spring Texas.

Date: January 26, 2021

Grantor: Sonia Lusk, Debra Lusk, Eric

Grantee: Debra Lusk and Eric Lusk Property: Tract 1: Lots 5-6, block 27, Fairview Heights Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat of said Addition recorded in Plat Records of Howard County, Texas. Tract 2: Being a 0.16 acre tract of land more or less out of a 1.0 acre tract of land out of the Southeast Quarter SE/4 of Section No. 14, in block No. 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry Co Survey, Howard County, Texas, being more particularly described by metes and bounds. Tract 3: Being out of and part of the Southeast One-Fourth of Section No. 14, in block No. 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas and more fully described in the General Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 1500 page 502 Official Public Records, Howard County, Texas more commonly known as 4614 Aspen, Big Spring Texas. Date: January 26, 2021

Grantor: Sonia Lusk, Debra Lusk, and Eric Lusk

Grantee: Sonia Lusk

Property: Tract 1: Lot 1 and the North 10 feet of Lot 2, block 43, Original Town to the City of Big Spring, Howard County Texas according to the proper map or plat recorded in Envelope 10/A, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas, more commonly known as 205 W. 6th, Big Spring Texas. Tract 2: Lot 13, block 3, Hall Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper plat on file in the Office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, more commonly known as 611 Elgin, Big Spring, Texas. Tract 3: The South 2 feet of Lot No. 1 and the North 40 Feet of Lot No. 2, block NO. 1 Brennard Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, also known as 1102 Lancaster, Big Spring, Texas. Date: January 26, 2021

Grantor: Tony Castillo Grantee: Michael L. Lebowsky

Property: An undivided 28.57% interest in the following: Being a 0.27 acre tract of land out of the North part of Lot "C" Tract No. 8, Kennebee Heights, a subdivision of part of Section 12, block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, being described by metes and bounds.

Date: January 2, 2021

Grantor: Cruz's Construction & Homes Grantee: Santa Rita Builders LLC

Property: Being all of Lot No. 11, in block No. 2, Marshall Fields Estates, a subdivision to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper plat of record in Envelope 43/B, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas.

Date: February 3, 2021

Grantor: Ricardo Valdez and Ana Guereca fka Ana Valdez

Grantee: Dean Gartman and Misty

Property: Being Lot 10, block 1A, Belvue Addition, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat thereof of record in Plat Records of Howard County, Texas

Date: Feb. 4, 2021

Grantor: Larenda Larson, independent executor of the estate of Vernon M. Gamble, deceased

Grantee:Larenda Larson, dealing with their sole and separate property Property: All of lot 3, block 15, North

Parkhill Addition to the City of Big Spring. Howard County, Texas commonly known as 804 W. 15th Big Spring, Texas. Date: February 9, 2021

Grantor: David Partlow Grantee: Rebecca Garcia

Property: Being all of Lot No. 2, in block 17 Kentwood Unit No. 2 an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the map or

plat of record in Envelope 61/B Plat Records of Howard County, Texas

Date: February 8, 2021

Grantor: Mary Lou Saldana; heir of Luis Valverde, deceased

Grantee: Taos Robinson and Mary Robinson

Property: All of Lot No. 12, in block No. 36, Government Heights Addition to Bauer Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Date: January 15, 2021

Grantor: Guillermo Willia Alcantar, not joined by spouse for the reason that the property conveyed herein is sole and separate property and does not constitute any part of any homestead

Grantee: Charles Christopher Domin-

Property: Being a 0.503 acre tract of land more or less out of the NE part of Section 12, block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas described by metes and bounds. Date: January 23, 2021

Grantor: Renee Thompson as independent executrix of the Estate of Betty LaNell Morgan, deceased, formerly known as Betty LaNell Moore Grantee: Crossroads Housing Devel-

opment Corporation

Property: Being all of Lot No. 17, block No. 3, Ridgelea Terrace Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat of record in Envelope 86/B, plat records of Howard County, Texas Date: February 10, 2021

Grantor: Nitelite Rentals LLC Grantee: Jeffrey Wise

Property: Lots 11-14 block 1A and Lots 6 & 7, block 2A, Belvue Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat thereof of records in Envelope 8/B, plat records of Howard County, Texas

Date: February 11, 2021

Grantor: Jaz Land LLC and Mitchell Liberty Fund, LLC

Grantee: Carlos Cervantes and Shelbi Cervantes Property: Being an 11.852 acre tract of

land, hereby being called Tract 15 and situated in and being out of that certain 157.938 tract in the South one half of Section 43, block 33, Township 1 South Abstract 379, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Survey, Howard County, Texas and being that same tract as described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 256 on Page 21 of the Deed Records of said Howard County, Texas and being more particularly described.

Date: February 3, 2021

Grantor: Judith Hantman, guardian of the estate of Joseph M. Hantman, incapacitated (hereinafter "Grantor") Grantee: Judith Hantman, trustee of

the Joseph M. Hantman Revocable Trust Property: All of Grantor's interest in and to real property and mineral rights located in Howard County, Texas including but not limited to the property described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Date: February 9, 2021

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien Grantor: Ryan Cole Williams and

Heather Duncan Williams Grantee: Miners Rentals LLC

Property: Being the N/50' of the NE/4 of Block 22, College Heights Addition to

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the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the amended plat of record in Envelope 22/A, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas

Date: January 28, 2021

Grantor: Tall Wall LLC Grantee: Sabastien Sanchez-Ortiz Property: Being all of Lot No. 19, block No. 29, College Park Estates a subdivision of the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat of record in Envelope 30/A, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas. Date: January 29, 2021

Grantor: Guy Mills Burrow and wife Deborah Burrow

Grantee: Shelby B. Hood and Aaron Joseph Wagner, wife and husband

Property: Being a 0.18 acre tract of land out of a 2.0 acre tract of land conveyed to W.E. Davidson by R.L. Cook, through deed dated August 2, 1940, recorded in Volume 108, Page 274, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas, said 2 acre tract being out of Section No. 44, in Block No. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas said parcel of land described by metes and bounds. Date: January 29, 2021

Grantor: NiteLite Rentals LLC Grantee: KBAB Properties, LLC

Property: Lot No. 15, block No. 2 in Monticello Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to proper map or plat of said addition of record in Envelope 71/B, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas Date: February 4, 2021

Grantor: Tina M. Patterson

Grantee: Tamara Pitts Designs, Inc Property: Being Lot 9, in block 8, Kentwood Unit No.1 an addition to the City

of Big Spring Howard County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Envelope 63/B, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas Date: February 8, 2021

Grantor: Superior Properties LLC Grantee: Henry Hernandez

Property: Being the South 50' of the NE/4 of Block 28, College Heights Addition, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the Map or plat thereof of Record in Envelope 22/A, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas. Date: February 5, 2021

Grantor: Samuel Lennon

Grantee: Brandon Littlepage

Property: A 10.17 acre tract of land out of the Northwest corner of the NE/4 of Section 30, block 32, T-3-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas being the part of that certain 10.54 acre tract described in Volume 1917, Page 620, Official Public Records Howard County, Texas lying within said NE/4 of Section 30, said 10.17 acre tract being more particularly described. Date: February 8, 2021

Grantor: Edgar Moreno and Danielle Moreno Grantee: Ryan Wright

Property: Being a 0.284 acre tract more or less out of the NE/4 of Section 1, block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas described by metes and bounds.

Date: February 9, 2021

Grantor: Jimmy Newsom and Irene Newsom, a married couple Grantee: Edgar Allen Moreno and

Danielle Rae Moreno

Property: Being all of Lot No. 22, in block NO. 1, of Highland South Addition NO. 6, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, as described in Plat of Record in Envelope 112/B, Plat Records of Howard County, Texas a replat of Lots 18-30 block 1 and

Lots 13-14 Block 8, Highland South Addition No. 6 to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Date: February 9, 2021

Grantor: Leonard Randall Burks and Jimmy Elaine Shapleigh Grantee: Dennis Witt

Property: All of Lot No. 1, in Block NO. 25, College Park Estates, a subdivision to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the Map or Plat of said addition recorded in the Plat Records of said Howard County, Texas. Date: February 8, 2021

Grantor: Guang Li and Qiao Yan Li Grantee: Paul Ruiz

Property: Lot 6, block 5, Douglas Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas

Date: February 12, 2021

Grantor: Ellen Huskey Grantee: Amet Benitez Sanchez

Property: Lot 25, block 3, Capehart Addition an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the amended map or plat of said addition of record in the office of the County Clerk of said Howard County.

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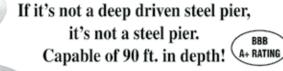
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jack of spades. East took dummy's

queen with the ace and cashed the A-K of hearts before returning a

spade to dummy's king. Declarer

then played five rounds of trump,

East

North

South

Declarer now cashed his last

♦K 10

producing this position:

West

of clubs instead.

Immaterial

A steppingstone squeeze

EAST

♠ A 7 6 2

East dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH ♦ K Q 9 4 **♥**9743 ♦ A 7 4 ♣K 10 WEST **♦** J 10

♥QJ1062 **♦**632 ♣Q72 **♣**AJ8543 **SOUTH** ♦ K Q J 10 8 5

East Pass Dble Dble Opening lead — jack of spades.

There are plays in bridge that

many players have never heard of. much less seen. And while it is true that most of them have very little practical value, they are nevertheless fascinating to both the connoisseur and the everyday player. A prime example is the play

known as the steppingstone squeeze, llustrated by this deal from a rubberbridge game.

South wound up in three diamonds doubled, and West led the

trump, discarding the ten of clubs The bidding: from dummy, and poor East was in West trouble. He could not afford to dis-South North 2 NT card a spade because South would then be able to overtake the eight of spades with the nine and cash dummy's four. So East discarded the jack

> South thereupon cashed the eight of spades and exited with a club to dummy's king. East won with the ace and was forced to return a spade, providing a steppingstone to dummy's nine of spades. So South made three diamonds doubled.

It is true that an opening club lead by West would have defeated the contract, but then there would have been no steppingstone squeeze to talk

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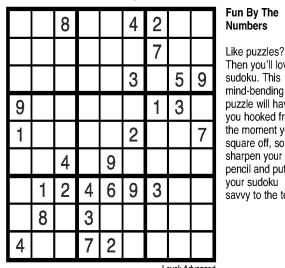
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What's the Difference?

There are four differences between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?







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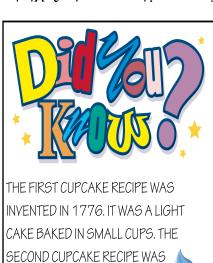
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'Ready, Freddy?' 'I suppose, Rose!'

Dear Annie: You recently asked readers to write in to respond to the question "What do you love most about your partner and why?" I am a pretty lucky lady! Sometimes, I feel like pinching myself to make sure I'm not dreaming. I'll call us "Fred" and "Rose" to tell our story.

Fred and I met later in life, after many years of single-parenting and hard work. We were co-workers who became friends long before we dated. I was content to stay single for the rest of my life, but somehow all that

changed after we started dating. Five years later, we had a big outdoor spring wedding. Family and friends alike commented that it was about time! We met in 2009, started dating in 2014 and were married in 2019.

What do I love most about Fred?

He is very genuine, sweet, kind and caring. He lets me be me and never tries to change me or control me. Our relationship is a part-

nership with shared responsibilities. He is a great father of four boys. Two of his boys are adopted from

the foster care system.

And he loves them like they are his own. When I learned this about him, I fell even more in love with him.

He loves my two daughters as if they were his own. He's so very proud of them, and it really shows. My heart melts when he introduces them as (SET ITAL) our (END ITAL) daughters. He loves my grandsons and son-inlaw, too.

He loves to dance! He loves to wrap his arm around me, and I get so swept away. I've always wanted a man who loves to dance. We get so wrapped up in each other that

sometimes we don't

even notice the music has ended.

We hold hands everywhere we go. I love how much he loves to do that. So many men wouldn't dare hold hands. I don't understand why not. It doesn't make a man any less manly. And us women really long for that kind of affection. Sometimes we even skip together like a couple of giggling kids.

Every meal is a reason to celebrate. We clink silverware or glasses for each wonderful meal. Our friends and family members have come to expect it and even started this

tradition themselves.

I love doing so many things with him, such

as road trips, camping, hiking, watching movies, holidays, shopping, even cooking, cleaning and farm chores -- you name it. He is always ready, willing and anxious to join me in doing almost anything.

This paints a rosy picture that our days are perfect, and we get along great all the time. Just like any couple, we do have to work on communication and mutual respect in our relationship. But he's easy to talk to, and we always work things out. I love him dearly, and I'm looking forward to

the next chapter of our

lives!

"Ready, Freddy?" "I suppose, Rose!" --Rose Loves Fred

Dear Rose Loves Fred: Your romance sounds like something out of a movie. The gratitude you have for each other and the allout celebration of life and your relationship is something to cherish. Thank you for sharing your beautiful story with

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Listening Moon

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Being on a quest certainly brings a high, though not all quests are created equal. Who is the mission really helping? The potential for momentum increases with each person helped.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Remember when they tried to make vou believe their misbehavior was your responsibility? It's almost comical to you now. Almost -- but not quite. The point is that you're free. Enjoy and protect this freedom. It was hard-earned.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When was the last time you spent hours on end (SET ITAL)not(END ITAL) demanding anything from yourself? Such time to yourself is a rarity that, funnily enough, only happens when you schedule it. What's stopping you from putting it on the books?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's not the

new activities that are prone to error; it's the things you've done a thousand times. But you can avoid inconveniences of lost keys and the like by double-checking the easy stuff.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll enjoy a few of your favorite things: the smell of a certain spice, the sound of giggles or the soft breathing of one who naps in a warm pool of sun as your heart bubbles over with satisfaction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Dealing with the people you already know is less work than opening your emotional doors to the untested newbies. However, right now, you'll be missing out if you don't give a stranger a chance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't feel like you have to be the smartest person in the room. In fact, you prefer a room you can't dominate like that. Picking the right (read: challenging) room in

Tomorrow's Horoscope



current circumstances and making the next logical move. Perhaps it seems obvious to you, but those observing find you wondrously original.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Comedians are often

funny because their jokes make us aware of what would normally be automatic, nonchalant action. You'll be a bit of a comedian today, observing the ordinary in a new light.

CAPRICORN (Dec. **22-Jan. 19).** You think

By Holiday Mathis $\frac{\text{different}}{\text{things}}$



to elicit your shiniest thoughts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There's a time to ask why? a time to ask why not? and a time not to ask anything at all. Questions are openings. When there's an abundance, close the gate and sort what you've already got.

PISCES (Feb. **19-March 20).** When rejection is a possibility, most people are riskaverse to a degree. But since you've had such a variety of results from putting yourself on the

line, you've become socially adventurous. That pays off today.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Feb. 28). You know what it's like to love big and imperfectly, and how wonderful to feel the other side of such adoration this year. You've a talent for interpreting and adjusting to the way others communicate. For this, you'll be handsomely rewarded. You'll be included in astounding projects and wins. Libra and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 14, 38, 11 and

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: March opens like a good story, the elements of which are simple. First, all is going as usual. The action could be characterized as "normal." As it were, a peaceable Libra moon glides along a backdrop of planets rolling along, aspectless and direct. Next comes the "explosion." No, it's not an actual explosion; rather, it's a plot twist

that disrupts the status

quo. Godzilla wakes up. The knight throws down a gauntlet. A tornado hits Kansas. Screenwriters call it the "inciting incident." This week, the role goes to the warrior planet Mars as he enters the fasttalking realm of Gemini. Then, on Thursday, Mercury and Jupiter line up to amplify the message, which has to do with social change or, more to the point, the high cost of not changing.

As far as this week's plot goes, the "new normal" starts to shape up over the weekend when we figure out what our personal plan is going to be to process events and assimilate new knowledge into our worlds. While it may be satisfying to have everything wrap up with a tidy bow, the best filmmakers are sure to leave some questions answered. Otherwise, who's going to come see the sequel?

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Everything Bagels

nut milk

Answer to previous puzzle

tablespoons finely ground golden flaxseeds

gluten-free active dry yeast

1/4 ghee or virgin coconut

teaspoon apple cider vinegar

11/2powder

cup coconut

1/3

sea salt

flour 11/2 teaspoons

grain-free baking pow-

der teaspoon fine

Everything seasoning:

seeds teaspoon dried

teaspoon dried

minced onion 1/2 teaspoon white

sesame seeds

sesame seeds

teaspoon black

coarse sea salt

1/2

heat to 110 F. Place the warmed coconut milk, the flaxseeds, honey, and yeast in the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the beater attachment and mix on low speed to combine. Let the mixture sit for 4 to 5 minutes, until it begins

Add the eggs, ghee and vinegar to the bowl and mix on medium speed to combine. Add the arrowroot, coconut flour, baking powder, and salt and mix again until fully incorporated. Cover the bowl with a kitchen towel and let it sit for 1 hour at room temperature.

To make the everything seasoning, combine all of the ingredients in a small bowl and stir to combine.

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Scoop the batter into a 31/2-inch silicone with the seasoning and utes, until the bagels are golden brown and a then remove them from pletely on the rack.

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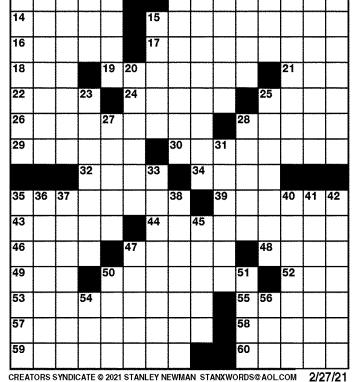
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A tasty twist on traditional everything bagels 4

cheese.

Makes 6 1/2 cup full-fat coco-

teaspoon poppy

minced garlic

1/2 teaspoon

Pour the coconut milk into a small saucepan and heat it over low

tablespoon eggs to foam. cup melted cups arrowroot

doughnut pan, filling each cavity two-thirds full. Sprinkle the tops bake for 20 to 25 mintoothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool the bagels in the pan on a wire rack for 20 minutes, the pan and cool com-

tainer in the refrigerator for 1 week, or in the freezer for 6 months.

Looking at weekly gas prices in West Texas February 22, 2018: \$2.27/g (U.S. Average: \$2.52/g)

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GasBuddy

Texas gas prices have risen 11.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.31/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 21.3 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 13.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.99/g today while the most expensive is \$3.06/g, a difference of \$1.07/g. The lowest price in the state today is \$1.99/g while the highest is \$3.06/g, a difference of \$1.07/g.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 10.4 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.63/g today. The national average is up 24.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 15.1 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

Historical gasoline prices in Texas and the national average going back ten years:

February 22, 2020: \$2.17/g (U.S. Average: \$2.48/g) February 22, 2019: \$2.12/g (U.S. Average: \$2.40/g) February 22, 2017: \$2.07/g (U.S. Average: \$2.28/g) February 22, 2016: \$1.51/g (U.S. Average: \$1.71/g) February 22, 2015: \$2.11/g (U.S. Average: \$2.29/g) February 22, 2014: \$3.19/g (U.S. Average: \$3.39/g) February 22, 2013: \$3.64/g (U.S. Average: \$3.78/g) February 22, 2012: \$3.50/g (U.S. Average: \$3.58/g) February 22, 2011: \$3.01/g (U.S. Average: \$3.16/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices: Midland Odessa- \$2.38/g, up 6.7 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.32/g.

San Antonio-\$2.23/g, up 13.7 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.09/g.

Austin-\$2.25/g, up 13.2 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.12/g.

"With last week's extreme cold shutting down millions of barrels per day in refinery capacity, gas prices have seen their largest weekly climb in quite some time," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "The jump in price was the result of a dozen or so refineries, primarily in Texas, that were forced to shut down

as the frigid temperatures threatened to wreak havoc on their exposed equipment. With the cold weather behind us, price increases show begin to slow later this week or next week, and so long as these refineries get back online in short order, we may see gas prices start to move back down in the next couple of weeks. However, as we near spring weather, we'll likely see another longer term rise in prices begin as refineries start to transition to summer gasoline, so motorists shouldn't jump for joy just yet."

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GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. Unlike AAA's once daily survey covering credit card transactions at 100,000 stations and the Lundberg Survey, updated once every two weeks based on 7,000 gas stations, Gas-Buddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at http://FuelInsights.GasBuddy.com.

@TroyTompkinsBigSpring



I am asking for your vote to represent you on council, where I have the knowledge and skills to be immediately effective in advocating for District 5. In 2010, I completed a term on Big Spring City Council, and from that experience, I have an understanding of city operations, work well with the staff, and understand fiscal matters such as the budget.

I believe council and mayor need to work together, building momentum to make progress on the issues

I believe that Big Spring has the opportunity for a bright future. However, it will take the right people in leadership positions to make it happen. I'm a fourth-generation resident of Big Spring and was raised in District 5, and my family continues to make our home there today.

Over the last twenty years, I've served on the boards of many civic and charitable organizations and have worked with others to develop a vision for a successful future and bring about positive change. I believe that the same spirit of cooperation and progress is critical for Big Spring to flourish.

Leadership and experience are what I can bring to our city council. I ask for your vote and promise to work every day for a better Big Spring.

- Troy Tompkins, Kentwood Resident and District 5 Council Candidate

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Troy Tompkins has my full support. I believe his background in finance, as well as his maturity and lifelong residence in our community, will be a definite asset to our local government.

- Patsy Fryar

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I've known Troy for over 40 years and he has always been a genuinely nice and caring person. He has devoted himself to making Big Spring a better place and will make an excellent city council representative. Vote for Troy and you won't regret it!

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