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Shawn Adkins arrested, charged in relation to Hailey Dunn murder

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer



Shawn Adkins

As reported in Tuesday's edition of the *Big Spring Herald*, Shawn Casey Adkins, 35, of Big Spring, was arrested on Monday.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office and Big Spring Police Department did not issue official statements regarding the arrest, but did state that another law enforcement agen-

cy made the arrest in Big Spring.

The Mitchell County Sheriff's Office confirmed that Adkins had been transferred to their custody and is being held on a charge of murder in lieu of a \$2 million bond, as of Tuesday afternoon.

A press release from the Mitchell County District Attorney, Richard N. Thompson, confirms that Adkins' arrest was in connection with the December

2010 murder of Hailey Dunn of Colorado City, who was 13 at the time of her death.

According to the release: "The 32nd Judicial District Attorney's Office would like to confirm that Shawn Adkins has been arrested in connection to the murder of Hailey Dunn. Our office has not and will not be releasing any details of this case. Information will be released by public record and court proceedings, in due process."

A notice on the Texas Department of Public Safety's website verifies that "On 06/13/2021, Shawn Adkins was arrested for the murder of Hailey Dunn. At the time

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of the offense, Adkins was the boyfriend of Hailey's mother. This investigation will continue."

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Howard County Commissioners approve speed reduction on Longshore Road to 45 mph

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

Drivers on Longshore Road will have to slow down following Monday's Howard County Commissioners' Court meeting. The county leaders reduced the speed on Longshore between Ranch Road 33 and the county line to 45 miles per hour.

"This road is used in multiple ways," County Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek reported during the meeting. "There's been a lot of traffic accidents on this road, and I think the mixed use warrants a reduction in speed."

Commissioners unanimously approved the change in speed limit, which had previously been 65 miles per hour.

In other business, commissioners unanimously appointed Howard County Tax Assessor-Collector Tiffany Sayles to calculate tax rate benchmarks for discussion on setting the county's property tax rate for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Commissioners directed Sayles, who was not present at the meeting, to calculate the "No New Revenue" tax rate, formerly known as the Effective Tax Rate; and the "Voter Approval" tax rate, formerly called the Rollback tax rate.

The No New Revenue rate is the rate required to collect the same amount of property tax revenue as the county raised in the 2020-21 fiscal year, while the Voter Approval rate is the maximum property tax rate that the county can levy without triggering an automatic rollback election among county

taxpayers.

During the meeting, County Judge Kathryn Wiseman presented Big Spring Tax Deed R000046791, which was approved for sale without discussion.

County Treasurer Sharon Adams presented the County Investment Policy for annual approval with no changes from the previous year. Adams also presented personnel considerations, the monthly payroll report for May, the treasurer's monthly report for May, and the Texas Association of Counties Blue Cross/Blue Shield rates for the upcoming fiscal year. All items were approved unanimously.

County Auditor Jackie Olson presented invoices, purchase requests, and budget amendments; and requested approval for the upcoming County Auction. Olson also presented her monthly financial report. All items were approved unanimously.

County Clerk Brent Zitterkopf presented his monthly report, which was also approved unanimously.

Purchase requests

- \$1,202.41 for Jury Summons for the District Clerk.
- \$3,000 for cleaning supplies for the Detention Center.
- \$1,689 for system upgrade and \$1,700 for training day at the Elections Department.
- \$2,318 for Deep Freeze Basic Cloud subscription, \$2,000

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Upcoming Events

Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo
 June 17-19
 8 p.m. nightly

Rodeo Parade
 Saturday, June 19
 10 a.m.
 Downtown

Toasty Tuesdays
 meet around town at
 6:30 p.m. each week

Russ McEwen Aquatic Center
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 Mondays

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 July 3
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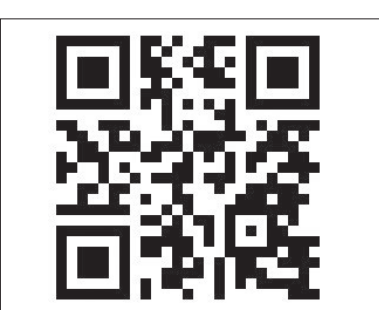
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Big Spring ready for the return of rodeo

Dane Driver returns to the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl and Arena

Special to the Herald

Deep down, Dane Driver was heartbroken that the 2020 edition of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo was forced to cancel because of COVID-19.

"That was a hard one, just because we're so proud of our history and what we've been able to pull off," said Driver, a longtime member of the volunteer committee that organizes the annual event. "We've been able to make it through war times and bad financial times, and then we had to cancel it last year at the last minute. It was gut-wrenching."

"These were decisions that were made by my dad, my grandad and my great-grandad, and we were the ones that had to cancel it. We were dealing with what every other



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The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo will return to the Rodeo Bowl this week, with gates opening at 7 p.m. nightly. The rodeo is set to begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday.

rodeo committee was dealing with, and most of that was not knowing. We were worrying about everyone's well-being. Ultimately with those concerns, we

were left with no choice."

It's a much different situation for this year's event, set for 8 p.m. Thursday, June 17 - Saturday, June 19, at the Rodeo Bowl.

"The decision to go forward was a unanimous one by our committee, and we made it very early on," he said. "We had no indecisions. Because of everything we dealt with last year that caused the cancelation, we were very comfortable with how local officials and state officials have dealt with it this year."

"Besides, this community is ready to have an event and ready to enjoy something."

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Obituaries

Dena Rae Howard



Dena Rae Howard, 74, of Big Spring peacefully passed away on Friday, June 11, 2021. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, June 19, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Sand Springs (201 East 24th Street, Big Spring, TX 79720).

Dena was born on July 30, 1946 to Leo and Nell (Hart) Parker in Mitchell County.

Dena is survived by her children: Lieutenant Colonel Shay Howard of Spring Branch and Pattie Blakeney of Big Spring; her sister, Dolores Westmoreland of Hillsboro; one grandson, two granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Nell Parker.

The family suggests memorial be made to the First Baptist Church of Sand Springs.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.npwelch.com

Kolt Fox

Kolt Fox, 26, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, June 14, 2021. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., Thursday, June 17, 2021, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 18, 2021, at College Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Arthur Lopez

Arthur Lopez, 78, of Big Spring, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• 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 options.

• 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.

• GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics 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 p.m.

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. 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?

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **PATRICK JON MAY**, 42, of 1101 E. 6th Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication and possession drug paraphernalia.

• **TERESA LORENE LANG**, 38, of 2912 Cherokee Street, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 28 grams.

• **LONDON GARRETT WEGNER**, 40, of 409 Clay Road, was arrested on a charge of assault causes bodily injury.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 1300 block of Madison Street.

• **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 100 block of E. 18th Street.

• **THEFT** was reported in the area closest intersection of W CR 42 and N CR 7.

• **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 3200 block of Drexel Avenue.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1600 block of S. Main Street.

• **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 900 block of Wyoming Street.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1500 block of Lincoln Avenue.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 800 block of W I-20.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Nolan. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of March Circle. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6600 block of Craig Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Aspermont Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 300 block of E. 4th Street. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of Duquoin. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2900 block of W. Hwy 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of E. 3rd Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 107 inmates at the time of this report.

• **SHAWN CASEY ADKINS**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of murder.

• **TERESA LORENE LANG**, 38,

was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 28 grams.

• **PATRICK JON MAY**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **LONDON GARRETT WEGNER**, 40, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causes bodily injury.

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Take Note

- American Legion Post 506 is hosting a fish fry on Saturday, June 19. Delivery will take place from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and serving will be from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. American Legion is located at 3203 W. Hwy 80. Call 432-263-2084 and everyone is welcome.
- Big Spring ISD summer lunch services will continue through July 30. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. and lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Service at Goliad will continue through July 1; at Big Spring High School through June 24; and at Big Spring Junior High School through June 24.
- The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday at noon. The lectures will take place in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.
- Howard County Community Health Center is offering Moderna – a two dose COVID-19 vaccine, and Janseen – a single dose COVID-19 vaccine, to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mo-

- bile vaccine clinic. The staff will go to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For more information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org
- First Annual Hospital Corps Birthday Party will be held in Big Spring at Moss Creek Ranch, 1601 S. Moss Lake Road on June 17, 2021. The evening will include smoked brisket, ribs, cole slaw, green salad, beans, potato salad, iced tea and water. All spouses and Marine Corps personnel are invited. For more information or to purchase a ticket, contact Jerry Groves at 432-816-9682 or Doc Roger Rodman at 325-232-0665. Reservations were due by June 10, 2021.
- Coahoma Freedom Parade will be Saturday, July 3 at 10 a.m. The parade line up will be at 9 a.m. at the Coahoma Football Stadium parking lot. For more information call Connie Shaw at 432-271-2041 or Lisa Duggan at 432-394-4287.
- Maranatha Baptist Academy is now enrolling for 2021-2022 School year. The academy offers a summer session of four weeks in the middle of summer. Classes begin August 2, 2021, at the year-

round school. Maranatha services Home school as well as in-house school for Kindergarten through High School graduation. In operation for 40 years, Maranatha understands the spectrum of curriculum needed as a good foundation for careers and college education. Please call for further information, about tuition, hours, and anything else you might want to know about the school's education successes. Dr. Lillian Bohannon - 432-213-1046. Or stop by 903 Johnson Street, Big Spring, Texas.

- Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service annual Sandhills Beef Cattle Conference will be in Monahans on July 7. Additional information is available at the Sandhills Beef Cattle Conference Facebook page. Sponsorship opportunities are available for the event; contact Floyd at Dena. Floyd@ag.tamu.edu for more information.

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Rogelio (Roy) Perez, 68, died Sunday. Virtual services will be Saturday.

Greg Bird, 58, died Friday. Services will be Saturday at 2:00 PM in the Myers & Smith Chapel.

Ann Castillo, 39, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Rene Angel Valdez, Jr., 59, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up to assist the family with expenses.

Arthur Lopez, 78, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

MURDER

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The website also reports that "Hailey Dunn, 13, was an outgoing 8th grade student at Colorado City Middle School located in Mitchell County, Texas. Hailey was a cheerleader, active in sports and band. On 12-27-2010, Hailey was last seen leaving her mother's house to go to a friend's house, but never arrived. On 12-28-2010, Hailey's mother reported her missing. On 03-16-2013, the remains of Hailey were located near Lake J.B. Thomas in Scurry County, Texas."

The only previous arrest in the 10 ½ year old case came in March of 2011, when Hailey's mother, Billie Jean Dunn, was charged with obstruction of police after allegedly lying to police about Adkins' whereabouts. In June 2011, Ms. Dunn pled no contest to the charge and was sentenced to one year probation as part of her plea agreement.

Suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty. At press time no further information was available. More information will be reported as it is received from law enforcement.

COUNTY

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for magazine subscriptions, \$2,600 for electronic resources, \$207.93 for a pen scanner and barcode scanner with USB cable, \$728.30 for two-ring binders and digital barcode labels, and \$1,875.27 for supplies at the How-

ard County Library.

- \$7,190.50 to change out 51 2x4 lay-in light fixtures to 2x4 LED flat panels in the Appraisal District lobby and offices.
- Budget amendments
- \$2,222.35 from Travel to Supplies at the Howard County Library
- \$890 from Electronic Resources to Supplies at the Howard

County Library.

- \$2,000 from sale of vehicles to Shop Supplies in the Equipment Operating Fund at the Road Department.

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RODEO

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The pandemic forced isolation and social distancing. People were asked to avoid crowds and stay at home. Many children were taught at kitchen tables instead of classrooms.

But normalcy is returning. It may be a relatively slow process, but having a taste of what life was like before the pandemic is actually helping a lot of souls.

"We don't want to sound irresponsible, but we're just as concerned about our local businesses and their well-being and everybody that's struggled with the affects of the coronavirus," Driver said. "We're looking for everybody to come out and have a great time, and we have the facility to allow for that."

Adding to the fun is clown/entertainer Keith Isley, who has been to Big Spring many times before. He brings not only outstanding comedy but also an incredible pedigree: he has been named Specialty Act of the Year five times, Comedy Act of the Year six times, Clown of the Year six times and Coors Man in the Can five times, including 2020.

He will be working with Mike Mathis, who has announced the Big Spring rodeo for many years. "We love having Keith here," Driver said. "He's just one of those guys. He doesn't need an act; he's an act all by himself. "Mike's been here so long, and he's so prepared. When he's talking about sponsors and the people that are so integral for our rodeo, he knows them. He's spent the week with them. He just makes a good fit for us. He does a good job of making everyone feel like they are part of our rodeo." No wonder everyone in Big Spring is ready for rodeo week.



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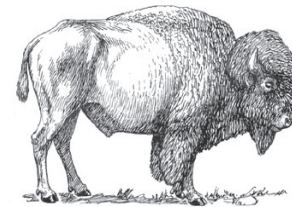
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Big Spring Senior League baseball team wins Texas West Division 3 Championship



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Altuve slam in 10th lifts Astros over Rangers on Baker B-day

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Houston manager Dusty Baker capped his 72nd birthday in grand fashion, thanks to a slam by Jose Altuve in the 10th inning on Tuesday night.

"That was a wonderful birthday present," Baker said.

Altuve belted a grand slam and the Houston Astros, saved by Carlos Correa's tying homer in the ninth, beat the Texas Rangers 6-3.

After Texas drove in the automatic runner in the top of the 10th for a 3-2 lead, Rangers rookie reliever Demarcus Evans (0-2) walked Myles Straw and pinch-hitter Jason Castro to load the bases with no outs in the bottom half.

Altuve then launched his soaring shot into left field to put the Astros on top and start the party.

Altuve was doused with water at home plate before sharing a hug with Baker, who noted that he's had terrible luck in games on his birthday in the past.

"The first thing Altuve said to me was: 'Happy birthday, Skip,'" Baker said. "And that certainly was a happy birthday."

Added Altuve: "I know he wants to win on his birthday, so I'm happy that I did something to make that happen."

It was the first walk-off grand slam in the majors this season. The Astros hadn't had a last at-bat grand slam since Aug. 16, 2011, when Brian Bogusevic, who was at the park Tuesday as a television analyst, connected off Carlos Marmol in a 6-5 win over the Cubs.

Texas manager Chris Woodward said things be-

gan to unravel for Evans way before Altuve's shot. "You put the winning run on first base and you're asking for it," he said. "He has good enough stuff that he could have punched out Castro and maybe gotten Altuve. (Evans) has got to be better than that."

Correa hit a solo homer to the opposite field shot with two outs and two strikes in the ninth off Josh Sborz, making it 2-0.

"We fought through the last out," Altuve said. "Correa hit that homer, which was the key to the game for me."

Nate Lowe's RBI single off Ryan Pressly (3-1) with two outs in the 10th put the Rangers up.

Joey Gallo had an RBI double off Lance McCullers Jr. in the fourth and a bases-loaded walk in the fifth to give the Rangers a 2-0 lead.

A sacrifice fly by Yuli Gurriel got the Astros with a run in the sixth.

Kyle Gibson allowed seven hits and a run over six innings in his 13th start and third since coming off the injured list for Texas.

McCullers yielded three hits and one earned run in 4 1/3 innings in his return from the injured list. He had been out since May 23 because of soreness in his right shoulder.

"I felt solid," McCullers said. "It just got away from me a little bit in the fifth with the two walks. I did a good job of keeping it close."

Altuve hit an infield single with no outs in the sixth before Michael Brantley singled on a comeback that hit Gibson on the back of the right leg. Gibson was a bit shaken up on the play and was checked on by a trainer before throwing a few warmup pitches and remaining in the game.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: OF Kyle Tucker missed the game with an undisclosed illness. ... Castro (left Achilles tendon soreness) was activated from the injured list on Tuesday. ... C Garrett Stubbs and RHP Nivaldo Rodriguez were optioned to Triple-A Sugar Land to make room for McCullers and Castro on the roster.

DAVIS BECOMES FREE AGENT

Rangers OF Khris Davis, who was designated for release on June 8, signed unconditional release waivers on Tuesday and became a free agent. Davis hit just .157 in 22 games this season in his first year in Texas after a trade from Oakland.

DOCTORED BASEBALLS

MLB announced on Tuesday that beginning on Monday, pitchers will be ejected and suspended for 10 games for using illegal foreign substances to doctor baseballs. Rangers general manager Chris Young, who pitched in the majors for 13 seasons, was involved in discussions about this issue while working in the league office before being hired by the Rangers in December.

"I think what maybe used to be a pitcher putting on a little bit of a tacky substance to improve the feel for the baseball became truly performance enhancing," he said. "And I think it crossed the line that, now it's really impacting the game on the field, the style of play. And I think that it probably had gotten too far out of control. And that's why Major League Baseball has decided to really crack down on this."

UP NEXT

Texas right-hander Jordan Lyles (2-4, 5.37 ERA) will oppose Zack Greinke (6-2, 3.68) when the series wraps up on Wednesday night.

Harden returns, plays 46 minutes for Nets in Game 5 victory

By BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK — James Harden barely played in the first four games of the Eastern Conference semifinals, then barely sat down in Game 5.

Harden played 46 minutes Tuesday night as the Brooklyn Nets beat the Milwaukee Bucks 114-108 to take a 3-2 lead in the series.

It was Harden's first action since leaving with a hamstring injury less than a minute into the series opener.

"I didn't expect to play, so 46 is a lot. But I'm built for it, so just get some rest and get my proper treatment," Harden said. "Credit to our trainers. They've been doing an unbelievable job of preparing me. Get some rest and give it another shot Game 6."

Harden finished with just five points, going 1 for 10 from the field and missing all eight 3-point attempts. But he had eight assists and six rebounds, providing a big lift to a Brooklyn team that was without Kyrie Irving after he sprained his right ankle in the Bucks' victory Sunday that tied the series.

"It inspired me this morning when he said he was getting ready to go and he was thinking about giving it a go," Kevin Durant said. "I think all of us felt,

first of all, we want him to be healthy and make sure this is the right decision for him. But once he got out there and tested it out, we were all happy for him and knew it would give us an extra spark."

Harden left 43 seconds into Game 1 with what the Nets called right hamstring tightness and they had ruled him out of Game 5 on Monday. But they upgraded him to doubtful Tuesday morning, then ques-

tionable.

"I woke up and was like, 'You know what? Let's go,'" Harden said. "I tried to go out there and do the best I can. Hopefully, I gave my teammates some encouragement and some life."

He appeared to be moving well while going through a pregame workout, jogging off the floor into the tunnel toward the locker room after finishing. The Nets then announced he would be available to play.

Harden missed 20 of 21 games in the second half of the season with hamstring problems. Coach Steve Nash said before the game that the push to play Tuesday was coming from Harden, who has never won an NBA championship.

"He wants to play, he wants to win a championship. He loves the playoffs and the ability to play this time of year," Nash said. "So I think it's been really difficult on him for how much he cares, how much time and effort he's put in to getting to this position, and that's definitely a source of the motivation right now and I understand and respect it."

"So James is driving this. We have to try to support him the best way we can and be an aide for him to figure this out, but it's a tricky situation but it's one that we're willing to go down with James."

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Legals

of Howard County, Texas, an Application for Heirship, Independent Administration, and Letters of Administration in a proceeding styled "In the Estate of Travis Marshall (Mark) Bradley, Jr., Deceased" and given the file number P-15184 in the County Court of Howard County, Texas.

The Court will hear and act upon the aforementioned application anytime following 10:00 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the publication of this Citation. The hearing will be in the County Courtroom of the Courthouse of Howard County, Texas, which is Room 207, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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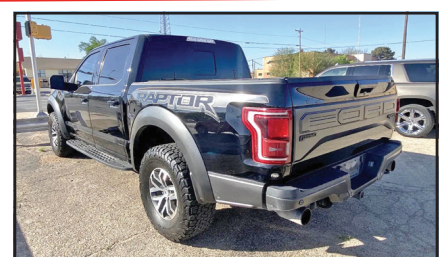
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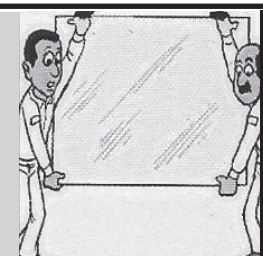
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- 15 Three-tiered snack
- 16 In flames
- 17 Painting, sculpting, etc.
- 18 Madison's state: Abbr.
- 19 Himalayan land
- 20 Movie, for short
- 21 Layered pasta
- 23 Sly plans
- 26 French pilgrimage site
- 30 In any way
- 31 Jazz singer
- 32 Dull routine
- 33 Building wing
- 35 Leak symptoms
- 36 In the style of
- 37 Throw out
- 38 Italian white wine
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- 41 Laundry convenience
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- 45 Campus honcho
- 46 Pen partner of the past
- 48 Scoundrel
- 51 For most movie audiences
- 53 Dict. listing
- 54 Hand-dyed fabric
- 57 Be bold
- 58 Boldness

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- 3 "Everything but" item
- 4 USNA grad
- 5 League member, often
- 6 Prima donna pieces
- 7 Diminished by
- 8 Seedy tavern
- 9 Los Angeles area
- 10 Words of apprehension
- 11 Small taste
- 12 Tax-deferred plan
- 13 Bus. card number
- 22 Lose one's cool
- 24 Times to call, in ads
- 25 Tex-___ cuisine
- 27 Computer mouse action
- 28 Calculus pioneer
- 29 Condition
- 31 Take to the stump
- 33 Video game name
- 34 Pitching great
- 35 Ice cream order
- 38 Commandments word
- 39 Confident comment
- 41 Needed oiling, perhaps
- 42 Neptune's realm
- 45 Makeshift bookmark
- 47 Drop a line to
- 48 Shopping adventure
- 49 Take forcibly
- 50 All the time
- 52 Miami-___ County
- 54 "On the other hand..."
- 55 Santa ___ winds
- 56 Box-office buys, briefly
- 58 Sticky stuff

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Answer to previous puzzle

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

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, June 16, the 167th day of 2021. There are 198 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 16, 1858, accepting the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the U.S. Senate, Abraham Lincoln said the slavery issue had to be resolved, declaring, "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

On this date:

In 1897, the government signed a treaty of annexation with Hawaii.

In 1903, Ford Motor Co. was incorporated.

In 1911, IBM had its beginnings as the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Co. which was incorporated in New York State.

In 1933, the National Industrial Recovery Act became law with President Franklin D. Roosevelt's signature. (The Act was later struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court.) The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. was founded as President Roosevelt signed the Banking Act of 1933.

In 1955, members of Argentina's military bombed the Plaza de Mayo in Buenos Aires in a failed attempt to assassinate President Juan Domingo Peron and his Cabinet, causing hundreds of civilian deaths, the same day Peron was excommunicated by Pope Pius XII for expelling two bishops from his country (however, the ban was effectively lifted in 1963).

In 1959, actor George Reeves, TV's "Superman," was found dead of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound in the bedroom of his Beverly Hills,

California, home; he was 45.

In 1963, the world's first female space traveler, Valentina Tereshkova (teh-ruhsh-KOH'-vuh), 26, was launched into orbit by the Soviet Union aboard Vostok 6; Tereshkova spent 71 hours in flight, circling the Earth 48 times before returning safely.

In 1970, Kenneth A. Gibson of Newark, N.J., became the first Black politician elected mayor of a major Northeast city. Chicago Bears running back Brian Piccolo, 26, died at a New York hospital after battling cancer.

In 1976, riots broke out in the Black South African township of Soweto.

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos (toh-REE'-ohs) signed the instruments of ratification for the Panama Canal treaties during a ceremony in Panama City.

In 1999, Kathleen Ann Soliah (SOH'-lee-ah), a fugitive member of the Symbionese Liberation Army, was captured in St. Paul, Minnesota, where she had made a new life under the name Sara Jane Olson. Thabo Mbeki (TAH'-boh um-BEH'-kee) took the oath as president of South Africa, succeeding Nelson Mandela.

In 2015, real estate mogul Donald Trump launched his successful campaign to become president of the United States with a speech at Trump Tower in Manhattan.

Ten years ago: U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner, D-N.Y., announced his resignation from Congress, bowing to the furor caused by his sexually charged online dalliances with a former porn performer and other women. Osama bin Laden's

longtime second-in-command, Ayman al-Zawahri (AY'-muhn ah-ZWAH'-ree), took control of al-Qaida.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama traveled to Orlando, Florida, the scene of a deadly nightclub shooting that claimed 49 victims; the president embraced grieving families and cheered on Democrats' push for new gun control measures. Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders, in a livestream to his supporters from Vermont, said he would work with Hillary Clinton to transform the Democratic Party, adding that his "political revolution" had to continue and ensure the defeat of Republican Donald Trump. Walt Disney Co. opened Shanghai Disneyland, its first theme park in mainland China.

One year ago: Federal authorities announced murder and attempted murder charges against an Air Force sergeant, Steven Carrillo, in the fatal shooting of a federal security officer outside a U.S. courthouse in Oakland. (Carrillo also faces charges in the ambush killing of a California sheriff's deputy and has pleaded not guilty in both cases. Authorities said Carrillo had ties to the far-right, anti-government "boogaloo" movement.) President Donald Trump signed an executive order that he said would encourage better police practices; it would establish a database to track police officers with excessive use-of-force complaints in their records. A statue of Christopher Columbus that stood in a St. Louis park for 134 years was removed; park officials said it had symbolized a "historical disregard for indigenous peoples." British researchers reported the first evidence that a drug could improve survival from COVID-19; the drug was a cheap and widely available steroid (dexamethasone.)

Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 16, 2021

The Upside of Retrograde

Would you admit that sometimes the Mercury retrograde is a very convenient excuse for why things don't go according to plan? And next week, we'll also have the excuse of a Jupiter retrograde putting the squeeze on funds, so "the check is in the mail" will be echoed world-round, along with the digital version, "my server is down."

ARIES (March 21-April 19). While it's possible that a self-sacrificing act will help a relationship, it benefits you to consider the opposite tactic as well. You'll be surprised at the improvements that come from answering the question, "What's in it for me?"

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Ultimately, the mother of frustration is desire. Team an expectation with a time frame and suddenly the climate is perfect for desire. There are at least two immediate solutions. Let go of the desire or lengthen the time frame.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The duality of the twins will fascinate others. You'll be many things at once. Exhilarated yet patient; hopeful yet reasonable. You'll have trepidation and still move forward in boldness, ready for what comes.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Thinking a thing through can happen in a flash. Carrying it out takes much longer than you anticipate, though, especially in light of the complexity of your current endeavor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have the grit that will propel you forward, regardless of obstacles. And while you would prefer to reach your destination as soon as possible, the important thing is not how long it takes but that you do it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The golden rule will extend like a blanket of karma over your whole scene. Everything counts. Stay on the safe side.

Spare feelings. Spare spiders! Practice the compassion of catch and release.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The group participation route isn't always your favorite, but your current endeavor really does require a team effort. When one person is tired and ready to give up, another will be ready to help.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are, in fact, in the process of change. You happen to be so deep in it that it would be impossible to see what's happening, and you don't need to. That's a job for future you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are well aware of how everyone likes a good storyteller and that bad ones are tolerated to varying degrees. You'll make sure you're interesting to talk to, which is partly about brevity and partly just reading the room.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your heart defies logic like that's its job. For instance, the bigger your heart gets, the less worried you are about breaking it. Love seems to provide its own kind of protection.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your ego likes to think it's the source of your strength and therefore it beats its chest in a display of dominance when its position is challenged. The truth is real strength has nothing to do with posturing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Don't assume that being happy is better than being other emotional tones. The best feeling is the one that's coming up, no matter what it is. Fully feeling is fully processing, and eventually, this leads to peace.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 16). It's action time. You've already processed your situation, and now you'll move without thinking, although thousands of decisions get made below your consciousness that will ultimately land you in a sweeter place than you ever thought possible. In love, you'll shake a historic influence to embrace an improved

way of operating in relationships. Scorpio and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 9, 28, 40 and 11.

COSMIC QUESTION:
"An astrologer told me that when I was born, Venus was retrograde. That explains why my love life is so backward! I seem to have the worst timing with relationships, always wanting someone when they have no interest in me or are dating someone else. Then, what usually happens is things will turn around, and by the time they do, I'm the one who is no longer interested. Will my love karma ever change? I'm an Aquarius."

Consider that this issue of timing might have an upside of keeping you gloriously unattached in times when you didn't feel inclined to, ready for or comfortable with the risk involved in long-term relationships. The idea of love can be enormously appealing, while the actuality of getting into a relationship is by comparison messy, uncomfortable, sometimes painful and usually disruptive to a solo agenda. To change your love karma, you must agree to face your fear and give up staying in control of your feelings in favor of going along for the journey of love. A Scorpio, Cancer or Pisces would be a perfect partner in this romantic experiment!

CELEBRITY PROFILES:
Apache hero Geronimo was among the greatest Native American military warriors and leaders. His adaptable Gemini sun is aptly positioned by a Sagittarius moon, the symbol for which is the bow and arrow. The words he uttered on his deathbed were representative of Mars in Cancer, the sign of home: "I should never have surrendered. I should have fought until I was the last man alive."

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ANDY CAPP

HOW ROMANTIC. LOOK AT THAT COUPLE OVER THERE STROLLING ARM-IN-ARM.

IT'S NOT ROMANTIC. THOSE ARE THE CAPPS.

SHE'S HOLDING HIM UP.

AGNES

GRANDMA, WHO INVENTED THE SPATULA?

BOB SPATULA.

YOUR VAST KNOWLEDGE IS ASTONISHING!

IF THE TRAILER COURT EVER GETS INTERNET, I'M DOOMED.

ARCHIE

GOOD SPORTS REPORT, MOOSE! BUT IT'S TWICE AS MUCH COPY AS I NEED! I CAN'T FIT IT ALL IN!

HERE YOU GO, REG. NOW IT'LL FIT.

?? WHAT DID YOU DO?

FOLDED IT IN HALF!

ONE BIG HAPPY

ELLEN, WHAT ARE YOU LISTENING TO?

JOE CAME HOME AND TOLD US HE'S IN LOVE. FRANK IS HAVING "THE TALK" WITH HIM.

HOW DID IT GO?

NO SURPRISES.

HE'S IN LOVE WITH PIZZA.

THE BARN

"See Dick run."

"See Jane take an Uber."

SO MUCH TO CHANGE, SO LITTLE TIME.

"See Spot on TikTok!"