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Big Spring Art Association garage sale *July* 17 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Brushworks Art Studio 2106 Scurry

Toasty Tuesdays take place every Tuesday at a different location around town. Community invited to *come out and help;* bring a friend

County Commissioners Meeting Monday, July 12 County Courthouse

Russ McEwen Aquatic *Center is now open;* closed Mondays for private parties

City Council to discuss board appointments in Monday meeting

By AMANDA DUFORAT Managing Editor

REGISTER

ΓΟΟΑΥ

The City Council of Big Spring will convene Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The topics of spraying for mosquitos, adjustments to the budget, and nominations for committees will be addressed during the meeting. Those who are unable to attend in person can view the meeting on Channel 17 through Suddenlink or watch online at http://mybigspring.com/224/Channel-17-Live.

Following the call to order at the beginning of the meeting, the invocation will be presented by Ben Negev of the Bible Study Group, and the Pledge of Allegiance. Public comment will follow, providing an opportunity for the community to address the council. Those wishing to address the council will each have five minutes at the podium. Those unable to attend who would like to address the council can do so by calling 432-264-2411. There is no public hearing set for this meeting of the City Council. The City Manager's Report will be delivered by City Manager Todd Darden and include an update on the large item pickup for District 1 - July

21, 2021. Darden will provide information on the seal coat project that is set to begin on July 19, along with an update on the fan drive. The topic of mosquito spraying will be addressed by Darden. In addition, an update will be provided regarding the new landfill that is set to open the first week of August.

As part of the Consent Agenda, the council will hear four final readings. One of the final readings will be amend Chapter 2 of the Big Spring City Code entitled "Administration" article VII "Boards and Commissions" to confirm that the changes to eligibility to the boards and commissions applies to members appointed June 1, 2021 or later; by amending Section 2-242 "Rules and Procedures for Boards and Committees" to require boards and committees to provide minutes and oral or written report to City Council at least once per quarter; moving the sections of the Code Pertaining to the animal rescue and adoption committee and the board of adjustments and appeals from their respective chapters to chapter 2, Article VII for consistency and providing for renumbering of those

moved sections; repealing Chapter 8 "Animals" Article II "Animal Rescue and Adoption Committee" and repealing Chapter 12 "Building Codes" article IV "Board of Adjustments and Appeals" and reserving those articles for future expansion.

The final reading of an ordinance amending ordinance number 029-2020 which adopted the annual budget for the City of Big Spring for fiscal year Oct. 1,2020 - Sept. 30, 2021; transferring funds

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Toasty Tuesday cleaning up around Big Spring

Courtesy photo Last week there were five volunteers who showed up to clean around the amphitheater following the Pops in the Park event. The volunteers were able to pick up 10 bags of trash. This week Toasty Tuesday will focusing be cleaning on around up **CRMWD** on FM 700. The



United Way Kick-off and Golf **Tournament** set for Aug. 28 sponsors still needed

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group will meet at 6:30 p.m. and clean up for about an hour. The community is encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Trash bags provided.

A moment in history **Barbecue is still king in Big Spring**

Editor's Note: Each week the Heritage Museum shares a piece of Big Spring or Howard County history with the Big Spring Herald readers. For those looking to know more about the foundation of Big Spring, visit the Heritage Museum during regular business hours.

By TAMMY SCHRECENGOST

Heritage Museum

One of the first successful barbecue stands opened in Big Spring by Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Ross at 803 East Third in 1929. The small building was located where the Wagon Wheel Restaurant opened in 1943. The Ross' son took over the operation and opened the business in his parents' former home at 904 East Third. Leslie Ross carried on with his father's popular recipes and methods by smoking the meat for 12-15 hours and using only

Courtesy photo/Heritage Museum

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the best cuts. He said he preferred the Al's BBQ has a long standing history in the Big Spring community. BBQ is still an important part of Big Spring and Texas.



LOCAL

Joe Dean Hall

Joe Dean Hall, 80, of Ackerly, died Saturday, July 10, 2021, at Covenant Medical Center in Lub-



bock. Graveside service will be Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 10 a.m. at the Ackerly Cemetery in Ackerly with Reverend Ricky Carstensen of the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring officiating.

Joe Dean was born Nov. 16, 1940, in Loraine to George and Lena Hall. He married Sondra Tate on Nov. 14, 1998, in Cloudcroft, NM.

A lifelong farmer, he was a pillar of the community, serving Ackerly as longtime mayor, school board member, water commissioner and advocate for the City Fire Department. After retiring from farming, he worked in cotton classing at the USDA.

He loved his hometown of Ackerly. He was considered a town historian and was often called upon for information on the town. He knew no strangers and loved gatherings at his home. He was a John Wayne enthusiast and loved watching westerns.

Obituaries

He always had a pocketful of candy for the kids... and himself. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather.

He is survived by his wife: Sondra Hall of Ackerly; four children: Jacqueline Higdon of Round Rock, Michelle Fuller and husband Brent of Lubbock, Jordan Hall and wife Shannon of Phoenix, Ariz., and Anna Wilson and husband Brent of Wylie; one stepson: Chad Brown and wife Natasha of Lubbock; and eight grandchildren: Jarad Higdon, Jessica Higdon, Bladen Fuller, Jaden Fuller, Jake Hall, Amelia Wilson, Hallie Wilson and Chelby Brown.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister: Lela Faye Lankford.

Honorary pallbearers will be Brent Fuller, Brent Wilson, Jarad Higdon, Bladen Fuller, Joe Maholly and John Snell.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Ackerly Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 37, Ackerly, Texas, 79713; or Venmo @Ackerly-VFD and mention Joe Dean Hall in memo line.

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

Paid Obituary

Take Note

coming a volunteer can cal 432-263-5999.

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

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

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will

Raul Rubio

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Support Groups 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 Whip key 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.

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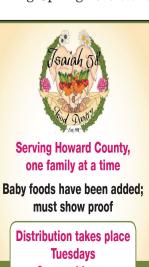
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WEDNESDAY

 Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m.

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• The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is gearing up for the annual kick off event and golf tournament. The golf tournament will be August 28 and 29 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course; the concert will take place at the amphitheater on Aug. 29 with Micky and the Motorcars and Spur 327.

 The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday 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 the Moderna a two dose and Janseen ,Aì 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 mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or email Covid19@sprhs.org

 Maranatha Baptist Academy is now enrolling for 2021-2022 School year. We offer summer session of 4 weeks in the middle of summer. We begin August 2, 2021, and are a year round school. We service home school as well as in-house school for Kindergarten through High School graduation. In operation for 40 years, we understand the spectrum of curriculum necessary for a good foundation for careers and college education. Please contact Dr. Lillian Bohanan at 432-213-1046 for further information about tuition, hours, and anything else you might want to know about our education successes, or come by and see us at 903 Johnson Street, Big Spring, Texas.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

• Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about be-

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With summer in full swing, it's the perfect time to head outdoors and enjoy the sunny weather. But are you protecting yourself from potential risks?

The goal of UV Safety Month is to raise awareness of the dangers of UV radiation and to remind people of all ages to protect their skin and eyes.

In the U.S., skin cancer is the most common form of cancer, with more than 4 million new cases diagnosed each year. It's widely known that overexposure to UV radiation is the main cause of skin cancer.

However, UV radiation also causes eye damage and even vision loss, particularly in seniors.

By learning the risks associated with too much sun exposure and taking the right precautions to protect you and your loved ones from UV rays, we can all enjoy the sun and outdoors safely.



If you have concerns or questions about skin cancer, the Martin County Family Clinic is accepting appointments and new patients. Same day appointments available. Please call (432) 607-3243 to schedule.

from the utility fund to the CVB for the purpose of construction of a parking lot for additional parking for the auditorium.

An additional final reading aimed at increasing the airpark fund budget to be used for the purpose of purchasing a mower; a final reading of a resolution designating investment officers to be responsible for the investment of funds and providing an effective date.

Regarding bids on the agenda, Council will consider and possibly take action on awarding the Sale of Tax Properties by Texas Communities Group as follows: Parcel R000010905, 1303 Mesquite to Frank and Erika Rodriguez in the amount of \$4,000; Parcel R000008725, 309 Sargent Paredez to Ruben V Gamboa Jr. in the amount of \$2,500; Parcel R000008772, 105 NE 3rd Street and R000004254, 707 W. 7th Street, both to Joana Aguirre in the amount of \$3,000 each; and Parcel R0000046791, 203 NE 8th Street to Juan Carlos Murillo in the amount of \$3,000.

As part of new business, the Council will hear the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 44 of the Big Spring Code of Ordinances "Solid Waste" Article II "Collection and landfill fees" Division 1 Generally, section 44-41 'Rates' to amend the rate schedule; amending section 44-42 'Failure to Pay' to correct grammatical errors; and by adding a new section 44-45 entitled 'Delinquent fees' to provide for a 10 percent late fee to existing and future delinquent accounts

The first reading of an ordinance amending the city code Chapter 36 "Nuisances" Article II "Unsanitary: Unsightly; and Public Nuisance Conditions of

Property" Section 36-19 "Definitions" by adding a new definition for "Infestation" amending Section 36-22 "Accumulation of weeds, rubbish, garbage, and other matter declared a public nuisance and unlawful" by adding "Infestation" to the Title and Body of said section in order to declare infestations not covered by state law a public nuisance and require the abatement thereof; and amending Section 36-28 "Penalty" in order to correct an error made during codification.

Nominations for three committees will be considered by the council: TJ Stewart for Planning and Zoning Commission; Jonathan Ray for Traffic Commission and Julia Hartman for Animal Rescue and Adoption Committee, all three nominated by Diane Yanez from District 2.

The council members will retire into executive session to discuss contemplated litigation matters and economic development matters. The Council will reconvene in open session to take any needed action before adjourning for the evening.

Other agenda items include:

- Approve City Council minutes from regular meeting of June 22, 2021
- Vouchers for 06/24/2021, 07/01/2021, and 07/08/2021
- Council Input

 Acknowledge receipt of quarterly claims and litigation report from City Attornev

• Interlocal agreement with SPAG to be the Grant Administrator for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant and authorize the Mayor or designee to execute necessary documents

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smoke flavor from the burning wood rather than artificial flavors and sauces. He never shared the family secret barbecue sauce. In 1957, Leslie Ross decided to make a career change and sell the popular restaurant.

To everyone's relief, a new barbecue expert arrived in town that same year. Alton (Al) Bagwell, his wife Hazel and two children, Chuck and Debbie moved to Big Spring. Al was hired by the Rainbolts to manage their Wagon Wheel Drive Ins where he successfully introduced pit barbecue to the customers. The Rainbolts knew how successful barbecue had become and wanted to implement it into their dining business.

The Rainbolts had purchased the Big M or Masters Drive In and Al was managing it in addition to the Wagon Wheel No 1.

In 1958, The Big M was the kids hangout. As the Big Bopper played on the radio, the teens circled the drive in or parked for hours and visited one another. When the kids would get a little out of control, Al would run out of the restaurant brandishing a large knife as if he were going to use it on them. Everyone enjoyed Al as he walked around chewing on an unlit cigar. They even included Al in a homecoming float with his large knife. Al always greeted his female customers with "well, hello little lady." Being in business, everyone knows your name but it's hard for the business owner to always remember the customer's name. This greeting helped eliminate that potential problem.

On April 13, 1964, Al leased the Big M from the Rainbolts and renamed it Als. In 1967, the Coronado Plaza was being developed at the corner of 87 and Fm. 700. Al moved his location to 4thStreet across from Bob Brock Ford and started specializing in barbecue. Soon, his barbecue was sought out by people from all over West Texas. Often, a line would form out the door, with hungry customers all waiting for Al's special barbecue.

Restaurant Association.

After 14 years in business, Al made a decision to sell his barbecue business and move to Sweetwater. Al moved back to Big Spring in 1984 and started running "Als Barbecue" again after the owners had decided to sell the business. They changed the name to Al's Hickory House. Later, he opened his business in the old Wagon Wheel No 1 at the corner of Birdwell and 4th. Ironically, this was the location Al had managed for the Rainbolts when he first arrived in Big Spring. Al's second wife, Wanda had introduced several wonderful sides to the menu. Wanda's daughter in law, Sue Bagwell said "Wanda was a fabulous cook and everything she made was from her own special recipes." Al's wife Wanda passed away in 1990 and Al decided to move to Oklahoma. Al's son Chuck was an Engineer for Frito Lay in Plano when he and Sue decided to move to Big Spring and purchase the business. They moved back in 1991 along with their three young sons, Mike, Jonathan, and Matt. Chuck renamed the business Al & Sons and moved the business and sign to Gregg Street.

Chuck carefully hired a staff of devoted and dependable employees. He made sure they were taken care of and rewarded for their hard work with extra benefits. All three of the Bagwell sons took part in the business. They were taught early in life about work ethics and dedication to a business. Sue Bagwell said, "We are so proud of our three sons, they worked hard, earned their own money, and purchased their first cars while learning good work ethics and responsibility."

Sue came up with the idea to give back and thank the customers, by offering them a scoop of homemade ice cream after their meal. This special touch is appreciated by the customer as well as enjoyed! Sue said, "In the beginning, we had 9 freezers plugged in every morning." The loud ice churning action was quite annoying to our staff. Later the restaurant invested in commercial freezers but kept the same homemade family style recipe. This special scoop of ice cream is for the dine in only. Sue

After 25 years of being in the business, Chuck had decided to sell, and Matt was ready to move to more stable ground. He purchased Al's Barbecue and became the third generation to own and operate it. The Bagwell family has always prided themselves in the cleanest work and eating environment that they could offer. Matt has just completed a major renovation in the restaurant. Many new updates but the same good old barbecue taste. Hopefully Als will continue in Big Spring for a long time and eventually include the 4th generation of Bagwell's.

There are other barbecue specialty businesses opened in Big Spring today. Dickey's Barbecue owned by local Connie Strickland and Brenda's Barbecue. Brenda's was formerly Big John's and before that it was Odell's Barbecue. Odell had a small little stand on 3rd Street with only room for his large brick pit and counter. When a customer came in, Odell opened the heavy metal lid with

chains. He would carve off the meat, wrapping the order in white butcher paper and including his special one-of-a-kind barbecue sauce that was placed in a small white cardboard take out container.

Odell, never gave out his sauce recipe and took it with him to his grave.

This same "stand" was added onto by Big John Price and now serves as Brenda's Barbecue. Brenda had her first barbecue business in Leslie Ross's old restaurant at 904 East Third.

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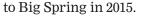
Raul Rubio, 82, died Saturday. Vigil service will be 7:00 PM Tuesday. Mass will 10:00 be \mathbf{AM} Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Joe Dean Hall, 80, Saturday. died Graveside service will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at Ackerly Cemetery.

In 1964, at the Texas Restaurant Association Convention, Al was named Outstanding Restauranter of the Permian Basin for 1963-64. He was active in the Lions Club and spearheaded the cause for "Coffee Day for Cripple Children." He recruited restaurants to have a coffee day and all proceeds to go to the March of Dimes. He was named as one of the executive board members at the Permian Basin

said it was impossible to give out a scoop with the to go orders because it would melt too quickly.

The Bagwell's youngest son, Matt was pulled to the coast. He taught himself how to sail on a catamaran at lake Colorado City and purchased a sailboat site unseen. He moved to the Texas coast and lived on his sailboat for five years before meeting his wife, Lorena. The couple and Lorena's son Nick, moved



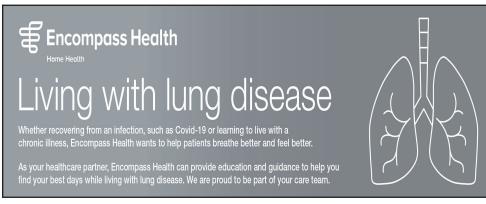
South Texas dries out after several days of heavy rainfall

ROCKPORT, Texas— South Texas began to dry out Saturday after several days of drenching showers that inundated some areas with more than 18 inches of rain.

The heavy rainfall, which began Monday, caused flash flooding in various cities and communities along the South Texas Gulf Coast.

Portions of the coastal city of Rockport received more than 18 inches of rain, according to the National Weather Service. The heavy rainfall caused an overflow at the city's wastewater treatment plant on Wednesday and flooded streets and homes. Rockport Mayor Patrick Rios issued a disaster declaration. In 2017, Rockport was hit hard by Hurricane Harvey.

Roland Solis, who lives in Rockport with his mother, told KRIS-TV he had never seen anything like this.







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BIG HERALD Pittsburgh Pirates draft Louisville C Davis at No. 1, Leiter to Texas Rangers here to celebrate with."

AP Baseball Writer

The Pittsburgh Pirates opened the amateur draft with a Louisville slugger.

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That freed up the Texas Rangers to grab another famous baseball name at No. 2.

The Pirates selected Louisville catcher Henry Davis and the Rangers grabbed Vanderbilt pitcher Jack Leiter — son of big league All-Star Al Leiter with the first two picks of Sunday night's draft, the first held as part of All-Star weekend.

"Fired up," said Davis, wearing a Pirates hat and jersey moments after his on-stage introduction by Commissioner Rob Manfred. "Ready to go, ready to get to work. Super excited."

Manfred announced the choices from Denver's Bellco Theater. Major League Baseball moved the draft from its longstanding June slot to July's All-Star festivities in an effort to better showcase its future stars.

Davis has big power and an even bigger arm, throwing out 46% of would-be basestealers to become a finalist for the Buster Posey Award as college baseball's best defensive catcher.

He batted .370 and led the Cardinals with 15 homers, and his .482 on-base percentage was best in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

"I want to win, a competitor," Davis said. "I'm going to do everything I can to help this organization get where it needs to be."

The Rangers grabbed Leiter with the second pick, taking a right-hander with a mid-90s fastball and two overpowering breaking pitches. His repertoire could play near the top of a big league rotation. He was 11-4 with a 2.13 ERA with the Commodores, including a no-hitter against South Carolina, and struck out 179 in 110 innings.

Leiter watched the draft at home with his parents. Al Leiter, who pitched 19 seasons in the majors, said he was elated and "kind of weepy" hearing his son's name called.

"It's really hard to put into words," Jack Leiter said. "I'm just so happy I was able to have my family and friends and people that care about me all

This was Texas' first pick under first-year general manager Chris Young, a longtime big league pitcher who came to the organization determined to help the farm system better develop pitching. Leiter was at the top of the Rangers' board.

"Jack is someone we've zeroed in for a while," Young said. "He fits everything we're trying to accomplish as an organization."

Leiter's Vanderbilt teammate, right-hander Kumar Rocker, was taken 10th overall by the New York Mets. Rocker was once considered a candidate to go first overall but slid down draft boards following an inconsistent spring.

After MLB slimmed the draft from 40 rounds to five last year in response to the coronavirus pandemic, this year's event will go 20 rounds spread over three days.

The draft opened Sunday night with the first 36 selections. Fans were allowed to watch the event in person for the first time, and a smattering of onlookers booed loudly each time Manfred took the stage. Previous drafts were held at MLB Network's studio in Secaucus, New Jersey, which only had room for media and small groups of friends and family.

Fans stood and cheered when Davis' name was announced. He hugged friends and family before making his way to the stage, where he was handed a Pirates hat and jersey and shook hands with Manfred.

The Pirates picked first overall for the first time since taking Gerrit Cole in 2011, by far the most successful of their four previous No. 1 selections. Their other top picks were infielder Jeff King (1986) and right-handers Kris Benson (1996) and Bryan Bullington (2002).

In a year without a consensus top pick, Pittsburgh general manager Ben Cherington said his club decided on Davis on Saturday night. His scouts were impressed not just by Davis' abilities, but also his eagerness to learn and hunger to improve.

"He checks a lot of boxes," Cherington said. "We've had a lot of fun getting to know him." The first pick has a slot value of an \$8.42 million Aug. 1 at 5 p.m. EDT.

The Detroit Tigers went with Oklahoma high school pitcher Jackson Jobe at No. 3, a year after taking Arizona State slugger Spencer Torkelson with the top pick.

Jobe was expected to be the first high school pitcher drafted after going 9-0 with a 0.13 ERA at Heritage Hall. He has a deep pitch mix, including a slider that was considered among the best in the draft class.

The AL East-leading Boston Red Sox picked fourth and selected slick-fielding shortstop Marcelo Mayer. The left-handed hitter had been the favorite to go No. 1 overall after drawing comparison to Dodgers star Corey Seager.

"I did see it coming," Mayer said of his slide to the Red Sox. "I knew they were high on me. I'm just super blessed to be part of the organization."

Mayer hit 14 homers his senior year at Eastlake High School in California, one shy of the school record set by 2000 No. 1 pick Adrian Gonzalez. Marcelo batted .392 with 45 RBIs and 46 runs.

The Kansas City Royals turned in the night's first true surprise when they reached for Connecticut pitcher Frank Mozzicato with the seventh pick. The 18-year-old left-hander threw four consecutive no-hitters this spring, but was projected by most experts as a fit for early in the second round.

Among the loudest cheers came when the hometown Rockies took Pennsylvania high school outfielder Benny Montgomery, a speedy player with a chance to add strength to his 6-foot-4 frame.

Another notable name came off the board at No 25 when the Oakland Athletics selected California high school shortstop Max Muncy. He shares no relation to the Los Angeles Dodgers slugger with the same name, but they have plenty else in common. They share a birthday on Aug. 25, and both were drafted by Oakland — the elder Muncy was a fifth round pick by the A's in 2012.

The Houston Astros won't pick until the third round for the second straight year as punishment for their infamous sign-stealing scandal.

Loss to Nigeria may become learning tool for USA Basketball

By TIM REYNOLDS

AP Basketball Writer

LAS VEGAS — Gregg Popovich has been repeating a similar refrain ever since he got the job to coach the U.S. men's national basketball team. The world, he insists, is catching up.

He's not wrong.

The latest proof: Nigeria 90, United States 87.

That was the way the U.S. team that departs next week for the Tokyo Olympics began its slate of tuneup games, a stunning loss on Saturday night the end of a 25-game home winning streak for U.S. teams with NBA players, and the first time such an American team lost to any national team from Africa.

They'll be looking to shoot much better than they did against Nigeria, too. Kevin Durant, seeking a third Olympic gold medal, shot 4 for 13; he's shot worse than that only three times in his last 244 NBA games. Bradley Beal shot 1 for 7; he's had only one NBA game out of his last 260 where he shot worse. The U.S. missed four shots in the fourth quarter Saturday that were for the lead; three of them were open looks.

Yet it also lost a game where it held Nigeria to 44% shooting and outscored opponents 25-6 from the foul line. The difference was 3s; Nigeria made 20 to the Americans' 10. And when it was over, Nigeria coach Mike Brown made clear that his team



"In a way, I'm kind of glad it happened," Popovich said. "That loss means nothing if we don't learn from it. But it could be the most important thing in this tournament for us, to learn lessons from this."

On the one hand, it doesn't count. The Americans will still be the favorites when they get to Tokyo and they have two more weeks before they open Olympic play against France. The team was missing three players who haven't come to Las Vegas yet because they're still in the NBA Finals. And it's not like U.S. teams, even loaded with NBA stars, haven't had trouble before — for example, the original Dream Team, 11 future Hall of Famers put together for the 1992 Barcelona Games, famously lost to a group of college players in their first scrimmage.

On the other hand, even though Popovich lauded the Nigerian talent multiple times on Saturday night, there was just no comparison between the resumes of the players who got into that game.

The Nigerian players who were on the floor had NBA contracts worth a total of \$9.5 million this season, have combined for about 4,000 NBA points, zero All-Star selections and zero All-NBA selections. The U.S. players on the floor had NBA contracts worth \$215.9 million, have combined for nearly 98,000 career points, plus 32 All-Star selections and 21 All-NBA selections.

"There was a lot of doubt put on us, a lot of expectations for us to get blown out, for the game to get out of hand early," said Nigeria guard Gabe Nnamdi, who is known by Gabe Vincent when playing for the Miami Heat. "And if anything, that just put a chip on our shoulder, bigger than we already had."

The Nigerians had been practicing for about three weeks. The Americans had been together for four days. Popovich pointed to that discrepancy as part of the reason why an early struggle for the U.S. shouldn't have been so surprising.

"I think we'll just use this to bring us together," U.S. forward Jayson Tatum said. "Tough times bring guys and teams and people together. It's not going to be easy. And we knew that coming in. This is just something to build off, spend some more time together and talk about things, because it's all about us."

The Americans were not practicing Sunday. They have back-to-back exhibitions next, facing Australia on Monday and Argentina on Tuesday. They close out their five-game warmup set in Las Vegas with another game Friday against Australia, then next Sunday against reigning World Cup champion Spain.



played far from a perfect game.

"We didn't play our best," Brown said. "I know 100%, USA Basketball feels that way too."

If Nigeria — even not at its best — could still beat the Americans, that may be an ominous sign.

Popovich coached the U.S. to a seventh-place finish at the Basketball World Cup two years ago, the worst finish for an NBA-manned American roster in international competition. That result came after nearly three dozen players backed out of commitments; this team got many of the biggest names that it wanted.

Saturday was just an exhibition loss. Meaningless in some ways, full of meaning in others, and all of it underscoring the obvious — that a fourth consecutive Olympic gold medal will not come easily for the Americans.

"It's a great group of guys, high character and we'll figure it out," Popovich said. "But I don't think anyone should act, nor will we act, like this is the end of the world. It's about how everybody else deserves a lot of credit, and we will have to play our (butt) off to do this."

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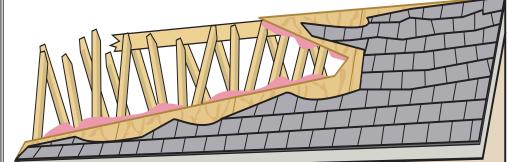
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Should we have separated sections for maskers and nonmaskers? What do we do when someone wants to be a jerk about our rules?

And then there is staffing. Server's minimum wage right now is far below what many can make in factory, office, online or even retail work. That means restaurants are unfairly competing against businesses that can pay far more for employees. So, restaurants are struggling to find good employees, who then have to be trained, all the while dealing with customers who think it's still 2018 and they can act like 12-yearolds and get away with it. Who would want to work in that kind of environment, where grown adults don't even know how to act anymore?

of those serving, then perhaps they should continue to order out and take it home.

Your advice would have been great in 2018. In 2021, your advice should be to have patience and understanding or to stay home. Servers have enough to deal with. --**Restaurant Veteran**

Dear Restaurant

Veteran: Thank you for your letter. You offer insights into what people in the restaurant industry have had to deal with since the beginning of the pandemic.

Restaurants were hit very hard during the lockdowns, and you are correct that it is important to have compassion and patience for people who are just trying to do their best while serving a public that is excited to get back to normal and that can, at times, be unfairly demanding.

body odors. Among other things available, such as deodorant body washes, absorbent powders, garment pads, cotton clothing and moderating diet, there are prescription deodorants that work very well.

Some people have "extra" sweat glands, while others have glands that put in overtime.

Talk to your provider for assistance in obtaining these products. Insurance covers most of these items. -- Nurse Practitioner

Dear Nurse Practitioner: I always love to hear from professionals. Thank you for your wonderful suggestions

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A good declarer does all he can to find out everything about the opposing distribution before making a critical play. Sometimes, though, he might have reason to wish that he had plunged blindly ahead instead of trying to improve on his chances.

Consider this deal from the 1989 U.S.-Brazil world championship final. When Chip Martel and Lew Stansby of the U.S. held the North-South cards, they reached six notrump

spades among his three remaining cards. The question was whether East's other two cards were both clubs or whether East had a club and a heart.

following a series of artificial explor-

In the former case, the winning play was to lead dummy's last spade, forcing East to win and return a club from the jack into dummy's K-10. In the latter case, declarer had to cash the club king.

Unfortunately, Stansby opted for the endplay. East won the spade and cashed his good heart to sink the slam. At the other table, the Brazilian declarer cashed the three top clubs at the outset. When the jack fell, the slam was home.

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Restaurants have been struggling to stay open for the last 18 months. This is not some breaking news! So, now that things are opening back up, everyone in the hospitality industry is trying to figure out how to do things in this brave NEW world. Do staff wear masks, or don't they? Do we require masks for diners?

My recommendation to anyone venturing out into this new world we live in is to have patience. It's no longer just about you. It is about all of us. If people can't be understanding and respectful

Dear Annie: I'm a retired registered nurse practitioner who has helped people with

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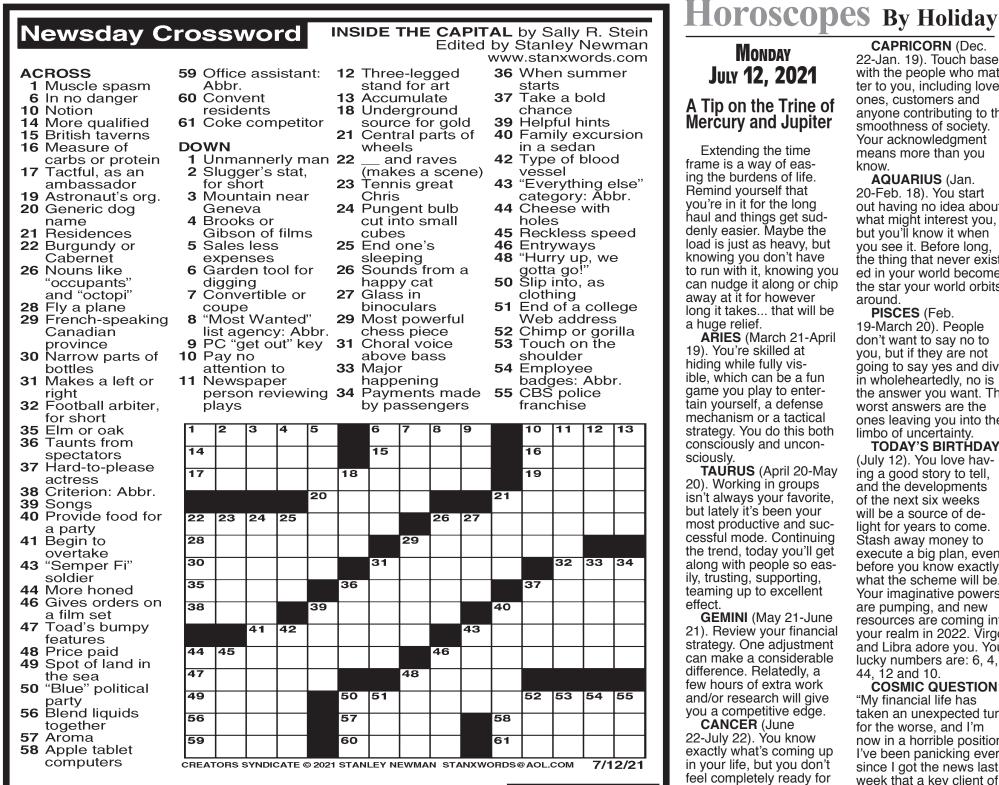
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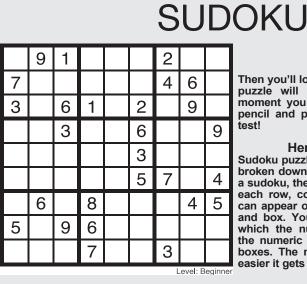
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BIG SPRING HERALD Monday, July 12, 2021





Like puzzles?

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

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

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feel completely ready for it yet. Whether it's a tool or a plan or a team, you'll make headway, acquiring what you need.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Sleepwalkers abound, as do sleep workers, lovers and more, stumbling oblivious through days and years, moving but not going anywhere. It's a waste you hate to see. Do you dare sound the alarm?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're worried if you relax and let things unfold, they'll go badly, falling short of their potential. So, you get your hands in there, and before you know it, you're back to carrying the whole thing. There's got to be a better way. Find it. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're usually the peacemaker, so it's a little unusual, this feeling you get today ... like you'd really enjoy sitting back and watching how the drama plays out. Popcorn, anyone? SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Life has a way of rocking the boat, but this is not your first time to sea. You have ways of calming yourself and regulating your activities to fit the emotional tone you want to stay in. You create your own equilibrium. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You think about what's right instead of what's wrong. You certainly don't mind your op-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Touch base with the people who matter to you, including loved ones, customers and anyone contributing to the smoothness of society. Your acknowledgment means more than you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You start out having no idea about what might interest you, but you'll know it when vou see it. Before long, the thing that never existed in your world becomes the star your world orbits around.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People don't want to say no to you, but if they are not going to say yes and dive in wholeheartedly, no is the answer you want. The worst answers are the ones leaving you into the limbo of uncertainty

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 12). You love having a good story to tell, and the developments of the next six weeks will be a source of delight for years to come. Stash away money to execute a big plan, even before you know exactly what the scheme will be. Your imaginative powers are pumping, and new resources are coming into your realm in 2022. Virgo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 4, 44, 12 and 10.

COSMIC QUESTION: "My financial life has taken an unexpected turn for the worse, and I'm now in a horrible position. I've been panicking ever since I got the news last week that a key client of mine has pulled out, and I'm reeling to the point of not being able to think straight, eat or sleep. My stomach is tied in knots pretty much all of the time and I feel like I can't catch my breath. It's a weeklong panic attack! I wish I weren't so high-strung. Rationally, I know that what's at stake is only money. People lose their houses all of the time. Bankruptcy happens. I still have the important things in life like health and the love of my friends and family. I keep telling myself that, but why isn't my body getting the message? I cry every few hours and then feel guilty

Today is Monday, July 12, the 193rd day of 2021. There are 172 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 12, 1984, Democratic presidential candidate Walter F. Mondale announced his choice of U.S. Rep. Geraldine A. Ferraro of New York to be his running-mate; Ferraro was the first woman to run for vice president on a major-party. for vice president on a major-party ticket.

On this date:

In 1812, United States forces led by Gen. William Hull entered Canada during the War of 1812 against Britain. (However, Hull retreated shortly thereafter to Detroit.)

In 1862, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln signed a bill authorizing the Army Medal of Honor.

In 1909, the House of Representatives joined the Senate in passing the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, allowing for a federal income tax, and submit-ted it to the states. (It was declared ratified in February 1913.)

In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower was flown by heli-copter from the White House to a secret mountaintop location as part of a drill involving a mock nuclear attack on Washington.

In 1960, the Etch A Sketch Magic Screen drawing toy, invented by French electrician Andre Cassagnes, was first produced by the Ohio Art Co.

In 1962, The Rolling Stones played their first-ever gig at The Marquee in London.

In 1965, the Beach Boys single

"California Girls" was released by Capitol Records."

In 1967, rioting erupted in Newark, New Jersey, over the police beating of a Black taxi driv-er; 26 people were killed in the five days of violence that followed.

In 1974, President Richard Nixon signed a measure creating the Congressional Budget Office. Former White House aide John Ehrlichman and three others were convicted of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Daniel Ellsberg's former psychiatrist.

In 1991, a Japanese profes-sor (Hitoshi Igarashi) who had translated Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses" was found stabbed to death, nine days after the novel's Utalian translationary as the alord in Italian translator was attacked in Milan.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton, visiting Germany, went to the eastern sector of Berlin, the first U.S. president to do so since Harry Truman.

In 2003, the USS Ronald Reagan, the first carrier named for a living president, was commissioned in Norfolk, Va.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama visited Dallas, where five police officers were killed the pre-vious week by a Black man seek-ing vengeance for police killings; Obama said a week of deeply trou-bling violence seemed to expose "the deepest fault lines of our democracy," but insisted the nation was not as divided as it seemed. With hugs and handshakes, Bernie Sanders endorsed Hillary Clinton for president during an appearance in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

One year ago: Florida set a national record with more than 15,500 confirmed COVID-19 cases reported in a day. Twenty-one peo-ple suffered minor injuries in an explosion and fire aboard a Navy amphibious assault vessel, the USS Bonhomme Richard, at Naval Base San Diego; the fire would burn for more than four days. Actor Kelly Preston, whose films included "Jerry Maguire" and "Twins," died at 57 after a two-year battle with breast cancer; word of her death came from husband John Travolta.

Today's Birthdays: Singer-musician Christine McVie is

78. Actor Denise Nicholas is 77. Singer-songwriter Butch Hancock is 76. Fitness guru Richard Simmons is 73. Singer Walter Egan is 73. Writer-producer Brian Grazer is 70. Actor Cheryl Ladd is 70. Gospel singer Ricky McKinnie is 69. Country singer Julie Miller is 65. Gospel singer Sandi Patty is 65. Actor Mel Harris is 65. Actor Buddy Foster is 64. Rock guitarist Dan Murphy (Soul Asylum) is 59. Actor Judi Evans is 57. Rock singer Robin Wilson (Gin Blossoms) is 56. Actor Lisa Nicole Carson is 52. Olympic gold medal figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi is 50. Country singer Shannon Lawson is 48. CBS newsman Jeff Glor is 46. Actor Anna Friel is 45. R&B singer Tracie Spencer is 45. Actor Alison Wright is 45. Sen. Kyrsten Sinema, D-Ariz., is 45. Actor Steve Howey is 44. Actor Topher Graze is 43. Actor Kristen Connolly is 41. Country singer-musician Kimberly Perry (The Band Perry) is 38. Actor Matt Cook (TV: 'Man With a Plan') is 37. Actor Natalie Martinez is 36. Actor Ta'Rhonda Jones is 33. Golfer Inbee Park is 33. Actor Melissa O'Neil is 33. Actor Rachel Brosnahan is 31. Actor Erik Per Sullivan is 30. ullivan is 30

because so many people have it so much worse than me. Do you have any advice for Leo who can't calm down?'

You feel how you feel, so don't judge yourself or tell yourself you shouldn't feel grief-stricken or anxious or that you shouldn't cry. Of course there is other pain in the world, but yours is the only one you can feel, and you have every right to process it. More on this tomorrow

CELEBRITY PRO-FILES: Fans clamoring for fitness guru Richard Simmons' return to the spotlight were pleased to see him release classic workouts via YouTube to get some happiness and healthiness pumping through the coronavirus pandemic. True to the nurturing instincts of his sign, Simmons has helped thousands live a more vital life. Cancer sun provides contrast to a Libra moon and outgoing Leo planets.

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