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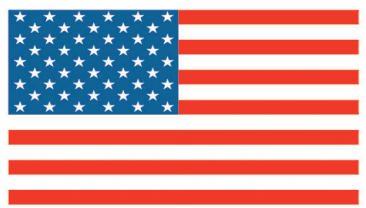
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One firefighter killed, one hospitalized after wreck with semi

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

One Stanton firefighter is dead and another is hospitalized following a wreck Wednesday morning, according to information received by the Big Spring Herald as of Wednesday afternoon.

According to a report by the *Martin County Messenger*, volunteer firefighters Danny Ireton and Allan Carby were responding to a traffic accident on FM 829 when their fire truck was involved

in an accident with an 18-wheeler. Ireton was killed in the accident, while Carby was taken to Midland Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in the wreck.

Martin County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Jesse Metcalf confirmed the accident.

"There was a Stanton Volunteer Fire unit involved in a crash with a semi, and it did result in a

fatality," he said.

Metcalf also said the crash was reported to his office at 9:40 a.m. Wednesday.

The Big Spring Herald will continue to follow this story and provide more information as it is released.

Upcoming Events

SMMC Back to School Health Splash
 Today
 6-8 p.m.

Coahoma ISD Special Board meeting
 Friday at 8 a.m.

Coahoma ISD Board meeting Monday
 6 p.m.
 Aug. 9

Alive in Christ Blood Drive
 Aug. 14
 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Loss of a Spouse stand alone seminar
 Today
 Trinity Baptist Church
 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Russ McEwen Aquatic Center will officially close for the 2021 season Saturday, Aug. 7 at 8 p.m.

Russ McEwen Aquatic Center set to close for the season this Saturday



HERALD photo/Dustin Pope

The Russ McEwen Aquatic Center will be wrapping up the 2021 Summer season this weekend as it will be closing as of 8 p.m. Saturday. The aquatic center was one of the summer activities provided for the community this summer.

Special CISD Board of Trustees meeting called for 8 a.m.

Herald Staff Report

A special meeting of the Coahoma Independent School District Board of Trustees has been called for Friday, Aug. 6 at 8 a.m. The meeting will take place in the Coahoma ISD Administration Office at 606 N. Main Street.

Once roll call is taken and an establishment of quorum has been determined the meeting will be called to order and the opening ceremony will take place.

The Board will enter into executive session and focus on personnel discussion. Once the Executive Session is concluded, the board will convene in open session.

The Board of Trustees will consider and possibly take action on the approval to offer employment contracts for the 2021-22 school year.



It's a zoo out there ... the Abilene Zoo visits the Howard County Library



HERALD photos/Roger Cline

Residents of the Abilene Zoo made a special visit to the Howard County Library last week, as part of the Summer Reading Program series. Jenna Jarnagan, Education Keeper with the Abilene Zoo introduced the animals to the kids.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

Domino and her companion Rose, a pair of Guinea Pigs. Ella the Three-Banded Armadillo. Juniper the Gray-Banded King Snake, and Esmerelda the Argentinian Black and White Tegu.

Big Spring's reading-focused kids got a chance to meet these remarkable animals at the Howard County Library last Wednesday morning as Jenna Jar-

nagan, Education Keeper with the Abilene Zoo, introduced the mammals and reptiles to the group of eager young *Homo sapiens*.

The program was part of the library's Summer Reading Program "Tails and Tales," which has been focused on animal-based literature and learning all summer long.

Jarnagan introduced each animal, fielded questions and comments about

the furry or scaled critters, and then formed the kids into a line, allowing them to briefly touch the tegu - a 4-foot long lizard native to the tropical forests of South America, and the armadillo - which, unlike North America's more familiar gray nine-banded armadillos, is brown in color, smaller, and native

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Obituaries

Alice L. Ewing

Alice L. Ewing, 84, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, Aug. 2, 2021. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, 2021 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Pastor Mark Smithson of Grace Fellowship Church of God officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

She was born Dec. 22, 1936, in Fulton County, Indiana and married Richard L. Ewing July 7, 1955, in Richland Center, Indiana. He preceded her in death April 11, 1991.

Alice returned to Big Spring in 1976 after her husband retired from the Air Force. She worked for Dunlap's, in the City of Big Spring Tax Department and Water Department, retiring in 1996. Alice was an avid bowler for many years, loved woodwork-

Kevin N. Ramos

Kevin N. Ramos, 25, of New Braunfels, Texas, died July 26, 2021, in Yoakum Community Hospital in Yoakum, Texas.

He was born to Natalio Ramos and Enriqueta Delgado in New Braunfels on July 19, 1996.

Public visitation was held Aug. 2, 2021, at Zoeller Funeral Home, with a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. A Funeral Service was held 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2021, at Redemptive Grace Church in New Braunfels. Interment followed in Guadalupe Valley Memorial Park.

ing, gardening and especially doing things with her grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters, Cathy Reitzer and husband Leonard, and Teresa Woolverton all of Big Spring; three sons, Richard Ewing, Jr. and wife, Jennifer Morley of Sacramento, California, Roger Ewing and wife, Kathy of D'Iberville, Mississippi, and Donald Ewing and wife, Diane of Midland; 14 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, Ken Linden and wife, Cyndia.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Theodore Tuley and Josephine Mutchler Tuley; her father, George Starr; an infant daughter, Deborah Ewing; and two brothers, Charles Tuley and Paul Gene Starr.

The family suggest memorials to the American Cancer Society or to a favorite charity.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Paid Obituary

Survivors include his wife, Michelle Estrada; daughter, Aleeah Elizabeth Ramos; sons, Ares Michael Ramos and Silas Ashton Ramos; parents, Natalio Ramos and Enriqueta Delgado; brothers and sisters, Darlene Garza, Samuel Philip Delgado, Justin Caleb Delgado, Rhianna Nicole Juarez, Olga Sandoval, Ruben Ramos, Adrian E. Ramos, Natalya G. Ramos, Thalia G. Ramos and Lisa O. Ramos.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Delia Gallegos and Fortunato Morales Jr.; his maternal great-grandmother; his paternal grandmother, Ofelia Ramos; and his brother, Peter Ramos.

Arrangements are under the direction of Zoeller Funeral Home in New Braunfels.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of E. Third St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported on McGregor Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of S. Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of E. Third St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of W. Marcy. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 10000 block of S. Moss Lake Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3300 block of E. Interstate 20. No transport was required.

Sheriff

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 108 inmates at the time of this report.
- **CLAY ATKINSON**, 49, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated (third offense or more).
 - **ROY DWIGHT BIDDLE**, 60, was arrested by HCSO on a parole violation.
 - **ALEXIS JADE BLAND**, 24, was arrested by HCSO on two warrants for bail jumping and failure to appear.
 - **DARRYL BOYD**, 47, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for harassment (repeated electronic communication).
 - **EMERLINDA BRITO-SMITH**, 60, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for assault causing bodily

injury.

- **JOSE GARCIA**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a violation of a bond or protective order.
- **ALLEN DAVID GILBERT**, 47, was arrested by HCSO on a parole violation.
- **REBECA GOMEZ**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle, failure to identify giving false or fictitious information and possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 1, less than one gram).
- **BRANDY RENEE GREGORY**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **VANESSA NICHOL HIGHFIELD**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication and a warrant for prostitution with one or two previous convictions.

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.



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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BRENDEN RENE GARCIA**, 19, of 1407 S. Scurry St. was arrested on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and possession of marijuana (less than two ounces), and on two outstanding warrants.
- **JOSE GUADALUPE GARCIA**, 26, of 1801 Johnson was arrested on a warrant for violation of a protective order (communicates)
- **REBECA GOMEZ**, 32, of 510 Donley St. was arrested on charges of failure to identify giving false or fictitious information, possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 1, less than 1 gram), and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **VANESSA NICHOL HIGHFIELD**, 25, of 914 Angela Rd. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication, and on two outstanding warrants.
- **EMERLINDA BRITO-SMITH**, 60, of 14407 Daly Drive in Houston was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **DARRY LAFAYETTE BOYD JR.**, 47, of 700 S. San Antonio St. was arrested on a warrant for harassment (repeated electronic communication).
- **BRANDY RENEE GREGORY**, 41, of 1104 1/2 E. 11th Place was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ROY DWIGHT BIDDLE III**, 60, of 4924 Wasson Road was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **ALLEN DAVID GILBERT**, 47, of 1507 S. Johnson St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **ALEXIS JADE BLAND**, 24, of 1614 Cardinal was arrested on two outstanding warrants.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 4200 block of E. CR 34.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 3700 block of E. CR 34.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 7500 block of N. CR 29.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported on Interstate 20 near Exit 175.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported on Gregg Street.
- **DISTURBANCE** in the 1700 block of S. Johnson St.
- **UNWANTED SUBJECT** was reported in the 1800 block of S. Gregg St.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 2500 block of Old Highway 80.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 5100 block of Wasson Rd.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the area of Airbase Road and W. 16th St.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 4900 block of Wasson Rd.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 600 block of W. Interstate 20.
- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 10000 block of S. Moss Lake Rd.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 2100 block of Alabama.

*A small prayer by K.Rae
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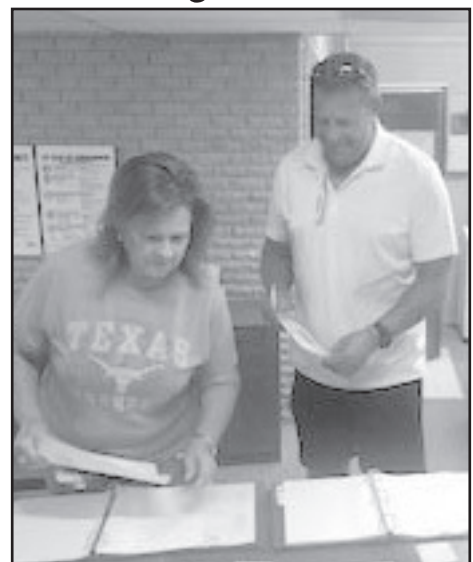
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BSI is gearing up for a new school year



Courtesy photos

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy working hard getting teachers data notebooks ready for the new school year. Pictured in center: Mrs. Cynthia Castillo, BSI head secretary, talking to a parent during registration and proof of residency that is going on this week at BSISD. Pictured above right: BSI parents getting their proof of residence done as we get ready for a new school year.

Take Note

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Back to School Splash will take place on Aug. 5 at 6 p.m. Backpacks and school supplies will be handed out by numerous partners. The event will take place on the front lawn at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The event is free to attend.

• West Texas Range and Livestock Conference will be Aug. 17 at the GC Broughton Agriculture Complex, located at 2411 Echols Street in Big Spring. For more information or to register, call 432-264-2236.

• Alive in Christ Lutheran Church will be Aug. 14 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. To register visit donors.vitalant.org to sign up and use the code ALIVE.

• Youth rally at Big Spring Full Gospel Fellowship Church is at 309 South Benton and 4th, Friday Aug. 6 from 6-8 p.m. Everyone is welcome and there will be pizza after service.

• Life Church will be hosting a community youth night at 5 p.m. on Aug. 21. There will be food trucks and games. Innercourt Worship will begin at 7 p.m.

• The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. Their season will include: Sept. 25 'A Breath of Fresh Air' which will take place at the Big Spring High School Auditorium; Nov. 20 will feature 'The Music of Queen'; Dec. 8 'Holiday Spectacular'; Feb. 19 'Winter Wonderland'; and Spring Pops Concert on April 23. The concerts will take place at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium except for the opening performance. Tickets can be purchased in season passes or per concert.

• Howard County Fair is coming Sept. 17-19. Submissions for the Art and Photo contest will need to be submitted Sept. 14 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. The Special Subcategory this year is Cactus or Birds or combination of both. Submissions can be fine art or photography. For more information, call Sandra Lockhart at 432-263-4155.

• Loss of a Spouse seminar will be taking place Aug. 5 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The special stand alone session will take place at Trinity Baptist Church. The program will be taking place in advance of the 13-week Grief Share session, beginning Aug. 26.

• 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 – 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 e-mail 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 a.m. to 12 p.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. until 12 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 becoming 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.

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to Brazil. Jarnagan presented her show twice at the library last Wednesday, once at 10:30 and again at 11:30. Both shows were well-attended by both young readers and their parents.

More information can also be found at the library's website, <https://howard-county.pcloud.net/> or Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/HowardCoLibrary/>.

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Forsan Buffaloes ready for Football season



Courtesy Photo

The Forsan Buffs kicked off the new football season on Monday, Aug 2. After a 5-5 season last year, the Buffaloes are looking to add to that mark with an impressive year. The team will have a lot of fresh faces and look poised for a tremendous season ahead. They will open up the season in the Howard County bowl when they face a long-time rival, the Coahoma Bulldogs, on Aug 27.

Scherzer Ks 10 in debut, Dodgers hit 4 HRs to beat Astros

By **JOE REEDY**
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Max Scherzer has accomplished many things during his 14-year major league career, but it wasn't until his first start for the Los Angeles Dodgers on Wednesday night that he got to enjoy this particular experience:

A seventh-inning curtain call.

After Scherzer struck out Chas McCormick to end the Houston seventh, the 52,724 fans at Dodger Stadium gave the right-hander a standing ovation. Scherzer tipped his cap as he went into the dugout but came back out after Clayton Kershaw told him to go salute the fans again.

The curtain call capped a successful debut for Scherzer, who struck out 10 in a 7-5 victory over the Astros. The Dodgers provided Scherzer with plenty of offensive support with four home runs to get a split and cap a contentious two-game series.

"That was a cool moment and something I will never forget," Scherzer said. "The fans tonight were great. When it is going nuts you can feed off it."

Scherzer (9-4) tied a season high with 109 pitches, allowing two runs and five hits with a walk.

The Dodger faithful roared with delight as Scherzer, acquired in a blockbuster trade with Washington last Friday, struck out José Altuve three times. The three-time Cy Young Award winner also got Carlos Correa to chase a slider for the first out of the sixth inning.

The large crowd was boisterous again. The series marked the first chance for Dodgers fans to unload on the Astros in person since their sign-stealing scandal was revealed late in 2019. Houston beat LA in the 2017 World Series, winning Game 7 at Dodger Stadium.

Los Angeles manager Dave Roberts thought the opening was a good one for Scherzer's debut.

"The stage isn't too big for him. I just expected him to go out and pitch well," Roberts said. "You can see the elation from the dugout and the finality

in the seventh inning. It is what everyone wanted for tonight and I'm happy it played out as such."

Scherzer, Joe Kelly and Kenley Jansen combined for 15 strikeouts. Jansen allowed a two-run homer to Kyle Tucker in the ninth but fanned pinch-hitter Jake Meyers to end the game.

Altuve struck out four times, matching a career high.

Scherzer threw 73 strikes and said his best pitch of the night was his curveball, which is usually his least effective.

"That was a high-adrenaline start. The offense went off, which allowed me to attack the hitters and remain aggressive in the strike zone," said Scherzer, who is 5-0 in his last nine starts. "When I can pitch with the curveball like that, it allows me to play up the other pitches more."

Mookie Betts also retired twice, while Will Smith and AJ Pollock also went deep off Astros starter Jake Odorizzi (4-6).

Michael Brantley, Correa and Tucker connected for Houston. It was the third game at Dodger Stadium since July 10 with seven or more home runs.

"They jumped us early. When Scherzer gets a lead like that he can relax and throw any pitch at any time. His command is pretty good," Astros manager Dusty Baker said.

After Altuve struck out in the first, Brantley sent a 1-1 fastball deep to right for his seventh homer. It was the 19th allowed by Scherzer this season and fourth that came in the first inning.

Correa followed with a single before Scherzer retired the next nine Houston hitters.

The Dodgers were held to five hits in Tuesday night's 3-0 loss but broke through early against Odorizzi with four runs in the first. Betts connected on a slider and put it over the wall in center to tie it at 1.

Max Muncy drew a walk and advanced to second with one out when Altuve's throw on Corey Seager's grounder pulled Correa off the bag at sec-

ond for an error. With runners on first and second, Smith made the Astros pay for the mistake with a three-run homer to right-center.

Betts' solo shot to left in the second gave him his first multi-homer game of the season. In the third inning, Pollock extended his hitting streak to a career-high 13 games with a two-run drive into the Dodgers' bullpen in left field to make it 7-1.

Odorizzi — who allowed four homers in a game for the second time in his 10-year career — went only three innings and allowed a season-high seven runs (six earned) on six hits and two walks.

"Since the All-Star break my mechanics have been (poor). My fastball has been flat," Odorizzi said. "There are a lot of things I am working on between outings, but then I am reverting back to bad form."

Houston's other runs came on Tucker's RBI single in the fourth and a solo homer by Correa in the eighth.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: 1B Yuli Gurriel was out of the lineup for the second straight day due to neck stiffness. ... 3B Alex Bregman (left quad strain) is expected to need at least a couple more rehab games at Triple-A Sugar Land before being activated.

Dodgers: RHP Jimmy Nelson was placed on the 10-day injured list for the third time this season with right elbow inflammation. LHP Darien Núñez was recalled from Triple-A Oklahoma City to fill the spot.

UP NEXT

Astros: Begin a six-game homestand Thursday against Minnesota with LHP Framber Valdez (7-2, 3.01 ERA) on the mound. Valdez has won his last two starts and will be opposed by RHP Griffin Jax (1-1, 6.41).

Dodgers: Have an off day Thursday before facing the Angels on Friday in the second half of this season's Freeway Series. LHP David Price (4-1, 3.55 ERA) gets the call against LHP Patrick Sandoval (3-

LEADING OFF: MLB News

A look at what's happening around the majors on Thursday:

MISSING IN MILWAUKEE

The NL Central-leading Brewers are again shuffling their pitching staff with reliever John Axford now out for the season because of elbow trouble and starter Eric Lauer joining the team's growing COVID-19 injured list.

The 38-year-old Axford, who began this season on the Toronto Blue Jays' broadcast crew, pitched in the majors Monday for the first time since 2018. But he sustained significant damage to his right elbow and is done for the year.

Lauer started Monday against Pittsburgh and threw five shutout innings. He'll have to sit out at least 10 days due to his positive virus test.

Lauer joins All-Star closer Josh Hader, relievers Jake Cousins, Jandel Gustave and Hunter Strickland, outfielder Christian Yelich and first baseman Keston Hiura on the Brewers' COVID-19 injured list.

REN-DONE

Angels third baseman Anthony Rendon will have season-ending surgery on his right hip, ending an injury-plagued year.

Rendon was limited to 58 games and had been out since July 6 with a strained left hamstring. The 31-year-old also missed time this year with knee and groin injuries.

The team hopes Rendon will be ready for spring training next year.

Rendon signed a \$245 million, seven-year contract after helping Washington win the 2019 World Series. He hit a career-low .240 this year with six homers and 34 RBIs.

Rendon joins three-time AL MVP Mike Trout on the 60-day injured list. Trout went on the injured list May 18 with a right calf strain. He has been out longer than expected, but the Angels say the plan remains for the nine-time All-Star to play this season.

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5 :AM	Big 2 Good Morning Basin	Como dice el dicho	Paid Prg. Business	CBS7 Wake Up	Olimpicos 2020	Newswest 9	Being Zion	Cat in the Hat	Paid Prg. Ready Jet Go!	More Hair	Matters	Charmed	SportsCenter	Keyshawn, JWill and Zubin	Lock Paid Prg.	Tokyo Olympics	Lock Joyce M.	Salvage Hunters	
6 :AM	Good Morning America	Despierta America!	Les Feld Robison	CBS7 Wake Up	Hoy dia (SS)	Newswest 9 Sunrise	Wisdom News	Peg & Cat	Paternity Court	Millionaire	George	Charmed	SportsCenter	Keyshawn, JWill and Zubin	MLB Baseball: Angels at Rangers	Tokyo Olympics	Casey Anthony's Parents Speak	Salvage Hunters	
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9 :AM	The 700 Club	Como dice el dicho	Wendy Williams	Kelly and Ryan	Caso cerrado (SS)	Today 3rd Hour	Eye on News	Clifford Dinosaur	Kelly Clarkson Show	Steve Wilkos Show	Friends	Supernatural	First Take	Get Up	Hoover Sports	2020 Tokyo Olympics: Beach Volleyball	Murder-Laci	Building Off the Grid	
10 :AM	The View	Como dice el dicho	The Real	The Price Is Right	Caso De siones	Today-Hoda	House	Go Luna	Drew Barrymore	Mauri	Friends	Supernatural	First Take	Get Up	Hoover Sports	2020 Tokyo Olympics: Beach Volleyball	Murder-Laci	Building Off the Grid	
11 :AM	Jeopardy	Noticiero	Tamron Hall	Young & Restless	Más sabe Noticias	2020 Tokyo Olympics: Sport Climbing, Canoe/Kayak, Water Polo, Track Cycling.	Shofar	Nature	The Doctors	Mauri	Friends	Supernatural	SportsCenter	First Take	Hoover Sports	2020 Tokyo Olympics: Table Tennis	Murder-Laci	Building Off the Grid	
12 :AM	GMA3: What	Rosa de Guadalupe	TMZ Live	News Bold	Juegos Olimpicos de Tokyo 2020 (SS)	2020 Tokyo Olympics	Rocks	Hero	Dateline	P. Popoff	Friends	Supernatural	SportsCenter	First Take	Hoover Sports	2020 Tokyo Olympics: Table Tennis	Murder-Laci	Building Off the Grid	
1 :PM	General Hospital	La madrastra	The People's Court	The Talk	Juegos Olimpicos de Tokyo 2020 (SS)	2020 Tokyo Olympics	Dollars	Cyber	The First 48	Medicare	Friends	Supernatural	Jalen	SportsCenter	MLB Baseball: Los Angeles Angels at Texas Rangers	2020 Tokyo Olympics	The Murder of Laci Peterson	Building Off the Grid	
2 :PM	Rachael Ray	Amor eterno	Judge Mathis	Let's Make a Deal	(1:58) Suelta la sopa	2020 Tokyo Olympics	Light of Southwest	Pink	Monk	Jerry	Friends	Bones	NBA: The Jump	Question	Jalen	MLB Baseball: Los Angeles Angels at Texas Rangers	2020 Tokyo Olympics	The Murder of Laci Peterson	Homestead Rescue
3 :PM	Jdg Judy	El gordo y la flaca	The List	Kelly Clarkson	(2:58) Al rojo vivo	2020 Tokyo Olympics	Light of Southwest	Donkey	Maury	Jerry Springer	American	Bones	NFL Live	Question	Football	MLB Baseball: Los Angeles Angels at Texas Rangers	2020 Tokyo Olympics	The Murder of Laci Peterson	Homestead Rescue
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
A highly imaginative defense

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 10 9
♥ Q 9
♦ K Q 10 9 8
♣ K 9 7

WEST
♠ 6 2
♥ 8 5
♦ J 6
♣ Q 10 8 6 5 4 2

EAST
♠ A K 3
♥ A K J 10 7
♦ 5 4 3 2
♣ 3

SOUTH
♠ J 8 7 5 4
♥ 6 4 3 2
♦ A 7
♣ A J

The bidding:
East 1♥ Pass West Pass North Dble
Pass 2♠

Opening lead — eight of hearts.

Partscore hands might lack the dramatic impact of game or slam hands, but they give rise to many ingenious forms of play.

Consider this deal where South winds up in two spades on the bidding shown. North's double is a bit light by ordinary standards, but it is perfectly acceptable in the balancing seat after East's opening heart bid is passed out. South's jump to two

spades is similarly justified by his holding of five spades and 10 high-card points, suggesting game if North has a sound double.

East wins the heart lead with the ten, and the outcome rests on his next move. Actually, there is only one card East can return at this point to defeat the contract, and that card is the three of spades!

Declarer is helpless against this return. If he plays a heart at trick three, East wins and cashes the A-K of trump and two more hearts to put the contract down one.

If declarer instead plays three rounds of diamonds after the low trump return, discarding a heart on the third round of diamonds, West ruffs and returns a heart to sink the contract in a slightly different way.

The three-of-spades return is not as difficult a play as it might seem. East can tell from the bidding that South has both minor-suit aces and the defense is therefore sure to fail unless East can win four heart tricks in addition to his A-K of trump.

Once this thought occurs to East, he must proceed on the basis that what he hopes is the case is actually the case. So he returns a low trump at trick two and goes to the head of the class!

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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Gone Goodbye

Dear Annie: My significant other and I were in a relationship for 15 years. One evening, I was feeling insecure and asked whether there was someone else. Very soon after that, my significant other completely cut off all contact with me.

We were in a commitment and planning to get married, but now there is absolutely no communication, which just drives me to want to contact him even more than I would have in the past.

I'm trying to stay anchored in optimism, hoping that this storm will pass, he will get back in touch and we will restore our relationship.

How does a person shut down and not have any communication? This has spurred me to start obsessing. Without the ability to know when we will speak again, I feel paralyzed. It's very irritating, and it makes me feel totally separate from this person.

Wouldn't it create a better outcome if there were a resounding

Annie's Mailbox

"no" or if we talked it through? How long do I hold on? Maybe it's too late. Or maybe even if he were to come back, I should be wary and concerned that he could have ever completely shut down like this. Thanks in advance for your input. -- Left Behind

Dear Left: People often live in a state of open-ended anguish when a loved one goes missing or dies in a way that makes a body irretrievable. Denial is a stage of grief, and without concrete evidence of a person's death, it can be very hard to move past it.

Similarly, without a definite breakup from your partner, you're stuck in a holding pattern. That's what makes his cowardly behavior so unbelievably cruel and selfish.

If he has made himself totally unreachable, then you need to decide once and for all that things are over between you. Truly over. Only then can you have closure, properly mourn the relationship and move on.

Whatever you do, don't blame yourself.

One moment of your feeling insecure should not lead your significant other to cut off all ties after being in a relationship for 15 years. I would ask what prompted your suspicions in the first place. Trust your intuition.

Dear Annie: Can you tell me a polite way to respond to a "friend" who constantly says mean things? For example, she'll say, "What's that line on your face?" "What happened to your arm? You have spots on it." "Wow! You have a big nose." She always does it while in the company of others, which embarrasses me. Often she doesn't even address me but makes the comments to other people within my earshot. I'm not sure what I did to deserve this, as I've only tried to be nice to her. Does she do this because she is insecure? I don't want to hurt her feelings, but I've reached a point where I don't want to be in her company anymore. Hope you can help. -- Frustrated Friend

Dear Frustrated: You were right to put "friend" in quotation marks. This woman

is no friend; she is a frenemy. Forget being frustrated. You have my permission to be (SET ITAL)outraged(END ITAL).

Shaming a person in front of others is a form of bullying. You sound like a sweet person, and she has probably chosen you as the object of her animosity because of that. She mistakes your kindness for weakness.

So stand up for yourself the next time she insults you. I would suggest a harsh comeback, but if you're not comfortable with that, then say something upbeat but firm -- for example, "Unless you're my doctor, I don't need you examining my skin." If there is some reason you can't or don't want to distance yourself from this bully, you need to at least keep her in check.

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