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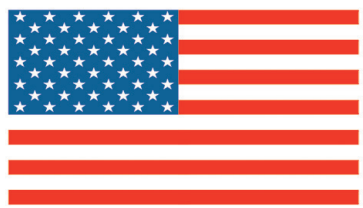
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Coronavirus cases on the rise; Delta variant spreading rapidly

Social distancing, mask wearing, hand washing highly encouraged

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

The nation continues to battle against the coronavirus pandemic two years later from the original identification of Covid-19. Since the discovery of coronavirus, there have been several different variants come up including the most recent Delta variant.

"The variants may differ in certain characteristics like how severe the disease could be, which age group is affected, or how quickly they spread, but they all cause the same disease," Rohith Saravanan, Chief Operating Officer/Medical Officer at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, said. "In the case of Delta, the only difference from the original variant is in how quickly it spreads from person to person. It still causes the same disease; same treatment plans and the prognosis remains the same."

According to Dr. Saravanan, the Covid-19 variant makes no difference to the individual that is sick, but it does make a difference in the population health that more people get sick in a shorter period of time because of quick spread. The precautions to combat against the Delta variant are the same, but even more important to help slow the increased rate of transmission.

"Delta variant spreads so quickly, it is even more important to take those precautions. The only additional thing we can do now, compared to previous surges is we can now get vaccinated, and that is one more thing we can do to prevent illness and prevent the spread," Dr. Saravanan said.

At this time, there is not a specific test to determine which variant of coronavirus, but only a determining test to identify if one has coronavirus. Washing hands frequently with warm water and soap, use hand sanitizer when available, and social

distance as much as possible, are a few of the precautions that can still be implemented to help slow the spread of the different coronavirus variants.

According to Dr. Saravanan, Scenic Mountain Medical Center is starting to see a surge in Covid-19 patients. As of Tuesday, SMMC had 11 patients in house which is the highest number since the last surge. Staffing resources are limited, as is the case in many surrounding hospitals.

"We are ending up having to hold patients in the ER until we have enough beds open on the floors and in ICU. This is the case at every other area hospital," he said.

The vaccine, according to Dr. Saravanan, does appear to be helping in the slowing of transmission of the different variants of coronavirus. The vaccine may not fully prevent disease, but they absolutely decrease the severity of the disease

for the vaccinated individuals. Statistics are showing less vaccinated people are being hospitalized and even fewer are needing ICU services.

"We want to encourage the community and local businesses to encourage the use of masks and social distancing, and readily offer hand hygiene products and make it accessible," he said. "Encourage and educate the community on vaccination. Families should continue to vaccinated and keep

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Upcoming Events

SMMC is hosting a Drive-thru vaccine clinic Thursday at 3 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Big Spring High School registration is taking place this week

Big Spring Steers will face Pecos in a football scrimmage at Memorial Stadium Aug. 13. Time is TBA.

Alive in Christ Blood Drive Aug. 15

There will not be a Toasty Tuesday this week, but community members are encouraged to find time to pick up in their own neighborhood.

United Way Kick-off and Golf Tournament set for Aug. 28

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Welcome Back Coahoma students!



Courtesy photos

Coahoma students headed back to the classroom on Wednesday. Pictured above left, Pace'Lei Lance was ready to step into the 3rd Grade. Pictured center, Erik was also ready to step into his first day of 3rd Grade. Pictured above right: Brenley Cline was excited to start her 1st Grade year. The Big Spring Herald wishes all Coahoma ISD students a great year.

Coahoma ISD and Big Spring ISD announce free healthy meals for year

Herald Staff Reports

Coahoma ISD announced its policy this week, that this school year, healthy meals will be offered every school day to all students at no cost. Typically, a student's household must meet income eligibility requirements to qualify for free or reduced-price meals. However, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued guidance that allows schools to offer meals to all students at no cost for the 2021-2022 school year. Each school/site or central office has a copy of the policy, which may be

reviewed upon request.

While no application or eligibility determination process is required for your student to receive free meals this school year, the income eligibility requirement will likely resume in the 2022-2023 school year.

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COVID-19 Updates

SMMC provided the following Covid patient update:

- ICU - 4
- Med/Surg - 8
- 3 of the 12 patients were vaccinated so 75% are unvaccinated.

All are Big Spring residents and range from age 45 to 82.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be providing a vaccine clinic every Thursday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the SMMC Parking Lot. On Aug. 26, the vaccine clinic will take place at the coliseum at Howard College

Outpatient COVID testing in Big Spring

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

Main Street
 Big Spring, TX 79720
 Clinic Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m, Monday - Friday

Dr. Barclay
 1501 W 11th Place
 Big Spring, Texas 79720
 Clinic Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

Dr. Carrasco
 Monday through Thursday
 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Pediatric Office
 Monday - Friday
 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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

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Obituaries

Zimmalew Boeker

Zimmalew Boeker, 86, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, Aug. 7, in a local hospital. Her family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Aug. 12 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral home. Her service will be held Friday, Aug. 13, at 10 a.m. in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring. Her graveside service will be held on Friday, Aug. 13, at 3 p.m. at the Resthaven Cemetery in Brady.

Zimmalew Cooper Boeker was born June 13, 1935, in Brownwood to William Lewis and Amanda Zimrude Cooper. Since her father was an army chaplain, she and her family lived in many different places. These included Alabama, Hawaii, Mineral Wells, Fort Benning, Brady, Fort Sill, Kyoto and Yokahama, Japan, New Orleans, Brownwood, and Blackstone, Virginia, where she graduated from high school. She went to Howard Payne College where she received her BA in education. Zimmalew moved to Forsan to teach first grade in 1957. However, she met Oscar Boeker the next summer, fell in love, and they were married on Dec. 23, 1958. They spent part of the next year in Maryland, where Oscar was stationed in the navy. Alpine, Texas was the next stop in their journey so that Oscar could finish his college education. After that was completed, they moved to Forsan with Beth, who was born while they were in Alpine. Lewis was born three and a half years later.

Zimmalew taught hundreds of students in first grade, high school business classes, kindergarten, second grade, and fourth grade for 45 years at Forsan ISD. She was presented with the Lamar Award of Excellence for her outstanding teaching in 2004. Zimmalew hosted and played in many Bunko games with her teacher friends at Elbow Elementary. She was an active member of Forsan Baptist Church for over 50 years, and the organist there for over 40 years. She loved her church family and missed them when she could no longer attend church due

to her health.

Zimmalew and Oscar were very involved in Beth and Lewis' school activities. They attended numerous piano recitals, band concerts, church programs, football and basketball games, track meets, and worked in the concession stand during games. She took pictures and Oscar kept track of the scores and race times.

Zimmalew was Ma and Mom to her children and Mamie to her grandchildren. She wanted to be called Grandmommy, which is what Beth and Lewis called her mother, but Mamie is what came out of Kayla's mouth, so Mamie is what she became. She loved to read, watch Murder, She Wrote, and lots of old movies. Zimmalew was very involved in the lives of her grandchildren and spent endless hours teaching all of them in kindergarten, attending their school activities, and always, always, ALWAYS taking pictures of them. She was a wonderful cook and fed her family a huge meal every Sunday for many years. She loved to go to the beach, which is where she spent lots of vacations with Oscar, Beth, and Lewis. She loved her family very well and they loved her very much.

Zimmalew is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Beth and Paul Spence; her son and daughter-in-law, Lewis and Tracy Boeker; her grandchildren, Kayla and Richard Parsons and their son Clark, Laura and Eddie Kahler, Landon Boeker, and Lindsey Boeker; her sister, Margaret Williams; her sisters-in-law, Dot Boeker, Eleanor Boeker, and Dorothy Boeker; many nieces, nephews, and cousins, and a host of sweet friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar Boeker; her parents, Lewis and Zimrude Cooper; and four brothers-in-law, Jackie Williams, Ralph Boeker, Tody Boeker, and Charlie Boeker.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to First Baptist Church, 705 West FM 700, Big Spring, Texas, or to the Gideon Bible Fund.

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

Paid obituary

Charles L. Macke

Charles L. Macke, 80, died in Bonham, Texas.

Graveside memorial service with military honors will be Saturday 10 a.m. at Coahoma Cemetery.

Charles was born June 8, 1941, in Roseville Michigan to Lola & Elden Macke. He was a veteran of the US Army.

Charles is survived by wife; Diane Macke of Denison; two sons: Eldon Lewis Macke of Denison and Stacey Macke of Denison.

In addition to his parents, Charles was preceded in death by two sons: Charles Lewis Macke Jr. and Kenneth Ray Macke

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

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 109 inmates at the time of this report.

• **CECIL ANTHONY CARSON**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear (x2).

• **NATIVIDAD CEBALLOS**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear.

• **LASHAUNA DELANE DELAROSA**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of manufacture deliver controlled substance between one gram and four grams.

• **KEITH PAUL LANCE**, 52, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid (DWLI), and fail to maintain financial responsibility.

• **KENNETH DALE MORRIS**, 53, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams (x2).

• **NATHANIEL LOUIS PITTMAN**, 34, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

• **PEDRO SANTOS**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief between \$2,500 and \$30K.

• **GARRETT BRYAN WALKER**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated BAC greater than or equal to 0.1.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **JESSE RAYMOND HORTON**, 38, of 1703 S. Aylesford Street, was arrested on a charge of theft of property between \$100 and \$750.

• **CAYLA JASMINE CARRILLO**, 27, of 2203 Morrison Drive, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with previous conviction.

• **JOSHUA LINZY OWEN**, 37, transient, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JOSE JUAN RAMIREZ LOPEZ**, 21, transient, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft.

• **CECIL ANTHONY CARSON**, 29, of 538 Westover was arrested on a warrant from other agency (x2).

• **PEDRO SANTOS**, 36, of 602 N. Wildcat, was arrested on a warrant from other agency.

• **KEITH PAUL LANCE**, 52, of 3610 Bankhead Hwy in Midland, was arrested on warrant from other agency (x2).

• **LASHAUNA DELANE DELAROSA**, 42, transient, was arrested on a warrant from other agency.

• **KENNETH DALE MORRIS**, 53, of 5944 Woodland in Midland, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams (x2).

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of Dixie Avenue.

• **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 400 block of Circle Drive.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 600 block of N. Owens Street.

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 1900 block of Morrison Drive; 1800 block of S. Gregg Street.

• **FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 2700 block of Central Drive.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1500 block of W. 4th Street.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Place; 500 block of E. 15th; 2600 block of S. Gregg Street.

• **UNWANTED SUBJECT** was reported in the 1300 block of Mesa Avenue.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 300 block of S. Owens; area of 11th and Gregg.

• **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the area of 87 Loop.

Howard County - Public Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Howard County, TX will hold a public hearing to receive comments or questions of the public regarding its pending budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year. Hearing will be held August 23, 2021, at 3:30 pm. in the Courtroom located on the third floor of the Courthouse.

The proposed budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$757,696, which is a 4.02 percent increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$110,189.50.

Pursuant to Local Government Code, Section 152.013, the Commissioners Court must publish the salary, expenses, and other allowances of elected positions proposed to be increased & the amount of the increases as provided in the proposed budget.

Elected Official	Fiscal 2022	Proposed Annual Increase
County Judge:		
Longevity*	\$5,040	240
Salary	\$59,920	2,853
Commissioner Pct 1:		
Longevity*		
Salary	\$39,859	1,898
Commissioner Pct 2:		
Longevity*	\$1,680	240
Salary	\$39,859	1,898
Commissioner Pct 3:		
Longevity*	\$3,120	240
Salary	\$39,859	1,898
Commissioner Pct 4:		
Longevity*	\$2,640	240
Salary	\$39,859	1,898
JP 1-1:		
Longevity*	\$3,120	240
Salary*	\$56,566	2,691
JP 1-2:		
Longevity*	\$4,560	240
Salary*	\$56,569	2,694
JP 2:		
Longevity*		
Salary*	\$56,969	2,713
District Attorney:		
Salary*	\$23,618	1,125
District Clerk:		
Longevity*	\$1,920	240
Salary*	\$60,987	2,904
County Attorney:		
Longevity*	\$3,120	240
Salary*	\$66,015	3,144
County Clerk:		
Longevity*	\$5,520	240
Salary*	\$60,987	2,904
Treasurer:		
Longevity*	\$4,800	240
Salary*	\$60,987	2,904
Tax Assessor:		
Longevity*	\$1,440	240
Salary*	\$60,987	2,904
Sheriff:		
Longevity*	\$3,120	240
Salary*	\$72,291	3,442
Constable:		
Salary*	\$349	17

Other increases: JP2: Bldg maintenance \$5000; Treasurer: office supplies \$95; Travel \$180; Printing \$230, Bonds \$185; Sheriff: law enf supplies \$5000; Investigative websites \$3300; telecommunications \$2200
Capital Expenditures includes purchase of various office furniture and radios.

The proposed budget is available at the Office of County Judge, Courthouse 2nd Floor, Big Spring, TX 432-264-2202 or at www.co.howard.tx.us

<Signed> Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge

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Take Note

• **Alive After 5** will be hosted by Expedition Royalty Co. on Aug. 19 from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for local business professionals and the community to stop by and network. Expedition Royalty is located at 220 S. Main Street.

• **Big Spring Retired Teachers** are hosting a meeting Aug. 16 with Tumbleweed Smith as the guest speaker. The meeting will take place at 11:30 a.m. at the Cactus Room at Howard College. All area school personnel or retired school personnel are cordially invited.

• **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.

• **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.

• **Trinity Baptist Church** will host a 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.

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CASES

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precautions in place as the new school year begins.”

As there continue to remain many unknowns related to the coronavirus pandemic, especially with the new Delta strain, the CDC has issued information addressing several myths that have begun to pop up over the past several weeks. One of the myths include the question of the vaccine’s ability to alter DNA. According to the CDC, the Covid-19 vaccine does not change or interact with a person’s DNA. The vaccines deliver instructions to the cells to start building protection against the virus that causes Covid-19, however, the material never enters the nucleus of the cell where DNA is kept.

In addition, the CDC Myths and Facts sheet also addressed the question of the vaccine being mandated by the CDC. According to the information provided, the federal government does not mandate vaccination for people; the CDC does not maintain or monitor a person’s vaccination records.

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

MEAL

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ Coahoma ISD _____ will hold a public meeting at _____ 6:00 p.m. on August 26, 2021 _____ in _____ the CISD Board Room _____ Coahoma, Texas _____.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$	0.872	/\$100	(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax				
Approved by Local Voters	\$.30	/\$100	(proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	_____ % increase	or	8.03 %	(decrease)
Debt service	_____ % increase	or	_____ %	(decrease)
Total expenditures	_____ % increase	or	8.03 %	(decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 878,891,422	\$ 951,123,428
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 11,216,253	\$ 13,084,361
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 605,239,661	\$ 668,708,206
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 600,402	\$ 11,692,690

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).
** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 13,015,000

* Outstanding principal.

Rangers rally twice over Mariners, snap 14-game road skid

By CHRIS TALBOTT

Associated Press

SEATTLE (AP) — Isiah Kiner-Falefa and Yonny Hernandez each hit an RBI single in the 10th inning, and the Texas Rangers snapped a 14-game road losing streak with a 5-4 win over the Seattle Mariners on Tuesday night.

The Rangers rallied twice to end their six-game skid overall, taking a 3-2 lead in the ninth on rookie Adolis Garcia's 25th home run before reliever Spencer Patton blew it.

Patton walked three of the first four batters he faced to tie the game 3-all and load the bases with no outs. But he struck out J.P. Crawford and Mitch Haniger, and Brett Martin (3-3) got the third out to send the game into extra innings.

"I liked the energy," Rangers manager Chris Woodward said. "I liked the fight we had all day."

With Jason Martin starting the 10th on second base, Kiner-Falefa singled off Erik Swanson (0-2) with two outs and Hernandez brought home Kiner-Falefa with his own single.

"The 4 hole (at second base) was open," Kiner-Falefa said. "They've been taking it away from me lately."

Ty France opened the bottom of the 10th with an RBI single that pulled the Mariners to 5-4, but Abraham Toro grounded into a double play and Brett Martin retired rookie Jarred Kelenic with a runner on first to end it.

Haniger and Kyle Seager hit back-to-back homers in the fourth to become the second pair of

teammates with 25 homers apiece this season, joining Toronto's Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and Marcus Semien. Haniger tied a career high with his 26th homer and Seager followed with his 25th, which gave him an RBI in 13 of the last 15 games.

The Mariners have lost five of six overall and three of four to the last-place Rangers.

"Everybody's shaking their heads a little about this one tonight," manager Scott Servais said.

Jason Martin staked the Rangers to a 1-0 lead with a homer in the first off Logan Gilbert. After the Mariners took a 2-1 lead, Jonah Gilbert scored from first base on D.J. Peters' double in the fifth to make it 2-all. Haniger's throw from right field beat Heim to home plate by several feet, but catcher Tom Murphy couldn't hold onto the ball.

Texas reliever Joe Barlow gave up a hit leading off the eighth, but extended his scoreless streak to 10 2/3 innings over the last 12 games. Opponents are 3 for 33 against him during that span.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: RHP Dane Dunning (right ankle impingement) will likely return to the starting rotation Friday against Oakland in Texas, according to Woodward. ... LHP John King (left shoulder inflammation) was scheduled to appear in a Triple-A

Steer Football season tickets are in

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

It's almost time again for some Steer football...and season tickets are in!

An announcement on the Big Spring Steers Athletics Facebook page indicates that those who had reserved seats last year and would like to get them again this year can come pick them up any time from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Those who did not have season tickets last year, but would like them this year, can purchase them starting Monday, Aug. 16.

Tickets are available at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center (ATC), and not at the main High School office. For more information, call 432-264-3600.

Round Rock rehab game Tuesday night, his first outing since going on the injured list July 7.

Mariners: LHP Justus Sheffield (left forearm strain) will pitch three innings on a rehab assignment this weekend, Servais said. ... RHP Justin Dunn (right shoulder inflammation) is throwing off a mound, but not ready for a rehab assignment. ... 2020 AL Rookie of the Year Kyle Lewis (right meniscus tear) will begin working out with his teammates during pregame warmups as he recovers from surgery. The center fielder could return by the end of the season, Servais said. ... 2B/LF Shed Long Jr. visited with a specialist in Birmingham, Alabama, regarding a stress reaction in his injured right shin.

UP NEXT

Rangers: Recently acquired RHP Spencer Howard (0-3, 6.16 ERA) will make his first career start against the Mariners.

Mariners: LHP Tyler Anderson (5-8, 4.35) makes his first start in Seattle since being traded from Pittsburgh to the Mariners.

NCAA hands Baylor probation, fine in sex assault scandal

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

The NCAA said Wednesday that its long investigation of the Baylor sexual assault scandal would result in nothing more than probation and other relatively minor sanctions because the egregious, "unacceptable" behavior at the heart of the case did not violate its rules.

The NCAA ruling came more than five years after the scandal rocked the world's largest Baptist university, leading to the firing of successful football coach Art Briles, and the departures of athletic director Ian McCaw and school president Ken Starr.

In its ruling, the NCAA the allegations centered on conduct never before presented to the Committee on Infractions — that Baylor "shielded football student-athletes from the institution's disciplinary process and failed to report allegations of abhorrent misconduct by football student-athletes, including instances of sexual and interpersonal violence."

The panel said Baylor admitted to moral and ethical failings in its

handling of violence on campus but argued "that those failings, however egregious, did not constitute violations of NCAA legislation."

"Ultimately, and with tremendous reluctance, this panel agrees," the ruling said.

The infractions committee said the question it wrestled with was whether Baylor athletes accused of sexual or violence were given an "extra benefit" in the form of more lenient treatment than other students — and the answer was no, a damning indictment of the campus environment at the time.

"To be clear, this is not a punt," the NCAA report said. "The members of this panel understand that our voluntary service on the COI requires us to make difficult decisions and we do not shy away from that responsibility. But a question of this magnitude, in an area where the membership has not expressly legislated, requires collective membership consideration."

For Baylor, the decision helps close a chapter on perhaps the most painful period in its history. The scandal has lingered for the better part of a decade

and Baylor is still embroiled in lawsuits over its mishandling of campus assault cases.

Baylor president Linda Livingstone and athletic director Mack Brown, both hired in the wake of the scandal, wrote in an open letter after the

NCAA ruling that the university agreed that violations did occur, and that it takes full responsibility. They said the school's internal and external legal teams would review the full report and decide on its next steps, if any.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.339629 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Howard County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.339629 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.327545 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.339629 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Howard County from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Howard County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Howard County is proposing to increase property tax rates for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 23, 2021 AT 3:30 pm AT 300 Main St., Big Spring, TX 79720.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Howard County is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Howard County at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount = (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100
FOR the proposal: Judge Kathryn Wiseman Commissioner John Cline
 Commissioner Craig Bailey

AGAINST the proposal: Commissioner Jimmie Long Commissioner Eddilisa Ray
PRESENT and not voting:

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Howard County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Howard County this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.299562	\$0.339629	increase of 0.040067, or 13.38%
Average homestead taxable value	\$90,227	\$96,860	increase of 6,633, or 7.35%
Tax on average homestead	\$270.29	\$328.96	increase of 58.67, or 21.71%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$18,829,023	\$19,586,719	increase of 757,696, or 4.02%

State Criminal Justice Mandate

The Howard County Auditor certifies that Howard County County has spent \$269,340 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Howard County County Sheriff has provided Howard County information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue tax rate by \$0.001782/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Howard County at 432-264-2232 or tiffany.sayles@howardcountytexas.com, or visit www.co.howard.tx.us for more information.

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INVITATION TO BID

The Howard County Auditor's Office will be accepting sealed bids for a 10,800' of 10' high 11 gauge medium duty chain link fence for the landfill access road located at 3601 Old Colorado City Road, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Specifications and required submittal forms may be obtained by contacting the Howard County Auditor's Office, Howard County Courthouse, 300 S. Main St., Room 202, Big Spring, TX 79720 (432-264-2210) and are also available on the Howard County website <http://www.co.howard.tx.us>.

Eligible Bids must be submitted on the form provided by the County. Bids must be sealed and identified on the exterior of the envelope as "Chain Link Fence at Landfill" and received at the office of the County Auditor by Friday, August 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Bids will be opened, read, and awarded in the Howard County Commissioners' Courtroom, 3rd floor of the Howard County Courthouse, Big Spring, TX, at 3:30 P.M. on Monday, August 23, 2021.

The Howard County Commissioner's Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to accept the bid deemed to serve the best interest of the County.

Jackie Olson - Howard County Auditor
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Public Notice

The Howard County Auditor will receive two sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. Friday, August 20, 2021 for prescription medicine and services. These will be two separate bids.

1) Howard County Indigent Health and Welfare Programs, and the Howard County Juvenile Probation Program

2) Howard County Detention Center

Specifications may be obtained at the County Indigent Health Care Office, located at the Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Room 310, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Public Notice

Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court for their consideration on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

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Notice of Application for Commercial Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permits

Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, 500 W Texas Ave., Suite 1200, Midland TX 79701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Grayburg, San

Legals

Andres, Glorieta, and Clearfork formations, Diamondback-Smith SWD Lease, Well No. 1. The proposed commercial disposal well is located 3 miles northwest of Knott, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field, in Howard County.

The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3180 to 4900 feet.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Ellenburger formation, Diamondback-Smith Lease, Well No. 2D. The proposed commercial disposal well is located 3 miles northwest of Knott, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field, in Howard County.

The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 10,600 to 12,000 feet.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Grayburg, San Andres and Clearfork formations, Diamondback-County Line SWD Lease, Well No. 1. The proposed commercial disposal well is located 3.25 miles southwest of Knott, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field, in Howard County.

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The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Ellenburger formation, DB Hughes Lease, Well No. 1D. The proposed commercial disposal well is located 3.5 miles southwest of Knott, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field, in Howard County.

The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 10,500 to 11,900 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Technical Permitting, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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5 :AM	Big 2 Good Morning Basin	Como dice el dicho	Paid Prg. Business	CBS7 Wake Up	Al rojo vivo (SS)	Newsweek 9	Being Zion	Cat in the Hat	Paid Prg. Ready Jet Go!	More Hair	Matters	Charmed	SportsCenter	Keyshawn, JWill and Zubin	Kil Lock	NCIS: Los Angeles	Paid Prg. Joyce M.	Salvage Hunters
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7 :AM	Good Morning America	¡Despierta América!	Nature Wom	CBS This Morning	Hoy día (SS)	Today	Light of Southwest	Tiger	CBS7 Wake Up	Millionaire	George	Charmed	Get Up	SportsCenter	Hoover Sports	Law & Order: SVU	I Survived	Salvage Hunters
8 :AM	Good Morning America	¡Despierta América!	Fox 24 News AM	CBS This Morning	Hoy día (SS)	Today	Light of Southwest	Sesame Elinor	CBS7 Wake Up	Millionaire	George	Charmed	Get Up	SportsCenter	Hoover Sports	Law & Order: SVU	I Survived	Salvage Hunters
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	Steve Wilkos Show	Friends	Supernatural	First Take	Get Up	Law & Order: SVU	Accused: Guilty	Homestead Rescue	
10 :AM	The View	Como dice el dicho	The Real	The Price Is Right	Caso De'siones	Today-Hoda	House News	Go Luna Nature	Drew Barrymore	Maury	Friends	Supernatural	Little League Baseball	First Take	ATP/WTA Tennis: National Bank Open, Round of 16.	Law & Order: SVU	Accused: Guilty	Homestead Rescue
11 :AM	Jeopardy	Noticiero	Tamron Hall	Young & Restless	Más sabe Noticias	The Dr. Oz Show	Shofar Cost	Nature	The Doctors	Maury	Friends	Supernatural	Little League Baseball	SportsCenter	ATP/WTA Tennis: National Bank Open, Round of 16.	Law & Order: SVU	Accused: Guilty	Homestead Rescue
12 :PM	GMA3: What	Hoy (SS)	TMZ Live	Pasión de gavilanes	Days of our Lives	Days of our Lives	News Rocks	Molly Hero	Dateline	Hot	Friends	Supernatural	Little League Baseball	SportsCenter	ATP/WTA Tennis: National Bank Open, Round of 16.	Law & Order: SVU	Accused: Guilty	Homestead Rescue
1 :PM	General Hospital	La madrastra	The People's Court	The Talk	En casa con	Blast	Dollars Called	Cyber	The First 48	Medicare	Friends	Supernatural	Little League Baseball	Jalen Question	Law & Order: SVU	Accused: Guilty	Homestead Rescue	
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3 :PM	Jdg Judy	El gordo y la flaca	The List	Kelly Clarkson	(2:58) Al rojo vivo	Dr. Phil	Light of Southwest	Donkey Curious	Maury	Jerry Springer	American	Bones	Little League Baseball	NFL Live	Law & Order: SVU	The First 48	Homestead Rescue	
4 :PM	DailyMail Jeopardy!	Primer impacto	Broke Girl	CBS 7	En casa con	News	Creation	Curious	25 Words	black-ish	Fam. Guy	Bones	Little League Baseball	Around Pardon	Law & Order: SVU	The First 48	Homestead Rescue	
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9 :PM	The Hustler	La hija	FOX 24 News at 9	Bull	Café con aroma de	Law & Order	Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	News	The Cube (DVS)	(:45) Movie: Fallen, Donald Sutherland	SportsCenter	PFL 2021	Chrisley	(:04) The First 48	Homestead Rescue	
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1 :AM	DailyMail	Simpsons	Drew Barrymore	Programa	Programa	Late-Lilly	Light of Southwest	Molly	Hero	Minute	Lock	NCIS: New Orleans	SportsCenter	UFC Unleashed	ATP/WTA Tennis: National Bank Open, Round of 16.	Chrisley	(:03) Date-line	Homestead Rescue
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
In-depth analysis

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 6 4 3
♥ A 7 2
♦ Q 5
♣ A K 8 7 4

WEST
♠ 8 7 2
♥ J 10 6 4
♦ 10 9 6 2
♣ J 10

EAST
♠ K J 10 9 5
♥ Q 8
♦ A 8 3
♣ Q 9 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q
♥ K 9 5 3
♦ K J 7 4
♣ 6 3 2

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1♣ 1♠ 2NT
Pass 3NT

Opening lead — eight of spades.

Most deals require no more than simple, orderly thinking for declarer to achieve the best result possible. A tendency to focus on how to play a specific suit rather than on how to play the hand as a whole is a fairly common failing that causes many contracts to be lost.

Take this case where many declarers would go wrong. West leads a spade, and South wins East's nine with the queen. How should declarer play the hand? He is gazing at six ready-made tricks — two spades, two hearts and two clubs — and needs three more for the contract.

Declarer can lead a diamond to the queen and lose to the ace — which East, on the bidding, is likely to have — but this will give South only two additional tricks and leave him one trick shy of his goal. Or declarer can play the A-K and another club, hoping the opposing clubs are divided 3-2, but this will also bring him to only eight tricks.

Since both methods of play lead to a dead end, South should start looking elsewhere for a way to develop his three additional tricks. And if he studies the situation carefully enough, he should spot an approach that will give him an excellent shot at the contract.

At trick two, he leads a club to the king and returns a low diamond from dummy. East can't afford to rise with the ace, which would hand declarer three immediate diamond tricks, so let's say East ducks and allows South to win with the king.

Having "stolen" this trick, declarer now abandons diamonds and plays the ace and another club. When the suit breaks normally, he has nine solid tricks.

A little in-depth analysis at the start pays off in the end.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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Alzheimer's Looming

Dear Annie: My grandfather had severe Alzheimer's disease. Unfortunately, it lasted for a while.

He was fine before he hit 75. Occasionally, he would forget things, but it was not a big deal. As he aged, his memory got worse and his ability to forget things increased. By 80, he was bad. He didn't know who some of his kids were, and talking to him was painful at best. By 85, he was completely gone. He sang songs like a child. He knew nothing about his own life or his family. Mercifully, he died at 85.

His daughter, my mom, is now 65, and I'm worried she is showing signs of the disease.

Though my mom knows the name of the utensil you "stab food with" (how my grandfather described a fork at one point), she forgets things. She repeats herself. I find myself sitting and listening to the same stories.

I first detected a problem when we were having a Fourth of July

barbecue and we sent my mom out to pick up burgers and buns and she came back with ice cream. We were all stunned and concerned. That's when I knew she needs help.

What makes things worse is that when I tell her she's told me a particular story before, she gets defensive. She has real trouble facing her own mortality. I know that she is relatively young and that there isn't a lot I can do, but I care and worry about her. Any thoughts on how I should handle this? -- Forgotten Daughter

Dear Forgotten: You're wise to be proactive about this. Encourage your mom to set up a doctor's appointment today. The sooner you seek professional help the sooner the problem can be diagnosed. If she does in fact have Alzheimer's, early detection will allow you and your family more time to plan for the future. Additionally, there are some treatments that can temporarily lessen the symptoms. Visit the Alzheimer's Association website, at <http://www.alz.org>, for more infor-

mation.

Dear Annie: In October 2018, our daughter was married. We gave her a nice wedding, and there were approximately 300 guests. She received many, many nice gifts.

She has yet to send out thank-you notes. I have offered on two different occasions to help her, and her response was, "I'll do them."

I have had guests ask me whether my daughter ever received their gift. I don't know what to say.

What are your suggestions? Is it too late for my daughter to send out thank-you notes now, almost three years later? Should I just drop it and not let it bother me anymore? Thank you for your response. -- Mother

Dear Mother: Sadly, I doubt you're the only mom who's been in this position. Social niceties are going the way of the dodo and landline telephone these days.

Talk to your daughter and her spouse (who is just as much to blame,

by the way) about the importance of making this right. Encourage them to set aside an entire day to get the thank-yous done. They may be putting off sending them out at this point because they're embarrassed about how much time has passed. But it's better late than never. A nice handwritten thank-you note means a lot in this age of emojis and instant gratification.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Frustrated Grandma," who constantly gets stuck baby-sitting the grandkids with little appreciation from her son. Brian and Amanda need to take Grandma on the cruise with them or send Grandma on a cruise with Grandpa or a friend to thank her for all that she does each year. -- Jackie in Florida

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Today in History

Today is Thursday, Aug. 12, the 224th day of 2021. There are 141 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 12, 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Airlines Boeing 747 on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people. (Four people survived.)

On this date:

In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton, with whom he had clashed over Reconstruction policies. (Johnson was acquitted by the Senate.)

In 1902, International Harvester Co. was formed by a merger of McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., Deering Harvester Co. and several other manufacturers.

In 1909, the Indianapolis

Motor Speedway, home to the Indianapolis 500, first opened.

In 1939, the MGM movie musical "The Wizard of Oz," starring Judy Garland, had its world premiere at the Strand Theater in Oconomowoc (oh-KAH'-noh-moh-wahk), Wisconsin, three days before opening in Hollywood.

In 1953, the Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

In 1960, the first balloon communications satellite — the Echo 1 — was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral.

In 1964, author Ian Fleming, 56, the creator of James Bond, died in Canterbury, Kent, England.

In 1981, IBM introduced its first personal computer, the model 5150, at a press conference in New York.

In 1994, in baseball's eighth work stoppage since 1972, play-

ers went on strike rather than allow team owners to limit their salaries. (The strike ended in April 1995.)

In 2000, the Russian nuclear submarine Kursk and its 118-man crew were lost during naval exercises in the Barents Sea.

In 2013, James "Whitey" Bulger, the feared Boston mob boss who became one of the nation's most-wanted fugitives, was convicted in a string of 11 killings and dozens of other gangland crimes, many of them committed while he was said to be an FBI informant. (Bulger was sentenced to life; he was fatally beaten at a West Virginia prison in 2018, hours after being transferred from a facility in Florida.)

In 2017, a car plowed into a crowd of people peacefully protesting a white nationalist rally in the Virginia college town of Charlottesville, killing 32-year-old Heather Heyer and hurting more than a dozen others. (The attacker, James Alex Fields, was sentenced to life in prison on 29 federal hate crime charges,

and life plus 419 years on state charges.) President Donald Trump condemned what he called an "egregious display of hatred, bigotry and violence on many sides."

Ten years ago: A divided three-judge panel of the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta struck down the centerpiece of President Barack Obama's sweeping health care overhaul, the so-called individual mandate. (The mandate was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in June 2012.) Tiger Woods missed the cut at the PGA Championship at Atlanta Athletic Club with a 3-over 73, finishing out of the top 100 for the first time ever in a major.

Five years ago: The Pentagon said that Hafiz Saeed Khan, a top Islamic State group leader in Afghanistan, had been killed in a U.S. drone strike the previous month. A judge in Milwaukee overturned the conviction of Brendan Dassey, who was found guilty of helping his uncle kill a woman in a case profiled in the Netflix series "Making a Murderer," ruling that investigators coerced

a confession using deceptive tactics. (The ruling was later overturned by a federal appeals court; the U.S. Supreme Court would decline to hear the case.) Katie Ledecky won her fourth gold medal of the Rio Olympics, shattering her own mark in the 800-meter freestyle.

One year ago: Appearing together for the first time as running mates, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris put aside their one-time political rivalry to deliver an aggressive attack on the character and performance of President Donald Trump; because of the coronavirus, their appearance came in a mostly empty high school gym in Delaware. Trump again pressed Congress to steer future coronavirus funding away from schools that did not reopen in the fall. Seattle's school board voted unanimously to begin the academic year with remote teaching only. Tribune Publishing said it would be closing the newsrooms at five newspapers, including The Daily News in New York; employees would continue to work from home as they had during the pandemic. Hank

Williams Jr., Marty Stuart and songwriter Dean Dillon were named as the new inductees to the Country Music Hall of Fame.

Today's Birthdays: Actor George Hamilton is 82. Actor Dana Ivey is 80. Actor Jennifer Warren is 80. Rock singer-musician Mark Knopfler (Dire Straits) is 72. Actor Jim Beaver is 71. Singer Kid Creole is 71. Jazz musician Pat Metheny is 67. Actor Sam J. Jones is 67. Actor Bruce Greenwood is 65. Country singer Danny Shirley is 65. Pop musician Roy Hay (Culture Club) is 60. Rapper Sir Mix-A-Lot is 58. Actor Peter Krause (KROW'-zuh) is 56. Actor Brent Sexton is 54. International Tennis Hall of Famer Pete Sampras is 50. Actor-comedian Michael Ian Black is 50. Actor Yvette Nicole Brown is 50. Actor Rebecca Gayheart is 50. Actor Casey Affleck is 46. Rock musician Bill Uechi is 46. Actor Maggie Lawson is 41. Actor Dominique Swain is 41. Actor Leah Pipes is 33. Actor Lakeith Stanfield is 30. NBA All-Star Kris Middleton is 30.

AGNES

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I'M EMPATHY WOMAN. HOW CAN I FEEL YOUR PAIN? I'M FINE.
NONSENSE... NO ONE IN THIS TRAILER PARK IS FINE. I AM.
YOU NEED ANYONE'S FACE RIPPED OFF? YOU LOOK TOO EAGER.

ANDY CAPP

ARCHIE

ARCHIE
GOOD GRIEF! WHAT'S WITH JUSHEAD?
OH, HE'S JUST REALIZING THAT SUMMER WILL END SOON...
AND THINKING ABOUT ALL THE STUFF HE HAS TO DO BEFORE IT DOES!

ONE BIG HAPPY

THE BARN

THE BARN
LOOK AT ALL THESE THINGS WE CAN DO, ANDY. THERE'S JUST TOO MUCH CHOICE.
PROBLEM SOLVED, PET.
JOE, CAN YOU GET INTO HEAVEN IF YOU HAVE A TATTOO?
IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE TATTOO SAYS. IF IT SAYS, "GOD IS A CHUMP..."
THEN THEY'RE NOT GONNA LET YOU IN, RUTHIE.
HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT, JOE? EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT!

HOW DARE YOU?! I'M OFFENDED!!
I'M APPALLED!!!
ORDERS FROM "STAR BLEAT," SIR?
NO, JUST CATCHING UP ON MY TWITTER. OOO! TELL THEM I'M INCENSED!

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Horoscopes By Holiday

THURSDAY August 12, 2021

Thoughts Under the Lover's Moon

It is said that love is blind. Not true! To see only what we want to see instead of the person before us isn't love -- it's narcissism. Love is curious and open, seeking to know flaws and strengths alike. Love -- which requires abundant powers of observation by definition -- cannot be blind. Love does, however, know when to shut its eyes.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It will be up to you to cast a certain role. Avoid the comfortable trap of merely filling the slot with someone you know. Choose the one with the right accomplishments to earn the position.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). An adoring supporter will pay more attention to you than you're used to receiving. This person either has a lot of heart or a lot of free time. Likely, both are true.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The balance of power is heavily weighted on one side of a relationship. There's a better way to coexist. Conversations go better with a mediator.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There are those who live in a palace and still feel poor inside. Wealth is not all about money. You'll make heart-guided decisions to grow the riches that matter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Fear, worry and sadness are all teachers. Anger, jealousy and humiliation are even better teachers! Without negative emotions, we wouldn't evolve very quickly -- or possibly at all.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Rarely does beauty wave you down then make an undeniable presentation. Instead, beauty is mysterious and makes itself available to those with the eye for it. In today's case, beauty hides in plain sight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Life often meets your expectation. This is why you avoid seeing things as dire or less than optimum. Truly, there is much to work with in your environment today. These strange conditions might even be ideal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In a quiet moment, you may notice that you are missing someone. Follow the pang -- reach out and share. It will bring good fortune and, possibly, healing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're the boss. Keep it simple and life will follow the order you set for it. Pick just one plan. Then, before you talk to anyone or make a move, envision how you want things to go down.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Our weaknesses are our greatest advantages. How are we going to use them if we don't know

what they are? This is what makes the feedback of enemies, frenemies and the rude general public so extremely valuable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If courage had form -- if it could be heaped into mounds like gold or gathered up like blossoms -- you'd see that you somehow have much more of it than can actually fit inside you. Use it indiscriminately. You've plenty!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The displacement you feel is likely the result of overthinking. No one will say your due diligence was lacking! After you've exhausted all reason, an intuitive logic will take over to quietly guide you home.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Aug. 12). You've a sense of being deeply rooted -- of belonging to yourself wherever you are in the wide world. You'll make changes to favor a lovelier and more stable lifestyle. Cupid is on your side and you'll be taken with the people who not only love you back, but also help you make tangible life improvements. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 13, 5, 7, 12 and 41.

COSMIC QUESTION:

"Should I go to graduate school? I'm a fine arts major. I've not sold my work yet, but I feel like I'm getting somewhere with it. I've been accepted to a school with a strong program. The only thing is, it's really expensive. I'm a Libra. What do you think?"

Graduate school will hand you friendships and give you an "in" with professional relationships you would have to work harder to establish if you choose another route. The advantages of school will put you ahead of the game for the first two years of your art career. Even so, with or without school you'll have the work of developing a routine and style of hustling, networking, creating, marketing and being in a lifestyle that sustains your art. So, the practical question is one of affordability. If you think you can afford the tuition, invest in yourself. But also know, the schooling has little to do with your success as an artist. That part is all about the commitment you have to the daily grind of it. Libra's aesthetic is strong and identifiable right out of the gate. Your eye is tuned and your heart is filled with intent to put something remarkably beautiful in the world. Best of luck!

holds Mercury and Venus for Affleck, which indicates a perfectionist streak and intense work ethic.

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- Cruise ship amenity
- Keyboarding stat.
- ___-ops (CIA activities)
- Following
- It has an LAX hub
- Rebus puzzle conjunction
- Sob syllable
- Nothing at all
- Affecting attitudes unfairly
- Former *Idol* judge's nickname
- Language of a former Russian republic
- Vino* center
- Buffoon
- Lake former
- Word before pocket or pillow
- Snatch away
- Ford make, on registrations
- Certain shooter, for short
- EU charter member
- Forest Service agency
- Casual welcome
- Fortune 100 insurer
- Fourth *Idol* winner
- Spanish Olympian's quest
- Family nickname
- Sweet and cuddly
- "Yuck!"
- Organic sealant
- It could be a plot
- Ethnic Hungarian
- Guest house
- Scoreboard headers

DOWN

- School system CEO
- Edenic
- Conquistador macedonio*
- Winds of War* writer
- First-class
- Casual farewell
- Papaya products
- Extend outward
- Loser's lament
- Sun, to Shelley
- Weather Service stat.
- Note written without consonants
- Guru's chants
- Foxx Oscar film
- "All right!"
- Piece of a cord
- Ultimate result
- Sketcher's purchase
- 3-D exam
- Letters on gold keys
- Essayist/novelist/playwright Susan
- Tie-wearing toon since the '50s
- Jelly Belly fruity flavor
- Air freshener scent
- High in the sky
- SNL's Biden portrayer (2020)
- Hatchet-handling crusader
- Frequent opponent of Laver
- What Caesar called Troy
- Price Is Right* host
- Founder of *Fortune*
- Clark Gable, in *The Hucksters*
- Mentioned briefly
- Joe Montana's school
- "Zip-___-Doo-Dah"
- Capital before Des Moines
- Duly receive
- Do some squirming
- Collegian's selection
- Infiniti alternative
- Eke out a living
- Auction caution
- Needing deflating
- Societal structure: Abbr.
- Slick stuff
- Outlandishly

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SUDOKU

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!

Today's Answers

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Level: Intermediate

CROSSWORD Today's Answers

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