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Recognizing community partners

Appreciation signs presented by D.A.V.







HERALD photos/Amanda Duforat

Signs of appreciation were presented to SpringCreek Fellowship (above left), Star Dodge (above), Back in Motion (above right), and the Holcomb Family (at left), during a recent D.A.V. meeting.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Community support is making a positive impact in the lives of local veterans. The DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Chapter 47 of Big Spring recently recognized four local community partners with their new appreciation signs at the September meeting.

"The support we receive from the community is what allows us to continue to serve the veterans in Big Spring and Howard County," Mike Tarpley, Senior Vice Commander of the DAV Chapter 47, said. "With the recent pandemic situation, our fundraising opportunities have been limited and our annual Forget Me Not Drives have not been able to take place."

Representatives from Back in Motion, Star Dodge, The Holcomb Family and Spring Creek Fellowship were on hand to receive the appreciation signs. The new signage is meant to be

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Big Spring Refinery Environmental Department focused on providing safe environment locally

Special to the Herald

A cleaner environment is one of the main focuses at the Big Spring Refinery.

The Environmental Department at the Big Spring Refinery manages multiple Federal and State regulations and requirements across three different environmental areas. These are the Clean Air Act (Air), the Clean Water Act (Water) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (Land). Air, Water and Land: the areas that people come in contact with every day.

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Courtesy photo/Jesse Bravo.

Pictured Left to Right: Jim Miller, Nishanth Singh, Chad

Pints for Polio annual event expanding reach, raising funds to help eradicate Polio

Stewart, and Frank Burgard

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

In 2020, COVID-19 caused a lot of things to be canceled, among them, the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club's annual Pints for Polio event. Even this year, the event's usual March schedule was still a bit close to the height of the pandemic, and the decision was made to move it to Oct. 9. "This is the fifth annual Pints for

Polio," said Jeff Ward, Pints for Polio committee member with the GBSRC. "It's going to be at the Howard County Fair Barn this Saturday from 7 to 11 p.m."

The event serves as a fundraiser both for the local club and for the ongoing battle to eradicate polio worldwide.

"Half the money we raise stays in Big

Spring, in our community," Ward said. "The other half is donated to the End Polio Now Foundation it's matched two to one by The Gates Foundation. So if we raise \$15,000, that's \$45,000 going to our initiative. So far, in the four years we've done Pints for Polio, we've been responsible for the equivalent of over 400,000 vaccinations in the money we've raised and donated. Now, our donations in relation to the two-to-one match as well. So it's not just our donations, but it's our donations plus the match by The Gates Foundation." As in previous years, Pints for Polio

will feature a beer and wine tasting experience.

"We have over 50 different varieties of beer, ales and ciders," Ward said. "Eight different varieties of wine, all to

sample from. You have two tickets with

your price of admission. You're given two tickets to claim the two beers, or two drinks of your choice, that you want a full glass or a full drink of. You can sample all of the varieties that are there in a one to two ounce sampling. Once you decide which full drinks you want, you get tickets for those drinks."

In addition to the drinks, the event will feature food trucks, live entertainment as well as games and activities for all in attendance.

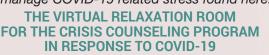
"We'll have The Band Big Spring opening for Mark McKinney performing," Ward said. "We'll have a cornhole tournament starting before the event, but when they are done, they're leaving the cornhole board there for patrons of our event to play cornhole on."

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Obituaries

Richard Mendoza

Richard Mendoza, 62, died Aug. 20, 2021, at Lubbock Heart Hospital after a short ill-

> Rosary will be held Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, at 7 p.m. at St. Thomas Church, 605 N. Main St., Big Spring.

> Richard was born Oct. 2, 1958. He was raised in Big Spring, Texas, by his parents, the late Santos Mendoza Sr., and Juana Mendoza.

Richard graduated from Big Spring

High School. He had a love for classic cars, which took him to work in the automotive industry.

He is survived by his mother, Juana Mendoza; one daughter, Starla Marie Mendoza; two granddaughters, Bianca Marie Mendoza and Gianna Marie Mendoza; one grandson, Robert Carlos Gonzales; one sister, Janie Marin and husband, Frank; and two brothers, Robert Mendoza and Santos Mendoza Jr.

He is preceded in death by his father, Santos Mendoza Sr.; and two brothers, Andres "Andy" Mendoza and Phillip Mendoza Sr.

Paid Obituary

Marijann Bailey Stevens (Jann)

Marijann Bailey Stevens (Jann) of Big Spring entered the kingdom of our Lord on Oct.

> Jann was born Oct. 20, 1935, to Walker Green and Francis Wynelle Bailey. She started 1st grade at Forsan High School in September 1942 where her father coached and taught math. She then moved to Big Spring in January when her father was elected to office. She attended College Heights for seven years garnering

lifelong friends that started school and graduated with her. She attended HCJC for one year and eventually graduated from Texas Tech in 1966. She then returned to Forsan ISD and taught everything from business, English, journalism, and history to P.E. Through the years she did the yearbook, the newspaper, sponsored the cheerleaders, the pep squad,

and various classes and senior trips. In 1996, she decided to retire after 30 years in teaching. She was loved by her many friends and colleagues as well as two generations of her students – she so enjoyed helping them grow as young adults.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Walker and Wynelle Bailey; her oldest son, Don Bradley Stevens; daughter, Valerie Beth Stevens; and oldest grandson, Jason Bailey Stevens. She is survived by her youngest son, Vance Bai-

ley and Donna Fay Stevens of Montgomery, Texas; youngest grandson, Landon Jared and Randi Stevens of Baird, Texas; and great-grandchildren Stokley Ann Stevens of Abilene, Texas, Landry Bailey Stevens of Baird, Texas, Charles Bailey Stevens of Kemah, Texas, and other cousins and loved ones. She was our matriarch and our family-thread,

and we will miss her kindness and her wisdom. According to her wishes, there will be a small

family and close friends service with her ashes to be buried in the family plot at Trinity Memorial.

Paid Obituary

Christopher Wade Moore

Christopher Wade Moore, 52 of Abilene, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021. A time of visitation with the family will be Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021, from 6-8 p.m. at North Park Baptist. A memorial service will be held Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, at 10 a.m. at North Park Baptist Church, 1525 Anson Ave,

under the direction of Piersall Funeral Directors, 733 Butternut Street.

Chris was born Feb. 6, 1969, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, to C.W. and Bit Moore. After high school, Chris enlisted in the US Marine Corps. During his service he received expert, the Marine Corps highest award, on three occasions in both rifle and pistol markmanship. He also received a National Defense Service Medal and a Navy Unit Commendation. He was trained as an Antitank Assaultman and Basic Security Guard. Chris was honorably discharged in October 1991 as a Lance Corporal.

Chris is survived by his wife of 14 years, Ginger; their children, Darrion and Paisley; his parents, step-parents, sister, two step brothers and many extended family members and

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots in Chris' name. Condolences may be offered online at www.pbfuneraldirectors.com

Paid Obituary

Jana Sue Lockhart Morphis

Jana Sue Lockhart Morphis of Big Spring, Texas, walked through the gates of Heaven on Monday, Oct. 4, 2021. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021, at Spring Creek Fellowship in Big Spring. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Friday

evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at

👪 Nalley-Pickle & in Big Spring.

She was born Feb. 12, 1952, to Harvey "Gene" Lockhart and Elizabeth Williamson Miller. Jana Sue was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She attended Big Spring High School where she was a member of the Bible Club and FHA.

Jana Sue married Paul O'Brien and had three children, Hugh Don, Miranda and Enid. She later married Frank Morphis on June 18, 1999, and together, they had seven children. Jana Sue went to work at Westex Telephone in June of 2000 and

retired in February 2017 after 17 years of faithful

Those left to cherish her memories are her husband, Frank Morphis of Big Spring; children, Hugh Don and Michelle O'Brien of Blanchard, Okla., Miranda and Teddy Neves of Van Alstyne, Texas, Enid and Kenny Stonerook of Lindsey, Okla., Frank and Sarah Morphis of Waxahchie, Texas, Bubba and Kim Taylor of Maypearl, Texas, Cember and Michael Boyd of Holliday, Texas, and Joseph Morphis of Waxahachie, Texas; 25 grandchildren; 18 greatgrandchildren; brother, Michael Warren Lockhart of Big Spring, Texas; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jana Sue was preceded in death by her parents, Elizabeth Williamson Miller and Harvey "Gene" Lockhart; her sister, Patty Heckler; and her brother, Danny Lockhart.

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

Jennie Floreine Kohanek



Jennie Florine Kohanek, of Shallowater, Texas, passed away Tuesday, October 5, 2021, in Lubbock. A graveside service will be held Monday, October 11, at Mt. Olive Chapel in Big Spring. She will lie in state at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Saturday, Oct. 9, from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 10, from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m.

She was born Sept. 8, 1934, in Marlin, Texas.

Survivors include her husband, Eddie; children, Diana Best, Jennie Tindol, Steve Kohanek, Keith Kohanek and Jennifer Thurman; 19 grandchildren; and 32 great-grandchildren, plus several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, David and infant son; two brothers; and a sister.

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

Viola Lopez

Viola Lopez, 70, died Sept. 23, 2021. Rosary will be 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery. Viola is survived by three children, Thomasa Solis, Johnny Angel Solis, and Jose Maria Solis; her sister, Erlinda Ruiz, eight grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ignacia Lopez and Jose Lopez, son.

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

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 100 inmates at the time of this re-

- CALEB MICHAEL CALDWELL, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass habitation/shelter. • ALONSO MUNOZ FLORES JR, 33, was ar-
- rested by HCSO on a charge of order modified conditions. • ADRIANNA NOEL HERNANDEZ, 25, was
- arrested by BSPD on a charge of fail to maintain financial responsibility, no drivers license when unlicensed (x2).
- VICTORIA ANN HERNANDEZ, 21, was ar rested by BSPD on a charge of no drivers license when unlicensed. • FREDDY CANO RODRIGUEZ JR, 34, was ar-
- rested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram. • JOEL WALTON SMITH, 34, was arrested by
- BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 700 block of E I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2200 block of S. Main. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 600 block
- of Steakley. 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 Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700
- block of Lancaster. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1300
- block of S. Gregg Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 400 block of S. Benton. One person was transported to Sce-
- nic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 5200 block of Sterling Road. One person was transport-
- ed to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the MM 176 on W-20. One person was transported to
- Scenic Mountain Medical Center. MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block of Donley One person was transported to Scenic
- Mountain Medical Center. • BUILDING FIRE was reported in the 1400 block of Mesa Avenue. The fire was contained.
- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 1600 block of Osage. No transport was required. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900
- block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
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Trump to invoke executive privilege in Jan. 6 House probe

By ERIC TUCKER and MARY **CLARE JALONICK**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump intends to assert executive privilege in a congressional investigation into the Jan. 6 insurrection at the Capitol, a move that could prevent the testimony of onetime aides, according to a letter sent by lawyers for the former president.

The letter went to at least some witnesses who were subpoenaed by the House committee and it makes clear that Trump plans to invoke privileges meant to protect presidential communications from being shared with Congress. The substance of the letter was described Thursday by a person who has seen it and who spoke on condition of anonymity to The Associated Press because the letter was not yet public.

Spokespeople for Trump did not immediately return messages seeking comment. Trump said in a statement last month that he would "fight the Subpoenas on Executive Privilege and other grounds, for the good of our Country." The move sets the stage for a likely

clash with House Democrats who are investigating the roles of Trump and his allies in the run-up to the riot, when thousands of Trump supporters broke into the Capitol as Congress was certifying the results of the presidential election won by Democrat Joe Biden. The committee is rapidly issuing subpoenas to individuals who are either connected to Trump or helped plan the massive rally on the morning of Jan. 6 at which he told his supporters to "fight like hell." The committee, which was formed

over the summer, last month issued subpoenas to Mark Meadows, Trump's former chief of staff; Dan Scavino, the former deputy chief of staff for communications; Kashyap Patel, a former Defense Department official; and Steve Bannon, a former Trump adviser. It was not immediately clear how those witnesses would respond to Trump's decision to invoke executive privilege or what consequences they might face if they refuse to cooperate. Patel said in a statement that he will

"continue to tell the American people the truth about January 6." It did not say whether he would comply. Committee members have said they

plan to try and move swiftly to obtain testimony and documents should any witnesses refuse to cooperate. Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., tweeted that if the Trump associates do not comply, "they can be subject to criminal contempt." Charging the Trump associates

process, including votes of the full House and potential court proceedings. Because Trump no longer is in of-

with contempt could still be a lengthy

fice, he cannot directly assert privi-

lege to keep witnesses quiet or documents out of the hands of Congress. As the current president, Biden will have some say in the matter.

The committee has issued more than a dozen subpoenas to people linked to plans for the Jan. 6 protests, including three additional witnesses announced Thursday. Those individuals would be less likely to get help from Trump's executive privilege claims, which would be limited to people who worked in the White House.

The committee chairman, Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., said subpoenas had gone to Ali Abdul Akbar, also known as Ali Alexander, and Nathan Martin, as well the organization " Stop the Steal, " to learn more about a rally that was planned on the Capitol grounds at the same time as the larger gathering on the National Mall. The committee earlier subpoenaed 11 other individuals connected to the planning of that larger rally.

displayed at the business to allow the community to see the support that has been provided through the partnership. "There are several local businesses and families

who have been with us since the beginning of the Dove Hunt, the Memorial at the Plaza ceremony, and we want to make sure they realize how much they are appreciated it. With these signs the community will know the business is a supporter of the DAV and local veterans." In addition to the presentation of the signs, DAV

members recapped on the recent Dove Hunt and the feedback received from the veterans. The event has been taking place for the past eight years and continues to grow. Each year there are four veterans honored, with the previous years veterans returning in support of the event. Discussion also took place regarding Bikes

Across Big Spring which is also serving as a fundraiser for the local Chapter 47. The newly imple-

mented scholarships at Howard College were also discussed. This past year the DAV provided three \$1,000 scholarships to the local junior college to support veterans or children of veterans. After discussion it was decided that there would be five \$1,000 scholarships provided for veterans, children of veterans or grandchildren of veterans who attend Howard College.

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Our environmental department is currently staffed with one manager and three engineers: Frank Burgard, Manager; Jim Miller, Air Group Lead, Chemical Engineer and Professional Engineer; Nishanth Singh, Environmental Engineer and Chad Stewart, Environmental Engineer.

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Lopez, 70, Viola Thursday. died 7:00 PMRosary Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass 10:00 AM Saturday at Holy Catholic Trinity Church with burial at

Dorothy Johnson, 74, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Coahoma Cemetery.

\mathbf{POLIO}

Another activity — new to Pints for Polio this year — will let Pints patrons test their aim with an axe. "We'll also have an axe-throwing trailer

there at our event," Ward said. "Participants at the event can go in and throw an axe. They'll be giving away a Yeti cooler for the highest score. The scoring is like throwing darts, but you're throwing axes in this case." This year's Pints will once again feature

auctions — both silent and live.

"We have 28 different silent auction items," Ward said. "We have autographed memorabilia from the Texas Rangers. We have a scholarship to Howard College up for auction, along with some merchandise from Howard College. We have some items from The Train Car. We have some wine baskets up for auction in the silent auction. Then, in our live auction, we have some larger items. In this case, they will be Dallas Cowboys hall of famers' jerseys that are signed by Charles Hailey, Emmitt Smith, Troy Aikman, Michael Earvin. We have some big-ticket items that we are excited about because they raise money for the End Polio Now Campaign through Rotary International."

Ward explained some of the history of Rotary's campaign against polio.

"The End Polio Now Campaign started in 1985 through Rotary International, and it is an international Rotary campaign to eradicate polio from the world," he said. "To do that, we raise funds to support vaccines for polio, as well as travel and accommodations for those willing to go out and give the vaccine. This has been a 36year effort, and the number of active po-

lio cases in the world is in the low single digits. They are in the regions of Afghanistan and the Middle East that are hard-toreach areas. But we have to continue to inoculate the populations in those areas to make sure that it is eradicated and can't come back." Pints for Polio sponsors include the A-B

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Church News

College Baptist Church

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR IS HERE!!! Back to School block party is Saturday, October 9, at College Baptist Church beginning at 5 p.m. and ending at dark. Come join in the fun, food, and fellowship!!!

Jesus Christ, our Savior, is in the battle of the ages for the souls of men. Join us at College Baptist Church-the "Gathering" church body, where we welcome you as old and new members through salvation and baptism! Come see what God is doing at the corner of 11th and Birdwell Lane. We are open on Sunday morning at 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages. Worship time is at 10:45 a.m. On Wednesday, our praying Youth groups start at 6 p.m. and have a fellowship meal between 6 and 6:45. We have Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m. with children meeting for King's Kids and Krafts. Nursery is as needed. Girls' Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m. Come join in the fun as we celebrate this Autumn serving our Lord.

Our Service for October 10, 2021, will be a great time for families to gather and celebrate our God together. Our services are in the building, livestreaming, and on our Facebook page as well. Catch up on God's perfect plan! Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again—it will be exciting to welcome new faces and old alike. Our services are lively and worshipful.

As College Baptist Church continues on mission for our Lord, we are geared up for the new school year. Plans are being made for a Fall school event.

We definitely enjoy the worship time as our ministry team leads us in songs of praise, and where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, inspires us as we delve into God's Word. Come and study with us as to what it takes to really become a "turnaround, growing, dynamic church," knowing God cares for us so much He sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to save us. Focus on growth in Jesus as we continue into the year, as our pastor reminds us every Sunday, Jesus is coming soon! Please call: 432-267-7429 for more information concerning Men's, Ladies' and youth meetings at this great and friendly church. Pray that lives are changed by the power of our Savior, Jesus Christ our Cornerstone!

NazFamily Church

This Sunday

We know it is there, but no one wants to talk about it. How will people respond? It's uncomfortable and challenging. For too long, we have avoided difficult conversations in the church. The longer we ignore them, the bigger the elephants grow. If you've wondered how to address issues like politics, pornography, sexuality, mental health, or racism from a biblical perspective, then you won't want to miss this new series starting in September. It is time to discuss the Elephants in the Church.

Faith Promise

At NazFamily Church we believe that God is a missional God and He calls us to be a missional people. We are engaged in God's mission both locally and globally. Each year we make Faith Promise commitments to support these mission efforts. Join us on Sunday, October 10, as we step out in faith to support what God is doing to transform lives around the world.

MidWeek Meals

Wednesday Night NazFamily Meals are back! Starting on Wednesday, October 6, we will begin providing a meal before our MidWeek Service in the Fellowship Hall @ 6 p.m. Join us for food and fellowship each week.

MidWeek Groups

We have several midweek connection groups meeting. On Monday evenings @ 7 p.m. the "Sword & Shield" group will begin meeting at Walt & Lois Lane's home. They will be studying the book of Revelation together. On Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m., we are starting support groups for men and women, a prayer and study time with Pastor Richard, and "An Anchor in the Storm" group will meet. Contact the church office for more information. [church@nazfamily.org or 432-267-7015]

Men's Breakfast

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17) All men are invited to join us on Saturday, October 9 @ 8 a.m. for our Men's Prayer Breakfast as we sharpen and strengthen one another. You won't find a better breakfast anywhere in town.

Fall Fest

It's fall y'all! We will be hosting a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 30, from 12 noon - 2 p.m. There will be hay rides, games, goodies, hotdogs, s'mores and fun for the whole family. If you can help in any way, please contact Keely Gomez in the church office. Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to come out and be blessed.

Crestview Baptist Church

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Beautiful family home with 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2 living areas, sunroom and a screened in porch. Featuring a grand dining room with vaulted ceilings, crown moulding throughout home, sequestered master, large den with wet bar, wood burning fireplace and an open kitchen with granite countertops and a large pantry area. There are multiple decks, a swimming pool, pool equipment room, sprinkler system, 2 car garage, 2 car carport and a circle drive.





At Crestview Baptist Church, we believe the most fulfilling pursuit of believers is not entertainment, gimmicks, or programs.

The most fulfilling pursuit for a follower of Christ is to know Christ and His Word, so that we may live for Him. If you believe that, please come and worship with us! Sunday School starts at 10 a.m., Worship begins at 11 a.m., and our Sunday and Wednesday night meetings are at 6:30 p.m.

We are studying Biblical Doctrine. Come and be with us at 2305 Gatesville Rd., Big Spring.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall.

On Wednesdays we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have Evening prayer and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful

fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

First Presbyterian Church, Big

Come back to church! The Session hopes to bring members who have been doing church virtually back to REAL fellowship. Sunday, October 18, will be Rally Day, with a reception in the courtyard following worship. Light refreshments will be avail-

On Sunday, October 31, we will have a Fifth Sunday Potluck Lunch in Fellowship Hall.

Worship services begin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at Eighth and Runnels. Lectionary passages for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost are: Psalm 22;1-11; Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Mark 10:16-17; Hebrews 4:12-:16. Rev. Allen Cross will lead the worship service. The sermon topic is "The Temptation of Job." Organist/music director Gabe Martinez provides music for the service.

Sunday School begins at 9:45. Rev. Cross is teaching the Children's Class. Tom Koger leads the Youth Class. The Discovery Class begins the study, Act Like Jesus, authored by Randy Frazee, which will continue through October. Vicki Miller and Helen Glass are leading the study.

Sunday morning Take Ten fellowship is in the parlor between Sunday School and worship. Cecilia Hallford is host for this week.

TUESDAY

Communications Committee met October 5 in the church library.

WEDNESDAY

The Women's Bible Study and The History Lectures, moderated by Nancy Michaelis, are suspended through October 20.

Worship Committee met October 6 at 3 p m in the

The Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 p.m.

THURSDAY

Everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch at 11:30 a.m.

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Church Calendar

Daily Prayer Podcast (Monday-Saturday)

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Sunday Sermon Pod-

Anyone who is not attending worship physically may hear the service on KBST 1490 AM at 11 a.m. as usual or online www.fpcbigspring. com by selecting the SERMONS tab and the correct date.

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas, 79721.

First United Methodist Church First United Methodist Church is located just off

Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Our Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet and hymns. At 11 a.m.., The Bridge service featuring contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday

at 11 a.m. on radio station KBYG-105.5 FM. You can

also find the services live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring On Sunday, Oct. 3, Pastor Ricky continued his series entitled "Gifts that build the body of Christ".

In Romans 12, Pastor Ricky shared about the Gift of Exhortation. The Gift of Exhortation is a powerful gift that causes change to take place in God's people and inspire us to pass that encouragement along to others. The word encouragement or exhortation

hort them with truth. Let us urge one another to be all that God wants them to be. Come join us this Sunday as we look at what it means to have the gift of Giving.

means to come "alongside of." Let us come along

side of those who need and encouraging word or ex-

We look forward to seeing you.

Come join us for Sunday and Wednesday evening activities.

Sunday, Oct. 10, Children's Music Ministry at 5 p.m.; Youth Ministry at 5 p.m.; Wednesday, October 13, "Celebrate Recovery" will meet in youth Hall at 6 p.m.; Ladies Bible Study at 6 p.m.; Bridge practice at 6 p.m; Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.

For more information on any activity, please visit the web site at www.fumcbs.com or call the church office at 432-267-6394.

First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. To contact the church office or Pastor Brian Michaelz, call 432-517-4821.

We are an open, welcoming and compassionate church, pursuing a joyful relationship with Jesus. This year of the pandemic has been one none of

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If you or someone you know would like to be placed on the FCC prayer list, please contact the church office or tell one of the members.

We invite you to come as you are to give thanks for everything in a fresh way. If that sounds good to you, we would enjoy

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Reflections: Seasons

This week we visited Rocky Mountain National Park. The elk were out. Their bugle echoed through the hills.

Peaceful cows grazed in the mead-

ow under the watchful eye of an antlered bull. Through winter and summer they disappear into the vast forests, but, in the fall, when the Aspen tinge the mountain slopes with yellow, they appear, bold and fearless. Rams foraged among the rocks above the tree line overlooking the vast vista in the distance. They have been doing this for thousands of years, long before humans wandered these mountains.

All of nature is synchronized with the seasons. The geese fill the skies with wind singing in their wings. Monarch butterflies migrate from Canada to Mexico. The maple, oak and sumac

fire the hills with crimson and gold preparing the way for white blankets of snow.

Our concrete, plastic and glass world insulate us from nature's rhythms. So do our drugs. They deaden our souls and our senses. We are more alive when we connect with the rhythms God has built

The changing seasons seek to awaken us, to remind us that the same creative power that painted the mountains and designed the migrations of the birds also created us. All of life is lived in seasons, from birth to death.

Each is made for celebration, for life and learning and loving: playful childhood, visionary youth, responsible adulthood, reflective old age. The seasons of life fill our souls with songs of faith, love, hope, joy and sorrow. We all experience seasons of health and seasons of illness, seasons of plenty and seasons of lack, seasons of pain and seasons of joy. Ecclesiasts puts it best: "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace. (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8).

In all of our seasons we can celebrate God's presence as our creator and sustainer, the Savior of our

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

Something to think about...

We discussed the heartbreaking issues of pornography, exploitation, and sex rafficking on Sunday. Let me give you a few more sobering statistics today: Over 40 million people are held in slavery today. To put that into perspec-

tive, 40 million is a greater population than 160 countries in the world. 40 million people enslaved today is more than at any other time in

- 1 in 4 Slaves in the world is a child.

- HUMAN TRAFFICKING - Human trafficking generates about \$150 billion a year—two-thirds from commercial sexual

- A Child goes missing in India every 8 minutes. And nearly 1/2 are never found.

Things were made to be used and people were created to be loved. The problem in our world is that things are loved and people are used. There are thousands of traffickers using their power to enslave the weak and vulnerable. This is such a massive problem, what can we do? That made me think about something Tony Campolo shared. He was involved in developing a ministry that built a network of over eighty-five schools to serve children who have been reduced to a life of slavery.

On one trip when Tony went to visit the schools, he stayed at the Holiday Inn right in the center of Port-au-Prince. One night when he was walking into the entrance of the hotel, he was interrupted by three girls who were probably around fourteen and fifteen years old. One in the middle said, "Mister, for ten dollars you can have me all night long." He was shocked by what she just said. He turned to the girl next to her and asked, "Can I have you for ten dol-

lars?" She nodded.

He turned to the third girl and asked the same question. She tried to conceal her contempt with a smile. It's hard to look sexy when your fifteen, from a poor family and you're hungry. Tony said, "Fine, I've got thirty dollars! I'm in room 210 be up there in 30 minutes. I'll pay you then and I want all three of you for the whole night."

He rushed up to the room and got on the phone, called down to the front desk and said, "Send every Disney video you have up to room 210. Anything Disney. Send it up to me." He called down to the restaurant and asked if they made banana splits. He told them he wanted banana splits with extra everything. He wanted them to be huge and delicious.

Within the half hour the videos came, the three girls came, and the banana splits came. He sat the girls on the edge of the bed. They ate the banana splits and watched the videos until about one in the morning. That's when the last one fell asleep. As he sat in the chair and looked at them, Tony said, "I thought to myself, Nothing's changed! Nothing's changed! Tomorrow they will be back on the streets. Tomorrow they will be selling their little bodies for ten dollars a throw, because there will always be ugly men who will destroy the dignity of little girls for ten dollars a night. Nothing's changed!"

Then the Spirit spoke to him and said, "But for one night, Tony, you let them be little girls again. For one night you let them be kids. You didn't change their lives, but for one night you gave them back their childhood." Maybe we can't solve this huge problem on our own, but we can give value and dignity to people. We can restore hope and trust that God can provide a way out. We can pray and we can support great organizations like the International Justice Mission or Nazarene Compassionate Ministries. We can't do everything, but we can do something! Find out more at www.ncm.org or www.ijm.org

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Sunday morning Social Time - pre-Worship Service - starts approximately 9:30 a.m. in the Sitting Room by the office. Donuts, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Hot Tea and Bottled Water Worship Service starts at 10:50 a.m. Hope to see you there!

A new brick program has been started. Those who would like to know more information about the thankful brick program can contact Pastor Brian at 469-978-7547.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church (aka - CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ.

We would love the opportunity to Connect with YOU! You can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship on Sundays (onsite) at 9:30 a.m. and (onsite & online) 11 a.m. and Wednesdays (onsite) at 7 p.m.

Please join us this week at one of the following

Sunday, Oct. 10–Have you ever lost anything? Have you ever lost something of great value to you

personally? Perhaps, you were once lost.

In this new series, "FOUND", Pastor Willard teaches us the importance of honoring the opportunity to go after that which has been lost. Make plans to join us for this powerful new preaching series, "FOUND" at our Sunday Worship service at 9:30 a.m. and/or 11 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 10- We welcome all adult singles to Complete Singles at 5:30 p.m. in the ARC. Join us as we are in a six-week bible study called U-Turns: Reversing the Consequences in your Life by Dr. Tony

Monday, Oct. 18- Join us for (FAR) Far Above Rubies women's night from 6-8 p.m. in the ARC. Our desire is to foster an environment and opportunity for women to grow in their relationship with Christ and connect with other women. Bring your favorite dish, a friend and your bible as we enjoy a night of fun, food and fellowship together.

Oct. 23 and Oct. 24-We are excited to announce our 14th Annual Member's Appreciation Banquet. To honor this momentous occasion, we have planned a special Appreciation Weekend. We will have our Member's Appreciation Banquet Saturday, Oct. 23 at 6 p.m., in the Main Sanctuary at CCC. Our key-

note speaker is Comedian Jason Earls of Dallas. This night will be filled with fun, food, awards and great entertainment.

Then Sunday, Oct. 24, join us for our 14th Church Anniversary Celebration worship service at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Pastor Ken Bennett of Connect Church Plano, Texas, will be bringing the message.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432-264-0015, email us at info@ cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at www. cccbigspring.org if you would like more informa-

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Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m. and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

The readings for this Sunday are Amos 5:6-7,10-15, Hebrews 3:12-19, and Mark 10: 17-22. The psalm is Psalm 90:12-17.

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Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is back. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6 p.m. We are beginning a new bible study. Please come and join us.

Dolline Budke will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions:

"Morning Meditation Thoughts". Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

Life Church

You are welcome to join us every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. for an experience in the Word and in Worship.

Families are invited to join us on Oct. 15-17 for

Family Revival Service. Jubilee Gang will be with us the weekend ministering to the entire family. Ladies, you are invited to join us every Wednesday at noon for our Seek Prayer Group. The Zoom

meeting information for Seek can be found on our One Sisterhood Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/onesisterhoodbigspringtx/ Youth of Life will meet on Wednesdays from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on the Life Church Campus. For

more information about youth of Life follow their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ youthofLifeChurch Life Kids will have their classes this Sunday. Our Nursery is available for those ages newborn to 2. Our Toddlers class serve those ages 3 & 4. Our

Teen class serves those ages 9-12. Visit and follow the Life Kids Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/Life-Kids-Life-Church-Big-Spring-TX-1654730487977488/ for more informa-

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Do you have an interesting sports item or

Week 7: Steers look to stay hot. Coahoma, and Forsan kick off district play The Coahoma Bulldogs are also coming off of

By DUSTIN POPE

Herald Sports Writer

It's Friday night, football fans! So, of course, that means one thing down in these parts, and that is Friday Night Lights! This week we are back to all three of our local teams in action, so we have a full slate of what should be some good football games ahead of us.

We will start with the 5-1 Big Spring Steers. Big Spring will have a very long road trip tonight as they will travel to Pampa to take on the Pampa Harvesters, who are also 5-1 on the year. Big Spring is



coming three straight victories after they dropped the game to Monahans. The Steers are coming off a dominant win over Littlefield

last week as they won the game 49-27 at Memorial Stadium. Quarterback Gabriel Baeza, who had a monster game, led them. He accounted for 532 total yards offense and seven touchdowns. The performance of Baeza has got the attention of Dave Campbell's High School Football. As a result, they have nominated Baeza for Mr. Texas player of the week. The Steers will face a very tough test this week as they will not only have to battle a very long road trip, but they will have to play a very gamer Pampa Harvesters. Pampa comes into this matchup also sporting a 5-1 record. Pampa lost its first game of the season to Elk City, then they have rolled off five

straight victories, including a very close match against Perryton 44-41 last week. A very good running back in which the Pampa offense goes through leads Pampa. For the Steers to have a shot in this game, they must contain this RB and, of course, use their dynamic offense to put pressure on the Harvester's defense. While this will be the toughest matchup for the Steers, I think they are playing too good of the ball right now and lead by Gabriel Baeza; I don't see this team being stopped. Their game will be in Pampa, and they set kickoff for 7 P.M.

Next up, we have your Forsan Buffaloes. The Buffs have a 5-0 record and are ranked #10 in Texas in 2A Division 1. Forsan has been playing some great football throughout the season, and they have earned that prestigious #10 team in the state. The Buffs are coming off a by eweek last week as they prepared for the start of district play this week. Forsan will match



that reaches over 20 straight games. While on paper, this should be a blowout, and yes, I expect that from this Buffaloes team. Coach Phillips will not let this team look past any opponent, and he will have this team ready to play on full cylinders. The game will be in Colorado City, and kickoff will be at 7:30 P.M.

their bye week as too pare for district play. The Bulldogs are 2-3 on the season and have had their difficulties

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this season. I'm sure they took the week off to fix the minor problems they have been having. Unfortunately, it won't get any easier for the Bulldogs tonight as they open up district play against the 5-0 Idalou Wildcats. Idalou also comes into this game with a #10 ranking. This will be a stiff test for a Bulldog team, but I know Coach Joslyn will have these boys ready to go when they step on the field tonight. This game will be at Coahoma home field, and kickoff will be at 7:30 P.M.

It should be another Friday night filled with some great local football. We have some teams that are rolling right now, and we have some trying to find themselves, but that's what makes this game so great anyone can win on any day. So if you are traveling this Friday, please do so safely, and we pray for the safe return for all the fans and teams alike. As always, ill have a short breakdown of all three games in the Saturday edition of the Big Spring Herald; until then, enjoy some football.

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Week 6 Preview: Top-5 matchup in Big Ten; Texas-OU in Big 12

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

The last time UConn faced UMass was 2019 and it was a wild game.

The teams combined for 91 points and more than 900 yards as the Huskies beat the Minutemen 56-35. That was the last time UConn won a football game.

The Huskies bring a 10-game losing streak into the Saturday's game against UMass, which has lost 16 straight.

It won't be the best game of Week 6, but one of the longest losing streaks in the country will be broken and since neither team plays much defense it could be another wild one.

Elsewhere around the country, a top-five matchup in the Big Ten and the Big 12's biggest rivalry — at least for now —- highlight the schedule.

BEST GAME

No. 4 Penn State at No. 3 Iowa.

The first regular-season top-five matchup in the Big Ten that does not involved Michigan or Ohio State since a Wisconsin-Minnesota game in 1962 has both conference and playoff implications.

This probably won't be the prettiest game, with two of the Big Ten's best defenses facing offenses that have have various limitations.

The Hawkeyes have an 11-game winning streak in which they have allowed an average 12.8 points per game. The Nittany Lions come to

Kinnick Stadium a week after shutting out Indiana and having held opponents scoreless on almost half their trips into the red zone.

Penn State senior Sean Clifford has been playing some of the best football of his career with 11 touchdown passes, but he'll need to be especially careful against an Iowa defense that leads the country in interceptions with 12.

HEISMAN WATCH

The Red River Rivalry between No. 6 Oklahoma and No. 21 Texas matches one rising Heisman Trophy contender against another who is still looking for a breakout game.

Sooners quarterback Spencer Rattler has been good, completing 76.2% of his passes with 10 touchdowns and four interceptions, but not quite the Heisman favorite he was touted as entering the season.

There's still time for the sophomore to surge and no better to do it than against the rival Longhorns in a game that will go a long way toward sorting out the Big 12.

Meanwhile, Texas running back Bijan Robinson is second in the nation in rushing at 130.4 yards per game and has scored nine touchdowns.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

0-9 — Utah's record at Southern California. The Utes visit the L.A. Coliseum on Saturday.

14 — Number of consecutive games against ranked teams Nebraska has lost. The Cornhuskers host No. 9 Michigan on Saturday.

100 — No. 1 Alabama's winning streak against unranked teams. The Tide can extend that streak at Texas A&M, which definitely wasn't what was expected when the Aggies started the season No. 6 in the country.

125 — The number of times No. 3 Georgia and No. 18 Auburn have played in the Deep South's Oldest Rivalry. Game 126 will be Saturday on The Plains. It will be just the second since 1936 that the Bulldogs and Tigers will play outside the month of November.

1944 — The last year No. 19 Wake Forest started a season 6-0. The unbeaten Demon Deacons look for their sixth victory at Syracuse.

UNDER THE RADAR

UTSA at Western Kentucky

The Roadrunners are 5-0 and look like Conference USA's best team. The Hilltoppers are 1-3.

Don't be fooled, though. Western Kentucky's losses have come against

Army and two Big Ten teams (Indiana and Michigan State).

The Hilltoppers have the nation's leading passer in Bailey Zappe, averaging 428 yards per game, and UTSA has C-USA's best defense.

HOT SEAT

Geoff Collins is in his third season trying to transition Georgia Tech (2-3) from the option team it had been under Paul Johnson.

It's time to show progress, but the Yellow Jackets have been wildly inconsistent. They have lost to Northern Illinois and beaten North Carolina. They played Clemson close in a low-scoring game and allowed 52 points in a blowout loss to Pittsburgh.

Georgia Tech goes to Duke on Saturday. The Blue Devils are 3-2, but that includes victories against Kansas. Northwestern and an FCS school.

This is a game Collins and Georgia Tech need if they're going to reach a bowl game.





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Dear Annie: I have a child with a woman who is 20 years younger than me. Having a child was not planned. I'm grateful for our child, but I'm not in love with her mother. I've tried to explain to her that I love her for the mother she is but that I'm not in love with her.

She found old letters in my closet from an ex that I was in love with over six years ago, and she wonders why I can't love her the way I did my ex. I tried explaining to her that she isn't my ex and what we have is completely different from that relationship.

Shortly after our daughter's birth, things got rough between us, and she took my daughter and everything I'd bought for

her. I did not get to see her for two months. Through a lot of court and financial upsets, I finally got to see my daughter. We now live together, just so that I can see my daughter and know that she's taken care of -- but I'm still not in love with her mother, nor do I trust

How do you get someone to understand vou're not in love with them and it's best to go our separate ways co-parenting our child than to live in a distrustful, jealousy-filled environment? Avoiding each other isn't a healthy environment in which to raise our daughter. -- Loving Father, Concerned for his Daughter's Well-Be-

Dear Loving Father: Everyone comes into our life for a reason. Some are meant

to stay forever. Some are meant to teach us something. Some are meant to offer companionship or love or guidance.

You share a child with this woman, and that is something very special. But it doesn't mean she is a good match as your life partner and vice versa. If she doesn't understand that message, it's best to speak with a couples therapist or mediator to help you two communicate.

And do let her know that although she is not the love of your life, she has given you something no one else can: your daughter.

Dear Annie: I live in New Mexico and had a longtime friendship with a lady who had tragic things happen in her life. Her oldest son committed suicide at

16. Her husband died at 49. My husband and I really went above and beyond to help her after both of these untimely deaths.

She has a younger married son and a grandson who moved from New Mexico to Austin, Texas, five years ago. This friend and her mother moved a year later, as she particularly wanted to be near her 9-year-old grandson.

I have tried to keep in touch with her, texting mostly, and I send "thinking of you" cards, etc. She only seems to text me after I have texted her first. Lately, she seems to not be attentive at all whereas before, she would try more.

I have a feeling her life is different now in Texas. Maybe she has new friends and is los-

ing touch with her old friends who were there for her when she was in need.

My question is, should I keep trying to stay in touch with her, though sometimes hard from a distance, or let her make more of an effort if she really wants to keep our friendship? I would appreciate any advice on this. -- Marlene

Dear Marlene: You sound like an extraordinary friend and continue to prove that in the way you show up for those who are important to you -- be it years ago, when this woman experienced unimaginable loss and needed support through the grief, or today, in how you keep the door open for communication and friendship despite the physical distance between you two.

Over time, friendships ebb and flow, and it seems right now, this one is ebbing.

Be direct and ask what's going on for your friend in Texas. There may be a handful of reasons why she isn't putting in the same effort you are. It might be that you two have simply outgrown each other. If so, focus on your more fruitful friendships, but keep this door open for a future connection to flow.

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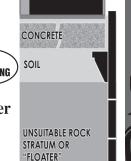
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By Steve Becker

trick and goes down one. This was

↑ K Q J 10 8 5 2 ♥ 8 4

Now let's suppose you had shifted

to a diamond at trick three, which

seems the more natural thing to do. In that case, South can make the contract with correct play. He wins the

diamond with the ace and leads a trump to his king. You take the ace

South ruffs, cashes the queen of

trump, leads a club to dummy's king,

ruffs the nine of hearts and plays two

more trumps to produce this position:

East

North

West

♥Q

and lead another diamond.

South's hand at the start:

♣J62

Test your defensive play

You are West, defending against Four Spades after South opened with three spades and was raised by North to four. You lead the king of hearts, on which East plays the three and South the four. When you next lead the ace of hearts, East plays the six and South the eight. Which card would you now play at trick three?

NORTH ↑76 ♦ A Q 8 4 WEST **♠** A 3 **♥** A K Q 7 **♦**652

♣Q 10 8 3 This problem comes from the book "More Killing Defense at Bridge" by the brilliant Scottish

player/writer Hugh W. Kelsey. The hand is another example of why most experts agree that defense is the most difficult part of the game. The correct play at trick three is

the queen of hearts! You should play the queen even though you know your partner has the missing ten of hearts (because he did not play highlow to show a doubleton). When declarer ruffs the heart and plays a trump, you grab the ace

and lead another heart to kill dum-

my's jack. East ruffs and declarer

overruffs, but South later loses a club

♣Q 10 South Declarer leads the eight of spades, and you are caught in a squeeze. If

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you discard a club, dummy discards a heart; if you discard a heart, dummy discards a club. Either way, declarer makes the last three tricks and the West must be exceptionally alert

to foresee what might happen to him if he fails to lead the queen of hearts at trick three. But that's the highly demanding type of game bridge is.

Tomorrow: Thrust and counterthrust.

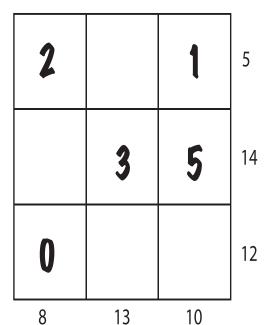


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ANSWER: TWO MINUTES

Math Blocks

Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-10. The numbers in each row add up to the totals on the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.



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Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

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Answer: Squirt toothpaste



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BIG SPRING HERALD Friday, October 8, 2021

Today is Friday, Oct. 8, the 281st day of 2021. There are 84 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 8, 1985, the hijackers of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro (ah-KEE'-leh LOW'-roh) killed American passenger Leon Klinghoffer, who was in a wheelchair, and threw his body overboard.

On this date:

In 1871, the Great Chicago Fire erupted; fires also broke out in Peshtigo, Wisconsin, and in several communities in Michigan.

In 1918, U.S. Army Cpl. Alvin C. York led an attack that killed 25 German soldiers and resulted in the capture of 132 others in the Argonne Forest in France.

In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was indicted by a grand jury in New Jersey for murder in the death of the kidnapped son

Today in History
is Friday, Oct. 8, the of Charles and Anne Morrow

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman told a press conference in Tiptonville, Tennessee, that the secret scientific knowledge behind the atomic bomb would be shared only with Britain and Canada.

In 1956, Don Larsen pitched the only perfect game in a World Series to date as the New York Yankees beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in Game 5, 2-0.

In 1981, at the White House, President Ronald Reagan greeted former Presidents Jimmy Carter, Gerald Ford and Richard Nixon, who were preparing to travel to Egypt for the funeral of Anwar Sadat.

In 1997, scientists reported the Mars Pathfinder had yielded what could be the strongest evidence yet that Mars might once have been hospitable to life.

In 1998, the House triggered an open-ended impeachment inqui-ry against President Bill Clinton in a momentous 258-176 vote; 31 Democrats joined majority Republicans in opening the way for nationally televised impeachment hearings.

In 2002, a federal judge approved President George W. Bush's request to reopen West Coast ports, ending a 10-day labor lockout that was costing the U.S. economy an estimated \$1 to \$2 billion a day.

In 2005, a magnitude 7.6 earthquake flattened villages on the Pakistan-India border, killing an estimated 86,000 people.

In 2010, British aid worker Linda Norgrove, who'd been taken captive in Afghanistan, was killed during a U.S. special forces rescue attempt, apparently by a U.S. grenade.

In 2015, chef Paul Prudhomme, 75, who'd sparked a nationwide interest in Cajun food, died in New Orleans.

Ten years ago: Scott Anderson became the first openly gay ordained Presbyterian minister during a ceremony at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Madison, Wisconsin. Al Davis, the Hall of Fame owner of the Oakland Raiders, died at age 82. Pianist Roger Williams, 87, died in Los Angeles.

Five years ago: Donald Trump vowed on Twitter to continue his campaign even though he said the "media and establishment" wanted him out of the race "so badly"; many Republicans were calling on Trump to abandon his presidential bid in the wake of the release of a 2005 video in which he made lewd remarks about women and appeared to condone sexual assault.

One year ago: Authorities in Michigan said six men had been charged with conspir-ing to kidnap Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer in reaction to what they viewed as her "uncontrolled power." (One of the six pleaded guilty and was

sentenced to just over six years in prison.) Separately, seven others linked to a paramilitary group were charged in state court for allegedly seeking to storm the Michigan Capitol and seek a "civil war." Democrat Joe Biden said President Donald Trump's tweet earlier in the year to "LIBERATE MICHIGAN" may have encouraged the alleged kidnapping plot. Trump insisted that he was ready to resume campaign rallies and said he felt "perfect" one week after his diagnosis with the coronavirus. Whitey Ford, a Hall of Fame pitcher for the New York Yankees, died at 91.

Today's Birthdays: Entertainment reporter Rona Barrett is 85. Actor Paul Hogan is 82. R&B singer Fred Cash (The Impressions) is 81. Civil rights activist Rev. Jesse Jackson is 80. Comedian Chevy Chase is 78. Author R.L. Stine is 78. Actor Dale Dye is 77. Country singer Susan Raye is 77. TV personality Sarah Purcell is 73. R&B singer Airrion Love (The Stylistics) is 72. Actor

Sigourney Weaver is 72. R&B singer Robert "Kool" Bell (Kool & the Gang) is 71. Producer-director Edward Zwick is 69. Country singer-musician Ricky Lee Phelps is 68. Actor Michael Dudikoff is 67. Comedian Darrell Hammond is 66. Actor Stephanie Zimbalist is 65. Actor Kim Wayans is 60. Rock singer Steve Perry (Cherry Poppin' Daddies) is 58. Actor Ian Hart is 57. Gospel/R&B singer CeCe Winans is 57. Rock musician C.J. Ramone (The Ramones) is 56. Actor-producer Karyn Parsons is 55. Singer-producer Teddy Riley is 55. Actor Emily Procter is 53. Actor Dylan Neal is 52. Actor-screenwriter Matt Damon is 51. Actor-comedian Robert Kelly is 51. The mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, is 51. Actor Martin Henderson is 47. Actor Kristanna Loken is 42. Rocksoul singer-musician Noelle Scaggs (Fitz and the Tantrums) is 42. Actor Nick Cannon is 41. Actor J.R. Ramirez is 41. Actor Max Crumm is 36. Singersongwriter-producer Bruno Mars is 36. Actor Angus T. Jones is 28. Actor Molly Quinn is 28.

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FRIDAY OCTOBER 8, 2021

Partnership Proposi-

The sun and Mars align in Libra, inviting proposals and partnerships. Thinking about what you might be able to do for another person is an exciting creativity challenge. Brilliant arrangéments will be struck, in which both parties are expanded by what they give to each other. Work out as much up-front as possible. It sets a tone for all that follows.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People have different rules. Even close friends may not completely understand yours. There will be infractions. They happen out of misunderstanding, not an intent to offend.

IAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be attracted to people and situations outside your usual pattern. You might dismiss the idea of a "type" altogether, since it's based on your past and you're more interested in creating a new future. **GEMINI** (May 21-June

21). Your vision of a luxurious life is unique, but there are people with similar goals. Find them so you can help and support one another. The kinship will invigorate your plans.

ČANCER (June 22-July 22). You are drawn to peoplé who have a sense of humor and the confidence to use it. Humor is always a risk. As the professionals know, it doesn't always land, but you respect the attempts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

New responsibilities will be laid at your feet as though they were a gift, and maybe they are. You have more fun in work mode anyway, and it's like this job was custom made for you

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You see so many around you who don't act on their beliefs. That's because change takes energy! You have plenty of it toďay, and you'll apply it in a way that inspires others to do the same.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll think strategically and outwit those who act on selfish impulse. Impulsiveness is not categorically wrong, but it works best when the larger aims and the overall picture are ever in view. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

Mingle with those whose credentials and connections could plug beautifully into your plans. Keep sharing until you find the ones who have overlapping mutual interests SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21). Delegating well is not about telling people what to do so much as matching the right people

to the job. This requires listening and observing carefully to really understand the talents and needs of the contenders CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). You'll let go of

ting rid of things creates a vacuum. Spaces fill. So the real trick is in letting them fill with the sacred and expansive instead of the common and cluttered.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You work as well in an ensemble as you do as a solo artist, and you'll get the chance to switch between these two modes. It's just one more example of how your life is falling into beautiful balance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Because you're a part of the natural world, too, you have an instinct for recognizing when things are ripe. The opportunity dangles before you, sweet and ready. Pluck it and

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 8). Your talents are needed, and you can get top dollar for them once vou figure out how to position yourself. A mentor and a plan will take you far. You'll feel worthy of the love floating your way at the year's end, and you have so much to give; this is an honest and sweet connection with lasting potential. Virgo and Sagittarius adore you. Your

lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 11, 24 and 33.

WEEKEND LOVE
FORECAST: ARIES: "It's complicated" is not for you right new Society implies. right now. Seek simplicity and that which needs no explanation. TAURUS Whatever is keeping your heart from peace, it can be overcome with a thought. GEMINI: Security would be nice if it actually existed, but there is no security, only the illusion of security, but that's enough to go on for now. CANCER: Because you've known loneliness, you can really appreciate the abundant opportunity for warmth and bonding this weekend brings. LEO: You've made enough mistakes to overcome your fear of them. Mistakes are a necessary, interesting and sometimes fun part of learning another person. VIRGO: Throwing money at a situation can make it worse. Think creatively instead. LIBRA: Follow your feelings. Your intuition won't lie. SCORPIO: Try the fun ideas. They came to you for a reason SAGITTARIUS: Family gives some excellent and immediately applicable advice. CAPRICORN: You don't need to impress anyone. Stay confident that you're already enough. AQUARIUS: Talk in person. Text makes a mess of the message. PISCES: Look for ways to appreciate the

without putting yourself in a position to rate them. COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Sagittarius and Libra make a statement with the weekend's sun and moon position, and they don't mind the publicity one bit whether hand-in-hand or cutely arguing in front of the com-

pany. Their differences are

the exciting flint that sparks

collective schemes and

contributions of others

dreams. In the months to come, they will build trust and goodwill enough to follow through on some of the bolder adventures.

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- 1 Paid pitches
- 4 Mishandled 10 Side for a
- sandwich
- 14 "Dude!" 15 Let off steam
- 16 Name on the cover of Beloved DOWN
- **17** Start of a Charles Schulz
- quote
- 19 Makes unfair 20 Northwestern University's
- home
- 21 Country singer Steve
- 22 Stand still, say
- 23 Part 2 of quote
- 26 Transistor radio
- descendant Web prowlers
- **30** Plaid pattern
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- 34 Biopic role for Benicio 37 Part 3 of quote
- **40** Exercise advocacy org.
- 41 About 35 ounces 42 Kid-lit equine
- 43 Prohibitions
- 44 Folds in 45 Part 4 of quote 49 They're opened
- in bars 53 Kid-lit party
- crasher
- **54** Professor, for instance
- **57** Zip
- 58 End of quote 60 Reason for
- reviewing
- **61** Amusingly unexpected

- 62 Prince, for one
- 63 Draw for
- spending 64 Where the Wild
 - Things Are
- author 65 GPS reading

- 1 Less inept
- sleepers
- brand
- **5** Unsurpassed
- **7** Be miserly
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- 9 FDR commander 33 Lima's "I love"
- 10 Boot loops
- **11** Longest river of France

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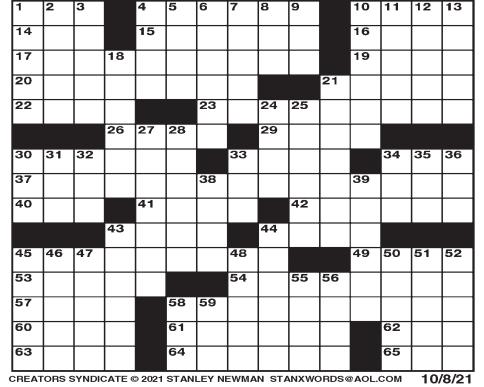
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Level: Advanced

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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Today's Answers



Thursday highlight sporting briefs

HOUSTON — Lance McCullers Jr. pitched scoreless ball into the seventh inning, and the Houston Astros beat Lance Lynn and the Chicago White Sox

6-1 in Game 1 of their AL Division Series on Thursday. Michael Brantley added two hits and two RBIs as the AL West champions showed off their playoff experience in an impressive opening performance. McCullers allowed four hits in 6 2/3 innings in his eighth career postseason

While Houston is in the playoffs for the fifth straight season, winning the World Series in 2017 and making it to the AL Championship Series last year, Chicago is making a second straight playoff appearance for the first time in franchise history. It lost to Oakland in the first round in 2020.

Game 2 of the best-of-five series is Friday in Houston.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Randy Arozarena became the first player to hit a home run and steal home in a postseason game, and rookie Shane McClanahan pitched the Tampa Bay Rays to a 5-0 victory over the Boston Red Sox in their AL Division Series opener Thursday night.

The breakout star of October last year, Arozarena made a breathtaking dash to the plate in the seventh inning for the first straight steal of home in the postseason since Jackie Robinson did it for the Brooklyn Dodgers against Yogi Berra and the New York Yankees in the 1955 World Series, according to the

Nelson Cruz also homered and McClanahan tossed five stellar innings for the Rays.

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BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield has been playing with a torn labrum in his left shoulder that will not require surgery at this time, a person familiar with the injury told The Associated Press on Thursday. Mayfield will continue to play as long as the injury to his non-throwing

ity because of the sensitivity of the situation. Mayfield hurt his shoulder while making a tackle after throwing an interception against Houston on Sept. 21. He led the NFL in completion percentage

shoulder doesn't worsen, said the person who spoke on condition of anonym-

after two games (81.6%) but has dropped to 65.5%. — By AP Sports Writer Tom Withers.

ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta Falcons leading receiver Calvin Ridley will not play in Sunday's game against the New York Jets in London for personal rea-

After Ridley was not present for Thursday's practice, the Falcons announced Ridley would not accompany the team to London "due to a personal matter."

Ridley leads Atlanta with 27 catches for 255 yards. He has only one touchdown reception.

NBA

NEW YORK (AP) — The Brooklyn Nets listed Kyrie Irving as ineligible to play in their home exhibition game Friday, another strong indication he has not met New York's vaccination requirement.

Irving has not been with the Nets for any of their practices in New York, where professional athletes are required to be vaccinated against COVID-19 to practice or play.

The Nets are prevented by law from revealing whether he has been vaccinated, but listed him as "ineligible to play" in the injury report for their preseason game Friday against Milwaukee.

MONTREAL (AP) — Canadiens goaltender Carey Price has voluntarily entered the NHL/NHL Players' Association joint player assistance program, a stunning announcement Thursday less than a week before start of the season and just three months after the former NHL MVP backstopped Montreal to the Stanley Cup Final.

The league and players' union said the 34-year-old Price will be away from the team while he takes part in the program. The union did not specify why he entered the program, but Price's wife, Angela, cited mental health as a reason in an Instagram post showing Price and their three children.

NEW YORK (AP) — Calgary Flames forward Blake Coleman was suspended for one preseason game and one regular-season game without pay Thursday for boarding Winnipeg Jets forward Jansen Harkins.

Coleman was assessed a minor penalty for boarding at 6:15 of the second period in the Flames' 3-2 exhibition loss at Winnipeg on Wednesday night.

SOCCER

LONDON (AP) — English Premier League club Newcastle was sold to Saudi Arabia's sovereign wealth fund on Thursday after a protracted takeover and legal fight involving concerns about piracy and rights abuses in the kingdom.

The 300-million-pound (\$409 million) takeover by the Saudi Public Investment Fund initially collapsed last year over concerns about how much control the kingdom's leadership would have in the running of Newcastle.

PIF has had to offer assurances to the Premier League that its chairman, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, and in turn the state will not have any control of the running of Newcastle.

HORSE RACING

NEW YORK (AP) — Irad Ortiz Jr. rode his 3,000th career winner Thursday in the fifth race at Belmont

The 29-year-old jockey from Puerto Rico rode Saratoga Kisses to an 8 1/4-length victory for trainer and co-owner Rudy Rodriguez.

Ortiz is 15th on the career earnings list, totaling over \$220 million in purses since his career began in 2011. According to racing database Equibase, Ortiz's total wins include 92 from Puerto Rico.

MEMORABILIA

NEW YORK (AP) — A 1911 "Shoeless" Joe Jackson autographed photograph by Frank W. Smith sold for \$1.47 million, the most ever paid for a signed sports

The photo was offered by Christie's and Hunt Auctions in New York in the auction Extra Innings: A Private Collection of Important Baseball Memorabilia.

COURTS

NEW YORK (AP) — Eighteen former NBA players were charged Thursday with pocketing about \$2.5 million illegally by defrauding the league's health and welfare benefit plan in a scam that authorities said involved claiming fictitious medical and dental expenses.

"The defendants' playbook involved fraud and deception," U.S. Attorney Audrey Strauss told a news conference after FBI agents across the country arrested 15 ex-players and one of their wives in a three-year conspiracy that authorities say started in 2017. According to an indictment returned in Manhattan federal court, the ex-

players teamed up to defraud the supplemental coverage plan by submitting fraudulent claims to get reimbursed for medical and dental procedures that never happened. LAS VEGAS (AP) — A federal magistrate judge in Nevada has sided with Cristiano Ronaldo's lawyers against a woman who sued for more than the

\$375,000 in hush money she received in 2010 after saying the international soc-

cer star raped her in Las Vegas. In a scathing recommendation to the judge hearing the case, Magistrate Judge Daniel Albregts on Wednesday blamed Kathryn Mayorga's attorney, Leslie Mark Stovall, for inappropriately basing the civil damages lawsuit on leaked and stolen documents shown to be privileged communications between

Hall of Famer passes away

Ronaldo and his lawyers.

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Gordon Hudson, an All-American tight end for BYU and a college football hall of famer, died Sept. 27. He was 59.

He died in San Jose, California, the school said.

Hudson suited up for the Cougars from 1980-83, earning All-America honors as a junior and senior. Playing for legendary coach LaVell Edwards and in a pass-happy offense, he amassed 2,484 yards receiving and 22 touchdowns over his decorated career. He also helped BYU capture four Western Athletic Conference titles and earn four Holiday Bowl invitations.

Hudson still holds the NCAA record for most yards gained in a game by a tight end when he had 259 against Utah on Nov. 21, 1981. His 5.4 career catches per game also remain a record among tight ends. Hudson hauled in passes from such notable BYU quarterbacks as Jim McMahon, Steve Young and Rob-





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