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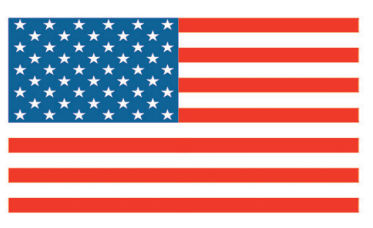
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### Upcoming Events

**New Life mature adult dance.**  
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 7 p.m. Nov. 19 at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Entry fee is \$5 and a snack will be served. Call 517-9097 for more information.

**Three Angels Food Pantry food distribution starts Nov. 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 4319 Parkway Rd., and the third Thursday of every month after that.**

**Goliad Elementary's Turkey Trot will be Nov. 19 at 1 p.m. at Blankenship Field. Contact the Goliad Main office at 264-4111 for more information.**

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**Local Vietnam Veteran Mike Tarpley performed "Taps" on his bugle at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home Thursday morning.**

**By ROGER CLINE**  
 Herald Staff Writer

While Big Spring is always very supportive of our American servicemen and women — and military veterans in particular — one might expect Big Spring's Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home to be especially so. And one would be right.

The local veterans nursing and residential facility started off the day with

a special bugle performance of "Taps" by local Vietnam Veteran and Disabled American Veterans Vice President Mike Tarpley.

Residents and staff of the facility offered a round of applause after Tarpley, decked out in full U.S. Army uniform complete with medals, completed the haunting 24-note melody.

"It's a great privilege and an honor to be able to serve these veterans, and all of those who have served our country,"

Tarpley said. On Veterans Day, I have several commitments, but I always enjoy starting here."

After Tarpley's rendition of the Taps bugle call, the Veterans home had several other activities, including a special lunch, games and live music, planned for residents.

Several other groups around the area had Veterans Day activities planned; see our Life page in the weekend edition of the *Herald* for more photos.

## Steers season comes to end



**Gavin Padron throws a pass in the playoff game against the El Paso Riverside Rangers this Thursday night, Nov 11, in Fort Stockton. Gavin came into this game after starting quarterback Gabriel beaza was injured not able to continue. For the complete story, see Sports page 7**

## Cole Walker tapped to helm CRMWD

Special to the Herald

The Colorado River Municipal Water District's Board of Directors announced Thursday that they have named Cole Walker as the District's next general manager. Walker will begin serving in his new role on December 1, 2021. He will succeed John Grant, who has led the District since 1995.

"After a comprehensive search and interview process that took several months, we are pleased to have unanimously agreed on Cole Walker as the next general manager of CRMWD," said Board President Mickey Jones.



**Walker**

A native of Big Spring, Walker is a professional engineer and holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Texas Tech University as well as a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. He most recently served as CRMWD's assistant general manager overseeing the District's Operations and Engineering Divisions. Walker will be the fourth general manager of CRMWD since its establishment by the Texas Legislature in 1949. He joined CRMWD in 2006 and will be responsible for managing a complex water transmission system with a staff

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## Pope takes over Herald editor post



**Managing Editor Dustin Pope**

**By ROGER CLINE**  
 Herald Staff Writer

Observant readers of the Herald may have noticed a change last week. Former Managing Editor Amanda Duforat's byline has now changed to "Special to the Herald," while former Sports Editor Dustin Pope's has changed to "Managing Editor."

After nearly three

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## Rotary names Yeager, Smith, students of month



**At a recent meeting, the Big Spring Rotary Club named Coahoma High School's Ethan Yeager, left, and Big Spring High School's Jennifer Smith, right, Students of the Month for November. Pictured with the students is Club President Dana Johnson.**

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# Obituaries

## Patsy Miranda



Patsy Miranda, 91, gained her wings and was taken home on Friday, November 5, 2021.

Though our hearts are heavy, we are thankful that she was with us for as long as she was. She was a beautiful, strong and caring mom to us all and we will miss her dearly.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m., with vigil service at 7 p.m., Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Service will be 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Patsy was born on April 29, 1930, to Mauro and Juanita Rocha in Sequin, Texas. She spent over 60 years in the Big Spring community and was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Patsy loved to garden, crocheting, cooking, baking, and dancing. She enjoyed spending time with her family.

Patsy is survived by four sons, Joe Miranda and wife, Bertha, of Big Spring, Ralph Miranda of Big

Spring, Ramon Miranda of Eules, Texas, and Tony Miranda of Eules, Texas; three daughters, Guadalupe Miranda of Big Spring, Rosa Miranda of Big Spring, and Isabel Martin and husband, Clint, of Big Spring; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 16 great-great-grandchildren; and 2 sisters; Teresa Salazar of Chandler, Ariz., and Jane Mendez and husband, Lalo, of San Angelo.

Patsy is preceded in death by her parents, Mauro and Juanita Rocha; her husband, Antonio Miranda; son, Angel Miranda; four brothers, Pedro Rocha, Eugene Rocha, Mauro Rocha Jr., and Frank Rocha; one sister, Santos Rocha; one grandson, Scott Herrera; and granddaughter, Gloria Carmo-na.

Pallbearers will be Joe Miranda, Ralph Miranda, Ramon Miranda, Nick Herrera, Tony Miranda and Justin Miranda. Honorary pallbearers will be Emilio Marrufo, Amanda Miranda, and Robert Marrufo.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

*Paid obituary*

## Felipe De Jesus Puga



Felipe De Jesus Puga, 64, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Cemetery. He will lie in state from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12, 2021, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born February 7, 1957, in Canatlan Durango, Mexico, and married Maria Salazar in 1980.

Felipe retired from Big Spring ISD after 27 years. Survivors include his wife, Maria Puga; daughter, Brenda Puga; sons, Phillip Puga and Saul Puga; seven grandchildren; sisters, Martha Salazar and Benita Reyes; and brothers, Jeronimo Puga, Fernando Puga and Juan Puga.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Francisco Puga and Tomasa (Flores) Puga.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences may be made at [www.npwech.com](http://www.npwech.com)

## Johnathan Garcia

Johnathan Garcia, 25, died Thursday, Nov. 11, 2021.

Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up to help the family with burial expenses at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Hearn at SVDP Building.

Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

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

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

# Take Note

Food distribution at Three Angels Food Pantry is held every third Thursday of the month at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People will need to bring ID and plastic bags, and answer a few questions to pick up food. The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>.

Senior Citizens Dances are held every other Friday at 7 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center. The next dance is Nov. 19. Music will be Western style. Entry fee is \$5 and includes a snack. For more information contact Cotton Mize at 270-5060.

The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork. In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community. If you would like a piece of art work displayed in your business lobby contact any member of the Big Spring Art Association.

City of Big Spring offices remain open by appointment and electronic means only. These offices include: City Hall (432-264-2401); Finance Department (432-264-2513); Public Works Department (432-264-2501); Human Resources Department (432-264-2346); Code Enforcement/Permits (432-264-2504); Water Utilities (432-264-2392); Community Services Office; Convention and Visitors Bureau (432-263-8235); facilities (432-264-2322); Cemetery (432-264-2323); Police Department (432-264-2550); Fire Department (432-264-2304); Municipal Court (432-264-2530)

Citizens who have an appointment in a City office will be asked to wear a face covering and present valid identification upon arrival. The identification can be as simple as a utility bill. The City of Big Spring Water Office is open to the public; no appointment is necessary. The Big Spring Senior Center remains closed to congregate meals, but those who wish to pick up a to go order can call 432-267-1628, for more information. Rentable facilities including the Dora Roberts Community Center will remain open, however, users are requested to maintain social distancing and other COVID-19 precautions. For any questions or concerns please contact the City Manager's Office at 432-264-2401.

The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943. The November featured artist/special speaker will be Denise Malm. The next meeting is Nov. 20.

The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. Shows remaining this season include: Dec. 8 "Holiday Spectacular"; Jan. 22: "The Music of Queen"; Feb. 19 "Winter Wonderland"; and Spring Pops Concert on April 23. The remaining concerts will all take place at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased in season passes or per concert. For updates and general information, follow The Big Spring Symphony Facebook page or go to [www.bigspringsymphony.org](http://www.bigspringsymphony.org).

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

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

# Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **KIMBERLY KAYNICOLLE WHITFORD**, 33, of 7003 Kyle Rd was arrested on a charge of warrant from another agency.
- **JOSEPH MATTEW ANTHONY BUCKNER**, 25, Transient, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass on property/building/aircraft/vehicle.
- **MATTHEW SAMUEL MUNIZ**, 22, of 6404 Lipizaner Drive Imperial MI, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **MORGAN DION AUSBIE**, 27, of 2601 Langley was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief greater than \$100 less than \$750.
- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of MM 181.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1100 block of N Lamesa Hwy.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of W I20.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of Colgate Ave.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 500 block of Donley St.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1500 block of E 4th.
- **UNWANTED SUBJECT** was reported in the 3500 block of E I20.

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# Support Groups

## FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

## SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

## SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

## MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees It, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

## TUESDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
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## WEDNESDAY

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-860

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@BigSpringherald.com or call 432-263-7331

## THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.
- GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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# CRMWD

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of 88 people and an annual operating budget of \$40 million. "I am honored to have been selected to serve as CRWMD's next General Manager," said Walker. "I want to thank the Board of Directors for the trust and confidence they have placed in me to

lead the District. I am excited to build on our past success and continue to serve the water needs of our region."

CRMWD provides wholesale raw water to its member cities of Big Spring, Odessa, and Snyder, as well as six additional municipal customers. The District serves more than 600,000 people in a service area that includes 36 counties, as well as serving three industrial, seven mining, and approximately 300 rural water customers.

# EDITOR

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years as the head of the Big Spring Herald's Editorial Department, Duforat has taken a job teaching journalism in Forsan rather than working directly in the trade, although she will still be contributing to the paper's front page upon occsion.

Pope has been leading the Herald's sports offerings since February of this year, and will continue to do so in his new role as Managing Editor.

"Amanda was probably the best boss that I've worked under," Pope said. "The way that she took me in, basically off of the streets, and taught me the right way to write, taught me how to lay out articles, taught me how to do the job correctly...I'll never be able to repay her for that. After we found out she was leaving, the knowledge that she's given me...and she still helps me out. It's amazing. I'll never be able to thank her enough. She's done great, and she'll be deeply missed here. I won't be able to fill her shoes."

Pope was born in Odessa, and grew up in Crane.

"Lived in Crane my whole life," he said. "After I left school, I was in the military for almost 15 years. I've been all over the place. I was in the Navy. After that, I moved back home, back to the Crane/Odessa area. I kind of moved back and forth."

Prior to coming to the Herald, he had oil-field jobs, and also worked in a different branch of journalism.

"As far as writing goes, it was all for daily fantasy sports," he said. "Maybe some betting articles from time to time."

Pope - who wrote articles for fantasy sports websites Draft Kings and FanDuel - explained that fantasy sports is a pastime enjoyed by many, who use sports statistics to group players into imaginary teams, and then score points based on those play-

ers' performances each week.

"Basically what you do there is you build a fantasy lineup each and every week. Every player has a salary according to how good they are, and you have a \$50,000 salary cap that you have to stay under. You can't just pick all the good players. You get points for their production on the field," he said. "So what we would do is, we'd try to go and predict what they were going to do for that week, and give you the best salary advice, give you the best value advice. If we thought that maybe a \$4,000 guy was going to get a touchdown...had been getting more playing time under the radar. All that came from just watching game film. This was a few years ago, back before all the websites had all the stats. Back then it was just grinding it out, watching game film all day long."

Pope said he's enjoyed his time at the Herald so far, and looks forward to delving into the editor's job.

"It's been a learning experience. I love covering sports. I love getting to know the players and the coaches from the area. That's one thing that will never change, is the love for sports," he said. "Other than my family, that's what I love the most. It's fun. It's a good way to get to know people. A lot of people care about sports, so it opens up a lot of conversations. A lot of people want to know how a certain team's doing, or what I think about that week."

As Pope gets his feet wet in the new position, he said he plans to stay the course laid out by Duforat.

"Basically we're going to keep the ball rolling. I believe in 'Don't fix what's not broken.'" he said. "Obviously with new people in charge, there's going to be maybe some slight changes, but Amanda's already set a good path. We're

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just going to try to maintain that path. Try to maintain the integrity of the Big Spring Herald and just try to do as good a job as she did. Everybody has bumps in the road, and it's going to be a transition period. But I think after we've been here a while, we'll find our own groove. She's laid the foundation and I don't plan on going too far away from that."

If you have story ideas or event announcements, interesting high-quality photos, letters to the editor, or announcements of births, engagements, marriages, or anniversaries, please share them with Pope at editor@big-springherald.com for consideration for inclusion in the Herald.

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400 11th Place  
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**BIRDWELL LANE BAPTIST**  
1512 Birdwell Lane  
267-7157

**CALVARY BAPTIST**  
1200 W. 4th.  
263-4242

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201 South Ave.,  
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1108 E. 6th  
267-1915

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
705 W. FM 700  
267-8223

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# Questions by Joelle Ludington

My question to you today is do you believe God loves you? Do you believe that God loves you enough to heal you, deliver you, forgive you, save you?

Why are we not seeing the manifestation of God's promise and His word?

Perhaps we don't believe we are worthy to be healed, delivered, forgiven, saved.

If our righteousness is as filthy rags, who then is worthy or unworthy to receive

healing or salvation.

If while we were yet sinners, Christ dies for us because He loved us. Why would He not then heal us, deliver us, forgive us, save us.

His promises are yeah and amen, He said he would not withhold nothing good from us.

Why would God love us, why? There is no reason.

But I do know God is love. And that is what he does, God loves us unconditionally and undeservingly.

He loves those that love Him.

Again, the question is do you believe God loves you.

He hears my every cry, there may not be any tears in heaven but he hears our cry.

-Joelle Ludington

## Reflections: Power of Encouragement

By Bill Tinsley

Special to the Herald

Believe It or Not

"Believe" is an interesting word. Sometimes we use it to indicate doubt. If we are not entirely certain of something, we will say, "I believe so." For instance, if someone asks, "Are your friends joining us for dinner?" We will say, "I believe so." Meaning, I think they are, but I am not quite sure.

Sometimes we use "believe" to indicate our agreement. If you point to an airplane and ask, "Do you believe this is an airplane?" I might say, "Yes, I believe that is an airplane."

At other times we use the word "believe" to indicate our confidence in someone. We could also use this term with respect to the pilot of the airplane. We could believe in him, meaning we have confidence he can fly the airplane.

The word translated "believe" in the Bible actually means "faith." We don't have a verb form of "faith" in our language. We cannot say, "I faith you." We are left with our word "believe." In this case, if we believe in the airplane and the pilot, we must climb aboard the airplane, follow instructions, and actually fly in it. We trust both the airplane and the pilot to take us aloft thousands of feet in the air.

The "faith" meaning of the word changes how we understand key passages in the Bible. For instance, when Jesus says, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me shall never die," he is actually saying, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who puts his trust and absolute faith in me shall never die."

There are many who "believe" in Christ and "believe" they are Christians. They use the term like the first example. They are not quite sure, but they think it might be true, or hope it is.

Then there are others who "believe" according to the second definition. They give mental assent believing that Jesus is the Son of God, but it doesn't make much difference in their lives.

Still others fall into the third category. They believe in Jesus in the sense that they have confidence in who he claims to be. They think he is a good person, that he spoke the truth, that he would get their vote among the other religious leaders in history.

But moving into a faith relationship with Jesus Christ requires the New Testament kind of "believing." We must trust Him with our lives. In this case we don't have to understand or know everything, just like we don't have to understand or know everything about flight and airplanes to fly. When the Bible says, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved," it means more than wishful thinking, mental assent or even having confidence in Christ. It means we must place our complete faith and trust in Jesus Christ. Like flying, we must follow His instructions and trust Him. If we do this, He will save us.

We demonstrate this "faith" kind of believing by doing what He says. (Matthew 7:24-27; John 14:15). We live according to His Kingdom that is ruled by kindness, gentleness, thoughtfulness, humility, hope and love. (Colossians 3:5-17).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Order his Devotions on Mark eBook, FREE Nov 11-14 at [www.tinsleycenter.com](http://www.tinsleycenter.com). Email [bill@tinsleycenter.com](mailto:bill@tinsleycenter.com).

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

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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/>

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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 meeting you.

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!

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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.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is back. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. We are beginning a new bible study. Please come and join us.

Bill Dorey 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.

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### Steers fall to El Paso Riverside in playoffs



Courtesy Photos

Top Left the Steers defense lines up to try and stop the Riverside Rangers in a playoff game. Top Left: Sophomore quarterback Gavin Padron and the Steers offense try to move the football in a game held in Fort Stockton last night, Nov 11. It was a challenging game for the Steers as they dropped this game 34-7 to end the season.

By DUSTIN POPE

Managing Editor

Well, Steers fans, last night was a tough night as the Big Spring Steers season came to an end in Fort Stockton as they took on the El Paso Riverside Rangers in the first round of the playoffs. It was an excellent season for a fantastic group of kids. The particular group of seniors who will move on will be greatly missed.

It was a fantastic night for Thursday night football... That's right; this was a Thursday night game; it's the playoffs, so this will happen from time to time. The Steers came into this game with a 6-4 record, and they took on the Riverside Rangers, who were 9-1. The Steers won the toss and elected to kickoff and receive the second-half kickoff. The Steers' defense stood firm on Riverside's first drive, forcing a very quick three and out. The Steers got the ball for their first drive at their 28-yard line. This Steers offense looked good on the first drive. On the second play of the game, Baeza found ole reliable Kaegen Mitchell on a screen pass, and Mitchell took it all the way down to the Riverside 22 yard-line. Unfortunately, Riverside would intercept Baeza to stop the drive giving the Rangers the ball back a few plays later. Once again, the Steers' defense stood firm as they held this potent Ranger offense in check and forced a second straight three and out. Big Spring started their second drive at their 45-yard line. The Riverside defense held the Steers to a three and out on this drive, forcing Big Spring to punt away the ball. It was a great punt by Eli Cobos that pinned the Rangers down on their six-yard line. After a couple of plays there, Steers got called for a big face mask on a third-down that gave Riverside a first down and, more importantly, 15 yards and some room. The Rangers didn't waste the opportunity as they drove the ball right down the field and eventually scored from eight yards out for the game's first points. With:45 seconds left in the first quarter Riverside had a 7-0 lead. This is where things went from bad to worse for the Steers. After a lousy kickoff return, the Steers started their third drive on their 15-yard line. Two plays later, the Riverside defense made a huge play as they got another interception on a tipped ball and ran it in for a touchdown making this a 14-0 lead. In a matter of 20 seconds, the whole dynamic of this game had changed. After that crazy few seconds, the score was now 14-0 at the end of the first quarter.

As the second quarter began, the Steers now knew they needed to score and do so quickly to stay in this game. Baeza and this offense got right back to work as they moved the ball down the field, and it seemed as though they might have found their rhythm. After an excellent play from Baeza to Cobos moved the ball down to the 12-yard line. Well, the bad luck continued for the Steers because, after that play, the leader of this team and maybe the best player in all of 4A, Gabriel Baeza, was hurt. With Baeza hurt, sophomore QB Gavin Padron came in to finish off this drive. He found Fizer at the eight-yard line on his first pass of the night, but Fizer fumbled the ball as he was trying to get in the end zone. Another mistake gave the ball back to Riverside, shutting down another drive deep into Ranger territory. The fumble marked the third turnover of the half for the Steers, who seemed to be making uncharacteristic mistakes. After the fumble, this Steers defense needed to make a big play. The Riverside offense was doing what they have done all season long as they worked the ball down the field. As the Rangers got deep into Steers territory, the Big Spring defense made a huge play when Ricky Escovedo delivered a huge hit that caused a fumble. As the Steer's offense came back on the field, Gavin Padron was still in at QB as now we had learned that Baeza had a badly sprained ankle. Padron tried his best to

get this Steers offense in a groove, but Big Spring had to punt again. The Steers' defense held Riverside again as they continued to look pretty good against an excellent team. The Steers finally broke through and scored a touchdown on a nice Cobos run to make this a 14-7 game with 2:58 left in the first half. El Paso would tack on three more points right at the end of the second quarter to make this a 17-7 lead at halftime.

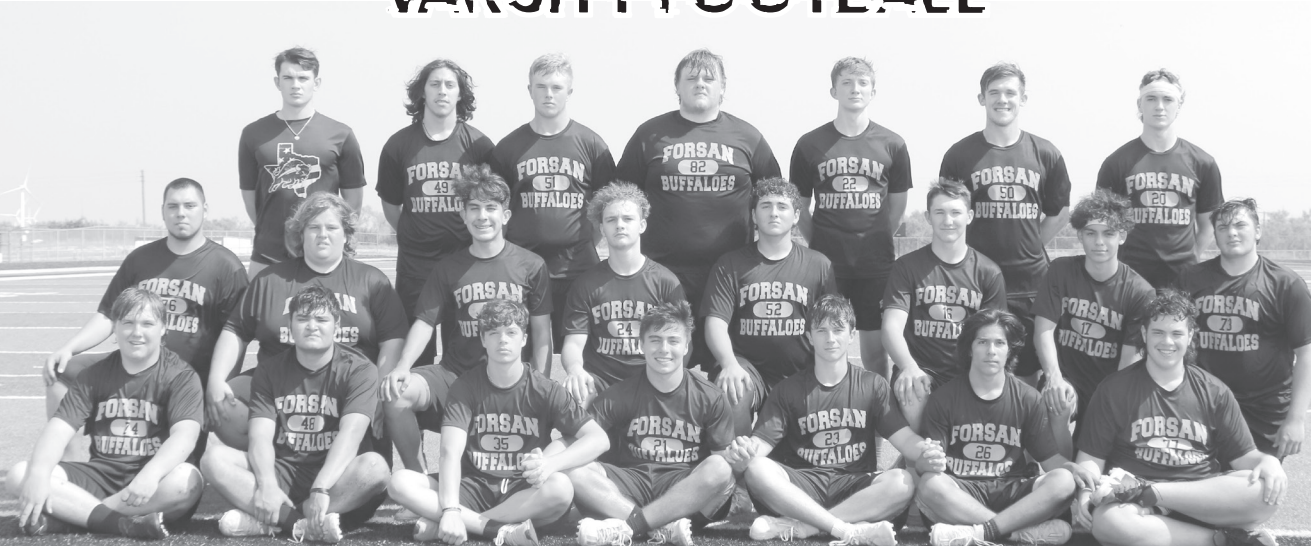
The second half was all Riverside Rangers, as the Steers still without Baeza seemed to struggle against an outstanding defense. There were dropped passes, another fumble, and a few interceptions that caused the Steers to lose control of this game. Riverside went on to win this game by a final score of 34 to 7 ending the Steers season.

While this wasn't the way the Steers wanted to go out, they still played their hearts out; and that's a great thing. There is no doubt that mistakes in this game were huge, and the loss of Baeza was probably even more significant. But, here is the thing even though they lost, this game will be necessary for the future of this Steers team because Gavin Padron got some valuable playing time in a big atmosphere game. Yes, he had his struggles in the game; he is just a sophomore, but im telling you this kid's arm is dynamic, and he will have a bright future for this Steers team.

It was an honor to be able to cover this group of young men. They are a great team, but more importantly, they are great young men. It doesn't matter how many games you win or lose in the game of life, and this group of young men are winners to me. Thank you for all the great memories, and to the seniors, good luck with whatever you have coming next in life.

### Correction from Thursday 11/11/21 Edition

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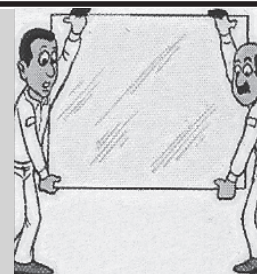
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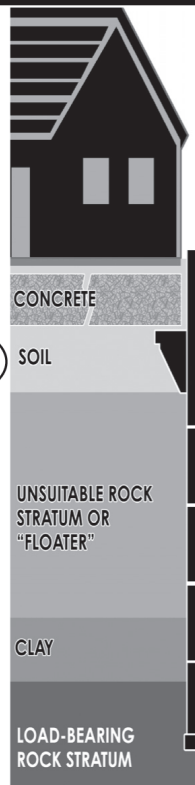
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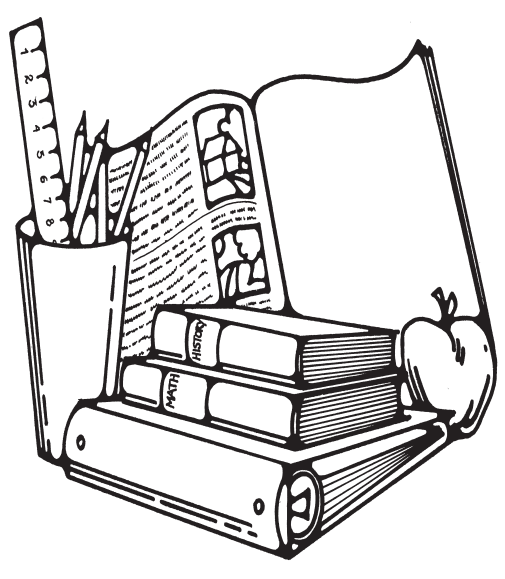
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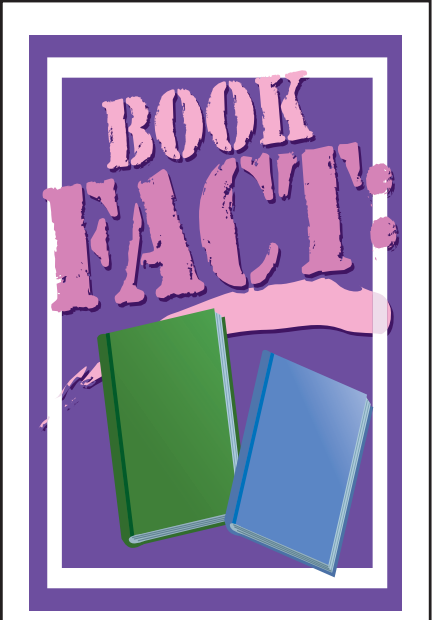


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