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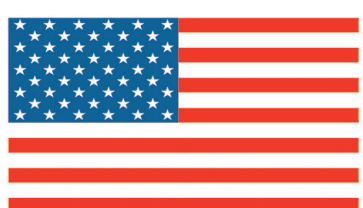
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The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will present "The Music of Queen" featuring Jeans 'n Classics, at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 22 at Big Spring High School Auditorium. Visit www.bigspringsymphony.org for more information.

Senior Citizens Dances are held the third Friday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center. The next dance is Jan. 21, 2022. Music will be Western style. Entry fee is \$5 and includes a snack. For more information call 517-9097.

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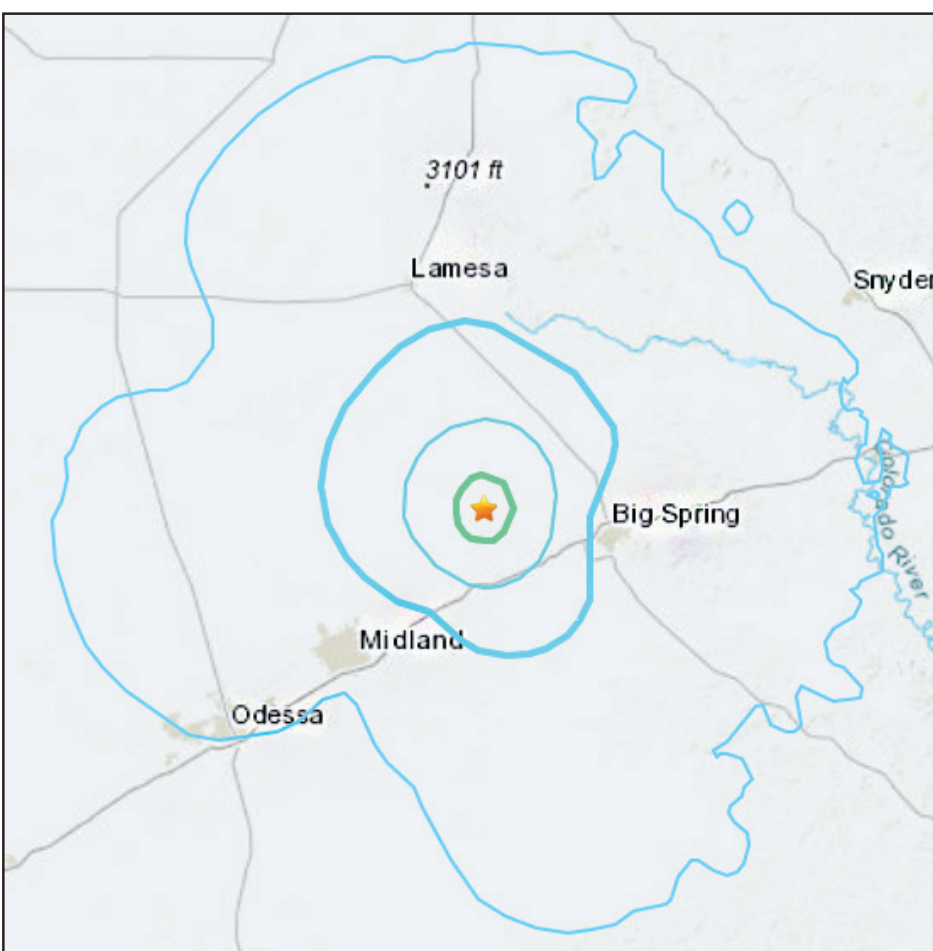
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4.5 magnitude quake strikes nearby

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Reporter

The United States Geological Service has issued information on its website, earthquake.usgs.gov, regarding a 4.5 magnitude earthquake north of Stanton Monday evening. According to the report, the earthquake struck at about 7:55 p.m. Monday approximately 18 kilometers – about 11.2 miles – north of Stanton. The quake was about 27 km or 17 miles west of Big Spring. The website notes that the earthquake's epicenter was located about 7.8 km (about 4.8 miles) below the surface of the earth.

The website indicates that 245 people have submitted "Felt Reports" indicating that they felt the earthquake, along with data about their experience. Reports originate from as far away as Carlsbad, N.M., east of Abilene, and San Angelo. While no reports are given on the site, other sources indicate the earthquake was felt north as far as Lubbock. More than 1.3



This map provided by the U.S. Geological Survey shows the epicenter of Monday evening's 4.5-magnitude earthquake located between Big Spring and Midland, north of Interstate 20 and Stanton. People as far away as Carlsbad, N.M., Lubbock and San Angelo reported feeling the quake.

West Texas and eastern New Mexico have felt 57 earthquakes. Monday's quake, it reports, is the second strongest in the area in the last 10 years, edging out a 4.4 magnitude earthquake felt Dec. 16 north of Toyah. Big Spring Mayor Shannon Thomason posted on the Facebook group "Big Spring Rants & Raves" regarding the earthquake: "DON'T PANIC! We've had an earthquake," he posted. "No reports of injuries or damage. USGS reporting 4.3 magnitude." The early estimate quoted by the mayor was later upgraded to 4.5 magnitude. Thomason spoke about the earthquake Tuesday, saying that he certainly felt the quake. "Oh, definitely. It rattled the windows here at the house for a good 30 to 45 seconds," he said. "Everything I've read from USGS indicates it was deep level quake. No damage reported, no injuries reported, but a lot of people shaken up. That's why I took

million people live in the area in which people reported feeling the quake. Since Dec. 7, the website reports,

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Local businesses, government offices announce New Years closures

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

Local businesses and government offices have announced their hours for the New Years holiday. While local schools remain on winter holiday through the first part of January – Big Spring and Coahoma students return Jan. 5, while Forsan students return Jan. 4 – other local groups have varied hours. The City of Big Spring offices will be closed Dec. 31 in observance of the holiday. There will be no sanitation pickup on Dec. 31. Thursday's normal routes will be picked up today; while Friday's normal routes will be picked up Thursday. The City Landfill will be closed on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. All city offices and the landfill will reopen Monday, Jan. 3. Emergency services (police, fire and EMS) will continue normal operations during the holiday. Howard County offices will be closed Dec. 31 and resume normal business hours Jan. 3. Howard County Sheriff's administrative offices will be closed during the holiday, but law enforcement services will operate as normal. The United States Post Office will be open Friday, Dec. 31,

and mail will be delivered as usual. Post Offices will be closed, and regular mail will not be delivered, Saturday, Jan. 1, although Priority Mail Express will be delivered on New Years Day. No mail will be picked up from Post Office mailboxes on Jan. 1. Several local banks and credit unions have altered schedules in connection with the holiday. Wells Fargo and Lone Star State Bank will close at 4 p.m. on Friday and remain closed on Saturday. Prosperity Bank, Western Bank, PNC Bank and Citizens Federal Credit Union will be open Friday and closed on Saturday. Cosden FCU, Complex Community FCU and Big Spring Education FCU will close Friday and Saturday. Woodforest National Bank, located inside Wal-Mart, will be open until 2 p.m. Friday instead of 5 p.m. Big Spring's three large grocery stores, Wal-Mart, H-E-B and Porter's, report no changes to their regular schedule due to the holiday. The Big Spring Herald's offices will be closed Friday, but papers will continue to be delivered Friday and Saturday. Enjoy a happy and safe New Years Eve and New Years Day!

Christmas Day accident leaves one dead near Stanton

I-20 accident involving tractor-trailer fatal for Odessa man

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported a fatal accident which occurred Dec. 25 in Martin County. According to the report, the accident occurred about 1:45 p.m. Saturday about one mile east of Stanton. Preliminary reports indicated that a 2010 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Carlos Fuentes Padilla, 69, of Elmdorf was headed east on the Interstate 20 Service Road. A second vehicle, a 2008 Peterbilt tractor-trailer driven by Olanrewaju Oyewo, 38, of Odessa, reportedly was exiting Interstate 20 onto the Service



Road at Exit 155 and failed to yield the right of way at a posted intersection, striking Padilla's vehicle. Padilla was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Nancy Bradshaw. Oyewo was not injured in the accident. Both drivers were reportedly wearing safety belts. Conditions at the time of the wreck were clear and dry, according to the report. Highway Patrol Trooper Gregory Jordan of Big Spring assisted lead investigator Trooper Amanda Strickland of Midland on the accident investigation, as did Trooper Kaleb Raines of Andrews.

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Obituaries

Trica Ann Cook

Trica Ann Cook was born on November 18, 1955, to Beth and L.R. Shoemaker. She married the love of her life, Steve Cook, on June 22, 1974, in Stanton, Texas, at the First United Methodist Church. Steve and Trica built a beautiful life together. She was always so proud of their two sons, Nathan and Brady, and all of their accomplishments. Trica passed away on December 27, 2021.

Trica had an impactful career that nurtured her natural ability to teach and care for others through the Martin County Extension Office, Stanton ISD, and Midland ISD. In 1999, she received her Bachelor's of Arts in History from the University of the Permian Basin and then her Master's of Arts Degree in Educational Leadership in 2005. She worked hard in all that she did and set an example for many of her students and touched many lives.

Trica made every moment she was a part of special and knew how to show people they were treasured. She always told her grandsons that they

were her treasure and they knew their Gigi loved them dearly. She loved to go to her grandchildren's events and was their biggest fan. She led with patience, strength, and poise in all areas of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Steve Cook; her son, Nathan Cook and his wife, D'Lee, and their two sons, Carter and Callen; her son, Brady Cook and his wife, Jonna, and their three sons, Caleb, Colby and Colton; her mother, Beth Shoemaker; and her sister, Trina Shoemaker and her husband, Doug Stillwagon.

Trica is preceded in death by a brother at birth; her brother, Kevin Shoemaker; and her father, L.R. Shoemaker. She will be greatly missed by her family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Martin County Convent Foundation.

Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at First United Methodist - Stanton. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

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

Paid obituary

William "Farmer" Burchell

William "Farmer" Burchell, 91, died Monday, Dec. 27, 2021. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Oscar Lee Garcia

Oscar Lee Garcia, 28, of Big Spring died Monday, Dec. 27, 2021. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 101 inmates at the time of this report.

- **AUNRAY VASHUNN CRAWFORD**, 20, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of no drivers license.

- **STEVEN GLEN HILDEBRAND**, 53, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **MISTY JO LASATER**, 37, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of order of modified conditions.

- **ROBERT TRUMAN MAYTON**, 53, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **VANESSA C OLIVAS**, 39, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1g.

- **ANGELA ANNETTE RICCOBENE**, 46, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear x2.

- **VAN BEARIN ROBINSON**, 63, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault causes bodily injury x2, criminal mischief more than \$100 less than \$750 x2, possession of controlled substance more than 1g less than 4g x3.

- **EVERETT SHOCKELY**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct discharge/display firearm.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **VAN BEARIN ROBINSON**, 63, of 3002 Cherokee St was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance more than 1 g less than 4g x2, criminal mischief more than \$100 less than \$750, assault causes bodily injury.

- **STEVEN GLEN HILDEBRAND**, 53, of 804 Andree St was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **EVERETT DURIEL SHOCK-**

- **LEY**, 39, Transient was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct discharge/display firearm.

- **ROBERT TRUMAN MAYTON**, 53, of 1802 Grape St, Abilene was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **VANESSA CAVAZOS OLIVAS**, 39, of 305 College St was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 1g (old), warrant from another agency.

- **THEFT** was reported in the area of 176.

- **FORGERY** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg St.

- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the are of W 80 and Airbase.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of FM 2230.

- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 300 block of S Owens St.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 600 block of E 13th St.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 700 block of W I-20.

- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 200 block of W FM 700.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2900 block of W Hwy 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of Hwy 350 and Center Point Rd. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of Baylor. One person was transported to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of MM 173 I-20. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Lamesa. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of E 21st St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was report-

ed in the 1900 block of Parkwood. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of E 3rd St. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of S Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Support Groups

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- 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

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- 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 are available.

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QUAKE

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to Facebook and sent out the message 'Don't Panic.' 9-1-1 was inundated with calls."

Although many people on social media specu-

lated that the quake was the result of horizontal oil drilling or of "fracking" - a process of injecting high-pressure liquid into wells to force open fissures and extract oil or gas, Thomason said the cause of the quakes is unclear at this point.

"I don't know," he said. "It could be, or then again

it might be something completely different. It could just be a void collapse that's completely unrelated to drilling. I don't have a good answer there, and I don't know that anybody has a good answer. A lot of people are saying, 'Oh, yeah, it's all about fracking.' Like I said, it's possible, but it's not definitive."

Take Note (cont.)

• Food distribution at Three Angels Food Pantry is held every third Tuesday 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 the third Friday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center. The next dance is Jan. 21, 2022. Music will be Western style. Entry fee is \$5 and includes a snack. For more information call 517-9097.

• 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.

• Drive-through COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics are held from 3-6 p.m. each Thursday afternoon at Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest part of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center campus, 1601 W. Martin Luther King Boulevard, also known as 1601 W. 11th Place. The vaccination is free. For more information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical.org/vaccine.

• 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 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 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.

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432-556-2227.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based pro-

gram serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m. at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howardcountytxdems@gmail.com.

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Jacqueline Roland at 432-213-1221.

• Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m., with Dutch treat lunch and meeting at noon.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fundraisers and patient events. For more information, contact Carl Reid, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, 432-268-7535 or carl.reid@hhs.texas.gov.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

• Kindred at Home needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Shiela Crockett at 466-9034.

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Send notices of your group's meetings, events, parties, or other upcoming or regular plans care of Editor Dustin Pope to editor@bigspringherald.com, or call 432-263-7331, to have them considered for inclusion in the Big Spring Herald's Take Note section.

The Herald will also run announcements of births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, or retirements. Call the number above for more information.

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Santiago "Jimmy" Abreo, 84, died Tuesday. Visitation Tuesday 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service Wednesday 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive

William "Farmer" Burchell, 91, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Top rookies propel their teams into NFL playoff races

By ARNIE STAPLETON

AP Pro Football Writer

DENVER — After a recent road win by the Dallas Cowboys, receiver Simi Fehoko tweeted, "Just trying to find my seat on the plane and was sacked by Micah. ... Nobody is safe."

Everybody seems to have their head on a swivel for rookie linebacker Micah Parsons.

The do-it-all defender combines a rare versatility — he lines up at linebacker, defensive end and even over center — with a dogged determination as he chases down quarterbacks, ball carriers, rookie records, the playoffs, NFL honors and even history.

Parsons' 13 sacks are 1½ shy of the rookie record set by Jevon Kearse of the Tennessee Titans in 1999. Parsons is already the first rookie in 15 years to get a dozen sacks and three forced fumbles. And with 79 tackles so far, he has an outside chance of getting triple-digit tackles to go with his double-digit sacks.

Better are the odds that he'll become the first player in 40 years to sweep the league's two biggest defensive awards, player and rookie of the year. The previous to do that was Pro Football Hall of Famer Lawrence Taylor in 1981.

"I will say it's hard to have expected what No. 11 is doing in terms of doing all the things that he's asked to do, whether it's make great plays in coverage, whether it's make plays on the quarterback from the blitzing spot, whether it's a natural pass rusher, whether it's just running plays down

sideline to sideline," Cowboys executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones said on his radio show. "Who could have ever thought that he could digest all of that and be able to line up at all those different positions and get it done?"

Parsons, that's who.

Early glimpses of his ambition came through during HBO's "Hard Knocks" series from training camp. Parsons begged to get back into preseason games, and wasn't happy when he didn't. He told an assistant coach, "The lion is always hungry," and has since trademarked that unexpected catchphrase.

After allowing a franchise-high 29.5 points a game last year, the Cowboys are allowing just 19.5 points per game, and Parsons is the biggest reason for that dramatic drop.

Parsons skipped college football's truncated COVID-19 year in 2020 before getting drafted 12th overall by the Cowboys last April. Dallas moved down two spots in the draft after two cornerbacks the club was targeting at No. 10 were taken. South Carolina's Jaycee Horn went to Carolina at No. 8, and Patrick Surtain II of Alabama was taken ninth by Denver.

Now, Parsons leads a group of rookies who have helped put their teams in the heat of the playoff race. They include New England quarterback Mac Jones, Cincinnati receiver Ja'Marr Chase and San Francisco running back Elijah Mitchell, who hopes to return from a knee injury this week.

Other teams feature rookie duos set-

ting them up for bright futures and perhaps the possibility of sneaking into this year's postseason.

In Denver, it's Surtain and tackle-breaking, bulldozing running back Javonte Williams, although the Broncos' playoff chances are almost nil after their 17-13 stumble at Las Vegas last weekend left them at 7-8 and facing long odds.

In Miami, it's Jaylen Waddle and Jaalen Phillips, whose Dolphins are in the AFC postseason mix after their 20-3 win over New Orleans that made them the first team in NFL history to win seven consecutive games in the same season that they endured a seven-game losing streak.

Surtain has been everything the Broncos' front office and coaching staff envisioned. He's broken up or intercepted a dozen passes, including a pair of fourth-quarter picks of Justin Herbert in Denver's 28-13 win over the Chargers last month.

He picked off Herbert in the end zone early in the fourth quarter and sealed the win by returning his second interception 70 yards for a touchdown.

Surtain reached a top speed of 22.07 mph on his pick-6, according to Next Gen Stats, the fastest by a defensive back with the ball in his hands in the past five years.

That made him the first rookie since Marcus Peters in 2015 for Kansas City to have multiple interceptions, including a pick-6, in the same game.

Broncos coach Vic Fangio suggests Surtain, with his ever-so-rare combi-

nation of speed, size and length for a cornerback, ought to win Defensive Rookie of the Year honors for excelling so quickly in what's notoriously a difficult transition from college.

"I do. He's playing a very hard position, and one where it's hard to find quality players," Fangio said. "He's done a great job. He's definitely very deserving of Rookie of the Year, or any honor that could come his way."

In any other year, Surtain might be a lock. But Parsons is having an even better rookie season and while the Broncos are teetering on another losing campaign, the Cowboys have gone from 6-10 last year to 11-4 this season.

The Bengals have turned around from 4-11-1 to 9-6 and sit atop the AFC North after overtaking the sinking Baltimore Ravens last weekend. A key part of Cincinnati's resurgence is the combination of former LSU stars Chase and Joe Burrow, the top pick in 2020 whose rookie season was cut short by a knee injury, leaving the Bengals with a top-5 pick again this year.

With it, they selected Chase, who has 68 catches for 1,173 yards and 10 touchdowns.

Fans hasn't quite made Patriots fans quit longing for Tom Brady, but he's helped turn New England's rebuild into a one-year affair instead of the six-year quagmire the Broncos have endured post-Peyton Manning as they've churned through 10 starting QBs, including five different ones to start each of the past five seasons.

Ties that bind: Some in CFP will face their former schools

By TIM REYNOLDS

AP Sports Writer

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Michigan defensive coordinator Mike Macdonald went to high school in Georgia. He's a University of Georgia graduate. He once worked on the staff at Georgia under Mark Richt as a graduate assistant.

Cincinnati running back Jerome Ford spent two seasons carrying the ball for Alabama, scoring three touchdowns and honing his craft under coach Nick Saban.

And now they get to try to beat their old schools.

There are plenty of ties that bind for all four teams going into the College Football Playoff semifinals Friday, and the ones featuring Macdonald and Ford might be the best of the bunch. Macdonald will look to slow down Georgia — his alma mater — in the Orange Bowl. Ford is Cincinnati's top rusher, set to play against Alabama at the Cotton Bowl.

"I'm looking down here at the microphone and it says Orange Bowl," Macdonald said while meeting with reporters virtually on Tuesday morning. "And it's kind of hard to believe that we're here."

Oh, in his case, that's true on a lot of levels.

Let's start at the beginning: He played high school football in Roswell, Georgia, for a man named Xarvia Smith. The respect was mutual, and when Macdonald was 21 and in the honors program on his way to a business degree from Georgia, Smith got a job at another high school. He offered Macdonald a chance to be defensive coordinator for the freshman team. Six shutouts later by that group, Macdonald was promoted to the varsity coaching staff — juggling that with his senior year of college.

"I had some great relationships with some of those players still to this day," Macdonald said. "Obviously, Coach Smith is a mentor of mine. We were just texting actually probably a day or two ago. That was a great memory, man."

He's not the only Michigan man with deep Georgia ties. Defensive lineman Chris Hinton is one of seven Wolverines who list Georgia as their home state, and Hinton nearly signed with the Bulldogs.

"I grew up with a lot of those guys over there at UGA, just growing up or through the recruiting process or through basketball, so it's going to be fun going against some familiar faces," Hinton said. "They recruited me hard and were honestly my second school. That's really my second school, my second option. It's going to be really fun going against those guys. I'm excited for the game."

And Hinton gives Macdonald plenty of credit for getting Michigan to this moment.

"I think he does a great job of putting people in great positions to make plays, and he does a great job just relating to his players," Hinton said. "We understand what he's thinking, he understands what we're thinking, and we're able to bounce off of that, bounce ideas off of that, and I think that's paid dividends to our success this year. I mean, we love Coach Mac."

Ford helped carry Cincinnati to this stage, becoming one of the nation's breakout stars in 2021 and — as luck would have it — getting the chance to face a program he knows plenty about in the semifinals.

Ford carried the ball 31 times in two seasons for Saban and the Crimson Tide. But he's grown fatigued of being labeled "the Alabama transfer."

"I'm thankful for everything Coach Saban did for me and the opportunity to play at Alabama," said Ford, who has rushed for 1,242 yards and 19 touchdowns this season. "But I'm a Bearcat, and I would kind of appreciate it if people stopped calling me 'the Alabama transfer.' I am a Cincinnati Bearcat. But like I said, I'm thankful for everything Coach Saban did for me and the opportunity to play at Alabama around all the great coaches and other great players."

Facing his former team might be an interesting plot twist, but Ford has a chance to help Cincinnati get to the national title game. That's all the motivation he says he needs.

"I'm real motivated to play," Ford said. "There's nobody or nothing the team that we are playing could do to possibly add any motivation. I feel like I'm very intrinsically motivated, and everything I have comes from inside."

Fair enough.

As is the case with Ford, there's no question about where Macdonald's loyalty lies this week.

After his stint at Cedar Shoals, Macdonald became a grad assistant at Georgia. This was before iPads and tablets; playbooks were actually still books back then, and Macdonald was part of the group assembling them.

"I remember just having a really rough relationship with the printer," he said.

Office machinery issues notwithstanding, Macdonald became further convinced that coaching was his calling. Richt moved him up to defensive quality control coach for three years, before Macdonald decided in 2013 that it was time to put his business degree to use. He accepted an offer to work at KPMG, along the same time that John Harbaugh — the brother of Michigan coach Jim Harbaugh — was looking for interns with the Baltimore Ravens.

The KPMG move never happened. Macdonald spent seven years with the Ravens, got hired at Michigan this past January and the rest is history.

"Just extremely fortunate," Macdonald said. "Talk about just luck of the draw. Man, am I blessed that that happened, so otherwise we wouldn't be sitting here."

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South dealer.
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♠ 6 5 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ K J 7 6
♣ A 8

WEST
♠ A K J 10
♥ 7 5 3
♦ 9 5 4 3
♣ 7 4

EAST
♠ 9 8
♥ 10 9 4 2
♦ A Q 2
♣ 9 6 3 2

SOUTH
♠ 7 4
♥ A Q J 6
♦ 10 8
♣ K Q J 10 5

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
1 NT Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — jack of spades.

It might not be cricket, but an accomplished defender spends a good deal of time trying to convince declarer that he is subject to a danger that actually does not exist. Here is a classic example of the art of deception. South got to three notrump as shown, and West (Dorothy Hayden) led the jack of spades, even though North had bid that suit. Declarer cannot be blamed for

playing low from dummy, since East might well have held the singleton king or ace, or possibly the A-K alone. Covering the jack with the queen in each of these cases could easily have proven fatal.

After the jack held, Hayden blithely continued with the ten at trick two! South was now afraid that East had started with either the doubleton A-8 or K-8 of spades. In that case, covering with the queen would cost the contract if West had the ace of diamonds as an entry.

So, rightly or not, declarer ducked the ten also. Hayden then cashed the A-K of spades as South's face reddened perceptibly. On the last two spades, East discarded the deuce of hearts and deuce of clubs, suggesting a diamond lead. So Hayden shifted to a diamond, and the contract went down two.

Obviously, had South realized what Hayden was up to, he would have played dummy's queen on either the first or second spade lead. Declarer would then have finished with 10 tricks instead of the seven he actually scored. In all fairness, though, it must be said that it's much easier to play a hand with all 52 cards in view instead of just 26.

Tomorrow: Trump management.
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Application of Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Bernoulli Switching Station to Edmondson Ranch Collector Station 345 kV Transmission Line in Glasscock County, Texas

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This notice is provided to notify you of the intent of Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LL("WETT;" occasionally hereinafter, the "Applicant") to apply to Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission" or "PUC") for permission to amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") to construct a project to interconnect to a 301.3-MW wind generation facility being developed by Lacy Creek Windpower, LLC (f/k/a Edmondson Ranch Wind, LLC). The proposed facilities include a new, single-circuit, double bundled 345-kV approximately 13.7- mile transmission line linking a proposed new WETT Bernoulli 345-kV Switching Station (which is located approximately 5 miles south of Garden City, near the intersection of Farm to Market Road 33 and County Road 140) to a new Edmondson Ranch Collector Station (located approximately 14 miles southeast of Garden City and approximately 6 miles east-northeast of the intersection of County Road 11 and County Road 280). The Bernoulli Switching Station will tap and loop in WETT's existing Bearkat to Sand Bluff 345-kV transmission line with doublecircuit-capable tap facilities utilizing four new self-supporting lattice towers. The length of the new transmission line is approximately 13.7 miles and the estimated total cost of this project, including the new WETT switching station and tap facilities, is \$51,660,287.

Persons with questions about the transmission line may contact Deborah Sterzing of WETT at (737) 218-4531. A detailed routing map may be reviewed at:

Glasscock County Courthouse
209 South Myrl St, Garden City, TX 79739

A detailed routing map may also be available by contacting Deborah Sterzing of WETT at (737) 218-4531.

All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

The only way to fully participate in the PUC's decision on where to locate the transmission line is to intervene in the docket. It is important for an affected person to intervene because the utility is not otherwise obligated to keep affected persons informed of the PUC's proceedings and cannot predict which route may or may not be approved by the PUC.

The deadline for intervention in the docket is Monday, February 7, 2022, which is the next business day 45 days after filing of the application.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, your request for intervention should be filed electronically and you will be required to serve the request on other parties by email. Therefore, please include your own email address on the intervention form. Instructions for electronic filing via the "PUC Filer" on the Commission's website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer> Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at http://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/filings/New_PUC_Web_Filer_Presentation.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission's Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at: <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>.

While the preferred method is for you to submit your request for intervention electronically, if you are unable to do so you may mail 10 copies of the request for delivery by the February 7, 2022 intervention date. Mail the request to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P. O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Persons who wish to intervene in the docket by mail must also

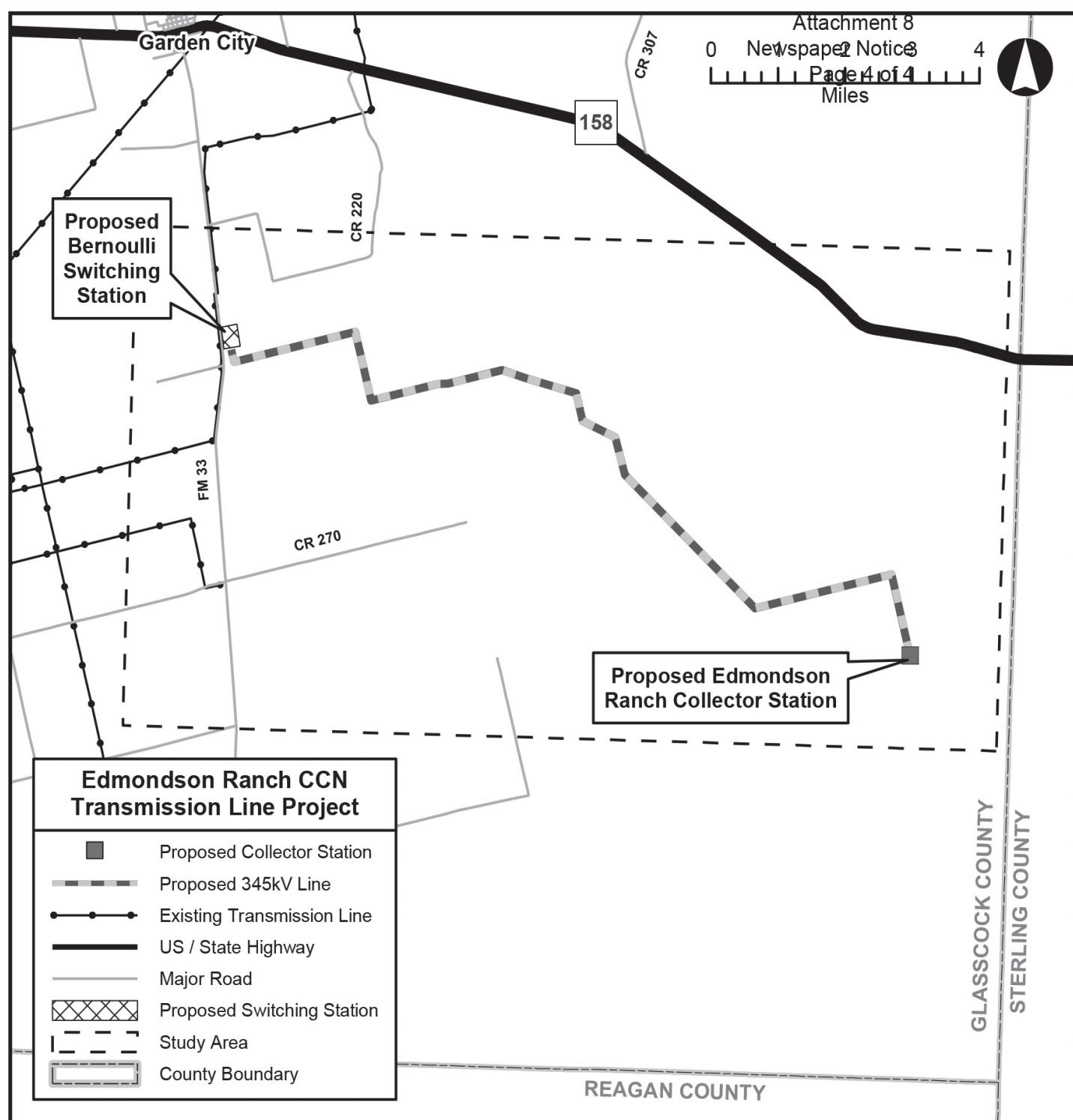
mail a copy of their request for intervention to all parties in the docket and all persons that have pending motions to intervene at or before the time the request for intervention is mailed to the PUC. In addition to the intervention deadline, other important deadlines may already exist that affect your participation in this docket. You should review the orders and other filings already made in the docket.

The PUC has a brochure titled "Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC" which explains the process and how you can access these filings. Copies of the brochure are available from WETT at (512) 279-7369 or may be downloaded from the PUC's website at www.puc.state.tx.us. To obtain additional information about this docket, you may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speechimpaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (512) 936-7136 or toll free at (800) 735-2989. In addition to the intervention deadline, other important deadlines may already exist that affect your participation in this docket. You should review the orders and other filings already made in the docket.

- Enclosures:
- Route description
 - Newspaper maps

Route Description

The proposed facilities will link the proposed new WETT Bernoulli 345-kV Switching Station (which is located approximately 5 miles south of Garden City, near the intersection of Farm to Market Road 33 and County Road 140) to a new Edmondson Ranch Collector Station (located approximately 14 miles southeast of Garden City and approximately 6 miles east-northeast of the intersection of County Road 11 and County Road 280) using self-supporting single-circuit tubular steel structures. The Bernoulli Switching Station will tap and loop in WETT's existing Bearkat to Sand Bluff 345-kV transmission line with double-circuit-capable tap facilities utilizing four new self-supporting lattice towers. The route runs in a generally southeastern direction from the proposed Bernoulli Switching Station for approximately 13.7 miles to the proposed Edmondson Ranch Collector Station: the route exits the southern side of the Bernoulli Switching Station and runs south for approximately 0.2 mile in length; the route then turns east for approximately 1.8 miles before turning south for approximately one mile; the route then turns east again and runs relatively straight for approximately 2.1 miles. From this point, the route turns and runs southeast for 1.1 miles, then runs south for 0.4 mile in length, southeast for 0.5 mile in length, and south again for 0.6 mile in length, before running relatively straight southeast for 2.7 miles. From this point, the route runs east for 2.1 miles, then turns south for approximately 1.2 miles to enter the Edmondson Ranch Collector Station.



FEATURES

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 29, the 363rd day of 2021. There are two days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 29, 1940, during World War II, Germany dropped incendiary bombs on London, setting off what came to be known as "The Second Great Fire of London."

On this date:

In 1170, Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was slain in Canterbury Cathedral by knights loyal to King Henry II.

In 1812, during the War of 1812, the American frigate USS Constitution engaged and severely damaged the British frigate HMS Java off Brazil.

In 1845, Texas was admitted as the 28th state.

In 1851, the first Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in the United States was founded in Boston.

In 1890, the Wounded Knee massacre took place in South Dakota as an estimated 300 Sioux Indians were killed by U.S. troops sent to disarm them.

In 1916, James Joyce's first novel, "A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man," was first published in book form in New York after being serialized in London.

In 1972, Eastern Air Lines Flight 401, a Lockheed L-1011 Tristar, crashed into the Florida Everglades near Miami International Airport, killing 101 of the 176 people aboard.

In 1989, dissident and playwright Vaclav Havel (VAHTS'-lahv HAH'-vel) assumed the presidency of Czechoslovakia.

In 1992, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo commuted the prison sentence of Jean Harris, the convicted killer of "Scarsdale Diet" author Herman Tarnower.

In 1996, guerrilla and government leaders in Guatemala signed an accord ending 36 years of civil conflict.

In 2006, word reached the United States of the execution of former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein (because of the time difference, it was the morning of Dec. 30 in Iraq when the hanging took place). In a statement, President George W. Bush called Saddam's execution an important milestone on Iraq's road to democracy.

In 2007, the New England Patriots ended their regular season with a remarkable 16-0 record following a 38-35 comeback victory over the New York Giants. (New England became the first NFL team since the 1972 Dolphins to win every game on the schedule.)

Ten years ago: Fed-up voters in Jamaica threw out the ruling party and delivered a landslide triumph to the opposition People's National Party and its leader, former Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller. The No. 15 Baylor Bears, led by Heisman Trophy winner Robert Griffin III, pulled out an Alamo Bowl victory in the highest-scoring regulation bowl game in history, beating the Washington Huskies 67-56 at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas.

Five years ago: The United States struck back at Russia for hacking the U.S. presidential campaign with a sweeping set of punishments targeting Russia's spy agencies and diplomats. Tennis star Serena Williams announced her engagement to Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian — on Reddit. (The couple married on Nov. 16, 2017.)

One year ago: A Colorado National Guardsman who'd been sent to help out at a

nursing home struggling with a COVID-19 outbreak was reported to be the first in the U.S. to have a new, more contagious variant of the coronavirus that had been circulating in England. Just days before he would have been sworn in as a new Republican member of the U.S. House from Louisiana, Luke Letlow died at the age of 41 from complications related to COVID-19. A statue of Abraham Lincoln with a freed slave appearing to kneel at his feet was removed from its downtown Boston perch. French designer Pierre Cardin died at 98. Phyllis McGuire, the last surviving member of the singing McGuire Sisters, died at her estate in Las Vegas at 89.

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Rose Lee Maphis is 99. Actor Inga Swenson is 89. Retired ABC newscaster Tom Jarriel is 87. Actor Barbara Steele is 84. Actor Jon Voight is 83. Singer Marianne Faithfull is 75. Retired Hall of Fame Jockey Laffit Pincay Jr. is 75. Actor

Ted Danson is 74. Singer-actor Yvonne Elliman is 70. The president of the International Olympic Committee, Thomas Bach, is 68. Actor Patricia Clarkson is 62. Comedian Paula Poundstone is 62. Rock singer-musician Jim Reid (The Jesus and Mary Chain) is 60. Actor Michael Cudlitz is 57. Rock singer Dexter Holland (The Offspring) is 56. Actor-comedian Mastro Clark is 55. Actor Jason Gould is 55. News anchor Ashleigh Banfield is 54. Movie director Lilly Wachowski is 54. Actor Jennifer Ehle is 52. Actor Patrick Fischler is 52. Rock singer-musician Glen Phillips is 51. Actor Kevin Weisman is 51. Actor Jude Law is 49. Actor Maria Dizzia is 47. Actor Mekhi Phifer (mih-KYFY'-fuhr) is 47. Actor Shawn Hatosy is 46. Actor Katherine Moennig is 44. Actor Diego Luna is 42. Actor Alison Brie is 39. Country singer Jessica Andrews is 38. Actor Iain de Caestecker is 34. Actor Jane Levy is 32. Singer-actor-dancer Ross Lynch is 26. Rock musician Danny Wagner is 23.

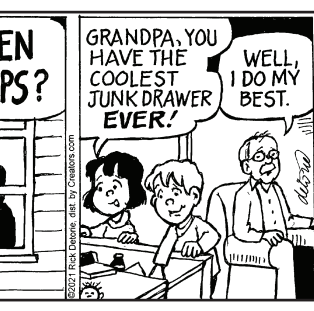
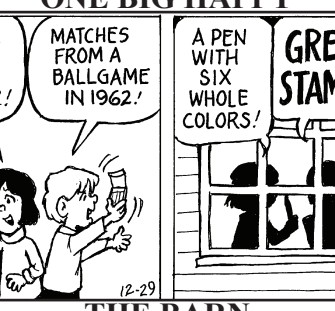
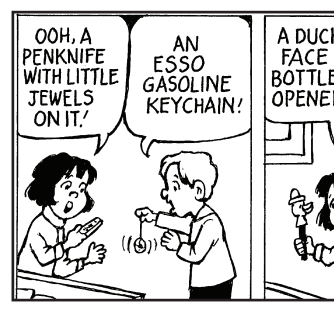
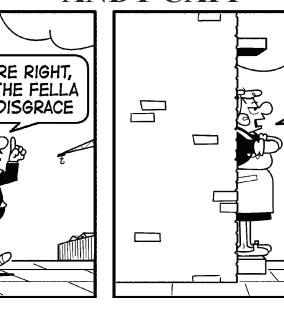
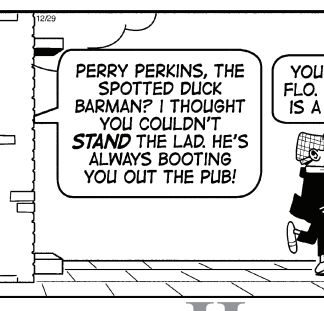


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Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 29, 2021

Cosmic Kiss to Resolutions

Any New Year's resolutions made today will be kissed by the excellent omen of a Mercury and Venus conjunction. This practical alliance in Capricorn illuminates our next power moves and anoints them with an extra push of auspicious awareness. The focus is on our routines. Making a practice of what we love to do can change our whole world.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Though it's fun to be seduced, whether it's a seduction to get you to buy a product, join a group or be personally enticed, you're no easy mark. You want the truth more than the seduction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Believe it or not, people are paying attention to you. This is no time to misjudge your own capabilities, underestimate your strength or be clueless as to the charisma you wield.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Ask yourself why you're holding on to something. Is it because you're afraid of what will change if you let go? If fear is the only thing holding you back, it's a sign to get brave and make the change.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Being attached to the appearance of things could get in the way of knowing the real essence of them. To know what things are, forget what they are supposed to be.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Even though the way a person acts is a reflection of who they are, you still get the strange feeling that you are someone other than the person enacting your behavior. You are bigger than even your best choices.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's a time to muscle your way through. When you feel depleted, don't back down. Instead, make a push. You'll get a second wind and accomplish something remarkable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). How can you make it easy for people to do the thing you really want them to do? This is the secret to success that can be applied across many areas of life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're happy to be the witness, not the judge. You may be asked to give a verdict anyway, but think twice before you do. Even seemingly innocuous opinions could have an unintended influence.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Emotions could cause you to improperly or unhelpfully magnify or minimize the impact of things. Make things as big or small in your mind as you need them to be. Find the scale that is easy for you to manage.

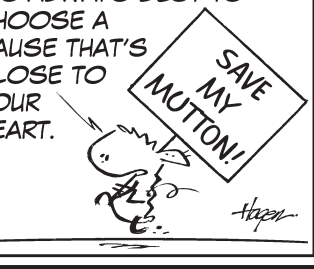
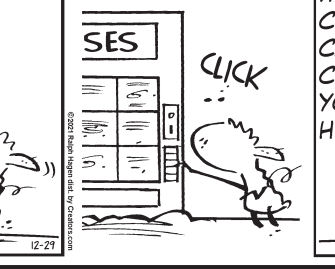
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Creativity isn't something you acquire; it's something you've had all along. Like Dorothy's ruby slippers, you only need to know how to access the magic to be transported.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're appropriately mild-mannered for most of the day. But there will be brief moments when intense emotions will help you go at your purpose harder, so don't be afraid to feel your feelings.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can never have enough friends and connections. You don't even have to try to meet new people; it just happens naturally as you go about your day.

ries "Curb Your Enthusiasm" or saving humanity as the devil himself in "The Good Place," his superstar timing is undeniable.

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Mountain climbed by Moses
 - 6 Narrow opening
 - 10 PM periods
 - 14 Steer clear of
 - 15 Beyond the ___ (inappropriate)
 - 16 Medical fluids
 - 17 Freshly picked fruit in buckets
 - 20 Comes to a close
 - 21 Rocks from mines
 - 22 Electrified fish
 - 23 Move downhill on snow
 - 24 Coloring solutions
 - 25 Flashing dance-floor light
 - 27 Utmost height
 - 29 Mariner's distress call
 - 30 Contest (for)
 - 31 Where Rosa Parks grew up
 - 35 Take a quick look
 - 36 Theater snack in buckets
 - 39 Branch of the military
 - 40 "Please, please, please . . ."
 - 41 Syrup ingredient
 - 42 Director Spike or Ang
 - 43 Cultural activities
 - 46 Indulgent spending flings
 - 48 Ring loudly
 - 51 Room coolers, for short
 - 53 Actress Torres or Lollobrigida

- DOWN**
- 1 Bank vaults
 - 2 First Daughter after Sasha
 - 3 From Sweden or Denmark
 - 4 Objectives
 - 5 Passports, for short
 - 6 Tire in a trunk
 - 7 Narrow roads
 - 8 Former General Motors make
 - 9 "Herbal" brew
 - 10 According to
 - 11 Toppled
 - 12 French teacher's compliment
 - 13 ___ in "Sam"
 - 18 Canine category
 - 19 Four-legged family members
 - 24 Editor's removal mark
 - 25 Covered with suds
 - 26 Screech of fright
 - 28 Loads of
 - 29 Skyline obscurer
 - 32 Gallic girlfriends
 - 33 Crib dweller
 - 34 Chimp or gorilla
 - 35 Rain torrentially
 - 36 Gambling that might be "floating"
 - 37 Incarcerate
 - 38 Onetime furnace fuel
 - 39 Stubborn beast
 - 42 Bit of foliage
 - 44 Football takedown
 - 45 Desktop monitor
 - 47 Contest submission
 - 48 Military priest
 - 49 Banquet host
 - 50 Volcanic dust
 - 52 Faxes or mails
 - 54 Elevator entryway
 - 55 Etcher's fluid
 - 56 Short-lived trend
 - 57 On vacation, say
 - 58 Angry state

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Dec. 29). The prevailing sense is one of belonging and purpose. You are more certain than ever about what you have to offer and will be empowered by your own generosity. A bold and righteous move improves finances for yourself and many. Friends send you in adventurous directions, and you'll return with gold. Gemini and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 22, 15, 40 and 19.

COSMIC QUESTION:

"I despise my job but I'm worried about quitting. I have a girlfriend who quit her job and has been unemployed for six months! But what am I supposed to do? I feel like walking into the building takes all of my energy and that sitting at my cubical crushes my soul. I'm an outdoorsy Capricorn, 22 and living with my parents. They will be angry with me if I quit."

Capricorn usually loves a challenge. In your case, the job you've chosen isn't challenging enough, so the challenge becomes making yourself show up with a positive attitude ready to do good work -- a challenge you do not seem to be rising to meet. Perhaps your new challenge should be the difficult task of carrying on an employment search while currently employed. You can do it! That's the way you can be sure that you're not acting irresponsibly or impulsively. Surely, your parents won't be angry with you if you're leaving a job you hate to try something new.

Note that young, savvy Capricorns who are new to the workforce sometimes forget that most people who are in a job they love have been in several jobs they hated. Playing your dues builds character.

CELEBRITY PROFILES:

The ever-fresh talents of Ted Danson have graced the world of film and television for four decades. He combines his Capricorn confidence and swagger with the show-business savvy of moon and Saturn in Leo. Whether playing himself in the television se-

SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

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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CROSSWORD Today's Answers

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