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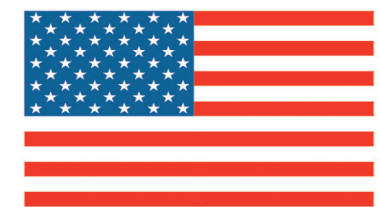
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 Source: weather.gov

Today in History
 On Feb. 17:

1801: Thomas Jefferson elected president over Aaron Burr as U.S. House of Representatives breaks Electoral College tie.
1815: Treaty of Ghent ratified by U.S. Senate and signed by President James Madison, ending the War of 1812.

Daily Quotes

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 — Michael Jordan
 "Approach every film with the same enthusiasm, regardless of its budget."
 — Lou Diamond Phillips

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Maestro John's swan song?
Long-time Symphony guest conductor Giordano has announced his concert with BSSO Saturday will be his last behind the baton.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

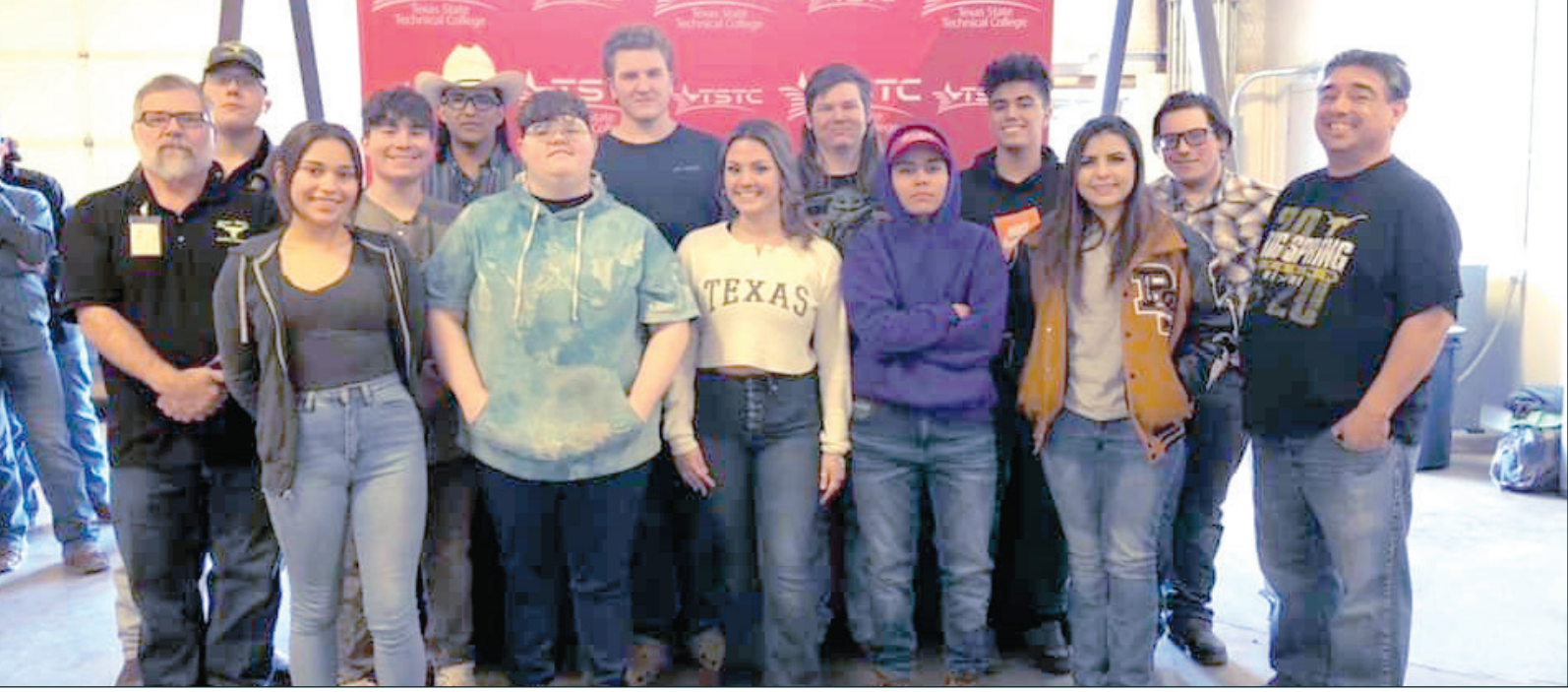
Maestro John Giordano is hanging up his conductor's baton.
 Giordano is associate professor of music at Texas Christian University, music director emeritus of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, founder of the Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra, and jury chairman of the world-famous Van Cliburn International Piano Competition since 1973, and he may be giving is last performance as conductor of an orchestra right here in Big Spring, leading the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra.
 He will lead the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra in concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Big Spring High School auditorium, 707 E. 11th Place.
 "Maestro Giordano actually predates the existence of the Big Spring Symphony," said Dr. Keith Graumann, music director and resident conductor of the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra. "About 1980, there was a group that began organizing symphony concerts, and they would bring in different orchestras. Maestro Giordano brought in the Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra for a number of years before the Big Spring Symphony was formed. Then, later on, he brought the orchestra periodically, even with the symphony formed."
 Graumann said he became aware of Giordano as a student at Texas Christian University.



HERALD file photo

Maestro John Giordano of Fort Worth conducts the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra in February 2019. Giordano will serve as Guest Conductor with the Orchestra Saturday in what may be his final stint on the conductor's podium.
 "I knew him when I was a student at TCU, but he didn't know me. He was conductor of the Fort Worth Youth Orchestra, and that led to his appointment of the Fort Worth Symphony. So
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BSHS Welding students flourish at the TSTC Sweetwater Welding competition



Courtesy Photos

Big Spring High School Welding students brought home first, second, sixth, and seventh place out of 52 schools at the TSTC Sweetwater Welding competition. In addition, students brought home scholarships, prizes, and of course, bragging rights. Welding is a high-demand skill that takes many hours of practice and complete attention to detail. TSTC welding instructor Daniel Aguirre said having the competition is the best way to promote the program to high school students and help them see the possibilities in their future. In addition, TSTC gives them a hands-on welding experience to see exactly what it's like to take this course at their school and gives them time to chat with other like-minded individuals.

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Special to the Herald
 STANTON – The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) is proud to be sponsoring a scholarship essay contest for graduating seniors who are planning to attend college or trade school. Those who are eligible to apply for the scholarship must attend one of the four

schools in the PBUWCD's District which includes: Forsan, Grady, Sands and Stanton high schools. There will be a scholarship offered to each of the four schools in the District and the winners of the contest will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to the college of their choice.
 The essays are due no later than March 31, 2022 by 5 pm. They may be submitted to the student's school counselor or the Permian Basin UWCD office at 708 W Saint Peter St. in Stanton, TX.

The topic for the essay will be: "Texas has devoted a considerable amount of time and attention to rainwater harvesting and has enacted many laws supporting the practice of collecting rainwater. This water saving technique can help conserve the valuable underground water in our aquifers. Students are being asked to write an essay addressing the importance of rainwater harvesting, its benefits, and what Texans can do to help."
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Obituaries

Larry Fryar



Larry Fryar, 78, of Big Spring, passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022, in Abilene. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

Larry was born June 16, 1943, in Big Spring to Harvey (Pig) and Gwen Fryar and was a graduate of Coahoma High School. He was a member of Prairie View Baptist Church. He married Sandra Clanton on July 3, 1964, and shared 56 wonderful years together before her passing in 2020.

As a boy, Larry grew up on a farm working alongside his much-beloved father, Pig. Larry loved boat racing, drag racing, and anything to do with hot rods. He took great pride in all his vehicles, and you would never catch him riding in anything that wasn't clean and shining. After graduating from high school, he attended Howard College briefly just so he could flirt with Sandie since she was attending classes there. He also taught welding at Howard College for a bit. After marriage to his sweetheart and best friend, Larry worked at Sid Richardson, then eventually followed in his father's footsteps and took to farming on his own. He was given the distinction of Soil Conservation Farmer of the Year in the early 1990s. He was also

a contract pumper for a number of years.

Larry had many friends and was loved by so many. He was a true friend, and there wasn't much he wouldn't do for just about anyone. He especially loved being around his grandchildren and enjoyed taking annual family trips to the Frio River. Papa (as he was called by his grandchildren) even surprised them with a Disney Cruise. He and Sandie loved spoiling them.

Larry is survived by one son: Kerry Fryar and wife Neanda, four granddaughters: Cailey Whaley and husband Payton, Madison Fryar, Maciee Fryar, and Nevaeh Fryar; two grandsons, Blaine Martin and Reagan Martin; one great-grandson: Jaxon Whaley; one sister: Shanna Porter and husband Gary and his beloved dog Coco.

He was preceded in death by his wife Sandie, daughter Leslie Martin and parents Harvey (Pig) and Gwen Fryar.

Pallbearers will be Stanley Haney, Donnie Reid, Tommy Wegner, Walter Brumley, Marcus Phillips, and Bobby Joe Tucker. Honorary pallbearers are Greg Martin, Andy Dunson, Payton Whaley, and grandsons Blaine and Reagan Martin.

In lieu of flowers, family suggests donations to Dora Roberts Rehab Center.

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

Paid Obituary

James "Bunny" Massingill

James "Bunny" Massingill age 81, of Big Spring, Texas, was called home by his Lord and Savior Feb. 14, 2022. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday at Trinity Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



He was born Aug. 19, 1940, in Big Spring, Texas. He was the last of five children born to Bert and Leona Massingill.

Bunny grew up in Vealmoor was a gifted athlete who graduated from Borden County High School in 1959. He served in the Army National Guard and then married Sharon Buchanan, and they had three children. He then started his life in the oil

field, yet never forsaking his love of the land. He started M&M General Contractors in 1972. He was the backbone of his company for 50 years while continuing to farm and ranch. He later married Eugenia Sanchez Rivera. His pride and joy is and was his children and grandchildren.

Bunny is survived by his wife Eugenia "Jenny"; his daughter Becky and husband Keith and two grandchildren Megan and Michael, all of Big Spring, one sister Jamie Mills of Louisiana, and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his mother, father, brother Billy Massingill, sisters Oteka Hunt, and Leola Green, Sharon Massingill, and sons Michael and Mathew Massingill.

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

Paid Obituary

Bobbie June Hicks-Harmon



Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel located in Big Spring, Texas. Bobbie June passed away Monday evening at the Big Spring Center for Skilled Care surrounded by her loving family as well as her precious Hospice nurse Tara and all her faithful care

team.

Bobbie June Hicks-Harmon, born Bobbie June Busby on Jan. 15, 1946, in Stamford Texas to Robert (Bob) Bogard, married to Lavon Bogard and Dawnyce Busby, married to Johnny Busby. Bobbie June was the oldest of many brothers and a sister. Her brother Billy Bogard and wife Jan of Lake Brownwood. Johnny Bogard. Bruce Bogard married to Luella of Las Cruces. Johnny Bob Busby married to Yolanda from Lubbock. And her only baby sister, Kelly and husband Joseph Kaspick of Ft Worth Texas.

Bobbie June spent lots of time as a young girl running around her grandparent's farm in Haskell and Rule Texas and visiting her father and 3 younger brothers in New Mexico. She was 16 years older than her brother Johnny Bob and Kelly was 3 years behind him. She invested so much of her time in them as they grew up. She often commented that they were her first set of kids, and she was so very proud of both and all their accomplishments. Bobbie June graduated from Monterey High School in Lubbock, Texas. She had so many adventures after graduation. She spent a couple of seasons working at Six Gun City where her great talent for acting and singing really took shape. Bobbie June had a true passion for enjoying everything about life. She loved to fish and play all sports, but her favorite was being on many different Softball teams over the years up until she was in her 50's. She was one heck of a pitcher. After moving to Levelland she never missed an opportunity to pick and sing with her friends. Bobbie June had a love for dancing that started at a very young age, and she continued to enjoy attending many Senior Dances in Lubbock and Big Spring up until months before her passing. She loved horses and competed as a barrel racer for years in and around Levelland and Hockley County. Bobbie June was very involved in activities in her church as well as her community. She spent years in a few different churches in a couple of different towns teaching Sunday School, leading Bible Studies and singing in the church choir. In the 90's the church she was attending in Lubbock had a small youth group but no leader. She was in her 50's but she took on that youth group and God used her to bless the church and the teenagers. Bobbie June traveled all around during the 80's harmonizing with a group of her

church friends from Levelland in a gospel quartet. She loved to exercise and enjoyed swimming. In 2020 she moved to Big Spring to be closer to her daughter and grandkids and absolutely fell in love with the community and its residents. But the most important quality she had was always taking time to be with her family and friends when they needed her or just to capture those special moments that would become her treasured memories.

Bobbie June is survived by her daughter Rebecca (Missy) Hicks-Atkins and her favorite son-in-law Robbie of Big Spring. Her pride and joy were here grandkids: Jeremiah and Ciara Overman of Altus, Oklahoma. Guy Don Overman and Sydney Martin of Coahoma, Texas. Chet Overman, Kady, Kamryn and Carter Atkins of Big Spring. And her great grand girls Piper Blake and Laityn Haze Overman of Altus, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her dad Johnny Busby, her mother Dawnyce Busby, her father Bob Bogard, and her brother Johnny Bogard.

Bobbie June said "sometimes in life you find a special friend: someone who changes your life just by being part of it. Someone who makes you believe that there really is good in the world. Someone who convinces you that there really is an unlocked door just waiting for you to open it. And she found that very special friendship in John Levacy. She enjoyed reading and listening to John's cowboy poetry and loved to hear him play with his blue grass band whenever they played in Lubbock. Bobbie June also enjoyed getting to be a part of his involvement with the Ranching Heritage Center in Lubbock, Texas as well as the Cowboy Symposium. They enjoyed many adventures along with her little dog sugar fishing at different lakes around Big Spring and sightseeing on their adventure outings. Her faithful friend was by her side until Jesus took her home. Bobbie June believed John was a precious gift from God.

Bobbie June's beautiful smile and compassionate heart will be missed by so many of her family and friends, but we take comfort in knowing she is in the loving arms of Jesus. In lieu of flowers her family knows Bobbie June would appreciate donations be made to The Haven Animal Care Shelter located at 4501 Farm to Market Road 1729 Lubbock Texas 79403. They can be contacted at 806-763-0092.

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

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

•**PHILLIP WAYNE BEBEE**, 49, of 1904 E 11th Place was arrested on a charge of warrant from another agency, possession of controlled substance more than 4g less than 200g, possession of marijuana less than 2oz.

•**ROBERT LEE VELA**, 46, of 1311 Mobile was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2oz, operate unregistered motor vehicle, no drivers license, failed to maintain financial responsibility.

•**DAKOTA MACK MURPHREE**, 26, of 1711 Alabama St was arrested on a charge of expired registration.

•**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 1800 block of E 11th.

•**BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 3000 block of Sherrod Rd.

•**DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of Ridgeroad Dr.

•**FOUND PROPERTY** was reported in the 300 block of S Main St.

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 118 inmates at the time of this report.

•**JAVIEL SOLIZ**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2oz.

•**MORGAN DIONE AUSBIE**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

•**PHILLIP WAYNE BEBEE**, 49, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance more than 4g less than 200g, fail to maintain financial responsibility, possession of marijuana less than 2oz.

•**ROBERT LEE VELA**, 46, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2oz, operate unregistered motor vehicle, no drivers license, fail to maintain financial responsibility.

•**DAKOTA M MURPHREE**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of expired registration.

•**ISREAL DAVID LEAL**, 17, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of violate burn ban, reckless damage or destruction, failure to appear.

•**BRANSON MARTIN KENNEDY**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest detention with vehicle, possession of marijuana less than 2oz.

•**ROBYN VALENTINE**, 29, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated, unlawful carrying weapon prohibited places, evading arrest detention.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Albrook. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 900 block of E 6th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of E 11th Place. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of NW 3rd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 1000 block of E 15th St. No transport was required.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of E 14th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of S Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Call.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Colgate Ave. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•**TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the W I-20 MM 176. No transport was required.

•**MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the E I-20 MM 195. No transport was required.

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BSSO

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I knew him before he knew me," Graumann said. "But being aware of his accomplishments, when I first started helping the Big Spring Symphony in 2000, I brought him in as a guest conductor. That was before I conducted the Big Spring Symphony, but I brought him back and he conducted the orchestra at one of our concerts that year when I was just helping as a board member. Then when I was appointed music director and conductor, I continued to bring John in when he could, and when he was able, annually, as guest conductor."

Graumann said both he and the Big Spring Orchestra owe a lot to Giordano's mentorship.

"I consider him one of my major teachers. Though I never attended his classes or anything, we spent a lot of time together discussing orchestral music, and I consider him my mentor in orchestral music," he said. "Also, I think it's been good for our orchestra to see the difference between conductors. The wise and older gentleman, and the younger-style conductor in myself. Of course this has been going on for about 20 years now."

But Giordano is retiring, and this may well be his final performance as a conductor.

"He has requested that we consider this his last concert. Old conductors never die, they say. Although he likes to call it his 'swan song,' at this point it's the last time we'll plan to invite him as guest conductor, though I wouldn't be surprised to see him again as guest conductor," Graumann said. "He retired both from the Fort Worth Symphony and the Corpus Christi after that, so this is probably his last planned concert with any orchestra. So it is a huge event. He's had a magnificent career, and I'm sure he'll continue as he can, but this is the last time he wants to plan to conduct an orchestra."

Giordano's granddaughter Sarah Austin a mezzo-soprano, will perform in Saturday's concert as well.

"To make the event special, his granddaughter is a music major and an upstart mezzo-soprano, and so he wanted to bring her in and make the evening even more special," Graumann said. "Of course, I've heard recordings, and she's a very fine singer. I look forward to following her career. This should be a nice upstart for her career."

Giordano said the music has been selected to make a fun evening for the audience and the or-

chestra.

"He's planned a really audience-friendly concert for us. The first half will be classical pieces that have appeared in movies, so classical movie music. The second half will be called, 'Out of This World.' These are pieces that are about out of this world things," Graumann said. "One is called 'The Moon,' the others...we'll do 'Star Wars,' which is also out of this world. So in general, the pieces are either familiar or very easy to listen to for the audience."

Area high school musicians will get the opportunity to play along with the Big Spring Symphony, Graumann said.

"A very special part of this concert is the Side By Side appearance by local student musicians. So we're including student honorees from Big Spring High School, Coahoma High School, Colorado City High School, Stanton High School, and one student from San Angelo Central High School," he said. "These are all students that have either been in All Region or All Area bands and orchestras."

Tickets are available online through www.bigspringsymphony.com, or in person at H-E-B, the Heritage Museum of Big Spring, and the Karat Patch. For more information call 432-816-5196.

Take Note

• The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. Shows remaining this season include: Feb. 19 winter concert entitled "Thank you, Maestro John," celebrating the career and retirement of frequent BSSO Guest Conductor Maestro John Giordano, to be held at Big Spring High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.; and Spring Pops Concert, featuring Marie Osmond, on at 7:30 p.m. April 23 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. 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.

• American Legion Post No. 506 will hold a Fish Fry on Saturday, February 19. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while serving will extend from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are \$10 each. Serving will be at the American Legion headquarters, 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084 to order or for more information.

• Author and longtime Big Spring resident B.J. Mayo, now a resident of Miles, Texas, will hold a signing of his latest book *The Sparrows of Montenegro*, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Heritage Museum of Big Spring. The book is available for purchase on Amazon.

• 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>.

• New Life senior/mature adult dances are held the third Friday of every month from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive. Music is Western swing style. Entry fee is \$5 and refreshments are provided. 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 program 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 Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker 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.

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Sands Lady Mustangs dominate in first round of playoffs



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The Lady Mustangs from Sands had a performance to remember in their Bi-District round of the playoffs. The Lady Mustangs destroyed Whitharral in the first round of the playoffs by a final score of 64-9. The win now makes Sands 31-3 and is still the number one ranked team in 1A. One thing is for sure these ladies can light up a basketball court.

Big Spring Lady Steers softball make statement with first regular season game of year



Courtesy Photos

The Lady Steers wasted little time making a statement on this year's team. Yesterday Tuesday, Feb 15, the Lady Steers opened their season by taking on the Lady Pecos Eagles. The Steers won easily by a final score of 14-0. Pitcher Brinly Watkins threw a no-hitter, and three Lady steers had home runs. Vanessa Viasana belted a three-run homer, Illena Madrid added a solo shot, and Brinly Watkins also had a solo shot to help lead the Lady Steers to a substantial first win.

Big Spring Boys Head Coach notches 300 career win



Courtesy Photo

New Big Spring Steers boys head basketball coach Bobby Cash notched his 300 career win this season.

Lady Steers set to take on Mt. View in second round of playoffs



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The Lady Steers basketball team will take on Mt. View this Friday in Fort Stocton at 7:30 p.m. in the second round of the playoffs.

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Howard Lady Hawks sweep double-header



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Top Left Samantha Cervantes launches a ball for the Lady Hawks. Top Right: Olivia Kuzminski gets in the perfect position to field a ground ball. Bottom Left: Alyssa Olivas tags out a Dodge City player. Bottom Right: Sasha Williams squares up a pitch. The Lady Hawks swept a doubleheader as they faced off against the Dodge City Conquistadors. The Lady Hawks won game one 9-0 and followed that up with a win in game two 12-4. The sweep gives the Hawks a 9-2 season record. The Lady Hawks are currently ranked #14 in the Nation.

Big Spring Steers 8th grade B team wins District



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The Big Spring Steers eighth grade B team had a perfect district record this season as they went 9-0. Congratulations Boys!!

The 8th Grade B Steer basketball team completed its district season at Sweetwater on Monday by defeating the Mustangs 22-17.

The win gave the Steer an undisputed District Title with a perfect record of 9 and 0.

Scoring was led by Jayvyn Woodruff with 11 points, nine of which came from three 3's.

Jose Guerra added three points of his own while Moses DeHoyos, Nathan Garza, Joseph O'Dell and Chad Hughes all had 2 each to seal the win.

Their overall record was 10 and 2 with the two losses coming to Seminole and Lamesa in a tournament at Andrews back on December 2nd and 4th. As for the district, they swept

Snyder and Sweetwater in three games each, Levelland twice and San Angelo Lincoln in a single game to complete a 9 and 0 district.

The 10 win on the schedule came in the third game of the Andrews Tournament against Pecos on December 4th.

Coach Nance was extremely impressed with the accomplishment as the last few weeks, there were personnel changes from players moving up and down to A team and starters being out with illness.

"We practice, practice, practice our offense to where no matter where on the court you are, or the position, they guys knew where to go and what to do.", said Coach Nance.

Big Spring Golf Team finishes third in Sweetwater



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The Big Spring Steer golf team finished in third place at the Sweetwater Country Club.

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needed to ensure that immigrants were fully included in the fabric of American society to prevent violent ideologies from taking root at home. Ten years ago: Congress voted to extend a Social Security payroll tax cut for 160 million workers and to renew unemployment benefits for millions more. Today's Birthdays: Actor-comedian Barry Humphries (aka "Dame Edna") is 88. Actor Christina Pickles is 87. Football Hall of Famer Jim Brown is 86. Actor Brenda Fricker is 77. Actor Becky Ann Baker is 69. Actor Rene Russo is 68. Actor Richard Karn is 66. Actor Lou Diamond Phillips is 60. Basketball Hall of Famer Michael Jordan is 59. Actor-comedian Larry, the Cable Guy is 59. TV personality Rene Syler is 59. Movie director Michael Bay is 58. Singer Chante Moore is 55. Rock musician Timothy J. Mahoney (311) is 52. Actor Dominic Purcell is 52. Olympic gold and silver medal skier Tommy Moe is 52. Actor Denise Richards is 51. Rock singer-musician Billie Joe Armstrong (Green Day) is 50. Rock musician Taylor Hawkins (Foo Fighters) is 50. Actor Jerry O'Connell is 48. Country singer Bryan White is 48. Actor Kelly Carlson is 46. Actor Ashton Holmes is 44. Actor Conrad Ricamora is 43. Actor Jason Ritter is 42. TV personality Paris Hilton is 41. Actor Joseph Gordon-Levitt is 41. TV host Daphne Oz is 36. Actor Chord Overstreet is 33. Singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran is 31. Actor Meaghan Martin is 30. Actor Sasha Pieterse is 26.

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Horoscopes By Holiday

THURSDAY
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Last Days of the Pisces Sun

On the last day of Pisces season, a strong lunar agenda begs input from planetary mentors along its course. Saturn's advice stands out. The lesson planet strongly suggests we grade everyone on a curve, including and especially ourselves. We are all doing our best with what we have.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Despite your feeling of shyness, you are still expected to make a presentation, introduction or sales pitch. You will need to do this work more than once, so get started right away. The sooner you begin, the sooner you will succeed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A partner or colleague is going through changes that make you wonder about your future together. It's like you're moving forward and they're in the rear-view. Don't jump to conclusions just yet. There is a temporary dynamic at play.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You will question an idea or attitude you've accepted for years. While you may wonder "why did it take me so long?" you can be sure that this would have caused you pain if you had asked the question in another era.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll feel moved to help out someone close to you, but there's only so much you can do. Offer assistance until the other person can handle it on their own, then back off to show you trust them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The clarity of your mind will amaze you. Your untrue beliefs will be exposed. You will build new logical pathways that support your pursuit of a fantastic goal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The project has become convoluted with so many cooks. This calls for a return to basics. It will take a few days for you to sort out issues, then

you will create a new plan that honors your original intent. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Because others' wants seem more urgent than your own, you are tempted to give in to them. But that may set the stage for subtle manipulation. Take a stand to prevent future conflict.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're dealing with a tricky personal issue. Information is lacking. There is no way you can know the whole story now or ever. In this situation, all you can do is go with the feeling and respond with as much love as you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're doing a good deed for someone but consider why you are doing it. Eliminate ego-driven motives. When you carry this out for the right reasons, you'll be rewarded with great joy and luck.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Following the schedule feels repetitive. Everything is so familiar. An element of intrigue would shake things up, or it may be enough just to include someone new.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You consider work essential to your well-being. You believe you are here to serve and contribute. It's hard for you to imagine how anyone could feel otherwise, but they do, and you'll be challenged to accept it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You may think the drama is unnecessary, but frequently a dramatic person is satisfying a need in the best way they know how. If you can remain detached, there is entertainment value in this. Otherwise, try walking.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 17). This solar return finds you ever on the search for new sensations. Discovery is a pleasure; pleasure leads to gratitude; gratitude makes your life prayer in motion. Your range of perspective widens with an excursion to the top. You'll work at having more to offer because giving is among

your greatest joys. Gemini and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 40, 7, 20 and 38.

COSMIC QUESTION: "Holiday, how do you feel about space aliens? Do they have astrological signs too? Do you know any? Have you met any personally? If not, do you think they have come to Earth already? Do you believe in them at all? Just wondering. Signed, Curious Aquarius."

I feel great about space aliens and make a habit of sending good energy to all species and dimensions. Not that I think space aliens are particularly friendly, but if they are aggressive, maybe the positive vibes will soften their stance. I have not been made aware that anyone I know is an actual space alien nor have I, to my knowledge, ever met anyone from outer space. As for the astrological sign of a space alien, it would probably be based in different constellations. And although I'm humanity-positive, I still laugh at what your signmate Ellen DeGeneres has to say on the topic: "The only thing that scares me more than space aliens is the idea that there aren't any space aliens. We can't be the best that creation has to offer. I pray that we're not all there is. If so, we're in big trouble."

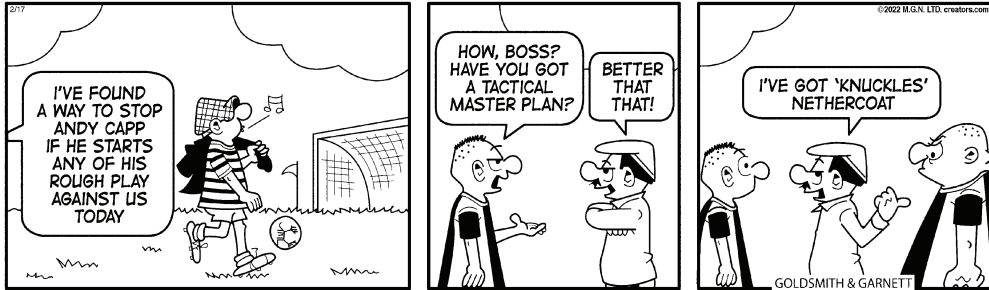
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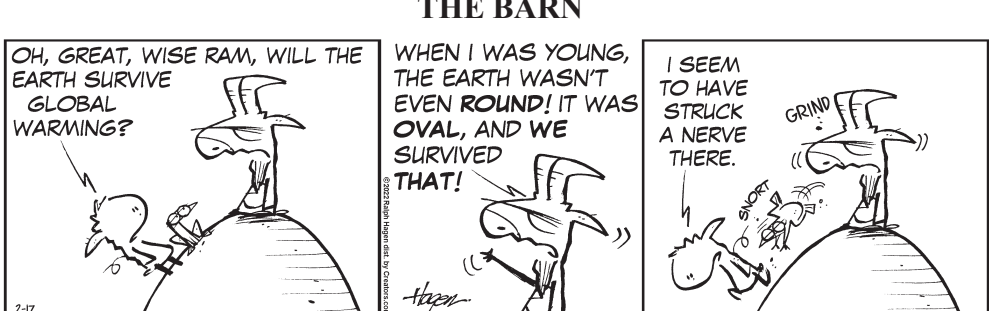
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- 1 Album insert
 - 6 Pass the buck
 - 10 Thing in a pen
 - 13 *Who's Who in the Bible* leader
 - 14 What help desks provide
 - 15 Not yet resolved
 - 17 Popular peanut-butter partner
 - 19 Dish (out)
 - 20 Drop (out)
 - 21 Final starter
 - 22 Big name in Cajun cooking
 - 24 A buck or two
 - 26 Barbecue staple
 - 28 Fire chief's suspicion
 - 30 *Simpsons* neighbor
 - 31 Sound of an allergy
 - 32 Bulk food holder
 - 34 Home-project cable channel
 - 36 Venerable redheaded doll
 - 37 With 39 Across, crispy base for cheese
 - 39 See 37 Across
 - 42 Auto loan stat.
 - 44 Clinicians' org.
 - 46 Common practice
 - 47 Class of 2024, today
 - 50 Acceptances
 - 52 Arabian Nights group
 - 56 Potatoey side
 - 59 Raider of video games
 - 60 Where Napoli is
 - 61 LOL, orally
 - 63 Dryly amusing
 - 64 Email notification

- 65 Mediterranean cuisine staple
 - 68 "Indeed!"
 - 69 Terrier in a Lego movie
 - 70 Ridiculous
 - 71 Pay stub letters
 - 72 In no time
 - 73 Obsessive experts
- DOWN**
- 1 Asian tiered temple
 - 2 Creator of Atticus and Scout
 - 3 Addresses a crowd
 - 4 Outperform
 - 5 Most-printed notes
 - 6 Merchant of a kids' rhyme
 - 7 Far from popular
 - 8 ESPN media partner
 - 9 Tinkered (with)
 - 10 Consumer science, for short
 - 11 Collapsible formal topper
 - 12 Manage to become a part of
 - 16 Trafalgar Square honoree
 - 18 W's brother
 - 23 W's degree
 - 25 Dressing gown
 - 27 Amend and/or abridge
 - 29 Nonexistent
 - 33 ESPN media partner
 - 35 The solver, sounding like a sheep
 - 37 Venerable monocled mascot
 - 38 *Telenovela* topic
 - 40 Volcanic output
 - 41 Official symbol
 - 42 Pitch in
 - 43 Ceramic stuff
 - 45 Monarch who abdicated in 2019
 - 48 At a standstill, perhaps
 - 49 With 51 Down, high time for snow sports
 - 51 See 49 Down
 - 53 Where clams are not cooked
 - 54 Minor mission
 - 55 Uncertainties
 - 57 Takes in nothing
 - 58 "Zip it!"
 - 62 Analogous
 - 66 Sob syllable
 - 67 GPS readout

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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!

CROSSWORD Today's Answers

S	R	E	N	N	O	S	L	A				
N	E	N	I	N	O	L	O	L				
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R	E	M	H	A	R	E	M	S	O	F	S	O
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Today's Answers

5	9	6	1	4	7	2	8	3
7	4	8	2	5	3	6	1	9
1	3	2	6	8	9	7	5	4
2	6	7	9	3	8	1	4	5
1	4	3	7	2	5	8	9	6
8	5	9	4	6	1	3	2	7
6	2	4	3	1	6	5	7	8
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9	7	5	8	2	6	4	3	1

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