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Weather



Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 52. South wind 15 to 20 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 75. South wind 15 to 25 mph becoming northwest in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39. Friday: Mostly sunny, with

a high near 65.

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Today in History On March 16:

1850: Nathaniel Hawthorne's The Scarlet Letter published in Boston.

1869: Hiram R. Revels makes first official speech by an African-American in the U.S. Senate.

1926: Robert H. Goddard launches first liquid-fueled rocket; reaches 184 feet.

Daily Quotes

"The truth is that all men having power ought to be mistrusted."

James Madison

"I've got all the money I'll ever need, if I die by four

— Henny Youngman

"I love my husband. I believe in him, and I am proud of his accomplishments."

– Patricia Nixon

"I do get a lot of mail. I get a lot of foreign mail because my mail gets mixed with Emilio Estevez."

- Erik Estrada

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Senate approves, Biden signs Ports to Plains bill

Legislation will extend I-27 through Big Spring
Plans for the project indicate that Interstate 27

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

Interstate 27 currently runs the short distance from Amarillo to Lubbock. Legislation signed by President Joe Biden Tuesday seems poised to extend the corridor much further, from Laredo on the Texas/Mexico border, through Big Spring and Midland, to Raton, N.M., where it will join Interstate 25. Interstate 25 currently extends northward to Buffalo, Wyoming. Plans are to extend the Ports To Plains corridor northward to Canada.

Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Director Mark Willis announced the presidential approval of the route at the BSEDC meeting Monday. "The president signed the bill designating future Interstate

27 part of the Interstate Highway System. That is the next step on getting that to happen. That is a positive note, and that happened today, I believe," Willis said.

will split into an East and West branch at Sterling City, with the East branch continuing northwest through Big Spring, and the West branch angling west to Midland before continuing northward. The two branches will reunite into a single highway at Lamesa, according to the plan.

District 19 U.S. Representative Jodey Arrington, whose constituency includes Howard County, called the decision a "game-changer" for West Texas. "Establishing a four-lane, federal highway for

I-27 is a game-changer for our economy and quality of life in West Texas for decades to come and will strengthen our food security and energy independence for the entire country," Arrington commented in a press release issued by the Ports To Plains Alliance. "I had three big goals for a

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Strange times for economics

By MARK WILLIS

Big Spring EDC Director Globalization of economies result in

some odd things. Today a manmade calamity on one side of the planet is resulting in a positive outcome on the other side.

Big Spring and the Permian Basin are looking at good economic trends going forward for reasons

that are not good for the world in total. The Russian war on Ukraine has contributed to soaring energy prices that likely will not decline for several years. Even if the war were to end tomorrow clearing up the political wreckage resulting from the fighting will take time. And Europe has received a wakeup call in regards to energy dependence on Russia and will be seeking to diversify their sources worldwide.

Despite the fact that the United States gets very little oil or gas from Russia, those commodities serve a global market and prices here reflect that. Even before the invasion of Ukraine prices were rising and cushioned the impact of losing the private prison jobs locally late last vear. Sales tax revenue and unemployment have not been nearly as negatively

affected as they could have been.

Beyond the traditional oil and gas interests, new renewable projects that might not have been viable when oil prices were lower are being considered in Howard County. At the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation we are seeing an uptick in interest in the City, particularly in the retail/service

Traditionally in most economic environments, new base jobs come initially and the retail/ service jobs follow as the new income is established. However, in our area the boom-and-bust cycles can result in the retailer/service provider sectors anticipating the acceleration of the upward trend in the energy sector and coming in ahead of the base jobs. The evidence of this can be seen in the new construction of restaurant properties along Gregg Street and other projects within the City, like Spring Town Plaza where the new owners report being pleasantly surprised by the interest

in that remodeled property. Of course, on the negative side, rising energy prices contribute to inflation and we will all experience that pain. However, in general our region will gain more from new activity than we lose to the rise in prices.

3 EU prime ministers visit Kyiv as Russian attacks intensify

CASERT

Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — The prime ministers of Poland, Czech Republic and Slovenia traveled to the embattled Ukrainian capital of Kyiv on Tuesday in a show of support for Ukraine even as bombardment by the Russian military edged closer to the center of the city. The three leaders went ahead with the

hours-long train trip despite worries within the European Union about the security risks of traveling within a war Poland's Prime Minister Mateusz

Morawiecki said on social media in the evening that he, deputy Prime Minister Jaroslaw Kaczynski and the Czech and Slovenian leaders were in Kyiv. "It is here, in war-torn Kyiv, that history is being made. It is here, that free-

dom fights against the world of tyranny. It is here that the future of us all hangs in the balance," Morawiecki said on

It was a strong symbol of support for

By VANESSA GERA and RAF Ukraine while the long journey over land from Poland to Kyiv sent another signal, too: that most of Ukraine still remains in Ukrainian hands.

> "The courage of true friends of Ukraine!" commented Ukrainian Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal.

Poland's leaders, together with Prime Ministers Petr Fiala of the Czech Republic and Janez Jansa of Slovenia, said they were on an EU mission. But officials from the 27-nation bloc insisted that the trio had undertaken the trip independently.

The three Central European nations are former communist bloc countries that now belong to both the EU and

NATO. Underlining the deteriorating security situation in Kyiv, a series of strikes hit a residential neighborhood in the city again on Tuesday. Jansa described the visit as a way to send a message that Ukraine is a European country that deserves to be accepted one day into the EU. Two weeks

earlier, Ukrainian President Volodymyr

Zelenskyy made an emotional appeal to

the European Parliament on that very

"We are fighting also to be equal members of Europe," Zelenskyy told EU lawmakers on March 1. "I believe that today we are showing everybody that is what

Jansa said the war has awoken Europeans to idea that the bloc represents fundamental ideas that are under threat and which Ukrainians are defending with their lives.

"Thank you for not only defending your homeland and Europe as a territory, but for defending the very core of European values and our way of life. Your fight is our fight and together we will prevail," tweeted Jansa, a right-wing populist friendly with Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban.

Jansa, 63, served as defense minister during the small state's brief and successful uprising against the Yugoslav army when Slovenia declared independence in 1991. Lately, he has been comparing Ukraine's resistance to Slovenia's uprising against a much stronger

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Lloyd Lindsey



Lloyd Lindsey, 80, stepped into Heaven March 11, 2022. We are rejoicing as he is walking and running on the streets of gold. He was born April 26, 1941 in Big Spring to Johnny & Velma Lindsey.

Family visitation Wednesday, March 16 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 5 PM until 7 PM. Graveside service will be Thursday at 11 AM at Trinity

Peace Chapel.

He answered when his country called, serving the 7th Battalion 1st Division in Vietnam. A devastating accident reduced his mobility, but did not break his spirit. He had an independent streak that

Obituaries

kept him going when others didn't think he could. He was a faithful member of Midway Baptist Church, and helped run sound for worship servic-

Lloyd is survived by his brother: Robert & wife Jeanie of Big Spring; 3 nephews: Paul Lindsey & wife Nikki of Mansfield, Brian Lindsey & wife Jeanette of Big Spring, & Darrol Childers & wife Mandy of Amarillo; 2 nieces: Chris Childers of Amarillo & Darla Keller & husband Todd of Anderson; and several great and great-great nieces and nephews.

Lloyd was preceded in death by his parents and his sister: Pat Childers.

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

Paid Obituary

Mable "Nell" York Kupper Mable "Nell" York Kupper qui-



etly departed this world Sunday, March 13, 2022, to attend the most amazing family reunion in Heaven with all of her loved ones, who have gone before who she missed so dearly.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral

services will be held at 2:00 pm Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Nell was born July 2, 1923 to Charles T. Rountree and Lela K. Fread in Dawson, Texas. She graduated from Dawson High School.

She married E.W. York in 1940 and married Tracy L. Kupper in 1961. She was a loving mother, Gran-Gran, Nana, sister, aunt ("Myrt") and friend. Always taking care of everyone, her family was her life song, her source of pride, joy and love. She worked at Webb Air Force Base and most of the dry cleaners in town over the years and loved to sew for herself and her family. She was an amazing cook and loved to spoil her family with her delicious food. She collected decorative plates from places around the U.S. and the world. She was always excited to get a new, unique plate from family and friends who brought her new treasures. She was strong, courageous, loving and an inspiration of strength, grace and kindness to her family. She was a member of East Fourth Baptist Church.

She is survived by four generations of family who were blessed to know her: Her son, Wayne York (Kathy) and daughter, Margaret Beck. Her grandchildren: Connie Schooler (Kevan), Angie Worley (James), Kathy Mason, Micah Beck (Tammy), Brian Beck (Lori), Stephanie Braxton (Jacob), Meeghan Gard (Bryan Rhodes) and Kristin Vinson (Matt). Her great-grandchildren: Leela Schooler, Emmalee Schooler (Ethan Brannon), Timothy Worley (Kaela), Crystal Bustamante (Chris), Scott Mason (Amanda), Ryan Mason (Ashley Russo), Mikayla Beck, Dylan Beck, Catrina "Cami" Donaho, Jacob Mitchell, Steven Beck, Aaron Farr, Alexys Yeats, Brock Gard, Baylee Gard, Brave Gard, Savannah Vinson, Harper Vinson and Quinn Vinson. Her great-great-grandchildren: Bailee Rizo, Alison Bustamante, Olivia Bustamante, Taelor Worley, Elliot Worley, Celia Mason and one more Mason girl on the way, Asher Mitchell, Jonah Donaho and Damien Farr.

She also leaves behind many treasured nieces, nephews and other extended family.

Preceded in death by her parents, first husband, E.W. York; second husband, Tracy L. Kupper; daughter, Nina Barnes; stepson, Kelton Kupper; sister, Jane York; brothers, Charles Rountree, Tom Rountree and Joe Rountree: nephew. Doug Rountree; sisters-in-love, Clarice Rountree, Doris Rountree and Betty Koening; brother-in-love, Andrew York; sons-in-love, Bob Barnes and Wayne Beck and adored daughter-in-love Vonda York.

Sincerest heartfelt thanks to the staff and residents of Marcy Place, to the staff of Big Spring Center for Skilled Care and Interim Health Care of Big Spring for their love, care and support. We also thank Lillian Bohannon for her wonderful friendship and spiritual encouragement. You are all angels here on earth.

Donations may be made to Interim HealthCare Hospice, 1900 S. Gregg St. Ste C, Big Spring, TX 79720 or to the Big Spring Police Department, 3613 W Hwy 80, Big Spring, TX 79720.

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

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Support Groups

TUESDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1

p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. • A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life

with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

 Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

· Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Set-

· 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.

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Patricia Othell Lindsey Childers



Patricia Othell Lindsey Childers stepped into Heaven January 20,

She was born January 21,1943 in Big Spring Texas where she grew up and graduated from Coahoma High School. She lived most of her life in Amarillo Texas where she raised her family.

She had a loving and giving heart that will be missed by everyone that knew her. Patricia loved being with her fam-

meal for friends and family and spoiling them with their favorite foods. She was always willing to do for others. Throughout her life she cared for the elderly, worked in retail and in food services for the Amarillo Independent School District. She was preceded in death by her parents

ily more than anything. She loved cooking a big

Johnny Lindsey and Velma Hudgins Lindsey and granddaughter Aspen Childers. Her brother Lloyd Lindsey passed away March 11,2022. She is survived by her daughters Chris Childers

of Amarillo Texas and Darla J Keller and husband

Todd of Anderson Texas and her son Darrol G

Childers II and his wife Mandy of Amarillo Texas. Her grandson and 6 granddaughters and 5 great grandchildren. Her brother Robert Lindsey and wife Jeanie of Big Spring Texas. We will celebrate her life March 17, 2022 at 11am

at Trinity Chapel 6900 US 87, Big Spring, Tx. Family visitation will be held Wednesday,

March 16, 2022 from 5:00-7:00pm at Myers and Smith Funeral Home in Big Spring, Texas.

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

Take Note

• Big Spring's American Legion Post No. 506 will host a Fish Fry at the American Legion building, 3203 W. Highway 80, on Saturday, March 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call in orders at 432-263-2084. Meals are \$10 a plate. Eat in or carry out are welcome, and deliveries will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. The final show of the season will be the Spring Pops Concert, featuring Marie Osmond, at 7:30 p.m. April 23 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. For updates and general information, follow The Big Spring Symphony Facebook page or go to www.bigspringsymphony.org.

· 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.





INTERSTATE

better and stronger West Texas when I took office

in 2016 – get cotton back in the farm bill, secure the

B-21 bomber at Dyess (Air Force Base in Abilene),

and establish a federal highway for West Texas. I

had a lot of help from colleagues on both sides of

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and for West Texas in general."

the aisle, and I'm humbled by the opportunities this will provide for generations of West Texans."

Big Spring Mayor Shannon Thomason said the "I serve on the legislature's established I-27 Advisory Committee," he said. "Yeah! I am just tickled to death. That sets Big Spring up as one of the few cities in Texas that has an interstate intersection. So yeah, I think that is going to be a huge boon for the economy of Big Spring and Howard County,

Mayor Thomason said the split in the interstate into East and West branches is a minor issue. "I think it's going to be huge for us either way," he said. "And, quite frankly, we're going to make ourselves more attractive than Midland is. I don't mind competing with Midland! It's something I've been looking forward to for a while, and I'm glad

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Also traveling with the three leaders was Kaczynski, Poland's de-facto leader whose presence carries a symbolic significance.

He is the surviving twin of the late President Lech Kaczynski, who died in a plane crash on Russian soil in 2010 along with 95 other Poles, among them political and military leaders, as they traveled to commemorate Poles executed by the Soviet secret police during World War II.

A Polish investigation determined that the crash was an accident caused by fog and pilot error. Still, Kaczynski, 72, has long suspected that Russian President Vladimir Putin had a role in provoking the accident, a suspicion that has not been proven. Morawiecki said on Facebook that the visit was agreed by the EU and that

the United Nations was also informed. Yet in Brussels, officials said they had been informed of the visit but characterized it as one taken independently into

NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg, who was asked about the visit,

didn't endorse it outright but said "I think it is important that leaders of NATO countries, of European member states, are engaging closely with President Zelenskyy."

it's finally getting done."

The visit had been planned for several days but was kept secret for security reasons, said Michal Dworczyk, chief of staff for Morawiecki.

Shortly before dawn and hours before the leaders were due in Kyiv, large explosions thundered across the city from what Ukrainian authorities said were Russian artillery strikes. The shelling ignited a huge fire and a frantic rescue effort in a 15-story apartment building. At least one person was killed and others remain trapped inside.

Shock waves from an explosion also damaged a downtown subway station in Kyiv that has been used as a bomb shelter. City authorities tweeted an image of the blown-out facade, saying trains would no longer stop at the station.

Ahead of his departure, Morawiecki on Facebook recalled how the former Polish President Lech Kaczynski had made a visit to the capital of Georgia in 2008 when that ex-Soviet country was under attack from Russia.

He quoted President Kaczynski, who said at the time in Tbilisi: "Today Georgia, tomorrow Ukraine, the day after tomorrow the Baltic states, and then maybe it's time for my country, for Poland."

Take Note

month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought.

The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified vet-

- 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 Associa-
- 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 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 email 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
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erans, 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

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- 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-
- 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.BecomeaCA-SA.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.
- 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 30week 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.

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By Steve Becker

Mind game

South dealer. East-West vulnerable. NORTH **♦**982

> **♥** K 6 ♦ A Q J 10 ♣A Q 5 3 WEST

EAST

V109853 **♥**A Q 2 ♦862 ♦ 9 7 5 4 **♣**10864 **♣**K 9 **SOUTH** ♠ A K 10 7 5

♦ K 3 **♣**J72 The bidding: South West North East Pass 2 NT Pass Pass

Opening lead — ten of hearts. Whenever possible, a defender

should try to divert declarer from the winning line of play. East did exactly that in today's deal and talked South out of what appeared to be a surefire four-spade contract. West led a heart, and East took the first two tricks with the queen

and ace. Declarer noted immediately that his potential club loser could eventually be taken care of by dummy's diamonds, so his only real concern was to make sure he did not lose two trump tricks.

Since he could lose a spade and

of clubs!

South pause for thought. The nine of clubs had all the earmarks of singleton. If it was, attempting the safety play would risk the contract. If West started with the Q-x or J-x of spades, he would return a club after winning the second spade, and East would ruff to sink the contract.

with the queen, declarer led a spade to the ace and then cashed the king. When West showed out on the second round, South realized, to his chagrin, that he had been had by East's clever ploy.

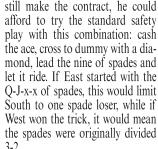
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Declarer would therefore have made his contract easily had East returned a heart, a diamond or a spade at trick three. But East, who was well-versed in safety plays, decided not to sit idly by while South overcame the 4-1 spade division. After collecting his two heart tricks, he blithely shifted to the nine

This unexpected development gave

So after taking the nine of clubs

Thomas Jefferson ment of the U.S. Mili-Point, New York.

In 1935, Adolf Hitler decided to break the military terms set by the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY') by ordering the rearming of Germa-

War II, American forces declared they had secured Iwo Jima, although pockets of Japanese resistance remained.

In 1968, Senator

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Today is Wednesday, March 16, the 75th day of 2022. There are 290 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 16, 1968, the My Lai (mee ly) massacre took place during the Vietnam War as U.S. Army soldiers hunting for Viet Cong fighters and sympathizers killed unarmed villagers in two hamlets of Son My (suhn mee) village; estimates of the death toll vary from 347 to 504.

On this date:

In 1521, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan and his crew reached the Philippines, where Magellan was killed during a battle with natives the following month.

In 1802, President signed a measure authorizing the establishtary Academy at West

In 1945, during World

Robert F. Kennedy of New York announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination.

In 1972, in a nationally broadcast address, President Richard Nixon called for a moratorium on court-ordered school busing to achieve racial desegregation.

In 1984, William Buckley, the CIA station chief in Beirut, was kidnapped by Hezbollah militants (he was tortured by his captors and killed in 1985).

In 1994, figure skater Tonya Harding pleaded guilty in Portland, Oregon, to conspiracy to hinder prosecution for covering up an attack on rival Nancy Kerrigan, avoiding jail but drawing a \$100,000 fine.

In 2004, China declared victory in its fight against bird flu, saying it had "stamped out" all its known cases.

In 2014, Crimeans voted to leave Ukraine and join Russia, overwhelmingly approving a referendum that sought to unite the strategically important Black Sea region with the country it was part of for some 250 years.

In 2016, President Barack Obama nominated Merrick Garland to take the seat of Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, who had died the previous month. (Republicans who controlled the Senate would stick to their pledge to leave the seat empty until after the presidential election; they confirmed Trump nominee Neil Gorsuch in April 2017.)

coronavirus concerns

In 2020, global stocks plunged again amid

with Wall Street seeing a 12% decline, its worst in more than 30 years; the S&P 500 was down 30% from its record set less than a month earlier. Ohio called off its presidential primary just hours before polls were to open, but Arizona, Florida and Illinois went ahead with their plans.

Ten years ago: A jury in New Brunswick, New Jersey, convicted former Rutgers University student Dharun Ravi (dah-ROON' RAH'-vee) in the webcam spying episode that ended in the suicide of his gay roommate, Tyler Clementi. (Ravi served 20 days in jail for invasion of privacy, bias intimidation and other counts.)

Five years ago: President Donald Trump submitted his \$1.15 trillion budget to Congress; it proposed generous increases for the military while slashing domestic programs and riling both fellow Republicans and Democrats by going after favored programs. Steve Penny resigned as president of USA Gymnastics following intensified pressure on the organization for its handling of sex abuse cases.

One year ago: A gunman killed eight people, mostly women of Asian descent, at three Atlanta-area massage parlors in an attack that sent terror through the Asian-American community, which had increasingly been targeted during the pandemic; the white gunman, Robert Long, told police that the attack was not racially motivated, and that he had a "sex addiction." (Long was sentenced to life in prison after plead-

ing guilty in four of the deaths.) A declassified intelligence assessment found that Russian President Vladimir Putin had authorized influence operations to help Donald Trump in the 2020 presidential election; the assessment found broad efforts by both the Kremlin and Iran to shape the outcome of the race, but no evidence that any foreign actor had actually disrupted the voting process.

MAR. 16

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Ray Walker (The Jordanaires) is 88. Game show host Chuck Woolery is 81. Country singer Robin Williams is 75. Actor Erik Estrada is 73. Actor Victor Garber is 73. Country singer Ray Benson (Asleep at the Wheel) is 71. Bluegrass musician Tim O'Brien (Hot Rize; Earls of Leicester) is 68. Rock singer-musician Nancy Wilson (Heart) is 68. World Golf Hall of Famer Hollis Stacy is 68. Actor Clifton Powell is 66. Rapper-actor Flavo Flav is 63. Rock musician Jimmy DeGrasso is 59. Actor Jerome Flynn is 59. Folk singer Patty Griffin is 58. Movie director Gore Verbinski is 58. Country singer Tracy Bonham is 55. Actor Lauren Graham is 55. Actor Judah Friedlander (FREED'lan-duhr) is 53. Actor Alan Tudyk (TOO'-dihk) is 51. Actor Tim Kang is 49. R&B singer Blu Cantrell is 46. Actor Brooke Burns is 44. Actor Kimrie Lewis is 40. Actor Brett Davern is 39. Actor Alexandra Daddario is 36. R&B singer Jhené Aiko is 34. Rock musician Wolfgang Van Halen is 31. Toronto Blue Jays baseball star Vladimir Guerrero Jr. is 23.

Oroscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY March 16, 2022

Virgo Lunar Question

No one likes a nag. What constitutes nagging is a combination of tone and repetition. It's a day to avoid grating tones, especially when talking to yourself. Go where people are cheerful and the action

is varied and interesting. The moon floats a question from nurturing Virgo: "How can I help?" she asks. We would be wise to ask the

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are less reactive to the goings-on around you. This is by design. You see certain interactions as the means to an end. You keep your eye on the prize and avoid getting snagged into dramas of the ego.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're a giver and are very likely to feel more obligated than is appropriate today. Though you find it easy to serve others, it shouldn't be an automatic default for you to do so. Consider other roles as **GEMINI** (May 21-June

21). A lot of life can be effectively processed with critical thinking, yet it is also possible for an overactive mind to ruin things. To examine every angle is tiring and unnecessary, so just choose one to appreci-

CANCER (June 22-July 22). One definition of confidence is self-trust. It doesn't mean you trust yourself to be perfect. It means you know who you are and what you can do so you can relax into fully embodying those purpos-

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

People talk -- that will be a good thing for you. You've been doing good things, and your reputation will get even better. The respect you earn will pave the way for smooth interactions in the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Compassion cannot be wielded in one direction like a laser. It's a kind of love that radiates spherically. You cannot have compassion with one person over the next or be loving with someone else but not with yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It is said that the truth doesn't blush. So perhaps it is the discrepancy between what we'd like people to think and the stark reality of the situation that is to blame for today's pink cheeks.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). While it will be frustrating to tackle a puzzle alone, you'll be amazed at what you can solve together. Shared goals will be quickly reached. It's lucky to celebrate before you move on to the next challenge

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll steer a relationship so gently your influence will be undetected. It's as though the fates are carrying the responsibility. You think about what you want a relationship to be like and drift toward that

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Whether or not you win the battle is beside the point. To play with valiant intentions and handle the struggle with grace is the real triumph. In the end, it's the fight that you'll remember.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Isaac Newton noted that objects in motion tend to stay in motion,

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and objects at rest tend to stay at rest. You'll tune into the nature of all the "objects" in your environment and adjust your expectations accordingly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you fear losing something, there's a temptation to hold it too tight. Instead, build bonds by weaving together shared interests and good feelings, then let those ties work for you.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 16). It's the teachers of the world who mold the future. You're such a person, whether or not teaching is your official role. Money comes easier to you between now and June. You'll reinvest with excellent results. A latesummer pivot has you finding your niche. You'll hone your strengths and ultimately come into your own. Leo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 3, 33, 14 and 16.

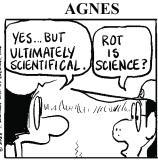
As Lorelai Gilmore on the perennially popular "Gilmore Girls," Pisces Lauren Graham catapulted to stardom on a show that many successful actors were

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featured on before they got big. (Melissa McCarthy, Nick Offerman, Jane Lynch and Jon Hamm, to name a few!) With lucky Jupiter in maternal Cancer, it's fitting that Graham's breakout role was playing a mother.

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ONE BIG HAPPY













Newsday Crossword

- **ACROSS** 1 Leopard's
- marking 5 Play's
- performers
- 9 Southeast Asia's 68 British prep Peninsula
- 14 Surface for a
- surfer
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- pursuer
- **17** Mountaintop
- **18** Bit of inspiration
- 19 Romulus' twin
- 20 Nonspeaking
- performer
- 23 Had for lunch
- 24 Yale students
- 25 Sounds from snakes
- **27** Out of view
- 30 Incredible bargain
- 32 Blogger's
- "I think"
- 33 On the road 35 "I beg to differ!"
- 39 White cake
- topping
- **43** For an additional cost
- 44 Realize, as
- profits
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- molecules
- 48 Where Italy is
- 51 Taper off
- **54** Novelist
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- Worlds foes
- **10** Pub serving
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- eyesight
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- called
- 26 Mailbox hole
- **27** Honey factory
- 28 Giant screen movie format
- 29 "__ mention it!"
- 30 Boxes for
- valuables
- **31** Supermodel
- Banks 34 Less than hot
- 36 DVR system
- **37** Sound made by

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- 40 S&L nest eggs
- 41 Slip given to tardy students
- 42 Single-slice-ofbread sandwich
- 47 A fifth of five
- 49 A fifth of cinco
- 50 In tatters
- 51 Light in a
 - CD player
- 52 Diminish over
- time 53 Twill fabric
- **54** Subordinate
- staffers
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- short
- **59** Corral entryway
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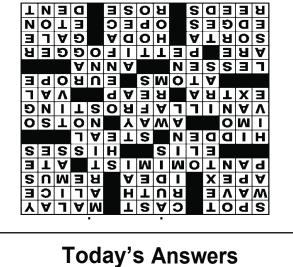
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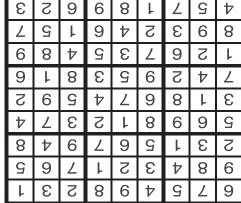
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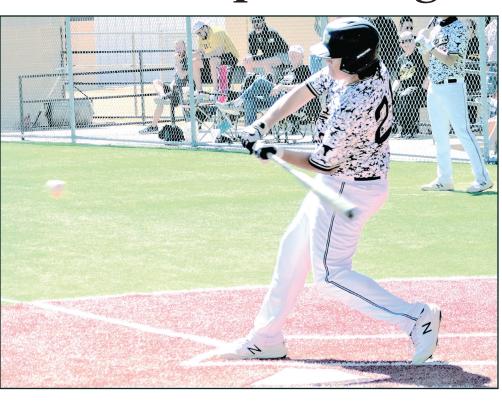


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Big Spring Steers baseball team wins district opener against lubbock Estacado





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Left: Isaiah Diaz gets ready to swing at a pitch in a game on the Steers home field from this Thursday. Right: Eli Cobos throws a pitch against the Lubbock Estacado matadors in a district game. The Steers won a great play by a final score of 3 to 2.

By DUSTIN POPE

Managing Editor

The Big Spring Steers opened up their district scheduled on Tuesday. Heading into the game, the Steers have played some dang good baseball as they put together a 10-4 record. But, now it was time for these games to count, and the Steers welcomed the Lubbock Estacado Matadors to Steer Park. It was a close back and fourth game, but our Steers came out on top 3 to 2!

The matchup took place at noon, and it pitted what I believe to be the two best teams in this particular district. Estacado does have a lot of players that are returning from last season's team, and they play a solid game. However, the Steeers also have many of our players back for this year's squad, plus some new additions that will help this team out going forward.

Eli Cobos took the mound for his Steers this Tuesday afternoon. Cobo had a very easy first inning of play; he only allowed two runners to get on the basepaths and kept Estacado from crossing the plate. In the bottom of the first inning, the Steers had their first chance to swing the bats. Still, the Estacado pitcher was up to the task the first inning, and he, like Cobos, shut the Steers down to get out of the first inning scoreless.

Heading into the top of the second inning of play, it was clear that Eli Cobos was locked in on the mound as he worked a quick inning, not allowing a run and striking out two Estacado batters. Then, in the bottom of the second inning, Ricky Escovedo scorched a line drive to reach first base. Unfortunately, the Matador pitcher buckled down again and shut down the steers leaving the score at 0 to 0 after two innings of play.

Cobos continued his dominance against an outstanding team in the bottom of the third. Eli added two more strikeouts to his totals. All while again shutting down the Estacado batters and keeping the goose egg on the board. Coming into the bottom of the third inning, the top of the order was back at the plate. Which means they had already seen what this kid has once before. So lead-off man Braxton Sizenbach steeped into the container looking to get something started for his team. Sizenbach delivered with a leadoff double. So now, with one swing of the bat, the Steers had some momentum going. Next up to the plate was Maverick Yanez. After taking a few pitches, Yanez found the one he liked and hammered a ball down the line. The hit moved Sizenbach to third, and Yanez was at first. So now the Steers had runners at the corners with no outs; this was their first perfect opportunity to break through and put up some runs on the board. The best player on this team, Josh Miramontes, stepper into the box with runners on the corners. Miramontes did precisely what he needed to do. He hit a deep sacrifice fly to centerfield to allow Sizenbach to score quickly, making this a one-run lead to the Steers. Next up, catcher Marcos Paredez stepped into the box and hit a ground ball to third, allowing Yanez to get to second base. With Izzy Diaz stepping into the plate, the young lefty hammered a single that drove Yanez home making this a 2 to 0 game.

So now that the Steers finally broke through, all we needed to do was hold that lead. At the top of the fourth, it looked like Estacado would answer right back. The first batter of the inning leads off with a triple. The next batter did drive him in, making this a one-run game at one to2 for the Steers. After that little hiccup, Cobos

went right back to work and took care of business to limit any more damage. In the bottom of the fourth, the Steers went down, leaving this as a two tol lead for the Big Spring Steers.

The top of the fifth inning began with Cobos doing what he had been doing all day long as he struck out the first two batters of the inning, making this look like it could be a quick inning of work. Well, the Matadors had other ideas as they continued to battle in the box. Af6tter Cobos hit a batter that allowed him to get on base; Estacado followed that up with a solid single. Now Lubbock had runners on first and second with two outs. Another hard-hit single by Estacado drove home the game-tying run making this a 2 to 2 game now. Cobos then settled down and got right back out of the inning. The

Steers turn to answer, and none other than lead-off man Braxton Sizenbach stepped into the box. Sizenbach has been an enormous player for this team as he has been swinging a very consistent bat. He continued that momentum with a scorching single. Maverick Yanez then bunted to get Braxton to second base. Thought brought up Miramontes, and just as he did in his last appearance in the box, delivered again, this time with a solid line drive to centerfield that allowed Sizenbach to easily score, giving the Steers the lead back at 3 to 2. The Estacado pitcher settled down and eventually

got out of the inning.

Now back with a onerun lead, Cobos went
back out and did exactly what he needed to do
with a three-up, threedown inning. Then, in
the bottom of the sixth
inning, the Estacado
pitcher did just as good
as he worked a very
quick inning.

So heading into the seventh inning work, the Steers enjoyed that slim one-run lead. Now we all know we love a little lateinning dram in a baseball game, and that is just what we got. Cobos hit the first batter of the inning, m sending a Matador runner to first. The next batter was going to try and bunt the runner on first unfortunately, for the runner on first, he strayed a bit too far off the bag, and catch-Marcos Paradez packed him off for the

first out of the inning.

After a walk and a sacrifice bunt, Estacado had a runner on first and third with two outs. The Steers then brought their closer Gabriel Baeza to finish this game. After an intentional walk to load the bases, so there would be a force out at every bag, Baeza did what he does. He came on the mound and got the job done by striking out the Estacado batter to win the game.

It was a very close, hard-fought game for the Steers, but close wins count just as much as blowouts, and they are now 1-0 in district play. They play next in San Angelo this Thursday at noon. This will be a fun season of baseball. This group of kids seems to be enjoying the game, and they are playing with heart. Im looking forward to seeing how far they can go

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