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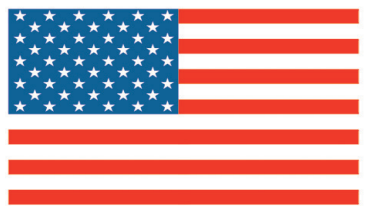
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Weather



Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, then gradually becoming clear, with a low around 33. Northwest wind 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 74. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Clear, with a low around 41.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 82.

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Today in History

On March 23:

1743: George F. Handel's oratorio "Messiah" premieres at the Royal Opera House in London.

1775: Patrick Henry proclaims "Give me liberty or give me death" in a speech in favor of Virginia's troops joining the Revolutionary War.

1933: German Reichstag grants Adolf Hitler dictatorial powers.

Daily Quotes

"Cooking may be as much a means of self-expression as any of the arts."
 — **Fannie Farmer**

"Love is a fire. But whether it is going to warm your hearth or burn down your house, you can never tell."
 — **Joan Crawford**

"Man is a genius when he is dreaming."
 — **Akira Kurosawa**

"Athletics is a luxury."
 — **Roger Bannister**

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Big Spring DAV presents Quilts of Valor



Courtesy photo/Amanda Duforat

Veterans Josh Watson, Rosa Mancha, David Pace, and Frank Marin were recognized during a Quilt of Valor presentation at the March Disabled American Veterans meeting. The Quilt of Valor is a special honor that is bestowed upon veterans in appreciation for their service. The Quilt of Valor Foundation was created by Gold-Star Mother Catherine Roberts.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Contributing Writer

A special moment captured in time and wrapped in a quilt is what four veterans experienced Monday evening. In a special, heartfelt Quilt of Valor ceremony David Pace, Rosa Mancha, Frank Marin, and Josh Watson were honored in front of family and friends.

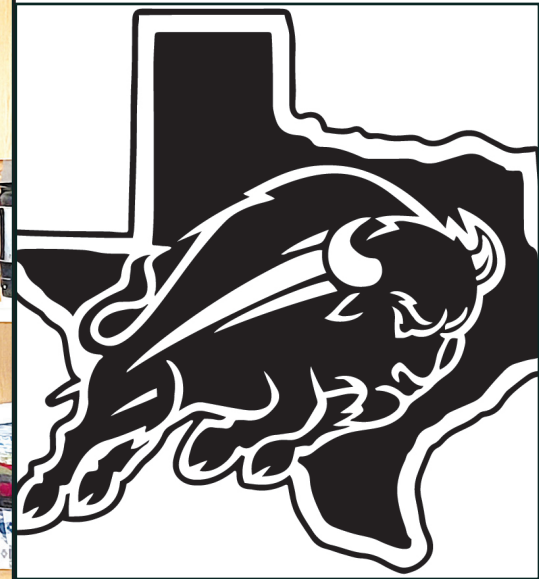
"We want to remind all of our soldiers that we are proud of their service. We appreciate everyone who made the choice to serve their country. No matter what level of combat they saw, their sacrifice was appreciated and served a vital part

in our freedom," Mike Tarpley, Quilt of Valor presenter and Chapter 47 Vice Commander, said. "Every moment served for our country is a moment to receive gratitude for. Ceremonies like this are special not only to the veterans, but to the families and community."

The Quilts of Valor organization is the result of a dream brought to fruition. A Gold-Star Mother, Catherine Roberts, had a dream while she was waiting on her son to return from service. During the recent presentation Tarpley described the dream.

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Forsan Pre-K and Kindergarten registration



Special to the Herald

Starting Monday (April 4) at 8:30 a.m. Pre-K and Kindergarten pre-registration will open. Registration will take place through April 8 from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day. There will be evening registration on Tuesday and Thursday which will run until 7 p.m.

Registration can be completed at 500 West Main in Forsan. Those attending registration will need to bring the following items: certified birth certificate, social security card, immunization record, proof of residency for those living in district, parent's driver's license, proof of income for those registering for Pre-K. The age requirement for those entering Pre-K is: the child must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2022 and those entering Kindergarten must be 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2022.

New transfer students in Kindergarten through 5th Grade may apply at this time as well. Those who are current students do not need to pre-register.

For more information contact Mandy Buske at 432-457-0091 ext. 203 or by email at abuske@forsan.esc18.net.

Mayor's plan to evict Crossroads fails due to lack of second

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

Continued friction between the City of Big Spring and the Crossroads Housing Development Corporation featured in Tuesday evening's Big Spring City Council meeting.

During the meeting, acting on an item he requested be added to the agenda, Mayor Shannon Thomason moved to demand that the CHDC do one of: Convert its offices at 201 N.E. Seventh Street into low- to moderate-income housing; return ownership of the location to the City of Big Spring; or sell the building and remit all the funds from the sale to the City.

Thomason's justification for such a demand is wording in the original Special Warranty Deed dated June 12, 2001, granting the property – along with another property at 907 E. 16th Street – to CHDC (grantee) from the City (grantor).

The payment – or "Consideration" – paid by the CHDC to the city for the property, as listed in the deed, is "Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, being Grantee's agreement to develop the property as low to moderate income housing.

While the property at 907 E. 16th Street was converted into such housing, the property at 201 N.E. Seventh Street was converted into the Crossroad's office.

CHDC Board Chairman John Scott was the first to broach the subject during the meeting in the time for Public Comments.

"(201 N.E. Seventh Street) was given to Crossroads from Customs and Border Patrol through the City," Scott said.

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Relay 4 Life Fashion Show this Saturday



By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Contributing Writer

Roll out the carpet. Turn on the runway lights. It's time to kick off Relay season in Howard County.

The annual Relay 4 Life Fashion Show - hosted by The Cancer Crushers - is set for Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m. The show will take place at The Hardware Store, located at 117 Main Street. Cancer survivors are encouraged to attend, and

the entire community is invited.

"This is our annual show that marks the official kick off of Relay For Life season in Howard County," Sally Grant, one of the event organizers, said.

The fashion show has been taking place for the past few years, but this year, the tradition continues with a piece missing. Former Howard County Relay For Life Chair and original organizer of the

fashion show Beverly Grant passed away last year. Her excitement and passion for Relay will be sorely missed.

"Beverly was one of the best ladies that we had. She was passionate about Relay For Life, and it showed with everything she did," Grant said. "This year there will be something missing since her bright smile, contagious laughter and pure joy will not be illu

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Obituaries

Brandon Daniel Bishop



Brandon Daniel Bishop, age 47 of Big Spring passed away Sunday, March 20, 2022. A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00pm Saturday, March 26, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch

Rosewood Chapel.

He was born September 17, 1974 in San Angelo, Texas and worked for Forsan ISD.

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

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts

and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the Grief-Share Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

THURSDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CALLI ANN BUCKLES**, 32, of 1900 Martin Luther King Boulevard Apt. 616 was arrested on a charge of false statement to police officer/law enforcement employee/corrections officer.
- **MERCEDED GABRIELA CASTILLO**, 23, of 806 South Nolan Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **DEVYNN RAY-DOUGLAS SMITH**, 23, of 901 West 3rd Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **ANTONIO LEDARYL KIRKLAND**, 33, of 810 Cherry Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **MICHAEL HEATH ANDERSON**, 45, of 3212 Cornell Avenue was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **CHASE STEVEN OBRIEN**, 33, of 1009 East 14th Street was arrested on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.
- **MICHAEL ANDREW GAMBOA**, 48, of 615 Holbert Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency x2.
- **ADHAM HABEEB HUFATH**, 19, of 5738 Renville Street Detroit, Michigan was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **LOREN RAYMOND WILSON**, 62, of 203 Rex Avenue Forsan, Texas was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **LORENZO TORRES RAMIREZ**, 37, of 3229 Auburn Avenue was arrested on a warrant from another agency x2, and a charge of failure to identify-fugitive giving false information.
- **BRANDON SOLIS**, 28, of 2010 Loop Road was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2oz.
- **TRAVIS ALLEN MELTON III**, 42, of 3005 Sherrod Road on a warrant from another agency.
- **DENNIS WAYNE NOGGLER**, 51, of 103 Collins Road was arrested on a warrant for criminal mischief more than

- or equal to \$100 but less than \$750, failure to appear, and no drivers license-when unlicensed.
- **DANIEL GUTIERREZ**, 37, of 2409 28th Street Snyder, Texas was arrested on a warrant from another agency x3.
- **ADRIN CEDILLO**, 23, of 3206 West 9th Street was arrested on a charge of assault causing bodily injury on a family member.
- **GARY WAYNE BRITO**, 29, of 3904 East 350 Highway was arrested on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- **KODY MARK BARBER**, 23, of 712 Bucknell was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 300 block of South Greg Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of West 17th Street.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of East 14th Street.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 100 block of East 3rd Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 2000 block of South Scurry Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 700 block of West

- Marcy Drive.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported at the intersection of 4th Street and Owens Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1400 block of Settles Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 800 block of West I-20.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3200 block of West 9th Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the area of Moss Lake Road.
- **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 2900 block of Cherokee Street.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported at the intersection of 3rd Street and Lancaster Avenue.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 2000 block of South Greg Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1500 block of Wood Street.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 102 inmates at the time of this report.
- **MICHAEL HEATH ANDERSON**, 45, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for operating unregistered motor vehicle, and no drivers license when unlicensed.
- **CALLI ANN BUCKLES**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of false report statement to an officer/agency.
- **ADRIAN CEDILLO**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury to a family member.
- **MICHAEL ANDREW GAMBOA**, 48, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for manufacturing and delivering a controlled substance PG greater than greater than 1 gram equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams x2.
- **ROBERT GONZALES**, 38, was arrested by Dawson County Sheriff's Department on a charge of evading arrest with a vehicle, and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **AUSTIN MICHAEL HENSON**, 23, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for evading arrest with a motor vehicle.
- **ADHAM HUFATH**, 19, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **ANTONIO LEDA KIRKLAND**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for possession of marijuana lgreater than 4oz but less than or equal to 5 lbs.
- **RAMIRO VALENCIA MARQUEZ**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property greater than \$100 but less than \$750 x2 shoplifting.
- **CHERICE MAYES**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of harassment.
- **TRAVIS ALLEN MELTON III**, 42, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for no drivers license-when unlicensed.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of South Main Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of Runnels Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Sgt. Paradez. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **BUILDING/STRUCTURE FIRE CALL** was reported in the 800 block of I-20 Frontage Road. Fire Contained.

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Top Left: Rosa Mancha is presented with her Quilt of Valor. Top Right: Josh Watson is shown with his Quilt of Valor. Bottom Left: David Price receives his Quilt of Valor. Bottom Right: Frank Marin was presented his Quilt of Valor. Congratulations to all who received this heartwarming gesture, and thank you all for your service!

DAV

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"Katherine described the dream as vivid as real life. She saw a young man sitting on the side of his bed in the middle of the night, hunched over. There was a permeating feeling of despair. I could see his war demons clustered down into an emotional gutter," Tarpley read. "Katherine continued, it was as if in a movie. She saw him wrapped in a quilt and his whole demeanor changed. There was now a sense of hope and well being... quilts equal healing."

Quilts of Valor Foundation is a national organization founded in 2003 by a "Blue Star" mom, Catherine Roberts. The idea of finding a way to provide comfort for veterans came to her while her son was deployed in Iraq. While he was deployed, she constantly felt 10 seconds away from panic and those feelings turned into quilt making.

"I received my quilt one day in the mail and I was lucky to have my wife and my mother around me when I opened it," Quilts of Valor local presenter Mike Tarpley, said. "Since then I guess you could say I have been honored with many quilts that I have been able to present to our veterans."

Since the founding of the organization, more than 300,000 quilts have been awarded in the United States, Germany, Iraq and Afghanistan. With each quilt the mission to honor service members and veterans is fulfilled - one human-being reaching out and touching another without judgement, reaching out with acceptance and with acknowledgement of service to our nation in very trying circumstances. According to Tarpley, this presentation draws him almost to 100 Quilts of Valor presented in Howard County.

"The Quilts of Valor Foundation recognizes war demons that plague soldiers from all wars. There are thousands of quilters across the United States working to make these quilts to cover our warriors, from all conflicts," Tarpley said. "Each of these quilts is composed of love, tears, and heartfelt appreciation and gratitude from many ladies."

The quilts are made up of three layers: the top with its many colors, shapes and fabrics represent the community and the many individuals we are; the batting - filler - is the center of the quilt, its warmth.

"This second layer represents the hope that this quilt will bring warmth, comfort, peace and healing to the individual who receives it," Tarpley said during the presentation.

The backing is the final layer and it represents strength that supports the other layers. It represents the strength of the recipient, the support of his or her family, communities and nation. Each of the stitches holding the layers together represent love, gratitude and sometimes the tears of the maker. Each quilt represents the three-part message from the givers to the recipient.

"We honor you for your service. We honor you for leaving all you hold dear and to stand in harm's way in a time of crisis, protecting us from the effects of war," Tarpley said. "Next, we know that freedom is not free. The cost of freedom is the dedication of the lives of men and women like you, and this quilt is meant to say thank you for your sacrifice."

He continued, "Finally, this quilt is meant to offer comfort to you and to remind you that although your family and friends cannot be with you at all times, you are forever in our thoughts and hearts."

RELAY

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minating the room, but it's also in that memory that we want to make this year even more memorable and special."

The Fashion Show will feature clothing from several local boutiques featuring 30 local models. Those attending will also receive a brunch meal donated by several local organizations, businesses and families. In addition to the fashion and food, there will be a special guest speaker sharing her

story about surviving cancer.

"We want to continue Beverly Grant's passion and continue to let people know about Relay For Life," she said.

Before the event is over, there will be an opportunity for those interested to obtain more information about Relay For Life, and even make a donation. For the past couple of years, Howard County has been one of the largest fundraising efforts during campaign season.

"The fight against cancer is something that we all need to take part in. When we stop and think

about it, we all have been impacted by cancer in our lives. Maybe not directly, but we know a family member, friend or co-worker who has traveled this journey," Grant said. "Cancer is a word that nobody should have to hear, and with a unified effort and continued research, we are striving for the day that cancer no longer exists."

Tickets for the event can be purchased by calling Sally Grant at 432-466-1306; Julie Alvarez at 432-816-1278; or Brandy Grant at 432-935-4014.

Take Note

• 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>.

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

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“The City was given the property with the understanding that they had to give it to us, and it was transferred to us the same day it was transferred to the City by Customs and Border Patrol.”

Scott referred to a letter sent by Customs and Border Patrol to then-Mayor Russ McEwen regarding the property.

“These houses were given to promote affordable housing opportunities,” Scott said. “They were not given to be made into housing, although one of the units was made into an affordable housing unit and sold as a Section 8 property by Crossroads.”

During the New Business portion of the meeting, the council considered an item labeled “Discussion and Possible Action regarding property located at 201 N.E. 7th Street that was granted by the City of Big Spring to Crossroads Housing Development Corporation, the Deed recording the transfer, and Resolution 40-01 that authorized the transfer.”

During discussion of the item, Mayor Thomason made a motion: “I move that the Big Spring City Council a) Request that Crossroads Housing Development Corporation honor their agreement and adhere to the 2001-B consideration regarding 201 N.E. Seventh Street and develop the property as low-to-moderate-income housing; or b) Either deed the property back to the City of Big Spring or turn over to the City all proceeds from the sale of said property; c) If Crossroads Housing Development fails to honor these requests of the Big Spring City Council, that the Council retain outside counsel to either regain the property or the sale proceeds of the property in question.”

The motion failed when no other council member seconded it.

Another loosely related item came up later in the New Business portion of the meeting when the Council heard the first reading of an ordinance requesting an increase of the City’s budget amounting to \$30,000 to perform repairs and maintenance on a city-owned building at ABC Park. During discussion on the item, it was revealed that the building is being considered as a home – or possibly a temporary home – for the Big Spring Housing Authority.

During the discussion, Councilman Maury Smith (District 6) asked how the BSHA came to be in the position of needing new offices.

“Because Crossroads evicted them,” Thomason replied.

“And why is that?” Smith said.

“They were selling the building,” said Thomason.

“They’re selling the building. They’re going to sell it now? Put it on the market right now?” asked Smith.

“It’s already listed, yes,” the Mayor responded.

Following the meeting, Crossroads Chairman John Scott spoke to the press regarding the Mayor’s statement.

“The Housing Authority is leaving because the (Housing Authority) commissioners, on advice of the mayor, refused to sign our key agreement,” Scott said. “And so we had no choice since they would not honor the terms that we asked, we had to end the lease. We had to evict them, and it took them almost 60 days to get out. They had 30 to get out. They refused to sign the agreement that controlled the use of keys.”

At the time, members of the Housing Authority commission and Mayor Thomason insisted that – in what Crossroads considered a violation of their key policy – Housing Authority commissioners be issued keys to the Crossroads office, which the Housing Authority commission used as a meeting place.

The Crossroads policy stated that only paid employees – both of Crossroads and of the Housing Authority – were to be issued keys. Unpaid personnel, including unpaid elected officials, were not.

At the start of the meeting, following Scott’s Public Comment, local citizen Jeremy Longoria spoke, decrying what he considered to be “...a lot wrong with this city.”

Two Public Hearings were next, starting with the second public hearing regarding the proposed Downtown Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone to be located between First and Sixth streets, and between Gregg and Goliad streets. The plan is for the City Council members to serve as board members for the proposed TIRZ.

Big Spring resident Scott Emerson spoke on the proposed TIRZ. Emerson, who owns the Gold Rush Tobacco Shop at 800 E. Third Street, two blocks east of the proposed zone. Emerson questioned how the borders of the zone were determined. Emerson also asked why no representatives of Howard County or the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation were included on the TIRZ board

Shane Bowles responded that the purpose of the TIRZ is to redirect property tax dollars back into downtown infrastructure, so the city wants to keep the zone focused on the downtown blocks.

Mayor Thomason also responded, saying that both Howard County and the Big Spring EDC have been invited to participate in the TIRZ but have yet to respond.

Jeremy Longoria also spoke during the public hearing.

The second public hearing was on the addition of “Indoor Shooting Range” as a permitted use in Big Spring’s Heavy Commercial, Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial zoned areas.

Longoria once again commented on the issue, questioning the advisability of condoning gun use in Big Spring, a city that, in April 2021, passed a resolution declaring itself a “Second Amendment Sanctuary City.” Big Spring remains the only city (along with 77 counties) in Texas to pass such a resolution.

Big Spring’s T.J. Stewart questioned where Indoor Shooting Ranges would be located. Big Spring’s Heavy Commercial districts are mainly along Third and Fourth streets. Industrial districts are located north of Third Street, at the Airpark, along FM 700 in east Big Spring, and in north Big Spring along Interstate 20 and along U.S. Highway 350.

The council approved vouchers for March 10 totaling \$1,351,458.06, and for March 17 totaling \$409,605.53.

The council unanimously awarded a contract for the 2022 Seal Coat Project to Ronald R. Wagner and Co. LP of Kendalia, Texas, in the amount of \$1,335,188.49 for the base bid on the project. The total includes three sections, including

City Streets (\$1,014,273.06), Airpark Streets (\$232,382.92) and Howard College (\$88,532.51). The city will fund the City and Airpark sections, while the Howard College will pay for sealcoating its own streets and parking lots.

Following the item during which contemplated legal action against Crossroads Housing died due to lack of a second on the motion, the council unanimously approved an emergency resolution authorizing the city manager to submit an application to the Body-Worn Camera Grant Program for fiscal year 2022 to secure funding for digital storage and other technology relating to body-worn police cameras. The grant would be fore \$17,357.25, with a 25 percent match by the city totaling \$5,785.75.

The council approved naming Mayor Thomason and Finance Director Sandy Smith as representatives authorized to transmit and withdraw funds from the city’s TexPool investment account. Additionally, Assistant Finance Director Gary Givens and Assistant City Manager John Medina are listed as “limited representatives” with the rights to make inquiries for informational purposes regarding the city’s TexPool account, but not to perform transactions.

The council voted down 3-4 on first reading an ordinance amending the budget to fund building repairs at the ABC Park building. Had the ordinance passed, the city’s budget would have been increased by \$30,000 to pay for the repairs. According to discussion during the meeting, the building is being considered as a new home for the Big Spring Housing Authority. While Mayor Thomason, Councilman Cody Hughes (District 3) and Councilwoman Gloria McDonald (District 4) voted in favor of the item, the rest of the council voted against it.

The next item on the agenda was the item regarding zoning permitted uses for Indoor Shooting Ranges, discussed earlier during the Public Hearing. The item, which passed 6-1 with Councilman Nick Ornelas (District 1) dissenting, allows indoor shooting ranges as a permitted use in Heavy Commercial, Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial zones.

By a 6-1 vote with District 5 Councilman Troy Tompkins dissenting, the council authorized Mayor Thomason to negotiate and execute a right-of-way license agreement with Gravity Oilfield Services LLC near Perimeter Road, and under the railway near mile marker 515.5 on the Toyah Subdivision.

According to Public Works Director Shane Bowles, the company thought that the affected railway was owned by Union Pacific Railroad, so went ahead and created the tunnel beneath the railway. The track is actually owned by the City of Big Spring.

Finally, by acclamation, the council approving Maria Padilla as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Padilla was nominated by Councilman Nick Ornelas (District 1).

During the time at the end of the meeting during which Council members offer input on items they feel are important, District 4 Councilwoman Gloria McDonald celebrated the recent passage and signing of the Ports-To-Plains bill, which should extend Interstate 27 through Big Spring along U.S. Hwy. 87.

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Steers get huge district win over Snyder to take over first place



BY STEVE BELVIN

Contributing Writer

The Big Spring Steers played their way to the top of the District 3-4A race Tuesday night behind timely defense and consistent pitching as they run ruled the Snyder Tigers 11-1 at Steer Park.

With the win Big Spring moves to 2-1 in district play, trailing Snyder, (3-1) by a half game. The rest of the district follows - Levelland (3-2), San Angelo Lake View (2-2), Sweetwater (1-2) and Lubbock Estacado (1-3).

Although Big Spring's defense was faulty at times, it committed four errors. The Steers made the plays when they had to; a jaw-dropping four double plays in the game proved that.

That along with the complete five innings of pitching from Ricky Escovedo was more than enough to send the previously unbeaten Tigers packing. The Big Spring junior allowed three hits, striking out six and walking five. The only run Snyder scored was unnerved.

His defense had his back on this night. In the first three innings the Steers got out of the inning by turning double plays with second baseman Maverick Yanez, shortstop Joshua Miramontes and first baseman Isaiah Diaz turning the feat. The final twin killing came in the fifth inning when third baseman Eli Cobos knocked down a line drive, picked it up tagged third for the force out and then threw to first to get the batter out.

In between the Steers made the most of their seven hits and four Snyder errors. Miramontes was lethal, driving in six runs, four on two singles and two more in the fifth off a Snyder error.

Big Spring scored three runs in the third inning and never trailed. The Steers plated six more runs in the fourth on only two hits. Snyder pitchers walked four in the inning and the defense made two errors.

Big Spring will be on the road Tuesday with a game against Lubbock Estacado.

Snyder - 000-10 - 1-3-4

Big Spring - 003-62 - 11-7-4

WP - Escovedo, LP - House, LOB - Snyder 3, BS - 3, DP - Snyder 2, BS - 4; Errors - Snyder (West 2, Foster, Dominguez); BS (Miramontes 2, Yanez, Escovedo).

Lady Steers get district win over Lubbock Estacado



Courtesy Photos/Tony Claxton

Left: Alex Enriques has a nice hit against Lubbock Estacado on Tuesday night. Right: Kyle Lynch gets ready to receive a pitch from behind the dish. The Lady Steers played a great game and won with a final score of 5-3.

Deshaun Watson trade done, Browns defend decision to add QB

By TOM WITHERS

AP Sports Writer

Deshaun Watson's complicated past didn't dissuade the Cleveland Browns from betting on the quarterback's future.

He is on Cleveland's roster, and at this point that is the only certainty with the talented yet controversial QB.

Watson's stunning trade to the Browns became official Sunday, capping a whirlwind few days during which the three-time Pro Bowler — accused by 22 women of sexual harassment or assault — agreed to come to Cleveland after initially telling the team he wouldn't.

The Browns are taking heat for bringing in Watson with his legal baggage, but the team feels comfortable with its decision.

"We spent a tremendous amount of time exploring and investigating the opportunity to trade for Deshaun Watson," Browns owners Dee and Jimmy Haslam said in a team news release. "We are acutely aware and empathetic to the highly personal sentiments expressed about this decision. Our team's comprehensive evaluation process was of utmost importance due to the sensitive nature of his situation and the complex fac-

tors involved.

"We also understand there are still some legal proceedings that are ongoing and we will respect due process."

Desperate to win, the Browns have gone all in for Watson, sending first-round picks for the next three seasons to Houston along with a 2023 third-rounder and 2024 fourth-rounder. The Texans will part with Watson and a 2024 fifth-round pick.

Cleveland is also giving Watson, who is still facing civil lawsuits, public scorn and possible NFL discipline, a fully guaranteed \$230 million contract.

Last week, the Haslams flew to Houston with general manager Andrew Berry and coach Kevin Stefanski and met with Watson to discuss his situation and future. The 26-year-old was also courted by Atlanta, Carolina and New Orleans.

The Browns came away satisfied with Watson's character.

"He was humble, sincere and candid," the Haslams said. "In our conversations, Deshaun detailed his commitment to leading our team; he understands and embraces the hard work needed to build his name both in the community and on the field. ... We are confident in Deshaun and excited about moving forward with him as our quarterback and supporting his genuine and determined efforts."

It's still not known when Watson will be in Cleveland, where fans have been debating the trade for days. The Browns are still working on plans for a possible news conference.

Now that the trade is complete, Watson and the Browns are facing tough questions about their new partnership.

For Watson, Cleveland represents a fresh start.

For the Browns, he brings hope along with criticism.

While it becomes an instant possible Super Bowl contender following another disappointing season, the Browns are also being condemned for taking a player with ongoing legal issues. Nearly two dozen female massage therapists have alleged he assaulted them during rehab sessions.

A grand jury in Texas recently declined to indict Watson on criminal charges, but the civil cases are pending — as is his return to the field.

Watson may face disciplinary action by the NFL, which is conducting an independent investigation about his behavior. Based on precedent, the league could suspend him multiple games for violating its personal conduct policy.

Watson's arrival has also ended Baker Mayfield's tumultuous four-year stay as the Browns' starter. The former No. 1 overall pick asked to

be traded last week after learning of Cleveland's pursuit of Watson and will get his wish.

Indianapolis, Seattle and New Orleans are all possible landing spots for Mayfield.

Although Mayfield had a rough 2021 season after injuring his left shoulder in Week 2, the Browns had publicly stated they expected him to come back as their starter this year before deciding to pursue Watson.

As far as the football fan concerned,

Watson is a major upgrade. He's believed to be one of the league's elite QBs despite not playing last season after requesting a trade. He led the league with 4,823 yards passing in 2020 with 33 touchdown passes.

The Browns have completely overhauled their quarterback situation.

Cleveland acquired Watson and has agreed to sign free agent Jacoby Brissett, a former starter in Indianapolis, as his backup. The Browns also agreed to trade veteran backup Case Keenum to the Buffalo Bills on Saturday.

And now that they have their quarterback, the Browns are also trying to re-sign free agent defensive end Jadeveon Clowney, who played two seasons with Watson in Houston. Clowney had a solid 2021 with the Browns after signing a one-year deal with them.

New USFL adds 3-point conversions among its rule twists

By ROB MAADDI

AP Pro Football Writer

Three-point conversions, an alternative option for the onside kick and a best-of-three play shootout in overtime are among the different rules for the revitalized USFL.

The new league, which begins play in April, is releasing its rules Wednesday. A copy obtained by The Associated Press explained several twists to the traditional rules in the NFL and college football.

Scoring teams have a third option to attempt an extra point. A successful scrimmage play from the 10-yard line equals three points.

A second option to retain possession after scoring will be converting a fourth-and-12 from a team's 33.

In overtime, each team's offense will alternate plays against the opposing defense from the 2. Each successful scoring attempt will receive two points. The

team with the most points after three plays wins. The subsequent attempts become sudden death if the score is tied after each team runs three plays. The overtime period will extend until a winner is declared.

Other distinctive rules are:

- Two forward passes from behind the line of scrimmage are legal.

- Each coach will be allowed one replay challenge. USFL Replay Command at FOX Sports Control Center in Los Angeles will make all replay decisions.

- All kickoffs will be from the 25. No kicking team member may line up any further back than 1 yard, while the receiving team must have a minimum of eight players in the set-up zone between their 35 and 45. After a kickoff travels 20 yards, the first touch must be by the receiving team. If an untouched kick becomes dead, the ball belongs to the receiving team at that spot.

- On punts, gunners may not line up outside the numbers and they cannot be double-team blocked until the ball is kicked.

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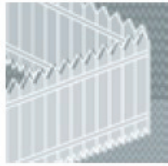
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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or

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the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

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Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1

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Abstract: 596
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Contract Bridge
By Steve Becker
Doing what comes unnaturally

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH: ♠J2, ♥J105, ♦AK9853, ♣A4. WEST: ♠K1083, ♥K96, ♦106, ♣Q1053. EAST: ♠Q96, ♥Q83, ♦J742, ♣J92. SOUTH: ♠A754, ♥A742, ♦Q, ♣K876. The bidding: North 1♦, East Pass, South 1♥, West Pass, North 2♦, East Pass, South 3NT. Opening lead — three of spades. Occasionally, the correct play is missed by declarer because there is a natural aversion to doing it. For this reason, declarer must make every effort to keep an open mind, regardless of how pat a particular situation may seem to be. Take this case where South was in three notrump and West led a spade. Declarer played the jack from dummy and allowed East's queen to hold. The next spade was likewise refused, and a third spade was taken by the ace.

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 23, the 82nd day of 2022. There are 283 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 23, 1919, Benito Mussolini founded his Fascist political movement in Milan, Italy.

On this date: In 1775, Patrick Henry delivered an address to the Virginia Provincial Convention in which he is said to have declared, "Give me liberty, or give me death!"

In 1806, explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, having reached the Pacific coast, began their journey back east.

In 1933, the German Reichstag adopted the Enabling Act, which effectively granted Adolf Hitler dictatorial powers.

In 1942, the first Japanese-Americans evacuated by the U.S. Army during World War II arrived at the internment camp in Manzanar, California.

In 1965, America's first two-person space mission took place as Gemini 3 blasted off with astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom and John W. Young aboard for a nearly 5-hour flight.

In 1981, the U.S. Supreme

to reopen the country for business in weeks, not months; he asserted that continued closures could result in more deaths than the coronavirus itself. Britain became the latest European country to go into effective lockdown, as Prime Minister Boris Johnson ordered the closure of most retail stores and banned public gatherings.

Ten years ago: Urging Americans to "do some soul searching," President Barack Obama injected himself into the emotional debate over the fatal shooting of Trayvon Martin in Florida, saying, "If I had a son, he'd look like Trayvon." The U.S. Army formally charged Staff Sgt. Robert Bales with 17 counts of premeditated murder in the deaths of 17 villagers, more than half of them children, during a shooting rampage in southern Afghanistan. Pope Benedict XVI landed in Mexico to throngs of faithful who lined more than 20 miles of his route into the city of Leon.

Five years ago: Abandoning negotiations, President Donald Trump demanded a make-or-break vote on health care legislation in the House, threatening to leave "Obamacare" in place and move on to other issues if the next day's vote failed. (Trump and GOP leaders ended up pulling their bill when it became clear it would fail badly.)

One year ago: A cargo ship the size of a skyscraper ran aground and became

wedged in the Suez Canal; hundreds of ships would be prevented from passing through the canal until the vessel was freed six days later. Israeli voters took part in parliamentary elections that would leave Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu without a majority, forcing him from office. George Segal, nominated for an Oscar for his role in "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf," died in California at 87; he had worked into his late 80s on the ABC sitcom "The Goldbergs."

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Mark Rydell is 93. International Motorsports Hall of Famer Craig Breedlove is 85. Former Secretary of State Rex Tillerson is 70. Singer Chaka Khan is 69. Actor Amanda Plummer is 65. Actor Catherine Keener is 63. Actor Hope Davis is 58. Actor Richard Grieco is 57. Actor Marin Hinkle is 56. Rock singer-musician Damon Albarn (Blur) is 54. Actor Kelly Perine is 53. Actor-singer Melissa Errico is 52. Rock musician John Humphrey (The Dixons) is 52. Bandleader Reggie Watts (TV: "The Late Late Show With James Corden") is 50. Actor Randall Park is 48. Actor Michelle Monaghan is 46. Actor Kerl Russell is 46. Actor Anastasia Griffith is 44. Gossip columnist-blogger Perez Hilton is 44. Actor Nicholle Tom is 44. Actor Brandon Dirden is 44. Country singer Brett Young is 41. Actor Nicolas Wright is 40. Actor Ben Rappaport is 36. NBA point guard Kyrie Irving is 30.

FEATURES

Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 23, 2022

Neptune's Bright Bubble

Mercury and Neptune, the planet of illusions, align to turn up the Technicolor on this dream sequence. There's a bubble of specialness around new situations. As it goes with bubbles, they eventually pop. (The arrow of the Sagittarius moon will be the culprit in this case.) Regardless, before the piercing happens, enjoy this light, bouncing feeling.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The loud voices of the world may request your attention -- or demand it, steal it, hoard it -- and yet you do have a choice. Location is everything. Let your feet take you to realms you can control.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If it feels like you've made more than your share of mistakes, then pat yourself on the back. It means you try harder, attempt more and ultimately are stronger and better for it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You gravitate to positivity, and people follow your example. Give hope to someone who needs it. Tonight shows you negotiating. It's when you're willing to lose that you're in the best place to strike a deal.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Right now, it may not look like you'll win. Perhaps it doesn't seem like this is even the right place for you. But don't take yourself out of the game. There's something for you

and it's just around the bend.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're in a straightforward mood. You'll be prone to sharing unfiltered thoughts and stating your intentions outright, regardless of anticipated approval.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Anyone who is moving forward is going to falter; that's part of the growth process. Forgive yourself and keep going. The right kind of failure is as impressive as success.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Do everything you can to prepare yourself for an upcoming presentation. Take twice the time you think you'll need. Preparation is the most important element and will determine to a great extent the outcome.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Motivating yourself is more a matter of planning than discipline. If you have a plan that's easy to follow, you'll follow it. If you don't, you won't. Simplify as you go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Maybe life is no more lively "over there" than it is where you are, but it doesn't hurt to find out. Follow your curious mind. Whether it's another country or two doors down, investigate, engage and enjoy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're not in the mood to do just a good job; you want the results to be nothing short of greatness. The trick is to give yourself enough time to bring your project to the realm of excellence.

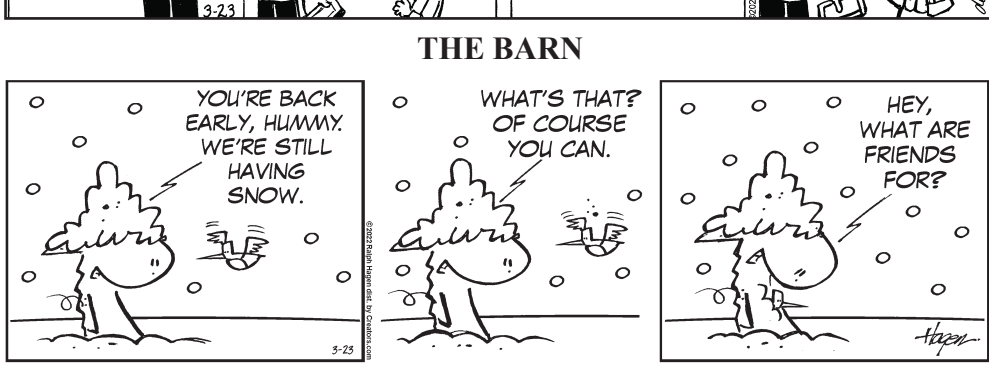
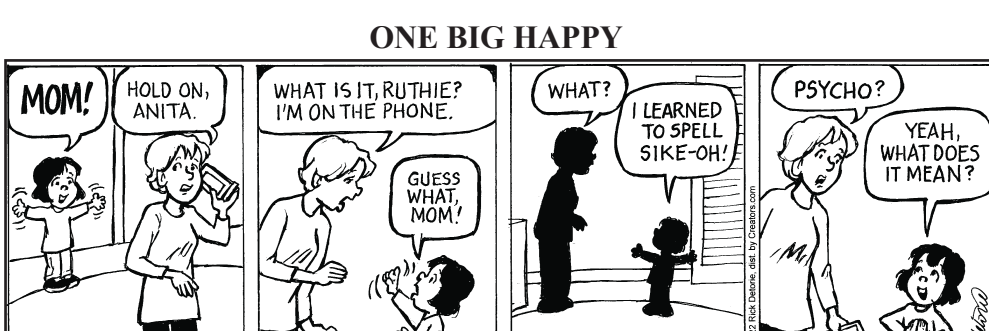
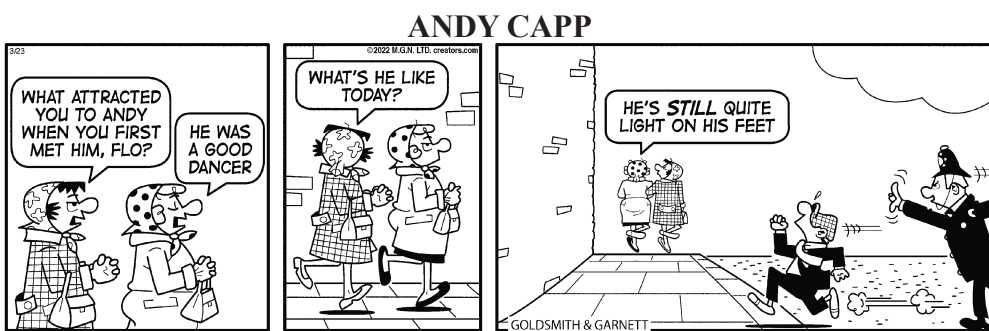
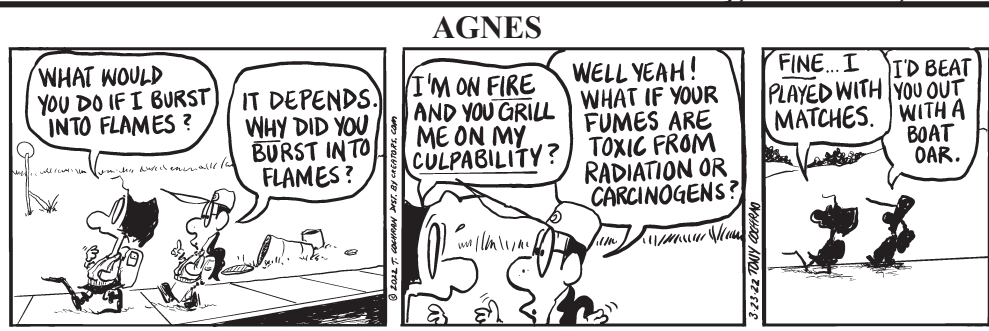
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are impressionable. Fill your eyes and mind with the loveliest of visions. Gazing at beauty makes you even more beautiful than you already are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Gauge how hard the job is. What will it take to make it easy on yourself? Bursts of effort will progress you quickly, but ultimately, you'll need to settle into an effort that's sustainable. There's an art to shifting gears.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 23). People ask you to do hard things because they think you're limitless. Indeed, you exceed expectation and tend to progress in leaps and bounds this year. Your nurturing side will be an asset to your company, community, family or all of the above. Your ideas and care contribute to a thriving environment. Aquarius and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 25, 4, 17 and 19.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: On the heels of a horror movie, the versatile Keri Russell is simultaneously in early production stages of a comedy, a drama and a thriller. The Aries actress has many planets in intuitive water signs. Trivia question: What does Russell have in common with Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera and Justin Timberlake? They were all members of "The Mickey Mouse Club."

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Those folks
 - 5 Feeling of hunger
 - 9 Remote place to "worship from"
 - 13 Witch's spells
 - 15 Hand lotion additive
 - 16 Italy's capital, to natives
 - 17 Pennsylvania Dutch group
 - 18 "Hurry up, let's go!"
 - 19 Gunky buildup
 - 20 Work ___ (act riskily)
 - 23 Airport bag-checking org.
 - 24 Hospital colleagues of MDs
 - 25 "Instead . . ."
 - 27 Magician's exclamation
 - 31 Chicago airport
 - 33 Name of a book
 - 34 Typical kilt wearer
 - 35 Grassy field
 - 38 Work ___ (strive to meet a deadline)
 - 42 Swiss mountain
 - 43 Italian farewell
 - 44 Artist Matisse
 - 45 White part of a Santa costume
 - 47 Human being
 - 48 Legal representative
 - 51 Pizzeria product
 - 52 "I'm impressed!"
 - 53 Work ___ (toil long and hard)
 - 60 Rolled-up sandwich
 - 62 ___ Grey tea
 - 63 Wipe a board clean

- 64 Rebuke from Caesar
 - 65 Unlikely, as chances
 - 66 Thick, as fog
 - 67 Speak hoarsely
 - 68 Where golf holes start
 - 69 "Transmit email" button
- DOWN**
- 1 Traditional melting in spring
 - 2 Prefix for sphere
 - 3 Leave the stage
 - 4 Netlike fabric
 - 5 Formal agreements
 - 6 ___ mater (former school)
 - 7 "High" time of day
 - 8 Produce, as electricity
 - 9 Eyebrow shape
 - 10 Back and ___ (to and fro)
 - 11 Keep entertained
 - 12 Speed detection device
 - 14 Decrease in length
 - 21 Most important "numero"
 - 22 Roof-patching goo
 - 26 Bank clerk
 - 27 Grade school support org.
 - 28 Capital of Latvia
 - 29 And others: Abbr.
 - 30 Elapse, as time
 - 31 Group of eight
 - 32 Syllables from Santa
 - 34 Mix with a spoon
 - 36 Extremely long time
 - 37 Prefix meaning "high"
 - 39 Most frightening
 - 40 Rooted for
 - 41 Family reunion group
 - 46 Long, thin fish
 - 47 Center of an olive
 - 48 Not as expensive
 - 49 Major blood vessel
 - 50 "___ the big idea?"
 - 51 Coconut trees
 - 54 Curly-leaved cabbage
 - 55 Shortest-named Great Lake
 - 56 Raw metals
 - 57 Author Austen
 - 58 Affinity grp.
 - 59 Requirement
 - 61 Baby beagle

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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

SEND	TES	RASP	TES
ENSE	SLIM	ETTU	ENSE
ERASE	EARL	WRAP	ERASE
JAN	LIKE	HOOL	JAN
PIE	PIE	LAWYER	PIE
PERSON	PERSON	BEARD	PERSON
HENRI	CIANO	ALP	HENRI
CLOCK	THE	AGAIN	CLOCK
LEAF	SCOT	TITLE	LEAF
OHARE	OHARE	PRESTO	OHARE
RATHER	RATHER	PRESTO	RATHER
TSA	WITHO	WITHO	TSA
GRUD	COMMON	WITHO	GRUD
ROMA	ALOE	HES	ROMA
AFAR	PANG	AFAR	AFAR

Today's Answers

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Roman Perez signs with McMurry



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Roman Perez started his running journey in Junior High. Though he plays baseball for the Big Spring Steers, running Cross Country and Track are his true passions. Roman is a four-time State Qualifier for Cross Country. Roman has shown that he is a true leader in all sports he has played, and he has excelled academically since he was young. Roman impacts all his classmates, teammates, and others who cross his path because he is a spectacular leader, true role model, fantastic friend, and an outstanding athlete. On Tuesday, March 22, Roman Perez received, accepted, and signed a scholarship to McMurry University, located in Abilene, Texas. Roman's parents, Dianna Perez and Ariel Perez stated, "We are proud of Roman, and we are very excited to see what the future holds for him."

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