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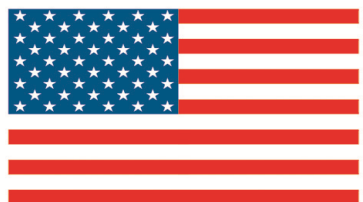
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Weather



Tuesday Night: Scattered showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55. North wind around 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Wednesday: Isolated showers and thunderstorms before 1pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. North wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Wednesday Night: Clear, with a low around 56.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 90.

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Today in History

On May 24

1818: General Andrew Jackson invades Pensacola, Fla., then Spanish territory, to stop Seminole attacks into U.S. territory.

1844: Samuel Morse taps out "What hath God wrought" in the world's first telegraph message.

Daily Quotes

"Being pregnant is an occupational hazard of being a wife."

— Queen Victoria

"What's money? A man is a success if he gets up in the morning and goes to bed at night and in between does what he wants to do."

— Bob Dylan

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Run for the Wall



On Saturday morning, motorcycle riders with Run for the Wall made a stop at the Vietnam Memorial in Big Spring. There were at least 100 riders who have taken part in the annual ride. The Run for the Wall mission statement is to promote healing among all veterans and their families and friends, to call for an accounting of all Prisoners of War and those Missing in Action (POW/MIA), to honor the memory of those Killed in Action (KIA) from all wars, and to support our military personnel all over the world.

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In memory of CPL Hernandez



Photos courtesy Amanda Duforat

Members of Charlie Company, 2/506th 101 Airborne, were in Big Spring this past weekend to remember a fallen compatriot, Big Spring's CPL Arthur Hernandez.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Contributing Writer

A soldier is never forgotten. Not by his family, by those whom he served with, or his community. After 51 years, CPL Hernandez was honored for his service - in his hometown - in a special ceremony at Mt. Olive Cemetery. The

ceremony included several memories shared, questions were answered, and long overdue honor was rendered.

The Company commander never signed off on the Purple Heart for Hernandez and the three others who lost their lives that night, but the company made it a point to ensure that honor was given where honor was due. As part of

the tokens of honor presented, an honorable Purple Heart was given to Hernandez's family in honor of his sacrifice.

"Men had to be wounded to be able to receive this award. The Purple Heart is the second highest honor you can receive in the United States military."

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First regular council meeting for Mayor Moore scheduled Tuesday

By **ROGER CLINE**

Herald Staff Writer

Those wishing to sound off to Big Spring's new mayor in a public forum will have a chance to do so at Tuesday evening's city council meeting.

Newly seated Mayor Robert Moore will preside over his first regular session of Big Spring's council at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the City Council Chambers, 307 E. Fourth Street.

Following the meeting's call to order, invocation, and Pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags, the council will hear public comments before delving into two public hearings.

The first hearing concerns tax abatement guidelines, while

the second allow citizens to voice their opinion on the city's proposed annexation of about 5.08 acres north of the intersection of Oak Glen Drive and Holland Grace, a tract comprising six lots in the N/2 of Sec. 8, Blk. 32, Township 1-S, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey.

The council will vote on both items later in the meeting.

Next, City Manager Todd Darden will give his report, including an update on the May 18 Large Item Pickup in District 5, the budget schedule, the planned opening of the Russ McEwen Aquatic Center on June 4, the city's observance of Memorial Day on May 30, recognition of code officers and Street

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Sheriff

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

- Note – Official's with the Howard County Jail reported having 88 inmates at the time of this report/
- **MORGAN DIONE AUSIBIE**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping/failure to appear.
- **LUCINDA RAMIREZ FLORES**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass of habitation/shelter.
- **DEJA ALIAH FRANCO**, 20, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causes bodily injury, evading arrest detention.
- **ALLEN TRISTAN JACKSON**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- **JENNY JUAREZ**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping/failure to appear.

- **TONYA LYNN KNOX**, 50, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of bail jumping/failure to appear, possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams.
- **JEREMY M LONGORIA-SANCHEZ**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of terroristic threat causing fear of injury.
- **RODNEY JR MARTINEZ**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge public intoxication.
- **GENNY LYNN MEYER**, 44, was arrested by HCSO, on a charge of bail jumping/failure to appear.
- **JESUS RODRIGUEZ MORENO**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.
- **DANIEL TIMOTHY SCOTT**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in 5900 block of E Midway Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Ridgeroad. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of N Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block

of N Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of S Main St. No person was transported.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of Johnson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Settles. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of E Robinson. No person was transported.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block Sherman Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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 Settles.
- 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.

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 325-212-8600.

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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Take Note

- The Borden County All-School Reunion will be held Saturday, June 11, in Gail, Texas. All former students, faculty, and friends are invited to attend. No fee is charged for attending and visiting. A meal will be served at the Event Center but pre-paid reservations are required. Deadline to order a meal is May 25. An adult meal ticket is \$18 and \$10 for children 8 years and older. Contact Lisa Dennis Mahler at bordenexes@gmail.com for additional information and a reservation form.

- 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 or a box, and answer a few questions such as how many people live in the household - to pick up food. The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>.

- Everyone welcome! Western swing by Michael Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, every month on the third Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Entry fee is \$5. Bring snacks to share. Refreshments are provided. For more information call 432 517-9097.

- Ready for Home School or individualized education in school? Maranatha Baptist Academy, located at 903 Johnson Street, in Big Spring, Texas, is currently open and taking applications for enrollment for the 2022-23 School year. We are a faith-based Christian Academy and use the individualized Accelerated Christian Education Curriculum for Kindergarten through 12th grade, published in Hendersonville, Tennessee. July 20 is our startup date, and applications will be accepted year-round. Someone will take your call for information at 432-213-1046. Please leave a message and we will get back with you.

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

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

- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.

- The 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 or Janssen Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org

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MEMORIAL

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While our company commander never signed off on it for any of those who died that night, it was one of the things that has bothered us as a company. They deserve; the rule of the Purple Heart declared because the enemy was being fired upon, the round shot was meant to inflict damage to personnel and equipment... We believe they deserve it... Charlie Company, as you can see after 51 years, we follow through," Gary Gilliam said.

Sgt. Rolland Christiansen had the honor of presenting the family with this special award.

"We believe Art deserved it... One of the definitions of Purple Heart says it is not given out in friendly fire missions," Christiansen said. "If the artillery fire was in support of a mission and was fired at the enemy then it can be presented. As Gilliam mentioned, that artillery fire was... Here we are unofficially, we would like to give a Purple Heart to Arthur Hernandez, presented by veterans of Charlie Company 2/506th."

CPL Arthur Hernandez, soldier in the Army's 101st Airborne Division, lost his life on April 1, 1971, in Vietnam during Operation Lam Son 719 in Laos.

"On many occasions, such as this one, the family doesn't get a lot of the information. We are able to provide some of that information. Getting that information out to the family is good for them and good for us," Tom Weides said. "We are here today trying to bring us some peace, as well as the family."

The ceremony included the presentation of several tokens of appreciation, awards and honor. The family was presented with a plaque, air assault wings, Combat Infantry Badge, presentation coin, 101st plaque presentation, 101st emblem, Currahee Emblem, American flag, and the 506th Flag presentation.

For the past 11 years, members of Charlie Company, 2/506th 101st Airborne have gathered to honor their fallen brothers. The band of brothers travel from their homes in California, Washington, Wyoming, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois and

Texas, to visit the final resting places of those members who did not make it home. Of the company, there have been 26 who have lost their lives. Over the past several years, the surviving members have made it to the final resting place of 23 of the 26 fallen soldiers.

During the special ceremony, before the crowd dispersed, roll call was taken. Company members answered as their names were called, as CPL Hernandez's name was called the weight of the silence brought a somber moment of remembrance.

"... He is here Sergeant. He lives within us," answered a member of the company.

Following Roll Call, as "Live Brother Live" was read, company members placed a commemorative coin on his headstone and paid their last respects. Following the members of the company, veterans in attendance took a moment and paid their respects to the fallen soldier.

There are no words to truly describe the honor and gratitude that was displayed during the Saturday morning ceremony, but one thing is for sure, a soldier will not be forgotten.

COUNCIL

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Department workers receiving certifications, an update on the City Employee Appreciation Picnic, and extending sympathy to the family of former Big Spring Mayor Cotton Mize on his passing.

The meeting's consent agenda includes two items: Approval of the minutes of the regular May 10 meeting and the special May 17 meeting; and final reading of a resolution approving the COVID-19 Pandemic Relief Recovery Plan for the City of Big Spring.

The council will consider approval of vouchers tabled at the previous council meeting as well as those for the current reporting period. Tabled vouchers include those for April 25 for \$41,800 and for April 28 for \$399,409.43; while the new vouchers include those for May 12, 2022 for \$499,918.06 and for May 19 for \$1,042,199.80; as well as drafts and manual checks totaling \$49,564.11.

The council will consider one bid award and one consideration of action to request bid proposals. The award is on a 12-inch water line relocation project for \$124,424 submitted by Whitewater Construction Inc. out of Waco - the only bid received on the project; while the RFP under consideration is on sale of the former GEO-operated Interstate Unit prison on Interstate 20.

In New Business, the council will acknowledge receipt of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation's board minutes from its April 19 meeting.

Next on the agenda is consideration and possible action on a funding request from the Convention and Visitor's Bureau for the Ports-To-Plains Alliance Conference taking place in Big Spring Sept. 14-16. Documentation in the meeting's agenda suggests that the conference could fill 75 hotel rooms during the event.

The next item on the agenda is a resolution specifically granting Big Spring's city manager the authority to negotiate business contracts for the city. The item specifies three items currently before the city: a right-of-way license agreement for a saltwater lines and a water line with Gravity Oilfield Services; negotiations with Immigration Customs Enforcement to operate three detention centers; and negotiation of an economic incentive agreement with

Compute North.

The item would also apply to future contracts.

"Negotiating authority for future City contracts relating to real property interests (including surface and/or mineral interests) and economic development agreements shall be vested (with the city manager or his designee, which may not include an elected official)," according to the resolution.

Next on the agenda, the council will consider approval of tax abatement guidelines.

The city will consider a resolution suspending the June 17 effective date of Oncor Electric Delivery Company's rate change, to allow the city time to study the request.

The city will consider an item granting the city manager the responsibility of establishing city council agendas.

The council will consider granting a partial tax exemption on ad valorem taxes for the 2022 tax year for homestead property.

Next, the council will consider annexation of the six lots mentioned at the opening of this article.

The council will consider an item tabled at a previous meeting, concerning greens fees at the city's municipal golf course for retirees, as well as an ordinance amending the definition of "retiree" in the "Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs" section of City Code pertaining to the golf course.

The council will consider action on a "Meet and Confer" agreement between the city and the Big Spring Professional Firefighters' Association.

The council will consider action on an agreement with Tommy Churchwell establishing the exact location of a property line between city property and Churchwell's private property in the Moss Creek Lake area.

The council will consider approval of the appointment of Erin Yeats to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for District 6.

Council members will have the opportunity to offer input prior to the meeting's adjournment.

The meeting is open to the public. Citizens may also view the meeting on Local Channel 17 through Suddenlink, or on the city's website at <http://mybig-spring.com/224/Channel-17-Live>.

Take Note

• 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 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

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

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

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

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

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

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are al-

ways welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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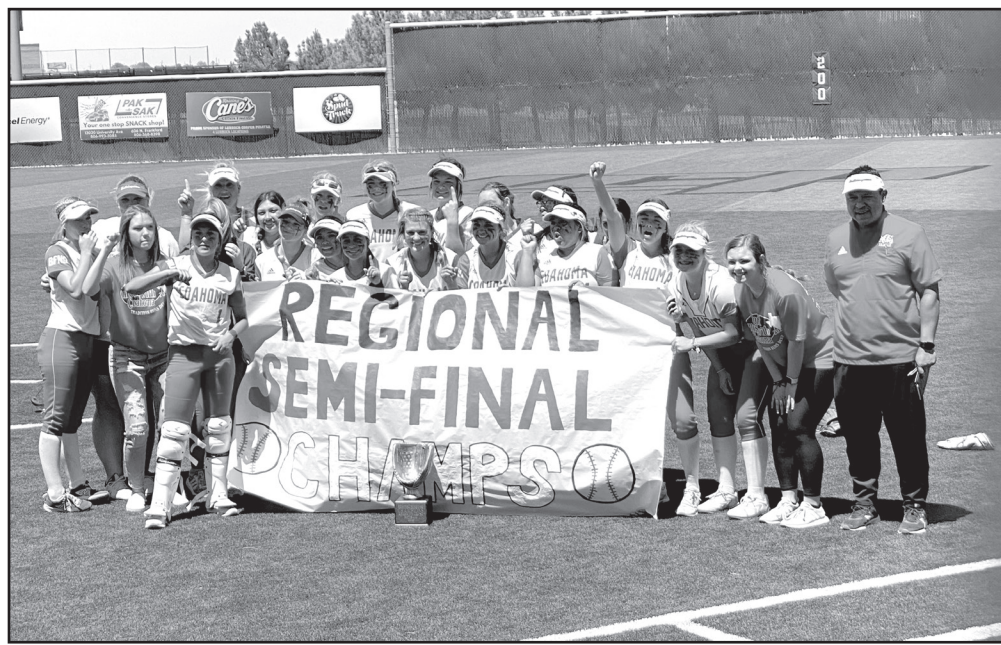
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Coahoma Bulldogettes take care of Bushland one round away from advancing to the UIL State softball tournament

#7 Coahoma to face #1 Holliday in the regional finals in Abilene



Left, Maddison Rodgers and Karleigh Burt celebrate after scoring to tie up game 2 in the top of the third inning. Right, the Coahoma Bulldogettes celebrate their region 1 semifinal championship after beating the Bushland Lady Falcons 2-0 in game 1 and 7-5 in game 2. The Bulldogettes will face number 1 Holliday in the region 1 finals in Abilene. Game 1 will be on Thursday and games 2 and 3 will be on Saturday.

By PATRICK GONZALES

Herald Sports Writer

The Coahoma Bulldogette softball team made a clear statement Saturday afternoon. They are a force to be reckoned with! The seventh ranked Bulldogettes faced off against the twelfth ranked Bushland Lady Falcons in a best of three game series in the 3A region 1 semifinals. Games took place at Lubbock Cooper with game 1 on Friday and games 2 and 3 on Saturday. The stands were packed with Coahoma fans cheering and watching on as the Bulldogettes continue to make history.

The Bulldogettes got it done beating the Lady Falcons on Friday 2-0 and then again on Saturday 7-5, punching their ticket to the regional finals and one step closer to advancing to the state softball tournament. Game 1 saw both teams play great defense, but it would be Coahoma who struck first. Maddison Rodgers started things off for Coahoma in the bottom of the first inning. Rodgers was walked with four straight pitches, bringing up Karleigh Burt. Burt with a 2 ball and 1 strike count placed a perfect bunt, advancing Rodgers to third and being called safe at first. Burt would advance to second on a steal. The next two at bats would be Coahoma's first two outs in the inning bringing up Brynn Rodgers next at bat.

Coahoma's Coach Orosco subbed out Burt with Kaedyn Lee at second, before Brynn Rodgers at bat. On the first pitch, Rodgers hammered the ball into the left field corner earning a two run double and giving Coahoma the 2-0 lead. Coahoma would end the inning with an infield pop fly out. From that point, Coahoma played great defense to secure the win for game 1.

Coahoma's freshman phenom Hannah Wells pitched a complete game earning the shutout win. Wells would finish the night with 10 strikeouts, 2 hits, and no walks.

Game 2 on Saturday started where it left off in game 1, great defense from both sides. Both Coahoma and Bushland would end the first inning scoreless. Going into the bottom of the second inning Bushland would score 2 runs to give them the lead 2-0. In the top of the third inning with 2 outs Maddison Rodgers got things going for the Bulldogettes with a single. Karleigh Burt was walked on 4 straight pitches bringing up Hannah Wells. Facing a 3-1 count Wells cranked the ball to right field bringing in Rodgers and Burt for the score and Wells going all the way to third. At next bat, Avery Rodriguez would bring Wells in for the score with a single between shortstop and third.

Coahoma would end the inning taking the lead 3-2. The score would remain the same heading into the top of the seventh inning. Shae Lang got the momentum going again for the Bulldogettes starting off with a double. From there Bulldogettes applied the pressure, scoring an additional 5 runs to increase their lead making the score 7-2. The Lady Falcons would not go down without a fight as they mustered a rally as well. The Lady Falcons went on to score 3 runs cutting the lead to 2, but with Hannah Wells on the mound the Lady Falcons rally would be stymied. Like in Game 1 Hannah Wells was called upon again to pitch a complete game and lead the Bulldogettes to a win. Wells answered the call and had another dominating day. Wells would once again complete the game earning the win with an impressive 13 strikeouts.

Up next for the Bulldogettes is the region 1 finals in Abilene. The Bulldogettes will face number 1 Holliday with a trip to the state tournament on the line.

Courtesy photo

Wiggins, Warriors dunk Mavericks 109-100 for 3-0 series lead

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Stephen Curry shimmied for the TV crew, Andrew Wiggins shook Luka Dončić with a posterizing dunk and the Warriors are thinking sweep.

Curry scored 31 points, Wiggins' playoff career high 27 points included the dunk that was originally called an offensive foul and Golden State beat the Dallas Mavericks 109-100 Sunday night for a 3-0 lead in the Western Conference finals.

"He's looking like Dominique Wilkins out there," Klay Thompson said of Wiggins after scoring 19 points as the Warriors moved to the brink of the NBA Finals, three years after the end of a five-year run that yielded three championships.

Golden State, which swept Portland in its most recent West finals in 2019 before Toronto won the title, goes for the sweep in Game 4 on Tuesday in Dallas. No team has rallied from 3-0 down to win an NBA playoff series.

"I love the position we're in," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "I love the fact that our team came in and got the win tonight. This was the one we felt like we had to get. Coming here up 2-0, you've got to take advantage of your momentum."

Dončić scored 40 and beat the first-quarter buzzer with a 32-footer that got the crowd going with the Mavericks again at home trailing 2-0, as they did against top-seeded Phoenix before winning the West semifinal series in seven games.

But that shimmy-inducing bucket from the young superstar was a blip on an otherwise rough night from 3-point range for the Mavericks, who missed their first seven and finished 13 of 45.

Reggie Bullock and Maxi Kleber, two long-range specialists for Dallas, missed all 12 of their 3s combined and were 0-15 overall. Both went scoreless, offsetting Spencer Dinwiddie's 26 points off the

bench. Jalen Brunson scored 20.

Wiggins' one-handed dunk over Dončić mid-way through the fourth quarter was called a foul because his elbow made contact around Dončić's neck as Dončić jerked backward and fell. But the replay ruling after Kerr challenged was incidental contact, giving Golden State a 93-83 lead.

"I got hit a little bit, but that was impressive," Dončić said. "I'm not going to lie. I saw the video again, and I was like, 'Oh ...' That was pretty incredible. I wish had those bunnies."

About a minute later, Wiggins, who matched his playoff career high with 11 rebounds, moved quickly down the right baseline for a follow dunk on a miss by Curry.

"Just feeling the energy," Wiggins said of his dunk over Dončić. "That's all I see. The main thing when I see the rim. That's all I see. They tried to take it away from me, but ..." Wiggins said, interrupting himself with a laugh before thanking Kerr for the challenge.

Curry scored 11 points in the third quarter, giving the Warriors their biggest lead at 78-64 with a step-back 3 in the final minute and turning to the national TV crew for a close-up view of his shoulder shimmy.

Dončić scored 21 points in the fourth quarter as the Mavericks tried desperately to close the gap, but fell to 2-6 in his three playoff seasons when the 23-year-old, three-time All-Star scores at least 40 points.

One of Dinwiddie's 3-pointers got Dallas within five points with 1:15 remaining, but Jordan Poole answered with one from the left wing just inside the final minute.

The Mavericks, playing past the first round since first-year coach Jason Kidd was the point on the Dirk Nowitzki-led team that won the 2011 title, lost a nine-point lead in the final four minutes of the first half two nights after failing to hold a 19-point

lead on the road in a Game 2 loss.

"This is just the beginning of this journey," Kidd said. "I know you guys have us winning the championship before the season started. And that's a joke if you didn't get it. This is a lot bigger than just this one game or this series. This is huge for our franchise because none of you guys had us here."

WHAT JUST HAPPENED?

The most tense moment of the series came late in the first half after a corner 3 from Curry capped an 8-0 run that put the Warriors in front by a point and helped them to a 48-47 halftime lead. And it left Curry confused.

Curry ran the length of the court with his tongue hanging out after Dallas called timeout. As he circled back toward his bench, Curry walked by Dončić with teammate Juan Toscano-Anderson nearby.

Dončić appeared to take issue with something Toscano-Anderson said and started toward the Golden State bench before officials along with coaches and players from both teams intervened. Meantime, Draymond Green and injured Dallas guard Tim Hardaway Jr. exchanged unpleasant-ries about 45 feet apart.

After the timeout, Curry could be seen saying, "What happened?" and approached Dončić to talk about it. The exchange ended with Green as the peacemaker with Dončić.

HOLDING HIS TONGUE

Green got a technical foul, his second of the series, after an extended conversation with official Marc Davis when he was called for a backcourt violation when he hurriedly tried to step back over the midcourt line to catch a long, unexpected pass from Curry.

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The proposed recycling site is located 12 miles southwest of Big Spring, Texas in the Section 7, Block 34, T-1-N, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey, Abstract No. 532, Howard County, Texas. The proposed recycling facility is located on the real property owned by Waste Management Energy Services Holdings, LLC.

Affected persons may protest this application. Protests must be in writing and must be received by the 15th day after that last date of the publication of this notice. The last date of publication of this notice is expected to be June 1, 2022 which means the protests should be received by June 16 (15 days later), 2022.

Protests must be sent to: Technical Permitting Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, TX 78711 (Telephone 512-463-3840).

CAUSE NO. 55354

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE WILMAS NEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL,

Legals

TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, Defendants.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLICATION

Pursuant to Rule 21.016(d)(3), Texas Property Code, the Special Commissioners hereby issue this Notice of Hearing in connection with their Order Setting Hearing entered this same day.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

TO: THEDA JOANNE NEILL, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, to be served by publication pursuant to § 21.016(d)(3) of the Texas Property Code and

You are hereby notified that on the **29th day of June, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the Howard County Courthouse, located at 312 Scurry Street Big Spring, Texas, 79720** the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, will convene a hearing to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation by the City of Big Spring, as Condemnor, to acquire the subject property described below in fee simple for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a sewer lift

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station to be installed, operated, and maintained upon and across the property identified as a 1.417 acre tract of land, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 44, Block 32, T-1-N, T. & P. Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 631, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, and being out of a tract of land described in a deed from J.G. Amett etux to G.W. Neill, dated January 28, 1924, and recorded in Volume 54, Page 215, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas, said tract having a municipal address of 1505 East 2nd Street Big Spring, Texas 79720.

These are proceedings in eminent domain in a case styled: *CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS v. GEORGE WILMASNEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL, TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING*, Cause Number 55354, filed in the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas. The undersigned, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and receive evidence on damages and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

The preceding Notice to be served by publication has been APPROVED and ISSUED the 22 day of April, 2022.

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9:30 PM	Who-Believe?	El último rey: El hijo	FOX 24 News at 9	FBI: Most Wanted	Pasión de gavilanes	New Amsterdam	Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	News	Gold		Calgary Flames at Edmonton Oilers.	The Walk	MLB Baseball: Texas Rangers at Los Angeles Angels.	Miz & Mrs	(06) The First 48	(02) Deadliest Catch	
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11:30 PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Noticiero	Pawn	Late Show-Colbert	Noticias	Tonight Show	Words of Jesus IS	Donkey	CBS 7	black-ish		Rich & Shameless	SportsCenter	Around Pardon	MLB Baseball: Texas Rangers at Los Angeles Angels.	Law & Order: SVU		(02) Deadliest Catch	
12:30 AM	Nightline	Las tantas no van	Mom	Drew Barrymore	Caso cerrado (SS)	News	The	Xavier	Forensic	Creek	George		SportsCenter	NHL Hockey: Flames at Oilers	Postgame	Law & Order: SVU		(02) Deadliest Catch	
1:30 AM	Extra	Soltero con hijas	Broke Girl	Paid Prg.	Programa	Top Story With	Light of Southwest	Hero	Jerry Springer	Prostate	Wipeout		SportsCenter	NBA Basketball: Warriors at Mavericks		Law & Order: SVU	(07) The First 48	(02) Deadliest Catch	
2:30 AM	(06) ABC World News Now	Vecinos	Seinfeld	(07) CBS Overnight News	Película: Rosa de la frontera	Minute	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Minute	Paid Prg.	Brain Fog	Wipeout		NHL Hockey: Hurricanes at Rangers	SportsCenter	Postgame	Law & Order: SVU	Foodi	Josh Gates Tonight
3:30 AM	Home	El gordo y la flaca	Law & Order: SVU		Noticias	Early Tdy	Programa	Early Tdy	The Is	Arthur	Paid Prg.	H2O X5	Matters	(01) Charmed	PowerXI	Law & Order: SVU	Prince	Expedition Unknown	
4:30 AM	Morning	Noticiero	Finnv	News	Programa	Early Tdy	The Gath	Arthur	Paid Prg	Disease	Matters								

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Hoist with his own petard

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A Q 10 9 7 2
♥ A 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 2

EAST

♠ J 8 6 3
♥ K
♦ 7 6 2
♣ A K 9 6 3

SOUTH

♠ —
♥ Q 10 8 7 6 5
♦ A K J 9 3
♣ Q 4

West

♠ K
♥ J 9 3

East

♠ J 8
♥ 9 3

North

♠ Q 10 9 7

South

♥ Q 10 8
♦ J

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♥ Pass 1♠
Pass 2♦ Pass 3♠
Pass 4♦ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — jack of clubs.
Assume you're in four hearts and West leads a club. East cashes the A-K and returns a club, which you ruff. When you next lead a low trump to the ace, East produces the king, and it now seems you must lose two trump tricks to West and go down at least one.

But if you approach the play with the right attitude, you can make the contract. You say to yourself that if things go just right, you might be

able to endplay West, so you start to lay the groundwork in the hope that this is possible.

You play the ace of spades and ruff a spade, then cash the A-K of diamonds and ruff a diamond in dummy. When the diamonds divide 3-3, you are well on the way to getting home safely, because this is now the position:

You next ruff a spade with the eight and then play the jack of diamonds. West is forced to ruff and return a trump from his J-9 into your Q-10, handing you the contract.

The entire operation, once East's heart king falls, is based on the sole hope that West has the distribution in the three side suits that will allow him to be endplayed. This type of reasoning — constructing a lie of the cards that will permit the contract to be made (or defeated, if you are defending) — often snatches victory from the jaws of defeat.

Tomorrow: The secret of good defense.

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Today in History

Today is Tuesday, May 24, the 144th day of 2022. There are 221 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 24, 1844, Samuel F.B. Morse transmitted the message "What hath God wrought" from Washington to Baltimore as he formally opened America's first telegraph line.

On this date:

In 1935, the first major league baseball game to be played at night took place at Cincinnati's Crosley Field as the Reds beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 2-1.

In 1937, in a set of rulings, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Social Security Act of 1935.

In 1941, the German battleship Bismarck sank the British battle cruiser HMS Hood in the North Atlantic, killing all but three of the 1,418 men on board.

In 1961, a group of Freedom Riders was arrested after arriving at a bus terminal in Jackson, Mississippi, charged with breaching the peace for enter-

ing white-designated areas. (They ended up serving 60 days in jail.)

In 1962, astronaut Scott Carpenter became the second American to orbit the Earth as he flew aboard Aurora 7.

In 1974, American jazz composer and band-leader Duke Ellington, 75, died in New York.

In 1976, Britain and France opened trans-Atlantic Concorde supersonic transport service to Washington.

In 1980, Iran rejected a call by the World Court in The Hague to release the American hostages.

In 1994, four Islamic fundamentalists convicted of bombing New York's World Trade Center in 1993 were each sentenced to 240 years in prison.

In 1995, former British Prime Minister Harold Wilson died in London at age 79.

In 2006, "An Inconvenient Truth," a documentary about former Vice President Al Gore's campaign against global warming, went into limited release.

In 2011, Oprah Winfrey

taped the final episode of her long-running talk show.

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama doubled down on criticism of rival Mitt Romney's background as a venture capitalist, telling a rally at the Iowa State Fairgrounds there might be value in such experience but "not in the White House." Brian Banks, a former high school football star whose dreams of a pro career were shattered by what turned out to be a false rape accusation, burst into tears as a judge in Long Beach, California, threw out the charge that had sent Banks to prison for more than five years.

Five years ago: Setting past differences and rude comments aside, President Donald Trump and Pope Francis put a determinedly positive face on their first meeting at the Vatican. Ariana Grande suspended her Dangerous Woman world tour and canceled several European shows due to the deadly bombing at her concert in Manchester, England, two days earlier.

One year ago: Tennessee became the latest state to ban teachers from talking about certain aspects of race and racism in public schools. Samuel E.

Wright, who famously voiced "Sebastian the Crab" in Disney's "The Little Mermaid" and had an acting career spanning five decades, died at 72.

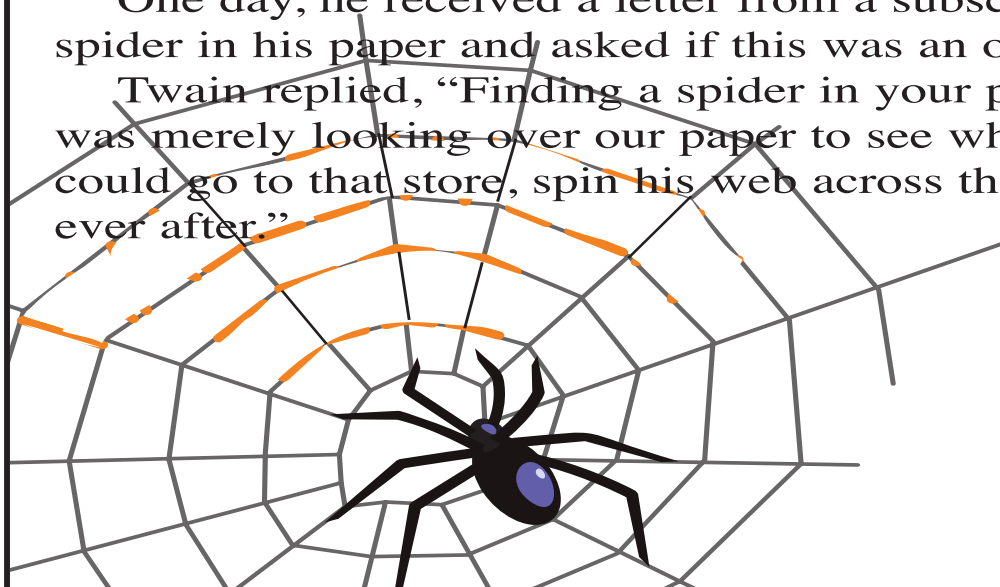
Today's Birthdays: Actor-comedian-impressionist Stanley Baxter is 96. Jazz musician Archie Shepp is 85. Comedian Tommy Chong is 84. Singer Bob Dylan is 81. Actor Gary Burghoff is 79. Singer Patti LaBelle is 78. Actor Priscilla Presley is 77. Country singer Mike Reid is 75. Actor Jim Broadbent is 73. Actor Alfred Molina is 69. Singer Rosanne Cash is 67. Actor Cliff Parisi is 62. Actor Kristin Scott Thomas is 62. Rock musician Vivian Trimble is 59. Actor John C. Reilly is 57. Actor Dana Ashbrook is 55. Actor Eric Close is 55. Actor Carl Payne is 53. Rock musician Rich Robinson is 53. Former MLB pitcher Bartolo Colon is 49. Actor Dash Mihok is 48. Actor Bryan Greenberg is 44. Actor Owen Benjamin is 42. Actor Billy L. Sullivan is 42. Actor-rapper Jerod Mixon (aka Big Tyme) is 41. Rock musician Cody Hanson (Hinder) is 40. Dancer-choreographer-singer Mark Ballas is 36. Country singer Billy Gilman is 34. Rapper/producer G-Eazy is 33. Actor Brianne Howey is 33. Actor Cayden Boyd is 28.

The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper.

One day, he received a letter from a subscriber stating that he had found a spider in his paper and asked if this was an omen of good or bad luck.

Twain replied, "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever after."



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