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### Weather



Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 72. South wind 15 to 20 mph.

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Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 74. Sunday: Sunny and hot. with a high near 103.

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

### Today in History On May 27

1868: Russian city of St. Petersburg founded by Tsar Peter the Great

1930: New York City's Chrysler Building - then, the tallest building in the world opens to the public.

1940: British and Allied forces, assisted by hundreds of private boat owners, begin the evacuation of the French city of Dunkirk (called Operation Dynamo) during World War II.

### **Daily Quotes**

"The strokes of the pen need deliberation as much as the sword needs swiftness."

- Julia Ward Howe

"You got to look on the bright side, even if there ain't

— Dashiell Hammett "It's as much fun to scare as

### to be scared." Vincent Price

"The worst resentment that anybody can have is one you feel justified to keep."

— Louis Gossett Jr.

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### Inspirations sends flowers to Uvalde parents Courtesy photo



**Inspirations Floral Boutique** recently arranged flowers to be sent to families of those slain in the Uvalde shooting. The arrangements to be sent are similar to these, which were sent to families of those killed in the recent Andrews School bus wreck.

### By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

A local florist's shop has taken action to express local support for the community of Uvalde following the recent deadly shooting at Robb Elementary School in that community.



ginbotham, owner of Inspirations Floral Boutique, has sent flowers to families Uvalde who lost loved ones in the disaster.

**Vaccines** Available

to Prevent

"From one small town to another felt that was important

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# BSHA board meeting planned tonight indicating their desire to speak. Commissioner John Scott to the BSHA's

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

The Big Spring Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners will once again attempt to hold a meeting this evening, this time at 7:20 p.m. at Canterbury South Apartments, 1700 S. Lancaster.

The board has attempted to hold a meeting twice recently, on Wednesday, May 18, and this past Monday, May 23. Both meetings were called off due to a lack of quorum.

Should the meeting tonight take place, commissioners plan to hold a roll call followed by a time for public comment. Those wishing to address the board should arrive 15 minutes prior to the meeting's start time to fill out a form

In the New Business portion of the meeting, the board will recognize new commissioners and elect a new chairperson and vice-chairperson. Next, the board will discuss and con-

sider action on a proposal to move the BSHA's Housing Choice Voucher/Section 8 program from Big Spring to the Abilene Housing Authority. The board will discuss approving and

signing an engagement letter to contract with David A. Boring CPA for the upcoming audit of BSHA programs. The board will also discuss relocating

the BSHA office from its current location at 1311 W. Fourth St, the dilapidated former nursery adjacent to ABC Park. Next, the board will consider adding general checking account and deposit assistance account at State National Bank.

The board will also discuss setting a regular time and location for BSHA board meetings. The board will consider setting meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m.

The agenda also includes an closed session at the end of the meeting to discuss hiring acting director Sharon Fritz as the permanent executive director of the BSHA. If any action arises during the closed session, the board will return

to open session to vote on the matter. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting.

# 10 Most Wanted offender captured in Nueces County

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Herald recently received the following press release from the Texas Department of Public Safety:

AUSTIN - Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender Guadalupe Cano is back in custody following his arrest on May 13 in Robstown. No Crime Stoppers Reward will be paid.

Guadalupe Cano, 54, of Robstown, is a member of the Texas Mexican Mafia. He was arrested at a house by Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Special Agents and Texas Highway Patrol Troopers, with members of the Robstown Police Department assisting.

Cano had been wanted since March 2021, when the Nueces

County Sheriff's Office issued warrants for his arrest for a probation violation and failure to comply with sex offender registration requirements.



**CANO** 

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In 1984, Cano was convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child and was sentenced to six years in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) prison. In 1995, he was convicted of burglary of a habitation and was sentenced to 18 years in a TDCJ prison. In 2019, Cano was given six years of probation for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance. He was added to the Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders List on May 6, 2022. For more information, view Cano's captured bulletin at https:// www.dps.texas.gov/texas10mostwanted/MostWanted/CapturedDetails?id=540

10 indicted on felony charges

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

Ten individuals were indicted on felony charges this month by the 118th District Court Grand Jury. Five of the individuals were indicted on first-degree The first-degree felony offenders in-

· Kenneth Marvin Hart, 57, currently

- a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on a charge of robbery, a firstdegree (enhanced) felony. • Carlos Burrolas Marquez, 61, of 610 N.W. Eighth Street, indicted on two
- counts of driving while intoxicated (third offense or more), both first-degree (habitual) felonies. • Juan Gabriel Moran, 47, currently

a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on a charge of felony murder, a first-degree felony. Moran was also indicted on two other charges - intoxication manslaughter (a second-degree felony) and driving while intoxicated (third or more), a third-degree felony. · Lorenzo Torres Ramirez, 37, cur-

- rently a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on charges of burglary of a habitation/assault and possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 1, nies (enhanced).
- four to 20 grams), both first-degree felo-• Gilbert Silva, 35, currently a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on a charge of aggravated robbery, a first-

degree felony. Silva was also indicted on

a charge of harassment of a public ser-

vant, a third-degree felony.

Others indicted on felony charges include:

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### **Obituaries**

### Mallory Ann (Schumpert) Newton



ton broke free of her earthly shackles and ran into the arms of her savior on May 21, 2022. She was 35 years old.

will be held at a later date.

1986, to Phillip and Sally Schumpert in Lamesa, TX. Never able to sit still for too long, she enjoyed many sports as a child, especially basket-

ball in junior high and high school.

When Mal was 15 years old, she met the love of her life, Coty James Newton, and they married on April 12, 2009.

and was often searching for new recipes. Her love for all things culinary defined her professional career. She managed many restaurants in Big Spring

Mallory was very interested in fashion and dreamed of making her own dresses. She had an eye for tasteful clothing and she was always dressed in season.

Mallory's personal and professional accomplishments were many, but by far her greatest accomplishment is her daughter, Hailey Nicole Newton, who Mal affectionately called "Roo". The time she spent with Roo was truly the happiest time of Mallory's life. She was eternally proud of Hailey.

Mallory is preceded in death by her mother, Sally Schumpert, and her "sister from another mister" Heather Knappe.

Left to mourn and carry on her memory is her husband, Coty Newton; daughter, Hailey Newton; father, Phillip Schumpert and wife, Peggy; sister, Morgan Schumpert and fiancé, Cody; brother, James Schumpert and wife, Kori; sister, Lynsey Sellers and husband George.

She's also survived by her mother-in-law, Theresa Overton, sister-in-law, Chandee Overton, grandma-in-law, Ruth Brown; and many nieces, nephews and cousins that she loved dearly. "So with you: Now is grief, but I will see you

again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy." John 16:22 Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral

Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid obituary

Survivors include his wife, Naomi Valdez; daughters Birdie (Ricky) Soto and Belen Valdez; his son, Ezequiel Valdez; and stepdaughters, Vickie Garcia Sanchez, Christie Garcia (Raul) Aguilar, and Peggy Garcia (Sergio) Cervantes; his sister Maria Rodriguez; 13 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

and Luisa Valdez; his brothers Rene, Alvino, and Hector Valdez; and sisters Delia Nieto and Gloria

### Jane Curley Watson



Jane Curley Watson, 101, of Big Spring, died Monday, May 23, 2022. A memorial graveside service will be later at Mabanks, Texas Cem-Jane was born on March 6, 1921 in

Mabank, TX to Ruby and Thomas Edwin Green, Sr. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church for 70 years. Jane is survived by her son:

Lloyd Curley, Jr. and wife Martina;

1 sister: Mitzi Suter; and 3 nieces. Jane was receded in death by her parents; 2 hus-

bands: Lloyd Curley and James Watson; 1 brother: Thomas Edwin Green, Jr.; and 1 grandson: David Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral

Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

### David Earl Garver



David Earl Garver, 60, of Big Spring died April 28, 2022. A memorial service will be Sun-

day, May 29, 2022 at 11 a.m. at the Big Spring State Park. David was born on February 8, 1962 to Joan and William (W.C)

Garver. David is survived by his daughter: Stephine Garver; one grand-

son, Asher Arevalos; parents, William (W.C.) & Joan Garver; one brother, Robert

Garver; and one sister, Roseann Smith.

### Weldon Akin



Weldon Akin, 50, died Thursday May, 12, 2022. No formal services will be held. Weldon was born on September

29, 1971 in Big Spring to Janet Marie and Edward Lee Akin. He spent

the last 30 years as a truck driver. He was a Baptist. Weldon is survived by his wife: Brandy Akin; one son: Zack Akin; two stepsons: Justin Jones & Kody

Jones; his parents: Janet & Eddie Akin; one sister: Valarie Shreves (Shawn); one brother: David Akin (Shelly); and a number of nieces and nephews.

Weldon is preceded in death by one son: Michael Akin; grandparents: T.C. and Beulah Richardson and Willie and Katie Akin.

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

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Depatment/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2500 block Chunte. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 4900 block S Highway 87. No person was transported.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2300 block Gregg St. No person was transported.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 200 block Grant St. No person was transported.
- PUBLIC SERVICE CALL was reported in the 1600 block Lancaster St. No person was transport-
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported on 3rd St and Franklin St. No person was transported.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block S Goliad St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 100 block Basswood.. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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Mallory Ann (Schumpert) New-



A celebration of Mallory's life

Mal was born on December 19.

Mallory loved to bake and cook for her family,

and Midland throughout the years.

Ramon Valdez Ramon Valdez, 82, of Big Spring died Monday, May 23, 2022, in Big Spring. No services will be held at this time.

Ramon was born in Shafter, Texas, and eventually made his way to Big Spring where he married Naomi Muñoz. He enjoyed working with his hands, whether it was with small woodworking or large construction and building projects, working on car motors, or re-imagining

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesus

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

## Sheriff

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

anything else needing repairs that he could get his

Note - Official's with the Howard County Jail reported having 100 inmates at the time of this report • CHRISTOPHER ROLAND ANGLIN, 18, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault family vio-

- COURTNEY FELICIA AUSBIE, 38, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of a controlled substance more than 1 gram less than 4
- PATRICIA BACON, 50, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of forgery financial instrument.
- **ISAIAH CANO**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams, possession of marijuana less than 2
- ANGELICA ROSE CERVANTES, 18, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault family/ household member.
  - LONDA COPELAND, 50, was arrested by BSPD

- on a charge of public intoxication, parole violation for DWI third or more offense.
- ANDREA DELGADO, 29, was arrested by HCSO on a charge theft of property more than \$2500 less than \$30000.
- GABRELLIA MARYCHRIS LUCERO, 18 was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams, possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
- SIDNEY D. PARKER, 53, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, possession of marijuana less than 2 oz, unlicensed possession of firearm by felon, tamper w/identification numbers
- MARCELINO RAMIREZ JR, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance more than 1 gram less than 4 grams.
- ARICO ANTHONY SPINELLI, 41, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of violation promise to appear, disregard red light traffic signal.

# **Support Groups**

### **FRIDAY**

hands on.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased 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.

### **TUESDAY**

Phone: (432) 263-5517

- 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

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- of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- · Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
- · Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Set-
- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situa-
- 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 semi-

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nings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in

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to lift Uvalde in prayer and comfort," Higginbotham wrote on the shop's Facebook page. "On behalf of Big Spring, TX, we have sent flowers to the families who have lost their loved one. At Inspirations we are a family and will always do what we can to express our heartfelt sympathy from our community."

The Facebook message also includes a prayer for peace and comfort for those involved in the horrific incident. The prayer also asks God to guide authorities in their duties dealing with the crime.

The attack occurred Tuesday morning. At about 11:30 a.m., Uvalde police received a call that a truck had crashed at Robb Elementary School and that

a man, later identified as 18-year-old high school dropout Salvador Ramos, had exited the vehicle carrying a rifle. The man proceeded to murder 21 people at the school, including 19 students and two adults. The shooting occurred just two days before summer break was set to begin. Ramos was shot and killed by a Border Patrol agent who responded

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Texas Crime Stoppers, which is funded by the Governor's Criminal Justice Commission, offers cash rewards to any person who provides information that leads to the arrest of one of Texas' 10 Most Wanted Fugitives or Sex Offenders. So far in 2022, DPS and other agencies have arrested 27 people off the lists, including 10 gang members and 15 sex offenders. In addition, \$46,000 in rewards has been paid for tips that yielded arrests.

To be eligible for cash rewards, tipsters MUST provide information to authorities using one of the following three methods:

• Call the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-252-TIPS (8477).

• Submit a web tip through the DPS website by selecting the fugitive you have information about and then clicking on the link under their picture. • Submit a Facebook tip by clicking the "SUBMIT A TIP" link (under the

"About" section). All tips are anonymous — regardless of how they are submitted — and tip-

sters will be provided a tip number instead of using a name. DPS investigators work with local law enforcement agencies to select fugitives for the Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitives and Sex Offenders Lists. You can

find the current lists — with photos — on the DPS website at https://www.dps. texas.gov/Texas10MostWanted/MostWanted

### INDICTMENTS Continued from Page 1

- Dakota James Hernandez, 30, currently a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on a charge of assault family or household member by impeding breath, a third-degree felony.
- Aaron John Brice Josey, 24, currently a resident

of the Howard County Jail, indicted on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, a thirddegree felony; and theft of material, a state-jail fel-• Andrea Delgado, 28, of 2206 S. Monticello, in-

- dicted on a charge of theft of material, a state-jail
- Shanna Piercefield, 42, of 2206 S. Monticello, indicted on a charge of theft of material, a state-jail

felony. Kelly Erin Pittman, 35, currently a resident of the Howard County Jail, indicted on charges of burglary of a habitation, a second-degree felony; and possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 1, one to four grans), a third-degree felony.

Indicted individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty in court.

## **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 faithbased 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 Associa-
- Drive-through COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics are held from 3-6 p.m. each Thursday afternoon at Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest part of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center campus, 1601 W. Martin Luther King Boulevard, also known as 1601 W. 11th Place. The vaccination is free. For more information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical. org/vaccine.
- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.
- The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater

Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.

 Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna – a two dose and Janseen a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like

the vaccine can schedule

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a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, deliver-

ing 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 sion features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.
- O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432-556-2227.
- Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.
- Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College

in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the care takers 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 interven tion or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can com mit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more infor

mation, 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 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.

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We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Kohl, Vicar Roever or the church office, please call (432) 264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.

Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m. and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday. Please come and join us.

The readings for this Sunday are Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:15-23, and Luke 24:44-53.

The psalm is Psalm 47.

Bobby Roever will present the scripture readings this week.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is continuing. A meal is served at 5:30 p.m. and our bible study begins at 6. Please come and join us.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts". Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

### College Baptist Church

VBS! VBS! VBS! VBS! VBS! VBS! VBS! Begins Sonday, June 5-9,2022, from 6 p.m. thru 9 p.m. Ages: Completed Kindergarten thru sixth grade. Pre-registration and transportation (Provide booster seat for Kinder students) pick-up call now 432-267-7429.

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Times on the Sign:

- Sunday:
- 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages.
- Worship time is at 10:45 a.m. - Girl's Missions meet on Sunday at
- Sunday Evening Service is at 6
- Wednesday - Praying Youth groups starts at 6
- Fellowship meal between 6:30 and
- Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at
- Children meet for King's Kids and
- Nursery and extended care is as

needed for all services. Come join in the fun as we celebrate during this season, serving our Lord.

Services for May 29, 2022, is a great time for families to gather and celebrate our God together. Our services are in the building, livestreaming, and on our Facebook page as well. Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again as we gather in lively and worshipful services. Come and find out about our great love for the youth of our community. We are gearing up for Vacation Bible School in June. It's going to be a fun time of Bible study, recreation, and fellowship around God's snack dinners, with crafts to boot. We definitely enjoy the worship

time as our ministry team leads us in songs of praise, and where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, inspires us as we delve into God's Word. Come and study with us as we celebrate our God knowing He really cares for us so much He sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to save us. Focus on growth in Jesus as we continue in 2022, as our pastor reminds us every Sunday, Jesus is coming SOON! Please call: 432-267-7429, for more information concerning Men's, Ladies' and youth meetings at this great and friendly church. Pray that lives are changed by the power of our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone!

### Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church (aka - CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purposedriven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. We would love the opportunity to

Connect with YOU! You can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship on Sunday's (onsite) @9:30 a.m., (onsite and online) @11 a.m. and Wednesdays (onsite and online) @7 p.m.

You can find us live online at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring or at Cornerstone Covenant Church Live on YouTube (look for the CCC logo).

Please join us this week at one of the following events:

- Sunday, May 29 Join us this Sunday for Part III of our new series entitled: Relationslips. See you @ our 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.
- Sunday, May 29 Join us Sunday, May 29 @ 12:30 p.m. in the ARC (Lunch and Childcare are provided)

If you have taken CCC Growth Track 101, 201 and 301 your next "Covenant Step" is Growth Track 401. This is our fourth track that will equip you with the tools and knowledge to start serving others in our church and community.

Think of our CCC Growth Track 401 as the official Serving Team Growth Track at our church.

Here we will jump into our basic introduction of the Team Building for your "Accumulation & Assimilation" to serving on our Dream Team with other members of the Family of God.

We have four Course Objectives:

- 1. Learn the four Benefits of serving alongside others at Cornerstone Covenant Church.
- 2. Discover all the areas where you can serve.
- 3. Receive specific steps to joining a 4. Learn the eight Expectations of
- the culture of our church. Here is how you can get registered:

1). CCC Front Office 432-264-0015

- 2). CCC Text 432-218-2610 (Sign me up G.T. 401)
- 3). www.cccbigspring.org
- Monday, June 6 What better way to enjoy the Texas heat than spending it with CCC at our Splash-In Summer Kick-Off. Join us at the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center from 6 p.m. -8 p.m. It will include fun in the sun, delicious food, great fellowship and a relaxing evening.
- Sunday, June 19 Join us as we celebrate and honor the men in our lives on Father's Day at our 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. service. Let's show our dads and fathers just how much they Matter. There are so many different thoughts that come to mind when you think of Dad or Father... He is a Protector, has great Strength, Outstanding Leadership skills, A Respected honorable man... However you view your Dad or Father. let's show him just how much #He Matters.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432-264-0015, email us at info@cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

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-Pastor Michael Willard

### First Church of the Nazarene

This Sunday

Who? What? When? Where? Why? Life is full of questions. We all go through seasons filled with confusion rather than clarity. We get disoriented as we attempt to navigate through the chaos. Join us this Sunday as we explore an Encounter with Jesus in the middle of confusion and chaos.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Food + Fellowship + Faith Building = Men's Breakfast! If you're looking for the best breakfast in Big Spring then you won't want to miss our next Men's Prayer Breakfast on June 4 @ 8

Family Camp

Join us June 5 - 10 for a week of spiritual renewal, rest, recreation and fellowship, at Camp Arrowhead surrounded by the beauty of nature on the Brazos river. For more information go to: www.westexnaz.org/ family-camp

### First Presbyterian Church Worship services May 29 will be-

gin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at

Eighth and Runnels.

Organist/Music Director Gabe Martinez will be leading music this week. Reverend Allen Cross will be preaching a sermon entitled "Who Did Jesus Leave Behind To Be the Church?" Scripture readings for this Sunday are: Psalm 93; Luke 24:44-53; Ephesians 1:17-19. There will be a Noisy Offering col-

lection during worship and a pot luck lunch in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Sunday School begins at 9:45. Rev. Cross teaches the Children's Class.

Tom Koger leads the Youth Class. The Discovery Class is doing a five-week DVD study by Max Lucado on the story of Esther. The study is titled: "You Were Made For This Moment." Sunday morning Take Ten fellow-

ship is in the parlor between Sunday School and worship.

Two Wednesday events are on summer hiatus. The Women's Bible Study and the Greatest Places video series will resume August 3. The video series that will begin then will be about the history of the American West.

Members and non-members alike are invited to take advantage of the spiritual resources available on our website and Facebook page. They include a prayer podcast six days each week, a weekly scripture reading and commentary, a weekly video devotional, and a video release of each Sunday's sermon. All these tools and resources prepare us for the coming Sunday worship.

### **Digital Spiritual Resources**

Church Calendar

- Daily Prayer Podcast (Monday-Saturday)
  - Scripture Commentary (Tuesdays) Video Devotional (Wednesdays)
- Video Preview of this week's bulletin (Fridays)
- Sunday Sermon Podcast & Video (Sundays)
  - Website: fpcbigspring.com
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The following weekly events are open to the community: Wednesday

The Women's Bible Study meets at 10 a.m. – on hiatus until August 3.

The World Heritage Sites Lectures meets at noon - on hiatus until Au-

The Lectionary Bible Study, meets at 5 p.m.

**Thursday** 

Everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch at 11:30 a.m.

All our worship services can be heard live on KBST 1490 AM and 95.7 FM at 11:00 a.m. as usual or seen recorded online at www.fpcbigspring. com by selecting the SERMONS tab and the correct date.

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

### The Catholic Church's views on exorcism have changed – a religious studies scholar explains why to be televised for the ABC show "20/20." Father ral forces operate among us rather than in some

Texas State University

(THE CONVERSATION) In September 2021, a 3-year-old was killed during an exorcism in a small Pentecostal church in San Jose, California. The child's throat was allegedly squeezed and her head held down during the ceremony, which likely asphyxiated her. In May 2022, three members of the victim's family were charged with felony child Several famous deaths have occurred during ex-

orcism rituals in the past. In 1976, Anneliese Michel of Germany died of dehydration and malnutrition after nearly 10 months of Catholic exorcisms. In 2005, Maricica Irina Cornici, a Romanian Orthodox nun, died in an ambulance following an exorcism in which she was chained to a cross. While exorcism is practiced in the majority of

the world's cultures, in the Western imagination it is most associated with Catholicism. That association has been either an asset or a liability to the church at various periods throughout history. For most of the 20th century, exorcism was in-

credibly rare in Western nations and often regarded with embarrassment by Catholic authorities. After William Friedkin's film "The Exorcist" came out in 1973, Juan Cortez, a Jesuit priest and psychology professor at Georgetown University, told Newsweek that he did not believe demons exist.

Today, the Catholic Church has reversed its attitude about discussing exorcism almost completely. In 1991, church authorities allowed an exorcism

Richard P. McBrien, who appeared on "Nightline" to question the wisdom of this decision, told The Catholic Courier that exorcism was being presented this way to advance a political agenda, not to save souls. He stated: "The real objective of that project, I submit, was

to help bring back that old-time religion, when everyone, women especially, knew their place, when Catholics obeyed without question every directive from on high, and when there was never any question that the Catholic Church was the one true church with all the answers to all the important questions we have about life, both here and here-As a religious studies scholar who writes about

exorcism from a historical perspective, I believe the church's changing stance on exorcism has little to do with our culture's understanding of mental illness or other scientific advances and more to do with competing visions of the church as described by McBrien.

Superstition and stigma Historically, America's Protestant majority stigmatized Catholics as "superstitious immigrants." After Vatican II, a worldwide meeting of Catholic bishops held between 1962 and 1965, there was an effort to downplay the more supernatural elements of the Catholic tradition. Especially controversial were traditions dealing with what historian Robert

Orsi calls "presence," or the belief that supernatu-

transcendent realm.

Many church authorities believed if they did not "modernize" they would lose the younger generation. As Catholic novelist Flannery O'Connor described the prevailing attitude in 1962, "the supernatural is an embarrassment."

Ironically, as the church tried to modernize, the counterculture had a growing interest in the occult, popularizing books and films that paved the way for "The Exorcist." The film became a social phenomenon, and suddenly priests were being inundated with people demanding exorcisms. William O'Malley, a Jesuit priest who had a role in

the film, described this surge to sociologist Michael Cuneoin the following way:

"I was teaching at a Jesuit high school in Rochester at the time, and for a while the phone wouldn't stop ringing. ... They called looking for an instant fix – pleading with me to expel their own demons, their kids' demons, even their cats' demons. It's not that I rule out the possibility

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# Reflections

Next Monday we will fly our flag outside our house to honor Memorial Day. It is a tradition my



wife brought into our marriage from her father who served in the Pacific during World War II. All across our country the stars and stripes will unfurl in the breeze, lifting and dropping, whipping and snapping above the roof tops of schools, factories and government buildings. It will fly over parks, parades and cemeteries. Millions will stand to their feet in stadiums across America and sing of the broad stripes and bright stars reflected by bombs bursting in the night.

Forty-seven years after Francis Scott Key wrote the poem that became our national anthem, the star-spangled banner hung in ominous stillness above Fort Sumter. For the next four years, bearing the stars of the states that rose against it, surrounded by the sound of screaming men and thundering horses, it led the way into man-made storms of grapeshot and can**Memorial Day** 

non fire. Almost a century later it was planted on the black sands of Iwo Jima where young Marines gave their lives to lift its blood-stained cloth above their heads. The flag still marks Tranquility Base where the Eagle landed and Neil Armstrong took a giant leap for mankind. Most of us have stood at the graveside of flag draped coffins and many mothers have held the crisply folded flag to their breast, solemnly handed to them by white gloved soldiers. This Memorial Day the flag reminds us that

America is still an experiment. Two and a half centuries is a very short time and our nation is still relatively young. Lincoln's prophetic words at Gettysburg still ring true. We are a new nation "conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." Our generation, like every other generation must rise to the test to prove whether "that nation, or any other nation so dedicated and so conceived can long endure." Every Memorial Day we are called to a new resolve that "this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom – and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from

the earth."

Memorial Day helps us remember the men and women who gave their lives on the battlefield. But the most important battles to be fought for the future of our nation will not be with missiles and guns. The most important battles will be fought in the hearts of men and women. The preservation of our nation, its hopes, dreams and ideals, depends on the character of its people and their leaders Honesty, integrity, compassion, generosity, goodness and faith are the elements that will determine the future freedom of our nation.

In Proverbs, the Bible says, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people." (Prov. 14:34) Isaiah says, "Behold My Servant, whom I uphold; my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him; He shall bring forth justice to the nations. (Isa. 42:1).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. His books are available at www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his

Two things give me a

mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost." Titus 3:5

I do not believe that it is possible for any human being on the face of the planet to fully comprehend the depths, depravity and exceeding sinfulness of sin. Yes, we know Romans 6:23 says that the wages of sin is death. However, 2 Thessalonians 2:7 talks about the mystery of iniquity. This is not to say that we do not understand that sin is sin, but then again, James 3:6 says that our tongues are a fire, a world of iniquity, they defile our whole bodies, setting on fire the course of nature, and are set on fire of hell. As believers, we know that sin is sin, but tell me: why do we still sin? Our inability to comprehend the exceeding sinfulness of sin, leads us to say that we have no sin. But according to 1 John 1:8, it is a sin to say that we have no sin, because we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Two things give me a better comprehension of the exceeding sinfulness of sin. First, the Law. Galatians 3:19 says that the Law was added because of transgressions (sin). Second, the fact that we are saved, sanctified and blessed by grace through faith in Christ without works, helps me understand my sin a bit more. Romans 11:6 says: "and if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work". You see, our sin is so sinful, that it cannot be a bit of grace mixed with a heaping helping of works. However, by the deceitfulness of our own sin, we come to believe that we are sanctified and blessed by works after we have been saved by grace. Yes, sin causes "good" people to say that we are justified by grace, but sanctified by works. Well, if this be the case, then grace is no more grace, and work is no more work. We may not commit "bad" sins, but if we mix works with grace, we trod under foot the Son of God, count the blood of the covenant an unholy thing, and do despite unto the Spirit of grace.

Daddy, Tell Us a Story

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Sunday School, school, and vacation Bible school

Sunday School, school, and vacation Bible school

When we were young, once in a great while, Daddy would tuck us into bed, and we



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would ask for a bedtime story. Sometimes it would be "The Big Bad Wolf" or "Jack and The Bean Stalk" or his version of "The Three Bears." At Christmas when he was gone on his railroad run and wouldn't be in until the next morning, Momma would gather her children around her and tell the Christmas story from Luke 2, Dr. LILLIAN sing "Silent Night," and let us open BOHANNAN one Christmas present, on the night before Christmas.

I'm not sure who could tell the best stories, but Daddy told the most dramatic and outlandish stories that would always make us end up tle, and we would fall asleep quicker. When Daddy would tell his stories, there would always be the wolf eaten by an alligator, or Jack ending upside down on his head at the bottom of the beanstalk, or Goldilocks jumping out the window breaking both arms and legs and running home as fast as she could.

The true stories from God's Word were never embellished. Momma told them with a somber face and in a very seriously quiet voice. She seemed to want us to get the full meaning of every word.

Maybe that's what has inspired me to continue the tradition. My son and his children have a legacy of my story writing talent from the Lord. The stories are from His Word written from a first person point of view. I love to tell these stories to

children. Sometimes even adults like them.

The greatest story ever told is God's Love Letter to us, His Bible, His hand book for living life to the fullest. They are embellished with drama, love, mercy, salvation from sin, and filled with grace.

When we get to Heaven, my greatest desire is, of course, to see the Greatest Storyteller of all. His Name is Jesus. His parables are so numerous it's difficult to pick a favorite. But the depiction of the Cross, Tomb, and Resurrection is by far the most important for me. I want to sit forever at His feet as He explains to me the meaning of His So Great Salvation over and over again. The greatest comfort I will have in Heaven is when He gathers us under His everlasting shadow for another story.

One of my favorite stories is about an aspiring artist. A little girl was drawing away in class during their free time. She was so engrossed in her artis-



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tic project, that it caught the teacher's attention. The teacher came over and inquired about her masterpiece. "What are you drawing over here?" Still focused on her project, she replied, "I'm drawing a picture of God!" The teacher responded, "How can you draw a picture of God? Nobody knows what God looks like." Without missing a beat, the little girl said, "Well, they will in a minute." I love that childlike confidence.

Our primary purpose is to know God and to make Him known; to reflect the image of our Creator into the world. Others should catch a glimpse of what God looks like through us. As Paul said: "And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit." (2 Corinthians 3:18)

What image are you reflecting today? What we reflect ultimately depends on what we are facing. Like a mirror if we orient our lives toward God then we will reflect His light, His love, and His image in the world. But, if we are

oriented to the things of this world then we will simply reflect the world back on itself. Do people catch a glimpse of what God looks like through you? I love what Mother Teresa once said, "We are all pencils in the hand of a writing God, who is sending love letters to the world."

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth." I love the way that the message translates that passage: "Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You've lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage. Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill." (Matthew 5:13-14

As salt and light we are called to be a Godly influence in our world. Pastor Adam Hamilton once said, "It is easy to irritate people, but it is hard to influence them." May we be a people oriented toward God so that we might reflect His light in this dark world and a people filled with God's love so that we might season the world in such a way that others might taste and see that our God is good!

# No Weapons to be Found

When it comes time to surrender or die, we as God's people shall do neither



one. We shall stand strong, United in God, undivided. For we have a weapon, and that is God. Greater is

God within us than he that is in the world.

We shall prevail. We shall be victorious conquering triumphant Joelle armies, rejoicing, rejoicing, rejoicing. For He has

Ludington mad us glad.

Remember Shamgar!

Shamgar's story is simple but powerful, mostly because of his ability to overtake 600 Philistines with a farming tool and only get one verse in the bible, according to a Pathoes writer. The only verse that mentions him reads: "After him came Shamgar son of Anath, who killed six hundred of the Philistines with an ox-goad. He too delivered Isra-

1 Samuel 13:19-22 KJV

than: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found. Remember this when there is no

weapon to be found. Also remember our weapons are not carnal. 2 Corinthians 10:4 King James Version 4 (For the weapons of our warfare are

19 Now there was no smith found

throughout all the land of Israel: for the

Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make

20 But all the Israelites went down to

the Philistines, to sharpen every man

his share, and is coulter, and his axe,

21 Yet they had a file for the mattocks,

and for the coulters, and for the forks,

and for the axes, and to sharpen the

22 So it came to pass in the day of bat-

tle, that there was neither sword nor

spear found in the hand of any of the

people that were with Saul and Jona-

them swords or spears:

and his mattock.

not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds.).

Remember God!

## **EXORCISM**

of demonic possession. As the saying goes, 'There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy. But this movie seems to have set off

some really strange vibrations." Many conservative Catholics loved "The Exorcist." Traditionalists – conservative Catholics who object to the reforms of Vatican II capitalized on this new demand for exorcism, claiming that modernization had left Catholics vulnerable to demonic attack.

The Catholic Church also had competition: People who could not get an exorcism from the Catholics now had a variety of other options. Pentecostals had been casting out demons for decades. There was also a milieu of New Age healers

offering exorcisms. The return of the exorcists The 1917 Code of Canon Law was

the first official comprehensive

codification of church law, and it

mandated each bishop appoint an official exorcist. But most dioceses did not actually do this, and this requirement was removed when the code was updated in 1983.

The International Association of Exorcists was formed in 1990 to lobby the Vatican to take exorcism more seriously. In 2004, the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith asked dioceses around the world to once again appoint an exorcist.

These new exorcists had to be trained, so in 2005 a special course was offered at the Vatican seminary, the Regina Apostolorum. One priest who undertook that training was Father Gary Thomas, whose experiences were described by journalist Matt Baglio and became the basis for the 2011 film "The Rite."

In the film, a priest with little faith is sent to Rome to learn exorcism, culminating in a dramatic battle against the demon Baal. In 2014, the International Association of Exorcists finally received a degree of formal recognition from the Vatican.

# BIG HERALD

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call at 263-7331, Ext. 230. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

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### **Big Spring Herald sports** roundup

By STEVE BELVIN

Contributing Sports Writer

### **HEADED TO A GOOD PROGRAM**

Coahoma Bulldogettes infielder Madison Rodgers will be taking her services to Georgia Gwinnett College next season. She's headed to a school known for its winning softball program. Georgia Gwinnett is an NAIA school located in Lawrenceville, Ga. The Grizzlies have had a softball program for 10 years and Kate Ihlenburg has been the coach all 10 years. Her teams have a 333-142-2 record, including making it to the World Series in 2018 and 2019. Madison will fit in just fine with that winning program. She knows all about winning, coming from Co-

### **TOP OF TEXAS**

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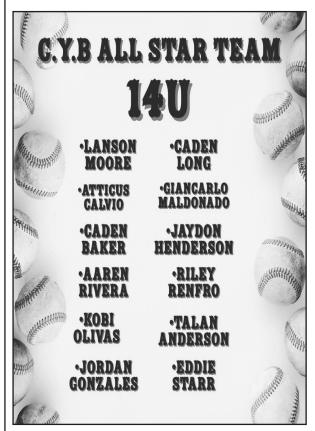
Got a chance to see two of the top high school pitchers in Texas this past weekend. It was well worth it. Saw Midland Legacy pitcher Chase Shores pitch against Ft. Worth Keller in a Class 6A third round playoff game. Shores initially made a verbal commitment to play for Oklahoma State University last year. This year he changed and signed with LSU. The 6-foot-8 right hander with a fastball in the upper 90s is ranked the 19th top prospect by Baseball America. As good as Shores is, Keller rocked him for seven runs and nine hits in a 7-4 Keller win. Just goes to show you how many good baseball players there is in Texas. The million dollar question is - will Shores attend college or sign with a professional team with a fat signing bonus? Then I saw Stamford pitcher Citlaly Gutierrez pitch against Floydada in a Class 2A regional semifinal softball game. Gutierrez, like Shores, is a tall pitcher (6foot-1) that brings the heat. She's already signed with the University of Texas, although I did try to persuade her to go to Oklahoma (just kidding). Stamford won the game 3-1 and Gutierrez was dominating. She has pinpoint control and mixes her pitches well. However I was impressed Floydada did manage five hits off her. Stamford is seeking its second consecutive state softball championship. ONE OF THE GREAT-

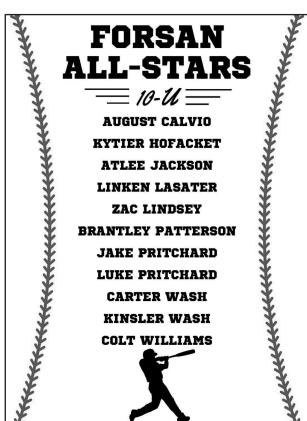
Steph Curry is going to the Mount Rushmore of basketball to join Bird and Magic. Not only is Curry the best pure shooter we've ever seen, we all know about the three-pointers and shimmy shake. But man the guys gets a lot of points driving the lane among the bigs. He plays defense with the same passion he does offense. He just knows the game of basketball. His court savvy is off the chart. How else could a 6-foot-3 player dominate the league for so many years?

### WATKINS REIGNS SU-PREME

Big Spring senior pitcher Brinly Watkins was named 3-4A All-District MVP. Congrats to her and the rest of her teammates. Junior Ellianna Perez was named Utility Player of the Year. senior centerfielder Kayln Whitehead and senior first baseman Vanessa Viasana were named to the first team as well as junior shortstop Illena Madrid. Second team honors went to junior left fielder Gisselle Holguin and sophomore catcher Cloe Viassana. Third baseman Celi Vela and senior right fielder Alex Enriquez made the honorable mention team. Great year Chelsey Jordan and your Lady Steers.

### Coahoma and Forsan announce 14u and 10u All-stars





The Coahoma and Forsan Youth Baseball leagues have announced their 2022 All-Star teams for the 14U and 10U divisions. Left, the 2022 Coahoma Youth Baseball League 14U All-Star team are: Lanson Moore, Atticus Calvio, Caden Baker, Aaren Rivera, Kobi Olivas, Jordan Gonzales, Caden Long, Giancarlo Maldonado, Jaydon Henderson, Riley Renfro, Talan Anderson, Eddie Starr. Right, the 2022 Forsan Youth Baseball 10U All-Star team are: August Calvio, Kytier Hofacket, Atlee Jackson, Linken Lasater, Zac Lindsey, Brantley Patterson, Jake Pritchard, Luke Pritchard, Carter Wash, Kinsler Wash, Colt Williams. Both teams will compete in the Small Town Classic tournament on June 11 and 12 in Coahoma. Congratulations to all the kids on making the All-Stars!

### Graham slams Oklahoma past West Virginia in **Big 12 tourney**

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)

– Peyton Graham hit a grand slam to cap a five-run second inning and No. 3 seed Oklahoma turned back No. 6 seed West Virginia 6-4 in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament on Wednesday.

Oklahoma (34-20) advances to play No. 2 seed Texas Tech in the double-elimination event on Thursday. West Virginia (32-21) will play an elimination game against Kansas State on Thursday.

The Sooners' big inning started when Wallace Clark singled leading off and walks

dall Pettis loaded the bases with one out. John Spikeman singled to drive in the first run ahead of Graham's 12th home run of the season.

to Jackson Nicklaus and Ken-

The Sooners added a run in the bottom of the fourth. Blake Robertson was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning. He took second on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Tanner Tredaway to make it 6-0.

Graham stepped to the plate with one out in the seventh after Oklahoma loaded the bases on walks, but his chance at a second slam ended when he struck out looking on a 3-2 pitch from Zach Ottinger.

The Mountaineers scored a run in the eighth when J.J. Wetherholt led off with a single, moved to third on a double by McGwire Holbrook and scored on a wild pitch.

Grant Hussey hit his teamhigh 11th home run — a solo shot with one out in the ninth. Oklahoma reliever Trevin Michael made things interesting — surrendering a two-out, tworun homer to Wetherholt upon entering the game before striking out Victor Scott II to close out the win.

## Carter sparks Texas Tech past K-State 5-3 in Big 12 tourney

**ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)** — Dillon Carter's two-run triple proved to be the difference as No. 2 seed Texas Tech jumped out to an early lead and held off No. 7 seed Kansas State 5-3 in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament on

Texas Tech advances to play the winner between No. 3 Oklahoma and No. 6 West Virginia on Thursday. Kansas State will play the loser on Thursday in the double-elimination tourney.

Texas Tech (38-19) took advantage of three Kansas State (27-29) errors to score three runs in the bottom of the second inning. Kurt Wilson doubled with one out and moved to third on an infield single by Hudson White. From there, the Wildcats had three miscues that led to a 3-0 deficit.

Carter, the No. 9 hitter who came in batting .198, drilled a two-out triple in

the bottom of the sixth inning to increase the lead to 5-0.

Tech starter Mason Molina (2-5) cruised through the first six innings before running into trouble in the seventh. Cash Rugely led off the inning with a walk. Nick Goodwin doubled with one out and Cole Johnson singled to score Rugely. Molina struck out Josh Nicoloff for the second out, but Kaelen Culpepper followed with a two-run double to get the Wildcats within two.

Andrew Devine replaced Molina, who struck out 10, and induced Justin Mitchell to hit a comebacker to the mound to end the threat. Austin Becker pitched the ninth to earn his second save.

Connor McCullough (3-4) was saddled with the loss for K-State. He allowed five runs — three earned — on eight hits and two walks in six innings.

# Mitch Garver, Kole Calhoun HRs lead Texas past Angels 7-2

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Any pitching staff that forces Mike Trout and Shohei Ohtani to go 0 for 7 with a combined six strikeouts is nearly certain to feel awfully good about its night at the Big A.

The Rangers feel it's only an indicator of what their team can become — particularly when Texas' sluggers are also outhitting the Angels' former AL MVPs.

Mitch Garver homered in his third consecutive game, Kole Calhoun hit a two-run homer and the Rangers snapped a three-game skid with a 7-2 victory over Los Angeles on Wednesday night.

Calhoun had three hits and scored three runs, while Garver drove in two runs for Texas. They did more than enough to back a staff led by Glenn Otto (2-2), who yielded three hits and one run over five solid innings as the AL West rivals split a two-game se-

Otto struck out Trout and Ohtani two times apiece while earning his second major league victory. Trout struck out four times overall for the second time this season and only the

eighth time in his career.

"It's good, because no matter who's standing up there, I want to execute my game and get them out," said Otto, who fanned Trout first with a sinker and second with a high fastball. "It was good to strike those guys out and send them back to the dugout and not let them get on base and cause any havoc. It was big."

Otto led a strong pitching performance by Texas against the AL's highest-scoring team, followed by three relievers who combined for four innings of three-hit ball. Otto matched his career high with seven strikeouts on the way to his first win in five starts since April 22.

"I don't think he was as sharp as we've seen him ... but he blew away some of their best hitters," Texas manager Chris Woodward said. "Trout had a hard time with him today."

Reid Detmers (2-2) pitched five-hit ball into the seventh inning for Los Angeles in the rookie's first home start since throwing a no-hitter at An-

gel Stadium 15 days ago. Anthony Rendon drove in an early run for the Angels, whose three-game

winning streak ended.

"We got behind, and they played well," Angels manager Joe Maddon said. "We had no good looks at Otto, and they dominated with their pitching tonight. Pretty bland night (offensively)."

Garver added another big game to his impressive month at the plate for Texas when he homered on the first pitch of the fourth inning. The veteran catcher has a hit in nine of his 10 appearances in May.

Calhoun followed him with a shot into the short porch in the right field corner where he made countless big catches during his eight seasons with the Angels.

Calhoun's leadoff single chased Detmers in the seventh, and Calhoun eventually scored on Semien's flyout off Mike Mayers. Corey Seager added an RBI single through the shift moments later.

Pinch-hitter Brad Miller added an RBI single in the eighth off Mayers, whose five hits allowed were his most since his rookie season in 2016 with

St. Louis. **NEAR TUMBLE** 

Los Angeles scored in the first in-

ning when Ohtani walked, stole sec-

ond and got home on Rendon's single despite stumbling badly on the bag while rounding third base and nearly falling down before righting himself.

### TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: RHP José Leclerc began a rehab assignment at Double-A Frisco. He had Tommy John surgery early last year, and he hasn't pitched for Texas since July 2020.

Angels: Slugging OF Taylor Ward missed his fourth straight game with the aftereffects of a stinger from running into the outfield wall last Friday. The Halos still don't expect him to be placed on the injured list. ... RHP Archie Bradley pitched a perfect ninth in his first appearance since going on the injured list with an abdominal strain in late April.

**UP NEXT** Rangers: Martín Pérez (3-2, 1.64 ERA) takes the mound in Oakland on Thursday to open a four-game series against Frankie Montas (2-4, 3.55) and the Athletics.

Angels: Ohtani (3-2, 2.82 ERA) makes his eighth pitching start of the season Thursday, facing Toronto's Hyun-Jin Ryu (1-0, 6.00) to open a four-game series in Anaheim.

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Full-time Lead Teacher positions available in our Pre-School Department Salary will be based upon prior experience in a Licensed Early Childhood facility.

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Do you have a heart to share others' stories and the desire to be involved in your community?

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This individual would provide News Coverage, Community Stories & Happenings.

InDesign and Photoshop are a plus, but will train the right person. We are looking for a creative, outgoing individual familiar with social media.

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Individual will be responsible for several areas of coverage, from feature stories to hard news.

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Contact for questions or to submit your resume at

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### Legals

### LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

### **Pre-Kindergarten Notice**

Big Spring ISD offers free Pre-Kindergarten classes for students at least four years of age by September 1, 2022, if the following criteria are met:

- 1.Child is unable to speak or comprehend the English language and/or;
- 2.Child comes from an economically/educationally disadvantaged family according to standards set by the State Board of Education. (Qualify for food stamps or the Free or Reduced Lunch Program) and/or,
- 3.Child is homeless.
- 4. Child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States.
- Child of a member of the armed forces of the United States who was injured or killed while serving on active duty.
- 6.Child is under the care of Child Protective Resources and/or in Foster care.

If you know a child whom you feel meets these qualifications, please call (432) 264-4130. A minimum of 15 qualified students is required before the class will be offered.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration is May 16th – May 20th and again on August 1st - August 5th, 8:30 am-3:30 pm. at Kentwood Early Childhood Center, 2500 Merrily Drive.

Big Spring ISD ofrece clases gratis de Pre-Kinder para estudiantes que cumplen los cuatro años de la edad antes del primero de septiembre de 2022:

- Niño incapaz de hablar o comprender el idioma inglés y/o;
- 2.Niño que vienen de una familia desventajada económicamente según el conjunto de estándares por el Consejo de Educación del Estado. (Si califica para la tarjeta de Lone Star o el Programa Libre or Reducido de Almuerzo) y/o,
- 3.Niño sin hogar.
- 4. Niño que tiene padres activos en el servicio armadas de los Estado Unidos.
- Niño que tiene padres danado o a fallecido en los servicios armadas de los Estados Unidos.
- 6. El Niño está bajo cuidado de los Recursos Protectores y/o en case de cuidado.

Si usted sabe de un niño o niños que califican para este programa por favor de llamar al numero (432) 264-4130. Un mínimo de 15 estudiantes calificados seran escogidos antes que la clase se ofrecerá.

Registro para Pre-Kindergarten es 16 de mayo – 20 de mayo y nuevamente del 1 de Agosto - 5 de agosto de 8:30am – 3:30pm. Por favor regístrese en Kentwood centro de primera infancia, 2500 Merrily Drive.

## Legals PUBLIC NOTICE

SUBJECT: School credit by examination without prior instruction.

Big Spring ISD offers examinations for credit without prior instruction for each primary school grade level and each secondary school academic subject as approved by the Board of Education. Students in grades K-12 may be accelerated by taking advantage of this provision. There will be no charge for the administration of the examination. If a parent requests an alternative examination, the District may administer and recognize results of a test purchased by the parent or student from Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin.

The District shall accelerate a student in grades 1-5 in the following manner:

1. The student scores 80 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for the grade level to be skipped in each of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies; 2. A District representative recommends that the student be accelerated; and 3. The student's parent or guardian gives written ap-

The District shall give a student in grades 6-12 credit for an academic subject in the following manner:

1. A three or higher on a Col-

proval of the acceleration.

- lege Board advanced placement examination;
  2. A scaled score of 50 or
- higher on an examination administered through the College-Level Examination Program:
- 3. Eighty percent or above on any other criterion-referenced test.

If such credit is given, the District shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript and the student is not required to take an end-of-course (EOC) assessment instrument for the course.

Procedures to allow a stu-

dent who is five years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in the first grade are as follows: 1. Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by appropriate District personnel;

- 2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student attended;
- Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student; and
- 4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.

A student planning to take an examination for acceleration is required to register with the principal or designee of the school in which he is assigned at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date. Testing dates for 2022 are by appointment during April 1 and June 30, July 1 and September 30, and October 1 and December 31. Testing dates for 2023 fall during January 1 and March 31, and April 1 and June 30.

### Ref: Board Policies EHDC (Legal &Local)

CAUSE NO. 55354

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, Plaintiff,

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GEORGE WILMAS NEILL,
III, RALPH JAMES NEILL,
JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL,
TERRY DEAN NEILL,
WILLIAM REID WHEELER,
MARY LYNN CAYLOR,
BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER,
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WITH AN INTEREST OR

### Legals

CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, Defendants.

HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118™ JUDICIAL DISTRICT NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

# 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

THEDA JOANNE NEILL, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN IN-TEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PRO-CEEDING, 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 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-I-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

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 UN-KNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUB-JECT 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.

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

SPECIAL

COMMISSIONERS: /s/ Stefanie Wilkerson /s/ Jim Lasater

### Legals

### LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

### English as a Second Language Summer School Program

As part of the total Big Spring ISD Summer School Program, the district will offer 120 hours of Summer School instruction for English Language Learners (ELLs) entering Kindergarten or 1st Grade in 2022-23. This program is provided to students who meet the requirements of the district's English as a Second Language (ESL) and Bilingual Programs.

Dates: June 1-2, June 6-9, June 13-16, June 20-23, June 27-29, 2022 Time: 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Place: Goliad Elementary School Transportation will be available for those who qualify.

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16 de junio, 20 de junio-23 de junio, 27 de junio-29 de junio, 2022 Hora: 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Lugar: Escuela Primaria Goliad El transporte estará disponible para aquellos que calific-

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# NOTICE OF HEARING BOARD ORDERS CONCERNING PUBLIC NUISANCES

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The Big Spring Hearing
Board held a Public Hearing
on April 19, 2022 at 5:30
p.m., in the City of Big Spring
Council Chambers at 307 E
4th St., Big Spring, Texas
79720 to consider abatement of public nuisances on
properties in the City of Big
Spring, Texas. The Hearing
Board ordered the following:

CASE#70088- 1305 ROBIN, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LOTS 6-9, BK 2 – OWNER: GAIL JUNE MCCONNELL, 7707 MESQUITE PASS, CONVERSE, TEXAS 78109 – ABATEMENT OF STRUC-TURE AND ACCUMULA-TION ORDERED 30 DAYS FROM EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDER.

CASE#70140 – 1407 E 14TH ST., BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - W/27.5 OF LT 2 & E/2 OF LT 3, BK 3, SUN-SET PLACE OWNERS: GUADALUPE RODRIGUEZ, 1407 E 14TH ST, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – HOMEOWNER GRANTED 30 DAYS TO ABATE ACCUMULATION. ABATEMENT OF ACCUMULATION





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The effective date of the above-described orders is **MAY 17, 2022**. A complete copy of the above-described orders may be obtained by contacting the Office of the City Secretary at 310 Nolan St., Big Spring, Texas 79720 or by email to tdavis@mybig-

The following case was withdrawn by the City due to progress made by homeowner:

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR STATIONARY** COMMERCIAL **SOLID AND OIL GAS WASTE RECYCLING FACILITY PERMIT** 

On May 17, 2022, Recover Howard, LLC, 900, 645 - 7th Ave SW Calgary AB, T2P 4G8 filed an application with the Railroad Commission of Texas for a **Stationary** Commercial Solid and Oil Gas Waste Recycling Facility Permit to store and recycle oil based drilling fluids and oil based drill cuttings for reuse in oil and gas well exploration and comple-

The proposed recycling site is located 12 miles southwLegals

est 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),

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).



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# oday in History

Today is Friday, May 27, the 147th day of 2022. There are 218 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 27, 1935, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Schechter Poultry Corp. v. United States, unanimously struck down the National Industrial Recovery Act, a key component of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "New Deal" legislative program.

On this date:

In 1861, Chief Justice Roger Taney, sitting as a federal circuit court judge in Baltimore, ruled that President Abraham Lincoln lacked the authority to suspend the writ of habeas corpus (Lincoln disregarded the ruling).

In 1896, 255 people were killed when a tornado struck St. Louis, Missouri, and East St. Louis, Illinois.

RMS Queen Mary left England on its maiden voyage to New York. In 1937, the newly

In 1936, the Cunard liner

completed Golden Gate Bridge connecting San Francisco and Marin County, California, was opened to pedestrian traffic (vehicles began crossing the next day).

In 1941, the British Royal Navy sank the German battleship Bismarck off France with a loss of some 2,000 lives, three days after the Bismarck sank the HMS Hood with the loss of more than 1,400 lives. Amid rising world tensions, President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed an "unlimited national emergency" during a radio address from the White House.

In 1942, Doris "Dorie" Miller, a cook aboard the USS West Virginia, became the first African-American to receive the Navy Cross for displaying "extraordinary courage and disregard for his own personal safety" during Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor.

In 1957, the single "That'll Be the Day" by Buddy Holly's group The Crickets was released by Brunswick Records.

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In 1968, the U.S. Supreme Court, in United States v. O'Brien, upheld the conviction of David O'Brien for destroying his draft card outside a Boston courthouse, ruling that the act was not protected by freedom of speech.

In 1993, five people were

killed in a bombing at

the Uffizi museum of art

in Florence, Italy; some

three dozen paintings

were ruined or damaged. In 1994, Nobel Prize-winning author Alexander Solzhenitsyn returned to Russia to the emotional cheers of thousands after spending two decades in

exile.

In 1998, Michael Fortier (FOR'-tee-ur), the government's star witness in the Oklahoma City bombing case, was sentenced to 12 years in prison after apologizing for not warning anyone about the deadly plot. (Fortier was freed in January 2006.)

In 2020 protests over the death of George Floyd in police custody rocked Minneapolis for a second night, with some people looting stores and setting fires. Protests spread to additional cities; hundreds of people blocked a Los Angeles freeway and shattered windows of California Highway Patrol cruisers. The U.S. surged past a milestone in the coronavirus pandemic, with the confirmed death toll topping 100,000.

Ten years ago: Syria strongly denied allegations that its forces had killed scores of people Äî including women and children ,Äî in Houla, but the U.N. Security Council condemned government forces for shelling residential areas. Dario Franchitti won the Indianapolis 500 for the third time. Johnny Tapia, the five-time boxing champion whose turbulent career was marked by cocaine addiction, alcohol, depression and run-ins with the law, was found dead at his Albuquerque, New Mexico, home; he was 45.

Five years ago: British Airways canceled all flights from London's Heathrow and Gatwick airports as a global IT failure upended the travel plans of tens of thousands of people on a

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busy U.K. holiday weekend. Music legend Gregg Allman, whose bluesy vocals and soulful touch on the Hammond B-3 organ helped propel The Allman Brothers Band to superstardom and spawn Southern rock, died at his home near Savannah, Georgia; he was 69.

One year ago: The Washington state attorney general charged two Tacoma police officers with murder and another with manslaughter in the death of Manuel Ellis, a Black man who died after repeatedly telling them he couldn't breathe as he was being restrained. (The officers have pleaded not guilty.) Former House Speaker Paul Ryan, in a speech at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in California, urged fellow conservatives to reject the divisive politics of former **President Donald Trump** as well as those Republican leaders who emulated him.

Today's Birthdays: Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is 99. Author John Barth is 92. Actor Lee Meriwether is 87. Musician Ramsey Lewis is 87. Actor Louis Gossett Jr. is 86. Actor Bruce Weitz is 79. Former Sen. Christopher Dodd (D-Conn.) is 78. Singer Bruce Cockburn (KOH'burn) is 77. South Carolina Gov. Henry McMaster is 75. Singer-actor Dee Dee Bridgewater is 72. Actor Richard Schiff is 67. Singer Siouxsie Sioux (The Creatures, Siouxsie and the Banshees) is 65. Rock singer-musician Neil Finn (The Finn Brothers) is 64. Actor Peri Gilpin is 61. Actor Cathy Silvers is 61. Comedian Adam Carolla is 58. Actor Todd Bridges is 57. Rock musician Sean Kinney (Alice In Chains) is 56. Actor Dondré Whitfield is 53. Actor Paul Bettany is 51. Rock singer-musician Brian Desveaux (Nine Days) is 51. Country singer Jace Everett is 50. Actor Jack McBrayer is 49. Rapper Andre 3000 (Outkast) is 47. Rapper Jadakiss is 47. TV chef Jamie Oliver is 47. Alt-country singer-songwriter Shane Nicholson is 46. Actor Ben Feldman is 42. Actor Michael Steger is 42. Actor Darin Brooks is 38. Actor-singer Chris Colfer is 32. Actor Ethan Dampf is 28. Actor Desiree Ross (TV: "Greenleaf") is 23. U.S. Olympic gold-medal-winning gymnast Jade Carey is 22. MAY 17

By Steve Becker

# **Bidding quiz**

different doctors to have an ailment diagnosed, you'll get three different opinions. Well, the same thing is true if you consult a group of bridge experts about a bidding problem. As proof, we offer the following question presented by Bridge World magazine many years ago to 44 nationally known experts. You are South, both sides vulner-

It is said that if you go to three

able. The bidding has gone: West North East South

1 🏚 Pass Pass Pass What would you now bid with the

following hand? **♠** Q5 ♥ J7 ♦ AJ7643 **♣** A96

The panel voted: 21 for two notrump; 18 for three clubs; 5 for two spades.

Here are comments made by some of the panelists:

H.H. Harvey: "A clear-cut twonotrump bid.

L. Hazen: Three clubs seems to give greater mobility, but I would accept two notrump or two spades." (Said Albert Morehead, who conducted the poll: "An amiable type, anyway.")

E. Kaplan: "Two spades. I'm not enthusiastic about the prospects of a notrump contract unless partner can bid two notrump over two spades. However, I do have good values for a spade contract, which I

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want to suggest."

D. Oakie: "With a degree of restraint, I merely say that any answer other than two notrump will not reflect creditably upon the one who advocates it."

V. Remey: "Three clubs. Two notrump is a strong second choice, but I feel I have the right cards to justify a one-round force.'

W. Rosen: "Two spades. After going to the two-level, a preference does justice to the hand.' A. Sheinwold: "Two notrump.

Where, oh where, is the problem?" (Said Morehead: "We dunno. Have you seen your regular partner, Kaplan, lately?")

It can be seen that there was quite a diversity of opinion. This writer feels that a strong effort to reach game should be taken with these cards. Consequently, the three-club bid, which has the virtue of being forcing, is favored here

Two spades seems inadequate because it is not sufficiently forward-going. Two notrump, although theoretically stronger than two spades, does not show the full strength of the hand, and might also make the wrong hand declarer in notrump (particularly if partner has the queen of clubs).

However, readers have the freedom to decide the issue for themselves. You pays yer money and you takes yer choice.

**Tomorrow:** Detection through deduction. ©2022 King Features Syndicate Inc.

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# **FEATURES**

BIG SPRING HERALD Friday, May 27, 2022

Horoscopes By Holiday

**FRIDAY** 

May 27. 2022

Stars of Self-consciousness

As Venus and Pluto square off, the biggest barrier to awareness is self-consciousness, which can manifest in nervousness, myopic vision, sensory pro-cessing problems, selective listening and the Self-consciousness is a form of fear. Techniques for dealing with fear can be applied

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Ambition and drive aré cosmic gifts that sometimes can feel like a curse. You'll do what it takes to make your plans happen as close to your imaginings as possible.

to remedy the state.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'rè well aware of the risks involved in a venture, which is why you prefer to be around the optimistic people who don't mention danger at every turn.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If the needle of time were to go back to the beginning of the record it would still play the same song. There's no point to longing, regret or wishing things were any other way than they aré right now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You don't always have the luxury of choosing what style

you'll receive your life in. Some things only come one way. The rarer a thing is, the fewer your options. All the more reason to appreciate this unique pack-

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You may not get the reaction you were going for because this isn't a movie, and no one is following your script. Even so, roll with the improvisational moment and brilliance ensues.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While accidentally ignoring things is a recipe for disaster, ignoring a thing on purpose will be an effective tactic for the win. Neglect is an especially useful state when applied to unwanted things.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A deàdline looms. A decision must be made. Here are your choices: Do it well, do it on time or do it within your budget. Pick two. Only two are possible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Friends point to your strengths, critics point to your faults and loved ones accept you for both. Unconditional love is real. You know this because you give and receive it.

SAGITTARIUS 22-Dec. 21). You can't stick to the recipe when you don't have all the ingredients. Lack leads to invention. You'll change it up and create something better for the chal

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You take on the issues of society like they were your own. It's almost as though your connection to humanity carries a great weight of responsibility... yep. Now, why don't the oth-

ers seem to know this?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You don't have to have the necessary experience before you start. You'll pick it up as you go, just as you always have. Each re-lationship teaches you something different.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Liking a person is one thing; the day-today of a committed relationship is quite another. No need to think too far into things, though. Relationship success is creating fun in one moment at a time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 27). A sale allows you to make a dream project your reality. You'll get more productive even as you work less because you have a tremendous talent for setting the right goals and picking people who will help you achieve them. Gemini and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 4, 13, 16 and 9.

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### **ACROSS**

- 1 Counts, for example
- 6 Occupy, as a desk
- 11 Brunch
  - servings
- **14** Come to
- **15** Text adornment **66** Tuna roll topper
- 16 Furry friend
- **17** Epéeist's move
- 18 Disney movie set in China
- 19 Flight datum
- 20 Sundial numeral
- **21** Laundry
- instruction
- 24 To be safe
- 26 Ivy Leaguers
- 27 Viewed
- 28 IPO principals
- 31 Offerer of
- clog-busting tips
- 32 Exhaust-system part
- 36 Men's lacrosse
- team **37** Storage area
- for Ts 40 Earth agitator
- **41** Southern Native
- American
- 42 Longfellow poem Pilgrim
- 44 "Metric"
- measure
- 45 Full-range 49 Minuscule
- margin
- **50** It's northwest of Roma
- 52 Computer mouse action
- **58** Wall St.
- takeover
- **59** No nickname for Vuitton

- 60 Presley's
- **61** Tea region of India
- **63** PC key above the tilde
- **64** Angry blog post **13** Extends one's
- **65** Hike up visit

- around

### **DOWN**

- 1 Hip place
- instance
- 3 JFK sister
- perhaps
- 6 Sweet starter

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- middle name

- **67** Beat on a board
- **68** Lugged

- 2 Zebra, for
- 4 Tattered towel,
- **5** Snow-day rides
- 7 "My turn!"

- 8 Related
  - 9 Open some 10 Barely there
- 11 Sign in a tavern
- window **12** Frequent flier
- 22 Tweak some
- 23 Poet's
- preposition
- 25 Down payment of a sort
- 29 Nickname for a "merciful" quy
- 30 Sailboat pole
- 31 "Let's shake
- on it!" 33 Focused grp.
- **34** " idea!"
- 35 Without delay
- **37** Plaintively, in music

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- your elbows
- **39** Fray, say
- 40 Spy's boss
- **43** ER readout
- 46 Cheese with
- holes 47 Aboard at a
- ballpark
- **48** Had a video meeting
- **51** Illusionary works
- **53** Clock radio switch
- **54** Lion King queen
- **55** Grinchesque exclamation **56** Comic book
- cost, long ago
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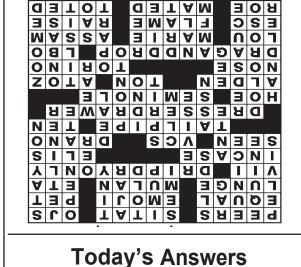
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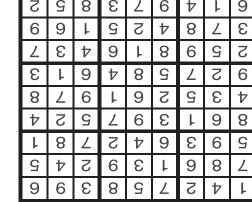
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**Here's How It Works:** Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can 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**





# Man rushed to school to help, learned stepdaughter died

### By ELLIOT SPAGAT and ACACIA CORONADO

Associated Press Writers

UVALDE, Texas (AP) — Medical assistant Angel Garza rushed to Robb Elementary School soon after a gunman opened fire on a classroom of grade schoolers and immediately found a girl covered in blood among the terrified children streaming out of the building.

"I'm not hurt. He shot my best friend," the girl told Garza when he offered help. "She's not breathing. She was just trying to call the cops."

Her friend was Amerie Jo Garza — Angel Garza's stepdaughter.

Amerie was among 19 children who died, along with two teachers, when the 18-year-old gunman, Salvador Ramos, barricaded himself in a fourthgrade classroom Tuesday at the school in this southwestern Texas town and began to kill.

Amerie was a happy child who made the honor roll and loved to paint, draw and work in clay. "She was very creative," said her grandmother Dora Mendoza. "She was my baby. Whenever she saw flowers she would draw them."

She had just gotten her first cellphone for her 10th birthday. Angel Garza recalled the look on her

"It just lit up with the happiest expression," he

Now, he's left to wonder about her final moments. Did she say anything to the shooter? Did he see her reach for her cellphone?

Garza and his family are among so many still sorting through unimaginable grief.

Vincent Salazar said his 10-year-old daughter, Layla, loved to swim and dance to Tik Tok videos. She was fast — she won six races at the school's field day, and Salazar proudly posted a photo of Layla showing off two of her ribbons on Facebook.

Each morning as he drove her to school in his pickup, Salazar would play "Sweet Child O' Mine," by Guns N' Roses and they'd sing along.

"She was just a whole lot of fun," he said.

Manny Renfro lost his 8-year-old grandson, Uziyah Garcia, calling him the "sweetest little boy that I've ever known."

Uziyah last visited his grandfather in San Angelo during spring break. "We started throwing

the football together and I was teaching him pass patterns. Such a fast little boy and he could catch a ball so good," Renfro said. "There were certain plays that I would call ... and he would do it exactly like we practiced.'

Javier Cazares' 9-year-old daughter Jacklyn was in the classroom with a group of five friends, including her second cousin, Annabelle Rodriguez.

"They are all gone now," Cazares said of the girls as the extended families of the slain cousins mourned and comforted each other Wednesday over barbecue. Cazares described his daughter as a "firecrack-

er" who "had a voice, she didn't like bullies, she didn't like kids being picked on." "All in all, full of love. She had a big heart," he

Veronica Luevanos, whose 10-year-old daughter, Jailah Nicole Silguero, was among the victims, tearfully told Univision that Jailah did not want to go to school Tuesday and seemed to sense something bad was going to happen. Jailah's cousin also died in the shooting. Jailah's friend, Nevaeh Alyssa Bravo, also was

killed and her aunt noted Naveah's first name is Heaven spelled backward. In a Facebook posting, Yvonne White described Nevaeh and Jailah as "Our Angels." Schools Superintendent Hal Harrell fought back

tears as he spoke of the children and their teachers.

"You can just tell by their angelic smiles that they were loved," Harrell said of the children. "That they loved coming to school, that they were just precious individuals."

The two teachers "poured their heart and soul" into their work, Harrell said.

Teacher Eva Mireles, 44, was remembered as a loving mother and wife. "She was adventurous. ... She is definitely going to be very missed," said 34-year-old relative Amber Ybarra, of San Antonio. In a post on the school's website at the start of the

school year, Mireles introduced herself to her new students.

"Welcome to the 4th grade! We have a wonderful year ahead of us!" she wrote, noting she had been teaching 17 years, loved running and hiking, and had a "supportive, fun, and loving family." She mentioned that her husband was a school district

police officer, and they had a grown daughter and three "furry friends."

The other slain teacher, 48-year-old Irma Garcia, wrote about her four children, including one who was in the Marines, in a letter introducing herself to the class. Garcia's 21-year-old nephew, John Martinez, told the Detroit Free Press the family was struggling to grasp that while Garcia's son trained for combat, it was his mother who was shot

Relatives of 10-year-old Eliahna Garcia recalled her love of family.

"She was very happy and very outgoing," said Eliahna's aunt, Siria Arizmendi, a fifth-grade teacher at Flores Elementary School in the same district. "She loved to dance and play sports. She was big into family, enjoyed being with the family."

Arizmendi spoke angrily, through tears, about how the shooter managed to get a gun.

"It's just difficult to understand or to put into words," she said. "I just don't know how people can sell that type of a gun to a kid 18 years old. What is he going to use it for but for that purpose?"

As Ybarra prepared to give blood for the wounded, she wondered how no one noticed trouble with the shooter in time to stop him.

"To me, it's more about raising mental health awareness," said Ybarra, a wellness coach who attended Robb Elementary herself. "Someone could possibly have seen a dramatic change before something like this happened."

Hillcrest Memorial Funeral Home, which is located across the street from Robb Elementary, said in a Facebook post that it was assisting families of the shooting victims with no cost for funerals. GoFundMe pages were set up for many of the victims, including one on behalf of all victims that has raised \$2.8 million.

For the survivors, there was searing grief.

Lorena Auguste heard about the shooting while substitute teaching at Uvalde High School and began frantically texting her niece, a fourth-grader at Robb Elementary, until Auguste heard from her sister that the child was OK.

Auguste said her niece asked her that night, "Tia, why did they do this to us? We're good kids, we didn't do anything wrong."

### Onlookers urged police to charge into Texas school All those killed were in the same prayers. Parents wrapped their arms

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UVALDE, Texas (AP) — Frustrated onlookers urged police officers to charge into the Texas elementary school where a gunman's rampage killed 19 children and two teachers, witnesses said Wednesday, as investigators worked to track the massacre that lasted upwards of 40 minutes and ended when the 18-year-old shooter was killed by a Border Patrol team.

"Go in there! Go in there!" nearby women shouted at the officers soon after the attack began, said Juan Carranza, 24, who saw the scene from outside his house, across the street from Robb Elementary School in the close-knit town of Uvalde. Carranza said the officers did not go in.

Javier Cazares, whose fourth grade daughter, Jacklyn Cazares, was killed in the attack, said he raced to the school when he heard about the shooting, arriving while police were still gathered outside the building.

Upset that police were not moving in, he raised the idea of charging into the school with several other bystand-

"Let's just rush in because the cops aren't doing anything like they are supposed to," he said. "More could have been done." "They were unprepared," he added.

Minutes earlier, Carranza had watched as Salvador Ramos crashed his truck into a ditch outside the school, grabbed his AR-15-style semiautomatic rifle and shot at two people outside a nearby funeral home who ran away uninjured. Officials say he "encountered" a

school district security officer outside the school, though there were conflicting reports from authorities on whether the men exchanged gunfire. After running inside, he fired on two arriving Uvalde police officers who were outside the building, said Texas Department of Public Safety spokesperson Travis Considine. The police officers were injured.

After entering the school, Ramos charged into one classroom and began to kill.

He "barricaded himself by locking the door and just started shooting children and teachers that were inside that classroom," Lt. Christopher Olivarez of the Department of Public Safety told CNN. "It just shows you the complete evil of the shooter."

classroom, he said. Department of Public Safety Direc-

tor Steve McCraw told reporters that 40 minutes to an hour elapsed from when Ramos opened fire on the school security officer to when the tactical team shot him, though a department spokesman said later that they could not give a solid estimate of how long the gunman was in the school or when he was killed.

"The bottom line is law enforcement was there," McCraw said. "They did engage immediately. They did contain (Ramos) in the classroom."

Meanwhile, a law enforcement official familiar with the investigation said the Border Patrol agents had trouble breaching the classroom door and had to get a staff member to open the room with a key. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak publicly about the ongoing investigation.

have entered the school sooner.

Uvalde is a largely Latino town of some 16,000 people about 75 miles (120 kilometers) from the Mexican border. Robb Elementary, which has nearly 600 students in second, third and fourth grades, is a single-story brick

Carranza said the officers should

"There were more of them. There was just one of him," he said.

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around their children, as the speakers lead prayers for healing. Before attacking the school, Ramos

shot and wounded his grandmother

at the home they shared, authorities Neighbor Gilbert Gallegos, 82, who lives across the street and has known

the family for decades, said he was puttering in his yard when he heard Ramos ran out the front door and across the small yard to the truck parked in front of the house. He

seemed panicked, Gallegos said, and had trouble getting the truck out of park.

Then he raced away: "He spun out, I mean fast," spraying gravel in the air.

His grandmother emerged covered in blood: "She says, 'Berto, this is what he did. He shot me." She was hospitalized.

Gallegos, whose wife called 911, said he had heard no arguments before or after the shots, and knew of no history of bullying or abuse of Ramos, who he rarely saw.

Investigators also shed no light on Ramos' motive for the attack, which also left at least 17 people wounded. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said Ramos, a resident of the small town about 85 miles (135 kilometers) west of San Antonio, had no known criminal or mental health history.

"We don't see a motive or catalyst right now," said McCraw of the Department of Public Safety.

Ramos legally bought the rifle and a

second one like it last week, just after his birthday, authorities said. About a half-hour before the mass

shooting, Ramos sent the first of three online messages warning about his plans, Abbott said.

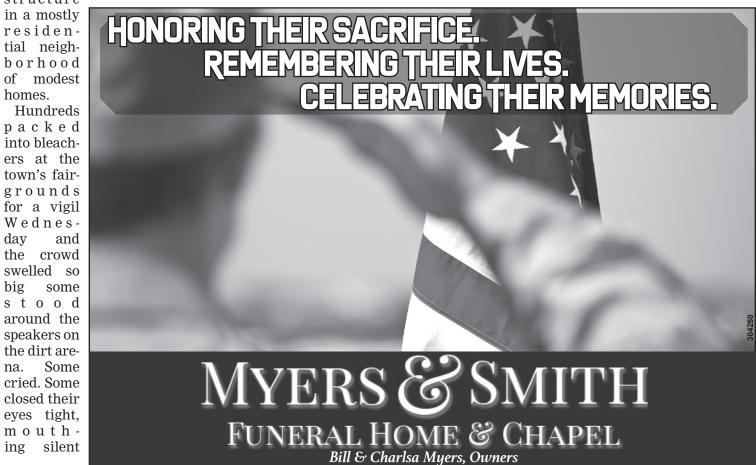
Ramos wrote that he was going to shoot his grandmother, then that he had shot the woman. In the last note, sent about 15 minutes before he reached Robb Elementary, he said he was going to shoot up an elementary school, according to Abbott. Investigators said Ramos did not specify which school.

Ramos sent the private, one-to-one text messages via Facebook, said company spokesman Andy Stone. It was not clear who received the mes-

Grief engulfed Uvalde as the details emerged.

The dead included Eliahna Garcia, an outgoing 10-year-old who loved to sing, dance and play basketball; a fellow fourth-grader, Xavier Javier Lopez, who had been eagerly awaiting a summer of swimming; and a teacher, Eva Mireles, whose husband is an officer with the school district's police department.

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