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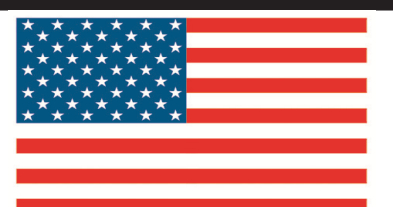
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**Monday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 73.  
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**Tuesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 74.  
**Wednesday:** Isolated showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 97.  
 Source: NWS, via weather.gov

**Today in History  
 On August 15**  
**1519:** Panama City, Panama is founded.  
**1914:** A servant of American architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, sets fire to the living quarters of Wright's Wisconsin home, Taliesin, and murders seven people there.  
**1947:** India gains Independence from British rule after near 190 years of British company and crown rule, and joins the Commonwealth of Nations.

**Daily Quotes**  
 "Never interrupt your enemy when he is making a mistake."  
 — **Napoleon Bonaparte**  
 "Advice is like snow - the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind."  
 — **Samuel Taylor-Coleridge**  
 "The best time to make friends is before you need them."  
 — **Ethel Barrymore**  
 "Always remember: If you're alone in the kitchen and you drop the lamb, you can always just pick it up. Who's going to know?"  
 — **Julia Child**

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## A Moment in History You Mean They Did That Back Then? Fisher Part I.



Left, Joseph Fisher was photographed in 1883, shortly after he arrived in Big Spring. At right, Lester, son of Joseph and Lillie Fisher was born January 29, 1881, in Indiana.

By **TAMMY SCHRECENGOST**  
 Heritage Museum of Big Spring  
 Ed Fisher asked his father, Albert, why he never had taken his Colt .41 caliber pistol out of the lock box at First National Bank. Albert's reply was always

the same "that pistol has been shot only one time and that by your grandfather" (Joseph). The revolver was patented in 1876.  
 Always the proper gentlemen, Joseph had an impeccable reputation not only

Courtesy photos  
 in Big Spring but in Terre Haute, Indiana and back across to Orange County, California.  
 Joseph Fisher was born in Schoenlind, Bohemia, Austria, March 8, 1845, to parents Jakob and Ester. There were nine children, Joseph's only surviving brother, William was born 10 years later in 1855.  
 The Fisher family immigrated to the United States in 1869 from Austria.  
 The first major immigration wave occurred in 1848 when the Bohemian "Forty Eighters" fled to the United States to escape political persecution by the Habsburgs. By the late 1850s there were an estimated 10,000 Bohemians living in the United States.  
 They immigrated to America and settled in Cleveland in three distinct

## New Digital License option available for TPWD Super Combo users

Special to the Herald

Never worry about forgetting a paper Super Combo license at home again with the new digital tag option from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). Beginning with the 2022-23 license year, Texas residents can purchase a digital Super Combo license (Items 111, 117 and 990) that will authorize digital tagging of harvested deer, turkey and oversized red drum. The digital license option is available through online purchase only when licenses go on sale August 15.  
 A digital license holder will not receive a printed license or tags but must keep their digital license available while in the field. The license can be viewed through the TPWD Outdoor Annual and My Texas Hunt Harvest (MTHH) mobile apps.  
 "Texas Parks and Wildlife is excited to be offering a digital license and tag option for the first time for outdoorsmen and women this license year," said Carter Smith, Executive Director of TPWD. "We are piloting this with the Super Combo license types which is one of our most popular licenses that we sell. Lifetime Combo license holders will also be able to

use the digital tagging portion of this pilot as well. This has been a long-time coming, but we think this is a great first step to offering more options for our hunters and anglers in the field. We intend to evaluate how well this works as we move forward and look forward to feedback from our customers who choose this option."  
 Texans using this option will need to adhere to these requirements for using the digital Super Combo tag:  
 • Digital tagging for harvested deer, turkey and oversized red drum must be completed through the MTHH mobile app. An updated version of the app that supports digital tagging will be available August 15.  
 • Digital license holders are not exempt from the Federal Duck Stamp requirement. If you purchase a Federal Duck Stamp, it will be mailed to your address on file. The stamp must be signed on its face and is required to be on your person while hunting waterfowl.  
 • Other license purchases made for this season (e.g., Annual  
 See **TPWD**, Page 3

## Family of slain Texas soldier seeking \$35 million in damages

By **ACACIA CORONADO**  
 Associated Press  
 AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The family of a Texas soldier who was sexually harassed and killed at a military base near Killeen in 2020 filed a lawsuit Friday seeking \$35 million in damages from the U.S. government.  
 The family of 20-year-old Vanessa Guillen is seeking damages on the basis of sexual harassment, abuse, assault, rape, sodomy and wrongful death.  
 An investigation by military officials into the death of Guillen, who was killed by a fellow soldier at U.S. Army base Fort Hood, found that she was also sexu-

ally harassed and that leaders failed to take appropriate action. The lawsuit describes two instances in which Guillen was harassed during her time as a soldier and Guillen's suicidal thoughts as a result of coping with the harassment, which she told family that she did not report for fear of retaliation.  
 "This will be an opportunity for every victim to feel not only like they have a voice but that they can be made whole," said Natalie Khawam, who filed the lawsuit on behalf of the Guillen family.  
 The lawsuit follows a decision Thursday by a three-judge panel from the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San

Francisco stating that an Army colonel could proceed with a lawsuit against a former Air Force General over a sexual assault allegation. The court found that a law barring service members from seeking damages over injuries during service did not apply.  
 Guillen was declared missing in April 2020. Her remains were found that July, when the soldier accused of killing Guillen died by suicide following a confrontation with officers. A civilian faced charges for allegedly helping Robinson dispose of Guillen's remains.  
 Guillen's death and claims by her  
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## Support Groups

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 100. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-17-4840 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 anyone, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

• Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.  
• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

### WEDNESDAY

• Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Murts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

### THURSDAY

• Maranatha Baptist Academy News flash: now enrolling for 2022-2023 School year. We offer summer session of 4 weeks in the middle of summer. We began August 1, 2022 and are a year round school. We service Home school as well as in-house school for Kindergarten through High School graduation. This year we graduated two Seniors, Grace Wheat, Daughter of Ray Wheat of Denton, Texas, also a graduate of Maranatha. Grace is enrolled at the University of North Texas. Bryson McMurtrey, grandson of Tommy and Brenda McMurtrey, of this city. Bryson is enrolled at the Angelo State University. We are extremely proud of our two graduates. We have been in operation for 40 plus years, and we understand the spectrum of curriculum necessary for a good foundation for careers and college education. Please contact us for further information, about tuition, hours, and anything else you might want to know about our educational successes. Dr. Lillian Bohannan. Please call 432-213-1046. Or come by and see us at 903 Johnson Street, Big Spring, Texas.

• Homecoming for Big Spring High School is set for September 9 and 10, 2022.

The class of 1962 is celebrating its 60th anniversary and is looking for missing classmates, listed below. Please send names, addresses and/or contact information to: Susan Zack Lewis at ts@crcom.net

Jimmie Atkins, Cecil Baker, Elnora Baker, Joretta Barnes, Idalina Barraza, Alice Bedwell, Kenneth Billings, Cal Boardman, Bill Bonner, Gayle Bratcher, Leahmon Bryant, Joe Cagle, Kay Carter, Mildred Cawthron, Janice Chandler, Clementeen Chatman, Charles Clay, Sue Cole, Suzanne Compton, Ronnie Cox, Larry Deighton, Rexie Denton, Ann Drinkard Sinclair, Lonnie Evans, Paula Foubion, Owen Frost, Lana Fulbright, Margaret Fuller, Yolanda Gamboa, David Garcia, Richard Gibbs, James Gilbert, Norma Graves, Thomas Green, Gloria Greenwood, Edith Gregory, Michael Halverson, Jan Hamilton, Gerald Harrison, Preston Harrison, Sam Hartfield, Don Heath, Billie Henderson, Jerry Henderson, Clarence Henkell, Roger Henry, Rosemary Herrera, Jimmy Hinds, Connie Hinojos, Caroline Holder, Virginia Houchin, Claudie Horn, Ronnie Jeter, Diane Jones, Nancy Jones, Karen Kendrick, Carey King, Rick King, R.C. Knightstep, Jimmy Knous, Ola Mae Lane, Tommy Leslie, Caroline Lewis, Peggy Lewis, Pat Martin, Ed Martinez, Ernest Mata, Dorinda Medford, Ray Minks, Donald Mitchell, Cruz Montanez, Jerry Moore, Virginia Morris, Harold Morrison, Linda Morton, Carol McCullough, Virginia McKee, Bettie McPherson, Betty McWhorter, Skipper Neill, Rita Nelson, Sandra Nichols, Sandra

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

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

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

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

For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring.

Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

### FRIDAY

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

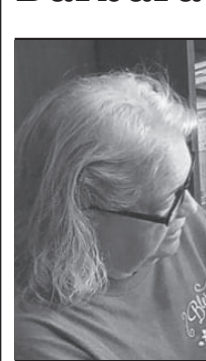
• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/

## Obituaries

### Barbara Ballard Reilly



Barbara Ballard Reilly, 70, died Wednesday, August 10. A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at First Church of the Nazarene.

Barbara was born Dec. 7, 1951, in Lamesa to Enola and Billy Ballard. She spent most of her life in Howard County except 10 years in Washington D.C. and 10 years in Plano.

She was a member of First Baptist of Sand Springs. She was a medical secretary and executive assistant. She taught 2nd grade at Coahoma ISD. She retired for one week and was presently teaching at 4th, 5th and 6th grade at the Nazarene Christian Academy. She loved to read, sew, bake and sketch. She loved people, especially children but most of all her grandson, Joshua and 4 grand-dogs.

Barbara is survived by 3 children: John Reilly (Trish) of Victoria, Seana Reilly of Big Spring and William Reilly (Cecelia) of Georgetown, KY; 1 grandson: Joshua David Reilly of Victoria; 4 siblings: Bill Ballard (Pat) of Culpeper, VA, Courtney Ballard (Kelly) of Big Spring, Altie Winn (Mark) of Sand Springs and Kent Ballard (Tammy) of Guthrie; sister-in-law: Kim Ballard of Big Spring; and a number of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents; 1 son: Sean Michael Reilly; and 1 brother: Tim Ballard.

In lieu of flowers please donate to Nazarene Christian Academy or the Coahoma Alumni Association.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

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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.

## Take Note

Nixon, Margaret Oliver, Shirley Osborn, Linda Page, Judy Parker, Dexter Pate, Judy Pate, Gene Patton, Johnny Paul, Greg Peay, Elton Perkins, Iva Mae Perkins, Jim Pierce, Bobby Prior, Mary Puga, Claudia Richardson, Winnora Richborough, Teresa Rocha, Mary Roger, George Ryan, Carolyn Seago, Carla Smauley, Chap Smith, Chester Smith, Danna Smith, Wyetta Smith, Marcus Sweatt, Jimmy Thomas, Robert Thomas, Perry Thompson, Guadalupe Tovar, Earlene Trantham, Margaret Turnbow, Jan Turney, Leola Vance, Leonilda Webb, Richard West, Lynda Whiteside, Troy Wilhite, Diane Womack, Margaret York, Jeri Cain.

• 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>.

• The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork. In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community.

If you would like a piece of art work displayed in your business lobby contact any member of the Big Spring Art Association.

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

• The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at

701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.

• Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna - a two dose and Janseen - a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For more information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail [Covid19@sprhs.org](mailto:Covid19@sprhs.org)

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 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.

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# HISTORY

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waves. The first major migration began when political persecution by the Austrian government forced many well-educated Czechs to flee their homeland. Some had participated in an unsuccessful revolt against the Austrian government in 1848.

The immigration of Austrians increased during the second half of 19th century, and in 1900, there were over 275,000 Austrians living in the US. The Fisher Family settled in Indiana within a close-knit sector of Jewish immigrants from Austria.

Moving to America, opened another war for the Fishers, it was the Civil War which had begun in 1861 as Joseph had just turned 16. Joseph became a messenger boy in the battle of Chickamauga. This battle was fought in 1863 in Tennessee and Georgia and involved the second highest number of casualties after the Battle of Gettysburg.

General George Thomas Wood, sat around the campfire at night and told stories of the frontier forts in Texas. This great fascination was of interest to young Joseph. His small delicate frame was overpowered by his bright dark eyes. He quietly studied the situation and made plans.

After the war, Joseph returned north and in 1874 he migrated to Orange Co. Ca, where he opened the 1st store in town. Borax was being hauled out of the mines by 280 mule teams. The town was soon to prosper but a malaria epidemic hit California in 1878, so Joseph left his operation in the hands of trusted employees and returned to Indiana. He could not forget the wonderful Texas tales told by General Wood and in the summer of 1878, Joseph arrived in Texas at Fort Griffith. There were still marauding bands of Indians and Buffalo hunters. He found a nice place in Taylor County, to raise livestock and possibly farm however, he couldn't help but think about the influx of people arriving in west Texas. The Texas and Pacific Railroad was quickly laying track all the way to El Paso. Joseph returned to Orange Co, sold his business interest

there in 1879 and took a trip to Indiana to marry a pretty little redhead named Lillie May Rheinheimer. He had plans of bringing his new bride to the "wild west."

Joseph and Lillie married December 28, 1879, he was 34 and his young bride was 16. The couple's first son was stillborn in 1880. Lillie quickly became pregnant with another son, Lester was born January 29, 1881.

Joseph met H.Clay Read in Sweetwater. Read was a real estate agent and had plans of making Big Spring his new home. The two men rode a buggy to Big Spring on the graded right of way for the railroad. Fisher purchased land in Taylor, Nolan, and Howard County. His name appeared on Howard County's 1st Tax Rolls in 1880 just one year before the T&P arrived in 1881. He purchased one of the first town lots at the corner of 1st and Main Streets. He opened a store in a tent and moved his family in a tent behind the store.

Fisher's store carried only the basic needs of cowhands, railroad workers, and anyone else needing grub. He had flour in barrels, can goods, and some items of outerwear such as Levi pants and jackets. Joseph spent night and day working at the store and building his business.

While Joseph was working, Lillie was quickly growing weary. In 1881-83 men outnumbered the ladies considerably in Big Spring. The town was being built and government established but it was still a rough Cowtown. It was said around town that Lillie had a liking for the gentlemen's attention.

On a hot evening in July 1883, Joseph closed his store and searched up and down Main Street for his missing wife. He asked several men who were gathered on the sidewalk if they had seen her. One man spoke up and said that she was last seen going up 2nd Street toward the west. Joseph made his way west to Mrs. Donovan's Boarding House, at the corner of 2nd and Gregg. The boarding house was a former mess tent left over from the Civil War. It had ten or so "dog tents" which would accommodate four men. Joseph asked Mrs. Donovan if she

had seen Lillie and she responded that she had possibly seen her go into Mr. Webb's tent. Webb was a former buffalo hunter who had a penchant for whiskey and women.

Joseph pulled open the tent fly and found his wife and Webb on a cot "both without textiles." Joseph took the Colt 41 from his belt and fired one shot at Webb as he was tearing the rear of the tent at its seams. Fisher missed his mark, instead he shot one of Mrs. Donovan's mules. Webb was seen running toward the railroad tracks as the sun was setting. Joseph barked at Lillie to get her clothes on. He then walked back to Mrs. Donovan and apologized for killing her mule. He handed her an Eagle (\$10 gold piece) and returned to his own tent where he found his young son Lester alone. Joseph was furious with her and told her she was not fit to be a dance-hall girl. Lillie hired attorney F.W. Wampler. She claimed that starting in December 1882, her relationship with her husband had worsened. She accused Joseph of insulting her, having outrages, and striking her. She filed for divorce and asked for a division of the estate estimated to be worth \$12,000. Lillie had worked on the sympathies of Wampler. He took the matter to heart, chasing Joseph down Main Street while in their buggies. Wampler caught up with Joseph and gave him a beating. Joseph stood his ground and filed assault charges on Wampler. County Attorney T.G. Andrews refused to prosecute, and he was subsequently charged with failure to perform his duty. Joseph charged Lillie with a long list of trysts, including the one with Webb that inevitably destroyed his marriage.

The District Judge came from Weatherford to hear the second divorce case in Big Spring. The court sustained Fisher's position, granting custody of the child, plus Lot 6, Blk 6, Original, with improvements. Lillie left town with Webb and was last seen in El Paso. In 1889, she signed a warranty deed to J.H. Hurt and then disappeared once more leaving Lester never knowing his mother.

# TPWD

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Public Hunt, Federal Sandhill Crane Permit, Bonus Red Drum Tag, etc.) will be provided in digital format only and will show up as separate items on your digital license.

• Number and type of tags issued with digital licenses are limited by species. A full list can be found on the digital tag webpage on the TPWD website. All county bag limits, special provisions and restrictions apply. Execution of a digital tag serves as completion of mandatory harvest reporting for deer and turkey in applicable counties.

• It is your responsibility to track tag usage. Use the Harvest History section in MTHH and ensure that your app is synced. Do not harvest an animal if you

are not certain that you have a tag available to use.

More information about harvest reporting and required physical documentation for deer and turkey, as well as harvest reporting requirements for red drum, can be found on the digital tag webpage at <https://tpwd.texas.gov/digitaltags>.

Hunting and fishing regulations for the 2022-23 season will be available online at [outdoorannual.com](http://outdoorannual.com), and on the Outdoor Annual mobile app. The mobile app is free, and once downloaded, it works without internet connectivity which makes it easy for hunters and anglers to view regulations in even the most remote locations. Other features include license lookup, location-based functionality such as "Hunting Seasons and Regulations by Location," "Where to Fish," and more. Additionally, the Outdoor Annual website offers the option to download and print all or select sections of the Outdoor Annual.

# Take Note

• 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.

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

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8

a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

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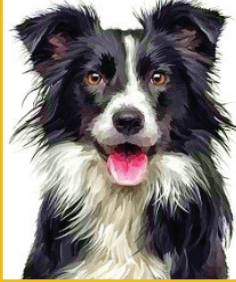
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# Steer's cross country team eyeing a return to state

## *Future looking bright for Lady Steer's cross country*



Left, both the boy's and girl's Big Spring cross country teams line up to begin their morning workout on Friday. Right, The 22-23 Big Spring Steer's cross country team. The Steer's are looking to pick up where they left off last year, as they will be contenders to win the state title this year.

By PATRICK GONZALES

Herald Sports Writer

Last year the Big Spring boy's cross country team had a very successful season. The Steers won the District 3-4A team title, finished first at the UIL Region 1 meet, and came in fourth place overall at the UIL state meet. This year the Steers will look to pick up where they left off last season. The boy's team lost Roman Perez, who graduated this past year and will continue his running and academic careers at McMurray this fall. Despite losing Perez, the Steer's will return most of its runners from last year, along with some up and coming junior varsity runners looking to make this year's varsity squad.

Both the Steer's and Lady Steer's cross country teams will keep the same district rivals this season, as the only change will be in the district name. Big Spring along with Levelland, Lubbock Estacado, San Angelo Lake View, Snyder, and Sweetwater will now compete under District 5-4A instead of District 3-4A. The Steers will no doubt be the heavy favorites to repeat as the district champions, but the expectations will be even higher this year. Based on last year's results, the Steers will be considered as one of the top 4A teams in the state to compete for the state title this season. Third year head coach, Brandon Clemmons is confident that his team can meet those expectations and make another run at state again this year.

The boy's team will be led by senior's Adrian Solis and Isaac Gonzales who made the All-Region and State teams last year. Solis will most likely fill into the number one spot on the team with Gonzales not too far behind in the number two spot. In addition to being the top runner on the team this year, Solis will also be looked as the new leader for the team. When asked how he felt about taking on the leadership role Solis stated "It's difficult and I see why he use to stress so much on us now." Solis added "Taking on this role its different you know, just trying to get everyone out here when they don't want to, it's tough without him because everyone listened to him."

Despite the difficult task, Solis made it clear he is honored being looked as the new leader. Solis also has high expectations for himself and the team this year. "Expectations are high this year I'm looking to go sub-fifteen (minutes) this year and hoping my teammates step up and we place at least top three at state this year." Solis said. Fellow senior Isaac Gonzales will also look to help out with the leadership role as well. "Roman left big shoes to fill but I'm confident me and Adrian can fill them shoes." Gonzales said. When it comes to expectations and goals, Gonzales shares the same goals as Solis for both himself and the team. "I got a lot of confidence in our junior varsity runners they're really shining this summer." Gonzales said. Gonzales went on to add "I want to make the All-Region and State Teams again and go sub-sixteen (minutes) this year."

On the girl's side, the Lady Steers will be without Elisabeth Jones, who graduated this past year. Jones was the lone Lady Steer last year to qualify for both regionals and state. This year, the Lady Steers will look to be competitive this season as they have some incoming freshman looking to make an impact. Taking on the leadership role for the Lady Steers this season will be senior Elaina Arredondo. Arredondo is a two sport athlete who competes in both cross country and basketball. Arredondo joined the team last year looking to get herself ready for basketball season. Now Arredondo is doing her part to help the Lady Steers cross country anyway she can while also getting ready for basketball.

"I've been wanting to step up you know being a senior and on varsity I believe doing cross country will help me get there." Arredondo stated. While basketball may be her number one sport, she is looking forward to competing this year and improving her times. Arredondo also encourages other kids looking to be competitive to try new sports. "Just try new things you never know how its going to workout for you." Arredondo stated.

Bergman Pinkley, who is a freshman this year, is set to be the top runner on the girl's side. Pinkley is expected to compete at high level per Coach Clemmons. "She was a star in junior high last year and she's been running great this summer." Coach Clemmons said of Pinkley. When asked what her expectations are heading into her first year of high school Pinkley stated "I really want to make it to state in cross country and try to be a four time state qualifier." Pinkley added "I feel pretty good, I've been trying to run this summer, because last year I didn't and so i'm excited this year." With expectations high, Pinkley is feeling the pressure but is confident for this upcoming season. "It is a little pressure, but I think im putting the most pressure on myself, but he (Coach Clemmons) gives me confidence that I can get there." Pinkley said.

The Steer's and Lady Steer's cross country teams will kick their season off on Saturday August 20 in Andrews where they will run in the Derek Hernandez Memorial Relay. Their first official meet of the season will take place on Saturday August 27 where they will run in the Tall City Meet in Midland. Good luck to both the Steer's and Lady Steer's cross country teams on the upcoming season!

### NOTES

Nothing really changes for the Steer's and Lady Steer's cross country teams in terms of the new district realignments this year. Big Spring will still compete against Levelland, Snyder, Lubbock Estacado, San Angelo Lake View, and Sweetwater but under District 5-4A instead of District 3-4A.

The boy's team had a great season last year and continued that on into the track season this past spring. However, the Steer's will be without Roman Perez this year due to graduation. Losing a leader in any team sport can have impact on the team and it may have had an effect on the boy's cross country team this season. Despite the loss of Perez, Coach Clemmons is confident that his team will be ready to compete and be contenders come late October and early November. The Steer's are still the favorites to repeat as the district champions and be contenders to win both the regional and state meets. The Steer's will be led by seniors Adrian Solis and Isaac Gonzales. The Steer's have also have four runners from last year's state team and a talented group of JV runners that have been working hard this summer.

The girl's team will be very young this year with only one senior returning from last year. The Lady Steer's will be without Elisabeth Jones who graduated this past year and was the lone state qualifier from last year's team. Senior Elaina Arredondo will look to be a leader and the confidence booster for the team this season. The top runner for the girls team this year will be the up and coming freshman star, Bergman Pinkley per Coach Clemmons. Clemmons has high expectations for the young runner and is confident that she will be one of the top runners in the region and possibly the state. Coach Clemmons is expecting the girl's team to be competitive this season, but is excited about the future with this year's talented underclassman and next years incoming freshmen.

# Second chapter: Bobby Wagner already makes impact on LA Rams

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

IRVINE, Calif. (AP) — Bobby Wagner is still getting used to the fact he's now working with Sean McVay, not against him.

After five years of trying to shut down McVay's offense two or three times per season for the Seattle Seahawks, Wagner is now making the Los Angeles Rams better.

Instead of attempting to get into McVay's head to anticipate his moves, the veteran linebacker and the offense-minded coach are putting their heads together.

"Now we get to feed off one another," Wagner said. "His energy has been crazy. We've been in constant communication, even in the offseason. Reaching out, just checking in and stuff like that. It's been cool. These last couple of months, being able to be coached by him has been a blessing for sure."

The Rams signed the 32-year-old Wagner to be the game-changing inside linebacker they've decidedly lacked in recent years. But the defending Super Bowl champions also signed the six-time All-Pro for the impact he'll have across the organization, and the signs are already showing as the Rams head into their preseason opener against the Chargers on Saturday night.

Practically every player in a horned helmet speaks rhapsodically about Wagner's impact on their work habits and football intelligence, but

they also can't wait to see the impact he'll have on Sundays.

"You go back and watch the plays (at practice), and you've just got a smile on your face," Aaron Donald said. "I might jump on my gap, and then he's there to feel it so fast, because he's just downhill. He understands where things are going, and he's able to play so much faster. Just seeing the way he moves, the way he plays, definitely gets us excited."

The Rams didn't sign Wagner specifically to teach Ernest Jones how to be a great inside linebacker, yet Jones sometimes feels as if he hit the football lottery. He'll spend his second NFL season lining up next to one of his idols — and then picking his brain afterward.

"It's crazy that he's playing with us now and that I'm learning from him, because he was like the guy that I always watched," Jones said.

Wagner will have the green dot on his helmet as the Rams' defensive signal-caller, and he has already assumed a natural leadership role beyond barking out signals: He's a sounding board for his teammates and an example to watch every day in practice.

Jones frequently finds himself admiring Wagner's nose for the ball and knack for positioning.

"That's like every day, even when I'm watching film and he makes the plays that the normal linebacker wouldn't make," Jones said. "The average one wouldn't, but he goes out there and does it so well. Every time I see that, I'm like, 'That's the rea-

son why his name is so well-known, and why he's Bobby Wagner.'"

Before Wagner's arrival, McVay's Rams appeared to pay little mind to the impact of an inside linebacker. Cory Littleton had two productive seasons at the spot, but Los Angeles has otherwise fielded modest contributors at the position. Opponents noticed, targeting the likes of Troy Reeder, Kenny Young and Micah Kiser in recent years, particularly on pass plays.

But the Rams drafted Jones in the third round last year and fast-tracked him to a starting spot, particularly after he showed solid pass coverage abilities. When Wagner was dropped by Seattle and the Rams found themselves with cap room from Von Miller's departure for Buffalo, they signed him in a move that signaled a change in philosophy at the position.

At least, that's the suspicion: How defensive coordinator Raheem Morris will use both Wagner and Jones is a question that won't be answered until September. But their presence provides several new options for the Rams as they incorporate two inside linebackers into the defensive scheme installed by Brandon Staley and refined by Morris into a championship-winning setup last season.

Wagner has made it clear he never wanted to leave Seattle, but the benefits of moving home are already obvious. Wagner was born in Los Angeles and raised in its outer suburbs, and his family members were regular presences at the Rams' training camp in Irvine.

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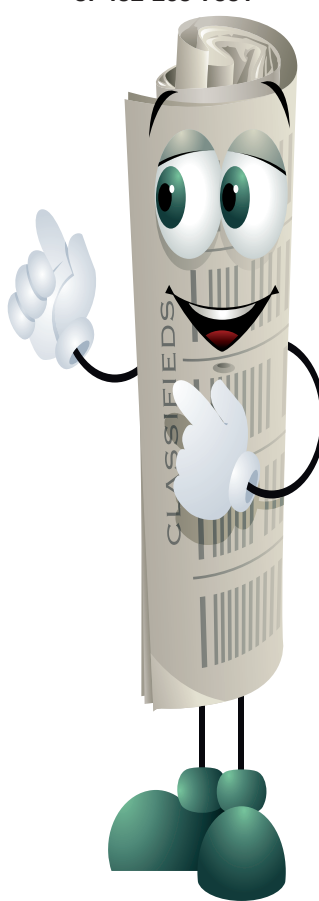
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5:AM	Big 2 Good Morning Basin	Como dice el dicho	FamFeud Business	CBS7 Wake Up	Al rojo vivo (SS)	Newsweek 9	Freedom Master	Cat in the Hat	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Matters	Charmed	SportsCenter	Keyshawn, JWill and Max	Relief Smart	Chicago P.D.	Jeremiah	Street Outlaws: America's List (DVS)
6:AM		Despierta America!	Les Feld Robison	CBS7 Wake Up	Hoy dia (SS)	Newsweek 9 Sunrise	Eye on Cowgirl	Peg & Cat Super	Paternity Court	Highway Thru Hell	George George	Charmed	SportsCenter		AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour	Chicago P.D.	Theft	
7:AM	Good Morning America		Good Morning Basin	CBS Mornings		Today	Light of Southwest	Tiger	CBS7 Wake Up	Divorce Jerry	George George	Charmed	Get Up	SportsCenter		Chicago P.D.	Parking	
8:AM			FamFeud				Light of Southwest	Sesame Elinor	CBS7 Wake Up	Maury	Broke Girl	Charmed		SportsCenter	NFL Preseason Football: Dallas Cowboys at Denver Broncos	Chicago P.D.	Parking	Fast N' Loud
9:AM	The 700 Club		Wendy Williams	Kelly and Ryan	Caso cerrado (SS)	Today 3rd Hour	Rocks M:25	Clifford Dinosaur	Kelly Clarkson	Steve Wilkos Show	Broke Girl	Supernatural	First Take	Get Up		Chicago P.D.	After the First 48	Fast N' Loud
10:AM	The View	Como dice el dicho	The Real	The Price Is Right	Caso	Today-Hoda	The Counter	Go Luna	Draw Bar-nymore	Maury	Friends	Supernatural				Chicago P.D.	After the First 48	Fast N' Loud
11:AM	Jeopardy News	Noticiero Nosotr.	Tamron Hall	Young & Restless	Más sabe Noticias	The Good Dish	Charles Dr. Young	Xavier	The Doctors	Nick Cannon	Friends	Supernatural	SportsCenter	First Take	Live on the Line	Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Fast N' Loud
12:PM	GMA3: What	Hoy (SS)	TMZ Live	News Bold	La reina del sur (SS)	Days of our Lives	Truth Zion	Molly Hero	Dateline	Hot Hot	Friends	Supernatural	SportsCenter		ATP/WTA Tennis: Western & Southern Open: First Round.	Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Fast N' Loud
1:PM	General Hospital	Contigo si	The People's Court	The Talk	En casa con	Blast	Biblical Dr. Wil	Pink	The First 48	Relative	Friends	Supernatural	This Just In	Basketball: European Tour: Teams TBA.	Premier League Live	Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Fast N' Loud
2:PM	Rachael Ray	S.O.S. me estoy	Judge Mathis	Let's Make a Deal	La mesa caliente	Ellen deGeneres	Light of Southwest	Elinor	Monk	Jerry	Friends	Movie: Star Wars: The Phantom Menace (DVS)	NBA Today		Premier League Soccer: Reds vs Eagles	Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Fast N' Loud
3:PM	Jdg Judy	El gordo y la flaca	FamFeud	Kelly Clarkson	(2:58) Al rojo vivo	Dr. Phil	Light of Southwest	Donkey Curious	Chicago Fire	Divorce	Friends		2022 Little League Softball World Series	NFL Live		Chicago P.D.	The First 48	Fast N' Loud
4:PM	Jeopardy!	Primer impacto	Two Men	CBS 7	En casa con	News Inside Ed.	Wonder A Prom	Xavier	25 Words	Steve Wilkos Show	Sheldon		Football Jalen	Live on the Line	Prem Goal Zone	Chicago P.D.	First 48	Street Outlaws: Full Throttle
5:PM	Big 2	Noticiero	Big Bang	CBS 7	Tele	News	Christ	Molly King	Nick Cannon	Sheldon	American		SportsCenter	Daily Wager	The Rally	Law & Order: SVU	Movie: The Equalizer: Never Go Back	Street Outlaws: Full Throttle
6:PM	News	Rosa de Guadalupe	Sheldon	CBS 7	Top Chef VIP (SS)	News	Rocks	Wild Kratt	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Sheldon		2022 Little League Softball World Series	Fantasy Football Now	Pregame	WWE Monday Night RAW	Movie: The Equalizer, Chloë Grace Moretz	Street Outlaws: Endgame
7:PM	The Bachelorette (DVS)	La mexicana	Don't Forget	Neighbor Bob Heart	Amor valiente (SS)	American Ninja Warrior (DVS)	Jesus IS	Arthur	Law & Order: SVU	In the Dark	Big Bang	(:07) Movie: Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith (DVS)	Fantasy Football Now	Coll. Football		WWE Monday Night RAW	Movie: The Equalizer, Chloë Grace Moretz	Street Outlaws: Endgame
8:PM		La herencia	Beat Shazam	NCIS (DVS)			Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	News Gold	Big Bang		NFL Live		SEC Stoned	Snake in the Grass	(:04) Movie: Taken, Famke Janssen	(:02) Street Outlaws
9:PM	(:01) Claim to Fame	Mujer de nadie	FOX 24 News at 9	NCIS: Hawaii	Infiel: Historia de un	Weakest Link	Light of Southwest	Pink	Friends	Burgers	American		SportsCenter		Rangers Spotlight	(:02) Chicago P.D.	(:02) Chicago P.D.	(:02) Street Outlaws
10:PM	Big 2	Noticiero	TMZ	CBS 7	Tele	News	Wisdom	Elinor	Friends	Burgers	American		SportsCenter		E60	MLB Baseball: Oakland Athletics at Texas Rangers	Snake in the Grass	(:02) Street Outlaws
11:PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Contacto depositivo	Mod Fam	Late Show-Colbert	Caso cerrado (SS)	Seth Meyers	Dollars Tiger	Minute	CBS 7	black-ish	American	(:11) Movie: The Empire Strikes Back (DVS)				MLB Baseball: Oakland Athletics at Texas Rangers	Snake in the Grass	(:02) Street Outlaws
12:AM	Extra	Peregrina	Mom	James Corden	El Chema (SS)	News	Creation	Xavier	Forensic	Creek	Creek		SportsCenter			MLB Baseball: Oakland Athletics at Texas Rangers	Snake in the Grass	(:02) Street Outlaws
1:AM	DailyMail		Mom	Drew Barrymore	Programa	Top Story With	Light of Southwest	Molly	Jerry Springer	Liquidator Gold	Wipeout		SportsCenter	Coll. Football		UFC Countdown	(:03) Date-line	(:02) Street Outlaws
2:AM	Brain Fog	Vecinos	Seinfeld	(:07) CBS Overnight News	Programa	Inside Ed.	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Minute	Brain Fog	Wipeout	(1:58) Cold Case	SportsCenter	UFC Unleashed	Postgame NASCAR Race	(:02) Date-line	Accident?	Street Outlaws
3:AM	(:06) ABC World News Now	El gordo y la flaca	Law & Order: SVU		Programa	Minute	Issues4	Odd	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Wipeout	(2:59) Cold Case	SportsCenter	NFL Live		(:01) Date-line	Clean air	Street Outlaws
4:AM	Morning	Noticiero	Funny	News	Programa	Early Tdy	Cowgirl	Odd	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Matters	Charmed	SportsCenter		Dormeo		Paid Prg.	Street Outlaws

# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Famous Hand

West dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ J 10 8  
♥ A Q 10 8  
♦ A 10 2  
♣ 8 6 2

**WEST**  
♠ Q 9 5 4  
♥ —  
♦ 8 6 5  
♣ A Q 9 7 5 4

**EAST**  
♠ A K 6 2  
♥ 6 5 4 3  
♦ 9 7  
♣ K J 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ 7 3  
♥ K J 9 7 2  
♦ K Q J 4 3  
♣ 10

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

Opening lead — four of spades.  
Advocates of light opening bids, who tend to live on the edge of many auctions, can point to this deal as proof of the effectiveness of their methods. The deal occurred in the semifinals of the 1999 U.S. International Team Trials.  
When the deal was first played, Ralph Katz and Roger Bates reached four hearts on the bidding shown. Katz's one-club opening on a balanced 11-point hand effectively kept East-West out of the bidding, allowing Bates and Katz to reach their laydown four-heart game unimpeded. Along the way, Bates threw in a psychic two-spade call for good measure, and the duo wound up plus 420.

At the other table, the opposing North, Chuck Burger, passed in second seat, enabling East, Peter Weichsel, to open one diamond (Weichsel and Alan Sontag, his partner, were playing Precision Club) on his 11-point hand. This led to the following competitive sequence that ended with Weichsel-Sontag reaching four spades:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1♦	1♥
2♣	2♦	Pass	2♥
2♠	3♥	4♠	

With trumps breaking normally, 11 tricks were there for the taking, giving Sontag-Weichsel a score of 650 points. Combined with the 420 points gained by their teammates at the other table, this gave them a pickup of 14 IMPs in a match they eventually won by 29.

Tomorrow: Two ways are better than one.  
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## Today in History

Today in History:  
August 15, Woodstock opens

Today is Monday, Aug. 15, the 227th day of 2022. There are 138 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 15, 1969, the Woodstock Music and Art Fair opened in upstate New York.

On this date:

In 1057, Macbeth, King of Scots, was killed in battle by Malcolm, the eldest son of King Duncan, whom Macbeth had slain.

In 1769, Napoleon Bonaparte was born on the island of Corsica.

In 1914, the Panama Canal officially opened as the SS Ancon crossed the just-completed waterway between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

In 1935, humorist Will Rogers and aviator Wiley Post were killed when their airplane crashed near Point Barrow in the Alaska Territory.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces landed in southern France in Operation Dragoon.

In 1945, in a pre-recorded radio address, Japan's Emperor Hirohito announced that his country had accepted terms

of surrender for ending World War II.

In 1947, India became independent after some 200 years of British rule.

In 1961, as workers began constructing a Berlin Wall made of concrete, East German soldier Conrad Schumann leapt to freedom over a tangle of barbed wire.

In 1971, President Richard Nixon announced a 90-day freeze on wages, prices and rents.

In 1989, F.W. de Klerk was sworn in as acting president of South Africa, one day after P.W. Botha resigned as the result of a power struggle within the National Party.

In 1998, 29 people were killed by a car bomb that tore apart the center of Omagh (OH'-mah), Northern Ireland; a splinter group calling itself the Real IRA claimed responsibility.

In 2003, bouncing back from the largest blackout in U.S. history, cities from the Midwest to Manhattan restored power to millions of people.

Ten years ago: Felix Hernandez pitched the Seattle Mariners' first perfect game and the 23rd in baseball history, overpowering the Tampa Bay Rays 1-0; it was the third perfect game and sixth no-hitter of the season.

Five years ago: President Donald Trump, who'd faced harsh criticism for initially blaming the deadly weekend violence in Charlottesville, Virginia on "many sides," told reporters that there were "very fine people on both sides" of the confrontation and that groups protesting against the white supremacists were "also very violent." (In between those statements, at the urging of aides, Trump had offered a more direct condemnation of white supremacists.)

One year ago: The Taliban swept into Afghanistan's capital after the country's government collapsed and the embattled Afghan president, Ashraf Ghani, joined fellow citizens and foreigners in fleeing the country; the collapse marked the end of a two-decade U.S. campaign to remake the country. As U.S. military helicopters whisked American diplomats to the airport in Kabul, the U.S. military said it was taking charge of air traffic control at the airport, where thousands of foreigners and Afghans were desperately trying to leave. The American flag was lowered at the embassy, where smoke rose as staff destroyed important documents. Afghans rushing to leave the country lined up at cash machines to withdraw their life savings. Rescuers raced

to find survivors from a 7.2-magnitude earthquake in Haiti, searching the rubble ahead of a potential deluge from the approaching Tropical Storm Grace.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jim Dale is 87. Actor Pat Priest is 86. Retired Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer is 84. U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., is 84. Musician Pete York (Spencer Davis Group) is 80. Author-journalist Linda Ellerbee is 78. Songwriter Jimmy Webb is 76. Rock singer-musician Tom Johnston (The Doobie Brothers) is 74. Actor Phyllis Smith is 73. Britain's Princess Anne is 72. Actor Tess Harper is 72. Actor Larry Mathews is 67. Actor Zeljko Ivanek (ZEHL'-koh eh-VAHN'-ehk) is 65. Actor-come-dian Rondell Sheridan is 64. Rock singer-musician Matt Johnson (The The) is 61. Movie director Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu (ihn-YAH'-ee-tu) is 59. Philanthropist Melinda Gates is 58. Country singer Angela Rae (Wild Horses) is 56. Actor Peter Hermann is 55. Actor Debra Messing is 54. Actor Anthony Anderson is 52. Actor Ben Affleck is 50. Singer Mikey Graham (Boyzone) is 50. Actor Natasha Henstridge is 48. Actor Nicole Paggi is 45.

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