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## I-27 will increase prosperity for West Texas, Arrington says

By **ANDREIA MEDLIN**  
 Staff Writer

“It’s a great day in West Texas.”

A four-lane highway is on the horizon for the Permian Basin that will connect Canada and Mexico. The Ports to Plains project has been in the works since 1988 and the \$55 billion project will have a strong incremental effect on the region’s growth.

The new Interstate 27 designation will denote an alternate route through the Permian Basin intersecting IH20, and will include Big Spring.

Congressman Jody Arrington made a visit to Big Spring Monday to thank city leaders for their support and involvement in what will be a big step in the area’s future.

“It is a great day when you have the prospects for even greater prosperity for our children and the next genera-



Courtesy photo

**While U.S. Congressman Jodey Arrington (R-Lubbock) speaks in the lobby of Big Spring’s Settles Hotel Monday, Ports to Plains Chairman John Osborne of Lubbock (left) and Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman, Big Spring Mayor Robert Moore, and Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Vice President Jeff Ward stand with the Congressman.**

tion of people living in this area,” said Arrington.

“There was a time,” Arrington continued, “we referred to ourselves as fly-over country, and “the Saudi Arabia of

the United States,” the Permian Basin and West Texas. Today, Saudi Arabia refers to themselves as “the West Texas of the Middle East.”

Along with providing safe passage for fuel and products, this project is touted as also helping to ensure the nation’s energy independence and food and fiber self reliance.

“This nation couldn’t feed its own people or fuel the greatest economy of the world without regions like West Texas and cities like Big Spring,” Arrington continued and stated that it is important to be independent and not rely on other countries, “Adversary or otherwise.”

Bringing 170,000 construction jobs and thousands of others, as well as attracting businesses to the area, will be tremendous assets expected of

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### Today in History

**On August 17**  
**1807:** Robert Fulton’s North River Steamboat leaves New York City for Albany, N.Y., on the Hudson River, starting the first commercial steamboat service in the world.  
**1945:** The novella Animal Farm by George Orwell is first published.

### Daily Quotes

“I would rather be beaten, and be a man, than to be elected and be a little puppy dog.”  
 — **Davy Crockett**  
 “She’s the kind of girl who climbed the ladder of success wrong by wrong.”  
 — **Mae West**  
 “Making movies is just like betting on horses at the race-track.”  
 — **Maureen O’Hara**  
 “It took the whole of Creation To produce my foot, my each feather: Now I hold Creation in my foot.”  
 — **Ted Hughes**

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## Howard College Board proposes tax break, faculty/staff raises for 2022-23

### Tax/Budget hearing set for Monday

By **ROGER CLINE**  
 Managing Editor

If the board that governs Howard College moves forward with a tax plan proposed Monday, local taxpayers can anticipate a break on their taxes from the Howard County Junior College District. During the board’s Monday meeting, Howard College President Cheryl Sparks announced the plan, which, if finalized, will bring in more revenue during 2022-23 than it did in 2021-22, average homeowners will pay less in taxes.

In fact, while the average homestead in Howard College’s taxing area has increased in value from \$96,883 in 2021-22 to \$104,520 in 2022-23 – an increase of 7.88 percent – taxes on that average homestead will go down from \$229.40 in 2021-22 to \$176.01 in 2022-23 – a decrease of \$53.39, or 23.27 percent.

The total tax levy for the College District will increase from \$13,818,264 in 2021-22 to \$14,623,784 in 2022-23 – a bump of \$805,520, or 5.83 percent.

Sparks said the calculation is largely due to the burgeoning value of minerals – especially oil – in the area.

“The Howard County tax base increased dramatically this year,” Sparks said. “When that happens, the tax rate will de-

crease. As a result of those two dynamics, the board made the decision to propose the tax rate. They haven’t adopted it yet, but they proposed it.

The proposed tax rate for the upcoming year is \$0.168395 per \$100 valuation. That rate is higher than the No-New-Revenue tax rate of \$0.158455 per \$100, but will not trigger a Voter-Approval Election because the rate is less than the Voter-Approval tax rate of \$0.173434 per \$100.

The board unanimously approved the rate. The motion to approve was made by board member Ben Zeichick, who highlighted raises for college personnel including a \$20,000 raise for Sparks herself.

As part of the motion, Zeichick moved to increase Sparks’ salary “...as was discussed, by \$20,000 as a down payment on getting you partway closer to the average. At this point, as we all know, you are one of the very least well-paid college presidents in Texas – community college presidents – and you are the longest-serving, and that doesn’t seem right to the board.”

The board also set a public hearing on the tax rate for 12:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, in the Fireplace Room of the Howard College Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane in Big Spring.

## City to test warning siren Thursday

Special to the Herald

On Tuesday, the Big Spring Herald received the following statement from the City of Big Spring:

“On Thursday the 18th of August 2022, City of Big Spring Emergency Management and officials will be conducting emergency warning siren maintenance. “Testing will include

short interval tests on the siren at the rodeo grounds throughout the day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

“Testing of the siren will finish at 5 p.m. Any siren heard after 5 on August 18, 2022, will not be a test.

“We have found great information at www.KnoWhat2Do.com and urge our citizens to visit the site to learn ways to keep you and your family safe during bad weather.”

## Biden signs massive climate and health care legislation

By **ZEKE MILLER** and **SEUNG MIN KIM**  
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Joe Biden signed Democrats’ landmark climate change and health care bill into law on Tuesday, delivering what he has called the “final piece” of his pared-down domestic agenda, as he aims to boost his party’s standing with voters less than three months before the midterm elections.

The legislation includes the most substantial federal investment in history to fight climate change — some \$375 billion over the decade — and would cap prescription drug costs at \$2,000 out-of-pocket annually for Medicare recipients. It also would help an estimated 13 million Americans pay for health care insurance by extending subsidies provided during the coronavirus pandemic.

The measure is paid for by new taxes on large companies and

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## Sheriff

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

- Note - Official's with the Howard County Jail reported having 102 inmates at the time of this report.
- **ANTONIO ARGUELLO**, was arrested by BSPD on charges of operating an unregistered motor vehicle and failure to appear.
- **DONALD GENE KOERBER III**, was arrested

by BSPD on a charge of parole violation.

- **BRANDY ANN MARTINEZ**, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of parole violation.
- **MATTHEW SAMUEL MUNIZ**, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BRANDON JOE ROBINSON**, was arrested by BSPD on charges of burglary of a habitation and parole violation.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Sandlin Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block Lamar. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported on Highway 87 and McDonald Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block Apache. No person was transported.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400

block Marijo. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4200 block Muir St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block E 13th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block Airbase Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block E Interstate 20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

## Support Groups

### WEDNESDAY

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

### THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to. 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 BE-ITZ 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 ses-

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

### FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at

Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

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

### SATURDAY

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

## Obituaries

### Travis Windell Hughes



Travis Windell Hughes, 68, of Big Spring, formerly of Andrews and Midland, died Friday, August 12, 2022. Visitation will be 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Grave-side service will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Andrews Cemetery.

Travis was born Dec. 19, 1953, in Andrews to Liz and Jay Hughes. He spent nine years in Big Spring and grew up in Andrews, he graduated from Andrews High School in 1972.

Travis worked the grocery store business after high school and then started his career in the oil field. He later worked for Alon 7-Eleven until retiring in 2013. He loved baseball and football and his favorite teams were the Texas Rangers, Dallas Cowboys and Kansas City Chiefs.

He enjoyed fishing, barbecuing, and telling jokes. Travis is survived by his brother: Roy Hughes (Kathryn) of Big Spring and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Travis was preceded in death by one brother, Joe David Hughes.

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

*Paid Obituary*

### Barbara Sue "Susie" Kilgore



Barbara Sue "Susie" Kilgore, 81, died Tuesday, August 9, 2022. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Susie was born on July 8, 1941, in Big Spring to Rosa White Harris and Lum Harris. She married J. Gale Kilgore on March 7, 1959, in Big Spring. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring, except while her husband was in school and the Army. She was a homemaker.

Susie is survived by her husband, Dr. J Gale Kilgore of Big Spring; two sons: Ben Kilgore (Janet) and John Kilgore, both of Big Spring; two sisters, Virginia Parkhill and Nell Rogers, both of Big Spring; one granddaughter, Dylan Kilgore.

Susie was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Julieann Kilgore; three sisters, Dorothy Rodriguez, Ruthie Elsberry and Wanda Wolf; and one brother, C.J. "Buddy" Harris.

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

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.168395 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Howard County Junior College District.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.168395 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.158455 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.173434 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Howard County Junior College District from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Howard County Junior College District may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Howard County Junior College District is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 22, 2022 AT 12:30 pm AT Howard College Student Union Building/Fireplace Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Howard County Junior College District is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Trustees of Howard County Junior College District at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

<b>FOR the proposal:</b>	Dr. John Freeman	Mr. Maxwell Barr
	Dr. Marisha Beck	Mr. Adrian Calvio
	Mr. Raul Marquez	Mr. Mark Morgan
	Mr. Ben Zeichick	

**AGAINST the proposal:** None

**PRESENT** and not voting: Not Applicable

**ABSENT:** None

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](http://Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Howard County Junior College District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Howard County Junior College District this year.

	2021	2022	Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.236777	\$0.168395	decrease of -0.068382, or -28.88%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$96,883	\$104,520	increase of 7,637, or 7.88%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$229.40	\$176.01	decrease of -53.39, or -23.27%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$13,818,264	\$14,623,784	increase of 805,520, or 5.83%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Howard County Junior College District at 432-264-2232 or [tiffany.sayles@howardcountytx.com](mailto:tiffany.sayles@howardcountytx.com), or visit [www.co.howard.tx.us](http://www.co.howard.tx.us) for more information.

## Take Note

American Legion Post 506 will hold a Fish Fry Saturday. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while dine-in and carryout service at 3203 W. Highway 80 will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are \$10 each. Everyone is welcome.

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 Bohannon. Please call 432-213-1046. Or come by and see us at 903 Johnson Street, Big Spring, Texas.

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>.

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# ARRINGTON

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the project.

Making progress is dependent on the growth of infrastructure, as John Osborn, Ports-to-Plains chairman from Lubbock, remarked.

"It is important to invest in our infrastructure," he said. "Our population will double over next 20 years so the new highway designation couldn't come at a better time."

Osborn thanked Arrington for his support on the federal level.

Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman stated that she is grateful that Arrington has, "Kept rural Big Spring in the eye of our U.S. Congress." Judge Wiseman also talked about the importance to an alternate route off of the Highway 35 corridor in West Texas. "This project, when completed will open up the whole west and northwest to trade and transportation to Canada and Mexico."

The Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Vice President Jeff Ward stated that he is, "... excited to see the designation of the highway," and added, "Ports to Plains will grow the economy of Big Spring and over the entire region and Panhandle. We will see future growth of our economy and

we are seeing tons of leads already."

TxDOT has shown support for the project and the preliminary projects have received \$10 million to start.

What's next? Depending on the next legislative session and funding from other sources, taxpayers will also pay for the project.

"We don't expect to get all of the funding from the government," said Ward, and added that this project is a team effort including many sources.

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# BIDEN

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stepped-up IRS enforcement of wealthy individuals and entities, with additional funds going to reduce the federal deficit.

In a triumphant signing event at the White House, Biden pointed to the law as proof that democracy — no matter how long or messy the process — can still deliver for voters in America as he road-tested a line he will likely repeat later this fall: "The American people won, and the special interests lost."

The House on Friday approved the measure on a party-line 220-207 vote. It passed the Senate days earlier with Vice President Kamala Harris breaking a 50-50 tie in that chamber.

"In normal times, getting these bills done would be a huge achievement," Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said during the White House ceremony. "But to do it now, with only 50 Democratic votes in the Senate, over an intransigent Republican minority, is nothing short of amazing."

Biden signed the bill into law during a small ceremony in the State Dining Room of the White House, sandwiched between his return from a six-day beachside vacation in South Carolina and his departure for his home in Wilmington, Delaware. He plans to hold a larger "celebration" for the legislation on Sept. 6 once lawmakers return to Washington.

The signing caps a spurt of legislative productivity for Biden and Congress, who in three months have approved legislation on veterans' benefits, the semiconductor industry and gun checks for young buyers. The president and lawmakers have also responded to Russia's invasion of Ukraine and overwhelmingly supported NATO membership for Sweden and Finland.

With Biden's approval rating lagging, Democrats are hoping that the string of successes will jump-start their chances of maintaining control in Washington in the November midterms. The 79-year-old president aims to restore his own standing with voters as he contemplates a reelection bid.

The White House announced Monday that it was going to deploy Biden and members of his Cabinet on a "Building a Better America Tour" to promote the recent victories. One of Biden's trips will be to Ohio, where he'll view the groundbreaking of a semiconductor plant that will benefit from the recent law to bolster production of such computer chips. He will also stop in Pennsylvania to promote his administration's plan for safer communities, a visit that had been planned the same day he tested positive for COVID-19 last month.

"In the coming weeks, the President will host a Cabinet meeting focused on implementing the Inflation Reduction Act, will travel across the country to highlight how the bill will help the American people, and will host an event to celebrate the enactment of the bill at the White House on September 6th," the White House said in a statement.

Republicans say the legislation's new business taxes will increase prices, worsening the nation's bout with its highest inflation since 1981. Though

Democrats have labeled the measure the Inflation Reduction Act, nonpartisan analysts say it will have a barely perceptible impact on prices.

Senate Minority Whip John Thune, R-S.D., on Tuesday continued those same criticisms, although he acknowledged there would be "benefit" through extensions on tax credits for renewable energy projects like solar and wind.

"I think it's too much spending, too much taxing, and in my view wrong priorities, and a super-charged, super-sized IRS that is going to be going after a lot of not just high-income taxpayers but a lot of mid-income taxpayers," said Thune, speaking at a Chamber of Commerce event in Sioux Falls. The administration has disputed that anyone but high earners will face increased tax scrutiny, with Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen directing the tax agency to focus solely on businesses and people earning more than \$400,000 for the new audits.

The measure is a slimmed-down version of the more ambitious plan to supercharge environment and social programs that Biden and his party unveiled early last year.

Biden's initial 10-year, \$3.5 trillion proposal also envisioned free prekindergarten, paid family and medical leave, expanded Medicare benefits and eased immigration restrictions. That crashed after centrist Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W. Va., said it was too costly, using the leverage every Democrat has in the evenly divided Senate.

To Manchin, who struck the critical deal with Schumer on the package last month, Biden said, "Joe, I never had a doubt" as the crowd chuckled.

Though the law is considerably smaller than their initial ambitions, Biden and Democrats are hailing the legislation as a once-in-a-generation investment in addressing the long-term effects of climate change, as well as drought in the nation's West.

The bill will direct spending, tax credits and loans to bolster technology like solar panels, consumer efforts to improve home energy efficiency, emission-reducing equipment for coal- and gas-powered power plants, and air pollution controls for farms, ports and low-income communities.

Another \$64 billion would help 13 million people pay premiums over the next three years for privately bought health insurance under the Affordable Care Act. Medicare would gain the power to negotiate its costs for pharmaceuticals, initially in 2026 for only 10 drugs. Medicare beneficiaries' out-of-pocket prescription costs would be limited to \$2,000 annually starting in 2025, and beginning next year would pay no more than \$35 monthly for insulin, the costly diabetes drug.

Rep. Jim Clyburn, D-S.C., a powerful political ally to Biden, noted during the White House ceremony that his late wife, Emily, who battled diabetes for three decades, would be "beyond joy" if she were alive today because of the insulin cap.

"Many seem surprised at your successes," Clyburn told Biden. "I am not. I know you."

## Take Note

• 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](mailto:ts@crcom.net)

Jimmie Atkins, Cecil Baker, Elnora Baker, Joetta 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 Faubion, 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 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 Richbourgh, 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.

• Ready for Home School or individualized education in school? Maranatha Baptist Academy, located at 903 Johnson

Street, in Big Spring, Texas, is currently open and taking applications for enrollment for the 2022-23 School year.

We are a faith-based Christian Academy and use the individualized Accelerated Christian Education Curriculum for Kindergarten through 12th grade, published in Hendersonville, Tennessee. July 20 is our startup date, and applications will be accepted year-round.

Someone will take your call for information at 432-213-1046. Please leave a message and we will get back with you.

• The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork.

In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community.

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

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Travis Hughes, 68, died Friday. Visitation Wednesday 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service Thursday 10 a.m. at Andrews Cemetery.

Wade Alexander, 24, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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# Jimbo Fisher, No. 6 Texas A&M seeking SEC superiority

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M coach Jimbo Fisher spent the offseason making headlines for a spat with Alabama's Nick Saban.

Now that the season is approaching, the trash talk between the coaches has ended and Fisher and No. 6 Texas A&M will try to take the next step and compete with the top-ranked Crimson Tide for SEC superiority.

Saban upset Fisher this spring when he essentially accused Texas A&M and other schools of buying players when talking about the lack of regulation around athlete compensation.

Fisher called Saban's comments despicable and labeled him a "narcissist." Fisher denied his program did anything wrong while landing the No. 1 recruiting class in the country for 2022.

Both coaches received a public reprimand from the conference office for the incident before each said that they'd moved on.

"We all will learn, he will learn (and) hopefully I learn from things we do and say, and we move on from there," Fisher said. "But I have great respect for him and their program like always."

The Aggies handed top-ranked Alabama its only regular-season loss last year but fell to unranked Mississippi State and LSU to leave Fisher without a 10-win season in four seasons in College Station.

Texas A&M knows the path to winning its first national title since 1939 goes through Alabama and the Oct. 8 game in Tuscaloosa between the two already looms large.

"The goal for this team is to compete for the national championship," guard Layden Robinson said. "We want to rise to the occasion, especially when the lights are the brightest. We just want to rise up this season."

### QUARTERBACK COMPETITION

Three players were vying for the starting quarterback job: Haynes King, Max Johnson and Conner Weigman.

King won the job last year, but he broke his leg early in the second game. Zach Calzada started the rest of the season before transferring to Auburn.

Johnson was the starter at LSU last season before transferring to A&M. The son of Super Bowl-winning QB Brad Johnson, he threw for 2,815 yards with 27 touchdowns and six interceptions.

Perhaps the most intriguing of the group is Weigman, a five-star prospect

and one of the stars of Fisher's top-ranked recruiting class. The dual-threat QB accounted for almost 2,900 yards and 34 touchdowns as a senior last season after throwing for more than 3,800 yards with 42 touchdowns as a junior and running for nine more scores.

Fisher has been encouraged by how Johnson and Weigman have handled learning his offense.

"They understand it really well. They both do," Fisher said. "Conner has picked it up very well for a young freshman. He's a very intelligent guy. A very instinctive guy. If he makes a mistake, he doesn't repeat it very often. Very encouraging in that way and developing. Max is doing the same thing."

### BIG-PLAY THREATS

Texas A&M's offense has big-play potential.

Running back Devon Achane, a junior who is a sprinter on A&M's track team, moves into the starting lineup this season after running for 910 yards in a reserve role in 2021. Achane led the SEC and ranked in the top 15 in the country last season by averaging seven yards a carry.

Joining him this season is speedy freshman receiver Evan Stewart, who like Weigman was a five-star recruit and rated as the No. 1 receiver in Texas.

"We have more guys at the skill positions that, even though they don't have a lot of experience, they are dynamic playmakers," co-offensive coordinator Darrell Dickey said. "They may be young guys, but we have guys that can run, that can catch the ball make a guy miss and go the length of the field."

### DEFENSIVE STAR

Junior defensive back Antonio Johnson is poised to become A&M's defensive leader after a strong 2021 season where he was second on the team with 79 tackles and had one interception and five pass breakups.

"He's going to do a little bit of everything," Fisher said. "He'll play nickel, safety, dime. We can move him around and match him up because he's such a tremendous football player."

### THE SCHEDULE

The Aggies open the season Sept. 3 against Sam Houston in the first of three home games capped by a visit from No. 16 Miami on Sept. 17. They head to AT&T Stadium the following week for their annual neutral site game against No. 19 Arkansas. Three consecutive road games come next, highlighted by the showdown at Alabama.

# Rangers win 3rd straight, top A's 2-1 after Woodward firing

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Baseball Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Marcus Semien homered, rookie Bubba Thompson had a tiebreaking RBI single and the Texas Rangers won a one-run game only hours after manager Chris Woodward was fired.

With Tony Beasley managing his first big league game, after being named the interim manager for the final 48 games of the season, the Rangers overcame nine walks by their pitchers in a 2-1 win over the last-place Oakland Athletics on Monday night.

"Yeah, it was nerve-racking. It was a one-run ball game, and so every pitch mattered, every play mattered," Beasley said. "Walks creating opportunities for the other team to score, we persevered and somehow got through it."

In the end, Beasley said it was fun, with good energy in the dugout and played winners after a long day of significant change. The Rangers entered the game 6-24 in one-run games.

Woodward, who was in his fourth season and two games shy of his 500th game as manager, was let go with the Rangers (52-63) on pace for their sixth consecutive losing season. He was the fourth big league manager fired this season.

Nick Allen homered for the last-place A's, who lost their ninth game in a row.

The Rangers actually have their first three-game winning streak in more than two months — since June 11-13. They completed a series victory against Seattle over the weekend by winning what were Woodward's final two games, giving him a 211-287 record.

Beasley is the longest-tenured member of the Rangers coaching staff in his eighth season. He had a 590-472 record in eight seasons as a minor league manager in the Washington (2011-13) and Pittsburgh (2001-05) organizations.

"Obviously, we're all very thankful for everything that Woody's poured into us," winning pitcher Glenn Otto said. "Very lucky to have Tony Beasley ready to keep working, and hopefully make these next six weeks really mean something."

Otto (5-8) went six innings for his first victory since June 4 despite a career-high six walks, including the game's first two batters. The young right-hander was 0-6 his last nine starts. His only strikeout was against the last batter he faced, and the homer was one of only two hits allowed.

"We had (runners on) first and second in the first inning and the double play ball really bailed them out there. Offensively, we got three hits tonight, and you're not going to win many games when you get three hits, no matter if you have nine walks," A's manager Mark Kotsay said. "Offensively, we just didn't do enough tonight to score enough for us to win a baseball game."

Jonathan Hernandez overcame two walks in the ninth for his fourth save in as many chances.

James Kaprielian (3-7) struck out five and walked one over 5 1/3 innings. He was pulled after Leody Taveras had a one-out triple in the sixth.

"He had swing-and-miss stuff tonight ... he was in the zone," Kotsay said. "They did have some some at-bats that they had some hard contact."

Taveras went to third on reliever Sam Moll's errant pickoff throw, then scored when Thompson hit a sharp grounder through the right side of the

infield.

Semien tied the game at 1 with his 18th homer in the bottom of the third. All of his homers have come over the past 71 games since May 28.

Allen, Oakland's No. 9 batter, lined a homer just over the wall in left-center leading off the third. The rookie infielder has gone deep in back-to-back games after only one homer his first 54 career games.

### GOOD GLOVE WORK

Taveras ran a long way to make a leaping catch on the warning track in straightaway center on Cal Stevenson's drive that ended the seventh inning. ... Stevenson, the Oakland center fielder, also had a highlight play with a diving catch on Corey Seager's sinking liner in the left-center gap in the third. ... Thompson, in his 10th big league game, had a running, sliding catch of Tony Kemp's popup to shallow left in the third.

### TEXAS STREAKING

Rangers 1B Nathaniel Lowe extended his on-base streak to 21 games in a row with a single in the third. That is the longest active streak in the majors, and four short of his career high. That came right after Adolis Garcia singled. Garcia's 12-game hitting streak is the longest of his career, and the longest by a Texas player this season.

### TRAINER'S ROOM

Athletics: OF Ramón Laureano (left side soreness) was out of the lineup a day after he felt discomfort on a swing during his at-bat in the fourth inning at Houston, and left that game.

# Ex-NFL star Aqib Talib's brother turns self in after slaying

LANCASTER, Texas (AP) — The brother of retired NFL cornerback Aqib Talib turned himself in to authorities Monday after police identified him as the suspect in the shooting death of a coach at a youth football game in Texas.

Police said that a murder warrant was issued for Yaqub Salik Talib, 39, in the fatal shooting on Saturday night of Michael Hickmon, 43, police in the Dallas-area city of Lancaster said.

According to witnesses, Talib pulled out a gun and shot Hickmon multiple times after a disagreement between the opposing coaching staff of two youth football teams over calls made by the officiating crew led to a physical fight, police said.

Hickmon was later pronounced dead at a hospital. Police say no other injuries were reported.

Yaqub Talib is the brother of Aqib Talib, a five-time Pro Bowler who announced his retirement in 2020. Aqib Talib was named last month

as a contributor for Prime Video's "Thursday Night Football."

Police said that after the shooting, Yaqub Talib fled, taking the firearm with him.

Talib's attorney, Clark Birdsall, told The Associated Press that his client "regrets the tragic loss of life but self-surrendered this morning so that he may have the chance to say his side of the story." Birdsall declined to elaborate on what Talib's side of the story is.

Police said they were still investigating the circumstances leading up to the shooting. Several people, including children, were present when Hickmon was killed, police said.

Dallas TV station WFAA reported that the brothers are coaches for

North Dallas United Bobcats, a youth football team. Hickmon was a coach with the youth team D.E.A. Dragons, WFAA reported.

Dragons President Mike Freeman said the dispute began when Hickmon went to pick up a football and someone kicked it away.

"I don't know how to explain it to the kids. That's the part that I'm stuck on right now. How

do I explain it to them. Why?" Freeman said.

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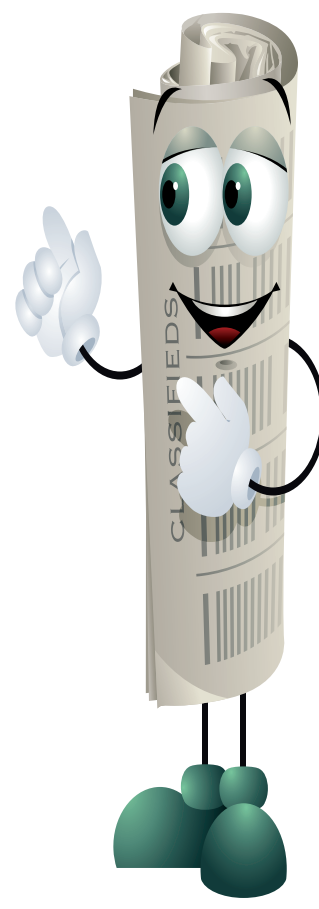


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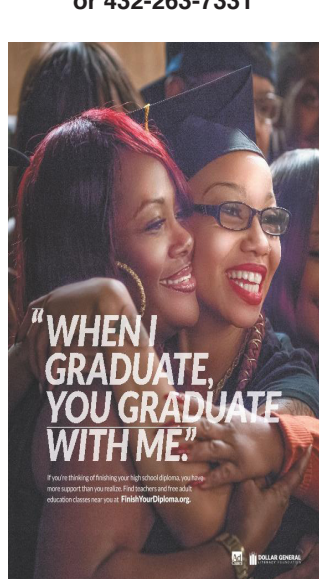
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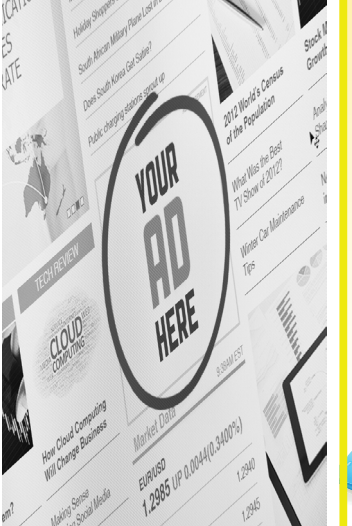
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12 :PM	GMA3: What	Hoy (SS)	TMZ Live	News	La reina del sur (SS)	Days of our Lives	You Need The China	Molly Hero	Dateline	Hot	Friends	Supernatural	2022 Little League Baseball World Series	SportsCenter	ATP/WTA Tennis: Wimbledon Open; Second Round.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Lost Cities of the		
1 :PM	General Hospital	Contigo sí	The People's Court	The Talk	En casa con	Blast	Eye on Israel	Cyber Pink	The First 48	Relative	Friends	Supernatural		This Just In	Tennis: Wimbledon Open; Second Round.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
2 :PM	Rachael Ray	S.O.S. me estoy	Judge Mathis	Let's Make a Deal	La mesa caliente	Ellen DeGeneres	Light of Southwest	Pink Elinor	Monk	Jerry	Friends	Supernatural	2022 Little League Baseball World Series	NBA Today		Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
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	Lucifer (DVS)		NFL Live		Law & Order: SVU	Court Night Live	Expedition Unknown		
4 :PM	You Bet	Primer impacto	Two Men	CBS 7	En casa con	News	Ignite	Almas	25 Words	Steve Wilkos Show	Sheldon	Lucifer (DVS)	2022 Little League Baseball World Series	Jalen Wager	Live on the Line	Law & Order: SVU		Expedition Unknown		
5 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	Big Bang	CBS 7	Tele	News	The Gath	Molly King	King	Nick Cannon	Big Bang	Lucifer (DVS)		SportsCenter	The Rally	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
6 :PM	ABC	Noticiero	Big Bang	CBS	Noticias	NBC	Freedom	Hero	King		Big Bang	Lucifer (DVS)	2022 Little League Baseball World Series	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
7 :PM	Wheel	Rosa de Guadalupe	Sheldon	CBS 7	Top Chef VIP (SS)	News	Israel	Wild Kratt	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Lucifer (DVS)		WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown	
8 :PM	Abbott	La mexicana	MasterChef	Big Brother		America's Talent	News	Odd Truth	Dateline	Mysteries Decoded	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite	Movie: San Andreas, Alexandra Daddario (DVS)	ESPN Films	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	Law & Order: SVU	Court Night Live	Mysteries of Deep		
9 :PM	Abbott	La herencia			The Challenge: USA	Amor valiente (SS)	(01) Pass-word	Light of Southwest	Arthur	Welling	Welling		Movie: The Legend of Tarzan (DVS)	SportsCenter	DC & FC Camp	Postgame	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown	
10 :PM	Press Your Luck	Mujer de nadie	FOX 24 News at 9	S.W.A.T.	Infliel: Historia de un	Chicago P.D.	Light of Southwest	Cyber Pink	Mike	News	Gold			SportsCenter	DC & FC Camp	World Poker	Snake in the Grass	Court Night Live	Expedition Unknown	
11 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Contacto deportivo	Mod Fam	James Corden	EJ Chema (SS)	News	Jesus IS	Molly Xavier	Jerry Springer	Liquidator	George	The Closer	SportsCenter	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
12 :PM	Extra	Peregrina	Mom	Drew Barrymore	Programa	Top Story With	Light of Southwest	Molly Hero	Jerry Springer	Liquidator	George	The Closer	SportsCenter	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	WNBA Basketball: Playoffs: Teams TBA.	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown		
1 :AM	Brain Fog	La mexicana	Broke Girl	Dr. Carras	Programa	Programa	Inside Ed.	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Minute	Brain Fog	Wipeout	The Closer	SportsCenter	UFC 261: Usman vs. Masvidal 2	Postgame	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown	
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3 :AM		El gordo y la flaca	Law & Order: SVU		Programa	Early Tdy	Programa	Early Tdy	Heritage	Arthur	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Matters	The Closer	SportsCenter		Inside the	Law & Order: SVU	Oxygen	Prep Kings
4 :AM	Morning	Noticiero	Funny	News	Programa	Early Tdy	Dr. Young	Arthur	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Matters						Relief	Law & Order: SVU	Grocer	

# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## So near and yet so far

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 8 3  
♥ A 7 4 2  
♦ K 6  
♣ A K 7 3 2

**WEST**  
♠ A Q J  
♥ J 10 6 5  
♦ 8 2  
♣ Q J 8 4

**EAST**  
♠ 6 2  
♥ 9 8 3  
♦ A Q J 9 7 5  
♣ 10 6

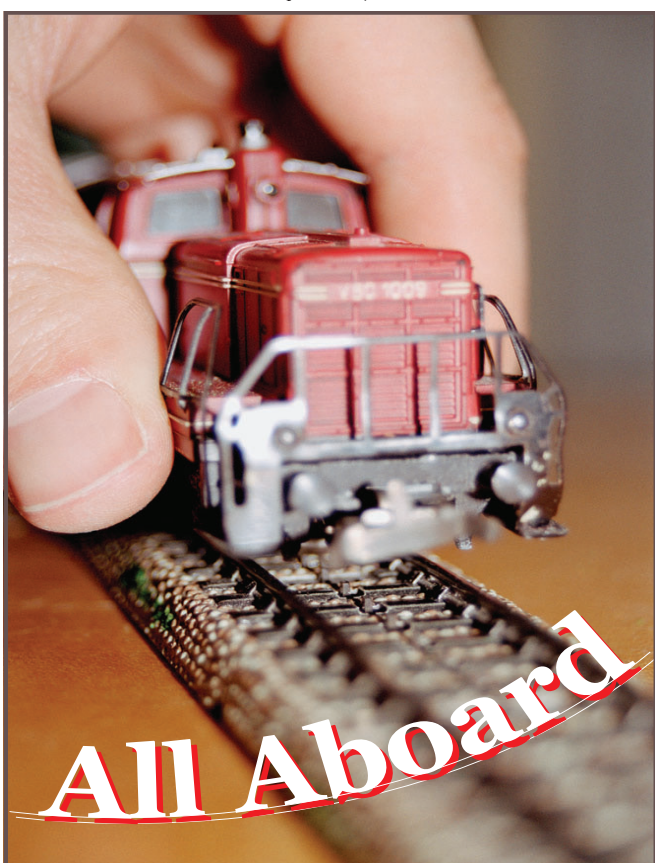
**SOUTH**  
♠ K 10 9 7 5 4  
♥ K Q  
♦ 10 4 3  
♣ 9 5

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ 1 ♦ 1 ♠ 1 NT  
Pass 2 ♦ 2 ♠ Dble

Opening lead — eight of diamonds.  
In general, it is not wise to double the opponents for penalties unless you think you can defeat the contract at least two tricks. Aside from the fact that you might not get one of the tricks you are counting on, there is the simple matter of the scoring itself.  
For example, let's say you double an opponent in four hearts not vulnerable, expecting to set the contract one trick. If you're right, you gain 50 points, scoring 100 points instead of 50. But if you're wrong and declarer makes four hearts doubled, you lose an extra 170 points because of your double. So, in trying to gain 50 points, you

might lose 170, which means you are giving odds of about 3.5 to 1 that the contract will fail.  
Consider this deal from a duplicate game where West made a very close double of two spades. This was an especially risky double because, if West's hopes failed to materialize, he would be doubling the opponents into game.  
West led a diamond, and East took dummy's king with the ace. East very correctly returned a trump, won by West with the jack. Back came another diamond, won by East with the jack.  
At this point, it was no longer possible to defeat the contract. With a diamond return, the defenders would finish with three trump tricks and two diamonds. With any other return, declarer would also finish with eight tricks, eventually discarding his third diamond on dummy's ace of hearts. So South made two spades doubled for a score of 670 points.  
However, West could have defeated the contract and scored 200 points had he cashed his ace of trump after winning East's trump return with the jack at trick two. He would then lead the deuce of diamonds to East's jack at trick four. East would next cash the queen of diamonds and continue with a diamond, promoting West's queen of spades as the setting trick.  
Close doubles require tight defense.

Tomorrow: It's not that difficult.  
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# Today in History

Today in History: August 17, Fulton steamboat on the Hudson

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 2022. There are 136 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 17, 1982, the first commercially produced compact discs, a recording of ABBA's "The Visitors," were pressed at a Philips factory near Hanover, West Germany.

On this date:

In 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat began heading up the Hudson River on its successful round trip between New York and Albany.

In 1863, federal batteries and ships began bombarding Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during the Civil War, but the Confederates managed to hold on despite several days of pounding.

In 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Georgia, lynched Jewish businessman Leo Frank, 31, whose death sentence for the murder of 13-year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment. (Frank, who'd maintained his innocence, was pardoned by the state of Georgia in 1986.)

In 1945, the George Orwell novel "Animal Farm," an allegorical satire of Soviet Communism, was first published in London by Martin Secker & Warburg.

In 1978, the first successful trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry

Newman landed their Double Eagle II outside Paris.

In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at Spandau Prison at age 93, an apparent suicide.

In 1988, Pakistani President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq and U.S. Ambassador Arnold Raphel (RAY'-fehl) were killed in a mysterious plane crash.

In 1998, President Bill Clinton gave grand jury testimony via closed-circuit television from the White House concerning his relationship with Monica Lewinsky; he then delivered a TV address in which he denied previously committing perjury, admitted his relationship with Lewinsky was "wrong," and criticized Kenneth Starr's investigation.

In 1999, more than 17,000 people were killed when a magnitude 7.4 earthquake struck Turkey.

In 2004, at the Athens games, Romania won its second straight Olympic gold medal in women's gymnastics; the United States took silver while Russia won the bronze.

In 2011, Vice President Joe Biden arrived in Beijing to meet with his Chinese counterpart, Xi Jinping.

In 2020, Texas joined New York, New Jersey and California as states with at least 10,000 confirmed coronavirus deaths; about 80 percent of the Texas deaths were reported since June 1, after the state embarked on one of the fastest reopenings in the country.

Ten years ago: In Moscow, a judge sentenced three punk rock-style activists, members of the band Pussy Riot, to two years in prison for hooliganism for briefly taking over a cathedral in a raucous prayer for deliverance from Russian President Vladimir Putin; the court decision drew protests around the world. (One of the three defendants was later released on probation; the other two were released several months short of their two-year sentence in December 2013.)

Five years ago: A van plowed through pedestrians along a packed promenade in the Spanish city of Barcelona, killing 13 people and injuring 120. (A 14th victim died later from injuries.) Another man was stabbed to death in a carjacking that night as the van driver made his getaway, and a woman died early the next day in a vehicle-and-knife attack in a nearby coastal town. (Six suspects in the attack were shot dead by police, two more died when a bomb workshop exploded.)

One year ago: In an effort to reassure world powers and fearful Afghans, the Taliban insisted that they would respect women's rights, forgive those who fought them and ensure that Afghanistan would not become a haven for terrorists. Heavy rain from Tropical Storm Grace forced a temporary halt to rescue and recovery efforts from a devastating weekend earthquake in Haiti. The Jacksonville Jaguars ending the NFL career of the 2007 Heisman Trophy winner who switched from quarterback to tight end in hopes of making a

comeback; he had also spent five years playing baseball in the New York Mets' organization while never making it to the big leagues.

Today's Birthdays: Former Chinese president Jiang Zemin (jahng zuh-MEEN') is 96. Former MLB All-Star Boog Powell is 81. Actor Robert DeNiro is 79. Movie director Martha Coolidge is 76. Rock musician Gary Talley (The Box Tops) is 75. Actor-screenwriter-producer Julian Fellowes is 73. Actor Robert Joy is 71. International Tennis Hall of Famer Guillermo Vilas is 70. Rock singer Kevin Rowland (Dexy's Midnight Runners) is 69. Rock musician Colin Moulding (XTC) is 67. Country singer-songwriter Kevin Welch is 67. Olympic gold medal figure skater Robin Cousins is 65. Singer Belinda Carlisle is 64. Author Jonathan Franzen is 63. Actor Sean Penn is 62. Jazz musician Everette Harp is 61. Rock musician Gilby Clarke is 60. Singer Maria McKee is 58. Rock musician Steve Gorman (The Black Crowes) is 57. Rock musician Jill Cunniff (kuh-NIHFF') is 56. Actor David Conrad is 55. Singer Donnie Wahlberg is 53. College Basketball Hall of Famer and retired NBA All-Star Christian Laettner is 53. Rapper Posdnuos (PAHS'-deh-noos) is 53. International Tennis Hall of Famer Jim Courier is 52. Retired MLB All-Star Jorge Posada is 51. TV personality Giuliana Rancic is 48. Actor Bryton James is 36. Actor Brady Corbet (kohr-BAY') is 34. Actor Austin Butler is 31. Actor Taissa Farmiga is 28. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Gracie Gold is 27.



# FEATURES

## Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 17, 2022

### Working for Fun

Fun is an integrated state, impossible to achieve when the mind is in one place and the body is somewhere else. Wishing for a different scene robs from the one you're in. The lunar square to Venus suggests that it will be work to make fun, but the aspect also offers a cosmic shovel with which to dig into the task at hand to excavate its fun potential.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Everyone in your immediate vicinity is at a similar skill level or concerned with the same topics as you are. It's bad for productivity. Go where this isn't the case. Once you get objectivity, you'll know exactly where best to focus.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Watch what people are sharing and what gets noticed. People want to know things that you already know. There is a huge opportunity for you in this, should you decide to start sharing more of what you do.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). To some extent, you can pick and choose the beliefs that suit you. Though, unfortunately, many beliefs come as a package deal. You can always try an idea on for fit. If doesn't feel right, try another.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Some people act nice because they want you to think well of them and perhaps reciprocate. Others do nice things because they're nice people. Life is dreamy when you're surrounded by the latter category.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Circumstances aren't perfect, but you'll perform well with the right-size challenge. Resist the temptation to overcommit yourself. Think of your entire situation and take on responsibilities that fit comfortably into your life.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). "Can I talk to you?" can be an innocent request, though more often it grabs attention and inspires fear. Most feel-good messages need no such fanfare. You'll be careful not to let simple things become dramatic.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The old way is barely working. People follow the recipe, read from the script, fulfill the programming -- to meager or hollow results. If anyone can finagle a new and better way, it's you. Apply yourself to figuring this out.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If left unguarded, leisure time can get eaten up by obligations. Protect your fun! Treat your playtime as sacred, and if you planned to give yourself a reward, make sure you really give it to yourself.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Experience is a fantastic teacher, but it's not the only teacher. Follow the instructions left by your predecessors. This race is like a relay in which you start where the torch is passed to you, not back at the beginning.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Everything comes to fruition through labor. You have no problem motivating yourself to get a job done. You'll bond with others through thinking and talking about work, and get tips and tricks that make it easier.

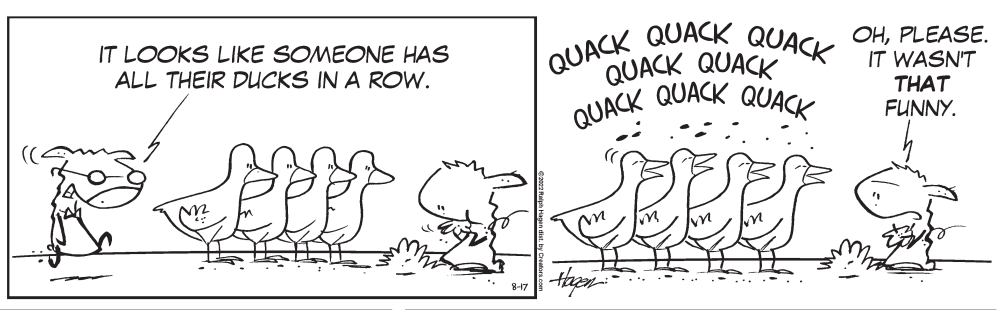
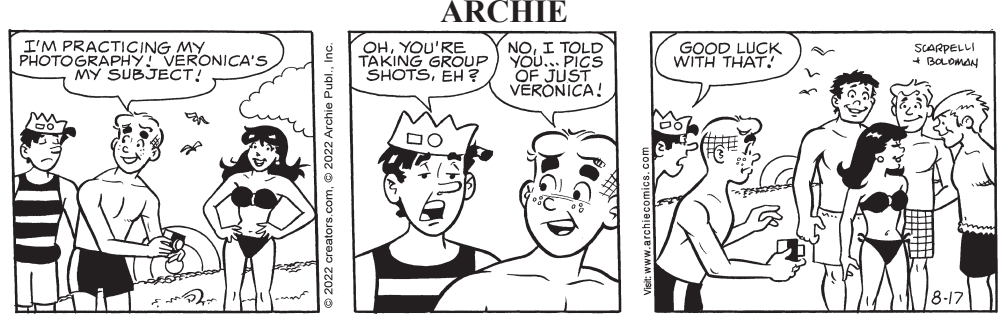
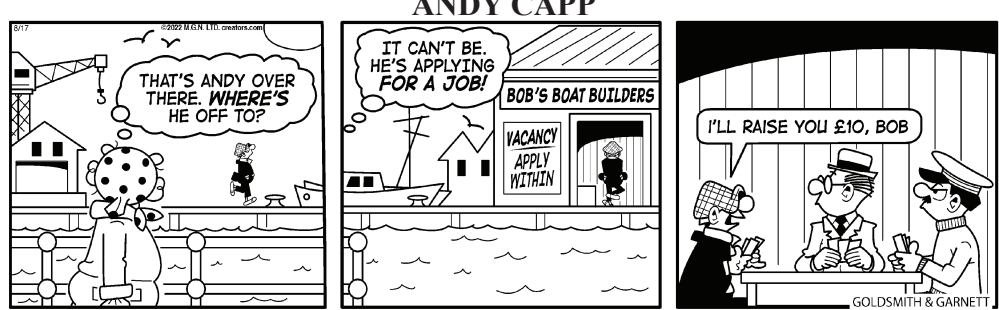
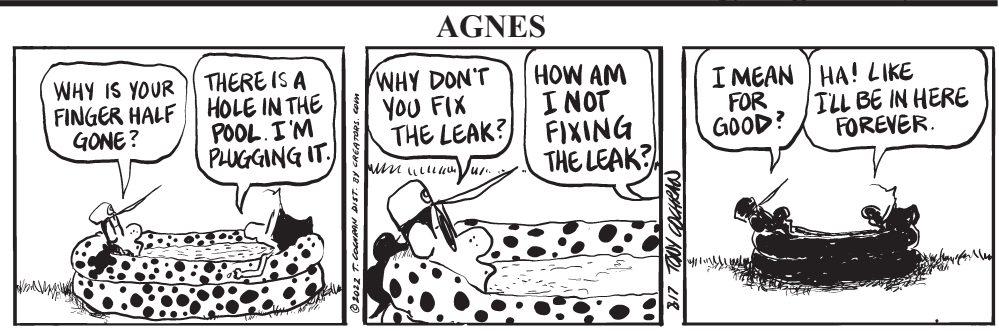
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Like spotty cellphone service, you'll get moments of clarity and blanks to fill in, which you'll do like a pro. You could see this as an annoyance, though you might just as easily see it as a puzzle or game.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). If you only fulfill one directive today, let it be this: accept yourself. Everything springs from your relationship with yourself. When that relationship is solid, others will be open to you and all you contribute.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 17). Natural environments will speak to you. You'll walk to the water's edge and listen to the wisdom of wind and wave. The elements can change in a moment or an eon. You'll take charge of your life's timing and set defining rhythms with your decisions that stick. Success will be attributed to your incredible gift of tenacity. Libra and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 44, 3, 38 and 18.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Multiple Academy Award-winner Robert De Niro teams a warrior spirit with a workman approach to craft. This Leo is busier than ever with six projects in post-production and more on the way. De Niro was born with Mercury and Venus in Virgo, the sign of industriousness and growth. The Pisces moon of artistry is guided by his sun, Jupiter and Pluto in Leo, the sign of entertainment.

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## Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Title for a British knight
  - 4 Canoe implements
  - 8 Load of laundry
  - 12 Mineral from a mine
  - 13 Strong ale
  - 15 Hooded winter coat
  - 16 Punt returner's signal
  - 18 Be patient for
  - 19 Once-a-year
  - 20 Like a pitch that a batter won't miss
  - 22 Male chums
  - 24 Petty complaint
  - 25 Is unwell
  - 28 Hangout for the unmarried
  - 34 President before JFK
  - 35 Regarding, in a memo
  - 36 Group of traveling actors
  - 37 Painter Matisse
  - 39 Recede gradually
  - 41 Physician's colleague
  - 42 Movies with posses
  - 44 Has dinner
  - 46 Prescription, for short
  - 47 Sailor's knot
  - 49 Uncomplicated
  - 50 \_\_\_ Quixote
  - 51 Wife of Zeus
  - 53 Yellow flower
  - 58 Major blood lines
  - 62 French farewell
  - 63 Urban distance measure
  - 65 Person paid to park cars
  - 66 Banquet host

- 67 "My lips \_\_\_ sealed"
  - 68 Watched warily
  - 69 Playful kiss
  - 70 Morning moisture on grass
- DOWN**
- 1 Living-room seating
  - 2 Teheran's country
  - 3 Bridle strap
  - 4 Hollywood award
  - 5 Mystified
  - 6 Become inedible
  - 7 "No \_\_\_ luck!"
  - 8 Thirsty tot's request
  - 9 United \_\_\_ Emirates
  - 10 "Expertise" power tool brand
  - 11 Detest

## OBSTACLE COURSE by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- 14 Noun category
- 15 Designs for wallpaper or china
- 17 Massages
- 21 Slant somewhat
- 23 Building's location
- 25 Temporary, as a committee
- 26 Model of perfection
- 27 Tempo similar to largo
- 29 Gambler's "I pass"
- 30 Insignificant amount
- 31 Myanmar's other name
- 32 Church areas
- 33 How an oboe sounds
- 35 Ventilated
- 38 Pastor's nickname
- 40 Composer Johann Sebastian \_\_\_
- 43 Wearing footwear
- 45 Legislature's affirmative voters
- 48 How fresh fish is packed
- 49 \_\_\_ Grey tea
- 52 After-bath garments
- 53 Brubeck of jazz
- 54 Call it \_\_\_ (stop working)
- 55 Manicurist's tool
- 56 Serve a meal to
- 57 Leg or arm
- 59 Frog relative
- 60 Real estate measure
- 61 Distort, as data
- 64 Fort Worth sch.

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## SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

**Here's How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## CROSSWORD Today's Answers

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## Today's Answers

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