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Saturday Night: Scattered showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 2 a.m. Mostly cloudy, low around 73. Chance of rain is 40%.

Sunday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, high near 90. Chance of rain is 50%.

 $Source: NWS, via\ weather.gov$

Today in History On August 19

1692: In Salem, Massachusetts Bay Colony, one woman and four men are executed for witchcraft.

1909: The Indianapolis Motor Speedway opens for automobile racing. Wilfred Bourque and his mechanic are killed during the first day's events.

Daily Quotes

"The airplane stays up because it doesn't have the time to fall."

Orville Wright

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— Coco Chanel

"To keep your marriage brimming, With love in the loving cup, Whenever you're wrong, admit it; Whenever you're right, shut up."

— Ogden Nash

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Three fugitives on Texas' Top 10 Most Wanted list captured

Special to the Herald

Three of Texas' 10 Most Wanted offenders are back in custody following their recent arrests. Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender Rodney Hunter, of Waco, was arrested August 9 in Waco. Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitive Thomas Naranjo, of Houston, was arrested August 10 in Houston. Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender Bruce Clifton, of El Paso, was arrested August 15 in Mesilla Park, N.M. A Crime Stoppers reward will be paid in Clifton's arrest.

• Rodney Eugene Hunter, 50, is a high-risk sex offender. He was arrested at a location in south Waco by DPS Special Agents. Hunter had been wanted since February 2022, when the McLennan County Sheriff's Office issued a warrant for his arrest for forgery. In July 2022, the Waco Police Department issued a warrant for his arrest for failure to comply with sex offender regis-



HUNTER NARANJO



CLIFTON

tration requirements.

In 1992. Hunter was convicted of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and two counts of burglary of a habitation. He received three nine-year sentences to be served concurrently. In 1997, Hunter was convicted of two counts of indecencv with a child by sexual contact following incidents involving a 7-year-old girl. He received two 15-year sentences in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) facility. For more information, view his captured bulletin. • Thomas Correa Naranjo, 41, is a

member of the Texas Syndicate Gang. He was arrested at a location in north-central Houston by Houston Police Department SWAT. Naranjo had been wanted since May 2021, after the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles issued a warrant for a parole violation. In July 2021, the Harris County Sheriff's Office issued a warrant for his arrest for assault of a family/household member with previous con-

In 1998, Naranjo was convicted of attempted capital murder and aggravated robbery. He was given two eight-year sentences to be served concurrently. In 2008, he was convicted of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon and possession with intent to deliver cocaine. He was given a 10-year sentence and two 20-year sentences. For more information, view his captured bulletin.

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United Way Campaign Kick-off, Golf Tournament this weekend



Courtesy photo

this weekend's United Way Campaign Kick-off Green at the Campaign Kick-off Concert Saturday event.

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Staff Writer

Don't forget the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is hosting its annual Campaign Kick-off coming up this Saturday, August 20, at the Howard County Fair Barn at 7 p.m. The non-profit organization is hosting "Two Events, One Cause," to raise money for area causes.

The Rock-n-Roll Campaign Kickoff concert headliner will be William Clark Green, with special guest Spur 327. Advance tickets are \$20 and \$25 at the door.



William Clark Green is the musical headliner for Local favorite Spur 327 of Lubbock will open for at 7 p.m.

> The four-man scramble golf tournament will be at the Comanche Trail Golf Course and is \$400 per team.

Tickets for the event can be purchased through United Way, Expedition Royalty, Lone Star State Bank in Big Spring and OC Farm and Ranch in Coahoma.

The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the health and human service agencies of Howard and the surrounding counties.

For more information check out their Facebook page or their website at www.unitedwaybshc.org or call 432-267-5201.

Cooler, wetter weather to stay at least through Wednesday

By ROGER CLINE Managing Editor

A pair of welcome guests have come

to Howard County recently and it looks like they might stay a while: rain and cooler temperatures. A quick glance at the extended fore-

cast on the National Weather Service's website at http://www.weather.gov reveals a chance of rain in the forecast cast goes as of this writing.

every day through Wednesday of next week - and that's as far out as the fore-"We've had a change in patterns," said NWS forecaster Douglas Cain Thursday morning. "It's been wet. It looks like this 24 hours. That's what was reported at 7 to the area." a.m. (Thursday)." Cain said this is the time of year when

our weather starts shifting from typical hot, dry West Texas summers to more of an autumn pattern.

"We usually start picking up rain about August or September," Cain said. "Actually, if you're going to get rain, this is a good time of year. The upper ridge breaks down. That's what's kept us dry all summer. We did have a low that came off the Gulf and came across Tuesday and Wednesday. It's now moved west, but we have other features. We had a front move in last night and that gave some focus for storms, so several things have come into play to bring rain

Cain also said temperatures will remain on the cool side for the area. The NWS website forecasts highs in the low 90s through the weekend, dipping into the 80s next week, with Wednesday's forecast showing a high of only 84.

"Temperatures are going to be cooler, there will be more clouds, more rain," he said. "It's a weak front, but it will give you a little bit of cooling.

None of the weather is likely to be severe, Cain assured.

"That's a pretty good rain for out here. Really, anything over half an inch is pretty good. You have a potential for

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Obituaries

Richard Walling



Richard Walling, 71, of Midland passed away on Wednesday, August 10, 2022. The family will receive guests from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, August 14, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Graveside service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, August 15, 2022 at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Richard was born on December 14, 1950 in Big Spring, TX to

DeLavergne and John Riley Walling. Richard came into the world with a loud scream and a sly grin. Much to his parents' dismay, as he grew he became even louder and a larger than life smarty pants. While Richard was only 5' 6" tall, he believed he was 8 feet tall. His quick wit and smart mouth endeared him to his family and friends.

Richard graduated from Coahoma High School where he excelled at baseball and track. He attended Howard College. He was an Army Veteran. He worked in the oilfield safety business. Richard loved his family, fishing, hunting, the outdoors and the Dallas Cowboys.

Richard is survived by his wife Cindy, his son Britt, two daughters, Stacey Welch and Jennifer Smithers and his brother Danny. He has 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Richard is preceded in death by one son, Cedric Smithers, one sister and one brother.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards hospice and friends.

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

Paid Obituary

Vickie Lynn Boley

Vickie Lynn Boley, 67, died Wednesday, August 17. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Sunday with family receiving friends from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday at Cornerstone Covenant Church with burial at Mount Olive Cemetery. Vickie was born Nov. 4, 1954, in Snyder to Pauline

Jewel Tharp Strickland and Hoyle Dean Strickland. She married Ronald (Ron) Boley on August 12, 1977, in Snyder. She was born and raised in Snyder and moved to Big Spring in 1993.

Vickie is survived by her husband: Ron Boley of Big Spring; daughter: Pamela Gail Boley of Big Spring; 2 sisters: Sharon Haley (Bart) of College Station and Teresa Cressett (David Klassen) of Seminole; 1 brother: Mark Strickland (Angie) of Snyder; two sisters-in-law; 2 brothers-in-law; and several nieces and nephews.

Vickie was preceded in death by her parents. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral

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

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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- HERIBERTO CHAVEZ, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated third or more offenses, bail jumping and failure to appear.
- DANIEL GALVAN, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
- ALFREDO HINOJOS HARPER, was arrested
- by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief greater
- than or equal to \$100 but less than \$750.
- MONTY HENDRICKS. was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance greater than 3 grams but less than 28 grams.

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- SYLVIA YVETTE HINOJOS, was arrested by BSPD on charges of bail jumping and fail to appear, possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
- MATTHEW CASEY O'BRIEN was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- JOE LYNN PAYNE was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated third or more

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1800 block of N. Hwy. 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. No transport.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 500 block of Matt Loop Rd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 5200 block of Wasson Rd. No transport.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 500 block of W. 17th St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- PUBLIC SERVICE was reported at the 5200 block of Wasson Rd. No transport.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

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.

- Great Courses Lecture Series of the American West: History, Myth and Legacy meets every Wednesday at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Runnels, in the Theater Room. Each 30-minute lecture is followed by an in-class group discussion. There is no charge.
- · 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.

- 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 ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org
- 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 Duties include working in the

Scenic Mountain Medical

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-

- St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.
- · Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.
- VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign

- war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.
- · DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.
- · Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker at 432-263-3312.
- · The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m.at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howardcountytxdems@ gmail.com.



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• Bruce Orville Clifton, 56, was arrested at a storage facility in Mesilla Park, N.M. The multiagency fugitive investigation involved members of the U.S. Marshals (USMS) Lone Star Fugitive Task Force from El Paso, including DPS Special Agents, along with members of the USMS District of New Mexico-Southwest Investigative Fugitive Task Force and New Mexico State Police-Fugitive Apprehension Unit. Clifton had been wanted since January 2022, after the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles issued a warrant for a parole violation. In February 2022, the El Paso County Sheriff's Office issued a warrant for his arrest for failure to comply with sex offender registration requirements.

physical force in Florida after an incident involving a 34-year-old woman. In 2001, he was convicted

In 1988, Clifton was convicted of sexual battery/

of sexual assault of a child after an incident involving a 15-year-old girl in Dallas County. He was sentenced to 15 years of confinement in a TDCJ facility. In 2003, Clifton was convicted of sexual assault of a child following an incident involving a 14-yearold girl in Harris County and sentenced to 20 years of confinement. In 2013, Clifton was convicted of possession of a deadly weapon in a penal institution and sentenced to two years. He was released on parole in May 2021. For more information, view his captured bulletin. Texas Crime Stoppers, which is funded by the

Governor's Criminal Justice Division, offers cash rewards to any person who provides information that leads to the arrest of one of Texas' 10 Most Wanted Fugitives or Sex Offenders. So far in 2022, DPS and other agencies have arrested 44 Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitives and Sex Offenders, including 17 gang members and 24 sex offenders. In addition, \$72,000 in rewards has been paid for tips that yielded arrests.

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

- Call the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-252-TIPS (8477).
- Submit a web tip through the DPS website by selecting the fugitive you have information about then clicking on the link under their picture.

• Submit a Facebook tip by clicking the "SUBMIT A TIP" link (under the "About" section).

All tips are anonymous — regardless of how they are submitted — and tipsters will be provided a tip number instead of using a name. DPS investigators work with local law enforce-

ment agencies to select fugitives for the Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitives and Sex Offenders Lists. You can find the current lists — with photos — on the DPS website.

Do not attempt to apprehend these fugitives; they are considered armed and dangerous.

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other days to have as much as that if not more," he said. "At this time, locally heavy rain will be a concern. I know Big Spring sometimes has some problems with street flooding, so if that occurs, then residents need to be careful as far as driving through flooded roadways or areas known to have low water cross-

Heavier than that? Not likely, he said, noting that it's the wrong time of year for hail or tornadoes.

"You can have straight-line winds," he said. "We had one report last night down close to the Big Bend, they had a storm produce 76 mph wind and it was measured at that. So you can have wind from some of these, but for the most part, just rain."

AgriLife hosting alfalfa workshop August 25 in Lamesa



Photo courtesy Texas A&M Agrilife/Kay Ledbetter

Calvin Trostle, Ph.D., and Jourdan Bell, Ph.D., both Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agronomists, look at an alfalfa field on Avi-Lanche Jerseys dairy.

Special to the Herald

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is offering three alfalfa mini workshops for West Texas alfalfa growers on Aug. 25-26 in Balmorhea, Lamesa and Plainview.

The workshops will include discussion of agronomics, irrigation requirements and insect pests, and include a visit to a nearby alfalfa field.

The cost is \$10 per workshop and participants may pay onsite. No advance registration is required. One integrated pest management of Agriculture continuing education credit will be available at each work-"Alfalfa is widely regarded as the

and one general Texas Department

'queen of forage'," said Calvin Trostle, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agronomist, Lubbock. "But this queen is very thirsty, and irrigation requirements can be from 24 inches to 48 inches to reach target yield goals."

He said this in turn excludes many producers from even considering producing the crop, so the programs are timed in advance of possible fall seed-

Each program is developed for broad regional application, and both interested and existing alfalfa growers in West Texas should plan to attend, Trostle said. West Texas alfalfa meet-

Trostle will speak at each event along with an AgriLife Extension integrated pest management specialist. The locations, details and contacts for the meetings are as follows: • Balmorhea, Aug. 25, 8:30

a.m.- 12:15 p.m. This program will also include a discussion of summer annual forages — sorghum/sudan. Participants will meet at Balmorhea Community Center, 101 Interstate Highway 10. Local contact: Macey Bunch, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent, Reeves County, 432-287-0600, macey.bunch@ag.tamu.

• Lamesa, Aug. 25, 4-7:30 p.m. Participants will meet at the AgriLife Extension office in Dawson County, 400

S. First Street. Local contact: Gary Roschetzky, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent, Dawson County, 806-872-3444, gary. roschetzky@ag.tamu.edu.

Participants will meet at the Ollie Liner Center, 2000 S. Columbia. Local

Plainview, Aug. 26, 8:30 a.m.-noon.

contact: Andy Hart, AgriLife Exten sion agriculture and natural resource es agent, Hale County, 806-291-5267, andy.hart@ag.tamu.edu.

AgriLife Extension on alfalfa:

"A common 'correction' AgriLife Extension often provides to prospective alfalfa growers is fitting their al falfa field acres—often reducing field size— to the available irrigation capacity," Roschetzky said.

"Growers fail to understand recommended minimum irrigation capacity, which is at least 8 gallons per minute per acre, and in hot regions like Reeves County, over 10 gallons per minute per acre," Trostle said.

Bunch said her alfalfa growers

range from a few acres to several hundred and regardless of how many acres grower has, these workshops offer something everyone. Addition-

information on West Texas alfalfa may be found at http://lubbock.tamu. edu/alfalfa.

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3 PM at Family Faith Center. Vickie Boley, 67, died Wednesday. Visitation 9 AM until 9 PM Sunday with family receiving friends

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Texas executes man for slaying of Dallas real estate agent

By JUAN A. LOZANO and MICHAEL GRACZYK

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Texas on Wednesday put to death a man who fatally stabbed a suburban Dallas real estate agent more than 16 years ago, the second execution this year in what has been the nation's busiest death penalty state. Kosoul Chanthakoummane, 41, received a lethal injection at

the state penitentiary in Huntsville and was pronounced dead at 6:33 p.m. He was condemned for fatally stabbing 40-year-old Sarah Walker in July 2006. She was found stabbed more than 30 times in a model home in McKinney, about 30 miles (48 km) north of Dallas. In a brief statement after he was strapped to the death chamber

gurney, Chanthakoummane thanked Jesus Christ, ministers with the Texas prison system and "all these people in my life that aided me in this journey." Although no relatives of Walker attended the execution, he of-

fered a message to them: "I pray my death will bring them peace." As the 5 grams of the powerful sedative pentobarbital began flowing through IV lines into veins in each of his arms, he looked toward a window through which his mother quietly watched a few feet away and mouthed, "Mom, I love you."

He then took four breaths, gasped slightly and there was no further movement. He

was pronounced dead 15 minutes later. Just before the execu-

tion took place and at Chanthakoummane's request, a Buddhist monk placed his right hand on the inmate's chest and read a passage from the Book of Ecclesiastes that refers to "a time for everything." He responded: "Amen."

Prosecutors say Chanthakoummane entered the model home and then beat Walker with a

wooden plant stand and

stabbed her before stealing her Rolex watch and a silver ring, which were never found. DNA evidence showed Chanthakoummane's blood was found in various places inside the model home, including under Walker's fingernails.

Walker had been a top-seller for home builder D.R. Horton. She had two children. Chanthakoummane had acknowledged he was in the model

home but said he only went inside to get a drink of water. He had been on parole in Texas after serving time in North Carolina for aggravated kidnapping and robbery.

"I am innocent," Chanthakoummane had said in a letter filed in federal court in March. The Texas Court of Criminal Ap-

peals declined to delay Chanthakoummane's execution after his attorneys had challenged the DNA evidence used to convict him. The evidence had been described by

the appeals court as the "linchpin of the state's case." Eric Allen, one of his attorneys, said earlier Wednesday he wouldn't file a final appeal with the U.S. Supreme Court.



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Something to think about...

School starts next week, which means we need to get our kids back on a better bed time schedule. They really enjoy getting to sleep in through the summer.

And I'll be honest, waking kids up and getting them ready for school is not my favorite part of parenting.

They don't typically rise with a bright and cheery attitude. There are days I would rather hit the snooze button and go back to bed.

I don't want to deal with grumpy, whiney children so it is a lot easier to hit the snooze button. Maybe someone else will take care of them. I don't want to face the issue of the day, so it is easier to hit the snooze button.

We can find ourselves disengaging and dozing through life. I think there is significant truth in the expression "you snooze, you lose."

In Romans 13, Paul warned us about spiritually snoozing:

"But make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of the time and doze off, oblivious to God. The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing! God is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work he began when we first believed. We can't afford to waste a minute, must not squander these precious daylight hours in frivolity and indulgence, in sleeping around and dissipation, in bickering and grabbing everything in sight. Get out of bed and get dressed! Don't loiter and linger, waiting until the very last minute. Dress yourselves in Christ, and be up and about!" ~ Romans 13:11-14 The Message Wake up! How many of us are snooz-

ing through our day, our week, our life completely closed off to the miracles around us? How many opportunities are we missing? Too many of us live in a comfort induced coma, we are spiritually sleepwalking.

Jesus came to wake us up to the reality of God presence!

"Then he (Jesus) returned to his

disciples and found them sleeping. 'Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. 'Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak!" ~ Matthew 26:40-41 NIV

May we learn to watch and pray, staying awake to God's presence this week:

Organic Outreach

As followers of Jesus, we're called to share our faith with others.

We want to share the love, grace,

and Good News of Christ with those around us. Most of us don't question the "what" or the "why" of outreach, but many struggle with the "how." Join us this Sunday as we continue

our new series discovering how we can naturally share our faith and organically integrate outreach into our everyday lives. Let's learn to live with Kingdom impact!

NazFamily Meal

Our MidWeek meal will start again on Wednesday, August 24, at 6 pm. Invite someone to join us and stick

around for all of our MidWeek gather-

ings. We have something for all ages. Also, if you can help with one of our meals please contact Tonya Boadle.

Got questions? Life is full of questions. Some are relatively trivial: What should we have for dinner? What are we going to do this weekend? What should we watch? But then there are the deeper questions of life: Why are we here? Why do bad things happen to good people? What happens when we die? The Alpha Series is a 12 week study designed to help us explore the deeper questions of life and We will begin the journey at Naz-

Family Church on Wednesday, August 24, at 6:30 p.m.

We hope to see you there.

The Nazarene Family Church is located at 1400 S. Lancaster. Visit their website at www.nazfamily.org

Cornerstone Covenant Church

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

We would love the opportunity to Connect with you! You can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship on Sunday's at 9 a.m. Onsite and online at 11 a.m. and Wednesday's at 7 p.m.

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

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

Sunday, August 21st- We are so excited and would love for you to be apart of what is happening at CCC. We believe that experiencing purpose, hope and joy is possible in Christ Jesus.

Whether it's your first time or you've fellowshipped with us before, our desire every Sunday is for you to feel sense and embrace the presence

Wednesday, August 24th-Join us for our MDWK service. We offer classes for all ages at 7 p.m. Adults meet in the Main Sanctuary.

Youth: High School age meet in ARC and Junior High age meet in youth sanctuary. Children's church is divided into two locations with age specific classes: Kovantville, 1st and 2nd grade, 3rd and 4th grade, 5th and 6th grade, Tiny Land, Newborn- 23 months, 2 and 3 year-old and 4 yearold.-Kindergarten).

Friday, Sept. 9, Complete Singles will meet from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the ARC for a 10 week course on: Prayer the Great Adventure.

Here is how you can sign up: Call CCC 432-264-0015, CCC Text 432-218-2610 then text Complete Singles www. cccbigspring.org or sign up onsite @

Sunday, Sept. 11, Are you and your family looking for a church? Are you looking to connect? Join us in the ARC at 12:30 for your "Next Step"-Growth Track 101.

This is a great opportunity for you and your family to fellowship, ask questions and become better acquainted with the vision of CCC.

We ask that all attendees RSVP for this course. Here is how you can sign up: Call CCC 432-264-0015, text 432-218-2610 text your name and word "GT101RSVP," visit www.cccbigspring.org or sign up at the kiosk. Lunch and Childcare are provided. Tuesday, Sept. 13, Marriage En-

richment will meet 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. in the ARC for our Ice Breaker gathering. Marriage Enrichment is a 10 week course that will encourage, inform, challenge, enrich and strengthen your marriage. If you are married or looking to get married this course is for you. Here is how you can sign up: Call

CCC 432-264-0015, CCC Text 432-218-2610 then text Marriage Enrichment, www.cccbigspring.org, or sign up at the kiosk. Childcare is Provided. Save the Date: Mark your calendars for our 15th Church Anniversary weekend October 22 and 23. Get ready for a fun and exciting weekend.

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

First Presbyterian Church

Worship services will begin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at 8th and Runnels. Organist/Music Director Gabe Martinez will be leading music this Reverend Allen Cross will be

preaching a sermon entitled: Removing the Yoke. Scripture readings for this Sunday are: Psalm 103:1-8; Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 13:10-17. Sunday School is on summer break

until Labor Day however, Take Ten fellowship will continue in our parlor at 10:20 on Sunday mornings.

Two popular weekly events are returning this month. The Women's Bible Study resumed August 3. The video history series resumed August 17 and is about the history of the American West. These weekly events are open to all the community so be sure to put them on your calendar.

Members and non-members alike are invited to take advantage of the spiritual resources available on our website and Facebook page.

They include a six day each week prayer podcast, a weekly scripture reading and commentary, a weekly devotional, a Sunday worship preview, and a video release of each Sunday's sermon.

All these tools and resources prepare us for the coming Sunday wor-

Digital Spiritual Resources

Church Calendar: Daily Prayer Podcast (Monday-Saturday), Scripture Commentary (Tuesdays), Video Devotional (Wednesdays), Video Preview of this week's bulletin (Fridays), Sunday Sermon Video. Our website is fpcbigspring.com. Visit our Facebook page and YouTube channel at FPC of Big Spring.

The following weekly events are open to the community:

Wednesday

The Women's Bible Study meets at 10 a.m. The history seminar series meets at 1 p.m. The Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 p.m.

Thursday

Everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch at 11:30 a.m. All our worship services can be

heard live on KBST 1490 AM and 95.7 FM at 11 a.m. as usual or seen recorded online at www.fpcbigspring.com by selecting the sermons tab and the correct date. Please call the church office at 263-

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

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School at 1001 S. Goliad St., and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesday's we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have evening prayer and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church

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"Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives." We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring.

If you would like to reach Pastor Kohl, Vicar Roever or the church office, please call (432) 264-7818, or email us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.

Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 am and we are having class each Sunday morning.

Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Please come and join us.

The readings for this Sunday are Isaiah 66:18-23, Hebrews 12:4-24(25-29), and Luke 13:22-30. The psalm is Psalm 50:1-15. Bo Vizcaino will present the scrip-

ture readings this week.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is continuing.

A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. Please come and join us.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour.

Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts."

Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

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Remembering The Days of 'Yore'

Remember Gumby and friends? Remember when Superman was a boy. Remember when Roy Rogers and Dale Evans were young and heroes along with Hop Along Cassidy and the Lone Ranger and Tonto. I couldn't even say Kimbo Sabby, let alone spell it.

But those were the days when we could only watch one hour of TV then go out and act out the show with cap guns and stick horses. Daddy would take the end of pieces of wood and let us have them. We made dirt roads, and houses, and used them as cars zooming one hundred miles an hour down our super dirt highway.

We had a rope swing tied to the big oak tree in our back yard with a tire tied at the end of it for jump-

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ing off the fence and soaring into the free air. We had bikes and rollarskates we would race downtown or around and around the courthouse square.

We played hopscotch, jacks, marbles, freeze tag and, hide and seek. Then at night we would play kick the can after the sun went down. We



played until we couldn't see our hand in front of our face. Then we would lay in the grass and count the billions of stars until we would fall asleep. We would sometimes find ourselves in bed and wonder how we got there. Every morning Momma would fix

breakfast for us. Fried mush, cold cereal, bacon and panny cakes, bacon and sunny side up eggs sopped up with buttered toast. Now those were BOHANNAN the days.

It was fun while it lasted, but these golden years are also fun. We can

sometimes still sleep in on Saturday. We go to church on Sunday morning, evening, Wednesday

Worship Service this Sunday!

Facebook Page Sunday **Bible Study:**

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Teachers Make a Difference

It is mid-August and already many students are back in school, excitedly finding their desks, mak-



ing new friends, opening new books. Most teachers have been back at work for a week or more getting ready for the students who are assigned to their care.

My wife retired as a schoolteacher more than 10 years ago. After earning a master's in early childhood education, her career took her to kindergarten, third grade and secondary education in the inner city, metro and rural areas in Texas and Minnesota. She concluded her teaching career by teaching a dropout prevention program for pregnant and parenting teens. Her goal in her final assignment was to help

her students have a healthy pregnancy, a healthy birth, learn to be a parent, stay in school and create a future for themselves and their child. On her best year, her students achieved a 98 percent gradua-

On one occasion she asked her students to tell of

the most significant caregiver in their life. One of her students said she had a happy childhood until age 10 when her parents were both arrested and sent to jail for drugs. Her grandfather tried to take her in, but they wouldn't let him because he had confessed to possession of marijuana. But he continued to love her and check on her at her foster home. She said she remained close to her foster

One of her former students returned to my wife's class to visit, a single mom who graduated and enrolled in a trade school. My wife asked her to tell her story to the others. She told of how her older brother committed suicide and how she was on the same trajectory but was able to change course and pursue a better life. The school counselor who was observing that day asked the student what made the difference in her life. She pointed to my wife as her teacher and said, "This woman right here." I remain proud of my wife and what she accom-

plished as a teacher. I am grateful for the many teachers who accept assignment in challenging situations, working with children and teenagers who face daunting difficulties.

Perhaps this is one reason our favorite movies are often based on true stories of teachers who persevered and prevailed in the lives of students who otherwise might have given up. Movies like Mr. Holland's Opus, Akeela and the Bee, Freedom

The title Jesus most often used to refer to himself was "teacher." It was the title others used most to refer to Him, including the 12 who were his disciples. He was the supreme example of the master teacher, teaching by example and illustration, pouring his life into the lives of those who followed him. His teaching and His life changed the world. Two thousand years after he walked the earth, his teaching and His life changed me.

I hope you will join me in praying for the thousands of teachers who are seeking to make a difference in the lives of children and young adults as schools open and classrooms resume.

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

Holy And Just And Good "Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." account, because our sinful flesh made the

Have you ever paused to consider the difference between the gospel of Christ and religion (the "good" works we do to obtain God's favor)? Allow me to show you the difference. The Law is holy, and just, and good, but the Law does not make us holy, and just, and good.

Only Christ makes us holy, and just, and good, because He is the end of the Law for righteousness to all who believe.

Romans 3:24 says: "being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus". Justification by grace through faith means that the Law cannot make us holy, and just, and good. Romans 8:3 says: "for what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh." The Law could not transfer its holiness, righteousness or goodness to our

account, because our sinful flesh made the Law weak.

Therefore, it was necessary that someone greater and stronger than the Law make us holy, and just, and good, and His name is Jesus, the Lamb of God which takes away the sin of the world.

The deeds of the Law (religion) cannot suffice the demands of the Law, because the Law demands perfection, and the deeds of the Law (our righteousnesses) are as filthy rags. The Law is not fulfilled, satisfied or impressed with filth (religion).

Only Christ who is perfect (not religious) could fulfill the Law in our place. Only by the power of Christ's death, burial and resurrection, can the righ-

teousness of the Law be fulfilled in us. Religion says: "work your fingers to the

But the gospel of Christ says: "to him that worketh not, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." Religion says: "do more." But on the cross, Jesus said... ...it is finished!

God has an amazing plan for your life God loves you. This deserves repeating...God



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loves you! Sometimes people feel that no one cares but this is not true. Jesus proved how much He loved you when He gave His life for you. How much more can He do than to die and come back from the dead so that you can enjoy a relationship with Him and have eternal life? This is not only good news, it's the best news the world has ever known.

I recently spoke to a small group of amazing people that are seeking God for direction. Sometimes life does not turn out as we had intended and within the disappointments, many

will either choose to examine their conscience and allow God to help them make a new start, or they will continue trying to live according to their own ideas. It's true we all have a free will to make decisions, but in every circumstance and situation, God's way is the best way. Since He can see the future, He knows how everything is going to turn out. He also knows what you are going through today, and we know that He has a wonderful plan for your life. How do we know this? God promises in Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to

find themselves standing at a crossroad where they

harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

I consider it an honor when the Lord arranges divine appointments for me to minister as His messenger. I enjoy talking with people about God and the Christian life and sometimes He will open a door for me to listen to someone's problems and I ask for His wisdom and guidance when I respond. I'm always reminded of the passage in Proverbs 11:14 that says, "Where there is no counsel, the people fall: but in the multitude of counselors there is safety." In my years of being a minister and chaplain, the most common challenge that people have is trusting God. I agree it is not easy to manifest faith, in fact, it might be one of the most difficult things within the Christian life. We love the idea of a quick fix, but most of the time God is just as concerned with teaching and developing us as He is with giving us a miracle. Why? Because He is trying to reveal to us that His love for us and our love for Him is more important than anything else we are seeking.

We never need to be stressed or wonder if God is strong enough or wise enough to figure out how to help us. He has all authority and power, He is the Alpha and Omega, He knows everything, can do anything, and when we need a miracle, He is the only one who can make it happen. What we really need to be concerned about is making sure we are in position to receive from Him. What do I mean?

We do not hand a child a chainsaw and the reason is obvious. They are not old enough or strong enough to handle something that could injure them. It's not that they can never use one, but they need to wait until the time is right. Likewise, if we devote our lives to Him and wait for His timing, this will allow our spiritual maturity to advance us into His perfect will. If we are not in position to receive or we give up and throw in the towel, our doubt cancels what He was preparing to do. This is why we must hold on like a bulldog to His promises and allow patience to have her perfect work.

We can assure people that God will always do what He promised as His word cannot fail, vet they will still ask, "So how much longer must I wait for Him to help me?" Have you ever considered that maybe He is waiting on you? I can say this with confidence because it's happening with me. He's waiting for us to pray and build mountain-moving faith, and not just trust Him with our words but with our hearts. He's waiting for us to surrender our will to Him, to build determination and perseverance, and to stand strong on His truth as we declare that "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!" He desires to train His soldiers for battle, but how many want to enlist and follow His orders?

Read more about the Christian life at billyhollandministries.com

Who is in Command?

By JOELLE LUDINGTON

Religion Columnist

As I continue my walk with "God Knows" I will face challenges that will try to keep me from reaching my destination, to turn my eyes away from my focus. My first love. But as I read in my sister-in-laws Bible one time; she was only 12 years-old and I wasn't saved. She wrote in it and said, "Jesus said it and I believe it and His word cannot lie."

See, the thing is you have to believe it and it has to be settled withing your heart or your emotions will be up and down. You can't waiver and expect anything from

Amen, so I say that to say this, just take Him at His word my friend. Know His word and His promises. Let His word to be an anchor to your soul.

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.'

Vatican shelves assault probe into Canadian cardinal claims

Associated Press

ROME (AP) — The Vatican said Thursday that a preliminary church investigation into sexual assault allegations by a Canadian woman against a top cardinal, Marc Ouellet, has determined the case doesn't warrant further investigation.

Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni issued a statement responding to reports this week that Ouellet was one of several people named in a class-action lawsuit against the archdiocese of Quebec that accused several priests of sexual abuse or

Ouellet, 78, headed the Quebec archdiocese from 2002-2010, when he became the powerful prefect of the Vatican's bishops' office. In that job, he oversees all of the Catholic Church's investigations into allegations of sexual misconduct involving adults and bishops or cardinals.

confirmed allegations against Ouellet were received by the Vatican and investigated by a Jesuit theologian, the Rev. Jacques Servais. Servais determined there were no grounds to proceed further

with a canonical investigation or

trial. Bruni said.

Asked about the lawsuit, Servais said he came to that conclusion after having read the written allegations by the woman, identified as "F," and having interviewed her via Zoom with a member of a dioc-

esan committee present. "This person didn't bring forward an accusation that could provide material for an investigation," the Vatican's statement quoted Servais as saying.

As such, Pope Francis "declared that there are not sufficient elements to open a canonical investigation for sexual aggression."

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God has called them to do.

We work, and tithe, and sing the songs of Zion in praise to our God Who sent Jesus to save us and fit us for Heaven. But what if we were still learning to walk in the milk of the Word in this golden age? What if we didn't even know Who died in our place? This wouldn't be golden years, they would be tarnished and end in tragedy.

Heaven is only available to those who know Jesus as Saviour and believe in their heart that God has raised Him from the dead. Hell awaits those who don't. The difference between those who still crave the milk of the Word and those who desire strong meat of the Word is as different as night and day--or as different as a child and a mature adult.

Giving in to selfishness, bullying, and milksop attitudes won't cut it with God. Giving in to His loving ways, nourishing our fellowman, and giving attitudes makes all the difference in being able to discern between right and

wrong.

So grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Let Him lead you away from Satan's ways into His glorious Kingdom. Remember though, you are still a child in His eyes. He wants you to have joy unspeakable with abandonment in Him.

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Valdez, Alvarez lead Astros to 3-2 win over White Sox

By ANDREW SELIGMAN

AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — The Houston Astros got back in the win column after blowing late leads in consecutive losses — not exactly shocking considering they own the best record in the American League.

Framber Valdez threw solid seven innings, Yordan Alvarez drove in a run and scored one, and Houston beat the White Sox 3-2 on Wednesday night, ending Chicago's five-game winning streak.

The AL West-leading Astros hung on after squandering eighth-inning leads in the first two games of the series. The White Sox trail AL Central-leading Cleveland by two games.

"We got the victory," manager Dusty Baker said. "We stopped the losing streak."

The Astros can salvage a split in a series that started with two gut-wrenching losses. This one was hardly easy, but they did just enough.

Valdez (12-4) delivered his 20th consecutive quality start, matching a club record set by Mike Scott in his 1986 Cy Young Award season. The left-hander gave up two runs and seven hits, struck out six and walked three. He is 4-0 in six outings since losing to Oakland on July 9.

JUMPING AHEAD

Alvarez delivered a sacrifice fly in the first after Jose Altuve led off with a four-pitch walk and stole two bases. He singled and scored on Trey Mancini's sac fly in the fourth, and Chas McCormick added an RBI double in the inning against Michael Kopech (4-9) to put Houston on top 3-0.

The White Sox scored two in the bottom half on a RBI double by Yoán Moncada and double-play grounder by Josh Harrison with the bases loaded. But Adam Engel then struck out.

"I was able to slow down a bit, I was throwing a little bit too fast between pitches," Valdez said through a translator. "I was able to slow down, I was able to just focus and get that out."

Chicago had runners on first and second with one out in the eighth against Ryne Stanek. Moncada struck out and Yasmani Grandal fouled out to end the

threat

"We've been fighting," Kopech said. "That goes a long ways. What we did in the last five before tonight was impressive and staying in there with them tonight and keeping the game close I think we played hard. As long as we can keep doing that, I think we're in a good spot."

Ryan Pressly pitched the ninth for his 24th save in 28 chances.

The White Sox were hurt by three double plays. They were 1 for 8 with runners in scoring position and left seven on base.

Kopech was nowhere near as dominant after tossing six no-hit innings against Detroit last week. The right-hander went six innings in this one, allowing three runs and five hits. He struck out two after whiffing a career-high 11 in his previous start.

FAN ON FIELD

Play was stopped for a few minutes in the eighth when a boy got onto the center-field warning track. He pumped his fist as he was escorted down the left-field line and off the field.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: The Astros placed OF Aledmys Díaz (left groin discomfort) on the 10-day injured list. He was headed back to Houston, and Baker had no timeline on his return. "I'm just hoping we caught it before it became too serious because they can linger pretty badly," he said. The Astros recalled INF JJ Matijevic from Triple-A Sugar Land.

White Sox: CF Luis Robert (sprained left wrist) had an injection Tuesday,

and manager Tony La Russa insisted a stint on the IL is not in the works. "There's no reason for him to go," La Russa said. "It's just a question of when he can swing normally and not hold back. There's nothing damaged in there that we have to protect." Robert was out of the lineup for the fifth straight game, though he ran for Eloy Jiménez in the eighth. ... The White Sox placed INF/OF Leury Garcia (strained lower back) on the 10-day IL and recalled INF Romy González from Triple-A Charlotte. La Russa said he's "very optimistic" Garcia will be ready to return when he's eligible.

Murphy hits 2 HRs, Langeliers homers as A's roll past Texas

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Sean Murphy had his second two-homer game and rookie Shea Langeliers hit his first major league home run in his second game with Oakland, leading the Athletics to a 7-2 win over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

Murphy pulled a solo home run to left field in the first inning and launched an opposite-field, tworun shot into the home bullpen in right-center in the third inning.

Langeliers, from nearby Keller, Texas, homered on an 0-2 pitch to the opposite field into the same bullpen with one on during Oakland's four-run eighth inning.

The 24-year-old was called up Tuesday and doubled on the first pitch he saw.

"I was kind of just telling myself let the ball travel

and be smooth through the baseball and use the big part of the field," Langeliers said.

During batting practice, A's manager Mark Kotsay told Langeliers he'd pay him \$100 for a homer into that bullpen.

"I didn't think it was going to get out," Kotsay said. "I was actually yelling for it to get down. Thankfully it cleared the fence."

Murphy doubled in the eighth inning and scored, extending his hitting success at Globe Life Field. He has a .347 batting average with eight homers and 17 RBI in 18 games played at the ballpark. His

first multi-homer game came in his third career start, on Sept. 19, 2019, at Houston.

"No rhyme, no reason," Murphy said of his success at Globe Life Field. "You say that, and tomorrow I take an 0-for."

A's rookie righthander Adam Oller (2-5), from the

Houston area, allowed one run — his fewest in 10 starts — on five hits with four strikeouts and one walk.

Both of Murphy's home runs came off rookie left-hander Cole Ragans (0-2), who gave up three runs

on four hits and one walk in five innings while striking out three. It was Ragans' third big league start.

The A's, with the worst record in the American

League, have won two consecutive games following a nine-game losing streak.

Earlier in the day, Rangers president of baseball operations. Jon Daniels, who led the front office for

operations Jon Daniels, who led the front office for 17 years, was relieved of his duties, two days after the dismissal of manager Chris Woodward. Chris Young, the club's executive vice president and general manager, takes over all aspects of baseball operations.

"We came prepared to play a game tonight," interim manager Tony Beasley said. "We lost. We got beat. We're not going to blame it on anybody."

Adolis Garcia and Mark Mathias hit RBI doubles for Texas in the first and ninth innings. Mathias'

came in as a pinch-hitter in his debut with the Rangers. Garcia has a 14-game hitting streak.

The Rangers' Nathaniel Lowe had a 22-game onbase streak snapped.

DON'T LEAVE YET

The final out, Marcus Semien's groundout to shortstop, was challenged by Texas contending A's 1B David MacKinnon came off the bag. The call was quickly upheld.

ROSTER MOVES

The A's released veteran SS Elvis Andrus and recalled INF Sheldon Neuse, also from Keller, from Triple-A Las Vegas. Neuse went 1 for 3. ... The Rangers designated RHP Garrett Richards for assignment.

TRAINER'S ROOM

A's: RHP Brent Honeywell Jr. (elbow) has one more scheduled rehab outing with low Class A Stockton.

Rangers: RHP Joe Barlow (blister) was activated from the 15-day injured list after missing 31 games. Barlow pitched one scoreless inning, leaving the bases loaded. ... OF Kole Calhoun (heel irritation) began a rehab assignment with Triple-A Round Rock

Daniels out as Rangers president after 17 years leading club

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Baseball Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Jon Daniels was the general manager of the Texas Rangers for their only two World Series appearances more than a decade ago. His 17 years leading the club ended with a string of bad seasons.

Daniels was relieved of his duties as president of baseball operations Wednesday, when team owner Ray Davis informed him that his contract wouldn't be renewed at the end of this season. Davis said he had been contemplating the move for several months.

"Bottom line is we're not good, and we haven't been good for six years," Davis said. "To be competitive going forward, I felt that we needed to make a change."

The dismissal of Daniels came two days after manager Chris Woodward was fired in his fourth season. It also occurred less than nine months after the Rangers committed more than a half-billion dollars to free agent infielders Corey Seager and Marcus Semien, and starting pitcher Jon Gray.

Daniels was the youngest GM ever in the majors when he got the job with the Rangers at age 28 in October 2005. He added the title of president of baseball operations in 2013, and held both roles until Chris Young was brought in as the team's general manager in December 2020.

"Somewhere along the way, this

December 2020.

"Somewhere along the way this mance over the last six years, and ac-

baseball fan from Queens got an opportunity to help lead a Major League Baseball franchise in Texas," Daniels said in a statement released Wednesday night. "It's been an unbelievable experience."

Young now assumes oversight of all aspects of the team's baseball operations department. The former big league pitcher was a senior vice president for Major League Baseball before joining the Texas front office.

"I think Chris will come in with a new vigor and new enthusiasm and be able to build an organization that we can be consistent for many years," Davis said.

Young was expected to speak to reporters on Thursday, and then go with the team on its trip to Minnesota this weekend to talk with players.

The Rangers went to the World Series in 2010 and 2011, then won AL West titles again in 2015 and 2016. They have since slipped into a rebuilding phase and the longest streak of consecutive losing seasons since moving to Texas a half-century ago. After splitting their first two games

under interim manager Tony Beasley, they would have to win 29 of their last 46 games to avoid their sixth losing record in a row. Texas lost 102 games last year, after

going 22-38 during the shortened 2020 season.

Addressing Woodward's firing on Monday, Daniels said he took a lot of responsibility for the team's perfor-

knowledged that the Rangers haven't

been good enough in that span.

Davis described Daniels as being surprised by the decision when they met Wednesday. The owner then spoke with Young to inform him of what was happening.

While Davis had already made up his mind on the bigger changes, he kept those plans to himself when Daniels and Young approached him Monday about the managerial change. The owner said he agreed on firing Woodward since Young was part of that decision.

"So I separated the two, and did Woody then and Jon now," Davis

The 6-foot-10 Young is a Dallas native who played played baseball and basketball at Princeton. He pitched in 13 major league seasons with five teams. His big league debut was with the Rangers in 2004, and he won a World Series title with Kansas City in 2015.

Davis said he made the move now to

give Young a head start on the offseason. The owner said the Rangers need a couple of front-end starters and a middle-of-the-lineup bat to go with last winter's additions of Seager (\$325 million, 10 years), Semien (\$175 million, seven years) and Gray (\$56 mil-

lion, four years).
"I don't plan on spending as much
money as we did last offseason," Davis said. "But we plan on spending
some money."

In his statement Wednesday, Daniels said he and his family were "incredibly thankful" to many people. He thanked Rangers ownership, past and present, for his opportunity and the support given to do the job. He acknowledged everyone he worked with — players, coaches, scouts, trainers and staff members — since first joining the organization 20 years ago as a baseball operations assistant. He also had a message for fans while thanking them for their passion and support.



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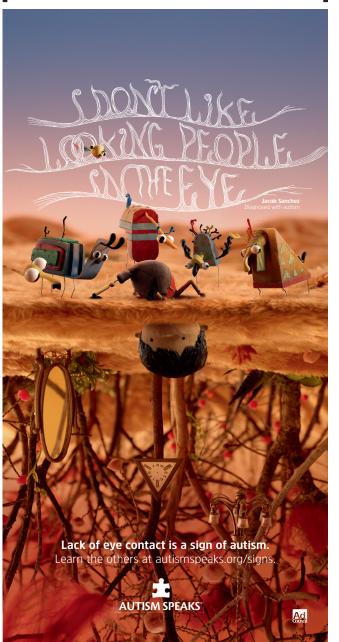
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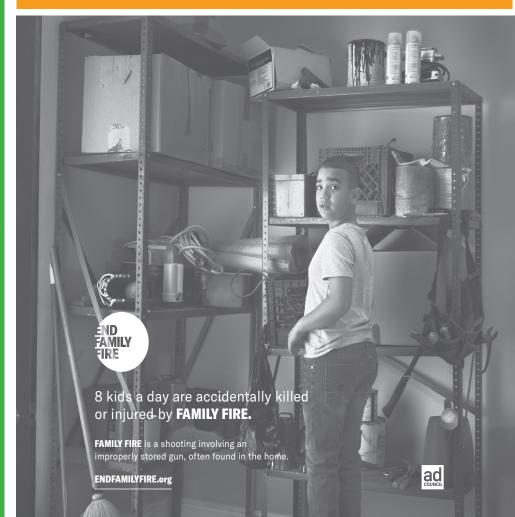
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By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

Partner bids One Heart, and the next player passes. What would you respond with each of the following four hands?

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1. Two notrump. This indicates a and of 13 to 15 high-card points with notrump distribution (4-3-3-3) or 4-4-3-2) and stoppers in the three unbid suits. The two-notrump response tells partner precisely the type of hand you have, usually putting him in an ideal position to choose the best final contract.

Some players might prefer to respond two clubs with this hand, but the fact remains that two notrump is more descriptive of the hand you actually have than the ambiguous two-club response. Simplest is best.

2. Two clubs. Here you can't bid two notrump, as you don't have a spade stopper. The best choice is to bide your time by bidding two clubs and await developments. Your side may very well wind up in three notrump, but partner will have to bid notrump or spades to get you there. 3. Two spades. The jump-shift

indicates 17 or more points and interest in slam. It is normally based on one of two types o hands: a hand containing a power ful suit, or a hand with excellen support for partner's suit. Players who respond one spade with thi type of hand often find that there no good way to tell partner later or about the strong possibility of slam. The winning approach in th long run is to send the slam mes sage right away. The jump-shift does not comm

your side to a slam. In the presen case, for example, if partner's response to two spades were two notrump, you would rebid your spades. If partner then bid three notrump, denying interest in a slam for the second time, you would do best to pass.

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August 19, "Old Ironsides" wins a battle

Today is Friday, Aug. 19, the 231st day of 2022. There are 134 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in **History:**

On Aug. 19, 1960, a tribunal in Moscow convicted American U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers of espionage. (Although sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment, Powers was returned to the United States in 1962 as part of a prisoner exchange.)

On this date:

In A.D. 14, Caesar Augustus, Rome's first emperor, died at age 76 after a reign lasting four decades; he was succeeded by his stepson Tiberius.

In 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat arrived in Albany, two days after leaving New York.

In 1812, the USS Constitution defeated the British frigate HMS Guerriere off Nova Scotia during the War of 1812, earning the nickname "Old Ironsides."

In 1814, during the War of 1812, British forces landed at Benedict, Maryland, with the objective of capturing Washington D.C.

In 1848, the New York Herald reported the discovery of gold in California.

In 1934, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler.

In 1942, during World War II, about 6,000 Canadian and British

soldiers launched a

disastrous raid against

France, suffering more than 50-percent casualties.

In 1955, torrential rains caused by Hurricane Diane resulted in severe flooding in the northeastern U.S., claiming some 200 lives. In 1980, 301 people

aboard a Saudi Arabi-

an L-1011 died as the jetliner made a fiery emergency return to the Riyadh airport. In 1987, a gun collector ran through Hungerford, England, 60 miles

west of London, killing

16 people, including his

mother, before turning

his gun on himself. In 2010, the last American combat brigade exited Iraq, seven years and five months after the U.S.-led invasion began.

In 2020, Kamala Harris accepted the Democratic nomination for vice president in a speech to the party's virtual convention, cementing her place in history as the first Black woman on a major party ticket. Apple became the first U.S. company to boast a market value of \$2 trillion, just two years after becoming the first U.S. company with a \$1 trillion market value.

Ten years ago: Missouri Congressman Todd Akin, the conservative Republican U.S. Senate candidate, said in an interview on KTVI-TV in St. Louis that it was "really rare" for women to become pregnant when they were raped. (Akin afterwards backed off his on-air comments, saying that he'd misspoken; Akin lost the November election to Democratic incumbent Claire McCaskill.) Tony Scott, 68, director of

such Hollywood hits as

of Thunder," died in Los Angeles after jumping from a suspension bridge.

Five years ago: Thou-

chanting anti-Nazi

sands of demonstrators

slogans and denouncing white nationalism upstaged a small group of conservatives in Boston who had gathered for a "free speech rally." In Dallas, police on horseback broke up a scuffle at a cemetery between people rallying against white supremacy and supporters of Confederate monuments. Duke University removed a statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee after it was vandalized. Comedian and activist Dick Gregory, who broke racial barriers in the 1960s and later spread messages of social justice and nutritional health, died in Washington, D.C., at

the age of 84.

One year ago: As the Taliban moved to consolidate their rule less than a week after seizing power in Afghanistan, they violently dispersed scattered protests for a second day. At Kabul's airport, military evacuation flights continued for Americans and others seeking to leave, but access to the airport remained difficult. A standoff in Texas over new voting restrictions that gridlocked the state Capitol for 38 consecutive days ended when some Democrats who fled to Washington dropped their holdout, paving the way for Republicans to resume pushing an elections overhaul. (The overhaul would win legislative approval on Aug. 31.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Debra Paget is 89. USTA Eastern Tennis Hall of Famer Renee Richards is 88.

Former MLB All-Star Bobby Richardson is 87. Actor Diana Muldaur is 84. Actor Jill St. John is 82. Singer Billy J. Kramer is 79. Country singer-songwriter Eddy Raven is 78. Rock singer Ian Gillan (Deep Purple) is 77. Former President Bill Clinton is 76. Actor Gerald McRaney is 75. Actor Jim Carter is 74. Pop singer-musician Elliot Lurie (Looking Glass) is 74. Rock musician John Deacon (Queen) is 71. Bluegrass musician Marc Pruett (Balsam Range) is 71. Actor-director Jonathan Frakes is 70. Political consultant Mary Matalin is 69. Actor Peter Gallagher is 67. Actor Adam Arkin is 66. Singer-songwriter Gary Chapman is 65. Actor Martin Donovan is 65. Pro Football Hall-of-Famer Anthony Munoz is 64. R&B singer Ivan Neville is 63. Actor Eric Lutes is 60. Actor John Stamos is 59. Actor Kyra Sedgwick is 57. Actor Kevin Dillon is 57. Country singer Lee Ann Womack is 56. TV reporter Tabitha Soren is 55. Country singer-songwriter Mark McGuinn is 54. Actor Matthew Perry is 53. Country singer Clay Walker is 53. Rapper Fat Joe is 52. Olympic gold medal tennis player Mary Joe Fernandez is 51. Actor Tracie Thoms is 47. Actor Callum Blue is 45. Country singer Rissi (REE'-see) Palmer is 41. Actor Erika Christensen is 40. Actor Melissa Fumero is 40. Pop singer Missy Higgins is 39.

Actor Peter Mooney is

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Lindsey Jacobellis (jay-

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Actor J. Evan Bonifant

is 37. Rapper Romeo is

33. Actor Ethan Cut-

kosky is 23.

medal snowboarder

Horoscopes By Holiday

FRIDAY August 19, 2022

Countdown to a **Mars Change**

In the realm of Taurus, Mars is a warrior for appetite, motivated by the senses, driven by quality, luxury and the smell of money. The warrior planet will soon have a change of culture. In Gemini, Mars takes on new drives. We may soon find ourselves prone to prioritize the conversation over the meal, the sport over the trophy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Bad habits ultimately deplete; good habits ultimately fortify. You might feel tired after you exercise, but in the long term it makes you stronger. A new pursuit will follow a similar rhythm with short-term pain and long-term gain.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It may feel important to declare your boundaries. Relationships are defined by actions, not words. When it's not going strictly by your rules, just remember that you can go by your own rules, and that's what matters.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). A calm mind makes you better at just about everything. getting to that calm mind is an essential discipline to learn and eventually master. You may even create a method of calming that's unique to you, yet helpful to many.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). For the most part, you're a lover, not a fighter. Still, some things are worth fighting for. Today it's enough just to notice what they are and experience the surge of feeling that comes with appreciating

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll employ your talent for sensing the motives of others. You'll counteract any force threatening your goals. It will be strategic to keep your plans secret. Relatedly, an effective use of silence will make a statement that words cannot

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your network keeps giving. You'll learn what you need to get to the next place then return with a long list of new questions to ask. The more you know, the more comfortable you get with the reality that you'll never know it all.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When something happens easily, it feels fated. In today's case something falls together and gets tied up in the bow of destiny. Note the difference between "easy" and "automatic," which is more an indicator of habit than fate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A flurry of new people and challenges comes with the chaos of a new venture. It will be invigorating to dance with the disorder instead of attempting to control it. Eventually things will order them-

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The dance of relationships is one of stepping back to get closer. Honor your need for space and become sensitized to the spatial needs of others. The oxygen in these spaces is what makes togetherness spark.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Today's project may not seem like a fertile ground for self-expression, but with your imagination it won't be too hard to find an approach that elevates. Somewhere inside every job is an opportunity to be fully yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Ask for what you need. In doing so you'll create the change that sets off a hundred other improvements. You may not have the support you want now, but it will come eventually. Meanwhile, be your own champion.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Remember the time when the unexpected change shook up your perspective and then something truly positive came out of it? That's great because it will happen again. When it goes a bit sideways, hang in there.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 19). A surge of power; with faith, courage and vision you'll harness the winds of fortune to do your bidding. You change or drop many old rules you had for yourself as love renders all micromanaging unnecessary. Other highlights include savvy investments, coveted keys and stellar invites to times you'll remember for years. Scorpio and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 10, 44, 28 and 14.

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- ingredient)
- **19** Something to step on
- 22 Vending machine
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- **3** Habitual doubter
- 4 Fried food at

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- Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com
- 8 Biblical dream
- 9 Plays without a break
- 10 Spam producer
- **15** Unenviable destiny
- 16 Roughneck
- 19 Alphabet
- component
- **20** Perspicacity
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- inventory
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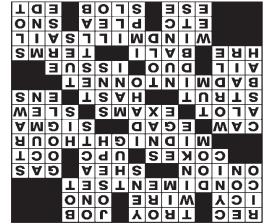
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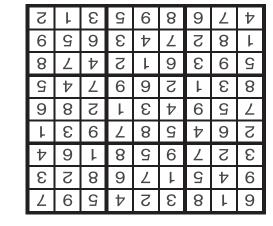
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- 59 Allocated time

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!

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PICK SIX: Freshmen with high expectations to watch in 2022

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AP Sports Writer

Travis Hunter was likely the most talked about recruit in the 2022 class, if not before signing day, certainly after he opted to play at Jackson State.

The two-way player from Suwanee, Georgia, became the first five-star recruit to sign with an FCS school since the ratings system was developed, and the first to sign with a program in the Historically Black College and Univer-

Before he has played an official game, he's already turning heads. Hunter caught two touchdown passes, including an 80-yarder, and had two interceptions during the Tigers' spring game, suggesting he's ready to live up to the While Hunter aims to follow in the footsteps of Jackson State coach Deion

Sanders, a pretty good two-way player in his day, he's far from the only bluechip talent that will draw a lot of attention trying to live up to expectations.

Here are just some of the freshmen facing high expectations to watch in 2022:

TRAVIS HUNTER, WR/CB, Jackson State

Generally regarded as the nation's top recruit, Hunter's flashy debut, albeit against his own team, has some looking into the HBCU history books.

Among the alums are former Tigers running back and NFL Hall of Famer Walter Payton, Hall of Fame wide receiver Jerry Rice of Mississippi Valley State and Super Bowl-winning quarterback Doug Williams, who played at

Hunter is not shying away from the expectations. "I want to get everything that's there for me. I want to accomplish everything

that everybody said I could. I want to be the best receiver. I want to be the best corner. Pretty much I want to take everything," he said at SWAC Media Day.

NICK SINGLETON, RB, Penn State

A five-star speedster and the Gatorade National Player of the Year for 2021 grew up a Penn State fan and could be the answer to a sluggish run game. It could help mightily that he enrolled early and took part in spring practice, too. Becoming a more complete player is a big part of his challenge.

"He's a very gifted runner," offensive coordinator Mike Yurcich said. "I think we have a really good backfield and Nick is a special talent. But he has still got to progress in protections and just the fundamental tailback plays."

WALTER NOLEN, DT, TEXAS A&M

At 6-foot-4 and 325 pounds, Nolen is one of three five-star defensive linemen to have signed with the Aggies, and was rated as high as the No. 2 prospect in the nation. Hailing from Powell, Tennessee, Nolen chose Texas A&M over four other Southeastern Conference schools, including the Vols, joining fellow linemen Shemar Stewart and Lebbeus Overton and five other five-stars in

DOMANI JACKSON JACKSON, CB, USC

Despite suffering a season-ending knee injury in the first game of his senior season, Jackson figures to battle for playing time in the Trojan's secondary. A five-star player rated among the best cornerbacks in the 2022 class, coach Lincoln Riley said he has performed well in practice, but was held out of a scrimmage.

CADE KLUBNIK, QB, CLEMSON

A Texas native rated among the top three quarterback prospects in 2022, Klubnik might not take the job away from DJ Uiagalelei right away, but any hint of struggle — Uiagalelei threw 10 interceptions and nine touchdown passes last season — could find the freshman warming up and ready to be thrown in the fire. At Westlake High School in Austin, he became the first quarterback to lead his team to back-to-back unbeaten seasons and state championships in Texas' highest classification since Kyler Murray.

EVAN STEWART, WR, TEXAS A&M

Another of the Aggies' five-star recruits, Stewart stole the show in the spring game with seven catches, then impressed coach Jimbo Fisher in the summer.

"Every day in the offseason program he was out front leading everybody running and doing things, and he's been very productive in all the practices and scrimmages," Fisher said. Stewart was the offensive MVP of the spring.

Howley, Klecko, Riley finalists for Pro Football HOF

By JOSH DUBOW

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Super Bowl MVP Chuck Howley and All-Pro defenders Joe Klecko and Ken Riley are finalists for the Pro Football Hall of Fame's class of 2023.

The defenders who starred in the 1960s, 70s and 80s were announced as the three senior candidates for next year's Hall of Fame class from a list of 12 semifinalists. They will get into the Hall if they are supported by at least 80% of voters next January.

Howley began his career with the Chicago Bears in 1958-59 and then played his final 13 seasons for the Dallas Cowboys with his biggest claim being the only player from a losing team ever picked as Super Bowl MVP.

Howley won MVP after intercepting two passes in Super Bowl V when Dallas lost to Baltimore 16-13. He ended up on the winning side the following season when he had an interception and fumble recovery in a 24-3 win over Miami. His three career interceptions are tied for the most in Super Bowl history with Rod Martin and Larry Brown.

Howley was a five-time All-Pro in his 15 seasons with 25 interceptions and 18 fumble recoveries in 180 games.

Klecko was a mainstay on the Jets famed "New

York Sack Exchange," earning Pro Bowl honors at nose tackle, defensive tackle and defensive end in a 12-year career that ended with one season on the Indianapolis Colts.

Klecko was an All-Pro twice, including in 1981 when he unofficially led the NFL with 20 1/2 sacks and finished second to Lawrence Taylor in the Defensive Player of the Year voting. Sacks didn't become an official stat until the following season.

"You made my day; that's for sure," the 68-yearold Klecko said Tuesday after being given the news in a congratulatory phone call from Hall of Fame President Jim Porter.

"I've had too many of them 'no' phone calls, and to get this one with a 'yes' is just absolutely exciting. ... It's a great time in the Klecko house."

Riley played his entire 15-year career from 1969-83 at cornerback for the Cincinnati Bengals. A quarterback in college at Florida A&M, Riley excelled in the pros after the position switch.

He had four interceptions as a rookie, a careerhigh nine in 1976 and eight in his final season when he earned his only first-team All-Pro selection.

Riley's 65 career interceptions rank fifth highest in NFL history and second to Dick "Night Train" Lane's 68 for players who were exclusively cornerbacks. His nine seasons with at least four intercep-

tions are tied for the second most in the Super Bowl

Riley died at age 72 in 2020.

The other nine players discussed on Tuesday were Ken Anderson, Maxie Baughan, Randy Gradishar, Cecil Isbell, Bob Kuechenberg, Eddie Meador, Tommy Nobis, Sterling Sharpe and Everson Walls. Gradishar, Kuechenberg and Sharpe advanced through an initial cutdown vote from 12 candidates to six before the final vote was taken.

The Hall's Board of Trustees approved a change earlier this year to enlarge the number of finalists in the Seniors category from one to three in each of the next three Hall of Fame classes.

A committee will meet next week to determine the coach or contributor to become a finalist out of a pool that features Roone Arledge, Don Coryell, Mike Holmgren, Frank Kilroy, Robert Kraft, Art Modell, Buddy Parker, Dan Reeves, Art Rooney Jr., Mike Shanahan, Clark Shaughnessy and John

The selection committee could also vote in up to five modern era candidates from a pool still to be

The Class of 2023 will be formally enshrined next summer in Canton, Ohio.

AP source: Browns QB Watson settles for 11-game suspension

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Deshaun Watson has reached a settlement with the NFL and will serve an 11-game suspension and pay a \$5 million fine rather than risk missing his first season as quarterback of the Cleveland Browns, a person familiar with the situation told The Associ-

Watson was accused of sexual misconduct by two dozen women while he played for the Houston Texans. The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity Thursday in disclosing the settlement between Watson and the league, which had sought to ban him for at least one year for violating its personal conduct policy, because the agreement had not been announcement.

The settlement ends months of posturing between Watson's legal team, the NFL and NFL Players Associa-

As part of the settlement, Watson may return for the Browns' game on Dec. 4 in Houston.

On Aug. 1, the three-time Pro Bowler was suspended six games by Sue L. Robinson, a former federal judge jointly appointed by the league and union to act as an independent disciplinary officer.

son violated the league's personal conduct policy after reviewing an investigation into his actions and called his behavior "egregious" and "preda-

Robinson found the 26-year-old Wat-

light, the league appealed and pushed

Watson's case back to Goodell, who had handled all player discipline in the past. The league previously pushed for an indefinite suspension

Believing the suspension was too

and hefty fine. Goodell appointed former New Jer-

sey Attorney General Peter C. Harvey

to hear the appeal. Harvey is an attorney who was previously involved in the NFL's decision to suspend Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott for six games during the 2017 season for domestic violence allegations.

Per the 2020 collective bargaining agreement, Harvey's decision would have constituted "full, final and complete disposition of the dispute."

At the owners' meetings this month, Goodell said the league's pursuit of a yearlong ban was warranted following its investigation and Robinson's findings.

"She reinforced the evidence," Goodell said. "There were multiple violations that were egregious, and it was predatory behavior."

In her conclusion, Robinson cited Watson's lack of remorse as a factor in her decision. Watson apologized for the first time "to all the women that I have impacted" before making his Browns' debut in an exhibition in Jacksonville.

Watson was accused of being sexually inappropriate with the women during massage therapy sessions from March 2020 to March 2021 in Texas. In civil lawsuits filed in Texas, the women accused Watson of exposing himself, touching them with his penis or kissing them against their will. One woman alleged Watson forced her to perform oral sex. Two separate grand juries in Texas

declined to indict Watson, who has denied any wrongdoing. He recently settled 23 of 24 lawsuits. For now, the suspension ends

months of speculation about whether Watson would play in 2022 for the Browns, who outbid several other teams, traded three first-round draft picks to the Texans in March and signed the QB to a five-year, \$230 million contract.

Watson's case sparked strong opinions while raising questions about

the league's handling of player discipline and its spotty record of supporting women.

The Browns believe Watson could make them a Super Bowl contender. Without him, they could struggle to simply contend in the AFC North against defending conference champion Cincinnati along with Baltimore and Pittsburgh.

The suspension also means Watson will be idle longer. One of pro football's elite QBs, he sat out last season in Houston after demanding a trade and before the sexual allegations sur-

In her 16-page ruling, Robinson found that the league proved its case that Watson violated three provisions of the conduct policy: sexual assault

as defined by the league, posing a genuine danger to the safety and wellbeing of another and undermining or

putting the league's integrity at risk. Robinson also pointed out flaws in the league's conduct policy, saying it was unfair to "identify conduct as prohibited only after the conduct has been committed, just as it is inherently unjust to change the penalties for

such conduct after the fact." Her punishment was criticized by several organizations, including The National Organization for Women, which called it "unacceptable, insulting and dangerous — but not surprising. The NFL and the multibilliondollar sports industry have a vested interest in enabling sexual misconduct, assault and violence."

