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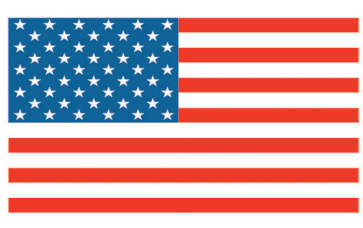
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Howard College Trustees hear a positive audit report Monday

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

During the meeting Monday, the Howard County Junior College District's Board of Trustees heard a presentation of an audit of the district's finances.

In presenting the audit, CPA Jan Thomas of Colorado's Logan, Thomas and Johnson LLC, had good news for the trustees.

"The audit report is an unmodified opinion, which, in old language, is a clean opinion," Thomas said. "We didn't find anything materially misstated during our audit."

According to the report, the Junior College District ended Fiscal Year 2020 with a net position of \$29.5 million,

compared to \$24.4 million at the end of Fiscal Year 2019, representing an increase of \$5.1 million. 2019's net position was down \$395,000 from 2018.

According to the report, the district's unrestricted net position – funds available for spending at the district's discretion – was down \$8.5 million in 2020, and down \$12.2 million in 2019. The deficit was due to the college's pension plan and "other post-employment benefits plan" (OPEB), a liability of \$29.9 million in FY 2020.

According to the audit report, "The college district's unrestricted net position, excluding the benefit plan liabilities, would have been \$21.3 million...as of August 31, 2020...representing an increase of \$5.9 million from FY 2019."

"We had a great audit, and again, I

want to give credit to (Howard's Chief Financial Officer) Brenda Claxton and her team," said Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks. "We have several individuals who are part of the audit process. They work on it all year long. Every day, they're trying to get it right. The reason that it's an important goal is, obviously, there are accounting principals that our individuals are supposed to follow, relative to what's expected of higher-ed institutions. When our auditors are able to discern that we're following all the rules, everything is in order, then it helps you know that we're taking care of the money that has been given to us in appropriate ways."

In other business, Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks announced that the college has been named the one of the most military-friendly small community colleges in the nation. The school was ranked No. 5 nationally in

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Upcoming Events

Health Info Expo
 Downtown
 April 24
 More details to come

Good Friday
 April 2

Easter
 April 4

Trash Off
 April 10
 9 a.m. - Noon
 Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

Don't miss out on the Progress 2021 Edition
 March 31

Share information for local support groups with us so we can better inform the community about services available.

Toasty Tuesday rolling right along - Keep Big Spring Beautiful calling for volunteers to join in



Courtesy photo
 Toasty Tuesday is focusing on the area near the Big Spring Junior High and YMCA this week. Keep Big Spring Beautiful will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. on the east side of the BSJH and will pick up for about an hour. Last week 13 people helped pick up 18 bags of trash in the Comanche Trail Park, around the Kid Zone and Baseball field area. The community is encouraged to come out and join the clean up efforts. Trash bags are provided for those wishing to help pick up in the area.

Coahoma Elementary School Principal Alvarez, Assistant Principal McJimsey receive regional honors

Special to the Herald

Coahoma ISD is proud to announce that Coahoma Elementary School (CES) Principal Alison Alvarez and Assistant Principal Brynn McJimsey were recently recognized by the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (TESPA) for their outstanding leadership and commitment to student learning.

"This is a well-deserved honor for these two fine educators," said CISD Superintendent Brad Cox. "CISD is fortunate to have Alison and Brynn on our administrative team to help us navigate through so much uncertainty this year to help create a safe and nurturing educational environment for our students."

Alvarez, who has served as the CES principal for the past six years, was one of 20 school leaders named TESPANs of the Year.

"I am incredibly thankful to work for Coahoma ISD," Alvarez said. "We have a great board, superintendent,



Courtesy photos

Alvarez and McJimsey were recent recipients of regional honors for their outstanding commitment to student learning.

staff, parents and most importantly, amazing students."

Before joining the CISD administrative staff, Alvarez was the assistant principal and a seventh grade teacher at Colorado Middle School in Colorado City.

A Colorado High School graduate, Al-

varez began her 17-year career in education at Colorado Middle School as an eighth grade language arts teacher. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in 2003 from Angelo State University and her Master of Education degree in 2010 from Abilene Christian University. She has received her principal and superintendent certifications and is also certified to teach pre-kindergarten through fourth grade general education and fourth through sixth grade language arts and social studies.

McJimsey is the Region 18 TESPAN Assistant Principal of the Year, a peer-based award recognizing administrative leaders for their commitment to student learning and exceptional school leadership.

"This recognition is an honor, especially during such a challenging and unpredictable school year," McJimsey said. "I am blessed to be able to work with great teachers, parents,

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Obituaries

Boyd Richard "Dick"
Carson, Jr.

Boyd Richard "Dick" Carson, Jr., 85, of Big Spring, Texas, passed away on Saturday, March 27, 2021 at Midland Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Thursday, April 1, 2021, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Wade Cobb officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. He will lie in state from 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 20, 1936, in Seville, Ohio to Boyd Richard Carson, Sr. and Iona Mae Norton Carson, and grew up in Strasburg, Ohio. He joined the Air Force shortly after he graduated from Strasburg High School in 1954. Dick was a Vietnam Veteran and served with distinction for over 22 years.

Dick met Marilyn Gerene Anderson while stationed at Webb Air Force Base and married her on March 15, 1958, in Big Spring and lived all over the world, including France, Spain, and Colorado, be-

Dolores Wolf

Dolores Wolf passed away peacefully in Dallas, Texas, on March 2, 2021. She was 88 years old. Dolores was born in Bangs, Texas to T.A. Watts and Ruby Watts on July 16, 1932. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 51 years, Vernon Wolf, in 2009.

Family was paramount to Dolores. She is survived by two daughters, Rhesa Lang of Harper and Roxie Shorter of Dallas; and one son, Troyce Wolf of Dallas. She is also survived by her seven wonderful grandchildren.

Dolores graduated in 1954 from Abilene Christian University with a Bachelor of Science degree and then obtained her Master's degree from Hardin-Simmons University. She loved teaching and taught school for over 20 years with the Borden County I.S.D. in

fore returning to Big Spring in 1976. After retiring from the Air Force in 1977, Dick began working for the City of Big Spring as the Director of Housing until his retirement in 1997. He and Gerene spent retirement enjoying the company of their children and grandchildren until Gerene's death in 2010. He spent the rest of his days mourning the greatest love of his life and will certainly welcome her embrace again.

Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Douglas and Katricia Carson of Big Spring; his daughter, Kelly Ralston of Big Spring; his son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Georgina Carson of Mansfield; his son Jimmy Carson of Big Spring; his brother-in-law, Gary Lee Anderson and Gary's wife, Dee Anderson of San Antonio; his sister-in-law Karen Carson of Monument, Colorado; his sister-in-law and her husband Shirley and David Gettys of Mansfield; his eighteen grandchildren and thirty-one great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Marilyn Gerene Carson; his brother, Donald Edward Carson; his sister, Edith Eleanor Thomas; and his son-in-law, Tommy Ralston. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

Charles "Bud" Wright



Charles "Bud" Wright, 83, of Big Spring, Texas passed away Thursday March 25, 2021.

Viewing and Visitation will be from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and the family will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday April 1, 2021. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. on Friday April 2, 2021 at the Coahoma Church of Christ 311 N, 2nd St, Coahoma.

Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 89 inmates at the time of this report.

• **SAUL ACERO**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault date/family/house with weapon.

• **VINCENT ALVARADO**, 40, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of no drivers license when unlicensed; failure to appear; theft mail less than or equal to 10 addresses; assault causes bodily injury family, burglar of building, burglary of vehicles, criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750 (x2).

• **WILLIAM BEAN**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **MANUEL CHAVARRIA**, 38, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of theft of service between \$750 and \$2,500.

• **RACHEL DIENDA**, 51, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated second offense.

• **WILLIE DIXON JR.**, 61, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated second offense.

• **CARL EDWARD DUHAMEL**, 43, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of injury child/elderly/disabled; continuous violence against.

• **BRANDY RENEE GREGORY**, 40, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **BOBBY JOE HUTCHESON**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **LINDA LEOS MARQUEZ**, 60, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **MICHAEL JOSEPH MCNEW**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of fail to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid (DWLI), violate promise to appear, theft of property between \$100 and \$750, driving while license invalid, fail to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear, aggravated assault/date/family/house with weapon.

• **KENNETH SHEA MIDDLETON**, 46, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated second offense and possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **JOSHUA PENDLETON**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams.

• **ERIK PAUL WAYNE QUALLS**, 55, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal trespass habitation/shelter.

• **KADEN KEITH SEALES**, 18, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JACKIE LYNN STEEN**, 48, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of abandon endanger child.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Jefferson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block S. Runnels. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of S. Gregg Street. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Fairchild. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **SAUL RUBALCAVA ACERO**, 50, of 1603 Cardinal Street, was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault date/family/house with weapon.

• **JACKIE LYNN STEEN**, 48, of 1002 N. Main Street, was arrested on a charge of warrant from other agency.

• **MICHAEL JOSEPH MCNEW**, 30, of 1523 E. 17th, was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault date/family/house with weapon, warrant from other agency (x7).

• **KADEN SMITH SEALES**, 18, of 908 Culp Ave, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **KENNETH SHEA MIDDLETON**, 46, of 427 Logan Ranch Road, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated second offense, possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **WILLIE DIXON**, 61, of 2448 Dallas Street in San Angelo, was arrested on a charge of warrant from other agency.

• **JOHNSUA JOHENRY PENDLETON**, 37, of 105 Eckert Road, on a charge of possession of controlled substance between one gram and four grams.

• **BOBBY JOE HUTCHESON**, 38, of 417 Westover Road, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **VICENTE INFRAIN ALVARADO**, 40, of 1605 Cardinal Street, was arrested on a charge of burglary of building, burglary of vehicles, criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750 (x2), theft mail less than or equal to 10 addresses, assault causes bodily injury family member, fail to appear, and no drivers license when unlicensed.

• **ERIK PAYWAYNE QUALLS**, 55, of 4201 W Hwy 80, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass - habitation/shelter.

• **WILLIAM OSIER BEAN**, 41, of 203 Jefferson Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **LINDA LEOS MARQUEZ**, 60, of 905 Sgt. Paredes Street, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **BRANDY RENEE GREGORY**, 40, of 1104 1/2 E.

11th Place, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 1905 Donley Street.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of E. 11th Place.

• **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 1100 block of E. 11th Place.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 300 block of NE 12th Street.

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the area of 3rd and Birdwell; area of 4th and Gregg.

• **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80; 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

• **UNWANTED SUBJECT** was reported in the 1800 block of Eubanks Road; 3300 block of W. Hwy 80; 1200 block of E. 3rd Street.

• **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 2700 block of Ann Drive.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of Caylor Drive.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of Mesa Avenue.

• **AMBULANCE** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87.

• **BUILDING CHECK** was reported at the Roy Anderson Complex; St. Paul Lutheran Church.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 600 block of W. 18th Street; 2800 block of S. Goliad Street.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the area of Clanton/Mischler.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1200 block of S. Birdwell Lane.

• **DRAG RACING/WRECKLESS DRIVING** was reported in the area of MM 203 Westbound.

• **TRAFFIC STOP** was reported in the 1700 block of Wasson Road; 300 block of W. 6th; near exit 188 SSR.

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Take Note

• **Birdwell Lane Closure:** On Monday, March 29, 2021, beginning at 8 a.m., crews will be working in the roadway requiring that both southbound lanes of Birdwell Lane be closed to thru traffic. Travel will be detoured at West 15th Street to Virginia Road for drivers needing to access FM 700. We apologize for any inconvenience and ask for your patience while work is completed. Please direct any questions or concerns to the office of Shane Bowles, Public Works Director, at 432-264-2501.

• **Forsan Elementary Pre-K and Kindergarten registration** will be taking place March 29 through April 1 from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. There will be evening registration at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thurs-

day. Registration can be done at 500 West Main in Forsan, Texas. Please bring certified birth certificate, social security card, immunization record, proof of residency, parent's driver's license, proof of income for pre-k registration. Students must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2021 for Pre-K and 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 for Kindergarten. For more information call 432-457-0091 ext. 203 or email abuske@forsan.esc18.net.

• The deadline is drawing near for the PBU-WCD Scholarship Essays. The deadline for those students wanting an opportunity to earn a \$2,000 scholarship must have essays submitted by March 30. For more information, call 432-756-2136 or e-mail education@pbuwcd.com or visit the website at www.pbuwcd.com.

• American Legion Post 506 is hosting a Fish Fry on Saturday, March 20. Delivery will be available from 11-1 p.m. and serving will take place between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Plates are available for pick up and carry out at 3203 W. Hwy 80. For more information call 432-263-2084.

• 2021 Permian Basin Cotton Conference is set for March 30 at the Martin Community Center, located at 301 N. St. Peter Street in Stanton. The conference will take place from 7:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

and count for three CEUs. Registration can take place at the door or in advance. Masks and social distancing will be required. For more information contact the Howard County Extension office at 432-264-2236.

• **Cornhole Tournament** benefitting the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) will be taking place at Star Doge on March 27. Registration is from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Food vendors will be on site.

• **Back in Motion and West Texas Injury Prevention** is hosting a St. Patrick Day Wounded Warrior fundraiser on March 17. There will be brisket plates for sale between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The meals will be served at 1113 S. Scurry Street.

• **AARP Foundation Tax-Aide** will offer free income tax preparation every Monday through Monday, April 5, 2021, from 8 a.m. until Noon at the Big Spring Senior Citizen's Center. The Senior Center is located at 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring, Texas. The service is available to all taxpayers with moderate to low income. Covid protocols will be observed: masks required, appointments required and no children allowed. Taxpayers need to bring: a photo ID, social security card for every person on tax return; last year's tax return and W-2s and all other proof of income received in 2020. Free electronic e-filing will be available for faster refunds.

Weather



Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85. South wind 15 to 20 mph becoming northwest in the afternoon.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 42. Northeast wind 15 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 64. Northeast wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 67.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 67.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 49.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 52.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 78.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

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the category.

"It's based on different kinds of metrics, what we're doing for our veterans as far as any kinds of special services," Sparks said. "We strive, of course, for all of our students. We want them to have a great experience and we want to be a friendly place. For our veterans, we certainly make an extra effort to do that, because we appreciate their service and we want them to be on the path to the next stage of life."

Sparks reported some possible good news on the COVID-19 situation at the district's colleges.

"We are not seeing the numbers...at the start of the week, generally, is when may see, over the weekend, we may see an increase," she said. "We're very, very pleased that we're not seeing that. Now, we're watching to see..."

CISD

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administration and students at Coahoma Elementary everyday."

Before joining the CES administrative staff in 2019, McJimsey served as the dyslexia teacher and dyslexia coordinator for Coahoma ISD. She is a graduate of Westbrook High School and began her career in education 15 years ago as a kindergarten teacher for Colorado ISD.

She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in interdisciplinary child development and learning and her master's degree as a reading specialist from Angelo State University in 2006 and 2009 respectively. She received her administration certification from Lamar University in 2014 and is certified to teach early childhood pre-kindergarten through fourth grade. She holds a certification as a reading specialist for grades kindergarten through twelfth.

Later this year, TESPA will announce the 2021 National Assistant Principal of the Year for Texas as who will be chosen from among the 20 regional honorees. TESPA is a member owned and governed organization with more than 5,900 members who direct the activities of more than 3 million pre-kindergarten through eighth grade children.

we're about a week after Spring Break. We'd generally start seeing a spike about two weeks after something like that. But we're hopeful that we're going to continue seeing this tight increase that's not much at all."

The District's Special Projects Officer Terry Hansen reported that roofing projects at the district's Big Spring campus and SouthWest College for the Deaf are underway, and that work has recently shifted from a focus at SWCD to Big Spring's Howard campus.

The District's Chief Operations Officer Fabian Serrano reported that a boiler replacement project at the Big Spring campus is complete, and that a replacement of the campus' chiller is nearing completion.

The next meeting of the Howard County Junior College District board will be April 26 at 12:30 p.m.

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Charles "Bud" Wright, 83, died Wednesday. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Thursday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM with family receiving friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Funeral service will be Friday at Coahoma Church of Christ at 2:00 PM. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

James Ray Person, 66, died Thursday. Graveside service will be Friday at Trinity Memorial Park on at 10:00 AM.

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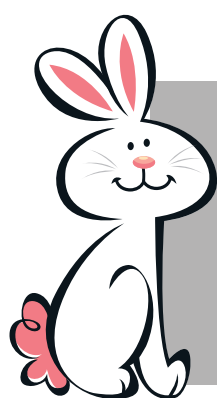
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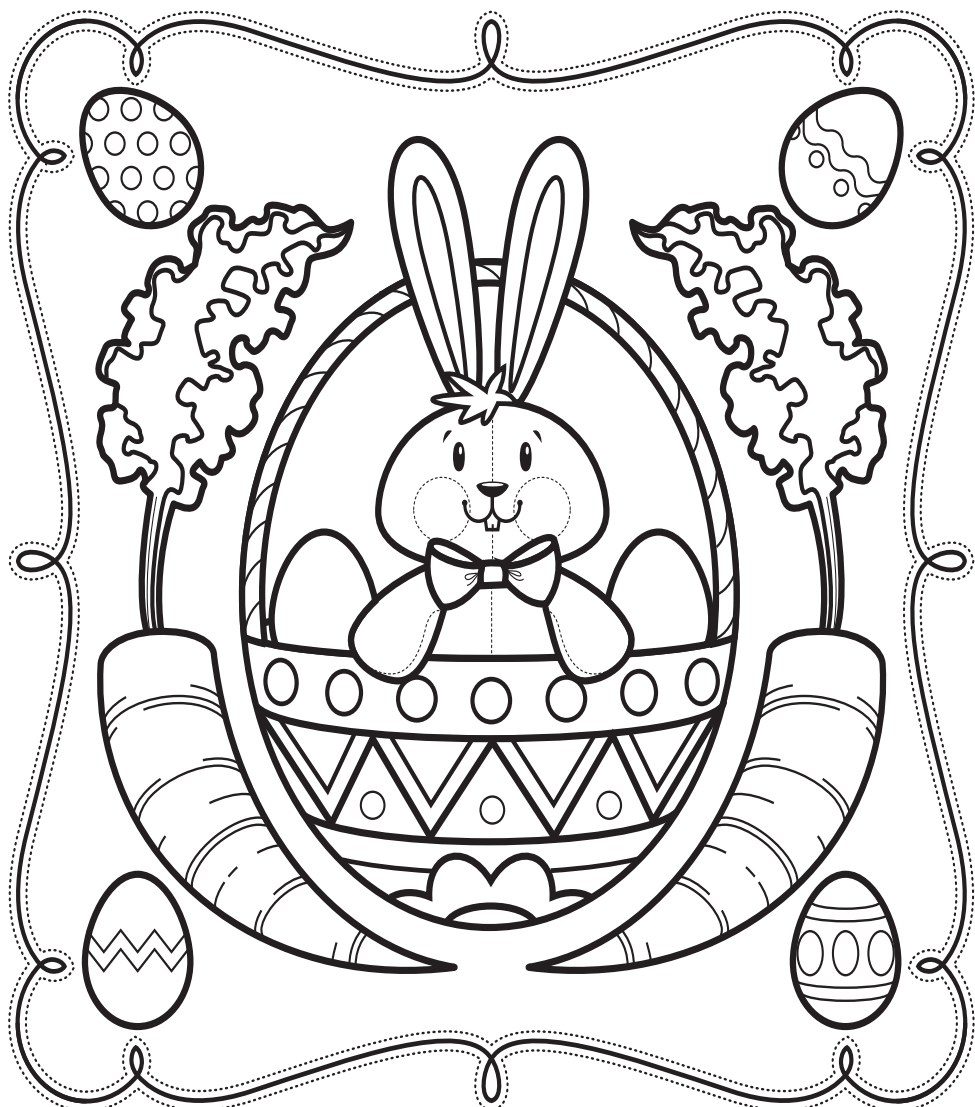
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Fox, Holmes lead Kings by Spurs for 5th straight victory

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — De'Aaron Fox scored 24 points, Richaun Holmes had 23 points and 12 rebounds, and the Sacramento Kings beat the San Antonio Spurs 132-115 on Tuesday night for their fifth straight victory.

Sacramento remains 11th in the Western Conference but is just outside the final play-in spot.

"The goal through this season has been to make the playoffs," Holmes said. "That's what we're focused on. Right now, just focused on getting better every day, taking one game at a time and just worrying about how we can continue to make ourselves better on both sides of the floor and let the rest take care of itself."

Buddy Hield added 20 points for Sacramento, which has won seven of eight. The Kings starters combined to score 96 points, with each scoring at least 14 points and playing 30-plus minutes.

San Antonio point guard Dejounte Murray scored 23 points, but only had two points in the second half on four attempts. Derrick White added 19 points. The Spurs are 1-4 to open a nine-game homestand, which concludes Monday against the Cleveland Cavaliers, and have lost five of six.

The teams play again Wednesday in the finale of a two-game set in San Antonio.

"If a team shoots 50% in the NBA, you're probably in a little bit of trouble," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "So, you can't exacerbate that situation by giving up 23 points on turnovers, 20 points in transition. On Wednesday, our transition defense has to be better. We have got to handle the ball better."

The Kings are averaging 120 points during their winning streak, outscoring their opponents by 11 points per game.

Sacramento extended the streak while working in recently acquired Terrence Davis, Maurice Harkless, Delon Wright and Chris Silva. They were acquired March 25 in three separate deals with Toronto, Detroit and Miami.

"It's been amazing," Holmes said. "We've got a lot of good pieces that came in and we're ready to work. They've given us unbelievable toughness."

The quartet combined for 31 points on 10-for-18 shooting, with Davis scoring 14 and Harkless adding 13 in helping the Kings overcome a sluggish start.

San Antonio center Jakob Poeltl had 11 of his 17 points in the first quarter, scoring on a layup, a pair of tip-ins and a dunk against the smaller Sacramento lineup.

The Kings flipped the advantage, using their quickness and 3-point shooting to outscore the Spurs 41-29 in the second quarter and stretched their lead to 19 points in the third.

"We fought back against a team that's a tough team with veteran players and obviously the job that Pop does," Sacramento coach Luke Walton said. "We responded every time. One time it was the first group, another it was the second. The passion and the joy that the team had out there tonight is something we have to continue to strive to play with and play for each other."

Sacramento finished 18 for 36 on 3-pointers with Hield shooting 5 for 9.

The Spurs have fallen behind by double digits in four of their five games during this homestand.

Forsan Buffaloes JV face off against Stanton Buffaloes *Forsan falls 8-10 at end of game*



HERALD photos/Amanda Duforat

The Forsan Buffaloes JV Team faced off against Stanton on Monday afternoon, with the first pitch thrown at 4:30 p.m. The first half of the game had Forsan stumbling to catch their flow, but the moment the team connected the battle was on against the Buffaloes. In a hard fought battle, the young Forsan team stayed in the game despite the tough competition. The high team didn't help the Forsan Buffaloes as they struggled to catch up. After bringing the score up, in the end Forsan just wasn't able to get any more guys across the homeplate and Stanton took the win.



Athletic Support: "Overachieving daughter stinks at sports"

Dear Athletic Support: Throughout her youth, my daughter has always been an overachiever. She's done great in school. She's starred in local plays. She's even won statewide competitions. Recently, though, she's wanted to get involved in athletics. There's just one problem. She's not super athletic. So it's hard for her to excel in sports the way she has in other things. I think sports are good for her, but I'm afraid she's getting discouraged. Is there any way I can help her stay motivated without getting down?

—Overachiever



Eli Cranor

Dear Overachiever: Even if your daughter isn't the best at sports, the experience will be good for her.

No one can be the best at everything. That's a valuable lesson. The sooner your daughter can learn it, the better.

It's human nature to only enjoy things we're good at. But the truth of the matter is that the most important things take time to learn how to do well.

When I was growing up, my situation was the exact opposite as your daughter's. Sports came natural to me. But one day I found an old guitar in my grandpa's attic. I wanted to learn how to play it. Little did I know, learning to play a musical instrument would not come easy.

It took years before I could play well enough other people actually wanted to listen to me (some might say I'm still not there). But the lesson I learned from practicing guitar was invaluable. I learned how to stick with something even if it didn't come easy.

Also, no matter how good a child is at sports when he is young, there will come a time when the playing field levels out. What I'm saying is that an athlete might be the best in his youth league, but if he wants to continue playing then eventually he's going to have to learn how to work hard and practice in order to get the results he's after.

It's the same for academics, band, etc. Just because your daughter excels at those things now doesn't mean that one day she'll not be in a setting where all the other students are just as talented. What will set her apart, though, will be her work ethic. Her ability to practice hard and improve.

If for no other reason, this is why your daughter should keep playing sports. Even if she's not that good, she's learning a valuable lesson in perseverance. And I can promise you that lesson will pay dividends down the road.

Dear Athletic Support: My son never wants to practice baseball over Spring Break. We don't have any big trips planned. He's just hanging around the house, but I still can't get him to go out and practice his pitching with me. Is he just being lazy? Or am I being too hardcore?

—Hardcore Dad

Dear Hardcore: It's true that your son could keep his skills fresh by practicing over Spring Break, but if he doesn't have the motivation to put in the extra work, then there's little you can do to convince him otherwise.

Just try not to throw this back in his face if he finds himself stuck in the dugout once the season begins.

Eli Cranor is a former professional quarterback and coach "award-winning" author. Send questions for "Athletic Support" to eli.cranor@gmail.com

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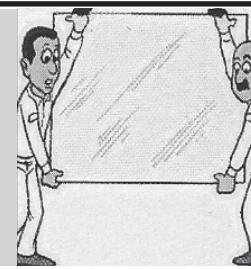
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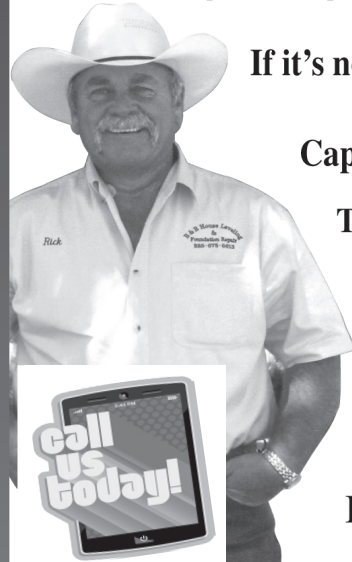
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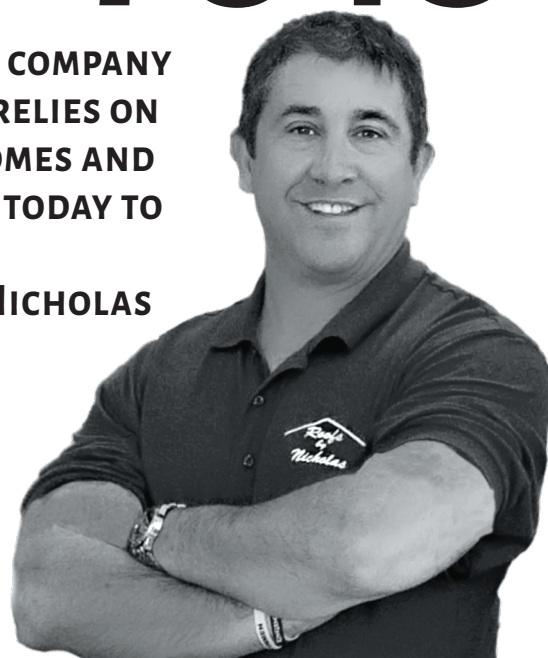
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By Steve Becker

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NORTH			
♠	J 2		
♥	A 8 4 3		
♦	Q 7 5		
♣	A K 10 4		
WEST		EAST	
♠	Q 9 8 4 3	♠	A K 7
♥	2	♥	K Q 5
♦	10 8 4 2	♦	J 9 6
♣	9 7 6	♣	J 8 3
SOUTH			
♠	10 6 5		
♥	J 10 9 7 6		
♦	A K 3		
♣	5 2		

The bidding:

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

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If you examine all four hands, you might well conclude that declarer must go down one at four hearts after West leads a spade and East plays the K-A and a third round of the suit, forcing dummy to ruff West's queen. But when the deal occurred, South wound up making the contract. He began by assuming that East had 15 to 18 points for his notrump over-

call and therefore had to have the K-Q of hearts.
South furthermore realized that his best chance to make the contract lay in trying to execute an endplay against East, rather than in playing the A-x of trump in the hope that East had started with the K-Q doubleton. Accordingly, he played the A-K of clubs and ruffed a club, then cashed the A-K-Q of diamonds and ruffed another club.
By this time, everyone was down to three cards, with dummy holding the A-8-4 of trump, East the K-Q-5, and South the J-10-9. Declarer then led the jack and played low from dummy, and East's two apparent trump tricks suddenly dwindled to one.
It is true that against certain other distributions of the opposing cards, declarer's plan would have failed. But it is also true that, in such case, no other plan would have succeeded. South's method of play thus was well-devised to make the contract if it could be made.
Ordinarily, point count is useful only during the bidding, but there are times when it is also useful during the play. This was one of those occasions — as South so ably demonstrated.

Tomorrow: Sylvia misapplies a rule.
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SUDOKU

1			9	5				
4	3		2		8			7
	6				7			2
8		6		5			7	1
3				9				6
7		2				4	3	
			4					
2					6	9	5	4
6	4			7				2

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8	1	4	2	9	7	6	3	5
7	5	2	6	8	1	4	3	9
3	1	4	7	9	2	5	8	6
8	9	6	3	5	4	2	7	1
9	6	8	1	4	7	3	2	5
4	3	5	2	6	8	1	9	7
1	2	7	9	3	5	6	4	8

ANSWER:

The Venus/Saturn Conversation

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Making an entrance isn't like it used to be when people were entering and exiting rooms a lot more often, but you'll find a way to create impact upon arrival even when said arrival isn't physical.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You won't have to make room for more love in your life. This happens naturally when you love. Everything adjusts to allow for the flow, and strangely, all seems more spacious than it did before.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Put health and well-being first. Anything you do to promote physical vitality makes life better on all the other levels. It does take time, money and effort, but you'll get all of that zestfully back and then some.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be putting a kind of puzzle together, looking at how different pieces can be combined to create one big picture. With many puzzles, there is only one right way, but with today's puzzle, there will be at least a dozen.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Television is a form of people-watching, though the scripts elevate; the lighting beautifies; and the situations are beyond the bounds of realism (especially in reality shows). People-watching the old-fashioned way will teach you more.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You love when life forces you to discover things about yourself. It's not happening often enough lately, but it will when you take yourself out of the normal setting so there's no choice but to deal with elements unknown.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Social success is just like all the other kinds -- learned and earned through failure. When you make yourself vulnerable, no matter what happens, you win. You either connect or figure out what doesn't work.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may feel yourself getting very granular with your demands or expectations, and this is a signal that it's time to deal in a bigger game. Take on more; expand your reach.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are some relationships you've had so long that you can't even remember the last time you had any kind of objectivity on the matter, but today, you'll get that with the input of a third party.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll need mental relief from the



day's pressure. Allow more breaks. Take yourself out of the starring role and let your imaginary stunt double step in.

Return later to shine in the spotlight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll love being around people who challenge you, especially playfully. It doesn't happen every day, which is why it's so magical today when you dance with your dexterous equal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The reason you can answer the call of the wild is because it's in your first language. Hearing it today reminds you where you came from in the unbridled times.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 30). You'll be carried by your strong conviction to a momentous purpose. Having wandered in your day, the value of this ultrafocused stretch isn't lost on you. The productivity from this creative thrust will ultimately have you inspiring and teaching others. Family members will lift one another up, showing up for both need and celebration. Cancer and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 33, 1, 27 and 16.

CAPRICORN SECRET SUPERPOWERS: Every sign has 'em. For CAPRICORN:

The Obvious: If there's one thing that Capricorn is born knowing about, it's power -- who has it, who doesn't and why. The sign of tradition and public standing has a talent for strategizing effective power plays.

The Uncanny: Capricorn can enter any room of people and determine quickly the right place to be. The goat can sense who is important to know and will factor in (without even realizing it) the lighting, sound and other features of the room that will influence the social flow.

The Weird: Capricorn has an unusual amount of control over emotions, and if there is a good-enough reason to do so, Capricorn can turn them on and off like a switch. Capricorn has been known to stop crying midsob or stop laughing midchuckle.

The Extremely Useful: Capricorn is a biz whiz and enjoys learning about different models and management systems.

The Quietly Helpful: Even though Capricorns have high expectations for themselves and can be hard on their families, friends and team members, they generally don't meddle in other people's business and are not as judgmental as others can be.

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Annie's Mailbox

Caretaking and Children

Dear Readers: On International Women's Day, March 8, I answered a reader who has three boys and wants to add a girl to their family. Her husband is wary because, if they have another baby, it might be another boy. But his wife said that even if there is another boy, she will be happy and love him forever. I suggested that she go ahead and have another baby, and I added a comment that appalled some readers and made others cringe:

Dear Annie: The final sentence of your answer made my jaw drop. "Besides, if you get a fourth boy, you never know -- maybe he will marry a wonderful woman who will take care of you and your husband in old age."

What kind of sexist drivel is that? If you're going to bring up the caretaking of elderly relatives, then why not suggest the writer nurture her relationships with the sons she already has? Why place responsibility for such a thing solely on their wives' shoulders? Shame on you and your

antiquated thinking, Annie. -- Disgusted

Dear Annie: I cringed when I read the response to "Wife and Mommy."

Surely women are of more value than simply becoming caretakers of a spouse's elderly parents. That's fine if any woman chooses it. It's certainly caring and compassionate, but it seems as if it would be the son's responsibility; a wife wouldn't expect him to take care of her elderly parents. Besides, he would have three older brothers to help share the responsibility. Wouldn't it be enough for any son to marry a woman who simply loves and enjoys her in-laws?

Irony is alive and well: The letter and your response were published on International Women's Day. -- Sigh

Dear Disgusted and Sigh: That was a stinker of an example I gave by suggesting that her future daughter-in-law become her caregiver, and I thank you for pointing that out. If I could rewrite that sentence, I would say, "Besides, if you get a fourth boy, you

never know -- maybe he will marry a wonderful woman who will make your lives immeasurably more fulfilling -- through her love, creativity, leadership, professionalism and a hundred other positive qualities."

Other readers offered a different suggestion for ensuring that they could have a fourth child and their first girl.

Dear Annie: I'm replying to your recent column from the mother of three boys who wants a daughter. Many years ago, I was in the same position.

I grew up with sisters and yearned for a daughter. I researched with my OB/GYN and read everything I could find on how to conceive a girl. I then saw an article about a woman who had 15 sons, and I knew I wasn't willing to go that far! But I would look at parents with their daughters when I'd go shopping and ask God why he didn't give me a little girl, too.

One day in church, our pastor reminded us that God gave us brains, hands and feet to make things happen. Imme-

diately, I researched adoption in the U.S. and abroad. We ended up adopting a beautiful baby girl from another country. She has been spoiled by her brothers and us. I never once think of her as anything but mine. Adoption is a wonderful alternative! -- Mom of Four

Dear Mom of Four: Thank you for your letter. You offer a wonderful suggestion.

Dear Annie: Taking on a foster girl, or adopting a girl, could be a route to being sure of getting the child she wants.

There are so many kids who need a good, loving home, and if she and her husband can find it in their hearts, I hope they would consider either of those options. -- A Retired Teacher

Dear Retired Teacher: Your advice regarding a foster child teaches us all about a very real option that could help everyone involved. Thank you.

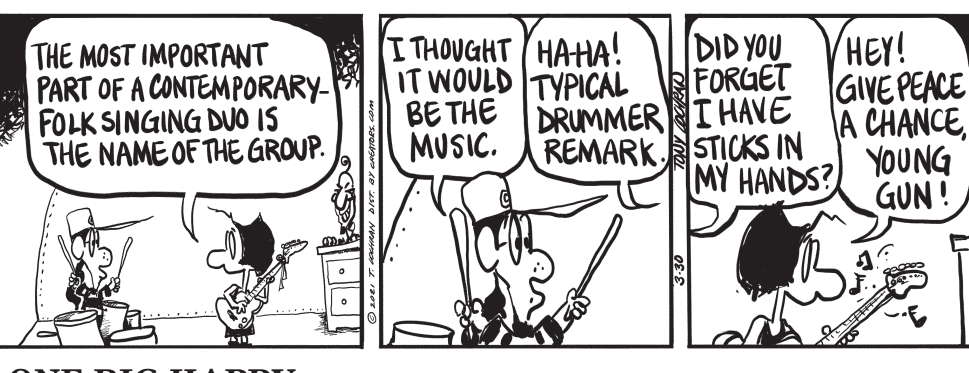
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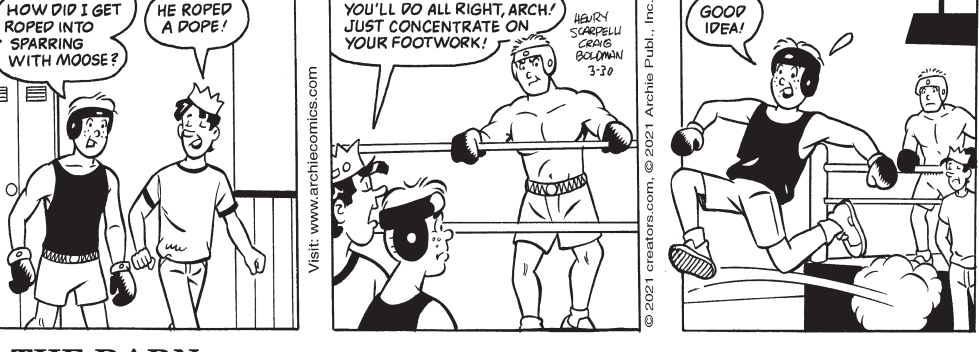
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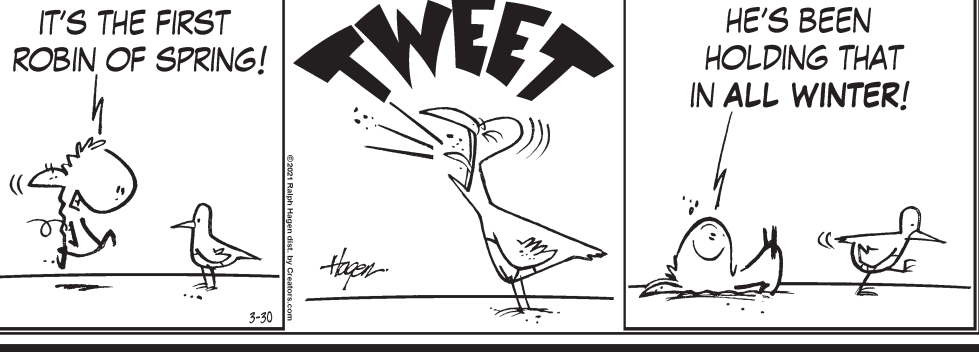
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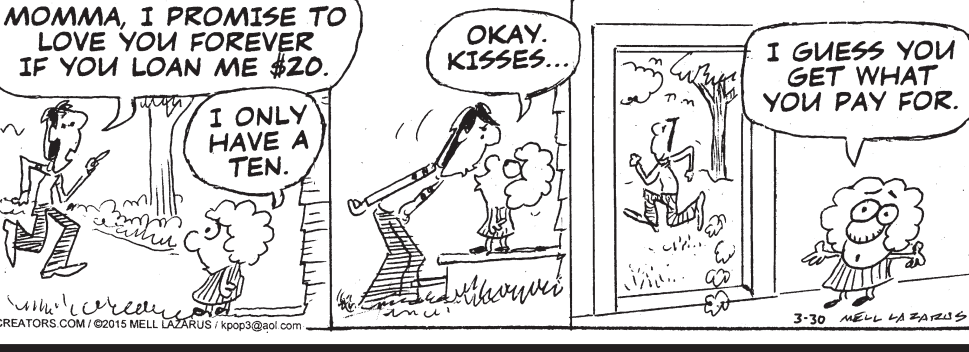
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, March 30, the 89th day of 2021. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 30, 1981, President Ronald Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington, D.C. hotel by John W. Hinckley, Jr.; also wounded were White House press secretary James Brady, Secret Service agent Timothy McCarthy and a District of Columbia police officer, Thomas Delahanty.

On this date:

In 1822, Florida became a United States territory.

In 1842, Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Georgia, first used ether as an anesthetic during an operation to remove a patient's neck tumor.

In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million, a deal ridiculed by critics as "Seward's Folly."

In 1870, the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which prohibited denying citizens the right to vote and hold office on the basis of race, was declared in effect by Secretary of State Hamilton Fish.

In 1975, as the Vietnam War neared its end, Communist forces occupied the city of Da Nang.

In 1987, at the 59th Academy Awards, "Platoon" was named best picture; Marlee Matlin received best actress for "Children of a Lesser God" and Paul Newman was honored as best actor for "The Color of Money."

In 1999, Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic (sloh-BOH'-dahn mee-LOH'-shuh-vech) insisted that NATO attacks stop before he moved toward peace, declaring his forces ready to fight "to the very end." NATO answered with new resolve to wreck his military with a relentless air assault.

In 2004, in a reversal, President George W. Bush agreed to let National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice testify publicly and under oath before an independent panel investigating the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

In 2006, American reporter Jill Carroll, a freelancer for The Christian Science Monitor, was released after 82 days as a hostage in Iraq.

In 2009, President Barack Obama asserted unprecedented government control over the auto industry, rejecting turnaround plans from General Motors and Chrysler and raising the prospect of controlled bankruptcy for either ailing auto giant.

In 2010, President Barack Obama signed a single measure sealing his health care overhaul and making the government the primary lender to students by cutting banks out of the process.

In 2015, German officials confirmed that Germanwings copilot Andreas Lubitz was once diagnosed with suicidal tendencies and received lengthy psychotherapy before receiving his pilot's license; they believed Lubitz deliberately smashed his Airbus A320 into the French Alps, killing 150 people. Comedy Central announced that Trevor Noah, a 31-year-old comedian from South Africa, would succeed Jon Stewart as host of "The Daily Show."

Ten years ago: A top Libyan official, Foreign Minister Moussa Koussa, defected to Britain, dealing a blow to leader Moammar Gadhafi. Tilikum, the killer whale that had drowned trainer Dawn Brancheau in 2010 at SeaWorld in Orlando, Florida, resumed performing for the first time since the woman's death.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama commuted the prison sentences of 61 drug offenders, including more than a third serving life sentences. A Hennepin County, Minnesota, prosecutor announced that two Minneapolis police officers involved in the Nov. 2015 fatal shooting of Jamar Clark, a Black man, would not face criminal charges, a decision that drew outrage from community members.

One year ago: Florida authorities arrested a megachurch pastor after they said he held two Sunday services with hundreds in attendance in violation of coronavirus restrictions. (The charges were

later dropped.) A Navy hospital ship arrived in New York City to help relieve the coronavirus crisis gripping the city's hospitals. (President Donald Trump said a week later that he would allow coronavirus patients to be treated aboard the ship in addition to patients who did not have the virus.) Macy's, Kohl's and Gap Inc. all said they would stop paying tens of thousands of employees who were thrown out of work

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 List of candidates
 - 6 Very slightly
 - 11 60 Minutes network
 - 14 Potato or yam
 - 15 "Mass" news sources
 - 16 "___ we there yet?"
 - 17 Venue for boxing
 - 18 Small bay
 - 19 "Coconut custard" dessert
 - 20 Carpenter's motorized smoothing tools
 - 22 Light to stop for
 - 23 ___ Majesty (title for a queen)
 - 24 Make right, as a mistake
 - 26 Winter melody
 - 29 Building for crop storage
 - 32 Rap star Dr. ___
 - 33 Simplify
 - 35 Couch in a den
 - 37 Chorus of eight
 - 41 Very remote place
 - 44 Old maxim
 - 45 Eatery's list
 - 46 Leave port
 - 47 "Easy as" letters
 - 49 Long-tailed rodents
 - 51 Director Brooks
 - 52 Italian sports car
 - 56 Easter egg coloring
 - 58 Wood-chopping tool
 - 59 Seedless citrus fruit
 - 65 IRS regulation expert
 - 66 Musical about Mrs. Perón

- DOWN**
- 1 Wild guess
 - 2 Entice
 - 3 Eve's second son
 - 4 50, to 500
 - 5 Removes pencil marks
 - 6 "I ___ no mood to argue"
 - 7 Repair, as a garment
 - 8 Lazy person
 - 9 Having multiple levels, as a theater
 - 10 Admits one's mistake
 - 11 Italian resort island
 - 12 Terse in one's words
 - 13 Disreputable, as a bar
 - 21 Get out of bed
 - 25 Computer repairers, for short
 - 26 Hurricane relief org.
 - 27 Installed, as a carpet
 - 28 Beef-inspecting agcy.
 - 30 Weaving machine
 - 31 Negotiator's proposal
 - 34 Poe's first name
 - 36 Fictional Karenina
 - 38 Any sports squad
 - 39 A Great Lake
 - 40 Reveal a secret
 - 42 Beirut native
 - 43 Perform better than
 - 48 Has a longing for
 - 50 Goopy pancake toppings
 - 52 True statements
 - 53 Toss out of school
 - 54 All set
 - 55 Wall-climbing plants
 - 57 Art studio's stand
 - 60 "Small" suffix for kitchen
 - 61 Vietnam neighbor
 - 62 Reheat in a microwave
 - 63 Get taller
 - 64 A sight for sore ___

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Baylor beats Arkansas 81-72 for first Final Four in 71 years

By JOHN MARSHALL
AP Basketball Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Baylor had been on the cusp of the Final Four twice before under coach Scott Drew, falling to the eventual champion both times.

These Bears have a different kind of swagger to them, a confidence with the skill to back it up.

Now their long Final Four wait is over.

Baylor is headed there for the first time in 71 years, getting 22 points from MaCio Teague and a dominating defensive performance from Davion Mitchell to beat Arkansas 81-72 on Monday night.

“Just pure joy, excitement,” Drew said. “It was an emotional game, but seeing our guys have a chance to cut down the nets, it doesn’t get much better than that.”

The South Region final was a reunion of former Southwest Conference

programs aiming to join another (Houston) in the Final Four.

The top-seeded Bears (26-2) appeared to be barreling toward ending their Final Four drought with a dominating start.

The Razorbacks (25-7), who know a bit about March comebacks, revved up the Mus Bus after some early sputtering, trimming an 18-point lead down to four.

Mitchell and Teague stiff-armed them from there.

Mitchell, back after early foul trouble, led the charge as Arkansas missed 12 straight shots. Teague hit the two biggest shots of the night, a pair of 3-pointers to put it out of reach.

Now it’s on to the Final Four on Saturday against the Cougars in an all-Texas side of the bracket.

“What we did is history,” Teague said. “I’m really happy for Coach Drew. He’s spent a lot of

time, dedication, blood, sweat and tears into this program.”

Arkansas had rallied from double-digit deficits twice in the NCAA Tournament and appeared as if it would make it another after its early struggles.

The Razorbacks didn’t have enough left against the high-octane Bears, coming up one game short of their first Final Four in 26 years

JD Notae and Davonte Davis had 14 apiece for Arkansas.

“The effort when we got down, we could have hung our heads, but we played really hard,” Arkansas coach Eric Musselman said. “We played extremely hard, but lacked some scoring at times and defensively they hit some tough shots on us.”

The expected fast-twitch South Region final was going to be a drought-ender, just a matter of how long.

The Razorbacks had not clawed this far down

the bracket since playing in the 1995 national title game. Musselman has put them in hyper drive during his two seasons, conjuring up the kind of excitement not seen in Fayetteville since the Nolan Richardson “40 Minutes of Hell” days.

Baylor had been in this spot before under Drew, reaching the Elite Eight in 2010 and 2012. That left the Bears short of the Final Four dating back to when the bracket was only eight teams.

The Bears repeatedly beat the Razorbacks off the dribble to lead by 12 barely four minutes in, then on backdoor cuts to stretch it to 18.

“It just showed how focused and ready to play we were,” Drew said. “We got good looks and the guys made them.”

The Mus Bus, just like it had three times before in March, found the right gear to climb out of the hole.

Mitchell’s third foul

was the turning point.

When the head of Baylor’s defensive snake went to the bench with about 8 minutes left, Arkansas took advantage by beating the Bears off the dribble and getting to the rim.

The Razorbacks hit 10 of 11 shots during one stretch to pull within 44-38 and were down just eight at halftime despite struggling for a long stretch. They kept Baylor within reach well into the second half before running out of steam.

“I’m not sure why it happens, but it’s really hard to come back, especially from down 18,” said Arkansas guard Jalen Tate. “I didn’t even know we were down that much at one point in the game, but it just shows the resiliency of this group. We almost did it, just weren’t able to tonight.”

TURNOVER TROUBLE

Baylor has been adept at forcing teams into

trouble and Arkansas had been good at taking care of the ball in the NCAA Tournament.

The Bears won the battle of strengths, scoring 21 points off the Razorbacks’ 15 turnovers.

“We had way too many what I would consider unforced turnovers off of outlet passes or trying to throw advanced passes up the floor,” Musselman said.

A L L - A R O U N D MITCHELL

Mitchell led the top of Baylor’s defense, but he was also the orchestrator of the offense, particularly after halftime.

He gave Arkansas all kinds of trouble on the pick-and-roll in the second half, finishing with 12 points and six assists.

“Davion Mitchell is one of the fastest guys I’ve ever guarded, especially this year,” Tate said. “He’s a tough cover. You could tell they’re a completely different team on both sides of the ball.”

Jazz run win streak to 6 games with 114-75 win over Cavs

By MATTHEW COLES
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Donovan Mitchell scored 19 points and Rudy Gobert added 18 points and 17 rebounds to power the Utah Jazz to their sixth straight win, a 114-75 victory over Cleveland on Monday night.

“Coach Quin (Snyder) is pushing us every timeout, pushing us in every halftime of games like this to continue to try to be perfect, to try to be great. In order to do that, you have to be consistent and ... tonight we were able to accomplish that for four quarters,” Mike Conley said.

Conley contributed 18 points for the Jazz, who have won 20 straight at home after dropping their first two home games of the season.

“It’s a special feeling, honestly, to be able to come into our building here at Vivint (Arena) and know we have an advantage,” Conley said.

Since the All-Star game, Mitchell has averaged 29.2 points on 50% shooting and 46% from 3-point range. The Jazz only needed Mitchell for 25 minutes in the blowout.

“I think my film work is the biggest reason. When you can’t always get the physical reps in a shortened season and you need to rest your body,

it’s the mental things of understanding how teams are going to guard you, what’s going to be open and manipulating the situations to get anything you want,” Mitchell said.

Gobert also has been on a hot streak, averaging nearly 17 points and more than 14 rebounds since the mid-season break. Against the Cavs, he had four blocked shots and affected several others as Cleveland shot just 35% from the field.

“I think I’m getting more and more comfortable offensively, and my teammates are doing a great job looking for me even more. It’s on me to be a better playmaker and then finish around the rim for my team,” Gobert said.

Collin Sexton scored 20 points and Darius Garland had 18 for the Cavs, who lost their last three of a four-game road stretch.

“That’s where we want to be. We want to be a team like them,” Sexton said about the Jazz.

Jordan’s Clarkson’s 3-pointer — his 72nd consecutive game with at least one from long distance — sparked a 17-0 run to end the third quarter, giving the Jazz a 90-52 lead entering the final period.

Without a Cavs shot-blocking

threat, the Jazz were feasting on straight-line drives into the lane that led to layups or open 3-point jumpers.

After the Cavaliers missed their first 12 shots of the second quarter, the Jazz took a 44-20 lead and Cleveland never got much closer the rest of the way.

“Tonight was probably one of our best game in terms of consistency defensively. Just about every minute on the court, for everyone that came in, they were locked in defensively,” Gobert said.

The margin underlines the fact that the Jazz are not only winning, but winning big this season on their way to the league’s best record (35-11). The win over the Cavs marks the 25th game that Utah has led by 20 or more, and the fifth straight. It was the eighth wire-to-wire win for the Jazz and the largest margin of the season.

“Sometimes when you get a lead, teams have a tendency to stop sharing the ball as much. That’s something we did a good job of — we kept playing the right way,” Snyder said.

Utah led 53-34 at half

-- limiting the Cavs to less than 30% shooting and an opponent’s lowest scoring first half of the season.

With few threats in the half-court against the stingy Jazz defense, the Cavs hoped to get out and run. But they only scored five points in transition in the game.

In the third quarter, Cleveland found its best offense was putting Isaiah Hartenstein out near the 3-point line as a facilitator. The big man drew Gobert away from the basket and found cutters heading for the basket.

“The second half, where we started playing together, people started cutting. Made my life easier finding them. I think that’s how we have to play, especially with how young we are,” said Hartenstein.

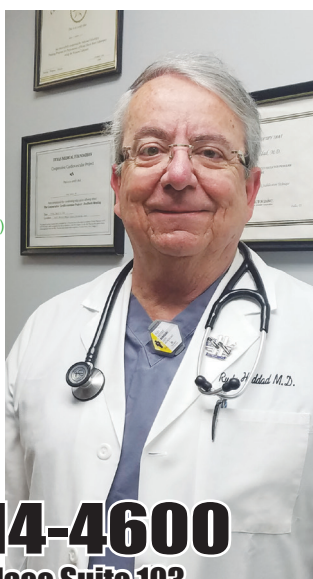


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