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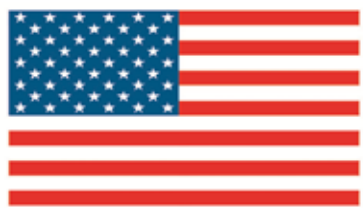
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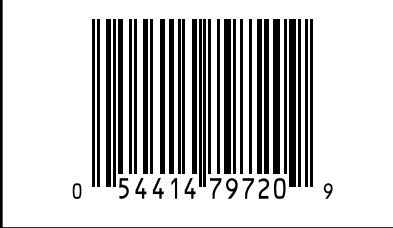
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West Texas Centers celebrates National Recovery Month

Special to the Herald

West Texas Centers observes September as National Recovery Month - a national observance held every year to educate the public that substance use treatment and mental health services help people with addictions lead healthy and rewarding lives

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, better known as SAMHSA spearheads the charge by assisting others in calling attention to the gains made by those living in recovery.

West Texas Centers, the designated local authority for mental health and intellectual and developmental disabilities for 23 counties in rural West Texas provides support and the tools to assist consumers on their road to recovery.

Substance Use Disorder is a condition in which recurrent use of alcohol and/or drugs significantly impairs a person's life, said West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW.

The chronic and relapsing brain disease affects more than 20 million Americans, age 12 and older, according to research provided by the Texas Council of Community Centers.

"Substance Abuse is devastating," Smith said. "It affects relationships, the national economy and the health care system."

According to research from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, substance abuse costs Americans more than \$700 billion a year in increased health care costs, crimes and lost productivity.

More than half of those receiving care in the public

mental system live with substance use disorders, Smith said. Without receiving proper treatment, many of these

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Howard County Commissioners to hold Town Hall Tuesday

HERALD Staff Report

Howard County Commissioners will be hosting the second Town Hall focusing on the adoption of a County Assistance District. The Town Hall will take place in the Third Floor Courtroom, at the Howard County Courthouse, from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

During the first Town Hall, held last week,

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A Moment in Time Researching the paranormal

Editor's Note: The Heritage Museum will be focusing on ghost stories that have been told throughout Big Spring and Howard County until the end of October. The museum is one of the historical aggregates in our community that ensure the history remains in tact for future generations.

By TAMMY SCHRECENGOST

Heritage Museum

Clarice Rountree taught high school English at Big Spring High School in the 70's. She spent numerous hours researching the supernatural long before television programs turned ghost hunting into entertainment.

One of these stories involved a photo that she possessed. It had been taken on April 17, 1972, just outside of Midland, Texas. A woman had taken a polaroid picture of her son and two daughters holding chickens. Since that time, 17 "manifestations" appeared in the original photo, two reprint negatives and 11 reprints. Different people kept the pictures at separate locations. Among the clear images seen were a clock on a mantel piece, a suspended doily, a window with a blowing curtain, an arm and hand and a casket containing a wide-eyed, grinning corpse. She also identified a tricycle, dogs, a cat, a Mohawk's profile, children women and men.

Mrs. Rountree said, "Judging from the hairstyles, the manifestations appeared to be from the 1930's." She said the images become clearer over time as well as new images appearing.

The family that was the subject of the photograph, seem to have had special help from the other side. Their oldest

daughter, who appeared in the original image, was kicked in the mouth by a horse but she was unharmed. A horse threw the other daughter into a fence, while seemingly breaking her neck, she too was unharmed. Rountree said the chickens stopped laying eggs and refused to enter the chicken yard. When the chickens were sold, they started laying eggs again. She said, "manifestation (in pictures) are usually protective spirits."

Mrs. Rountree presented several lectures on the supernatural element of folklore. She had begun writing a book titled "Shadows of the Unseen" before she became ill.



Courtesy Photo

Pictured above is Clarice Rountree who invested many hours of her time discovering paranormal manifestations in Howard County through photos she collected.

Toasty Tuesday focusing efforts on Martin Luther King Boulevard this week at 6:30 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Keep Big Spring Beautiful combined their efforts for Toasty Tuesday, last week, with the annual Love Our Lake Clean up. There were 26 volunteers who showed up and spent an hour cleaning around Comanche Trail Lake. The volunteers picked up 65 bags of trash for an estimated 945 pounds. Volunteers represented Scenic Mountain Medical Center, the local Disc Golf Club, and the City of Big Spring. Families and other groups from around town also joined in the efforts to help clean up the park. This week, the Toasty Tuesday will focus on Martin Luther King Blvd, in front of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The group will meet at 6:30 p.m. and the community is invited to join in. Trash bags and gloves will be provided for those helping.



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Obituaries

Neoma Clanton



Neoma Clanton, 95, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Oct. 2, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2020, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020, at Trinity Memorial Park with Reverend Doug Shelley officiating.

Neoma was born on May 9, 1925, in Carnegie, OK to Barney and Nancy Echols. She retired from the State Hospital where she worked as an X-Ray tech.

Neoma was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and a Baptist. She loved bingo and going to Vegas.

She is survived by two sons: Bill Swafford and

his wife Jane of Granbury, Larry Swafford and his wife Jennan of Big Spring; 8 grandchildren: Ricky Swafford, Sandy Shifflett, Devon Swafford, Micah Swafford, Cash Rainer, Tracy Barnett, Col. Jeffrey Cook, and Casey Thevenot; 17 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Ricky Swafford, Devon Swafford, Micah Swafford, Brandon Shifflett, Cash Rainer, Tal Thevenot and Col. Jeffrey Cook.

She was preceded in death by one daughter: Ruth Graham; one son: Raymond Swafford; one granddaughter: Cheyenne Rainer; her parents: Barney and Nancy Echols; two brothers; and two sisters.

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

Paid Obituary

James “Jim” Otis Logan



James (Jim) Otis Logan, 83, of Big Spring, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Funeral service will be at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 11 a.m. with Bishop Bruce Jaeger officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jim was born on May 26, 1937 in Coahoma. A 1955 high school graduate, Jim served 10 years in the military.

Four of those years were in the US Airforce with the other six years in the Navy. After that time, he worked for the US Postal system for 25 years and 20 years in the Howard College mailroom as a supervi-

sor. He felt honored to serve the Howard College administration, staff, faculty and students.

He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He is survived by his wife: Joyce Logan of Big Spring; three stepchildren: Howard Smith and his wife Sherri of Waco, Patti Stanford and her husband Tim of Odessa, and Terry Smith and his wife Jessica of Wichita Falls; nine grandchildren: Emily Altamirano, Ashley Smith, Andrew Smith, Daniel Smith, Samuel Smith, Robert Smith, Patience Smith, Alex Stanford, and Nicki Lomax; three great grandchildren and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by two brothers: Melvin Logan and Bill Logan; and one sister: Marie Logan.

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

Paid Obituary

Helen Gregory

Helen Gregory, 83, of Merkel, formerly of Big Spring died Sunday, October 04, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

- CASA of West Texas will hold two virtual information sessions; the first was Sept. 30 and the next will follow on Oct. 14. Both will be held at 12:30 p.m. and is free to attend. Registration is required and can be done on the CASA website, where the Zoom link will also be provided.
- The West Texas VA Health System will be providing drive-thru flu clinics. The dates for the surrounding area include: Clinic dates (all times 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.) George H. O’Brien, Jr. VAMC – Monday, Oct. 5, 2020; Abilene CBOC – Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2020; Wilson & Young Medal of Honor CBOC – Monday, Oct. 19, 2020.
- A new group has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the yet to be named organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community. There is no membership fee and attendance is not taken. The only requirements are that you be positive or want to be more positive than you are, consider yourself to be a good person but want to be better than you are, and that you have a desire to help others be better too. Childcare is available during the discussion time if you let us know. Topics to be avoided include Religion and Politics, though we can dance around them.
- Taking Care of Business is being sponsored by the local Masons and it meets in the Masonic Lodge on the court square. It is not necessary that you have any masonic affiliation to participate in this Growth Group. All Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed as defined by local, state, and federal authorities. At this time refreshments will not be served but you are welcome to bring your own and not share. For more information write to Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

noes, or desserts and fellowship. For more information, contact Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com.

- St. Vincent de Paul will be open the following dates beginning May 2020. Food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

- Isaiah 58 will be open on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. further notice, for the safety of their volunteers and those they serve. Those receiving services are asked to enter the parking lot on 9th Street and exit onto Scurry. Please bring a form of identification with you to pick up food. Masks are required and those receiving food boxes will need to place boxes in their own vehicles until further notice. All these efforts are being put in place to help slow the spread and ensure the safety of those volunteering and those receiving services.

- Permian Basin Multiple Sclerosis Support Group for information, encouragement and support. The group meets monthly on the Second Saturday of each month from 10 AM to 12 PM at the Holiday Inn Express at 5321 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Odessa. If you or someone you know has been touched by MS, or if you are just interested in more information please feel to contact Gary Tidwell at garylteagle1987@gmail.com.

- 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.

Support Groups

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible?

There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session begins Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-860

THURSDAY

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

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

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

- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtc-mhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@Bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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COUNTY

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Commissioner Jimmie Long explained the purpose behind adopting the County Assistance District. The adoption of a County Assistance District will be on the November 3 Ballot and offer an opportunity for residents to vote for or against it. The Town Halls are an opportunity for the community to ask questions, voice their thoughts and concerns surrounding the issue before heading to the polls.

During the first Town Hall, Commissioner Long explained the sales tax increase and how the revenue generated would be utilized for repair of roads and possibly help offset property tax.

Residents wanting to attend the Town Hall are encouraged to do so and voice their opinions. Those with questions surrounding this issue will have an opportunity to ask Commissioner Long and the Court.

MONTH

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people will visit emergency rooms, and subsequently be admitted for psychiatric services and inpatient care.

“Our goal is to get them in for services and get them in early,” Smith said.

More than 2,300 consumers and their families receive services each month in West Texas Centers 15 mental health clinics located in Howard, Andrews, Dawson, Gaines, Garza, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terry, Upton, Ward and Winkler counties.

In addition to the 15 mental health clinics, West Texas Centers also operates a 24-hour Crisis Hotline for anyone needing immediate assistance or just needs to ask a question or needs emotional support.

“The Crisis Line is a strong first step that provides information, support and guidance to people who may be in crisis or just need to receive services,” Smith said. “It’s available at anytime and anywhere a phone is available.”

Recovery Month promotes three key messages:

Prevention works. Treatment is effective. People can and do recover.

People living with mental health issues or problems with substance abuse often find difficulty in starting the road to recovery, Smith said.

And once they reach out for help, many find it difficult to maneuver.

“We strongly believe in treatment and recovery,” Smith said. “Our entire philosophy at West Texas Centers is creating a superior system to meet the individualized needs through the provision of quality services shaped by partnerships, such as the one we have with SAMHSA and built upon integrity, mutual respect and compassion for those we serve.”

It’s also important for us to remember to be kind to everyone, Smith said. “We never know who is in recovery. Everyone can benefit from a word of encouragement whether it’s a friend, family member, neighbor or coworker.”

“Behavioral health is essential to overall health,” Smith said. “Prevention works and treatment in many forms is effective. We see so many people recover. We know at times it’s difficult work through, but that’s what our dedicated staff are here for - to help people live their best lives.”

Smith advocates sharing resources and building networks across the West Texas region to outlying counties to support recovery.

“Mental and substance use disorders affect all of us and we need to be part of the solution,” Smith said

West Texas Centers serves the citizens of Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum counties.

West Texas Centers 24-hour Crisis hotline is 1-800-375-4357.

Groups sue Texas governor to block limits on ballot drops

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Civil rights and voter advocacy groups have filed a federal lawsuit seeking to block an order by Texas Gov. Greg Abbott that dramatically reduced the number of drop-off locations for mail ballots.

The lawsuit filed late Thursday could be the first of many legal challenges against Abbott's order that assigns just one drop-off location in each of Texas' 254 counties and allows poll watchers to observe ballot deliveries. The order, which took effect Friday, shuts dozens of sites statewide, including in Texas' largest cities and Democratic strongholds.

The Republican governor said the order is needed to ensure election security — echoing calls from President Donald Trump for his supporters to keep close watch on mail-in voting, but Democrats blasted it as blatant voter suppression.

The lawsuit filed in Austin names Abbott, Texas Secretary of State Ruth Hughs and election administrators in Harris, Fort Bend, Travis and El Paso counties. It was filed by the Texas League of United Latin American Citizens; the National League of United Latin American Citizens; the League of Women Voters of Texas; and two voters.

Abbott's order would eliminate 11 drop-off locations in Harris County, which includes the nation's fourth largest city, Houston.

Harris County Clerk Chris Hollins, who is named in the lawsuit, said during a news conference Friday that Abbott's move would force elderly and disabled people to drive long distances and wait in long lines to cast their ballot. He said he, too, would fight Abbott's order.

"It's something he should strongly reconsider and if he doesn't reconsider himself he is going to hear about it in the courts," Hollins said of Abbott.

Hollins is also named in a lawsuit from Abbott calling for the Harris County Clerk's Office to stop plans to send mail ballot applications to the county's more than 2 million registered voters.

Abbott's staff said he was not limiting voting, pointing out that he has increased the period during which voters can submit their mail-in ballots in person to include anytime up to Election Day.

"The additional time provided for those who want to submit their mail-in ballot in person is sufficient to accommodate the limited number of people who have traditionally used that voting strategy," the governor's office said in a statement.

Prominent members of the state Republican Party sued Abbott in September seeking to halt a one-week extension of early voting.

Voters have already begun returning ballots for the November presidential election. Texas is one of just five states not allowing widespread mail-in voting this year. To qualify for a mail-in ballot, Texas voters must be: away from their county of residence on Election Day and during the early voting period; sick or disabled; confined in jail but otherwise eligible to vote; or 65 years old or more.

Polls also show much tighter races in Texas this year. Democrats could take over the state House of Representatives for the first time in two decades.

For years, Texas had allowed straight-ticket voting, but Abbott signed a law in 2017 that eliminated the option starting this fall. Democrats sued to have it reinstated to reduce wait times for in-person voting, but a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday that November's elections are too close for Texas to restore straight-ticket voting as an option.

The U.S. Postal Service informed Texas in July that, given the state's current mail ballot request deadline, some ballots may not be delivered to voters by Election Day, and that even if all ballots reached voters on time, there was a "significant risk".

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Jo Ogle, 70, died Wednesday. Graveside service will be at 4:00 PM Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park

James Logan, 83, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Neoma Clanton, 95, died Friday. Visitation will be 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside Service will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Helen Gregory, 83, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Tracy Faulks, 73, died Monday, September 28, 2020. Memorial service will be at 2:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Texas officer fired for 'racially insensitive meme'

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The Fort Worth Police Department on Thursday fired a veteran officer for posting a "racially insensitive meme" on Facebook that drew wide public criticism last month, police said in a statement.

Officer Roger Ballard was given a "indefinite suspension," which a spokesman described as "equivalent to termination," for violating the department's general orders, according to the statement. It said that after hearing about the post on Sept. 20, "Internal Affairs quickly began an investigation and concluded that Officer Roger Ballard was responsible for posting the racially insensitive meme containing a photo which led to numerous complaints and public outrage."

Internal affairs investigators are also looking into a second officer's involvement.

Ballard worked as a patrol officer on the day shift and had been with the department since 2002, said Officer Buddy Calzada. He declined to describe Ballard's Facebook post or say whether the officer is appealing his firing.

The meme showed a photo of a Black man in a casket accompanied by the text, "The face you make when you don't understand 'Stop resisting,'" according to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The paper cites screenshots of the post on a personal Facebook page that has since been deactivated.

The Fort Worth Police Officers' Association did not immediately respond to a request for comment. It was not immediately clear if Ballard has an attorney.

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Ryan O'Rear Wins 37th Texas Mid-Amateur

Special to the Herald

SAN ANTONIO – Ryan O'Rear won the 37th Texas Mid-Amateur late Sunday afternoon after defeating two-time champion Colby Harwell on the seventh sudden-death playoff hole at Oak Hills Country Club. The 29-year-old from Leander captures the victory with a 72-hole total of 3-under 210. Before one of the most historic sudden-death playoffs in TGA history, O'Rear's final round was nothing short of impressive. The former Baylor University standout started with four-straight bogeys and was seven shots behind the leaders. However, he birdied the par-5 fifth and something clicked. The rest of his round was the best golf of the week.

O'Rear birdied the par-4 eighth and par-3 ninth to turn at 1-over 36. He eagled the par-5 10th and carried his momentum throughout his closing loop. After carding four more birdies on his back nine to card a bogey-free 5-under 30, O'Rear was in the clubhouse with a one-stroke lead.

"It was a roller coaster," O'Rear said. "Obviously, it wasn't a very good start. But my caddy did a great job today of just keeping me positive. On the back nine, I don't really know what happened. I started hitting it close and making a lot of birdies and somehow got in a playoff."

Harwell, who played one group behind O'Rear, carded five birdies and posted the second lowest round of the day with 4-under-par 67. The two-time Texas Mid-Amateur champion and Oak Hills member also posted 3-under 210 through 54 holes.

After the last few groups finished, O'Rear and Harwell headed to the 18th tee for a sudden-death playoff. Both players made par and the battle was off and running. O'Rear and Harwell traded punch for the punch for the next hour and 15 minutes. On the seventh playoff hole, O'Rear left himself a seven-foot birdie putt up the hill. He buried it to clinch the



Courtesy Photo

Ryan O'Rear poses with his newly won championship trophy.

victory.

"That was a great playoff," O'Rear. "I've known Colby for a long time and played a lot of golf with him. He had a great week and it was a great battle."

Harwell adds this runner-up finish to his wins in 2017 and 2018. He's also a two-time champion of the Texas Mid-Amateur Match Play (2017, 2019). The highly touted amateur was very complimentary of O'Rear's game.

"That playoff is exactly why we still come out here and play," Harwell said. "Ryan is a really good player. It was very impressive, but honestly I expected it."

Finishing solo third and earning low-mid master honors was Padden Nelson of Houston. The 40-year-old carded a closing 4-over 75 to post 2-under-par 211 overall. Blake Parks of Odessa, Danny Simmerman of Shavano Park, Justin Kaplan of Houston and Johnathan Schnitzer of Houston shared fourth place at 1-under 212.

The TGA extends sincere appreciation to Oak Hills, its attentive staff and engaged membership, as well as our volunteers for all their help and support ahead of and during the 37th Texas Mid-Amateur.

Extra special thanks to Director of Golf and Club Operations Cary Collins, Head Golf Professional Ryan Polzin, Director of Agronomy Jeff Visser and his amazing grounds crew, Food and Beverage Director Santiago Vasquez and Executive Chef Dennie Upton. The 37th Texas Mid-Amateur would not have been possible without their efforts.

Athletic Support: "ACL injuries on the rise in youth sports"

By ELI CRANOR

Special to the Herald

Dear Athletic Support: When I was a high schooler in the 1980s, ACL injuries were almost unheard of, especially in younger athletes. My son is a 9th grader. Last football season, one of his teammates suffered a torn ACL as a result of a solid hit. This season, playing on turf, a teammate went down and tore his ACL without any contact at all. In your opinion, what has led to the rash of ACL injuries in youth sports? New turf fields that don't give like grass? Never-ending year-round play wearing out these young still developing bodies? I must say, I'm more than a little concerned about my son's safety. Is there anything I can do to better protect him?

—What's Going On?

Dear Going On: Since the 1980s, overall traction has improved by leaps and bounds across all levels of football. And it's that simple fact alone that's causing the rise in ACL injuries.

Now, before anybody goes tearing up their new turf field, let me be clear—it's not just the turf that's causing this problem.

Cleats are also to blame.

Back when you were playing, Astroturf was probably the only kind of turf around. This stuff is a far cry from what our kids play on today. Astroturf was basically concrete with a thin, green carpet laid out over it. Athletes who played on this surface wore special types of cleats called "turf shoes."

Shoes were very different from

the cleats kids are wearing today. There weren't any spikes, but instead just a kind of bumpy sole.

Fast forward to today, and the spikes on cleats are longer than ever. Couple that with the fact that turf fields have amazing drainage systems, and you start to see why traction has increased so drastically.

The physics of the problem is simple: If a player's cleats get stuck in the ground, and then his knee twists in a way a knee isn't meant to twist, something's got to give. More often than not, that something is the ACL.

If your son is going to be playing a majority of his games on a turf field, one thing you might consider is purchasing a pair of turf-appropriate cleats. An easy way to tell if a cleat will be a good option for turf is if the sole of the shoe is "molded."

This just means there aren't any screw-in spikes. The screw-in style of cleats have longer spikes and are much better suited for grass fields.

You might even consider getting your son a pair of turf cleats along with a pair of grass cleats. I realize this is not something every parent can afford for their child. But if we're talking about safety, it's the way to go.

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Cowboys defense giving up points, offense giving up the ball

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys defense is giving up points at a rate unseen since the franchise's winless inaugural season six decades ago, and their offense keeps giving up the ball even while scoring in bunches.

"There was a lot of good football that will go totally unrecognized. That's what happens when you lose," coach Mike McCarthy said. "What I don't like, is I don't like the pattern of the four games that we've played. The points are outrageous, the

time of possession is totally lopsided, and we're minus-7 in the turnover ratio. That's not a winning formula."

Quarterback Dak Prescott and running back Ezekiel Elliott lost fumbles on consecutive offensive snaps.

NCAA Football Top 25 (Week 6)

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Clemson	3-0	1,536	1
2	Alabama	2-0	1,488	2
3	Georgia	2-0	1,380	4
4	Florida	2-0	1,340	3
5	Notre Dame	2-0	1,239	5
6	Ohio State	0-0	1,165	6
7	Miami (FL)	3-0	1,148	8
8	North Carolina	2-0	944	12
9	Penn State	0-0	935	10
10	Oklahoma State	3-0	919	17
11	Cincinnati	3-0	895	15
12	Oregon	0-0	786	14
13	Auburn	1-1	731	7
14	Tennessee	2-0	717	21
15	BYU	3-0	661	22
16	Wisconsin	0-0	619	19
17	LSU	1-1	478	20
18	SMU	4-0	393	NR
19	Virginia Tech	2-0	391	NR
20	Michigan	0-0	350	23
21	Texas A&M	1-1	330	13
22	Texas	2-1	228	9
23	Louisiana-Lafayette	3-0	216	NR
24	Iowa State	2-1	215	NR
25	Minnesota	0-0	145	NR

RECEIVING VOTES:

Kansas State (142), USC (115), Mississippi State (112), UCF (112), TCU (97), Marshall (49), Tulsa (46), Utah (30), Iowa (26), Coastal Carolina (25), Oklahoma (20), Ole Miss (18), NC State (18), UAB (15), Army (14), West Virginia (13), Memphis (12), Arkansas (11), Pittsburgh (7), Arizona State (5), Virginia (5), Washington (4), Air Force (4), Indiana (1)

NFL SCHEDULE WEEK FOUR

Away Team		Home Team	Final Score
Indianapolis Colts (3-1)	@	Chicago Bears (3-1)	19-11, Colts
Jacksonville Jaguars (1-3)	@	Cincinnati Bengals (1-2-1)	33-25, Bengals
Cleveland Browns (3-1)	@	Dallas Cowboys (1-3)	49-38, Browns
New Orleans Saints (2-2)	@	Detroit Lions (1-3)	35-29, Saints
Seattle Seahawks (4-0)	@	Miami Dolphins (1-3)	31-23, Seahawks
Los Angeles Chargers (1-3)	@	Tampa Bay Buccaneers (3-1)	38-31, Buccaneers
Baltimore Ravens (3-1)	@	Washington Football (1-3)	31-17, Ravens
Arizona Cardinals (2-2)	@	Carolina Panthers (2-2)	31-21, Panthers
Minnesota Vikings (1-3)	@	Houston Texans (0-4)	31-23, Vikings
Pittsburgh Steelers (3-0)	@	Tennessee Titans (3-0)	Postponed
New York Giants (0-4)	@	Los Angeles Rams (3-1)	17-9, Rams
Buffalo Bills (4-0)	@	Las Vegas Raiders (2-2)	30-23, Bills
Philadelphia Eagles (1-2-1)	@	San Francisco 49ers (2-2)	25-20, Eagles

MONDAY

New England Patriots (2-1)	@	Kansas City Chiefs (3-0)	6:05 p.m. (CBS)
Atlanta Falcons (0-3)	@	Green Bay Packers (3-0)	7:50 p.m. (ESPN)

MLB Playoff Schedule Monday Games

Away Team		Home Team	Time of Game
Houston Astros (0)	@	Oakland Athletics (0)	3:07 p.m. (TBS)
New York Yankees (0)	@	Tampa Bay Rays (0)	7:07 p.m. (TBS)

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Respect for Elders

Dear Annie: I love my wife. We've been married for 11 years, but recently, she hasn't been taking my side with anything involving our 14-year-old son. She tells me that I am overreacting or being stubborn. OK, I know I can be stubborn, but I firmly believe a child should show respect to his parents. Right now, my problem is that I can't do a thing in my own house without asking permission from the 14-year-old.

Say someone calls and he asks me, "Who are you talking to?" Or, if I go outside, he

asks, "Where are you going?" When I tell him that I'm the adult, that I don't answer to him, he replies that his mother gets onto me for getting onto him, so I just need to tell him everything. And if I get onto him and yell because I've told him over and over not to do something, then I'm the bad guy because I lost my temper.

I'm just tired of being ignored and disrespected all the time. Anyway, I try to talk to my wife about showing a united front in front of our son, but since he isn't biologically mine -- I just adopted him -- she tells me that she won't be-

cause I'm wrong all the time. What should I do? -- Frustrated and Tired Dad and Husband

Dear Frustrated and Tired:

Trying to speak with your wife and show a united front is a great idea. Her dismissing you and saying that you are wrong all the time is not the best way to communicate. At this point, you might have to seek the help of a professional family counselor. It is important for your 14-year-old son to learn to respect you and your wife. It will serve him well in life.

If you don't teach your son proper man-

ners and respect for you, his parent, he will sadly have to learn that lesson in the real world. Being disrespectful to a teacher or a boss can have serious life consequences. When you express your frustrations to your wife, explain that to her and that you are coming from a place of love and wanting what is best for all.

As for the process of gaining respect, remember that small victories should be celebrated. Try and focus on any subtle changes you see in your son, and remember, he is 14. Most teenagers have streaks of rebel-

lion, of "disrespectfulness." This can actually be healthy if it is done in a safe way and you are all talking about it. Also remember that when you lose your temper, you only make matters worse. Try to stay calm during these more tense moments.

With the help of a professional, I'm hopeful you will all live harmoniously.

Dear Annie:

I just read the letter from the 92-year-old lady who is so alone and sad during the pandemic. I have tears in my eyes and, like you, a broken heart. I am a 77-year-old retired man. I lost

my 96-year-old mom after taking care of her during dementia at home and visiting her for three years in a nursing home. So I have deep compassion for her. I feel so sorry for her.

Dear Deep Compassion:

Your letter is so sweet and straight from the heart -- filled with love and kindness. Sometimes, just knowing that strangers feel your pain and have compassion for you is enough to make you feel better.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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NORTH				diamond lead and cashed five trump to bring about this position:			
♠ 7 6 4 2				North			
♥ A K 7 3				♥ A K 7			
♦ 5				♣ A K 6 5			
♣ A K 6 5							
WEST		EAST		West		East	
♠ 3		♠ 5		♥ 9 8		♥ Q J 10	
♥ 9 8		♥ Q J 10 4		♦ Q J		♣ Q J 9 2	
♦ K Q J 10 7 6 2		♦ 9 8 4 3		♣ 10 4 3			
♣ 10 4 3		♣ Q J 9 2				South	
SOUTH				♠ 9 8			
♠ A K Q J 10 9 8				♥ 6 5 2			
♥ 6 5 2				♣ 8 7			
♦ A				When he now led another trump			
♣ 8 7				and discarded a heart from dummy			

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ 3 ♦
3 ♠ Pass 4 NT Pass
5 ♥ Pass 5 NT Pass
6 ♥ Pass 7 ♣

Opening lead — king of diamonds.
At first glance, it might seem impossible to make seven spades on today's hand since declarer appears to have an unavoidable heart loser. But when the deal was played many years ago by Paul Allinger, he found the way to make all 13 tricks.
Allinger saw at once that his only chance to make the grand slam was by a squeeze. This required East to have the bulk of the missing hearts and clubs, a possibility made more

likely by West's professed diamond length. So Allinger won the opening diamond lead and cashed five trumps to bring about this position:

North		South	
♥ A K 7		♥ 9 8	
♣ A K 6 5		♣ Q J 10	
West		East	
♥ 9 8		♥ Q J 10	
♦ Q J		♦ Q J 9 2	
♣ 10 4 3		♣ Q J 9 2	
South		West	
♠ 9 8		♠ 10 4 3	
♥ 6 5 2		♥ 9 8	
♣ 8 7		♣ Q J 10	

When he now led another trump and discarded a heart from dummy, East was squeezed. He could not afford to part with a heart, which would have allowed Allinger to cash the A-K and score the rest of the tricks.

So East discarded a club, whereupon Allinger cashed the A-K of clubs and ruffed a club. This established dummy's six as his 13th trick, and the slam was home.

Whenever declarer has all the tricks but one — and particularly when there is no apparent way to develop an additional trick — he should look for a squeeze. If one opponent has to guard two suits, he might not be able to withstand the pressure when declarer runs his winners.

Tomorrow: Thoughtful defense.
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ANSWER:

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Message of Three Lunar Trines

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What needs to happen will happen. You won't have to force it. You won't have to arrange it, invite it, manipulate it or even think about it at all. It will naturally go your way today, and you couldn't stop it even if you wanted to.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When people are nice to you, you assume that it's just the way they are with everyone. You don't typically stop to think, "What do they want from me?" although, today, that wouldn't be a bad thing to privately consider.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Simplicity and economy are excellent values to uphold in times of plenty and in times of want. Regardless of your current comfort level, knowing that you are operating without a lot of waste will feel so good.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your intuition is spot-on today. Not only can you trust your free associations, first impressions and gut responses but when you act on them, you'll be super lucky.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When someone is trying to lead your thoughts in a particular direction, it's a dead giveaway of selfish intent. Those who love you and want the best for you will trust your own knowing of what that is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are many seeds inside of you. Becoming who you want to be is a matter of growing the

right ones. Unfortunately, many seeds look alike, and you won't totally know what's growing until it does.



BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You will put your powers of imagination to excellent use by dreaming up a version of your future in which you are strong in relationships and you have everything that's needed to help a relationship thrive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you were to only love those who love you back, how limiting life would be! Don't be afraid to invest the best of yourself where it won't be returned immediately, or possibly ever. Sacrifice is essential for spiritual health.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Don't even worry about being original. What you do originates with you, so how could it be anything but? Copying those you admire is part of learning. You might be surprised at how differently it comes out, though.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You give your full attention to anyone who needs it. The most telling mark of character is how a person treats those who can clearly do nothing for them. This is always in the back of your mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Just as you don't give much thought to where each individual rain-drop

falls, there are details you don't bother with because you accept them as part of a system. Today, forget the system. Look closer. Not every drop is rain.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Of course you focus better when you're interested. There's no crime in disinterest either. Sometimes your ability to hook into a subject comes down to scale. Zoom in and out to see if you can find a sweeter view.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 5). The events of this year seem designed to help you be your best by finding your strength, tapping it and controlling it. You'll have money to invest in a person, company or mission you believe in. You will not be repaid directly for this, but it will bring enormous good fortune and opportunity from unexpected directions. Scorpio and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 7, 12, 40 and 1.

COSMIC QUESTION: "I found out that my Scorpio lied to me, and I'm heartbroken. He said that I was the only one for him, but I

found out that he had lunch with an ex. I can't have a relationship with a liar and am thinking I should end it now because, in my experience with liars, it only gets worse. What do you think?"

Lying is just a part of being a person. Developed in early childhood, lying is a skill so ubiquitous that the rare person who doesn't have it is ill-equipped for typical social discourse. Of course, there are a range of lies. On one end of the spectrum, there are lies that are expected, like responding to "How are you?" with a simple "Well, and you?" instead of featuring dozens of ills and worries.

The middle zone is home to lies we tell to save someone's feelings; condense a story; make life a little more convenient, private or palatable. Your Scorpio's lies are somewhere in this range, before the terrible end zone of lies that is populated by falsehoods that are outrageous, malignant, repugnant and indefensible.

With the midzone of lies, it might help you to concern yourself not with whether a thing is false or true but with the underlying motive of communication. Most lies are tactics employed to avoid or attain a particular result. If we pay close attention to lies, they will teach us what we care about, what we fear and what we want. More on this tomorrow.

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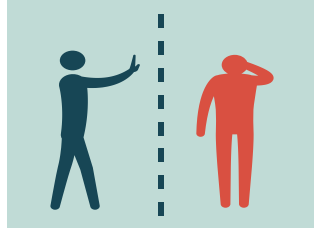
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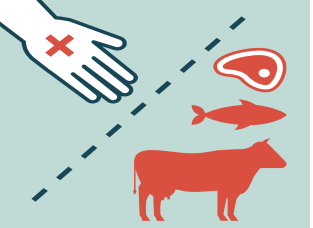
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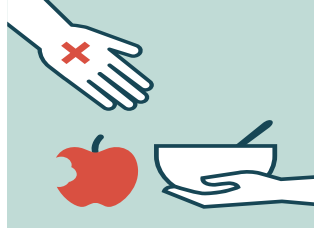
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AVOID TRAVELLING TO AFFECTED AREAS UNLESS NECESSARY



IF YOU BECOME SICK SEEK MEDICAL CARE IMMEDIATELY

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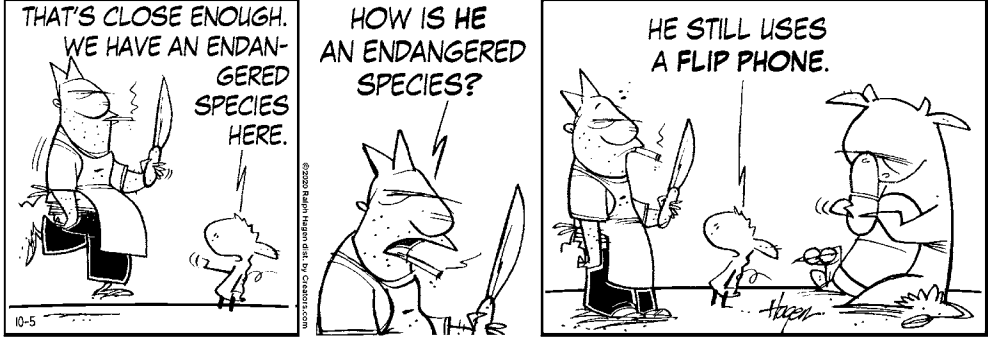
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This Date
In History

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 5, the 279th day of 2020. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 5, 2005, defying the White House, senators voted 90-9 to approve an amendment sponsored by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., that would prohibit the use of "cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" against anyone in U.S. government custody. (A reluctant President George W. Bush later signed off on the amendment.)

On this date:

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies, was practically wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kansas.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman delivered the first televised White House address as he spoke on the world food crisis.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1955, a stage adaptation of "The Diary of Anne Frank" by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett opened at the Cort Theatre in New York.

In 1958, racially-desegregated Clinton High School in Clinton, Tennessee, was mostly leveled by an early morning bombing.

In 1983, Solidarity founder Lech Walesa (lek vah-WEN'-sah) was named winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice-presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

In 1989, a jury in Charlotte, North Carolina, convicted former P-T-L evangelist Jim Bakker (BAY'-kur) of using his television show to defraud followers.

In 2001, tabloid photo editor Robert Stevens died from inhaled anthrax, the first of a series of anthrax cases in Florida, New York, New Jersey and Washington.

In 2011, Apple founder Steve Jobs, 56, died in Palo Alto, California.

In 2017, Hollywood executive Harvey Weinstein announced that he was taking

a leave of absence from his company after a New York Times article detailed decades of alleged sexual harassment against women including actor Ashley Judd.

In 2018, a jury in Chicago convicted white police officer Jason Van Dyke of second-degree murder in the 2014 shooting of Black teenager Laquan McDonald.

Ten years ago: Faisal Shahzad (FY'-sul shah-ZAHD'), the Pakistani immigrant who'd tried to detonate a car bomb in Times Square, accepted a life sentence from a federal judge in New York with a smirk and warned that Americans could expect more bloodshed at the hands of Muslims. President Barack Obama convened the first-ever White House summit on community colleges, calling them the "unsung heroes of America's education system."

Five years ago: The United States, Japan and 10 other nations in Asia and the Americas reached agreement on the landmark Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal. The Coast Guard concluded that El Faro, a container ship that went missing during Hurricane Joaquin off the Bahamas, had sunk. Irish-born William Campbell, Satoshi Omura and of Japan and Tu Youyou of China won the Nobel Prize in medicine for discoveries that helped doctors fight malaria and infections caused by roundworm parasites.

One year ago: A Taliban official said a delegation from the group had met with a U.S. envoy in the Pakistani capital; it was the first such encounter since President Donald Trump announced a month earlier that a peace deal to end Afghanistan's 18-year war was dead. Iraqi protesters pressed on with anti-government rallies in the capital and across several provinces for a fifth day, setting government offices on fire; security agencies fatally shot 19 protesters and wounded more than three dozen.



Today's Birthdays: Actor Glynis Johns is 97. College Football Hall of Fame coach Barry Switzer is 83. Rhythm-and-blues singer Arlene Smith (The Chantels) is 79. Singer-musician Steve Miller is 77. Sen. Benjamin L. Cardin, D-Md., is 77. Rock singer Brian Johnson (AC/DC) is 73. Blues musician Rick Estrin is 71. Actor Karen Al-

len is 69. Writer-producer-director Clive Barker is 68. Rock musician David Bryson (Counting Crows) is 66. Astrophysicist-author Neil deGrasse Tyson is 62. Memorial designer Maya Lin is 61. Actor Daniel Baldwin is 60. Rock singer-musician Dave Dederer is 56. Hockey Hall of Famer Mario Lemieux is 55. Actor Guy Pearce is 53. Ac-

tor Josie Bissett is 50. Singer-actor Heather Headley is 46. Pop-rock singer Colin Meloy (The Decemberists) is 46. Rock musician Brian Mashburn (Save Ferris) is 45. Actor Parminder Nagra (pahr-MIHN'-da NAH'-grah) is 45. Actor Scott Weinger is 45. Actor Kate Winslet is 45. Rock musician James Valentine (Maroon 5) is 42.

Rock musician Paul Thomas (Good Charlotte) is 40. Actor Jesse Eisenberg is 37. TV personality Nicky Hilton is 37. Actor Azure Parsons is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Brooke Valentine is 35. Actor Kevin Bigley is 34. Actor Joshua Logan Moore is 26. Actor Jacob Tremblay is 14.

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ACROSS

- Boston's state: Abbr.
- In the ____ (long ago)
- Untruthful ones
- Rod between car wheels
- ____ mater
- Turn out to be
- Veal or beef
- Eight-sided street sign
- Brief film role
- Competitive edge
- Story's surprise
- Fly like an eagle
- Fortune-teller
- Very smart person
- Cavalry sword
- Had a meal
- Boat's steering blade
- Grass-covered yard
- Coffee alternative
- Soother in skin lotion
- Like very much
- Knights' titles
- Hair-stiffening goo
- Extend across
- Restful state
- Compass point opposite NNW
- Oven's countdown device
- Small group of experts
- Lost one's footing
- Make revisions to
- Window sticker
- Word that modifies a noun

- Highly skilled
- Roaring feline
- Verified an age, in a bar
- Jam-packed
- Forget to include
- Require
- Started a poker pot
- Change for a \$20 bill
- Actor Sinise of *Forrest Gump*

DOWN

- Middle of the Three Bears
- Chopped down
- Serbian or Bulgarian
- Save for later
- Spaghetti or ziti
- Temple platforms

- Urban air pollution
- Roll of sticky cellophane
- Speaker's podium
- Very impressed
- Great respect
- Feels sorry about
- Marking on a Dalmatian
- ____ of the above (something else)
- Underground drainage system
- Is boastful
- Board game's regulations
- Teenager
- Leave well enough ____
- Tavern
- Brief in one's words

- Artist's stand
- Quick
- River-blocking structure
- Having a minor argument
- Overly formal
- Long, heroic story
- Come back to a club
- Run out, as a subscription
- Fender dings
- Baby's pop
- Eve and Adam's garden
- Frequently
- Thinnest American coin
- Creative thought
- Swerve suddenly
- Whirling water in an ocean

