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Howard County VFD Receives Award
Commissioner's Court Meeting Had Many Highlights

By Andreia Medlin
 Reporter

The Howard County Commissioners Court met Monday in the third floor county court room. The meeting was called to order by Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman at 3:31 p.m.

The public was invited to address the court, but no one from the public was in attendance and therefore no comment was made.

"Nobody wants to talk to us ya'll," said Judge Wiseman before moving on to the agenda items. However, that proved to be brief as well. "Phillip Reed call me and said their was no action and no change," said Wiseman and relayed Reeds request to table the presentation and acceptance of County Officials Monthly Reports.

The motion was carried as there were no comments.

At 3:34 p.m. the commissioners adjourned to executive session to discuss three items that included: Vacation time for an employee was rolled over due to extenuating circumstances. Motion was approved.

Commissioner Jimmie Long presented discussion to remove the contract

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The third item was presented by Commissioner Craig Bailey.

"We in the past few years have developed what I think is the finest group of people in Howard county and that's the Volunteer Fire Department," Baily began and continued. "One of the things that has happened is that some years ago we established a group of people.... who have done an exceptional job. They would go out and fight fires all night and have to come back in and work on the equipment to be able to go out again because we were running on a wing and a prayer most days. I like to remind everyone that these people

do this out of the kindness of their heart and don't get paid a penny for what they do," Bailey concluded.

During closed session it was the courts decision that a part of the ARPA money that was received from the federal government should be presented in appreciation for the efforts of the board of directors, Bailey explained.

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Thursday Night: A few clouds overnight. Low 31F. Winds E at 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 44F. Winds ENE at 10 to 20 mph.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 16-6:30 p.m. Paint and Sip at Ryan Hall, contact Victim Services for informaion.

Dec. 17,-Breakfast with Santa, 10 a.m. at the Courtyard 117 S. Main.

Dec. 17-The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will present its Holiday Spectacular Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School Auditorium. Tickets are on sale now at bigspringsymphony.org as well as H-E-B, the Heritage Museum and the Karat Patch.

Daily Quotes

"Art constitutes a minor free zone outside action, paying for its freedom by giving up the real world. A heavy price!"
 — *Georges Bataille*

"Comedy too can sometimes discern what is right. I shall not please, but I shall say what is true."
 — *Acharnians, 500-501*

"Only in our dreams are we free. The rest of the time we need wages."
 — *Terry Pratchett*

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Howard County Non-profit Giving the Gift of Warmth



Courtesy photos

Howard County Resource Center provides coats to local children. The non-profit has been helping families for more than 40 years. Through the months of November and through December the Agency distributed over 100 coats. The center is located at NE 8th St. For more information call 263-2673.

Shannon is newest member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network

Special to the Herald

Today, Shannon and Mayo Clinic announced that Shannon is the newest member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. Members of the Mayo Clinic Care Network, a group of carefully vetted, independent health care organizations, have special access to Mayo Clinic's knowledge and expertise.

"We are honored to join this prestigious network, which will enable us to connect with the most respected and recognized health care system in the world," says Shane Plymell, president and CEO of Shannon. "In addition to the trusted care of their Shannon physicians, patients will have access to Mayo Clinic expertise and the latest research and treatment recommendations. This means our family, friends and neighbors throughout the region will receive some of the most advanced care in the nation, right here at Shannon."

Physicians from Shannon will be able to combine their understanding of their patients' medical needs with Mayo Clinic expertise, so patients get exactly the care they need, close to home.

"We are excited to welcome Shannon to the Mayo Clinic Care Network," says Ryan Uitti, M.D., medical director, Mayo Clinic Care Network. "Through our shared mission and common values, we are committed to working together, providing additional expertise in the realm of serious, rare and complex care so that Shannon can amplify the care delivered to their patients."

Through Shannon's membership in the Mayo Clinic Care Network, its physicians have access to Mayo Clinic clinical solutions and services, including:

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Christmas Lights and Merriment



HERALD photos/Andreia Medlin

The Festival of Lights aren't the only displays to peruse on the chilly nights leading to Christmas. Some private citizens get in the spirit as well as the photo on the left shows. On the right are volunteers who manned the Festival of Lights booth Saturday. The display continues through the end of the month.

Do you have a favorite holiday memory? The Herald is seeking stories from our readers about their most memorable Christmases in their own words. Send mailed submissions to Big Spring Herald P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring TX, 79720 or by email to newsdesk@bigspringherald.com or editor@bigspringherald.com

Police/Sheriff blotter

The Howard County Detention Center reported the following activity:

- **SABRINA NICOLE GALINDO**, 29, of 249 James St., Kermit. was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less than 2 oz., possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and unlawful carry of a weapon.
- **MICHAEL PAUL GARZA**, 40, of P.O. Box 91, Donnell, was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams.
- **ALLEN DAVID GILBERT**, 48, of 1507 Johnson, was arrested on charges of criminal mischief impair/interrupt investigation, parole violation, evading arrest/detention, and fail to identify fugi-

tive intent to give false information.

- **ROBERT LEE VELA**, 47, of 1311 Mobile St. was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- **THEFT** was reported at 800 S. Owens St.
- **HIT AND RUN** was reported at 2500 S. Gregg St.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at 1101 N. Lamesa Hwy.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported at 1602 E. FM 700.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported 2111 S. Gregg St.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported at 1201 Mesa Ave.

Support Groups

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@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD ses-

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

FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 1000 block of Runnels. One person transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 400 block of E. 16th St. One person transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 1600 block of W. 2nd St. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 600 block of Vikki Rd. One person transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 20 block of Becker Rd. One person transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 500 block of W. 17th St. One person transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** reported at the 800 block of W. 16th St. One person transported to SMMC.

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"The work that they do and the folks that are a part of the board of directors that show up a couple of times a month to try to figure out how to raise money and who to contact," Bailey commented. "We have some of the best equipment in the state of Texas right now thanks to these people. We would like to give them a check in the amount of \$300,000."

There was no vote as the item was approved in the budget.

Items presented by County Treasurer Sharon Adams were approved and included the following: Personnel Considerations, Personnel Concept Compliance Poster changes; Updates to the Employee Handbook; and the Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report for November.

County Auditor Jackie Olson presented items including: Presentation of Monthly Financial Report; Discussion and Possible Action to approve invoices, Discussion and Possible Action to approve purchase requests and Discussion and Possible Action for budget amendments. Motion to

approve items was carried.

The second closed session item presented by Odie Franklin, County IT-member purchasing partnership with Dell-proposal and review and approve the required cyber training program through KnowBe4 was tabled with no action at this time. Motion carried.

County Clerk Brent Zitterkopf presented the monthly report for November. The report was approved as presented.

Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek presented four items including: Roadway Maintenance update, TxDOT grant update, request for permission

to go out for Bid RFQ 2023001 LRA and request for permission to go out for Bid RFQ 2023002 Emulsion. After the vote, the motion was carried for both requests.

A Service award was presented to Craig Bailey in appreciation for his 8 years of service.

Before concluding the meeting, the new name for the road to the Howard County landfill will now be known as Wiseman Way. Judge Wiseman was given a road sign in recognition of the honor.

Following the presentations the meeting adjourned.

News briefs

Chamber Presents Holiday Sip and Shop

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce wants to remind everyone to shop local and to make it a little more convenient some local businesses will be open until 8 p.m. tonight. So enjoy the Chamber's Holiday Sip and Shop today.

Participating businesses include: Baby on Main at 109 S. Main, Dazzling Decor at 1304 Scurry, DL Clothing at 308 Scurry, Famous Elle at 215 S. Main, Lula Blu Boutique at 406 E. Marcy Suite A, Mystic Wonders and Healing at 204 Main, Queens of the Dude Ranch 221 S. Main, Scenic Mountain Medical Ceter Gift Shop at 1601 W. 11th Pl., Splurge Boutique at 223 S. Main, The Crowned Bird at 406 E. Marcy, Texas Blessed Boutique at 1714 S. Gregg and The Wardrobe Boutique at 115 S. Main.

County Offices Announce Closures

Herald Staff Report

Howard County will close all offices for the Christmas Holiday beginning Friday, December 23, 2022-Monday, December 26, 2022. County Offices will resume regular business hours on Tuesday, December 27, 2022, through Friday, December 30, 2022, and will close again Monday January 2, 2023, in observance for the New Year Holiday. All County Office's will resume regular business hours Tuesday January 3, 2022.

Sheriff's Administrative Offices will be closed but Law Enforcement Services will operate as normal.

We wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year

Deputy dressed as Grinch gives onions to speeding drivers

MARATHON, Fla. (AP) — Several motorists who were speeding through an elementary school zone on the Florida Keys Overseas Highway received an odorous onion as a reminder to slow down from a county sheriff's deputy dressed as the Grinch.

Col. Lou Caputo, a 37-year veteran of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office who conjured up the concept more than 20 years ago, was back on the streets Tuesday.

Drivers who travel about 5 mph or less above the school zone's speed limit can choose between traffic citations and an onion presented by the Grinch. Those speeding beyond that likely receive a costly ticket.

"It's about education, awareness that our school zones are still operating even though it's the holiday season," Caputo said. "We want people to slow down."

Caputo said he portrays the fictional character created by

children's author Dr. Seuss to give motorists a "gift" but also to call attention in a nice way to the need to obey speed limits in school zones.

"It catches them off guard," Caputo said.

"But when I give them a clear choice of a citation or the onion, they will take the onion. And I've had them eat the onion right in front of me."

Keys schools remain in session through Dec. 16.

Mitchell County Vehicle Inspection Station Dedication/Grand Opening Announced

Herald Staff Report

On December 20th at 2 p.m. a dedication / grand opening ceremony will be held at the Commercial Vehicle Inspection station at 7754 E IH-20, Lorraine. A dedication / grand opening ceremony will be held to recognize the creation of this new commercial vehicle inspection station used to inspect commercial vehicles and ensure the safety of the vehicles and drivers that operate them.

This enforcement station was a project taken on by the Mitchell County Judge and County Commissioners.

This event will take place at the inspection station located at 7754 E. IH-20 at 2 p.m., on December 20.

To locate the station drive onto IH-20 to the 224 milepost traveling west and exit 224 onto the north

service road. Cross the intersection and the inspection station is just west on the left.

This event will be hosted by Mitchell County officials, and any further information about the event should be referred to them.

The Texas Department of Public Safety works in the inspection station daily. The Northwest Texas Region, Regional Director, Joe Longway will be in attendance as well as Texas Highway Patrol Commercial Vehicle Enforcement troopers that work the station weekly.

Please join us for this Grand Opening and help inform the citizen's about the station and event.

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Emily Joan Blackburn, 91, died Tuesday. Visitation will be Friday Dec. 16, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be Saturday Dec. 17, at 2 p.m. at Mount Olive Cemetery.

Brandon Eugene Ceballos, 19, died Saturday. Funeral service will be Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Mount Olive Cemetery with his mother. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help assist the family with funeral expenses.

2023 Calendars have arrived.

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• History Nerds - Great Courses Lecture Series of the American West: History, Myth and Legacy meets every Wednesday at 12 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Runnels, in the Theater Room. Each 30-minute lecture is followed by an in-class group discussion. There is no charge.

• Starting in October, we will be switching food distribution to the fourth Friday of every month. Oct. 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We will not be distributing food in November or if there is inclement weather, i.e., snow or heavy rain. Distribution will take place at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Our food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People will need to bring a plastic bag or box and let us know how many are in their household to pick up food. We will post any updates on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>

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

• Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna - a two dose and Janseen - a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff

will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org

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

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

• 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.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room.

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Howard Co. Area Sports Schedule

Dec. 16: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Freshmen, JV, and Varsity), non-district matchup against Brownfield at Big Spring. Games start at 5 p.m. (Freshmen), 6:15 p.m. (JV), and 7:30 p.m. (Varsity).

Dec. 16: Coahoma Bulldogettes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Clyde at Clyde. Games start at 5 p.m. (JV) and 6:30 p.m. (Varsity).

Dec. 15-17: Coahoma Bulldogs Basketball (Varsity) at Buena Vista ISD Tournament in Imperial. Game times TBA.

Dec. 16-17: Forsan Lady Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) at Sands Hoopapalooza in Ackerly. Game times TBA.

Dec. 16: Forsan Lady Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Christoval at Christoval. Games start at 4 p.m. (JV) and 6:15 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 19: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Freshmen, JV, & Varsity) non-district matchup against Andrews at Big Spring. Games start at 4:30 p.m. (Freshmen & JV) and 6 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 20: Big Spring Steers Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Idalou at Big Spring. Games start at 5 p.m. (JV) and 6:30 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 20: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Midland Classical at Big Spring. Games start at 12 p.m. (JV) and 1:30 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 20: Coahoma Bulldogs & Bulldogettes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Ballinger at Coahoma. Games start at 4 p.m. (JV Girls), 5:15 p.m. (JV Boys), 6:30 p.m. (Varsity Girls), and 8 p.m. (Varsity Boys)

Dec. 20: Forsan Lady Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Sterling City at Forsan. Games start at 5 p.m. (JV) and 7:30 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 20: Forsan Lady Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Sterling City at Forsan. Games start at 4 p.m. (JV) and 6:15 p.m. (Varsity)

Dec. 28-30: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Varsity) at Brownwood Tournament in Brownwood. Game times TBA

Big Spring Steers fall to Lubbock Coronado 69-25



Left, Big Spring's Kavien Ford is fouled while shooting a layup during the Steer's game against Lubbock Coronado on Tuesday. Right, Big Spring's Eli Cobos puts up a three point shot during the Steer's game against Lubbock Coronado on Tuesday. The Steers fell to the Mustangs 69-25 in a non district matchup. Big Spring will look to bounce back Friday as they get set to host Brownfield.

Courtesy photos/Tony Claxton-Claxton Photography

Green scores 26, Rockets beat slumping Suns in Silas' return

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Jalen Green had 26 points and Kevin Porter Jr. added 18 as the Houston Rockets never trailed in a 111-97 win over the slumping Phoenix Suns on Tuesday night.

The Rockets led by as many as 23 and held a comfortable lead for most of the night in the return of coach Stephen Silas, who was back after missing the previous game following the death of his father, longtime NBA player and coach Paul Silas.

"It was definitely great to be back," Silas said. "I love these guys. I love this team. I kind of didn't want the game to end because now it's like real life starts up again."

It was the second straight victory for the Rockets, who beat Milwaukee on Sunday night.

Silas was asked if returning to work made things easier for him.

"I don't know if it makes it easier or not, but my dad was a coach and he would tell me to coach," Silas said. "Get your butt out there and coach. So that's what I did."

Already playing without Devin Booker, the Suns, who dropped their fifth straight, didn't have Deandre Ayton and Cameron Payne in the second half after both were injured before halftime. Ayton injured his left ankle and Payne sustained a right foot injury.

Mikal Bridges led the Suns with 18 points but shot a horrific 4 of 24 from the field and 2 of 10 from 3-point range. He made all eight free-throw attempts.

"Mikal was 4 for 24," coach Monty Williams said. "That's going to be a tough recipe when you don't have Book and all the other guys that are out."

Chris Paul had 16 points on 5-of-17 shooting, including 2 of 10 on 3s.

Paul said he isn't worried about things snowballing for the Suns.

"Not really," he said. "As long as the locker room stays positive and understands that it's a long season. We went on ... an 18-game winning streak (last season) and lost in the second round. You know what I mean? In this league you can't get too high or too low."

The Rockets scored the game's first seven points and led 54-35 after a first half where the Suns made just 11 of 50 shots, including 4 of 24 3-pointers.

A 7-2 run by the Suns got them within 11 with about 7 1/2 minutes left in the game. Houston scored the next five points, capped by an off-balance tip-in for a three-point play by Garrison Mathews, to stretch the lead to 98-82.

Phoenix entered the game ranked fifth in the league in 3-point shooting at 38.3% but made just 13 of 51 (25.5%) on Tuesday night.

TIP-INS

Suns: Booker missed a second straight game with tightness in his left hamstring. ... Torrey Craig had 12 rebounds. ... Paul had seven assists.

Rockets: Alperen Sengun had 10 points and 16 rebounds. ... Jabari Smith Jr. received a flagrant-1 foul after a collision with Bridges in the third quarter. He had 14 points and eight rebounds. ... Tari Eason had 10 points and seven rebounds off the bench.

REMEMBERING DAD

Silas was emotional when speaking about his father before the game. He said he's been moved by the outpouring of support he's received since Paul Silas' death Sunday at 79.

"I'm very proud to be my dad's son," Silas said. "I'm very proud that people see him in me. And I want that to continue. Whenever it is my time comes, I want people to say the same things that they said about him over the last couple of days about (me). And hopefully they'll do that."

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Many restaurants offer brunch specials on New Year's Day, but people need not leave home to ensure their first meal of the new year is delicious. This recipe for "Pan-Fried Eggs and Mixed Mushroom Sauté on Toasted Sourdough Slices" from "Sunday Brunch" (Chronicle Books) by Betty Rosbottom can be just the dish to begin a new year.

Pan-Fried Eggs and Mixed Mushroom Sauté on Toasted Sourdough Slices
Serves 4

Mushroom Sauté

1 1/4 ounces mixed dried mushrooms
1 1/2 cups boiling water
3 tablespoons olive oil
8 ounces sliced brown mushrooms
2 teaspoons minced garlic
1 teaspoon dried crushed rosemary (see tip)
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper

Toast and Eggs

4 1/2-inch thick sourdough slices
Olive oil
2 tablespoons unsalted butter
4 eggs
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper
Rosemary sprigs for garnish (optional)

1. For the Mushroom Sauté: Place the dried mushrooms in a medium bowl and cover with the boiling water. Let stand until softened, 20 minutes. Strain in a sieve lined with a double thickness of paper towels and reserve the soaking liquid. Coarsely chop the mushrooms.
2. Heat the olive oil in a medium, heavy frying pan set over medium heat. When hot, add the brown mushrooms and sauté, stirring often, for 6 minutes. Add the reserved mushrooms, garlic, rosemary, and 1/2 teaspoon salt; stir for 1 minute. Add the mushroom liquid and cook, stirring, until it has evaporated, 4 to 7 minutes. Season with salt and several grinds of pepper. Remove the frying pan from the heat and cover with foil to keep warm. (The mushrooms can be prepared 1 day ahead; cool, cover and refrigerate. Reheat, stirring, over medium heat.)
3. For the toast and eggs: Brush both sides



- of the bread slices generously with olive oil. Set a 10- to 11-inch nonstick frying pan over medium-high heat, and, when hot, add the bread and cook until lightly browned, about 2 minutes per side. Remove the toast and cover loosely with foil. When pan is cool enough to handle, wipe it out with clean paper towels.
4. Add the butter to the frying pan and set it over medium heat. When the butter starts to foam, break an egg into a saucer, being careful to remove any shell fragments., and gently slide it into the frying pan. Repeat with the remaining eggs. Immediately reduce the heat to low and cook, basting the eggs with some of the butter in the pan frequently, until the whites are firm and the yolks are still soft and runny, 3 minutes.
 5. While the eggs are cooking, arrange a toasted bread slice on each of four plates. Mound the mushrooms evenly over the toast.
 6. Remove each egg with a spatula and arrange on top of the mushrooms. Season with salt and pepper and, if desired, garnish each serving with a rosemary sprig. Serve immediately.
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DEC. 15

Grid of TV channels and programs for Thursday, Dec 15, 2022. Columns include channel numbers and names, and rows include time slots and program titles.

Contract Bridge advertisement. Includes title 'Contract Bridge', author 'By Steve Becker', and a bidding quiz with questions A, B, C, and D. Each question provides a hand and asks for a bid or action.



Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 15, 1791, the Bill of Rights, the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, went into effect following ratification by Virginia.

On this date:

In 1890, Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull and 11 other tribe members were killed in Grand River, South Dakota, during a confrontation with Indian police.

In 1939, the Civil War motion picture epic "Gone with the Wind," starring Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable, had its world premiere in Atlanta.

In 1944, a single-engine plane carrying band-leader Glenn Miller, a major in the U.S. Army Air Forces, disappeared over the English Channel while en route to Paris.

In 1967, the Silver Bridge between Gallipolis (gal-ih-puh-LEES'), Ohio, and Point Pleasant, West Virginia, collapsed into the Ohio River, killing 46 people.

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter announced he would grant diplomatic recognition to Communist China on New Year's Day and sever official relations with Taiwan.

In 1989, a popular uprising began in Romania that resulted in the downfall of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu (chow-SHEHS'-koo).

In 2000, the long-troubled Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine was closed for good.

In 2001, with a crash and a large dust cloud, a 50-foot tall section of steel — the last standing piece of the World Trade Center's facade — was brought down in New York.

In 2011, the flag used by U.S. forces in Iraq was lowered in a low-key Baghdad airport ceremony marking the end of a war that had left 4,500 Americans and 110,000 Iraqis dead and cost more than \$800 billion.

In 2013, Nelson Mandela was laid to rest in his childhood hometown, ending a 10-day mourning period for South Africa's first Black president.

In 2016, a federal jury in Charleston, South Carolina, convicted Dylann Roof of slaughtering nine Black church members who had welcomed him to their Bible study.

In 2020, the Food and Drug Administration cleared the first kit that

consumers could buy without a prescription to test themselves for COVID-19 entirely at home. After weeks of holding out, Russian President Vladimir Putin congratulated Joe Biden on winning the presidential election.

Ten years ago: A day after the massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, investigators worked to understand what led the 20-year-old gunman and adults after also killing his mother and before taking his own life. In his Saturday radio address, President Barack Obama declared that "every parent in America has a heart heavy with hurt" and said it was time to "take meaningful action to prevent more tragedies like this."

Five years ago: Republicans revealed the details of their huge national tax rewrite; the 35 percent tax rate on corporations would fall to 21 percent, and the measure would repeal the requirement under President Barack Obama's Affordable

Care Act that all Americans have health insurance or face a penalty. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer said the middle class would "get skewered" under the GOP tax measure, while the wealthy and corporations would "make out like bandits."

One year ago: Former Minneapolis police Officer Derek Chauvin pleaded guilty to a federal charge of violating George Floyd's civil rights, admitting for the first time that he held his knee across Floyd's neck and kept it there even after Floyd became unresponsive, resulting

in the Black man's death. A federal appeals court panel lifted a nationwide ban against President Joe Biden's vaccine mandate for health care workers, instead blocking the requirement in only certain states and setting the stage for patchwork enforcement across the country. New York City Mayor-elect Eric Adams named Keechant Sewell, a Long Island police official, as the city's next police commissioner, making her the first woman to lead the nation's largest police force.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Cindy Birdsong (The Supremes) is 83. Rock musician Dave Clark (The Dave Clark Five) is 80. Rock musician Carmine Appice (Vanilla Fudge) is 76. Actor Don Johnson is 73. Actor Melanie Chartoff is 72. Movie director Julie Taymor is 70. Movie director Alex Cox is 68. Rock musician Paul Simonon (The Clash) is 67. Movie director John Lee Hancock is 66. Democratic Party activist Donna Brazile is 63. Country singer Doug Phelps (Brother Phelps; Kentucky Headhunters) is 62. Movie producer-director Reginald Hudlin is 61. Actor Helen Slater is 59. Actor Paul Kaye (TV: "Game of Thrones") is 58. Actor Molly Price is 57. Actor Garrett Wang (wahn-g) is 54. Actor Michael Shanks is 52. Actor Stuart Townsend is 50. Figure skater Surya Bonaly is 49. Actor Geoff Stults is 46. Actor Adam Brody is 43. Actor Michelle Dockery is 41. Actor George O. Gore II is 40. Actor Camilla Luddington is 39. Rock musician and actor Alana Haim (HYM) is 31. Actor Maude Apatow (AP'-ih-tow) is 25. Actor Stefania Owen is 25.

CRYPTO FUN advertisement. Features a grid of symbols and letters, a bidding quiz with questions A, B, C, and D, and a code-solving section. The code-solving section asks to solve a code to discover words related to cold and flu, with a hint '9 = F'. The answers are: A. snuffles, B. cough, C. stuffy, D. fever.

FEATURES

Horoscopes By Holiday

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 15, 2022

Lunar Audit

A square of the Virgo moon to Mars calls for an assessment. What do you have and what do you need? Accounting is thorough in the realm of Virgo, though sometimes we are not the best at noticing our own assets, which turn invisible with familiarity. Mars in social Gemini suggests pulling in the assistance of outsiders for this audit -- brilliant!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Not everyone needs to know everything at once. The reason flash photography is forbidden in zoos and museums is that some illumination can be harmful. Consider what would be helpful to know; start there and go slow.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The plan you're pursuing has a flaw that, though it might be glaring to some, is difficult to see from the inside. Run your ideas by friends and mentors, or at least say them out loud to hear what they sound like in the open air.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Though you tend to your loved ones, customers and community with great care, you sometimes forget to apply the same attentiveness to your own needs. Your relationship with yourself is the most important one you'll nurture.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your greatest triumphs have come after picking yourself up from a fall. So, you're not afraid to slip up, and in fact you stretch yourself, knowing that if you make a mistake, it will be an opportunity for resilience and learning.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Of course you're not solely responsible for the way the world is now, or even the way things are in your community, work or family. But to whatever extent you can influence the scene, you'll certainly try to make things better.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Adventure involves an element of danger, not necessarily physical danger, but there's a sense you're risking something and that's where the thrill comes from. You're up for exploring and you'll have the adventure you seek.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be involved in a group effort. Though there may be some competition inside the group, a rival from the outside will have you working as teammates in no time. Develop a strategy that will allow everyone to win together.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You think about the details and herein lies your advantage. You consider what kind of impression you want to make and do most of the work beforehand so as not to risk seeming like you're trying too hard in the moment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The disharmony resolves. What a relief! You can return to normal life, or more likely a new normal, with a better sense of how precious a smooth, uneventful experience really is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Frustration is caused by the belief that you need to do something in a particular timeframe for the experience to be acceptable. Pretend that you have all the time in the world, though, and the frustration vanishes.

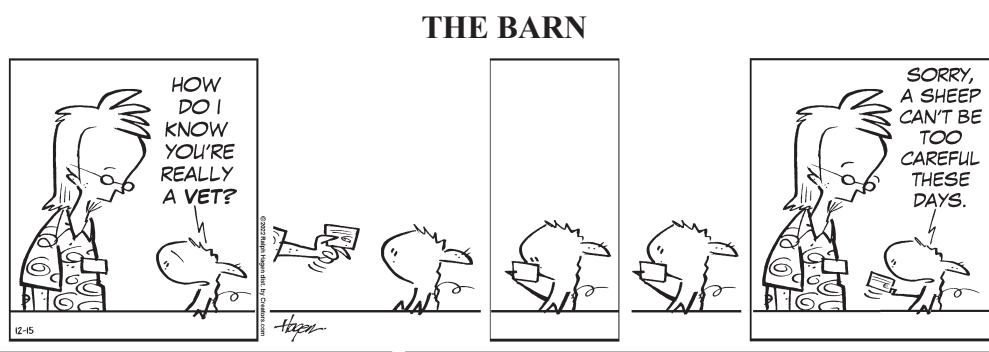
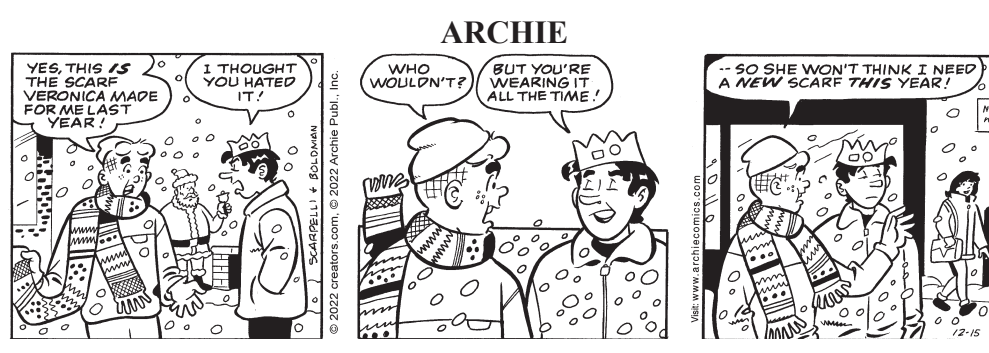
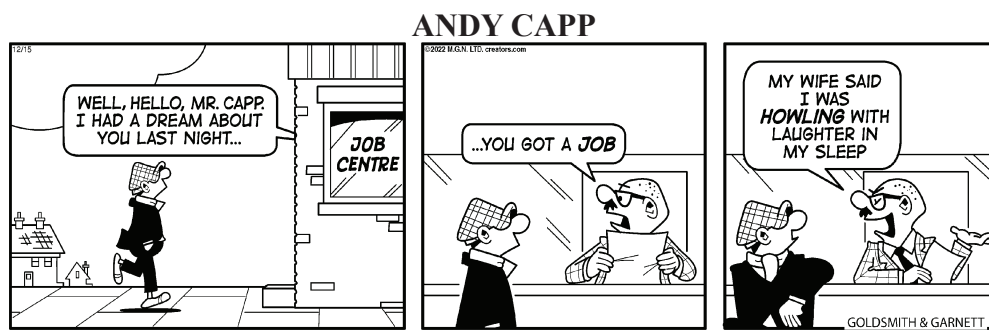
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You accept that your choices have led you to this point, but it's still not where you intended to be. Don't bother retracing your steps; just decide on a new destination and go forward.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Buried pain has a way of staying buried until someone acts as a kind of personal pain detector, alerting you to the problem under the surface. Such a person is invaluable. You're ready to dig this out and resolve it.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 15). You're the kind of friend who thinks ahead about what others might need from you. You consider the expectations of others and strive to exceed them. In this spirit, you'll be effective in relationships of all kinds, and you'll be paid and celebrated accordingly. More highlights: a transportation upgrade, surprising weekends and entry into a club. Libra and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 12, 18, 45 and 29.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Charlie Cox joined the Marvel Universe as Matt Murdock/Daredevil, a role that involves him in several projects at once. Sagittarian actors are especially drawn to projects that take them to strange new worlds, as shown by Cox in "The Defenders," "Stardust," "Boardwalk Empire," "Casanova" and more. Cox was born when the Sun, Moon, Uranus and Neptune were all in adventurous Sagittarius.

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 - 16 First stage
 - 17 Surpasses considerably
 - 19 Pakistani language
 - 20 Theater reservation
 - 21 Funny stuff
 - 22 GPS displays
 - 25 Frantic waver's cry
 - 27 Photographic accessories
 - 35 "By what technique?"
 - 36 Luau locale
 - 37 First stage
 - 38 A grand
 - 40 Air race marker
 - 43 Immunization products
 - 44 Prada's headquarters
 - 46 Quaker captain of fiction
 - 48 Account exec
 - 49 It's north of Miami-Dade
 - 53 Vane point
 - 54 What you can't stand to have
 - 55 "Without delay" directive
 - 58 HS supporters
 - 61 Deride, so to speak
 - 65 Chocolatey treat
 - 69 Labels for lapels
 - 70 Tracts on military maps
 - 71 Journey's beginning
 - 72 Surfers' mecca

- DOWN**
- 1 Color close to almond
 - 2 Utter unclearly
 - 3 Wait on
 - 4 Make certain
 - 5 Retired player from the '70s
 - 6 Sushi tuna
 - 7 Not-so-small bills
 - 8 Surface boundary
 - 9 Waterfront lodging
 - 10 Slip up
 - 11 Greek philosopher/searcher
 - 12 Rain in Spain
 - 13 Great relish
 - 14 What hoops don't have
 - 18 Unvarying

- 23 Lake former
- 24 Lose one's cool
- 26 Storage unit, for short
- 27 Defeat decisively
- 28 Part of modern-day Turkey
- 29 Harp (on)
- 30 Dude
- 31 Air freshener scent
- 32 Stringent
- 33 Pelican cousin
- 34 Needing rinsing
- 39 Mapped-out strategy
- 41 Delayed reaction of recognition
- 42 How scientists spell "salt"
- 45 Hoops group
- 47 Feathery neckwear

- 50 Certain Mexican mate
- 51 Westernmost Aleutian island
- 52 Ado
- 55 "Take ___ from me..."
- 56 "___ I" ("Ditto")
- 57 Choral contingent
- 59 Sparkling wine region
- 60 Met with
- 62 Antonym of "contrary"
- 63 Fan mag
- 64 Great relish
- 66 Sports card stat.
- 67 Monitor that came with the Apple II
- 68 Common Great Lakes cargo

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

CROSSWORD Today's Answers

T	E	N	E	I	N	T	A	N	I	O	P
S	N	I	V	E	R	A	L	S	G	V	I
E	K	O	O	K	I	E	S	H	O	L	T
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R	S	M	E	M	E	R	S	M	E	M	E
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Today's Answers

6	3	1	7	5	4	8	2	6
8	9	7	2	1	9	5	3	4
2	5	4	8	3	6	7	9	1
1	2	3	4	9	8	6	7	5
9	4	8	5	2	7	3	1	6
5	7	9	3	6	1	4	8	2
4	6	9	1	7	3	2	5	8
7	5	8	9	4	2	1	6	3
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Match The Santa To His Workshop!!



Santa No.	Business
_____	Hangar 25 Air Museum
_____	Medrano's Oil Change
_____	Big Spring Fire Extinguisher
_____	Hull's Meat Market
_____	Franklin & Son
_____	Big Spring Herald

NAME: _____

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