

Obituaries

Oscar Trevino

Oscar Trevino, 63, of Garden City was called home Jan. 24, 2021, to be with our Heavenly Fathers. He planted love in the lives of many who knew him. A Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021 at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery.

He was born March 1, 1957, to Lucila and Pedro Trevino in Muzquiz, Coahuila. He will be remembered for his undoubted patience, his wise words, the way he could make you feel like you were the most important person in the world. He would just sit and listen, he flourished through conversation. Oscar loved to spend time watching the Dallas Cowboys, driving kids on the bus, and most importantly spending time outside enjoying his grandkids. He was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, and those that had the privilege of knowing him are blessed.

Laylan Paul Musick Jr.

Laylan Paul Musick Jr., 52, of Big Spring, Texas, passed away Jan., 25, 2021, due to complications of a fall. Laylan was born in Hearne, Texas, on May 18, 1968, to Laylan and Genell Musick.

He graduated from Snyder High School in 1986 after in which he attended college and received a Drafting Degree. He retired from the State of Texas in 2015. He was an airplane enthusiast and could give information on any plane flying overhead at any particular moment. He is survived by his parents, Laylan and Genell

Jimmy W. Howard

Jimmy W. Howard was born Nov. 22, 1944. He is survived by his wife, Dee of Big Spring, two daughters, Jackey Howard of Edmond Okla, and Jenny Iglesia of Honolulu HI, as well as two sons; Jimmy Howard Jr of Honolulu, Hi, and Jerry Howard of Cleburne, Texas. He also leaves nine grand-

children. He was employed by Garden City ISD. Oscar led a very full life surrounded by his family. He will be deeply missed and remembered with his bright smile and kind words.

Oscar is survived by his wife, Martha Fraga, eight children Lucy Perez, Donato Gonzalez, Analisa Gonzalez, Noemi Paz, Steven Trevino, Lori Cervantes, Alicia Diaz and Oscar Javier Trevino, twelve grandchildren, Kristan Diaz, Ernesto Diaz III, Jacob Diaz, Aliyana Perez, Jianni Perez, Genesis Garcia, Xavier Garcia, Yamilet Garcia, Amaya Gonzalez, Mia Gonzalez, Jocelyn Paz, Jaclyn Paz, three brothers, Joe Trevino, Pete Trevino and Jesse Trevino, three sisters, Lucy Dominguez, Rosa Garza and Mary Ellen Trevino and his mother Lucila Trevino.

Pallbearers will be Steven Trevino, Fernando Dominguez, Pete Trevino, Joe Trevino, Jesse Trevino, Adrian Trevino and Ramiro Garza. Honorary Pallbearers will be Sam Clifton, Tony Gomez and Scott Becknel.

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

Paid Obituary

Musick of Big Spring; two sisters, Melody Stowe and husband, Kenneth of Dallas, and Lawanna Briseno and husband, Mike, one niece and two nephews of Lakeside, California. He had numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is also survived by his gift of life kidney donor, Cheree Watts and her husband.

Laylan will lie in state on Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, for family and friends at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Private graveside services will be held at Tahoka, Texas.

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Violet Thomas

Violet Thomas, 90, died Monday. Viewing and visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021.

Violet was born Feb. 14, 1930. S

She is survived by one daughter: Kay Barber of Big Spring; one sister: Rosalee Pritchett of Denton; one brother: Glen Smith of Quinlan; two grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Nora Lee Coolbaugh Hopper and Clarence Rhader Hopper; and husband: James Dewey Thomas, Jr.

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

Terrance Ali Young

Terrance Ali Young, 32, of Big Spring, passed away Thursday, Jan. 21, 2021. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Midland Health donates 800 Pfizer vaccines to Scenic Mountain Medical Center

Special to the Herald

On Tuesday, January 26th, Midland Health graciously allocated 800 of the Pfizer vaccines to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC) to aid in vaccinating the Big Spring and surrounding communities. Scenic Mountain will hold a community vaccination clinic on Wednesday and Thursday, January 27 - 28, from 10 am to 4 pm at Scenic Mountain Medical Center Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest corner of the hospital's front parking lot. Scenic Mountain Medical Center is located at 1601 W. 11th Place in Big Spring.

"All of us at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, as well as the Big Spring community, are incredibly grateful to Russell Meyers and his team at Midland Health for including our community in their COVID-19 vaccine allocation," said Stacey Brown, President of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. "This demonstrates once again how our area hospitals have come together in the best interest of public health."

The vaccine will be available to individuals who fall within Phase 1A, frontline workers, and Phase 1B, over the age of 65 and people with medical conditions that put them at a greater risk of severe disease or death from COVID-19. Medical conditions

include but are not limited to:

- Cancer
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- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Vaccines will be offered on a first-come-first-served basis until 4 pm or until vaccine supply is exhausted. Once arrived, please enter through the north driveway entrance off Martin Luther King Blvd. Follow the direction to the waiting lot; staff will be directing traffic. Wait in your car and once our clinic staff is ready for you, they will escort you inside to register and receive your vaccine. The vaccine is free of charge. These vaccines are designated for first dose administration only. The Pfizer vaccine cannot be administrated to those who have already received the Moderna vaccine. Second doses of the vaccine will be scheduled once that shipment is received.

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

Claude Ray Russell

Claude Ray Russell, 89, of Big Spring, passed away Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021 at his residence. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JESUS SANTIAGO DORANTES**, 23, of 1109 N. 381st Drive, Tonopah, Arizona, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated 2nd.
- **EDWARD MARTINEZ**, 35, transit, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass - habitation/shelter.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa Highway.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1800 block of E. Howard Field Road.
- **THEFT** was reported in the area of Snyder Field Road.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1200 block of Wright Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 1900 block of E. 25th Street.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 1600 block of S. Owens Street.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 7500 block of N. Service Road.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 88 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JESUS SANTIAGO DORANTES**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated 2nd.
- **EDWARD MARTINEZ**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass habitation/shelter/superfund.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of E. 23rd Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 900 block of Wyoming. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Tucson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 5500 block of Longshore. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Rocco Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Settles. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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During Tuesday night's City Council meeting, several recognitions took place. City employees were recognized for their 10, 15 and 20 years of service, as well as four new police officers with the Big Spring Police Department. No official business was able to be conducted during the meeting due to a quorum not being able to be formed.

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forth to the Council to express their concerns about not having proper representation of their districts with some of the agenda items for Tuesday night's meeting. District 5 and 6 makeup one-third of the Big Spring population and currently do not have representation in the Council.

Afterward, recognition was given to four new Big Spring Police Officers. The new Big Spring Police Officers recognized included Officer Dario Panedo, Officer Castro, Officer Joseph Bryant, and Officer Edgardo Cuevas.

"We appreciate all these gentlemen for stepping up to serve and protect the citizens of Big Spring," Mayor Thomason said.

There was also a presentation to city employees for their 10, 15, and 20 years of service to the city. Deputy Chief Christopher Glen, Deputy Chief J. Holt, Lieutenant Channley Delt, Judge Timothy Green, Kathy Ontiveros, and Christopher Mahern, were the employees recognized for their 20 years of service to the city. City employees Lieutenant Jeffrey Wright and Steve Selenas were recognized

for their 15 years of service to the city. For their 10 years of service, Robert Hicks and Sergeant Keith Jones were also recognized during the meeting.

Another presentation was given of the Planning and Zoning Commission's Final Report to City Council concerning amendments to the Big Spring Zoning Ordinance regarding carports and accessory uses, travel trailers, recreational vehicles and manufactured housing, and short-term rentals. Without a quorum, no action could be taken on the newly presented amendments, however, public hearings were held for each amended ordinance. While a public hearing was held on each amendment proposal - carports and accessory uses, travel trailers, recreational vehicles and manufactured housing, and short-term rentals - no public comment was made.

During the City Manager's Report, City Manager Todd Darden spoke on the Large Item Pickup Update for District One. According to Darden, for District One, over 25,000 pounds of trash was picked up from residents. The next Large Item Pickup for District 2 will take place on Feb. 17. The last day to schedule a pickup for District 2 is Feb. 16.

Darden also gave an update regarding the E-

waste event that took place on Jan. 23. According to Darden, the event was deemed a success as Big Spring residents were able to get rid of unused electronics free of charge.

"We appreciate the citizens that participated in the event and we hope to do more like it," Darden said.

City Manager Darden also decided to table the presentation of the Quarterly Financial Report as there were few Council members present.

No action could be taken on the remainder of the agenda during the time of the meeting without a quorum.

During the Council Input portion of the meeting, Mayor Thomason noted that a position needed to be filled on the Ports to Plains Alliance organization due to the former representative moving onto an elected position. Thomason then announced, effective immediately, the new representative for the Ports to Plains Alliance would be City Secretary John Medina.

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Take Note

The City of Big Spring will reopen all indoor rentable facilities as of Monday, February 1, 2021 for normal operations. We still request that individuals holding events and persons attending events adhere to the following: Please wear a mask when not eating or drinking anything; Make sure to wash and/or sanitize your hands regularly; If you are not feeling well, running a fever, or have been exposed please do not attend events.

All City of Big Spring offices have reopened to the public effective January 19, 2021.

We ask citizens to act responsibly and follow all health precautions and sanitizing guidelines. We strongly recommend that citizens continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands frequently, stay home if you're sick, and wear a mask when in public areas.

West Texas Centers will be hosting the January 2021 Mental Health First Aid training classes twice in January. The classes

will be held on Jan. 26, 2021 for Adult Mental Health First Aid, and Jan. 28, 2021 for Youth Mental Health First Aid; adult mental health virtual class will take place Feb. 17 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.; in-person adult mental health first aid class will take place Feb. 23, at 3205 Hwy 87 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.; and the final class in the series will take place Feb. 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. virtually.

A GoFund me page for Ed Flores, who recently tested positive for coronavirus and was recently transferred to Lubbock. Donations are requested to help with medical bills and travel expenses so his wife can be close with him. Ed worked with Shroyer for about 25 years and 87 Auto Sale as a mechanic; he has always been willing to help out people even when they didn't have enough money to pay him. Donations can be made at GoFundMe by Monica Medina. For more information on how to help, e-mail jessemonica1234@gmail.com.

GOALS

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Gutierrez said. "Our classes aren't humongous, so we have the opportunity to really get to know all of our students."

Of the three instructors - Gutierrez, Bias, and Molina - each have their own style and take on how their class workouts are cultivated. However, each instructor began for the same reasons, at the same gym. They each wanted to change their lifestyle for the better and searched for something outside their comfort zones.

"I think it's so important to take care of yourself," Bootcamp Instructor Meghan Bias said. "I think you need to find value in your health. For me, it's made me more confident. It's driven me to step out of my comfort zone. It's just important to take care of yourself. I think it affects your overall life and your attitude and how you feel. You only have one body. You only have one life. Take care of it."

Warlord MMA offers various fitness services like MMA training, strength and conditioning, Brazilian jiu-jitsu, self-defense, and personal training classes to the Howard County area. A one-of-a-kind gym lies here in Big Spring and welcomes any and all towards its community of trying to live healthier and stronger lives.

"I think considering where we are, I can say for a fact that the gym is very unique," Bootcamp Instructor Gutierrez said. "I think the levels of what it has to offer is very unique too. You can be a beginner or you can be advanced and still be able to be apart of this gym. The pure uniqueness of what it has to offer is what benefits the community."

Each Bootcamp Instructor mentioned concerns they've seen with individuals who want to get involved, but fear the possible uncomfortableness of group fitness.

"I think a lot of people have a fear of working out in a group," Molina said. "To that, we say: just give it a chance. If you come one time you will see that it's not what you think it is. If you're not comfortable doing it by yourself, bring a friend or a spouse. It's just so much fun."

Bootcamp will also be a constant service at Warlord for anyone who is considering joining now or at a later date. Boot-

camp fitness is priced at a monthly rate.

"The hardest part is starting... but once you start, it just becomes a habit and something you look forward to doing," Bias said.

Warlord MMA Martial Arts and Fitness Owner Nathan Torres additionally offers one-on-one private sessions for a more tailored fitness regimen, if a group fitness style is not what you are looking for.

Warlord Gym will also have a 2-for-1 special for new members for the month of February.

Interested parties can get involved and join at Warlord MMA Martial Arts and Fitness at 602 S. Main Street.

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Ed Freeman, 71, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jimmy Howard, 76, died Sunday. A memorial service is planned for a later date.

Violet Thomas, 90, died Monday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Big Spring ISD announces Cannon McWilliams as District Athletic Director

By SAM YOUNG

Herald Contributing Writer

Big Spring ISD has officially announced the appointment of Cannon McWilliams as the district's Athletic Director. The move was made at a recent BSISD Board Meeting, with long-time Big Spring HS principal Mike Ritchee relinquishing the role in favor of McWilliams.

The decision comes early into the new semester, allowing a seamless transition both for McWilliams into the role, and for Ritchee to return focusing sole attention to the administrative and education side of the high school. Ritchee had been actively maintaining both the role of high school principal and athletic director since the departure of then-AD/Head Coach Mitch McLemore early in 2019.

That timeframe also marked the beginning of McWilliams' tenure as head football coach, following two years as the team's Defensive Coordinator. In the two seasons since taking over the role, McWilliams has led a shift in the programs culture and identity while also providing much needed stabil-

ity. Prior to McWilliams' appointment, Big Spring was entering into a third coaching change in four seasons after the retirement of long-time AD/Head Coach Phillip Ritchee.

The outlook going forward for the entirety of the department, as well as the football program, is as steady as it has been over the last five years. There will be immediate benefits for McWilliams taking over after Ritchee steadied the department for nearly two years, rather than in the midst of another transition period. The belief is that McWilliams will be able to hit the ground running and quickly elevate the entire department with a very similar focus and blueprint as to what Ritchee had installed during his time at the helm.

That's why it was easy to step down, because you have someone in place that has the leadership, he's a great supporter, he cares, he's passionate about not only football, but all sports, all programs, all coaches."



Cannon McWilliams

The effects will be felt beyond just the athletic department, however. The move allows Ritchee to return his full focus back to the role of principal and guiding Big Spring HS through what has been, understandably, 12 months that have been unlike any other stretch of time. Ritchee also cited a chance to be with his family more going forward as an additional reason for handing the reins off to McWilliams.

"I'm excited about solely focusing on one detail, one responsibility as being the high school principal," Ritchee said. "I can be there more frequently for teachers and I'm excited about that, for other programs that aren't sports related but are just as important for the culture of Big Spring High School, but above all I can get to my family as needed."

For Big Spring Steer athletics, and the High School campus then, this feels more like a tweak than a full-on change — and one that leaves both sides with more positives to look forward in the coming months.

Athletic Support: "Coach makes political post"

Dear Athletic Support: One of my children's junior high coaches has been making very strong political posts on his social media page. I'm trying to keep this as vague as possible to keep from getting anyone in trouble, but please, hear me out. Back when I was in school, teachers, coaches, principals, etc... all tried very hard to keep from pushing their political viewpoints on kids. I can remember sitting in a civics class, talking about the two different parties, and one of my classmates asked our teacher which side he was on. This teacher skillfully avoided the question, turning the conversation back to the facts about the two parties. That doesn't seem to be the case today. The coach I mentioned earlier isn't the only public school



Eli Cranor

employee I've seen making political posts online. And these aren't just run-of-the-mill posts, they're flagrant, extreme viewpoints that, in my opinion, could seriously impact the mind of a 13-year-old. I can't help but wonder if this coach is sharing these same thoughts with the players in the locker room or on the long bus rides to games. As you can probably imagine, I don't think that's right, but I'm not sure what to do about it. Thoughts?

—Keep Your Politics Private, Coach

Dear Politics: Coaches should coach. Teachers should teach. And any sort of personal opinions regarding politics should be kept — you guessed it — personal. Believe it or not, not everyone be-

lieves the same thing. Take these numbers for example: In the 2020 presidential election, 760,647 Arkansans voted for Donald Trump, compared to the 423,932 who casted their votes for Joe Biden (sidenote: Kanye West received 4,099 votes).

I share those numbers to highlight my point that there are a wide array of political viewpoints in Arkansas. I have no way of knowing the nature of these posts made by your child's coach, or which party this guy aligns with, and I thank you for omitting that information.

Why?

Because promoting one party or the other doesn't matter when it comes to kids! A coach has no business pushing his own political agenda on his players. By nature, a coach is in a position of power. If he/she chooses to abuse that power and promote a certain political viewpoint, well, that's

just wrong.

If a parent trusts a coach/teacher to come to them and ask how they feel about a certain issue, then that's different. That means the child trusts this person. The adult should, however, still be careful to keep from swaying the child one way or another. Just offer your thoughts and let the kid come to a conclusion of their own.

But what can you do about this coach and his social media blitz? As long as he isn't making obscene or lewd posts, probably not much. Everyone is entitled to their own opinions, let's just hope this guy's smart enough to keep those opinions to himself when it comes to the kids.

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Brantley rejoins Astros to complete unfinished business

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

An erroneous report saying Michael Brantley had agreed to a contract with the Toronto Blue Jays had the outfielder fielding goodbye texts from his Houston Astros teammates most of Wednesday morning.

By the afternoon those same teammates were sending him notes of congratulations and welcoming him back after he agreed to a \$32 million, two-year contract with the Astros. He will earn salaries of \$16 million annually.

"There were a lot of a lot of mixed emotions, obviously, in a small timeframe," Brantley said Monday. "But I got a lot of great texts and I'm excited to be back, and a lot of my teammates reached out to me and they're excited that I'm coming back. So it means the world to me."

While Brantley never had a deal in place with Toronto, he admitted he was in discussions with the team.

"We were close," he said. "Obviously we were in talks and there was interest on both sides, but... everything worked for where I wanted to be."

Houston general manager James Click said the team had been in conversations with Brantley for months, but negotiations heated up when the Astros learned the Blue Jays also were pursuing him. The Astros had already lost George Springer to the Blue Jays a day before when he signed a \$150 million, six-year contract, and they couldn't afford to lose another starting outfielder.

"I don't know if there's any substitute for the feeling that something might be going away to really make you focus on how much you value something," Click said.

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By Steve Becker

The art of signaling

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

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	1 ♦	1 ♥	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥			

Opening lead — ace of diamonds.

This deal is from Dorothy Hayden Truscott's book "Bid Better, Play Better." It appears in the chapter called "The Art of Signaling," which does much to dispel the confusion over what constitutes a signal.

The hand is a fine example of the effectiveness of defensive signals and the subtle ways they can be applied. Actually — though she does not mention it — the deal occurred in a national pair championship, where Truscott sat West and B. Jay Becker, the former editor of this column, sat East.

She led the ace of diamonds, and Becker signaled with the ten for a continuation. His ten play was based on the possibility that his partner might have the A-x or A-J-x of diamonds, in which case he wanted the suit continued.

But, oddly enough, the ten was read by Truscott — very properly — as a good reason to stop playing the suit. She realized that Becker couldn't have the K-J-10, since he would have signaled with the jack rather than the ten with that holding. (It is customary to signal with the highest of equal cards, so East's failure to play the jack indicated that South had that card.)

Since another diamond lead would establish dummy's queen as a trick, Truscott shifted to the jack of spades. After this play, South had to lose two spades and two diamonds and go down one.

Another odd twist occurred when Becker played the ordinarily discouraging deuce on the spade jack — though he was delighted with the shift. Declarer ducked, but Truscott, realizing that he might have no higher spade to signal with, led another spade.

Thus, the overall effect was that Truscott discontinued diamonds when Becker encouraged them, and continued spades when he discouraged them, and as a result, the contract was defeated.

Tomorrow: Good management.

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

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

ANSWER:

Neptune Trine: Ticket to Time Travel

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The prevailing muted mood seems to be perfectly fine for the others, though your standards are different. You so often dwell in the bright and joyous that these dull tones call out to you for improvement.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The magic combination you offer is different from what anyone else can give. Others could fill in, but it wouldn't be the same. How does it feel to know that you are, in some ways, irreplaceable?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Metaphorically, today brings a choice along the lines of canine or feline. Would you rather the reliable affection of a dog or the unpredictable amusement of a cat? Many pet owners cannot choose and thus have both.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Other people's routines are interesting to you. In following your curiosity on the matter, you'll learn a trick you can immediately employ to make your life run better.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You cherish beauty and feel driven to protect it, even while realizing that ultimately it's the temporary qualities that make a thing beautiful. There is a strange peace in this inevitability.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll learn how things work. You'll figure out what triggers the action, what motivates the characters involved, how the cog twists, how the lever lifts. A little learning every day, and you'll soon be an expert.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've a gift for saying sweet words. Mostly you are just expressing your feelings and relaying the way you see things. But on a day like today, you can be more strategic, using this talent to get what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In order to feel the release of joy, there must first be the tension of its opposite. This is yet another reason to stop avoiding conflict. It's neither natural nor beneficial to be forever pleasing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Whatever response you get it will be because the other person can relate, or feels in some way personally needed, wanted or involved. Performances that are just one person showing off, but not connecting, fall flat.

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

You don't set out to sharpen your intellect, but it gets sharp anyway as you keep up with the demands of the day, which will include adjusting to new ideas, technologies and people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The stage is set and yet nothing much is happening. The scene lacks a catalyst. For this to progress, one person must go on the offensive and that person is you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Whatever happens, you maintain a certain amount of levity. It will seem to others that you care about what's going on around you, though not too much. How mysterious!

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 27). You're excellent at encouraging talent and coaxing others toward their best performance. But it's when you turn this gift inward that your life really begins to reflect the most powerful part of you. It is not selfish to become your own best champion. So many others will ultimately benefit from your

subsequent blossoming. Libra and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 14, 3, 24, 38 and 5.

TURN THE DOWN-SIDE OF YOUR SIGN INTO AN ASSET: Each sign has strengths and weaknesses, and often they are the very same quality. For GEMINI, being prone to communicate can be a blessing or a curse. The twins are not so great a keeping secrets, and they are the kinds of poker players who give way too much information with their many "tells." Young Geminis are likely to be scolded by teachers, librarians and parents for chatting at the wrong time or blurting out what is obvious and yet inappropriate. However, the drive to communicate is applied to tremendously successful effect in the area of sales. No one can work a room like a Gemini! This sign can get rich on their ability to create rapport and keep the conversation charming.

CANCER natives can be moody little crabs if they let their feelings go unchecked. This sign's intensity of feeling can make life difficult for them and those they love. However, the crab's sensitivity can be an asset. When they apply themselves to the task of flowing more love and positive feelings into the world, the empathy, compassion and understanding of moonchildren become a healing force.

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However, there has been a lot of stress when trying to determine who should be standing by me. For my fiancée, he already has his seven groomsmen picked out, and he doesn't want to add any more, to avoid having too many people on the altar. For me, I originally narrowed my bridal party to seven, which includes my best friends from each stage of life (elementary

school, middle school, high school, college and medical school) in addition to my two sisters.

Two of my high school friends have recently asked me and the rest of my high school group (of four) to be in their bridal parties. We are the only ones in their parties. Since they asked me to be in their parties, I feel an obligation to include them in mine, but I don't have enough room to fit them in my party.

My fiancée and I agreed to have seven in each of our parties -- no more and no less. In addition, one of the girls in my high school

friend group is currently in my bridal party since I am closest to her, but I don't have room for the other two.

I don't want to cause drama or hard feelings, but I also am happy with my current bridal party selection. What should I do? -- Something Blue

Dear Something Blue: If you are happy with your current bridal party and you and your fiancée already agreed to the number, then by all means keep it that way. While I applaud your consideration for your friends and your politeness in wanting to reciprocate by making them bridesmaids, you have to do what is best

for you and your fiancée.

However, just because you don't make your two friends bridesmaids doesn't mean you can't make them feel special at your wedding. Maybe they could participate in the wedding as a reader. The most important thing is to communicate to them exactly what you communicated in your letter. Once they know how much you want them at your wedding, but you have two sisters and your best friends from each stage of life in the party, they will understand. Congratulations on your upcoming nuptials.

Dear Annie: The letter from "What Did

You Say" about background music on TV shows being too loud is so true!

My husband and I have lost count of how many shows or movies we don't finish because the music drowns out the dialogue. I even thought of writing to the producers of the shows directly to see what their response would be and if it would help at all. The investigative shows, such as 20/20 and 48 Hours, are among the worst offenders. No matter how interesting the previews sound, we don't even bother trying to watch them anymore.

Unfortunately, my TV is not a 2020 model

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Keep background music in the background. -- It's Too Loud

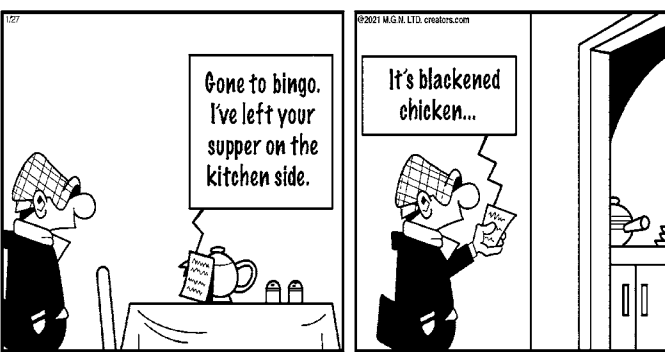
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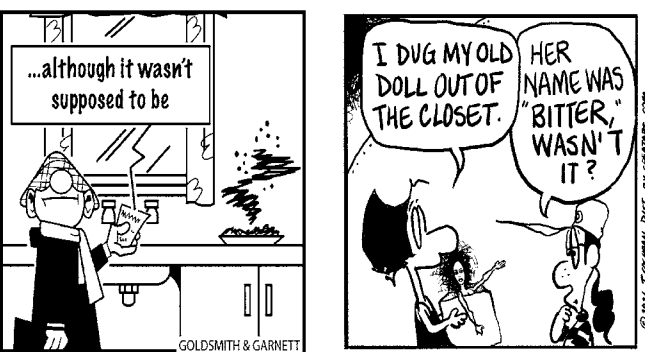
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	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
5 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	FamFeud	CBS 7	Tele	News	For Such	Wild Kratt	King	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Movie: Geostorm (DVS)	SportsCenter	Daily Wager	Inside SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Undercover
6 :PM	News	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7	Exatlón Estados Unidos (SS)	News	Cowgirl	Xavier	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Sports	College Basketball	College Basketball	Icons	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Undercover
7 :PM	Gold	Te doy la vida	The Masked Dancer	Price Is Right	Chicago Med	News	Israel	Molly	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite	NBA Basketball: Lakers at 76ers	Mavericks	C'boys	WWE NXT	Court	Undercover
8 :PM	House	Amor eterno	Name That Tune	SEAL Team	La suerte de Loli	Chicago Fire	Truth	Odd	Dateline	Nancy Drew	Big Bang	Snowpiercer	NBA Basketball: Timberwolves at Warriors	Mavs Pre.	Mavericks at Utah Jazz.	Resident Alien	Wild Wild	Undercover
9 :PM	For Life (DVS)	Como tú no hay dos	FOX 24 News at 9	S.W.A.T.	Buscando a Frida	Chicago P.D.	Light of Southwest	Cyber	Mike	Seinfeld	Big Bang	(:01) Movie: Shooter, Danny Glover (DVS)	SportsCenter	NFL Live	Mavs	Mod Fam	Court	Undercover
10 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	TMZ	CBS 7	Tele	News	News	Pink	Friends	Creek	Conan	SportsCenter	NFL Live	World Poker	Mod Fam	Court	Undercover	
11 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Contacto deportivo	Funny	James Corden	Caso cerrado (SS)	Seth Meyers	Issues4	Tiger	Jokers	Gold	Conan	SportsCenter	NFL Live	NBA Basketball: Mavericks at Jazz	Mavericks at Jazz	NCIS: Los Angeles	Wild	Undercover
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1 :AM	Paid Prg.	Papá a toda madre	Pawn	Dr. Carras	Programa	News	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Jerry Springer	Short List	Wipeout	SportsCenter	NFL Live	NBA Basketball: Lakers at 76ers	Mavericks at Jazz	NCIS: Los Angeles	Wild	Undercover

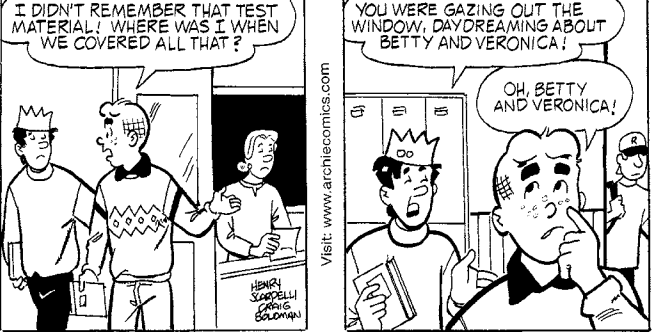
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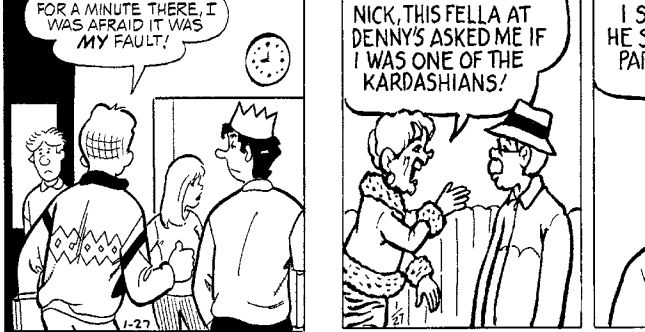
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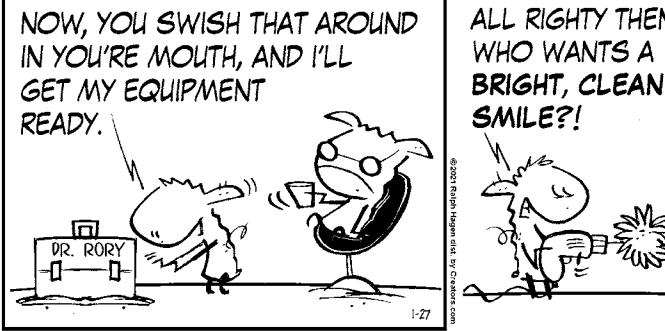
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 27, the 27th day of 2021. There are 338 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 27, 1756, composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria.

On this date:

In 1880, Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.

In 1901, opera composer Giuseppe Verdi died in Milan, Italy, at age 87.

In 1944, during World War II, the Soviet Union announced the complete end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two years.

In 1945, during World War II, Soviet troops liberated the Nazi concentration camps Auschwitz and Birkenau in Poland.

In 1967, astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom, Edward H. White and Roger B. Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their Apollo spacecraft.

In 1972, "Queen of Gospel" Mahalia Jackson, 60, died in Evergreen Park, Ill.

In 1973, the Vietnam peace accords were signed in Paris.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, greeted the 52 former American hostages released by Iran at the White House.

In 1984, singer Michael Jackson suffered serious burns to his scalp when pyrotechnics set his hair on fire during the filming of a Pepsi-Cola TV commercial at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

In 1998, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, on NBC's "Today" show, charged the sexual misconduct allegations against her husband, President Bill Clinton, were the work of a "vast right-wing conspiracy."

In 2006, Western Union delivered its last telegram.

In 2010, Apple CEO Steve Jobs unveiled the iPad tablet computer during a presentation in San Francisco. J.D. Salinger, the reclusive author of "The Catcher in the Rye," died in Cornish, New Hampshire, at age 91.

Ten years ago: Tens of thousands of Yemenis demanded their president step down; taking inspiration from Tunisians' revolt, they vowed to continue until their U.S.-backed government fell. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano announced that color-coded terror alerts would be phased out by late April 2011.

Five years ago: The Ferguson, Missouri, Police Department agreed to overhaul its policies, training and practices as part of a sweeping deal with the Justice Department following the 2014 fatal police shooting of 18-year-old Michael Brown. As he honored four people for risking their lives to protect Jews, President Barack Obama warned during a visit to the Israeli Embassy in Washington that anti-Semitism was on the rise; he said an attack on any faith was an attack on all faiths.

One year ago: China confirmed more than 2,700 cases of the new coronavirus with more than 80 deaths in that country; authorities postponed the end of the Lunar New Year holiday to keep the public at home. U.S. health officials said they believed the risk to Americans remained low and that they had no evidence that the new virus was spreading in the United States; they advised Americans to avoid non-essential travel to any part of China. Stocks fell for a fifth straight day as investors worried that the virus outbreak could hurt the global economy. Senators faced increasing pressure to summon former national security adviser John Bolton to testify at President Donald Trump's impeachment trial, after a draft of Bolton's forthcoming book said Trump had wanted to withhold military aid from Ukraine until it helped investigate Democrat Joe Biden; Trump denied having said that to Bolton.

Answer to previous puzzle

TNT	AMENS	HUGS
WOOL	POLIO	IBET
INTO	TREND	GONE
GOOF	EAVE	SHARE
TESLA	HITTER	
STAYAT	THOSE	
TOGAS	MEAL	CASE
DORM	BADLY	HULA
SLAB	EURO	ENTER
INDIA	BROODS	
PASTES	IDEAL	
AWAIT	ALOE	OOPS
NATO	SEWUP	GRIP
ERIN	ERASE	YALE
LENS	TOYED	LED

Newsday Crossword

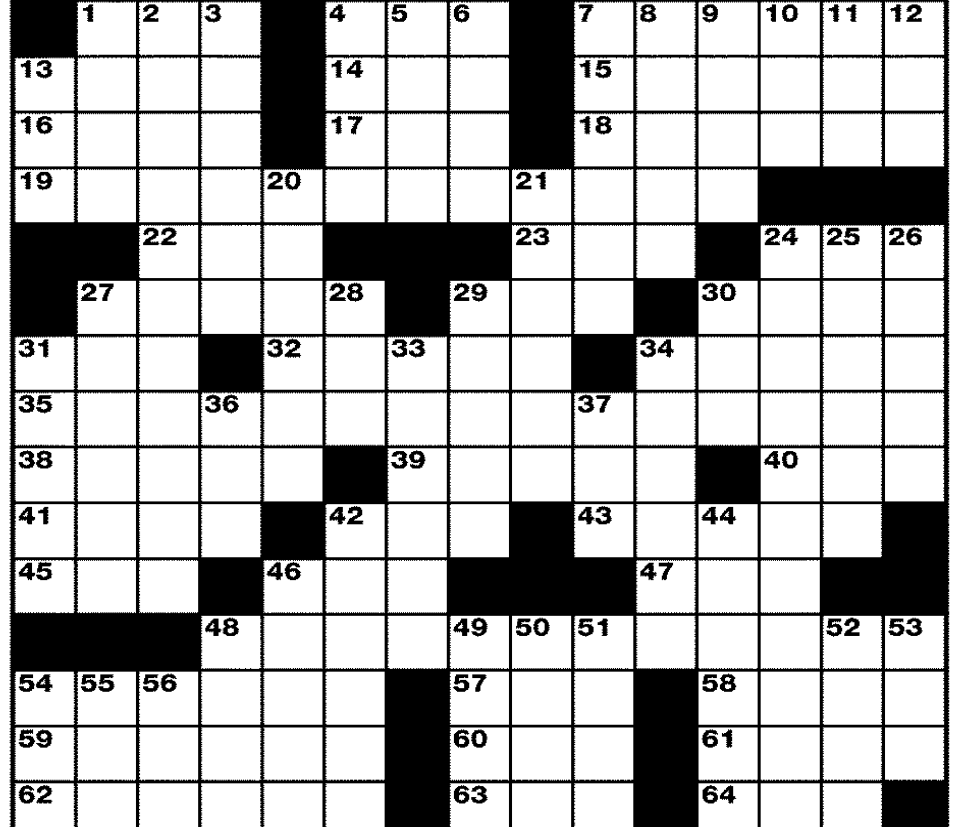
- ACROSS**
- 1 Troop-entertaining grp.
 - 4 Brew from a kettle
 - 7 Stash cash for a purchase
 - 13 Fort full of gold
 - 14 Solo of Star Wars
 - 15 Small streams
 - 16 Orderly and neat
 - 17 Nightclub performance
 - 18 Fluffy brunch creation
 - 19 Aside to an audience
 - 22 Place to sleep
 - 23 Danson of TV
 - 24 Abbr. on a sunscreen bottle
 - 27 Choral performances
 - 29 Young boy
 - 30 Nary a ___ (no one)
 - 31 ABA member
 - 32 Legendary fable teller
 - 34 Guy, familiarly
 - 35 Chatter at the office
 - 38 Map-filled tome
 - 39 San ___ (southern California city)
 - 40 King: Sp.
 - 41 Bird-feeder food
 - 42 Dessert with a crust
 - 43 Stuck together, as model airplane parts
 - 45 "For ___ a jolly good..."
 - 46 Target of an annual vaccine
 - 47 Quaint place to stay
 - 48 Therapeutic outburst
- DOWN**
- 1 Part of CPU or BTU
 - 2 Recyclable two-liter containers
 - 3 Scuba tank contents
 - 4 Start to unfreeze
 - 5 Apiece
 - 6 "Opposed to" prefix
 - 7 Investigated, with "out"
 - 8 Activated, as an alarm
 - 9 Swerve suddenly
 - 10 Electrified fish
 - 11 Luau instrument
 - 12 L.A. winter clock setting
 - 13 Gold purity measures: Abbr.
 - 20 Awards for mystery writing
 - 21 Paper clip alternative
 - 24 Power from sun panels
 - 25 Tugged on
 - 26 Crumbly, as puff pastry
 - 27 Art on a pedestal
 - 28 Brief moment, for short
 - 29 Sarge's superior
 - 30 Complete collection
 - 31 Overflowing (with)
 - 33 Element in table salt
 - 34 Play merrily
 - 36 Ingest
 - 37 Humpty Dumpty, for one
 - 42 Easily molded
 - 44 Fanciful
 - 46 Doughnut maker's appliance
 - 48 Top of the head
 - 49 Abel's dad
 - 50 Enticement
 - 51 Religious offshoot
 - 52 Suffix for billion
 - 53 "Give ___ break!"
 - 54 Org. with expert putters
 - 55 100%
 - 56 British tavern

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Sands Mustangs, Lady Mustangs defeat the Grady Wildcats in Friday matchups



Courtesy photos

Kylie Barnes (5) Sands Senior goes up for her shot, as the Grady defenders close in on her, during the Friday night game. Pictured above right: Me-A Gonzalez releases her shot and watches in anticipation during Friday night's game.



Courtesy photos

Pictured above left: Senior Tristan Reed looks for the open pass or open shot during the Friday night game against the Grady Wildcats. Pictured above right: Riley Webb, Sands Mustang Senior, shoots a side-shot as two Wildcat defenders move in for the screen.

Bulldogs take the win 55-45 against Compass Academy; Bulldogettes win 72-16



Courtesy photos

Pictured above left: Julia Cox races down court with a Lady Cougar in pursuit during the Coahoma versus Compass Academy district basketball game on Friday. The Bulldogettes won 72-16 over Compass. Pictured above right: A pack of Bulldogs surround a Compass Academy player during Friday's varsity game held in Coahoma. The Bulldogs won 55-45.

Big Spring Junior High game highlights

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Junior High teams went up against Lamesa this past weekend, with a home court advantage. Here are a few highlights from the games:



7th Grade A Team:

The 7th Grade A Team won against Lamesa at home on Saturday with a score of 38-20. The Lady Steers played hard the entire game.

Defensive players of the game were Breanna Woodruff, Audrie Reyes, and Caitlyn Morales. Offensive players of the game were Emily Carreon with 15 points, Cailiana Moreno with 6 points, and Tatyannah Clemons with 5 points.

7th Grade B Team:

The 7th Grade Lady Steer B Team won against Lamesa with a score of 22-10 on Saturday. The offense was led by Leah Ramirez with 8 points and Albonee Gonzales with 6 points.

On defense, Jaylee Gonzales had 5 steals and Lynzi Arrieta had multiple great defensive plays. The whole team worked together and played great defense as they only gave up 10 points.

8th Grade A Team:

The 8th Grade A Team Lady Steers hosted Lamesa on Saturday losing a close one with a score of 18-21. Niomi Wines led all scorers with 14 points and played a key role in keeping the game close defensively with more than 5 blocked shots and several steals.

CarNesha Rutledge added 4 points to round out the scoring. The girls played tough defensively showing improvement on that side of the ball as it was the fewest points allowed all season. The Lady Steers will return the favor this Saturday as they travel to Lamesa.

8th Grade B Team:

The 8th Grade B Team battled and fought hard to beat Lamesa with a score of 18-17. These teams are very evenly matched and the girls played their hearts out for the win.

Erika Castaneda came in strong from the free throw line scoring 3 out of 4 shots. Other players of the game were Natavia Robinson, Krychia Huey, and Quasett Woodruff for their scoring, attitudes, and heart shown on and off the court.


We look forward to a clean sweep this weekend as we face Lamesa again, but this time it will be on their turf.

Go Steers!

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