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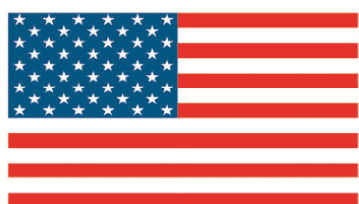
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Big Spring City Council approves zoning changes in a 4-2 vote Tuesday

By ROGER CLINE
 Herald Contributing Writer

In a meeting lasting four hours Tuesday evening, the Big Spring City Council discussed changes to the city's zoning regulations, as well as several other matters.

The council discussed changes to the city's rules governing carports in the city; recreational vehicles and mobile and manufactured homes; and short-term rental properties.

The proposal concerning carports passed – with some amendments introduced during the meeting – 4-2, with council members Troy Tompkins (District 5) and Maury Smith (District 6) dissenting.

Among the changes the introduced by the measure, a requirement that neighbors of a property owner who applies to build a carport be notified was repealed; residential lots are limited to one carport; a carport must be open on at least one side; carports on the side of a property must be at least three feet from the property line and may not overhang public or private easements;

the roof space of carports may not be used; the area beneath a carport must be paved or covered with non-combustible material other than dirt; carports must be used only for parking vehicles and not for storage or non-vehicular use; carports may not direct water runoff onto neighboring property; and carports must have a pitched roof not less than 8/2 pitch.

Notably, the changes as originally proposed would have limited carport openings to a maximum height of eight feet; but after discussion, that requirement was removed.

The second measure prohibited RVs and travel trailers as long-term residential living units within city limits, except at designated RV parks. As originally presented, the measure would not have included the exemption for RV parks, but the council amended it prior to approval.

The measure bans mobile homes manufactured before 1976 and manufactured homes may not be used as an office or business building except as an office at a manufactured home park, a manufactured home retail sales lot, or

in certain temporary roles approved by the city.

Manufactured home utilities must be connected according to the city's building code and must be placed on an improved surface graded for drainage and stability; and must be properly tied down on the property with the towing tongue removed and appropriate skirting attached.

Mobile and manufactured homes may receive temporary permits up to a year in duration to house a resident building a conventional home, given that the mobile home is placed on the building lot during the construction; to use as a construction office at a job site; or to house a person or their caretaker for health reasons.

Additionally, mobile homes may be parked temporarily in front of a home for up to five days within a month by obtaining a permit from the city.

The mobile/manufacture home and recreational vehicle amendments passed on a council vote of 5-1, with Tompkins dissenting.

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Coahoma ISD Trustees to consider cancelling May Trustee Election

BY AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

The Coahoma ISD Board of Trustees is set to meet Thursday at 6 p.m. for the monthly meeting. The meeting will take place in the Elementary Board Room, located at 400 Ramsey Street in Coahoma.

Once roll is called and an establishment of a quorum has been made, the opening ceremony will take place the meeting will be called to order. To begin the meeting there will be time allotted for anyone wishing to address the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees will move into the Consent Agenda at the end of the open forum. Approval of minutes of previous meetings, budget amendments and TEKS certifications will possibly be approved.

A main item on the agenda will include the consideration and possible approval of an order cancelling the May 1, 2021 School Board Trustee Election.

Consideration for a stipend addition for the school year 2020-2021 will possibly be approved before the Board hears informa-

tion updates regarding financial reports and principal reports. The current enrollment numbers along with ADA and WADA reports will also be brought before the Trustees during the meeting.

As part of the Superintendent Report, Brad Cox, will provide information on the upcoming Summer Leadership Institute for 2021 and upcoming board meeting dates. An overview will also be provided regarding Covid-19 updates.

Personnel resignations and staff employment will be discussed with needed action to be taken by the Trustees, if any. There is time allotted for an executive session for the trustees to discuss personnel matters. Before the meeting adjourns the board will look at consideration and possible action to offer employment contracts as recommended for the 2021-2022 school year.

Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Howard County Community Health Clinic broke ground on new location



Courtesy photo

A groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new facility for the Howard County Community Health Center, which will be located at 1108 S. Main. An increase in demand for services has led to the expansion of the facility.

City Council to hold special meeting Thursday

By AMANDA DUFORAT
 Managing Editor

A special meeting of the Big Spring City Council has been scheduled for Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The community is invited to attend the meeting or view the meeting on http://mybigspring.com/224/Channel-17-Live or on Suddenlink on Channel 17.

Once the special meeting is called to order there will be a moment allotted for public comment. Those in attendance will be allowed to address the council from the podium and those who are unable to attend the meeting can address the council by calling 432-264-2411. Each person will have five minutes to address the council.

As part of new business for the special meeting, the Council will be discussing and possibly taking action regarding an Engineering proposal and selecting an engineering firm for Texas Community Development Block Grant for Downtown Revitalization Program and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute any necessary documents.

Once discussion has completed and any needed action is taken the meeting will adjourn for the evening.

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Obituaries

Eva Marie Watkins

Eva Marie Watkins, 74, of Big Spring, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, March 19, 2021.



Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Funeral service will be at Myers & Smith Chapel on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 11 a.m. with Brad Daniels officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Eva was born on June 25, 1946, in Odessa to Floyd and Dorothy Statham. She was a devoted Christian and was a faithful member of Trinity Baptist Church since moving to Big Spring in the early 1950's. Eva worked as a nurse's aide for BSSH from 1966 to 1990, retiring after 24 years. She achieved her LVN license in 1990. She then worked for the VA Hospital until she retired in 2007 after 17 years of service. Eva loved her grandchildren. She was very active with them, taking them to McDonald's, their sporting events, and the lake to feed the ducks. She was a wonderful, caring and fun grandmother. She was known to them as "Grand-

ma Eva". Everyone that knew Eva, knew that her "boys" were the light of her life. She also loved her daughters-in-law as her own daughters. She enjoyed game shows.

She is survived by her three sons: Terry Watkins and wife Mary, Gary Watkins and wife Tessa, and Jerry Watkins and wife Carol; eight grandchildren: Justin Olague, Sr. and wife Lani, Kaemen and husband Salvador Garcia, Gary Watkins, Jr., Brinly Watkins, Kendra Dyer, Kaylee Dyer, Kami Dyer and Kamreigh Watkins; six great grandchildren: Adilyn Olague, Aiden Garcia, P.J. Johnson, Justin Olague, Jr., Jayden Olague, and Eveleigh Garcia; three nephews: Quert Huitt and wife Denise, Terry Huitt and wife Oleta, and Chad Statham and wife Jill; and two nieces: Lisa McBride and husband DeWayne, and Cara Anne Statham.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother: Don Statham on Oct. 6, 2014 and sister-in-law: B.J. Statham on April 16, 2018.

Pallbearers will be Terry Huitt, Chad Statham, Justin Olague, Sr., Gary Watkins, Jr., Salvador Garcia, Roman Hines, Tony Barrera, and Chris Bogard.

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

Paid Obituary

Nancy Ashley

Nancy Ashley, 79, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- ANDREW FRANK MONTEMAYOR, 23, of 1100 E. 350 Highway, was arrested on burglary habitation (x3).
- BURGLARY OF BUILDING was reported in the 800 block of E. 8th Street; 700 block of E. 8th Street.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported the 3100 block of S. Hwy 87.
- UNWANTED SUBJECT was reported in the 700 block of Willia Street.
- IDENTITY THEFT was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- DISTURBANCE was reported in the 400 block of NE 11th Street.
- IDENTITY THEFT was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- THEFT was reported in the area of 350 and Centerpoint Road.

Take Note

• Forsan Elementary Pre-K and Kindergarten registration will be taking place March 29 through April 1 from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. There will be evening registrations at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Registration can be done at 500 West Main in Forsan, Texas. Please bring certified birth certificate, social security card, immunization record, proof of residency, parent's driver's license, proof of income for pre-k registration. Students must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2021 for Pre-K and 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 for Kindergarten. For more information call 432-457-0091 ext. 203 or email abuske@forsan.esc18.net.

• Due to plumbing issues, the Big Spring Senior Center will only be open for to go meals until Monday, March 29th, 2021. The center will be closed to congregate meals and events for the rest of the week. To place a to go order please contact 432-267-1628.

For any questions or concerns please contact the Community Services Office at 432-264-2516 or the City Managers Office at 432-264-2401.

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

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

• 2021 Permian Basin Cotton Conference is set for March 30 at the Martin Community Center, located at 301 N. St. Peter Street in Stanton. The conference will take place from 7:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and count for three CEUs. Registration can take place at the door or in advance. Masks and social distancing will be required. For more information contact the Howard County Extension office at 432-264-2236.

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

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

• AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will offer free income tax preparation every

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

• Forsan Food Pantry will be open twice a month from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Families who are in need can pull up to the front doors of the Junior High/High School and receive a free box of pre-packed meals. If you have any questions or need to pick up a box at a different time, contact Kaci Wash at 432-457-2223 ext 821 or Jenny Sayles at jennysales@yahoo.com.

• Cub Scouts meet Monday from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Naz Family Church, located at 1400 S. Lancaster.

• Howard County Republican Club meets the second Monday of each month in the Cactus Room at Howard College. The next meeting will be held in the newly renovated Cactus Room. Everyone is welcome. The meeting takes place at Noon. For more information call 432-213-7628.

• A new group named Taking Care of Business 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 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 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. The meetings take place at 219 South Main Big Spring.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 400 block of Douglas Street. 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 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2400 block of Morrison. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 4000 block

of Vicky Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1500 block of Stadium. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the MM 172 E I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1500 block of Oriole. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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The council also added provisions for "short-term rental" properties into the zoning code. Bed and breakfast type businesses are an example of short-term rentals. The measure defines short-term rental as "A privately owned dwelling, including but not limited to a single-family dwelling, multiple family attached dwelling, town home, condominium, twin-family home, manufactured home, or any portion of such dwellings, rented to the public for financial consideration, and used for dwelling and sleeping purposes for any period less than 30 consecutive days.

The council unanimously approved the measure.

In other business, the council heard presentations from Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss LLP certified public accountants of Lubbock on both the city's finances and those of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation.

On both reports, the accounting firm issued unmodified opinions.

The city's report revealed that the city of Big Spring's assets at the end of September 2020 totaled \$101,631,000, while total liabilities totaled \$33,305,000, leaving a total net position of \$69,515,000. The figure is down slightly from 2019, when Big Spring's net position was \$70,940,000.

Over the course of 2020, Big Spring's total revenues were \$20,593,000 and its total expenses were \$24,327,000; a deficit of \$1,734,000.

CPA David Copeland of the accounting firm said turnovers in city personnel led to slow processing of the materials his firm needed to perform the audit.

"There's a few more entries this year that usually were made before BSGM showed up to do the audit," he said. "The previous year, for '18-'19, there

were only four entries. This year, there were 12 entries. I think going forward, something needs to be done before we show up. We don't show up until December to do the audit. So there's plenty of time to get everything closed out. I think next year, something needs to change."

The Big Spring EDC's net position also shrank during 2020. While the EDC's total assets grew significantly, from \$4.9 million in 2019 to \$8.55 million in 2020; its liabilities also expanded from \$324,756 to \$5,762,464, an increase of more than \$5.4 million.

The city council appointed Chelsey Baldivia of Lubbock as Labor Standards Officer and Big Spring's Mandy Haynes as Civil Rights Officer. The appointments were made to fulfill requirements for a Community Development Block Grant. Baldivia is a program specialist and planner with the South Plains Association of Governments, while Haynes is a legal assistant with the City of Big Spring.

In preparation for application for the \$400,000 grant, city council members approved a Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures; approved policies regarding low-income "Section 3" people and businesses within the city; a policy regarding excessive force; a "Section 504" policy regarding discrimination against persons with disabilities; a Code of Conduct policy; a plan regarding people with limited English proficiency; and a fair housing policy.

The funds, which are distributed by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, would be used for improvement of the city's water infrastructure.

City Manager Todd Darden praised Baldivia and the South Plains Association of Governments for their assistance preparing for the grant applications.

"I've never been audited using SPAG, but I think they do a better job of having these check boxes for us to check to ensure compliance," Darden said.

"They do a lot of the field work for us in payroll and things like that. Without them, I wouldn't want to be audited."

The council unanimously approved the purchase of land near the city's Water Treatment Plant to help in clearing sludge left over from the recent winter storm.

"We're limited on space for that sludge," Darden said. "This gives us an opportunity to purchase more land to give us space that's needed for our treatment process."

The council approved spending \$4,400 to cover back taxes on the land for the owner, plus \$5,000, for a total of about \$9,400.

"Bottom line is, he wanted to clear \$5,000 on the sale of the property," Darden said. "Our recommendation is that you allow us to negotiate that purchase, with us paying the back taxes and him clearing the \$5,000."

In other business, the city leaders approved fire alarm monitoring systems for two buildings at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark; approved change orders authorizing water line work on Ninth Street and Lorilla Street; authorized city workers to build a pavilion in ABC Park; and approved Tompkins and Aubrey Weaver Jr. as appointees to the Special Committee to Review the City Charter.

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Eva Marie Watkins, 74, died Friday. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Larry Steen, Sr. 79, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Stephen Milkien, 76, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services with military honors will be 1:00 PM Friday at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

Nancy Ashley, 79, died Tuesday. Visitation is 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside services will be at 2:30 PM Friday at Swales Cemetery.

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 session 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

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Howard Hawks Baseball opens up Conference play against Clarendon splitting 4 game series 2-2

By DUSTIN POPE

Herald Sports Writer

The Howard Hawks Baseball team opened up play in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference this past weekend Mar.19-20. They played two back-to-back doubleheaders, one Friday the next Saturday against Clarendon foe the Clarendon Bulldogs. The Hawks would split the four-game series going 2-2 over the weekend of play.

The First game of this first game set took place Friday, Mar. 19, at Jack Barber Field. Hawks ace pitcher Kris Anglin took the bump to start the long weekend of play. Anglin wasted no time dispatching the Bulldogs in the top of the first, getting a quick and easy three up and three down. At the bottom of the first, the Hawks had their first chance of the day at the plate, but Clarendon's Pitcher matched Anglin, forced a few ground outs, and had a quick inning of his own.

The Super Star Freshman and Texas Tech commit Anglin continued his dominance in his second inning wif work with a three-up three-down inning. The Bottom of the second began with two quick outs; then it was Broch Holmes who hammered a Homerun to left field for the Hawks' first run of the game. That gave the Hawks the lead 1 to 0 after two innings of play.

Anglin continued to deal in his third inning of work with yet another one, two, three inning making easy work of the Bulldogs. The Hawks would get a few walks in their half of the third but couldn't push anything across, leaving the score at 1 to 0 after three innings.

When the fourth started, it was obvious that Anglin was pitching a gem of a game; this would be the inning that the Clarendon Bulldogs got their only hit on the day. His pitching on the mound was something to behold, the way he kept hitters off-balance and guessing all day was impressive. Kevin Ortiz leads off the bottom of the fourth inning for the Hawks when he reached base on an error by the Bulldog first baseman. The very next batter, Broch Holmes, hit his second dinger of the day to increase the Hawk lead to 3 to 0. The Hawks went on to tack on one more run on the inning, making it 4 to 0 after four innings of play.

Kris Anglin came out for his fifth inning of work and, like he had all game long, shut down the Bulldogs in order. The Hawks did manage to get a couple of batters on base in the bottom of the

that shinned, shutting down the Hawks bats.

The third game of this four-game series took place Saturday afternoon, still at the Hawk's home,e field. In this game, they would go on to win 9 to 6.

The game opened up with the Clarendon Bulldogs leading off with a home run to take an early 1 to 0 lead. The Hawks were down in order in the bottom of the first to make the score 1 to 0 after one inning of play.

The Bulldogs started the second inning with a single but then were shut down and failed to score any runs. Hunter Simmons lead the bottom of the second for the Hawks with a hard-hit double. Kevin Ortiz then followed with a single, putting runners on third and first with one out. It was the Broch Holmes stepping into the box and delivering a hard-hit single to drive in Howard's first run of the game and tying it up at one apiece. Keblar Peralta took a walk on the one apiece. Charla Defiglia hit a sacrifice pop fly to score another

run for the Hawks, giving them the lead at 2 to 1 after two innings.

Clarendon started off the third inning with two straight singles. Clarendon then had a sacrifice fly of their own to tie the game up at 2 to 2. Wilson Galvan oped the inning for the Hawks with a lead-off walk. He was followed by Calogero Paxia, who had a hard-hit single. Hunter Simmons had an RBI single giving the lead right back to the Hawks 3 to 2. The Hawks would roll in the inning, scoring four more runs to bring their lead to 7 to 2.

Both teams would battle back and forth for the remainder of the game, with the Hawks eventually winning out 9 to 6.

The last game of this long four-game set found the Bulldogs beating the Hawks in a very close game 11 to 12, bring the weekend series to a split of 2 games apiece.

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fifth but could not push the runs across the plate, leaving the score at 4 to 0 after five.

The sixth inning was rinse and repeat for the young Freshman pitcher as he once again set the Bulldogs down in order with his overpowering stuff. Howard once again got some runners on in their half of the sixth but couldn't figure out a way to have them score, leaving it 4 to 0 after six innings.

The Bulldogs knew they were down to their last at-bat to get something done, but Anglin was still in the game going for a complete game shutout. Clarendon did manage to get a couple of runners on, but Anglin shut the door as quickly as it may have cracked open. Not allowing anything to come close to the plate securing his dominant complete-game shutout over the Bulldogs. Anglin went seven innings, gave up just a single hit, 7 Strikeouts, and only 1 walk. It was definitely a dominant performance by the Hawks ace.

The second game of the day did not go as well as the first game for the Hawks as the Bulldogs repaid the favor and shut them out by a score of 10 to 0. This time it would be the Clarendon arms

Coahoma Bulldogetees softball team dominate in pair of victories over the weekend bringing record to 10-5 on season

By DUSTIN POPE

Herald Sports Writer

The Coahoma Bulldogettes came away with two impressive victories over this past weekend, March 19 and March 20. The First game was against the Sonora Bronchos, a game in which Coahoma would win handily with a 17 to 1 victory. The Bulldogetted then followed that up on Saturday with another dominant victory over Sweetwater 12 to 2.

In the first game of the weekend, the Bulldogettes faced off against the Sonora Bronchos. The Bulldogettes wasted little time getting to work in this game as they would put up six runs in the first inning. The girls attacked the Bronchos pitcher early and often to jump on her and take advantage of a few mistakes. Sonora did manage to push a run across the plate in their half of the first inning, bringing the score to 6 to 1 after one inning.

Coahoma would keep the pressure on with more timely hitting scoring another four runs in the top of the second inning bring the score to 10 to 1. The Bulldogettes would not let up both offensively and pitching, completely overton this game from every aspect. MaKynlee Overton was dominant on the mound all game long, only allowing 3 hits and one run while striking out 11 Bronchos on her day of work.

The Bulldogettes would put up seven more runs throughout the day to earn a decisive victory over the Sonora Bulldogs 17 to 1.

The second game was played on Saturday, and this time the Bulldogettes took on Sweetwater. Just like the first game, it was easy sailing for the young Softball team from Coahoma.

This game started a little slower than game one did; Coahoma stilled scored two tins in the very first inning, then was answered back by Sweetwater, tying the game up at 2 to 2 after one inning.

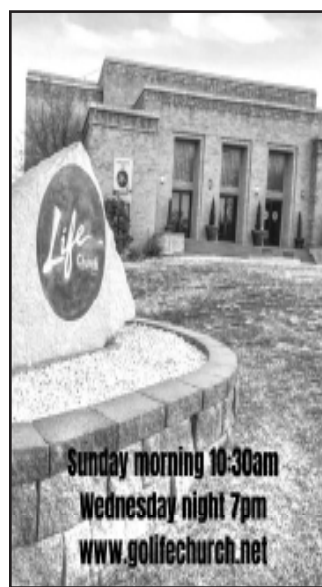
This would be as close as Sweetwater ever got to the Bulldogettes because they then scored eight runs in the second inning. Madison Rodgers hit a Homerun in the inning. MaKynlee Overton, Kenzi Canales, Shae Lang, Alexcia Munoz, and Christian Everett all had big RBI's in the inning to contribute to the scoring.

Makayla Calvio pitched an excellent game as the hurler went five innings, allowing two runs on just four hits. She was in complete control of

the game from the start.

The wins bring the Bulldogettes record to 10-5 on the season. This team is starting to get hot at just the right time. Look for big things to come from this softball team.

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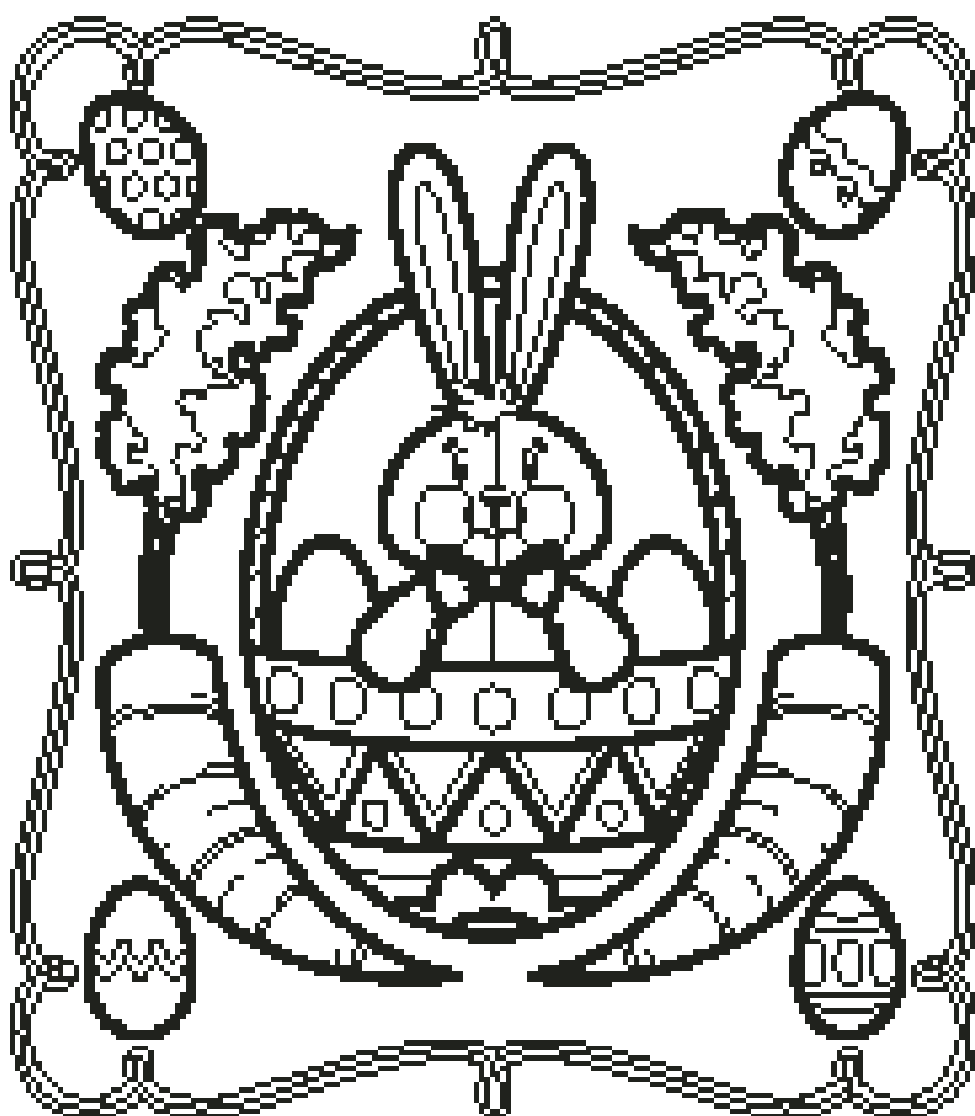


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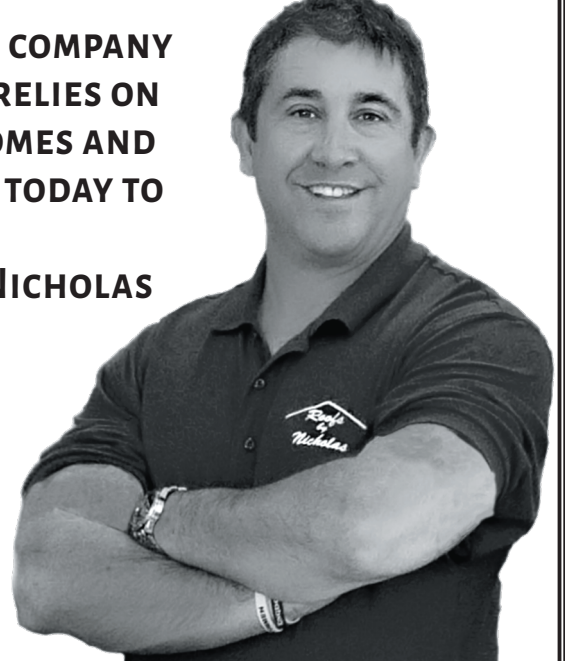
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The Secret to This Lunar Obstacle Course

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Orphans and strays will be attracted to you because wherever you go, whatever you do, you carry with you a strong sense of grounding. Being around you feels like home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Clicking around the internet, it's easy to find 10 people doing the same thing as you. However, you don't let that in any way discourage you. You can be sure that no one will bring it together in quite the manner as you will.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You will take people to new places, either physically or figuratively, just by being the bold version of yourself who is curious, playful and magnetically drawn to novel territory.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Comfort actually undermines your work because you need people to be alert and on their toes, curious about what you'll do next. Challenge people's comfort to energize the scene.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Investigate before you try to fix a thing. Has it ever been fixed? Is a solution within the realm of possibility given the time frame? If it doesn't have a solution, then it's not a problem, just a state of things to accept and get used to.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You take pride in your ability to protect and reassure others, providing them with a sense of security that's a rare and precious gift in this big, wild world. Whether they know and appreciate this is a story for another time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You want to know how everything works individually, and then how it works together, and how it works in perpetuity. But first, take the quick, concrete action to get it

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



strong as a gigantic redwood tree, will also seem to come from the outside. It's coming from people with deep roots and entities of might and history, and the karma of an ancestral lineage. Pisces and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 22, 12, 6, 38 and 40.

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working, period.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll make exceptional findings but it is not currently necessary to tell anyone or even to marvel at the specialness. These are early stages, and this part of the unfolding is meant just for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You've overcome obstacles, so give yourself credit for that. Going forward is easier when you remember who you are, recognize what you've done and believe in your ability to repeat success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You really don't have to be certain of your outcome to be confident. The confidence doesn't come from knowing you'll succeed; it comes from knowing you'll prevail either way and, likely, eventually, figure it out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You know when to strategically give your message in a whisper because people making an effort to lean in are more receptive listeners than people blown back by intensity and volume.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). What you're doing is for a very specific and small audience -- maybe that audience is just you for now -- and that's how you know it matters. Because if it raises you up, then it does the whole world a favor.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 24). You will be guided by a spiritual alignment with assurances that hail from deep within you. This support, as ancient and

The Obvious: Virgo can grow things -- plants, businesses, their own minds, the minds of others, strong relationships and so much more. Virgo has a knack for setting up the structures and organizing the efforts that will allow whatever they focus on to thrive.

The Uncanny: No matter how daunting other people may find a mess to be, Virgo can sweep into the disaster zone and clean it up lickety-split. Virgo doesn't wait for anyone to ask for help either. This sign just knows how to get started, work fast and get it done.

The Weird: Virgo is secretly keeping track of where you put your germs. If you touch your hair, Virgo will note what you touch next. Heaven forbid you should lick your fingers before counting money or opening a plastic sack. Virgo sees this and imagines dancing, germs traveling kick-line style to your next point of contact.

The Extremely Useful: Virgo hardly does anything that's not extremely useful. Even this sign's frivolously intended actions usually turn out in some way to have been completely necessary.

The Quietly Helpful: If your life is a mess, a Virgo can help you sort it out. You will be judged -- that comes with the territory -- but you will be better off for the help.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

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♠ 10 8
♥ 7 6
♦ A J 5 4
♣ A Q 8 5 2

WEST

♠ Q 6 4
♥ J 10 8
♦ 10 8 7 2
♣ 10 6 3

EAST

♠ 3
♥ Q 9 5 4 3 2
♦ Q 9
♣ K J 9 4

SOUTH

♠ A K J 9 7 5 2
♥ A K
♦ K 6 3
♣ 7

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
5 NT	Pass	6 ♣	Pass
6 ♠			

Opening lead — jack of hearts.

Bridge is first and foremost a game of percentages, with each player endeavoring at every turn to choose the bid or play that offers the greatest probability of success.

Today's deal illustrates how to make the percentages work for you. Declarer wins the heart lead with the ace and cashes the A-K of spades (the correct percentage play). Unfortunately, East discards a heart on the second spade, saddling South with a trump loser. Declarer now has to decide how best to proceed in order

to avoid a diamond loser.

One possibility is to bank everything on a simple finesse in either diamonds or clubs, each approximately a 50-50 chance. If West has the king of clubs or queen of diamonds and declarer guesses which finesse to take, he winds up making the slam. But if the finesse loses, he will be down one before he can try the other finesse.

It is this consideration — that relying on a simple finesse gives him only one chance to succeed — that should put South on the right track. He should reason that before trying the finesse in one suit, it can't cost him anything to try to drop the missing honor in the other suit. This can be attempted by cashing the ace of clubs and ruffing a club in the hope that the king will fall, or by playing the A-K of diamonds in an effort to fell the queen.

Even if declarer knows nothing about percentages, it isn't hard to decide which suit offers the better chance. Since the opponents hold fewer diamonds than clubs, the diamond queen is far more likely to be doubleton than the club king.

Accordingly, at trick four South cashes the king of diamonds and then leads a diamond to the ace, which, as it happens, catches the queen and makes the slam. Of course, if the queen does not fall, declarer still has the club finesse in reserve, giving him a second chance for the contract.

Tomorrow: Forewarned is forearmed.

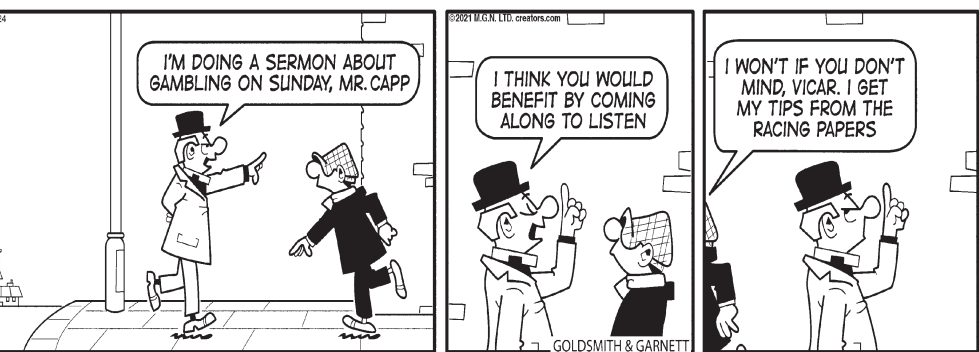
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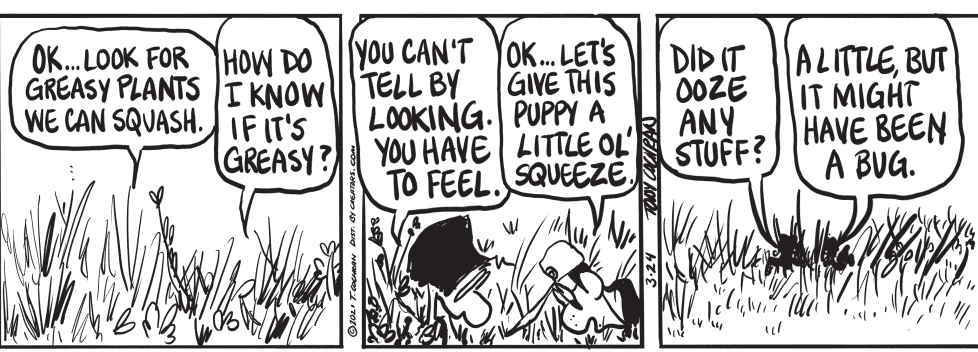
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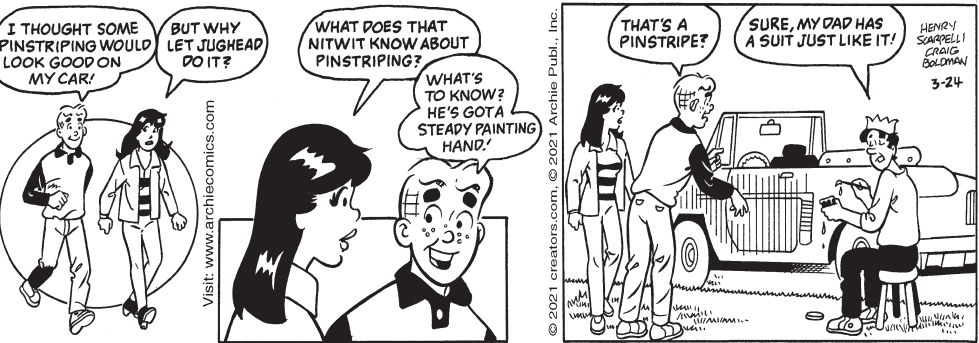
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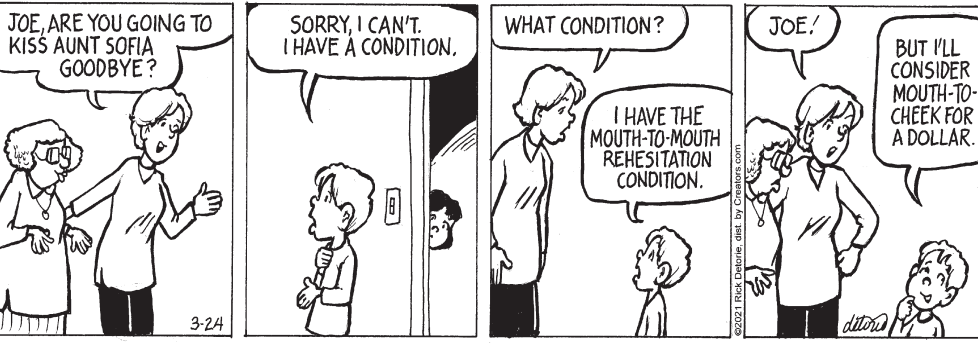
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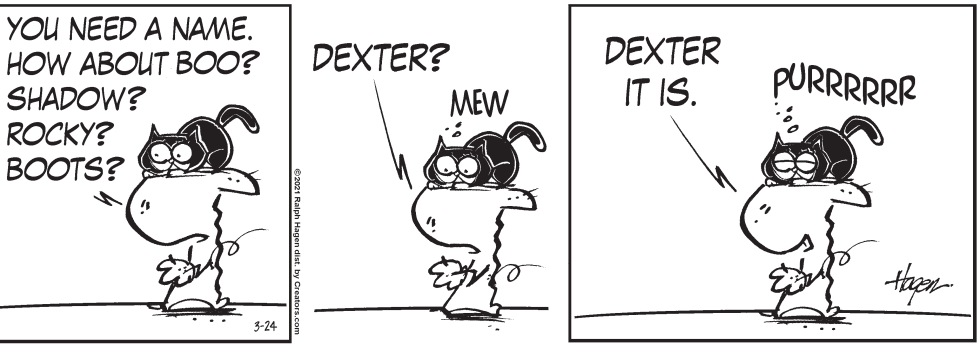
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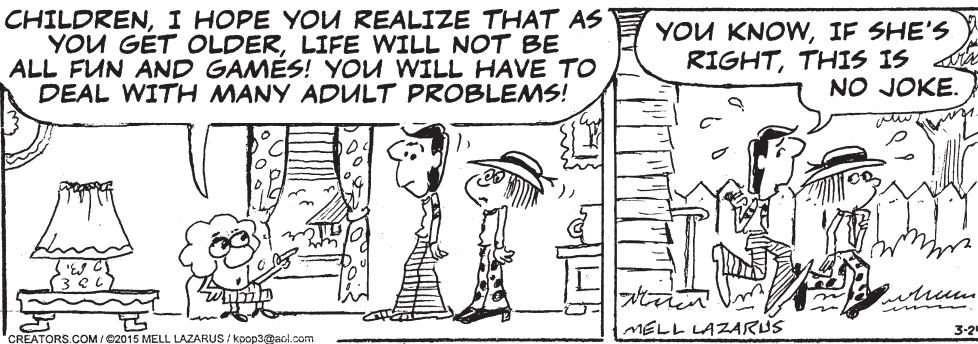
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Wednesday, March 24, the 83rd day of 2021. There are 282 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On March 24, 1976, the president of Argentina, Isabel Peron, was deposed by her country's military.

On this date:
In 1765, Britain enacted the Quartering Act, requiring American colonists to provide temporary housing to British soldiers.
In 1882, German scientist Robert Koch (kohk) announced in Berlin that he had discovered the bacillus responsible for tuberculosis.
In 1913, New York's Palace Theatre, the legendary home of vaudeville, opened on Broadway.
In 1958, Elvis Presley was inducted into the U.S. Army at the draft board in Memphis, Tennessee, before boarding a bus for Fort Chaffee, Arkansas. (Presley underwent basic training at Fort Hood, Texas, before being shipped off to Germany.)
In 1965, Ranger 9, a lunar probe launched three days earlier by NASA, crashed into the moon (as planned) after sending back more than 5,800 video images.
In 1989, the supertanker Exxon Valdez (vahl-DEEZ) ran aground on a reef in Alaska's Prince William Sound and began leaking an estimated 11 million gallons of crude oil.
In 1995, after 20 years, British soldiers stopped routine patrols in Belfast, Northern Ireland.
In 1999, NATO launched airstrikes against Yugoslavia, marking the first time in its 50-year existence that it had ever attacked a sovereign country. Thirty-nine people were killed when fire erupted in the Mont Blanc tunnel in France and burned for two days.
In 2002, at the 74th Academy Awards, Halle Berry became the first Black performer to win a Best Actress Oscar for her work in "Monster's Ball," while Denzel Washington became the second Black actor, after Sidney Poitier, to win in the best actor category for "Training Day." "A Beautiful Mind" won four Oscars, including best picture and best director for Ron Howard.

federal funds to pay for elective abortions covered by private insurance.

In 2015, Germanwings Flight 9525, an Airbus A320, crashed into the French Alps, killing all 150 people on board; investigators said the jetliner was deliberately downed by the 27-year-old co-pilot, Andreas Lubitz.

In 2019, Attorney General William Barr reported that special counsel Robert Mueller did not find evidence that President Donald Trump's campaign "conspired or coordinated" with Russia to influence the 2016 presidential election, but reached no conclusion on whether Trump obstructed justice. Democrats pointed out that Mueller had found evidence for and against obstruction, and they demanded to see his full report. (The report would be released in April.)
Ten years ago: The Census Bureau released its first set of national-level findings from the 2010 count on race and migration, showing that Hispanics accounted for more than half of the U.S. population increase over the previous decade, exceeding estimates in most states as they crossed a new census milestone: 50 million, or 1 in 6 Americans. A private funeral was held at Forest Lawn Cemetery for Elizabeth Taylor (the service began 15 minutes behind schedule in accordance with the actor's wish to be late for her own funeral).
Five years ago: A U.N. war crimes court convicted former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic of genocide and nine other charges for orchestrating a campaign of terror that left 100,000 people dead during the 1992-95 war in Bosnia; Karadzic was sentenced to 40 years in prison. (The sentence was later increased to life in prison.) Comedian Garry Shandling died at age 66; writer Earl Hamner Jr., creator of "The Waltons," died at age 92.
One year ago: The International Olympic Committee announced that the Summer Olympics in Tokyo would be postponed until 2021. President Donald Trump said he hoped the United States would be reopened by Easter, even as some public health officials called for tougher, not looser, restrictions. Amid hopes of a deal on a relief package for businesses and ordinary Americans, stocks soared, with the Dow industrials surging more than 2,100 points, or 11.4%, for their best day since 1933. Three of America's best-

known national parks - Yellowstone, Grand Teton and Great Smoky Mountains - closed their gates to visitors. Tony-award winning playwright Terrence McNally died in Florida of complications from the coronavirus at the age of 81.
Today's Birthdays: Actor William Smith is 88. Fashion and costume designer Bob Mackie is 82. Former Washington Gov. Christine Gregoire is 74. Rock

musician Lee Oskar is 73. Singer Nick Lowe is 72. Rock musician Dougie Thomson (Supertramp) is 70. Fashion designer Tommy Hilfinger is 70. Comedian Louie Anderson is 68. Actor Donna Pescow is 67. Actor Robert Carradine is 67. Sen. Mike Braun, R-Indiana, is 67. Former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer is 65. Actor Kelly LeBrock is 61. TV personality Star Jones is 59. Country-rock musician Patterson Hood (Drive-By Truckers) is 57. Actor Peter

Jacobson is 56. Rock singer-musician Sharon Corr (The Corrs) is 51. Actor Lauren Bowles is 51. Actor Lara Flynn Boyle is 51. Rapper Maceo (AKA P.A. Pasemaster Mase) is 51. Actor Megyn Price is 50. Actor Jim Parsons is 48. Christian rock musician Chad Butler (Switchfoot) is 47. Actor Alyson Hannigan is 47. Former NFL quarterback Peyton Manning is 45. Actor Amanda Brugel (TV: "The Handmaid's Tale") is 44. Actor

Olivia Burnette is 44. Actor Jessica Chastain is 44. Actor Amir Arison is 43. Actor Lake Bell is 42. Rock musician Benj Gershman (O.A.R.) is 41. Neo-soul musician Jesse Phillips (St. Paul & the Broken Bones) is 41. Actor Philip Winchester (TV: "Strike Back") is 40. Dancer Val Chmerkovskiy is 35. Actor Keisha Castle-Hughes is 31.

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
1 Poker pot starter
5 "A ___ formality"
9 Move beyond
13 Lake bird on Canadian coins
14 Military truant: Abbr.
15 Actress Dame Judi ___
16 McCartney or Revere
17 Group's main vocalist
19 Piercingly loud
21 Doe or buck
22 U-turn from WSW
23 Bar in a shower
25 Caught a whiff of
27 Optimal way of doing something
31 Train schedule stat.
32 Novelist Ferber
33 Carried around
37 Slightly moist
39 "To ___ is human..."
41 Alaskan port city
42 Take a nap, say
44 Mardi Gras city, familiarly
47 Tell a little untruth
48 Highest judicial body
52 Nutrition label measure
55 Made better with time
56 Metallic mineral
57 Frozen queen
59 Formal decrees
63 When demand is greatest
66 Honolulu's island
67 Long-necked wader
- DOWN**
1 European peaks
2 Biblical boatbuilder
3 "Guided" excursion
4 Persuade to volunteer
5 Common wild duck
6 Lamb's mom
7 Highway or byway
8 Firstborn
9 Home for hogs
10 Divine guardian
11 Movie excerpt
12 Tear to bits
15 To the point
18 Prefix for final
20 Leisurely run
24 Window glass
26 Novelist Uris
27 Household things with springs
28 And others: Abbr.
29 "Ditto"
30 Chili con ___
34 Soy product in stir-fry
35 Mideast Islamic ruler
36 Money owed
38 Mexican coin
40 Capital of Italia
43 Most pristine
45 Mythical tales
46 Performed to perfection
49 Carpet fabric
50 House flipper's transaction
51 Detestable
52 Deals with ordeals
53 "All systems ___!"
54 Absorb in a class
58 Cambodia's continent
60 Lawyer's gig
61 "America the Beautiful" pronoun
62 Bath bubbles
64 Lock opener
65 "___ the land of the free..."

Answer to previous puzzle

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Steers Fall to Snyder 11 to 10 in District game

By DUSTIN POPE

The Big Spring Steers traveled 43 miles North East down HWY 350 Tuesday night to take on their arch-rival and District foe the Snyder Tigers. The game ended up being a devastating loss for the Steers baseball team. They could not hold a 9 to lead, losing in the end 11 to 10 in what could only be described as a heartbreaking loss.

The Steers started the game off hot; they got the ball rolling early on in the game. They could get runners on base early and score three runs in the top half of the first inning, giving themselves an early 3 to 0 lead. Kyler Seymore took the mound and was impressive early on, as he didn't allow the Tigers to answer back and kept them off the scoreboard in the first.

Leading 3 to 0 after one inning, the Steers went right back to work in the second inning. Pablito Dehoyos lead off the inning with a single. Jose Cantu would follow with a single of his own. Placing runners at first and second with no outs. Both Dehoyos and Cantu would advance a base on a wild pitch by the Tiger pitcher. A few pitches later, Dehoyos came across to score on an error to extend the lead to 4 to 0. Leadoff man Maverick Yanez

then worked a walk. That brought up Star player Josh Miramontes; he would advance the runners and drive Cantu across bring the score up to 5 to 0. Isaiah Diaz drove in Yanez on a hard-hit single of his own, pushing the lead to 5 to 0. Rickey Escovedo then stepped to the box and delivered a single of his own scoring Miramontes. The Steers ended the second inning leading 7 to 0.

The Steers went on to put up two more runs in the top of the fourth when Escovedo narrowly missed a Home Run but got a triple out of it. The Snyder Tigers finally put their first run on the board in the bottom of the fourth.

The fifth inning was the game breaker for the Steers as Snyder put together a nine-run inning. The Steers struggled to throw strikes in the inning, walking six batters, hitting three batters on the inning that helped the Tigers have such a big inning. After the damage was done, the Tigers had the lead of 11 to 9.

Big Spring tried to battle back, never giving up as they had a runner get to third base in the top of the sixth, only to have him gunned down at the plate by a good throw from the Tiger



Herald Photos/Dustin Pope

Kyler Seymore throws a pitch against Snyder Steers lost a heart breaker 11 to 10

Centerfielder on a pop fly. The Steers had one more shot in the top of the seventh, they did push across one run to make it a one-run game, but they ultimately fell short in the end.

This loss makes the Steers 1-3 in District play. This was a very tough loss for the team as they let a lead

slip away, but the team kept fighting. They didn't give up when they could have easily thrown in the towel after the big fifth inning. The Steers next face Sweetwater at Steer park first pitch is scheduled for 7:33. Let us all come out to show our support for this team.

Rockets end skid at 20, Wall has 1st triple-double since '16

HOUSTON (AP)

Stephen Silas walked off the court at halftime believing he'd seen a sign.

Danuel House Jr. swished a 51-foot-er at the buzzer, sending the Rockets to the locker room on a high after 20 straight games of nothing but lows.

"I was like, 'Whoa, maybe this is the night,'" the Rockets coach said. "It felt like something special had happened. For us, something special happening is a win after so many losses in a row."

The Rockets went on to snap their 20-game losing streak Monday night, as John Wall had his first triple-double in five years in a 117-99 victory over the Toronto Raptors.

Houston's skid was tied for the ninth-worst in NBA history and the longest since Philadelphia's record-setting, 28-game losing streak across the 2014-15 and 2015-16 seasons.

But Wall had 19 points, 10 assists and 11 rebounds, his first triple-double since March 17, 2016. That helped the Rockets get their first win since Feb. 4.

"It's like indescribable for a win in March of this crazy season, but I'm just so proud of the guys," Silas said. "When you're going through it and fighting so hard and seeing the disappointment in the players' faces after loss after loss after loss, and to go into the locker room after today's game and everybody is so happy and joyous is just super cool and great."

Wall found Silas after the game and gave him a big hug.

"I just told him, 'We finally got one,'" Wall said. "I told him I'm riding with him no matter what, and he said the same thing to me. No coach wants to deal with all this adversity he's had to

deal with in their first year. I'm happy for him."

Houston also handed the Raptors their ninth straight loss, which now represents the NBA's longest active losing streak.

All five Houston starters scored in double figures by midway through the third quarter. Jae'Sean Tate had 22 points, Sterling Brown added 20, Christian Wood scored 19 and House added 12.

Houston led 65-60 at halftime after House's heave from well behind the halfcourt line near the Raptors bench on the sideline. The Rockets closed out the third quarter with an 88-86 lead and opened the fourth quarter on a 9-1 run to pull away.

Houston overcame a rough first half where Wall received a technical foul for a third straight game, arguing with an official five minutes into the first quarter. Wood picked up his third personal foul less than three minutes into the second quarter and was limited to just eight scoreless first-half minutes.

Fred VanVleet led Toronto with 27 points and was frustrated after the loss.

"If you're not going to play defense, you better score more than 99 points," VanVleet said.

Pascal Siakam scored 21 points, Normal Powell had 19 and Kyle Lowry added 17.

Brown made his first five shots, including three 3s, for 13 first-quarter points. He finished 7 of 10 and 4 of 7 from 3.

The Raptors led 28-27 at the end of the first quarter. In their losing streak, Houston led after the first

quarter only three times, including on Feb. 26 when they led the Raptors 31-30.

TIP-INS

Raptors: DeAndre' Bembry was ejected from the game after receiving two back-to-back technical fouls in the fourth quarter. ... Toronto has lost seven straight on the road. ... Chris Boucher had 10 rebounds off the bench.

Rockets: SG Victor Oladipo was out with right quad injury maintenance.

... PG D.J. Augustin returned after a one-game absence with a stomach illness. ... PG Kevin Porter Jr. was sidelined with right quad soreness.

COACH SUPPORT

After Silas' postgame interview following

Sunday's loss went viral for how visibly frustrated he appeared to be, the first-year coach said he heard from many coaches, including Rick Carlisle, Brad Stevens, Doc Rivers, Steve Kerr, Luke Walton, Doug Collins and Don Nelson, who talked about their losing streaks and offered support.

"What those guys did for me means the world to me, and I'm going to reach out to every, single one of those guys to tell them, 'Thank you,'" Silas said.

UP NEXT

Raptors: Return home Wednesday night for a three-game homestand starting with Denver.

Rockets: Host Charlotte on Wednesday night to close out a seven-game homestand.

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