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The City of Big Spring will have a Cross Country Meet for Big Spring High School on Saturday, October 10, 2020, beginning at 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM. In order to facilitate a safe running area for all of the youth attending and participating in this event, we will temporarily close some of the gates and barricade access to some areas of the Comanche Trail Park during the event. Whipkey Road to access to the Dora Roberts Community Center and Golf Course Road to access the Golf Course will remain open. We apologize for any inconvenience. If you travel in this area, please be aware and alert for participants moving in the area.

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Free, confidential drive-thru depression screenings offered

By **VALERY AVERY**
 Big Spring Herald

Free, confidential depression screenings will be offered Thursday, Oct. 8, at First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 S. Lancaster, in Big Spring. The free screenings will be provided by mental health professionals of West Texas Centers and the Big Spring State Hospital and will ac-

company a food distribution site provided by Permian Basin Oil and Gas Ministry - a ministry of the Nazarene Church. Screenings will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. People attending the screenings will have the option of remaining in their vehicles and being screened in a drive-thru setting. They will also have the option of coming inside the church if

they prefer, said West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW. "We are taking every precaution to make sure that people who attend this screening feel safe," Smith said. "We know that just making the effort to attend the screening takes a great deal of courage and we want to make this as easy as possible for everyone involved."

West Texas Centers and Big Spring State Hospital have partnered for the past 20 years providing free depression screenings in Howard County. During that time they have assisted hundreds of people who were living with depression. The depression screenings are held on National Depression Screening Day, a

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Profile of service: A sailor's journey from Normandy to Tokyo Bay

By **WILLIAM HATTON**
 Public Affairs Specialist West Texas VA

Participating in two of the most famous and memorable events of World War II, one Sailor recounts his part in what would become known as 'The Greatest Generation'. J.L. Stevens signed up for the Navy in 1943 at the age of 17, and with two years of service in the Navy, would take part in the invasion of Normandy, clearing the way for allied troops. He would later head to the Pacific, responsible for clearing mines around various Pacific islands in advance of allied troop landings.



J.L. Stevens poses for a photo after sharing his story with West Texas VA Public Affairs Specialist William Hatton.

fore him. After eight weeks of boot camp, Stevens was sent to gunnery school in San Diego. Stevens wanted to be an electrician but was told - "the Navy doesn't need electricians, it needs gunners." After finishing gunnery school, Stevens was shipped to Portland, Maine. "Would you believe it, couldn't be any further away from where I was," said Stevens. Stevens was assigned to the USS Hambleton (DD 455), a Gleaves-class destroyer named for Purser Samuel Hambleton. "After a long journey across the country, I finally made it to my ship in Maine," said Stevens. "My first real

Serving at 17 with nothing to do
 At 17 years old, Stevens decided to follow in his brother's footsteps and

serve his country. Because of his age, and with "nothing to do," he had to ask for his mother's permission to join the Navy, just as his brother had done be-

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SMMC recognizes Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Special to the Herald
 SMMC Public Relations

Scenic Mountain Medical Center is offering \$79 mammograms during October. During the month of October and in observance of Breast Cancer Awareness month, Scenic Mountain Medical Center is offering 2D mammograms for \$79. To qualify for this special price, mammograms must be purchased in October but they may be redeemed at a later date. According to the American Cancer Society, one in eight women will develop breast cancer. In 2020 it is estimated that a record 276,000 new cases will be diagnosed, and there is a one in 38 chance of dying from breast cancer. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important not to postpone annual screening mammograms. Scenic Mountain Medical Center is encouraging women who may have delayed their mammograms to schedule the screening now, because when breast cancer is detected early, life-saving treatment can begin immediately. "Breast cancer deaths in America have been declining for the last two decades, even though the rate of new cases has stayed high," said Dr. Rohith Saravanan, chief medical officer at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. "Much of that success is due to early detection and better treatments for women. As a primary care physician, I strongly encourage women to get a mammogram." Typically, most mammograms take less than 20 minutes and use less radiation than a standard x-ray. A mammogram is a low-dose x-ray that allows doctors called

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Celebration Recovery donates \$1,000 to support Food2Kids



Food2Kids recently received a \$1,000 donation from Celebration Recovery. The donation was presented by Joyce Webb, with Celebrate Recovery, and Pastor Ricky Carcensten of First United Methodist Church. Pictured above are: Pastor Ricky Carcensten, Joyce Webb, Pam Steel, Food2Kids President, and Raul Marquez, Food2Kids Vice President.

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Obituaries

Helen Marie Bradbury Gregory

Helen Marie Bradbury Gregory, of Big Spring, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020 at the Merkel Nursing Center in Merkel, Texas. Graveside services will be on Friday, Oct. 9, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Trinity Memorial Park. Helen will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home in Big Spring, Texas, there will be no formal family visitation.

Helen was born on April 1, 1937 to Oscar and Florence Hulme Bradbury in McGregor, Texas. She was one of 10 children. Helen spent a great deal of her youth in Bosque

County.

Helen married Troy Gaston Gregory, Jr on Oct. 7, 1961, in Colorado City. They made their home in Big Spring, Texas. They enjoyed playing domi-

noes, were part of a bowling league, and enjoyed traveling together. Troy and Helen enjoyed playing Heads Up in dominoes and made sure to keep score so they knew who had won the most games. Helen's career was in the food service industry and retail sales. She worked for a time at the Hallmark store and has a vast collection of Hallmark ornaments.

Helen was a resident at The Merkel Nursing Center for a number of years where she enjoyed Bingo, crafting, and jewelry making. She always had a smile on her face and a laugh to share with others.

Helen is preceded in death by her husband, Troy, their daughter Cindy, parents Oscar and Florence, and numerous siblings.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to favorite charity or American Heart Association.

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

Paid Obituary

Jo Ogle

Jo Ogle, 70, of Big Spring passed away Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020. Graveside service will be on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2020, at 4 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park with Derrick Looney officiating.

Jo was born on Sept. 14, 1950 in Lamesa. She married Charles "Chuck" Ogle on March 14, 1968 in Big Spring. He died March 14, 2020. She was a homemaker but also managed Santa Fe Sandwiches & Grill in the Big Spring Mall.

Jo was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and a Methodist.

She is survived by one son: Charley Ogle and his wife Irma of Greenwood; six grandchildren: Dillon Ogle and his wife Camberlynn, Maggie Ogle, Froy De Santiago, Yahir De Santiago, Zane Ogle, and Ruby Ogle; two great grandchildren: Wylee Ogle and Ryatt Ogle; and one brother: Richard Fleener of Big Spring.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son: Jason Ogle; one brother: Robert Fleener; and one sister: Jeannie Cunningham.

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

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Take Note

• CASA of West Texas will hold two virtual information sessions; the first was Sept. 30 and the next will follow on Oct. 14. Both will be held at 12:30 p.m. and is free to attend. Registration is required and can be done on the CASA website, where the Zoom link will also be provided.

• The West Texas VA Health System will be providing drive-thru flu clinics. The dates for the surrounding area include: Clinic dates (all times 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.) George H. O'Brien, Jr. VAMC - Monday, Oct. 5, 2020; Abilene CBOC - Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2020; Wilson & Young Medal of Honor CBOC - Monday, Oct. 19, 2020.

• A new group has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the yet to be named organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community. There is no membership fee and attendance is not taken. The only requirements are that you be positive or want to be more positive than you are, consider yourself to be a good person but want to be better than you are, and that you have a desire to help others be better too.

Childcare is available during the discussion time if you let us know. Topics to be avoided include Religion and Politics, though we can dance around them. The unnamed group is being sponsored by the local Masons and it meets in the Masonic Lodge on the court square. It is not necessary that you have any masonic affiliation to participate in this Growth Group. All Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed as defined by local, state, and federal authorities. At this time refreshments will not be served but you are welcome to bring your own and not share. The next meeting is Sept. 17, 2020, at 7 p.m. at 219 South Main Big Spring, Texas. For more information write to Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

• Coahoma Lion's Club Trade Day will be held Sept. 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Downtown Coahoma. There will be food, arts & crafts, antiques, collectibles, clothing, and more. This will be in conjunction with Coahoma City Wide Garage Sale. Please practice social distancing at six feet and face masks are recommended. For more information, call 432-394-4287.

• The Life Center in Big Spring is helping moms and dads with a Diaper Day Giveaway! Call for a five minute phone appointment and a pickup time for free diapers, wipes and formula. 432-606-5041.

• The Senior Supper Club has come out of hibernation to resume its normal Tuesday evening dinners. The Senior Supper Club of Howard County will meet for its normal dinner meeting at Spanish Inn on Tuesday October 6, 2020.

The Come-One-Come-All group will be meeting on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and orders will be placed around 5:30 p.m. after much socializing from a distance. The Senior Supper Club is an informal group of folks from Howard County who meet at least weekly and sometimes more for Dutch-Treat food

at different area restaurants. Sometimes the group also meets for cards, dominoes, or desserts and fellowship. For more information, contact Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com.

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

• Isaiah 58 will be open on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. further notice, for the safety of their volunteers and those they serve. Those receiving services are asked to enter the parking lot on 9th Street and exit onto Scurry.

Please bring a form of identification with you to pick up food. Masks are required and those receiving food boxes will need to place boxes in their own vehicles until further notice. All these efforts are being put in place to help slow the spread and ensure the safety of those volunteering and those receiving services.

• Permian Basin Multiple Sclerosis Support Group for information, encouragement and support. The group meets monthly on the Second Saturday of each month from 10 AM to 12 PM at the Holiday Inn Express at 5321 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Odessa.

If you or someone you know has been touched by MS, or if you are just interested in more information please feel to contact Gary Tidwell at garyltea1987@gmail.com.

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the area of Third and Gregg; in the area of Wasson and Calvin.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of E. 12th Street; 100 block of S. Lancaster Street.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of Wood Street; 5400 block of W. I-20.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported at in the 400 block of NW Broadway.
- **TELEPHONE HARASSMENT** was reported in the 3400 block of E. FM 700.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- **No arrests were reported**

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. (x2).
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Alabama. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 4600 block of S. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the area of I-20 MM 174. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4200 block of Dixon. 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 3700 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 5100 block of Dawson Road. No transport was required.
- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 400 block of E. 9th Street. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Tucson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 5400 block of W. I-20. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama. No transport was required.
- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 1000 block of W. 5th Street. No transport was required.

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day set aside to provide free screenings across the country to anyone who believes they may be living with depression but have not yet received a diagnosis.

Upon arrival, attendees will be provided with a short questionnaire asking a series of questions. Upon completion, the answers will be reviewed by mental health professionals and followed by a short consultation.

“We have found that many people may be living with depression and need someone to verify whether that is the case or if they are living within a period of sadness,” Smith said.

“We make every effort to provide a very comfortable, low-key setting so attendees can be given a chance to talk to a professional who understands what it is like to live with depression and can provide them with resources,” Smith said.

Mental health professionals will not be providing a diagnosis but will give attendees feedback

on their answers to the questionnaire and local resources if further evaluation is needed.

According to Mental Health America people living with depression often experience some of these key symptoms: a persistent sad, anxious or “empty” mood; sleeping too little, early morning awakening, or sleeping too much; reduced appetite and weight loss, or increased appetite and weight gain; loss of interest or pleasure in activities once enjoyed; restlessness or irritability; difficulty concentrating, remembering or making decisions; fatigue or loss of energy; thoughts of death or suicide.

Smith expects a higher than usual turnout this year because of the anxiety of living in a pandemic. “People need support and we are so excited that the Nazarene Church is offering a food distribution event alongside our depression screening.”

The Permian Basin Oil Field and Energy Ministry - a ministry of First Church of the Nazarene assists workers and families of the energy sector and provides pop-up food distribution sites throughout the Permian Basin.

Josh Cisneros, pastor of The Bridge Nazarene Church in Big Spring, said attendees may pull up

in their vehicle and visit with ministry members regarding their food needs. The Nazarene Church partners with the Food Bank in Midland by providing a weeks’ worth of nonperishable items for a family of three.

“We want to meet their needs and give them hope,” Cisneros said.

West Texas Centers also offers a 24-hour Crisis Hotline for anyone who has questions or needs assistance. That number is 1-800-375-4357.

West Texas Centers is the mental health authority for 23 counties in West Texas serving people in Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum counties.

Big Spring State Hospital is a state-owned and operated facility for people living with behavioral health issues.

For more information on the food pop-up, call 432-267-7015, ext. 1.

For more information on the depression screening, call Amy Vidal at 432-264-3256.

VETERAN

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memory on the ship was when they were serving breakfast. Unfortunately, it was red beans, which was the Navy’s primary food. I ended up losing my breakfast, but never got sick after that.”

Into action

After a short time, patrolling various coast lines of countries in the Mediterranean, the Hambleton was assigned to an armada of ships escorting the European Division, heading for the English Channel. While traveling through the Mediterranean, and into the English Channel, Stevens’ ship was assigned to anti-submarine patrol.

“We engaged six different submarines,” said Stevens. “We were credited with sinking two.”

On the morning of June 6, 1944, Stevens took part in Operation Overlord... D-Day... the invasion of Normandy. The USS Hambleton would escort a large convoy of Landing Ship Tanks (LSTs) to the area around Omaha Beach.

“We were assigned to escort troops into Normandy,” said Stevens. “I can still remember those two days; I still see it in my mind. The Germans had dispatched six boats, which were the equivalent to our PT boats. We were assigned to take them on.”

After sinking one of the German E-boats, Stevens’ ship was attacked. While maneuvering around a German E-boat, Stevens’ ship was attacked, damaging a portion of his boat. The attack left Stevens injured, calling the events a “freakish accident.” Fortunately for Stevens, the attack wasn’t too severe, and he was able to continue to serve.

New mission, new responsibilities

After spending a short leave back at home, Stevens and the Hambleton would be sent to the Pacific theater of operations.

“They replaced the machine guns and installed high-speed minesweeping gear,” Stevens said. “We were assigned to sweep for mines around all the islands to clear the way for our troops.”

The Hambleton sailed for the Pacific to take part in the invasion of Okinawa, which was the largest amphibious assault in the Pacific. “We were responsible for clearing the way of mines for larger ships like the USS Missouri.”

“At one point I was responsible for taking care of any mines on my side of the ship,” Stevens said. “One popped up in my vision and I started firing at it. My gun jammed, but I was able to clear the jam and destroy the mine. I felt like that mine was my responsibility and there was no other gun available to get it. I did what I needed to do.”

While serving in the Pacific, Stevens encountered several kamikaze pilots, with his crew getting credit for destroying six of them. “You wouldn’t believe how they could fly,” Stevens said. “With a sky full of ammunition, these kamikaze pilots moving all around. We destroyed five of them, with one of them losing a landing gear on our security cable causing it to go down. We got credit for it anyway.”

“Kamikaze aircraft were basically a piloted bullet,” Stevens said. “It was hard to take them down because they didn’t have much equipment or ability to fire. One of them almost wiped out our ship, but we got lucky when it went down in the water.”

After fighting outside Normandy, and fighting kamikazes and mines in the Pacific, Stevens says one of the greatest battles came against mother nature. “We rode out four typhoons during that tour, with the fourth one almost wiping us out,” Stevens said. “I had a six-hour duty one stretch during that storm. My dungaree shirt was in

shreds once that six hours was over.”

At one point during the storm, the Hambleton hit a massive wave. “The entire ship started vibrating,” Stevens said. “Our skipper was sleeping in his chair beside the helm. He sat up and shouted who the hell hit us? I told him we hit a wave and he just said carry on.”

End of a war

Once the Hambleton reached Tokyo Bay, Stevens and his crew watched from shore as the armistice was signed.

“It was a wonderful day,” Stevens said. The ceremony aboard the USS Missouri was a memorable moment for Stevens.

“We anchored off the starboard bow of the Missouri and watched the signing of the armistice,” recounted Stevens.

After returning to San Diego, Stevens made his way back to Oklahoma. Four days later he married his wife, who had awaited his return.

“I wasn’t home but a few days and we got married,” Stevens said. “She had been with me for three years before I went into the Navy, and I was lucky she was still waiting on me when I got out.”

Stevens is one of more than 33,000 Veterans in the West Texas VA Health Care System (WTVAHCS) catchment area, and WTVAHCS staff are proud and humbled to be able to fulfill the VA mission of caring for our Nation’s Veterans.

“The service has taken care of me ever since I got out,” said Stevens. “I have severe vertigo after the accident on the ship during Normandy. The VA has taken care of me through it all.”

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

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

Helen Gregory, 83, died Sunday. Graveside services will be at 11:00 AM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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

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radiologists to look for changes in breast tissue. A mammogram can often find or detect breast cancer early, when it’s small and even before a lump can be felt. This is when it’s easiest to treat.

The American College of Radiology and Society of Breast Imaging recommend that all women should have a risk assessment at age 30 to see if a screening earlier than age 40 is needed. Women who were previously diagnosed with breast cancer are recommended to be screened with an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging).

For women of average risk, the ACR and SBI recommend annual mammograms starting at age 40, with no upper age limit as long as the woman is in good health. A screening mammogram can help detect breast cancer in its earliest and most treatable stages.

For the protection of patients and staff, Scenic Mountain Medical Center is pre-screening all patients for any COVID-19 symptoms, requiring masks for staff and patients, and cleaning commonly touched surfaces with greater frequency.

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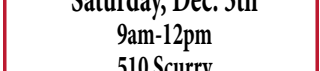
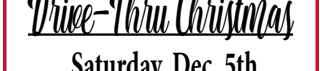
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*In the event of a tie, the tie breaker will determine the winner.

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*All entries must be received at one of the participating merchants by 1pm Friday of the week played.

*Winners will be announced on the next week's Pigskin Contest Page.

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Big Spring Lady Steers fall to Sweetwater in four sets, now sit at 2-3 in district play

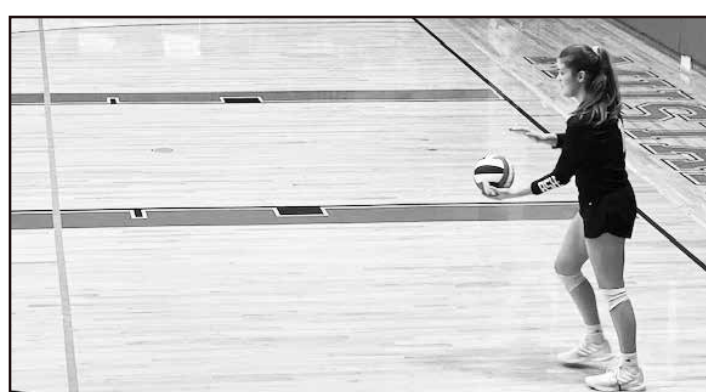
By SHAWN MORAN
Herald Sports Writer

The Big Spring Lady Steers lost their third straight district game on Tuesday night in Sweetwater when they fell just short of pushing the game to a fifth set.

"In the first two sets we weren't playing up to our potential," Braswell said. "Once we got into the third set, we really started to play our game and I was happy with the way the team performed together during that comeback attempt."

The Lady Steers looked tired through the first two sets on Tuesday night, but they appeared to wake up more and more as the game went on. The junior duo of Kalyn Whitehead and Ryen Terrazas gave the Lady Steers a much-needed boost on offense while Tristan Smith consistently made great defensive plays at the net.

The first set of the night completely belonged to the Lady Mustangs. They came out of the gate with a great sense of urgency, were passing the ball well, and were delivering one powerful kill after another onto the Big Spring side of the net. Sweetwater's accuracy with their strikes was proving difficult for Big Spring and forced Braswell to take both of her timeouts. Big Spring did find some success with senior Jacqueline Belew serving the ball late in the first set, but the lead was too large to overcome and the ladies Steers dropped the first set



HERALD Photo/Shawn Moran
Junior Ryen Terrazas prepares to serve the ball to Sweetwater on Tuesday night.

25-14.

The second set was more of the same and Sweetwater jumped out to an early 11-1 lead. However, Ashlin Calvio and Whitehead did their best job to light a spark for the Lady Steers. As the set went on, Big Spring started to perform better and finally got some momentum on their side. Sweetwater was still able to win the second set 25-13 but Big Spring was ready to make a game out of it.

Big Spring dominated the third set by controlling the net and making crucial blocks that allowed them to build a lead. Smith was a top performer for the Lady Steers during that third set and her squad all played up to their potential en route to a 25-16

win.

The fourth and final set went all the way down to the wire. Big Spring started the set with a 4-0 lead but Sweetwater quickly stormed back to tie it up midway through the set. After trading leads back-and-forth for most of the set, the Lady Mustangs had built a six point lead, and we're looking to finish the Lady Steers. Braswell called one last time out to give her team a chance to regroup and make one last comeback attempt.

Big Spring put up a strong effort and made some plays but ultimately fell just short of pushing the game to a deciding fifth set with a 25-21 loss.

What is Braswell looking for from her team next time they take the court?

"We just have to play aggressive. We are putting too much pressure on ourselves to be perfect and then we end up giving up points or our momentum playing too careful. We have to be confident and have faith in our teammates to get the job done," she said.

UP NEXT: Big Spring is now 2-3 in district play and will need to pick up a win next time they take the court. Their next game will be this Saturday inside Steer Gym against Estacado for a PINK OUT.

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Big Spring Swim Results from meet at Pecos last week

By SHAWN MORAN
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The Big Spring Swim Team participated in their first meet of the season late last week in Pecos. It was an overall solid day for the Steers as a team and they will look to build on the momentum they gained during the first competition of the fall.

Big Spring finished in second place behind Pecos (186) in combined team scores with 97 points but were able to finish in front of third-place Odessa High (65). The girls and boys both finished in second place in the gender scores as well and the Steers are quickly finding out who will be his difference-makers in the pool this year.

Here are the results for Big Spring's swimmers from the Pecos meet:

In the Girls' 200-yard medley relay, the quartet of sophomore Malaki Vaughn (38.17), freshman Arely Cruz-Garcia (45.32), sophomore Naomi Reyes (33.81), and sophomore Jayda Overton (35.12) finished in third place with a total time of 2:32.42.

In the Boys' 200-yard medley relay, the group of freshman Christian Pantoja-Strickland (36.98), sophomore David Summers (41.09), senior Manuel Castillo (26.90), and sophomore Smith Cate (27.23) finished in third place with a total time of 2:12.20. In fifth place, sophomore Joshua Patridge (53.17), freshman Matthew Nieves (1:04.70), freshman Gabriel Rossiter (49.92), and freshman Ethan Barker (48.28) finished with a total time of 3:36.07.

In the Girls' 200-yard Freestyle, sophomore Naomi Reyes finished in second place (2:30.06) while freshman teammate Aeris Casey took home fifth (3:01.05) and fellow sophomore Jayda Overton finished in sixth (3:14.01).

On the boys' side of the 200-Yard Freestyle, senior Manuel Castillo finished in third place (2:15.96) while sophomore teammates Morgan Griffith (5th, 2:54.70) and Ismael Castillo (6th, 3:09.84) rounded out the race's top performers.

Big Spring freshman Arely Cruz-Garcia finished in third place (3:08.97) in the Girls' 200 Yard IM and sophomore David Summers finished in fifth place (3:01.39) in the Boys' 200 Yard IM.

Sophomore Malaki Vaughn finished with the top time in the Girls' 50 Yard Freestyle with a final time of 31.87 seconds. Her teammates Steffany Pina Arment (4th, 43.65) and Sapphire Martinez (5th, 45.19) also were in the top performers for that specific race.

In the Boys' 50 Yard Freestyle, sophomore Carson Millsap (4th, 35.99) was the top Steer finisher. Freshmen teammates Gabriel Rossiter (6th, 49.14) and Julius Galaviz (7th, 41.94) rounded out the Top 7.

Sophomore Naomi Reyes finished in second place (1:25.97) in the Girls' 100 Yard Butterfly. Freshman Katherine Greene (5th, 1:40.90) was the lone other Big Spring swimmer to take place in that event.

Senior Manuel Castillo finished in second place (1:06.15) in the Boys' 100 Yard Butterfly.

Sophomore swimmers Brooklynnne Heffle (4th, 1:22.40) and

Jayda Overton (5th, 1:23.01) finished near the top of the Girls' 100 Yard Freestyle.

Sophomore Smith Cate finished first in the Boys' 100 Yard Freestyle with a final time of 1:03.43. Carson Millsap finished in sixth place with a time of 1:22.79.

The quarter of Naomi Reyes, Arely Cruz-Garcia, Brooklynnne Heffle, and Malaki Vaughn took home the top spot in the Girls' 200 Yard Freestyle Relay with a total time of 2:08.47. The other Big Spring four-person team that included Katherine Greene, Steffany Pina Arment, Sapphire Martinez, and Aeris Casey finished in third place (2:36.56).

Big Spring also won the Boys' 200 Yard Freestyle Relay with the grouping of David Summers, Smith Cate, Christian Pantoja-Strickland, and Manuel Castillo with a time of 1:54.96. The other four-person group for the Steers was Ismael Castillo, Morgan Griffith, Carson Millsap, and Julius Galaviz (4th, 2:24.76).

Cruz-Garcia finished in second place in the Girls' 100 Yard Backstroke with a time of 1:23.17. Heffle finished sixth (1:36.64) and Greene finished seventh (1:37.21). On the boys' side, Pantoja-Strickland finished in third place (1:22.38) and Griffith finished fifth (1:37.91).

Summers (1:32.85) and Ismael Castillo (1:34.32) finished in fourth and fifth place, respectively, in the Boys' 100 Yard Breaststroke.

The grouping of Heffle, Casey, Greene, and Overton finished in third place in the Girls' 400 Yard Freestyle Relay (5:36.24). On the boys' side, the quartet of Griffith, Millsap, Patridge, and Ismael Castillo finished in second place (5:37.82) and the other group of Rossiter, Barker, Galaviz, and Caleb Williams finished in third (7:23.69).

Lastly, in One Meter Diving, Big Spring's Malaki Vaughn finished in second place (96.75). On the boys' side, Smith Cate took home first (126.00) and Pantoja-Strickland finished second (87.25).

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NFL Standings (Through Week Four)

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (AFC)										
	W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
EAST										
Buffalo Bills	4	0	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	2-0	3-0	123	100
New England Patriots	2	2	0	.500	2-0	0-2	1-0	2-1	97	92
Miami Dolphins	1	3	0	.250	0-2	1-1	0-2	1-2	93	96
New York Jets	0	4	0	.000	0-2	0-2	0-1	0-3	65	131
NORTH										
Pittsburgh Steelers	3	0	0	1.000	2-0	1-0	0-0	2-0	80	78
Baltimore Ravens	3	1	0	.750	1-1	2-0	1-0	2-1	122	73
Cleveland Browns	3	1	0	.750	2-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	124	126
Cincinnati Bengals	1	2	1	.375	1-1	0-1-1	0-1	1-2	99	99
SOUTH										
Tennessee Titans	3	0	0	1.000	1-0	2-0	1-0	2-0	80	74
Indianapolis Colts	3	1	0	.750	2-0	1-1	0-1	1-1	103	56
Jacksonville Jaguars	1	3	0	.250	1-1	0-2	1-1	1-3	95	117
Houston Texans	0	4	0	.000	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-3	80	126
WEST										
Kansas City Chiefs	4	0	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	1-0	4-0	117	70
Las Vegas Raiders	2	2	0	.500	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-2	111	120
Los Angeles Chargers	1	3	0	.250	0-2	1-1	0-1	1-1	83	95
Denver Broncos	1	3	0	.250	0-2	1-1	0-0	1-2	82	98
NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE (NFC)										
	W	L	T	PCT	HOME	AWAY	DIV	CONF	PF	PA
EAST										
Philadelphia Eagles	1	2	1	.375	0-1-1	1-1	0-1	1-2	84	107
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Dallas Cowboys	1	3	0	.250	1-1	0-2	0-0	1-2	126	146
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NORTH										
Green Bay Packers	4	0	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	2-0	4-0	152	101
Chicago Bears	3	1	0	.750	1-1	2-0	1-0	3-0	85	81
Detroit Lions	1	3	0	.250	0-2	1-1	0-2	1-3	99	127
Minnesota Vikings	1	3	0	.250	0-2	1-1	0-1	0-1	106	125
SOUTH										
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	3	1	0	.750	2-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	120	92
New Orleans Saints	2	2	0	.500	1-1	1-1	1-0	2-1	123	123
Carolina Panthers	2	2	0	.500	1-1	1-1	0-1	1-1	99	102
Atlanta Falcons	0	4	0	.000	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-4	106	138
WEST										
Seattle Seahawks	4	0	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	0-0	2-0	142	109
Los Angeles Rams	3	1	0	.750	2-0	1-1	0-0	3-0	106	80
Arizona Cardinals	2	2	0	.500	1-1	1-1	1-0	2-2	98	92
San Francisco 49ers	2	2	0	.500	0-2	2-0	0-1	1-2	107	71

Strong First Round Carries UTPB's Cernoch in Loaded Field

Special to the Herald

It was a top-notch and loaded field for UT Permian Basin Women's Golf to open the 2020-21 season at the West Texas A&M Women's Fall Invitational at Tascosa Country Club in Amarillo.

Hailey Cernoch was the low scorer for the Falcons. Through the first round the Odessa native sat just a few shots back of the top-10, with a 79. A second round of 84 brought her back to the pack and a 35th place finish. Logan Clayton, Emily Serrano, and Adrianna Hernandez lunched together to finish within seven strokes of each other. Clayton placed 46th after struggling in the first round but rebounded to card a second round 80, the second lowest of any Falcon on the afternoon. Serrano and Hernandez finished back to back in 49th and 50th place carding a 176 and a 179 respectively. Marina Solis rounded out the line-up with a score of 193 in 53rd.

The event was taken by host West Texas A&M, and the individual event taken by their own Rylie Cookn who finished 1-under par.

The Falcons take the course next on October 12 at Ratliff Country Club in Odessa for the Ted and Jodi Hogan Invitational.

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Annie's Mailbox

From Passive-Aggressive to Patient and Adventurous

Dear Annie: I have been married for 34 years. Like all couples, there have been ups and downs. We have seen several counselors over the years to work with us in tough times. During those times, we still had intimacy in our marriage. We are now going on 15 months with no intimacy at all. She just says she can't because she does not feel connected to me.

We are going to counseling, and she said she was too overwhelmed with doing our finances alone. So, I got involved in

that. Then she said that I could not make any sexual advances; it had to come from her. I have tried to make none, but I have slipped a few times. Now, she says that my drinking every day is our problem. So, I have cut back to a few cocktails on my off days. Still, I see no changing on her part.

I hate to think of starting my life over again without her, but I want a partner who wants me. I'm a good person and husband. I've been loyal, do my own laundry, most of the house cleaning and, until this year, all the yard maintenance and house maintenance, all while working 50 hours

a week and advancing at work. I'm at a loss of what else to do. -- No Matter What I Do

Dear No Matter: Clearly, your wife is making excuses and being passive-aggressive instead of just telling you why she doesn't feel connected to you. Marriage takes work and tough conversations. Next time you are in counseling, express all of your concerns to her and make sure you tell her how she makes you feel when she puts you off. You both deserve to have a loving and connected marriage.

After 34 years of marriage, it is worth figuring out how to recon-

nect and add that spark back into your lives. Some ideas for reigniting intimacy in your relationship could be creating a date night, being spontaneous or adventurous, sharing the things that you love about each other rather than blanket "I love you" or even taking a road trip together. These are just some actionable suggestions, but the real work is going to come through going to therapy, talking through your feelings and gaining a better understanding of each other's needs.

Dear Annie: I've never sent anything to you before, but in today's column you noted Autism Speaks

as a good resource for learning about autism, and I wanted to respond. The autistic community (of which I am a part) regards the organization as quite misleading and damaging due to their not-so-subtle implications that autistic people are worth less than neurotypicals. One of their main goals is finding a "cure," which implies that autism is all bad. I'm all for having the dysfunctional parts of my brain fixed, but there's a lot of great things that come with being autistic, and I never want to lose those. Autism Speaks is partially responsible for the widespread prejudice against autistic people.

The following are some resources that contain good information about autism Spectrum disorder: Autism Society (www.autism-society.org), the WHO fact sheet on autism (www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/autism-spectrum-disorders) and the CDC page about autism (www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/index.html). -- Anya M.

Dear Anya: Thank you for your enlightening letter. I will recommend these resources in the future.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

First things first

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K 10 9 2
♥ A 8
♦ A J 7 5
♣ J 10 6

WEST
♠ Q 6 3
♥ K J 7 5 3 2
♦ 6 2
♣ K 7

EAST
♠ J 8 7 4
♥ 10 4
♦ K 8 3
♣ 8 5 4 3

SOUTH
♥ A 5
♦ Q 9 6
♠ Q 10 9 4
♣ A Q 9 2

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♦ 1♥ 1♠
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — five of hearts.
Consider this deal where South is in three notrump and West leads a heart. Declarer wins East's ten with the queen and must immediately make a crucial decision.
The natural tendency is to play the queen of diamonds at this point and finesse. After it loses to East's king and a heart is returned, South must sooner or later try a club finesse. When this finesse also loses, West runs his hearts to defeat the contract.
Declarer may think he is downright unlucky to lose a contract where if either finesse had succeeded, he

would have gotten home safely, and in that sense he would be right. More to the point, though, is the question of whether South played the hand correctly.
The fact of the matter is that declarer would have only himself to blame for the outcome if he played the hand in the manner described. After winning the opening trick with the heart queen, he should next lead a spade to the king and take a club finesse. The reason for trying the club finesse first is that it will — if it loses — dislodge West's potential club entry before his hearts are established.
If declarer attempts the club finesse first, he makes the contract — even though both finesses fail. West can still establish his hearts, but with his entry card gone and his partner out of hearts, they will wither on the vine.
Declarer's view from the start should be that if either minor-suit king is favorably placed, nine tricks are assured. All his attention should therefore be directed toward the possibility that both kings are unfavorably located.
When this is the actual case, taking the diamond finesse first cannot possibly gain, while finessing the club first will succeed whenever West started with a six-card heart suit.

Tomorrow: No way out.
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SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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

Level: Advanced

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

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

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Cosmic Communication Demonstration

ARIES (March 21-April 19). No matter how large or small a threat may be, the same move is called for -- turn and face it. Your psyche memorizes the "move" the more times you do it. Facing small stuff makes it easier to face big stuff.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There's much that will go right as you mind your own business (and much could go wrong if you don't.) The trick is in planning ahead -- knowing what you're going to focus on and erecting barriers to distraction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You often step up to take care of the situation, but you don't have to be the point person every time. Let others step in. It's good for the bond when everyone takes some of the responsibility.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). One benefit to getting really good at something is that you don't have to start from scratch every time. It won't even feel like work until you're in the middle part. Keep at this. You're headed toward mastery.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your gut tells you about more than one kind of hunger. Today, it's in tune to emotional needs and the craving for comforts that cannot be satisfied with food. Who are your go-to sources for emotional warmth?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There is no happiness guarantee for helping others, not for the helper, nor for the helped. However, to give in this way certainly raises the odds that somewhere along the line, someone will be satisfied.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The number of useful actions you complete in a day would be mindboggling to a younger version of you. Don't forget that you've worked up to this and deserve every reward coming to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Bright notions will light up your mind in a nonstop flow. They're more than you can act on now, but stockpile them for the future. And remember, money can't buy ideas. Ideas come first and the money follows.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Beware the optical illusions of progress. Forward movement doesn't always look the same and the backward slide can be just as tricky to detect. This is why you need witnesses in various positions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Accept all

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS the care people want to give you today, and they will give more than you're comfortable with. It might even annoy you.

Still, it's important to understand what it's like to be on all sides of a relationship.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). While some worry their lives are too ordinary to be interesting conversation, you'll have the opposite concern. You'll hold back wild stories aplenty as you're careful to share the information most likely to help you fit in.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll be appointed to clear up a messy situation. Approach it like you're cleaning out a junk drawer. Things that land in a junk drawer are usually junk. Be merciless.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 7). First epic fun and lucrative work, and then it flips the other way around. What luck! It's due in part to your tendency to gravitate toward projects that engage you on many levels. You'll explore relationships with your eyes wide open. The more you know about attachment style and love languages,

the smoother it will go. Sagittarius and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 23, 30, 1 and 28.

COSMIC QUESTION: SWEET LITTLE LIES: Lying is just a part of being a person. Developed in early childhood, telling falsehoods is a skill so ubiquitous that the rare person who doesn't have it is ill-equipped for typical social discourse. So what kind of liar are you? **ARIES:** Go big or go home liar. If you're going to tell a whopper, then you need a strong reason for doing so, and a reason good enough needs a lie to match. **TAURUS:** The bull is not big on bull. Usually, if you lie it falls under a category that fits your Venus-ruled sign; namely, telling people they look better than they do. **GEMINI:** You're a better liar than most, as your quick mind thinks ahead to anticipate the next question and eliminating the usual hesitation and pauses that come with fabricated communication. Your favorite lies are the lies of efficiency. If a lie can shore up a process and save everyone a little time, it's no harm, no foul. Time is precious. **CANCER:** Your parental instincts are strong, and protecting the magic for others is important to you. If a story about the Easter Bunny is essentially a lie, then color you guilty as charged!

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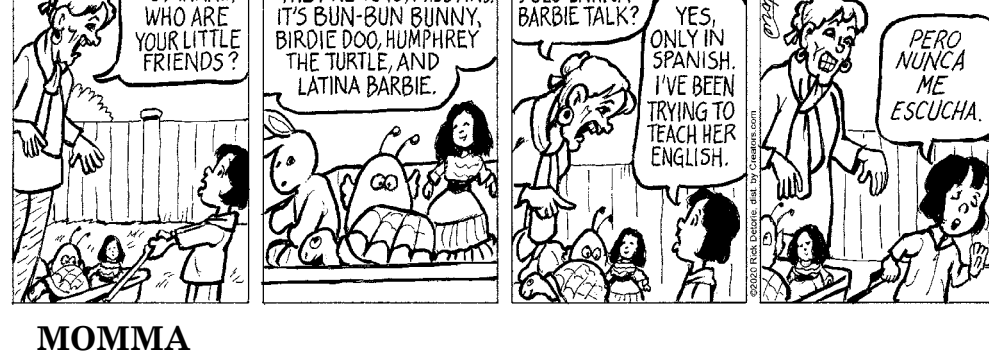
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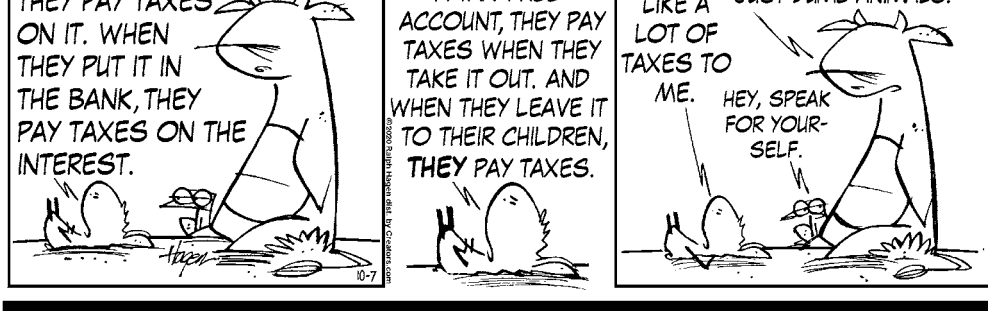
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 7, the 281st day of 2020. There are 85 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Oct. 7, 1996, Fox News Channel made its debut.

On this date:
In 1910, a major wildfire devastated the northern Minnesota towns of Spooner and Baudette, charring at least 300,000 acres; some 40 people are believed to have died.
In 1916, in the most lopsided victory in college football history, Georgia Tech defeated Cumberland University 222-0 in Atlanta.
In 1954, Marian Anderson became the first Black singer hired by the Metropolitan Opera Company in New York.
In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy and Republican opponent Richard Nixon held their second televised debate, this one in Washington, D.C.
In 1982, the Andrew Lloyd Webber-Tim Rice musical "Cats" opened on Broadway. (The show closed Sept. 10, 2000, after a record 7,485 performances.)
In 1985, Palestinian gunmen hijacked the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro (ah-KEE'-leh LOW'-roh) in the Mediterranean. (The hijackers shot and killed Leon Klinghoffer, a Jewish-American tourist in a wheelchair, and pushed him overboard, before surrendering on Oct. 9.)
In 1991, University of Oklahoma law professor Anita Hill publicly accused Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas of making sexually inappropriate comments when she worked for him; Thomas denied Hill's allegations.
In 1992, trade representatives of the United States, Canada and Mexico initiated the North American Free Trade Agreement during a ceremony in San Antonio, Texas, in the presence of President George H.W. Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney (muhl-ROO'-nee) and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.
In 1998, Matthew Shepard, a gay college student, was beaten and left tied to a wooden fencepost outside of Laramie, Wyoming; he died five days later. (Russell Henderson and Aaron McKinney are serving life sentences for Shepard's murder.)
In 2001, the war in Afghanistan started as the United States and Britain launched air attacks against military targets and Osama bin Laden's training camps in the wake of the September 11 attacks.
In 2003, California voters re-

called Gov. Gray Davis and elected Arnold Schwarzenegger their new governor.

In 2004, President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney conceded that Saddam Hussein had no weapons of mass destruction as they tried to shift the Iraq war debate to a new issue, arguing that Saddam was abusing a U.N. oil-for-food program.

Ten years ago: New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie canceled construction of a decades-in-the-making train tunnel between New Jersey and Manhattan, citing cost overruns that had ballooned the price tag from \$5 billion to \$10 billion or more. A toxic red sludge that had burst out of a Hungarian factory's reservoir reached the mighty Danube after wreaking havoc on smaller rivers and creeks.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama apologized to Doctors Without Borders for the American air attack that killed 42 people at its hospital in Afghanistan, and said the U.S. would examine military procedures to look for better ways to prevent such incidents. The Congressional Budget Office estimated that the federal government ran a budget deficit of \$435 billion in the just-completed budget year, the smallest shortfall since 2007. Tomas Lindahl of Sweden, American Paul Modrich and Turkish-American scientist Aziz Sanca won the Nobel Prize in chemistry for showing how cells repaired damaged DNA — work that inspired the development of new cancer treatments.

One year ago: House Democrats issued subpoenas to Defense Secretary Mark Esper and acting White House budget director Russell Vought as part of the impeachment inquiry of President Donald Trump. First lady Melania Trump called on the makers of e-cigarettes to stop marketing them to children, saying that they are addictive and dangerous. The New York Yankees completed a sweep over the Minnesota Twins in the American League Division Series and advanced to meet the Houston Astros for the league championship; it was the Twins' 16th straight loss in postseason games, tying the North American major sports record held by the NHL's Chicago Blackhawks.

Today's Birthdays: Retired South African Archbishop and Nobel Peace laureate Desmond

Tutu is 89. Author Thomas Keene is 85. Comedian Joy Behar is 78. Former National Security Council aide Lt. Col. Oliver North (ret.) is 77. Rock musician Kevin Godley (10cc) is 75. Actor Jill Larson is 73. Country singer Kieran Kane is 71. Singer John Mellencamp is 69. Rock musician Ricky Phillips is 69. Russian President Vladimir Putin is 68. Actor Mary Badham (Film: "To Kill a Mockingbird") is 68. Rock

musician Tico Torres (Bon Jovi) is 67. Actor Christopher Norris is 65. Cellist Yo-Yo Ma is 65. Gospel singer Michael W. Smith is 63. Olympic gold medal ice dancer Jayne Torvill is 63. Actor Dylan Baker is 62. Actor Judy Landers is 62. Recording executive and TV personality Simon Cowell is 61. Rock musician Charlie Marinkovich (formerly with Iron Butterfly) is 61. Actor Paula Newsome is 59. Country

singer Dale Watson is 58. Pop singer Ann Curless (Expose) is 57. Rhythm-and-blues singer Toni Braxton is 53. Rock singer-musician Thom Yorke (Radiohead) is 52. Rock musician-dancer Leroy Thornhill is 51. Actor Nicole Ari Parker is 50. Actor Allison Munn is 46. Rock singer-musician Damian Kulash (KOO'-lahsh) is 45. Singer Taylor Hicks is 44. Actor Omar Miller is 42. Neo-soul singer

Nathaniel Rateliff (Nathaniel Rateliff & the Night Sweats) is 42. Actor Shawn Ashmore is 41. Actor Jake McLaughlin is 38. Electronic musician Flying Lotus (AKA Steve Ellison) is 37. MLB player Evan Longoria is 35. Actor Holland Roden is 34. Actor Amber Stevens is 34. MLB outfielder Mookie Betts is 28. Actor Lulu Wilson is 15.

Newsday Crossword

LONG WEEKEND by Fred Ohles

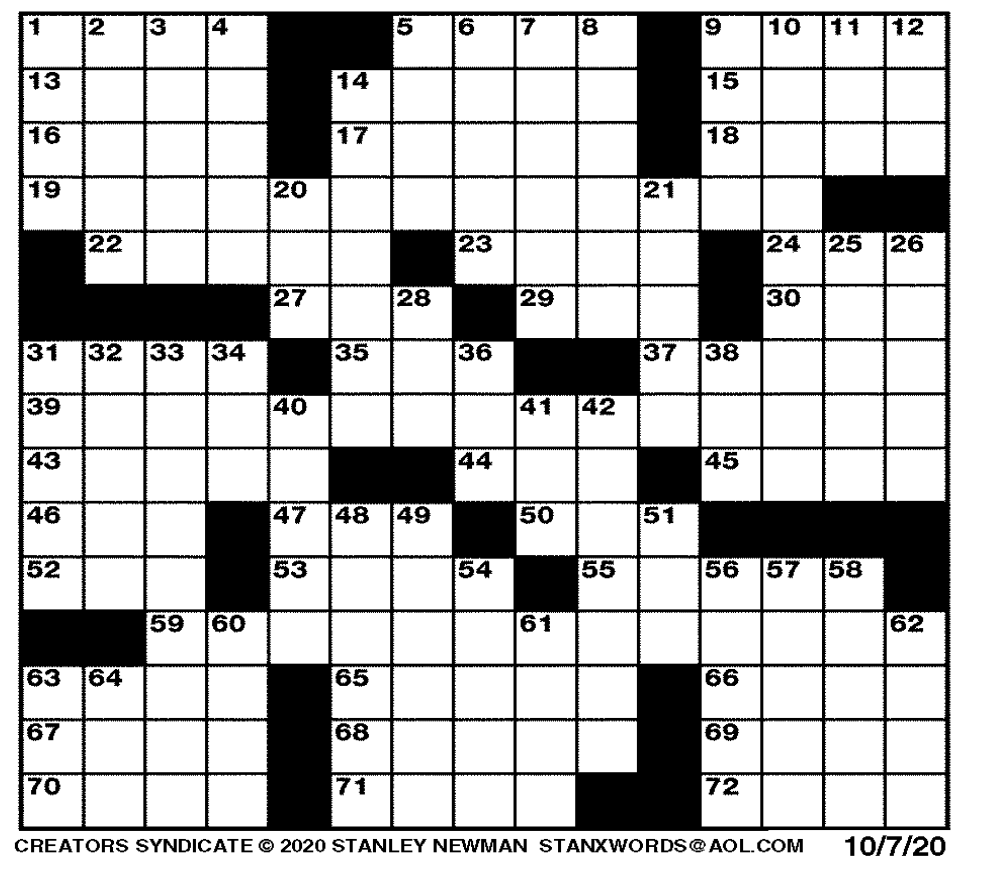
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Empire builder of old Peru
 - 5 Ticklish red Muppet
 - 9 Show-__ (big boosters)
 - 13 Top of a house
 - 14 Colonial patriot Ethan
 - 15 Plant with a soothing gel
 - 16 "I __ very happy!"
 - 17 WWII sub
 - 18 Julius Caesar garment
 - 19 #1 of 3: When to order take-out
 - 22 The __ Lama
 - 23 Actress Moore of *Ghost*
 - 24 Perform in a film
 - 27 Finance deg.
 - 29 Nickname for a pastor
 - 30 Rescue for an auto breakdown
 - 31 Blue-green color of the ocean
 - 35 Once around a track
 - 37 Novelist Jong
 - 39 #2 of 3: When to phone your relatives
 - 43 Eastman's camera company
 - 44 Cape __, MA
 - 45 Unexpected problem
 - 46 Indian from Salt Lake City's state
 - 47 Angler's __ and reel
 - 50 Tiny bite
 - 52 3 to 5, for a golf hole
 - 53 Spanish cheers
 - 55 Sports squads
 - 59 #3 of 3: When to sleep late

- 63 Do the backstroke, say
 - 65 Mistake
 - 66 Great joy
 - 67 Narrow street
 - 68 Talks indistinctly
 - 69 Chair or couch
 - 70 Plow-pulling bovines
 - 71 Work at a keyboard
 - 72 Sounds of disapproval
- DOWN**
- 1 Nest egg plans: Abbr.
 - 2 Constant wanderer
 - 3 San Jose, __ Rica
 - 4 Run __ of (clash with)
 - 5 Napoleon exile isle

- 6 Composer Andrew __ Webber
- 7 More malicious
- 8 Punctual
- 9 Court witness' pledge
- 10 __ device (life jacket, for instance)
- 11 Haze in the air for one
- 14 Aloud
- 20 Lamb's father
- 21 Generous one
- 25 Hot chocolaty drink
- 26 Nasal accent
- 28 Org. to call for a 30 Across
- 31 Invite to one's apartment
- 32 Salesperson's goal
- 33 Weaken secretly

- 34 Tooth pro's grp.
- 36 Rank under cpl.
- 38 MDs' coworkers
- 40 Ohio tire city
- 41 Cargo weight measure
- 42 Newspapers' senior staffers
- 48 Earliest bom
- 49 With great affection
- 51 Pay-__-view movie
- 54 Waffle topping
- 56 Inner turmoil
- 57 Frequent flier's accumulation
- 58 Move very quietly
- 60 Sign of the future
- 61 An additional amount
- 62 Acquires
- 63 __-mo replay
- 64 Beehive product



Answer to previous puzzle

SLAB OARS SCRAP
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STERN PANE ONE
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AAS TICON MOSES
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SERVE MERE COTS
TWEET ONTO TREE

Springer hits 2 HRs, Astros beat A's 5-2 for 2-0 ALDS lead

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Back-to-back home runs off back-to-back pitches. The Houston Astros can't miss these days.

George Springer hit two homers and Houston kept making more noise in the playoffs, beating the Oakland Athletics 5-2 on Tuesday to take a 2-0 lead in their AL Division Series.

Martin Maldonado also went deep for Houston, which needs one win to reach its fourth straight AL Championship Series. Game 3 in the best-of-five series is Wednesday, when Houston is the home team in the neutral site matchup.

"With every victory, the energy and the confidence grows," first-year Houston manager Dusty Baker said. "We're expecting good things to happen."

Springer put Houston ahead to stay with a two-run, two-out drive in the third on a second straight 90-degree day at Dodger Stadium.

"You don't know if you're ever going to get back here, so the times you're here you might as well try and have fun," Springer said.

Houston went back-to-back in the fifth, extending the lead to 5-2.

Maldonado's solo shot chased loser Sean Manaea in his first appearance this postseason. Yusmeiro Petit came in, and Springer connected for his second homer of the game. Maldonado yelled and raised his right arm in celebration from his seat in the dugout.

"Just a couple bad pitches," Manaea said. "I know we are going to figure this thing out and turn it around."

Springer's 17 postseason homers tied Nelson Cruz and Jim Thome for most through a player's first 54 career postseason games. Five of Springer's postseason homers have come at Dodger Stadium, where the Astros beat the Dodgers in Game 7 of the 2017 World Series.

"I don't really pay attention to that stuff," Springer said. "I'd much rather us win."

Houston improved to 7-3 in Dodger Stadium since that World Series. Current A's pitcher Mike Fiers last year told of his old team's sign-stealing scandal used in 2017, a revelation that rocked baseball.

The scandal led to season-long suspensions of Houston general manager Jeff Luhnow and manager AJ Hinch, who both were fired. Boston manager Alex Cora and Mets manager Carlos Beltrán also lost their jobs as fallout their roles with the '17 Astros, and Houston still draws ire of other players and fans.

"This is a team that believes in one another and sticks together and really tries to enjoy the day," Springer said.

Houston turned three double plays, including one to end the game. Second baseman José Altuve got the first two going and had a hand in all three.

"What kept us in the game was our defense," Baker said. "Jose made some great plays."

Hot, sunny and dry conditions again created an ideal environment for the long ball. The teams combined for five homers, raising the series total to 11.

Winner Framber Valdez allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings, struck out four and walked one. The 26-year-old left-hander, making his first postseason start, retired his final 10 batters.

"His ball is moving all over the place. His breaking ball was good," A's manager Bob Melvin said. "Our bats were better early. He got more confidence as the game went along. Last three times out he has pitched with a lot of confidence."

Valdez dazzled in his relief appearance against Minnesota in the AL wild card series opener, tossing five scoreless innings and scattering two hits to go with five strikeouts.

Enoli Paredes retired the side in the eighth. Ryan Pressly worked around Marcus Semien's leadoff single in the ninth, Oakland's only hit past the fourth inning, to finish a six-hitter for his second save of the postseason.

Oakland didn't have an at-bat with a runner in

scoring position. The A's are hitting 14 for 62 (.226) in the series.

"We have nothing to lose from here," A's infielder Chad Pinder said.

Oakland got on board with Khris Davis' second-inning home run, his third of this postseason that put the A's ahead.

After Springer's first homer, the Astros extended their lead to 3-1 on Carlos Correa's RBI groundout in the fourth that scored Michael Brantley, who doubled leading off.

Pinder led off the bottom half with a 453-foot homer to right-center, the longest home run at Dodger Stadium this season.

For the second straight game, Oakland's starting pitching failed to go deep. Manaea gave up four runs and five hits in 4 2/3 innings. Chris Bassitt didn't get out of the fourth in Game 1, allowing three runs and nine hits.

"We just have to win tomorrow and worry about the next day after that," Melvin said. "Anything further than that is a distraction."

GREINKE HURT

Baker said right-hander Zack Greinke is dealing with arm soreness. He hasn't pitched in the series and Baker said the team is awaiting test results. "It's pretty evident the last three, four starts that he wasn't himself," the manager said.

OFF DAY

Correa was 0 for 3 with a RBI and a strikeout after homering twice in Game 1 and becoming the first shortstop in major league history with two multi-homer games in postseason play.

UP NEXT

Astros: RHP Jose Urquidy goes in Game 3.

Big Spring Junior High Volleyball wins one of four games at San Angelo Lincoln

Special to the Herald

The Junior High Big Spring Lady Steers traveled to San Angelo Lincoln on Monday to take on the Maidens. The 7th Grade B Team was the only squad to pick up a win, but the three other teams still put up a valiant effort in their losses.

7th Grade A Team: The 7th Grade A Team played hard but fell short to San Angelo Lincoln in three sets (25-23, 7-25, 23-25). Paxton McCormick, Caliana Moreno, and Chelsea Robertson played extremely well on defense. Laneigh Rushing, Breanna Woodruff, and Audrie Reyes contributed numerous serves that startled Lincoln at critical times throughout the game.

7th Grade B Team: The 7th Grade B Team slayed San Angelo Lincoln last night. It was a hard-fought battle that lasted three sets (25-16, 20-25, 25-18). The girls stayed strong and focused to pull out the win in the end. Key servers of the game were Abigail Diaz, Jaylee Gonzales, and Reegan Thompson with multiple aces serves. Defensive players of the game were Abby Hilario, Haley Williams, and Zoe "Ziggy" Cigarroa. The Lady Steers' coaching staff is very proud of the fire that

these girls have displayed on the court and their drive to win. The Lady Steers will be waiting to sneak up on Snyder next week.

8th Grade A Team: The 8th Grade A Team volleyball girls battled but fell short in three sets (29-27, 14-25, 24-26). The top server was Jaycee Smith with a total of 16 aces, followed by Trinity Muniz with six aces. Addi Arguello and Chloe Deanda had kills at the net, which helped their team out. Our top back line girls were Ambrie Franco, Hazel Rangel, and Addi Arguello. We are very proud of the work these girls put in in the first and third sets.

8th Grade B Team: The 8th Grade B Team girls also put up a fight but came up short in two sets (11-25, 20-25). Defensive player of the game was Natasha Robinson and Kathryn Willis with kills at the net. This Lady Steers group is determined to continue working hard and improving their game.

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