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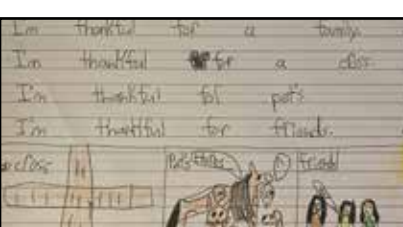
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Courtesy Photo Runnels Academy students shared their thoughts on Thanksgiving.

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Salvation Army Angel Tree program continues, 300 angel adoptions needed



Courtesy photo Angel Trees have been placed in the community.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

The Salvation Army Christmas Angel Trees have been dispersed throughout the community. Angels were placed at Walmart last week, officially kicking off the opportunity to support an Angel this year. Angel trees are also being placed at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and at the Heritage Museum.

“The Angel Tree program can provide hope to a parent who may be struggling to make ends meet this year. The Angel Tree program can bring joy to the heart of a senior citizen who finds herself alone and without family during the holidays. The Angel Tree program creates a community coming together to share the joys of Christmas with those who may otherwise go

without,” Lt. Charlise Godwin said.

For those wanting to adopt an Angel this year, all gifts will need to be turned in by Dec. 10 in order to prepare for this year’s distribution which will take place on Dec. 19.

“In order to keep everyone safe we will be implementing Covid-19 safety procedures during the distribution, which means we will have a drive-thru distribution,” Godwin said.

This year, there are more than 300 angels needing to be adopted. There are a mixture, once again, of children angels and senior citizen angels on the trees across Big Spring.

“This year has been difficult on everyone. Why not use this season

See **ANGEL**, Page 3A

A community effort to feed 117 local families



HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

The CrossRoads Young Marines helped with the Crossroads Housing Development food kit distribution at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

A community coming together to feed a community is what took place at St. Mary's Episcopal Church this past weekend. The joint effort of Crossroads Housing Development, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, the CrossRoads Young Marines, and a couple City Council members led to the distribution of more than 115 food boxes to local families.

See **FOOD**, Page 3A

Student Feature Article: What Thanksgiving means to me

Editor's Note: Runnels Academy students were tasked with writing an essay describing what Thanksgiving means to them. Each student had the opportunity to write an essay, share their thoughts and family traditions. After the students had concluded their essay writing, three top essays were chosen. The Big Spring Herald will be featuring those essays for the holiday season. In addition the other essays will also be running throughout the newspaper over the next few days.



By **AYLA BISSONNETTE**
 Runnels Academy Student

Thanksgiving is a momentous and joyful occasion, and this is what it means to me. Thanksgiving is a time for family and friends to gather

See **STUDENT**, Page 3A

Recognizing 5 under 55

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

Big hearts are the foundation of the Big Spring community. As the Big Spring and Howard County communities have endured struggle after struggle this year, with so many unknowns, it has once again proven just how big the hearts that reside in Big Spring, Texas truly are.



“So many of our local businesses, families and the community as a whole, was impacted in a way none of us expected this past year,” Debbye Valverde, Executive Director of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, said. “However, despite the hard hit that we were delivered, our community has done what it always does and has joined together to do their best to support a neighbor, lift up a friend, and do what they can to make a positive im-

pact on the community.”
 The generosity and engagement for the betterment of our community is evident. As a way of recognizing those who give back routinely and strive to make Big Spring and Howard County better for all residents, The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce introduced the 5 under 55 Award.

“We were excited to introduce this award last year, and are excited to bring it back this year,” Manny Negron, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Past President, said. “This is a way for us to recognize individuals who are under 55 for their contribution to Big Spring through their leadership and involvement in the community.”

For more than 30 years now, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce has

been recognizing the Man and Woman of the year for their contributions to the community, but the Chamber Board wanted to find a way to recognize even more of the great works taking place. Last year, the Board not only found a way to do just that, but implemented it and announced the first set of 5 Under 55 Recipients. Last year’s winners included: Adrian Calvio, Christian Fair, Manny Negron, Amanda

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• After the Thanksgiving break, CISD will follow the below schedule. Nov.30-Dec.3rd In person instruction (Mon.-Thurs.); Dec.4 Remote Learning for all students (Friday); Dec. 7-10 In person instruction (Mon.-Thurs.); Dec. 11 Remote Learning for all students (Friday); Dec.14-17 In Person Instruction. Remote Friday's provide the district with the opportunity to deep clean, separate for 72 hours, and time to be intentional on student learning. Each campus administrator will provide more detailed information. On these remote learning Fridays, lunch will be available for pick up between 10 a.m. and Noon.

• City of Big Spring offices have moved to by appointment only or electronic communication only. Contact information for all departments can be found on the city website at mybigspring.com.

• Christmas in Coahoma at the Park, Saturday, Dec. 12 from 3 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. There will be hayrides and caroling, Christmas art projects for kids, free coffee, hot cocoa, popcorn and cookies. There will also be a Best Decorated House Contest for houses in Coahoma City Limits. Deadline for entries is Dec. 9 at Coahoma City Hall. Both events are sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club.

• 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 at 421 Main Street. 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 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 meetings take place at 219 South Main Big Spring, Texas. For more information write to Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

• 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 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 November 2020. Food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will be suspended at this time, but will resume on Dec. 17. Distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building. In December 2020, the food distribution will continue the 2nd Thursday as scheduled. SVDP will be closed from December 18 through January 7, 2021.

• 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 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express at 5321 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Odessa. If you or someone you know has been touched by MS, or if you are just interested in more information please feel to contact Gary Tidwell at garylteagle1987@gmail.com.

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

Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

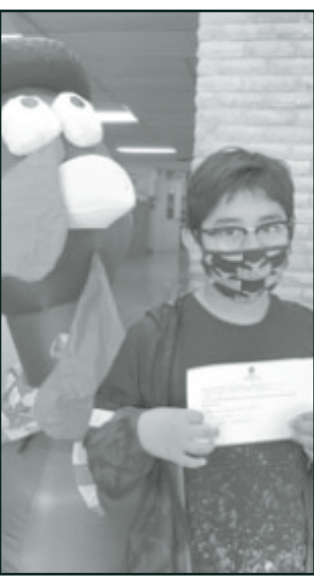
THURSDAY

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

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

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

What I am thankful for during this pandemic



I am thankful we are back at school; still alive and we got chromebooks.
Bishop Blanco



I am thankful for family, friends, and a place to live.
Baleigh Denton



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Alexander Phillips



I am thankful for my school, my teachers and my family.
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FOOD

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“The distribution today went so much better than we could have hoped it would go,” Anna Scott, Project Coordinator at Crossroads Housing Development, said. “We are glad that we were able to distribute all the Thanksgiving kit meals, and happy to see the community come together.”

The overall project was an effort put together and funded by Crossroads Housing Development, but was able to be executed through the local partnerships, including H-E-B, Victim's Services, and Credit World. Financial support and volunteer hours were put forth by the above mentioned groups as well as other community members.

There was a total of 5,000 pounds of food making up the 117 boxes that were handed out on Saturday.

“We felt there was a need for it this year. With the oilfield going down, layoffs, the coronavirus pandemic, we truly felt this was a need that needed to be met this year,” Stacy Swisher, Executive Director of Crossroads Housing Development, said. “This is something we haven't done before, but we will decide if this is something we want to continue to do, but this year in particular it was something that we wanted to do with the need that existed.”

In addition to the distribution which lasted about an hour and a half, local non-profits were also provided with food kits to hand out as well.

In addition to the food distribution, Crossroads Housing Development hosted the SilverThrone

Program, which helped provide water efficient toilets to households who were in need. The program not only provided the toilet for the household, but also included the installation. According to Scott, this program will be taking place again in early 2021. The corporation also offers a Downpayment Assistance Program, which is coordinated by Scott.

The Crossroads Housing Development has developed apartment complexes across the state of Texas, which in turn help fund projects throughout the Howard County community. There is an office located in Big Spring and has been since 1999.

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CHAMBER

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Duforat and Justin Myers.

“There are many people in Big Spring with a lot of great ideas for making a difference in our community; it is these individuals, that we will recognize, that put their walk and work behind the idea to make a difference,” Negron said.

These are the people in our community who have found a way to give back to the community and add to the substance of what makes Big Spring the great city it is, according to Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director.

“We have been wanting to add something like this for sometime now,” ValVerde said. “There are a lot of young business professionals who are doing good things for our community; we want to recognize them and the work that they do year-round. There are plenty of great things happening and lots more great people behind those happenings, and we are looking forward to recognizing those individuals.”

Nominations for 5 under 55 can be submitted through the Chamber office or by email. Nominations can be submitted by Chamber members in good standing. Nominees do not have to be a Chamber member.

The deadline to nominate is Dec. 15, 2020. The honorees will be announced toward the beginning of 2021.

To pick up an application stop by 215 W. Third Street or call the office at 432-263-7641 request a nomination form.

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Gregory Phillippe, 86, died Sunday. 71, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

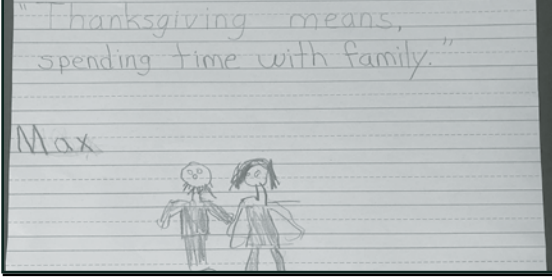
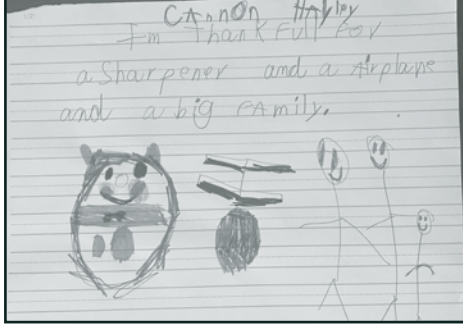
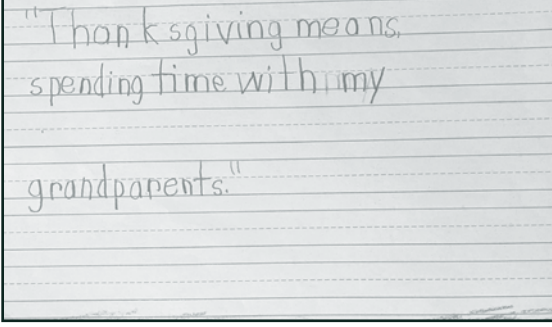
Trinidad Rios-Rios, 43, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Monday with a Vigil service at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Lydia Jojola, 74, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Trudy Louise Dennis Reynolds, 52, Sherril, 58, died Thursday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday, November 27, 2020. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel

Rudolfo DeLeon, Jr.

Giving thanks for the little things



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Runnels Academy students shared their thoughts through pictures on what is important to them as the holiday season has arrived. These students shared their attitude of gratitude.

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around the table for food, laughter, and memories. Football games are always on and it always smells like pumpkin spice. It's always so warm

and forgiving in the house while candles are burning. I'm so thankful that we always have enough food to fill everybody's stomach. All the kids play hide and seek, as the grownups talk about their childhood. But, my favorite part is having fun and being together.

ANGEL

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to help someone provide gifts for their children and take one less financial burden from their shoulders?” Godwin said.

She continued, “Many times the senior angels are overlooked. So many find themselves alone with no family around during the Christmas season. It's our goal at the Salvation Army to make sure those who are normally overlooked are taken care of.”

This year, with the current pandemic, troubles and despair have been felt nationwide. The Big Spring Salvation Army offers services such as Pathway of Hope, Life Skills with adult education and learning classes, grocery assistance, financial assistance, clothing vouchers, utility assistance, referrals to other agencies, and of course, Christmas assistance.

“Help us spread hope and rescue Christmas for someone this year!” she said.

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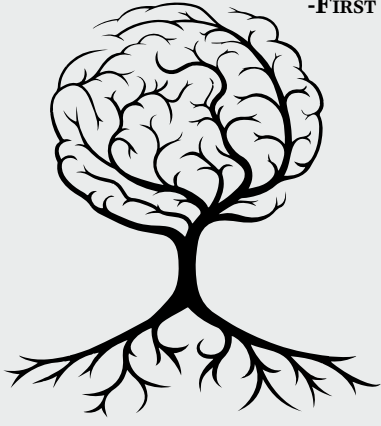
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Opinion

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The influence of Paul Baker

Late in my sophomore year at Baylor I signed up for a history class with a popular professor. I wasn't really enthused about that and one night during a dorm bull session, a student mentioned he had taken a course from Paul Baker in the theater department and it opened his mind. I was the type student that went to college to have fun and did plenty of that during my freshmen year. By the time we had that springtime confab in the dorm and I heard about Paul Baker I was beginning to think about learning something worthwhile. I was a business major and the courses didn't interest me. So I dropped the history course and signed up for Drama 106, The Integration of Abilities. It changed my life.

I began to think, to look at the world with new eyes. Paul Baker was a genius at his peak. His productions attracted people from Broadway and Hollywood. Architect Frank Lloyd Wright fre-

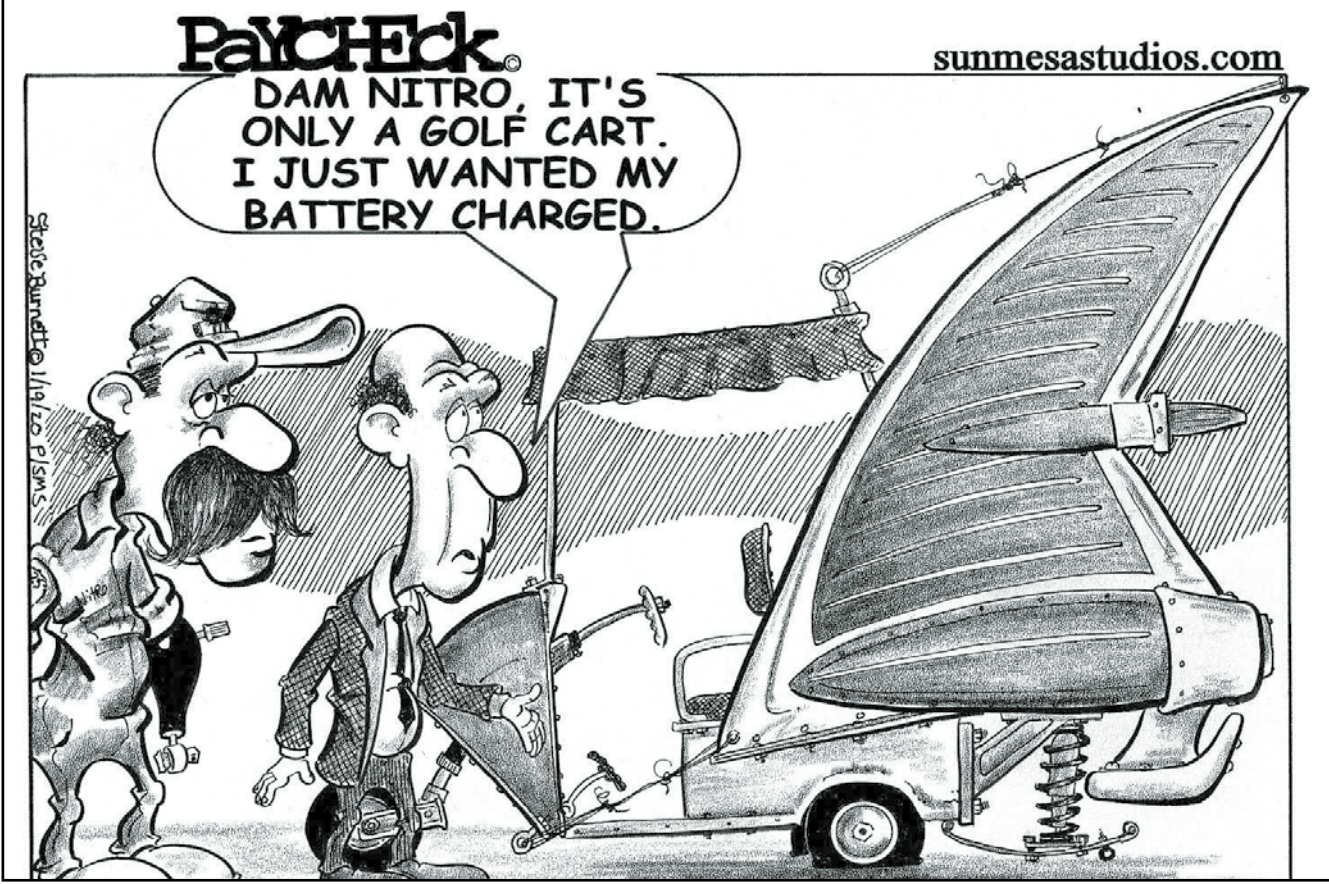
quently came by to visit with Mr. Baker about the Dallas Theater Center that Baker was building. Dave Garroway, the first host of the Today Show, had a Sunday afternoon program called Wide World. In the one-hour show that featured Texas, the Baylor Theater was on it for 11 minutes, longer than any other segment of the broadcast. I played a gate of hell and the right front fender of a Cadillac.

I went to the Army after graduation and was stationed in Europe when the World Fair was in progress at Brussels. As I was approaching the American pavilion, I saw a theater student from Baylor and asked him what he was doing there. He said he was picking up the World's Fair Cinematography Award for the film that was made of our production of Hamlet (I played one-third of Horatio).

When you are exposed to that level of talent and accomplishment as a teenager, it has a tendency to stay with you and you want to do something meaningful. Charles Laughton, who came to Baylor to direct Hamlet, called Baker irritating, arrogant, nuts and a genius. The Satur-



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Whistling a happy tune ...

Many lessons awaited a baby born in 1935 on a dry land farm in West Texas' Tom Green County. Jimmie Royce Keeling calls all of them "blessings."

That's how he has sized up life so far, and it's hard to dispute him. He's shown dogged determination to give a heap more back than he's taken away. Maybe he is "the luckiest guy in the world," or nigh unto. One of eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Keeling, he learned these lessons by helping his family to hack out a living, deeply relying on God's providence that included a bevy of work with beef cattle, dairy cows, chickens, sheep and goats.

What they most prized was their familial love in a little house that had running water and glass windows, but no bathroom until his eighth-grade year. Bigger blessings would come later...

Humility runs deep in this man who coached for 35 years in Texas high schools plus 21 more at Hardin-Simmons University. Abilene is where he and his wife of 46 years, continue to reside.

He coached until age 76, admitting that he was enjoying it as much then as he had at age 20.

His decision to walk away came after a close loss to Louisiana College following a rainstorm. The loss cost his Cowboys a slot in the NCAA Division III play-offs. He reasoned that he was overdue in making time for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. On weekends, though, he tunes in to several games via Internet, radio and television to "see how

the kids he's coached are doing on the sidelines."

Wins came in bunches for Keeling, whose life impacted thousands of young men and generated excitement in communities where he coached. All this at the hands of a man who attended two-room schools until he enrolled as a sixth grader in Miles. (He still considers "Mrs. Hart," who taught all the grammar school grades his best teacher ever.)

Oh, he did finish college, piecing together summer school classes from Texas Tech, McMurry, Mary Hardin-Baylor and Howard Payne, where he graduated in 1958. In those days, school employment required 90 college hours, and Keeling's two years at Tarleton accounted for most of those. At age 20,

he had the opportunity to join the coaching staff at Evant, where he had been a player three years earlier. He's been inducted into the H-SU Sports Hall of Fame for his many coaching accomplishments.

Claiming to be "at the right places at the right time," Keeling built a resume of distinction. Deep friendships with several of Texas' most revered football coaches--including the legendary Gordon Wood, who won eight state championships--are highly valued.

Stats are important to many coaches, but not to Jimmie. They've been way toward the bottom of the page for him.

He's not even sure he can "rattle off" all the places where he's

coached, but he can name hundreds of former players who have "made good and stayed in touch."

Many of his contemporaries have "gone on," but he remembers them fondly. Of Gordon Wood, he remembers the night his Lubbock Estacado Matadors defeated Brownwood, 49-8, in the state playoffs. "Gordon came to our locker room, telling our kids they'd win the state championship, and they did." (He and Woods were on opposite sides of the field when Keeling coached at Andrews, San Angelo Central and Estacado, and they "came out about even, these best of friends.")

He's hesitant to call out his best teams or best athletes. One, however, played center at Andrews, and the youngster went on to gain worldwide acclaim as an author and preacher.

"I well remember the red-headed kid who always gave his best; he was a 'good 'un,' that Max Lucado," Keeling said, words spoken slowly with deliberation.

During his H-SU years, he won conference titles more times than not, advancing to national competition, but he "forgets how many times."

What he remembers most is teaching without apology Christian life lessons, laced up by faith, a prayer he has for his 11 grandchildren and six "greats." Susan confirms that he has those numbers down pat.

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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, may we make Your way to live our way to live.

Amen

Howard County cross country runners compete at State competition



HERALD File Photo

Forsan's runners competed at the State competition. These four along with Big Spring's Roman Perez were the qualifiers from Howard County.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

Earlier this week, a group of five runners from Howard County traveled to Round Rock to compete in the 2020 UIL State Cross Country Championship. Forsan's Mason Bagwell, Rylee Evans, Jared Gasi, and Carter Scott competed in the 2A Championship while Big Spring's Roman Perez participated in his third 4A State Championship race.

It was a strong showing for the Howard County school and Forsan set the tone with four State qualifiers. The competition was obviously at the highest level in the State, but both the Forsan runners and Perez put together a strong showing.

In the 2A Girl's State Championship Two Mile run, Evans finished in 39th (13:32.95), which was less than a minute-and-a-half after the State Champion-winning Kyla Kane from Wellington finished (12:08.49). Evans finishes her high school cross country career knowing that she is one of the Top 40 fastest cross country runners in her division in the entire state of Texas.

In the Boys' division, all three Buffalo runners

should be proud of their performance as all three finished in the Top 87 of 121 total runners in the 5K race.

Gasi (46th, 18:01.03) was the top Forsan finisher, but was followed right behind by Scott (50th, 18:04.97). Both Buffalo runners were neck-and-neck all the way until the end with Gasi pulling away for the top Buffalo finish. Behind them was Bagwell (87th, 18:45.85), who finished just 40 seconds behind his teammates but had 40 runners between them.

The stats show off the extremely strong competition that these runners were going up against and just how difficult it would have been to separate themselves from the pack. The 2A Boys' State Champion was Poolville's Henry Fiero (15:57.68).

Finally, Perez put together an outstanding individual performance by finishing in the Top 20 of 123 total runners (17th, 16:27.45). The winner of the 4A State Championship was Melissa's Judson Greer (14:51.85).

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Howard College Softball getting Clubhouse upgrade

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Howard College Lady Hawks Softball program is getting an upgrade.

Howard's currently most successful and consistent athletic team will be getting a new Fieldhouse that will match the baseball team's and give the Lady Hawks a much-needed and well-deserved upgrade. Head Coach Kelly Raines has turned the Lady Hawks into a national contender year-in and year-out and is very happy to see that all of her team's hard work and success is going to be rewarded.

"We don't even have a locker room or a clubhouse right now," Raines said. "This is going to be a big thing for our program."

Howard College administrators just recently broke ground on the land at Foundation Field for the new fieldhouse will sit for years to come. This project has already been years in the making and the construction trades class at Howard College will be the ones responsible for the building of the new structure. This has helped cut down on costs, and will help students at Howard who are in the construction class get hands on experience about what they are heading into for a career.

"We are so proud of our Hawk softball team and the effort they have put into raising our fieldhouse," Howard College President Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks said. "And with the addition of our own construction trades program prepared to build the new facility, it is a win-win for the college and the students."

The plans for the fieldhouse are set and construction will begin soon. Richard Light, Construction Trades Instructor, was on hand for the groundbreaking and added, "When our construction trades students complete this project, they will be experienced in every facet of construction and could be prepared



Courtesy Photo

Ground is broken on what will be the new Howard Lady Hawk Softball Fieldhouse.

in 2021.

It is currently a two-year plan for Howard College to complete. The project will of course depend on weather, class sizes, and the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Either way, the Lady Hawks are finally being rewarded for their success on the field and will continue to be a force at the NJCAA level for years to come.

Raines is already looking forward to taking the field in a few months with her team for the 2021 season. "We're very excited. We feel like we have some good players back and also some freshmen that just came in," she said. "It's been some trying times, but we're making it happen and we're excited."

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Pandemic leaves opening week of college hoops in disarray

By CLIFF BRUNT

AP Sports Writer

Wichita State landed in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on Monday afternoon, masked up and looking forward to tipping off the season in the Crossover Classic.

A few hours later, the Shockers announced they were out of the tournament after multiple positive COVID-19 tests. Event organizers said the tests came from two players who were re-tested before the final decision was made.

"The kids were excited because they were going to get to compete against someone," said Wichita State interim coach Isaac Brown, whose team had been practicing since June. "Just to get here and find out that we're not able to play in the tournament -- they were disappointed."

Eight months after the coronavirus shut down college basketball at tournament time, the sport returns this week with dozens of teams opening their seasons as early as Wednesday and the pandemic still raging. It has already forced cancellations and postponements across the country, leading

to a chaotic scramble to schedule opponents willing to drop everything to play.

No. 2 Baylor, 9 Duke and the No. 3 UConn women have all canceled games because of COVID-19.

The Shockers were the sixth team to pull out of the South Dakota tournament alone — only West Virginia and Memphis are left from the original slate — though the event is going ahead with replacement teams and without fans.

"It's been a wild ride," said Lea Miller-Tooley, the tournament director. "We've learned a lot, but we've really been able to hang in there."

Texas A&M, Creighton and Wichita State are the most recent programs to drop out or be removed from the Crossover Classic field. Utah, Ohio State and Dayton already had backed out. South Dakota State, Utah State, St. Mary's, Northern Iowa, Western Kentucky and Virginia Commonwealth have stepped in as replacement teams. VCU was quickly added after Wichita State was removed.

NCAA Basketball Preseason AP Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	South Carolina (29)	0-0	749	-
2	Stanford (1)	0-0	698	-
3	Connecticut	0-0	695	-
4	Baylor	0-0	663	-
5	Louisville	0-0	597	-
6	Mississippi State	0-0	589	-
7	Arizona	0-0	575	-
8	North Carolina St.	0-0	556	-
9	UCLA	0-0	499	-
10	Oregon	0-0	472	-
11	Kentucky	0-0	464	-
12	Maryland	0-0	395	-
13	Texas A&M	0-0	383	-
14	Arkansas	0-0	354	-
15	Iowa State	0-0	284	-
16	Indiana	0-0	278	-
17	Northwestern	0-0	275	-
18	Oregon State	0-0	240	-
19	DePaul	0-0	185	-
20	Ohio State	0-0	165	-
21	Gonzaga	0-0	137	-
22	Notre Dame	0-0	125	-
23	Syracuse	0-0	120	-
24	Missouri State	0-0	95	-
25	Michigan	0-0	65	-

RECEIVING VOTES:

Texas (24), South Dakota (21), Florida State (12), North Carolina (10), Arizona State (6), Princeton (5), Marquette (4), South Dakota State (3), Boston College (2), Tennessee (1), Rutgers (1), Duke (1), South Florida (1), USC (1)

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Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones 101

By MARK WILLIS
 Big Spring EDC Executive Director
 In the next couple of months we will all be hearing about the City of Big Spring exploring the potential for creation of a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) in the downtown area. This may be the first such zone to be considered, but it likely will not be the last as the City will likely consider using this method of infrastructure financing in the future to expand and improve the airport and industrial areas of the City to facilitate recruitment of new businesses. Believing in transparency and that most of us relate better to government actions we understand, I offer the following summary of what a TIRZ is and how they work:

a defined area to make primarily infrastructure improvements within that defined area. It is designed to facilitate private business investment within the "zone." Please note a TIRZ almost without exception does not involve property tax associated with school funding.
 The TIRZ dedicates a portion (it can be as much as 100% of the new taxes realized in the zone) of the new taxes generated in the zone from new private investment only within the Zone for up to 25 years. This funding stream then can be used to finance public improvements needed to help encourage private investment via bonds or other methods that will be repaid as those new revenues are realized.

ness investment.
 That dedicated funding stream in turn allows the TIRZ Board to sell bonds or access other debt instruments to invest in infrastructure projects independent of the City's and/or County's general funds.
 Because of the public improvements the bonds facilitate, private investment is encouraged, increasing property values further and expanding tax collections more rapidly than could be expected via normal business progression.

TIRZ revenue neutral in relation to existing budgets.
 In most cases, the City or County knows of coming investment within a proposed zone and leverages that funding stream to sell bonds to pay for public infrastructure needed to encourage private investment. In many cases this public investment is required to make private investment viable. For instance, a manufacturing plant may require water and sewer lines be extended to a proposed location, and a TIRZ is established to finance those extensions based on the property value the plant will generate when it is complete.

What is a TIRZ:
 A TIRZ is a financing method that leverages City and/or County property and/or sales tax growth within

What are the benefits of a TIRZ:
 It establishes a dedicated stream of funding for public infrastructure within a defined area (zone) to make it more viable and attractive for busi-

How does a TIRZ work:
 First a base year property tax level is established. Then when new development or redevelopment occurs within the zone and new tax revenue is generated, a portion of that gain is dedicated to fund projects within the zone. Note that the base property tax that exists before the Zone is established is not affected, making the

In case of the TIRZ being considered for the Big Spring downtown area, the value added will come from investment in rehabilitation of existing structures (the Petroleum Building for instance) and new facilities that are anticipated to be constructed over time will provide the funding stream.

Growing conditions tough for Texas peanut growers

Special to the Herald
 Texas peanut producers experienced a difficult 2020 growing season due to drought, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.
 Emi Kimura, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension state peanut specialist, Vernon, said dry weather from April to September led to below-average yields as producers near the end of harvest.

"Harvest is almost done in most areas because there's not been much rain to slow us down like in 2019," she said. "There's not much positive news beyond that on the production side."
 Overall, Texas peanut producers planted 190,000 acres compared to 165,000 acres in 2019, Kimura said. Harvested acres were estimated to be 180,000 compared to 160,000 in 2019, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service November report.

Despite planted acres being up more than 13%, yields on those acres were down 11.5%, according to the report. Producers netted 2,700 pounds of peanuts per acre on average compared to 3,050 pounds per acre last year.

Peanut producer: 'not a single drop of rain'
 Kimura said the No. 1 cause for reduced yields was the lack of moisture despite irrigation efforts.
 "Some producers in West Texas said they experienced worse drought conditions than in 2011," she said. "One producer said he'd never had a season without a single drop of rain until this year."

Kimura said the weather station for Seminole showed 1.9 inches of rain for April through September. Last year, the same weather station reported 13.6 inches of rainfall during the same period.
 "I count April because any rains leading up to May planting typically set up the crop for good establishment," she said. "Rains in July and August are very critical for the crop's development, and less than 2 inches over the season was not enough."

Kimura said rain measurements at the weather station in Memphis, which is a good indicator for High Plains peanut fields, were not as bad but still 7 inches below last year. Stephenville and South Texas fields also received below-normal rainfall amounts on average.

The silver lining in a lack of moisture was below-average pest and disease pressure, Kimura said. There were some cases of leaf spot in South Texas, but nothing major to report across the state.

More bad news
 Quality grades will potentially decline for some growers due to a freeze event in late October, she said. Temperatures dropped from 80 degrees to 25 degrees on Oct. 26-27.

The extreme dip in temperatures during harvest caught some producers off guard and added to an already tough season, she said. Freezing temperatures did not drop soil temperatures low enough to cause significant damage to peanuts still in the ground, but some producers had already dug peanuts that were exposed and damaged.

Kimura said the impact on exposed peanuts depended on how much moisture was in the kernel during the freeze, but even pods dry enough likely sustained some damage. One producer reported digging 5,000 acres of peanuts before the looming freeze was apparent.

"Once they dig, the peanuts need to dry down for a week," she said. "Some producers did not learn about the freeze soon enough or were caught by surprise. But those who didn't dig likely didn't sustain as much damage as those who dug before the freeze."

Kimura said some producers around the state performed well. They received decent rains, kept pest and disease pressure in check and perfectly timed harvest to avoid freeze damage.

But the average per-acre yields mean many producers endured a very difficult growing season, she said.
 "Conditions were crazy this year," she said. "It was really difficult to talk to producers in West Texas because they were depressed by the drought on top of everything else going on. As specialists, we make recommendations and give options that can improve a grower's outcome, but there's not much we can do about zero rainfall."

Prices low, but demand increased
 Francisco Abello, AgriLife Extension economist, Vernon, had a little good news for Texas peanut producers but said prices were low.

U.S. peanut acres increased 17%, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Those acres were producing high yields on average, which translates into a 21% higher production forecast compared to 2019.

But domestic and export demand has also increased dramatically, he said. Demand for peanut butter and candy during the COVID-19 pandemic drove domestic increases, and exports increased 36% compared to last year as China ramped up purchase orders.

Low peanut prices - \$424 per ton for runners; \$428 per ton for Virginia peanuts, for example - will likely make them eligible for government assistance.



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Howard County residents give thanks

I am thankful for ...



"I'm thankful for my family even though we are missing a very important part of it. I'm thankful for my health and mostly I'm thankful for a God who loves me when I don't deserve it."

Jaymie Lang



I'm very thankful for the precious memories of past family gatherings before COVID and for the new memories that we will make once we are all able to be safely together again!

Natalie Permenter



The first thing I am thankful for is God, family and friends. Thankful that I can deer hunt to help provide meat for my family, especially during this virus. Thankful for a job and all the people and foundations that donate to the volunteer fire department so we can keep getting new trucks and other equipment.

HCVFD Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper



I am thankful for my family, my cousins and my teachers.

Ziasia Vanderbilt



I am glad that I am here; being able to see my friends and teachers; being able to learn safely.

Sophie Rodriguez



I am thankful I am able to go to school; family; and teachers.

Yancey Viera



"I'm thankful that our baby is doing so well despite her early and scary beginning in the world. Thankful that she came along to melt my heart...one that was growing harder with each day."

Jamie Lane



I am truly thankful for my family/friends and the awareness of slowing down to spend much needed time with them. I am thankful that I have realized not to take the little things for granted and how truly blessed I am.

Mitzi Knight



I am thankful for family; being with other students; my teachers.

Bree Beck



I am thankful my parents still have a job; my friends not getting sick; having loving teachers.

Adan Martinez

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Being thankful is simply a state of mind; a choice we each make every day - sometimes every moment of every day. Regardless of what our world is doing around us, we each have the option to be thankful or let the world around us consume us. This past year has been a memorable one for sure. This year has brought more than its fair share of challenges and valleys. As West Texas went through yet another oil bust, a wishy washy economy and an unexpected, really unexplainable or understandable pandemic, the community of Big Spring was not isolated from any of the hard hits.

Despite the hard blows that nobody seemed to avoid, this year has brought opportunity right to each one of our homes. Yes, there has been struggle, but there was also the opportunity to slow down, spend more time with family, and take a step back and look at our priorities.

Life is not easy, loved ones have been lost this year, but the choice to focus on the loss of this year or the blessings that have flowed upon the Big Spring community is one that each resident has the power to take.

The Big Spring community has joined together several times over this pandemic and economic downturn and offered a supporting hand. There have been countless food distributions over the past several months; families have worked together with teachers and school administrators to ensure students were able to get an education in the middle of a chaotic time; and neighbor could be found helping neighbor on any given day.

Life will not always give us what we want, but there is still hope that life and those around us will help us get what we need. This past year, frontline workers - healthcare, law enforcement, EMS, grocery workers, and so many others - have received appreciation unlike any other year. Even when times were tough and no real answer seemed to exist, the core of this community continued to rise and strive to ensure that Big Spring was taken care of. This year has shown us, every position matters, every voice has something to say, and every individual is important and can make a difference. This year, as you prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, take a moment and shift your focus to all that you have to be thankful for. Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you first to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Through Him, all things are possible. I'm thankful the elections are over. This victory is not just about me, its about all of us.

This win would not be possible without so much support from people around me. I'm thankful for the constituents of District 1, who graciously were kind and allowed me to talk to you about my platform and allowing me to listen to your concerns, wants and needs for District 1 and the City of Big Spring. I want to thank my opponent Nadine Reyes, for running a great campaign and continue doing good positive things for our community. I thank everyone for this humbling opportunity and look forward to working for YOU.



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Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff breakfast bar, cereal with string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Corn dog, popcorn chicken salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, taco salad, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Crunch Pastry, cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, chef salad with flatbread, assorted vegetables juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk. Lunch: Walking taco, yogurt, cheese, and fruit salad, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk.

Elementary

Monday: Breakfast: Cherry frudel, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken patty sandwich, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, fruit and vegetables, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff Pastry, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken taco nachos, chicken nugget and cheddar cheese wrap, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Bagel pizza, lunchable, turkey and cheese sandwich, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Apple Jacks pouch with Goldfish crackers, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets with roll, American sub sandwich, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cereal bar with crackers, assorted fruit, 100% juice box, assorted milk. Lunch: Tony's cheese pizza wedge, yogurt, cheese and crackers, fruit and vegetable, milk.

High School

Monday: Breakfast: Apple frudel, waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese, burrito, refried beans, apple jacks cereal pouch, assorted fruit and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken -n- waffles, baconburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Pasta with meat sauce, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Vanilla glazed donuts, waffles bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Trix cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Loaded baked potato, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables.

Thursday: Breakfast: Banana muffin, pancake bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, waffle bites with fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, Coco Puffs cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk. Lunch: Big Steer burger/walking taco, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza.

Intermediate

Monday: Breakfast: Cherry frudel, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or chicken - n - waffles.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco Puff Pastry, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or bacon cheeseburger, assorted juice and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Breakfast bar with crackers, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or loaded tater bowl with bacon and cheese.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or pizza sub melt, assorted juice and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Chocolate filled crescent roll, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or flatbread parmesan popper melt.

Junior High

Monday: Breakfast: Cherry Frudel, yogurt

and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or chicken - n - waffles.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Coco puff pastry, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, ipzza or bacon cheeseburger, assorted juice and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Breakfast bar with crackers, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or loaded tater bowl with bacon and cheese.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or pizza sub melt, assorted juice and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Chocolate filled crescent roll, yogurt and elf graham. Lunch: Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken, pizza or flatbread parmesan popper melt.

Kentwood Pre-K

Monday: Breakfast: Chocolate chip muffin, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Pizza sticks, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Nutrigrain bar, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: waffle bites with smile fries, fruit, 1% milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Strawberry poptart, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Danimals Strawberry cruch cup yogurt, string cheese, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast sausage, pizza, fruit, 1% milk. Lunch: Tony's cheese pizza, fruit and vegetable, 1% milk.

Elementary/Moss Lunch

Monday: Chicken patty sandwich, ham and cheese sandwich, fruit and vegetables, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken taco nachos, sunbutter and jelly sandwich fruit and vegetables, milk

Wednesday: Bagel pizza, lunchable, ham and cheese sandwich, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Thursday: Chicken nuggets with roll, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Friday: Tony's cheese pizza wedge, yogurt, cheese and crackers, fruit and vegetable, milk.

Coahoma K-12 Breakfast

Monday: Waffles with bacon, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Sausage, egg, cheese biscuit, breakfast taquito, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast pizza, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Cinnamon roll with sausage or cheesy toast with sausage, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Friday: Bulldog Breakfast, biscuit, gravy, eggs, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Coahoma K-8 Lunch

Monday: Country fried steak with gravy or Bulldog meatloaf, mash potatoes, okra, roll, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday: Meat and cheese chalupas or enchiladas or taco salad, salsa, zesty cucumbers, beans, rosy applesauce, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken tenders with biscuit, gravy or cheeseburger or tuna salad, broccoli, sweet potatoes, mixed fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday: Chicken spaghetti with breadsticks or pizza or crispy chicken salad, garden salad, carrots, fresh apple slices, milk.

Friday: Fish with mac and cheese or BBQ on a bun, potato salad, green beans, orange smiles, dessert, milk.

Coahoma 9-12 Lunch

Monday: Country fried steak with gravy or Bulldog meatloaf, mash potatoes, okra, roll, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday: Meat and cheese chalupas or enchiladas or taco salad, rice, salsa, zesty cucumbers, beans, rosy applesauce, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken tenders with biscuit, gravy or cheeseburger or tuna salad, broccoli, sweet potatoes, mixed fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday: Chicken spaghetti with breadsticks or pizza or crispy chicken salad, garden salad, carrots, fresh apple slices, milk.

Friday: Fish with mac and cheese or BBQ on a bun, chips, potato salad, green beans, orange smiles, dessert, milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Cereal cup, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); sausage kolache with cheese stick or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Wild Mike's cheese bites or chicken nuggets with mac and cheese (elementary) boneless chicken wings with mac and cheese (JH/HS) or PB&J sandwich, steamed broccoli with cheese sauce, baby carrots, applesauce cups, fresh fruit and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); french toast sticks with sausage or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Chicken sandwich or popcorn chicken with roll (elementary) or buffalo popcorn chicken bowl with roll or turkey and cheese sub, fries, savory, green beans, strawberries and bananas, fresh fruit and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Honey buns, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); sausage, egg and cheese tornado or cereal, mandarin oranges, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Pizza or crispy chicken salad or PB&J sandwich, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); breakfast pizza or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Steak fingers or mini corn dogs (elementary); general Tso's Asian bowl (JH/HS) or turkey and cheese sub, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, fruity gelatin, fresh fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Maple Mini pancakes, fresh fruit, fruit juice and milk (elementary); Dutch waffle with bacon or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice and milk (JH/HS). Lunch: Garlic french bread pizza or nachos with ground beef or PB&J sandwich, corn, ranch style beans, applesauce cup, fresh fruit and milk.

Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast: Stuffed bagel, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Quesadilla, Spanish rice, corn, charro beans, salsa, mandarin oranges, milk variety.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage - biscuit, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Boneless chicken wings, multi-grain chips (H.S only), celery sticks, baby carrots, peaches, pudding, milk variety.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, roll, steak fries, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk variety.

Thursday: Breakfast: Chicken n biscuit, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: French bread pizza, marinara sauce, garden salad, California blend vegetables, apple slices, cookie, milk variety.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast bread, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Sloppy joe sandwich, vegetable medley, oven fries, diced pears, milk variety.

Senior Center

Monday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cherry cobbler, rolls, milk.

Tuesday: Cheese enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, Jell-o, chips and salsa, milk.

Wednesday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, spinach, fruit cup, biscuit, milk.

Thursday: Beef stew with mixed vegetables, peach cobbler, cornbread, milk.

Friday: Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce and tomato, peaches and cottage cheese, baked chips, cookies, milk.

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Chamber of Commerce happenings ...



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The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce celebrated the grand opening of Coahoma One Stop last week with a ribbon cutting. The One Stop is the only grocery store in Coahoma and offers an expansion of services to the community. Pictured below: The Chamber Ambassadors along with Just Peachy, Too staff joined together to celebrate the grand opening of the restaurant in Coahoma, with a ribbon cutting on Monday.



Highlighting Howard Co. Business Oil Check - Medrano's Oil Change



HERALD photo/Iris Rangel

Medrano's Oil Change has been bringing quality customer service to the Big Spring community for years. The importance of the customer is reflected in each oil change that takes place at Medrano's. The family owned business is one of two in Big Spring; recently the family expanded services with the purchase of House of Tees.

By IRIS RANGEL

Herald Staff Writer

For over six years, Medrano's Oil Change has provided Howard County residents with services such as oil changes and state inspections. That, however, is only the surface of what all Medrano's Oil Change does for its clients. Going above and beyond is a lifestyle taught to the Medrano's sons, according to Medrano's Oil Change Manager Anthony Medrano. "We've been here for six years giving the people what they deserve," Medrano said.

Medrano's Oil Change first opened up in 2014 when Anthony Medrano's parents used their hard earned retirement funds to start a business, that they felt was needed in Howard County.

"They wanted to create something better. We've had some bad experiences and just felt like something was lacking here in Big Spring. So, they decided to do it themselves and make an oil change place that fulfilled what they would want to experience with customer service," he said.

With rave reviews around town, and a 4.8 Google rating review, Medrano's Oil Change is best known for its family friendly service and ensuring that they go the extra mile for their customers every single time. This success, to Medrano, is dedicated to how him and his siblings were parented growing up.

"I dedicate that to our parenting and what they instilled in us. To work hard...to make sure you're giving 110% every time...to work with your heart and to make sure you bring good spirits with you to work everyday. Just being a good person all around - that's what my parents taught us," Medrano said.

While Medrano's Oil Change offers oil changes and state inspections, according to Medrano, any

time another auto service is needed outside of their business, they refer to other local businesses in Howard County. Medrano mentions that staying local and referring local businesses to their customers is what a small town is all about.

"If we're fortunate enough to have this, we want everybody to be able to share the same blessings that we have. We refer out to other local businesses that can provide a service that we're unable to provide. We just want to show the love here in town and the local...we can do it all, but we want everyone here in Big Spring to thrive. Those local businesses... those people that wake up and go to work just like we do - we want them as well to have businesses that succeed," he said.

The Medrano's family name may also sound like a familiar one with the recent opening of Medrano's House of Tees in the Spring Creek Mall. According to Anthony Medrano, the hope for the future is to work towards being successful in the T-shirt business.

"That's a whole new chapter for us and a whole new direction we can go. The future is to make that business everything that Big Spring needs as well. We have a lot of good stuff here."

Medrano also noted his hopes for a bigger building for the oil change business and being able to provide new services to new and existing customers.

The Medrano's family extends their gratitude to Howard County residents and all they have been able to provide for each of their businesses.

"We just try to make sure we give them that family atmosphere and let them know who we are because we wouldn't be anybody without them. That's God's honest truth. We wouldn't be Medrano's Oil Change without the people that come in. We're able to give them what God's given us. Our time, our efforts... everything that makes us what we are is because we get to give it them. We wouldn't be able to show them how great of people we are if they didn't come through the door. So we're going to be doing this until we can't," Medrano said.

Medrano's Oil Change is located at 205 W. 9th Street and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Medrano encourages the community to stop by for any of your oil change and state inspection needs.

Iris Rangel is a Staff Writer for the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email reporter@bigspring-herald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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- Letitia Baucham, 1202 Stanford, Big Spring
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- John Bochnicka, 538 Westover Rd. #260
- Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, P.O. Box 391, Snyder
- Douglas "Doug" Lee Brown, 205 W. 14th St. P.O. Box 275, Monahans
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This week's reviews include non-fiction and large print mystery & fiction.

Admiral Chester Nimitz spoke of the "uncommon valor" of the men who fought on Iwo Jima, one of the bloodiest and most brutal battles of World War II. In thirty-six grueling days, nearly 7,000 Marines were killed and 22,000 were wounded. In honor of the 75th Anniversary, Martha MacCallum, anchor of The Story with Martha MacCallum, takes us from Pearl Harbor to Iwo Jima through the lives of these men of valor, in "Unknown valor: a story of family, courage, and sacrifice from Pearl Harbor

to Iwo Jima" (940.542 MAC M) by Martha MacCallum. One of these men of valor is Harry Gray, a member of her own family. In Unknown Valor, she weaves their stories, from Boston, Massachusetts, to Gulfport, Mississippi, as told through letters and recollections, into the larger history of what American military leaders rightly saw as an eventual showdown in the Pacific with Japan. In a relentless push through the jungles of Guadalcanal, over the coral reefs of Tarawa, past the bloody ridge of Peleliu, against the banzai charges of Guam, and to the cliffs of Saipan, these men were on a path that ultimately led to the black sands of Iwo Jima, the doorstep of the Japanese Empire. Meticulously researched and illuminating, Unknown Valor reveals the sacrifices of ordinary Marines who saved the world from tyranny and left indelible marks on those back home who loved them.

In "The Ultimate Retirement Guide for 50+ Winning Strategies to Make Your Money Last a Lifetime" (306.38 ORM S) by Suze Orman, Suze answers questions about retirement. When you think about planning for retirement, whether it is years in the future or just around the corner, you are bound to have questions. Can I ever afford to stop working? Will Social Security be there for me when I need it? How can I make my money last? Have I waited too long to start saving?

Suze Orman, America's most recognized expert on personal finance, answers all the questions that keep you up at night, starting with the biggest one: It is never too late to start planning for a next act that's fulfilling and secure. With her signature blend of compassion, insight, and expertise, Suze guides you toward a plan that will put you in control of your financial future and help you to create the retirement you deserve.

The Midnight Man appears in the darkness like a ghost, made of shadows and fear in "The Dark Corners of the Night" (LP M GAR M) An UNSUB Novel by Meg Gardiner. He comes for the parents but

leaves the children alive. Los Angeles is gripped with dread, and the attacks are escalating. FBI behavioral analyst Caitlin Hendrix arrives to assist in the investigation and do what she does best, hunt a serial killer. But something about this UNSUB, unknown subject, does not sit right. This case will test not only her skills but also her dedication, for within the heart of a killer lives a secret that mirrors her own past. Hesitancy is not an option, but will she be able to do what must be done if the time comes?

For the first eighteen years of her life, Rose Gold Watts believed she was seriously ill in "Darling Rose Gold" (LP F WRO S) by Stephanie Wrobel. But no matter how many doctors, tests, or surgeries, no one could figure out what was wrong with her. Turns out her mom, Patty Watts, was just a really good liar. After a five-year prison term, Patty has been released and begs her daughter to take her in. Shockingly, Rose Gold says yes. Patty insists she wants to reconcile and says she's forgiven Rose Gold for testifying against her.

But Rose Gold knows her mother, Patty Watts always settles a score. Unfortunately for Patty, Rose Gold is no longer her weak little darling and she's waited such a long time for her mother to come home.

"We lose ourselves in what we read, only to return to ourselves, transformed and part of a more expansive world." Judith Butler

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Sammy Escanuelas Villareal, 26, and Teodora Rosenda Arguello, 24, both of Big Spring.
Michael Lynn Ethridge, 36, and Demori Michelle Johnson, 26, both of Big Spring.
James Boyd Pearce, 68 and Kelley Denise Hankins, 57, both of Big Spring.
Fabian Garcia, 62 and Maribel Luera, 52, both of Big Spring.
Richard Elisha Nelson, 27 and Savannah Gayle Flowers, 24, both of Big Spring.

County Court Rulings

(Note: The State of Texas is

listed as the prosecutor in all County Court Rulings.)

Defendant: Thomas Bolton
Offense: Possession dangerous drug
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$60 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: Gabriel Hernandez
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$110 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: David Grant
Offense: Criminal Mischief between \$100 and \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$100 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: David Grant
Offense: Assault causes bodily injury family violence
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$110 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: Mykaela Nunez
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$60 month probation fee; \$270 court costs; \$60 reimbursement fee; 24 hours of community service

Defendant: Blanca Vargas
Offense: Driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without financial responsibility
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$60 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: Angel Coria
Offense: Driving while intoxicated

Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$70 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: David Grant
Offense: Criminal trespass
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$110 reimbursement fee; time served.

Defendant: Christian Gordon
Offense: Fail to identify fugitive from justice
Sentence: \$100 fine; \$270 court costs; \$60 reimbursement fee; time served.

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Travis M. Bradley
Grantee: Travis M. Bradley and Terrie L. Bradley, a married couple
Property: Tract 1 and Tract 2 in Howard County, Texas as listed
Date: November 16,2020

Grantor: Roger Dale Brown and Anna Mae Brown, a married couple
Grantee: Luiz Marquez
Property: Being a 4.88 acre tract of land more or less out of Section 17, block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co Survey, Howard County and also being known as Lot 9, block B, Campestre Estates, an unrecorded subdivision of said Sec. 17, block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas as described by metes and bounds.
Date: November 16,2020

Grantor: Judith Ann Husted
Grantee: Randy Martinez
Property: Being Lot 8, block 3, Worth Peeler Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard

County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof of record in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas. Commonly known as 2312 Roberts Dr. Big Spring, Texas 79720
Date: October 30,2020

Grantor: Travis Lynn Rose
Grantee: Cinco Roses, LLC
Property: Being a 2.99 acre tract of land in the NE/4 of Section 41, block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co Survey Howard County, Texas described by metes and bounds.
Date: November 17,2020

Grantor: Linda K. Waugh, special conservator of Bobby Armstrong Jr. a protected person
Grantee: Jose Trinidad Diaz Jimenez
Property: Being all of Lot No. 1, and Lot NO. 2, in block No. 9, Lakewview Addition to the Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat of record in envelope 65/B, plat records of Howard County, Texas.
Date: November 18,2020

Grantor: Michael A. Smith
Grantee: Gary Rawls and Laura Rawls
Property: Lot 16, block 5, of the Stanford Park Subdivision an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas
Date: November 13,2020

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Grantor: Max F. Moore d/b/a Moore Properties
Grantee: Jessica Rutledge
Property: Being a 1.09 acre

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Date: November 12,2020

Grantor: Kodi Ann Aguilar
Grantee: Keith L McGland
Property: Lot 21, block 3, Wasson Place Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat on file in The Office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas
Date: November 17,2020

Grantor: Marcellous Weaver
Grantee: Sabino Hernandez and Lizabeth Lara
Property: 8.45 acre tract located near the intersection of Boykin Road and Driver Road near Big Spring, Texas
Date: November 17,2020

Grantor: Byron Harris
Grantee: Nishanth Kumar Singh
Property: Lot 10, in block 4, Wasson Place Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat thereof of record in the Office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas
Date: November 19,2020

Grantor: SFMC LP DBA Service First Mortgage Company
Grantee: Marc Hesse
Property: Being all of Lot No. 2, in block No. 1, Anderson Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas according to the proper map or plat of record in envelope 2/B, plat record of Howard County Texas.
Date: November 19,2020

Texas weekly gas prices update

Special to the Herald

GasBuddy

Texas gas prices have fallen 1.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$1.78/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 6.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 46.1 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.44/g today while the most expensive is \$2.69/g, a difference of \$1.25/g. The lowest price in the state today is \$1.44/g while the highest is \$2.69/g, a difference of \$1.25/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 1.5 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.10/g today. The national average is down 5.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 49.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

Historical gasoline prices in Texas and the national average going back ten years:

- November 23, 2019: \$2.24/g (U.S. Average: \$2.59/g)
- November 23, 2018: \$2.26/g (U.S. Average: \$2.55/g)
- November 23, 2017: \$2.27/g (U.S. Average: \$2.51/g)
- November 23, 2016: \$1.90/g (U.S. Average: \$2.12/g)
- November 23, 2015: \$1.85/g (U.S. Average: \$2.06/g)
- November 23, 2014: \$2.59/g (U.S. Average: \$2.81/g)
- November 23, 2013: \$3.08/g (U.S. Average: \$3.25/g)
- November 23, 2012: \$3.15/g (U.S. Average: \$3.43/g)
- November 23, 2011: \$3.14/g (U.S. Average: \$3.32/g)
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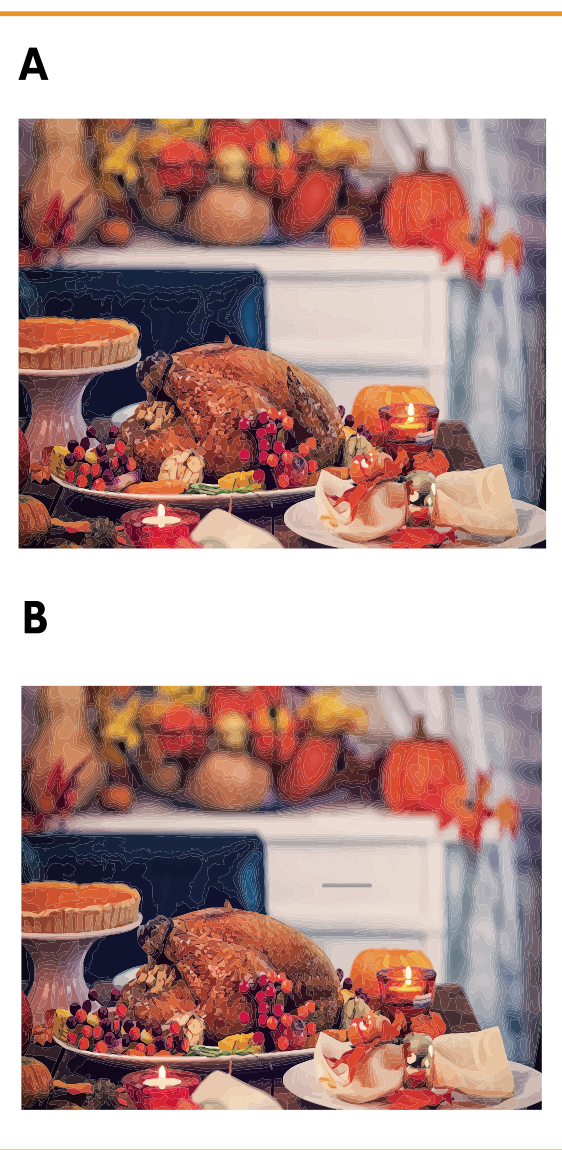
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Annie's Mailbox

COVID Concerns Over the Holidays

Dear Annie: What advice would you share for families who are grappling with members who have differing opinions about what is considered safe behavior for COVID-19 and protocols for how to interact over the holidays?

Since the start of the pandemic, my older sister and her husband have had a very laissez-faire approach to their safety, refusing to wear masks, limiting time with others indoors and in public places, and to socially distance, saying the virus is here and we all just have to learn to live with it.

Although it is their prerogative how they choose to behave within their bubble, as my sister continues to participate in high-risk activities, she also demands that other people in our family disregard their own level of comfort and safety to interact with them and their young daughter in person, including our mother, who is nearly 70.

When we ask her to limit activities or enforce basic guidelines like delaying scheduling family time after they participate in high-risk activities -- such as attending a large wedding or planning to host visitors from overseas in their home -- my sister lashes out at my mother for making such requests. She demeans her for attempting to limit her interaction with them, saying it is showing favoritism to my family, which does not participate in high-risk activities. She says that my mother is intentionally ruining her relationship with her own granddaughter.

Of course, my mother wants to see both my sister and her granddaughter, so she is incredibly hurt by these accusations, but she also wants to stay healthy and follow recommended safeguards and guidelines, especially given her age and risk level.

Over the past several months, my mom has maintained her level of comfort and safety most

of the time, but she'll eventually get worn down by my sister's guilt trips and silent treatment and will see them in person anyway. This is usually as a demand to babysit. By doing this, without any expectation or give from my sister's side, or her showing empathy for my mom's reasoning for wanting to follow the recommended COVID-19 guidelines, the situation has grown progressively worse.

As my mom tried to make a schedule to alternate between families to show fair and equal time around the holidays, my sister reacted and has somehow positioned herself as the victim in the situation. She says she is wronged by the fact that it includes no contact periods so my mother can quarantine between our scheduled activities.

Besides dropping our own level of safety and comfort to align with her high-risk lifestyle, which we will not do because of my older son's health risks, how would you suggest families like ours navigate this situation? Please help.

Dear Frustrated Brother: Families like yours all across the world have to remind themselves that this is temporary. If you don't feel comfortable seeing your sister and her family, or if your mother's behavior -- forced by your sister -- makes you nervous, then don't see them for the time being. Continue to talk to your mother about your concerns for her safety and tell her how much you love her and don't want anything to happen to her.

Try the same approach with your sister. Remind yourself that, if you peek below the surface of your anger and frustration at your mother and sister's family, it comes from an incredible love for them and their safety. When you come from that place, conversations seem to go more smoothly. Best of luck to you and your family during this time, and stay safe.

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

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ANSWER: TURKEYS

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ENGLISH: Corn
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ANSWER: PUMPKIN PIE

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Where there's life, there's hope

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 7
♥ K 8 5 4
♦ J 9 5 2
♣ K 6 3

EAST
♠ A 3 2
♥ 10 6 2
♦ A K Q 10
♣ 9 4 2

WEST
♠ 9 5 4
♥ A J 9 3
♦ 8 7 4 3
♣ 7 5

SOUTH
♠ K J 10 8 6
♥ Q 7
♦ 6
♣ A Q J 10 8

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass 1♦ 1♠ 2♦
2♠ 3♦ 4♠

Opening lead — three of diamonds.

There are times when declarer sees he cannot make his contract if the opponents defend correctly. But at the same time, he has the great advantage of knowing that his opponents do not know what he knows.

Here is a typical case. West led a diamond against four spades. East won with the ten and continued with the king, ruffed by South.

Declarer realized that he could not make the contract against proper defense, even if the opposing trumps were divided 3-3. Thus, suppose he had led a trump to dummy's queen at

trick three. In that case, East would take the ace and play another diamond, ruffed again by South.

Declarer would now have only two trumps left, the king and jack. After he played them, exhausting everyone of trumps, the best he could do would be to cash five club tricks and go down one. The defenders would score the last two tricks with the heart and diamond aces.

So, to give himself at least some chance to make the contract, South led a low heart toward dummy at trick three! Fortunately for declarer, West followed low, no doubt allowing for the possibility that declarer might have three hearts to the queen. In that case, playing low on South's heart lead would limit South to one heart trick.

But West soon found out that his seemingly innocent play had cost him the contract. After declarer won the heart with dummy's king, he played the queen of spades.

East took the queen with the ace and returned a diamond, forcing South to ruff, but declarer then cashed the K-J of spades and all of his clubs to finish with 10 tricks.

Of course, had West been able to see South's hand — especially the concealed five-card club suit — he would have put up the ace of hearts and led another diamond, leaving declarer no way to get home safely.

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

Level: Advanced

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

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Neptune's New Directness

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It will be interesting how you resolve what is requested of you. The vaguer the request, the more creative you get. You'll take all the independence and freedom the situation affords and run with it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Most people are not where they are. The secret to your charisma and to your special relationships is that you are hyper-present in a world where distraction is the norm.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You are more objective about what happens to you than others in your position would be, and this allows you to learn quickly and make plans based on more than just your emotional response.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The way you listen to and admire others is rare, and the subjects of your attention may not be

used to it, but that won't stop them from being flattered to the point of utter intoxication.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You will sacrifice something you previously attained in order to get this new thing you want. You'll be surprised at the cost of your fresh desire -- not by the monetary cost but the nature of what's exchanged.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It will feel as though you're taking a test. A high level of focus is necessary, and you'll do very well with this, too, rising to the occasion, eyes exclusively on your own paper.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're even more sensitive than usual to the energy of places. Go where the atmosphere is welcoming. If you're uncomfortable in a place, don't wait to figure out why. Move along to where the vibrations feel good to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Say yes to the location change.

You don't know what can be seen from that place until you go there. A change of vantage will lead to more ideas and broaden the scope of a relationship or project.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Hunger can be satisfied by a meal, but desire will increase as it is fed. Each taste intensifies need. Beware of situations in which you are unlikely to be content with moderation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Emotional responses are our earliest teachers but not always the best ones, since young feelings can be so volatile. You'll question what fear taught you, bringing maturity and reason

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 29). You'll become fascinating to yourself and to the world this year as mild curiosities develop into full-on pursuits, impressive projects and even quests. Various trainings will be involved. You'll present yourself in a different and likely more public forum. Financially, June and July are thrilling. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 22, 19, 38 and 5.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Monday brings the lunar eclipse and full moon in Gemini. This action from the realm of Gemini, which is the sign that rules technology, trends and communication, brings into focus the particular social challenges of life in the digital and pandemic age. We learn so much from being in the same room together that cannot be duplicated by technology. But there are also things technology gives to us that cannot be duplicated in face-to-face meetings. The full moon brings emotion; the

eclipse takes it away; and the result is an understanding of contrast. It's good to know when we're not quite making the human connection we want to be making, so that we can explore, ask more questions and seek a greater awareness of one another instead of remaining oblivious to one another's needs.

Another topic that comes up will be on the wings of a Mercury change. It's a chance to take ideas out of the diary, conversation and theoretical locker of your mind and into the real world. What comes from your mind is merely a suggestion about how things might happen. What comes from the world is evidence of how things actually do happen. As Mercury changes suit this week, the new costume will be worldly, sophisticated and action-oriented, encouraging exploration and bold encounter.

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Entertaining opportunities abound during the holiday season. Whether you are hosting a small group at home or have been invited to someone's house to socialize, offering a homemade treat can show others how much you care.

Few people can resist the combination of chocolate and nuts, and that's what dessert lovers will get in this recipe for "Chocolate Crumble Pie," which features toasted pecans along with amaretti cookies in the topping. Enjoy, courtesy of "Chocolate" (Love Food) by the editors at Parragon Books Ltd.

Chocolate Crumble Pie
Serves 8

Pie Dough
Scant 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 cup unsalted butter, cut into small

pieces
1/4 cup superfine sugar
1 egg yolk
1 to 2 teaspoons cold water

Filling
23 cup heavy cream
23 cup milk
8 ounces semi-sweet chocolate, chopped
2 eggs

Crumble Topping
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
3/4 cup toasted pecans
4 ounces semi-sweet chocolate
3 ounces amaretti cookies

1 teaspoon unsweetened cocoa

To make the pie dough, sift the flour and baking powder into a large bowl, rub in the butter, and stir in the sugar, then add the egg and a little water to bring the dough together. Turn the dough out, and knead briefly. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap

and let chill in the refrigerator for 30 minutes. Preheat the oven to 375 F. Roll out the pie dough and use to line a 9-inch loose-button tart pan. Prick the pastry shell with a fork. Line with parchment paper and fill with dried beans or baking beans. Bake in the oven for 15 minutes. Remove from the oven and take out the paper and beans. Reduce the oven temperature to 350 F.

To make the filling, bring the cream and milk to a boil in a saucepan, immediately remove from the heat, and add the chocolate. Stir until melted and smooth. Beat the eggs and add to the chocolate mixture, mix thoroughly and pour into the shell. Bake for 15 minutes, remove from the oven, and let rest for 1 hour.

When you are ready to serve the pie, place the topping ingredients in a food processor and pulse to chop. (If you do not have a processor, place the sugar in a large bowl, chop the nuts and chocolate with a large knife, and crush the cookies, then add to the bowl with the cocoa and mix well.) Sprinkle over the pie, then serve it in slices.

Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Matthew Sewell Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS
1 Growth profession
11 Heading
15 Brief romances, e.g.
16 Word often seen with an arrow
17 Choosing game
18 Go along with, in a way
19 Brittle ingredient
20 Places for purses and pots
22 Frisbee golf equipment
26 Confront
27 Tinder pickup
29 Tiki bar sound
30 No longer written on
31 Engineer who got a lifetime achievement Grammy (1970)
32 Serves some fudge for
34 Put it to
36 Shoe polish ingredient
41 Option for a caddy
43 Noble Shakespearean patron
44 Second-largest EU city
48 Lead ____
49 Tests with waves
50 Symphony with its own *Companion*
51 Curated cuts
53 Allies of the Cheyenne
55 *The Little Mermaid* hero
57 Nickname for Eleanor
58 Casual canvas shoe
63 Many a stop among Gulliver's travels

DOWN
1 1099-__ (S&L issuance)
2 Pacific Northwest sport fish
3 Field with climbing
4 Dollar stores
5 Not a blowout
6 What to call your monitor
7 __.com (website plugging lines)
8 Greatest
9 First or second
10 Augustus collected them
11 Aegean peninsula
12 Salutes, say
13 Bird that eats oranges (!)
14 Did some food processor chopping
21 Candlelit performance
23 Surged successfully
24 Burly breed
25 Substitute for daylight
27 Flix sister network
28 Seek to win
33 Word from the Greek for "sowing"
35 City near Cooperstown
37 Stevenson's "gift which cannot be worn out in using"
38 Many '40s premieres
39 Nickname of Spotify's most-streamed female artist of the 2010s
40 Some Ts
42 What Rihanna has worn in videos
44 Stinker
45 Slow down
46 They've got a lot on their plate
47 Author of the *GWTW* sequel
52 Earth, in much sci-fi
54 *Skandinavisk* hub
56 Zip it (up)
59 Transfix
60 Direction taken by craftspeople
61 Blowouts, for instance
62 Ending like -ian

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