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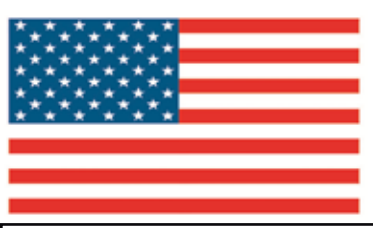
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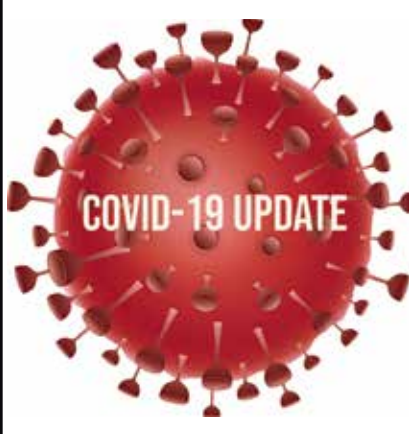
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Trinity Baptist Church breaks ground on Transportation Center



By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor

New things are taking shape at Trinity Baptist Church. A few members of the congregation gathered together at a groundbreaking ceremony as Pastor Scott Kirland spoke a few words and marked the beginning of the construction for the new transportation center. The ceremony took place on Sunday, Nov. 29.

“We (Trinity Baptist Church) are excited to break ground on our new transportation center,” Pastor Kirland said.

The Trinity Baptist Church new Transportation Center will be nearly 6,000 square feet and serve as the office for the church’s bus and van ministry. There will also be space for several of the church buses and trailers. In addition to new space, it will also provide RV hookups for church guests, extra storage and be equipped with restrooms for ministry workers.

“This new building will be a pull-through building and will be situated to fill the vacant lot on the corner of Birdwell Lane

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Courtesy photo
Trinity Baptist Church recently held a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Transportation Center, which will be located across from the sanctuary.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center has reported:

- 55 Covid-19 positive patients
- 4 in ICU & 2 vents

Hospital capacity is full for Covid-19 patients and 75% full for regular in-patients

SMMG & SMMC Testing through 12/8:

- 2,142 tests
- 565 positives for 26.6% positivity rate

For the month of December, 206 patients have tested of which 55 were positive for a rate of 28.9% positivity. 16 tests are pending.

Howard County has reported:

- 2,288 positive cases
- 44 Covid-19 fatalities
- 1,541 recoveries
- 703 active cases

*SMMC provided numbers for in-house patients/ SMMG testing since the onset of Covid-19; info obtained from Texas Health Department website

BSISD Fashion Design students design Tree Dresses

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
 Managing Editor



Inspiration can come in many forms and for the Big Spring Fashion Design students, it came in the form of a Christmas Tree dress, for the third year in a row. Once again, Fashion Design students were tasked with turning their creative ideas into a reality for all to see - well, all of Big Spring and Steer Nation to see.

Fashion Design students have been tackling this project since previous Fashion Design instructor Terrye Smith put it on the table. The idea originated from the CTE Department’s Administrator Vonnie Addison – also a former Fashion Design Teacher – and Smith presented it to her class and the project has grown from there.

“Vonnie loved the idea and Terrye made it happen. I believe I had a little different interpretation of the project though. I went off the information I was given and developed my own process to fit my current students,” Fashion Design Instructor at BSISD Stephany Poffenberger, said. “Before I ever accepted this position I had heard about this project, and I was excited to

Courtesy photos
The BSISD Fashion Design students created unique, one of a kind Christmas tree dresses which were featured in the school cafeteria. The winning tree was also featured on the parade float.

keep the tradition alive.”

While families across Howard County are stringing Christmas lights and setting up their Christmas Trees, the BSISD Fashion Design students were hard at work tearing about Christmas Trees to bring their visions to life. Each student team was provided a dress form, chicken wire, zip ties, tools, discarded artificial Christmas trees and decorations, along with materials for the dress bodice.

“I provided the materials and the basis of the project, but it was up to the

students to bring the creativity, the patience and bring it to life,” Poffenberger said. “This process is a two part process: destruction, which allowed them to get the tree into a workable form, and construction, which allowed the students to bring the idea to fruition.”

The first part is the most time consuming and physically demanding, tearing up the Christmas trees. Older trees that have the labeled individual branches that are detachable are very easy for

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Upcoming Events
BSISD School Board Meeting Today
 5:15 p.m.
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Scenic Mountain Medical Group welcomes new General Surgeon Steve Cox, MD to the team



HERALD File Photo
Pictured above is SMMG’s newest General Surgeon Dr. Steve Cox, MD

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center is pleased to welcome general surgeon, Dr. Steve Cox, MD, to the Steward family. Dr. Cox brings more than 35 years of surgical experience and strong patient rapport to the Big Spring community.

ward to helping residents of Howard County through all their surgical needs and serving as a resource for them and their loved ones.”

Dr. Cox has special surgical training and experience for a variety of conditions including breast disease, thyroid or parathyroid, and skin cancers. His patients will also have access to minimally invasive techniques for general abdominal disorders including gallbladder, appendix, groin hernia, and upper and lower endoscopy.

“Dr. Cox will expand access to surgical services in Big Spring and the surrounding areas so our residents can stay local for their general surgery needs” said Stacey Brown, President of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. We are very excited to have him join our Scenic Mountain Medical Center team.”

Dr. Cox is board certified

by the American Board of Surgery and completed his residency in General Surgery at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso, Texas. He earned his medical degree at Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas. Dr. Cox is accepting patients.

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Obituaries

Concepcion Rodriguez

Concepcion Rodriguez, 90, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be Thursday, Dec. 10, 2020 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home, with a Vigil service at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be Friday, Dec. 11, 2020 at 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

Concepcion was born on June 1, 1930 in Lockhart to Ofeala Rangel Rodriguez and Cruz Rodriguez, Sr. He married Carlota Gutierrez on June 8, 1949 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on April 26, 2006. He was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church. He was a retired welder.

He loved baseball and played ball when he was younger.

He is survived by his four daughters: Manuela Her-

Vicente "Chente" Alvarado

Vicente "Chente" Alvarado, 64, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 11, 2020 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 1:00 PM on Saturday, Dec. 12, 2020 at Family Faith Center.

Chente was born on April 5, 1956, in Santo Domingo, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

He is survived by his three sons: Martin Alvarado, Vincent Alvarado, Martin Alvara-

do II and wife Casey Smith; four daughters: Francisca Alvarado, Domitila Alvarado and husband Ismael Romero Enriquez, Emelda Rios, and Madiesol Alvarado; seven brothers: Julian Alvarado, Jose Alvarado, Grauiel Alvarado, Jerardo Alvarado, Rogelio Alvarado, Francisco Alvarado, and Sixto Alvarado; two sisters: Juana Alvarado and Maria de Jesus Alvarado; 38 grandchildren; and 11 great grandkids.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Felipe and Felipa Alvarado; and his grandmother: Juana Murillo.

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Maria (Lulu) Recio

Maria (Lulu) Recio, 80, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a Vigil service at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020. Funeral service will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home at 10 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Maria Olga (DeLeon) Garcia Greene

Maria Olga (DeLeon) Garcia Greene, 79, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a Rosary at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020. Funeral service will be at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2020. Burial will be at the Coahoma Cemetery.

Joyce Allen

Joyce Allen, 83, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Rick Arguello

Rick Arguello, 62, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police, Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MARCUS SCOTT BURNS**, 26, of 2609 Clanton Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **TANYA JEAN JENKINS**, 32, of 207 Washington Boulevard, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the area of the Law Enforcement Center.
- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 2100 block of FM 818.
- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 800 block of E. 3rd Street.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Monticello Street.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Monticello Street.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this report.

- **MARCUS SCOTT BURNS**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CECIL ANTHONY CARSON**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on charges of expired driver license, bail jumping and failure to appear, speeding, displayed expired registration, violate promise to appear (x2), assault peace officer/judge, resist arrest search or transport, and public intoxication.
- **MICHAEL RAY HEFFINGTON**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on charges of deadly conduct (x3).
- **TANYA JEAN JENKINS**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ZACHARY CAMERON VELA**, 17, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family violence.

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of Highway 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of Borden Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.


• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Douglas. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Runnels. No transport was required.


• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Creighton Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **OUTSIDE RUBBISH FIRE** was reported in the 500 block of Westover. The fire was contained.

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this project. "If you have a tree that is detachable, all you have to do is remove the lights and set the individual branches aside. You can discard the core or center pole and base you don't need them anymore. If you have a new tree that just folds up, you need to get ready for some work."

Students had a little under one week to create a unique design, with approximately 50 minutes a day to work on the finished product. There were six teams made up of 13 to 24 members who had been divided up by class periods, with all students ranging from Freshmen to Seniors. Before students could actually start putting the tree together, each and every branch had to be taken apart to allow the form to be built. Students were allowed to let the creativity flow. According to Poffenberger, the only rules were: no hot glue allowed on the forms of the tree and decorating was to be done with the materials provided. Students were given a model to follow for example, but in the end each design was created by the Fashion Design students.

"They students had free range of anything in my room and craft closet. My only rule was to work together and have fun," she said. "I didn't want to hinder their creativity by giving them too many guidelines. I wanted them to just be creative."

Once the foundation has been laid and the trees were in pieces, students were ready to put them back together. Full body dress forms were used for the project, along with approximately six feet of chicken wire and zip ties to hold it all together.

"This part takes a little work, you really need to try to make a bell shape or a flare that represents the shape of a christmas tree, smaller on the top and wider on the bottom. Once you have the shape and desired length on the dress form you can start attaching the individual branches. It helps to separate all the branches by length," she said.

Constructing the tree is merely based on preference. There were those students who opted for a longer dress and others for a shorter style, but in the end each was beautifully unique and were created as such merely by the positioning of the branches. After going all around the bottom of the form with the longest branches, you move to the next length. It helps if you position these higher and in the center of the previously set branches to help the tree fill in and look fuller, according to Poffenberger.

Once the Christmas Tree designs were complete, the students had their creations placed on display in the High School cafeteria to be judged by the student body, staff and administration at BSISD. In addition, Poffenberger photographed each design and submitted them to Facebook for members of Family Consumer Science Educators to help judge.

"There are over 17 thousand members in this group. I asked them to leave a "like" on the dress they thought was the best as far as design and execution. I also posted the same pictures on the local CTE Facebook page for Big Spring ISD," Poffenberger said.

Once voting had closed, she tallied up the votes and the winning dress - created by 8th Period - was featured on the CTE Christmas Parade Float and students earned bragging rights.

"All the students exceeded my expectations and I could not be more proud of them all. The projected lesson from this project was for the students to design apparel products using principles of effective design by working collaboratively with their classmates, utilizing only what they had on hand," she said. "I have been in education for 17 years. One common trend I have noticed with my students over the years is they have lost their creativity and some of their imagination. In the beginning of the year my students wanted me to tell them what to do step by step, they needed very specific instructions or they would get anxious about the projects and just shut down and sometimes not finish. It has taken me some time to get them to just create."

She continued, "Ultimately, my goal for my students is for them to be able to have the confidence that they can do anything they set their minds to. My overall goal is for them to become resourceful and have confidence that if they have a problem they have all the tools they need to find a solution in any situation."

While Poffenberger has had her fair share of teaching experiences in public education and understands the importance of not only unlocking student's creativity, but encouraging them to utilize it.

"So much can be learned from classes that are on the Career and Technical Education spectrum. It is difficult for people to understand how much we actually incorporate from core classes in our projects and lessons," she said.

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and 16th Street," Pastor Kirkland said.

The church purchased the now vacant lot once Birdwell Lane Baptist Church ceased operation. The new location, being directly across from the main building of Trinity Baptist Church, will provide an easy access for the drivers to enter and exit the new building once it's constructed.

"The construction, after speaking with those who live directly adjacent to the property, is an exciting thing for us and those in the neighborhood," he said. "Those who spoke with are thrilled to have new construction to fill the vacancy that is currently there."

According to Pastor Kirkland, a church member will be overseeing the construction of the building and is working to get the building up as quickly and efficiently as possible. At this time, no firm completion date has been set.

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While to some this project may be a way to allow students to have fun, but the beauty in the lesson is there are so many lessons wrapped into one project. Students had to implement math, creativity, English Language Arts, History and almost every other subject, as each piece of the project unfolded.

"We are learning so much more than just fashion. One of the most rewarding aspects of this job is when you have a kid that comes to your class deflated and down because they struggle academically to finally find success with their hands. Just to see them light up and hold their shoulders a little higher is truly the best part of this job," she said. "Some of the most brilliant minds are told they are not intelligent because they don't do well in some academic areas, when in reality they are superior in so many ways. I just want them to see that there are different types of "smart". I hope every student I have finds joy in creating and confidence in themselves to do anything they want in life."

Poffenberger's class motto is, "Want more, be more"... and she reminds herself daily that her job is to help students figure out how to do that!

"This has been a difficult year in education for many reasons, times are definitely challenging, but this has been my favorite of all years of teaching," Poffenberger said. "I love this job. I am having so much fun and I adore these kiddos. I ask myself everyday how I got so lucky. I feel blessed to have been given the opportunity to be part of such an amazing, supportive team and I am proud to be a Big Spring Steer! Amazing things are happening here ya'll!"

Shirley White, 87, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Josefa Salgado, 88, died Thursday. Services will be Saturday, December 19, 2020.

Sylvia Polanco, 77, died Friday. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive

Lenora Mancha, died Saturday. Services will be Saturday, December 19, 2020.

Marvin Patterson, 95, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Billy Jack Darden, 83, died Sunday. The family will receive friends Thursday from Noon until 2:00 PM at the First Baptist Church in Coahoma followed by his funeral service at 2:00 PM at First Baptist Church of Coahoma with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Concepcion Rodriquez, 90, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Thursday with a vigil at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith

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Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Vicente Alvarado, 64, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 1:00 PM Saturday at Family Faith Center.

Maria Recio, 90, died Sunday. Vigil services will be at 7:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

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5. All entries must be received by the Big Spring Herald by 5 pm on Monday, December 14, 2020. Winners will be published in the Sunday, December 20, 2020 edition.
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Lady Steers back on track with 60-35 win on the road over Fort Stockton



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Head Coach Eric Tuttle goes over a play with his team during a timeout earlier this season.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

The Big Spring Lady Steers (5-5) took a trip west on Tuesday night to take on the Fort Stockton Lady

Panthers (2-7) for a non-district game in the first of two meetings between the teams this season.

Big Spring was able to head home with a 60-35 victory after they played lockdown defense and produced consistently on the offensive end. Starting point guard Tristan Smith was all over the court and led the Lady Steers with 26 points.

Smith was able to knockdown three shots from beyond the arc in the game while also finding a way to consistently get to the free throw line. She also found a way to work the ball around to her open teammates and finished the game after dishing out six assists. Meanwhile, forward Ryen Terrazas recorded her sixth double-double of the season by posting a 12 point-12 rebound game.

"If their playing good, everyone is going to be playing good," Head Coach Eric Tuttle said.

What is the biggest difference for the Lady Steers on the court this year? Outside of Tuttle bringing a

resurgence in energy to the team and program as the new head coach, the size that the Lady Steers have this season is night-and-day when compared to last season.

"We have three or four really good, solid posts that we can rotate in and they all do good things," Tuttle said. "They all do things a little bit differently so that's good as well."

Tuttle has the ultimate confidence in the players on his team and trusts anyone of them to knockdown a shot when it is needed. The Lady Steers have been a battle-tested group so far and that will help them later this season when they head into the district schedule.

UP NEXT: The Lady Steers will once again hit the road for their next game on Friday night. They will travel to Midland Lee to take on the the 6A Lady Rebels (1-3).

Shawn Moran is the sportswriter at the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Showtime Steers win streak snapped at five with loss to Odessa

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

The Big Spring Steers (5-2) winning streak was snapped at five games following Tuesday night's 78-56 road loss to 6A Odessa High (4-1).

Chris Martinez led the Showtime Steers with 19 points while backcourt-mate Gavin Greathouse pitched in 16 points of his own. On the other hand, Odessa's L.J. Willis led the entire game in scoring with 27 points while Bronchos Coco Rose (19) and Christian Tijerina (16) put together double-digit scoring performances as well.

"We have to continue focusing on the little things," Head Coach Kris Hise said. "Our offense will come and we will start putting the ball in the net. But fundamentally we have got to be able to execute both offensively and defensively. We have got to know rotations and continue playing good high-level defense. Last thing on defense is we have got to be able to keep guards in front of us and not allow straight line drives that put our defense in a bind. Lastly, we have to continue to rebound at a high level on both ends."

If the Showtime Steers can begin to execute each of those points better, they shouldn't have no problem winning their next game and beginning a brand new winning streak. Team captain Kyler Seymore remains out with a knee injury



HERALD Photo/Shawn Moran

Kyler Seymore (33) goes up for a shot against Andrews earlier this season. He has not played since that game.

Showtime Steers can move forward with some positive momentum.

UP NEXT: Big Spring (5-2) will play host to the Hereford Whitefaces (6-2) on Friday night inside Steer Gym at 7:00 p.m.

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Cowboys take NFC's worst record into final quarter of season

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

The Dallas Cowboys have the worst record in the NFC going into the final quarter of the season, and they aren't eliminated from the playoffs only because they play in the NFL's worst division.

Even the NFC East is getting better as the Cowboys (3-9) continue to flounder, with one victory in the past seven games of coach Mike McCarthy's Dallas debut, and the excuses of the pandemic are wearing thin as the blowouts mount.

Victories on the road by the Giants and Washington strong contenders (New York beat Seattle, and Washington topped previously unbeaten Pittsburgh) leave little doubt the Cowboys can quit pretending there's hope of returning to the playoffs a year after missing the postseason cost coach Jason Garrett his job.

After COVID-19 issues caused a five-day delay before the 34-17 loss to Baltimore on Tuesday night, the Cowboys face their second short week of the season going into a visit to Cincinnati (2-9-1) on Sunday.

"I don't talk about it," McCarthy said of the division race. "I think it's known. Frankly, we need to play better. The fourth quarter of the season is upon us and our goal is to finish strong. That definitely starts with a win in Cincinnati."

Since a surprising win at Minnesota that had a chance to save the season, the Cowboys have been run over — literally — in the fourth quarter of losses to Washington and the Ravens, who almost hung the second 300-yard rushing game of the season on the Dallas defense.

Yes, the pandemic hurt implementation of a new defensive scheme with McCarthy bringing in defensive coordinator Mike Nolan. Sure, injuries have played a big role, most notably quarterback Dak Prescott's season-ending ankle injury and a dizzying amount of changes in the offensive line.

Even with all of that, the last thing owner Jerry Jones expected was a top-five draft pick five years after a similarly lost season led to the No. 4 choice and two-time rushing champion Ezekiel Elliott, who is having his worst year as a pro.

Dallas is guaranteed to have a losing record in McCarthy's first season after finishing below .500 just once in Garrett's nine full seasons.

"It's frustrating to be in the position that we're in," quarterback Andy Dalton said. "To have opportunities in some of these games and just not be able to get it done. All we can do is put our head down and work and try to make the most of these last four

games on the schedule."

WHAT'S WORKING

The offense is getting better with Dalton settling in after starting twice coming off Prescott's broken ankle, missing two games, and now making three straight starts. The Cowboys had 388 yards, their most since the injury, but had trouble getting inside the 20. Three of those drives ended in missed field goals.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

The run defense had regressed to the embarrassing form of early in the season after showing progress. Even the loss to Washington on Thanksgiving looked better before an ill-advised fake punt led to a rough fourth quarter punctuated by two long TD runs.

The loss to the Ravens looked more like a defense that allowed at least 200 yards rushing in three out of four games the first half of the season. Dallas is giving up 168 yards rushing per game, second in franchise history to the inaugural — and winless — 1960 team.

STOCK UP

The Baltimore game was perhaps the best overall for the much-hyped receiving trio of Amari Cooper, Michael Gallup and rookie CeeDee Lamb. Each had at least five catches and played a role in keeping the offense moving. Cooper and Gallup had the two Dallas touchdowns.

STOCK DOWN

There were more questionable moments for the coaching staff, highlighted by McCarthy failing to call a timeout with the play clock approaching zero before a 35-yard field goal attempt. Greg Zuerlein missed from 40,

then was wide twice from 50-plus yards when the Cowboys might have been better off going for it on fourth down both times.

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NCAA Football Schedule

THURSDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
Florida Atlantic (5-2)	@ Southern Miss (2-7)	5:30 p.m. (CBSSN)
Pittsburgh (5-5)	@ Georgia Tech (3-6)	6:00 p.m. (ESPN3)

FRIDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
North Texas (3-5)	@ UTEP (3-4)	5:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
Arizona State (0-2)	@ Arizona (0-4)	6:00 p.m. (ESPN)
Utah (1-2)	@ #21 Colorado (4-0)	8:30 p.m. (FS1)
Nevada (6-1)	@ San Jose State (5-0)	9:00 p.m. (CBSSN)

SATURDAY

Away Team	Home Team	Time of Game
#1 Alabama (9-0)	@ Arkansas (3-6)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN)
#9 Georgia (6-2)	@ #25 Missouri (5-3)	11:00 a.m. (SECN)
#11 Oklahoma (7-2)	@ West Virginia (5-4)	11:00 a.m. (ABC)
Illinois (2-4)	@ #14 Northwestern (5-1)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN2)
Rutgers (2-5)	@ Maryland (2-2)	11:00 a.m.
Minnesota (2-3)	@ Nebraska (2-4)	11:00 a.m.
Miami (OH) (2-1)	@ Bowling Green (0-5)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN3)
Northern Illinois (0-5)	@ Eastern Michigan (1-4)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN)
Western Michigan (4-1)	@ Ball State (4-1)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN+)
Houston (3-3)	@ Memphis (6-3)	11:00 a.m. (ESPN+)
Wake Forest (4-3)	@ Louisville (3-7)	11:00 a.m. (ACCN)
UAB (4-3)	@ Rice (2-2)	12:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
Akron (1-4)	@ Buffalo (4-0)	1:30 p.m. (CBSSN)
#13 Coast. Carolina (10-0)	@ Troy (5-5)	2:00 p.m. (ESPN+)
Central Michigan (3-2)	@ Toledo (3-2)	2:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
Navy (3-6)	@ Army (7-2)	2:00 p.m. (CBS)
Incarnate Word (0-0)	@ Arkansas State (4-7)	2:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
#17 North Carolina (7-3)	@ #10 Miami (FL) (8-1)	2:30 p.m. (ABC)
Purdue (2-4)	@ #12 Indiana (6-1)	2:30 p.m. (BTN)
Wisconsin (2-2)	@ #16 Iowa (5-2)	2:30 p.m.
#20 Texas (6-3)	@ Kansas (0-9)	2:30 p.m. (ESPNU)
Michigan State (2-4)	@ Penn State (2-5)	2:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Washington (3-1)	@ Oregon (3-2)	3:00 p.m.
Duke (2-8)	@ Florida State (2-6)	3:00 p.m. (ACCN)
Tennessee (2-6)	@ Vanderbilt (0-8)	3:00 p.m. (SECN)
Boise State (4-1)	@ Wyoming (2-3)	5:00 p.m. (CBSSN)
Appalachian State (7-3)	@ Georgia Southern (7-4)	5:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
LSU (3-5)	@ #6 Florida (8-1)	6:00 p.m. (ESPN)
#22 Oklahoma State (6-3)	@ Baylor (2-6)	6:00 p.m. (ESPNU)
Louisiana Tech (5-3)	@ TCU (5-4)	6:00 p.m. (FS1)
#15 USC (4-0)	@ UCLA (3-2)	6:30 p.m. (ABC)
Auburn (5-4)	@ Mississippi State (2-6)	6:30 p.m. (SECN)
Virginia (5-4)	@ Virginia Tech (4-6)	7:00 p.m. (ACCN)
Utah State (1-5)	@ Colorado State (1-3)	8:30 p.m. (CBSSN)
San Diego State (4-3)	@ #18 BYU (9-1)	9:00 p.m. (ESPN2)
Stanford (2-2)	@ Oregon State (2-3)	9:30 p.m. (ESPNU)
California (1-3)	@ Washington State (1-2)	9:30 p.m.
Fresno State (3-2)	@ New Mexico (1-5)	9:30 p.m. (FS1)
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#10714 December 3 and 10, 2020

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 162781

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Victory Rock Texas, LLC, 215 Rocky Coast Dr, Austin, TX 78738-1778, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 162781, which would authorize modification to a Rock Crushing Facility located at 3.6 miles west of Garden City on Highway 158 to pit entrance on the left, Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas 79739. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on September 21, 2020. The existing facility will emit the following contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or

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The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Glasscock County Courthouse, 117 East Currie, Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 West Interstate 20 Suite 100, Midland, Texas.

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You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. **You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.**

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After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and

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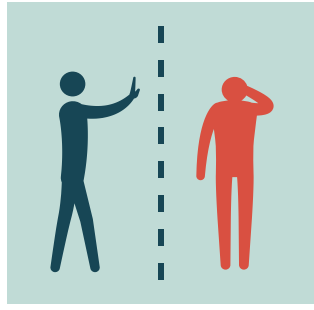
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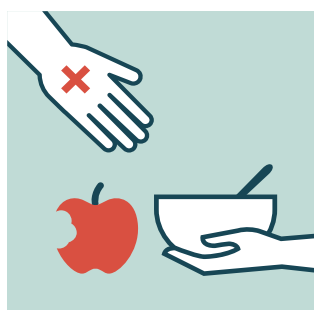
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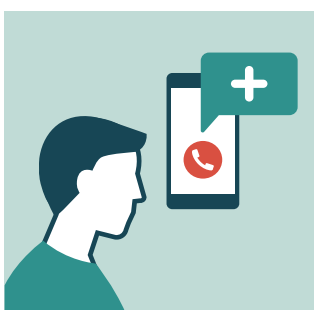
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The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♣ Pass 3NT
Pass 6♣

Opening lead — ace of spades.

cede defeat. You may still be able to nullify East's potential trump trick by executing a trump coup.

For this plan to have any chance of success, you must reduce your trump length so that it is the same as East's. Accordingly, you cash the A-K-Q of diamonds, discarding a heart, and play the jack of diamonds, hoping East will have the decency to ruff. But he discards a heart instead, so, in line with your trump-reduction plan, you ruff the jack of diamonds.

Next you cross to dummy with a heart and fire the queen of spades at East, again hoping he will ruff, but once more he discards a heart. So you ruff the queen of spades and return to dummy with your last heart.

At this point, 11 tricks have been played, and you need to win the last two. Dummy's two remaining cards are the J-4 of hearts, while East has the J-9 of clubs and you have the Q-10. When you lead a heart from dummy, East's apparent trump trick is obliterated, and the slam is home.

Observe that if you try to make the contract without ruffing two of dummy's high-card winners, you will eventually go down against proper defense. The trump reduction process is absolutely essential.

Assume you're in six clubs, and West leads the A-x of spades, which you win with the king. There seems to be little to the play, but when you cash the A-K of trump, West shows out, and you must now reconsider your position, since East apparently has a sure trump trick coming.

However, you've been to the wars before and are not quite ready to con-

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Don't waste your time doing what someone else can (and is perfectly willing to) do for you. Once you realize where your efforts and minutes can make a difference, you won't want to be anywhere else.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your unpredictability comes naturally today. Did you know that some people work to conjure this? Because being hard to anticipate keeps the competition off-balance, it's an effective strategy for business, sports or love.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Other times, it was easy to fit your talent to what the group needed and wanted. Now, not so much, perhaps because the group doesn't know what it needs and wants. You'll have to poke around some to find it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). No one falls in love with a game that they can win on the first go-around. Pursuing anything valuable means being willing to fail. The more possible it is to fail, the more exciting the pursuit.

Cosmic Release from Friend Zone

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you were a comedian today, then you'd be the kind that chides the audience with, "Is that all you got?" Actually, it's quite effective. People sometimes need to be startled and led to appropriate reactions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People need people. Therefore, peer pressure is a very real and powerful natural force that, unfortunately, people never really grow out of. The theme comes up, and, depending on the situation, it may just be easier to succumb.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Lessons can be read, and that's an introduction. But for the education to really take place, a lesson must be lived. People are changed not by information but by doing.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). When you look back at paths not taken, you only see how they worked out for other people. There's no way of knowing what kind of fit they would have been for you. Therefore, the exercise is useless. Keep going forward.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A fact that just sits there being knowledge is not intelligence. Intelligence animates. It applies. It is better to revel in the intelligence of trees than to succumb to the coma of dead dogma.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When someone pays excellent attention to your expressions, preferences and needs, it may actually make you uncomfortable, as you're not used to be so well-attended. Soak it in anyway.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). For the most part, you'll love what develops organically and be nonplussed by what is manufactured or manipulated into being. You admire the effort, but the real deal is so much more impressive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You have a fan club of sorts. You came by it honestly, by showing up consistently where you were needed and wanted and honoring their requests. Now, you'll take pleasure in the appreciation generously bestowed on you.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 10). The resources you felt were inaccessible to you before will become available in 2021. Clubs and alliances will figure into the action. It will feel meaningful to be a part of something bigger. You'll pass the tests of gatekeepers. Invigorating challenges await on the inside. Your work

opens doors. Scorpio and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 49, 3, 31, 26 and 9.

COSMIC QUESTION: "I have been unlucky in love for years. I've had three long-term relationships that have not worked out. My partners' signs were Libra, Pisces and Pisces. Will I ever meet lasting love? My birthday is Aug. 10, 1948."

Three long-term relationships make you (SET ITAL)lucky(END ITAL) in love, not unlucky! Choose to see the benefits of having learned about romance from so many different angles. Sure, there were unfulfilled promises, disappointments and heartache. That's par for the course. As the old song goes, "Only love can break your heart, and only love can mend it again." Many people are not lucky enough to find three different individuals they love enough to be with for extended portions of life. So, stop seeing yourself as cupid's wounded looser, and start seeing yourself as love's experienced jackpot winner who is ready for more satisfying connections. Your Libra moon and Venus in Libra help you find favorable partners whenever you are ready. You'll never have to worry about meeting someone special. Start concentrating your efforts on being someone special, someone you would admire and love if given the opportunity.

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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!

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!

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

ANSWER:

Annie's Mailbox

Dreading Birthdays

Dear Annie: I am approaching my 72nd birthday. I am an only child. My dad died in 1995. My mother was nearly 97 when she died in 2004.

Ever since my mom died, I have become very despondent as my birthday approached.

The day of my birthday could not go by quickly enough.

My wife and my two adult sons walk on eggshells on my birthday. They want to celebrate the day with me, and I want no part of it. I tell them that I would be glad to celebrate the occasion but not until after the actual date has gone by. I was hoping as the years

passed since my mom passed away that time would heal. Unfortunately, it has not. Any suggestions? -- Dreading the Day

Dear Dreading: I hope you don't mind my saying this, but happy birthday. If you want to celebrate your birthday on a different date, then, by all means, go for it. There's no harm in doing so. In fact, I think it's a smart compromise: It gives your wife and kids a chance to celebrate you, without causing you undue anxiety.

I'd also encourage you to consider seeing a counselor who specializes in grief. Losing a parent is life-altering no matter how or when it happens. The loss of

the last parent, in particular, saddles us with not just the devastation of grief but also the disturbing fact of our own mortality. It sounds as though the death of your mom stirred up some feelings in you that never settled. A therapist could help you work through them.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Put Out," who was dismayed that her son had invited her ex-husband to live in the apartment that they share: If Brad still does not budge on getting his father (and "Put Out's" ex-husband) to leave the house they share after all the other avenues you mentioned are exhausted, then I say "fight fire with fire" and invite Brad's ex-wife to move in with you. Even

the mention of this to Brad could probably get the desired effects that "Put Out" is hoping for! -- Give It a Try

Dear Give It a Try: I think that would get the job done, too.

Dear Annie: Today, I'm thinking of my parents' anniversary date, April 3, 1937. What a happy day that must have been for them. I look back and wonder what their plans and dreams were. My mom was just 22, and my dad was 26. The record said that he was a farmer and my mom was "at home."

They are now gone. All of their brothers and sisters are gone. All of their children are gone, too, except for me.

After I go, there will be no one left to remember, and April 3 will be just another day. It reminds me of an old empty house you see on a country road; once filled with happiness and laughter, hopes and dreams, but now waiting for the bulldozer.

Perhaps heaven is a place where we get to relive our happiest moments. How can such powerful memories just evaporate with time? -- Nearing the End

Dear Nearing: I wish I had an answer befitting such a big question. All I can offer are a few meager words. Your loved ones existed and they mattered, and nothing can ever take away those simple facts. Though

they might be gone from this earth, the love they gave is still very much here.

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

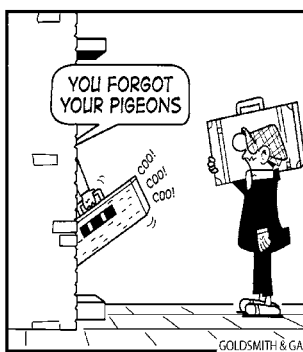
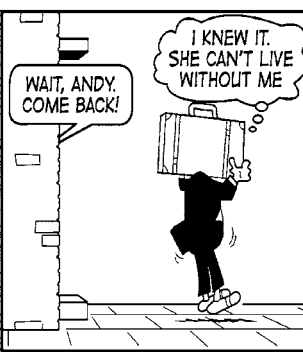
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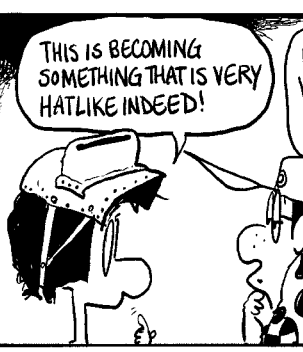
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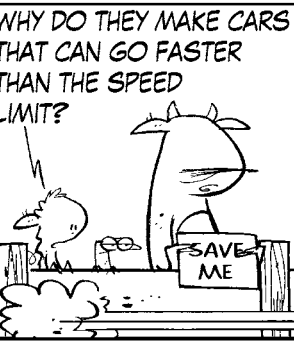
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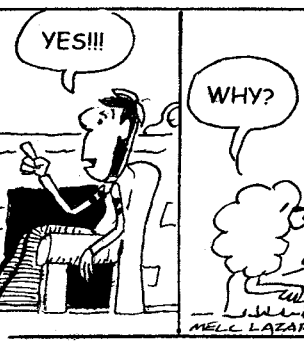
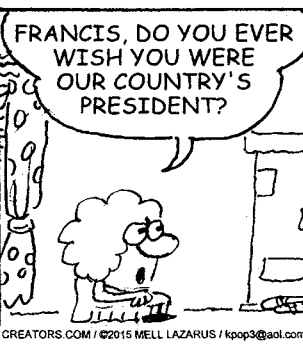
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This Date In History

Today in History
Today is Thursday, Dec. 10, the 345th day of 2020. There are 21 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 10, 1964, Martin Luther King Jr. received his Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, saying he accepted it "with an abiding faith in America and an audacious faith in the future of mankind."
On this date:
In 1861, the Confederacy admitted Kentucky as it recognized a pro-Southern shadow state government that was acting without the authority of the pro-Union government in Frankfort.
In 1869, women were granted the right to vote in the Wyoming Territory.
In 1898, a treaty was signed in Paris officially ending the Spanish-American War.
In 1946, newspaperman Damon Runyon, known for his short stories featuring colorful Broadway denizens, died at a New York hospital at age 66.
In 1950, Ralph J. Bunche was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, the first Black American to receive the award.
In 1967, singer Otis Redding, 26, and six others were killed when their plane crashed into Wisconsin's Lake Monona; trumpeter Ben Cauley, a member of the group the Bar-Kays, was the only survivor.
In 1987, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev concluded three days of summit talks in Washington. Violinist Jascha Heifetz died in Los Angeles at age 86.
In 1994, Yasser Arafat, Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin received the Nobel Peace Prize, pledging to pursue their mission of healing the anguished Middle East.
In 1996, South African President Nelson Mandela signed the country's new constitution into law during a ceremony in Sharpeville.
In 2007, suspended NFL star Michael Vick was sentenced by a federal judge in Richmond, Virginia, to 23 months in prison for bankrolling a dogfighting operation and killing dogs that underperformed (Vick served 19 months at Leavenworth). Former Vice President Al Gore accepted the Nobel Peace Prize with a call for humanity to rise up against a looming climate crisis and stop waging war on the environment.
In 2009, President Barack Obama accepted the Nobel Peace Prize with a humble acknowledgment of his scant

accomplishments and a robust defense of the U.S. at war. James Cameron's 3-D film epic "Avatar" had its world premiere in London.
In 2013, South Africa held a memorial service for Nelson Mandela, during which U.S. President Barack Obama energized tens of thousands of spectators and nearly 100 visiting heads of state with a plea for the world to emulate "the last great liberator of the 20th century." (The ceremony was marred by the presence of a sign-language interpreter who deaf advocates said was an impostor waving his arms around meaninglessly.) General Motors named product chief Mary Barra its new CEO, making her the first woman to run a U.S. car company.
Ten years ago: The Norwegian Nobel Committee honored Chinese literary critic Liu Xiaobo (lee-OO' show-BOH'), imprisoned for urging political reform, by presenting his \$1.4 million Nobel Peace Prize diploma and medal to an empty chair. A federal jury in Salt Lake City convicted street preacher Brian David Mitchell of kidnapping and raping Elizabeth Smart. (Mitchell was later sentenced to life in prison.)
Five years ago: The Senate Judiciary Committee rebuked Donald Trump by endorsing a nonbinding amendment, 16-4, that said barring individuals from entering the United States based on religion would be un-American (the Republican presidential front-runner had called for blocking Muslims from entering the country in the aftermath of attacks in the United States and abroad.)
One year ago: House Democrats announced two articles of impeachment against President Donald Trump, declaring that he "betrayed the nation" with his actions toward Ukraine and an obstruction of Congress' investigation; Trump responded with a tweet of "WITCH HUNT!" At an evening rally in Pennsylvania, Trump mocked the impeachment effort and predicted it would lead to his reelection in 2020. House Democrats and the White House announced agreement on a modified North American trade pact to replace the North American Free Trade Agreement. A man and a woman burst into a co-

sher market in Jersey City, N.J., with assault weapons, killing three people in the store after earlier killing a police officer at a nearby cemetery; they then died in an hours-long exchange of gunfire with police. (Authorities said the pair acted out of hatred for Jews and law enforcement.) A Pennsylvania appeals court rejected Bill Cosby's bid to overturn his sexual assault conviction.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Tommy Kirk is 79. Actor Fionnula Flanagan is 79. Pop singer Chad Stuart (Chad and Jeremy) is 79. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ralph Tavares is 79. Actor-singer Gloria Loring is 74. Pop-funk musician Walter "Clyde" Orange (The Commodores) is 74. Country singer Johnny Rodriguez is 69. Actor Susan Dey is 68. Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojev-

ich is 64. Jazz musician Paul Hardcastle is 63. Actor John York (TV: "General Hospital") is 62. Actor-director Kenneth Branagh (BRAH'-nah) is 60. Actor Nia Peeples is 59. TV chef Bobby Flay is 56. Rock singer-musician J Mascis is 55. Rock musician Scot Alexander (Dishwalla) is 49. Actor-comedian Arden Myrin is 47. Rock musician Meg White (The White Stripes) is 46. Ac-

tor Emmanuelle Chriqui is 45. Rapper Kuniva (D12) is 45. Actor Gavin Houston is 43. Actor Alano Miller is 41. Violinist Sarah Chang is 40. Actor Patrick John Flueger is 37. Country singer Meghan Linsey is 35. Actor Raven-Symone is 35. Actor/singer Teyana Taylor is 30. Actor Kiki Layne is 29.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
1 "Listen!" in a Christmas carol
5 Conks on the head
9 Nebraska's largest city
14 Pizzeria appliance
15 Concerning, in memos
16 Ignore distractions
17 Trip in a car or bus
18 Designer Christian
19 Golf course's 18
20 Jeopardy! betting situation
23 Admiral's org.
24 Being aligned lengthwise
25 Antiquated
27 No longer damp
28 Unoriginal person
32 Taste or hearing
36 Have a gabfest
37 The Dalai ___
38 Where to read about small-town events
42 Prefix meaning "opposed to"
43 Three letters in "nanny"
44 Motionless
45 Where Albany is capital: Abbr.
47 Devoured
49 Take a chair
50 Sewing work
55 Sound of disapproval
58 Apartment renter's obligation
60 Suspect's story
62 Add ice cubes to
63 Overly highbrow

- 64 Unpromising, as a situation
65 "You can count ___"
66 Have the opinion of
67 Golfer's club movement
68 Fortune-teller
69 Grow weary
DOWN
1 Unruly crowd
2 Pertaining to birds
3 Decorated anew
4 Prepared to propose
5 Auction participant
6 Tasting like scallions
7 ___ as a peacock (vain)
8 Certain Eastern European
9 Useful
10 Bovine sound
11 Rights advocacy grp.
12 Color variations
13 Special interest org.
21 Swiss Alps song
22 Appears (to be)
26 Bob who wrote "Blowin' in the Wind"
28 Crow's cry
29 ___ Cod, MA
30 The "A" in USA: Abbr.
31 Sour-tasting
32 Graceful water bird
33 Start of a counting rhyme
34 Tennis court dividers
35 Variety show sketches
36 "Permission granted"

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- 39 "The best is ___ come"
40 U-turn from SSW
41 Devoutness
46 Pointing at a target
47 In for the evening
48 Ground-cultivating machine
50 Pebble or boulder
51 Artistic skill
52 "Ready or not, ___ come!"
53 Go inside
54 Fashion flair
55 Shades of brown
56 Not very speedy
57 Fuzzy brown fruit
59 Cpls. and sgts.
61 Recycling container

Answer to previous puzzle

DEB	TUGS	SODA
LEVEE	OGRE	EPIC
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BIRTHDAY	CANDLES	
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DAM	RIBS	EWES
IWON	LOAF	DIXIE
VANILLA	FROSTING	
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Brown's 18 points lead No. 13 Texas over Texas State 74-53

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — For Texas freshman Greg Brown, every minute on the court, every shot and defensive matchup is a chance to grow into the player one of the program's biggest recruits in years is expected to be.

The No. 13 Longhorns hope he took a big step in that direction Wednesday night with 18 points behind some late-game sharpshooting in a 74-53 win over Texas State, their final tune-up before starting Big 12 play on the road at No. 2 Baylor.

"It's been kind of a struggle for me on the offensive end," Brown said after shooting 7 of 14 against the Bobcats. "I'm just learning how to play with pace and play off my teammates. In high school, I was a one-man show. I've got other good players on my team and I've got to use them."

Many project Brown as the latest of several one-and-done Longhorns players in recent years. He has plenty of experience to lean on in a senior-laden lineup while he's still here.

"He's a young guy playing with a lot of veteran players," said Texas senior guard Andrew Jones, who chipped in 11 points. "He needs to figure out when to attack and when not to attack."

Texas attacked the basket with attitude early, taking advantage of its length and muscle against the undersized Bobcats. The Longhorns had nine dunks on 12 baskets in the first half, starting with a slam by Jericho Sims for the game's first points.

"We wanted to really set a tone," Jones said. "In

the past we've struggled with mid-major teams. We wanted to make a statement today. It was really part of the game plan, to impose our will."

Texas led 33-20 at halftime and appeared to be cruising before the Bobcats started whittling away at the deficit. Baskets by Isaiah Small twice got the Bobcats within seven before Texas answered each time with 3-pointers by Matt Coleman III and Courtney Ramey.

A baseline dunk from Jones and a 3-pointer from Brown a minute later pushed the Longhorns' lead back to 16. Brown then hit two in a row from long range to push the lead to 68-49 with 2 minutes left.

"He looked like a good shooter on those balls," Texas coach Shaka Smart said before noting Brown's occasional defensive lapses. "Our job is to coach him. He's making progress. Still a long way to go."

Ramey added 11 points for the Longhorns (5-1), who are off to a strong start with their highest ranking in six seasons under Smart, who just last season was facing intense pressure for his job.

Mason Harrell scored 14 points for Texas State (3-2).

BIG PICTURE

Texas State: The Bobcats were overmatched physically but play hard for interim coach Terrence Johnson. Texas State was turned upside down over the summer when former coach Danny Kaspar was suspended and later resigned while under investigation for allegations he directed racist taunts at

Black players.

Texas: The Longhorns are waiting for Sims to assert himself. Smart acknowledged this week the team is pushing the senior for more production after he averaged under 7 points and 7 rebounds over the first five games. He was still in the starting lineup against Texas State and finished with eight points and nine rebounds in 20 minutes.

SURPRISE APPEARANCE

Texas junior forward Kamaka Hepa, who Smart has said wants to redshirt this season, made his first appearance this season. He played four minutes in the first half and made a 3-pointer. He didn't play in the second half.

BATTLE ON THE BOARDS

Despite being undersized, Texas State matched the Longhorns' 13 offensive rebounds, which didn't please Smart heading into what promises to be much tougher play in the Big 12.

"We're going to have play tougher. Guys are going to have to grab the ball better," Smart said. "Our guys did fly around and played with good energy on defense, but we'll have to play better on Sunday for sure."

UP NEXT:

Texas State hosts Our Lady of the Lake on Saturday.

Texas travels to No. 2 Baylor on Sunday for the Big 12 opener.

No. 17 Texas Tech avoids major upset with 51-44 win over ACU

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Kyler Edwards, Mac McClung and No. 17 Texas Tech couldn't get shots to fall in what was supposed to be another early season tune-up.

The Red Raiders settled for free throws, and made plenty of those after struggling at the line early.

Edwards scored 19 points and Texas Tech avoided a major upset in a defensive struggle with a 51-44 victory against Abilene Christian on Wednesday night.

"We basically found a way to win tonight from the free throw line when other areas of the game weren't working for us," coach Chris Beard said.

The Red Raiders (5-1) trailed with seven minutes remaining before Edwards made one of two free throws to get even and Nimari Burnett, who scored 10 points, sank a pair to put Texas Tech up for good at 38-36.

Abilene Christian's reputation for strong defense held up well, with the Red Raiders shooting 28% while having a difficult time getting open looks and missing many of the ones they did get. Texas Tech was 2 of 15 on 3-pointers.

Coryon Mason scored 14 points for the Wildcats (5-1), a Southland Conference team that made the move from Division II less than 10 years ago.

Abilene Christian, which rallied after a 17-2 run by Texas Tech put the Red Raiders up 23-9 in the first half, pulled within 45-42 on a 3-pointer by Reggie Miller with 2:16 to go.

Marcus Santos-Silva made one of two free throws for Texas Tech after a foul at the other end, then the Wildcats committed turnovers on three straight possessions.

"It wasn't our plan to be in a one-

possession game, but we were prepared to be in a one-possession game because we understood what we were getting into," said Beard, who is close friends with ACU coach Joe Golding.

Texas Tech made just four field goals in the second half but held on by going 20 of 25 on free throws after halftime after making just five of 12 from the line in the first half. ACU's Joe Pleasant fouled out, and seven other players had three fouls apiece as the Wildcats were whistled 31 times.

"They believe in being aggressive," Beard said. "They didn't say, 'Hey, we're fouling too much,

let's try another defense.' They kept throwing it right at us. They gave us all we could handle tonight."

COWBOYS

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"Frankly, I thought we were going to snap the ball and kick the field goal," McCarthy said when asked why he didn't call a timeout. "There was obviously a breakdown in our operation."

INJURIES

Rookie cornerback Trevon Diggs (broken foot) is eligible to come off injured reserve, but the short week might mean otherwise. There could be a better chance of cornerback Anthony Brown (ribs) and safety Donovan Wilson (groin) returning after both were ruled out a day before the Baltimore game.

KEY NUMBER

300.5 — The average number of yards rushing the Cowboys have allowed in demoralizing losses to Cleveland and Baltimore. Dallas gave up a franchise-record 307 yards in the 49-38 loss to the Browns and is on track for the worst run defense in the NFL since 2010, when Buffalo allowed 170 yards per game.

NEXT STEPS

Dalton returns to Cincinnati, where he was the starter for nine seasons before the Bengals used the No. 1 overall pick this year on Joe Burrow. Dalton signed a one-year contract with Dallas to be Prescott's backup.

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Meet and Greet

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Your concerns are my concerns.

Special Guest:

Brian Klinksiek

Road and Bridges Engineer

DECEMBER 10th

6 o'clock in the Evening

Prairie View Baptist

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Big Spring, Texas

