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## Joint agency efforts result in arrest for child pornography charges

*Editor's Note: The below is a press release from the Howard County Sheriff's Office.*

**Special to the Herald**

In November 2018 the Howard County Sheriff's Office received information from the National Centers for Missing and Exploited Children in regards to 3 child pornographic photographs coming back to an IP Address in Howard County. After further investigation a residence was identified as the source of the IP Address. A

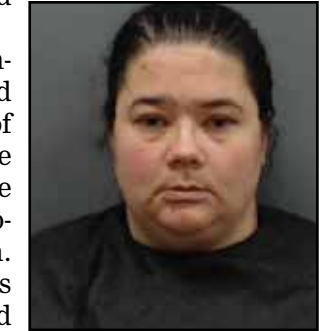
search warrant was executed at a residence in Howard County. Once inside the residence Deputies and HSI Agents obtained information that 3 juvenile lived inside the residence. Several elec-

tronic devices believed to have contained child pornography were located inside the residence. Due to the complexity of the electronic devices Investigators with Homeland Security assisted in obtaining information off the devices. During the course of this investigation multiple child pornography images and child pornography videos were found on the devices.

The investigators were able to obtain Federal Arrest Warrants on Christopher Regan 38 year old for Conspiracy to Produce Child Pornography and Producing Child Pornography and Tanya Regan 35 year old for Conspiracy to Produce Child Pornography and Possession of Pre-Pubescent Child Pornography. The Juveniles involved were turned over to the Custody of CPS and at a later time all parental rights were removed from Christopher and Tanya Regan. "These heinous crimes were conducted by sexual predators



**Christopher Regan**



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## AutoPulse added to Big Spring Fire Dept. New equipment aiding in cardiac calls, saving lives

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

An extra set of hands can be helpful, especially in the case of an emergency. The Big Spring Fire Department has an extra set of hands on two of their units with the new AutoPulse machine, which assists in CPR for cardiac patients.

"This is another tool for the toolbox to help us provide adequate care for our community," Lt. Albert Cavazos, said.

When the Firefighters and EMS teams arrive on scene, assess the situation and determine the patient is in cardiac arrest, manual CPR will be started until the AutoPulse device can be introduced. Once the device is introduced it only takes a few seconds to apply and get started, according to Cavazos.

"Once the device is implemented it is going to allow our hands to be free which will allow us to put an airway, such as an ET tube, attaching monitors, getting machines and IVs started for medications," he said.

In the near future all of the BSFD ambulances will be equipped with an AutoPulse, but for now, the two front line



HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

**The Big Spring Fire Department recently received funds to purchase two new AutoPulse machines, which will help EMTs during cardiac calls. There are currently two ambulances equipped with this new machine and the plan is to have the other two equipped with funds from the next budget.**

units - Northside and Southside - will be equipped with these new machines.

According to Lt. Cavazos, these devices have been around for awhile, and through a collaboration and input of people who have used these in other locations, the purchase was made part of this year's approved budget. Previous knowledge of the devices served as support in getting reaserach conducted on them and allowed for the BSFD to have them for use on their ambulances. The changes to the national standard being raised also supported this purchase. The BSFD still needs to purchase a couple units to have all of the ambulances equipped, but according to Fire Chief Ferguson will have to be a purchase looked at for the upcoming budget.

"This will benefit the entire county, especially in those instances where we are called to a location far out in the county. We typically have a three person crew on those calls,

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## Title V Grants discussed at Howard College Meeting

By **SAVANNAH GEER**  
 Staff Writer

The Howard College Board of Trustees met Feb. 24, at 12:30 p.m. in the Tumbleweed Room of the Student Union Building to discuss new and ongoing items on the agenda.

The board began the meeting in Executive Session to discuss roof litigation through a conference call with an attorney,

Topping the regular meeting agenda was a discussion of a notice of election and drawing for place on the ballot.

Early voting is set to start April 20 and run through April 29, with Election Day set for May 2.

Another topic of discussion on the agenda regarded work on the 2020 Title V Grant Submission.

"We are in the process of submitting for the grant, and it will align with student success and pathways," Dr. Cheryl T. Spark, President Howard College, said.

"Normally the deadline for the grant is in June or July. This year it was February, so this year we had to work quickly to ensure we don't miss out on that opportunity to broaden our resources," Amy Burchett continued, "Resources such as software that is interactive are good tools, and teachers can utilize and track their progress, in their teachings and assessments with these tools"

Another interesting topic was on irrigation and trees around campus. "Some of the pine trees have infection, and some need be trimmed. In the 70s or 80s there, was a major landscaping project for the Big Spring Campus. As a result of that, the trees have matured," Dr.

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## Obituaries

### Cindy Salazar-Gonzalez

Cindy Salazar-Gonzalez, 45, of Big Spring died Saturday, Feb. 22, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Adolfo G. Moreno

Adolfo G. Moreno, 74, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring died Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Tammy Silen

Tammy Silen, 47, of Big Spring died Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MICHEAL WAYNE ALLEN**, 33, of 3773 Timberglen Rd., Apt 2305, Dallas, Texas was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRAIG PRINCELAMONT PARKS**, 18, of 9302 Olive St., Bellflower, California was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ASHLEY NICOLE YANEZ**,

30, of 1203 Barnes, was arrested on a warrants for expired registration, and three outstanding warrants from another agency.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 300 block of E. 3rd St., and 1600 block of Martin Luther King.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80, and on C 40- CR 7- CR 9, and the 4500 block of S. Hwy 87, and 1000 N. Lamesa Hwy, and on CR 40-CR 7- CR 9
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was

reported in the 3300 block of E. FM 700.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 3300 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton St.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 1300 block E. 11th Place.
- **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 8400 block of S. Service Rd.

## Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 86 inmates at the time of this report.

- **MICHAEL WAYNE ALLEN**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **EMILIO JOSE DIAZ**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication, and resisting arrest, search, or transport.
- **VICTORIA MAE ALEX HANNABASS**, 31, was arrested by BSPD on charge of burglary of a building.
- **ANGEL ENRIQUE HINOJOSA**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for no drivers license.
- **SHANNON DWAYNE HUDGINS**, 42, was arrested by DPS on a warrant for bail jumping, and failure to appear.

• **MONICA MONIC MARTINEZ**, 37, was arrested by DPS on warrants for tampering or fabricating physical evidence with intent, and two counts of possession of a controlled substance (less than 4 grams)

- **JERRY RAY OSBORN**, 40, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated BAC (0.1)
- **CRAIG PRINCELAMONT PARKS**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BRIANNA NICOLE PENA**, 20, was arrested by DPS on a warrant for bail jumping, failure to appear.
- **ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ**, 25, was arrested by DPS on warrants for three counts of bail jumping, failure to appear, no drivers license, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• **LUKE ROMAN**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **DILLON COLE SEALS**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on warrant for driving while under the influence alcohol.
- **DAKOTA JUSTUS WRIGHT**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated, and unlicensed carrying weapon.
- **DILLON COLE SEALS**, 23, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for driving under suspension.
- **ASHLEY NICOLE YANEZ**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for operating motor vehicle with out financial responsibility, operating a unregistered motor vehicle, failure to appear, and expired registration.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1300 block of 11th Place. No transportation was needed.
- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton St. No transportation was needed.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Ridgelea

Rd.. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Driver Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported

ed in the 200 block of N. Goliad. No transportation was needed.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 17400 block of Yale Ave. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported I the 200 block of Grimms Rd. No transportation was needed.

## Take Note

• Holy Trinity Youth Group and sponsors will be hosting a Mardi Gras celebration on Tuesday, Feb. 25 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The event will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Family Center on the church campus. Casseroles, desserts, candy, soft drinks and much more! Door prizes and games for all to enjoy.

• Mitchell County Hospital will be having a Book and Gift Sale on Tuesday, March 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m, and Wednesday, March 4 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Great products at great prices! Mitchell County Hospital is located at 997 W. Interstate 20, Stanton, Texas.

• Coahoma Lions Club will be hosting their annual pancake supper on Tuesday, March 3. the supper will be held at Coahoma Elementary Cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m. Proceeds from the Pancake Supper help fund scholarship opportunities for Coahoma High School graduating seniors.

• AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone, and if you're 50 and older, and can't afford a tax preparation service, AARP Tax-Aide was made especially for you. They understand that retirement or other life changes may mean your taxes are a little more complicated now. With the help of our team of IRS-certified volunteers, we make it easy for you.

AARP Tax-Aide Service will be available at the Big Spring Senior Center every Monday, beginning on Feb. 3, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. There's no fee and no sales pitch for other services, and AARP membership is not required. Additional information can be found on the AARP web site [https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2004/about\\_aarp\\_taxaide.html](https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2004/about_aarp_taxaide.html)

• 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.

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## Support Groups

### 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

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.

• 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

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typically a paramedic and two EMTs," Cavazos said. "When the paramedic needs the extra hand to grab equipment safely, and the EMT does not need to be standing up as we travel at a high rate of speed to get to town, this device comes in as great support so we can continue CPR and give the patient a better chance of survival."

Apparatus Engineer Bryant Kleman added, "The biggest thing is adequate CPR. We are all human and when we become fatigued, especially doing compressions at a 30-2 rate, thirty compressions, two breaths delivered over two minutes. This adequately provides blood throughout the body; it releases our hands to be able to do the other things that are needed to try to save a life. It's ultimately better for the patient going into cardiac arrest and increases that survival rate to a 75 percent success rate. You take out the fatigue, the human factor and deliver the compressions adequately."

Cavazos and his team each echoed the benefits of the AutoPulse, not only for

the crew, but for the community.

"It helps us in a number of different ways when compared to its competitor. While both are capable of delivering the same standard of care, this device takes the whole chest and squeezes the heart a little bit better and has the tarp that helps us to move patients and continue to do chest compressions. When doing manual CPR, when it comes to moving a patient we have to stop compressions while we move the patient," Cavazos said.

The Big Spring Fire Department extends their appreciation to the City Council for the approval of the purchase of the two AutoPulse machines and is thankful for the opportunity to add this tool to their toolbox.

"We received the initial equipment which was just an opportunity for us to try this machine out back in October," Chief Ferguson said. "We received our equipment for our units this week. We have already had a few success stories with this machine and we are looking forward to more."

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**Weather**



**Today:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. North wind 5 to 15 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy, then gradually becoming clear, with a low around 28. North wind 10 to 15 mph.

**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 49. North wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** Clear, with a low around 29. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph after midnight.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 64.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 33.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 67.

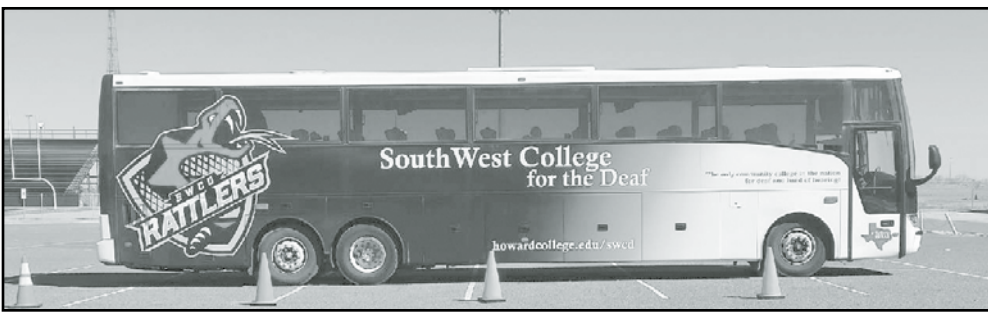
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who posed a serious danger to children," said United States Attorney Erin Nealy Cox. "I commend the swift and dedicated work of law enforcement, and am glad we were able to serve justice for the victims."

"This is one of the most despicable cases of child exploitation and abuses of trust I have seen in my law-enforcement career," said Ryan L. Spradlin, Special Agent in Charge of HSI Dallas. "Even the most hardened criminal would likely take excep-



**The SWCD bus has been repaired and received a new wrap that highlights the Howard County campus along with surrounding campuses.**

*HERALD photo/Savannah Geer*

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Spark, said. Other items on the agenda included:

- Accountability measures
- Operational indicators
- Financial indicators
- Audit Report
- Fund Balance report
- Quarterly investment report
- Handbook and Catalog changes
- President's report

The community is encouraged to attend the meeting.

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# Pioneering black NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson dies

By **BEN FINLEY**

Associated Press

Katherine Johnson, a mathematician who calculated rocket trajectories and earth orbits for NASA's early space missions and was later portrayed in the 2016 hit film "Hidden Figures," about pioneering black female aerospace workers, has died. She was 101.

NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine said on Twitter that she died Monday morning. No cause was given.

Bridenstine tweeted that the NASA family "will never forget Katherine Johnson's courage and the milestones we could not have reached without her. Her story and her grace continue to inspire the world."

Johnson was one of the "computers" who solved equations by hand during NASA's early years and those of its precursor organization, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

Johnson and other black women initially worked in a racially segregated computing unit in Hampton, Virginia, that wasn't officially dissolved until NACA became NASA in 1958. Signs had dictated which bathrooms the women could use.

Johnson focused on airplanes and other research at first. But her work at NASA's Langley Research Center eventually shifted to Project Mercury, the nation's first human space program.

"Our office computed all the (rocket) trajectories," Johnson told The Virginian-Pilot newspaper in 2012. "You tell me when and where you want it to come down, and I will tell you where and when and how to launch it."

In 1961, Johnson did trajectory analysis for Alan Shepard's Freedom 7 Mission, the first to carry an American into space. The next year, she manually verified the calculations of a nascent NASA computer, an IBM 7090, which plotted John Glenn's orbits around the planet.

"Get the girl to check the numbers," a computer-skeptical Glenn had insisted in the days before the launch.

"Katherine organized herself immediately at her desk, growing phone-book-thick stacks of data sheets a number at a time, blocking out everything except the labyrinth of trajectory equations," Margot Lee Shetterly wrote in her 2016 book "Hidden Figures," on which the film is based.

"It took a day and a half of watching the tiny digits pile up: eye-numbing, disorienting work," Shetterly wrote.

Shetterly told The Associated Press on Monday that Johnson was "exceptional in every way."

"The wonderful gift that Katherine Johnson gave us is that her story shined a light on the stories of so many other people," Shetterly said. "She gave us a

new way to look at black history, women's history and American history."

Shetterly noted that Johnson died during Black History Month and a few days after the anniversary of Glenn's orbits of the earth on Feb. 20, 1962, for which she played an important role.

"We get to mourn her and also commemorate the work that she did that she's most known for at the same time," Shetterly said.

Johnson considered her work on the Apollo moon missions to be her greatest contribution to space exploration. Her calculations helped the lunar lander rendezvous with the orbiting command service module. She also worked on the Space Shuttle program before retiring in 1986.

Johnson and her co-workers had been relatively unsung heroes of America's Space Race. But in 2015, President Barack Obama awarded Johnson — then 97 — the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

The "Hidden Figures" book and film followed, telling the stories of Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson, among others. Johnson was portrayed in the film by actress Taraji P. Henson. The film was nominated for a Best Picture Oscar and grossed more than \$200 million worldwide.

In 2017, Johnson was brought on stage at the Academy Awards ceremony to thunderous applause. Jackson and Vaughan had died in 2005 and 2008 respectively.

Johnson was born Katherine Coleman on August 26, 1918, in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, near the Virginia border. The small town had no schools for blacks beyond the eighth grade, she told The Richmond Times-Dispatch in 1997.

Each September, her father drove Johnson and her siblings to Institute, West Virginia, for high school and college on the campus of the historically black West Virginia State College.

Johnson taught at black public schools before becoming one of three black students to integrate West Virginia's graduate schools in 1939.

She left after the first session to start a family with her first husband, James Goble, and returned to teaching when her three daughters grew older. In 1953, she started working at the all-black West Area Computing unit at what was then called Langley Memorial Aeronautical Laboratory in Hampton.

Johnson's first husband died in 1956. She married James A. Johnson in 1959.

Johnson spent her later years encouraging students to enter the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Looking back, she said she had little time to worry about being treated unequally.

"My dad taught us 'you are as good as anybody in this town, but you're no better,'" Johnson told NASA in 2008. "I don't have a feeling of inferiority. Never had. I'm as good as anybody, but no better."

## Mars lander confirms quakes, even aftershocks on red planet

By **MARCIA DUNN AP**

Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA's newest Mars lander has confirmed that quakes and even aftershocks are regularly jolting the red planet.

Scientists reported Monday that the seismometer from the InSight spacecraft has detected scores of marsquakes.

A series of research papers focus on the 174 marsquakes noted through last September. Twenty-four were relatively strong — magnitude 3 to 4 — and apparently stemmed from distant underground triggers. The rest were smaller, with uncertain magnitude and origin. Even the stronger quakes would not have posed a hazard to anybody on the planet's surface, researchers said in a press conference.

The overall tally has since jumped to more than 450 marsquakes, most of them small, InSight's lead scientist, Bruce Banerdt of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, said in an email.

The basic cause of Martian quakes is a long-term cooling of the planet, which makes it contract, fracturing its brittle outer layers, Banerdt told reporters. But it's not clear what detailed mechanisms bring on specific quakes, he said.

While the team cannot rule out meteor impacts, the source of the tremors appears to be underground, according to the researchers. Nevertheless, Mars-orbiting spacecraft are on the lookout for signs of recent impacts, and InSight's cameras scan the night sky for meteors. So far, they've come up empty.

Banerdt said he had hoped to find more larger quakes, which are useful for probing deeper under the planet's surface. In an email, he said "another year of observations will be needed to complete the goals of the mission."

InSight landed in a small crater in Mars' Elysium Planitia in November 2018. Its French seismometer was placed directly on the volcanic plain the fol-

lowing month.

This region has especially turbulent weather, with dust devil-like vortexes.

The lander still has another year of geologic observations for a total of two years, or one full Martian year. There likely are more quakes occurring than the seismometer is registering; interference from wind and other weather conditions can mask the measurements.

And while no marsquakes with magnitudes greater than 4 have been detected, that doesn't mean they aren't occurring, according to Banerdt.

Banerdt describes Mars as moderately active from a seismic standpoint, more than the moon but less than Earth. The findings are close to initial predictions. The moon's seismic activity is known thanks to instruments left behind a half-century ago by the Apollo astronauts.

"Knowledge of the level of seismic activity is crucial for investigating the interior structure and understanding Mars' thermal and chemical evolution," Banerdt wrote in an overview article in Nature Geoscience. The journal as well as Nature Communications feature four papers from the InSight team.

Other key findings: The first magnetic measurements from the Martian surface show a local magnetic field that's 10 times stronger than detected from orbit, and weather instruments have found a surprisingly dynamic

atmosphere around the spacecraft.

While the French seismometer is exceeding expectations, a German-built probe has had trouble burrowing into Mars, barely penetrating a couple feet (50 centimeters). Scientists have not yet given up on the mechanical mole, which keeps popping out of the ground.

The mole was supposed to bury 16 feet (5 meters) into Mars to measure the planet's internal temperature.

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# Haskell's perimeter shooting leads them over Forsan in bi-district playoff meeting

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sportswriter

HERMLEIGH — For the third time in the last four years, the Forsan Buffaloes (15-19, 6-4) faced-off against the Haskell Indians (19-19, 6-3) in the opening round of the playoffs.

On Monday night, it was the Indians who prevailed and went home with a 60-43 win and a secured trip to the next round.

"I'm proud of the growth we've shown from the get-go," Forsan Coach Cory Richardson said when reflecting on his team's season.

The first quarter of Monday night's game could not have been more evenly-matched. Haskell quickly jumped out to a 5-0 lead on two quick possessions before Forsan answered back with two strong possessions of their own.

A few misguided passes courtesy of both teams around mid-court prevented either side from gaining control of the game throughout the first quarter. With several lead changes telling the story of the opening quarter ended on a layup that put the Buffaloes up 12-11. Junior guard Cayden Morgan perfectly jumped the lane for a steal at the top of the key in his own defensive end and sped down the court for an easy, breakaway basket. His quick-twitch skills on defense that anticipated the lazy Haskell pass helped Forsan lead into the second quarter holding a one-point lead.

The second quarter was where things began to turn for Forsan.

The Buffaloes were outscored 17-9 in the frame and let their one-point lead evaporate into a seven-point deficit at the half. Indians' guard Cutter Medford scored seven points in the quarter and his backcourt-mate Eathen Reid started to heat up from downtown. Reid would finish the game with six made shots from three-point land and a game-high 21 points.

"We knew he was capable of being a really good shooter," Richardson said. "We thought we could put a hand in their face and be closer in proximity."



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**Forward Paul Evans looks for the open man during Monday night's playoff game. Evans would notch two points in the game while also grabbing two steals.**

Forsan was unable to stop the Indians' offense in the second quarter but went into halftime with a manageable deficit trailing 28-21.

Haskell picked up where they left off at the start of the second half. They knocked down three straight three-pointers to open up the third quarter and started the half on a 14-0 run. Forsan's offense once again struggled to put the ball in the net. The Buffaloes managed to score six points in the third quarter and went into the final frame of the game trailing 50-27.

"We let them get a lot of confidence and we never recovered from that," Richardson said. "We left some people open and kept letting them shoot."

One thing to be proud of is the fight that the Forsan squad showed in the fourth quarter. With the game already out of hand, the Buffaloes did not give up and held the Indians to 10 fourth quarter points.

Senior forward Zane Riffe was all over the court and picked up a handful of steals in the game. In addition to his great defense, Riffe led the team with 20 points. With

Forsan being unable to get Riffe going offensively for long stretches of the game, the Buffs' role players were also unable apply the same pressure as the wily veteran. The next highest scorer was sophomore guard Jace Richardson with five points.

Forsan fought until the final whistle and will now move into the offseason. The Buffaloes are a young group that will need young players like Richardson to step up next season when experienced players such as Riffe are gone.

"With Zane, we're losing a double-double every night," Richardson said. "We'll miss those guys and we'll miss the leadership. I think we have ballplayers and we have athletes but their leadership is going to be hard to replace."

Forsan's players will now move-on to their spring sports. With months to develop their game and improve, look for the young Forsan and improve, look

on-the-go next season and be right back in the mix of the district title race.

UP NEXT: Offseason.

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

### NCAA Men's Basketball Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	Kansas	24-3	1598	3
2	Baylor	24-2	1532	1
3	Gonzaga	27-2	1442	2
4	Dayton	25-2	1413	5
5	San Diego St	26-1	1287	4
6	Florida State	23-4	1247	8
7	Duke	23-4	1186	6
8	Kentucky	22-5	1130	10
9	Maryland	22-5	1124	7
10	Creighton	22-6	986	15
11	Louisville	23-5	966	11
12	Villanova	21-6	928	12
13	Seton Hall	20-7	842	16
14	Oregon	21-7	653	14
15	Auburn	23-4	643	13
16	Penn State	20-7	618	9
17	BYU	23-7	598	23
18	Iowa	19-8	489	20
19	Michigan	18-9	329	NR
20	West Virginia	19-8	313	17
21	Colorado	21-7	291	18
22	Texas Tech	18-9	226	NR
23	Ohio State	18-9	210	25
24	Michigan St.	18-9	160	NR
25	Houston	21-7	102	22

### RECEIVING VOTES:

Arizona State (95), Illinois (82), Arizona (71), Butler (51), Virginia (50), Marquette (41), Stephen F. Austin (29), LSU (24), East Tennessee State (13), Utah State (9), Florida (8), Wisconsin (7), New Mexico State (2), Liberty (2), Northern Iowa (2), UCLA (1)

### DROPPED FROM RANKINGS:

Marquette (19), Butler (21), Arizona (24)

### NCAA Women's Basketball Top 25

Ranking	Team	Overall	Points	Prev
1	S. Carolina	27-1	747	1
2	Baylor	25-1	713	2
3	Oregon	25-2	700	3
4	Stanford	24-3	635	4
5	Louisville	25-3	624	5
6	UConn	23-3	605	6
7	Maryland	23-4	587	7
8	NC State	23-3	523	10
9	UCLA	23-4	493	8
10	Mississippi St	23-5	447	9
11	Gonzaga	27-2	415	13
12	Texas A&M	22-5	387	16
13	Arizona	22-5	379	11
14	Northwestern	24-3	347	18
15	Kentucky	20-6	336	14
16	DePaul	25-4	324	12
17	Oregon State	20-8	272	15
18	Iowa	22-5	260	19
19	Florida State	21-6	198	17
20	South Dakota	26-2	192	20
21	Missouri State	23-3	165	23
22	Indiana	21-7	127	24
23	Princeton	21-1	83	25
24	Arizona State	19-9	60	21
25	TCU	20-5	59	NR

### RECEIVING VOTES:

Arkansas (44), Florida Gulf Coast (21), Central Michigan (6), Duke (1)

### DROPPED FROM RANKINGS:

Arkansas (22)

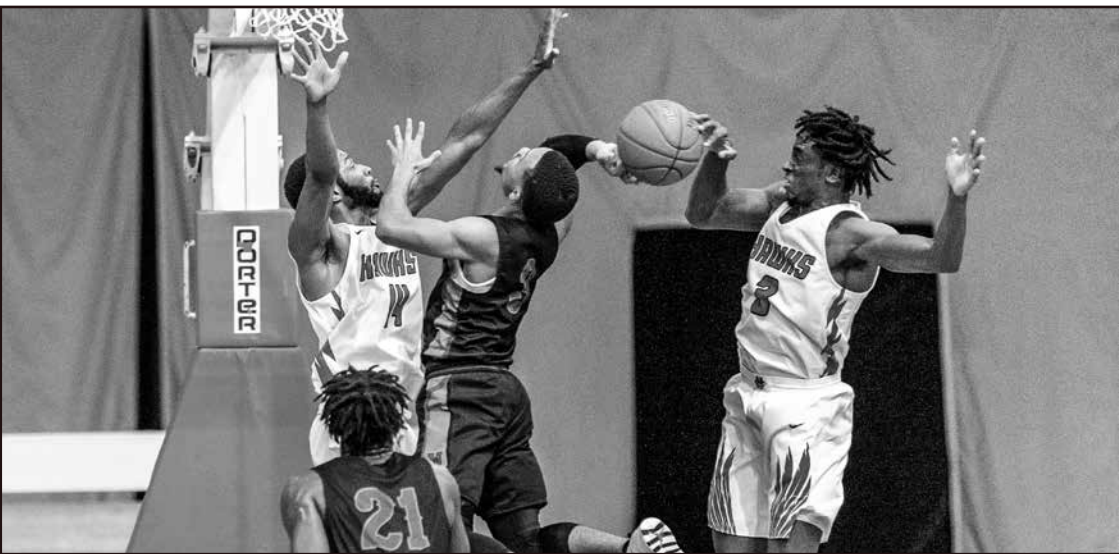
## Sands defeats Morton in first round of playoffs, will face New Home next



Courtesy Photo

A Sands player prepares to shoot a free throw in the win over Morton last Friday night. The undefeated Lady Mustangs are on their way to the third round of the postseason and can secure a spot in the Regional Semifinals with a win over a tough New Home Lady Leopards squad. Sands will be playing New Home on Tuesday night inside the Texan Dome in Levelland.

## Howard Hawks lose heartbreaker to Western Texas 67-66



Courtesy Photo/Tony Claxton (claxtonphotography.com)

Howard shooting guard Klay Brown blocks a shot during Monday night's close loss to Western Texas. Brown would pack the stat sheet and finish the game with four points, 10 rebounds and eight assists. Four Hawks scored in double-digits but it was not enough to overcome the Westerners' high-scoring trio of CJ Smith, Darius Mickens, and Tafari Simms.

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

### BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

your focus quite small. The sequence is: where to go, how to get there, repeat.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** To work on yourself isn't the same as being selfish. Selfishness takes from others for your own gain. When you work on yourself, who are you taking from? If you can't imagine this, you don't owe what you think you owe.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Question for the psyche: "Who are you expecting yourself to be over the course of a day?" The roles can get overbearing until you realize the costumes are made of paper that you can tear out of at will

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Mistakes bring people together, more than anything else. Nothing comes together because everything is going smoothly. It's the glitches that bring interaction, and most pleasant at that.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** You intend to solve problems and make a contribution. The tricky part is that you have to consider the packaging. Packaging is both actually and metaphorically the bane of the modern world

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 25).** The money, fame and recognition are just a lovely carrot the universe dangles before you to get you to the real point, which is the learning and growing. You'll still get the carrot, and that will be extremely fun, but it won't be the part of the experience you cherish. You'll love what happens because you did the work. Taurus and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 44, 3, 22, 28 and 1.

**HOW TO PLAN A DATE BY THE MOON (PART FOUR):** See the archives for early parts. One way to keep your personal life tracking with the cosmic tides is to plan your dates by the moon. From Angelina Jolie to Audrey Hepburn, Paul Newman to Matthew McConaughey, the proof is in the popularity. People who do things for other people are hot. Helping together -- that's double hot when the moon is in the sign of philanthropy. Ideal date activities under the AQUIARIUS moon

include charity balls, auctions, bake sales, bike-a-thons, school fairs, library book sales, community fundraisers and the like. So are visits to the lonely or infirmed, visits to help a neighbor, church events and anything you can think of to help those who need it.

The PISCES moon caution: This is the moon of talking about your feelings, and being supersweet about them, too. This is the moon of candy hearts and flowers, of kissing at a make-out point, of holding hands on the beach. This moon is fun to be in love in, and gross to watch if you're not in love. You might say more than is sustainable. You might wake up when the moon is in Aries and forget all about it. Or these Pisces exchanges of sentimental mush might be the magic that holds a relationship together for years.

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### A Mercury Retrograde Mardi Gras

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** The money situation is getting easier for you. The stress will lift. Focus on bringing as much creativity to the scene as you can and, suddenly, logistical problems will ease.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** If you're waiting for the before/after moments, you can stop. Oh, you'll get the transformation. It just won't be condensed into a moment, that is until 10 years from now when you look back on it as though it were but a pinpoint.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You've seen advocates and champions at work, and maybe you've had them in your own life. You know what the role is and how it's best played. Take it on for yourself today. Be the person you deserve to have on your side.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Things can get better, maybe even better than better

Things can get crazy-good-spectacular. The trick is catching that upward trajectory and then staying the course.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** There's something in the song you love that plays on the radio during your commute, a piece of your life hanging in that jagged stretch between work and home that means so much and turns a tide.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** If you're no longer offering something, that doesn't mean you're stealing from someone, although they might experience it as such. People get used to what they have.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Another idea regarding the situation involves you thinking from the point of view of a different ZIP code, country and planet. Distance makes the mind grow wiser.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Success comes from allowing yourself but one pursuit at a time and keeping

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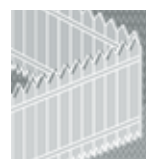
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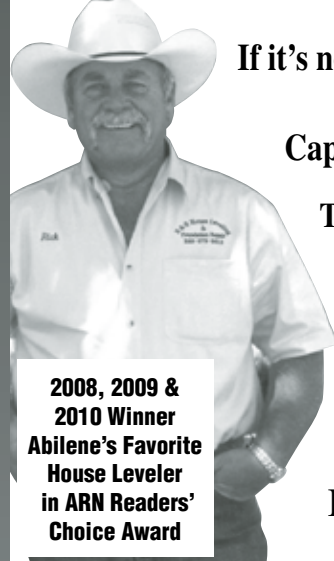
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Annie's Mailbox

Celebrate the Small Victories

Dear Annie: My biggest accomplishment in life is my recovery. I'm currently seven years sober, and I have worked very hard to clear my history of self-destruction and rebuild my life into what it is today. I continue to attend recovery meetings and guide other women through the recovery process. But I am in a maddening loop thinking of what to do with my life.

I came to this area to attend rehab and had no intention to stay, yet here I am eight years later. I have reached and sustained stability in my life, but my heart longs for more. I am afraid I will never take the leap to make a change and, ultimately, get lost in regret of what could have been.

I've consulted therapists, my sponsor, my family, my friends, my co-workers, and I believe they are sick of hearing about it. Before I got sober, I was a risk taker in good and bad ways. I was bold and brave and moved on my own multiple times. It's as though I have lost the ability to create

my own future. I continue to live a mediocre-feeling life, and I fear I will never change. I just don't know what to do, and I was compelled to ask you. How do I change? -- Stuck in a Loop

Dear Stuck in a Loop: There is nothing mediocre about a life lived seven years sober. That is something to be celebrated. And helping other women get sober while staying sober yourself is heroic. While a therapist and friends are an essential part of recovery, the person you need to consult is yourself. Cut yourself some slack, and be kind to yourself. Be grateful for all the wonderful things that have been made possible by your sobriety. Turn off that critical voice in your head that is telling you they don't count, or they don't mean much, or if you were really strong, you would move to a strange environment. Nonsense.

Wherever you go, there you are. Thus, it doesn't matter if you move to another town or wait for this great big moment when life will not be mediocre any-

more. It's about finding joy and pleasure in the small victories of each day.

If there are things you want to try but are afraid to, try them anyway. Fear is "false evidence appearing real."

Dear Annie: "Out of Shape" was wondering how to start a successful exercise program after many years of disappointment. As an executive coach who works with professionals on everything from time management to wellness, I have found the biggest challenge is that people start out with plans that are too big.

Begin with a simple step: Get more active. It might be taking a 10-minute walk after lunch, doing three minutes of calisthenics before getting in the shower or doing squats for two minutes while you brush your teeth. The key is to tie it to something you already do every day.

After one month, this routine becomes a habit that you can celebrate and build upon. You might feel it is a small improvement, but

you are already more active than you were a month ago! The next month, add something simple to your new routine, or create a second one for another time during the day.

Also, look for ways to make simple tasks more physically challenging. Let's say you are picking up stray items around the living room. Pick them up one at a time, and sprint to put them away. By year's end, you will find that you are leading a much more active life without putting in an overwhelming amount of effort. Your increase in energy and confidence will help spur you to a more active life naturally. -- Keeping It Simple

Dear Keeping It Simple: I always love hearing from professionals who offer wise perspectives. Your advice reminds me of one of my favorite sayings: Life is a cinch by the inch and a trial by the mile.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com).

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The one and only chance

East dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ Q 8 3
- ♥ A K 9 4
- ♦ 7 6 3
- ♣ 10 6 5

WEST

- ♠ J 4
- ♥ 8 7 5 2
- ♦ 9 5
- ♣ 8 7 4 3 2

EAST

- ♠ K 7
- ♥ Q 10 6
- ♦ A K J 8 2
- ♣ Q J 9

SOUTH

- ♠ A 10 9 6 5 2
- ♥ J 3
- ♦ Q 10 4
- ♣ A K

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1 NT	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠		

Opening lead — nine of diamonds.

In attempting to make his contract, declarer must sometimes play for a lie of the cards that is mathematically less likely than another because the normally favored lie is not possible in the actual circumstances.

Take this case where South reaches four spades as shown and West leads his doubleton diamond. East takes the A-K and returns a diamond, ruffed by West with the four. West then exits with a club, South taking East's nine with the ace.

Declarer has lost the first three tricks and so must make the rest. This means avoiding a spade loser with the opponents still in possession of the K-J-7.

In isolation, the percentage play at this point would be to cash the ace, hoping the king was singleton in either opponent's hand. This would be superior to leading the queen from dummy, which would win only if West, specifically, had the singleton jack.

But in the actual deal, declarer knows at this stage that neither opponent can hold the singleton king. With only 17 points in the East-West hands combined, East must have the king for his opening one-notrump bid. Therefore, West cannot at this point hold the singleton king.

Furthermore, East cannot have the king singleton, since he would not have opened one notrump with only one spade in his hand.

These deductions leave declarer with only one feasible option — to play for West to have started with the doubleton jack of spades. Accordingly, at trick five he crosses to dummy with a heart and leads the spade queen, and East-West's potential trump trick goes up in smoke.

Sometimes percentages must take a back seat to reality.

Tomorrow: A blueprint for the defense.

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



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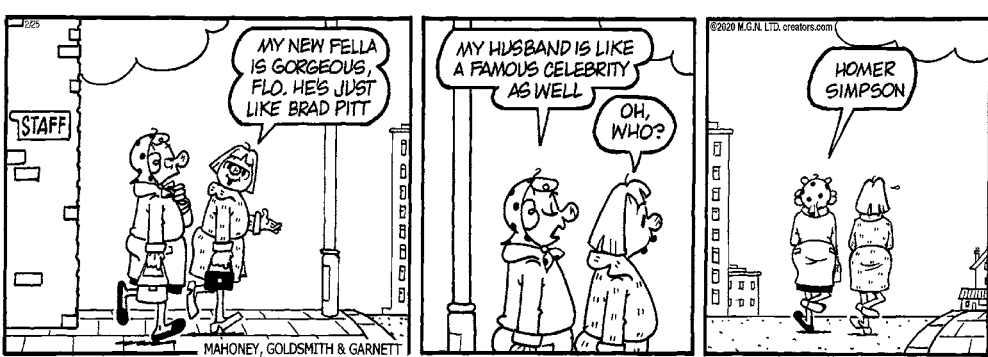
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	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
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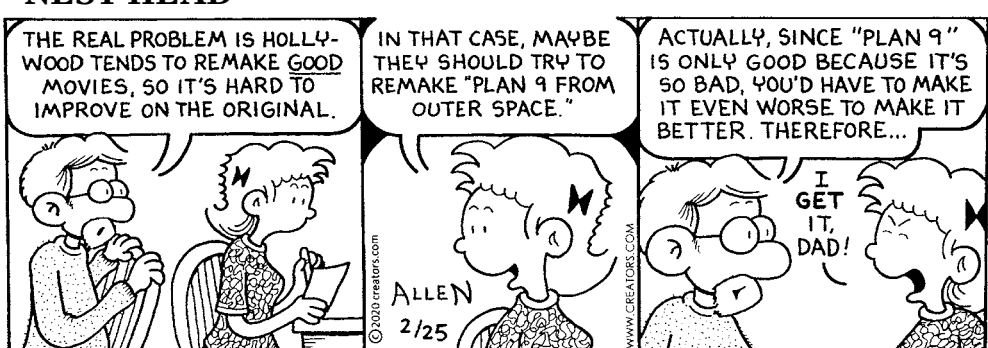
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 25, the 56th day of 2020. There are 310 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 25, 1964, Muhammad Ali (then known as Cassius Clay) became world heavyweight boxing champion as he defeated Sonny Liston in Miami Beach. On this date: In 1793, President George Washington held the first Cabinet meeting on record at his Mount Vernon home; attending were Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson, Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of War Henry Knox and Attorney General Edmund Randolph. In 1836, inventor Samuel Colt patented his revolver. In 1862, Nashville, Tennessee, became the first Confederate state capital to be occupied by the North during the Civil War. In 1901, United States Steel Corp. was incorporated by J.P. Morgan. In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, giving Congress the power to levy and collect income taxes, was declared in effect by Secretary of State Philander Chase Knox. In 1954, Gamal Abdel Nasser became Egypt's prime minister after the country's president, Mohammed Naguib, was effectively ousted in a coup. In 1964, Eastern Airlines Flight 304, a DC-8, crashed shortly after taking off from New Orleans International Airport, killing all 58 on board. In 1986, President Ferdinand Marcos fled the Philippines after 20 years of rule in the wake of a tainted election; Corazon Aquino assumed the presidency. In 1991, during the Persian Gulf War, 28 Americans were killed when an Iraqi Scud missile hit a U.S. barracks in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. In 1994, American-born Jewish settler Baruch Goldstein opened fire with an automatic rifle inside the Tomb of the Patriarchs in the West Bank, killing 29 Muslims before he was beaten to death by worshippers. At the Winter Olympics in Norway, Oksana Baiul (ahk-SAH-nah by-OO) of Ukraine won the gold medal in ladies' figure skating while Nancy Kerrigan won the silver and Chen Lu of China the bronze; Tonya Harding came in eighth. In 2007, "The Departed" won best picture at the Academy Awards; its director, Martin Scorsese, won an Oscar on his sixth nomination. In 2018, China's official news agency said the country's ruling Communist Party had proposed scrapping term limits for China's president, appearing to lay the groundwork for Xi Jinping to rule as president beyond 2023. (China's rubber-stamp lawmakers approved that change on March 11.) Ten years ago: President Barack Obama convened a health care summit with Democrats and Republicans; after a day of debate and disagreement, the president concluded the talkfest with a bleak assessment that an accord might not be possible. In Vancouver, the Canadian women beat the United States 2-0 for their third straight Olympic hockey title. Americans Billy Demong and Johnny Spillane finished 1-2 in a Nordic combined race. Yuna Kim of South Korea won ladies' figure skating. Five years ago: Secretary of State John Kerry fielded dozens of questions from House Foreign Affairs Committee members worried about what Iran could get in a deal being negotiated to block its ability to make an atomic weapon. One year ago: R&B star R. Kelly pleaded not guilty to allegations that he sexually abused four people dating back to 1998, including three underage girls. The Trump administration announced new sanctions on allies of Venezuela's Nicolas Maduro as it struggled to find new ways to boost his opponent. Responding to director Spike Lee, who had used an Oscars acceptance speech to urge mobilization for the 2020 election, President Donald Trump tweeted that Lee did a "racist hit on your President."

CBS newsman Bob Schieffer is 83. Actress Diane Baker is 82. Actress Karen Grassle is 78. Former talk show host Sally Jessy Raphael is 78. Former professional wrestler Ric Flair is 71. Humorist Jack Handey is 71. Movie director Neil Jordan is 70. Rock singer-musician/actor John Doe (X) is 67. Rock musician Dennis Diken (The Smith-

reens) is 63. Rock singer-musician Mike Peters (The Alarm; Big Country) is 61. Comedian Carrot Top is 55. Actress Veronica Webb is 55. Actor Alexis Denisof is 54. Actress Tea (TAY'-ah) Leoni is 54. Actress Lesley Boone is 52. Actor Sean Astin is 49. Singer Daniel Powter is 49. Latin singer Julio Iglesias Jr. is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Justin Jeffre is 47. Rock musician Richard Liles is 47. Actor Anson Mount is 47. Comedian-actress Chelsea Handler is 45. Actress Rashida Jones is 44. Country singer Shawna Thompson (Thompson Square) is 42. Actor Justin Berfield is 34. Actors James and Oliver Phelps ("Harry Potter" movies) are 34. Actress Jameela Jamil is 34. Rock musician Erik Haager (Carolina Liar) is 33.

Thought for Today: "Heroworship is strongest where there is least regard for human freedom." — Herbert Spencer, British philosopher (1820-1903).

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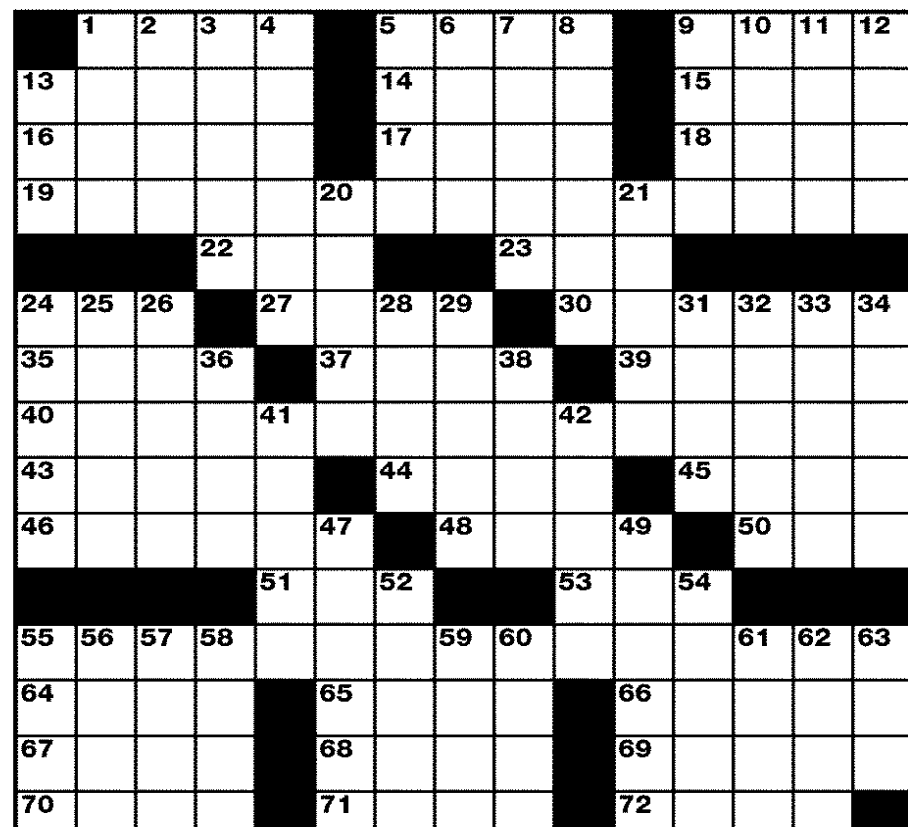
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- ACROSS**  
 1 Thor and Zeus  
 5 Rights org.  
 9 \_\_\_ register (checkout counter machine)  
 13 Sound part of a film  
 14 Hand-washing bar  
 15 Vicinity  
 16 Urges forward  
 17 Swearing-in statement  
 18 Fib teller  
 19 Stop your clock radio's noise  
 22 Tip of a sock  
 23 Shade tree  
 24 "I \_\_\_ to differ!"  
 27 Astronauts' org.  
 30 '70s dance halls  
 35 Aviation prefix for dynamic  
 37 The one close by  
 39 Rant and rave  
 40 Have a cup of espresso  
 43 Towel or pillowcase  
 44 Member of a jury  
 45 Semester  
 46 Soldier's respectful reply  
 48 Pull with difficulty  
 50 \_\_\_ in "Sam"  
 51 A long way from here  
 53 Silent assent  
 55 Arrive at your station by car  
 64 Italy's capital  
 65 Notion  
 66 Fast-food package deal  
 67 Swiss mountains  
 68 A short distance from here

- 69 Big hit in baseball  
 70 Toward the sunset  
 71 Clinton's vice president  
 72 Frequently
- DOWN**  
 1 Wise advisor  
 2 Aroma  
 3 "Why \_\_\_ I think of that?"  
 4 "Already?"  
 5 Start-date phrase  
 6 Parka or blazer  
 7 Wood-turning machine  
 8 Sided with, as a lower court decision  
 9 Reach by phone  
 10 Diva's solo

- 11 Brown quickly in a pan  
 12 "I'm OK, no \_\_\_ done"  
 13 Well-chosen, as words  
 20 Heroic deeds  
 21 Mexican male pal  
 24 In an unskilled manner  
 25 Spooky  
 26 Big smiles  
 28 Small retail store  
 29 Pointed at a target  
 31 Squishy eateries  
 32 "Sidewalk"  
 33 Diva's dramatic gig  
 34 Appears to be  
 36 Bills put in a change machine

- 38 Fortune-teller  
 41 Steak cutter  
 42 Tall construction-site machine  
 47 Evaluating  
 49 Informal "I understand"  
 52 Calf-roping event  
 54 Salivate excessively  
 55 Make a sketch of  
 56 Part to play  
 57 Mischievous kids  
 58 Part of a three-piece suit  
 59 \_\_\_ apart (rip up)  
 60 Rabbit's relative  
 61 Peas, for pea shooters  
 62 "A likely story!"  
 63 Neither fish \_\_\_ fowl



Answer to previous puzzle  
 ETAS PET STRAP  
 VISIT ERA KOALA  
 EROD NIP EMILY  
 REFERENCE LADY  
 CITY NET  
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