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*Governor Greg Abbott announced Tuesday as of March 10 all businesses will be allowed to open up at 100% capacity. Abbott also rescinded the state mask mandate. More information to come from TEA.*

- Upcoming Events**
- March 4  
Ribbon Cutting  
West Texas Mediation  
3:30 p.m.
  - Special meeting of  
Howard County Commissioners  
2:30 p.m.
  - City Council meeting  
rescheduled  
Tuesday, March 9  
at 5:30 p.m.
  - City Council Chambers

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## Big Spring Intermediate recognized by Capturing Kids Hearts National

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

Students tend to thrive when surrounded by an atmosphere of encouragement, excitement and learning. Students at Big Spring Intermediate can attest to that, as can the staff and faculty on that campus. Once again, the BSI students have been recognized as a Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase school. The school was first recognized in 2019-2020, and received the honor of Showcase School for 2019-2020. At the time there were only 69 schools chosen for the honor, in the State of Texas.

"This year we were super excited to find out we had been nominated again for

the 20-21 school year. Considering how negative some viewed 2020, this was definitely something positive for our campus," Patsy Sanchez, BSI Principal, said.

National Showcase Schools award program recognizes and celebrates schools that represent going the extra mile. The Capturing Kids' Hearts award is helping to promote recognition of schools who are creating the social-emotional safety on school campuses that are conducive to learning. Schools are ranked on their attendance and discipline numbers.

"If we as a campus are implementing CKH with fidelity our attendance should be good because kids want to be

here and come to school," Sanchez said. "Discipline referrals should be down, as well, due to teachers using the tools provided to redirect negative behaviors... They look at teacher turnover numbers. If CKH is being utilized by administrators as well then teachers will feel supported and valued. The culture of the campus should be one of capturing hearts and building positive relationships among all."

The nomination places BSI as one of 339 school campuses that have been selected for the 2020-2021 award year. This recognition was launched in 1990 when a small group of educators



Courtesy photo  
**BSI has been recognized for the second year in a row. The banner is displayed in the main entrance.**

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## May election filing now closed, election drawing near

*City Council seats on the ballot, school boards cancelling elections*

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**  
 Managing Editor

The registration deadline has officially passed for the May election. Those who were wanting to run for open seats on Big Spring City Council, Forsan City Council, Big Spring ISD School Board, Coahoma School Board, and Forsan ISD School Board must have filed already to be placed on the ballot.

The May Election is set for May 1 with early voting to take place Monday, April 19 and concluding April 27; extended hours will be April 27 and April 28, for those still having to hold an election.

The Big Spring ISD Board of Trustees has two seats – District 2 and District 4 – up for election. These seats are currently held by Maria Padilla (District 2) and Melissa Miller (District 4). During registration, Michell Dawn Garcia registered for District 2 and Tommy Jason Martinez registered for District 4, both will be running unopposed.

Forsan School Board will not have any contested races for the May election. There are two open seats up for re-election and the two incumbents – Lewis Boeker and Chris Olson – will be the lone candidates for the open seats.

Forsan City Council has three at large seats open for the

May election. According to Jenny Sayles, there were no new candidates who filed for the positions.

City of Coahoma has three at large seats on the ballot, as well as the Mayor seat. The three open seats were unopposed and will not be needing a runoff. The three candidates include: Eric Barber, Jay Holt and Mark Richardson. The Mayor Race will have two candidates - Incumbent Warren Wallace and Lori Gonzales.

Coahoma ISD Board of Trustees had three open seats to be filled this coming election, but due to only three applications being turned in, no election will be held and the three submitted will fill the seats. The new official board members for Coahoma ISD for May 2021 will be Michael Brooks, re-elected member; Odis Franklin, re-elected member; and Ryan Rechichar, a new member to the board.

Those wishing to vote in the May election must be registered to vote and have information updated no later than April 1. For more information, contact the Howard County Election office located inside the Howard County Courthouse.

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

## Selling our city, representing well

By **MARK WILLIS**

Big Spring EDC

Getting a company to consider the city one represents as an economic developer is a key to success, but the next step when that company's representatives visit is equally important and to some extent out of the professional economic developer's control.

A large portion of our job representing Big Spring is to try to ensure that the City gets noticed and perhaps gets an opportunity to present a proposal for a project. The old saying, "You never get a hit if you never get to bat," is as apt in recruiting business projects as it is in baseball. Regrettably, the further you get away from West-Texas the fewer people know anything about the region, much less the cities within it. On either coast most business leaders, unless they have direct ties in Texas, are only aware of DFW, Houston, Austin and perhaps San Antonio. Therefore, awareness is often the first step in re-

cruitment.

More than half of our outreach efforts at the EDC and through the regional organizations we participate with are designed to expand those leaders' knowledge of our area, hopefully leading to consideration for projects that fit our strengths. That is why we have web sites, promotional items, and travel to various events to raise that awareness. Once they are aware and realize West-Texas is a viable site for a project that effort is further refined to address specific needs.

If everything goes well, we make the short list and company representatives come for a site visit to our City, one of the many things an economic developer worries about are the contact experiences she or he cannot control. That is because smart companies are not just visiting with the local politicians, City staff and economic developers who are paid to promote the City. They will also have someone out anonymously scouting the community. If the citizens and existing businesses



are negative about their own town it makes recruiting new businesses almost impossible.

So, we urge Big Spring citizens to take pride in our City and let strangers in on the fact that Big Spring is a great place to live, work and raise a family when they ask. That is the kind of marketing money cannot buy.

I often note a personal experience I had in Athens Texas many years ago. When passing through that East-Texas city I stopped there for a late lunch. Because I was one of the last lunch customers in the restaurant and the owner/manager noticed a stranger eating alone, he took the time to engage me in conversation. While I had hardly noticed anything about Athens driving through the city before lunch, I came out of that conversation convinced that when I was in the area again, I needed to make a point of reserving additional time to explore the place, which I did my next trip to that region. Several years later when I met the Athens economic development director, I suggested that a video

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## Support Groups

### THURSDAY

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

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

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

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

### FRIDAY

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-

based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY

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

### SUNDAY

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

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

• 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.

## Police Report

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BRANDON ANTHONY MORAN**, 31, of 2515 Albrook Drive, was arrested on a charge of interfere with emergency request for assistance, warrant from other agency (x2), and criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750.
- **EMILIA ALVAREZ**, 33, of 402 NE 11<sup>th</sup> Street, was arrested on a charge of forgery financial instrument.
- **TRESSA MONE WRIGHT**, 41, of 1201 Derrick Road, was arrested on a charge of forgery financial instrument.

- **PATRICK AARON RAMIREZ**, 29, of 1601 Stadium was arrested on a warrant from other agency, criminal trespass (x2), criminal trespass - habitation/shelter, and interfere with emergency request for assistance.
- **TRAY AUSTIN BRIM**, 23, of 1615 Lark Street, was arrested on a charge of assault family/household member and intentionally/recklessly impeding normal breathing or circulation and unlawful restraint.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2900 block of W. Hwy 80; 1100 block of E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2500 block of Albrook Drive; 3300 block of W. Hwy 80; 1600 block of Lark.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80; 1000 block of N. Lamesa Hwy.
- **IDENTITY THEFT** was reported at in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- **FORGERY** was reported in the 1800 block of S. Gregg Street.
- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hwy 87.
- **HIT AND RUN** was reported in the 500 block of State.

## Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 87 inmates at the time of this report.
- **EMILIA ALVAREZ**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of forgery financial instrument.
- **TRAY AUSTIN BRIM**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family/household member impede breath unlawful restraint.
- **BRANDON ANTHONY MORAN**, 31, was arrested by BSPD

on a charge of criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750, terroristic threat, interfere with emergency request for assistance, and criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750.

- **JOSHUA LINZY OWEN**, 37, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of fail to identify fugitive from justice.
- **PATRICK AARON RAMIREZ**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass, interfere with emergency request for assistance, criminal trespass habitation/shelter, criminal trespass, revoke probation

bond/ possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **TRESSA MONE**

**WRIGHT**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of forgery financial instrument.



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## Obituaries

### Feliciano "Felix" Gonzales

Feliciano "Felix" Gonzales, 76, died Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a Vigil at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be at Myers & Smith Chapel on Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



He is survived by his wife: Rosalinda Gonzales of Big Spring; three daughters: Sandra Martinez of Coahoma, Lori Rodriguez of Hinesville, GA, and Teresa Vela of Big Spring; two sisters: Antonia Gonzales of Big Spring and Lupe Gonzales of Big Spring; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Petra and Feliciano Gonzales, he was preceded in death by one son: Miguel Gonzales; and five sisters.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

### Gladene Fields Cate

Gladene Fields Cate, 91, of Eastland, formerly of Big Spring, passed away Tuesday, March 2, 2021. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Hunter Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Johnson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 Hunter Drive. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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# National Consumer Protection Week 2021: Staying informed

National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW), held the first week in March, is an effort spearheaded by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and is “designed to focus on the importance of keeping consumers informed.” In 2020, more than 4,000 scams and over \$2 million in losses were reported by Texans to BBB Scam Tracker, illustrating the importance of keeping consumers informed and protected.

BBB Scam Tracker data shows that nearly 40% of fraud reports came from consumers who lost money. Additionally, phone calls were the most popular means of contact used by scammers, but victims that lost money were reached via fraudulent websites. Most reports came from individuals 65 years or older, and women are targeted almost twice as often as men.

In recognition of NCPW, Better Business Bureau serving the Heart of Texas is helping protect consumers against fraud by sharing important information on recognizing and avoiding the scams most likely to affect them. The top scams Texans faced last year were government impostor, tech support, employment, phishing and online purchase scams.

**Government impostor scams**  
Confusion and concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic have created new opportunities for scammers posing as government officials to steal your personal information. Now, with government assistance available to businesses and individuals impacted by the recent weather crisis, many Texans are especially vulnerable to these scams.

In a government impostor scam, scammers will impersonate representatives of a government agency, often the Social Security Administration (SSA) or Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and insist you need to disclose your personal information or make a payment to receive benefits or resolve an issue with your account.

Remember government procedures. The IRS and SSA will never call you to demand immediate pay-

ment, and they will never threaten to call police or immigration. If a caller is threatening you, hang up immediately.

**Tech support scams**  
Tech support scams begin with a phone call or a pop-up message claiming to be from a familiar software or hardware company like Microsoft or Dell. You are then told there is a problem with your computer, possibly a virus, and urged to act quickly.

After receiving the message, you are connected to a scammer posing as a tech support employee and asked to pay for the assistance. The fake representative may even request remote control of your computer, giving them access to your personal information and an opportunity to download malware onto your computer.

Don't trust caller ID. Scammers can manipulate caller ID to make it seem like a legitimate company is calling you. Remember, tech support employees will only contact you if you reach out for assistance first.

**Employment scams**  
In 2020, 365 Texans encountered employment scams and reported nearly \$140,000 in losses. Scammers frequently target job seekers by posting fraudulent job openings online that promise flexible hours, great pay, and the ability to work from home. You are then offered the job, sometimes without an interview.

Employment scams can take a few different forms. You may be asked to provide your banking information to set up direct deposit or told you must pay for training before you can begin. In some versions of the scam, the employer will claim they overpaid you and ask you to wire back the difference. Later, you discover the check has bounced, and the money you sent was your own.

Go to the source. To ensure a job opportunity is real, visit the company's official website and see if the position is listed on their careers page.

**Phishing scams**  
Phishing scams are common but dangerous. They

start with an unsolicited text or email directing you to links or attachments. The sender may use a variety of methods to convince you to click the link. The message may promise a reward such as a gift card and discounts or threaten punishment for things like unpaid taxes or missing jury duty.

Links or attachments used in phishing scams are often extremely dangerous, as they could download malware onto your device. These digital viruses can steal personal information directly from your computer and leave you vulnerable to identity theft.

Protect your information. Always delete unsolicited messages that contain links or attachments. Even if it appears to be harmless, the message could be concealing dangerous malware.

**Online purchase scams**  
COVID-19 has caused an increase in both online shopping and online purchase scams, which were designated the riskiest scam to consumers last year by the 2020 Scam Tracker Risk Report. The goal of an online purchase scam is simple: steal a buyer's money. Victims pay for an order that never arrives or arrives with incorrect, sometimes defective, items.

Puppy scams are among the most common form of online purchase scams, costing victims hundreds or thousands of dollars. Scammers will create fake but convincing websites advertising pets for sale. When you inquire about making a purchase, they claim to be in another state, making it impossible to see the pet in person before you pay, but they will offer to ship the puppy directly to you for an extra fee. Unfortunately, once you send the money, the scammer disappears, and your furry friend never arrives.

Shop safe. Before you buy, make sure you are on a safe website. Look for the lock icon next to the URL and the 's' in 'https' that signify the page is secure.

To learn more, visit Better Business Bureau, an official NCPW partner,

## BSI

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experienced the first Capturing Kids' Hearts® training at the Flippen's home in College Station, Texas. Flip's vision has since grown and today the team introduces Capturing Kids' Hearts® processes to 37,000+ educators each year nationwide. Capturing Kids' Hearts is the premier source of professional development for educators nationwide. Through experiential training, expert coaching, and personalized support, Capturing Kids' Hearts equips professionals in K-12 education to implement transformational processes focused on social-emotional wellbeing, relationship-driven culture, and student connectedness. As information provided by Capturing Kids' Hearts states, Capturing Kids' Hearts® processes provide educators the skills they need to change the trajectory of students' lives.

At BSI, after about three weeks into school the staff enters into a social contract with students stating the following: How do you want to be treated by your peers? How do you wanted to be treated by your teacher? How does the teacher want to be treated by you?

According to Sanchez, the contracts written by the students will consist of words like; respect, kind, nice etc. Each classroom has a different social contract along the same lines. Redirecting bad behavior back to the social contract with questions with: What are you doing? What are you supposed to be doing? What are you going to do next time?

"I never want a child to leave my office thinking they aren't loved or cared for," Sanchez said "Disciplining is hard and assigning consequences is just as hard."

According to statistics from Capturing Kids' Hearts, campuses implementing Capturing Kids' Hearts processes consistently report improvements in academic, behavioral, and cultural outcomes. This has been an evident trend at BSI according to Sanchez.

"Because of the rigor of our evaluation process, the Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase Schools award is both a high aspiration and an exemplary recognition of excellence," an e-mail from Capturing Kids' Heart stated.

Big Spring Intermediate has completed the first step of the process and is currently waiting for the next step, a student survey. The results should be announced before the end of the semester.

"Our situation is different from 2019-20. We've had to schedule students according to teams for tracking purposes. We have to wear a mask; many teachers have stated they feel it has affected how they interact with the students," she said. "It's hard for them to see the smiles behind the masks. They have become creative with greeting at the door, but that has even been altered due to no more handshaking. We hope we've captured hearts even beyond the mess of Covid."

Sanchez continued, "This means a lot for us here at BSI. It should let the community know we are all about the kids and building positive relationships with our kids and among ourselves. We are not a perfect campus; there is no such thing as perfect anything, but we've worked hard at becoming a National Showcase School. If we are to win this honor again our plan for next school year is to try and include parents to take part in how CKH works."

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Feliciano Gonzales, 76, died Thursday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Wednesday with a Vigil service at 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Roy Lee Metcalf, 66, died Sunday. Visitation will be 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 3:00 PM Thursday at Coahoma Cemetery.

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from distant companies that might benefit from having a facility in our region. If so, suggest they look at Big Spring and introduce them to our recruitment team. An existing business making that suggestion carries incredible weight and serves as a testimonial to the favorable business climate we offer.

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### The Forsan Buffaloes and The Coahoma Bulldogs Track Teams have strong showings at the Howard County Invitational



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Above left: Kolt Redden takes his throw in the discus event, he would go on to finish in first place. Pictured Right: JR Emerson of Coahoma settles into the blocks before the second of the boys 4x100 meter relay race, the relay team would finish in first place.

By **DUSTIN POPE**  
Herald Sports Writer

The Coahoma Bulldogs and Forsan Buffaloes took part in the Howard County Invitational held at Blankenship Field in Big Spring this past weekend.

The Invitational featured teams from around the area. The Forsan Girls' team finished fourth overall, followed by Coahoma girls coming in 5th Place. The Forsan Boys would finish first overall for the meet, and the men's Bulldogs would come in second on the day.

Event number one would be the Girl's High Jump. The loan competitor for the Forsan Buffs was Mackenzie Tollison coming in fourth in the event. The fourth event of the day brought us to the Boys Pole Vault. Trevor Cole claimed the top spot, finishing first by clearing a height of 9 feet and 6 inches. The Girls long jump had two Forsan Lady Buffs competing Carsyn Brown would finish fifth with a jump of 13 feet and 5 inches. Her teammate Mia Hicks would place 11th with a leap of 10 feet.

The Boys would then take to the long jump pit; The Buffaloes would take the competitors in the event. Chris Mendez would have an amazing jump of 17 feet 8 inches, good enough to take second. Nathaniel Hernandez would clear 16 feet 7 inches good enough to take home fifth overall. Bryson Kinsey would round out the trio finishing tenth with a jump of 14 feet and 5 inches. Nevaeh Hernandez would be the loan contestant for the Lady Buffaloes in the triple jump; she would take sixth with a jump of 26 feet and 11 inches. Forsan had two young Buffs competing in the Boys triple jump. Trevor Cole would place third, and Bryson Kinsey would follow suit with a fourth-place finish. That brought us to the Girls Discus throw. Forsan would have their lead by Angel McCafferty, who would make a throw of 80 feet 8 inches to finish second in the event. Aleena Nelson would throw 64 feet and 3 inches to finish fifth. She was followed by teammate Reagan Phillips with a throw of 63 feet and 1 inch. The Boys discus throw would feature a lot of local talent entering the event. The Coahoma Bulldog Kolt Redden was head of the class, finishing first overall with a throw of 117 feet and 9 inches. Ely Matthies of Forsan would finish third, Nolan Park also of Forsan came in fifth. Bulldog Nick Gonzales had an eighth-place finish, and Forsan Buffalo Cameron Allen finished with a tenth-place finish. Girls Shot Put again featured multiple local athletes. Bulldogettee Nyssa Tran finished fourth, teammate Delannah Meacham finished eleventh. The lady Buffs had two competitors of their own, with Emma Peffer placing 10th and Courtney Overton ending up in 13th place. The field events would round out with the Boys Shot Put The Bulldogs would have three participants. Ashton Kimball would take the first position with a throw of 38 foot even; he was followed closely by

second-place Kobe Cervantes; Kolt Redden rounded out the Bulldog competitors by placing fifth overall. Forsan had one competitor Ely Matthies who had a throw of 36 feet 9 inches, to take home fourth place honors.

The running events would kick off with the Girls 3200-meter run. The Bulldogs would have three young ladies competing in the event. Leah Grantom would run a time of 15 minutes and 50 seconds, good enough to take fourth place. She was followed by teammates Jaeli Hernandez and Katy Harris. They finished sixth and seventh respectively. The Lady Buffaloes would have two of their own in the race. Chloe Gillihan finished eighth, and Hayley Green placed ninth. The boys would take to the track next in their chance to run the 3200 meters. Forsan would have three runners, and Mason Bagwell lead the way finishing third. Jared Gasi was close behind, placing fourth, and Austin Magness rounded out the Forsan boys coming in fifth. The Bulldogs had two of their own on the track. Tanner Atkins took home sixth place. Bulldog teammate Jake Freeman followed him. Next up was the four by one hundred meter relay. The Bulldogets team of Maddison Rogers, Karleigh Burt, Shae Lang, and Christian Everett finished in first place with an amazing time of 55.21. Nevaeh Hernandez, Ella Vacuum, Morgan Miller, and Enjolina Hawkes, who ran 56.06 to place third, represented the lady Buffs. The boys' teams came up next. Coahoma would again take first place in the event lead by the relay team of Arian Emerson, Sean Striegler, Isaiah Martin, and Brysen Kerby. They would run a blistering time of 45.68. The Buffalo boys team consisted of Sawyer Stallings, Major Stockton. Nathaniel Hernandez, and Chris Mendez, the boys, would run 46.66, good enough for a third-place finish. The girls' 800-meter event would be next up. Rylee Evans of Forsan came in second, her teammate Addison Beall finished seventh. Coahoma had three runners as well. Serena Dobbs fished third, Marianna Glover came in eighth, and Zoie Joslin finished ninth. The Boys stepped onto the track for their chance at the 800. Forsan Buffalo runners would sweep the top two positions as Thomas Gabhart took first, followed by Carter Scott taking Second. The Bulldog boys of D'Kota Harrison powered to a third-place finish, and. His teammate Nicolas Biddison found his way to fourth. The Coahoma Bulldogetees had two runners in the 100-meter

hurdles. Maddie Cervantes placed sixth, and Analysa Mendoza placed seventh. The boys' team had three runners in the event. Austin Perkins had a great run to come in third; Tanner Atkins fished fifth, and Reagan Chapman rounded out the team with a seventh-place finish. The 100-meter dash is always a high-lite of any Track Meet, and Ella Vacuum of the Forsan Buffaloes would run a time of 14.37 to come in third. Chris Mendez, also of Forsan, leads the Boys team, finishing third with 12.34. The Girls 4 x 200-meter relay featured both local teams, with Coahoma team Madison Rogers. Karleigh Burt, Shae Lang, and Madision Everett. The Bulldog team would run a combined time of 1.59.00 to take home second place. Nevaeh Hernandez, Natalie Franco, Jayden Tollison, and Morgan Miller of Forsan would finish in fifth. The Coahoma boys team would take first in the 4x200 relay. The team of Arian Emerson, Sean Striegler, Billy Bailey, and Morgan Miller came in fourth. The men's 400-meter dash was highlighted by a first-place finish from Bulldog Tristan Guerrero, who timed in at 57.90; he was followed by his teammate Billy Star finishing second. Austin Perkins representing the Coahoma Bulldogs, would take first place in the 300-meter boys' hurdles with a time of 44.80. In the Marquee event of the day, the 4x400 meter relay, the Bulldog boys team would take the win, the team of Billy Star, Tristan Guerero, Sean Striegler, and Brysen Kerby ran a remarkable time of 3.47.03, besting the field by almost four seconds.

The women's team rankings would find Forsan finishing fourth overall with 75 points, followed by Coahoma with 72 points. The Boys team rankings would find the Bulldogs winning the event with 149 points. Coahoma Bulldogs would come a close second with 142 points.

It was a great performance by all the athletes and area teams. Congratulations to every athlete who competed. You represented the School, the town, and, more importantly, yourself with dignity and sportsmanship.

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Tomorrow: The resistible impulse.

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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!

Level: Intermediate

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

ANSWER:

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Last Hours of Mars in Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The loveliness you come across! It will feel as though something in you is made wild just from looking at it. Though the truth is that much of you was wild already; you just get so much use of the tamed parts that you forgot.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've automated certain parts of adulthood -- the morning alarm is on repeat, bank deposits and bills are paid by phone, etc. Today, do the same for temptation. With simple changes, the correct behavior will also be automatic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You treat all constraints as creative challenges. You come from a place of trying to make things work - not expecting the world to be already attuned to your preferences. Your attitude is beautiful, which will make all the difference.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Minds can be changed, but not with facts. More information probably won't sway beliefs that were established inside the context of a group who said, "People like us believe this..."

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There are some around you who complain about having to show up to certain daily tasks. And maybe you'll nod to appease them, but really you know that all the good stuff in your life is augmented by routine.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You have noticed that you have a talent for a certain activity. It feels good to do something that comes a little easier to you than it seems to come to others. Now you're intrigued by the challenge of seeing how far you can take it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In order to do the thing you want to do, and have the effect you believe is possible on others, preparations must be made. You'll spend much more time preparing than you will executing the plan, and that's how it should be!

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become remarkable. You started out craving accolades, and you'll end up craving the practice itself. Capricorn and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 4, 44, 29 and 6.

COSMIC QUESTION: This is part two, answering yesterday's question about astrology being weighted toward the patriarchy. See the archives for part one.

To illustrate the point, Neptune is attributed as a feminine planetary energy. And yet, if the planetary characteristics of Neptune were to be embodied in a character of a live-action movie, the planet associated with the god of the sea would more typically be played by a Jason Momoa type than an Esther Williams type. In fact, that movie would likely star only one woman, in the role of Venus, the love goddess.

And this is why, in the name of equality and balance, I have recently sought cosmic influence from the asteroid belt, roughly between the planet Mars and Jupiter, specifically in the asteroids named for nine goddesses of the Greek pantheon, collectively referred to as the muses. They are:

- Calliope: muse of stories\*
- Clio: muse of history
- Euterpe: muse of music
- Erato: muse of poetry
- Melpomene: muse of the theater
- Polyhymnia: muse of nature
- Terpsichore: muse of dance
- Thalia: muse of comedy
- Urania: muse of mystics
- The wisdom that comes to us from the realm of muses is sure to bring some diversity to this cosmic soiree.

\*I have simplified the jurisdiction of certain muses to better fit the contemporary milieu.

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Annie's Mailbox

Tone Down the Tambourine

Dear Annie: I attend a small church where the congregation does not exceed 12 members. So on any given Sunday, there are at least nine of us in attendance, including the pastor and first lady. We follow the government recommended COVID-19 social distance guidelines.

I am hearing impaired and wear a digital hearing aid. There is an older member who beats a tambourine at the drop of a hat during worship service, and since I'm not impaired by volume but tone, the tambourine sounds more pronounced to me at the point that it gives me a quick migraine or makes me dizzy.

Should I speak with the pastor so he can instruct her to tone it down, or should I go elsewhere? I can't seem to enjoy service like this, especially when it is already hard to hear a person speaking or praying while they are masked. She beats it during prayers, too. I really believe the tambourine lady knows this annoys me. -- Dizzy and Annoyed Church Member.

Dear Dizzy: Yes, you should tell your pastor how the tambourine is giving you migraines and making you dizzy. He probably has no idea that the tone is so pronounced for you. And it might be hav-

ing the same effect on others. As humans, we often write narratives in our minds that other people are engaging in behaviors to specifically bother us. Try to not put that onto the member who is beating the tambourine. Chances are that she just enjoys the sound of the instrument and gets carried away.

Dear Annie: I'm a 56-year-old woman, and I work in a college dorm around freshmen. Every year, it gets harder being around them because I feel out of place because of my age.

A couple of my co-workers do not appreciate my high standards for cleaning up. They like to say things to me like, "You are too picky," or "This isn't the Hilton." They say that because I try to do a good job.

I know I'm picky, but how do I overcome these feelings I have and handle negative comments from people? -- Trying Too Hard at My Job

Dear Trying Too Hard: Having pride in your work is something to take pride in. It should conjure up positive feelings from within. If your co-workers are giving you a hard time, try to remember that it does nothing for your self-worth to do a mediocre job. How we do the small things says everything about how we do the big things in our lives.

Your high standards are admirable, and those freshmen are lucky to have you.

Dear Annie: I have been a psychologist for more than 55 years, and I have a few insights I would like to offer.

People seek counseling when they have problems with making decisions. Here are five questions that may help them:

1. Am I making an assumption or dealing with facts?
2. Will my decision protect me from harm?
3. Will it let me avoid an unwanted conflict?
4. Will it let me reach a goal?
5. Will I feel the way I want?

Also, I have learned that people are afraid of making a mistake. There are two basic kinds of errors -- errors of omission or commission. -- Helpful Questions I Ask Myself and Patients

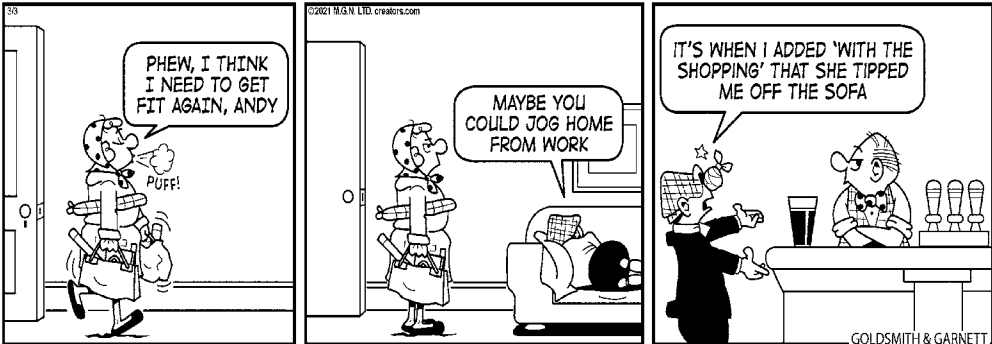
Dear Helpful: Thank you for these very helpful decision-making questions. I love hearing from professionals and having you share your wisdom of 55 years of practice.

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

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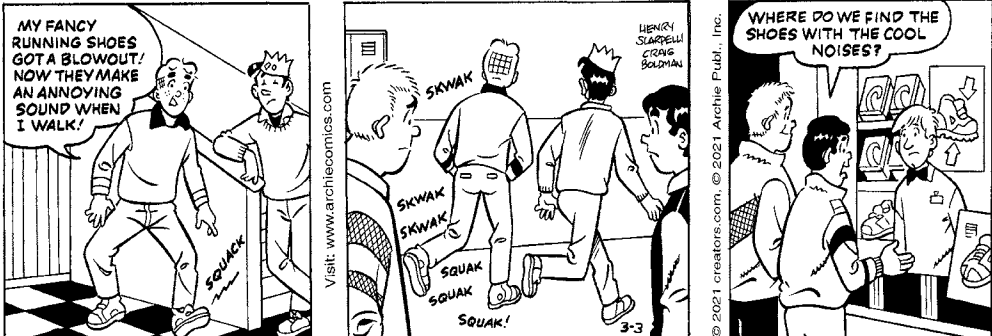
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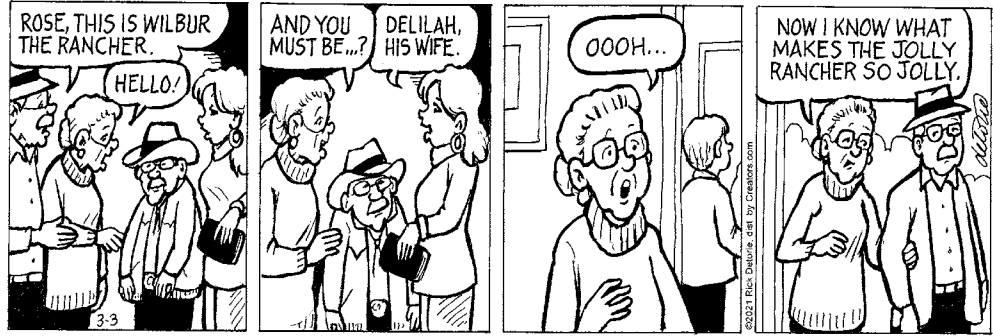
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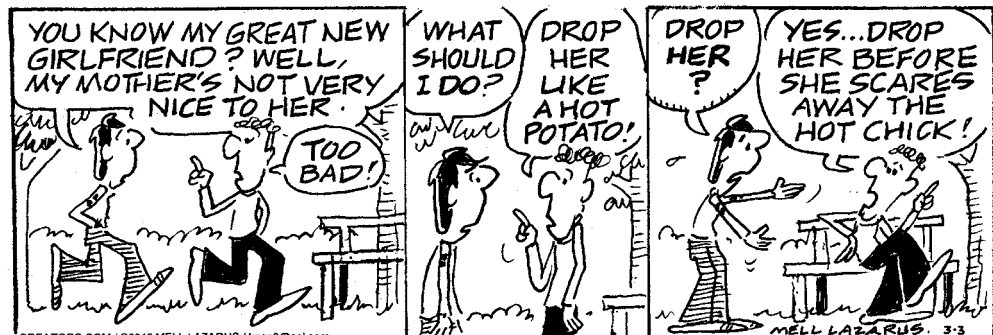
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 3, the 62nd day of 2021. There are 303 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 3, 1931, "The Star-Spangled Banner" became the national anthem of the United States as President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution.

On this date:

In 1791, Congress passed a measure taxing distilled spirits; it was the first internal revenue act in U.S. history.

In 1845, Florida became the 27th state.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln signed a measure creating the National Academy of Sciences.

In 1887, Anne Sullivan arrived at the Tuscomb, Alabama, home of Captain and Mrs. Arthur H. Keller to become the teacher for their deaf-blind 6-year-old daughter, Helen.

In 1943, in London's East End, 173 people died in a crush of bodies at the Bethnal Green tube station, which was being used as a wartime air raid shelter.

In 1945, the Allies fully secured the Philippine capital of Manila from Japanese forces during World War II.

In 1960, Lucille Ball filed for divorce from her husband, Desi Arnaz, a day after they had finished filming the last episode of "The Lucille Ball-Desi Arnaz Show."

In 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board.

In 1991, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. Twenty-five people were killed when a United Airlines Boeing 737-200 crashed while approaching the Colorado Springs airport.

In 1996, Israel declared "total war" against the militant group Hamas after a bus bomb in Jerusalem killed 19 people, including the bomber the third such

suicide attack in eight days.

In 2001, a plane carrying members of a National Guard engineering crew crashed in heavy rain near Macon, Ga., killing all 21 people on board.

In 2019, a tornado roared into the small community of Beauregard, Alabama, killing 23 people; it was the nation's deadliest tornado in nearly six years.

Ten years ago: Seeking to repair damaged relations, President Barack Obama and Mexican President Felipe Calderon agreed during a White House meeting to deepen their cooperation in combating drug violence and declared a breakthrough in efforts to end a long-standing dispute over cross-border trucking. Soldiers backing Ivory Coast's defiant leader, Laurent Gbagbo (loh-RAHN' BAHG'-boh), mowed down women protesting his refusal to leave power in a hail of gunfire, killing seven.

Five years ago: Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz leveled withering criticism at Donald Trump's "flexible" policy positions and personal ethics during a Republican presidential debate in Detroit. President Barack Obama visited Milwaukee to highlight how his signature health insurance overhaul had helped millions of Americans gain coverage. North Korea fired six short-range projectiles into the sea hours after the U.N. Security Council approved the toughest sanctions on Pyongyang in two decades.

One year ago: In a surprise move, the Federal Reserve cut its benchmark interest rate by a half-point, its largest cut in more than a decade, to support the economy in the face of the spreading coronavirus. Stocks rallied briefly on the news, then went into another steep slide. The known virus death toll in the United States climbed to nine; most victims were residents of a Seattle-area nursing home. The number of virus patients who had died in Italy rose to 79, the most of any nation outside of China. The head of the World Health Organization asked people to stop

Answer to previous puzzle grid with words like FDR, OVER, EPIC, MELEE, FIVE, CODA, GREENSFEES, HOOT, MEADOW, STROLLS, WAFT, FOE, QUEENBEE, UPSETS, UNIT, STAPLE, RAT, IDEAS, ECO, SENSE, LEI, ASSAIL, NITE, TROUGH, KNEEDEEP, SAO, ETAL, AUGUSTA, DOGSIT, SCAR, FREESPEECH, SLIP, OILS, EMCEE, TANS, RAMP, DST.

hoarding masks, saying they were needed by health care workers. A series of tornadoes struck middle Tennessee, including one that carved a 60-mile path in and around Nashville; the storms left 24 people dead. Joe Biden scored wins in states across the Democrats' Super Tuesday presidential primary map.

Today's Birthdays: Singer-musician Mike Pender (The

Searchers) is 80. Movie producer-director George Miller is 76. Actor Hattie Winston is 76. Singer Jennifer Warnes is 74. Actor-director Tim Kazurinsky is 71. Singer-musician Robyn Hitchcock is 68. Actor Robert Gossett is 67. Rock musician John Lilley is 67. Actor Miranda Richardson is 63. Rock musician John Bigham is 62. Radio personality Ira Glass is 62. Actor Mary Page Keller is 60.

Olympic track and field gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey is 59. Former NFL player and College Football Hall of Famer Herschel Walker is 59. Actor Laura Harring is 57. Contemporary Christian musician Duncan Phillips (Newsboys) is 57. Rapper-actor Tone Loc (lohk) is 55. Actor Julie Bowen is 51. Country singer Brett Warren (The Warren Brothers) is 50. Actor David Faustino is 47.

Gospel singer Jason Crabb is 44. Singer Ronan Keating (Boyzone) is 44. Rapper Lil' Flip is 40. Actor Jessica Biel is 39. Rock musician Blower (AKA Joe Garvey) (Hinder) is 37. Musician Brett Hite (Frenship) is 35. Pop singer Camila Cabello is 24. Actor Thomas Barbusca (TV: "The Mick") is 18. Actor Reyllynn Caster is 18.

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS: 1 Certain party planner, 5 Mailed away, 9 Debate topic, 14 Woodwind instrument, 15 Spark of inspiration, 16 Peach \_\_ (dessert), 17 Planets, stars, etc., 20 Letters on Forever stamps, 21 Drink with crumpets, 22 Cornfield measure, 23 Not kidding, 25 \_\_ of the above ("other" choice), 27 Film crew's workplace, 28 Thunder sound, 30 Have bills, 33 Ripped apart, 36 Genetic duplicate, 37 Poker prize, 38 Alpha, beta, gamma, etc., 42 Rink surface, 43 Salary bump, 44 Deep black, 45 Ceiling fixture, 46 Little terrors, 47 Stylish, in the '60s, 49 Stand up, 51 Set free, 55 Author unknown: Abbr., 57 Dwell, 60 UCLA student stat, 61 Approximate estimates

- DOWN: 1 \_\_-pocus (magic word), 2 Santa-like, 3 Powered by sunlight, 4 Golfer's wooden platform, 5 Take a break from, 6 Cuts and pastes, say, 7 Clutter-free, 8 Colorful story, 9 Tweeter's "As I see it . . .", 10 Roomy auto, 11 Cut, as a bread loaf, 12 Car-ride app, 13 Make less burdensome, 18 Place for a lace, 19 Yellow ice-cream flavor, 24 "It's obvious now!", 26 Oil cartel, 28 Reunion group, 29 Passed-down stories, 31 Function properly, 32 Handicrafts website, 33 End-of-week shout

- 34 Predatory marine mammal, 35 Signs up again, 36 Crispy snack, 39 Mr. Kringle, 40 Tablet computer feature, 41 Sea's ebb and flow, 47 Highway divider, 48 Cassini of fashion, 50 Bay or cove, 51 Sentry's weapon, 52 Go along, 53 Be in a bee, 54 Portraitist's stand, 55 Not much, 56 Zilch, 58 "It follows that . . .", 59 Glance through, 62 Be nosy, 63 Merchandise ID

