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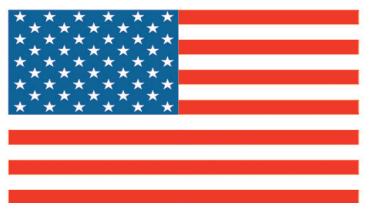
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BSISD Board of Trustees approve tax rate, swear in Baeza

By **ROGER CLINE**

Herald Staff Writer

During a pair of special meetings Monday night, the Big Spring ISD school board swore in and seated a new member, and approved its 2021-22 budget and tax rate.

Amy Baeza was sworn in as the new board member for District 6.

"I'm very honored to be a part of something," Baeza said. "All the board members are definitely making progress in our community for our facilities and especially for our students. I'm really excited to see what's going to happen in the future."

Big Spring's Director of Business Services Melissa



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During a recent special meeting, new BSISD Board of Trustees Member Amy Baeza (right) was sworn in by Melissa Tarbet.

Tarbet administered the oath of office to Baeza, who then took her seat on the panel. Tarbet replaces Manny Chavira as District 6 board member. Chavira resigned

in July to move to El Paso.

A Big Spring native, Baeza's son Gabriel is the Big Spring High School Steers Quarterback.

Following Baeza's admission to the school board, district leaders held a public hearing to discuss the proposed 2021-22 budget and tax rate, but no members of the public chose to address the board.

Following a 20-minute break, the board reconvened to consider approval of the final budget and tax rate for the new fiscal year.

According to the budget document supplied by the district, total estimated revenue over the coming year

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Announcements

Burger Benefit
 Sept. 11

Eagles Lodge
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 Krista Bounds funeral expenses

Found object Art Show and Sale
 Heritage Museum
 Sept. 4 - Oct. 28
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 4 p.m.

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 Sept. 17

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 First Methodist Church

Howard County Fair
 Sept. 17-19

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Calling all local artists; Big Spring Art Association monthly meetings kick off Sept. 18

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

The Big Spring Art Association is gearing up to relaunch their meeting season on Sept. 18. The meetings take place at 10 a.m. until noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library.

The first meeting will have Kay Smith, local professional artist and owner of Brushworks Gallery, as the featured presenter. Smith will be discussing how to mat and frame artwork, after it's created.

"Anyone can learn to cut mats and assemble frames," Kay Smith, local artist and guest presenter, said. "No reason to not do artworks on paper."

The meetings of the Big Spring Art Association are open to those interested in learning more about art techniques,

learning the basics and other topics related to art. The meetings take place once a month, on the third Saturday of the month and last about two hours. The meetings will take place each month from September through May.

"We would love to have new faces join us. Whether you are a seasoned artist or just starting out; maybe you just want to see if this is something you would like to pursue and get better at, no matter the reason, we would love to have you join us," Michelle Worthan, with the Big Spring Art Association, said.

In addition to the monthly meetings, the Big Spring Art Association also hosts a membership show and sale during the month of October. The show draws in artists from around the area

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Service agreement focus of special Commissioner meeting Friday

HERALD Staff Report

A special meeting of the Howard County Commissioners Court has been called for Friday, Sept. 13. The notice was issued Tuesday afternoon. The special meeting is scheduled to take place at 3:30 p.m. on the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room.

Once the meeting has been called to order, Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman will lead discussion on software as a service agreement - Tyler Technologies. Once discussion has concluded possible action to approve could take place.

Before the special meeting adjourns an opportunity for mention of any item to be on the future agenda will be allotted. If no discussion is needed the meeting will adjourn.

Large/Bulk Item Pick Up is approaching for District 3

Local organizations encouraged to help residents pull items to the curb



Courtesy photo

The Cross Roads Young Marines helped several families in District 1 get their items to the curb in time for the recent large item pickup. Organizations who would like to volunteer can contact your City Council representative or Councilman Nick Ornelas.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

Large/Bulk Item Pick up continues this month, taking place in District 3. Residents in District 3 will need to schedule their pick up no later than 5 p.m. Sept. 13 in order to have items picked up.

Large item pick up will be taking place for District 3 on Sept. 15, those living in District 4 will be able to have their large items picked up for the first time this year. The large item pick up will be a good opportunity for those looking to clear out items as they do some new year cleaning. District 3 recently concluded their pick up and will have another in the second part of the year. "This is an opportunity

to get rid of old furniture or any other bulk items without the hassle and expense of hauling it off," the City of Big Spring website states.

The large/bulk item program was restarted at the beginning of 2020, as a way to help residents dispose of large items from their homes like couches, mattresses, appliances, and any other large, bulky items without the expense and hassle of hauling it off. Residents with items needing to be picked up are asked to call the Public Works Office at 432-264-2501 and set up a pick up for the designated day. The scheduling will allow better use of the city workers time and help ensure all residents needing to utilize the service have an

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Obituaries

Josephine E. Garcia

Josephine E. Garcia, 95, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021. She will lie in state from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with a Vigil at 2 p.m. in the Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Friday, Sept. 3, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Josephine was born Feb. 27, 1926, in San Marcos. She lived most of her life in Big Spring and was a very active member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church. She worked at the Big Spring State Hospital and the Big Spring Care Center.

Jay Edward Valdez

Jay Edward Valdez, 45, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021. Viewing and visitation will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel on Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with a Vigil at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be Friday, Sept. 3, 2021, 10 a.m., at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jay was born Nov. 23, 1976. He had lived in Big Spring since 2006. He liked motorcycles. He enjoyed fishing and

She loved cooking, baking and dancing to music, especially that of Freddy Fender. Most of all, she loved being a caregiver for her family and friends.

She is survived by one son: Gabriel Garcia and wife Tatiyana; one daughter: Sandra Gonzales and husband Pete; one sister: Olivia; six grandsons: Anthony Garcia, Mario Garcia, Gabriel Garcia, Brandon Garcia, Rusty Montana and Roland Montana; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Juan Esparza and Eliza Amaya Esparza; husband: Roberto Garcia; and one son: Rosendo Montana, who was killed in Vietnam.

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

Paid Obituary

loved to grill. He loved his family and kids. He was a workaholic.

He is survived by his wife: Juanita Gonzales of Grand Prairie; one son: Christian Valdez of Grand Prairie; one daughter: Lexie Valdez of Grand Prairie; and his mother: Janie Valdez of Oklahoma City, OK.

Pallbearers will be Alex Ausbie, Adam Gonzales, Andre Gonzales, Tony Castillo, Jr., Isaac Castillo and Noah Perez.

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

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Felipe Bustamante

Felipe Bustamante, 62, of Snyder, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, Aug. 27, 2021. Viewing and visitation will be Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with a Vigil service at 7 p.m. in the Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, at 10:00 AM at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be Mount Olive Memorial

Park.

Felipe was born Nov. 3, 1958, in Big Spring to Julian Bustamante & Balbina Dominguez.

Felipe worked at Supersave, Newsom's, K-Mart, Dunlap's and Family Dollar.

He is survived by one sister: Nina Barrera and husband Ben of Snyder; two brothers: Ruben Bustamante and Margie of Grand Prairie and Albert Dominguez and wife Joyce of Albuquerque, NM; and several nieces and nephews.

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

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Felipe "Phillip" Cruz, Jr.

Felipe "Phillip" Cruz, Jr., 71, of Big Spring passed away Sunday, Aug. 22, 2021. Rosary services will be 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2021, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, followed by Funeral Mass at 10 a.m.

He was born April 5, 1950 in Knott, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Irma Flores Cruz; four children, Christopher Cruz, Stephen Cruz, Elizabeth Rios and Felipe Cruz III; 12 brothers and sisters, Juan Cruz, Maria Valle, Francisco Cruz, Margarita Hwetty, Tommy Cruz, Elida Cruz, Anna Gregg, Hermenia Ledesma, Lupe Cruz, David Cruz, Jesse Cruz and Lydia Byrd; nine grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Dora Cruz, a brother, and two sisters.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Earl King

Earl King, 78, of Coahoma, passed away Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021. Funeral services will be 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

He was born Nov. 17, 1942, in Big Spring to W. C. and Helen King and married Dee Dee White June 9, 1975, in Big Spring.

Earl was a lifelong resident of Howard County. He worked as a carpenter for over 50 years and also owned Earl King Dump Truck Service, until retiring. He enjoyed birding, the outdoors, all types of and history.

Survivors include his wife, Dee Dee; his children, Tracy Sosa of Florida, Robby Brewer and wife, Kim of Hastings, Nebraska, Rocky King and wife, Jennifer of Seguin, and Luke King and wife, Sandy of Kilgore; one brother, Gerald King of Snyder; ten grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Denise Creekmore; and three brothers, Edward King, Bill King and Donnie King.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association at www.heart.org

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Hunter Drive. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of NE 8th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Lockhart. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wright. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4900 block of Chaparral Road. No transport was required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Lockhart. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Lamesa Highway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of Boulder. No transport was required.

Police Report

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **AGAPITO GUTIERREZ**, 57, of 2523 CR 4101 of Stanton, was arrested on a charge of warrant other agency.
- **JOSHUA LINZY OWEN**, 38, of transient, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JIMMY DOYLW TRAWICK**, 55, of 201 Wilson Road.
- **THEFT** was reported on 820; 600 block of Ridgelea Drive.
- **THEFT OF FIREARM** was re-

ported in the 200 block of Pine Road.

• **BURGLARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 2000 block of Perimeter Road.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 800 block of W. Third Street.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

• **THEFT OF FIREARM** was reported in the 100 block of NW 4th Street.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 1500 block of S. Gregg Street.

Support Groups

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- 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.

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Take Note

- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. The meetings are starting back up Sept. 18. Kay Smith will be the featured presenter and be discussing how to mat and frame artwork. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.
- The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. Their season will include: Sept. 25 'A Breath of Fresh Air' which will take place at the Big Spring High School Auditorium; Nov. 20 will feature 'The Music of Queen'; Dec. 8 "Holiday Spectacular"; Feb. 19 "Winter Wonderland"; and Spring Pops Concert on April 23. The concerts will take place at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium except for the opening performance. Tickets can be purchased in season passes or per concert.
- Howard County Fair is coming Sept. 17-19. Submissions for the Art and Photo contest will need to be submitted Sept. 14 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. The Special Subcategory this year is Cactus or Birds or

- combination of both. Submissions can be fine art or photography. For more information, call Sandra Lockhart at 432-263-4155.
- Trinity Baptist Church will host a 13-week Grief Share session, beginning Aug. 26.
- The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.
- Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna – a two dose and Janseen – a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext. 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org
- Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for

- serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.
- St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.
- Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

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Judy Park, 69, died Saturday. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at First Baptist Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jay Edward Valdez, 45, died Thursday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Friday, 10:00 AM, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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Alice Gonzales, 69, died Tuesday. Family will receive friends from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM on Friday. Funeral service will Saturday, 10:00 AM, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Josephine Garcia, 95, died Sunday. Vigil will be at 2:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be Friday, 2:30 PM, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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will be \$43,512,660, while total expenditures will be \$45,608,521, a deficit of \$2,095,861. The deficit is due almost wholly to the budgeted Co-curricular Activity Fund, for which projected revenues are \$127,300 compared to planned expenditures of \$2,313,807, a deficit of \$2,186,507. The district will also spend more than it makes on Food Service this year, with estimated revenues at \$2,679,504 and planned ex-

penditures of \$2,714,511, a deficit of \$35,007. The district will see surplus of \$17,751 in the General Fund, with estimated revenues of \$36,386,004; and a surplus of \$107,902 in the Debt Service fund, with estimated revenues of \$3,551,552 and expenditures of \$3,443,650. The budget shows the district breaking even on the Activity Fund, with revenues and expenditures both budgeted at \$308,300; and the State Instructional Materials Fund, with revenues and expenditures both budgeted at \$460,000. The tax rate approved by the

district is about 0.1 cent lower than last year's tax rate. The district's property tax rate for 2021-22 paired a Maintenance and Operation rate of 89.23 cents per \$100 valuation with a Debt Service rate of 12.37 cents per \$100, for a total tax rate of \$1.0160 per \$100 valuation. The approved rate matches the Voter Approval Rate, hence will not trigger an automatic rollback election among district voters. The rate is about 13 cents per \$100 shy of the No New Revenue Rate of \$1.14877 per \$100 valuation. The rate approved by the board means that, on a \$100,000

home, the school district's portion of a taxpayer's property tax will be \$1,016 for the year. The school district passed both the budget and the tax rate unanimously. In other business, Superintendent Jay McWilliams reported that the district's enrollment is 3,596, compared to 3,605 at the end of the school year this past spring, a decline of just nine students. McWilliams also presented a COVID-19 report, and district updates.

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opportunity to do so. "City staff will only pick up items that are placed on the curb upon arrival to your location and staff will not be permitted to bring items to the curb from inside your home or from any other area of the residence, including the backyard and garage," an information flyer from the City of Big Spring stated. The program is designed to support residential customers only and is not open to businesses. Once the resident has called to set up a pick up for the pick up day, items are to be placed on the curb no later than 7 a.m. on the day of pickup. Items should not be bagged, boxed or placed in any other type of container. A reminder of eligible pick up items are: doors, carpet, furniture, appliances, cardboard boxes, scrap metal, and mattresses. Items that are not eligible for pick up include: tree brush or limbs, household trash, garbage, or any material in plastic bags, hazardous materials (chemicals and petroleum products), automotive parts, batteries, or tires, construction, remodeling, or demolition debris such as shingles, wallboard and lumber, tires, dirt, rocks, concrete or ceramic tile, TV and electronics.

Twice this year, City Councilmember Nick Ornelas has issued a challenge to get civic organizations, church groups, and other community members involved by having them offer their services the Saturday before pickup. The ALSA Car Club and the Cross Roads Young Marines stepped up earlier this year and offered their services during the District 1 pickups and helped those residents needing help getting items to the curb. Those organizations interested in volunteering can call Ornelas or their District representative. To schedule a pickup or for more information, call Public Works at 432-264-2501 or by e-mail at nherandez@mybigspring.com. The next District pick up will take place in District 4, on the third Wednesday of December. The schedule for 2021 is as follows: District 4 collection will take place on Oct. 20 with scheduling needing to be completed by Oct. 18; District 5 collection will take place Nov. 17 with scheduling needing to be completed by Nov. 15; and District 6 will take place Dec. 15 with scheduling needing to be completed

by Dec. 13. Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, e-mail editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

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and normally has more than 30 entries. The show is judged and prizes are awarded in addition to ribbons. The area wide art show is held each year in May. More information can be found by calling one of the following Art Association members: Sandee Lockhart at 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.



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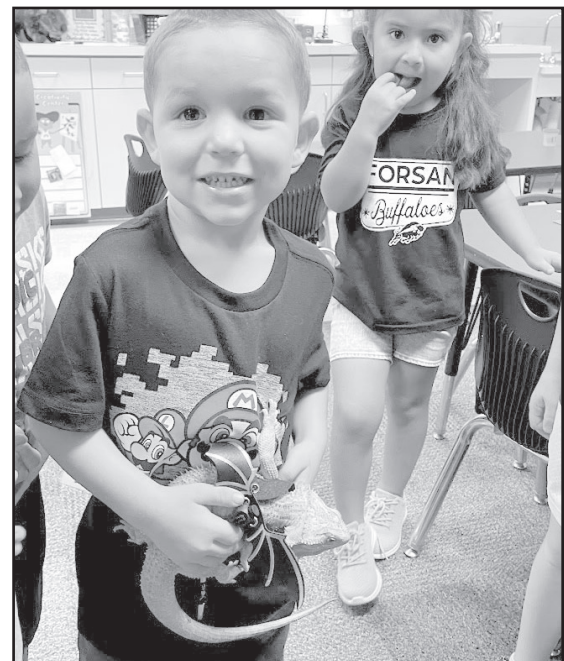


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Spike the bearded dragon visits Forsan



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Mrs. Bridges Pre-K class had a fun visitor come to class last week. His name was Spike and he is a bearded dragon. The students learned that he likes to lay in the sun and eats crickets and grasshoppers.

Ida's sweltering aftermath: No power, no water, no gasoline

By KEVIN MCGILL, CHEVEL JOHNSON and MELINDA DESLATTE

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of Louisianans sweltered in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida on Tuesday with no electricity, no tap water, precious little gasoline and no clear idea of when things might improve.

Long lines that wrapped around the block formed at the few gas stations that had fuel and generator power to pump it. People cleared rotting food out of refrigerators. Neighbors shared generators and borrowed buckets of swimming pool water to bathe or to flush toilets.

"We have a lot of work ahead of us and no one is under the illusion that this is going to be a short process," Gov. John Bel Edwards said as the clean-up and rebuilding began across the soggy region in the oppressive late-summer heat.

New Orleans officials announced seven places around the city where people could get a meal and sit in air conditioning. The city was also using 70 transit buses as cooling sites and will have drive-thru food, water and ice distribution locations set up on Wednesday, Mayor LaToya Cantrell said. Edwards said state officials also were working to set up distribution locations in other areas.

Cantrell ordered a nighttime curfew Tuesday, calling it an effort to prevent crime after Hurricane Ida devastated the power system and left the city in darkness. Police Chief Shaun Ferguson said there had been some arrests for stealing.

The mayor also said she expects the main power company Entergy to be able to provide some electricity to the city by Wednesday evening, but stressed that doesn't mean a quick citywide restoration. Entergy was looking at two options to "begin powering critical infrastructure in the area such as hospitals, nursing homes and first responders," the company said in a news release.

Cantrell acknowledged frustration in the days ahead.

"We know it's hot. We know we do not have any power, and that continues to be a priority," she told a news conference.

More than 1 million homes and businesses in Louisiana and Mississippi — including all of New Orleans — were left without power when Ida slammed the electric grid on Sunday with its 150 mph (240 kph) winds, toppling a major transmission tower and knocking out thousands of miles of lines and hundreds of substations.

An estimated 25,000-plus utility workers labored to restore electricity, but officials said it could take weeks.

With water treatment plants overwhelmed by floodwaters or crippled by power outages, some places were also facing shortages of drinking water. About 441,000 people in 17 parishes had no water, and an additional 319,000 were under boil-water advisories, federal officials said.

The number of deaths climbed to at least four in Louisiana and Mississippi, including two people killed Monday night when seven vehicles plunged into a 20-foot-deep (6-meter-deep) hole near Luce-

dale, Mississippi, where a highway had collapsed after torrential rains.

Among the crash victims was Kent Brown, a "well-liked," 49-year-old father of two, his brother Keith Brown said in a telephone interview on Tuesday. Keith Brown said his brother was in construction but had been out of work for a while. He didn't know where his brother was headed when the crash happened.

Edwards said he expects the death toll to rise.

In Slidell, crews searched for a 71-year-old man who was attacked by an alligator that tore off his arm as he walked through Ida's floodwaters. His wife pulled him to the steps of the home and paddled away to get help, but when she returned, he was gone, authorities said.

On Grand Isle, the barrier island that bore the full force of Ida's winds, Police Chief Scooter Resweber said he was "amazed that no one was killed or even seriously injured."

About half of the properties on the island of about 1,400 people were heavily damaged or destroyed, and the main roadway was nearly completely covered in sand brought in from the tidal surge.

"I've ridden out other hurricanes: Hurricane Isaac, Katrina, Gustav, Ike. ... This is the worst," Resweber said.

In New Orleans, drivers lined up for roughly a quarter-mile, waiting to get into a Costco that was one of the few spots in the city with gasoline. At other gas stations, motorists occasionally pulled up to the pumps, saw the handles covered in plastic bags and drove off.

Renell Debose spent a week suffering in the New Orleans Superdome after 2005's Hurricane Katrina, which killed 1,800 people and left the city nearly uninhabitable. She said she is willing to give it a few days without electricity, but no more than that.

"I love my city. I'm built for this. But I can't make it without any air conditioning," she said.

Michael Pinkrah used his dwindling fuel to find food. He cradled his 3-week-old son in the back seat of an SUV and his 2-year-old daughter played in the front seat as his wife stood in a long line in the sweltering heat to get into one of the few grocery stores open in the city.

Pinkrah said he and his wife thought about evacuating but couldn't find a hotel room. They found out about the open

store through social media. But even that link was tenuous.

"We can't charge our electronic devices to keep in contact with people. And without that, all of the communication just fails," he said.

In hard-hit Houma, the dismal reality of life without air conditioning, refrigeration or other more basic supplies began to sink in.

"Our desperate need right now is tarps, gasoline for generators, food, water," pastor Chad Ducote said. He said a church group from Mississippi arrived with food and supplies, and neighbors came to his pool to scoop up buckets of water.

"The people down here are just doing what they can. They don't have anything," he said.

Adding to the misery was the steamy weather. A heat advisory was issued for New Orleans and the rest of the region, with forecasters saying the combination of high temperatures and humidity could make it feel like 105 degrees Fahrenheit (41 degrees Celsius) on Tuesday and 106 on Wednesday.

Cynthia Andrews couldn't go back to her New Orleans home if she wanted to. She was in a wheelchair, tethered by a power cord to the generator system running the elevators and hallway lights at the Le Meridien hotel.

When the power went out Sunday, the machine that helps Andrews breathe after a lung collapse in 2018 stopped working. The hotel let her stay in the lobby, giving her a cot after she spent nearly a whole night in her wheelchair.

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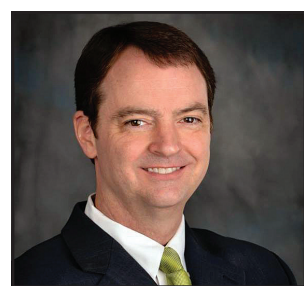
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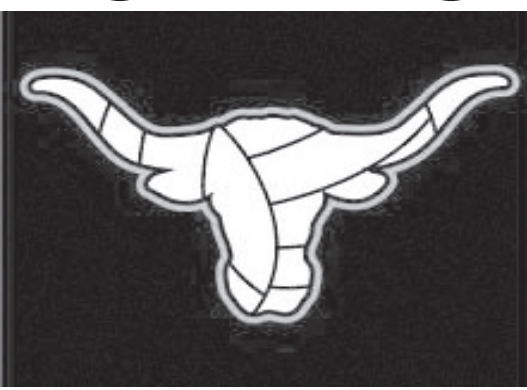
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The BSHJ Lady Steer Volleyball Teams opened their 2021 Season with a scrimmage against Forsan this past Saturday.

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The 8th Grade A fought hard against Forsan and came

out with the win in three sets. We lost the first set 18-25 but came back and won the next two sets 25-21 and 25-21. Stand-out players were Breanna Woodruff and Audrie Reyes, but each girl did their part in earning this win!

The 8th Grade B Team fought and came away with the win in three sets against Forsan. We won 25-18 in the first set. Then, lost 18-25 in the second set, and came back and won the third set 15-13. Players of the game were Laneigh Rushing and Paxton McCormick with the whole team contributing as well.

We look forward to our next game on September 9, 2021 in Snyder!

Transfer time: New rule brings college football free agency

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

Ideally, Florida State coach Mike Norvell will never need to build his team this way again.

The Seminoles have 14 transfers with more than 330 games of college experience on the roster after going 3-6 in Norvell's first year in Tallahassee.

When Florida State opens its season Sunday night at home against No. 9 Notre Dame, the 'Noles' could have as many as six players who were at other schools last year in the starting lineup.

"I think a lot of it had to do with kind of where we were in the moment. We came off last year when we were the youngest team in college football. I mean, there's been quite a bit of change around our program," Norvell told The Associated Press.

This season will be the first since the NCAA tweaked its rules to give all football players the freedom to transfer once in their careers and be immediately eligible to play at their new school — no questions asked.

After years of incremental steps to loosen restrictions around transfers, full-on college football free agency is here. Teams can now revamp rosters and bolster depth charts in a manner similar to the way it is done in the NFL.

No team has more riding on transfers this season than Florida State, though there are others. Michigan

State's second-year head coach, Mel Tucker, brought a bunch of new players into the program via the portal and had about a dozen go out. Kansas also has a dozen transfers on the roster for new coach Lance Leipold, who lured several of his players from Buffalo to Lawrence.

But Tucker and Leipold are not facing the same win-now pressure as Norvell. The once-mighty Seminoles have had three straight losing seasons and two head coaches since Jimbo Fisher left for Texas A&M at the end of the 2017 season.

The instability has taken a toll on recruiting and led to roster attrition. Facing another year of relying on inexperienced players to quickly blossom, Norvell decided Florida State didn't just need an influx of talent. It needed veteran leadership and players who understand what it takes to compete at the highest levels of college football.

"And I'm excited to see how it's all going to come together," Norvell said.

Among the most notable additions: Former UCF quarterback McKenzie Milton, who led the Knights through two unbeaten regular seasons before a gruesome leg injury nearly ended his career in 2018; Georgia defensive end Jermaine Johnson; and Notre Dame guard Dillan Gibbons.

Norvell told the new guys he needed them to be assertive and to set the tone when it came to practice, preparation and work ethic.

"I don't take that lightly," Johnson

said. "He's trusting me with an incredible role. My teammates trust me with an incredible role every day."

If Florida State is to once again become an elite program that can rival Clemson in the Atlantic Coast Conference, it will need to get there through recruiting. There are positive signs on that front. Florida State currently holds 18 verbal commitments for the class of 2022, a group ranked 10th in the country by 247 Sports' composite ratings.

But there is a chicken-and-egg aspect to recruiting. To win, coaches need to recruit well. To recruit well, coaches need to win.

If Norvell is going to attract the type of players that helped Florida State win three national titles, the last in 2013 under Fisher, the Seminoles need to show progress in 2021.

"You always want to help put the program in the best position to achieve success now," Norvell said. "We have a long-term vision of what this is going to look like. And still with the guys that we've brought in, we feel like we're addressing both."

Texas State went even deeper into the portal than Florida State. The Bobcats' last signing class had 23 transfers and just two high school players — an ominous sign for those who fear the transfer portal will harm prep recruiting.

Bobcats coach Jake Spavital said the decision to load up in transfers does not reflect a long-term strategy. The combination of a very inexperi-

enced roster and last year's pandemic eligibility freeze for current players led to the unique class.

"What we looked at with this portal is it gives us an opportunity to maybe do some immediate fixes, but it also allows us to get developmental kids that are coming from a Power Five (school) that have, because last year didn't count, five years to play four," Spavital said.

For most programs, the transfer market is more for filling holes here and there than an extreme make-over.

At Indiana, Tom Allen's program is trending up after consecutive winning seasons. The No. 17 Hoosiers are bringing back many of the key players from last year's 6-2 team, but needed help at running back, on the edges of the defensive line and at receiver, where former Florida State receiver D.J. Matthews was among the additions.

Like a lot of coaches, Allen targets transfers the staff has recruited or coached before.

"I felt like we knew what we were getting character-wise," Allen said.

At Florida State, Norvell said he's been encouraged by the way the holdovers have welcomed the newcomers.

"These guys, they know what we're building and they know how we're building it," Norvell said. "We're going to do it with the right guys. And, you know, whether they've been here for a short time or a long time when they're here, we're all Seminoles."

Cam Newton headlines list of NFL players released

By ROB MAADDI

AP Pro Football Writer

Cam Newton followed Mac Jones along the sideline, holding his right hand up, waiting for the rookie quarterback to slap it after the No. 15 overall pick threw a touchdown in a preseason game Sunday night.

Newton may as well have been congratulating Jones for taking his job.

The New England Patriots released Newton on Tuesday hours before NFL teams reduced rosters to 53 players. Jones, the first QB selected in the first round during Bill Belichick's 22 seasons in New England, takes over after Newton was a one-year stopgap following Tom Brady's departure.

Newton, the 2015 NFL MVP, headlines the list of starters now seeking a new team. He was 7-8 as a starter last season.

"He started at a much higher point than what he did last year, so definitely moving in the right direction," Belichick said of Newton on Monday.

A day later, he was moving out of Patriot Way. Newton is not vaccinated and recently missed practice time because of COVID-19 protocols. It's unknown whether that factored into New England's decision to let him go.

Jacksonville Jaguars coach Urban Meyer said vaccination status was a consideration in their roster decisions. Hours later, the NFLPA launched an investigation following Meyer's statement.

"Everyone was considered. That was part of the production, let's start talking about this and also, 'Is he vaccinated or not?' Can I say that that was a decision-maker? It was certainly in consideration," Meyer said.

Meyer pointed to defensive end Josh Allen missing one week because of protocols. Allen, who is

not vaccinated, was activated from the COVID-19 list Monday.

"Well, Josh Allen's never had (COVID)," Meyer said. "He's not played in two weeks. So he's never had COVID. I don't know if I'm allowed to say that, but he's never had COVID. So that's pretty punitive."

The Eagles released wide receiver Travis Fulgham, who had an excellent five-game stretch last season before disappearing from the offense. Veteran running back Jordan Howard also was cut by Philadelphia.

Baltimore released quarterback Trace McSorley, leaving Tyler Huntley as the backup to Lamar Jackson. Carolina cut quarterback Will Grier, a third-round pick in 2019. The Panthers are going with Sam Darnold and P.J. Walker as their quarterbacks, for now.

The Falcons kept backup quarterbacks Josh Rosen and Feleipe Franks. Rosen, a former first-round pick by Arizona, survived the cuts one week after signing with Atlanta and playing in only one preseason game.

The Browns, a legitimate title contender after so many miserable seasons, surprisingly released wide receiver KhaDarel Hodge, had a solid preseason, catching two touchdown passes in the past two games. He's also been a valuable special teamer. However, he fell behind Donovan Peoples-Jones, Rashard Higgins and rookie Anthony Schwartz on the depth chart as the No. 3 behind Jarvis Landry and Odell Beckham Jr.

Cleveland also kept defensive tackle Malik McDowell, a former second-round pick by Seattle whose career once seemed over following

an ATV accident and two arrests in 2017.

The Chiefs placed offensive lineman Kyle Long, who came out of retirement only to break his tibia at the start of camp, on the physically-unable-to-perform list.

The Detroit Lions left themselves without a kicker, releasing Randy Bullock and Zane Gonzalez.

Tennessee cut wide receiver Dez Fitzpatrick, a fourth-round pick. The Titans traded up 15 spots to No. 109, swapping their fifth-round pick and seventh-round pick for the receiver, who struggled with dropped passes.

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5 :30	Big 2 Good Morning Basin	Como dice el dicho	Paid Prtg. Business	CBS7 Wake Up	Al rojo vivo (SS)	Newsweek 9	Hidden Restaura	Cat in the Hat Ready Jet	Paid Prtg.	More Hair Paid Prtg.	Matters George	Charmed	SportsCenter	Keyshawn, JWill and Zubin	Paid Prtg. Vitamins	NCIS: Los Angeles	Jeremiah Joyce M.	Mysteries of
6 :30		¡Despierta América!	Les Feld Robison	CBS7 Wake Up	Hoy día (SS)	Newsweek 9	Truth for Life	Pag & Cat Super	Paternity Court	Seinfeld Seinfeld	George George	Charmed	SportsCenter		Rangers MLB Baseball: Rockies at Rangers	NCIS (DVS)	Parking Parking	Mysteries of
7 :30	Good Morning America		Space Wom	CBS This Morning		Today	Light of Southwest	Tiger Tiger	CBS7 Wake Up	Divorce Jerry	Broke Girl Broke Girl	Charmed	Get Up	SportsCenter		Law & Order: SVU	Parking	Mysteries of
8 :30			Fox 24 News AM				Light of Southwest	Sesame Elinor	CBS7 Wake Up	Steve Wilkos Show	Broke Girl	Charmed		SportsCenter		Law & Order: SVU	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Mysteries of
9 :30	The 700 Club		Wendy Williams	Kelly and Ryan	Caso cerrado (SS)	Today 3rd Hour	Issues4 Our Mess	Clifford Dinosaur	Kelly Clark Show	Steve Wilkos Show	Friends Friends	Supernatural	First Take	Get Up	Breaking Kickboxing	Law & Order: SVU	I Survived	Mysteries of
10 :30	The View	Como dice el dicho	The Real	The Price Is Right	La casa De'siones	Today-Hoda	Families Words of	Go Luna Nature	Drew Barrymore	Maury	Friends Friends	Supernatural				Law & Order: SVU	I Survived	Mysteries of
11 :30	Jeopardy	Noticiero Nosotr.	Tamron Hall	Young & Restless	Más sabe Noticias	The Dr. Oz Show	Shepherd's Nature	Xavier	The Doctors	Maury	Friends Friends	Supernatural	2021 U.S. Open Tennis: Second Round.	SportsCenter		Law & Order: SVU	I Survived	Abandoned
12 :30	GMA3: What Hoy (SS)		TMZ Live	News Bold	Pasión de gavilanes	Days of our Lives	You Need The China Hero		Dateline	Hot	Friends Friends	Supernatural				Law & Order: SVU	Killer	Abandoned
1 :30	General Hospital	La madrastra	The People's Court	The Talk	En casa con	Blast	Eye on Israel	Pink	The First 48	Paid Prtg.	Friends Friends	Supernatural			Question	Law & Order: SVU	Killer	Abandoned
2 :30	Rachael Ray	Amor eterno	Judge Mathis	Let's Make a Deal	(1:58) Suelta la sopa	Ellen DeGeneres	Light of Southwest	Pink Elinor	Monk	Jerry Friends	Friends Friends	Movie: Fallen, Donald Sutherland			FIFA World Cup 2022 Qualifying	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Abandoned
3 :30	Jdg Judy	El gordo y la flaca	The List Mom	Kelly Clarkson	(2:58) Al rojo vivo	Dr. Phil	Light of Southwest	Donkey Curious	Maury	Jerry Friends	American American				Around	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
4 :30	DailyMail	Primer impacto	Broke Girl	CBS 7 News	En casa con	News Inside Ed.	Ignite Hidden	Xavier	25 Words	Divorce	American	(:45) Movie: Geostorm, Abbie Cornish (DVS)			Pardon	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
5 :30	Big 2	Noticiero	FamFeud	CBS 7 News	Tele	News	The Gath	Molly	King	Burgers	Fam. Guy		SportsCenter	U.S. Open Ten.	Inside	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
6 :30	ABC News	Noticiero	FamFeud	CBS 7 News	Noticias	News	Freedom	Hero	King	Burgers	Fam. Guy				Phimetime at the U.S. Open	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
7 :30	Wheel	¿Qué le pasa a	Big Bang	ET	La casa de los famosos (SS)	News	Israel	Wild Kratt	Last Man	Fam. Guy	Big Bang				Mavericks	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
8 :30	Press Your Luck	Diseñando tu amor	MasterChef	Big Brother		America's Talent	News Truth	Odd	Dateline	Riverdale	Big Bang	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite			Rangers USL Championship Soccer	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
9 :30	\$100,000 Pyramid	Si nos dejan		House Calls	Hercai: amor	Family Game Fight!	Light of Southwest	Arthur Arthur	Dateline	In the Dark	Big Bang				Golf Life	Law & Order: SVU	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Expedition Unknown
10 :30	Superstar (DVS)	La desalmada	FOX 24 News at 9	48 Hours	Café con aroma de	Chicago Fire	Light of Southwest	Cyber Pink	Mike	News Gold	Full		SportsCenter	W/Van Pelt	All Ac	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
11 :30	Big 2	Noticiero	TMZ	CBS 7 News	Tele	News	News	Pink	Friends	Creek	Full				All Ac	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
12 :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live!	Noticiero	Mom	Late Show-Colbert	Noticias	Tonight Show	Words of Dr. Wil	Donkey	CBS 7	black-ish	George	(:15) Movie: Fallen, Donald Sutherland	SportsCenter	UFC Unleashed	World Poker	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
1 :30	Nightline	Contacto deportivo	Funny	James Corden	Sin Senos Si	Seth Meyers	Issues4	Tiger	Jokers	black-ish	George				UFC Unleashed	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
2 :30	Extra	Un gancho al	Two Men	Simpsons	Drew Barrymore	News	Jesus IS	Xavier	Forensic	Ninja Warrior	George				Around	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
3 :30	DailyMail	La madrastra	Pawn	Dr. Carras	Programa	Today-Hoda	Light of Southwest	Molly Hero	Jerry Springer	Short List Gold	New Girl				Pardon	Law & Order: SVU	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Expedition Unknown
4 :30	Floor Mop Legs, feet														UFC Unleashed	Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
5 :30	(:06) ABC World News Now	Vecinos	Paid Prtg.	(:07) CBS Overnight News		Programa	Light of Southwest	Wild Kratt	Minute	Paint Like	New Girl	NCIS: New Orleans	SportsCenter	UFC Unleashed		Law & Order: SVU	Court	Expedition Unknown
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9 :30	World News Now	Noticiero	Two Men	News	Programa	Early Tdy	Dr. Young	Arthur	Paid Prtg.	Truth	Matters						Paid Prtg.	Tonight

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OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application.** If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a

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specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for

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their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.** TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

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Comment/, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

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Annie's Mailbox

Stressed About Mom's Finances

Dear Annie: Our family is like most families -- dysfunctional. Our father worked two jobs most of his life to better himself for the good of his family. My mother was a spender, but my father controlled the money. When my father passed, my mother was finally free to live as she wanted.

Yet my eldest sibling, "Dan," suddenly controlled all her money. Never was there a family meeting to discuss finances. Recently, we learned that Dan has taken liberty with our mother's money. Almost everything my father worked for is gone. Our mother needs assistance, and now she cannot afford it. I feel that Dan cheated not only my mother but also the rest of our family, because now we have this added burden of her care. Dan has never shown remorse. Our mother could press charges for elder abuse but has chosen not to go that route.

Dear Heartbroken:

You might want to consult an attorney about your situation, just to be sure you've exhausted every avenue regarding your mom's finances and your brother's mishandling of them.

That said, the person I'm worried most about is you. It is not wrong at all for you to start thinking of yourself. In fact, it's im-

Stressed About Mom's Finances

forgiven the crook, but I cannot forget.

I am keeping my distance from the situation and asking all other family members to assist with our mother's care. My family has no idea of the stress this situation has put on me. I have lost some of my hair; I constantly break out in rashes; and I hardly ever sleep at night because I worry about our mother's finances.

I am wondering whether I am wrong to start thinking of myself and to stop worrying about our mother's future.

I know there are ways to get assistance for our mom, but without her pressing charges against the person responsible, it might be difficult. I would like all of us to find peace with this situation so there will be a legacy of love and kindness left by our mother. Can I just go on and pray that my other siblings will see that I need to separate myself from all of it? -- Heartbroken

Dear Annie:

I would like to make a public service announcement for all office workers. Please, for the love of all that is good wear shoes! I don't care how hot it is or that you chose to purchase uncomfortable shoes; keep your feet covered at work! Also, flip-flops are not appropriate footwear for an office. Please choose one or more of the thousands of other summer footwear options out there. -- P.U.

Dear P.U.:

I'm printing your letter because summer is still going strong in a lot of the country. Unless you're a yogi, keep your shoes on at work.

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FEATURES

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 1, the 244th day of 2021. There are 121 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 1, 1939, World War II began as Nazi Germany invaded Poland.

On this date:

In 1159, Pope Adrian IV, the only English pope, died.

In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was found not guilty of treason. (Burr was then tried on a misdemeanor charge, but was again acquitted.)

In 1923, the Japanese cities of Tokyo and Yokohama were devastated by an earthquake that claimed some 140,000 lives.

In 1942, U.S. District Court

Judge Martin I. Welsh, ruling from Sacramento, Calif., on a lawsuit brought by the American Civil Liberties Union on behalf of Fred Korematsu, upheld the wartime detention of Japanese-Americans as well as Japanese nationals.

In 1945, Americans received word of Japan's formal surrender that ended World War II. (Because of the time difference, it was Sept. 2 in Tokyo Bay, where the ceremony took place.)

In 1969, a coup in Libya brought Moammar Gadhafi to power.

In 1972, American Bobby Fischer won the international chess crown in Reykjavik (RAY'-kyuh'-vik), Iceland, as Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union resigned before the resumption of Game 21. An

arson fire at the Blue Bird Cafe in Montreal, Canada, claimed 37 lives.

In 1983, 269 people were killed when a Korean Air Lines Boeing 747 was shot down by a Soviet jet fighter after the airliner entered Soviet airspace.

In 1985, a U.S.-French expedition located the wreckage of the Titanic on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean roughly 400 miles off Newfoundland.

In 2005, New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin issued a "desperate SOS" as his city descended into anarchy amid the flooding left by Hurricane Katrina.

In 2009, Vermont's law allowing same-sex marriage went into effect.

In 2015, invoking "God's authority," Rowan County, Kentucky, Clerk Kim Davis denied marriage licenses to gay

couples again in direct defiance of the federal courts, and vowed not to resign, even under the pressure of steep fines or jail. (Davis would spend five days in jail; she was released only after her staff issued the licenses on her behalf but removed her name from the form.)

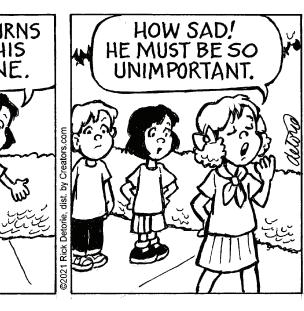
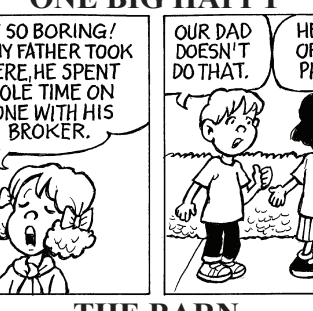
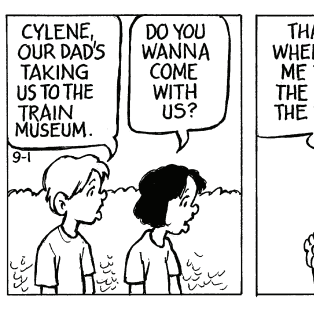
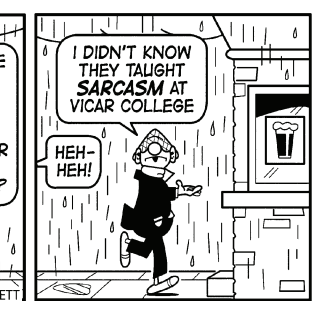
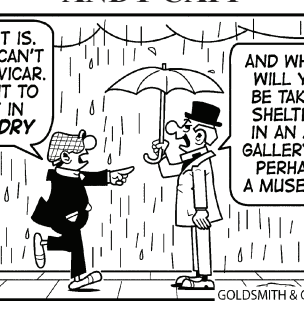
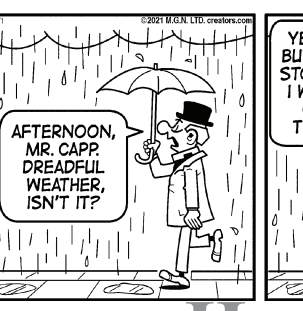
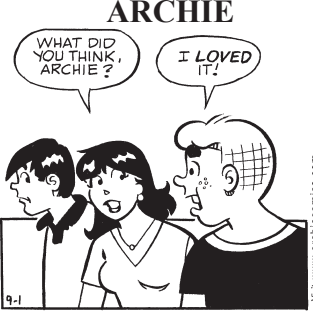
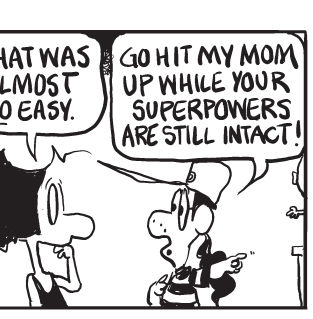
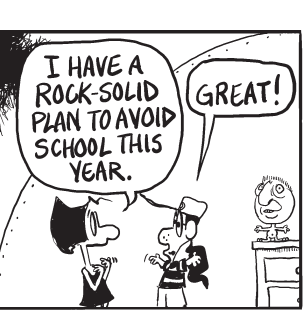
Ten years ago: In a fiery broadcast from hiding, Libya's Moammar Gadhafi warned that loyalist tribes in his main strongholds were armed and preparing for battle. Leaders and envoys from 60 countries and the U.N. met in Paris for talks with Libya's rebel-led National Transitional Council to map the country's future.

Five years ago: A massive fireball and explosion erupted at SpaceX's main launch pad at Cape Canaveral, destroying a rocket as well as a satellite that Facebook was counting on to spread internet service in Africa.

One year ago: Visiting Kenosha, Wisconsin, where he toured the charred remains of a city block, President Donald Trump blamed "domestic terror" for the violence that had followed the shooting of Jacob Blake, who'd been left paralyzed when he was shot in the back seven times by a police officer. Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis said he would lift the state's ban on visiting nursing homes; the ban had been in effect since mid-March over fears of spreading the coronavirus. U.S. Sen. Edward Markey of Massachusetts defeated U.S. Rep. Joe Kennedy III in a hard-fought Democratic Senate primary; it was the first time a Kennedy had lost a race for Congress in Massachusetts. With videoconferencing an integral part of daily life during the pandemic, the Wall Street market value of Zoom surged to more than \$129 billion, higher than Citigroup, Boeing and

Starbucks.

Today's Birthdays: Actor George Maharis is 93. Conductor Seiji Ozawa (SAY'-jee oh-ZAH'-wah) is 86. Attorney and law professor Alan Dershowitz is 83. Comedian-actor Lily Tomlin is 82. Actor Don Stroud is 78. Conductor Leonard Slatkin is 77. Singer Archie Bell is 77. Singer Barry Gibb is 75. Rock musician Greg Errico is 73. Talk show host Dr. Phil McGraw is 71. Singer Gloria Estefan is 64. Jazz musician Boney James is 60. Singer-musician Grant Lee Phillips (Grant Lee Buffalo) is 58. Country singer songwriter Charlie Robison is 57. Retired NBA All-Star Tim Hardaway is 55. Actor Ricardo Antonio Chavira is 50. Actor Maury Sterling is 50. Rock singer JD Fortune is 48. Actor Scott Speedman is 46. Country singer Angaleena Presley (Pisto Annie) is 45. Actor Boyd Holbrook is 40.



Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

The Challenge of Fun

Action hero Mars is moving into an opposition with Neptune in Pisces, challenging our ability to let loose. It would seem like fun should be innate -- a natural default for relaxation. Alas, it's not always the case. Sometimes you have to find fun. Today, it's a matter of identifying what's (SET ITAL)not(END ITAL) fun and then figuring out how to avoid or work around it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A good meal, interesting conversation, a peaceful walk... such simple pleasures will be savored when you stick to the original plan. Sidenote: What if you adopted a zero tolerance policy for flakey people?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Care, love, tenderness, ambition, obsession... all are forms of attention that manifest in action. Where there is no evidence of attention, there is no evidence of love.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll spend time with people who make you want to work with them. Good people will learn who you are and will work with your strengths to create something unique with you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Before things get interesting (and they will), cherish eventless times. There's beauty in an uninterrupted routine and loveliness in the unfolding of a predictable day.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's easy to think of yourself as the wave -- riding ups and downs, feeling at times like the crest and then like the trough. But those are just states. You are not the wave. You are the water.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Who cares the most about the situation? It's the one who has to live with it day to day; not the temporary agent. You'll make sure the right people get their say -- the ones affected.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll have a communication breakthrough. It's satisfying because of the times before when you struggled to chase down the point and missed. Now you know what you're trying to say, and you say it well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a difference between teamwork and the operations of a dictatorship. Tune into the subtle ways people try to control one another. Avoid anyone focused on making others do their bidding.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You will be often making plans, remembering something or observing a reality that is representational of another moment. Each time that you bring yourself fully to "now" is an enrichment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Reality and imagi-

nation will blend together for you. You will live what you imagine, and you will imagine based on what you live. Your creativity is shaping your experience, and others want to be a part of what you make.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You crave adventure, but your idea of it is not the same as another person's. So before you share in the quest, get clear on your preferences. The best mark to hit will feel safe, but not too comfortable.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). What you bring to relationships is unique; you make sure of it. A winning strategy for creating memories: Make big moments small, and make small moments big.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 1). You will succeed because you love the essence of an endeavor. Put that at the center of your practice, and make it the focus of every plan. You will not only be happy in the quest, but you will also attract bounty beyond your wildest dreams. Relationships thrive as you find new ways to express your heart. Cancer and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 44, 36, 10 and 14.

COSMIC QUESTION: "What does it mean when all your planets are in a few houses and some parts of the wheel are without planets entirely? I do not have any planets in the fifth house. I feel like it's telling me that I'm not going to have children or that I don't have any artistic talent. Is that true?"

No! With 10 luminaries represented in a chart and 12 houses, empty houses are an inevitability. Furthermore, it's common to have clumps of planets in a house, leaving even more of them empty. What sign is ruling your vacant fifth house? (Which sign is on the fifth house cusp?) That will give you more information. For instance, Leo, Libra or Pisces on the fifth house are exceptional for artists, even if the fifth house is empty. As for children, destiny has not spoken on the matter -- it's entirely up to you.

Generally speaking, I advise shunning interpretations that do not empower or enlighten you. If reading the omens in a particular way makes you feel less than, why would you accept that inference? This is true not only of fortune-telling methods but of any definition or opinion of you. Many things become possible once you get on your own side.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Zendaya Coleman, like most Virgos, is happiest when in the motion of work. The actress, whose name translates to "give thanks" in the language of Shona, is grateful for the dance of a busy schedule. This year gives her one of her busi-

est to date, featuring a new version of the science fiction classic "Dune," a "Spider-Man" sequel and "Space Jam: A New Legacy."

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Secret agents
 - 6 Keogh plan alternatives
 - 10 Scandinavian capital
 - 14 Of ocean motions
 - 15 Small snack
 - 16 On the summit of
 - 17 Gig for a tenor
 - 18 Bar assoc. member
 - 19 Very funny person
 - 20 Employee's free-food perk
 - 23 CBS police franchise
 - 24 Phone trio before Q was added
 - 25 Beethoven's "Minuet ___"
 - 26 Suffix for language names
 - 27 Boyfriend of Barbie
 - 28 Freeze, as a windshield
 - 30 Frozen dessert chain
 - 32 Dressed (in)
 - 35 Campus teacher, for short
 - 37 ___ Day (tree-planting time)
 - 40 Ambassador's sealed mailbag
 - 43 Scatter about
 - 44 Temporary period of calm
 - 45 Not fooled by
 - 46 Part of the eye
 - 48 Portrait painter's cover-up
 - 50 Buddy
 - 52 After-tax amount
 - 54 Mo. metropolis
 - 55 Fish eggs
- DOWN**
- 1 Step heavily (on)
 - 2 Hamelin's rat remover
 - 3 Concepts
 - 4 Husband of a countess
 - 5 Language family of Czech and Polish
 - 6 Presidential swearing-in
 - 7 Coll. military program
 - 8 ___ crow flies (in a straight line)
 - 9 Most timid
 - 10 Rower's implement
 - 11 Breakfast sweet with nuts
 - 12 Not at all tight
 - 13 Choose to participate
 - 21 Early afternoon hour
 - 22 Newscast summary
 - 28 Lazy person
 - 29 Top DC VIP
 - 31 Small stream
 - 32 Some S&L accounts
 - 33 Ignited
 - 34 Day-after-March shout
 - 36 Composer's cinematic work
 - 38 Autumn mo.
 - 39 Greek letter after pi
 - 41 Indebted (to)
 - 42 What dresses are made of
 - 47 Mexican shawl
 - 49 Pantry, for instance
 - 50 Seat for a parakeet
 - 51 Hawaiian greeting
 - 53 "Apartment available" sign
 - 55 Arrested
 - 56 Give a formal speech
 - 57 Be
 - 60 Web surfer
 - 61 Nonspeaking street performer
 - 63 An hour after 21 Down

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SUDOKU

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

8				5		3	7	
				4				
6		1		9				
	2			7		1		6
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4			9				1	
3			6		8	7		
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Level: Intermediate

CROSSWORD

Today's Answers

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63
64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81
82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90

PIGSKIN PICKS

Football Contest

Brought to you by
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Enter To Win \$50 At These Participating Merchants!



Bargain Mart

1. Big Spring
2. Forsan
3. Coahoma
4. Garden City
5. Sands
6. Westbrook
7. Stanton
8. Grady
9. TCU
10. Lindenwood



Franklin & Son

1. Big Spring
2. Forsan
3. Coahoma
4. Garden City
5. Sands
6. Borden County
7. Stanton
8. Grady
9. TCU
10. Angelo State Univ.



Hull's Meat Co.

1. Lubbock High
2. Forsan
3. Miles
4. Garden City
5. Sands
6. Westbrook
7. Merkel
8. Loraine
9. Texas Longhorns
10. Lindenwood



Porter's

1. Big Spring
2. Forsan
3. Coahoma
4. O'Donnell
5. Sands
6. Borden County
7. Merkel
8. Grady
9. Texas Longhorns
10. Angelo State Univ.



Sonic

1. Big Spring
2. Forsan
3. Coahoma
4. Garden City
5. Sands
6. Borden County
7. Stanton
8. Grady
9. Texas Longhorns
10. Angelo State Univ.



Wild West Wingz

1. Big Spring
2. Forsan
3. Coahoma
4. Garden City
5. Sanderson
6. Borden County
7. Stanton
8. Grady
9. TCU
10. Angelo State Univ.

Official Game Rules:

Find this week's games between the merchant's ads on this page. Choose the teams you think will win, and fill in the official entry form on this page with your team choices. Clip the entry form out of the page and drop it in the Pigskin box at one of the listed merchants.

Do not drop your entry form at the Big Spring Herald office.

*The entry with the most correct picks will win \$50!

You must be 18 to enter. *No photo copies accepted.*

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

For the tie breaker, the entry with the correct team will win.

If both entries have guessed the same team, the second tie breaker will be the one closest to the total points.

*Decisions of the judges are final.

*Employees and family of the Big Spring Herald are ineligible.

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

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

Pigskin Picks Entry Form

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

TIE BREAKER-
Circle the winner and note total points scored

TEXAS TECH VS HOUSTON

Total Score: **50** + _____ = _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone Number: _____



Increase Your Chances To Win!!

SUBMIT MULTIPLE BALLOTS PER GAME!

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Half Priced Soft Drinks
Monday-Friday 2:00-4:00 PM
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1218 Lamesa Hwy-Stanton

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SCORE SUPER SAVINGS!

403 RUNNELS
MONDAY-SATURDAY
9AM-6:30PM
CLOSED SUNDAYS

7. STANTON -VS- MERKEL

8. GRADY -VS- LORAIN



WE ♥ OUR TEAMS!

9. TEXAS LONGHORNS -VS- TCU

10. ANGELO STATE UNIV. -VS- LINDENWOOD

\$50 ★ **MARK WATT** ★ **\$50**
PRIZE MAY BE PICKED UP FRIDAY AFTER 12 PM