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p.m. through Dec.
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Christmas in
Coahoma at the Park
will be Saturday,
Dec. 11, from 3
to 6:30 p.m. The
event will include
hayrides and
caroling, Christmas
art projects for kids,
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The Big Spring
Symphony's concert
"Home Is Where
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18 at First United
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Local entities hold Leadership Summit



HERALD photo/Roger Cline Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Mark Willis, at podium, lays out upcoming plans and challenges of the EDC during the Joint Leadership Summit Monday evening at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

Ten of Howard County's governmental and business entities met Monday evening and each gave a brief presentation, including their current status and the challenges facing them in the coming

months.

"I think it went well," said Big Spring
Mayor Shannon Thomason, following
the "Special Joint Leadership Summit,"
held on the floor of Howard College's
Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. "It's good to

get all of the groups together in the same room and kind of talk about what the challenges are, and find out from each one what they might need help with, and basically give us all some ideas what we can do to work together."

The event, which was open to the public, drew about about 40 members of the public, who watched from the Colise-um's bleachers. Those in attendance had the opportunity to submit written questions to the various entities. Only one such question was read and responded to during the meeting.

Entities who offered presentations at the event included Howard County, the City of Big Spring, the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Howard College, Big Spring ISD, Coahoma ISD, Forsan ISD, the West Texas VA Healthcare System, and Scenic Moun-

tain Medical Center.
• Howard County – Commissioner
Jimmie Long (Precinct 3): Commissioner Long spoke about challenges facing

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Lights, camera, action: The Big Spring Christmas Parade was a huge hit for the community



Herald Photos/ MaLinda Pope

This past weekend Big Spring held its annual Christmas parade. The parade had over 40 floats and was fantastic this year to witness.

By DUSTIN POPE

Managing Editor

This past weekend Big Spring held its annual Christmas Parade. This year's theme was "Lights Camera Action" you could base your float off any Christmas movie theme. There were so many fantastic floats in this year's parade; it was cool to get to see how creative everyone was. You could defiantly see all the hard work and dedication that the participants put into their floats. Pretty much any Christmas movie you could think of was represented. From Polar express to Charlie Brown, and yes, even my favorite Die hard.

The winners from the parade were as follows: First place for the non-

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Obituaries

C.K. "Kenneth" Orr

C.K. "Kenneth" Orr, 95, died Saturday, December 4, 2021, in Sterling City, Texas.

Graveside service will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Kenneth was born November 5, 1926, in Terrell, Texas, to Ethyl and R.W. Orr. He married Joyce Springfield on August 31, 1958, in Ackerly, Texas. He spent most of life in Big Spring.

Kenneth was a Veteran of the U.S Army. He worked 32 years at Southwestern Bell, he started there in high school. He also owned Coahoma Telephone Company.

Kenneth loved hunting on his ranch and fishing.

He loved pulling weeds and tinkering in his shop. His favorite color was gray.

Kenneth is survived by his wife of 63 years: Joyce Orr of Big Spring; one daughter: Suzanne Davis (Scott) of Sterling City; one son: Craig Orr of Boerne; two grandchildren: Breanne Hale (Trey) of Ozona & Slade Davis (Andi) of Sterling City; four great-grandsons; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Kenneth was preceded

in death by two brothers: Dick Orr and Bob Orr. Pallbearers will be his grandsons, Slade Davis

and Trey Hale. Honorary pallbearers will be his great-grandsons, Ryder Davis, Westyn Davis, Cort Hale, and Jett Hale.

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

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

•MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. Two people were transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 5200 block of Longshore. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported on I20 MM 169. No transport was necessary.

•MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2600 block of S Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1600 block of S Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

•MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block of W 17th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 98 inmates at the time of this report. •ALEXIS JADE BLAND, 24, of

was arrested by HCSO on a charge of expired registration, no drivers license, failure to appear. •MIGUEL JAVIER GOMEZ,

43, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of bail jumping and fail to

•MICHAEL RAY GRIEGO II, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2G, no drivers license, possession of marijuana less than 2oz, manufacture deliver controlled substance more than 4G less than 200G.

•BENJAMIN

NEAL-LEE

HERBERT, 34, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1G.

•RAMIRO MONTOYA MIER **JR**, 31, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of discharge firearm within city. •BRANDON ANTHONY MO-

RAN, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear x5, assault family violence, possession of marijuana less than 2oz, public intoxication, violate promise to appear. •OLGA FRANCO OMELAS, 34,

was arrested by BSPD on a charge of illegal dumping more than 5lbs less than 500lbs.

•MATTHEW AARON PAYNE, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of dangerous

•AUSTIN STANLEY PIERCE,

19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft of property more than \$750 less than \$2,500.

•VALENTINE CALDERON QUINTANA, 45, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of terroristic threat of family, criminal mischief more than \$100 less than \$750, public intoxication.

•STEVEN DWAYNE RICH, 43, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid x2.

•JEANNIE SANCHEZ, 37, was arrested by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2ox, unlawful carrying weapon.

•JULIAN URANGA, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

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

Support Groups

- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- · Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615
- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

• 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.

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•STEVEN D WAYE RICH, 43, of 1008 Bluebonnet block of W FM 700. was arrested on a charge of driving while license

suspended/invalid. •MATTHEW AARON Franklin & Son and KBYG

PAYNE, 7, of 1207 S Runnels St was arrested on a charge of possession dangerous drug. •RAMIRO MONTOYA

NIER JR, 31, of 601 e 12th St was arrested on a charge of discharge firearm within city. •BRANDON ANTHO-

NY MORAN, 32, of 2518 Langley Dr was arrested on a charge of public intoxication, fail to appear, warrant from another agency x5, possession of marijuana less than 2oz, assault family violence threat or offensive touch. •MICHAEL RAY

GRIEGO, 27, of 1203 N FM 700 was arrested on a charge of manufacture or deliver controlled substance more than 4G less than 200G, warrant from another agency x3.

•SUSPICIOUS TIVITY was reported in the 2100 block of and 2200 block of Johnson.

•DUSTURBANCE was reported in the 1500 block of Robin St.

•HIT AND RUN was reported in the area of 700 and Goliad. •ACCIDENT MAJOR

was reported in the area of HWY 350 20 miles from Big Spring. • DISTURBANCE

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•DISTURBANCE was

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 900 block of Baylor Blyd.

•ACCIDENT MINOR was reported in the 200

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the county, including the recent closure of the local private GEO prisons, and ongoing damage to local roads. Long offered a piece of good news regarding the roads: "We have received a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation of about \$8.6 million with a 20 percent match on the county's part, and with it we have made some progress repairing our roads." Long presented slides showing photos of damaged county roads and progress of repairs. Long reported that the county, through the Sheriff's Department and Sheriff Stan Parker, has created an Environmental Task Force with authority to identify health and safety issues on private property in the county, and to request that the owners clean up the property or face fines or jail time. Long also mentioned the commissioners' work on deciding how to spend about \$7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants, and dealing with unfunded mandates from the State of Texas.

• City of Big Spring – Mayor Shannon Thomason: Mayor Thomason spoke about the recent Andrews ISD bus crash which claimed three adult workers' lives and left many Andrews students injured. Thomason expressed pride at the unity Howard County entities displayed in offering assistance during the crisis. "The entities involved: the city, the county, the school district, the college, and all of the citizens that showed up bringing pizzas and food, and offering prayers, made me personally proud to be a resident of this great city and county. It proved to me what West Texans can do when we pull together." Thomason noted that infrastructure is the city's main challenge. "Streets are a continuing problem. Water and sewer lines are old and getting older, and we are moving forward with solutions on both." The mayor said new methods of pothole repair should allow repairs to be completed faster and last longer, and that the city's ARPA grant – \$6.9 million – will be used entirely for water and sewer upgrades. The city has held property taxes to the "No new revenue" tax rate for the past three years. Thomason said: bringing in more money through business expansion and construction. The mayor said "new sit-down, casual restaurants" are coming to Big Spring, as well as new businesses in the downtown area, which he called a "jewel of the city." "We still have our historic downtown, whereas most of our neighbors around do not," he said. "Thanks to the investment in the Settles Hotel, downtown has a crown jewel. We need to continue that motion." Thomason said the city has started the process of creating a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) in the downtown area to help fund infrastructure improvements without cost to taxpayers. Thomason also said the city is exploring "alternative sources of revenue

that will lower or eliminate property taxes." • Big Spring Economic Development Corporation – Executive Director Mark Willis: Willis spoke about the EDC's work on the U.S. Hwy. 87 Reliever Route and the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. "The EDC has spent about \$17 million out at the Airport to improve rail service, improve the runways out there, and, most recently, about \$6 million on roadways out there," he said. Willis also spoke about a project to open up land for development west of

the Airpark. "This is where the future of business growth industry, heavy commercial, what we refer to as 'base jobs.' My board and myself, that's what we see. This is a long-term potential," he said. Willis said that, although a potential \$5 million grant for improvements in the area was declined, he remains hopeful that the EDC can receive a \$1.5 million grant for the project instead. "The good thing about it is, we have a prospect that could bring in as much as \$14 to \$15 million more property value for county and city taxes," he said. Willis said, like the city's plan for the downtown area, he hopes to form a TIRZ west of the Airpark. "If we get that \$14-\$15 million of value out there and it's in a TIRZ, and if both the city and the county pledge 75 percent of the property tax out there to improve infrastructure, and if we get that first prospect out there, the TIRZ can leverage that to another halfmillion dollars, which we'd like to see run down to Frazier Road, opening up another couple hundred acres for development," he said. Willis said Howard County's central location is a big asset. "We enjoy a location where, if you draw a 100-mile radius around Big Spring, there's 1.4 million people," he said. "We are set up to be warehouse and distribution. You can come in by air, by rail and by road."

• Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce - Chamber President Kristy Tyra: Tyra spoke about several of the Chamber's activities. "We promote our members through email blasts, Facebook, ribboncutting celebrations, Alive After Five, and shopping excursions," she said. "We have several annual events of the Chamber. We have the Chamber Banquet, which is held in February. We have the Health Fair, in late April, and our newest event is our Clay Shoot. We have that at Moss Lake, which takes place the first Saturday in June." Tyra said the Chamber provides information to the community and volunteers for events. Through the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Charitable Trust, the Chamber helps fund events such as Pops in the Park and the Festival of Lights; and projects such as the Amphitheater Improvement Project. The Chamber also hosts promotional events to encourage the public to patronize local businesses.

• Howard College – President Dr. Cheryl Sparks: Dr. Sparks spoke about the college's unique status as the only community college in the United States with a school for deaf learners: The SouthWest College for the Deaf. Sparks also spoke about Howard College's recent work on its mission statement. "Overwhelmingly, people wanted the emphasis on making a national impact," she said. "So our mission is that 'We will be known for enriching the lives and the futures of those we serve as a unique rural community college, a national model of success that includes a campus specializing in deaf education.' You're going to see us embrace that in a very strong way. We're proud of 'rural' and we're going to embrace that right up front." Four areas the college will focus on going forward include Access, Student Success, Community and Workforce Development, and Performance Excellence. Sparks said the college is working to restore student enrollment at Howard to pre-pandemic levels;

and to increase faculty salaries and state funding. She also said one of the college's goals is to help the area's economic

recovery. • Big Spring ISD - Superintendent Jay McWilliams: McWilliams stressed that BSISD's primary focus is its students. "In everything we do, we always stress, 'Is it in the best interest of the kids?' Period. If it's in the best interest of the kids, I can sleep at night and those people over there (pointing at BSISD delegation at the Summit) can sleep at night. Whether people agree with everything we do or not, that is our goal. We want to do what's in the best interest of our kids." McWilliams listed four other priorities of the district; first, recruiting and maintaining certified teachers for the district. McWilliams praised the TechTeach Program, which partners BSISD with Howard College and Texas Tech University to train new teachers for the district. McWilliams' second talking point involved the district's Career and Technical Education (CTE) program. "We now offer close to 60 different career and technical courses at Big Spring ISD. You can get anything from Microsoft Word endorsement and certification, you can take fashion design, you can take welding, culinary arts...you name it, we offer it. What this is doing is, this is allowing us to train and teach kids skills for life. The third of McWilliams points was on technology He praised many advancements in the district's technology to Director of Technology Jamie Scott. He touted the district's "One-to-One" status, meaning each student is allowed to check out technology including tablets, iPads or Chromebooks; improvements to internet bandwidth and preparedness for distance learning at the onset of COVID-19. McWil-

liams also praised the districts improvements on safety and security of its schools, and improvements to district facilities.

 Coahoma ISD – Superintendent Brad Cox: Superintendent Cox spoke about four challenges for the Coahoma district. The first item he addressed was Texas House Bill 4545, a bill designed to help struggling students catch up on passing the STAAR test through supplemental accelerated instruction in a small group setting. "The challenge for us is fitting that in our daily schedule with the amount of teachers and staff that we do have," he said. The second item addressed was facilitating growth. "Pre-pandemic, we were really at the top of where we could

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Sammy Muniz, 57, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral.

C.K. Kenneth Orr, died Saturday. Graveside service will Tuesday 11 a.m. at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

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care jobs altogether. Brown said local citizens' lack of confidence in SMMC is making it dif-

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be from a student enrollment standpoint, from a facilities standpoint," he said. "So we were looking at things and then the pandemic hit so we didn't know, and now GEO, so we kind of don't know." Cox said the district's 1,100 enrollment is "really about the peak for our district," he said. Cox's third point was on mental health resources. "The challenge for us is the avenues," he said. "We can't find the path to help these people. That's what we're searching for, so if anyone can reach out and provide us with some avenues and opportunities, we would jump on it. We have a lot of kids and even adults who need help coming out of the pandemic. Cox's fourth point related to human capital and recruitment. "We're fortunate to really have it good – all the way from the school board down to the operations staff," he said, adding that the challenge is maintaining the excellent staff the district already enjoys.

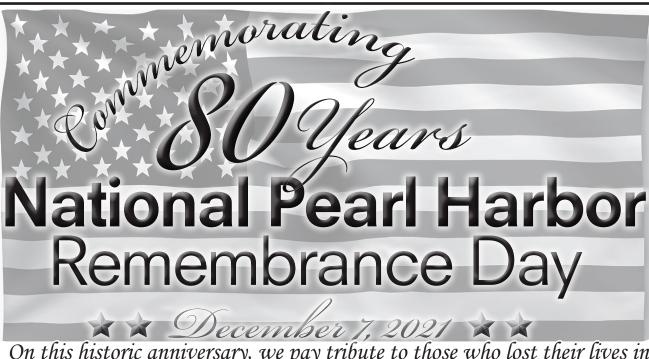
• Forsan ISD - Superintendent Randy Johnson: Superintendent Johnson said that GEO's closures could have a significant impact on Forsan schools. "If all the Forsan families that are tied to GEO were to leave Howard County, that would cost us about 4 percent of our student body," he said. "That's significant when we start talking about the way school finance is set up." Johnson said that one former GEO employee had found a job with the Forsan ISD. Johnson announced that, after 20 years with the Forsan district, he is retiring; and the school district is currently in the process of seeking his replacement. He said that the board hopes to have a new superintendent in place by April 1, 2022. Johnson said many of the issues facing Forsan had already been covered by Mc-Williams and Cox, including test scores and teacher incentives; and Career and Technical Education and Career, College, and Military

• West Texas VA Healthcare System - Medical Center Director Jason Cave: Cave, who stepped into his position at the WTVAHCS in 2019, explained that the system covers 33 counties in West Texas and East New Mexico. He spoke about several building projects at WTVAHCS facilities, including residential facilities at the Big Spring facility, as well as a 40-bed residential facility for substance abuse rehabilitation. "We have approximately a \$53 million ongoing construction budget," he said, noting that much of the budget was spent on "non-aesthetically attractive, but necessary HVAC work."

Keeping capacity to accommodate demand for veterans' healthcare benefits is a challenge; as is updating old technology at the VA facilities.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center - President Stacey Brown: Brown made the point that SMMC is a private, for-profit hospital, and the only full-service hospital in Howard County. As a for-profit, SMMC is not funded by taxpayers through city or county government, Brown stressed. "We must generate revenue to cover our salaries, supplies, overhead, equipment and facility upgrades," she said. "It also means that Scenic Mountain is a taxpayer. If we don't receive taxpayer funds, then we pay taxes. So we pay property taxes and sales tax annually to the amount of about \$1.7 million each year to help them fund our city and county governments." Brown said the she realizes that many Howard County residents have lost confidence in Scenic Mountain, and she and the hospital staff hope to regain that confidence. "We're working very hard to regain that confidence," she said. "We realize that people should not have to leave our area for services we provide right here in Howard County. So with that, our challenge is our past reputation." Other challenges mentioned by Brown include aging equipment and facilities, which need replacement; and staff shortages and difficulties with recruiting to rural Big Spring, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and nurses and other staff relocating to areas paying higher wages in response to the disease, or leaving healthficult to upgrade their facilities to the highest level. "We replaced our MRI earlier this year at a cost of \$2.5 million. That's almost two years of our annual earnings. So think about that for a minute. How much equipment do you think we can replace, when it's taking all of our earnings over that period of time. Not a lot, right? We can't continue to invest in expensive equipment if our own community, our own county, is not willing to use our hospital so that we in turn can generate the funds for these investments. That's really why we need your help." Brown said between wages and taxes, SMMC has an economic impact on the local community between \$58 and \$76 million each year. Big Spring EDC Executive Director Mark Wil-

lis said he felt the event went well for a first try. "I think it went alright," he said. "It's a start. I've already, out of this just from putting it together, committed to giving the county commissioners an update once a quarter, which I haven't done before. Hopefully that's the way this will work. Make everybody try to catch each other every now and then. We'll get better. I don't feel like I did a particularly great job, but I got across the information I wanted to get across. The more we know about what each other is doing, the better off we're all going to



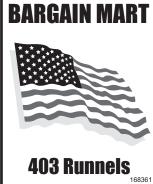
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Coahoma and Forsan hoops to honor Veterans on historical day in American History



By DUSTIN POPE

Managing Editor

This coming up Tuesday night, Dec 7, the Forsan buffaloes and the Coahoma Bulldogs will be hosting a very fantastic night of basketball. The event will be the Howard County Hops Military Recognition night. It will be held at the



Dorthy Garrett Coliseum at Howard College; Tip-Off is at 7:45 p.m.

This special event will have plenty of basketball action and a necessary time to honor those who have served this great Country. Both boys and girls varsity teams from Forsan and Coahoma will be in action. They will invite all Veterans onto the floor to be recognized in front of the entire crowd. It will be an extraordinary moment for those in attendance and those honored.

Lady Steers Basketball team drops game last week Dec 3 to Abilene Cooper





Top Left Ryen Terrazas battles for a ball this past Friday, Dec, as the Lady Steers took on Abilene Cooper. Top Right: Tristan Smith stuffs the Cooper player with a nice block. Unfortunately, the Lady Steers lost this game 63 to 39.

Analysis: Patriots' downfall after Brady lasted one season

By ARNIE STAPLETON

AP Pro Football Writer

It didn't take long for the New England Patriots to become the New England Patriots again.

After stumbling through a 7-9 season last year while watching Tom Brady win a seventh ring in his first season with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Bill Belich ick's squad is once again the class of the AFC.

Josh McDaniel's brilliant plan to have rookie quarterback Mac Jones throw just three passes Monday night paved the way for New England's 14-10 win at Buffalo in the snow globe and wind tunnel that was Highmark Stadium.

Behind those 46 runs in 49 snaps, the retooled Patriots won their sixth road game in six tries and pushed their winning streak to seven games, improving to 9-4.

That's a half-game better than the Kansas City Chiefs, Tennessee Titans and Baltimore Ravens in the logiammed conference race.

And the Patriots are still finding ways to shut down Peyton Manning, who lost his head-to-head series with

The quarterback who was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame four months ago explained on ESPN's "ManningCast" during the Patriots-Bills slogfest that the Patriots public relations politely declined his request to interview Jones.

"Well, I tried to talk to Mac Jones, and he was very respectful," Manning relayed. "He said, 'Peyton, I want to do it, but can you call our PR director, Stacey (James)? Because he kind of has to oversee all things. I said, 'No problem.' I called Stacey, very professional, I said, 'Stacey, I'm talking to Coach Belichick, can I talk to Mac Jones?'

The answer was no, although Manning took the rare rejection in stride.

"And I gotta tell you, I appreciate how they're handling Mac Jones. They are trying to protect him, give him as few off-the-field distractions as possible, let him concentrate on playing football," Manning said.

"So, yes, I did get denied. It was the first quarterback I haven't talked to. But, I appreciate it," Manning said. Although Manning isn't accustomed to getting turned down, he said he understood what the Patriots

were doing because he encountered the same treat-

ment during his rookie season in Indianapolis in 1998. "Bill Polian, as a rookie with me with the Colts, did the same thing. He didn't let the marketing department talk to me, the community relations department talk to me. He said, 'Hey, it's all football this first season. Don't bother him," recounted Manning. "And I think the Patriots are taking that same approach with

Mac Jones and it's paying off, it's working." Everything's working in New England a year after the Patriots stumbled behind aging QB Cam Newton.

Jones, the 15th overall draft pick out of Alabama last June, finished 2 of 3 for 19 yards in becoming the NFL's third quarterback to win nine games in his rookie season, joining Pittsburgh's Ben Roethlisberger in 2004, and Dallas' Dak Prescott in 2016. He also joined Roethlisberger and Prescott in becoming the NFL's third rookie QB to win his first six road starts.

profit category was The First Church of the Nazarene. Second place went to Cub Scouts 305. Uprising Youth Ministry came in third. In the School category, Big Spring Independent School District took home first place. Runnels Academy finished with second-place honors, and third place went to the Forsan Cheerleaders. In the commercial division, it was 5 Star Transport who took home firstplace honors; The Heralds own Ashley Teal had a big part in putting together that float, so congrats to her and that entire group. Gentle Pricks finished in second place, and Mighty Wash came in third. In

the Wild Card division, the 40 something cowgirls took first place. Big Spring Pride Drive followed with a second-place finish, and in third place, it was 3E ranch. ALSA took home the top prize in the Car division, followed by Crossroads Farmers Market in second. Finally, Killerwax West Texas took down third place. Congratulations to all of the winners; it was well deserved.

As with every year, the parade was a huge success; there were many smiling kids and, and just

a lot, of Christmas spirit. It was a great way to kick off Christmas time here in Howard County!







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Broken Windows in **Business** are **Fatal and Often** Go Ignored

Something as small and innocuous as a broken window sends a signal to those who pass by every day. If it is left broken, the owner of the building isn't paying attention or doesn't care. Social psychologists and police officers agree that if one window is broken, all of the other windows will soon be broken too. It sends a bad message. It shows there is no order, no maintenance, and ultimately that whoever is in charge simply doesn't care -- a kind of anarchy by neglect.

This is a term coined by the criminal justice system but does not just have to do with crime and criminals; it can be applied to busi-

nesses as well. Take a messy bathroom, an indifferent employee, or a messy condiment area at a fast-food restaurant. Broken windows indicate to the consumer that the business doesn't care -- either that it is so poorly run it can't possibly keep up with its obligations or that it has become so oversized and arrogant that it no longer cares about its core consumer. They are the little details, but those are the things a consumer may notice the most, and it points to a bigger message.

The way a consumer perceives your business is a crucial element in a business's success or failure. If a consumer has a negative experience even one time, it is inviting disaster. Perception can change even after years of positive experience with a business, and it can be what makes a customer never return back.

Say a person visits the same coffee shop every single day. But one day, they are standing in line and notice the paint on the wall is peeling. This makes the customer wonder, what if that paint is peeling off and falling onto a surface where food is being prepared? The customer then wonders about the overall cleanliness of the store itself. That one seemingly minute detail can lead the customer's entire perception of a business to change -- even if it is not the reality and the business is clean. It's better to create a positive perception of course, but avoiding the negative one is far and away the most crucial thing one can do to attract and keep customers.

And while most customers will just leave the store and never

return, some may turn to social media if they had a very bad experience. Most people do not want in-person confrontation, with "store managers or telephone shouting matches with customer service representatives." Social media serves as a safe space for people to recount their experiences with a store and has more of a chance of holding the business accountable.

Kalev Leetaru wrote in Forbes, "It is remarkable how many stories about companies behaving badly these days begin with a wronged customer trying to solve the situation directly with the company and only after the company refuses to make things right, airing their grievances on social media, wherein the story goes viral and the company immediately apologizes and fixes things." It can spark a discussion of

recants with that business and cause a lot of damage to the company, such as damaging its stock price or leading to forced executive resignations. Constant vigilance,

an absolute obsession with detail, is essential to running a business today. If you're not obsessed with the details of your business, believe me, there will be someone who is obsessed with theirs, and they will see to it that they overrun your customer rolls and decimate the loyalty you've built up with your regular clientele. A broken window needs to be repaired before it breaks so that the consumer never sees it in the first place. A quick cosmetic touch-up will not do the job either; it has to be a whole-hearted, quality repair, or the paint will start peeling soon again.

No window is too

other peoples' similar small to break, nor is

any window too small to repair. Everything counts, significantly more than you might think, especially on social media. And while consumers do not fully have a role in a customized production design process yet, they have a large and growing role in the survival of a business thanks to social media There is a spotlight on broken windows now. Almost everyone can probably think of an instance where they had an issue or a complaint with a business and they were not listened to -- but now many of these issues are being brought to the public eye thanks to social media. Your business, to put it simply, will not survive too many broken windows. And "too many" is one.

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The bidding:

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Lack of sufficient entries can be very bothersome at times, and many contracts fail solely because declarer lacks communication from one hand to the other. This situation is particularly annoying when one or more finesses need to be taken but declarer can't get to the correct hand to make the desired play or plays.

In this deal, for example, if hearts.

declarer could lead from dummy at will, he could take successful finesses in spades, hearts and diamonds and make 11 tricks.

But with no ready-made entry to dummy, South must play exceedingly well to make even 10 tricks. He knows from the bidding that each of the three possible finesses is sure to succeed, but the best he can hope to do is to tunnel his way into dummy to take two of them.

So after taking the ace of clubs, he leads the jack of hearts at trick two and overtakes it with the queen. (Note that South does not play the ace of hearts first, which would deprive him of a vital entry to dummy.)

East wins the heart with the king and returns a club. Declarer ruffs high in order to preserve his 5-2 as entries to dummy's 8-7.

South next crosses to dummy with a low trump and takes a spade finesse that succeeds, then returns to dummy with another low trump and takes a diamond finesse that succeeds. As a result of this meticulous manipulation of his trumps, South loses only a spade, a heart and a diamond and so makes four

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Dealing With Difficult Exes

Dear Annie: How do I convey to my adult married children that I do not like being around my ex for the holidays? My son lives several states away, and he invited my daughter and her family, my ex, and my wife and me for Thanksgiving together. This will be the first time in close to seven years that I will see both of my children together for a holiday.

My daughter has had Christmas at her home every year since my granddaughter was born. We are invited, but my ex is always there. I think holidays should be happy occasions, at a minimum, so maybe we could rotate years. But that does not happen. I am dreading Thanksgiving and being around her. She puts in digs at me or, in my opinion, wants to start a fight when everyone else is out of earshot. I consider her a lying, cheating, adulterous witch.

Annie's Mailbox ®

I want to spend time with my kids, just not with her around. My daughter-in-law and son-in-law have had disagreements with her in the past. My letter is long enough; I could go on and on. -- Avoiding

Dear Avoiding Ex:

The best way to convey to your adult children that you would not like to be around your ex for the holidays is to tell them that. But understand that might mean less time with your kids.

You really have two choices: Ignore the chatter and negativity that is your ex-wife for the sake of spending more (quantity) time, or spend less time -- but quality time -- with your kids without your ex making rude remarks.

Regardless of what you decide, she is going to be in your life. It's best to try to let go and forgive some of the anger you have toward her for her adultery. Not for her sake, but for

Dear Annie: I broke up with the mother of my children two years ago. We have had a very rocky past. I treated her badly for the first couple of years, and we separated for two years after our first child was born. We got back together 18 months later.

We were together for seven years on our second stint, and we had another child. We eventually didn't work out when my job took me away and she refused to leave her mother.

Now I am treated like a criminal. I don't get to see them and am only allowed to talk to the youngest one, and that's only once a week. The mother refuses to work with me on a fair schedule, and the courts are so backed up it may be another six months before I can get a court

The mother isn't a good person, and I fear for the way my kids are being raised and what

date.

they are being told. I'm at a loss on what to do while I wait for the court date. -- Concerned Father

Dear Concerned: At least you're honest, admitting that your treatment of her was not good, so you can understand why she is keeping you away. But if you have really changed, why not write her a letter explaining what was going on in your life? Send her flowers; send the kids gifts. You might even try to have a calm, quiet conversation with her mother as well. Try courting them a little, rather than waiting for your day in court. If you are successful, you

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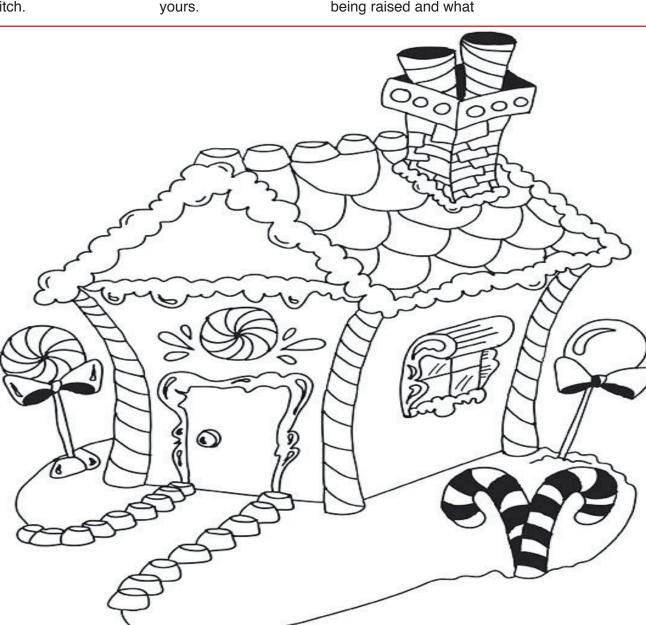
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Rich History, Big Possibilities



Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan launched an air raid on the U.S. Navy base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii as well as targets in Malaya, Hong Kong, Guam, the Philippines and Wake Island; the United States declared war against Japan the next day.

On this date:

In 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1909, chemist Leo H. Baekeland received a U.S. patent for Bakelite (BAY'-kuh-lyt), the first synthetic plastic.

In 1917, during World War I, the United States declared war on Austria-Hungary.

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 7, the 341st day of 2021. There are 24 days left in the year.

In 1946, fire broke out at the Winecoff (WYN'-kahf) Hotel in Atlanta; the blaze killed 110 people, including hotel founder W. Frank Winecoff.

> In 1972, America's last moon mission to date was launched as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral.

In 1982, convicted murderer Charlie Brooks Jr. became the first U.S. prisoner to be executed by injection, at a prison in Huntsville, Texas.

In 1987, 43 people were killed after a gunman aboard a Pacific Southwest Airlines jetliner in California appar-ently opened fire on a fellow passenger, the pilots and himself, causing the plane to crash. Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev set foot on American soil for the first time, arriving for a Washington summit with President Ronald Reagan.

in the Soviet Union devastated northern Armenia; official estimates put the death toll at 25-thousand.

In 2001, Taliban forces abandoned their last bastion in Afghanistan, fleeing the southern city of Kandahar.

In 2004, Hamid Karzai (HAH'-mihd KAHR'-zeye) was sworn in as Afghanistan's first popularly elected president.

In 2017, Democratic Sen. Al Franken said he would resign after a series of sexual harassment allegations; he took a parting shot at President Donald Trump, describing him as "a man who has bragged on tape about his history of sex-ual assault." Republican Rep. Trent Franks of Arizona said he would resign, after revealing that he discussed surrogacy with two female staffers.

In 2018, the man who drove his car into counterprotesters at a 2017 white nationalist rally in Virginia was convicted

of first-degree murder; a state jury rejected defense arguments that James Alex Fields Jr. acted in self-defense.

Ten years ago: Rod Blagojevich (blah-GOY'-uh-vich), the ousted Illinois governor whose three-year battle against criminal charges became a national spectacle, was sentenced to 14 years in prison. (A pardon from President Donald Trump freed Blagojevich from prison in 2020, after he had served eight years.) Veteran character actor Harry Morgan, 96, died in California.

Five years ago: President-elect Donald Trump selected retired Marine Gen. John Kelly to head the Department of Homeland Security, Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt to lead the Environmental Protection Agency, the for mer chief executive of World Wrestling Entertainment, Linda McMahon, to run the Small Business Administration and Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad to be the new U.S. ambassador to China. Time magazine named Trump its Person of the

One year ago: Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Charles "Chuck" Yeager, the World War II fighter pilot ace and quintessential test pilot who in 1947 became the first person to fly faster than sound, died at 97. A federal judge blocked President Donald Trump's attempts to ban TikTok, the latest legal defeat for the administration as it tried to wrest the popular app from its Chinese owners. U.S. service-men and women and National Park Service officials gathered at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii to remember those killed in the 1941 Japanese attack, but elderly survivors stayed home to pay their respects from afar and avoid health risks from the coronavirus pandemic.

Today's Birthdays: Linguist and political philosopher Noam Chomsky is 93. Bluegrass singer Bobby Osborne is 90. Actor Ellen Burstyn is 89. Broadcast journalist Čarole Šimpson is

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81. Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench is 74. Actordirector-producer James Keacl Morris is 73. Singer-songwriter Tom Waits is 72. Sen. Susan M. Collins, R-Maine, is 69. Basketball Hall of Famer Larry Bird is 65. Actor Priscilla Barnes is 64. Former "Tonight Show" announcer Edd (cq) Hall is 63. Rock musician Tim Butler (The Psychedelic Furs) is 63. Actor Patrick Fabian is 57. Actor Jeffrey Wright is 56. Actor C. Thomas Howell is 55. Actor Kimberly Hebert Gregory (TV: "Kevin (Probably) Saves the World") is 49. Producer-director Jason Winer is 49. Former NFL player Terrell Owens is 48. Rapper-producer Kon Artis is Rapper-producer Kon Artis is 47. Pop singer Nicole Appleton (All Saints) is 46. Latin singer Frankie J is 45. Country singer Sunny Sweeney is 45. Actor Chris Chalk is 44. Actor Shiri Appleby is 43. Pop-rock singer/celebrity judge Sara Bareilles (bah-REHL'-es) is 42. Actor Jennifer Carpenter 42. Actor Jennifer Carpenter is 42. Actor Jack Huston is 39 Singer Aaron Carter is 34.

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By Holiday

TUESDAY **DECEMBER 7, 2021**

Cosmic Call to the Stand

Camouflage is a survival instinct to use sparingly. When there's real danger, when the leaders have fragile egos or when you're new to the rules, it makes sense. But no one needs to blend in all of the time. Today's squares involving Mercury, Neptune, Mars and Jupiter call for standing up, asserting yourself and being known and seen.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Initiate small talk. It will be interesting what you learn about people in a short conversation. It will be enough information to guide your

social life, plus fun bonus facts. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Return to an activity that once gave you a feeling of accomplishment. You'll succeed yet again -- a confidence boost that translates

into other parts of your life. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Someone thinks of you often and in a glowing light on a high pedestal. Don't worry about why you're up there; just make the most of it. From this heightened position, you can have a powerful positive influence.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You imagine people to have certain qualities because it's what you want. Maybe they will possess the quality because of your expectation. If they don't, chalk it up to a simple case of mistaken identity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). To give something a name is to claim it. Try this with your feelings; it will help you process them. You'll create a bridge between emotion and thought, closing a gap that kept you from moving

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're creating habits that align with the life you want, which is slightly different from the life you have in key ways. Since unconscious habits create reality, your work is repeating these habits until they're ingrained in you and automatic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Cosmic nudges won't tell you where to go -- they'll happen when you're already headed that way, mid-pursuit, when you have some momentum, though not all you need. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

21). A reorganization of your social sector is taking place, somewhat orchestrated by you purposefully, though you're also reacting to factors you had no control over. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22

Dec. 21). You may complete your tasks rather robotically today, though you're no robot. Robots don't fantasize as you do. While you go through the motions of the job, your head will be somewhere else entirely.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Be relaxed. Be you. This is something you don't have to work at or

compete for. It might feel like

someone else is trying to be you, and if that is the case,

there's nothing to worry about. You're the best at being you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

18). To create the mental space to do what you have to do, you need the physical space to be conducive to the work. You also need things to fit into your schedule. Handle the logistics, and your mindset will follow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Somebody's going to win the game of chance. Most won't... Still, there will be a winner, and the hope that it could be you will lift you, as well as give an excited kind of hope to someone else.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Dec. 7). You take quick, decisive action and win. The thrill of victory is addictive, and you'll keep making decisions to feed the streak. It's made sweeter by what it does for your team. In early 2022, a matter that's dragged on for years will be settled, giving you energy to apply to travel, projects and social excitement. Pisces and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 10, 1, 18 and 42.

COSMIC QUESTION: "My birthday is July 6, 1969. For the last couple of years, I have been trying to figure out what I want to do with my life. I feel there is a purpose I need to fulfill but I haven't found out what it is yet. Being a wife and mother is very rewarding but there is something missing.

In astrology, life purpose is tied to the north node of your chart, which symbolizes your cutting edge for growth. When you're moving in that direction, it feels risky, yet the quest brings you purpose and meaning. With your north node in Virgo, your destiny is serving others. You can do this by offering a skill to the world. You have many, though you may hardly even think of them as they are such a part of your daily routine. But think of how you might apply what you've learned in motherhood, from child rearing to feeding a family to keeping a certain young part of yourself alive in a sacred place separate from the many duties and responsibilities you've accepted in life. With Saturn close to your north node, the way you'll make a difference will have something to do with distilling the experiential knowledge you've acquired into a form you can pass on

CELEBRITY PROFILES: The Apple TV+ series "Little Voice" is named after a song that came to Sara Bareilles in a dream. The Grammy winner proclaimed, "I am here to listen to this little voice," and the song got shelved by executives only to blossom into a fuller project 15 years later. Bareilles was born when the moon was in Leo, the sign of entertainment. Natal Mars, Jupiter and Saturn in Virgo indicate a hard worker who strives for Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com COPYRIGHT 2021 CREATORS.COM



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FOR?







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1 Practice boxing

_ mater (school you went to)

9 Sofa

14 Adjust, as a

radio **15** No longer worth debating

Cider fruit

17 CPR pros

18 Milky gem

19 Pave again, as a driveway

"Not now"

23 Daylight source

24 "Steady as _

goes"

25 Healthful resort 28 Line on a list

31 Destroys

gradually

36 Purple flower

38 Stand up 40 Add to the

payroll 41 "Not now"

44 Place for an

indoor swim 45 Rebounding

sound

46 Vitality **47** City

thoroughfare 49 Mix, as a salad

51 Surgical venues: Abbr.

52 Take a chair 54 Hamster or

canary **56** "Not now"

65 Major blood

vessel

9

66 Turn ___ a new leaf

67 Roads that often cross a

68 Non-clergy group 11 No greater than

69 Small bites

70 Bring in a

harvest 71 Paradises

72 Ultimatum ender 22 Piece of paper 73 __ and crafts

DOWN

1 One-pot dinner

2 Mountain lion 3 Prefix for freeze

4 Takes a

breather

5 Dollar total

7 Watery castle defense

branches

6 Cuts off, as

8 Map book 9 Life's work

47 Across: Abbr. 10 Oil cartel

12 Big family

13 Cattle group

21 Fruity breakfast

drink

25 Sales receipts

26 Cockpit bo

27 ___ nothing

(betting option)

29 Viking explorer

the Red

30 Could possibly

32 Offhanded

greeting

33 San , CA

34 Mistake

35 Fortune-tellers

37 Well qualified

lake

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57 Batch of

58 Cleveland's

59 Envelope's

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Today's Answers

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Level: Beginn







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OKAY,







NOT NOW by Billie Truitt

42 Knot again

43 Family-room

appliance

53 Sort of steak

55 Small crown

56 Not at all vivid

48 Opinion pieces

50 Thinly scattered

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39 "Scat!"

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