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Weather



Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 39. West wind 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Friday Night: Mostly clear,

with a low around 45. **Saturday:** Sunny, with a

high near 70. Source: NWS, via weather.gov

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

Dec. 31: New Years Eve at Hotel Settles - dine and dance 1930's style during the Hotel Settles New Years Eve Party! Make sure to dress to the nines. The best dressed couple will win a weekend getaway! If you would like to book the Deluxe Guest Room package, please call 432-267-7500 and book over the phone. Jan. 10: The Big Spring

City Council will have a regular session meeting on Tuesday Jan. 10. at the City Council Chambers located at 307 East 4th Street. The public is welcomed to attend the meeting . Citizens can also view the city council meeting on our local channel 17 through Suddenlink or on our website http://mybigspring.com/224/ Channel-17-Live.

Daily Quotes

"Wanting to be someone else is a waste of the person

-Kurt Cobain

"I don't like to hold back, because that's how you hurt

-Chester Bennington

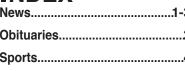
"The will to succeed is important, but what's more important is the will to prepare."

-Bobby Knight

"I'm for whatever gets you

through the night." -Frank Sinatra









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Damaged Tesla charging units under investigation





HERALD photos/Andreia Medlin

If you want to use the new Tesla Supercharger station at Porter's you better hurry. They're going down like ducks at a shooting gallery. The newly installed Tesla Supercharger station located at 501 Birdwell Lane at College Park Shopping Center is missing three units as of Tuesday. The charging oasis, such stations are rare in West Texas, was installed by Tesla to accommodate travelers on IH 20 and in anticipation of the newly designated IH 27. The Big Spring Police Department is aware of the situation and an investigation is underway.

Toyota ShareLunker Program Launches 37th **Season This Weekend**

Special to the Herald

ATHENS - Anglers across Texas and the nation have their calendars marked for opening day of a new Toyota Share-Lunker season. The 37th season kicks off New Year's Day as anglers cast their lines in hopes of landing a Legacy Lunker largemouth bass (13-plus pounds) in Texas' world-class fisheries.

The Toyota ShareLunker program has played an integral part in making Texas a destination for hundreds of thousands of anglers in search of this prized sport fish. Grabbing a pole, hitting the water and hauling in a 13-pound plus largemouth bass would be a great way to jumpstart the new year. The cast of the line, the lure landing just right on the water and a strike from a possible fish of a lifetime is what many anglers strive to experience.

"We are excited to kick off another ShareLunker season," said Toyota ShareLunker Program Coordinator Natalie Goldstrohm. "The ShareLunker program contributes to the selective spawning and stocking of these worldclass offspring and also helps us gather vital catch and genetic data to help our biologists better manage bass populations throughout the great fisheries of Texas."

The 2022 season was one for the record books, with multiple milestones reached and memories made by anglers working with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Inland Fisheries staff that make the program a success. Key highlights from the 2022 Toyota Share-Lunker collection season include: 24 Legacy-class ShareLunkers caught

this season, the most during January through March since 1995 (27) Nine different water bodies produced

ShareLunkers in 2022

Lake Daniel became the 75th public water to contribute a Legacy-class

Four entries were new lake records (Lake Daniel (Twice), Eagle Mountain Lake, O.H. Ivie)

The new O.H. Ivie waterbody record, set at 17.06 pounds, was the biggest in 30 years, and is the seventh largest largemouth bass ever verified in Texas (private or public)

Four fish made Texas' Top 50 biggest largemouth bass of all-time list

Five entries were 15-pounds, including three 16-pounds

Anglers have submitted 632 Legacy Lunkers in the first 36 years of the Share-Lunker program and during the 2022 collection season, 100 percent of all the loaned fish were healthy and returned to the lake where they were caught.

During the first three months of the season (Jan. 1 through March 31), anglers who reel in a 13-plus pound bass can loan it to TPWD for the ShareLunker selective breeding and stocking program. These anglers can call the Share-Lunker hotline at (903) 681-0550 to report their catch 24/7 through March 31, 2023.

Anglers who catch and donate one of these 13-plus pound lunkers earn Legacy Class status, receive a catch kit filled with merchandise, a 13lb+ Legacy decal for their vehicle or boat, VIP access to the Toyota ShareLunker Annual Awards event and a high-quality replica mount of their Lunker fish from Lake Fork Taxidermy. These anglers will also receive entries into two separate drawings – a Legacy Class Drawing and the year-end Grand Prize Drawing. Both drawings will award the winner a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree and an

annual Texas fresh and saltwater fishing license.

The year-round Toyota ShareLunker program offers four levels of participation for catching bass over eight pounds

or 24-inches in Texas. As a of Dec. 20, 496 ShareLunker catches by 340 anglers across all size categories are approved into the program in 2022. One of those anglers has reeled in a remarkable 14 ShareLunkers. O.H. Ivie leads all waterbodies with 144 approved entries during the 2022 season. Anticipation is high for what 2023 could have in store for anglers across the state and the

Anglers who enter data for any lunker they catch greater than eight pounds or 24-inches during the calendar year 2023 also receive a catch kit, a decal for their vehicle or boat and an entry into the year-end Grand Prize Drawing to win a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree and annual fishing license. ShareLunker entry classes include the Lunker Class (8 lb.+), Elite Class (10 lb.+), and Legend Class (13 lb.+).

In addition, a new procedure is in effect beginning with the 2023 season. Legend Class ShareLunkers no longer need to be weighed on a certified scale for entry. Anglers must include a photo of their Lunker on a digital scale in order to qualify for Legend Class.

Once a lunker is reeled in, anglers need to enter the catch data on the Toyota ShareLunker mobile app – available for free from the Apple App Store and Google Play - or on the Toyota Share-Lunker online app at TexasSharelunker.com. In addition to providing basic catch information, anglers can also provide a DNA scale sample from their lunker bass to TPWD researchers for genetic analysis.

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Police/Sheriff blotter

The Howard County Detention Center reported the following activity Dec. 27-28: • JIMMY RAY CRUZ. 29, of 3304 W. Hwv 80 apt.

12, was arrested on a charges of unlawful carry of a weapon and possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. • TYLER JACKSON GROVE, 17, of 3602 Park-

way, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief greater than or equal to \$100 but less than \$750. • DARRELL SCOTT SHULTS, 39, of 1527 E. 17th

St., was arrested on a warrant from another agency. • FARREL RAYNE MCCULLOUGH, 40, of 1213 17th St. was arrested on a charge of theft of property greater than \$100 shoplifting.

• LUIS ALBERTO GUERRA, 19, of 809 Creighton St., was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief greater than or equal to \$100 but less than \$750.

• DILLON NEIL HAYMAN, 30, of 1205 Stanford Ave., was arrested on a warrant for harassment.

• STEPHANIE MICHELLE LOPEZ, 33, of 5006 Wasson Rd., was arrested on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$100 but less than • JOSHUA MOE POLANCO, 33, of 1213 E., was

arrested on a charge of failure to comply. • **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** reported at the reliev-

er route and I-20 overpass. • ASSAULT reported at 3304 W. Hwy 80 apt. 12.

• FORGERY reported at 310 S. Nolan.

• THEFT reported at 2201 S.Main.

• FOUND PROPERTY reported at 3613 W. Hwy

• THEFT reported at 2000 S. Gregg. • BURGLARY OF A HABITATION reported at

112 E. 15th St.

cancellations continue to snowball By DAVID KOENIG

AP Airlines Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Families hoping to catch a Southwest Airlines flight after days of cancellations, missing luggage and missed family connections suffered through another wave of scrubbed flights, with another 2,500 pulled from arrival and departure boards Wednesday.

Exhausted travelers sought passage by other means using different airlines, rental cars, or trains — or they've simply given According to the FlightAware

tracking service, more than 91% of all canceled flights in the U.S. early Wednesday were from Southwest, which has been unable to recover from ferocious winter storms that raked large swaths of the country over the weekend.

The operational systems of Southwest have been uniquely effected, so much so that the federal government is now investigating what happened at the Dallas carrier, which has frustrated its own flight and ground crews as well.

Southwest Airlines flight

This week, with cancellations from other major airlines ranging from none to 2 percent, Southwest has canceled nearly 10,000 flights as of Wednesday and warned of thousands more Thursday and Friday, according to FlightAware.

In a video that Southwest posted late Tuesday, CEO Robert Jordan said Southwest would operate a reduced schedule for several days but hoped to be "back on track before next week."

Jordan blamed the winter storm for snarling the airline's "highly complex" network.

He said Southwest's tools for recovering from disruptions work "99% of the time, but clearly we need to double down" on upgrading systems to avoid a repeat of this week.

"We have some real work to do in making this right," said Jordan, a 34-year Southwest veteran who became CEO in February. "For now, I want you to know that we are committed to that."

The airline is now drawing un wanted attention from Washing-

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg, who has criticized airlines for previous disruptions, said his agency would examine the causes of Southwest's widespread cancellations and whether the airline was meeting its legal obligations to stranded customers.

"Because what we're seeing right now, from the system and the flights themselves to the inability to reach anybody on a customer service phone line, it is just completely unacceptable," Buttigieg told CBS early Wednes-

In Congress, the Senate Commerce Committee also promised an investigation.

Two Senate Democrats called on Southwest to provide "significant" compensation for stranded travelers, saying that the airline has the money because it plans to pay \$428 million in dividends next month.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1700 block of W. 2nd St. One person transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 2500 block of Monticello. One person transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 500 block of Birdwell Ln. One person transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 500 block of E. 16th St. One person transported to SMMC. MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1900 block

of Simler Dr. One person transported to SMMC. MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person transport-

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1000 block of Birdwell Ln. One person transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported at the 11th Pl. Extension. One person transported to SMMC.

 OUTSIDE RUBBISH/TRASH FIRE reported at the 2700 block of Old Hwy 80. Contained.

Stocks edge higher on Wall Street

AP Business Writer

Stocks edged higher in morning trading on Wall Street Wednesday as investors count down to the end of the worst year for the S&P 500 since 2008.

The S&P 500 rose 0.1 percent as of 10:12 a.m. Eastern. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 12 points, or less than 0.1 percent, to 33,257 and the Nasdaq rose 0.2 percent.

Bond yields fell. The yield on the 10-year Treasury, which influences mortgage rates, slipped to 3.84 percent from 3.85 percent Tuesday.

Investors are in the middle of a mostly quiet and

holiday-shortened week. Markets were closed on Monday for the observed Christmas holiday and there are no major economic reports expected this week. Stocks were mostly restrained. Health care and technology companies had some of the broadest gains. Eli Lilly rose 0.5 percent and Microsoft rose 0.8 percent. Tesla rose 2.3 percent as it rebounded from steep losses it suffered after reports Tuesday that it temporarily suspended production at a factory in Shanghai. U.S. crude oil prices fell 1.8 percent and weighed down energy stocks. Hess fell 2 percent. Southwest Airlines shed 2.5 percent as the carrier's dramatic trouble with flight cancellations continued.

The Chinese government announced late Tuesday that it will start issuing new passports, a major step away from anti-virus travel barriers that likely will bring a flood of tourists out of China for next month's Lunar New Year holiday. China has already said it will drop most of its COVID-19 travel restrictions next month. Hong Kong's Hang Seng climbed 1.6 percent, while the Shanghai Composite index dropped 0.3 percent. Markets in Europe were mixed. Wall Street remains on edge and will likely continue dealing with volatile trading as the Federal Reserve continues its fight against stubbornly hot inflation. The Fed and other central banks have been raising interest rates to stifle borrowing and slow spending in order to tame inflation. The strategy, though, risks slowing the economy too much

The Fed has already raised its key interest rate seven times this year and is expected to continue raising rates in 2023.

and bringing on a recession.

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With warming, snowbound Buffalo braces to find more dead

By CAROLYN THOMPSON

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Buffalo was set to emerge from a deep Wednesday, bringing some relief but also the tragic possibility of finding more victims amid melting snow from the area's deadliest storm in de-Officials said more than 30

people so far have been reported to have died because of the blizzard that raged Friday and Saturday in western New York, an area prone to powerful winter storms. The historic Blizzard of 1977 killed as many as 29. Antwaine Parker told The Buf-

falo News that his mother, Carolyn Eubanks, perished at the home of strangers who took her in after her family tried to get help for the ailing woman. Eubanks, 63, relied on an oxy-

gen machine. With the power out in her home and emergency responders unable to answer calls amid the blizzard, Parker said, he and his stepbrother drove through the snow Saturday to rescue her themselves. She collapsed as they led her to a car, he said.

"She's like, 'I can't go no further.' I'm begging her, 'Mom, just stand up.' She fell in my arms and never spoke another word," Parker told the newspaper.

The stepbrothers knocked on nearby doors, seeking someone who would help. They found David Purdy, who opened his door to two desperate strangers and helped them carry Eubanks inside and try in vain to revive her.

After they realized she was gone, Purdy and his fiancee sheltered her body until first responders showed up with plows the next day. "I done it as respectful as I

could," Purdy told The Buffalo News. His own mother is roughly the same age as Eubanks was and also uses an oxygen machine, he said, and "if she needed help, I'd hope there would be people out there to help her, as well.'

Temperatures were expected to rise into the mid-40s (around 7 degrees Celsuis) on Wednesday and the low 50s (around 10 Celsius) by Friday, the National Weather Service said.

With enough snow still on the ground that driving was still banned in New York's secondmost-populous city, officials worked to clear storm drains and watched a forecast that calls for some rain later in the week. Officials in Erie County, which encompasses Buffalo, said Tuesday

they were concerned about the possibility of flooding.

The weather service said Wednesday that "any flooding is expected to be of the minor or nuisance variety."

While suburban roads and most major highways in the area reopened Tuesday, there was still a driving ban in Buffalo, and state and military police were assigned to enforce it. Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz, a Democrat, said "too many people are ignoring the ban."

A Facebook group originally created in 2014, when Buffalo was buried under deep snow, has become a lifeline, seeking to help thousands seeking food, medicine, shelter and rescue in the latest storm. Currently managed by five women, the group swelled to at least 68,000 people as of Tuesday.

"We are seeing a lot of desperation," said Erin Aquilinia, founder of the original group, in an online interview.

Contributing to this report were Associated Press journalists Jennifer Peltz and Julie Walker in New York; Heather Hollingsworth in Kansas City, Missouri; Susan Haigh in Hartford, Connecticut; and Mike Schneider in Orlando, Florida.

Support cuses on helping people who are dealing with a

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

GriefShare is a biblical support group that fo-

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p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big

loved one's death. Each DVD session features na-

tionally respected grief experts and real-life stories,

followed by small group discussion about the top-

ics presented (with workbook support); there is no

charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held

three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30

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Princeton University plans Toni Morrison tribute in 2023

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — A monthslong Toni Morrison tribute at Princeton University, where the Nobel laureate taught for 17 years, will range from music created and performed by Grammy-winning vocalist Cécile McLorin Salvant to a spring lecture series and three-day symposium featuring author Edwidge Danticat, among others. The tribute will center on "Toni

Morrison: Sites of Memory," an exhibition drawn from her archives that will explore her creative process through manuscripts, correspondence between herself and other Black women, photographs, maps she drew while working on her acclaimed novel "Beloved," rare drafts of her novel "Song of Solomon" and various

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Hearn at SVDP Building.

• Everyone welcome! Western Swing by Michael

Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at Dora

Roberts Community Center 100 Whiskey Dr. Every third Friday 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Entry fee \$5. Bring

snacks to share. Refreshments provided. For more

• History Nerds - Great Courses Lecture Series

of the American West: History, Myth and Legacy

meets every Wednesday at 12 p.m. at First Presby-

terian Church, 701 Runnels, in the Theater Room.

Each 30-minute lecture is followed by an in-class

• Starting in October, we will be switching food

distribution to the fourth Friday of every month.

Oct. 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Distribution will

take place at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adven-

tist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Our food

is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People

will need to bring a plastic bag or box and let us

know how many are in their household to pick up

food. We will post any updates on our Facebook https://www.facebook.com/healthynugget-

• The BSAA meets the third Saturday of the

month, from 10 a.m. to noon, in the basement of the

Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-

263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay

• 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 organiza-

tions of 10 members or more who would like the

vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vac-

cine 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-

• 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, deliver-

ing newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services,

popcorn and more. To find out more about opportu-

nities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact

Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take

place the second Thursday of each month from 10

a.m. to noon and other assistance will take place

the third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to

noon. Both distributions will take place at 1009

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every

month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought.

The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified vet-

erans, those who have served in a foreign war, who

are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled

American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday

to attend a meeting to find out more information.

group discussion. There is no charge.

unfinished projects. The exhibit runs at the Princeton University Library from Feb. 22 to June 4.

"In imagining this initiative — from exhibition to symposium to partner projects — I wanted to show the importance of the archive to understanding Morrison's work and practice. But I also wanted to show how this archive in particular is a site that opens up new lines of inquiry and inspires new kinds of collaboration," said curator Autumn Womack, assistant professor of English and African American Studies at Princeton, in a statement released Wednesday. Morrison, who died in 2019 at age 88, was also known for such novels as "Sula," "The Bluest Eye" and "Jazz." She won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1993.

Mexican freetail bats saved by incubators, fluids

HOUSTON (AP) — Hundreds of bats lost their grip and plunged to the pavement underneath a bridge in Houston after going into hypothermic shock during the city's recent cold snap, according to wildlife rescuers who saved them by administering fluids and keeping them warm in incubators.

The Mexican free-tailed bats that roost at Houston's Waugh Bridge went into shock when temperatures plunged below freezing last week, the Houston Humane Society said in a Facebook video. The society's Texas Wildlife Reha-

bilitation Center rescued hundreds of bats from beneath the bridge, along with another group of bats elsewhere in the Houston area that also went into hypothermic shock, said center director Mary Warwick. She said some were recuperating in dog kennels in the attic of her home. Nearly 700 of the estimated 1,500 rescued bats are set to be released back into the wild on Wednesday, she said.

The humane society is now working to raise money for facility upgrades that would include a bat room, Warwick added.

"That would really help in these situations where we continue to see these strange weather patterns come through," she said. "We could really use more space to rehabilitate the

Take Note

For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432-556-2227.

- Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.
- · Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-
- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker at 432-263-3312.
- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCA-SA.org or www.casawtx.org.
- The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m.at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howardcountytxdems@gmail.
- The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interest-

ed should contact Senior Chaplain Jacqueline Roland at 432-213-1221.

- Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m., with Dutch treat lunch and meeting at noon.
- The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.
- The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.
- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.
- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are wel-
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a va-

riety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department. 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Carl Reid, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, 432-268-7535 or carl.reid@hhs texas.gov.

· Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

· Kindred at Home needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Shiela Crockett at 466-9034.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME

& CHAPEL 24th & Johnson

Patsy Jarrett Rowden, 86, died Saturday. Graveside service will be 1:30 PM Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel

Angela McMullen, 48, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up at Mvers & Smith Funeral Home to help assist the family with funeral expenses.

2023 Calendars have arrived.

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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call at 263-7331, Ext. 237.

Howard Co. Area Sports Schedule

Dec. 29-30: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Varsity) at Brownwood Tour nament in Brownwood. Game times TBA

Dec. 29: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Varsity) at Monahans Tournament in Monahans. Game times TBA

29: Coahoma Bulldogs and Bulldogettes Basketball (Varisty) at Jayton Tournmanet in Jayton. Game times TBA

Dec. 29-31: Forsan Buffaloes and Lady Buffaloes Basketball (Varsity) at Caprock Classic Tournament in Lubbock. Game times

Dec. 29-31: Howard College Lady Hawks Basketball at Bruce Fleck Classic in Tucson, AZ. Game times are 5 p.m. Dec. 29 against Mesa Community College, 7 p.m. Dec. 30 against Cochise College, and 9 p.m. Dec. 31 against Pima Community College.

Jan. 2: Howard College Hawks Basketball non-conference match up against Southwest JV at Howard College. Game time is set for 7

Jan. 3: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Freshman, JV, & Varsity) nondistrict matchup against Seminole at Seminole. Games times are 5 p.m. (Freshman) , 6:30 p.m. (JV), and 7:30 p.m. (Var-

Jan. 3: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Coleman at Big Spring. Games times are 4 p.m. (JV) and 6:30 p.m. (Var-

Jan. 3: Coahoma Bulldogs & Bulldogettes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Jim Ned at Coahoma. Game times are 4 p.m. (JV Girls), 5:15 p.m. (JV Boys), 6:30 p.m. (Varsity Girls), and 8 p.m. (Varsity Boys)

Jan. 3: Forsan Buffaloes and Lady Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) district matchup against Reagan County at Big Lake. Games times are 4 p.m. (JV Girls & Boys), 5 p.m. (JV-2 Boys), 6:15 p.m. (Varsity Girls), and 7:30 p.m. (Varsity Boys)

Jan. 6: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Freshman, JV, & Varsity) nondistrict matchup against Monahans at Monahans. Game times are 4:30 p.m. (Freshman), 6 p.m. (JV), and 7:30 p.m. (Varsity)

Jan. 6: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Freshman, JV, & Varsity) district matchup against Levelland at Big Spring. Game times are 5 p.m. (Freshman), 6:15 p.m. (JV), and 7:30 p.m. (Varsity)

Jan. 6-7: Big Spring School High Swim Team (Boys & Girls) at Andrews Invitational. Swim times TBA

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Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Steers have been selected as a finalist for the Dave Campbell's Texas Football Community Connection School of the Year award presented by Optimum. As a part of the recognition, longtime Big Spring resident and booster club secretary, Priscilla Hilario, was recognized for her service to the Big Spring community on a special Zoom call and was presented with the Community Connector Award.

Fifteen schools across Texas are competing for the crown and the school with the most online votes wins a \$2,500 donation. The Big Spring Steers are currently in 5th place for the Community Connector School of the Year Award and \$2,500 grand prize. Vote for Big Spring High School now! Voting is open now through Friday, January 20th, 2023. You can vote online here at http://www. texasfootball.com/optimum.

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Doncic has 60-21-10, rallies Mavs to wild OT win over Knicks

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Luka Doncic thought his improbable tying basket in the final second of regulation actually won the

No biggie. The Dallas superstar just set the table for a triple-double unlike the NBA has ever seen.

Doncic had a franchise-record 60 points, 21 rebounds and 10 assists, including the tying basket off his intentionally missed free throw to force overtime, as the Mavericks rallied for a wild 126-121 victory over the New York Knicks on Tuesday night.

After grabbing the loose ball on a rebound and shooting the 11-foot jumper in one motion, the 23-year-old danced around while waving his arms as the thinned-out crowd expecting a loss celebrated wildly.

It was 115-115 with 1.0 seconds remain-

"A lot of people asked me about this back in the locker room, and I said I thought we won it," Doncic said. "That's why I went to the crowd like this. I thought we won the game, and then I see it's tied. I was like, 'Oof.'"

Dallas was down nine with 33 seconds left in regulation before getting even in a back-and-forth sequence capped by Doncic grazing the rim and hitting the backboard with the intentional miss.

The first 60-point game in Dallas history also included Doncic's career high in rebounds and was the first 60-20-10 game in NBA history. The young Slovenian had his seventh triple-double and the league's highest-scoring performance of the sea-

The Mavericks moved three games over

.500 with a fourth consecutive victory, both marks matching their season bests.

Quentin Grimes scored a career-high 33 points and Dallas native Julius Randle had 29 points and 18 rebounds for the Knicks, who lost a fourth consecutive game coming off an eight-game winning streak, their longest in almost nine years.

Jalen Brunson missed the game with a hip injury, unable to play in what would have been his return to Dallas.

New York was essentially without two starters after RJ Barrett exited with a cut on a finger 96 seconds into the game, but trailed for less than a minute in regulation. "I thought we were playing well," Knicks

coach Tom Thibodeau said. "Didn't close out the last 30 seconds of the game." After Miles McBride missed one of two

free throws with 11.5 seconds left, Spencer Dinwiddie, who scored 25 points, hit a 3-pointer to get Dallas within 113-112. McBride made both free throws the next

time for a 115-112 lead with 7.7 seconds to go, then Grimes fouled Doncic before the Dallas superstar could attempt a potential tying 3-pointer. Doncic made the first free throw before

the miss with 4.2 seconds to go, then ended up with the ball after it bounced off several sets of hands. "I know it was two seconds or some

thing," Doncic said. "I just threw it up, hopefully it went in."

The teams combined to miss the first nine shots of overtime, all the points coming on free throws before Doncic hit a jumper for a 122-117 lead with 1:08 remaining.

Doncic was 21 of 31 from the field and 16 of 22 from the line while topping Dirk

Nowitzki's previous club record of 53 from Dec. 2, 2004.

days after the Mayericks unveiled a statue of Nowitzki outside the arena. "I'm tired as hell," Doncic said after

The 23-year-old's record night came two

playing all but 12 seconds of the second half and overtime, and 49 minutes overall. "I need a recovery beer." Dallas led for less than a minute of regu-

lation but never trailed in overtime. Doncic put the Mavs ahead for good at 118-116 with two free throws midway through the extra period. Brunson missed his first game of the sea-

son in his first visit to Dallas, where the point guard spent his first four seasons before signing with the Knicks in free agency last summer. The two-time NCAA champion from Vil-

lanova got to play against his former team in early December in New York, when the Mavericks rolled to a 121-100 victory.

TIP-INS

Knicks: Starting for Brunson, Immanuel Quickley had a career-high 15 assists and scored 13 points. ... Mitchell Robinson had a season-high 20 points and 16 rebounds.

Mavericks: F Dorian Finney-Smith will miss at least two more weeks with a right adductor strain that has sidelined him the past four games. ... Christian Wood had 19 points and nine rebounds.

UP NEXT

Knicks: At San Antonio on Thursday as New York hits all three Texas cities. The Houston visit finishes the three-game trip Saturday.

Mavericks: The Rockets at home Thursday in the first of two meetings in five days. The rematch in Houston is Monday.

better on defense."

Carr hits 10 3s, scores 41, No. 6 Texas beats A&M-**Commerce**

By MARK ROSNER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Marcus Carr tied a Texas record with 10 3-pointers and matched his career high with 41 points as the sixth-ranked Longhorns beat Texas A&M-Commerce 97-72 on Tuesday night.

Carr, a senior, previously scored 41 while playing for Minnesota against Nebraska on Feb. 27, 2021. He scored 33 points in the first half alone Tuesday, matching a Texas record for a half set by Jim Krivacs in 1978.

Carr's total was the most by a Texas player since Reggie Freeman had 43 points against Fresno State on Dec. 14, 1996.

"We wanted to make Texas beat us from 3," A&M-Commerce coach Jaret von Rosenberg said. "Carr really had a night. The rim looked like an ocean for him."

Texas (11-1) played its fourth straight game without coach Chris Beard, who was suspended without pay after his Dec. 12 arrest on a felony family violence charge. It was the Longhorns' first game since Beard's fiancée, Randi Trew, issued a statement saying Beard did not strangle her and she never wanted him arrested or prosecuted.

Carr converted 13 of 19 shots in 30 minutes, including 10 of 15 3-pointers. He has totaled 103 points in his last four games. He made eight 3s in the first half, a school record for a half, as the Longhorns led 47-29 at the break.

"Most of the shots that I put up felt really good," Carr said. "I thought they were going in. My teammates just kept giving me confidence after they'd seen me knock down the first couple. They just said, 'We're going to look for you. Keep shooting. Keep knocking them down."

Carr attempted only four shots in the second half. He had two assists in each half.

"You'd think he'd want to try to continue gunning, but he came out the opposite," acting coach Rodney Terry said. "He was a willing passer."

Terry removed Carr with 3:26 remaining knowing he needed one more 3-pointer to break Al Coleman's school record set in 1997.

"We need him on Saturday (at Oklahoma)," Terry said. "We don't need him the last three, four minutes of the game, and he turns his ankle. We need him healthy."

Carr said he became aware of the 3-point record when it was posted on the arena's video board.

"Timmy (Allen) looked at me and said get one more," Carr said. "Not to say I didn't want

to break it. But it wasn't of as much importance to me. Honestly, at that point, I was really just focused on trying to get

Freshman Dillon Mitchell scored a season-best 16 points for Texas, providing an inside complement to Carr's longrange shooting. Arterio Morris scored 12 points. Allen had eight points, eight assists and six rebounds. Tyrese Hunter also had eight assists.

C.J. Roberts scored 20 points to lead A&M-Commerce (4-10). Tommie Lewis added 19 points for the Lions.

Carr is the first Longhorn other than Terry to be allowed to speak to the media since Beard's arrest.

"Right now, R.T. is our coach. We're focused on being led by him. Obviously, it's an adjustment, but a good and smooth one," Carr said.



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Add oats to any meal

A typical pantry contains a host of staples, including oatmeal. Oats long have been portrayed as simple comfort food that can feed a crowd

for less. But there's nothing simple about the recipes that can be created when oats are in the mix.

Oats are packed with nutrition, and even in their various formulations sold at the store, such as rolled or steel cut, they are minimally processed and almost always in whole grain form. Oats are notable for their ability to lower bad cholesterol and control blood pressure. They contain beta-glucan, which is a soluble fiber not found in most other grains. It has been shown to suppress appetite and help promote gut health. In addition, oats have anti-inflammatory and anti-itching properties, which explains why oatmeal baths are popular for various skin conditions.

But oats are perhaps best utilized in the kitchen, as this assortment of uses for oatmeal in favorite dishes can attest.

- Oat flour power: Replace wheat flour with oat flour to deliver feelings of fullness with fewer calories. Ground oats or oat flour also can be used to thicken soups, stews and
- Meatloaf magic: When making meatloaf or meatballs, use oats as an alternative to bread crumbs for classifieds. Many career opportunities binding ground meats.
 - Oatmeal latte: By cooking oatmeal with milk, thinning out the finished product with more milk, and adding sugar and spices, anyone can whip up a tasty beverage that seems tailor-made for the coffee house.
 - Overnight oats: Oats, when com-

bined with low-fat yogurt, fruit or other add-ins, and left overnight to meld, produce a thick and filling breakfast food that is the best mix of oatmeal and smoothie.

• Oat-corn casserole: Oats can be mixed with cream-style corn, butter and milk to form the base of a side dish casserole. Grated cheddar or pepper jack makes this an ooey-gooey comfort dish. To start your oatmeal recipe journey, try this

recipe for "Cardamom and Orange Overnight Oats" courtesy of Oldways Whole Grains Council.

Cardamom and Orange **Overnight Oats** Serves 2

cup plain Greek yogurt

cup rolled oats

cup unsweetened almond or 1 coconut milk fortified with vitamin B-12

2 tablespoons chia seeds tablespoon maple syrup teaspoon orange zest

1/4 teaspoon cardamom teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/4 tablespoon pumpkin seeds

for garnish Orange slices for garnish

- 1. In a mason jar, mix yogurt, oats, milk, chia seeds, maple syrup, orange zest, cardamom, and cinnamon. Place the lid on the mason jar and shake.
- 2. Leave in the fridge overnight.
- 3. Top with pumpkin seeds and orange slices or other fruit.

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By Steve Becker

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Pass 4 🏚 3 🏚 Opening lead — king of diamonds. One of the secrets of good declarer play is the art of compelling the opponents to do your work for you. Many contracts are lost because declarer undertakes to do things that he can get the defenders

to do for him. Consider this deal where South has four possible losers at four spades — two hearts, a diamond and a club. There is no way to escape the diamond and club losers, so all of declarer's thoughts should be concentrated on avoiding one of the heart losers.

If South tackles the suit himself.

he will lose two heart tricks, assum ing the opponents defend correctly Thus, if declarer leads the ten from dummy, East covers with the king to hold South to one heart trick The result is the same if declared

returns a heart to finish South off. Yet declarer can make the contract regardless of how the missing hearts are divided and against any method of defense. He takes the king of diamonds with the ace draws trump and exits with a dia mond. West wins with the queer and is forced to return a club; any other return gives declarer the con-

begins by leading dummy's deuce

of hearts to his jack. West wins and

tract at once. South cashes the A-K of clubs and exits with a club. It does not matter which defender wins the trick — the outcome is a foregone conclusion.

Let's say East wins the club. Ir that case, he must return a heart otherwise, South gets a ruff-anddiscard. If East returns a low heart South follows low, thereby endplaying West regardless of what hear holding he has. If East returns the king or queen of hearts instead South takes the ace and concedes a heart to make the contract.

The outcome is no different if West wins the third club. Regardless of his return, declarer loses only one heart trick.

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On this date:

Early Today

In 1170, Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was slain in Canterbury Cathedral by knights loyal to King Henry

In 1812, during the War of 1812, the American frigate USS Constitution engaged and severely damaged the British frigate HMS Java off Brazil.

In 1851, the first Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in the United States was founded in Boston.

In 1890, the Wounded Knee massacre took place in South Dakota as an estimated 300 Sioux Indians were killed by U.S. troops sent to disarm them.

In 1940, during World War II, Germany dropped incendiary bombs on London, setting off what came to be known as "The Second Great Fire of London."

In 1972, Eastern Air Lines Flight 401, a Lockheed L-1011 Tristar, crashed into the Florida Everglades near Miami International Airport, killing 101 of the 176 people aboard.

In 1978, during the Gator Bowl, Ohio State University coach Woody Hayes punched Clemson player Charlie Bauman, who'd intercepted an Ohio State pass. (Hayes was fired by Ohio State the next day.)

In 1989, dissident and playwright Vaclav Havel (VAHTS'-lahv HAH'-vel) assumed the presidency of Czechoslovakia.

In 1992, the United States and Russia announced agreement on a nuclear arms reduction

treaty.

In 2006, word reached the United States of the execution of former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein (because of the time difference, it was the morning of Dec. 30 in Iraq when the hanging took place). In a statement, President George W. Bush called Saddam's execution an important milestone on Iraq's road to democracy.

In 2007, the New England Patriots ended their regular season with a remarkable 16-0 record following a 38-35 comeback victory over the New York Giants. (New England became the first NFL team since the 1972 Dolphins to win every game on the schedule.)

In 2016, the United States struck back at Russia for hacking the U.S. presidential campaign with a sweeping set of punishments targeting Russia's spy agencies and diplomats.

Ten years ago: Maine's same-sex marriage law went into effect. Shocked Indians mourned the death of a woman who'd been gang-raped and beaten on a bus in New Delhi nearly two weeks earlier; six suspects were charged with murder. (Four were later sentenced to death; one died in prison; the sixth, a juvenile at the time of the attack, was sentenced to a maximum of three years in a reform

Five years ago: Puerto Rico authorities said nearly half of the power customers in the U.S. territory still lacked electricity, more than three months after Hurricane Maria.

One year ago: British socialite Ghislaine Maxwell was convicted in New York of helping lure

teenage girls to be sexually abused by the late Jeffrey Epstein; the verdict capped a monthlong trial featuring accounts of the sexual exploitation of girls as young as 14. (Maxwell would

be sentenced to

20 years in prison.) More than a year after a vaccine was rolled out, new cases of COVID-19 in the U.S. were soaring to their highest levels on record at over 265,000 per day; the surge was driven largely by the highly contagious omicron variant. Candace Parker, who helped the Chicago Sky win the franchise's first WNBA championship, was named The Associated Press' Female Athlete of the Year for a second time.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Inga

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Swenson is 90. Retired ABC newscaster Tom Jarriel is 88. Actor Barbara Steele is 85. Actor Jon Voight is 84. Singer Marianne Faithfull is 76. Retired Hall of Fame Jockey Laffit Pincay Jr. is 76. Actor Ted Danson is 75. Singer-actor Yvonne Elliman is 71. The president of the International Olympic Committee, Thomas Bach, is 69. Actor Patricia Clarkson is 63. Comedian Paula Poundstone is 63. Rock singer-musician Jim Reid (The Jesus and Mary Chain) is 61. Actor Michael Cudlitz is 58. Rock singer Dexter Holland (The Offspring) is 57. Actor-comedian Mystro Clark is 56. Actor Jason Gould is 56. News anchor Ashleigh Banfield is 55. Movie director Lilly Wachowski is 55. Actor Jennifer Ehle is 53. Actor Patrick Fischler is 53. Rock singer-musician Glen Phillips is 52. Actor Kevin Weisman is 52. Actor Jude Law is 50. Actor Maria Dizzia is 48. Actor Mekhi Phifer (mih-KY' FY'fuhr) is 48. Actor Shawn Hatosy is 47. Actor Katherine Moennig is 45. Actor Diego Luna is 43. Actor Alison Brie is 40. Country singer Jessica Andrews is 39. Actor Iain de Caestecker is 35. Actor Jane Levy is 33. Singer-actor-dancer Ross Lynch is 27. Rock musician Danny Wagner is 24.



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Horoscopes By Holiday

THURSDAY **DECEMBER 29, 2022**

Mercury Retrograde

Capricorn is the realm of the sky associated with power structures, authority, tradition, father figures and time. Mercury backing up through this realm signals the sort of disruptions that cause people to question the status quo. Some will say "that's just how things are," when often it's really the case that "things are" as "we are."

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're willing to give and the other person is willing to let you. Be careful though, because what you do now sets a precedent for the rest of the relationship. Make sure it's something you don't mind keeping up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The opportunity of the day seems risky but isn't. You can't lose because even losing will put you ahead. Whether you try and win or try and fail you'll be better off than a person who didn't try at all.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Pretending to be an expert is the first step to actually being an expert. Your friends will connect you with people who are interested in the same things as you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Social scientists suggest decisions are easier to make between three and five options. The more choices you have, the less likely you are to choose at all. To help yourself make a sound, timely decision, narrow your options.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Bad feelings are better teach-

ers than good feelings. So many good ideas start out as revenge plots. Needing things to be better will ignite your purpose, fuel your drive and sharpen your in-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It is possible to cultivate a feeling of security even though you know it's mostly created in your mind. Absolute security isn't something life can offer. The next best thing is to bravely accept your vulnerability.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A relationship will provide the sweet spot in your day. You'll play to one another's strengths and bond in a sweet arrangement, working as a team. Those who share your interests will augment your luck.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Willpower is like a muscle you can flex and use -- but not indefinitely. Eventually, overuse leads to fatigue, then recovery is needed. So, let up on yourself. Alternate between cycles of discipline and relaxation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Even though you can't change another person, as you change yourself, people adapt to counter your move. The energy shifts. You may not be able to control the shape it takes but it will be something other than it is now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To love and be unsure if your love is returned -- the anticipation can be sweet or agonizing, depending on how you feel about your chances. This applies to something other than a person now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll either put your

ideas to the test or save time by proceeding on your best guess, knowing there's a chance you could be wrong. You have a healthy respect for reality, and you don't mind when it corrects

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Stay as unrelentingly focused on what you want as you possibly can. You won't have to steer clear of unnecessary drama because you won't even see it. It will be happening in an entirely different world from

TODAY'S **BIRTHDAY** (Dec. 29). Your cosmic bounty includes charisma and popularity. The months ahead will bring an array of social bonds, some braided strong, others like paper streamers, colorful and temporary. More highlights: a class broadens your horizons; you'll get top buyers for what you're selling; vou'll see a different part of the world. Cancer and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 2, 22, 38 and 5.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Ted Danson's list of film and television credits is veering into the triple digits. The comedy king has played the fallen angel, the coach, the devilish ladies' man and, notably, a version of himself on HBO's "Curb Your Enthusiasm." Capricorn sun brings confidence, swagger and precise timing. The show-business savvy and instinct to entertain comes via his natal moon and Saturn in Leo.

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...AND *DON'T* GO MEETING UP WITH THOSE HOOLIGAN PALS OF YOURS AND GET YOURSELF INTO TROUBLE







ONE BIG HAPPY

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THE BARN I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS A PIGLET...





Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- **1** Gallic word of gratitude
- 6 "Ornery" guy
- **10** Dolphin family member
- **14** Mythical hunter
- **15** Aware of
- **16** When shadows are shortest
- **17** Missile holders
- **18** Bank quarantor
- 19 Get tired
- 20 Telltale sign
- 21 Warehouse
- machines
- 23 Except for
- 25 Most distressed
- 26 Bobby Darin tune
- 31 Banks (on)
- 32 Possible babysitter 33 Seek
- clarification 36 OPEC member
- **37** Some auction
- offerings 38 Pay-stub
- acronym
- 39 Soak
- **40** Wind-powered toy
- 42 Applied, as flattery
- 44 Radar gun target
- **46** Ambulatory 49 Big brute
- 50 Long-beaked
- wading bird
- home viewing **57** Subsequent
- **53** Released for
- **58** Encircled by 59 Draft depositor

- **60** Author Harte **61** Long look
- **63** "*Mi* __ *es su* . . ." **13** Extreme unease
- **64** *Lion King* villain

DOWN

- **1** Forest growth
- exec Schmidt

- **6** Brazilian export
- 7 Cancel
- **8** Move slightly
- fog
- **10** Doing amazingly

2

63

- **62** ___-3 fatty acids
- **65** Auto type

- 2 Former Google
- 3 Churn up 4 Crockett's cap
- material
- **5** Ordain

- **9** Closes due to

AT THE TABLE by Bruce Venzke Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- **11** Pocahontas'
- hubby
- **12** Covers thickly
- 22 Converted attic
- space 24 TiVo precursor
- 26 MD's orders
- **27** Prefix in aviation
- 28 Reward the cast
- 29 Dinesen's real
- first name **30** Aficionado
- 33 Verdi
- masterpiece
- 34 Person from
- Paisley **35** Batman creator
- 37 Eroded
- **38** Data identifier
- 40 Ceramist's equipment

- 41 Swelling
 - reducers **42** Relay race

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- segment
- 43 Well-chosen 44 Joe Jackson in *Field of*
- **45** Welder's
- adhesive **46** CNN alternative
- **47** 33 Down, for instance
- 48 Movers' supply
- 51 All-in-one
- computer
- perhaps **55** Star in Lyra

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52 Entertainer Minnelli **54** Turned blue,

56 Senior member

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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!

CROSSWORD **Today's Answers**



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