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## Lightning fast



Tony Claxton (tonyclaxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring Steers Channing Miller and Daniel Luna tackle a Monahans Lobo player during the varsity football game Friday. Lightning strikes in the area caused officials to call the game in the second quarter with a little less than 10 minutes to play. For a complete recap, see today's section B.

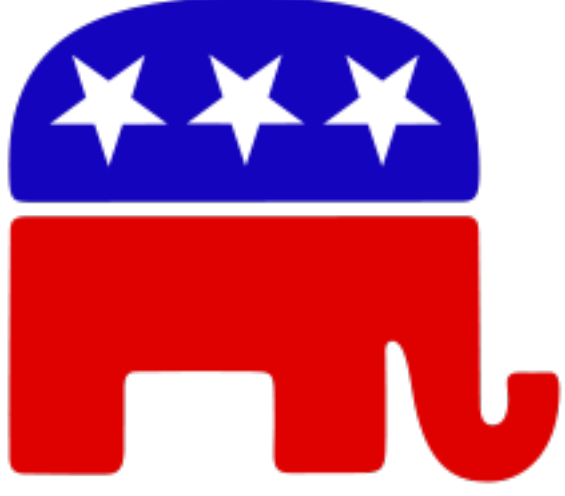
## After 15 years, last artifacts of 9/11 have been given away

By ADAM GELLER  
AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Behind the barbed wire, the white mini-van's busted windows and crumpled roof hint at its story. But fork-lifted to this wind-blown spot on the John F. Kennedy International Airport tarmac, between a decommissioned 727 and an aircraft hangar, it's doubtful passing drivers notice it at all.

In the long struggle with the searing memories of 9/11, though, the van's solitary presence here marks a small but significant transition point. Tons of wreckage — twisted steel beams weighing up to 40,000 pounds, chunks of concrete smelling of smoke, a crushed fire engine, a dust-covered airplane slipper —

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## Howard County Republicans meet Monday

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Abigayle Spencer, West Texas Regional Director at Texans for Greg Abbott, will be the guest speaker when the Howard County Republican Party meets Monday.

Spencer, a recent graduate of Texas Tech University where she was an active member of the university's Republican chapter, will present an update on the Texans for Greg Abbott campaign, specifically its activities in West Texas.

She will be available to answer questions and help the Howard County party market a plan of action for voter registration and voter recruitment.

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## Rainy race day start



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

A storm system moved into the Crossroads area Friday night dumping rain and bringing lightning throughout the night and into the morning. An estimated 51 competitors for the Comanche Warrior Triathlon competition waited at the Dora Roberts Community Center to see if officials planned to cancel the race. Officials delayed the race for about an hour because of reported nearby lightning strikes. The race got underway about 9 a.m. Saturday morning.

## Commissioners to adopt tax rate Monday

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners are expected to adopt a "hold the line" tax rate when they meet at 4 p.m. Monday in the third-floor courtroom of the county courthouse.

See TAX RATE, Page 3A

## HC trustees to hold second hearing on proposed tax

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Howard College trustees will hold a public hearing Monday afternoon over their proposed tax rate.

The meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the Student Union Build-

ing's Tumbleweed Room located on the Big Spring campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

The college's proposed rate for the upcoming tax year is 31 cents per \$100 taxable valuation.

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# Shootout ends early

Lightning is all that can keep offenses out of end zone in Big Spring-Monahans matchup

By DREW WILLIAMS  
Sports Editor

Doing their best to emulate the weather, the Big Spring offense was able to electrify their sideline and the fans in the Steers' 26-21 win over Monahans Friday.

A week after turnovers and stalled drives led to a tired defense and a 60-20 blowout loss to Sweetwater, quarterback Dylan Cantu and the Big Spring offense were as close to unstoppable as you can get.

Big Spring scored first on an interception return by Robert Valencia on the second play of the game, and Monahans followed with a 70-yard touchdown run on their next offensive play. From there it was the Dylan Cantu, Daniel Luna, and Preston Alexander show.

After a short loss on first down, Daniel Luna, lined up just off the right tackle, was able to beat the Monahans middle linebacker who was faking a blitz. A perfect pass from Cantu in stride with Luna's crossing route led to an 81-yard touchdown pass on just the sixth offensive play of the game, giving Big Spring a 14-7



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Riley Henson causes a fumble near the Steers' goal line in Friday's game against Monahans.

lead. Monahans had nine men in the box on the play.

Monahans would respond after the longest drive of the game, five plays, turned into a 20-yard touchdown run to make it 14-14. But Big Spring would answer back.

On the second play of their next drive, Cantu hit Luna again, this

time wide open down the left sideline on a wheel route, for a 73-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was blocked, but the Steers had a 20-14 lead just over four minutes into the game.

Monahans again came storming back, however. In a game that had all the makings of a shootout, it was evident

the Steers would need big plays from the defense because the Monahans Wing-T, run-first offense was running all over the Steers. They got that from linebacker Riley Henson.

After another long drive by the Loboes, Henson squared up a Monahans runner at the Steers' ten-yard line. His helmet hit the ball

head on, and Henson recovered the fumble to keep the Loboes out of the end zone.

Following two drives in which he made key blocks in the backfield to buy his quarterback more time, Alexander decided it was his turn to get in on the action. He started the drive off with a 25-yard run, and started the next

third down play in the backfield. Cantu motioned Alexander to the right wideout position, and after escaping two would-be defenders in the backfield and scrambling to the right, Cantu found Alexander wide open 55 yards down field for the touchdown to give the Steers a 26-14 lead.

After another score by Monahans, the game was called due to lightning with just under 10 minutes remaining in the first half and Big Spring up 26-21.

Cantu finished the first quarter 3-of-3 passing for 209 yards and three touchdowns. Though the game barely lasted a quarter, there was enough offense for an entire game as both teams combined for 538 yards of total offense in the opening frame.

Big Spring head coach Clint Finley credited the team with their ability to prepare this week, and said the pre-snap adjustments and motions were things they saw on film that they could take advantage of.

"It was just something that was part of the gameplan," Finley said. "We were just working

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## Column: Newton subjected to different rules than other Qbs

By PAUL NEWBERRY  
AP National Writer

The NFL says it's all about player safety.

Try telling that to Cam Newton, one of the league's biggest stars.

The way the Carolina Panthers quarterback was beaten up in a season-opening

loss at Denver, one would think it is back to open season on anyone wearing a helmet and shoulder pads.

If nothing else, it showed that Newton is subject to a different set of rules than the league's other QBs.

Can you imagine Tom Brady or Drew Brees taking

four helmet-to-helmet hits — including two where the defender appeared to leave his feet and launch himself into Newton — with only a single flag being dropped?

We can't either. Clearly, the NFL's epiphany on player health — which the jaded will note

only came at the prodding of a massive lawsuit brought by former players whose lives were ruined by repeated hits to the head — still hasn't gone far enough.

"We've got to treat Cam like a quarterback," Pan-

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## Area scoreboard

3-4A DI  
Abilene Wylie 28, Denison 14  
Liberty Hill 30, Brownwood 29  
Everman 31, Stephenville 24  
Seminole vs. Snyder, ccd.

2-3A DII  
Idalou 38, Littlefield 21  
Lubbock Roosevelt 38, Lamesa 23  
Christoval 10, Colorado City 0  
Forsan 34, Stanton 0

4-2A DI  
Coleman 37, Post 7  
Hawley 35, Hamlin 14  
Merkel 22, Stamford 19  
Anson 40, Jim Ned 20

## Iverson, Shaq headline emotional Hall of Fame ceremony



AP Photo/Elise Amendola

Basketball Hall of Fame inductee Allen Iverson, left, hugs presenter and former coach John Thompson during induction ceremonies at Symphony Hall, Friday, Sept. 9, 2016, in Springfield, Mass.

By KYLE HIGHTOWER

AP Sports Writer

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — When Shaquille O'Neal was 10 years old, his father made a prediction.

Friday night when his son became a Hall of Famer, it was realized.

Shaq and Allen Iverson headlined the 10-member Class of 2016 enshrined into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. One of the most star-packed classes in recent memory, it also featured international star Yao Ming, WNBA great Sheryl Swoopes, coach Tom Izzo, and owner Jerry Reinsdorf, an architect in the Michael Jordan-led Chicago Bulls championship fight teams of the 1990s.

"If I know my father,

he's up there arguing with Wilt (Chamberlain) that his son is the best big man in the game," Shaq said.

Posthumous honorees were: 27-year NBA referee Darell Garretson; John McLendon, the first African-American coach in a professional league; Zelmo Beaty, the former NBA and ABA star who led Prairie View to an NAIA title in 1962; and Cumberland Posey, who is also a member of the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Shaq was an instant box office draw during his career because of his mammoth frame and rim-shaking dunks. But he also exhibited a personality that was as playful as it was engaging. He showed off all of it on Friday.

He had the final speech of the night, a humorous

dissertation that spanned his long journey in the sport.

His speech had serious moments like thanking his parents, Phil Harrison and Lucille O'Neal, for giving him the discipline and drive that drove his NBA dream.

But he also tossed in light moments. He thanked former Lakers teammate Kobe Bryant for helping him win three NBA titles, "but also for getting me pushed off the team and traded to Miami."

Before host Ahmad Rashad could even introduce Iverson, the first mention of his name started a roar of cheers throughout the assembled audience.

Dressed in all black, former MVP known as "A.I.," blew kisses as tears began to form in his eyes.

"Thank God for loving me and blessing me," Iverson said, "to be the man that I am, and having no regrets for the man that I am. A man that my family loves, my teammates love and my fans love."

Fighting tears throughout, Iverson thanked former Georgetown coach John Thompson "for saving my life."

"(After) the incident happened in high school and all that was taken away... no other schools would recruit me anymore," Iverson recalled. "My mom went to Georgetown and begged him to give me a chance. And he did."

He said he later left Georgetown only as "an OK basketball player."

"But once I started to

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# Where were you on that day?

## 15 years later, Big Spring residents remember 9/11

HERALD photo/Roger Cline  
A wall of memories adorns Big Spring's Spring City Plaza. The mall will host a 9/11 memorial ceremony today, Sunday, at 2:30 p.m.

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer  
In September 2001, terrorists flew two airliners into the World Trade Center towers in New York City, a third into the Pentagon, and had plans for a fourth before passengers heroically forced a crash into a Pennsylvania field. The attacks claimed 2,996 lives and injured more than 6,000. Of those deaths, 411 were first responders working desperately to save the lives of others. Since 2001, September 11 has come to be known as Patriot Day, a day of national mourning to remember those claimed in the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil. Recently, some Big Spring residents recalled their experiences 15 years ago on Sept. 11, 2001.

### Desiree Mayer

Desiree Mayer is a Customer Service Representative at Domino's Pizza, working toward a planned career with PayPal. She was in fifth grade in the Bronx, New York, when the planes hit.  
"I lived in New York up until 2005," she said. "I was in fifth grade. I remember that day very, very, very clearly. It was not a good day. My mom actually had a job interview at the World Trade Center, and she ended up not going. It was pretty crazy.

"I was in class, and the phone kept ringing and kids were leaving. The teacher wouldn't tell us what was going on because we were only in fifth grade. And then about 10 o'clock, my mom and my stepdad picked us up and explained to us in the car what was happening. And then we got home and we were watching the news channel, and my brother kept thinking it was happening over and over again because he was only in second or third grade, because he kept seeing it on the TV.

"From where I lived - I was in the Bronx at the time - you could see the smoke in the air and you could hear sirens. Everybody was going out. Every single borough was sending out fire trucks. You could see the smoke. Every single radio station and TV station, that's all they were talking about. That night, we just watched the news, that's it. We didn't go to school for a couple of days after that because they heard there were going to be bomb threats.

"After that, I remember all the different songs they played on the radio. For almost six months it was just a tribute to what happened. When they put the glowing towers - those two lights that went up - you could see that from my house. It was amazing."

Mayer said she feels the attacks have caused some changes in the United States, and not for the better. "I feel that, because certain people from a certain religion did that, that now the whole majority is blamed," she said. "Because of that, a lot of people have been treated badly. I was at a public school in the Bronx, and a lot of Muslim kids and Arabic kids were getting jumped and beat up a lot. A lot of them just stopped coming to school. A lot of them stopped wearing their turban and their hairdress

and stuff. If someone had a backpack or a briefcase and left it on the floor for a split-second, the cops were on them very quickly. It was really strange. It was really terrifying because you had to look at everybody and you had to look at what they were carrying and there was always that thought, 'Do they have a bomb in there?'

"We're a more scared country, like, 'Let's attack first and ask questions later.' I'm only 25 so I don't know everything, like how all these wars came to be, but I definitely think it's more 'Shoot first and ask questions later.'"

### Brent Zitterkopf

Brent Zitterkopf is a Deputy County Clerk at the Howard County Courthouse. He first heard about the attacks from customers at the courthouse.

"I was here at work, and customers started coming in and telling us about it," he said. "We turned on the radio, and then my boss went home and got a little TV, and we didn't have very good reception, but we stayed glued to that all day the best we could between customers. And then when I went home, that's all I could do was watch that. I couldn't get my mind off it. It was just solid watching that."

The plane hitting the second tower solidified the idea in his mind that these were not simple accidents, Zitterkopf said.

"I guess when they started showing the pictures of the planes hitting the buildings, and when I heard there was more than one plane," he said.

Zitterkopf has seen some after-effects of the attacks in his daily job, he said.

"I think it's made people more aware, and it's made people more scared because of the following attacks that we still keep having. It's made people more aware of what's going on around them, probably," he said. "I know working here where we sell birth certificates, it makes everybody have to have ID that they know is accurate. You have to have ID for anything you do now."

Zitterkopf remembers a strong return to faith and a concern for family following the attacks.

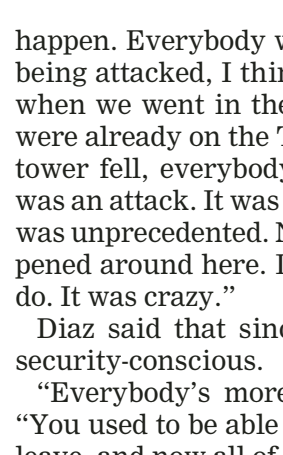
"Right after that I remember how so many people were praying, and groups were getting together and praying, and people seemed to be more reaching out to God and wanting to get their lives more where they should be," he said. "I remember thinking, even though I don't have any relatives there, 'I hope this doesn't affect any of my relatives.' It kind of made me want to talk to family. I have lots of cousins all over the country, and aunts and uncles."

### Sal Diaz

Sal Diaz, owner of Diaz Janitorial Service of Big Spring, was a golf course groundskeeper in 2001. He learned about the attacks from golfers.  
"I remember that I was mowing greens. I had just



passed the pro shop, and all of a sudden, there were a lot of people outside and a lot of people conversing. I went back up there and the first tower had just been hit. And then people stopped playing golf and just went up there and watched because it just got so intense. And then all of a sudden, here comes the second tower. It was a week-day, I remember that. And it was chaotic to say the least.



"Well, nobody really expects something like that to happen. Everybody was just saying, 'I think we're being attacked, I think we're being attacked.' And when we went in the pro shop, a bunch of people were already on the TV, and then when the second tower fell, everybody just kind of knew that this was an attack. It was an awful time, it really was. It was unprecedented. Nothing like that has ever happened around here. I remember it vividly, I really do. It was crazy."  
Diaz said that since 9/11, Americans are more security-conscious.  
"Everybody's more aware nowadays," he said. "You used to be able to just get on a plane and just leave, and now all of a sudden there's awareness of what's out there. If anything we learned from that, it's that anything can happen, even here in our own homeland."  
"It's why I wave my flag. I'm proud to be an American, and we're lucky to be here."

### Rebecca Hallmark

Rebecca Hallmark is an employee at Allan's Furniture in downtown Big Spring. In 2001, she lived in Belize.

"I was actually at the D/FW airport waiting to fly back to Belize, and obviously I didn't make it," she said.

"Actually at the airport people were saying, 'Oh, my flight's cancelled!' And then, as information started coming in, they started putting it on the monitors in the airport, and announcing that the airport was shut down and that all flights were cancelled. So it was a lot of confusion. Nobody was really sure what was happening. And it was unfolding as we were at the airport."

Hallmark said she didn't learn that the crashes were terrorist attacks until much later.

"I really had no idea what was going on," she said.

Hallmark said she feels that certain people are making use of the attacks as a tool for political gain.

"It did bring it to the forefront, I think, for a lot of people," she said. "It was another thing that could be focused on as a fear. Unfortunately a horrible thing like that becomes used in many ways to influence people."

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# Obituaries

## Billy Rose



Billy Rose, 67, of Sweetwater, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Sept. 5, 2016, at his home. Funeral services will be Monday, Sept. 12, 2016, at 10 a.m. at Myers and Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene, Texas, with military honors. He was born Feb. 13, 1949, in Lo-

raine, Texas, to Betty Jo Langley and Roy D. Rose. He served in the United States Marine Corps and was a Vietnam veteran. Billy is survived by his four children, Mathes Jennings of Killeen, Mary Jennings of Sweetwater, David McCann of Bedford, and Bridgette Amos of Sweetwater; two grandchildren; 12 siblings; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Joe "Prieto" Martinez



Joe "Prieto" Martinez, 86, of Big Spring died Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016, at his home. A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016, at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Sept. 12, 2016, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park. He was born June 7, 1930, to Alejandra Galindo Martinez and Jose Martinez Sr. in Sonora. He married Cruz Holguin on May 27, 1951

and she preceded him in death March 2, 2005. Joe came to Big Spring in 1950 from Sonora. He was a truck driver and had worked at Bob Brock Ford and Wes-Tex Auto Parts. Joe is survived by one son, Joe Martinez and wife Maria of Christoval; and one daughter, Amelia Martinez of Big Spring. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one brother, Juan Martinez; and four sisters, Fina Soto, Goya Alonso, Urina Loya, and Edith Martinez. Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

# Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- ANDREW DUTCHOVER**, 55, of 184 Highland Meadow Circle, Coppell, Texas, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- HERBEY HUERTA REYNA**, 44, of 1910 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place was

arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- ROY MARVIN COLLIER**, 41, of 205 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Coahoma arrested on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.
- MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported on Third Street and Austin.

- THEFT** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster St., and the 700 block of Willia St.
- BURLGARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1700 block of Scurry.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2300 block of Brent and the 200 block of N. 4<sup>th</sup>.

# Support Groups

**MONDAY**

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

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

**FRIDAY**

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

**TUESDAY**

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

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

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

**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.

**SUNDAY**

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

# Take Note

- The Howard County Fair is now accepting entries for the Howard County Fair queen contest to be held in the entertainment tent, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22. Anyone enrolled in an area high schools or college is eligible to enter. Go to the Howard County Fair website [www.hcfair.org](http://www.hcfair.org) to print entry forms. Deadline for entries is 4 p.m., Sept. 21. There is a \$35 entry fee that may be paid by a sponsor or the contestant. Prizes include Howard College scholarships and items donated by local and area businesses. For additional information, contact: Cindy

Jones 432-517-9115 or Sandy Stewart 432-935-1604.

- Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998. Sacking dates are as follows (please note the group starts at 5:30 p.m.)

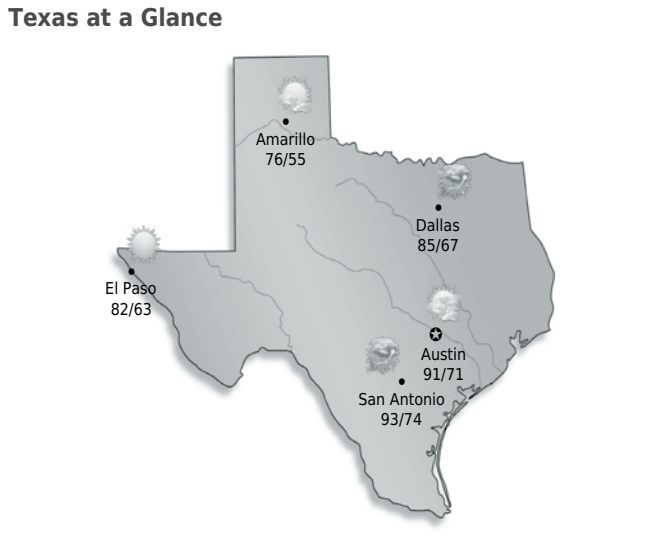
Sept. 18 and 19. Sacking locations is at the old Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 NW 7th. To get there take Gregg Street north and turn left on Delaney which is the block just past the Salvation Army retail store. Delaney turns into 7th Street, you will go over the railroad tracks and the school is on the left. If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

- The Big Spring ISD is now accepting free/reduced lunch applications on line. To apply, go to the Big Spring

Independent School District website [www.bsisd.esc.18.net](http://www.bsisd.esc.18.net) and click on the quick link "Meal App Now." Fill out the forms and then submit. You will be notified by mail or e-mail of the status of your lunch application. If you do not have access to a computer, please bring all of your income information, TANF or SNAP EDG number and come to the Food Service Department located at 708 Eleventh Place.

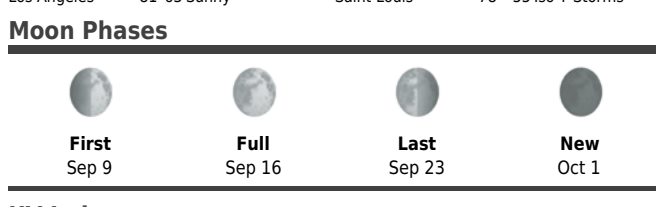
- Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Local 5-Day Forecast				
Sun 9/11	Mon 9/12	Tue 9/13	Wed 9/14	Thu 9/15
<b>88/68</b> Mainly sunny. High 88F. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.	<b>93/71</b> Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	<b>87/69</b> Showers and t-storms late. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 60s.	<b>84/68</b> Scattered t-storms possible. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.	<b>85/67</b> T-storms early. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.
Sunrise: 7:27 AM Sunset: 7:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:53 PM	Sunrise: 7:29 AM Sunset: 7:52 PM	Sunrise: 7:29 AM Sunset: 7:51 PM



Area Cities			
City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	78	61	Sct T-Storms
Amarillo	76	55	P Cloudy
Austin	91	71	P Cloudy
Beaumont	90	73	Sct T-Storms
Brownsville	95	75	P Cloudy
Brownwood	83	61	Sct T-Storms
Corpus Christi	92	76	Sunny
Corsicana	87	67	Cloudy
Dallas	85	67	Iso T-Storms
Del Rio	93	71	Sunny
El Paso	82	63	Sunny
Fort Stockton	75	63	P Cloudy
Gainesville	81	58	T-Storms
Greenville	84	63	Sct T-Storms
Houston	91	74	P Cloudy
Kingsville	94	73	Sunny
Livingston	88	70	P Cloudy
Longview	87	68	P Cloudy
Lubbock	78	56	Cloudy/Wind
Lufkin	88	70	Sunny
Midland	77	62	Sct T-Storms
Raymondville	97	73	P Cloudy
Rosenberg	88	71	Sunny
San Antonio	93	74	Cloudy
San Marcos	90	70	P Cloudy
Sulphur Springs	85	64	Cloudy
Sweetwater	79	61	Sct T-Storms
Tyler	87	67	Cloudy
Weatherford	81	61	Sct T-Storms
Wichita Falls	84	60	Cloudy

National Cities			
City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	93	72	Sunny
Boston	74	70	Cloudy
Chicago	74	56	Showers
Dallas	85	67	Iso T-Storms
Denver	83	54	Sunny
Houston	91	74	P Cloudy
Los Angeles	81	63	Sunny
Miami	86	79	Cloudy
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New York	90	77	M Sunny
Phoenix	105	82	P Cloudy
San Francisco	62	53	Cloudy
Seattle	76	56	Sunny
Saint Louis	78	55	Iso T-Storms



UV Index				
Sun 9/11	Mon 9/12	Tue 9/13	Wed 9/14	Thu 9/15
9	9	9	7	8
Very High	Very High	Very High	High	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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- 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 Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

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# Debuts: Dallas' Prescott, Elliott, and Giants' McAdoo too



AP Photo/Stephen Brashear

Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott runs against the Seattle Seahawks in the first half of a preseason NFL football game, Thursday, Aug. 25, 2016, in Seattle.

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Dak Prescott and Ezekiel Elliott are set to be the first rookie quarterback-running back combo to start an opener for the Dallas Cowboys since Roger Staubach and Calvin Hill nearly 50 years ago.

There will be a sense of anticipation on the New York sideline as well Sunday when the Giants visit the Cowboys. It's the debut of coach Ben McAdoo following a 12-year run under Tom Coughlin that included two Super Bowl titles.

"If you don't get a little anxious to go play and go coach, you probably have to find something else to do," said McAdoo, the team's offensive coordinator the past two seasons. "I think that's normal, that's healthy."

Prescott, the fourth-round pick suddenly starting because of injuries to Tony Romo (broken back) and Kellen Moore (broken ankle), and Elliott aren't the type to admit to nerves. But they also

understand the significance of something that hasn't happened since 1969 with one of the NFL's storied franchises.

"I think we're prepared," said Elliott, the fourth overall pick who was limited to one preseason game by a hamstring injury. "I think that we're both very poised, we're both excited to compete. We don't want any drop-offs just because we're rookies."

The Cowboys didn't survive without Romo last year, going 4-12 while losing 11 of the 12 games he missed with a twice-broken left collarbone. Plus, 2014 All-Pro receiver Dez Bryant was limited all season after breaking his foot in the opener against the Giants. He missed seven games.

A pair of veterans in Brandon Weeden and Matt Cassel couldn't keep the Cowboys in contention last year, and now they'll try with a rookie. Prescott earned the job with a strong showing in three preseason games.

"I think we both have confidence in ourselves and each other," said Prescott, the career pass-

ing leader at Mississippi State. "I think we need to stay even-keeled with our emotions throughout the game, and I think we'll have some fun out there."

Things to consider as the Cowboys take an 8-0 record in openers against the Giants into the fourth opener in the past five seasons between the NFC East rivals:

**GIANTS O-LINE:** This is the biggest question mark for McAdoo and the Giants, who were 6-10 last season. The line (LT Ereck Flowers, LG Justin Pugh, C Weston Richburg, RG John Jerry and RT Marshall Newhouse) is the same as last year but wasn't good in the preseason. Tackle Will Beatty, who was released in a salary cap move earlier in the year, re-signed late in training camp. Pugh insists the line will improve once the team starts game planning. That remains to be seen.

**ON THE OTHER HAND:** The Cowboys believe they have one of the best lines in football, an

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# Oswweiler ready for Texans debut, but Watt could be limited

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — New quarterback Brock Oswweiler has undoubtedly upgraded the Houston Texans' offense as they prepare for Sunday's season opener against the Chicago Bears.

The question for the Texans is whether star defensive end J.J. Watt will be slowed by back surgery that kept him out of training camp and from each of Houston's preseason games. Watt returned to practice this week after recovering from the procedure to repair a herniated disk, and insists he's feeling great and is ready to go. He expects the coaching staff to try to limit his snaps on Sunday, but vowed to fight against such a plan.

"I am going to try and play every single play," he said. "I am going to play as hard as I possibly can ... obviously I have fresh legs right now. I'm going to carry this through the season."

Watt was voted the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year for the second straight season after leading the league with 17 1/2 sacks in 2015. His performance helped Houston reach the playoffs for the first time since 2012, but a 30-0 loss to Kansas City in the wild-card round made it clear that the Texans needed an upgrade at quarterback.

They believe they found that in Oswweiler, who started seven games for Denver last season before being benched for the playoffs in favor of Peyton Manning. Oswweiler is comfortable in Houston and believes his preparation will keep any jitters at bay in his debut for the Texans.

"There's no nerves," he said. "I believe if you prepare the correct way, what do you have to be nervous about? You've already played the game all week long. Now you just need to go connect the dots on Sunday."

Chicago coach John Fox is very familiar with Oswweiler after coaching him in Denver in the quarterback's first three pro seasons. He knows Oswweiler benefited from his time learning from Manning.

"He understands at a high level how to prepare ... Brock's a very good athlete and has a good head on his shoulders," Fox said. "It doesn't surprise me that Houston invested in him and that he's done a very, very fine job from what I've seen on tape."

Some things to know about the first game between Chicago and Houston since 2012.

**WHITE'S DEBUT:** Finally, the Bears get to see how dynamic a receiver Kevin White will be.

The No. 7 overall pick in the 2015 draft, he missed his rookie season because of a stress fracture in his



AP Photo/Jeff Roberson

Houston Texans quarterback Brock Oswweiler (17) passes against the Arizona Cardinals during the first half of an NFL preseason football game, Sunday, Aug. 28, 2016, in Houston.

left shin. Chicago is counting on big things from White, with his size and physical skills.

If he delivers, the Bears could have a dynamic tandem with Alshon Jeffery. That's also assuming Jeffery stays healthy after calf, hamstring, groin and shoulder problems limited the former Pro Bowl receiver to nine games last season.

**HELPING HOPKINS:** Rookie re-

ceivers Will Fuller and Braxton Miller will make their debuts. The Texans drafted both players this year to take some pressure off DeAndre Hopkins, who was third in the NFL with a career-high 1,521 yards receiving last year despite dealing with near-constant double teams. Coach Bill O'Brien has been impressed with their progress and believes they're ready to contribute.

# Houston's Musgrove done in by 2 hitters in 2-0 loss to Cubs

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston rookie Joe Musgrove was having a good night before he was done in by a pair of batters in the fifth inning on Friday night.

Kris Bryant hit a two-run homer, Jon Lester threw seven scoreless innings and Hector Rondon and Aroldis Chapman completed the shutout to give the Chicago Cubs a 2-0 win over the Astros.

Dexter Fowler snapped an

0-for-19 skid with a leadoff triple and Chicago still had just one hit when he drew a leadoff walk with two outs in the fifth inning. Bryant then smacked his 37th homer to the seats in left field to make it 2-0.

"I'm happy with his effort, and obviously, he'll go home thinking about the walk to Fowler before Bryant's big home run because that really was the only thing they got off of him," manager A.J. Hinch said of Musgrove.

Musgrove (2-4) allowed three hits and two runs with five strikeouts in six innings for his fourth loss in five starts.

"I'll know what to fix next time and I know what the adjustments are and I'll move on," he said.

It was Bryant's first career game against the team that passed on him with the first pick in the 2013 draft to take starter Mark Appel, who was traded to Philadelphia this offseason before ever playing

in the majors.

Lester (16-4) allowed seven hits and struck out seven for his seventh straight win. He hasn't lost since July 3, hasn't allowed a run in three of those starts and gave up just one run in four others in that span.

Rondon took over for the eighth and struck out two before Aroldis Chapman struck out one in a perfect ninth for his 13th save.

The victory improved the Cubs to an MLB-best 90-50,

after they won 97 games last year to give them consecutive 90-win seasons for the first time since doing it in three straight years from 1928-1930.

The Astros had trouble stringing hits together against Lester, and didn't have more than one in an inning until the seventh when Yulieski Gurriel singled with one out and Marwin Gonzalez got another single with two outs. But Lester struck out

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## Anniversary

### Fryrear to celebrate 60th wedding anniversary



Courtesy photos

Sherry and Donald Fryrear today, above, and on their wedding, right, on Sept. 16, 1956, in Haxtum, Colo.



Donald and Sherry (Watson) Fryrear will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Friday, Sept. 16.

The Fryrears were married Sept. 16, 1956 in Haxtum, Colo. The couple met at Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colo.

During their marriage, the Fryrears have lived in Fort Collins, Colo.; Otis, Colo.; Manhattan, Kan.; and Temple, Texas; and, for the last 51 years, in Big Spring.

Donald worked for the USDA for 42 years, while Sherry worked as a homemaker. The two are now self-employed and are still working.

The two have been members of Midway Baptist

since 1974, where Donald is a deacon and Sherry plays the piano.

The Fryrears have two children, Debbie and husband Richard (deceased) of San Angelo, and Kenny and wife Cindy of Midland. They have four grandchildren, Andrea and her husband Dan and children, Brennan and Caroline of Boulder, Colo.; Brad and his wife Ginger and children, Hayes and Nick of Midland; Jake and wife Sadie and son Wyatt of Fort Worth; and Jillian of Fort Worth.

There will be a reception at Midway Baptist Church on Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to noon. The couple requests no gifts.

## Denzel, Fuqua debut a more modern 'Magnificent Seven'

TORONTO (AP) — The 41st Toronto International Film Festival got underway Thursday with Antoine Fuqua's remake of "The Magnificent Seven," an old-school Western with more modern faces.

The film's Thursday night premiere kicked off North America's largest film festival, which is set to unspool some 300 films over the next 10 days.

On tap are premieres of many of the fall's top films, including the Los Angeles musical "La La Land," the oil rig explosion docudrama "Deepwater Horizon" and Oliver Stone's "Snowden."

"The Magnificent Seven," starring Denzel Washington and Chris Pratt, is a remake of the John Sturges' 1960 Western, which itself was a remake of Kurosawa's "Seven Samurai."

For Fuqua, who grew up loving Westerns, it was important for him to cast a diverse group of actors to welcome moviegoers to a genre not known for inclusiveness.

"For me, being black, I didn't see anyone that really looked like me," Fuqua said in an interview. "But I still loved the Westerns because as a kid, I wasn't identifying color. I was just identifying my heroes, John Wayne and those guys."

In Fuqua's "Magnificent Seven," the hero is unquestionably Washington, who plays a fearsome black-clad bounty hunter.

It's the actor's first Western, and if nothing else, "The Magnificent Seven" unites one of today's true movie stars with Hollywood's most iconic, if somewhat out of favor, genres.

"I had a vision of him on that horse," said Fuqua, whose "Training Day" and "The Equalizer" starred Washington. "That's what made it fun for me. Right away, when we were talking about the different cast members, I said, 'You know, I'd love to see Denzel on a horse.' Everybody in the room got quiet. They said, 'Do you think he'll do it?' I said, 'Well, I'll fly to New York and find out.'"

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Tuesday: Breakfast: Maple pancakes, grapes, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meaty queso, peas, garden salad, veggie cups, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage roll, apples, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Rib patty sandwich, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruity Jell-O, fruit cup, garden salad, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Baked cheese stick, banana, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meaty macaroni, green beans, veggie cups, garden salad, strawberries, animal crackers, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: French toast, orange smiles, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Sloppy Joe sliders, sweet potato tots, twisted apple sauce, fruit cup, veggie cups, milk.

### Coahoma ISD

Seasonal fresh fruit, milk, and Romaine garden salad served daily for lunch.

Monday: Breakfast: Morning sausage roll or cereal with buttered toast, chilled pineapple, 100 percent fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Chili

dog with tots or mandarin chicken salad or steak fingers or country bowl, mashed potatoes, steamed corn, Romaine spinach garden salad, apples and grapes, chilled mixed fruit, whole-grain roll, cream gravy.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or cereal with buttered toast, chilled apricots, seasonal fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Cheesy chicken Philly sandwich with seasoned fries or chef salad with diced turkey and ham or spaghetti with meat sauce or creamy chicken and broccoli with pasta, glazed carrots, Romaine spinach garden salad, 100 percent fruit slush cup, bananas and watermelon, whole-grain garlic breadstick.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Pancake and sausage or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, cinnamon apple sauce, seasonal fresh fruit, milk, syrup; Lunch: Chicken ranch wrap with Sun Chips or strawberry grilled chicken or homestyle pizza (cheese, pepperoni, or hamburger), green beans, cucumber chips, Romaine spinach garden salad, chilled mandarin oranges, oranges and grapes, apple crisp.

Thursday: Breakfast: Grilled cheese sandwich or cereal with buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, seasonal fresh fruit, milk, jelly; Lunch: Burrito with chips and salsa or Fritos taco salad or beefy nachos with whole-grain tortilla chips or Fritos cali-

ente chicken, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomato salad, 100 percent fruit slush cup, bananas and watermelon, jalapeno, salsa, sour cream.

Friday: Breakfast: Homestyle cinnamon roll or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mandarin oranges, 100 percent fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Cheeseburger basket with seasoned fries or chicken salad or sloppy Joe or hot 'n spicy chicken sandwich, seasoned fries, burger salad, apples and grapes, chilled pineapple tidbits, mayo, mustard.

### Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap with yogurt or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Popcorn chicken or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Blueberry mini pancakes or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, applesauce, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken sandwich or chicken Parmesan with breadstick, corn, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Pizza or chef salad, Italian vegetables, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pocket or variety cereal with toast.

fruit juice, pears, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets with roll or chicken spaghetti, savory green beans, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Dutch waffle or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Hamburger or corndog, tater tots, pinto beans, baby carrots, fresh fruit, milk.

### Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast: Pancakes and sausage or muffin and yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: Breaded pork chop, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, carrot coins, strawberries and bananas, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: French bread pizza, garden salad, California blend veggies, sliced peaches, pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Biscuit with scrambled eggs and sausage or breakfast parfait, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken quesadilla, seasoned corn, charro beans, salsa, lettuce and tomato garnish, cinnamon applesauce, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: Texas chili, cornbread, broccoli bites, tiny tomato cup, orange smiles, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast club or muffin and yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: Slo-

py Joe sliders, fries, cucumber dippers, fresh fruit, cookie, milk.

### Big Spring Senior Center:

Monday: Porcupine meatballs, squash casserole, carrot salad with pineapple, Rice Krispy bar, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Butter beans with ham, sliced onion, country-style greens, angel cake with strawberries, cornbread, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken fajita burrito, Spanish rice, guacamole salad, chips and salsa, vanilla pudding, milk.

Thursday: Roast beef, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruited Jell-O, rolls, milk.

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were salvaged from the World Trade Center site for preservation in the weeks after the 2001 terrorist attacks. Now, 15 years later, this van, part of a government agency motor pool likely sheltered from the impact in the parking garage beneath the complex, is the very last artifact without a resting place.

When the van is claimed, as soon as a few weeks from now, it will fulfill a pledge that, to move beyond 9/11 without losing sight of it, New York would share relics of that terror, along with the tales of sacrifice and fear that come with them.

The decision by officials to give away pieces of Trade Center wreckage has been praised and criticized over the years. But its impact is undeniable.

More than 2,600 artifacts have gone to 1,585 fire and police departments, schools and museums, and other nonprofit organizations in every state and at least eight other countries. Each recipient has pledged to use them in memorials or exhibits honoring those killed on 9/11. While some have not followed through, the many that have mean it is now possible to touch a piece of September 11 during a Roman Catholic Mass in Port St. Lucie, Florida, while standing in the shadows of Colorado's San Juan mountains, or in a park honoring animals in Meaford, Ontario.

"They are the relics of the destruction and they have the same power in the same way as medieval relics that have the power of the saints," said Harriet Senie, a professor of art history at the City University of New York and author of "Memorials to Shattered Myths: Vietnam to 9/11."

"History is a vague concept, but if you have this tangible object that was a part of this historical event, it makes it very difficult to deny and it also makes it possible to experience it in a very visceral way."

In the days immediately after the attacks, it wasn't at all clear what would happen to the wreckage of the Trade Center. It's not as if anyone had confronted questions of that scale before. There was no certainty about exactly which artifacts, if any, should be saved.

The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, which owned the Trade Center, dispatched an architect to comb through the site and cull pieces that seemed distinctive. Investigators carted away others. Most of the wreckage from the site was scrapped or recycled. But the agency saved about half of 1 percent of the total.

It all had to go somewhere. That ended up being JFK's Hangar 17, an 80,000-square-foot cavern of sheet metal left empty when tenant Tower Air went out of business in 2000.

Officials were uncertain what to do with so much material, given the emotions intertwined with it. A judge determined the artifacts were not evidentiary or personal, and approved donations to those who promised to care for them. But where to begin? "It was piles and piles, probably my height or higher, of steel beams," says Amy Passiak, the archivist hired to catalog the artifacts and manage their distribution, recalling the first time she walked into the hangar in 2010. Passiak, a high school senior in Michigan at the time of the attacks, had been working as an intern at New York's 9/11 museum, but says she was still unprepared for the scene.

"I remember going home that day and just being exhausted, just from being there a few hours, just being emotionally exhausted and not being able to comprehend the amount of work that was going to go into the process. It was like, maybe a year, maybe two years. And here I am, six years later."

Passiak built a database of every item, cataloging its size and approximate weight, with descriptive notes. As word spread that the Port Authority was giving the material away, requests poured in. Through August, the Port Authority had distributed 2,629 artifacts.

Many went to fire departments, local governments and organizations in the New York area with direct ties to the first responders and workers who perished when the towers fell.

"When those buildings came down, everybody and everything in its path was either pulverized or vaporized off the face of the earth," said John Hodge of the Stephen Siller Tunnels to Towers Foundation, named for his cousin, a New York firefighter killed on 9/11. In late July, the foundation marked the looming closure of Hangar 17 with a ceremony outside before hauling away an elevator motor from the Trade Center, a piece of the parking structure, and a portion of a broadcast antenna that crunched the complex.

"That's where the DNA is. Neither my cousin or anybody else from Squad 1 was ever found, but it's in that steel," Hodge said.

But for many of the people and groups that adopted artifacts from the Trade Center, the loss was more abstract. At least it started off that way.

Heath Satow, a sculptor in southern California hired to design a 9/11 memorial for the plaza fronting Rosemead's city offices, recalls awkwardly scanning a digital catalog showing beams available from the Trade Center. But hundreds of hours creating the memorial — a 10-foot beam cradled by hands of chrome, the palms and fingers formed from 2,976 interlocking birds representing individual victims — left a deep impression.

"Every individual was attended to," said Satow, his voice breaking five years later, as he described making the sculpture. "I just was totally unprepared for it. But when you spend all that time seeing it as individuals it will just wreck you."

Satow said he purposely positioned the beam at

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While in college, Spencer held numerous leadership positions within the Republican university chapter and with the Texas Federation of College Republicans. Spencer is an advisor to the State Chair of the Texas Federation of College Republicans. She focuses on voter regis-

tration, youth mobilization, and building and strengthening the Republican Party.

The meeting will be held at noon in the Cactus Room in the Howard College Student Union Building. The college is located at 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Also according to Ron Farquhar, county party chairman, election signs and bumper stickers supporting Donald Trump, the Republican presidential nomi-

nee, are now available. Those wishing to receive a sign may call Farquhar at 432-528-4869.

Early voting for the 2016 U.S. Presidential, national, state, and county races begins Oct. 24 and continues through Nov. 4. Early voting hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Nov. 1 and Nov. 3, early voting hours will be extended from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. All early voting will be held at the Howard County Courthouse.

**TAX RATE**  
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The top item on Monday's agenda is adoption of a tax rate for the coming fiscal year, and, barring any last-second changes, it is expected the county will go with a rate of 44.9 cents per \$100 valuation, a figure that will raise the same amount of revenue as the previous fiscal year.

Because of plummeting property valuations caused by a downturn in the oil and gas industry, the county was forced to slash expenditures by 10 percent, said County Auditor Jackie Olson, who estimates the new tax rate will bring in about 70 percent of needed revenue for the new fiscal year (the

remaining money will come from fees and fines).

The county's new budget, which was approved in August, calls for \$16.7 million in expenditures.

In other business Monday, commissioners will consider:

- Tax collection contracts with the other area taxing entities.
- A delinquent tax collection contract with local attorney Drew Mouton.
- An agreement with Midland County concerning alcohol breath testing.
- A memorandum of understanding between the sheriff's office and school districts in Coahoma and Forsan regarding resource officers.
- Pipeline crossings and road maintenance.
- Routine financial and personnel matters.

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The increase is expected to raise slightly more than \$538,000 in new revenue.

Trustees have directed college officials to use the extra revenue expected from the tax hike for employee raises and increase the college's repair and maintenance schedule. In past meetings, college

trustees have voiced concern about losing quality employees to other educational entities for better wages.

If the new rate is approved, the college will have raised a little more than \$2 million in new tax revenue. Trustees and officials have said the recent increases were necessary because of severe cuts from the state in funding and loss of revenue from declining student enrollment and mineral valuations.

about eye level, so people could see, touch and feel it. Others who adopted Trade Center artifacts used them to similar effect.

Firefighters in Pagosa Springs, Colorado, created a memorial in front of their station around a small piece of donated I-beam. Many people in the town, surrounded by the San Juan mountains and the Southern Ute Reservation, will never get to New York or Washington D.C., said David Hartman, who worked to obtain the artifact. But September 11 was his generation's Pearl Harbor, and being able to see and touch the wreckage enables residents to reflect on its lessons, he said.

At Flour Bluff Junior High School in Corpus Christi, Texas, a piece of Trade Center steel — one of three received by the school district — is housed in a case near the entrance to the cafeteria. In September, it is taken out and students from the school's officer training program stand guard. Bruce Chaney, the naval science instructor who applied for the artifacts, brings another, smaller piece to his classes.

The artifact is "twisted and somewhat burned. It's not pretty. I'm hoping it will make them think as they're growing up, that they have to pay attention to their past," Chaney said.

Most Flour Bluff students hadn't yet been born in 2001, so the relics are the closest most will ever get to experiencing that day.

But the desire to touch and own history, however distant, has been around since long before this generation, said Erika Doss, a professor of American studies at the University of Notre Dame and author of "Memorial Mania: Public Feeling in America."

She notes that after Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, millions of Americans gathered alongside the tracks as a train carrying his body made its way to Illinois. People wore mourning bands on their arms. They hung Lincoln's portrait in their homes. They flocked to see death masks cast from his face. They wanted to see and touch Lincoln.

Artifacts let people grapple with pained memories. But 15 years after September 11, the dispersal of artifacts from the Trade Center has not resolved the public's conflicted feelings about those events, now set against continued fears of terrorism.

"We just don't know where the events of 9/11 have led us," said Rick Sluder, fire chief in Wauseon, Ohio, which obtained a Trade Center beam and, together with neighboring departments built a memorial at the nearby Fulton County Fairgrounds.

"A lot of people are looking at this as, is this the point of downfall or the point at which we rose above the rest, the point of resiliency?" Sluder said. "I don't think that's been determined yet."

There's little questioning, though, the emotions people invest in the artifacts. During the six years Passiak spent archiving the relics, the people seeking them would often tell her stories of the losses in their own communities — of firefighters, or soldiers or others — that connected them, however tangentially, to 9/11.

In the first years, there were so many artifacts that she could easily match them with requesters. So when a girl at Cracker Trail Elementary School in Sebring, Florida, wrote that she wanted to help her fellow students learn about 9/11, Passiak set aside a children's alarm clock recovered from a store in the Trade Center's con-

course, a burned notebook, and small piece of steel, 6 inches square.

"I felt like that allowed a full story to be told," she said.

As the piles of material winnowed, though, it became more difficult. Most of the groups seeking artifacts wanted pieces they could build a narrative around. The biggest artifacts were unwieldy. By early this year, there was little left except rails from the commuter train line that ran under the complex. Items like police cruisers, whose purpose that day were clear, found takers. But unmarked vehicles, anonymous but for their place in the wreckage, were initially passed over.

When the Port Authority shuttered the artifact program in August and padlocked Hangar 17, officials moved the only remaining artifact — a Dodge Caravan with a ripped out red interior — to the tarmac, uncertain of its fate. It, too, is likely to go soon, to a group officials will not identify until its application has been approved. Hangar 17, itself, may eventually be torn down.

Passiak moved back to Michigan to start a job at an art museum this month. But many of the people whose groups received donations of Trade Center artifacts have stayed in touch with her, extending invitations to visit their memorials, from California to Germany.

Some day, the archivist said, she'd like to take a road trip, stopping in cities and towns along the way to see where the artifacts she once cared for have found homes. She imagines she'll recognize some of them, and remember their stories. It will not matter that the steel, concrete and other relics are at rest far from lower Manhattan. The memories they hold, she is certain, will not soon fade.

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Billy Rose, 67, died Monday, at his residence. Funeral services will be Monday at 10 a.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Interment will follow at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

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# Beltre's 8th-inning homer leads Rangers past Angels 2-1

By **GREG BEACHAM**

AP Sports Writer  
ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Although Adrian Beltre hasn't played for the Dodgers since 2004, he still lives in Los Angeles. Maybe that's why the Texas Rangers slugger feels so comfortable just down the I-5 freeway at the Big A.

Beltre broke a tie with his 440th homer in the eighth, and Yu Darvish pitched three-hit ball into the seventh inning of the Rangers' second win in six games, 2-1 over the Los Angeles Angels on Friday night.

The AL-leading Rangers (84-58) are coasting toward their fourth division title and fifth playoff berth in seven seasons, but they emerged from a five-game lull with a strong effort in Anaheim.

After the clubs traded runs in the seventh to break up a scoreless duel between Darvish and Tyler Skaggs, Beltre connected for his 27th homer off J.C. Ramirez (1-1), sending a line drive over the fence in left-center.

"I was looking for a pitch I could drive, and that was exactly what I got," Beltre said. "It was pretty much middle."

Beltre's homer was his 38th against Los Angeles, the sixth-most by an Angels opponent. Only Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro have more RBIs at Angel Stadium as an opponent than Beltre's 69.

"Home cooking," Beltre said.

Mitch Moreland doubled and scored on Elvis Andrus' seventh-inning single to break open a scoreless game for the Rangers, who boosted their AL West lead to 9 1/2 games over Houston.

Andrelton Simmons drilled a tying triple in the seventh for the Angels.

Matt Bush (7-2) struck out Jett Bandy to strand Simmons on third. Sam Dyson pitched the ninth for his 33rd save, giving up a leadoff single to Mike Trout before retiring Simmons on a groundout with two Angels on base.

Darvish and Skaggs traded zeros for the first six innings



AP Photo/Mark J. Terrill

**Texas Rangers' Adrian Beltre, right, is congratulated by Rowned Odor after hitting a solo home run during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels, Friday, Sept. 9, 2016, in Anaheim, Calif.**

in the opener of Los Angeles' 10-game homestand.

Darvish bounced back sharply from a rough start last week, limiting the Angels to two singles in the first six innings while striking out nine.

"When I was warming up, I wasn't feeling good," Darvish said. "When I got deeper into the game I was able to make adjustments. I'm very happy about that."

Skaggs had one of his best starts since his return to the majors from Tommy John surgery, giving up two hits and two walks over six score-

less innings. The left-hander struck out eight and allowed just one runner to reach third base.

"I've been out for so long, so this is kind of the middle of the season for me," Skaggs said. "I need to get up to 100 pitches (and) seven or eight innings. I need to stop throwing as many pitches as I do. But there's progress."

Texas finally broke through against Mike Morin in the seventh, but only because Angels fill-in left fielder Jefry Marte took an undesirable route on Moreland's leadoff fly.

## ASTROS

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Colby Rasmus looking to end the threat.

"We did have some chances," Hinch said. "Lester is a good pitcher, and he has a way of finding himself out of those jams."

Alex Bregman singled for Houston with no outs in the fourth inning and stole second base. But he was thrown out trying to swipe third, too, and the Astros lost a scoring

opportunity.

**THAT HAD TO HURT**

Play was stopped for a couple of minutes in the bottom of the sixth inning when home plate umpire C.B. Bucknor got hit on his right shoulder with a foul ball from Teoscar Hernandez. Bucknor was shaken up after taking the hit and was checked on by a member of Houston's training staff. But the trainer soon left and he rubbed on his shoulder a couple of times before remaining in the game.

**TRAINER'S ROOM**

Astros: SS Carlos Correa

missed his third straight game on Friday with inflammation in his left shoulder. Correa said that he was feeling better on Friday and manager Hinch said they hoped to get him back sometime this weekend. ... Ace Dallas Keuchel, who is also out with inflammation in his left shoulder, won't throw until after Sunday. Keuchel was shut down on Monday because of the problem and said on Friday that he is feeling better, but is still struggling with the injury. "There's really no timetable set for re-

turn," he said. "But I firmly believe we're still going to be in the playoff hunt so hopefully I can help the guys out here in the next week or so."

**UP NEXT**

Cubs: John Lackey (9-7, 3.36) is scheduled to make his second start since coming off the disabled list. He is 2-0 with a 1.65 ERA in his last five starts.

Astros: Collin McHugh (9-10, 4.96) has won two straight decisions and the Astros have won the last four games that he started.

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thers tight end Greg Olsen said after Thursday night's Super Bowl rematch, won by the Broncos 21-20. "I know he's the biggest guy on the field, but he's still a quarterback."

It's only natural that the officials see Newton, as imposing a quarterback as there is at 6-foot-5 and 245 pounds, in a different light than his mostly smaller counterparts.

And, to be sure, Newton's running ability puts him in harm's way a lot more often than a pure drop-back passer.

"The guy is a ... tight end, defensive end playing quarterback. What are we supposed to do?" said Broncos

linebacker Brandon Marshall, who doled out a couple of egregious hits on Newton.

"When he's running the ball

— they've got quarterback-

designed runs, quarterback keeps, quarterback powers, draws, everything — we're going to treat him like a running back."

That's no reason for the officials to continually look the other way.

In the short term, the league needs to immediately send out an edict to its officials that ALL quarterbacks are deserving of the same protections, as well as launch an urgent review of its concussion protocol after Newton went through the entire game without being tested, even after all those brutal hits.

Never mind that the Panthers said he was tested four times afterward and all were negative.

The next player might not be so lucky.

Longer term, the league needs to seriously consider following the college game, which has brought down the

hammer on targeting. When a player initiates a hit with the top of the helmet, leaves his feet to deliver a blow or levels a defenseless player, he is ejected from the game and has to sit out the first half of the next game as well. In addition, his team receives a 15-yard penalty.

All targeting calls are automatically subject to a video review, a necessary step in a violent game that's nearly impossible to keep a handle on in real time. While the targeting rule still has its share of hiccups, the replay system helps to weed out the calls that are blatantly wrong, an important safeguard when a foul comes with such stiff penalties.

At the very least, the NFL needs to expand its replay system to help officials determine which hits are truly dangerous.

"I think as far as big hits on quarterbacks or hits to the

helmet, I think that would be important and I think eventually it is going to come that," Carolina coach Ron Rivera said Friday. "If there is a questionable call, you have to go to replay just to make sure. Again, this is about player safety at the end of the day, so we have to find a better solution to keep these things down to a minimum."

The NFL already determined that Marshall should've been penalized for his second hit to Newton's head after the quarterback had thrown a pass, according to a person speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the league doesn't comment publicly on the details of such reviews.

That could lead to a hefty fine.

Big deal.

The league needs to show it's at least as concerned about player safety as it is

## BOYS

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chored by three first-round picks from the past six drafts, all of them Pro Bowlers the past two seasons (LT Tyron Smith, C Travis Frederick and RG Zack Martin). Elliott has some star potential running behind them.

**CRUZ RETURNS:** WR Victor Cruz will be playing in his first game since the middle of the 2014 season, when he injured a knee. He missed last season with a calf injury. If Cruz can show some of his old form, rookie Sterling Shepard of Oklahoma lives up to the hype, and Odell Beckham Jr. does his thing, Eli Manning is going to have a big year.

**WHERE'S THE RUSH:** The Cowboys hope they have some household names on their defensive line by this time next year. Right now they don't, and there's no telling who will take the heat off a secondary with plenty to prove by getting to the quarterback. Dallas knows this much: last year's sack leader, DeMarcus Lawrence, will miss the first four games on a substance-abuse suspension.

**WATCH THE DEFENSE:** After having the NFL's worst defense last season, the Giants have the potential to make big strides. New York signed DE Olivier Vernon, DT Damon Harrison and CB Janoris Jenkins in free agency, and drafted CB Eli Apple, Elliott's teammate at Ohio State, 10th overall. SDarian Thompson, the third-round pick, was a contender to start had he not injured a shoulder in the preseason. He is practicing but his status for the opener is iffy.

about deflated footballs.

Immediately after the game, Newton shrugged off the beat-down he received, saying it wasn't his job to question the officials. Maybe he was still groggy. Maybe he's gotten used to being subjected to a different standard that he expects it.

"I try and warn the refs every time I do get hit in the head," he said. "But if the flag is not thrown, then it's OK."

No, it's not.

The league should be watching out for all its players, even those who seem big enough and strong enough to take care of themselves.

"It's kind of been like that since he's been here," Carolina linebacker Thomas Davis said. "They judge him different. They look at him different."

That's got to change.

Week 2 would be a good time to start.

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listen to Larry Brown and take constructive criticism, I learned how much of a great, great coach that he really is.

... That's when I became an MVP."

Iverson saved his final thank you for wife Tawanna.

"You're just the best to me," he said. "I want you to walk around and be proud of yourself that you are a Hall of Famer."

Two of the themes on the night were family and journeys. That was the essence of Swoopes' speech, who was thankful of her path from tiny Brownsfield, Texas, and that her cancer-stricken

mother, Louise, was able to see it.

"What a ride it's been," she said.

The 7-foot-6 Yao's arrival from China to the NBA in 2002 instantly helped bring the game to a broader international audience.

He was Friday's first inductee, an honor which he joked that should have gone to Iverson.

"You know why? Because I need more practice than him," Yao said to applause from the crowd and a laugh from Iverson.

Yao also thanked his early mentors in China, former NBA Commissioner David Stern for his vision in wanting Yao to play in the league, as well his first teammates on the Houston Rockets.

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# Roger's Reviews *Double Feature:*

# James Cameron talks 'Avatar' sequels, Cirque du Soleil show

NEW YORK (AP) — The first "Avatar" sequel is still years away from hitting movie theaters, but fans of the blue-hued Na'vi can get their fix at a touring Cirque du Soleil show that James Cameron helped create — without his having to reveal too much of what's up his cinematic sleeve.

Cameron, who plans four sequels starting in 2018, served as a consultant on "Toruk — The First Flight," a stadium show that opened in Montreal in November and has since toured North America.

The writer and director suggested to the Cirque team things that the Na'vi might do or how they might think about certain things, but said he largely let writer-directors Michel Lemieux and Victor Pilon create freely.

"I was just a cheerleader on the side with some pom-poms," Cameron said this week when the show stopped in Brooklyn. "Interestingly, left to their own devices, the Cirque guys creatively wound up resonating very, very closely to the overall arc of the four-sequel saga."

The original 2009 film centered on the conflict between humans and the blue-skinned alien race Na'vi of Pandora. "Toruk" is named after the massive, dragonlike creatures from the film and tells the story of two Na'vi warriors finding a series of sacred objects.

The action takes place on the planet before humans make contact, thereby sidestepping the problem of how to depict the 10-foot Na'vi. Now Cirque gymnasts, no matter how tall, can shine. "If you want to see that explosive celebration of human movement, they're not going to be tall people," said Cameron.



## Kubo & the Two Strings

"Kubo and the Two Strings", the latest stop-motion animated film from Laika Entertainment, is a beautiful, exotic piece of art.



The film follows the adventures of Kubo (Art Parkinson), a young Japanese origami storyteller and samisen player, who struggles to avoid the clutches of his grandfather, the Moon King (Ralph Fiennes), and his evil witch aunts (both voiced by Rooney Mara). Under the protection of "Mr. Monkey," a female monkey brought to life by his mother's magic (mother and monkey both voiced by Charlize Theron), and Beetle (Matthew McConaughey), a mysteriously cursed insectoid samurai, Kubo must seek out a magical set of armor and weapons for protection.

Other standout voice performances come from George Takei as Hosato, a villager, and Brenda Vaccaro as Kameyo, another villager and a grandmotherly figure for Kubo.

"Kubo" is really a beautiful sight to behold. The art style of the stop-motion work captures the theme perfectly. A little confession: Throughout the movie, I thought it was all CGI graphics. During the end credits, there is a reveal in which models for one of the more exciting scenes (involving a giant skeleton!) are revealed.

There's a good mixture of action — fights with giant skeletons, diving into an underwater garden of giant hypnotic eyes, duels with the witch sisters — and comedy — the original hostility between Monkey and Beetle slowly dissolving into affection and love, the excited reaction of the villagers to Kubo's performances — keeping "Kubo" a fun experience from beginning to end.

Of course, there is a problem here, as a brief perusal of the credits I listed for you above will reveal. This is a work absolutely steeped in Japanese myth, culture, and thematic goodness, and yet all of the characters most important to the narrative are played by white people. This is a topic that has gotten a lot of play lately: the "whitewashing" of Hollywood. Now, I'm not one of these guys who believes that white people should never play minorities, but this movie might just go a little over the top. With a Fiennes, a Mara, and a McConaughey, you might think the heart of this movie belongs in Ireland rather than Japan. This is an issue which is sure to turn many people away from this movie, which is a shame given its artistry.

I give "Kubo and the Two Strings" 8.5 stars out of 10. If you can ignore the whitewash and pay attention to the heart and art of this movie, it's well worth a watch.

*Kubo and the Two Strings*  
Director: Travis Knight  
Writers: Screenplay: Marc Haimes and Chris Butler; Story: Shannon Tindle and Marc Haimes  
Production Company: Laika Entertainment  
PG, 101 minutes, Animation/Adventure/Family,  
Aug. 19, 2016

## Morgan

"Morgan" - the sci-fi horror flick directed by Luke Scott, didn't fare so well.



The film involves a genetic research facility hidden in the woods (always a good plan). At the start of the movie, we witness a young woman go berserk and stab another woman in the eye. Of course, at this point, we don't have much knowledge about what's going on.

Turns out the young woman was Morgan (Anna Taylor-Joy), a genetically engineered girl. She has attacked one of her creator/handlers, and now the corporation that owns the facility has sent risk assessment specialist Lee Weathers (Kate Mara) ostensibly to investigate and determine whether the project should continue. During this process, we meet Morgan and the facility's staff: Dr. Simon Ziegler (Toby Jones); Dr. Amy Mensler (Rose Leslie), the one Morgan stabbed; Skip Vronsky (Boyd Holbrook), the facility's cook; Dr. Lui Cheng (Michelle Yeoh), the facility's supervisor; Dr. Kathy Grieff (Jennifer Jason Leigh), foreshadow name much? and Drs. Darren and Brenda Finch (Chris Sullivan and Vinette Robinson).

During Weathers' (I thought of Lee Meriwether throughout this movie) investigation, psychologist Dr. Alan Shapiro (Paul Giamatti) shows up. It is during his interview with Morgan that things ... well, let's just say things don't go so well.

There are a couple of ways that movies combining sci-fi and horror can go. One way is "Alien," "Event Horizon," "Forbidden Planet" — claustrophobic settings, hard-to-spot or unfathomable or implacable bad guy. Another is the man-made horror: "The Andromeda Strain," "28 Days Later," "The Swamp Thing."

Morgan tries to combine the two on some level, and the result is, well, just not too scary.

On top of that, I found the movie quite predictable. I don't know if you'll have the same experience with this as I did. I have a quirk when I go see a movie, especially a suspense or horror movie: I expect a twist. I look for it from the beginning. I have not always been great at spotting them. I'd say my record is mixed. I missed the "Sixth Sense" twist, but nailed the one in "Angel Heart." And I got the one in "Morgan" too, from the beginning.

I'm not too sure how I feel about that. I think I would have been disappointed on some level if there had been no twist and the plot had been played straight; on the other hand, to have the twist turn out to be exactly the one I anticipated was a little meh too. Maybe I needed a different twist that I didn't expect. I don't know.

Anyway five and a half stars out of 10. It was competently acted, but just too uninspired in terms of action and scariness.

*Morgan*  
Director: Luke Scott  
Writer: Seth W. Owen  
Production Company: Scott Free Productions  
R, 1 hr. 32 min., Horror/Mystery/Sci-Fi, Sept. 2, 2016

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## DAILY PRAYER

**Bless all our heroes, Lord, and be with everyone who may be hurting today.**

**Amen.**

## My favorite news story

I did radio and television news for nine years when I was just out of the Army and getting ready to start a life. One Friday morning in November of 1961 Bruce Frazier, the farm broadcaster at the station where I worked, told me he had heard that a woman was coming to Big Spring the next day to launch a hot air balloon.

Like any novice reporter, I put it on the air, not really knowing if it was a joke or a real story. Saturday morning the San Angelo newspaper carried a story that said 'there's a report that a balloon is going to be launched from Big Spring but we have contacted the FAA and it has no knowledge of any balloon flight.'

Well, now I had to prove that I was right. I called Cecil Hamilton at his flying field where the launch was to take place. He told me the lady with the balloon had arrived at 3 AM and was in a local motel. I called the motel and did a phone interview with Con-

stance Wolf, the lady balloonist. She asked me if I could take her out to Hamilton field. I of course said yes.

She is the most fascinating woman I have ever known. She was a technical adviser for the movie "Around the World in 80 Days" and her balloon was the vehicle that took Cantinflas and David Niven on their journey. She was the first woman to balloon over the Alps. She and her husband Abby Wolf started the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. They lived on an estate called Wingover at Blue Bell, Pennsylvania near Philadelphia. They were known in social circles as an exciting and romantic couple famous for their parties. Attendees had to arrive by plane and sometimes there would be 150 private planes parked on their runway.

When I met Mrs. Wolf she was dressed in a flight suit and wearing a thin mesh veil. She said the veil was to hold her head on. She was 56 years old, the epitome of grace and daring. She was launching her balloon to take away some of the attention the Soviets were getting after Yuri Gagarin became the first man

in space. Besides that, a Russian woman had set an endurance record for staying up in a balloon 34 hours. Mrs. Wolf wanted to set her own record.

When her balloon took off just after midnight on Sunday, November 19, a huge crowd had gathered at Hamilton field. People cheered and horns honked. I traveled with the ground crew and sent reports back. The whole nation followed the flight. When she landed at 4 PM in Boley, Oklahoma she set 15 records for women's balloon flight. She covered 1,500 miles and had been aloft for forty hours and eight minutes, soaring up to 13,597 feet. We were sitting in a truck stop at Boley after her flight and she had calls from major news organizations all over the country.

I was a young reporter at the time Mrs. Wolf and I became friends. When Susan and I got married, she was among the very first to send us a gift and good wishes. We kept in contact and I treasure her letters written on a circular piece of stationery. She passed away in 1994 at the age of 89.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Century plants

To the Editor:

While there are so many century plants blooming all over town this year, I would like to share what I did with my first one. I cut off seven or seven and one half and made a Christmas tree. It was very unusual. From the stalk that was left I cut into three pieces. One nearly six feet, one about five feet, and one about four. Then I glued a hot pink votive cup on each one and placed them in a large pot. I put some ribbon around the bottom of the cups. Then

I placed my arrangement around the fireplace for Christmas decorations. That was the only bloom I have ever had until this year. This year I have one blossom and it is crooked because the limbs were in the way.

If anyone wants some baby century plants and is willing to dig them up, call me. 263-2807. The hail did a lot of damage to my plants.

Marie Hughes  
Big Spring

## Seniors want 'McJoe'

As a group, senior citizens are docile, taking in stride whatever comes next. The majority "tsk, tsk, tsk" at the world, perhaps adding such comments as, "Oh, well, it's a new day."

Ray Croc, the late mastermind who introduced McDonald's with a single store near Chicago, believed strongly in the "golden arches"-perhaps fast foods' most recognized icon.

The company initially bragged about the specific number of millions sold, then settled on "millions and millions" before deciding not to mention massive figures. Perhaps they don't know how many stores they have--much less how many burgers sold; closest guesses suggest there are now more than 36,000 stores in 100+ countries. (A World War II buddy -- admittedly "opposed to pretty much everything" -- noted opening of the first McDonald's in Tokyo. "That should start payin' 'em back for Pearl Harbor," he muttered.)

Who among us has not peered down the road, watching for golden arches standing tall in the sunshine or shining in the dark of night?

Children squeal at the prospect of toy giveaways and happy

meals; seniors welcome arrivals where comfort stations are well-maintained and coffee is predictably excellent.

No doubt, McDonald's makes strict demands of franchisees relative to details about specific menu items. They'd have to, what with national advertising campaigns. However, senior coffee tabs -- once pretty much the same -- have varied greatly for several years.

The other day it happened. My wife and I -- en route to Colorado -- stopped at a New Mexico McDonald's. There, we heard words never expected from a "Mickey D" employee. "We don't sell senior coffee." My eyes crossed; thankfully, I had already taken my daily blood pressure reading.

We are McDonald's devotees, as much "on the look-out" for the golden arches as we were for Burma-Shave signs on fence posts in yesteryear. (The signs were known for clever verses pushing the popular shaving cream.)...

Anyways, I was stunned. What's this about no senior coffee? This was a first. Not too many years ago, it was two-bits at most McDonald's, then some of the stores went to 35 cents, then a half-dollar and even a few pennies more but now, NO SENIOR COFFEE? I'm not saying we should call out the National Guard, but isn't this a matter worthy of corporate attention?

Clearly the store wasn't having a good day. Its soft serve

ice cream machine was "on the fritz," and the single stall in the men's room had a simple hand-made sign taped to the door: "It's Broke."

In the ladies' room--according to my wife --things were "okay" except for a bathroom tissue issue. You know the kind, one-ply and on a huge roll delivered in a wheelbarrow. It wasn't in the dispenser, but rolling freely on the floor. We were both "miffed," but mostly about no senior coffee.

To be fair, on the return trip, the ice cream machine was fixed, and the comfort stations were okay. But they still didn't offer senior coffee. We seniors may not revolt, but McDonald's risks loss of patronage by millions who can buy senior-priced coffee at numerous other places. There is no obligation to stop at McDonald's....

Hey, I'm beginning to sound like a contrary "old geezer." The latter is 100 percent true, but my contrariness is spasmodic.

One business establishment that remains "old school" is the Mam'zell Beauty Salon in Fort Worth. A majority of clientele there clearly remember Absorbine Sr.

A veteran beautician there is a great listener, smiles often and has a "customer is always right" leaning. One client calls Mary Ann Weisiger her "t(hair)apist." And a sign at Mary Ann's station brings smiles: "I'm a beautician, NOT a magician."



DR. DON NEWBURY



STEERS

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and doing the things that we do, but we just moved it around and we felt like it was important for us to create a little confusion for the defense so they couldn't just tee off on us. So it worked pretty good."

He added that Labor Day helped, too, and that the Steers did extra work on Thursday in preparation for Friday.

"It was nice to have a little bit of extra time, but the kids focused up yesterday. I brought them back, and I wasn't happy on Thursday morning when we've got our run-through. Usually we don't have them back on Thursday afternoon, but I wasn't happy with where we were at so they came back and they figured it out. They focused up, we were able to get the game plan down, and we were able to get some things done," he said.

In the aftermath of two blowouts in which the offense didn't play well, Finley expects this win to help Cantu's confidence.

"It was good for him, and it was good for everybody's confidence. It was good for us to have some success. We definitely know where we're supposed to be and where we want to be, but we needed something good to happen for us, we really did. And hopefully we can build on that momentum," he said.



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The Coahoma defense lines up against Reagan County Friday night.

Finley was particularly impressed with Cantu's play on the Alexander touchdown.

"The play got extended. It didn't happen exactly the way it was supposed to, but Dylan did a great job to step up into the pocket and he bought some time and found him open down the field," he said.

He was also proud of Robert Valencia, who got the Steers on the board early.

"He's just a playmaker. He's a great teammate, and he does anything we want him to do. He never speaks, doesn't ever talk, just does what he's asked to do, and he's a great teammate and great player. He's

very unselfish, and that's a great thing for this football team," Finley said.

It's still unclear whether or not the game will officially count as a win in the record book, but Finley said he's counting it as his first win in Big Spring.

"We'll take them however we can get them. At this point, where we were, we needed something positive to happen, and that was a positive for us tonight for us to go out and have some success. We'll build on that, and hopefully the kids will learn from the hard work, dedication, and focus, and hopefully we can build on it and do it again next week."

Coahoma Bulldogs lose 47-14 in Big Lake

Though the Bulldogs were on the wrong side of a 47-14 score, head coach Fred Dietz felt better about his team than he did a week ago.

"I really was proud of the way our kids fought. The scoreboard wasn't pretty, it ended up kind of getting away from us there at the end, 47-14, but our kids re-

ally played better than what we played last week against McCamey. We played hard. It was a close game for a lot of the game, and we really played better on the defensive side of the football. Our defense played remarkably better," he said. "I feel better about us right now than I did any time last week. I really feel like we came out of this game a better football team."

Overthrows and drops led to short drives by the offense, and the defense didn't give up a long play, but did allow the Owls to sustain long drives.

"Early in the game, we couldn't move the football. We were kind of sputtering there. And our defense was playing great, stopping them and getting some turnovers. It was a 7-0 ball game for most of them first half, 7-0 at the end of the first quarter. We had multiple opportunities to score ourselves and never got it done, and they just kind of eventually ended up stretching the lead out, but our kids really fought and really played better on the defensive side," Dietz said.

Dietz added that the defense got tired from being on the

field for so long, both because of offensive inefficiencies and Reagan County's long drives.

"Offensively, we couldn't get it going, and we took too long to get it going. Once we finally did, our defense had been worn down and was pretty tired. The pounding kind of took its toll," Dietz said. "But our kids really out of the gate came out and played hard and fought, and gave us their effort."

Dietz said the Bulldogs couldn't take advantage of Reagan County's aggressive defense, saying his team was a split-second off between his quarterback and receivers.

"We knew with the style of defense they play, they kind of attack and come after you, that we'd have to be able to throw the football and score points. We weren't able to make them pay any early in the game. We were a little off target," he said.

Coahoma will look to bounce back next Friday, when they take on Bangs at 7:30 p.m. in Bangs.

"I'm proud of our kids for the way they battled, and we're going to go back to the drawing board, go back to work next week and go try to win a football game down in Bangs," Deitz said.

Forsan beats Stanton 34-0

The Buffaloes now have back-to-back shutouts and have won their past two games by a combined score of 67-0. And that's only in one and a half games.

Against the Buffaloes from Stanton, the Forsan Buffaloes made it look easy in the one half of football they got to play due to rain.

Tearell McVae led the way with 123 yards on four carries and two touchdowns, and Blaze Yeater scored a 54-yard touchdown on his lone carry of the game. Garrett Evans and Kobe Richards each had one catch, for 63 yards and 76 yards, respectively, and a touchdown.



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Texas RV Park is a recent recipient of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's "We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community" banner.

## Tips to avoid game day scams

The schedules are out, and the college football season is officially here! Students, alumni and fans alike are looking forward to Saturday tailgates packed with food, drinks and games, organized viewing parties and of course, the actual stadium experience. To ensure you have the best game day experience, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin advises football enthusiasts watch out for these common scams:

- **Parking scams.** Scammers have been known to pose as parking lot attendants to scam you out of your money. After they ask for cash and give you a phony claim ticket or receipt, they direct you to park in a lot that may not be a legitimate lot, which can put you at risk of getting towed or ticketed. BBB recommends parking in lots or garages that require payment by meter or machine. If you do park in a lot, be sure to examine the ticket the attendant hands you closely, and look for the company's name, location and prices.



HEATHER MASSEY

- **Counterfeit merchandise.** Scammers have been known to advertise and sell fake merchandise and claim that it's official gear for that team. This counterfeit merchandise could be sold on a website that appears to be legitimate, on online classifieds or on the streets. Not only are many of these items blatantly fraudulent, they're often drastically underpriced. If you want the real deal, visit the official team's website or storefront where legitimate merchandise is carried. Remember, use a credit card instead of a debit card when ordering merchandise online.

- **Fake tickets.** There are currently thousands of game day tickets listed on classifieds sites — however, they offer no guarantees and do not require identification from sellers. Buying tickets in person is not always a sure thing either, as it has become easier for scammers to make fake tickets look real. When purchasing tickets online, BBB advises people to use a legitimate website, such as the college or university's website, verified ticket brokers that resell game day tickets or buy them in person at the stadium's box office.

Remember, try to use a credit card when possible, and avoid using cash to pay for merchandise or parking. When you pay with a credit card you have more protection, and therefore, may be able to get a refund from your provider. Also, never wire money or give a prepaid debit card to somebody you don't know. This request is an automatic red flag that you could be dealing with a shady business or scammer.

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## What's the Dakota Access pipeline?

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A federal judge has said he will rule Friday on the Standing Rock Sioux tribe's lawsuit that challenges federal permits for the four-state, \$3.8 billion Dakota Access pipeline.

The lawsuit alleges that the pipeline, which would be placed less than a mile upstream of the tribe's reservation, could impact drinking water for more than 8,000 tribal members and millions who rely on it downstream. Protesters and private security guards recently clashed on private land where the tribe says construction disturbed ancient sacred sites.

Here's a look at the planned pipeline and the tribe's ongoing protest:

### AFTER FIERY TRAIN DERAILMENTS, A MASSIVE PIPELINE PLANNED

Owned by Dallas-based Energy Transfer Partners, the \$3.8 billion, 1,172-mile project would carry nearly a half-million barrels of crude oil daily from North Dakota's oil fields through South Dakota and Iowa to an existing pipeline in Patoka, Illinois, where shippers can access Midwest and Gulf Coast markets. Announced in 2014, supporters said

the pipeline would create more markets and reduce truck and oil train traffic — the latter of which has been a growing concern after a spate of fiery derailments of trains carrying North Dakota crude.

### TRIBES SUE OVER WATER, SACRED SITES

The Standing Rock Sioux's lawsuit challenges the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' decision to grant permits at more than 200 water crossings. Filed on behalf of the tribe by environmental group Earthjustice, the suit says the project violates several federal laws, including the National Historic Preservation Act, and will disturb sacred sites outside of the 2.3-million acre reservation. A separate lawsuit filed Thursday by the Yankton Sioux tribe in South Dakota challenges the same thing.

ETP says the pipeline includes safeguards such as leak detection equipment, and workers monitoring the pipeline remotely in Texas could close block valves on it within three minutes if a breach is detected.

### PROTESTERS SET UP CAMP, A MOVEMENT GROWS

Since April, there's been a trib-

al protest — held mostly by members of the Standing Rock Sioux — at the confluence of the Cannonball and Missouri rivers. It's grown considerably, as they've been joined by other American Indians and other, non-Native Americans from across the country, including celebrities such as "Divergent" actress Shailene Woodley.

Nearly 40 have been arrested as the protest has grown size, including Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Chairman David Archambault II. None of the arrests stemmed from Saturday's confrontation between protesters and construction workers.

### POLITICIANS ENTER THE FRAY, OFFICIALS PREPARE

Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein and running mate Ajamu Baraka have been charged with misdemeanor counts of criminal trespass and criminal mischief stemming from their time at the protest. Stein's campaign spokeswoman acknowledged Stein spray-painted construction equipment Tuesday.

Gov. Jack Dalrymple has activated the North Dakota National

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## Public Record

### Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

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 Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring  
 Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake  
 Vanessa Malu Calderon, 2600 Chanute Dr., Big Spring  
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 Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton  
 Hannah Deaton, 19634 Atasca Oaks Dr., Humble  
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 Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big

Spring  
 Ammie Lee Howell, 1507 Hilltop Road, Big Spring  
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 Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma  
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 Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring  
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 Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter Circle, Big Spring  
 Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring  
 Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Road, Big Spring  
 Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City  
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 Kendra D. Tatum, 412 S. Moss Lake Rd., Big Spring  
 Joe Anthony Villarreal, 2206 Cecilia, Big Spring  
 Preston Cody Walker, 300 S. Jacobs St., Albany, Texas  
 Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Road Apt. # 133, Big

Spring  
 Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring  
 Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

### Marriage Licenses

Eliezar A. Cantu, 31, and Sandie J. Zamarron, 39, both of Big Spring  
 Mark Patrick McLaughlin, 28, and Valerie Lynn Jones, 26, both of Big Spring  
 Austin Paige Fryar, 21, and Brooke Casey Savage, 22, both of Big Spring  
 Devin Guadalupe Flores, 19, and Angelica Denise Garza, 17, both of Levelland  
 Colbie Jamar Ford, 34, and Peggy Ann Edmondson II, 36, both of Big Spring

### County Court Judgments

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as prosecutor for all listed county court judgments)  
 Defendant: Zachary Alexander  
 Offense: Failure to identify fugitive/giving false information  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 30 days in jail  
 Date: Aug. 30, 2016  
 Defendant: Johnny Ellis  
 Offense: Possession of a dangerous drug  
 Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months

Date: Aug. 31, 2016

Defendant: Noah S. Brake  
 Offense: Theft of property (\$100 to \$750)  
 Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months  
 Date: Aug. 23, 2016

Defendant: Brittany Schultz  
 Offense: Bail jumping/failure to appear  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 15 days in jail  
 Date: Aug. 30, 2016

Defendant: David J. Case  
 Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months  
 Date: Aug. 18, 2016

Defendant: A.L. Thompson  
 Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$352 court costs, 30 days in jail  
 Date: Aug. 19, 2016

Defendant: Alfredo Harper  
 Offense: Evading arrest or detention  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 30 days in jail  
 Date: Aug. 19, 2016

Defendant: Lewis Jay Armstrong  
 Offense: Driving while intoxicated  
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$462.10 court costs, 30 days in jail

Date: Aug. 19, 2016

Defendant: Jerry M. Jones  
 Offense: Deadly conduct  
 Sentence: \$2,500 fine, 180 days in jail, probated 24 months  
 Date: Aug. 22, 2016

Defendant: Bryan L. Mata  
 Offense: Duty on striking unattended vehicle greater than \$200  
 Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months  
 Date: Aug. 31, 2016

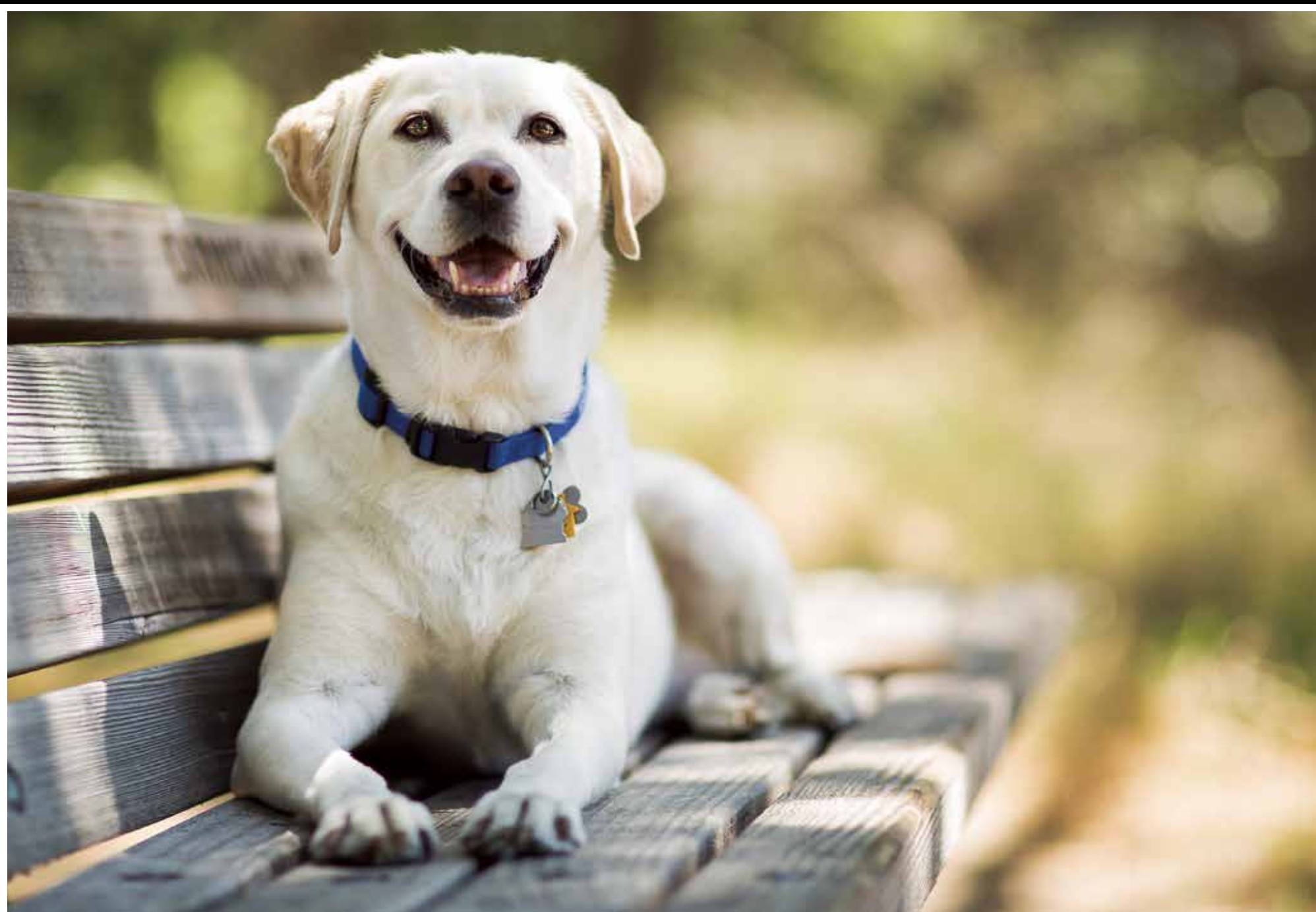
Defendant: Joe Anthony Bustamante  
 Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500  
 Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months  
 Date: Aug. 31, 2016

### District Court Filings

City of Big Spring/Howard County/Big Spring ISD/City of Coahoma/City of Forsan/Forsan ISD/Howard County Water Control and Improvement District #1/Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District/Howard County Junior College District vs. Paul Belyeu, tax cases  
 Eric Aguirre vs. Herlinda Aguirre, divorce  
 Leroy Johnson vs. Leticia Johnson, divorce  
 Sonny Butler vs. CUDD Pump

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# Get Picky About Pet Food

## GOOD NUTRITION PUTS PETS ON TRACK FOR BETTER HEALTH

### Understand the Ingredients

Quality pet food isn't necessarily the most expensive option. The right choice for your pet is the food that delivers the right combination of ingredients and nutrition for your pet's special needs. The experts at Diamond CARE suggest looking for these preferred ingredients when you have a pet with unique dietary needs.

- **Limited ingredient** products contain a narrow selection of high-quality ingredients and provide an alternative feeding option that still delivers complete nutrition.
- **Easily digestible protein** refers to carefully selected, easily digestible, high-quality protein sources, such as egg protein, potato protein, lamb meal, chicken meal or salmon. In foods made for sensitive skin, you may see "hydrolyzed protein," which refers to a protein source broken down into tiny pieces that is less likely to cause an allergic reaction.
- **Grain-free** formulas contain ingredients such as potatoes and peas to provide high-quality carbohydrates as an alternative to grains.
- **Antioxidant** formulas contain guaranteed levels of zinc, selenium and vitamin E to help support a healthy immune system.

- **Fatty acid blends** combine omega-6 and omega-3 fatty acids from sources such as sunflower oil, chicken fat, eggs or flaxseed, which help support a pet's healthy skin and coat. Omega-3 fatty acids from marine sources are often added to dog food formulas.
- **Probiotic strains** are beneficial bacteria that help support digestion and a healthy immune system. Look for probiotics developed specifically for dogs and cats that are processed under strict human-grade standards to ensure purity.
- **Fiber blends** in weight management formulas help dogs and cats feel full, while blends of soluble and insoluble fibers in other formulas help support optimal digestion.
- **L-Carnitine** is often added to weight management formulas because it helps the body metabolize fat.
- **Glucosamine and chondroitin**, which promote joint health, may be added to senior formulas or weight management formulas to help support joints that may be working a little harder due to excess weight.
- **Superfoods** aren't just for humans. Ingredients like kale, chia seed, pumpkin, blueberries and quinoa are particularly high in nutritional value and help provide more complete nutrition for your pet.

FAMILY FEATURES

**W**hen a beloved family pet experiences health problems, it can take a toll on the whole family. In some cases, it can take weeks or even months to identify the problem, and more importantly, where the solution lies. In some cases, the answer is as simple as changing what your pet eats.

If you've always thought all pet foods were equal, think again. Veterinarian-developed formulas, such as those offered by Diamond CARE, are created for pets with unique dietary needs but also provide affordable complete nutrition, without sacrificing quality or taste, so you can feed your pets the special diet they need for as long as they need it.

Learn more about these common ailments that may be corrected with a new high-quality feeding regimen, and talk with your veterinarian about a treatment plan to get your pet back to better health.

#### Sensitive Skin

While a rash or other skin irritation can be an obvious sign that your pet has sensitive skin, other behaviors such as excessive scratching, biting and licking

can also signal a problem. Identifying the cause is essential to bringing your pet comfort. Skin irritation among pets is generally caused by something in their environment, such as an allergy, a parasitic infection or in more extreme cases, a neurogenic or infectious condition. Skin problems can also arise from poor nutrition.

If your dog has skin sensitivities that might be related to diet or allergic skin disease, try a diet with hydrolyzed salmon as the single animal protein source. Ingredients such as omega-6 and omega-3 fatty acids have also been shown to be beneficial to skin and coat health. Some sensitive skin formulas not only contain hydrolyzed salmon but are grain-free and made with peas to enhance the flavor and provide high-quality carbohydrates.

#### Weight Management

A few extra pounds on your dog or cat may not seem like a cause for concern, but too much weight can cause a long list of health problems. Just like humans, one of the best ways to counter a weight problem in pets is to adjust what they're eating. An option such as Diamond CARE Weight Management Formula for Adult Dogs or Adult Cats can help address your

pet's weight issue without leaving it feeling hungry. Powdered cellulose, a source of insoluble fiber, helps your pet feel full, while L-Carnitine aids the body in metabolizing fat. To make sure your pet gets all the nutrients needed, this formula is rounded out with omega fatty acids, guaranteed antioxidants and probiotics developed specially for canine and feline digestive health.

Talking with your veterinarian can help identify other ways to help your pet lose weight and also help you rule out any underlying medical concerns that may be causing weight gain or preventing your pet from being as active as it should be.

#### Sensitive Stomach

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## Abused dog gets a happy ending

### Felicia Frazar

The Seguin Gazette-Enterprise via AP

After 297 days in the Seguin Animal Services facility, the pup named Bill is finally being released.

The canine, who was found last year with a rope embedded into his neck, will soon be with a foster family, after his former owner plead guilty to animal cruelty charges.

"After almost a year, the case has finally been disposed of," Seguin Deputy Chief Bruce Ure said. "We're thrilled Bill can finally go to his forever home. Bill has had a real rough time, and our folks who work at the shelter love Bill and quite frankly, Bill loves

them"

Robin McDaniel, who has worked with Bill six days a week for six months, said it is going to be difficult coming to work, and not see the pup, who has resided in the shelter for close to a year.

"He's just always happy to see you," she said.

In November, Bill was found in the backyard of his owner's house in poor shape, after Seguin Animal Services officers received a call for possible animal cruelty.

When Seguin police officers and Seguin Animal Services officers found the canine, he had a rope tied so tightly around his neck it had grown into it, Ure said at the time.

"Nobody expected to see this," he said. "The veterinarian had to slice deep into his neck to remove the rope that was embedded. They advised investigators that the dog was dangerously close to decapitating himself due to the tightness of the rope. It was actually cutting deeply into the dog's fur and flesh. We believe that this animal was taken inside occasionally, but they never untied the rope around his neck." Additionally, Bill was emaciated, weighing only 47 pounds, Seguin Animal Services Officer Shelley Lutz said.

Following his surgery, Bill was taken to the animal services facility, where he's been living for nearly a year.

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# New rules may allow you to bypass the box

NEW YORK (AP) — You may soon have more options for a cable box than renting one from your cable company.

The Federal Communications Commission has a plan to make cable companies provide apps that could be used on devices made by tech companies like Roku or Apple. It says Americans spend billions each year renting boxes and believes there is a better way.

The FCC says the new rules mean more choices and will make it easier for TV lovers to search for and find video they want, observers say.

Its January proposal was opposed by the TV and cable industries, criticized by the U.S. Copyright Office and dozens of lawmakers. A revised plan released Thursday adopts some cable-industry suggestions.

The FCC's five commissioners will vote on the plan later this month. If approved, most cable customers could choose another device to watch cable within two years.

The changes would succeed the CableCard, which consumers were supposed to stick into another box like a TiVo to get cable channels. But the CableCard proved to be unpopular with consumers and it largely flopped.

You can use a cable

box to watch TV today, but you usually also need another device, like a Roku, Xbox or Apple TV, to watch video from Netflix, Hulu, HBO's app or other internet-based services. The FCC wants popular gadgets to also have access to the cable channels you pay for. That would mean you could search for "Seinfeld" in one of those devices and see what video you could watch from cable channels, other services you subscribe to, like Hulu, and free versions available online.

Initially, the FCC wanted to force cable and satellite TV companies to provide feeds of video and channel information to such gadgets. However, that led to fears that device makers wouldn't respect agreements between cable operators and entertainment companies on terms like channel lineups. There were also worries that device makers could insert their own advertising.

The cable industry suggested a plan that would have operators instead develop apps, which they also control, and the FCC agreed. The agency made some changes, though, including a technical tweak that addressed complaints about the expense of supporting such apps from Roku, which makes streaming boxes.

# Greece urged to speed reforms

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia (AP) — European creditors urged the Greek government Friday to speed up the implementation of a series of economic reforms so it can get its hands on the next batch of bailout cash before the end of October.

Greece, which depends on the money due from the bailout to stay afloat, has recently fallen short of its commitments to reform its economy, stoking some concerns of a renewed flare-up in the country's debt crisis. Because it hasn't delivered on the reform promises it has made, it can't yet get hold of the 2.8 billion euros (\$3.2 billion) that is next due from this current phase of its bailout program.

"Summer is over, we really need to restart and pick up on the time lost and the Greek minister, our Greek colleague, was I think convinced there's a joint interest for all of us to keep this on track," Jeeroen Dijsselbloem, the eurozone's top official said at a meeting of European finance ministers in the Slovak capital of Bratislava.

As part of last year's third bailout agreement, which is potentially

worth up to 86 billion euros, Greece promised to meet a series of reforms to such things as pensions and labor markets, in return for the money that it needs to prevent going bankrupt and possibly exiting the euro currency.

The latest release of cash will only come after Greece has met 15 "milestones" relating to such things as privatization, energy sector reform, bank governance and the establishment of the revenue agency. So far, Greece has only met two of those conditions, with the remainder at varying degrees of implementation.

Though Greek Finance Minister Euclid Tsakalotos told his counterparts from the 19-country eurozone that the government intends to complete the milestones in a timely manner, the country is unlikely to meet a Sept. 15 deadline. And while the European ministers do not appear concerned about stretching that deadline, there are limits — the disbursement of the money has to happen by October.

"We have to tell them clearly that they need to stick with their commitments, we need to be really demanding, but at

the same time let's not dramatize," said Pierre Moscovici, the EU's top economy official. "We all want it, there's a political will."

Moscovici wasn't alone in seeking to dampen down on any fears that Greece was heading for another standoff with creditors. Even some of the country's biggest skeptics showed few, if any, sign of any annoyance.

Slovak Finance Minister Peter Kazimir, whose country holds the rotating EU presidency, praised Greece's efforts to put its economic house in order but said Athens' job is not done.

"They did a lot, but a lot of homework is ahead of them," he said at the start of a two-day meeting of European finance ministers. Echoing that message, German Finance Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble said that "there is still time" for Greece to meet its commitments.

While Greece has made progress in reshaping its economy and public finances over the past six years that it's been in receipt of bailout money, it remains encumbered by a heavy debt burden because the economy has shrunk by around

a quarter over that period, a staggering contraction that sent unemployment, particularly among the young, skyrocketing.

With its debt standing at more than 175 percent of national income, the Greek government is hoping to get some relief from its creditors — the International Monetary Fund, which has been one of the country's major creditors over the bailout era, thinks some sort of debt relief is necessary if its involvement is to continue. Greece's eurozone partners, notably Germany, have said outright debt reductions are not on the agenda but help could come in the form of lower interest payments or extensions to repayment dates.

Tax policies within the EU were also on the agenda at the Bratislava meeting amid calls for an end to corporation loopholes.

The talks are being held just over a week after the European Commission ruled that technology giant Apple didn't pay the correct volume of tax in the European Union for more than a decade, a mounting bill that analysts say could constitute 19 billion euros.

## RECORDS

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### Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Juan Jesus Solis and Angelita R. Solis  
Grantee: Norma Rodriguez  
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 11, Monticello Addition  
Date: Aug. 31, 2016

Grantor: Brian Davis  
Grantee: E.C. Rosenbaum  
Property: A 1.0-acre tract in Sec. 14, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey  
Date: Aug. 31, 2016

Grantor: Johnny W. Gaskins  
Grantee: A.H. Yeager  
Property: Grantor's interest in S/2 Sec. 7, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey  
Date: Sept. 1, 2016

Grantor: Debra Casey, independent executrix of the estate of Betty Cox, deceased  
Grantee: Vicki Wallis and Jeri Farmer  
Property: Lot 12, Blk. 2, Washington Place Addition  
Date: Sept. 2, 2016

Grantor: Valerie Gammon fka Valerie L. Wilson  
Grantee: Jimmie W. Norman and

Viola B. Norman  
Property: Lots 11 and 12, except the E/26 feet of Lot 12, Blk. 1, Highland South Addition No. 1  
Date: Sept. 6, 2016

Grantor: Halvard Eric Hansen and Kinsey Hansen  
Grantee: Joseph L. and Monica M. Bittel  
Property: Lot 15, Blk. 3, College Park Estates  
Date: Sept. 7, 2016

Grantor: Jack and April Patterson  
Grantee: Kevin and Sherri Krueger  
Property: Two tracts in N/2 Sec. 33, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey: Tract 1: A 324.4 feet by 253.5 feet tract; Tract 2: A 324.4 feet by 402.84 feet tract.  
Date: Sept. 7, 2016

Grantor: Larry and Melody Rodgers  
Grantee: National Residential Nominee Services Inc. of Delaware  
Property: Lot 2, Blk. 7, Replat of Highland South No. 4 Addition  
Date: Sept. 7, 2016

Grantor: Hydro-Dynamics Inc.  
Grantee: Debra Lusk, Sonia Lusk, and Eric Lusk  
Property: S/2 feet of Lot 1, and N/40 feet of Lot 2, Blk. 1, Brennand Addition  
Date: Sept. 7, 2016

**Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Liens**  
Grantor: John Marler and Dewey

Marler, trustees of the Marler Family Trust  
Grantee: Mario Gonzales and Priscilla Silva  
Property: A 0.294-acre tract in Lots 27 and 28, Blk. 2, Amended Highland South Addition  
Date: Aug. 31, 2016

Grantor: Chris Joslin, and Kristen Joslin by and through her attorney-in-fact Chris Joslin  
Grantee: George Lee Roberson and Earnestine Roberson  
Property: Lots 41 and 42, Blk. 29, College Park Estates  
Date: Sept. 1, 2016

Grantor: The Scott and Lisa Emerson Revocable Trust Agreement  
Grantee: Richard Hilario  
Property: Lot 7, Blk. 1, Suburban Heights Addition  
Date: Sept. 6, 2016

Grantor: Dennis Lee Wilcox and Jacqueline M. Wilcox  
Grantee: Cory and Channin Vandiver  
Property: Three tracts in NE/4 Sec. 44, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey, including: Tract 1: A 1.493-acre tract; Tract 2: A 1.0-acre tract; and Tract 3: A road easement 20 feet wide.  
Date: Sept. 6, 2016

Grantor: Mitch and Lenore Mitchell  
Grantee: Rocket Pan Dulce L.L.C.  
Property: N/75 feet, Lot 6, Blk. 107, Original Town of Big Spring  
Date: Sept. 6, 2016

## DAKOTA

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Guard, with a handful of soldiers providing security at traffic checkpoints, and another 100 on standby to respond to any incidents. Meanwhile, the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association has asked U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch to send federal monitors to the protest, alleging racial profiling.

### CULTURE CLASH

Last weekend, tribal officials said crews bulldozed several sites of "significant cultural and historic value" on private land, which Energy Transfer Partners denies. It led to Saturday's clash between protesters and private security guards; law enforcement officials said four security guards and two guard dogs were injured, while a tribal spokesman said six people were bitten by the dogs and at least 30 people were pepper-sprayed.

Earlier this week, U.S. District Judge James Boasberg partially granted the tribe's request to temporarily stop work near Lake Oahe to prevent the destruction of more sacred sites, but not on the private land that sparked the protest.



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## News in brief

### VW engineer pleads guilty in emissions case, will cooperate

DETROIT (AP) — A Volkswagen engineer has pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy in the company's emissions cheating scandal and has agreed to cooperate in the widening criminal investigation.

James Robert Liang, 62, of Newberry Park, California, entered the plea Friday in U.S. District Court in Detroit to one count of conspiracy to defraud the government through wire fraud. Liang is the first person to enter a plea in the emissions-cheating scheme.

Volkswagen has admitted to installing software on about 500,000 2-liter diesel engines in VW and Audi models in the U.S. that turned pollution controls on during government tests and turned them off while on the road. The Environmental Protection Agency found that the cars emitted up to 40 times the legal limit for nitrogen oxide, which can cause human respiratory problems.

Liang was indicted in June on one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud and another count of violating the Clean Air Act. According to a plea agreement unsealed Friday, Liang admitted that he and others planned a special software function, known as a defeat device, that could cheat U.S. emissions tests after recognizing that a diesel engine they were designing could not meet customer expectations and stricter emissions standards. Using the defeat device enabled VW to obtain a certificate from the Environmental Protection Agency needed to sell the cars in the U.S.

Liang pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge before Judge Sean Cox. He will be sentenced on Jan. 11. The judge said that sentencing guidelines call for Liang to serve five years in prison.

### GM recalls 4M vehicles for air bag defect linked to 1 death

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Co. is recalling about 4 million vehicles worldwide to fix an air bag software defect that has been linked to one death.

The company said Friday that in rare cases, the car's computers can go into test mode and the front air bags won't inflate in a crash. The seat belts also may not function.

GM says the defect is linked to at least one death. GM will notify customers and update the software for free.

The recall involves the 2014-2016 Buick LaCrosse, Chevrolet SS and Spark EV; the 2014-2017 Buick Encore, GMC Sierra and Chevrolet Corvette, Trax, Caprice and Silverado; and the 2015-2017 Chevrolet Tahoe, Suburban and Silverado HD, GMC Yukon, Yukon XL and Sierra HD and Cadillac Escalade and Escalade ESV.

### Nissan recalls 134K vehicles; fluid can leak and cause fires

DETROIT (AP) — Nissan is recalling about 134,000 cars and SUVs worldwide because brake fluid could leak and cause fires. In some cases, the company says people should park the vehicles outside until they are fixed.

The recall covers certain 2015 to 2017 Murano SUVs and 2016 to 2017 Maxima large cars that are equipped with intelligent cruise control. Also included are some 2015 and 2016 Murano hybrids.

Nissan says in documents posted Friday by the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that seals on antilock brake pumps can leak fluid onto a circuit board. That can cause an electrical short, which could lead to a fire. If fluid leaks, the antilock brake warning light could stay on for more than 10 seconds after the vehicles are started. Owners who see that warning should park outside and away from structures and not drive the vehicle. They also should contact Nissan Roadside Assistance to have vehicle towed in for service.

Nissan said it found out about the problem after getting a report of a fire in a 2016 Maxima on June 7. The company investigated and found several more fires. It decided to recall the cars on Aug. 24, according to documents.

The company said in a statement that it will send owners a letter this month notifying them of what to do if the antilock brake light comes on. A follow-up letter will be sent once parts are available to make repairs.

Dealers will inspect the serial number on the brake actuator pump, and replace it for free if it has defective seals.

The company said the problem has been corrected in vehicles since it was discovered. Nissan says it has no reports of any injuries caused by the defect.

Most of the recalled vehicles are in the U.S. and Canada, with a small number in other countries, Nissan said.

### US wholesale inventories are unchanged in July; sales drop

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. wholesale businesses left their inventories unchanged as their sales fell in July.

The Commerce Department said Friday that wholesalers held the line on stockpiles after increasing them 0.3 percent in June. Their sales fell 0.4 percent in July, reversing a 1.7 percent increase in June. It was the biggest sales drop since January's 1.9 percent decline.

The July numbers show continued stress in the energy industry, which has been pinched by low oil and natural gas prices. Petroleum wholesalers reduced inventories by 1.2 percent and recorded a 3.5 percent drop in sales in July. Grocery wholesalers recorded a 2 percent drop in sales but increased inventories by 0.9 percent. Auto companies regis-

tered a 0.3 percent sales drop but increased inventories by 0.4 percent.

Weak inventory restocking has been a drag on U.S. economic growth. From April through June, businesses overall reduced inventories at the fastest pace since the fall of 2011. That's one reason second-quarter economic growth came in at a lackluster 1.1 percent.

### MasterCard faces \$18.6 billion UK lawsuit over fees

LONDON (AP) — MasterCard is being sued for 14 billion pounds (\$18.6 billion) on behalf of British consumers for allegedly charging excessive fees on millions of transactions over a 16-year period.

The suit, which is the latest in a string of legal cases around the world over card companies' fees, could bring a payout to 46 million British MasterCard users, the law firm filing it says. The firm, Quinn Emanuel, says the claim is the largest in British legal history.

The suit alleges that MasterCard charged stores unlawfully high fees on credit and debit card transactions between 1992 and 2008, which were passed on to consumers in the form of inflated prices for goods and services.

"The filing of this claim is the first step towards consumers obtaining compensation for what MasterCard did," said Walter Merricks, a former U.K. financial services ombudsman who filed the suit through Quinn Emanuel on Thursday at the Competition Appeal Tribunal.

Merricks called it "a watershed moment for consumer redress in this country."

MasterCard and its larger competitor Visa have been embroiled in legal battles with merchants over their fees for decades. A \$6 billion class-action lawsuit in the U.S., which involves merchants suing Visa and MasterCard, is currently being appealed in U.S. courts. There's also a legal battle between Visa and retail giant Wal-Mart, which involves what are known as "chip and sign" transactions.

Merchants have long argued that the fees that Visa, MasterCard and to a lesser degree American Express and Discover, charge to process transactions are too high. Because Visa and MasterCard have a near duopoly on credit card transaction processing in most of the world, merchants say the fees represent anticompetitive behavior.

The British lawsuit follows a 2014 ruling by the European Union's highest court backing the EU's move to scrap some fees that MasterCard allows banks to charge to merchants.

Under Britain's new Consumer Rights Act, all U.K. consumers who paid the charges and currently live in Britain will automatically become part of the group of claimants — and eligible for compensation — unless they explicitly opt out.

MasterCard Inc., based in Purchase, New York, said in a statement that "we continue to firmly disagree with the basis of this claim and we intend to oppose it vigorously."

The tribunal will rule late this year whether the case can proceed, the law firm said. If so, it is expected to go to court in 2018.

### Peeps maker starts hiring replacements for striking workers

BETHLEHEM, Pa. (AP) — The Pennsylvania candy maker that manufactures marshmallow Peeps has started hiring workers to replace nearly 400 union members who walked off the job this week.

A vice president at Just Born in Bethlehem says the hires are to help meet customer demand.

Matt Pye says the company has sufficient Peeps for Halloween and Christmas, but they're concerned about Easter.

The (Allentown) Morning Call reports the company warned striking workers they could be permanently replaced.

The plant about 60 miles north of Philadelphia also makes Mike and Ike and Hot Tamales.

On Friday, striking workers walked the picket line for a third day to chants of "No pension, no Peeps!" and "No money, no Mikes!"

They're protesting the company's proposals on wages, health benefits and switching from a pension plan to a 401(k).

### 3-wheeled electric vehicle set to go on sale this year

DETROIT (AP) — A three-wheeled electric vehicle could be on the road later this year in the U.S. and Canada.

Electra Meccanica Vehicles Corp. of Vancouver, British Columbia, officially unveiled the one-seat Solo on Friday. The Solo could go on sale as early as November pending approval by U.S. and Canadian regulators. It costs around \$15,500.

Two hundred people have already put down a refundable deposit of 250 Canadian dollars (\$193) to get the Solo, Electra Meccanica spokesman Jeff Holland said. Those who put down deposits now can expect delivery after the first quarter of 2017. The company eventually hopes to sell the Solo globally.

The Solo is classified as a car in Canada and as an autocycle in 41 U.S. states, Holland said. That means it doesn't require users to wear a helmet or have a motorcycle license, but it also doesn't have some safety features that are required in cars, like air bags.

The company sees the vehicle as ideal for low-speed commutes but it does have some safety features.

Those include a backup camera, chrome-alloy tubes built into the side for crash protection and aluminum crush zones in the front and rear. The Solo's body is made from the same strong but light-

weight aluminum composite as the floor on a Boeing 787.

The Solo has two front wheels and one rear wheel and is 10 feet long, or about 14 inches longer than a Smart car. It looks pretty normal in front: It's nearly as wide as the Smart and has a hood, headlights and grille. But it tapers off sharply in the back. There's a plug hidden under its license plate.

The Solo is powered by a lithium-ion battery that can go 100 miles on a charge. It takes three hours to fully charge the battery using a 220-volt outlet or six hours using a 110-volt outlet. It has a top speed of 80 mph and goes from zero to 60 mph in 8 seconds, which is equivalent to a Toyota Camry.

The Solo has some fancy features, like a digital instrument display, Bluetooth connectivity, power windows and keyless entry. Air conditioning costs extra. It comes in red, black, silver and white.

Electra Meccanica expects its customers to be urban commuters who want an environmentally friendly vehicle. It says 80 percent of commuters currently drive alone, and the average U.S. commute is 50 miles roundtrip, which would be well within the Solo's range.

The U.S. and Canadian governments are certifying the vehicle now and will let the company know if it will qualify for tax credits and other incentives, like use in carpool lanes, Holland said.

Once that process is completed, the company plans to open stores and start deliveries, he said. Electra Meccanica is currently reviewing 35 applications to open dealerships worldwide.

### France to trim income taxes for households, companies

PARIS (AP) — France's finance minister has unveiled a plan to lower taxes for both households and companies.

Michel Sapin detailed on Friday the 1 billion euro (\$1.1 billion) tax cut, which will affect about 5 million less well-off households.

He also decided to lower the corporate income tax for companies of less than 250 employees next year, as part of a 4-year plan to cut taxes for all businesses by 2020.

The government has promised to bring the budget deficit below 3 percent of annual gross domestic product by next year, as requested by the EU. The deficit was 3.5 percent in 2015, according to state statistics published this week.

France will hold a presidential election in April-May next year. On Thursday, President Francois Hollande positioned himself for a re-election bid.

### FAA warns airline passengers not to use Samsung smartphone

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. aviation safety officials took the extraordinary step late Thursday of warning airline passengers not to turn on or charge a new-model Samsung smartphone during flights following numerous reports of the devices catching fire.

The Federal Aviation Administration also warned passengers not to put the Galaxy Note 7 phones in their checked bags, citing "recent incidents and concerns raised by Samsung" about the devices. It is extremely unusual for the FAA to warn passengers about a specific product.

Last week, Samsung ordered a global recall of the jumbo phones after its investigation of explosion reports found the rechargeable lithium batteries were at fault. In one case, a family in St. Petersburg, Florida, reported a Galaxy Note 7 phone left charging in their Jeep caught fire, destroying the vehicle.

Australian airline companies were among the first to take measures. Qantas has asked passengers not to switch the Note 7 devices on and not to charge them during flights, its spokeswoman Sharna Rhys-Jones said. Media reports said other Australian airlines took a similar step, including Jetstar Airways and Virgin Australia.

Shares of Samsung suffered their second worst day of the year, tumbling 4 percent Friday on the Korea Exchange.

Samsung launched the latest version of the Note series in August. The Note series is one of the most expensive lineups released by Samsung, and the devices usually inherit designs and features of the Galaxy S phones that debut in the spring.



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As a thriving Permian Basin oil patch saw tens of thousands of new wells punched in the ground, the optimal completion of those wells became increasingly important.

Tens of millions of tons of sand and tens of millions of gallons of fracturing fluids poured through ever-longer horizontal laterals, raising many questions about how to handle the aftermath of those completion projects.

Flowback techniques, how to use them and whether to use them was the focus of the recent Completions and Operations Study Group of the Permian Basin section, Society of Petroleum Engineers.

"This is a question that doesn't have a lot of answers," said Curt Sievert, completion superintendent for ConocoPhillips' Mid-Continent Business Unit. "It won't be the same answer for everyone."

Sievert, who participated in a panel discussion on the topic, listed three challenges to answering the flowback issue:

— a lack of understanding of the characteristics of liquids and solids, especially in horizontal wells.

— surface constraints such as operating equipment near a populated area and

— the application of federal regulations, specifically the Environmental Protection Agency's "Quad O" regulations regarding emissions, which are now being applied to oil wells.

Jeff Saponja, chief executive officer of Production Plus, said the challenge in the Permian Basin is that the region is deep and has high pressures. Its mixture of oil, gas and water also makes production challenging, he said.

"The game is, we've found the oil. Now it's getting it out," he said.

"It's a plumbing game, not exploration or finding oil but in terms of getting it out."

Operators were paying attention to drilling when prices were high; now that prices are low they're paying attention to flowback and production, Saponja said.

"They've learned what to do and what not to do," he said.

Handling flowback in a controlled manner is key, according to Saponja.

"Control flowback and control the slug flow that comes along with flowback," he said. "Slug flows are the root cause of flowback problems. Not only controlling flowback but minimizing slug flow tendencies is important."

Amid the growing concern about the safety of fracking fluids and their impact on the environment and on people, Saponja said the industry "won't get away from fracking anytime soon. It's making these wells economic."

Amid those concerns, it's important for operators to improve their communication and consultations with the public.

"We've been fracking so long, we know its impact on the environment is low, but we've done a poor job of communicating that," he said.

Saponja's Calgary, an Alberta-based company, is active in the Permian Basin, teaming up with Midland's Permian Production Equipment to market, install and service Production Plus' Horizontal Enhanced Artificial Lift system, technology aimed to reducing lifting costs and increase production in horizontal wells by controlling and minimizing slug flow, preventing proppant flowback problems and making the transition to artificial lift easier.

"When the rest of the world is tapped, out, this area will still be producing oil," he said.

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# Weekly Oil Report

## New Locations:

### Borden County

#1H Zagato "42-43", drill horizontal, API #42-033-32394  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA  
9.10 miles northeast of Ackerly  
A-924, Section 42, Block 32, T-4-N, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 9000 feet  
238' FNL, 1250' FEL of 645.05-acre lease  
238' FNL, 250' FEL of the survey

### Glasscock County

#1102LS Saxon "D", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37410  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field  
12.70 miles southwest of Garden City  
A-420, Section 11, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 8925 feet  
380' FWL, 270' FSL of 804.01-acre lease  
2263' FEL, 270' FSL of the survey

#1102WB Saxon "D", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37412  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field  
12.70 miles southwest of Garden City  
A-420, Section 11, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 9650 feet  
410' FWL, 270' FSL of 804.01-acre lease  
2233' FEL, 270' FSL of the survey

### Howard County

#1WA Griswold "3-46A", drill horizontal, El: NA  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field  
3.20 miles southeast of Big Spring  
A-1041, Section 10, Block 32, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 9500 feet  
1150' FNL, 675' FWL of 637.43-acre lease  
1150' FNL, 675' FWL of the survey

#8AH Esco Hamlin "20-17", drill horizontal, El: NA  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field  
8.15 miles northeast of Knott  
A-1242, Section 20, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 10,000 feet  
2298' FSL, 330' FEL of 952.55-acre lease  
2298' FSL, 330' FEL of the survey

#1WA Bullfrog "47" North Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-38708  
3.09 miles west of Knott  
A-511, Section 47, Block 34, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 9400 feet  
612' FEL, 2429' FSL of 240-acre lease  
612' FEL, 2429' FSL of the survey

#1LS Bullfrog "47" North Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA  
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-38709  
3.09 miles northwest of Knott  
A-511, Section 47, Block 34, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 9000 feet  
642' FEL, 2429' FSL of 240-acre lease  
642' FEL, 2429' FSL of the survey

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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field  
3.09 miles northwest of Knott  
A-511, Section 47, Block 34, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey  
Total Depth: 8700 feet  
582' FEL, 2429' FSL of 240-acre lease  
582' FEL, 2429' FSL of the survey

## New Oil Completions:

### Glasscock County

#203 Zant, API #42-173-36497  
Wilshire (Pennsylvanian) Field, new well, El: 2572' GR  
5.10 miles east of Spraberry  
A-919, Section 2, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey  
467' FWL, 2168' FNL of the survey  
Latitude 031.9362478, Longitude -101.7407479  
Total Depth: 10,804 feet. PBTD: 10,804 feet. Logs: Neutron  
Daily Potential: 11 Bbls 43.0 gravity oil w/ 53 BWPD

See OIL REPORT, Page 8A

## Retail gasoline prices in Texas, US slip 4 cents per gallon

COPPELL, Texas (AP) — Retail gasoline prices across Texas and nationwide have declined 4 cents per gallon this week.

AAA Texas on Thursday reported the average price at the pump

statewide was \$2 per gallon. Gas prices across the U.S. are an average \$2.18 per gallon.

The association survey found that Corpus Christi has the cheapest gasoline in Texas this week at an average \$1.94 per gallon. Drivers in El

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# X-ray gun is fast help when taking a shot at oil

By David Hume

Houston Chronicle

AUSTIN — Harry Rowe has a ray gun. It's small and gray and might, he thinks, change how companies dig for oil.

Rowe is a research scientist at the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology. For years, he's been trying to figure out how to speed the analysis of core samples — cylinders of rock that well drillers bore out of the ground with hopes of finding clues to the potential oil below.

Until recently, companies sent core samples to a lab for analysis. It took weeks, if not months, to get results.

Rowe figured out how to do the same work in hours.

It took hundreds of rock samples, tens of thousands of measurements and an X-ray instrument that looks something like a science fiction weapon.

But now Rowe can take his gun to a well, point it at a core and, after a bit of rock-cleaning, tell an oilman if his land will likely produce 10 barrels of oil per day, or hundreds.

"Now we have this portable device.

We can simply go along and take a sample wherever we want," Rowe said.

The process isn't actually that simple. The rock needs to be cleaned and sometimes crushed into a pellet before it's analyzed. Most companies use larger bench-top versions of Rowe's gun.

Still, they can help decide drilling strategy in real time, Rowe said.

Technological advances are fundamentally changing the oil and gas industry. Drill-head sensors allow geologists to steer drill bits within feet of their targets. Terabytes of computer data help companies constantly analyze the efficiency of their drilling progress and petroleum recovery. Seismic imaging maps underground basins in vivid detail.

Some of those advances have arrived in surprising ways: Horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing, for example, weren't new technologies a decade ago. But the two together reversed declining U.S. oil production and helped create the shale revolution.

At the same time, they've exacer-

bated the need for high-tech tools. Fracking wells often are 10,000 feet deep, then turn and run 5,000 feet horizontally. They can cost \$10 million to drill. Making a mistake, missing oil, is expensive. Even straying a few feet from the heart of the reservoir can be the difference between recovering 1,000 barrels of oil per day and recovering 2,000.

So oil producers want to know as much as they can about the rock they're drilling before they begin.

Rowe's work is just one piece of that. But it's an important piece, oil geologists say.

His gun adapts an old technology, X-ray fluorescence — used by miners to analyze rock elements, doctors to measure chemicals inside the human body and even archaeologists to reveal ancient inscriptions. The device, called an XRF analyzer, shoots X-rays at the target. The X-rays hit and dislodge electrons. When other electrons take the place of those dislodged, they emit their own rays, which are read by a sensor in the gun. Each element in the sample releases its own specific X-ray — something of an elemental fingerprint.

Rowe and his university lab took that technology and calibrated it for shale drilling.

That means geologists can quickly tell oil companies what elements are in the rocks bored out of each well.

Such measurements can be bellwethers for success. As companies drill, they can pull rock samples, test them and know if the well should be productive.

Certain trace elements — vanadium, nickel and uranium, for instance — tend to be highly concentrated in rock that has a lot of organic matter. And, in general, the more organic matter present, the more oil or gas the rock can generate.

"It's a very nice signal," said Michael Dix, ageoscientist at the service company Weatherford International who has worked on XRF for years.

The Pittsburgh-based oil and gas company EQT orders bench-top XRF units to well sites, said Randy Blood, a senior geologist there.

"Within 20 minutes, you have the chemical composition of the rocks," he said.

Blood says his bosses periodically ask him how confident he is in his analyses of potential oil or gas wells.

"I don't know, I wasn't there 410 million years ago," he tells them.

But with XRF, he says, he feels like he's as close to being there as possible, he said.

The technology has been slow, however, to catch on in the industry. The readings aren't perfect, and Rowe admitted the gun can be hard to use, especially for the uneducated.

Still, once workers understand how to use the guns, they produce fast, cheap and revealing analyses, several users said.

"Some elemental analysis, increasingly by XRF, is becoming almost mainstream these days," Dix said. "As we come out of the downturn, this is going to be a much more accepted practice."

Rowe uses guns sold by the scientific instrument-maker Bruker Corp., headquartered near Boston. The guns cost about \$50,000.

And Bruker now caters to the oil and gas industry. It even has calibration software made specifically for shale and mudrock. A spokesman said device sales to energy companies climbed steadily from 2011 to 2015 and make up a significant share of U.S. totals.

Staff at the University of Texas are bullish on his work. They say XRF could revolutionize oil and gas exploration.

Rowe and his lab staff are now building a database with hundreds of core samples and thousands of measurements. A consortium of oil companies are adding their samples to the mix, and already using the database to make drilling decisions.

That's one of the things Rowe has brought to the field, Dix said. His calibration of the XRF gun has allowed him and his team to collect a great deal of data quickly.

But Rowe says a vast majority of the drilling companies still aren't using XRF in any format.

## OIL REPORT

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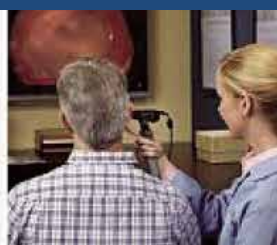
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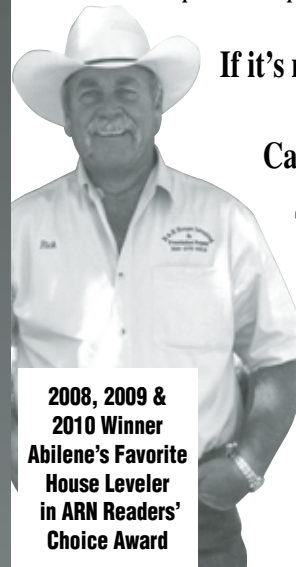
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The bidding:  
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1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass  
4♣

Opening lead — jack of clubs.

There are hands where declarer might appear to be subjecting himself to an unnecessary risk during the play. Yet when these hands are later analyzed, it can often be demonstrated that the so-called risk was not really a risk at all, since it improved declarer's chances without exposing him to any greater jeopardy than he already faced.

Consider this deal where South was in four spades and the defense started by taking the first three club tricks. East then shifted to the heart queen, taken by South with the ace.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.  
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Declarer cashed the A-K of trumps and then abandoned further trump leads, leaving the jack outstanding. Next he played the A-K of diamonds and a third diamond to the queen. After West discarded a heart, South led his last diamond, ruffed it with dummy's last trump, ruffed a heart in his hand and scored the last two tricks with the Q-6 of spades.

It might seem that declarer was living dangerously when he began playing diamonds while a trump was still out, since one of the diamonds might have been ruffed. Nevertheless, South's line of play was absolutely correct.

If declarer had drawn a third round of trumps, he would have made the contract only if the opposing diamonds were divided 3-3, and he would have failed against the actual distribution. By playing as he did, though, declarer would not only make the contract if the diamonds were 3-3 — in which case he would have drawn the last trump before cashing his fourth diamond — but also if the player with the greater diamond length held the missing jack of trumps, as in the actual case.

Of course, if the diamonds were divided unevenly and the player with the diamond shortness held the jack of trumps, South would have gone down one. But in that case, the contract could not be made regardless of what he did.

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road will be lonely and dull. The low road leads straight to Hades. Cut down the middle. State your truth. Speak your feelings and intentions honestly.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** As for that person who rubs you the wrong way -- well, this may never change. Directly following your encounter you'll need to recalibrate yourself back to the goodwilled, empathetic person you usually are.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** The trick is to apply emotion where it should be applied and leave it out of everything else. This will be harder than you thought it would be today, but if you stay mindful you'll achieve clean emotional boundaries.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** It's a treat to be around you now. You make people feel good, as you listen and respond warmly because you're genuinely interested. You never know when you're the best human connection in somebody's day.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-**

**Sept. 22).** Let nothing diminish your confidence. You're giving your best and can be proud of that, regardless of the result. On a side note, it's time to lose that possession of yours that's turning out to be something of a money pit.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Your day will be enhanced by the break you get when things don't go as planned. It's up to you to see the opportunity in this. Stay aware, and don't be afraid to ask more questions. It's the follow-up questions that open doors.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You think you know how you really feel, but you don't until you write about it. Your way will be made smoother through the increased self-knowledge, but it's not just that. Certain things will change as if by magic.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** The outer signs point to life on the up and up. Inwardly there's some turmoil. It's weird how success can sometimes upset you more than not getting what you want

does.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You feel like you're a different person from who you were last year, so it's a little surprising when history repeats. It also serves as a beautiful reminder that history is always in the making.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You usually don't care what people think of you, but this time your loved ones are also being assessed in your reflected light. The steps you take to make sure that light is fabulously flattering will be effective.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** As for the obstacle that lands in your road today, don't go overthinking this -- the solution is not clever. Likely, the best way is just to put on your metaphorical climbing shoes and get yourself over it.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 11).** You'll build on the work of the last three months to create what no one was expecting, least of all you. Delighting people becomes somewhat of a hobby for you. Novem-

ber brings a victory. Highlights of 2017 will include teaching the inexperienced, protecting the innocent and adventuring with the worldly. Capricorn and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 42, 3, 28 and 33.

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:** The "Survivor Tree," a Callery pear tree that withstood the terror attacks at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, is a thriving symbol of endurance. The marks and scars on the trunk and branches of the living monument are a stark contrast to the pristine new growth stretched triumphant in the New York City scape. The Survivor Tree now proliferates with offspring planted in Washington, D.C., to remind us that healing happens, growth prevails, hope spreads.

The same message is carried over in the cosmos, too, this week, as the sun continues journeying through Virgo, the sign of nurturing and development. Mercury joins up with the sun on Monday to help

us get clear on the details of our plans for the future. Friday brings a lunar eclipse and a full moon in Pisces. This represents a spiritually fortifying moment made possible through greater powers of empathy available for the taking. Know that you are connected to the people around you in ways that are impossible to understand. Act on the belief that we are all in this together.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** In addition to being a Grammy-winning artist, as well as a movie and television star, Harry Connick Jr. ranks among the most beloved "American Idol" judges. Virgo is known for being discerning and nurturing. Connick's gregarious Sagittarius moon says he relates easily to all different types of people. Venus and Jupiter in Leo speak to his unflinching entertaining instincts.

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Venus Squares Pluto

On this sad anniversary, a square of Venus and Pluto presents the positive side of insecurity and lack. Perceived deficiency can be a gift. Feelings of inadequacy lead to harder practice, more research, higher energy, greater effort and clearer thought processes. The most dazzling results can grow from the seeds of inadequacy.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Learning to manage those who accept and embrace you can be even more tricky than managing the ones who turn you down. Therefore, if someone is saying "no" to you, consider it a blessing and a time-saver.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** The high

Annie's Mailbox

Baby, Won't You Look My Way?

**Dear Annie:** I am a 21-year-old guy in college. I am on my school's cross-country and track teams, and in my spare time, I am

the bass guitarist and one of the vocalists for a band.

Here's the issue: Despite what appear to be ideal opportunities to meet women, none seems to be interested in me. I'm friends with several of them, but that's as

good as it gets. I guess it's because of my looks. I have a crooked nose; my ears stick out (I mean WAY out); I have a gap in my front teeth (like David Letterman); and I have freckles under my eyes. Think Alfred

E. Neuman from Mad magazine but with brown hair instead of bright red.

I'm also very skinny, which I need to be to run miles in short periods of time. I know that some girls like guys with muscles, so that rules me out.

When the band gets done playing for the night, it's as if the room tilts away from me, as all the girls are talking to my better-looking band mates. The only girls who come talk to me are either relatives or those who ask me to introduce them to one of the other band members. (This happens frequently.)

I don't mean to make this some sort of misogynistic rant. I know that women can't control whom they are attracted to any more than my male friends and I can control whom we are attracted to.

I've thought about asking both male and female friends what my problem may be or what I could do to improve the situation, but I can't because I'm too embarrassed.

I'm an athlete AND a musician. I shouldn't

have any problem at all, right? Please help. -- Stuck Alone

**Dear Stuck:** Trust me, not all girls prefer human Ken dolls. The "imperfect" attributes you mentioned can add to your charm. You just have to learn how to make them work for you. You can do that using the single most attractive trait: confidence.

So be confident that exactly who you are is enough. Let your warmth and intelligence shine through. Crack jokes; laughter is an aphrodisiac.

When you're playing shows, flash that gap-toothed grin proudly and women will think it's the cutest smile they've ever seen.

It may be a "fake it till you make it"-type process, but gradually you'll start to feel that room tilt in your direction.

**Dear Annie:** Nowadays, many people are talking faster than I can listen. Instead of having clearly enunciated words, sentences all run together as one continuous sound.

I'm not the only one who can't decipher the noise. Using the TV remote, I've

tested my comprehension skills against my wife's, grandkids', neighbors' and friends'. Sometimes we replay a clip a few times and still can't agree on what was said. I gave up on listening to phone messages; they're so rapid they blur. Even a clear message is wasted when the return number is rattled off quickly at the end. Annie, you can help the nation if you use your column to encourage clear speech. -- Hearing Gibberish in Georgia

**Dear Gibberish:** I hear you loud and clear. We're living in a world that's so fast-paced it can become disorienting, and that carries over to speech. I'm printing your letter as a reminder to us all to take a breath and slow down.

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Newsday Crossword

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| <b>ACROSS</b>  | <b>DOWN</b>   | <b>11</b> 62 Across rivals                       | <b>35</b> Tests   |
| <b>1</b> Badly thrown  | <b>1</b> Name from Old Norse for a magical creature       | <b>12</b> 3-D, as photos, in NASA-speak          | <b>36</b> Drive, e.g.   |
| <b>6</b> Gathering of moles                                  | <b>2</b> "Call no day happy ___ it is done"; Solzhenitsyn | <b>13</b> Antonym of "dated"                     | <b>37</b> Move effortlessly   |
| <b>11</b> 13 Down closer                                     | <b>3</b> Nominal damage                                   | <b>16</b> Red ___                                | <b>38</b> Hoop's lack   |
| <b>14</b> Portrays   | <b>4</b> <i>Sopa</i> alternative                          | <b>20</b> They're unlikely to have strong hands  | <b>41</b> <i>The Economist's</i> basis of world purchasing-power comparison |
| <b>15</b> Fancying   | <b>5</b> Words on some reps' buttons                      | <b>22</b> Response to a riot                     | <b>42</b> Primeval  |
| <b>17</b> Thing to take a belt from                          | <b>6</b> Classic discontinued in 2014                     | <b>23</b> Musician "on chains" in "Monster Mash" | <b>43</b> Mojave Desert roamers   |
| <b>18</b> Descriptor for some algae                          | <b>7</b> Spoiler, often                                   | <b>24</b> Perform, in some SeaWorld shows        | <b>44</b> Arab League member  |
| <b>19</b> Apollo twosome, originally                         | <b>8</b> Oh-so, pretentiously                             | <b>25</b> Tablet sold at Staples                 | <b>48</b> Tops with ice, perhaps  |
| <b>21</b> State name, per a European constitution            | <b>9</b> Compression indicator                            | <b>28</b> City served by Galileo Airport         | <b>50</b> Jog   |
| <b>22</b> Campus organization once sponsored by B'nai B'rith | <b>10</b> What you'd be embarrassed to be called on       | <b>29</b> Dow Jones Industrial, 1973-2003        | <b>51</b> Certain agency's offering   |
| <b>24</b> Time ___   |   | <b>30</b> Precipitate                            | <b>52</b> G.W., at first  |
| <b>26</b> Digital imaging giant                              |   | <b>34</b> Societies, for short                   | <b>54</b> Pig tail  |
| <b>27</b> Click, e.g.  |   |  | <b>55</b> Had something   |
| <b>31</b> Having a plot hole, perhaps                        |   |  | <b>57</b> Genre influenced by Fats Domino                                   |
| <b>32</b> Not just look                                      |   |  | <b>58</b> What might be heard with a head shake                             |
| <b>33</b> Wheelhouse   |   |  |   |
| <b>39</b> <i>The Seine</i> at Asnières is one                |   |  |   |
| <b>40</b> Shade similar to oxblood                           |   |  |   |
| <b>41</b> Three-legged five-footers                          |   |  |   |
| <b>45</b> Confident confirmation                             |   |  |   |
| <b>46</b> Unconfident confirmation                           |   |  |   |
| <b>47</b> Emulates Hercules in his constellation             |   |  |   |
| <b>49</b> Ultimate basis                                     |   |  |   |
| <b>50</b> Pope during Elizabeth I's reign                    |   |  |   |
| <b>53</b> "Watch this space"                                 |   |  |   |
| <b>56</b> How many like their muffins                        |   |  |   |
| <b>59</b> Productivity aid, per <i>Psychology Today</i>      |   |  |   |
| <b>60</b> Dough  |   |  |   |
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# Simple things help make healthy aging possible

By **DR. CHRIS HADDAD, MD, and DR. RUDY HADDAD, MD**

Shannon Clinic interventional cardiologists  
Have you noticed that the numbers in the phone book seem to be getting smaller? Do you find it harder to get down on your knees to look under the bed—and to get up again?



DR. CHRIS HADDAD

There's no question that age brings changes to our lives. And yes, some of them we'd prefer to avoid.

Physically, for example, stiffening joints can make it harder to get around. And many people find that their short-term memory just isn't what it used to be. Often, difficult personal situations, such as the death of a spouse, can add to the negative changes.



DR. RUDY HADDAD

But age can bring positive changes too. One survey found that many older people say they have less stress and more time for family, interests and hobbies than they used to. In fact, the vast majority of older people report they are satisfied with their lives.

To a great extent, what older age will be like for you depends on how you live now and how you cope with the changes that come your way. You may not be able to turn back time, but you can move in a

direction that may make getting older easier and more pleasant. Here are a few pointers:

Decide to have an active mind and body. Remember the adage "use it or lose it."

Opt to be involved. Isolation can contribute to depression and other health problems. So keep connected to family and friends. Social connections can help ensure that you have physical and emotional support for what comes your way.

Choose a healthy lifestyle. The advice you heard when you were younger still applies: Eat well, maintain a healthy weight, get enough rest, don't smoke, do what you can to stay safe and see your doctor regularly.

Relish your leisure time. Do things you enjoy, and allow yourself some downtime. Too much stress can contribute to a host of health problems.

Practice healthy ways to cope. Believe in yourself, and remember: You can handle whatever comes your way.

Keep in touch with your doctor. By working with your doctor, you can better understand your specific risks. Just as important, you can learn how to head off those things that pose some of the greatest risks. For example, your doctor might recommend you stop smoking, improve your diet, get moving and have recommended screening tests. In some cases, you might need medication.

If you already have a health problem, it's important to work closely with your doctor. Doing so can help you manage your condition. And that can help you live as healthfully as possible.

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AP photo

Shirley Dreifus, the original owner of the American flag, left, that firefighters hoisted at ground zero in the hours after the 9/11 terror attacks, speaks during an interview at the Sept. 11 museum, on Thursday.

## Vanished flag from famous 9/11 photo returns to ground zero

By **JENNIFER PELTZ**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — An American flag raised at ground zero on Sept. 11 in a defining moment of patriotic resolve took its place at the site Thursday after disappearing for over a decade.

The 3-foot-by-5-foot flag took a symbolic and curious journey from a yacht moored in lower Manhattan to the smoking wreckage of the World Trade Center, then to a firehouse about 2,400 miles away in Everett, Washington — and now to a glass case at the National Sept. 11 Museum. A TV show, a mysterious man and two years of detective work helped re-establish its whereabouts.

"In a museum that's filled with such deeply powerful artifacts, this newest of artifacts is certainly one of the most emotionally and historically powerful," museum President Joe Daniels said as the display was unveiled Thursday, three days before the 15th anniversary of the terror attacks.

The flag's absence, he said, "just felt like a hole in the history of this site."

The flag is the centerpiece of one of the most resonant images of American fortitude on 9/11. After plucking the flag from a nearby boat, three firefighters hoisted it amid the ashen destruction as photographer Thomas E. Franklin of The Record of Hackensack, New Jersey, captured the scene. The Pulitzer Prize-winning picture inspired a postage stamp,

sculpture and other tributes.

Meanwhile, the flag was signed by New York's governor and two mayors and flown at Yankee Stadium, outside City Hall and on an aircraft carrier near Afghanistan — except it wasn't the right flag. It was bigger, and by 2004, the yacht's owners had publicly broached the error.

By then, officials had no idea what had happened to the real flag.

They were in the dark until November 2014, when a man turned up at an Everett fire station with what is now the museum's flag, saying he'd seen a recent History channel piece about the mystery, according to Everett Police Detective Mike Atwood and his former colleague Jim Massingale.

The man, who gave firefighters only the name "Brian," said he'd gotten it as a gift from an unnamed National Atmospheric and Oceanic Administration worker who'd gotten it from an unidentified 9/11 widow.

The detectives gathered surveillance video and circulated a police sketch, but they haven't

the firefighters or other people known to have handled the flag.

But a forensic expert analyzed dust on the flag and halyard and found it consistent with ground zero debris.

Meanwhile, the detectives scrutinized photos and videos of the flag-raising and consulted one of the yacht's former crew members to compare the flag's size, material, stitching, hardware and halyard.

Taking all the evidence together, "we feel it's very likely the one captured in the photo," said Massingale, now with the Stillaguamish Police Department on the Stillaguamish Tribe's reservation in Washington.

The yacht's owners, Shirley Dreifus and the late Spiros E. Kopelakis, were so surprised when first told the flag might have resurfaced that Kopelakis wondered whether the call was a prank, Dreifus said. She and Chubb insurance donated the flag to the museum.

A documentary about the flag's recovery airs Sunday on History.

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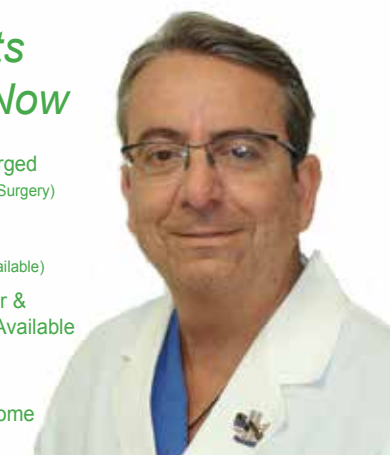
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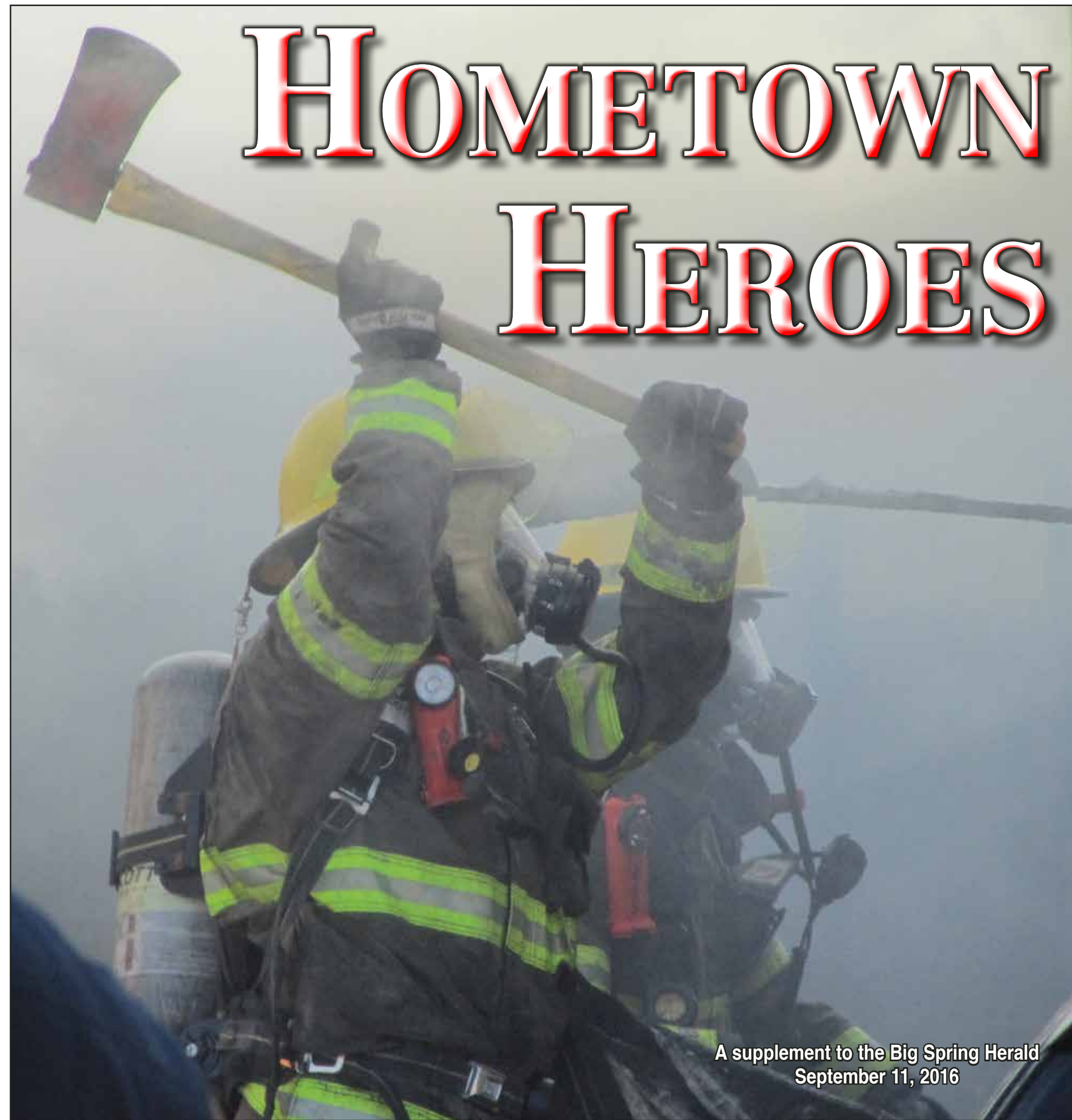
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# Child Protective Services



The mission of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services is to protect children, the elderly, and people with disabilities from abuse, neglect, and exploitation by involving clients, families, and communities. Pictured left to right is Misty Juarez, Cara Hamblin, Mandy Neel, Marilyn Anguiano, Debbie Barnes, Tanya Jewett, and Phillip Kuykendall.

## Victim Services

Victim Services of Big Spring in a 501 © 3 non-profit organization that focuses on providing the necessary assistance and direct quality service to all crime victims in order to speed their recovery from their victimization and to assist them throughout the medical, legal and criminal justice process. It serves six other counties including Howard, Martin, Glasscock, Mitchell, Borden and Dawson.

Services include crisis intervention to provide emotional support and guidance to the victim, usually at the emergency room, police department or sheriff's office, follow-up contact to track the victims' progress and provide further emotional support and guidance; in person information and referral to inform the victim of services and support available to them. Telephone contact information and referral is also provided.

Pictured from left to right are Shann Parchman, Linda Calvio, and Gloria Blackburn.



# Air Evac

## Big Spring Air Evac Base Upgrades Aircraft

The Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam base has a new addition, and Base Pilot Supervisor Jason Sullivan could not be happier. The base opened in October 2007, and just recently welcomed its newly upgraded Bell 206 LongRanger.

The helicopter was upgraded with state-of-the-art technology, including the Cobham HeliSAS/Autopilot and Garmin 500H glass cockpit. The autopilot and Stability Augmentation System enhances flight safety by reducing the pilot workload and increasing flight stability. Together with the Garmin 650 and 500H (glass cockpit), the pilot is able to focus on other things outside the aircraft.

"We've been looking forward to receiving the Garmin 500/650 glass cockpit and HeliSAS autopilot since Air Evac announced the upgrades would be company-wide a couple of years ago," Sullivan said.

The aircraft, known affectionately as "Dolly" by her crews, returned to the Big Spring base on July 14.

"There is no doubt that the Glass Cockpit/Autopilot is a huge investment that Air Evac has made for its employees and patients alike," Sullivan said. "The system is designed to greatly enhance safety by reducing pilot workload in ad-

dition to increasing the stability of the aircraft in adverse weather conditions."

Air Evac Lifeteam, an air medical service, provides rapid access to definitive health care for those who live in medically underserved areas. Flight crews, consisting of a pilot, flight nurse and flight paramedic, are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week to respond to the scene of an emergency, or provide transportation between medical facilities. Air Evac Lifeteam currently operates 128 bases in 15 states. For more information, please visit [www.lifeteam.net](http://www.lifeteam.net), or like us on Facebook.

### About AirMedCare

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Top photo from left to right, Hank Carter, Pilot; Lionel Long, Pilot; Denise Naylor, Flight Nurse; Tyler Springer, Flight Medic; Jeana Phillips, Flight Nurse & Base Clinical Lead; Shane Terry, Flight Medic; Debra Wallace, Program Director; Armando Rivera, Flight Nurse; Eddie Levens, Flight Medic; Brenda Campos, Flight Nurse; David Spence, Flight Nurse.

Not pictured: Jason Sullivan, Base Pilot Supervisor; Jeff Phinney, Pilot; Kevin Briley, Medic; Jaffin Durham, Medic; Jack Perry, Mechanic; Lynette Rich, Membership





# Big Spring Police Department



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Chris Beserra- Corporal

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David Sousa- Officer

Dustin Thomas- Officer



Jon Islas- Officer

Mike Campos- Officer

Nathan Henley- Officer

Noah Lozano- Officer

Wesley Davis- Officer

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Jordan Whetel- Cadet

Julian Ramirez- Cadet

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# Chaplain Corps

The Chaplains are ordained/licensed clergy and/or laity who train to be available to serve our Public Safety Departments, Victim Services, SMMC Hospital personnel and the families and citizens of Big Spring and Howard County.

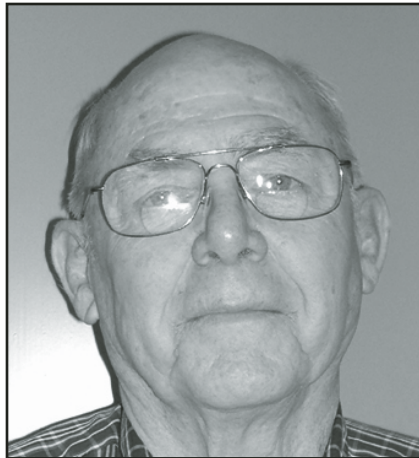
They are to assist personnel and citizens while standing by at the scene, at the hospitals, as well as major incidents where families are displaced and are in need of support and help.

The chaplain provides assistance, spiritual guidance, counseling and comfort at all times

of crisis without attempting to moralize, evangelize or criticize.

They strive to create a relationship with all personnel so they will feel free to turn to a chaplain for counsel and support at any time.

The Chaplains provide family support and counseling, spiritual guidance and prayer support, home and hospital visits, stress management counseling, assisting agencies with death notifications and Bible presentations by Agency request (over 400 given to date).



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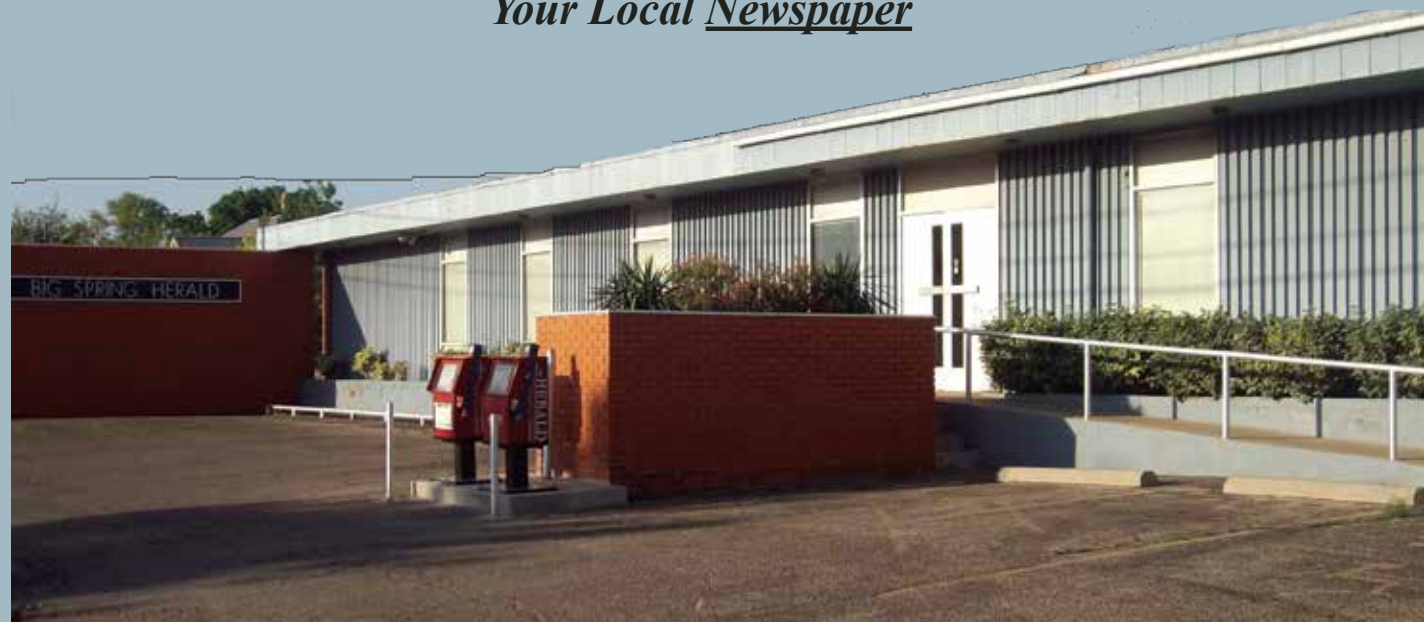
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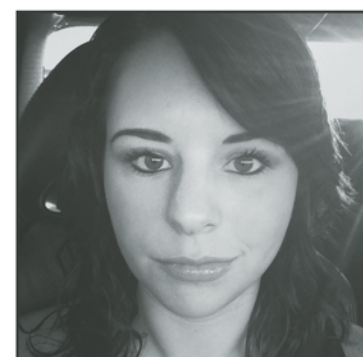
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