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Trump wraps up ceremony, turns to governing

By KEN THOMAS Associated Press WASHINGTON-As President Donald Trump wrapped up the ceremony of his inauguration and shifted to governing, he signaled he intends to move quickly

tration. Trump spent his first night in the White House and was slated to start his first full day in office at a national prayer service

to make a clean break

from the Obama adminis-



Saturday morning. The traditional gathering was the last piece of the transition ritual for the new president before he was clear to get to work.

Trump took his first steps in that direction on Friday. Before attending his inaugural balls, he signed an executive order aimed at undermining former President Barack Obama's signature health care

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HC trustees to discuss sharing resources for librarian position

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Sharing resources to help fund a Dean of Libraries position for both the Howard County and Howard College facilities is on tap when Howard College trustees meet Monday.

"We will be looking at an inter-local agreement for the Dean of Libraries position," explained Howard College President Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks. "Part of the responsibility for the new position besides overseeing both the county and the college libraries, that person will also begin researching and developing plans to to combine the community library and the college library resources."

Sparks quickly added the inter-local agreement is only a step in that direction and not a guarantee the college and county will combine library resources.

"This individual will start the research which will allow us to start the conversation about this," she said.

According to Sparks, the county is expected to chip in about 1/3 of the salary and benefits for the new position. The new Dean of Libraries will also oversee all the college's library programs including ones at the San Angelo and Lamesa campuses.

Courtesy photo

District 19 Congressman Jodey Arrington participated in the Inaugural Ceremony of President Donald Trump Friday afternoon. "I wish all of my fellow West Texans could be here on this historic day," said Arrington. "The American experiment in liberty and democracy lives on with a peaceful transition of power...back to 'We the People'! As President Trump said in his speech: 'government exists to serve the people'...and in my new role as your congressman, I exist to represent and serve the people of West Texas."

Community blood drive at SMMC

Special to the Herald

January is National Volunteer Blood Donor Month. To help ensure a lifesaving supply of blood, United Blood Services has joined with other blood centers around the country, stressing the importance of donating blood.

Due to the holidays, bad weather, and lack of mobile blood drives, the blood supply has fallen to a critical level.

"Every two seconds, someone needs blood," said Linda Grace, senior donor recruitment representative. "This year alone, blood transfusions will help save or sustain the lives of more than 5 million patients. Keeping a fresh supply of blood on hand gives them the chance to fight diseases like cancer or leukemia and survive the trauma of accidents."

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What: Blood Drive

When: Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Where: SMMC parking lot at the Bloodmobile

A blood drive is scheduled at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place, Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. The bloodmobile will be located in the front parking lot of SMMC.

Donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health to donate. Donors between 16 and 22 must meet additional height and weight requirements, and 16-17 year old donors must present a Minor Donor Permit Form signed

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The inter-local agreement was listed on the

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Howard County Junior Livestock Show wraps up 4-day exhibition

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

A volunteer weighs a rabbit before exhibition time on Thursday afternoon at the G.C. **Broughton Ag Complex** located on the Howard College campus. The **Howard County Junior** Livestock Show wrapped up this weekend. Highlighting the fourday exhibition was the annual premium buyers

luncheon/auction. The show is a culmination of months of work for the young participants who are involved in various youth FFA and 4-H programs.

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Obituaries

Mildred Mund Bigby



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Mildred Mund Bigby, 96, of Ball inger passed away peacefully Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017, in Midland.

She was born March 27, 1920, to Arthur and Gretchen (Coffeen) Mund in Fredericksburg, Texas, the oldest of eight children. After graduating Eldorado High School, Mildred attended and graduated from Texas State College for Women, which is now Texas Women's University. Upon graduating col-

lege, she taught in Eldorado, Sonora, and Beeville. She met her future husband, Oran Wesley Bigby of Ballinger, while visiting mutual friends Welta and Wallace Scruggs in El Paso. She married Oran on Dec. 26, 1947, in Eldorado. They shared 66 years together before his passing on July 19, 2014. After Oran completed his degree at Texas A&M University in 1948, they lived on the Bigby Ranch. Together they raised registered Rambouillet sheep and Hereford cattle. Early in their marriage Mildred taught home economics at Ballinger High School. Upon the birth of their first daughter, she stayed home with her children until the youngest entered school. After which, she taught home economics at Talpa Centennial High School, and later resumed her former position at Ballinger. She was a home economics teacher at Ballinger High School for 34 vears and retired in 1984.

Mildred was an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Ballinger, where she held positions in all of the chairs, including Worthy Matron and Deputy Grand Matron. She was also a member of

James "Jim" Matheny

James "Jim" Matheny, 79, of Big Spring died Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Services will be held at a later date in New Orleans, La.

He was born on Feb. 17, 1937, in Tucson, Ariz., to Ida Lynn Liles Fox and Jimmy Fox. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force being stationed in Big Spring. He married Marlene Buchanan on May 4, 1956, in Colorado City, Texas. He was employed by United Steel Workers of America in Denver,

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• PATRICK ROBERT PAR-RAS JR., 29, of 503 Washington Blvd. was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• KEVIN LEE POWELL, 21, of 5600 Interstate 20 South Service Road was arrested on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury.

• ERIC DELFINO HINOJOSA. 28, of 302 S. Cauble Rd. was arrested on a warrant for driving

the Social Order of the Beauceant, Daughters of the Nile, Retired Teachers, and Extension Homemakers. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger, as well as the UMW.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sisters, Alice Louise Mund, Barbara Estella Priest, and Ruth Bosse; her brother, Arthur J. "Sonny" Mund Jr.; and grandson, Alexander Benjamin Chambers.

Mildred is survived by her daughters, Mildred Ann Chambers and husband Don, Sylvia Jane Sebolt and husband Billy, all of Bulverde, and Nancy Faye Rhodes and husband Jim of Forsan. Also surviving are five grandchildren, Margaret Paige Haynes and husband Wade Allen, Ashlyn Bailey Chambers, Holly Brooke Sebolt, Elizabeth Leeann Rhodes, and Dakota Gray Chambers; her sisters, Norah Ann Jones of Georgetown, Texas, and Gretchen Beck of Round Rock, Texas; her brother, Aaron Kumler Mund of Como, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation for family and friends will be Friday, Jan. 20, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Lange Funeral Home in Ballinger. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger with Bro. Darren Weaver officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

The family would like to thank Home Hospice and Parkview Nursing Home for the loving care that was given to Mildred.

Arrangements are with Lange Funeral Home in Ballinger. Guests may register online at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

Paid obituary

New Orleans, and Pittsburgh. He retired in 1996. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife. Marlene Matheny of Big Spring; two sons, Douglas Matheny and wife Kellye of New Orleans, and Philip Matheny and wife Iris of New Orleans; one daughter, Aimee Minorik and husband Mark of Marshall, Va.; and seven grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Jerry Matheny.

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

Police blotter

with an invalid license.

TOMI JO MCPHERSON, 19, of 3017 S. Moss Lake Rd. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

SUZANNA MONTEZ HI-LARIO, 30, of 1401 N. Highway 87 Apt. #1201 was arrested on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of East 11th Place, the 300 block of Northwest Fifth Street, the 1300 block of Utah Road, and the 200 block of West FM 700.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 2600 block of South Gregg Street, the 1500 block of Sycamore Street, and the 600 block of East FM 700.

 STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 1700 block of South Lancaster Street and the 1000 block of Scurry Street.

 DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 800 block of East Interstate 20.

Frances Rudley

Frances Rudley, 76, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Rebecca "Becki" Torres

Rebecca "Becki" Torres, 79, of Big Spring died Friday, Jan. 20, 2017, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Weather

Wind advisory in effect until 6 a.m. Sunday.

Today: Windy. Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s. West winds 15 to 25 mph increasing to 25 to 35 mph with gusts to around 50 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Tonight: Windy. Partly cloudy. Lows around 40. West winds 20 to 30 mph with gusts to around 50 mph.

Sunday: Sunny. Highs in the lower

60s. Northwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday night: Clear. Lows in the

upper 30s. West winds around 10 mph.

Monday: Sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night: Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s. Tuesday: Windy, Sunny. Highs in the mid 60s.

Tuesday night: Colder. Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s.

Wednesday: Cooler, Sunny. Highs in the lower 50s. Wednesday night: Mostly clear. Lows around 30. Thursday: Sunny. Highs in the lower 50s.

Thursday night: Mostly clear. Lows in the lower

Friday: Sunny. Highs in the mid 50s.

AP/National Weather Service reports for Borden, Scurry Martin, Howard, and Mitchell counties including the cities of Gail, Snyder, Stanton, Big Spring, and Colorado City

Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

Take Note

• American Legion Post 506 will host a fish fry Saturday, Jan. 21. Delivery is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Serving will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are \$10 each. Carry out is available. For more information, contact 263-2084. American Legion Post 506 is located at 3203 W. Highway 80

• 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.

The next sacking session will be at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 6 and 7 at the old Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 N.W. Seventh St. 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 Seventh 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.

· 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.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost is \$8 per person.

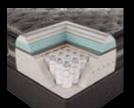
Meetings

 The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

 The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.



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MONDAY

 Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased 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, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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LOCAL/NATION

World jittery about Trump's 'America first' inaugural speech

the salaries of the Afghan army and

police are paid by the U.S.," he said.

He added that if the U.S. stops help-

ing Afghanistan, "our country will

again become a sanctuary to terror-

ists. I hope Trump will not forget Af-

Mohammed Kasim Zazi, a shop-

keeper whose home is in eastern Af-

ghanistan's Khost province, where

the feared Haggani network is promi-

nent, said he expected Trump to stay

rorists in the world and that has to

mean that Afghanistan will remain

Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah

said he was encouraged by Trump's

speech to soldiers in Bagram.

There he announced his support

to the troops and the continuation

of support for their troops here and

strengthening their troops, which is

a good and elegant step and I am sure

that our cooperation in other areas

SPEECH RESONATES IN MEXICO

Perhaps no country was watching

the speech more closely than Mexi-

co. Trump has made disparaging re-

marks about immigrants who come

Trustees will meet at 11 a.m. and

head into closed session for the presi-

dent's annual evaluation report. Af-

ter a break for lunch at 11:45 a.m., the

board will head back into open ses-

sion at 12:30 p.m. Trustees will meet

in the Tumbleweed Room located

in the Student Union Building, 1001

In other business, trustees will

An update on the Howard County

Appraisal District including meeting

• Primarily enrollment reports.

• An update on district campuses.

Consider employee and financial

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody

at 263-7331, ext. 234, or email city-

desk@bigspringeherald.com.

What: HC trustee meeting

When: Monday, 12:30 p.m.

Birdwell Lane

Where: Tumbleweed Room on

the Howard College campus, 1001

the new chief appraiser.

in the sights of the U.S." said Zazi.

"Trump said he will finish the ter-

focused on Afghanistan.

will continue as well."

Birdwell Lane.

hear:

matters.

ghanistan."

President Donald Trump's inaugural speech promised "America first" policy led by a forceful executive, in contrast to the coalition building and international conferences which have featured strongly in past administrations.

The billionaire businessman and reality television star — the first president who had never held political office or high military rank — promised to stir a "new national pride" and protect America from the "ravages" of countries he says have stolen U.S. iobs

"This American carnage stops right here," Trump declared. In a warning to the world, he said, "From this day forward, a new vision will govern our land. From this moment on, it's going to be America first."

A look at some reactions from around the world:

AFGHANS DISAPPOINTED **BUT HOPEFUL**

Like many in the Afghan capital of Kabul, restaurant owner Mohammad Nahim watched the presidential inauguration ceremonies but was disappointed to not hear any mention of Afghanistan.

"Trump did not mention a word about Afghanistan in his speech and



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last Howard County Commissioner's court earlier this month but commissioners tabled the discussion for later.

However the county and college wish to proceed on the issue, Sparks said thanks to significant donations from Maria Hoag estate and a gift from the G.C. Brougton Foundation to the library program, the college is going to eye ways to innovate the college library for the future.



in both men late Friday. of staff Reince Priebus issued a memo aimed at freezing some new regulations and halting ones that Obama's administration had started. Trump brought his signature style to the task of governing, sprinkling his comments at three inaugural balls with references to "phony polls," campaign victories and social media. "Let me ask you: should I keep the Twitter going?" he asked a cheering crowd of supporters before dancing with his wife, Melania, to Frank Sinatra's "My Way" at the second of three inaugural balls. "The enemies keep saying, 'Oh that's terrible,' but it's a way of bypassing dishonest media."" On Saturday, Trump was due to attend a prayer service at the

Washington National In a separate step Fri- Cathedral, an Episcoday, White House chief pal parish with a dual role as a civic gathering place. The cathedral has for years hosted a prayer service for the new president. But keeping the tradition has sparked debate this year among Episcopalians opposed to Trump's policies. It's the latest example of the backlash against religious leaders, artcelebrities and ists, other participants in events surrounding the inaugural. While some in the largely liberal congregation objected to hosting the service, Bishop Mariann Budde of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington wrote in a blog post that she shared "a sense of outrage at some of the president-elect's words and actions" but also she felt an obligation to welcome all people without

to the United States illegally and sought to pressure companies not to set up shop in Mexico by threatening a border tariff on goods manufactured there and exported to the United States.

So Trump's talk of "protect(ing) our borders," "America first" and "buy American and hire American" had particular resonance in America's southern neighbor.

Ricardo Anaya Cortes, president of the conservative opposition National Action Party, called for "the unity of all Mexicans, unity in the face of this protectionist, demagogic and protectionist speech we just heard. Unity against that useless wall, against deportations, against the blockade of investment."

"The challenge is enormous. ... We demand the federal government leave aside tepidity, that it tackle with absolute firmness and dignity the new relationship with the United States," Anaya said.

The United States is by far Mexico's largest commercial partner, buying some 80 percent of its \$532 billion in exports in 2015. Mexico is the secondlargest market for U.S. exports.

"At least the word 'Mexico' was not heard in the speech. Nevertheless one can expect the United States to launch a hyper-protectionist project," said Ilan Semo Groman, a researcher at Iberoamericana University.

If Trump truly moves to block or drive away U.S. investment in Mexico, Semo said Mexico should focus its commercial efforts on other countries.

DRIVE

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qualification, especially reporters before the those who disagree and inauguration that the need to find a way to visit would involve work together.

to strengthen our relationship with shared responsibility."

"We will establish a respectful dialogue with the government of President @realDonaldTrump, to Mexico's benefit.'

"Sovereignty, national interest and the protection of Mexicans will guide the relationship with the new government of the United States."

CONCERN IN TOKYO

Some Tokyo residents are worried that Trump's "America first" policy will usher in an era of populism and protectionism at the expense of the rest of the world.

Tadashi Gomibuchi, who works in the manufacturing industry, recorded Trump's inauguration speech overnight as he was keen to hear what the new president had to say.

"Trump is trying to make big changes to the way things are. Changes are good sometimes, but when America, the most powerful, loses stability ... it's a grave concern," he said. "If you take his words literally, it may destabilize the world going forward and I'm really worried. I hope things will lead to a soft landing."

Retiree Kuninobu Inoue, who lived in the U.S. during the 1990s, is concerned about trade frictions between Japan and the U.S. citing Trump's decision to withdraw from the 12-nation Trans Pacific Partnership.

"Japan-U.S. relations are not just about security. Our good relations rely so much on trade," he said.

Protectionist policies such as the withdrawal from TPP and renegotiation of NAFTA will have a negative impact on the global economy including Japan's, said Akio Mimura, head of the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

"These policies only enhance protectionist and populist movement spreading around the world, and could largely shake the free trade system that has supported global growth," he said.

In his congratulatory message to Trump, Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe stressed the importance of the Asia-Pacific region as a source for growth but also tensions.

"In the 21st century, while the Asia-Pacific region is the source of the global economic growth, the security environment of the region is becoming more severe," he said.

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Jimmy Matheny, 79,

died Thursday. Me-

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held in New Orleans,

Louisiana at a later

"Becki"

Services are

are very clear possibilities," Semo said. Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto

sent three tweets after Trump's inaugural speech Friday:

"There

"I congratulate @realDonaldTrump on his inauguration. We will work

departments several

law. The order notes that Trump plans to seek the "prompt repeal" of the law. But in the meantime, it allows the Health and Human Services Department and other federal agencies to delay implementing any piece of the law that might impose a "fiscal bwurden" on states, health care providers, families or individuals.

Trump also cleared the way for members of his national security team to take their places. He signed legislation granting James Mattis, his pick for defense secretary, a one-time exception from federal law barring former U.S. service members who have been out of uniform for less than seven years from holding the top Pentagon job. The restriction is meant to preserve civilian control of the military. Mattis, 66, retired from the Marine Corps in 2013.

Hours later, Mattis was confirmed by the Senate as Trump watched his inaugural parade from a stand outside the White House. The Senate later confirmed retired Gen. John Kelly to lead the Homeland Security Department. Vice President Mike Pence swore**ADVERTISING SALES REPRESENTATIVE**

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Trump was also expected to visit the CIA on Saturday, meeting with members of the nation's intelligence community. The visit may be fraught with tension. Trump has sharply criticized the nation's top intelligence officials for their assertions about Russian hacking and leaks about his briefings in the weeks before he was sworn in.

White House spokesman Sean Spicer told

and Trump intended to offer his appreciation for their service to the country.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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eople told me about this D fascinating woman who lived in Temple. I'm imsuspicious mediately

when someone brags to me ad infinitum about a potential interviewee. My thought was that she couldn't possibly live up to the hype that I had heard. So I called this woman named Raye

Virginia Allen.

Her voice on the phone let me

know I was talking to a fireball, someone who gets things done. We made arrangements to meet at her home on the outskirts of Temple.

Her house was a surprise. I guess I was expecting a mansion. It is an ordinary farmhouse built in 1882. Her parents bought it in 1939. "They restored it," she said. "It was a wreck. The previous owner had been raising chickens inside here. My parents filled the house with custom furniture built by fine craftsmen in San Antonio."

Raye Virginia and her husband

The amazing Raye Virginia H.K. Allen spent 12 years working with architect Zale Logsdon, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright, designing a house just down the road from the farmhouse. "I live in both of them," she says. Both are filled with books.

She is 87 now, but has a life of accomplishment and still sits on a number of boards and advises artists, writers, historians and scholars.

She is a land steward among other things and has created Friar Creek Preserve on her 60-acre Green Oaks Farm. She takes groups on tours free of charge, but by appointment only, and points out archeological sites and plants native to central Texas. "I take every type of group from Boy Scouts to the Red Hat Ladies of Killeen."

Her Texas roots are deep. "I was reared in a family that it was just part of our blood to care about Texas history and traditions," she told me. Raye Virginia was a cheerleader when she attended Temple High School. Her parents encouraged her to study and it paid off. She was in the Plan II Honors Program at the University of Texas. "That's a very small program," she reminded me. "We studied Aristotle and Thomas Aquinas and all the great thinkers from all over the world. But I got interested in women's history, especially women artists who had been ignored."

Raye VA, as some people call her, spent 13 years writing an illustrated biography of Gordon Conway, a prominent artist and social icon of the 1920's jazz age whose drawings appeared in Vanity Fair and Vogue Magazines, in newspapers, on posters and in costume and set design for 119 stage productions and 47 films. The book, published in 1997, is a classic and won several awards. She gave me a copy of it and it is something I treasure. It has more reference pages than a dissertation.

Raye VA did graduate studies in folklore. She has been involved in folklore on both state and national levels. "It was a great honor for me when I was appointed by the Congress of the United States to be on the founding board of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress." She was later elected chairman of the board.

Raye VA lived up to her hype.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

REINS Act To the Editor:

Whether you are a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent, there is one thing we can all agree on-governments should get their power from their people. Our forefathers gave us a system of checks and balances for a reason-to prevent one branch of government from becoming too powerful. Congress is attempting to increase their power through the REINS Act, and we as a community should not-nay, cannot-allow that to stand. Congress should not be allowed to bypass the Senate when it comes to passing or vetoing bills-it's un-American.

The potential misuse of this act should frighten American citizens. As the New Yorker stated in their Jan 10 article, "[regulations] with an annual effect on the economy of \$100,000 or more are not imposed lightly." Regulations can, and often do, hurt the economy but they are put in place because the necessity is deemed greater than the cost. Without conferring with the Senate, Congress runs the risk of exploiting the power of this act in the interest of the personal gain of individuals and corporations rather than using it in the interests of the country and that is often the road to ruin.

I urge you, as both an American citizen and a member of this community, contact your Senators

this country.

Kristin King Big Spring, TX

'Holocaust of abortion' To the Editor:

On January 22, 1973, the United States Supreme Court passed the infamous decision in Roe v. Wade that made abortion on demand during all nine months of pregnancy the so-called "law of the land." Now forty-four years later, we have seen that law take the lives of over 58 million innocent, unborn babies from the wombs of their mothers that's over 1 million each year or 3,000 each day. Besides the deaths of the unborn babies, there are women and men whose broken lives have yet to recover from the devastating effects of the "choice" that was made. Today in America the topic of abortion is part of our political rhetoric. Each side whether it is pro-life or pro-choice (aka pro-abortion) can argue their talking points. Sadly abortion is not a political issue but an issue of human rights as it involves the human person of the mother and her child in every heinous act of abortion. The 58 million dead since 1973 represent mostly surgical abortions. Now that an abortion can be secured by means of medication and carried out in the privacy



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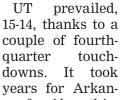
May we be cheerful givers to others and cheerful takers of Your love, Lord.

and Congressman. Let them know that this bill goes against everything our forefathers wanted for See LETTERS, Page 5A

And so, we trudge on

over Arkansas touted the Razorbacks in the 1969 season's so-called "game of the century." Many messages something like: "Football is only a game. Eternal

things are spiritual. Nevertheless, Longhorns and Razorbacks the were ranked #1 and #2 nationally.)



sas fans' breathing patterns to be fully restored, and for life grips

DR.

Don

NEWBURY

to reach pre-game condition. Only days have passed since the Dallas Cowboys' heartbreaking loss to Green Bay, and many tears remain undried. It's difficult for non-fans to fathom how the hardest-of-core Dallas backers are finding it difficult to carry on with usual workday assignments. For them, not much matters these days.

They might not truly perceive the impact of current real-world news. Perhaps it would be helpful--particularly to spouses indifferent to football--if they break news gently, and not too much at once.

Starting points might be on topics considered obscured, like puddles in great oceans of concerns of life as we know it. For example, who can imagine the Amen. future without Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus?

hurch marquees all After the month of May, this "big top" will fade to memories of what once was.

> Less gentle is the news that FM radio is under threat, albeit in Norway. FM (frequency modulation, just so you'll know I'm not totally wood-headed on this topic) was a big hit in the US--20 years ahead of the Norwegians--but now, they think new digital technology will make FM obsolete. Is everything 'going digital'?"

> It's easy to conjure negative images about "what if's" should the US take a hard stance on FM radio. Shucks, in the 1950s, FM radio gave us reason to "save up" money to buy transistor models that picked up both AM and FM signals.

> Never mind these newfangled "digits" may offer better quality. I dunno.

> I always wonder what younger folks are listening to with their "ear buds." I've no clue as to the sounds' origin or content. Mostly, I just smile, with my silence a lame admission that whatever they're hearing doubtless is more welcome than what I might have to say.

> Do you remember when transistor radios were BIG? No, not in size; they were small, but BIG in popularity.

> Cleburne's George Marti, who died about a year ago at age 95, was a broadcasting legend, longtime mayor, a grand visionary and much more. When he added an FM station in Cleburne, TX, he was aware many listeners didn't have FM receivers. So, he handed 'em out to locals who stopped by the station.

Establishing the Marti Foun-

dation which made higher education possible for hundreds of Johnson County citizens, he "put his money where his faith was." An inventor who made remote broadcasts possible, he made a fortune, most of which he gave away.

The world needs more folks like Marti, a man who had a clear view and understanding of the "big picture," much of it through radio.

Don't worry. They say it will be decades--maybe longer--before FM radio is abandoned in the USA.

Now. I hope this helps, even if I've dipped into once-upon-a-time topics. Have I gotten our minds off football?

We old-timers remember our parents limiting use of home radios. "Turn the radio off, or you'll run the 'battry' down." My dad (and many other fathers) could spell "battery," but verbally, it always came out "battry."

Late comedian Grady Nutt (Remember him on TV's Hee Haw?) told about the old fellow who bought a radio for a single reason: to hear the Grand Ole Opry every Saturday night. Upon initially tuning in Nashville Radio Station WSM, he pulled the knobs off the radio.

I'm at that place, desiring access to limited technologies. Knobs can be pulled off the rest....

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#1H Tom-Fowler "42A", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35,T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564544.1, Y=880625.8. Datum: NAD 27
415' FSL, 1391' FEL of 960.1-acre lease
415' FSL, 1391' FEL of the survey

#2H Tom-Fowler "42B", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35,T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564549.2, Y=880606.5. Datum: NAD 27
395' FSL, 1391' FEL of 960.1-acre lease
395' FSL, 1391' FEL of the survey

#3H Tom-Fowler "42C", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35,T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564554.3, Y=880587.2. Datum: NAD 27
375' FSL, 1390' FEL of 960.1-acre lease
375' FSL, 1390' FEL of the survey

Howard County

#1D Limequest "6" SWD, drill, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.30 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-1338, Section 6, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 13,500 feet
Latitude 032.165165, Longitude -101.404677. Datum: NAD

1980' FEL, 2640' FNL of 654.9-acre lease 1980' FEL, 2640' FNL of the survey

#1HA Muhly "1612", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
8.32 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-391, Section 21, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 032.151637, Longitude -101.365911. Datum: NAD

1326' FEL, 970' FNL of 320-acre lease1326' FEL, 970' FNL of the survey

#8AH Hamlin "20-29", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
8 miles northeast of Knott
A-1242, Section 20, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 032.424064, Longitude -101.505051. Datum: NAD

15' FNL, 330' FEL of 958.39-acre lease 2606' FSL, 330' FEL of the survey

#1SH Wolfe-McCann Unit "10-15", drill horizontal, El: NA

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of one's own home, it will be more difficult to stop a woman from taking the life of her child while at the same time scarring herself emotionally and spiritually for many years or for a lifetime. The holocaust of abortion will only stop when the reasons for abortion no longer exist. Our modern world has taught us to seek whatever makes us "happy" and to let no obstacle come between us and our goal of happiness. This obstacle can be an unplanned pregnancy. If you or someone you know is facing a decision regarding an unplanned pregnancy, there is a "choice" that saves the life of the child and the life of the mother. Crisis pregnancy centers have been established around the United States as a response to give women a healthy choice in dealing with an unplanned pregnancy. The Life Center in Big Spring counsels women who are pregnant and need assistance in prenatal care as well as care after the baby arrives. Their office number is 432.254.5311. If you need someone to talk to immediately, call this number: 1-800-712-HELP.

On Friday, January 27, 2017, the 44th Annual March for Life will be held in Washington, D. C. Thousands of pro-life "marchers" from around our country will flock to our nation's capital to peacefully demonstrate their support for the unborn who are threatened every day in America by abortion. Nellie Gray, a pro-life activist who founded the March for Life, was a native of Big Spring. Today the March for Life is profoundly represented by young people - high school and college age – whose peers died as a result of the culture of abortion.

In closing I want to share two quotations from St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta as food for thought: "Any country that accepts abortion is the poorest of the poor." "The greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion, which is war against the child. The mother doesn't learn to love, but kills to solve her own problems. Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want." In modern America we enjoy tremendous material wealth, but we are plagued by a poverty of spirit that has led us to believe that the killing of the most vulnerable among us can be justified by whatever personal reason we present. May God have mercy on us.

Suzanne Haney Big Spring, TX

Navy: Wind farm opposed by GOP lawmakers won't harm radar

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Pentagon says it disagrees with Republicans in North Carolina who claim a \$400 million clean energy project slated to power data centers for Amazon.com Inc. poses a threat to national security. State legislative leaders have asked the incoming Trump administration to either kill or require major changes to the nearly completed wind farm, which they said will interfere with the operation of a military radar installation that scans for aircraft and ships hundreds of miles out over the Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean. Rep. Walter Jones, a member of the House Armed Services Committee, also wrote to Trump's choice to lead the Homeland Security Department last month to raise concerns about the project. The sprawling 20,000-acre facility in the congressman's district includes 104 spinning wind turbines, each nearly as tall as a 50-story building. The Navy told The Associated Press this week it had extensively studied the potential for interference with its Relocatable Over the Horizon Radar, or ROHTR, system just across the state line in Chesapeake, Virginia. "The Navy is committed to working with developers to ensure that renewable energy projects are compatible with our mission and operations," said Lt. Chika Onyekanne, a Navy spokesman.

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Oxy USA, Inc. 5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110 Houston, TX 77046-0000 Amanda Maxian, Regulatory Specialist (713) 840-3036 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 4 miles northeast of Knott A-1710, Section 10, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,000 feet Latitude 032.440365, Longitude -101.596890. Datum: NAD

389' FNL, 870' FWL of 493.08-acre lease 389' FNL, 870' FWL of the survey

#1LS Waldron T-Bird "1313", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
7.90 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-409, Section 13, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,500 feet
X=737017.97, Y=212355.08. Datum: NAD 27
2374' FNL, 2006' FWL of 1,112.69-acre lease
2374' FNL, 2006' FWL of the survey

#1303WA Waldron T-Bird "1313", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field

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Oxy USA, Inc.

US rig count jumps 35 this week to 694; Texas up 17

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. leaped by 35 this week to 694.

A year ago, 637 rigs were active.

Houston oilfield services company Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday that 551 rigs sought oil and 142 explored for natural gas this week. One was listed as miscellaneous.

Texas jumped by 17 rigs, Oklahoma increased by seven, North Dakota was up three and

Ohio two. New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Utah and West Virginia increased one apiece.

Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana and Wyoming were all unchanged.

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A-409, Section 13, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,500 feet X=737009.38, Y=212394.15. Datum: NAD 27 2334'FNL, 2006' FWL of 1,112.69-acre lease 2334'FNL, 2006' FWL of the survey

#1WA W H "48" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.46 miles northwest of Knott
A-1680, Section 48, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9215 feet
X=717855, Y=310566. Datum: NAD 27
330' FEL, 217' FNL of 480-acre lease
330' FEL, 217' FNL of the survey

#1LS W H "48" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.46 miles northwest of Knott
A-1680, Section 48, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8925 feet
X=717826, Y=310559. Datum: NAD 27
360' FEL, 217' FNL of 480-acre lease
360' FEL, 217' FNL of the survey

#2WA W H "48" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.46 miles northwest of Knott
A-1680, Section 48, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9215 feet
X=717797, Y=310553. Datum: NAD 27
390' FEL, 217' FNL of 480-acre lease
390' FEL, 217' FNL of the survey

Howard County

#1HA Tubb "A", API #42-227-38704
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2633' GR
2.70 miles southeast of Elbow
A-376, Section 37, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
200' FNL, 2335' FEL of the survey
Total Depth: 7383 feet. PBTD: 7383 feet.
Logs: Radial Cement Gamma Ray CCL
Daily Potential: 1,056 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 1,382 BWPD
Flowing. GOR: 694
Spud: 8-07-16. Completed: 11-29-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8" @ 7142 feet w/ 2,100 sx.
MS tool @ 4500 feet w/ 1,250 sx.
5-1/2" @ 17,576 feet w/ 2,850 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7119 feet
Perfs; 7634-17,507
7634-17,507: Frac w/ 19,411,864# sand and 439,051 Bbls frac

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"While initial studies indicated a potential conflict between the Amazon wind project and the RO-THR, additional data collected since that time determined that the project is not likely to affect the mission."

President-elect Donald Trump has long expressed opposition to wind turbines, tweeting about them more than 60 times over the years. Trump has battled the construction of an offshore wind project he says mars the view from his golf resort in Scotland. At a campaign rally in August, he criticized both solar panels and wind turbines, which he said pose a lethal threat to wildlife.

"The wind kills all your birds. All your birds, killed. You know, the environmentalists never talk about that," said Trump, who has pledged to bring back tens of thousands of coal mining jobs lost as utilities switch to cleaner ways to produce electricity.

Trump also has a beef with Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos, who owns The Washington Post. Trump has been highly critical of the Post's coverage of his campaign, which included revealing a 2005 videotape in which Trump made disparaging remarks about women.

Representatives of the Trump transition team did not immediately respond Thursday to an email seeking comment.

The project is being constructed by Avangrid Renewables, a U.S. subsidiary of Spanish cleanenergy giant Iberdrola S.A. Amazon has contracted to buy the full electrical output from the turbines, comparable to the power about 60,000 homes use in a year, to run its Virginia data centers.

Avangrid spokesman Paul Copleman said Thursday the project is expected to come online by the end of the month.

A 2014 agreement between Avangrid and the Navy said there is potential for conflict between the wind farm and operation of the radar array, but that the Pentagon also seeks to enhance the country's renewable energy resources. The agreement specified placement of the wind turbines and includes language that that the company would curtail operations "for a national security or defense purpose."

In their letter to Trump DHS nominee John Kelly, North Carolina lawmakers claimed last month that the Pentagon dropped opposition to the wind farm because of the "political correctness" of outgoing President Barack Obama's administration. Kelly, a retired Marine general, raised concerns about the placement of the wind farm in 2014, while serving as the head of U.S. Southern Command.

"In our opinion, due to the consequences at stake, this wind project should never have been permitted to be built," says the letter signed by House Speaker Tim Moore, Senate Leader Phil Berger and eight others.

Saudi Arabia says another OPEC cut possible in 2017

GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP) — OPEC countries could cut oil production again this year, Saudi Arabia's energy minister said Thursday.

Speaking at the World Economic Forum at the Swiss ski resort of Davos, Khalid Al-Falih said he "would not exclude" another cut to follow last year's agreement if higher prices don't stick because of variables outside producers' control, such as a potential collapse in demand.

"I think Plan B is to be resilient and to be flexible and to deal with the circumstances," he said.

"There have been times in the past where OPEC has taken one action and then a few months later found out that that action was not sufficient and followed up with another action," he said. "We will not exclude that and that's why we're meeting up again in May."

Asked if that could involve further cuts, the minister said "if needed, absolutely."

However, he said his baseline expectation is that it "will not be necessary."

OPEC agreed in late November to cut its production by 1.2 million

barrels a day to 32.5 million barrels, the first reduction agreed to by the cartel since 2008. Nearly a dozen other countries, including Russia, pledged in December to cut an additional 558,000 barrels a day.

Those cuts are due to expire in June and Al-Falih said an extension is also possible.

He warned that extending the cuts "could create a shortage too early which we don't want to."

"But if we find out ... that it's not enough, we will do what is necessary."

Oil prices are trading over \$50 a barrel, nearly double the level they were a year ago, largely because of the production cuts.

For higher oil prices to stick, producers will have to show they are complying with their agreements.

Earlier Thursday, the Paris-based International Energy Agency said global oil output is dropping for the first time in months, as Saudi Arabia and other oil-producing countries follow through on the pledged cuts.

The IEA's monthly report on Thursday showed OPEC production dropped to 33.09 million barrels a day in December from 34.2 million the previous month.

The IEA's executive director, Fatih Birol, cautioned that the higher oil prices prompted by the production cuts could see a rise in output from U.S. shale gas producers.

And that newly increased supply could weigh on oil prices.

"Don't underestimate the shale gas reaction," he said.

Oil prices shot up to more than \$100 a barrel in mid-2014 before a long slide sent them crashing below \$30 in early 2016.

A number of factors hit prices, including worries over the scale of the economic slowdown in China and high supply from OPEC countries, notably Saudi Arabia, as they seemingly strove to drive U.S. shale gas producers out of business.

Now the higher prices may entice those shale gas producers to ramp up production again.

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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

LOCAL

Howard County Junior Livestock Show results

Rabbit exhibit

Grand Champion: Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA

Reserve Champion: Aubry Parum, Coahoma FFA

Class 1

1st, Vance Ott, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Jordan Brinlee, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Karliegh Burt, Coahoma FFA; 4th Cyrus McMorris, Sands FFA; 5th, Kyla Lacefield, Coahoma FFA; 6th, Janessa Aguirre, Sands FFA; 7th, Sterling Fuller, Howard County 4-H; 8th, AJ Guiterrez, Coahoma FFA; 9th, Bari Green, Coahoma FFA; 10th, Christian Klug, Coahoma FFA; 11th, Naomi White, Coahoma FFA; 12th, Anthony Ramirez, Coahoma FFA; 13th, Naomi White, Coahoma FFA; 14th, Lillian Gibson, Howard County 4-H; 15th, Caleb Klug, Coahoma FFA; 16th, Ashley Gordon, Howard County 4-H; 17th, Ashley Gordon, Howard County 4-H; 18th, Damian Rains, Coahoma FFA; 19th, Eric Castaneda, Sands FFA; 20th, Damian Rains, Coahoma FFA; and 21st, Bari Green, Coahoma FFA.

Class 2

1st, Benjamin Quade, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Sydney Rinard, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Karleigh Burt, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Kolby Denton, Howard County 4-H; 5th, Blue McMorris, Sands FFA; 6th, Colton Mantooth, Coahoma FFA; 7th, Reegan Thompson, Howard County 4-H; 8th, Katie Davis, Coahoma FFA; 9th Cassidy Gamble, Howard County 4-H; 10th, Rance Redden, Coahoma FFA; 11th, Vance Ott, Howard County 4-H; 12th, Aubrey Parum, Coahoma FFA; 13th, Jacy Mackenzie, Howard County 4-H; 14th Raegan Deel, Coahoma FFA; 15th, Jordan Brinlee, Coahoma FFA; 16th, Blue McMorris, Sands FFA; 17th, Addison Collier, Howard County 4-H; 18th, Jacy Mackenzie, Howard County 4-H; 19th, Sarah Manning, Howard County 4-H; 20th, Morgan Griffith, Howard County 4-H; and 21st, Kobi Olivas, Coahoma FFA. Class 3

1st, Braxton Blair, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Kolby Denton, Howard County 4-H; 3rd, Katie Davis, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Cole Rich, Howard County 4-H; 5th, Audrey Turnbough, Coahoma FFA; 6th, Mason Bagwell, Howard County 4-H; 7th, Madry Bagwell, Howard County 4-H; 8th, Katie Jones, Howard County 4-H; 9th, Kolt Redden, Coahoma FFA; 10th, Anelia Tarin, Sands FFA; 11th, Anelia Tarin, Sands FFA; 12th, Sterling Fuller, Howard County 4-H; 13th, Sydney Rinard, Coahoma FFA; 14th, Llana Griffith, Howard County 4-H; 15th, Benjamin Quade, Howard County 4-H: 16th, Jacki Torbik, Howard County 4-H; 17th, Katie Jones, Howard County 4-H; 18th, Morgan Griffith, Howard County 4-H; 19th, Max Deleon, Howard County 4-H; 20th, Braxton Blair, Howard County 4-H; and 21st, Cyrus McMorris, Sands FFA. Class 4 1st, Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Aubrey Parum, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Cassidy Gamble, Howard County 4-H; 5th Jaxon Muller, Coahoma FFA; Paislie Hipp, Howard County 4-H; 6th, Abigail Lopez, Coahoma FFA; 7th, Hunter Rich, Howard County 4-H; 8th, Jacki Torbik, Howard County 4-H; 9th, Aubrey Parum, Coahoma FFA; 10th, Llana Griffith, Howard County 4-H; 11th, Katie Averette, Howard County 4-H; 12th, Aaron Turnbough, Coahoma FFA; 13th, Jewels Burdell, Coahoma FFA; 14th, Ethan Lopez, Coahoma FFA; 15th, Brett Rich, Howard County 4-H; 16th Jaxon Muller, Coahoma FFA; 17th, Audrey Turnbough, Coahoma FFA; 18th, Addision Collier, Howard County 4-H; 19th, Tavyn Hipp, Howard County 4-H; and 20th Ryan Shifflett, Coahoma FFA.

Goat exhibit

Grand champion: Reagan Hamlin Reserve grand champion: Kimberly Ogle

Division 1 goat

Kimberly Champion: Ogle

Reserve champion: Kimberly Ogle

Class 1 goats: 1st, Kimberly Ogle, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Emilee Custer, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Case Custer, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; 5th Sydney Rinard, Coahoma FFA; 6th, Zack Schneider, Coahoma FFA; 7th, Tony Hagins, Coahoma FFA; and 8th, Aubrey Parum, Coahoma FFA.

Class 2 goats: 1st, Kimberly Ogle, Howard County 4-H; 2nd; Kaitlyn Wiggins, Howard County 4-H; 3rd, Case Custer, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Riley Jenkins, Howard County 4-H; 5th Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA; 6th, Reagan Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; 7th, Landyn Young, Coahoma FFA; and 8th, Samantha Raney, Howard County 4-H.

Division 2 goat

Champion: Emilee Custer

Reserve Champion: **Emilee** Custer

Class 3 goats: 1st, Emilee Custer; Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Riley Jenkins, Howard County 4-H; 3rd, Bryce FFA; 6th, Ariel Valencia, Coahoma FFA; and 7th

Madisyn Renteria, Coahoma FFA.

Class 4 goats: 1st, Emilee Custer, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Jocelyn Young, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Kaitlyn Wiggins, Howard County 4-H; 4th, Jocelyn Young, Coahoma FFA, and 5th, Trinity Tidwell, Howard County 4-H.

Division 3 Goat Champion: Reagan Hamlin

Reserve Champion: Brelyn Tubb

Class 5 goats: 1st, Brelyn Tubb, Howard County 4-H;2nd, Bryce Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; and 3rd, Saman tha Raney, Howard County 4-H. Class 6 goats: Reagan Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Lanyden Young, Coahoma FFA; 3rd, Aubrey Parum, Coahoma FFA; 4th, Kaitlyn Wiggins, Howard County 4-H; 5th, Trinity Tidwell, Howard County 4-H; and 6th, Madisyn Renteria, Coahoma FFA.





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Hamlin, Howard County Participants in the Howard County Junior Livestock Show and their fam-4-H; 4th, Landyn Young, ily members wait to weigh in rabbits Thursday before exhibition. The show Coahoma FFA; 5th, Joc- wrapped up Saturday afternoon with the annual auction and awards cerelyn Young, Coahoma emony at the G.C. Broughton Ag Complex on the Howard College campus.

> Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Landyn Young, Coahoma FFA; and 3rd, Jocelyn Young, Coahoma FFA.

Finewool Champion Finewool: Brynn Work-

man

Reserve Champion Finewool: Reagan Hamlin

Class 3 Finewool: 1st. Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Kaitlyn Wiggins, Howard County 4-H; and 3rd, Samantha Raney, Howard County 4-H.

Class 4 Finewool: 1st, Reagan Hamin, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Bryce Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; and 3rd, Kobyn Ramey, Howard County 4-H. **Finewool Cross**

Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; 3rd, Trey Brumley, Coahoma FFA; and 4th, Sa mantha Raney, Howard County 4-H. Medium Wool

Champion Medium Wool: Reagan Hamlin

Reserve Champion Medium Wool Kobyn Ramey

Class 8 Medium Wool: 1st, Kobyn Ra mey, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Landor Kelley, Howard County 4-H; 3rd, Ava Reed, Howard County 4-H; and 4th Landon Kelley, Howard County 4-H. Class 9 Medium Wool: 1st, Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Bryce Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; and 3rd Kimberly Ogle, Howard County 4-H. Class 10 Medium Wool: 1st, Rea gan Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; 2ⁿ Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; and 3rd, Trey Brumley, Coahoma FFA.



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Lamb exhibit

Grand Champion Lamb: Reagan Hamlin

Reserve Grand Champion Lamb: Brynn Workman

Southdown

Champion Southdown: Brynn Workman.

Reserve Champion Southdown: Brance Workman

Class 1 Southdown: 1st, Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Landyn Young,

Coahoma FFA.

Class Southdown: 1st,

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Champion Finewool Cross: Kimberly Ogle

Finewool Champion Rerserve Cross, Reagan Hamlin

Class 5 Finewool Cross: 1st, Reagan

Hamlin, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Kaitlyn Wiggins, Howard County 4-H; and 3rd, Ava Reed, Howard County 4-H.

Class 6 Finewool Cross: 1st, Kimberly Ogle, Howard County 4-H; 2nd, Brynn Workman, Coahoma FFA; and 3rd, Samantha Raney, Howard County 4-H.

Class 7 Finewool Cross: 1st, Brance Workman, Coahoma FFA; 2nd, Bryce



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LOCAL

Big Spring ISD trustees honored during board trustee month

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January is School Board Recognition Month and Big Spring ISD joins other districts across the state to thank these local leaders for their dedication and willingness to serve as advocates for our children and public schools. As elected officials, they are the voice of their communities, serving first and foremost in the best interest of Texas schoolchildren.

"Even though we are making a special effort in January to show appreciation to our board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. They generously give of themselves to ensure that decisions directly affecting our local schools are made by representatives of this community, people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents, and students," said Chris Wigington), Big Spring ISD superintendent.

"Board members shoulder critical responsibilities and often make difficult choices. Their ultimate goal is always focused on the future success of the children in our district," Wigington said. "It's more important than ever before that the public supports our schools so that today's students are prepared to be productive citizens and the leaders of tomorrow. Our board members provide vision and leadership in their roles as advocates, and they will continue to stand up for public education and guard against anything that takes away from our children."

Under the current board's leadership, the Big Spring ISD has steadily improved each of its campuses and its state accountability rating has improved from "Did Not Meet Standard" to "Met Standard," Wigington pointed out.

Board members serving Big Spring ISD are Irene Rodriguez, Chad Wash, Maria Padilla, Tony Kennedy, Julie Harris, Fabian Serrano, and Manny



Julie Harris



Chad Wash



Manny Chavira

Chavira.

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Fabian Serrano ing commitment to the continued success of our students now and in the future," he said.





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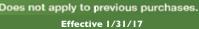


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Forsan squads sweep past Winters

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

FORSAN Pardon the pun, but Forsan's basketball teams showed there is more than one way to survive Winters' chill Friday night.

The Forsan Lady Buffaloes, on the one hand, showed that a patient, deliberate approach can be effective as they gradually wore down Winters, 46-29. On the other hand, Forsan's boys had no use — or need, for that matter for the slow-and-steady approach, roaring out the gate and blasting the Blizzards, 82-23.

Girls' game

Against an opponent determined to take away Forsan's inside game, the Lady Buffs had to show some determination of their own.

The Lady Buffaloes sported a considerable height advantage against Winters, but the Lady Blizzards employed a sagging defense that constantly denied entry passes to Forsan's taller inside players. That, combined



Forsan girls' basketball coach Lloyd Vedder, right, talks to his team during its game against Winters Friday night in Forsan.

with cold, outside shooting for most of the game, meant that the Lady Buffaloes had to figure which hasn't won a out some other way to put away their pesky opponent.

It took them awhile about three quarters, to be exact. Winters, district game this season, looked like giant killers before Forsan's

offense finally became untracked in the final quarter.

"What we wanting to do early was to force (Winters), we beat them them to chase us," For- by 30. That always worsan Coach Lloyd Ved- ries me - if you beat See BUFFS, Page 4B

quarter, we were finally able to do that ... The first time we played

der said. "In the fourth somebody that bad the first time, how's the mentality going to be in the second game? I think we thought ... 'We

Sports calendar

MONDAY

Women's basketball

Howard College at Odessa College, 5:45 p.m.

Men's basketball

Howard College at Odessa College, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Girls' basketball

DALLAS (AP) — Rudy riod, and finished with his 1:06 left in regulation had Gobert was helping the Utah 29th consecutive 10-rebound

> game. "What I love about Rudy, is he's trying to win the basketball game and he doesn't like to lose," teammate Gordon Hayward said. "He's got a fire inside of him and it's definitely something that you can feel when you're out there."

> Hayward had 26 points, including a big 3-pointer late in regulation. Johnson finished with 15 points.

put the Jazz up 96-95, then Gobert had a rebound that led to his layup at the other end for a 98-95 lead with 36 seconds left.

That rebound by Gobert came after a missed 3-pointer by J.J. Barea, who aggravated a left calf issue on the shot. He was playing in only his 18th game and now will miss some more.

"Same calf, area," Mavs coach Rick Carlisle said. "It's going to be a while. It's going to be likely weeks and not days." Curry, who had been on the bench for a long stretch, re-entered the game for Barea and made a wide-open tying 3-pointer from the left corner with 25 seconds left. **TIP-INS**

ger than the previous Jazz record that had been shared by Paul Millsap (2008-09) and Truck Robinson (1977-78). Only four other NBA players have had a 30-game streak of 10-rebound games since 1997-98. ... The Jazz went to overtime for the first time this season.

Mavericks: After losing at Miami on Thursday, Dallas is 0-8 in the second game of different back-to-backs. ... The Mavs scored on 10 consecutive possessions in the fourth quarter before Barnes had a turnover out of a timeout with 2:40 left. Barnes had scored seven consecutive points during that stretch. ... Andrew Bogut missed his fifth straight game since tweaking his hamstring last week after coming back

Gobert leads Jazz past Mavericks

Big Spring at Snyder, 6 p.m. Coahoma at Clyde, 6:30 p.m. Miles at Forsan, 6:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball

Big Spring at Snyder, 7:30 p.m. Coahoma at Clyde, 8 p.m. Miles at Forsan, 8 p.m.

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Dallas Mavericks on Friday night.

Jazz even when missing free

Gobert, who finished with

career highs of 27 points and

25 rebounds, missed both

of his free throw attempts

with 1:50 left. But the second

one ricocheted right back

to him, and he fed the ball

to Joe Johnson for a tying

3-pointer. The Jazz went on

to a 112-107 victory over the

throws in overtime.

"That was the plan. Coach called it," Gobert said with a smile.

After a miss by Deron Williams on the ensuing possession and a foul in the aftermath, Joe Ingles put the Jazz ahead to stay by making two free throws with 1:35 left.

Gobert had seven rebounds in the extra five-minute pe-

Harrison Barnes had 19 points for Dallas, which had seven players score in double figures. Williams had 16 points and Seth Curry 15.

Williams had consecutive layups high off the glass in overtime, the last with 1:36 putting the Mavericks up 107-104.

Jazz: Gobert's rebounding Hayward's 3-pointer with streak is now 10 games lon-

See MAVS, Page 4B

Darvish wants to prove himself this season

DALLAS (AP) – Yu Darvish marked his five-year anniversary as a Texas Ranger this week. Now healthy again, he wants to prove how good a pitcher he is.

"It's not much about my contract, but coming back from Tommy John surgery," Darvish said through his interpreter at the Rangers' winter banquet Friday night. "This will be my second year to see how my body reacts and how much I can do to prove how good of a pitcher I am. That's what I'm looking forward to."

Darvish is entering the sixth and final year of the contract he signed with the Rangers in January 2012 af-



AP file photo

ter seven seasons in Japan.

While the 30-year-old Darvish is 46-32 with a 3.29 ERA in 100 career starts for Texas, he missed all of the 2015 season because of the surgery and didn't pitch for the Rangers last season until May 28.

Darvish was 7-5 with a 3.41 ERA and 132 strikeouts in 100 1/3 innings during the regular season. But in his first AL Division Series

start last October, he gave up a career-worst four homers. Three of them were in the same inning of a 5-3 loss to Toronto in Game 2 of the best-of-five series that the Blue Jays swept.

"I would love to pitch in that kind of situation again this year," Darvish said. "And I would like to pitch very well."

Darvish said he just started throwing again and feels "really good."

Texas spent more than two years scouting Darvish and getting to know him personally before committing more than \$107 million to get him. On top of his guaranteed \$56 million

See DARVISH, Page 4B

Spring Big Little League will hold signups for the 2017 season Monday through Friday, Jan. 23-27 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Springtown Plaza, with the final day being Saturday, Jan. 28, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Ages 4 to 16 can play. The cost is \$90 a child and a birth certificate is required. For more information, contact Robert Smith at 432-816-8161 or Corey Wood at 432-213-0427.



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AFC CHAMPIONSHIP

Key matchups

<u>The Associated Press</u>

Matchups for the AFC championship game Sunday between the Pittsburgh Steelers and New England Patriots:

When the Steelers (13-5) have the ball:

Pittsburgh's best chance — some would say its only chance — is to get its big three of QB Ben Roethlisberger (7), RB Le'Veon Bell (26) and All-Pro WR Antonio Brown (84) going from the start and never stopping. Bell has come up with enormous performances in his first two playoffs games, rushing for 167 yards vs. Miami and 170 against Kansas City. His patience to find a hole and then his burst through it, combined with slick moves and power, make him the perfect postseason back.

The offensive line, led by C Maurkice Pouncey (53) and RG David DeCastro (66), has been stout in its run blocking and will need to continue that as the Patriots attempt to neutralize Bell. LB Dont'a Hightower (54) and DT Malcom Brown (90) could be keys against Bell.

Brown is the NFL's most dangerous offensive threat (and Facebook video poster). If CB Malcolm Butler (21), FS Devin McCourty (32) and a pass rush featuring a bunch of players, including the emerging Trey Flowers (98), can disconnect Roethlisberger to Brown, the Steelers are in trouble.

A standout against the Chiefs was TE Jesse James (81) over the middle and Pittsburgh will need similar contributions. It also must get into the end zone rather than settle for field goals.

When the Patriots (15-2) have the ball

It always starts with Tom Brady (12) for New England. He comes off a so-so (for him) performance against Houston, which will motivate the four-time Super Bowl champion even more.

Even without Rob Gronkowski, Brady doesn't have a problem finding targets: WRs Julian Edelman (11), Danny Amendola (80), Chris Hogan (15) and newcomer Michael Floyd (14). Plus TE Martellus Bennett (88), who has capably filled Gronk's roles. It will be critical for Pittsburgh to create pressure on Brady with the pass rush from LBs James Harrison (92), Lawrence Timmons (94) and Bud Dupree (48). If Brady gets time, it could mean a long night for CB Artie Burns (25) and S Sean Davis (28), both rookies, and the rest of the secondary.

New England's stout ground game behind LeGarrette Blount (29), Dion Lewis (33) and James White (28) gets a boost from an unheralded blocking unit led by RT Marcus Cannon (61) and C David Andrews (60). If the Steelers can't make the Patriots an unbalanced attack, they likely are doomed.



File photo

Special Teams

Pittsburgh's Chris Boswell (9) set a league mark with six field goals last week. Oddly, his 21 made FGs during the season were the fewest among the remaining kickers. But Boswell has seven postseason field goals.

Brown (84) can be a force on punt returns, but otherwise the Steelers aren't, uh, special on special teams. P Jordan Berry (4) ranked 17th in net average.

Veteran K Stephen Gostkowski (3) is among the NFL's most reliable in all situations. He also still recalls missing a PAT in the conference championship game last year.

P Ryan Allen (6) ranked seventh in net average and the coverage squads are solid. New England is unafraid of using Edelman or Amendola on punt runbacks.

Coverage man Matthew Slater (18) is an All-Pro.

Coaching

Mike Tomlin has seen his Steelers develop from a defense-first team — what else would they have in the home of the Steel Curtain? — to an explosive, offense-oriented club. Extremely popular with his

players, he's taken Pittsburgh to the playoffs in seven of his 10 seasons in charge and is 1-1 in Super Bowls.

Tomlin's teams tend to be streaky and resilient. His strengths are in getting his players to peak at the right time, and his aggressiveness.

Still, his resume pales in comparison to Bill Belichick's. Another AFC title in the Patriots' sixth straight trip to the conference championship game would get him to a seventh Super Bowl. No coach has managed that. A fifth NFL championship would be a record in the Super Bowl era.

Belichick's strength in these matchups is finding ways to diminish the contributions of an opponent's most dangerous weapon. The likelihood is he'll concentrate on stopping Bell, who can control the clock and the tempo with his runs.

Intangibles

Brady would love to stick it to the NFL for the "Deflategate" suspension. New England also is going for several Super Bowl-era records.

Pittsburgh hasn't won a title since the 2008 season, and is on quite a roll with nine straight victories, five on the road — though nowhere as tough as Foxborough.

Patriots glad to be at home

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) ended in losses to Denver, in-— The New England Patriots have had what seems like an annual spot in the AFC chamdecade.

cluding a 20-18 defeat last season.

"It's the energy. You get out pionship game over the past there and everyone is really energetic. The fans are really

Steelers hope pressure slows Brady

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — Take it from Wade Phillips, slowing down Tom Brady is a goal often sought, but seldom achieved.

"Good luck," the new defensive coordinator of the Los Angeles Rams said this week when asked about the difficulty of taking the Patriots quarterback out of his comfort zone. "He's good no matter what."

pocket.

The Broncos, with Phillips serving as defensive coordinator, did it during last season's 20-18 AFC title game win in Denver. Led by Von Miller, they made Brady's life miserable, sacking him four times and registering another 17 quarterback hits. The Steelers will be the latest to try to test that blueprint, albeit with a defense has been more pedestrian than "Steel Curtain". They also haven't had much success against Brady. Pittsburgh's sacked him just 21 times in 11 games. Brady hasn't thrown an interception against the Steelers since 2005, while throwing 19 touchdown passes.

Pittsburgh linebacker Ryan Shazier was returning from a knee injury; James Harrison played only 42 percent of the snaps and Bud Dupree was on injured reserve

But the fact that this year's game is at home could factor into whether they are able to make a return trip to the Super Bowl.

The Patriots became the first team since the 1970 merger to advance to the AFC title game in six straight seasons with their win over the Houston Texans last week.

The Patriots are 5-1 at home in AFC championship games, with their lone loss coming in 2013 against the Ravens in Ray Lewis' final trip to Foxborough.

While being at home doesn't guarantee victory, playing the game at Gillette Stadium is welcomed by a team that has been on the road in two of their past three trips to the AFC title game. Both of those road games intense," receiver Chris Hogan said Tuesday.

Special teams captain Matt Slater acknowledged that New England's performance against the Texans could have been better, but said no one is taking anything for granted about this latest shot at a Super Bowl berth.

The Steelers — and coach Mike Tomlin specifically – can expect to get an even more hostile reception than usual from the Patriots fans.

This comes after Tomlin was broadcast using a derogatory expletive to describe the Patriots during a postgame speech to his team following Pittsburgh's win over Kansas City.

The speech was aired on a social media livestream.

And that's coming from a guy who's had at least some recent success bothering Tom Terrific.

Brady enters Sunday's matchup with the Pittsburgh Steelers with a 6-4 record in AFC championship games, including 4-1 at home.

But the constant in each of his losses has been when he's faced a defense that's managed to apply pressure up front and forced him into quick decisions in the

But Brady will face a much healthier Steelers pass rush than he did in Week 7's 27-16 road win.

with a groin injury.

The improved health since then has been a boost to Pittsburgh in its ninegame win streak. The Steelers had 13 sacks over their first nine games, and have 31 during the streak.

"I think just getting after him in general is going to be big," Shazier said. "Every team wants to get after the quarterback, when you get the quarterback rattled or just out of position, it definitely helps out the defense, helps out the team.

"If we can make him feel uncomfortable and make him play a game he's not accustomed to, it's going to help out our defense and play the way we want to."



NFC CHAMPIONSHIP

Key matchups

Matchups for the NFC championship game Sunday between the Green Bay Packers and Atlanta Falcons:

When the Packers (12-6) have the ball

Aaron Rodgers (12) couldn't be hotter. After predicting the Packers would rise from 4-6, the quarterback made sure they did with some magnificent work. Expect him to throw plenty against a defense that can rush the passer thanks to All-Pro Vic Beasley Jr. (44), who led the league with $15\frac{1}{2}$ sacks; but Atlanta ranked 28th against the pass. Even if top targets WR Jordy Nelson (87) and Davante Adams (17), are sidelined, Rodgers will expect to find WR Randall Cobb (18), RB Ty Montgomery (88), and TEs Richard Rodgers (82) and Jared Cook (89), he of the miracle catch against Dallas.

With the emergence of Montgomery as a running back after a move from receiver, Green Bay has some balance to its offense. It needs a recently improved O-line anchored by LT David Bakhtiari (69) to continue its progress.

Atlanta figures to be aggressive against Rodgers, knowing that a conservative D could get chewed up. Rookie LB Deion Jones (45), Brooks Reed (50), coming off a big game against Seattle, and a host of unheralded DBs will be tested.

If Green Bay has the ball near the end of the second or fourth quarters, might be time for Falcons fans to say a few Hail Marys.

When the Falcons (12-5) have the ball:

Watch out. This is as mighty an offense as the NFL has, thanks to All-Pro QB Matt Ryan (2) throwing to All-Pro WR Julio Jones (11), Mohamed Sanu (12) and breakthrough wideout Taylor Gabriel (18). Ryan, who led the league in passing, also has favorable matchups with RBs Devonta Freeman (24) and Tevin Coleman (26) as targets.

Ryan might be the best deep-ball passer in football (though Rodgers is no slouch), and the Packers are vulnerable in an injury-battered secondary. Expect Atlanta to test the likes of Damarious Randall (23), Micah Hyde (33), LaDarius Gunter (36), who struggled mightily against Dallas, and, if they're ready to go, Quinten Rollins (24) and Morgan Burnett (42). Only S Ha Ha Clinton-Dix (21) has been truly reliable in the secondary.

The Falcons certainly will be balanced with the ball, probably much more than Green Bay is. Unless, of course, the Packers can stymie Freeman/ Coleman with the work of LBs Clay Matthews (52), Nick Perry (53) and Jake Ryan (47).



File photo

pass rush, along with Matthews at times. Atlanta gave up 37 sacks, so Ryan is reachable. His main protectors, as well as blockers for the run game, are RT Ryan Schraeder (73), C Alex Mack (51) and LT Jake Matthews (70), who is Clay's cousin.

Special Teams

Eric Weems (14) gives the Falcons dependable returning on kickoffs and punts. He ranked sixth in punt runbacks (11.4 yards per) and would have ranked the same on kickoffs at 23.0 had he made enough returns to qualify. Matt Bosher (5) is steady but punted only 44 times this season, which says a ton about the offense.

Matt Bryant (3) is in his 15th pro season, but has never been to a Super Bowl. His leg remains powerful at age 41, and he doesn't get nervous.

That couldn't have been said about Green Bay K Mason Crosby (2), who has had an up-and-down career since 2007. But he does own a championship ring and he hit a pair of pressure-packed kicks from 50-plus yards to beat Dallas last week.

Second-year P Jacob Schum (10) was near the bottom of league stats, but he does have to kick in difficult weather for a portion of the schedule.

The Packers don't achieve a lot on returns, par-

ticularly with Cobb out of the mix, and are vulnerable to kickoff runbacks.

Coaching

Atlanta's Dan Quinn is a novice at this as a head coach, but won a Super Bowl as Seattle's defensive coordinator in the 2013 season. He resembles his mentor, Pete Carroll, in demeanor and willingness to push the envelope.

Mike McCarthy sometimes gets criticized for only getting to one Super Bowl with Rodgers behind center. But McCarthy, an offensive mastermind, has made the playoffs eight consecutive seasons, and helped get the Packers from 4-6 to this point.

Intangibles

How about this for Atlanta: The Falcons have never won a Super Bowl, losing their only visit in the 1998 season. This also will be the final game in the Georgia Dome before the Falcons move into a new building next door.

Green Bay is on a tear and Rodgers has never performed better, not even in his two MVP seasons. Although he probably doesn't think about it, another ring would lift him above predecessor (and Hall of Famer) Brett Favre's achievements.

Perry and Julius Peppers (56) will provide the

Packers' OL 'blocks to infinity' when Rodgers on the move

GREEN BAY, Wis. come into the season (AP) — There goes Aaron Rodgers again, beating a defense with 9 seconds," left guard another brilliant throw Lane Taylor said. "But outside the pocket.

Extending plays is a we make things go."

saying, 'All right, let's go out there and protect that's our job, the way said this week. "How do you match up on the receivers? How do you take care of the quarterback? So it takes a lot of work." There's not necessarily a set play that the Packers run through in practice, either. At the same time, the Packers linemen are familiar with Rodgers' tendencies.

block until I hear the whistle."

But those extended plays earlier in the season didn't always lead to big gains. Things

cons coach Dan Quinn defender. I'm going to mindset of blocking "to infinity, just however long it takes."

There are no specific nuances or skills that come with blocking that long, linemen said. If a lineman is free and Rodgers is still looking to make a play, a lineman must keep his head up and look around for any oncoming defenders.

onds, you know you're going to be battling for a little while, and that's when it kind of kicks in," Taylor said.

"All right, I really have got to stay in front

specialty of the Green Bay Packers and their two-time MVP quarterback.

The Atlanta Falcons know they'll have to try to stay patient on defense when they face the Packers on Sunday in the NFC championship game .

But the five guys who block for Rodgers might have jobs as tough as any defender.

Protecting Rodgers for as long as possible can be a challenging task for an offensive lineman, a job in which success is often measured in seconds.

"We didn't really

Holding a block for 3 seconds is typically a success.

Rodgers is dangerous enough as it is inside the pocket, where he can dissect defenses with quick strikes to receivers.

But a skill that makes him unique is the ability to use his legs to extend plays under pressure while receivers work to get open.

"One of the hardest things to simulate, you can imagine, is when a person gets outside the pocket to get down the field, and the term defensively that we use is called 'plaster,'" Fal-

The phrase drilled into linemen from Day 1 of practice is to block until the whistle is blown.

"No matter what the play is, it's not like we go into a play knowing it's going to be extended," left tackle David Bakhtiari said.

"We go in blocking, and I don't know when the ball is out. I kind of get a feel from my

have changed over the past two months, with Green Bay taking care of the ball.

Rodgers has 21 touchdowns and one interception over an eight-game winning streak stretching back to the regular season.

"Earlier in the season, it was getting a little frustrating because you'd block for 7, 8 seconds and he'd scramble around and throw the ball out of bounds, and it's like we just wasted all that time and energy for nothing," Pro Bowl right guard T.J. Lang said.

They stuck with their

For a lineman still engaged, it's simply about sticking with the block.

"After about 3 sec-

of my guy, extend this play, do what I need to do to keep him off Aaron."

Continuity has also contributed up front, with Bakhtiari, Taylor, Lang and right tackle Bryan Bulaga having played together for most of the season.



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from a right knee problem. 20-20 FIRST

When the 7-foot-1 Gobert was asked what took him so long to get his first 20-20 game, he responded. "I can't do everything right away. Got to do it slowly." The 24-year-old Gobert is in his fourth NBA season. Asked if he should be an All-Star, he said, "Yes. to be honest. ... I think I should be an All-Star for sure."

SHOOTING STRUG-GLES

Dirk Nowitzki matched his season high with 10 rebounds for Dallas, but was just 1-of-13 shooting for three points. A minute into the fourth quarter, the 13-time All-Star and MVP from 10 years ago twice grabbed his own misses before being blocked on a third try.

TRYING TO STOP TIME After Hayward's miss with 2 seconds left in regulation, Carlisle was immediately trying to call timeout while Williams tried to gather the rebound. "They didn't see it — although none of them told me that," Carlisle said. The buzzer sounded, and officials reviewed the play. Twotenths of a second were put back on the clock and the ball went to the Jazz since Williams lost the ball out of bounds. The Jazz called two timeouts but were unable to get an alley-oop shot, the only possible way to score in that little bit of time.

UP NEXT

Jazz: Back home against Indiana on Saturday night. Mavericks: Host the Lakers on Sunday. Dallas won twice in Los Angeles earlier this season, and has won 12 straight in the series.

Sports Outta my way!



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com) Myra Salazar (5) and Howard College will return to basketball action Monday at Odessa College. The women tip off at 5:45 p.m., and the men's game starts at 7:30 p.m.

Warriors down **Rockets**, 125-108

BIG SPRING HERALD

Sunday, January 22, 2017

HOUSTON (AP) - The Golden State Warriors wanted to make sure the Houston Rockets wouldn't beat them from the 3-point line.

They carried out their plan perfectly, forcing the NBA's most prolific 3-point shooting team into a terrible shooting night in a 125-108 victory Friday night that extended Golden State's winning streak to six games.

Kevin Durant scored 32 points and the Warriors used a big third quarter to build a huge lead and coast to the victory.

In a matchup of two of the best teams in the Western Conference and All-Star starting guards Stephen Curry and James Harden, the Rockets fell short. Houston, which entered the game leading the NBA with 667 3-pointers, was just 7 of 35 behind the arc. Harden went 0 for 5 and Eric Gordon, who entered the game leading the NBA with 160 3s, missed all seven attempts.

"I think it was good defense on our part," Durant said. "They missed a couple of open ones, but that's from — they didn't have a rhythm. I think we did a good job of putting a hand up on the shots and getting out and rebounding ... for the most part we contested, forced them to shoot in the paint and got out and ran."

Houston's 20 percent shooting on 3s tied a season low for a Golden State opponent and was just the fourth time this season that the Rockets made fewer than 10.3s.

"None of us are happy, but it happens," Harden said. "So what? What's next? And that's what our motto is."

Clint Capela had 22 points and Harden added 17 points with 11 assists for the Rockets, who are third in the West behind Golden State and San Antonio

The Warriors were up by five at halftime and used a 12-4 run to open the second half and stretch their lead to 74-61. Golden State got six points from Durant in that span.

of a risk just two years after surgery to

compete in the World Baseball Classic

this spring. Then, he smiled and said,

"At the end, let me tell you that I didn't

NOTES: The Rangers announced they

will retire uniform No. 7 during an Au-

gust ceremony to honor former catcher

Ivan Rodriguez, who was elected to the

Baseball Hall of Fame this week and will

be inducted with the class of 2017 on July

30 in Cooperstown, New York. The only

other Rangers to have their numbers re-

tired by the club are Hall of Fame pitcher

Nolan Ryan (No. 34) and former manager

DARVISH

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contract, the Rangers had to pay in the old system a massive \$51,703,411 posting bid to the Hokkaido Nippon Ham Fighters, his team in Japan.

The 2017 season could have become a player option without a buyout had Darvish won the Cy Young and finished second-through-fourth another time, or finished second in the voting once and second-through-fourth two other times.

Darvish finished second behind Max

Scherzer in the 2013 AL Cy Young voting, when the Rangers right-hander was 13-9 with a 2.83 ERA and a league-high 277 strikeouts. He was an All-Star each of his first three seasons (2012-14), a span in which he had 680 strikeouts before getting shut down late in the 2014 season because of elbow inflammation.

"I am really grateful to the Texas Rangers organization by just giving me this big of a contract. They've been taking care of me really well," he said. "So I just want to show the Rangers how much I can do and then show them that they were right giving me that contract."

Darvish said he considered it too much

Johnny Oates (No. 26). was the effort his team to do to beat Christoval put into its execution.

get offered" a spot.

for the entire 32 min- and we can't slip up utes," Richardson said. anywhere between now "I think our effort was good, but they were kind of sloppy at times. I did want them to have some fun, so I turned them loose and let them do some things that other coaches might frown upon, but as long as their heads are into the game and they're trying to create something positive, then I'm going to let that slide a little bit." With the Buffaloes now at the halfway point of their district schedule, Richardson wants his team to focus on trying to run down district leader Christoval in its remaining games.

when they come here," "Our effort was good he said. "That's the key, and then. Every game will be a tough one, but hopefully, when Chrisoval comes here, it'll be for the district championship." The Buffaloes return to action Tuesday at home against Miles. Game time is 8 p.m.

BUFFS

Continued from Page 1B beat them by 30. This is

scored Winters 13-6 over the final few minutes to

20 wins, and we're sitting at 19 now. Another five-minute mark, and thing is that you always the Lady Buffs out- want to win at home."

host Miles at 6:30 p.m. in the Forsan High School gymnasium.

The Buffaloes jumped out to a 15-0 lead in the first six minutes, and it never got better than The Lady Buffaloes that for the visiting Blizzards.

going to be a cakewalk,' and Winters came ready to play. They defended really well and we were kind of lackadasical."

With the Lady Buffs clinging to a slim fivepoint lead with seven minutes remaining, Jenna Evans got the ball rolling — pardon that pun, also – when she converted a basket-andone to give Forsan a 29-21 lead. Rhian Cunningham followed that with a two-pointer and Evans added another pair of three throws to push the lead up to double digits, and Winters was suddenly on the ropes.

Chasidy Grantham secure the victory.

kept them there with a

basket-and-one at the

Macey Evans scored 11 points and Grantham added 10 for Forsan, which improved to 19-7 with the victory.

The win puts Forsan on the precipice of guaranteeing a spot in the playoffs, but Vedder said the Lady Buffaloes have other, more immediate, goals in mind as they prepare for their next game against Miles.

"If we beat Miles, that pretty much secures a playoff spot, but that's not what we're shooting for. One of the goals I set for the girls before the season was for us to get

Boys game

If the Forsan Buffaloes could bottle the energy they showed against Winters, it would put Red Bull to shame.

It's practically impossible to pinpoint one factor behind the lopsided victory, and that's because Forsan was clearly superior in all aspects Friday — the Buffs' uptempo offense worked to near-perfection, their defense confounded Winters all night, and their reserves scored at almost the same clip as the starters.

The game, for all practical purposes, was over before the second quarter ever started, but just to erase any doubts, Forsan came out at the start of the second half and scored 30 points in the third quarter to take an insurmountable 63-19 lead.

Five Buffaloes scored in double figures Friday — Kobe Richardson led the way with 16 points, followed by Tearell McVae with 15, Bryce Hergert with 13, Garrett Evans with 12, and Josh Evans with 10.

To Forsan Coach Cory Richardson, the biggest takeway from the rout

"We in a good position, but we've got work

OTHER SCORES

Girls — Stanton 53, Coahoma 35; Big Spring idle.

Boys — Stanton 63, Coahoma 39; Big Spring idle.

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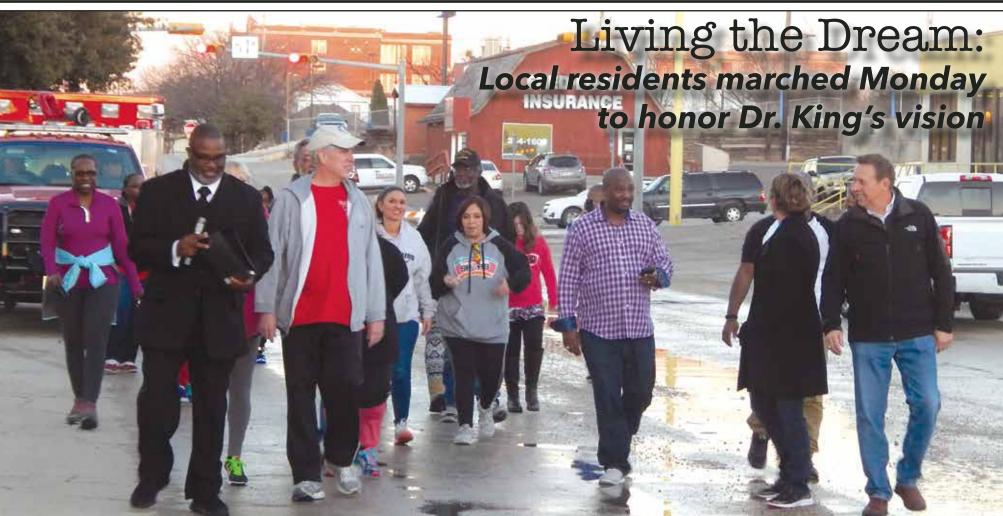
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Life

BIG HERALD







Staff Writer

Last Monday was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day in the United States, a day set aside to remember our nation's most important and iconic proponent of racial equality. A group of Big Spring residents spent the evening marching down Martin Luther King Boulevard in remembrance of and solidarity with the slain civil rights leader.

The event, named the MLK Commemorative Walk, is an annual event organized by Mt. Bethel Baptist Church and its pastor, the Rev. Michael Smith people are very significant in this day and time, not only of division, but of transition," he said. "It really speaks to the fact that we either live together or we die together. It's so important that we come together as a people understanding that We're not the red or the blue states, but we're the United States of America."

About 30 marchers gathered in the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home parking lot before striking off down Martin Luther King Boulevard. Joined by several bicyclists, a fire engine and ambulance, and a few cars, the band sang songs of unity and prayed as they made their way to the intersection of MLK and FM 700, a distance of about 1.4 miles. "It was good it was a little cold today, but certainly worth the effort, worth the sacrifice," said the Rev. Michael Willard of Cornerstone Covenant Church, who joined in the march. "It was a great turnout. It was good to be with fellow citizens." At the end of the march. Rev. Smith. Rev. Willard, and Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan spoke to those gathered.

much fruit.' And so I see those fruit in all of you who have gathered this evening. I see it in our children. I see it in this city that has gathered on this cool January evening to come out and sacrifice," Smith said. "On April 4, 1968, Dr. King died. But his legacy, his Dream, remains alive and it bears much fruit. I see it in you who have gathered this evening. I see it in our children, and I see it in our city that's willing to come together, regardless of your race, regardless of your station or beginning, you have gathered to remember Dr. Martin Luther King and all of those unnamed thousands who have sacrificed so that we may have the freedoms that we have."

country's history."

McLellan expressed pride in Big Spring for honoring King.

"Dr. King had a vision for our country. He had a vision of equality, and a vision for our country to come together as Americans. And today, I'm honored that we have this in Big Spring, Texas, and we should every year, to honor Dr. King and all those who sacrificed along his side through those times in our history," he said. "Many of us might be too young to remember this, but it was a difficult time for our country. Today we are moving forward. We do have more things to accomplish. I appreciate all of you being here today. It's very important. I'd like to see more people next year, from this side of the street to the other side of the street in this march. That's what it's worth to our country." Willard urged those present and all Americans to continue pushing forward for civil rights. "I think Dr. King was an example to all people," he said. "Because of that, for me personally, lest we forget, we could actually go back in time, and we want to be moving forward. It's important to me, it's important to my family, certainly it's important to me as a parent and my children, and even the church that I pastor that we continue to encourage our fellow citizns to love one another to work in cooperation so that God's will would be done through us and around us. It was a good march and I was glad to be here."



"Today we're having a Commemorative Walk remembering the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, and so we've gathered to remember him as well as all of those who have forged a path for togetherness and freedom, for this nation, for African Americans, for all nationalities and cultures, socio-economic divisions," said Smith. "We're all gathered to remember him on this occasion."

Smith said unity in the spirit of Dr. King's ideal is important in times of division and uncertainty.

"I believe that the life and the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King and all of those who forged a path for us as a "I'm reminded of Christ's words. Jesus said, 'Unless the grain, the wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone. But if it dies, it will bear

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Smith urged those present to carry King's dream into the future.

"Now it's up to us to pass it on to our children that they might continue to challenge this country to live up to its founding ideas, that all of us are created equal, endowed by our creator with inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," he said. "We pray that we would encourage our children to remember from which we come, lest we forget. Amen."

Smith said we must hold our elected officials accountable for upholding King's dream.

"Those freedoms can easily be taken away. So we have to be exceptionally mindful in these days of transition. In six days we will have a friendly, peaceful transition of power. We must hold our elected officials, both the mayor and the city council, and also of the state, our governor; and those who are in Congress, in our House of Representatives. We have to hold them accountable," he said. "We cannot go back. We cannot let nobody turn us around."

Mayor McLellan agreed with Rev. Smith.

"This is so important for our community to show our support for what Dr. Martin Luther King did years and years ago. We should continue the vision and the hope that he had for the American people," said the mayor. "We should honor him every year continuously for the work and the sacrifices that he made and that others made during that time in our

HERALD photos/Roger Cline except stock photo of Dr. King, upper left Clockwise from top: Marchers in Monday's MLK **Commemorative Walk head** out down Martin Luther King Blvd; marchers pose for a group photo before the walk; Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan, left, and the **Rev. Michael Smith, second** from left, speak to marchers following the walk; Dr. King delivers a speech to a large crowd.



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Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, grapes, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Ham macaroni, Italian bread, garlic broccoli, Mandarin oranges, veggie cups, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage breakfast pizza, apples, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meatloaf bowl, roll, corn, mashed potatoes, fruit cocktail, garden salad, fruit cup, chocolate crackers, milk

Thursday: Breakfast: Blueberry muffin, banana, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Pepper jack enchilada, Spanish rice, baked beans, strawberries and bananas, garden salad, veggie cups, milk

Friday: Breakfast: PBJ Uncrustables, orange smiles, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Pizza dippers with sauce, french fries, garden salad, sliced apples, fruit cup, milk

Sands ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, fruit juice, milk variety; Lunch: Breaded pork chop, roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrot coins, strawberries, milk, fruit

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: French bread pizza, garden salad, California blend vegetables, sliced peaches, pudding, milk, fruit

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

Thursday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Texas chili, cornbread, broccoli bites, tiny tomato cup, orange smiles, milk, fruit

Friday: Breakfast: Egg and

juice, milk; Lunch: Sloppy Joe french fries, romaine and spinsandwich, fries, cucumber dipper, fresh seasonal fruit, cookie, milk, fruit

Monday: Breakfast: Yogurt cup

with graham crackers or cereal

with cinnamon buttered toast,

chilled pineapples, fruit juice,

milk; Lunch: Chicken bites with

seasoned fries, Italian pasta

with chicken, chicken spaghetti,

honey lemon basked chicken,

scalloped potatoes, green peas,

romaine spinach garden salad,

apples/oranges, baked cinnamon

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast

taco or cereal with buttered toast,

fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk,

salsa; Lunch: Ham and cheese

sandwich with Sun Chips, crispy

chicken tenders, chicken jamba-

laya, chicken and sausage gum-

bo with rice, creole green beans,

yellow squash, romaine spinach

garden salad, bananas/oranges,

Wednesday: Breakfast: Waffle

and sausage or oatmeal with

cinnamon buttered toast, apple

cinnamon baked, fruit juice,

milk; Lunch: Meatball marinara

sub with seasoned fries, grilled

chicken caesar salad, homestyle

pep), loaded baked potato with

roll, ranch chicken, steamed

corn, Italian blend vegetables,

romaine spinach garden salad,

Thursday: Breakfast: Chicken

biscuit or cereal with buttered

toast, fruit juice, fresh fruit,

milk; Lunch: Mini corn dogs

with season fries, chicken taco

salad, chicken quesadilla, soft

beef tacos, Spanish rice/charro

beans, lettuce and tomato salad,

fruit slush cup, bananas/oranges

with cinnamon buttered toast,

chilled Mandarin oranges, fruit

juice, milk; Lunch: Mac Rib sand-

wich with French fries, grilled

chicken sandwich, turkey and

cheese sandwich, chicken bites

salad, broccoli and cheese soup,

Friday: Super donut or cereal

(cheese/pepperoni/spicy

oranges/apples,

fruit slush cup, crackers

Coahoma ISD

apples, rolls

pizza

applesauce,

chocolate cookie

ach garden salad, pears, apples/ oranges

Forsan ISD

Monday: Mini maple waffles or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, Mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Country fried steak, steak fingers, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, fresh fruit, milk

Tuesday: Breakfast sliders or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, applesauce, fresh fruit and milk; Lunch: Mexican combo plate, chicken quesadilla, seasoned corn, refried beans, salsa, fresh fruit, milk

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

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, pears, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Barbecue sandwich, spaghetti bowl with breadstick, California blend, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk

Friday: Cinnamon roll with bacon or variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, Mandarin oranges, fresh fruit and milk; Lunch: Hamburger, mini corndogs

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, mixed cake, chocolate vegetables, bread, milk

Meatloaf/gravy, Tuesday: roasted potatoes, Scandinavian vegetables, Mandarin oranges, rolls, milk

Wednesday: Beef stew with vegetables, peach cobbler, cornbread, milk

Thursday: Barbecue smoked sausage, oven potatoes, California blend vegetables, sugar cookies, bread, milk

Friday: Chicken crispitos, Spanish rice, chips and salsa, Rice Krispy treat, milk

in Howard **County:** Meghan Bias



Where do you work? United Way of Big Spring and Howard County

Where were you born? Toms River, NJ

What city do you live in? Big Spring

Who is in your family? Ben Bias- Husband, Oliver and Clifton Bias, sons - Linda and Marcus Fernandez - Parents

What hobbies, organizations, or clubs are you *interested/involved in?* I'm an art lover and painter! I also love to participate in Fun Runs and other races, I might be slow but I will finish..eventually.

What is your favorite book? Animal Farm, George Orwell

What is your favorite TV show? The Walking Dead

What is your favorite movie? Sixteen Candles and Nightmare on Elm Street

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Roger's Reviews: **Hidden Figures**



n the latter part of the 1950s, the United States faced a problem. Our Cold War rival the Soviet Union had just launched a man-made object into space for the first time, shortly followed by animals and, in 1961, Yuri Gagarin, the first hu-

man to journey into space. It was a public relations nightmare, and in the twilight hours before the dawn of digital computers, NASA needed help doing the complicated math to calculate the trajectories the spaceships needed to fly along to travel and land predictably. Who did they call? Einstein? Some MIT professor? Nope, they called Katherine Gobel, Dorothy Vaughan, and Mary Jackson, three African-American human computers (did you know before electronic computers, they used to call people who did calculations for



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a living "computers"? Now you do) to help them with that little chore. In a time when the country at large still considered them second-class citizens, they helped get Allan Shepard, Gus Grissom, and John Glenn into space. Their story is told in the recently released movie Hidden Figures, directed by Theodore Melfi.

The movie follows Gobel (Taraji P. Henson), Vaughan (Octavia Spencer), and Jackson (Janelle Monae) working in the West Computer Pool at NA-

SA's Langley Research Center in Virginia. Before the credits, we see Gobel as a child being advanced several grades in school and placed in a special math class for gifted students. As the movie opens, the trio are broken down on the side of the road with a bum starter. A policeman comes along and is about to give them a hard time for having car trouble, but that ends when he learns where they work. After Dorothy gets the car started by bypassing the starter (she's good with machines), he gives them an escort on to the center. At work, Vaughan

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is working as a de facto supervisor of the west (read "black") computers. Gobel gets summoned to work plotting trajectories, while Jackson gets called to work in an engineer-

ing lab, which is working the kinks out of the space capsule the astronauts would eventually travel in.

The women all face racial and sexual discrimination. Gobel is saddled with an aloof boss named Al Harrison (Kevin Costner, a fictional pastiche of real directors at NASA) and a cold, prejudiced white male coworker named Paul Stafford (Jim Parsons, also a fictional combination of real people), and is forced to run across the large NASA campus to use a segregated black bathroom back in the western section. Vaughan, while performing the functions of supervisor, only receives regular computer pay. Her boss, a white supervisor named Vivian Mitchell (Kirsten Dunst) is aware of the issue, but doesn't

CRMWD hosts Children's Ranch hunt



group a spaghetti dish for the evening meal.

gram was provided by **Carrol** Texas Parks and Wild- Mark life Game Wardens Ja- Kelsey, cob Crumpton of Concho Minzenmeyer and County, Texas, and Lee Joel Morrison of Coleman Bottom row left to County Texas, which generated some very in-

really care. Vaughan also becomes aware that NASA is installing an IBM mainframe, designed to make the human computers obsolete and put them out of work. Jackson puts in her application to become a full engineer, but new regulations require schooling she doesn't have, and can't get because the only school close enough to allow her to continue work while attending classes is a whites-only segregated high school that offers night courses.

Gobel, the main character, has a couple of extra story lines, including her live-in mother (Donna Biscoe) and children (she's a widow); and her budding romance with a young National Guardsman named Jim Johnson (Mahershala Ali).

"Hidden Figures" does a great job of showing persistence in the face of persecution and adversity. The women are given roadblocks at every turn, and through sheer stick-to-itiveness, manage not only to prevail, but to make themselves so indispensable to their white bosses and coworkers that those roadblocks begin to be removed for the sake of "getting the job done."

Any downgrade I give to this movie is based on the fictionalization that Hollywood requires to make a movie. I've already noted some ways (the characters of Harrison and Stafford) that the movie doesn't match the history; but there are others. In reality, it wasn't Gobel who was forced to run hither and yon searching for a restroom, but Jackson. Like Gobel's male coworkers in the Space Task Group, Vaughan's nemesis Vivian Mitchell was fictional, and Vaughan was actually made a supervisor nearly a decade before the events of the movie. I understand that Hollywood feels the needs to make some changes in order to make historical facts into a good story, but that doesn't mean I have to like it or cut them any slack for it.

All in all, "Hidden Figures" is a very good, inspiring movie that suffers from a little too much Hollywood. Eight stars out of 10.



Hidden Figures

Director: Theodore Melfi Writers: Screenplay by Allison Schroeder and Theodore Melfi; based on the book "Hidden Figures" by Margot Lee Shetterly.

Production company: Fox 2000 Pictures, Chernin Entertainment, Levantine Films, TSG Entertainment

PG, 2 hrs. 7 min., Drama, Jan. 6, 2017

Roger saw this movie at Big Spring's own Cinemark Cinema 4, located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. For more information visit www. cinemark.com and enter the ZIP code 79720.

Courtesy photo Top row left to An educational pro- right: Chris Grimes, Sessom, Halfmann, Monica right: John, Ariel,

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On January 7, 2017, the Colorado River Municipal Water District hosted its second deer hunt of the 2016/2017 season for kids from a Texas Children's Ranch. A very frigid morning of 11 degrees was the setting for this second hunt, but the kids where still excited to brave the cold and go hunting. Three girls and three boys participated in the doe and spike hunt.

Wal-Mart of Ballinger, along with an anonymous donor from Nebraska and Texas, donated several gift cards for the hunt. Each child received a participation gift card, plus awards were given for the best marksman, biggest (weight) doe, oldest doe, biggest spike and two "luck of the draw" prizes.

The young hunters also participated in what has become one of their favorite events: a time to practice shooting and a marksmanship contest, which always gets very serious when it comes time for the official target shoot for a prize. The boys took the marksmanship prize, which was won by the young hunter Josh P., who turned in a very impressive best 4 out of 5 shot group of 7/8" after a very competitive shoot. Very nice shooting gang!

The biggest doe was awarded to young hunter John (guided by Chris Grimes), with a doe field dress weight of 76 lbs. Oldest doe prize also went to hunter John, (guided by Chris Grimes) with an

old, almost toothless doe, of 8 1/2 years old. As luck would have it. John also won the biggest spike award (based on antler length).

The "luck of the draw" prizes went to young hunter Josh B, and young lady hunter Mary. Despite the extremely cold weather. everyone saw an abundance of game including a couple of bobcats. That always adds some excitement to the hunt.

Throughout the hunt all were blessed with great food. The Saturday and Sunday breakfasts where provide by Elm Creek Village of Lake Ivie, and a delicious Saturday lunch was provided by the Concho Park Marina,

also of Lake Ivie. David & Vicky Stewart of Rockwood, provided ΤХ soft drinks and breakfast pastries for all to enjoy during the hunt. After lunch everyone enjoyed homemade brownies baked-up by Noreen Jamison of Voss, and cookies by Carrol Sessom, of Lake Ivie. Half-Debra mann of Lake fed the Ivie

teresting topics and real life work experiences. After a short time of rest and visiting it was time for the evening hunt.

Those assisting as hunting guides where Carol Sessom of Lake Ivie, Monica Minzenmyer of Rowena, TX. Chris Grimes of Ballinger, TX,

and Mark Halfmann of San Angelo, TX, along with chaperones Kelsey and Joel from the Children's Home.

Deer corn was provided by the, Coleman Grain Inc. of Coleman, Ballinger Shopping Basket (IGA) and Ballinger Feed and Seed, both of Ballinger, TX. As always, this greatly enhances the odds that the young hunters will have a better opportunity to see wildlife and harvest deer. CRMWD thanks all who supported this event and gave of themselves to make this opportunity available to these young girls and boys.



Josh Ρ, Mary, Hailey, Josh D.

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Advice for buying Super Bowl tickets

uper Bowl LI is a few weeks away, and football fans everywhere are starting to make their predictions. On Sunday, Feb. 5, two teams will compete for the NFL championship title in Houston. If you're heading to the Super Bowl this year, Better Business Bureau advises you to be on alert for ticket scams.

There are currently thousands of game day tickets listed on classifieds websites,



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which seems great to those making a last-minute decision to see the big game. However, these sites 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. This may become a more likely scam because the game is in Texas this year.

BBB offers the following tips

for safely purchasing Super Bowl tickets: • Do your research. When purchasing tickets through an online broker, check out their BBB Business Review at bbb.org for details about the company, history of complaints and customer reviews. You can also check to see if they are a member of the National Association of Ticket Brokers, an organization that works with law enforcement agencies, professional sports teams and other organizations to fight against counterfeit tickets.

 Verify the tickets are real. Search for guidance online about how the tickets should look and compare them to the ones you want to buy. Also, compare the price of the tickets to the price of others being sold. Scammers will often list tickets at a very low price to lure victims. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

 Check the ticket broker's refund policy. Research the ticket broker's refund policy before purchasing, and make sure it provides clear details about the terms of the transaction. Assess the company's policy for customer satisfaction and details on reimbursement for cancelled events.

• Watch for hidden fees. Some websites include service charges and additional shipping fees. While these charges should be identified on the website and disclosed to you before the transaction is finalized, read the fine print

Sign of appreciation



Adrian Calvio/State Farm Insurance was a recent recipient of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's "We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community" banner.

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- Corina Avila, 1800 Winston St., Big Spring
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- Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake
- Ester Hilario Calderon, 1111 W. Fifth St. Big Spring
- Vanessa Malu Calderon, 2600 Chanute Dr., Big Spring
- Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th St., Big Spring
- Gloria Cerna, PO Box 55, Lamesa Pedro Chavarria, 1408 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
- Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa,

Adela Juarez Hernandez, 908 NW

- First St., Big Spring Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., San Angelo
- Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
- Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N. Texas #198, Odessa
- Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
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- Ruann R. Martinez, 1005 N.W. 2nd St., Big Spring
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- Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring
- Nicole Preston, 1605 E. 11th Place, **Big Spring**
 - Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles,

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- Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Road Apt. # 133, Big Spring Linda Cortez White, 6601 E. Robin-
- son Rd., P.O. Box 429, Coahoma
- Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, **Big Spring**
- Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

- Kenneth Ray Cox, 19, and Lauren Nichole Hall, 19, both of Big Spring.
- Jose Adrian Sanchez, 29, and Ruth Morales Griner, 31, both of Big Spring.
- Jason Paul Mize, 43, and Krysha Lee Bearden, 34, both of Big Spring.
- Kyle Windell Richards, 33, and Tanya Gean Jewett, 33, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Courtesy photo



to make sure you know the total cost that will be billed to your account. • Pay with a credit card. Always use a credit card as additional

protection. Also, never wire money to someone you don't

know. Money sent via wire transfer is extremely difficult to retrieve. Once the scammers have picked it up, there is little recourse, if any, for getting your money back.

Additionally, BBB advises you to watch out for these red flags:

• The ticket seller prefers to communicate via email. If the seller doesn't provide a physical address or phone number as another option to communicate, that's a red flag. With email, there's no way to tell where the person is emailing from, or who the person is. Ask questions!

• The ticket seller can't provide additional photos or information. Request more photos of the property, or ask to be given a virtual tour via webcam. Ask for specific details about the package or tickets you are purchasing. Legitimate owners and/or sellers will be happy to oblige.

If you believe you have purchased a counterfeit ticket, immediately report it to the NATB's hotline at 630-510-4594 and file a complaint with your BBB at bbb.org.

Heather Massey is the regional director for the Permian Basin office of Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin. Heather is available for media interviews and speaking engagements. You can reach her by phone: (432) 563-1880 or email: hmassey@permianbasin.bbb.org

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James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. #502, Atlanta

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Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th

Permits

John Medina, 3205 Fenn St., res re-roof, Val: \$7,425, Fee: \$50

Nolan D. Beall, 1731 Yale Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$9,339.92, Fee: \$60

Brent Neil Strande, 3805 Hamilton St., res re-roof, Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25

Norma Johnson Reagan, 509 Dallas St., res elec, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25

Travel Center of America, 704 W. Interstate 20, com HVAC, Val: \$7,000, Fee: \$45

Pat K. Kingsfield, 1603 Kiowa St., res re-roof, Val: \$14,000, Fee: \$80

Rose Guthrie, 4110 Dixon St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$35

City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan St., com HVAC, Val: \$51,000, Fee: 0

Joshua Ryan Sanchez, 1409 Oriole St., structure (replace existing fence), Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25

Maurice's Vanilla Clothing, 111 E. Marcy #170, com alteration/addition, Val: \$75,775, Fee: \$414

Tommy Dale Churchwell, 2004 N. Monticello St., res reroof, Val: \$5,982.55, Fee: \$40

Tommy Dale Churchwell, 1901 Morrison Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$4,730, Fee: \$35

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John Roberts, 2208 Alabama, Big Spring

George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring

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Wells Fargo Bank NA vs. Mark Heatley, contract - consumer/commercial debt

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Douglas Gray and Christa Gray vs. ALON USA, Berry Contracting, Bay Ltd., civil case

Ronald Hipp vs. Joan Hipp, divorce Wells Fargo Bank NA vs. Eric Lan-

drum, contract - consumer/commercial debt

Kassie Henderson vs. Brady Henderson, divorce

Big Spring Hospital Corporation vs. Silvia Yanez and Miguel Yanez, contract - consumer/commercial debt

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TJ Churchwell, 1202 Barnes Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$5,852.61, Fee: \$40

Tommy Dale Churchwell, 1300 Barnes Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$2,868.60, Fee: \$25

Anthony E. Shankles, 702 E. 16th St., res plumb, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32

Carl Johansen, 705 Johansen Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$10,000, Fee: \$60

Craig Maxwell, 1006 Baylor Blvd., res elec, Val: \$1, Fee: \$25

Teri Pace Chevallier, 3730 Adams St., res re-roof, Val: \$3,900, Fee: \$30

Michael Stephen Forshee, 4045 Vicky St., res re-roof, Val: \$8,600, Fee: \$15

Christie D. Guy, 2402 Alabama St., res re-roof, Val: \$8,610, Fee: \$55

Helen Richardson, 3617 Hamilton St., res HVAC, Val: \$3,800, Fee: \$45

BDA Companies, 601 E. Third St., com alteration/addition, Val: \$25,000, Fee: \$135

Gilbert D. Lopez, 710 Douglas St., res gas, Val: \$500, Fee: \$32

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Business

Trump expects 'big results' from ag pick

WASHINGTON (AP) - Donald Trump said Thursday that he expects that former Georgia Gov. Sonny Perdue, his choice to lead the Agriculture Department, will "deliver big results for all Americans who earn their living off the land."

Agriculture secretary was the final Cabinet post to be announced by Trump, who is set to take office Friday.

Perdue, 70, is a farmer's son who built businesses in grain trading and trucking before becoming the first Republican governor of Georgia since Reconstruction.

Perdue, from the small city of Bonaire in rural central Georgia, would be the first Southerner in the post in more than two decades. He is not related to or affiliated with the food company Perdue or the poultry producer Perdue Farms.

"From growing up on a farm to being governor of a big agriculture state, he has spent his whole life understanding and solving the challenges our farmers face, and he is going to deliver big results for all Americans who earn their living off the land," Trump said in a statement.

Perdue, in a statement released by Trump's transition team, said he began as "a simple Georgia farm boy," and he pledged to "champion the concerns of American agriculture and work tirelessly to solve the issues facing our farm families."

Trump said at a preinauguration dinner in Washington on Thursday night that Perdue's farming background had elevated him above more "politically correct" candidates.

ta and Nebraska. Trump's Cabinet picks Many farm-state lawdo not include a single Latino — the first time that's happened in nearly 30 years. Trump said he'd met with "10 people that everybody liked. Pocandidate. litically correct. And I kept thinking back to Sonny Perdue, a great, great farmer. He loves

"NEED Ag leader w dirt under finger nails 4farmers," he wrote.

Perdue began his political career as a Democrat in the Georgia Legislature in the 1990s. After switching his allegiance to the Republican Party, he was elected governor in 2002. The victory over an incumbent Democrat completed Georgia's shift to a solidly Republican state, ending generations of Democratic control of state government.

Despite that political change, Perdue showed little interest in push-

signature legislation during his two terms. Instead he focused on finding ways to save money while improving customer service by state agencies. He often referred to himself as Georgia's CEO. Critics accused Per-

ing big programs or

Former Georgia Gov. Sonny Perdue is President Trump's selection as Agriculture Secretary.

due of failing to tackle some of Georgia's biggest problems, such as struggling public schools.

Perdue, who was reelected in 2006, didn't rely only on his business acumen as governor. A devout Southern Baptist, he also found

a place for faith in his referendum was held in administration. In 2007, when a withering drought gripped Georgia and neighboring states, he held a prayer rally in front of the Capitol in Atlanta to pray for rain.

Perdue brought an end to Georgia's conflicts over a state flag that featured the Confederate battle emblem. The flag was replaced by lawmakers under

Perdue's Democratic predecessor, but the design proved new unpopular. Perdue insisted Georgia voters should pick the flag. A AP photo



after a deadly U.S. salmonella outbreak was traced to Georgiamade peanut butter. He moved the state office that issues water permits for irrigation and other agricultural uses from Atlanta to rural south Georgia, where it would be closer to farmers.

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heritage groups were

outraged that the op-

tions did not include the

old flag with the Confed-

Under Perdue's watch,

Georgia adopted tough

food-safety regulations

erate symbol.

Steven Hobbs, 1706 Harvard Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$6,000, Fee: \$40

Heriberto Sarinana, 1105 E. 12th St., res elec, Val:

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Grantor: Edward and Jean Slate

Grantee: John Roy Allred and Bonnie Mae Allred

Property: Lot 3, Blk. 4 Amended Highland South addition

Date: Jan. 12, 2017

Grantor: James Daniel Parker

Grantee: Brandy Chavarria

Property: A 1.93-acre tract in Sec. 40, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. survey

Date: Jan. 13, 2017

Grantor: Jose A. and Monica Castillo Grantee: Anthony Fuen-Property: Lot 12 Blk. 8,

North Belvue addition Date: Jan. 13, 2017

Warranty Deeds with Vendors' Liens

makers and agriculture groups grew concerned as Trump approached his inauguration without having named an agriculture secretary Earlier Thursday, Iowa Sen. Chuck Grassley tweeted that he was frustrated with the process.

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Grantor: J. Hopper Homes Grantee: Bobby and Reyna Franco Property: A 0.35-acre tract in NW/4 Sec. 1, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey Date: Jan. 13, 2017

Grantor: J. Hopper Homes

Grantee: Scott E. and Krystal Tutle Property: A 0.35-acre

tract in NW/4 Sec.1 Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey.

Date: Jan. 17, 2017

Grantor: Angela E. Cole aka Angela Cole, individually and as heir of Gary Lee Cole aka Gary Cole, deceased.

Grantee: Alexis Spurlock and Matthew Piercefield.

Property: Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 24, Monticello addition

Date: Jan. 18, 2017

Grantor: Kenneth De La Garza dba F&G Construction Grantee: Garry Everett

Davenport Jr. and Candace Lynn Davenport Property: Lot 7, Blk. 34, College Park Estates Date: Jan. 18, 2017

Hollie Lynn Boswell, 1409 Lincoln Ave., structure (fence), Val: \$3,500, Fee: \$30

Joyce Carrol, 2718 Larry Dr., res gas, Val: \$2,200, Fee: \$32

Tiffanie Jo Subia, 4301 Connally, mobile home permit, Val: \$178,000, Fee: \$694, res plumb, Val: \$1, Fee: \$39, res sewer tap, Val: \$346, Fee: \$346, res water tap, Val: \$512, Fee: \$512, total, Val: \$178,859, Fee: \$1,591

Robert Franklin Schmidt Jr., 3701 Caroline St., res reroof, Val: \$100, Fee: 0

Betty Lou Pearson, 1317 E. 11th Pl., res gas, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32

Amanda Laraye Patterson, 1506 E. Fifth St., res reroof, Val: \$3,500, Fee: \$30

Clay Harris, 1500 Tucson Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$4,000, Fee: \$30

Amber M. Jones, 1206 E. 15th St., res re-roof, Val: \$4,800, Fee: \$35

Evangeline Nieto, 613 Colgate Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$35

Michael J. Martinez, 1725 Purdue Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$4,500, Fee: \$35

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Christopher Mason, 1409 1/2 E. 19th St., res elec., Val: \$500, Fee: \$25

Meagan Hodges, 509 S. Bell St., res re-roof, Val: \$1.500. Fee: \$25

Metro PCS, 1009 Gregg, com elec, Val: \$1, Fee: \$25 Robert M. Garcia, 506 NW 10th St., res re-roof, Val: \$8,400, Fee: \$55

Fidel Calderon, 610 N. Main St., com elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25

Roy Hughes, 2709 Central Dr., res alteration/addition, Val: \$9,000, Fee: \$55

Sunny Side Up, 1907 Birdwell Lane Ste. A, com elec., Val: 0, Fee: \$25

Matias L. Perez, 201 NE Sixth St. (Rear), res gas, Val: \$500, Fee: \$32

CDR Properties, 704 Main St., com alteration/addition, Val: \$8,000, Fee: \$50, com elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25, Val: \$8,500, Fee: \$75

Henry Currie, 819 W. 18th St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$35

David Allen Burcham, 1809 Thorpe St., res re-roof, Val: \$6,900, Fee: \$45

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Opening lead — queen of hearts. It is estimated that even the best bridge players get to their optimum contract only 90 percent of the time. This is perhaps a surprising statistic, considering that the top experts employ many sophisticated bidding devices to help guide them to the ideal contract.

For a good example of how easy it is to miss the mark, take this case where a normal sequence of bids led North-South to a contract that

seemed certain to fail. Three notrump was laydown, but was not easy to reach.

However, good play allowed declarer to get home safely. Faced with four probable losers - two hearts and two diamonds - he managed to make one of them disappear by converting his seemingly useless

jack of clubs into a trick. After winning West's queen of hearts with dummy's ace, declarer immediately led the club three toward his jack! East put up the queen and played the king and another heart to West's ten. West shifted to the queen of diamonds, but South was now firmly in the driver's seat

He took the diamond with the ace, cashed the A-Q of spades and club jack, and crossed to dummy's ten of spades. He then discarded his two losing diamonds on the A-K of clubs to finish with 10 tricks.

It is true that South lost a club trick he did not have to lose, but in so doing, he avoided losing two dia-mond tricks. He realized from the start that his only real chance for the contract was to score three club tricks instead of two, and all his moves were made with that goal in mind.

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When one pairs the word "endurance" with "training," it sounds like a worthy pursuit, even though the word "endurance" is synonymous with "suffering" and related wholly to pain. Learning to expect and deal with discomfort makes us better and more effective. This message comes via the mounting tension between Venus and Saturn.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're listening better than ever, and you're keen to many layers of communication. Much will be revealed in the manner of people speaking too much, speaking very little or speaking without words.

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). Action without insight may be wasteful, scattershot and ultimately ineffective, but insight without action is equally fruitless. Your success route is extremely simple today: Think; do.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your day is structured around a particular activity, and your emotional life is worked out in this arena. What comes up for you is interesting -- feelings, strong and surprising.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Inside every person is a secret hope to be understood, accepted and loved without conditions. The question of the day: How easy or difficult is it for you to give this kind of love?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Lately, everyone seems to need you so much that the hours get away from you. Seek an internal locus of control. What if your actions could be motivated by your own values, needs and feelings instead of theirs?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Most things do not immediately work. Glitches are a normal part of

Tomorrow's Horoscope every single endeavor. Getting very frustrated usually helps nothing. Anticipate rough patches in the road. Be cool; stay flexible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Just because your destination is far away doesn't mean it will be difficult to get to. This journey is a straight shot. Your arrival at the goal line is certain -- and dependent on very simple consistent daily efforts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Where the big philosophical topics are on the table, someone is depressed or going through an existential crisis. Just one more reason to seize every opportunity to forge real and loving connections.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Although you understand that people develop in various ways and at different rates, you still find immaturity rather off-putting. It's one reason you strive to make the most adult choice you can think of in any given moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Relationships will thrive in a buoyant energy, and there will be plenty of distractions around to keep the mood breezv. It would. however, be a mistake to make light of the things that others experience as heavy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). After every interaction, ask yourself what the overall feeling is that you're left with. Be wary of the one who deals quick advice from the hip instead of taking the time to listen to your thoughts and concerns.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Narcissists tend to oversimplify the needs of others, whereas codependents overinflate. Give the attention necessary -- and then slightly more -- but don't overdo it.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Jan. 22). Your intensity turns up a skosh. People around you will take notice and move in response to your energy, which is pleasantly effective. You'll get a hard job done quickly in February, and the rewards come in March. Your family expands, and home life becomes beautifully efficient to accommodate the

changes. Libra and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 5, 33, 28 and 41.

FORECAST FOR

THE WEEK AHEAD: The scholars remind us that it wasn't until the 12th century that humans celebrated romantic love in a courtly manner through stories and songs. The medieval movement toward valuing the spiritual qualities of ordinary individuals (not just leaders, heroes and gods) led to a shift in the way people viewed relationships. These days, there are many who will argue against the glorification of romantic love, suggesting that romantic love is an ineffective construct for relationships. How do you feel about it? Might there be a better one? If you've never questioned the validity of concepts such as "soul mates" and "everlasting love" and whether people are "made for each other," the arrangement of Venus, the love goddess, to Saturn, the questioning planet of hard lessons, may start a dialogue on the matter. This is the

first of four squares between Venus and Saturn this year and has potential to be the most thought-provoking of them all. Friday brings the Aquarius new moon, which can be slightly detached and dispassionate on the matter of relationships. It will be easier to separate fact from fiction and fantasy with the emotional intensity turned down like this.

CELEBRITY PRO FILES: "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives" star Guy Fieri is a restaurateur, an author, a game show host and the "face" of Food Network. The gregarious Aquarius was born when Mercury was also in Aquarius, the sign that relates and empathizes so easily with humanity. His moon's being in Scorpio brings a rascally element into Fieri's natal chart and a talent for uncovering hidden treasure -- in Fieri's case, culinary gems.

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Bye, Bicoastal Love

Dear Annie: l've been on-again, offagain with this guy for five years. We're both musicians. We live on opposite coasts, but between touring and picking up studio gigs, we cross paths or end up in each other's city every couple of months.

We were only "official" for about a year, three years ago. We decided to end things because of the distance. But we couldn't just cut things off completely, so we continued to stay in touch via texts and phone calls -- as "friends."

The next time he was in town, we met up for a drink, and long story short, we ended up spending the whole weekend together. We've done that routine a few times a year ever since.

it's over. We've had such a good thing for so long. I want to tell him I'd even be willing to relocate if he wanted to try to make it work. But I just don't know where he really stands. It feels as if everything he's said and done for the past five years has sent mixed signals. I wish he would just be straight with me. Help. -- Long-Distance Limbo **Dear Long-Dis**tance: He gave you an answer loud and clear, but you've been covering your ears. I don't blame you, as it sounds as if he's been leading you on quite a bit over the past five years. But it's time to face the fact that this man is not interested in a serious relationship with you. The truth hurts, but it will set you free. And should this guy come crawling back in a few months, have enough love for yourself to tell him no. Dear Annie: What is a proper tip to leave for a hotel maid? I realize it should be left on a daily basis because hotel personnel change, but I'm not sure of the

amount. Also, how much should one tip a hospital valet? -- Indiana Tipster

Dear Indiana:

You're exactly right; it's best to leave a tip every day to ensure the person actually cleaning your room that day receives it. I would recommend tipping between \$2 and \$5 per day. Leave the cash with a note specifying that the cash is for the housekeeper. Now, the question of tipping the hospital valet is a little trickier. It's not as if this is the valet stand at a nightclub. Hospitals provide valet service to spare ill and weak patients a long walk, and in fact, many hospitals have a policy of no tips for valets. Talk to a manager at the hospital to find out what the policy is there.

Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Matthew Sewell Edited by Stanley Newman

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It's been confusing. We're both technically single, but I've always felt as if I'm in a relationship. I don't have any interest in dating anyone else, and I thought he felt the same way -- until last month.

I was going to be in his city for work. I texted him a couple of weeks prior to let him know I'd be in town, and he said he couldn't wait. Then, as the date got closer, he went radio-silent. He stopped responding to any of my texts and didn't answer my calls. Finally, I sent him a long text telling him how angry and hurt I was. He responded with a text telling me he started seeing someone else recently and doesn't want to mess it up.

I feel betrayed and hurt, but maybe worst of all, I can't help but hold out hope that this is just a fling and he'll want me back when

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Melania Trump wears sky-blue cashmere Ralph Lauren ensemble



AP photo President Donald Trump and his wife Melania walk out together after attending church service at St. John's Episcopal Church across from the White House in Washington, Friday, Jan. 20, 2017.

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Associated Press

Incoming first lady Melania Trump wore a sky-blue cashmere jacket and mock turtleneck dress by Ralph Lauren, the brand that designed so many Hillary Clinton pantsuits, on Inauguration Day. "It was important to us to uphold and celebrate the tradition of creating iconic American style for this moment," the Lauren corporation said in a statement.

With her hair in a soft updo and wearing long, sky-blue suede gloves and matching stilettos, Mrs. Trump

'Dance Moms' star's two day sentencing hearing set to begin

By JOE MANDAK

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A federal judge will decide if "Dance Moms" reality TV star Abby Lee Miller should be sentenced to prison or probation for concealing hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of income during her Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

The bankruptcy fraud case largely boils down to one question: Did she intend to harm the creditors she owed? Federal prosecutors say she meant to hide \$775,000 in income and are seeking a prison sentence of up to 30 months. Miller's attorneys say she simply got caught up in her fame and fortune, but always planned to repay her debts. They want probation. A two-day sentencing hearing gets underway Friday before a judge in Pittsburgh. The sentence will be imposed when both sides return Feb. 24. The two-day hearing was scheduled so the court could hear from numerous witnesses.

"Ms. Miller's manifest intention has always been to pay her creditors 100% of what they were entitled to receive," her attorney, Brandon Verdream wrote in a sentencing memo.

But Assistant U. S. Attorney Greg Melucci's competing memo says Miller repeatedly lied to a bankruptcy judge, and worked behind the scenes with her accountant and others to

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was greeted at the White House by President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama, the latter in a deep red belted shortsleeved dress with black piping and a matching coat.

President Donald Trump, wearing a red tie and black overcoat, opted to leave his suit jacket unbuttoned.

Trump's oldest daughter, Ivanka, chose white Oscar de la Renta and wore a tiny American flag pin, and Hillary Clinton showed up in a white Ralph Lauren pantsuit that harkened back to one she wore to accept the Democratic nomination for president in July. Her overcoat matched the ensemble.

Tiffany Trump also opted for white and wore a double-breasted coat.

Who else made a large fashion statement for Trump's big day? His senior adviser, Kellyanne Conway, in a Gucci military-style wool coat of red, white and blue, with two rows of cathead buttons and a red cloche hat. She described her look as "Trump revolutionary wear." Others likened it to uniforms worn in "The Nutcracker" ballet.

Mrs. Trump's look, with its bolerostyle jacket, prompted comparisons to a fashion icon of the past, former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, who wore a powder-blue outfit with a matching pillbox hat to John F. Kennedy's 1961 inauguration.

On Thursday, when inauguration events kicked off, Mrs. Trump shimmered in gold for the Candlelight Dinner in a long-sleeved beaded gown by Reem Acra. Ivanka Trump wore a white cap-sleeved de la Renta gown with a large black bow at the back.

For the wreath-laying ceremony earlier that day at Arlington National Cemetery, Mrs. Trump wore a black military-style coat by the New Yorkbased designer Norisol Ferrari. Ivanka Trump provided Thursday's pop of color in kelly green de la Renta.

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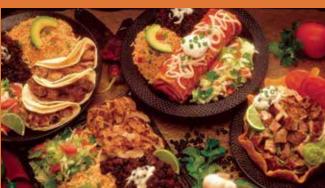
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hide her wealth. That was done because a courtapproved bankruptcy plan to determine how much Miller's creditors would be repaid hinged on how much wealth she reported.

"The judge was a (expletive)," Miller wrote in a February 2013 email to her accountant. "He hates me ... I'm paying Everyone I owe 100% back in one big check! Who does that? Nobody in bankruptcy!"

In another 2013 email, with the subject line, "LET'S MAKE MONEY AND KEEP ME OUT OF JAIL," she instructed her accountant and business partner not to deposit any money into her bank accounts, Melucci wrote.

The criminal investigation began when a channel-surfing bankruptcy judge saw Miller on TV in December 2012 and figured she had to be making more than the \$8,899 in monthly income she had claimed up to that point.

"The problem here is the fact that it looks to the Court as if she was hiding the ball," U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Thomas Agresti said during a February 2013 hearing. "And until she got caught, we wouldn't have known about this."

Miller pleaded guilty to hiding more than \$228,000 in income from appearances on "Dance Moms" and a spinoff, "Abby's Ultimate Dance Competition," and nearly \$550,000 more from personal appearances, dance sessions and merchandise before the bankruptcy judge caught on.

Miller also pleaded guilty in June to sneaking more than \$120,000 worth of foreign currency into the country on a return trip from Australia in 2014.

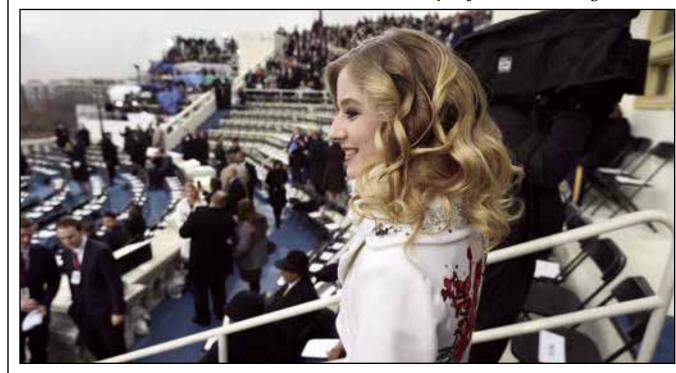
Federal prosecutors want Miller to forfeit that money, which they say she hid in the luggage of others in her party — including children.

Miller's attorney denies children were involved and is opposing the forfeiture.

"Dance Moms" follows Miller's young students and their involved mothers, who attend practices and performances and openly clash with the brash, critical Miller.

The show is based out of her dance studio in Penn Hills, a Pittsburgh suburb, although Miller now lives in Los Angeles.

Jackie Evancho, Mormon Tabernacle Choir perform at inauguration



AP photo Singer Jackie Evancho arrives for the Presidential Inauguration of Donald Trump at the US Capitol in Washington, DC, Jan. 20, 2017.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The new president called out "Great job, Jackie!" after 16-year-old Jackie Evancho delivered a softvoiced rendition of the national anthem at Friday's swearing-in ceremony.

The Mormon Tabernacle Choir sang "America the Beautiful," and the Missouri State University Chorale sang "Now We Belong," in a ceremony that featured decidedly less star power than in 2013. At President Barack Obama's second inauguration, Beyonce sang the anthem, James Taylor sang "America the Beautiful," and Kelly Clarkson sang a powerful "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

The various inauguration performances have exposed the obvious divisions in the country following the election of Donald Trump, who is deeply unpopular in Hollywood. A number of artists declined the opportunity to perform, and Broadway singer Jennifer Holliday even said she'd received death threats before she pulled out of her scheduled appearance.

For those seeking star power. there was the unofficial, alternate programming around town, such as Thursday's Peace Ball or Saturday's planned performances at the Women's March on Washington.

At the Peace Ball, the main attraction, Solange Knowles, didn't hit the stage until close to midnight, but the 3,000 or so enthusiastic guests packed into

the National Museum of African American History and Culture weren't going anywhere.

The evening, organized by progressive activist Andy Shallal, also featured jazz singer Esperanza Spalding and a dance party. Guests included actors Danny Glover, Fran Drescher and Ellen Page. Angela Davis and Alice Walker were also in attendance.

Glover addressed the fact that although the event was described as a nonpartisan celebration of successes in recent years in areas such as health care, climate change and marriage equality, the room was filled with people unhappy with the results of the election.

"We can't just sit and lick our wounds," Glover said. "Our work is cut out for us. We have to make some hard choices."



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