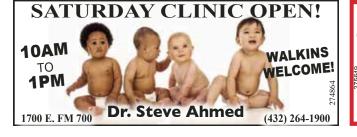


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Grand Jury indicts 15 Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The following individuals were indicted during this week's session of the Howard County Grand Jury on Thurs-

 Nathaniel Jamal Ausbie, 33, 2911 W. Highway 80, two counts of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon (third degree felony), and possession of a controlled substance, more than 4 grams but less than 200 grams (second degree felony).

• John Dustin Baker, 24, of 607 Highland Dr., Big Spring, assault family violence/impeding breath/ circulation (third degree felony). • Brady Baldwin III, 36, of

3127 Nebraska St., Dallas, evading arrest with a motor vehicle (enhanced to a second degree felony). • Renea Renna Booker, 34,

1207 Sycamore, Big Spring, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (second degree felony).



• Billy Joe Edmondson, 36, 410 Kenneth, Big Spring, driving while intoxicated, third or more (third degree felony). • Dal Justin Hays,

habitation, (second degree felony). • Michael Shae Jackman, 31, of 7405 N. CR 19, Big Spring, evading felony).

• Tony Leon Jetton, 41, or 704 Austin, Big Spring, bur glary of a building (state jai felony).

 Charles Edward Johnson 55, of 1401 Limestone Ridge Big Spring, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (state jai felony).

• Shane Alan Knowlton, 30 of 1809 Mittel, Big Spring (two counts) aggravated as sault with a deadly weapon

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U.S. Congressman Jodey Arrington, left, meets with U.S. Vice President Mike Pence, middle, during a three-day retreat in Philadelphia this past week with fellow Republicans to discuss strategy on a number of issues.

Arrington participates in 3-day retreat to discuss strategy with fellow Republicans

By AMANDA ELSTON

Managing Editor

District 19 Congressman Jodey Arrington participated in a three-day retreat in Philadelphia this past week with Congressional Republicans to discuss and strategize on several issues, such as repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act and reforming the tax code.

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sent a message loud and clear to Washington," said Arrington. "They don't want business as usual they want results. These are exciting times in our great country as we, in the Congress, work with President Trump to deliver re-

Also on the agenda was rolling back regulations put in place by President Obama and his administration.

"In the first three weeks, the House has already taken action to roll back regulations, restore our relationship with Israel, repeal Obamacare, and restrict taxpayer dollars from being used to fund abortions through government programs." The retreat was vis-

ited by President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence. In addition to meeting with congressmen and congresswomen from around the country, Arrington was able to meet Trump and Pence personally.

"I had a brief introduction and visit with President Trump and asked him to remember rural America and our farmers and ranchers," said Arrington. "The presi-

dent said not to worry, he would be taking care of them. I look forward to working with President Trump and his administration to ensure the values and interests of rural communities are well represented."

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HC to present "Chess"

in spring

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

"One night in Bangkok makes a hard man humble....," from the musical "Chess"

Coming soon to Howard College, open community auditions for the musical "Chess."

It's been five years since Howard College presented a large musical production, according to Ethan Wills, Howard College assistant professor/director of choral studies. This year, the college music department in partnership with the college fine arts program will host the broadway hit musical "Chess" in April.

"We have a terrific group of students in the fine arts program, and we decided this would be a terrific year to put on a big production," Wills said.

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President Trump orders strict new refugee screening

By KEN THOMAS

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump has barred all refugees from entering the United States for four months, and indefinitely halted any from Syria, saying the ban is needed to keep out "radical Islamic terrorists."

The order Friday immediately suspended a program that last year resettled in the U.S. roughly 85,000 people displaced by war, political oppression, hunger and religious prejudice. Trump indefinitely blocked those fleeing Syria, where a civil war has raged, and imposed a 90-day ban on entry to the U.S. from seven Muslim majority nations. "We want to ensure that we are not

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Obituaries

Connie Lea Ford Buchanan



Connie Lea Ford Buchanan, 74, of Coahoma died Friday, Jan. 27, 2017, in a Lubbock hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 30, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with Eddy Pitchford officiating. Interment will follow at Mt Olive Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017, at the

funeral home.

Connie was born Oct. 5, 1942, in Pasadena, Texas and married Sammie Buchanan June 1, 1961, in Co-

She was a graduate of Coahoma High School. She lived a life full of compassion and empathy for people and animals alike. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother who cared deeply for her family. She enjoyed collecting antiques and study-

Her memory will live on through the lives of those

she touched, including: her husband, Sammie Don Buchanan of Coahoma; one son, Sammie Don Buchanan Jr. and wife Paris of Cedar Creek; one daughter, Vickie Lynn Engel and husband Todd of Bee Cave; three granddaughters, Rae Buchanan of Ft. Worth, Amy Hawk and husband Austin of Midland, and Aly Engel of Lubbock; one brother, Billie Ford and wife Vickie of Burnett; and her beloved

She was preceded in death by an infant sister, JoAnn Ford; and her parents, Billie Bittick and Georgia Pauline (Stewart) Ford.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses, and staff of Scenic Mountain Medical Center, and University Medical Center of Lubbock for their loving care.

Memorials are suggested to be made to the American Heart Association at donatenow.heart.org/

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at www. npwelch.com.

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Markus Allan Garza Jr.



Markus Allan Garza Jr., 27, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, Jan. 23, 2017, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

He will lie in state from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Myers and Smith Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p m. Sunday at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Templo Belen, with pastors Maria

Rios, Michael Willard, and Kevin Knudson officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Markus was born May 14, 1989, in Big Spring, Texas, to Cindy Rios and Markus Allan Garza Sr. Markus was a self-employed plumber. He was a respectful, kind, happy, and smiling young man. He was always willing to help anyone if he was able. He loved fishing and disc golf. He was a member of Cornerstone Covenant Church and had lived in Big Spring for most of his life.

JoAnne G. Silguero



JoAnne G. Silguero, 57, of San Marcos, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 25, at her home surrounded by her adoring family.

She was born in Big Spring, Texas, on Sept. 21, 1959, to Felix Garcia Sr. and Esther Moriada Garcia.

JoAnne was preceded in death by her parents; father-in-law, Gregorio Silguero Sr.; brothers, Felix Garcia Jr., Joe Garcia, and Albert

Garcia.

She is survived by her loving husband, Gregorio Silguero Jr.; son, Gregorio Silguero III and his companion Dianne Sweet of San Marcos; son, Felix and his wife Nancy of San Marcos; daughter, Esther Silguero and her fiancé Johnny Rivas Jr. of San Marcos; daughter, Anjanet Gonzales and her husband Ruben of New Braunfels; daughter, April Silguero of San Marcos; daughter, Ashley Silguero and her companion Joseph Garcia of San Marcos; son, Oscar Bustamante and his wife Elizabeth Prado of San Marcos; brother, Raymond Garcia and his wife, Delma of Big Spring; brother, Freddy Garcia of Big Spring; sister, Mary Hernandez of Big Spring; brother, Daniel Garcia and his wife Frances of Big Spring; brother, Bobby Garcia of Big Spring; brother, Jesse Garcia of Big Spring; brother, Edward Garcia and wife Joann of Big Spring; brother, Abel Garcia and his wife Annette of Big Spring; sister, Mary Dolores Bustamante of Big Spring; 18 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews, and her extended Silguero family.

Visitation will be at the Thomason Funeral Home in San Marcos on Sunday, Jan 29, from 8 a.m. to noon. A recitation of the holy Rosary will begin at 10 a.m. and a prayer service will follow. Interment will be private.

Please sign the online guest registry at www. thomasonfuneralhome.com. (512) 396-2300.

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Howard County for most of her life. She was a mem-

ber of the First Baptist Church of Knott, and was a

She is survived by two sons, James Marshall Long

of Big Spring, and Eugene Lawrence Long Jr. and

wife Karen of Ft. Worth: four grandchildren and

their mother Judy Long; and one brother, James

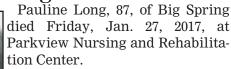
Robert Stracner and wife Marion of Breckenridge.

In addition to her parents and her husband Eu-

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial

gene, she was preceded in death by one sister,

Pauline Long



Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at Mount Olive Memorial Park Chapel with Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiat-

She was born Jan. 24, 1930, in Sweetwater, Texas, to Ruby Hollis Stracner and James Marion Stracner. She married Eugene

Lawrence Long Sr. on Aug. 3, 1947, in San Angelo, Texas. She had been a resident of Big Spring and To subscribe to the Herald.

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Addie Perkins Peterson

Addie Perkins Peterson, 102, of Big Spring died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017, at her home. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity: • LISA ANNE PETROWSKI, 56, of 2803 Apache

- Drive was arrested on a charge of silent or abusive calls to 911 service. • JACOB IAN STRAIN, 36, of 1019 Nolan St. Apt. #21 was arrested on a charge of driving with a sus-
- pended or invalid license. • KIMBERLY DENISE JAMES, 27, of 2694 LCR 252 in Colorado City was arrested on warrants for
- possession of drug paraphernalia, consumption of alcohol by a minor, and failure to appear. • JEFFREY COLIN EASTERWOOD, 50, of 3304 W. Highway 80 was arrested on an outstanding war-
- LESLYE DAWN ROGERS, 54, of 507 Union St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- MARCUS ANTHONY MILLER, 27, of 1320 Mobile St. was arrested on a warrant for theft of property (\$750 to \$2,500).
- DRAKUS DE'MON ARMSTEAD, 29, of 2104 Victoria in Carrollton was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (4 to 200 grams), possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.), and bail jumping/failure to appear; and on several outstanding warrants.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3100 block of South Highway 87 and the 500 block of Union.
- THEFT was reported in the 2500 block of South Gregg Street.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of Eighth and Lancaster streets.

Weather

Saturday: Sunny. Highs in the mid 50s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night: Clear. Lows in the

lower 30s. West winds around 10 mph. **Sunday:** Sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday night: Clear. Lows in the mid 30s. West winds around 10 mph.

Monday: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night: Mostly clear. Lows in the upper Tuesday: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s.

Tuesday night: Clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Wednesday: Sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Wednesday night: Clear. Lows in the upper 30s.

Thursday: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Thursday night: Mostly clear. Lows in the lower

Friday: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s.

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

Support Groups

• Alcoholics Anonymous 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.

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He is survived by his wife, Alex Pantoja of Big

Spring; one son, Christian Pantoja, and one daugh-

ter, Karmen Pantoja, both of Big Spring; his moth-

er, Cindy Rios of Big Spring; his father, Markus Al-

lan Garza Sr. of Aransas Pass; three sisters, Monica

Amaro, Erika DeLeon, and Valerie Garza, all of Big

Spring; his grandparents, Maria and Domingo Rios

of Big Spring, and Sarah and Eleazar Garza of Gon-

zales; three nieces, Jaslene Garza, Elyssa Amaro,

and Eliana Amaro, and three nephews, Sabastian

DeLeon, Xaiden DeLeon, and EJ DeLeon; a number

of aunts, uncles, cousins; and many, many friends.

Pallbearers will be Justin Amaro, E. D. DeLeon,

David Gonzales, Timothy Rose, Chris Rios, and

Johnny Pantoja. Honorary pallbearers will be

Christian Pantoja, Elijah Torres, Casey Rose, Clay

Harris, Caleb Hernandez, Eddie Garza, and Ed-

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"He was the shining light of our family."





Courtesy photo Pictured at right, Dr. Carlos Dimidjian, podiatrist, and Dr. Paul Howard, Ear, Nose, and Throat specialist, speak to the crowd attending Scenic Mountain Medical Center's "Healthy You from Head to Toe." The program was the first Our Healthy Circle event of the year. The one hour question-and-answer session featured hospital experts discussing the importance of healthy feet and the spectrum of ear, nose, and throat issues.

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GRAND JURY

- Michael Velinda Robertson, 34, of 700 S. Aylesford, Big Spring, evading arrest with a motor vehicle, (enhanced to a second degree felony).
- Paula Marie Belen Rodriguez, 22, of 602 Circle, Big Spring, possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, more than 4 grams but less than 200 grams, (first degree felony).
- Noel B. Rosa, 43, of 1808 E. 15th St., Big Spring, prohibited weapon, (third degree felony).
- Chelsea Sawyer, 24, of 407 E. Austin St., Big Spring, evading arrest with a motor vehicle (third degree felony).
- Christopher Montez Viera, 30, of 1900 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Big Spring, two counts of theft of property, more than \$2,500 with two prior convictions (state jail felony).

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"If you remember last year, we were able to introduce our 'HC Music Concert Series' where we had numerous guest artists visit Howard College and perform for our students and the public. This year, all of our energy has gone into the Madrigal in November and this upcoming show which will be on April 27, 28, and 29."

Set in Cold War era, the plot of the musical revolves around a chess tournament between an American grandmaster and a Soviet grandmaster. The two men also fight for the affection of the same woman.

Wills said open community auditions will be held in mid-March with set dates to be announced at a later time. Casting will include positions for major on-stage characters, a chorus of around 25 members, and a large orchestra. Anyone interested in an orchestra position is encouraged to contact

Dan Kiley, Howard College Music Chairman and Professor of Band and Music, at dkiley@howardcollege.edu. "The cast for the play is pretty small, but

we will also need people for the chorus who can sing pretty well," Wills said. "This is a demanding musical, and we will have a demanding schedule."

According to Wills, Carl Berry Moore, who has worked with Midland theaters, will be guest directing the production. This particular production is geared to give the students experience in working in a very professional atmosphere, Wills said.

The music for Chess was composed by Benny Andersson and Björn Ulvaeus of the popular 1970s rock group ABBA. Lyrics are by Tim Rice.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mailing citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

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admitting into our country the very threats our soldiers are fighting overseas," Trump said as he signed the order at the Pentagon. "We only want to admit those into our country who will support our country and love deeply our people."

Trump said the halt in the refugee program was necessary to give agencies time to develop a stricter screening system. While the order did not spell out what additional steps he wants the departments of Homeland Security and State to take, the president directed officials to review the refugee application and approval process and find any more measures that could prevent those who pose a threat from using

The U.S. may admit refugees on a case-bycase basis during the freeze, and the government will continue to process requests from people claiming religious persecution, "provided that the religion of the individual is a minority religion in the individual's country."

the refugee program.

In an interview with CBN News, Trump said persecuted Christians would be given priority in applying for refugee status.

"We are going to help Trump said. them," "They've been horribly

treated." The order was signed

on Trump's most robust day of national security and foreign policy at the start of his presidency. He met with British Prime Minister Theresa May and had a lengthy phone call with Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto. As a candidate, Trump

called for a temporary ban on all Muslim immigration to the U.S. He later shifted his focus to putting in place "extreme vetting" procedures to screen people coming to the U.S. from countries with terrorism ties.

The State Department said the three-month ban in the directive applied to Iraq, Syria, Iran, Sudan, Libya, Somalia and Yemen — all Muslim-majority

The Council on American-Islamic Relations said it would challenge the constitutionality of the executive order.

"There is no evidence that refugees — the most thoroughly vetted of all people entering our nation — are a threat to national security," Lena F. Masri, the group's national litigation director. "This is an order that is based on bigotry, not reality."

During the past budget year, the U.S. accepted 84,995 refugees, including 12,587 people from Syria. President Barack Obama had set the refugee limit for this

budget year at 110,000.

According to Trump's executive order, he plans to cut that to 50,000. Refugee processing was suspended in the immediate aftermath of the Sept. 11 attacks and restarted months later.

The president was applauded by House Speaker Paul Ryan, who said it was "time to reevaluate and strengthen visa-vetting process."

But many Democrats cast the measures as un-American.

"Tears are running down the cheeks of the Statue of Liberty tonight as a grand tradition of welcoming America, immigrants, that has existed since America was founded has been stomped upon," Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer of New York.

Trump's order was signed on Holocaust Remembrance Day, which brought to mind the global effort to help refugees during World War II and its aftermath.

The order makes no mention of a plan to provide safe zones in Syria and the surrounding area. A draft of the order had directed the Pentagon and the State Department to produce a plan for safe zones in the war-torn Mideast nation.

The president's directive capped a hectic first week for Trump at the White House, giving

Americans an initial look at how he intends to position the United States around the globe.

Earlier Friday, he hosted May at the White House for his first meeting with a world leader since taking office. Asked about whether he would revert back to Bush-era use of torture, Trump said he would defer to the views of Defense Secretary Jim Mattis.

"He has stated publicly that he does not necessarily believe in torture or waterboarding, or however you want to define it. ... I don't necessarily agree," Trump said. "But I would tell you that he will override because I'm giving him that power. He's an expert."

The Associated Press and other news organizations have obtained copies of a draft executive order signaling sweeping changes to U.S. interrogation and detention policy. The draft, which the White House said was not official, also requests recommendations whether the U.S. should reopen CIA detention

facilities outside the United States. Critics said the clandestine sites have marred America's image on the world stage. Trump held firm on

another matter of contention, trade and illegal immigration from Mexico. He told reporters he had a "very good call" with Pena Nieto earlier in the day, but he reaffirmed his belief that Mexico has "outnegotiated and beat us to a pulp" on trade — and

that would change. "We're no longer going to be the country that doesn't know what it's doing," he declared a day after the Mexican leader canceled his visit to Washington in response to Trump's plans to build a border wall and have Mexico pay for it.

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83, passed away Tuesday. Prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM Saturday, January 28, 2017 at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Interment with Military Honors will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Markus Allan Gar-

za, Jr., 27, passed away Monday. will lie in state from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Saturday and Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Monday at Templo Belen with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Pauline Long, 87, passed away Friday. Graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, January 28, 2017 at Mount Olive Memorial Park Chapel.

Addie Perkins Peterson, 102, passed away Thursday. Services are pending.

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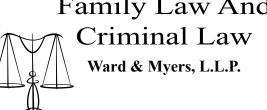
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The good humor man of East Texas

Every time I even get close to East Texas I call Shelley Cleaver. He lives between Rusk and Jacksonville and has a deep love of Edsel automo-

biles. He is the publicity guy for the Edsel Owners Association and has attended everv annual meeting of that group, no matter where in the country it takes place. Shelley is in-



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terested in the history of his = county and is ac-

To the Editor:

tive in all phases of the Cherokee County Historical Association. He appears at events dressed as a civil war soldier and tells tales about his kinfolks who fought in that event.

Mostly, though, Shelley is funny. He has a good time. He ran track for Jacksonville High School and he and his teammates won the state championship in the mile relay. Of course they did it under pressure. They had gone out the previous night when they were supposed to be in their hotel rooms. They were caught and the coach said. "If you win you won't get paddled." So they ran their hearts out. When Shelley got the baton his team was in third place. "I passed those two iokers ahead of me like they were sitting still. Sure enough we got the plague and the coaches forgot about the whipping. If we hadn't gone out that night we probably would not have set that new record of 3 minutes and 27 seconds. We all ran the fastest we had ever

Shelley recorded a song about sitting on the front porch swing. He helped write a cookbook titled Lone Star Lickskillet. He is the "go to" person if you want to know about fun festivals in East Texas. He is frequently asked to be the parade marshall at some of those events. He is one popular fellow and is always in a good mood. He is an excellent storyteller. He told me about his grandfather named Bruce Cleaver who had a blacksmith shop in the community of Lone Star. "He made all kinds of wagon wheels, shoed horses, even made caskets to bury people. He'd get this hickory wood to make wagon wheel spokes and it was cut just the right size for stove wood. Some of his neighbors who lived close by had an old house that wasn't built very well and it just had a tin roof. Well my grandpa

Letters to the Editor

Bruce started missing that hickory wood, which was hard to come by. He told people around Lone Star somebody was gonna be sorry for stealing his wood. His neighbors bought a new wood burning cook stove from Sears Roebuck. Plum season had come in and they had this number eight tub on the new stove. All of a sudden the cook stove blew up and blew those plum seeds all over the tin ceiling. The couple decided they would sue Sears and Roebuck because the stove blew up. Well, come to find out it was gunpowder that blew the stove up. My grandpa had drilled a hole in one end of a hickory wood log and filled it with black gunpowder. He put a peg over the end so it wouldn't show. The neighbor was stealing the wood at night and didn't notice it. The neighbors decided they would sue Bruce. So they carried it to the courthouse in Rusk. They got on the witness stand and the judge asked them where they got the wood. They admitted it came from the back of Bruce's blacksmith shop. The judge said they ought to pay Bruce for stealing his wood and dismissed the case."

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Daily Prayer

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

Amen.

The leaders behind the lights The first words of this letter is a tribute to Pat

Simmons for her vision. Tree & Comanche Trail lighting started with her. Without it, nothing- absolutely nothing else- would take place. A second recognition and appreciation belongs to Howard Stewart and his crew: the current generation responsible for development of the annual event. Without that, nothing too, would take place. Someone every year is going to do lots of work in the freezing cold, in the rain, days from their family, late at night, all week, weekends, birthdays, holidays, sick days, adding their own ideas and additions to the event.

The next purpose of this letter is to recognize a long forgotten, and seldom, if ever, mentioned leader, Mr. Gary Morris, an associate then of Howard College. Through him, his crew, and efforts, poinsettias, candy canes, cactus and many other examples were molded into form and life. After all these years, they appear to represent, still, many of the core exhibits of the Festival of Lights. At one time he constructed a Big Spring guardian angela welded form hovering high over the historic Big Spring ostensibly to represent and guard the spirit of Big Spring. After Pat Simmons' first Christmas light events —the poinsettia concept was discovered elsewhere on a dark winter night, far away

The first poinsettias he constructed for the Lake

and brought back to Gary Morris in pencil plan

Comanche Dam blocked an entire highway. Gary Morris reformed them from the concept of Henry Ford's Model T system. They are is as you see his poinsettias today, sometimes different from those built later by others. His crews — some have gone on to other places, other countries, yet remember him for their professions. It might be said-those were the Camelot times-everything new, every idea first, different, untried, and innovative. One drive by area of major exhibits was sort of renamed after Atlanta's Cyclorama and called the Diarama becoming a field of lighted candy canes and cactus exhibits. Many, many Big Spring volunteers have worked the event in the past as many do now. Too many to account for in this letter. One person, one happening, is excerpted and used as an example. It's remembered of Pachal Odom, grappling with a non-operating generator way atop the heights of state park ledges in under 20 degree weather trying to light up giant poinsettias for the town and FM 700 below was too busy, too involved and too unaware from activity of what he was doing to notice ice and icicles had formed on his hat brim. A Big Spring High

Both ends against the middle?

f the old joke had whiskers, they'd drag the floor. You've heard it--the one about a church with two worship services held concurrently at opposite ends of the building. The pastor announced baptismal services for the upcoming Sunday, with "infants to

baptized at both ends."

Switch now to "here and now." A recently renovated Texas church also has concurrent services — one in the sanctuary and the other in a new, all-purpose venue down the hall, than the



DR. Don Newbury

length of a football field away. Each service, as one might guess, has age-sensitive music styles.

The pastor preaches "live" at one of the venues each week. He issued a warning to congregants in whichever auditorium he's "piped in" via video on giant screens. "Remote controls have been removed. Don't even think of changing the channel."

Speaking of channels, seemed to be "all inauguration, all the time" on January 20. Words were on parade. (Maybe it was after an inauguration someone said, "Whenever all is said and done, usually more is said than done.") Watching President Trump

sign executive orders early on brings to mind a joke from the mid-1960s. On the White House lawn, a paper blew from his bag. It floated lazily through a window into President Lyndon Johnson's office, and the worker's supervisor sent him to retrieve it. "I was too late," he lamented upon return. "He's already signed it."

My 104-year-old Uncle Mort remembers inaugurations all the way back to Franklin Delano Roosevelt's. Now, with cutbacks looming, Mort says he won't be surprised if they have a virtual 21-gun salute in 2021, as well as less "pompous circumstance and circumstantial pomp."

I hope he's wrong about his predictions of employment upticks in education. "We may soon have tail gunners on school buses," he

Mort figures increased numbers of secret service personnel will be needed, too, since we now have five living former presi-First responders serving at the

made hearts hum with thanksgiving. So did the wonderful musicians. Hearing the fife trilling away in the band dressed out in Revolutionary War garb caused me to rethink long-ago musical

inauguration in record numbers

considered being a fifer. I've long favored the trombone, thinking it best fits my life philosophy--letting things slide.

ambitions. Maybe I should have

A network newsman caused me to cringe when he said the "podium" President Trump had used In NYC to practice his inaugural address was shipped to Washington, DC. Say what? Did he mean lectern?

purists--are "stood upon" (hint:

Podiums - OK, podia for

PODiatrists=foot doctors). Sometimes, "goldy-throats" talk about speakers "standing BEHIND podiums." What happens? Do they

fall off? Laughable during a recent TV newscast on a major station was the reporter's failure to read what viewers saw on the screen. What we saw was "circular saw." What she said was, "secular saw." Wow, who knows what happens if "religious saws" are used. You

think? One last beef (for this piece, anyway): When will news people realize that folks are TAKEN to hospitals, not TRANSPORTED. The latter can be left to trains,

delivery trucks and even drones. The injured--and the deceased--deserve the dignity enhanced by the change of a single word....

Can I get an "amen?"

Finally, this "smile-maker" courtesy of longtime Texas minister, Dr. Russell Dilday. Approaching the sanctuary on a Sunday morning, he paused to extend hallway greetings to a pair of kindergarten girls. They were excited about finding a dollar bill a few minutes earlier.

Joking, he asked: "Is it green? Does it have a picture of George Washington on it?" Giggling, they nodded, breaking into laughter when he said it must have been a dollar he'd lost ear-Why were they laughing? "We

were wondering why you were in the ladies' room," one giggled.

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worker--picking up refuse--was "semi-panicked" when a scrap of

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School graduate, he was a long, long way from when he was 18 over half a century ago. That's the kind of character then & those of now that evisioned & developed the Festival of Lights for Big Spring putting it on the Texas map as an exceptional place. Pat Simons, those early & today's FOL volunteers believe Big Spring ought to be an exceptional place & made it so. So did modest Gary Morris who receded into the headlines & seldom, if ever, would tell you this real story about his tour of time with the Festival of Lights.

> **Bobby McDonald** Big Spring, TX

Comanche Trail Festival of Lights

Dear Editor:

This year Festival of Lights presentation was uncertain as we had several issues that were a problem. With the restoration of our Historic Spring and the trails being closed due to recent rains which put them under water. We were working to make adjustments! Then, Santa was facing shoulder surgery and Mrs. Clause had an accident! That did not look good as the Gift Shop is only open when Santa is there. We were pressing on, at least the Dam was going to be beautiful!

Then, I received a call from KOSA channel 7 wanting to do an interview and come over on opening night. Well, I told Mr. Joel Hawkins of our delima, about the Spring, the trail and Santa, at which time he said, "I am Santa" and my wife, is Mrs. Clause. I almost dropped the phone. I could not take in what I was hearing. That made Howard's and my day! We were excited and thanked the Lord for sending them. KOSA & Santa was at the entrance on opening night December 15th...it was a great day.

Now, again we did not reach our 25,000 visitors which we were not expecting, however we did attract 22,181 coming from 39 states and 22 countries coming from Africa, Brazil, Canada, Albania, China, Holland, France, Kenya, Mexico, Spain, Philippians, Nicaragua, Germany, Turkey, Dominican Republic, Viet Nam, Bangladash, Lithuania, Australia-Queens, Puerto Rico, England.

This production could not happen without the many volunteers. The hard work is directed by Project Manager, Howard Stewart and those assisting him are Brandon Ensey, Jim DePauw, Randy Robertson, and the 2 FCI Trustees, the Parks Dept. crew. It takes many hours of hard work to get this event ready for opening on the 15th. Then, we have

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The West's largest coal plant may close

By Climate Central via AP

The largest coal-fired power plant in the West — one of the biggest climate polluters in the nation — could close later this year, a major symbolic blow to the future of coal as the backbone of America's electric power grid.

The owners of Arizona's Navajo Generating Station northeast of the Grand Canyon announced in early January that low natural gas prices and the rising costs of generating electricity using coal make it too expensive to operate the plant. A decision on the plant's fate is expected this spring.

Coal-fired power plants, once the workhorse of the nation's electricity grid, are the biggest individual climate polluters in the country, and they're falling victim to coal's biggest competitor — plentiful, cheap natural gas flooding the country because of

It's a trend all across the nation, even as President Trump tries to begin to make good on his campaign promise to revitalize America's declining coal fields while dismissing the threat they pose to the climate.

The Navajo plant may soon be the West's largest victim of the move toward natural gas. It is America's seventh-largest single source of the carbon dioxide emissions driving climate change. Its closure would relieve Arizona of a source of pollution long targeted by federal regulators for contributing to regional haze and poor air quality over the Grand Can-

The six other largest carbon polluters are coal-fired power plants scattered around the country, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection

"The owners' decision to consider its future is based on the changing economics of energy — primarily the low cost of natural gas and other resources," said Scott Harelson, spokesman for the Salt River Project, Arizona's primary electric power company and one of the plant's owners. "Coal plants across the West face a variety of issues that their respective owners must face with respect to their ongoing operations that could lead to additional closings."

Compared to coal, natural gas pollutes the atmosphere with about half as much carbon dioxide when it is used to generate electricity.

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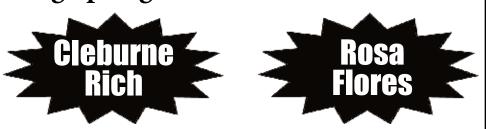
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Total Depth: 9550 feet X=15780012, Y=799080. Datum: NAD 27 390' FEL, 220' FNL of 966.7-acre lease 390' FEL, 220' FNL of the survey

#3902WB Target "E", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 13.90 miles west of Garden City A-410, Section 39, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9550 feet X=1569983, Y=799072. Datum: NAD 27 420' FEL, 220' FNL of 966.7-acre lease 420' FEL, 220' FNL of the survey

#101H Calverley "22-27", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37458 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA 14.10 miles southwest of Garden City A-422, Section 15, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,000 feet Latitude 031.470559, Longitude -101.423594. Datum: NAD 27 500' FSL, 365' FWL of 1,285.5-acre lease 500' FSL, 365' FWL of the survey

#103H Calverley "22-27", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37460 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA 14.10 miles southwest of Garden City A-422, Section 15, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,000 feet Latitude 031.470581, Longitude -101.423504, Datum: NAD 27 500' FSL, 445' FWL of 1,285.5-acre lease 500' FSL, 445' FWL of the survey

12.25 miles southeast of Stanton A-1094, Section 30, Block 35, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 11,000 feet Latitude 031.585251, Longitude -101.403075. Datum: NAD 27 467' FWL, 542' FSL of 164.55-acre lease 2173' FEL, 2173' FNL of the survey #1H Tom-Corson "41A", drill horizontal, El: NA

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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field

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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 21.10 miles northwest of Garden City A-289, Section 41, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,600 feet X=1566923.9, Y=881646.0. Datum NAD 27 795' FSL, 1165' FWL of 1,132.6-acre lease 795' FSL, 1165' FWL of the survey

#2H Tom-Corson "41B", drill horizontal, El: NA

#101H Kay "9-4 D", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 2.60 miles northeast of St. Lawrence A-269, Section 9, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 8500 feet Latitude 031.433820, Longitude -101.295348. Datum: NAD 27 100' FSL, 330' FWL of 642.13-acre lease 100' FSL, 330' FWL of the survey

#7 JB Trust "14", drill, El: NA Cedar Flats (Mississippian) Field 12.40 miles southeast of Stanton A-530, Section 14, Block 35, R.R. Wade survey Total Depth: 12,000 feet Latitude 032.005452, Longitude -101.375742. Datum: NAD 83 650' FSL, 1895' FEL of 634.7-acre lease 650' FSL, 1895' FEL of the survey

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Nigeria seizes \$1.2 billion oil bloc in Shell, Eni scandal

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — Nigeria paring further charges of "conspiris seizing back one of Africa's richest oil blocs and will prosecute petroleum giants Shell and Eni in a \$1.2 billion corruption scandal that has drawn investigators from the United States, Italy, France, Switzerland and Holland, according to a Nigerian Federal High Court document.

The court on Thursday ceded control of Oil Prospecting License 245 to the government while the West African country's Economic and Financial Crimes Commission investigates and prosecutes suspects in the "Malabu Oil scam," according to a statement from the commission.

The commission's petition to the court says Dutch-British corporation

Shell and Italian Agip now Eni — bought the bloc in 2011 knowing the transaction was "fraught with fraud" and that the \$1.2 billion payment to former petroleum minister Dan Etete and his allies was a bribe. The state oil company got only \$210

million from the deal.

The government is pre-



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acy, bribery, official corruption and

money-laundering" against Shell and

Criminal charges already have been

filed against both companies and sev-

eral executives in an Italian court in

"This is historic. Generations of

Nigerians have been robbed of life-

saving services while oil men have

grown rich at their expense," said

Simon Taylor of the anti-corruption

body Global Witness. "Companies

and their investors must understand

they can no longer do backdoor deals

with corrupt officials without paying

Eni, the petition says.

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a hefty price."

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volunteers in various areas, such as Adopt A Spot, the Greeters which Hayley Lewis recruits, and there are a great number of those to contact, just a few forgot their assignment this year...we are grateful for all of our greeters! Then, there are two ladies that work behind the scenes that do a fantastic job, namely Vicki Stewart and Georgie Newsom. It takes team work to do this annual presentation.

We are looking to make some changes this year, we plan to make extension to our event taking in the area after Belaski Pavilion. Also, the Board is thinking we need to make date changes from Dec. 15th – 31st. The week after Christmas visitors drop of dramatically and we discussed moving the date up some and closing it out on Christmas night.

> **Pat Simmons** Big Spring, TX

Pipeline backers make big promises about jobs, growth

DALLAS (AP) — TransCanada has quickly filed

a new application to build Keystone XL, one of two big oil pipelines being given a second chance by President Donald Trump. Former President Barack Obama rejected the Keystone XL in 2015. The Army Corps of Engineers put a halt to construction of the Dakota Access pipe-

line last month. The move by Trump fulfills a campaign promise to revive the projects, which he says will create thousands of jobs and generate taxes for states and communities. However, the number of jobs created and the economic benefits have been hotly debated. Many experts believe any impact on the U.S. economy will be small. Despite Trump's executive orders, both projects face likely court fights by en-

JOBS

According to a 2014 report by the U.S. State Department, Keystone XL would support about 42,100 jobs including about 3,900 workers directly involved in construction. Workers, including those indirectly supported by the pipeline, would earn about \$2 billion.

vironmental groups, and the Keystone XL pipeline

faces uncertain demand from oil shippers.

Once construction ends and oil starts flowing, the pipeline would support just 35 permanent jobs, according to the report.

The Dakota Access project has created about 12,000 construction jobs, according to project leader Energy Transfer Partners LP. But most sections of the pipeline are finished and most of the jobs are too.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The State Department said that construction of Keystone XL would contribute around \$3.4 billion to the nation's output. The companies building the Dakota Access pipeline say they have spent more than \$3.5 billion and would spend "hundreds of millions a month" to finish the work.

Those sums, however, are insignificant in the \$18 trillion U.S. economy. The XL pipeline would contribute about 0.02 percent to the nation's gross domestic product.

"The macroeconomic implications of the latest executive orders on their own will be relatively minor, in our view" although Trump's orders "reinforce the message that the federal government has become much more pro-business," said Jim O'Sullivan, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics.

TAXES

The State Department estimated that Keystone XL would generate \$70 million in additional state and local taxes during construction and \$55.6 million in property taxes once the pipeline begins operating.

The Dakota Access companies estimate that the project will result in \$156 million in sales and income taxes during construction and \$55 million in annual property taxes.



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Beginning in the middle of the last decade, the fracking boom flooded the U.S. with cheap natural gas, driving prices down to 18-year lows in 2016.

Federal mercury pollution regulations are also a factor in coal plant closures because energy companies were required to install spe-"scrubbers" on cial their coal-fired power plants costing hundreds of millions of dollars

"Nobody in this country is building new coal plants because they're too expensive," said Jeremy Richardson, an energy analyst at the Union of Concerned "As you Scientists. look into the future, it's cheaper to either shift to an existing natural gas plant where the capacity is available or even in some cases switch to renewable energy."

These changing energy economics have felled a flurry of coalpower fired plants across the U.S. since the fracking boom took hold more than a decade ago. Major electric utilities across the country operated 353 coal-fired power plants of various sizes in 2005, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. Over the next decade, 97 of those shut down.

At the same time, electricity generated using coal declined by 32 percent nationwide, while power generation from natural gas skyrocketed 159 percent. Coal and natural gas each generate about 33 percent of America's electric power, with wind and solar

trailing far behind at about 7 percent. In 2016, natural gas surpassed coal as the primary source of electricity for the first time in U.S. history.

Renewables, such as wind and solar, have exploding been growth over the past decade, too, but they're still just a tiny player. In 2015, less than 2 percent of electricity in the U.S. came from wind and solar.

The changing economics of electricity and the rise of natural gas are regardless occurring of any climate policy, such as the Obama administration's Clean Power Plan, which was meant cut down on the carbon pollution from most coal-fired power plants. Trump, who has promoted both fracking and coal, has scoffed at the idea of greenhouse gas controls because he and many of his cabinet nominees deny the existence of climate change and have vowed to kill the plan.

The nation's largest electric power companies are responding differently to these changing economics.

We Energy, an electric power company in Wisconsin, announced in January that it will be shutting down one of its largest coal-fired power plants for six months each year during the spring and fall when demand for electricity and natural gas prices are both low.

"Low natural gas prices allow natural gas plants to generate power at lower costs than most coal plants during those months," said We Energy spokesman Brian Manthey.

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#203H Smith "SN 48-37 03", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 3.20 miles northwest of Knott A-1680, Section 48, Block 34, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet Latitude 032.443332, Longitude -101.664367. Datum: NAD 83 300' FSL, 326' FEL of 960-acre lease 300' FSL, 2410' FWL of the survey

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"Lower natural gas prices and environmental regulations have led to the addition of more natural gas-fueled power generation throughout the country. In fact, we recently converted our downtown Milwaukee Valley Power Plant from coal to natural gas."

The Tennessee Valley Authority, which is one of the largest electric power providers in the South, has closed three coal-fired power plants since 2011 mainly because of Environmental Protection Agency air pollution regulations, not cheap natural gas. Two more and part of another are expected to shut down through 2018, leaving TVA with six.

"Few of these closures are related to coal and gas prices," TVA spokesman Scott Brooks said. "It all relates back to an agreement we reached with EPA in 2011 to evaluate all our coal units that weren't fitted with environmental controls. Gas prices are attractive, but our strategy is toward a diverse portfolio so that we don't rely on one generation source too heavily."

Duke Energy, the nation's largest electric utility, shut down 12 coal-fired power plants over the past five years, with another in Asheville, N.C., scheduled to close in 2020. Duke spent more than \$9 billion to modernize 40 others across the South and Midwest to help them comply with environmental regulations, spokesman Jeff Brooks

State-level climate pol-

icies are having an effect, too, and are likely to be factors in any decision to shutter the Navajo plant, said Colleen Regan, head of North America power and environmental markets for Bloomberg New Energy Finance.

For example, California's cap-and-trade program prompted Los Angeles' city electric utility to sell its stake in the Navajo plant, Regan said. The program the nation's first — caps the amount of climate pollution the state can release and issues pollution permits called allowances to utilities and companies. Allowances are auctioned and traded among polluters.

A Nevada electric company's plan to cut its carbon pollution also led it to cut ties to Navajo by 2019, Regan said.

"These climate-motivated deals have put an increasingly large onus on Salt River Project," she said, adding that these factors and cheap natural gas are helping to put coal-fired power plants such as Navaio out of business.

"This story is playing out across most of the country," Regan said.

Though the federal government and independent analysts are projecting a small boost in the use of coal for electricity over the next several years, the longterm outlook for coal is dim.

"In the near term, there is a chance coal may rebound as gas finds new markets, pushing gas prices up slightly," Regan said. "But even looking out to 2020, 2025, I don't see much of a comeback, irrespective of the Clean Power Plan."

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#7SH Garrett-Snell Unit "B 36-25", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 6.50 miles southeast of Knott A-1127, Section 36, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,000 feet Latitude 032.383300, Longitude -101.530077. Datum: NAD 27 300' FSL, 990' FEL of 634.9-acre lease

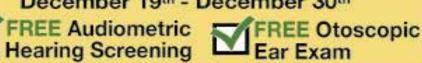
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Big Spring's Jeremiah Rushin (12) pulls down a rebound during the Steers' game against Abilene Wylie in Steer Gym Friday night.

Wylie sweeps Steers

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Abilene Wylie boys' and girls' basketball programs are highly regarded in West Texas, and they played up to their reputations Friday night.

Wylie swept both games by convincing margins against Big Spring in Steer Gym Friday, winning the girls' game, 68-17, and taking the boys' contest, 99-46.

Both games were as one-sided as the scores indicated.

Wylie jumped out to a 20-5 lead after one quarter in the girls' game and used ferocious defense to stymie Big Spring's offense, limiting the Lady Steers to no more than five points in any quarter.

Alexis Starr led Big Spring with

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Super Bowl LI:

Top D (Pats) prepares for top O (Falcons)

The Associated Press

Joe Theismann knows how it feels to bring the NFL's most prolific offense into the Super Bowl and leave with a loss.

The former Washington Redskins quarterback also knows how difficult it can be to deal with a defense designed by Bill Belichick.

So Theismann has a couple of thoughts about what could happen in the Super Bowl on Feb. 5, when Belichick's New England Patriots, who allowed the fewest points during the regular season (15.6 per game), face QB Matt Ryan, wideout Julio Jones and the rest of the Atlanta Falcons, who

> scored the most points (an average of 33.8). This is the 51st

> Super Bowl, and the seventh featuring the No. 1 offense against the No. 1 defense; the "D" is 5-1 in the previous such matchups.

Also, the past seven times a season's top "O" was in the Super Bowl,

it went 2-5, while the past seven times a top "D" vied for the Lombardi Trophy, it went 5-2.

Why is that?

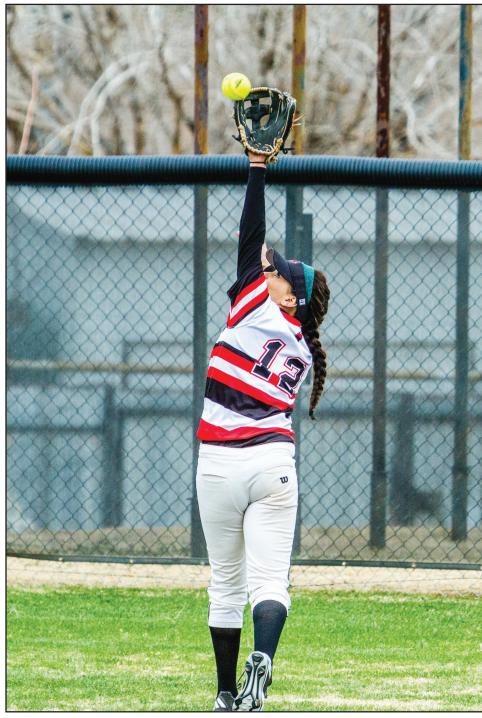
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"On offense, just generally speaking, there are more things that can go wrong than can on the defensive side of the ball," Theismann said in a telephone interview.

He won the Super Bowl in 1983 and lost it the following year after having directed Washington

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HC opens softball season



Tony Claxton photo

Howard College outfielder Honor Hilton stretches to catch a fly ball during the Hawks' season-opening doubleheader with Temple College at Foundation Field Friday. Howard returned to action Saturday, hosting a doubleheader with McLennan College.

Lawsuit alleges 52 rapes at Baylor

WACO, Texas (AP) — A former Baylor University student who says she was raped by two football players filed a federal lawsuit Friday against the school that alleges there were dozens more assaults of women involving other players.

The lawsuit by the student, who is listed in the documents only as "Elizabeth Doe," alleges at least 52 rapes by more than 30 football players over a four-year period.

It also alleges a "culture of sexual violence" and describes her 2013 attack by two players. It doesn't detail the other alleged attacks, but says some were recorded by the players, who shared them with friends.

Fifty-two assaults would dramatically increase the 17 reports of sexual and physical attacks involving 19 players since 2011 previously acknowledged by Baylor officials.

The school faces at least five lawsuits from women who allege they were attacked and that the school failed to protect them or ignored their complaints.

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Serena Williams downs sister for record 23rd major title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Serena Williams has won her record 23rd Grand Slam singles title, and her sister was right there on court to give her a congratulatory hug.

The all-Williams final the first at the Australian Open since Serena won the valry here in 2003 — went to the younger sibling 6-4, 6-4 on Saturday night.

With her record seventh Australian title, the 35-yearold Williams moved ahead of Steffi Graf for the most major titles in the Open era. Mar-

crowd for the final at Rod Laver Arena.

Court won 24 majors, but collected 13 of those before the Open era which began in 1968 after the sport became professional.

The victory also ensured garet Court has the all-time Serena Williams will regain was 36-year-old, No. 13-seed-

first edition of the family ri- record and was also in the the top ranking, which she lost in September after 186 straight weeks when Angelique Kerber won the U.S. Open.

> It was Serena's seventh win in nine all-Williams Grand Slam finals, and the first since Wimbledon in 2009. It

ed Venus Williams' first trip back to a major final in $7\frac{1}{2}$ years.

Serena sat on the court, holding both arms up to celebrate, before Venus walked over to her sister's side of the net for a hug.

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BAYLOR

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The nation's largest Baptist university has been gripped by the on-going scandal that led to the firing of football coach Art Briles and the departure of school President Ken Starr in 2016.

An internal investigation last year found that the football program operated as if it was "above the rules" and that assistant coaches and staff interfered or stifled investigations into alleged assaults by players.

Baylor allowed Briles' staff of assistants to remain for the 2016 season but new coach Matt Rhule hasn't retained them. Some have moved to new jobs, including Briles[;] son and former offensive coordinator, Kendal Briles, to Florida Atlantic, and defensive coordinator Phil Bennett to Arizona State.

In a statement, Baylor President David E. Garland said the university had made "great progress" in fortifying security measures since the sexual assault scandal erupted last year.

"Baylor University has taken unprecedented actions that have been well-documented in response to the issue of past and alleged sexual assaults involving our campus community," Garland said. "We have made great progress in implementing 105 recommendations to strengthen the safety and security of all students and restore faith in the university."

The statement did not specifically address the allegations in the new lawsuit.

In the lawsuit filed Friday, the woman alleges being raped by two players in 2013. The attack was reported to Waco police but no charges were filed and the players were allowed to stay on the team at the time.

According to the lawsuit, campus officials didn't investigate her case until 2015. One of the players involved was suspended from the team and later expelled. The other had transferred.

The lawsuit alleges the football program operated under a "show'em a good time" policy that "used sex to sell" Baylor to high school

The woman was a member of a campus group called the Baylor Bruins that would host prospective athletes during visits. The lawsuit alleges Baylor encouraged making Baylor Bruins available for sex with recruits, as well as taking recruits to strip clubs, implied promises of sex and using alcohol and drugs in the recruiting pro-

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"This was a tough one," Serena Williams said. "I really would like to take this moment to congratulate Venus, she's an amazing person she's my inspiration.

"There's no way I would be at 23 without her — there's no way I would be at one without her. Thank-you Venus for inspiring me to be the best player I can be and inspiring me to work hard." Williams has won 15 majors

since last losing to Venus in a Grand Slam final, at Wimbledon in 2008. That was the seventh and last major title that the older of the Williams sisters won.

Venus hadn't made the second week of a major for a few years as she came to terms with an energy-sapping illness since being diagnosed

with Sjogren's syndrome in 2011, and made her return to the semifinals at Wimbledon last year.

The match didn't live up to its classic billing, with nerves and tension causing uncharacteristic mistakes and unforced errors and four consecutive service breaks before Venus finally held for a 3-2 lead in the first set. That included a game when Serena had game point but served back-to-back double-faults and three in all to give up the break.

There were six service breaks in all.

Both players were relatively subdued, except for Serena's racket smashing spike on the court in the third game that earned her a code violation.

After the fourth game, however, Serena Williams didn't face another break point in the 1-hour, 22-minute match.

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to a then-record 541 points in the regular season.

One of his Redskins NFC East rivals back then were the New York Giants, where Belichick was the defensive coordinator during the 1985-90 seasons.

"A lot of offenses go through one or two players, and so a defense and Bill is great at this — will focus on a particular player or a particular concept and that's where they will make sure to stop the opponent," Theismann said.

"You can't really do the same thing on offense and say, 'Who do we want to go after?' It's tough to pick out one

followed by the boys' contest at 7:30 p.m.

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ticular linebacker or a corner. There is just less susceptibility that on defense." In New England's 36-

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ing to isolate on a par-

17 victory over Pittsburgh in the AFC title game last weekend, for example, the Patriots made sure to limit what Steelers star receiver Antonio Brown did.

His catches amounted to only 77 yards, with no

"Bill basically uses common sense: 'If you have one player who's really good, let's see how you play without him.' They weren't going to allow Antonio Brown to make plays. They said, 'Look, we're going to bump him at the line, put somebody over the top, and you're going to have to make plays with the other nine players. If a defense can limit 2025 percent of an offense by taking one individual away from it, the pendulum swings to the defensive side," Theismann said.

"In this Super Bowl," he added, "Julio Jones is going to get the bulk of the attention.'

Make no mistake: This is a versatile Falcons offense overseen by coordinator Kyle Shanahan, who is expected to be hired to run the San Francisco 49ers after this season ends and whose father Mike was the head coach of two Super Bowl champions with the Denver Broncos.

Ryan spread out his 38 TD passes to a league-record 13 receivers. Jones is the best of the bunch, but Mohamed Sanu, Taylor Gabriel and running backs Devonta Freeman (who ran for more than 1,000 yards and caught 54 passes) and Tevin Coleman (more than 500 yards rushing, more than 400 receiving) need to be accounted for, too. "There's not one thing

that you can point out and say, 'Stop Julio Jones. Stop Sanu. Stop the running game," Patriots linebacker Dont'a Hightower said. Or as Belichick put it:

"Every guy that gets the ball can score a touchdown from 80 yards away or more."

The Falcons (13-5) scored at least 30 points in 13 of their 18 games this season, including the playoffs, reaching 40 a half-dozen times. During their current sixgame winning streak, they never scored fewer than 33.

"We know that they're the cream of the crop, offensively," Patriots cornerback Logan Ryan

said. "And for us, we feel like we're that, defensively."

The Patriots (16-2) allowed more than 25 points only once in their 18 games, a 31-24 loss to Seattle in November. Since then, they've won nine games in a row, never trailing at any moment in their past seven.

"It's the best defense that we've seen in the NFL this year. The numbers show it, and watch the film and you see exactly why their numbers are the way they are," Shanahan said.

"They have very good players all around, players that are interchangeable, that can be pass rushers, that can be linebackers, that can be corners, that can be safeties. And they have an extremely good scheme."

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seven points, while the team's leading scorer, Kayleigh Penny, limited to five poins.

The Lady Bulldogs, who improved to 18-9 overall and 4-2 in District 5-4A play, had three players in double figures, led by Claire Allen with 14 points.

The Lady Steers fell 6-17 overall and 2-4 in league play with the

The boys' game was a little less one-sided, at least in the early going. The Steers stayed within shouting distance of Wylie in the first quarter, trailing by nine after the first eight minutes. But the Bulldogs put the game figuratively to bed with a 30-point second quarter that ended with them holding a 54-28

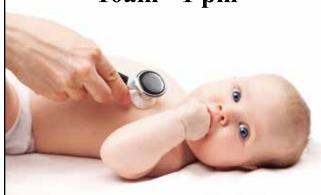
lead. Wylie, which mained unbeaten in district play, was led by Dylan Isenhower, who scored 17 points. Big Spring, which fell to 1-3 in the district standings, was paced by Jeremiah

Rushin's eight points. Big Spring returns to action Tuesday at Sweetwater. The girls' game begins at 6 p.m.,

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Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com) Big Spring's Lexie Delafuente goes up for a shot during the Lady

Harden scores 51 in Rockets' victory

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The 76ers closely guarded Houston's potent 3-point threats rather than double-team James Harden, and Houston's All-Star guard made them pay with a memorable offensive performance.

Harden scored 51 points and added 13 rebounds and 13 assists to lead the Rockets to a 123-118 victory over Joel Embiid and Philadelphia on Friday night.

Harden, who had 19 of his points in the third quarter, has at least 30 points and 10 assists in 18 games this season. The NBA's thirdleading scorer entering the game, Harden finished two points shy of tying his career high. He was 16 for 28 from the field, including 6 for 11 from 3-point range, while making 13 of 14 free throws.

"He played about as good as you can play," Houston coach Mike D'Antoni said. "I've been around a lot of players, but it doesn't get much better than that. I've never seen better than that."

Harden recognized Philadelphia's strategy and took advan-

"Just tried to be aggressive (in) attack mode and make plays for my teammates," he said. "They weren't leaving our shooters, so we had to figure different ways to be aggressive and attack them. In the second half, we figured it out."

Harden had 36 points after halftime.

Nene added 21 points for the Rockets, who snapped a two-game skid while winning for just the fourth time in 10 games. Embiid had 32 points and sev-

en rebounds in his return to the lineup after missing the last two games with a knee contusion. Embiid, who was questionable until about 45 minutes before tipoff, showed that he was just fine with an emphatic, left-handed dunk over Nene for Philadelphia's first two points that drew loud cheers from the 76ers' large crowd.

"You're not going to see a more jaw-dropping play in the league, really," 76ers coach Brett Brown

first game since Thursday's announcement that he was not among the reserves chosen for the All-Star Game, which some in Philadelphia considered a snub. "He's a problem," Harden said.

It was also the 7-foot-2 center's

"Big, athletic, can shoot the 3. He has an extremely bright future as you can see."

the third time in the last 11 games. The Rockets were without second-leading scorer Eric Gordon,

The streaking 76ers lost for just

who missed his second straight game with a back injury. But the relentless Harden made

up for Gordon's absence.

"You saw a legitimate candidate for MVP," Brown said.

Philadelphia's coach didn't second-guess his decision not to double-team Harden. "You have to pick your poison,"

he said. "You say, what sword are we going to die on? And you saw

Houston snapped a 61-all halftime tie with a 12-0 run over the first 2:51 of the second half. Harden scored 10 of the points, including a dunk that made it 75-63. Houston's lead reached as high as 13 in the period, and the Rockets entered the fourth ahead 94-82 after Harden's step-back baseline jumper as time expired.

Embiid scored eight straight to open the fourth quarter.

Holiday, Davis lead Pelicans past Spurs 119-103

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Pelicans coach Alvin Gentry's smile and laugh gave him the look of a coach who was practically giddy about a second victory over an elite team in five days. Yet his words and tone told the story of coach still trying to figure out why his team is so erratic.

Jrue Holiday scored 23 points, Anthony Davis had 16 and tied a career high with 22 rebounds, and New Orleans snapped San Antonio's fivegame winning streak with a 119-103 victory Friday night.

"We're capable of beating anybody," said Gentry, whose team beat Cleveland on Monday. "Obviously, this week we've kind of proven that with wins over the world champs and then a team that's going to have an opportunity to win a world champi-

"That says a lot but we keep going back to that word, 'consistency,"" added Gentry, whose team lost to leagueworst Brooklyn last week and trails Denver by two games for the Western Conference's final playoff spot. "We can't do it just against the great teams. ... We've got to do it against the teams that are struggling — like we are — to get into the playoffs."

Steers' game against Abilene Wylie in Steer Gym Friday night.

starters Kawhi Leonard and Tony Parker sidelined with nagging injuries. San Antonio fell with both back on the court. Leonard, returning from sore left hand that caused him to miss two games, scored 23, but showed some rustiness, missing 10 of 16 shots. Parker, who'd sat out four games with a sore left foot, hit only two of seven shots and one miss was a momentum-stalling air ball from the right corner in the final five minutes.

"We ran out of gas. New Orleans was aggressive. They played great for 48 minutes. They moved the ball, hit the boards hard and got loose balls," Spurs coach Gregg

Popovich said. "Kawhi did a mances have been more elugood job. Tony, again, hasn't played in 10 days."

Terrence Jones scored 21 points and Solomon Hill added 16 points — including 5-of-7 shooting from 3-point range — for New Orleans, which The Spurs had been win- made 10 of 20 3-point shots in ning lately despite having the second half to finish 13 of vis said. "We did that tonight. 30 from deep.

LaMarcus Aldridge had 14 points and 13 rebounds, and Davis Bertans added 14 points for the Spurs, who trailed by only a point to start the fourth quarter. But the Pelicans were composed at home and pulled away thanks to late surges by Jones, who scored 11 in the fourth quarter; Tyreke Evans, who scored nine of his 11 points in the final period; and Hill, who scored seven points down the stretch.

New Orleans' lead grew to 21 on Davis' soaring, oneput-back dunk, handed, which made it 119-98 with 1:25 to go.

Asked why such perfor-

sive than routine for New Orleans, Davis said it was "a mental thing."

"No matter who we have on the floor or who we're playing against, we need to move the basketball, play for each other, and play defensively," Da-We did it against Cleveland."

New Orleans held a slim lead after one quarter, but Leonard asserted himself offensively in the second, when his 14 points helped fuel a 37-point period for the Spurs. David Lee also was active inside in the first half, with 10 points that included a pair of dunks and two put-backs.

The Spurs briefly led by as many as 11 before Holiday's 9-foot pull-up made it 57-48 at halftime.

"We had a great first half," Parker said. "In the second half, they were shooting the ball very well. They made a lot of 3s, so we have to give them credit."

GAME LEGS

Donatas Motiejunas, signed earlier this month and playing his 10th game, scored 10 points, reaching at least that many for a third straight game. He also had seven rebounds, four assists and two blocks — one from behind on Bertans' fast-break layup at-

"I feel more and more confident out there and all the players are starting to trust me," Motiejunas said. "What I see is we're super talented and any time we beat a good team, our noses go up and the average team comes in and teaches us a lesson. ... We need to learn from these things."

TIP-INS

Spurs: Leonard scored fewer than 30 for the first time in six games. ... Aldridge has nine double-doubles. ... San Antonio fell to 20-5 on the

Pelicans: E'Twaun Moore scored 13 points. ... New Orleans snapped a string of five straight losses to the Spurs.

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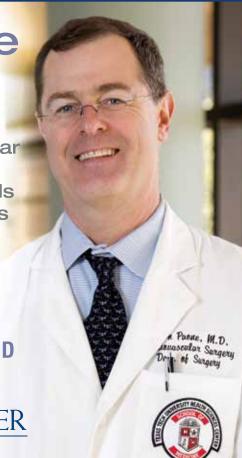
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By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

dream.

ver dreamed you could just walk into your favorite store – or even the mall – and just help yourself to whatever you wanted?

A local teen recently got to live that

Big Spring's Briana Mendoza, 19, a survivor of metastatic Ewing's sarcoma and papillary thyroid carcinoma had a wish granted by the Kids' Wish Network Jan. 18 and 19.

Briana, who attended Big Spring schools, is currently a college student and is employed at Big Spring's Red Mesa Grill. She plans to pursue child psychology as a career.

"My nurses decided to, I guess, try to get me a wish because of my recent battle with cancer, just to pick something that would be fun," said Briana. "[The Kids' Wish Network] granted a wish for me. I just asked to go on a shopping spree. It was really fun. It was honestly the best day ever."

The adventure started Jan. 18 with breakfast at The Egg and I restaurant in Odessa; followed by activities at "GET OUT!" Live Action Escape Room, and a movie and games at Cinergy Cinema in Midland. For her movie, Briana selected the latest action flick starring Jamie Foxx.

"That was real fun. We did a lot of fun stuff," she said. "We went to the movies. We saw 'Sleepless."

After a night courtesy of Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Midland, Briana and her family were chauffeured by B&B Platinum Limousine service to Midland Park Mall.

"Just being with family was great. Going to shop and look around," she said. "Some places gave me gift cards and some places gave me store credit. We went to a whole lot of places. We went to Sephora,

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Photos courtesy Midland Park Mall

Clockwise from top: Briana Mendoza and her family took no prisoners at the Midland Park Mall last week. The Big Spring teen was granted a shopping spree at the mall through the Kids' Wish Network; Briana and her entourage take a shortcut through the mall's food court; Briana gets her make-up done at Sephora in the mall; a jewelry specialist helps Briana pick out a necklace at Zales; an employee of Great American Cookie Co. presents Briana with a giant cookie bearing her name as her grandmother looks on; Briana was greeted at the mall with balloon and smiles.









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Johnson and Gerenzie to wed



Special to the Herald

Owen and Beate Johnson of Big Spring; and Cyndi Cerenzie of Chicago, Ill., Lawrence Cerenzie of Pearl River, La., announce the engagement of their children, Ariel M. Johnson of Big Spring and James L. Cerenzie of San Diego,

Ariel is a May 2009 graduate of Big Spring High School, a May 2013 graduate of Texas A&M University, and a prospective May 2017 graduate of the University of Houston College of Optometry with a doctorate in optometry.

James is a May 2008 graduate of Spanish Forks High School and attended Dixie State University before graduating from Texas A&M's Mays Business School in December of 2013. He currently employed at Oceaneering Inc. in Houston as a business development manager.

wedding planned for May 27, 2017, in Plantersville, Texas.

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the make-up store, and we went to J.C. Penney's, Dillard's, all kinds of

Other stops on the itinerary included Hot Topic, Claire's, G by Guess, Journeys, Bealls, Rue 21, Bath and Body Works, Zales, and American Eagle Outfitters.

For lunch, Chick-fil-A provided a white-linen lunch in the mall's food court accompanied by the Chick-fil-A cow mascot. Dessert was a giant cookie provided by Midland Park Mall and Great American Cookies.

"It said my name," Briana said. Briana said she enjoyed the entire

experience, including selecting some bling at Zales jewelry store.

"They gave me a necklace. A beautiful necklace," said Briana. "It's a little heart pendant with flowers on it and

little pink beads."

Sephora provided her with makeup scented with chocolate; other gifts included fragrances from Bath and Body Works, sweaters from G by Guess, outfits from Rue 21, "the perfect shoes" from Journeys, a gift basket and store credit from Dillard's, and a gift card from Bealls.

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The final experience of the wish was dinner at Briana's favorite restaurant, Texas Roadhouse.

"It was just so amazing how everyone came together for just one person, me!" she said. "I just hope the Wish company can reach other children across the world. I hope this gets the word out about what they do and what they provide. I just want to say thank you to everyone who supported my through my battle and everything."

For more information, check out the Kids' Wish Network website at www.kidswishnetwork.org.

Grammys, CBS to honor Bee Gees with tribute concert

Courtesy photo The Bee Gees will be honored with a concert including Celine Dion, Andra Day, John Legend, and Keith Urban. The concert, to be taped Feb. 14, will be broadcast on CBS later this year.



LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Recording Academy and CBS will pay tribute to the Bee Gees two days after the Grammys with a concert featuring a range of artists, including Celine Dion, Andra

The show, "Stayin' Alive: A Grammy Salute to the Music of the Bee Gees," will mark the 40th anniversary of the pop legends' soundtrack to "Saturday Night Fever," according to a joint announcement released Friday.

Grammy for album of the year for 1978. The concert will be taped Feb. 14 at the Microsoft

Little Big Town, Nick Jonas, Tori Kelly, Demi

The Bee Gees "helped make 'Saturday Night Fe-

available at Axs.com.

Day, John Legend and Keith Urban.

Barry Gibb, the sole surviving member and cofounder of the Grammy-winning group who released a solo album late last year, will perform a selection of hits from the soundtrack, which won a

Theater, to be broadcast on CBS later this year.

Lovato and the Pentatonix are among others to perform, with additions expected.

ver' an emblem of 1970s pop culture," said Neil Portnow, president and CEO of The Recording Academy. "With expert harmonies, undeniable groove and a personal charisma matching their on-stage persona, the iconic band of brothers defined not just a genre, but a generation."

Tickets for the show start at \$25. Details are

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fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meaty queso, peas, garden salad, veggie cups, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage breakfast pizza, apples, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Sriracha beef pocket, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruity Jell-O, fruit cup, garden salad, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Blueberry muffin, banana, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meaty macaroni, breadstick, green beans, veggie cups, garden salad, strawberries, animal crackers, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: PBJ Uncrustable, orange smiles, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Ravioli, Italian bread, sweet fries, twisted applesauce, fruit cup, garden salad, milk.

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Morning sausage roll or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled pineapples, fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Chili dog basket with tots or tuna chef's salad or chicken fried chicken with cream gravy or meatloaf with tomato sauce, roasted potatoes, southern turnip greens, Romaine spinach garden salad, apples and oranges, chilled mixed fruit, cornbread.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or cereal with buttered toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk; Lunch: Cheesy chicken Philly sandwich basket with seasoned fries or diced ham chef's salad or Asian orange chicken stir fry, fried rice, oriental blend vegetables, glazed carrots, Romaine spinach garden salad, fruit slush cup, bananas and oranges, who-

legrain roll, fortune cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks or oatmeal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk, syrup; Lunch: Chicken ranch wrap basket with Sun Chips or strawberry grilled chicken salad or homestyle pizza (cheese/ pepperoni/Mexican) or loaded baked potato with homestyle chili and roll, seasoned corn, Romaine and spinach garden salad, oranges and apples, chilled mandarin oranges, chocolate chip cookie

Thursday: Breakfast: Biscuits with sausage gravy or cereal with buttered toast, fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk, jelly; Lunch: Burrito basket with chips and salsa or Loco Dorito beef taco salad or chicken nachos or chicken enchilada casserole, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomato salad, fresh fruit, fruit slush cup, bananas and oranges, jalapenos, salsa, sour cream.

Friday: Breakfast: Homestyle cinnamon roll or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Cheeseburger basket with seasoned fries or chicken salad or barbecue meatball or roasted ranch chicken, mashed potatoes, green peas, Romain and spinach garden salad, chilled pineapple tidbits, apples and oranges, wholegrain roll.

Forsan ISD Monday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap with yogurt

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

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

fresh fruit, milk. **Wednesday**: Breakfast: French toast or cereal

with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Pizza or chef's salad, Italian vegetables, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, fresh fruit, Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pocket or ce-

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

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

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Monday: Breakfast: Waffles, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Hamburger, fries, hamburger garnish, baby carrots, mixed fruit, milk, fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, ham, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Hot ham and cheese pretzel sandwich, tomato-cucumber cup, garden salad, snowball salad, milk, fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Texas basket, carrot coins, apple slices, cookie, milk, fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast: Sausage, egg, and cheese pretzel sandwich; fruit; fruit juice; milk; Lunch: Barbecue on a bun, coleslaw, pinto beans, orange smiles, milk, fruit.

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, hash browns, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken bowl, roll, gravy, green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk, fruit.

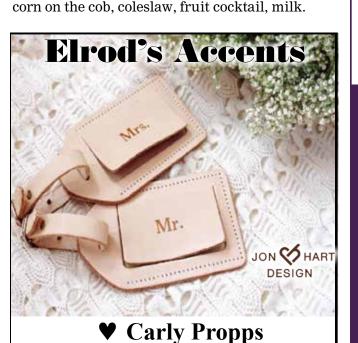
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Monday: Sloppy Joe on a bun, hash brown casserole, onion and pickle, mixed fruit, milk.

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Wednesday: Chopped barbecue on a bun, onion and pickle, pinto beans, okra, berry cup, milk.

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XXX: The Return of Xander Cage

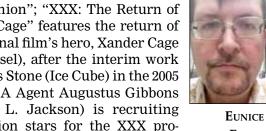


mean, who wouldn't?).

'f you like action, action, and nothing but action, the ∎new movie "XXX: The Return of Xander

Cage" might just be for you.

The third installment in the franchise which started with 2002's "XXX," followed by 2005's "XXX: State of the Union"; "XXX: The Return of Xander Cage" features the return of the original film's hero, Xander Cage (Vin Diesel), after the interim work of Darius Stone (Ice Cube) in the 2005 flick. NSA Agent Augustus Gibbons (Samuel L. Jackson) is recruiting new action stars for the XXX program, and he has his eye on Brazilian soccer star Neymar Jr. (as himself). Unfortunately, the two are apparently killed when a satellite crashes on



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them in Brazil. Then we see a mysterious team led by Xiang (Donnie Yen) break into CIA headquarters to steal a mysterious device called "Pandora's Box." This thingamajig has the power to call down satellites from orbit with pinpoint accuracy. Since there are in the neighborhood of 30,000 satellites in orbit (according to the movie), this is a lot of destructive capability in the wrong hands. CIA agent Marke (Toni Collette) tracks down the eponymous Xander Cage who faked his death after the first movie, and convinces him to help her track down the device. Xander contacts his friend Ainsley (Hermione Corfield) from the first movie, and she uses technology to track the box to the Philippines. Marke tries to give Cage a team of Special Forces guys to help him go after it, but he jettisons (literally) and forms his own team: Adele Wolff (Ruby Rose), a hotshot sniper who really doesn't like poachers; party guy and DJ Harvard "Nicks" Zhou (Kris Wu), because he's "fun to be around"; and getaway driver Tennyson "The Torch" (Rory McCann, aka Sandor Clegane from "Game of Thrones"). They have no trouble tracking Xiang and his crew, Serena (Deepika Padukone), Talon (Tona Jaa), and Hawk (Michael Bisping), but it turns out that they are all part of the XXX program too, recruited by Gibbons. They stole the box to prevent it being misused. Xiang thinks they should use it themselves while Serena believes they should destroy it. Af-

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John Medina



What is your name? John Medina Where do you work? City of Big Spring Where were you born? Raymondsville, Texas What city do you live in? Big Spring Who makes up your family? Daughter, Mia Aston

interested or involved in? Sports What is your favorite book? "The Stand," by Stephen King

What hobbies, organizations, or clubs are you

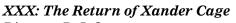
What is your favorite show? "Breaking Bad" What is your favorite movie? "The Godfather"

Urangas welcome Naya Elizabeth



Of course, there are some major plot holes and Special to the Herald

some incredibly unbelievable action and stunts Big Spring residents Eric and Kristi Uranga rethat just shred any semblance of suspension of dis- cently welcomed newcomer Naya Elizabeth into their lives. The baby girl was born Dec. 19, 2016 at 10:16 p.m. at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. Upon arrival, Naya weighed 7 lbs, 8 oz., and was 19 inches long. Her grandparents are Linda Porter, and Debbie and Ambrosio Uranga. Naya is an only child so far.



Director: D.J. Caruso

ies in this high-octane genre.

Writers: F. Scott Frazier; based on characters created by Rich Wilkes

raided by Russians,

and things go downhill

Also of note is Nina

from there.

Dobrev as Becky Clearidge, a geeky tech working

for Marke who seems to have a crush on Xander (I

This movie had so much action that I actually

kind of got bored with the long, drawn out fight,

chase, fall, jump, martial arts, parkour, etc. etc.

etc., constant in your face action. That's not some-

thing I can say too often; I love me some action.

Maybe I'm getting old, but it seemed to me that the

actual scenes went on too long and interrupted that

actual good part of the movie, which I'll talk about

There are two main things I really liked about

"Return." One was Xander's very, very cheesy, tes-

tosterone-laced one-liners. Vin Diesel is a champ

at delivering these pithy quips. I won't spoil any of

The other thing is that, in a movie that promises

to be very predictable, there are a few out of the

blue surprises in "Return." I like movies that can

belief. There are many things in this movie that

just would not work. But those things are to be ex-

pected in a "XXX" movie, or any of the other mov-

Overall, I found myself chuckling a few times at

the antics. The action was over the top, but as I said

before, a bit too much. I'll give it $5\frac{1}{2}$ stars out of 10.

surprise me, and this one did, a few times.

them for you here, but trust me.

Production companies: Paramount Pictures, One

Race Films, Revolution Studios

PG-13, 1 hr. 47 min., Action/Adventure/Thriller, Jan. 20, 2017

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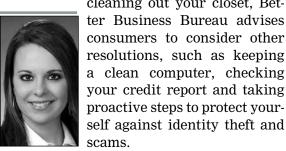


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Date: Jan. 20, 2017 **Defendant: David Rios**

elude police officer Sentence: \$100 fine, \$287 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Offense: Fleeing or attempting to

Date: Jan. 20, 2017 Defendant: Johnny Lee Juarez Jr.

Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. Sentence: \$100 fine, \$352 court costs, 45 days in jail.

Date: Jan. 20, 2017 Defendant: Aaron Deleon

Offense: Possession of marijuana

less than 2 oz. Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.

Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.

Defendant: Julio Chavez

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PERMITS

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The Life Center, 1801 S. Main St., com elec. Val: \$16,000; Fee: \$52.36; com HVAC, Val: \$6,500; Fee: \$45; total Val: \$22,500; Fee: \$97.36 Matthew James Pinkley,

2306 Brent Dr., res elec, Val: \$15,500; Fee: \$69.18; res plumb, Val: \$5,000; Fee: \$39; total Val: \$20,500; Fee: \$108.18

BDA Companies, 601 E. Third St., com plumb, Val: \$2,500; Fee: \$35

Tiffanie Jo Subia, 4301 Connally, res elec, Val: \$1,000; Fee: \$25; res gas, Val: \$1,000; Fee: \$32; total Val: \$2,000; Fee: \$57

Jaime Ortega Cordero, 1011 Wood St., res re-roof, Val: \$2,800; Fee: \$25 Nona Campbell Brunson,

3606 Hamilton St., structure (replace fence), Val: \$2,000; Fee: \$25

Finis W. Tibbs, 2615 Central Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$9,100; Fee: \$60 Amanda Jo Williams, 2910

W. Eighth St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,282; Fee: \$40 Terry Robertson, 2701

Crestline Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$15,000; Fee: \$85 Richard Mark Coldiron, 603 W. 17th St., res HVAC,

Val: \$5,600; Fee: \$45 Kenneth Fulgham, 1709 Morrison Dr., res HVAC, Val:

\$4,400; Fee: \$45 Big Spring Realty Inc., 3223 Cornell Ave., res HVAC, Val: \$3,850; Fee: \$45 Drew Bavin, 2900 Law-

rence St., res re-roof, Val: \$3,000; Fee: \$25 J.N. Parrott, 605 George St., res re-roof, Val: \$7,000;

Fee: \$45 Lora Warren, 600 Edwards Circle, res re-roof, Val:

\$10,000; Fee: \$60 City Brewhouse, 209 W. Third St., com elec, Val: \$3,500; Fee: \$25

Alvaro Javier Palacios, 801 N. Scurry St., res re-

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roof, Val: \$4,000; Fee: \$30 Templo Belen, 2205 Go-

liad St., com re-roof, Val: \$18,900; Fee: \$105 Chances Are, 1310 W.

Fourth St., com elec, Val: \$200; Fee: \$50 Yvonne Diaz, 1111 Ridg-

eroad Dr., res elec, Val: \$1,000; Fee: \$25 Templo Belen, 2205 Go-

liad St., res gas, Val: \$1,500; J.A. Smith, 2307 W. Old

Highway 80, res re-roof, Val: \$5,000; Fee: \$35 Donald James Green,

2212 Cecilia St., accessory

building. Val: \$3.500: Fee: Petra Delarosa Lara, 1603

Harding St., res gas, Val: \$500; Fee: \$32 Alma Rosa Soto, 1810 No-

lan St., res elec, Val: \$1,000; Fee: \$25 Howard County, 315 S.

Main St., com HVAC, Val: \$60,000; Fee: \$305 Jessie Fabian Rubio, 2315

Mishler St., res alteration/addition, Val: \$5,500; Fee: \$40 Sunny Side Up, 1907 Bird-

well Lane Ste. A, sign, Val:

\$650; Fee: \$25 Jacqueline Mari Moore, 1608 Cole Lane, storage building, Val: \$4,500; Fee:

\$35

J.A. Daylong, 3716 Hatch St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,000; Fee: \$35

Mike Sanchez, 1201 Lamar Ave., res plumb, Val: \$250; Fee: \$32

Sharon Adams, 3217 Auburn Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$4,700; Fee: \$35

James and Deborah Gartman, 3700 Hamilton St., res re-roof, Val: \$6,800; Fee: \$45

Sam E. Lewis Jr., 713 Tulane Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$9,300; Fee: \$60

Iris Ann Yanez, 4 Highland Cove, res re-roof, Val: \$45,000; Fee: \$235

Ruben Arroila Hilario Jr., 1608 Cardinal St., res reroof, Val: \$800; Fee: \$25

Matilde Gonzalez, 1600 Stadium Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$1,300; Fee: \$25

Economic growth slowed in Q4, but hope ahead

WASHINGTON (AP) — The bor market and weak produc-U.S. economy lost momentum in the final three months of 2016 as a downturn in exports temporarily depressed activity. But there were hopeful signs in housing and business investment that the economy will rebound in the coming The gross domestic product

grew at an annual rate of just 1.9 percent in the October-December period, a slowdown from 3.5 percent growth in the third quarter, the Commerce Department reported Friday. GDP, the broadest measure of economic health, was held back by a swing in trade with exports of soybeans plunging in the fourth quarter after having surged in the third quarter.

"If you smooth out the volatility in soybeans, you get growth of around 2.5 percent in the two quarters," said Nariman Behravesh, chief economist at IHS Markit. "We really didn't have a slowdown at the end of the year."

For all of 2016, the economy grew 1.6 percent. It was the worst showing in five years since a similar 1.6 percent gain in 2011. GDP grew 2.6 percent in 2015, and since the recession ended in mid-2009, growth has averaged a weak 2.1 percent.

But analysts believe there were signs in Friday's report of a rebound in business spending and housing activity, which could lead to stronger growth in 2017 of around 2.5 percent.

President Donald Trump has set a goal of doubling growth to 4 percent in coming years through an ambitious stimulus program featuring tax cuts, deregulation and higher infrastructure spending.

Private economists believe sustained annual growth rates of 4 percent will be a high hurdle, given underlying trends such as slow growth in the la-

tivity. However, many analysts have been boosting their forecasts believing that Trump will succeed in getting at least a portion of his program approved by a Republican-led Congress. For the fourth quarter, the

biggest factor contributing to the slowdown was a widening in the trade deficit. Exports, which had been temporarily bolstered by a surge in sales of soybeans to Latin America, retreated in the fourth quarter. Meanwhile, imports surged.

Trade cut 1.7 percentage points from growth in the fourth quarter after adding 0.9 percentage point to growth in the third quarter. A higher trade deficit subtracts from economic growth because it means more production is being supplied from abroad.

Consumer spending, which accounts for 70 percent of economic growth, slowed to stillsolid growth of 2.5 percent in the fourth quarter from a 3 percent gain in the third quarter. But business investment spending accelerated in the fourth quarter, rising at a 2.4 percent rate, the best showing in more than a year. That's a hopeful sign that a prolonged slowdown in investment spending, reflecting in part big cuts by energy companies, is coming to an end.

Residential construction, which had been falling for two quarters, rebounded in the fourth quarter, rising at an annual rate of 10.2 percent while government spending grew at a 1.2 percent rate as strength in state and local activity offset a drop in activity at the federal

Rebuilding of business stockpiles added 1 percentage point to growth in the fourth quarter. The cutbacks in business investment along with efforts by

companies to reduce an overhang of unwanted inventories were major reasons growth slowed in 2016. Economists are forecasting

a better performance in 2017, with many raising their forecasts to incorporate the potential impact of Trump's stimulus program. They believe that the prolonged reduction in stockpiles has run its course and business spending on new plants and equipment will begin to rebound. Economists at the Interna-

tional Monetary Fund last week boosted their outlook for U.S. GDP to 2.3 percent this year and 2.5 percent in 2018, saying the increase reflected expectations that Trump's economic program of tax cuts, regulatory relief and higher infrastructure had boosted growth prospects.

Some private economists are even more optimistic. Stuart Hoffman, chief economist at PNC, said he had pushed his outlook up to growth of 2.4 percent in 2017 and 2.7 percent in

Sung Won Sohn, an economics professor at California State's Martin Smith School of Business, said there is a lot of uncertainty at the moment about Trump's program since the new administration has yet to put forward its plan for Congress to consider.

"At the moment, we don't know the size, the scale and the timing of the Trump program," Sohn said. "But it is very possible that we will get a significant boost to economic growth in the second half of next year if Trump is successful getting his program through Congress."

Sohn predicted growth rates could jump to 3.5 to 4 percent. GDP growth has averaged a lackluster 2.1 percent in the $7\frac{1}{2}$ years since the recession ended.

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Sentence: \$750 fine, \$302 court costs, onetime payment

Date: Jan. 12, 2016

Defendant: Alma Rodri-Offense: Criminal mis-

chief impairing, interrupting, or diverting public water Sentence: \$250 fine, \$337 court costs, six

months' probation. ferred adjudication. Date: Jan. 18, 2017

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Megan and James Beck Grantee: Christie and

Co. Investments Property: Lot 13, Blk. 23,

College Park Estates Date: Jan. 20, 2017

Grantor: Quert Odell Huitt

Grantee: Florence LLC Property: A 34.377-acre

tract in Sec. 22, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey Date: Jan. 20, 2017

Grantor: Brandon S. Moore Grantee: Vanna

Moore Property: 1/2 interest in

Lots 5, 6, and 7, Furrh Addition in Coahoma

Date: Jan. 20, 2017

Smith

Grantee: Francisco Franco Ramos

Property: Lot 1, Blk. 16, **Earles Addition**

Grantor: Robert Glenn aka Roque Salazar Sr.

Salazar

Property: A 3.75-acre

Date: Jan. 23, 2017

Grantor: Shirley Laverne Gay as independent executor of the estate of Stephen Elliott Gay

Grantee: Shirley Laverne Gay

Property: Lot 9, Blk. 4, Sunset Place Addition Date: Jan. 23, 2017

Grantor: John Luke Yarbar and Mique Dawn Yarbar

Grantee: Daryl and Tillie **Snelgrooes**

Property: S/90 feet of SE/4 Blk. 17, College

Heights Addition Date: Jan. 23, 2017

Grantor: Roque Salazar Grantee: Roque Salazar

Sr. and Jimmie Charlene

Sec. 43, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey, except a 2.33-acre tract.

Date: Jan. 23, 2017

tract in the west part of

Grantor: Stuart R. and Tara L. Sincleair Grantee: Ashley Martin Property: Lot 27, Blk. 8, **Douglass Addition** Date: Jan. 23, 2017

Grantor: Helen Galbraith Grantee: Kyle and Kimberly Ware

Property: Lot 1, Blk. 4, except the S/14 feet thereof, Highland South Addition Date: Jan. 24, 2017

Reid and Leota Fay Reid Grantee: Randy Price

Coahoma

Grantor: Randall Earl Property: Lots 1, 2, and 3, Blk. 3, Original Town of Date: Jan. 25, 2017

Grantor: Terra Industries

Grantee: Dany Som Property: Lot 12, Chaney Subdivision, Blk. 39, College Heights Addition

Date: Jan. 25, 2017

Vendors' Liens

deceased.

Grantor: Bonnie Logsdon aka Bonnie A. Logsdon, independent executrix of the estate of Billy

Logsdon aka Bill Logsdon,

Warranty Deeds With

Grantee: Robert Reid Property: Lots 3 and 4, and the S/2 of Lot 5, Blk. 17, Saunders Addition in Coahoma.

Date: Jan. 20, 2017

Grantor: Wayne Bristow aka Artie Wayne Bristow,

and Frances Bristow Grantee: Heath A. We-

Property: A 2.53-acre tract in W/2 of N/2 of NW/4 of NE/4 of SW/4 of Sec. 19, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey Date: Jan. 23, 2017

Grantor: HET LLC Grantee: Abe and Anna

Friesen Property: A 10.08-acre tract in SW/4 Sec. 8, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad

Co. Survey Date: Jan. 25, 2017

Grantor: Kyle Morrison and Lisa Morrison fka Lisa Campbell

Grantee: Jason J. Golleher Jr., and Jasmine Golleher

Property: Lot 3, Blk. 4, Seton Place Addition Date: Jan. 25, 2017

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RFB # 17-014 Police Department Vehicles RFB # 17-015 Streets Pothole Truck RFB # 17-016 Parks Truck RFB # 17-017 EMS Ambu-

Proposals are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Proposal information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All proposals must be marked with the date of the proposals and a general description of the proposal item(s).

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#9289 January 29 & February 5, 2017

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#9288 January 29, 2017

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1807 8LS (DP #817760), Riley D 1819 4WB (DP #814866), Riley E 1819 5WB (DP #814868), Riley B 1807 1WB (Lease ID #47522), and Riley C 1807 1WB (Lease ID #47498). All wells are in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field in Glasscock County, Texas. This application is for common separation, common storage and casinghead gas metering by allocation by well test. Production will be allocated by W-10 Tests. Any royalty or working interest owners or offset operators who have not received written notification, please consider this your Notice of Application. If you have objections to the issuance of this permit, you may submit a letter to P-17 Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. Unless the Railroad Commission receives a protest to this application, the Commission may issue a permit within 21 days following the date of last pub-

#9268 January 8, 15, 22, & 29, 2017

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Big Spring, TX 79720

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By Steve Becker

Points, shmoints

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable NORTH WEST **EAST**

↑ΛΚQJ10 **♥**Q6 **♦** Â 9 4 2 **♦**8763 SOUTH

♥A 10 9 5 4 ♦ K Q J 10 5 ♣ΑQÌ

East South West I ♣ 1 ♠ Pass 3 🏚 Pass Pass Pass Pass Dble

make is often determined by distribpoints, as witness this deal from a

match between Ireland and Italy. The Irish declarer, Peter Pigot, got to four hearts doubled as shown after East, Benito Garozzo, opened

The bidding: North Pass Pass

Opening lead two of spades. The number of tricks a side can

with one club, showing 16 or more points.

West led a spade, ruffed by Pigot, who returned the king of diamonds and discarded a spade from dummy. East took the ace and played another spade, ruffed again by declarer. Pigot now cashed the queen of

diamonds, discarding dummy's last spade, and made the key play of a low trump from his Λ -10-9, won by East with the queen. Garozzo could do no better than return a trump, won by South with the ace After ruffing a diamond with

dummy's last trump, Pigot took a club finesse, which won, and led the J-10 of diamonds. West ruffed with his high trump and played still another spade, but Pigot ruffed and scored the last two tricks with the A-J of clubs to make four hearts doubled. Thus it was that South, with 17

points, scored 10 tricks, while East-West, with 23 points, scored only The outcome emphasizes that

what counts in bridge is the number of tricks you can take and not the number of points you have. Pointcount enthusiasts eventually learn from bitter experience that while high-card points are a valuable measuring rod, they are by no means an accurate barometer of how many tricks can actually be made.

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Tomorrow: Famous Hand.



HOLIDAY **MATHIS**

Welcoming the Fire Rooster

The era of the Fire Rooster begins. Those who observe the Chinese New Year will continue celebrating in the days to come with dancing, music, costumes, parades, gifts and fireworks to honor the times. Fire represents high energy, passion and transformation. The rooster symbolizes confidence, dominance and power.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's danger in weighing in too soon, judging too quickly and reacting too impulsively. You won't be sorry for asking a few more questions, taking your time and withholding

your opinion until you get all of the facts.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You can be the star, but you can just as readily be the cheerleader, coach or motivational force to another person's performance. When you interact with others, your goal is to help them win.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Some things you've seen lately definitely look better in pictures than in real life. But tonight you'll witness what simply can't be captured with a camera, no matter how good the lens is or whose eye is behind it.

CANCER (June **22-July 22).** You're the purveyor of good taste and consumer quality in your group. You'll take the responsibility seriously today, vetting the options carefully and giving a full report to interested parties.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're not afraid of being proved wrong. In fact, you look forward to anything enlightening. That said, you will quietly hold to what you feel is right until anything that is tru-

「omorrow's Horoscope er can convince you otherwise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Everyone is selling something, although some are doing it so badly (and others are doing it so well) that it's hard to tell. What are you selling? If you don't know what it is, it's hard to get the right price.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You want freedom; you need rules; you long for adventure; you're drawn to comforts. All these contrasts are working in your life, and you're better for the complex-

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Life seems to be going to plan, the only problem being that the plan in question isn't your own. Take back the reins. Step one: Determine who has them. Step two: Wrestle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Making friends isn't so hard for you, and neither is keeping them, though the latter takes more of a conscious effort. Decide on a pattern that works for you, and hope it matches the needs of the other people.

CAPRICORN

know the person well

Charisma is yours to wield today, so which direction should you wield it? Do you aim it for the low-hanging fruit, or are you willing to climb a bit? Hint: The one who is difficult to win will be won over by you right

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

quick. AQUARIUS (Jan. **20-Feb. 18).** Tricks to stop the energy-draining habit of worry: Write it down and burn it. Distract yourself with overwhelming entertainment. Change the channel. Solve the problem. PISCES (Feb.

19-March 20). You are, at times, helplessly, even unwillingly, empathetic. It's usually when another person seems to need your protection. A baby crying, an animal hurting -- you'll feel it immediately. **TODAY'S BIRTH-**

DAY (Jan. 29). With a habit of gratitude, you'll find it easy to rejoice in your life this year. There's a deal to be struck in March -- lucrative for you and a godsend for the other person. April is a kind of free-for-all. The rules get bent, and the professional

climate shifts, and all the changes stir up interesting relationships. Aries and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 45, 9, 31, 20 and 14.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The Year of the Fire Rooster is underway! The official calendar of China is the Gregorian calendar, but the ancient Chinese calendar, which is based on astronomical phenomena, is widely used for traditional activities -including the celebration of Spring Festival, aka Lunar New Year. The first day of the new year is the new moon in Aquarius, which was yesterday. Celebrations and traditions continue for the next two weeks. Ancestors will be paid homage to. Deities will be honored. Dragons will tour the streets,

Rooster. In Chinese astrology, the element of fire is the second of five stages of chi, which is energy. Fire represents the prosperity phase of matter. Combined with the rooster symbol, this is

she has been texting

me, asking whether

I liked the gifts. Am I

or selfish by feeling

I confront her about

this? -- Feeling Used

sounds as if you're

finding someone just

the right present, and

that's great. But not

everyone is the type.

Presents may not be

your friend, or perhaps

money's too tight for

her to go all out. She

did at least try to put

something together. If

she's a good friend in

all other respects, be

staring the gift horse

in the mouth and it's

Dear Annie: My

partner and I took in a

young homeless man

find out he has a mild

problem is figuring out

in activities. We want

him to feel that he is

welcome and a part

go to what he calls

of the family. He does

classes, but when he

comes home, he goes

back to his room. Any

and have come to

mental illness. Our

how to include him

of your friendship.

thankful for that. Keep

that big of a deal to

gifted in the art of

Dear Feeling: It

in New York

the way I do? Should

being overly sensitive

and lanterns will light

the Year of the Fire

up the sky to welcome

a kind of double energetic whammy, adding some crackle-pop! to the cock-a-doodledoo.

In world politics, small social groups and everything in between, leaders will strut and posture. Divas abound. Authority figures lay down rules and diktats that under lings scramble to build order around. The omens suggest excitement, abundance and spectacle in the months ahead.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Oprah Winfrey built an empire around her own intimate and honest style of communicating. The mogul and philanthropist was born when the sun, Mercury and Venus were all in the sign of Aquarius. Also known as the Water Bearer, Aquarius is the great humanitarian of the zodiac, finding a deep sense of purpose in bringing people what

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they need.

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Dear Annie:

Newsday Crossword

Christmas has just passed, and once again, I find myself hurt and insulted by

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22 Rifle support

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Daisy the cow

37 More auspicious

38 Heart of Venice

39 "Best Things dwell out of __":

Dickinson

41 Suffer no losses

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buys diesel

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address, maybe 52 Splash against

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animal

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54 Making a comeback

painted with

Yellowstone

Cooper, circa

franchise 15 Highly imposing

13 Clones in

17 Clown

my best friend's gift. I always take such care and pride in choosing just the perfect gift for everyone on my list. I refuse to give a gift card or money, as I feel it's like saying I didn't feel

like bothering to shop

for that person or don't

enough to know what he or she would like. To me, gifting is a loving gesture, and even if someone chooses something for me that is not perfect, I get pleasure knowing that the person thought of me when choosing the

SATURDAY STUMPER by Brad Wilber

hunters partner in

10 Snowball

61 British housing development

62 International arrangement

57 Applied for some

shirts

60 Pre-film

59 Mainstay of

Tiki culture

animation device

63 Seemingly not meant to be

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8 Arabian Nights strikes

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in biology

46 Newly free 48 État de bien-être

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waders 55 Ceremonial

medal bearer **56** Acknowledge

58 The FAA is part of it

Answer to previous puzzle

item.

But every year, when I open my best friend's gift, I am disappointed. We've been best friends for 30 years. This year was the worst. It was as if she went through her drawers and gave me everything she didn't want. She gave me foot lotion, a DVD I will never watch, a shirt and a bottle of wine. The foot lotion was in a box that was all tattered and worn. The shirt was her size, not mine, and it smelled like old perfume. The wine was sweet red, and she knows I drink only dry. To top it all off, it was all thrown in a rag-

"Happy Birthday"! I was so hurt. I spent days looking for the perfect gift for her, and I spent a lot of money. I also gave her a huge container of homemade Christmas cookies and candy that she loves.

ged gift bag that said

I have never been one who cares much about what I get; I get my pleasure from giving and knowing I made someone happy. But I just cannot help but be hurt. I haven't spoken to her since Christmas, and

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him feel wanted and welcome? -- Con-

cerned in Kentucky **Dear Concerned:** It will take time for him to adjust to his new life and be comfortable, so let him have the space he needs. He's probably accustomed to keeping people at a distance. But a great and important place for familial bonding is the dinner table. Make a habit of cooking for him and eating togeth-

night. Beyond that, seek help from a licensed counselor. Mental illness, like any illness, can become more serious and debilitating if left untreated. It was very kind of you and your partner to take liable to take a bite out this young man in, and now the kindest thing you can do is find him the help he needs.

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To stand out at Super Bowl 51, ads are going for stunts

By MAE ANDERSON

AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Lady Gaga is reportedly entertaining an unusual twist on her Super Bowl halftime show, which — though it's not confirmed - she could perform from the roof of the stadium. If that comes to pass, she won't be the only one making a big play for attention this year.

Advertisers from first timer 84 Lumber to veteran Hyundai are ramping up the marketing stunts in order to stand out from the crowd during the

Some will air live ads, ,or at least teasers for their campaigns; one will even shoot its commercial during the game. Others are deliberately courting controversy.

Super Bowl LI, in which the Atlanta Falcons will take on the New England Patriots, is expected to be the biggest live TV event of the year.

THE WAR FOR YOUR ATTENTION

Every year, more than 30 advertisers vie to create the most-remembered 30 to 90 seconds of the Super Bowl by stuffing commercials with celebrities, slapstick humor and cute animals.

But now that so many ads get pre-released online or teased ahead of the game, advertisers have a harder time making a lasting impression.

And with more than 110 million people expected to tune in on Feb. 5 and 30 second spots going for around \$5 million, they need to scramble hard.

So this year, marketers are turning to stunts.

"It used to be, 'We need a Super Bowl spot.' Then, it was, 'We need a Super Bowl spot and program,'" said Mark DiMassimo, CEO of ad agency DiMassimo Goldstein in New York. "Now, it's we need a Super Bowl stunt or event. It needs to be newsworthy, social and surprising — and it needs to be much bigger than 30 seconds."

GOING LIVE

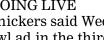
cial for 36 hours ahead of the spot.

"The actual ad is only part of the equation," said Allison Miazga-Bedrick, a Snickers brand director, who promises "over 30 hours of original content" streamed live leading up to the game.

vice— turned to Facebook Live and YouTube Live on Jan. 17 to debut teasers for its Super Bowl ad. The teaser — which was prerecorded and only streamed live — starred Israeli actress and model Gal Gadot, who plays Wonder Woman in her own film later this year, and the English actor Jason

The company said it's the first time a Super Bowl

BETTING ON REJECTION



Snickers said Wednesday it will air a live Super Bowl ad in the third quarter starring Adam Driver ("Star Wars: The Force Awakens"). The Mars brand will also live stream the set of the commer-

Similarly, Wix — an Israeli website hosting ser-

Statham ("The Fast and the Furious").

campaign has been launched live.

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In this Feb. 7, 2016, file photo, Lady Gaga sings the national anthem before the NFL Super Bowl 50 football game in Santa Clara, Calif. Lady Gaga is reportedly planning an (unconfirmed) stunt during Super Bowl 51 by performing from the roof of the stadium during the big game. Advertisers are also ramping up their marketing stunts to try to stand out from the crowd during the biggest live TV event of the year, when the Atlanta Falcons will take on the New England Patriots, in the Super Bowl, on Sunday, Feb. 5,

First-time Super Bowl advertiser 84 Lumber pulled a vintage ad stunt when the company went public with claims that Fox rejected its original ad because it was too "controversial."

The Pennsylvania building materials supplier bought a 90 second ad during the game — a huge commitment for a regional brand.

But Amy Smiley, the company's director of marketing, said its first ad was rejected because some of its imagery, including a border wall that supposedly prevented people from working in the U.S., steered too close to political rhetoric about the Mexican border from President Donald Trump.

Fox declined to comment, ensuring that 84 Lumber got plenty of press well ahead of the game.

SHOOTING ON THE FLY

In perhaps the biggest gamble, Hyundai is teaming with director Peter Berg ("Deepwater Horizon") to actually film a 90-second ad while the Super Bowl is underway.

Hyundai said the ad will show "off the field" moments captured during the game, and will air right after the contest ends.

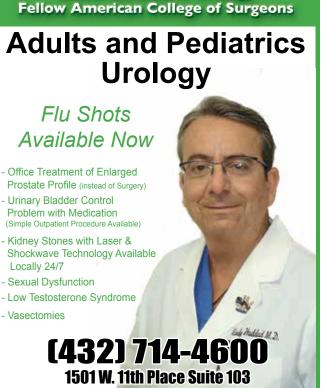
Traditionally, ads that air before or after the Super Bowl itself aren't very successful at drawing eyeballs. But the on-the-fly aspect of this ad could make it hard to ignore.

"The challenge for all of these companies is, 'How do you stand out?" said Tim Calkins, a marketing professor at Northwestern University. "As a result we're going to see this year people try some very curious approaches."

Dean Evans, Hyundai's chief marketing officer, said the shoot-during-the-game approach is all about buzz.

"We wanted to test ourselves," Evans said. "We thought we would have to do it in a new and nontraditional way to really show the U.S. public that we're back in the game."



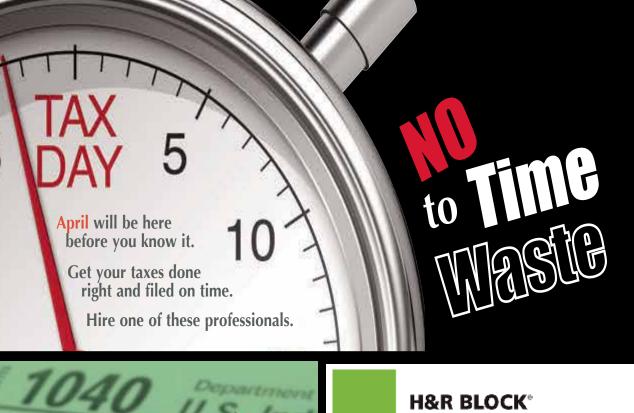


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Leaked video likely to hurt "A Dog's Purpose" at box office

By SANDY COHEN

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Marketers would describe "A Dog's Purpose" as a film with "four-quadrant" appeal, meaning it's likely to draw moviegoers of both genders, young and old. Based on a bestselling book and told from a dog's perspective, it's a feelgood story for animal lovers of all kinds. Which is why a video leaked last week of a frightened dog apparently forced into rushing water during the making of the film is so damaging to its opening box-office prospects this weekend: It alienates, even offends, its very audience.

"Sometimes a controversy can help you, but this isn't one of those cases,' said Gitesh Pandya, editor of boxofficeguru.com. "As far as videos that can come out for your film, this is definitely not the one you want if you're the filmmakers, right before the mov-

Since the video surfaced Jan. 18 on TMZ.com and quickly went viral, fallout has been extensive, including:

— People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals has called for a boycott of "A Dog's Purpose." — Producer Amblin Entertainment

and distributor Universal Pictures went into full damage control, complete with a "war room," canceling a planned press day and starry premiere, but sticking to its plan to open the PG-rated film in more than 3,000 North American theaters on Friday. — American Humane, the watch-

dog organization that certifies that "no animals were harmed" during TV and movie productions, suspended an employee and launched a third-party investigation into the incident.

— "A Dog's Purpose" star Dennis Quaid went on TV's "Entertainment Tonight" calling the leaked video "a

 Actor Josh Gad, who lends his voice to a dog in the film, issued a statement on Twitter saying he has asked the studio and production team for an explanation of what he calls "disturbing images."

— And Gavin Polone, a producer of the film, wrote an editorial in the Hollywood Reporter attacking American Humane and asserting his lifelong

"No matter how the film performs this weekend, there is virtually no way to accurately quantify how the ultimate gross receipts for the film may have been impacted by the negative publicity," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for box-office tracker comScore. "Social media chatter has been very strong for this film and so it's definitely on the radar for more people who might not have otherwise been aware of the movie."

No one has disputed the authenticity of the leaked video. Quaid, Polone, "A Dog's Purpose" author W. Bruce Cameron and American Humane, however, have all said that it is misleading. The minute-long clip shows a trainer trying to put a resistant German shepherd named Hercules into a turbulent pool and the dog scrambling out. A subsequent scene shows the dog becoming submerged in the water for several seconds as trainers shout, "Stop!" TMZ says the footage was recorded in November of 2015.

Mark Stubis of American Humane said its investigation should be completed by Friday, but that preliminary findings indicate that the two scenes in the clip were shot at different times and edited together. Stubis said production was stopped after the dog showed signs of stress on the day in question and that Hercules "was not forced to swim in the water during this take."

Amblin officials have been review-



AP photo

ing dailies and other images taken on set since the video surfaced to determine what actually happened. On Wednesday, the studio shared with reporters more than 10 minutes of raw footage that shows Hercules eagerly jumping into the water from the front and left of the pool, but resisting when the trainer wants him to enter from the right side. It also shows trainers and crew surrounding the pool and platforms just beneath the water's surface for the stunt dog to stand on.

The studio had no comment beyond sharing the footage Wednesday. Last week, Amblin and Universal released a joint statement when canceling the press day and premiere that read in part, "While we are all disheartened by the appearance of an animal in distress, everyone has assured us that Hercules the German Shepherd was not harmed throughout the filmmaking.'

Polone, who describes himself as a vegan whose closest relationships are with animals, says the actions in the video are "inexcusable and never should have happened," and blames the American Humane representative on set for not intervening immediately.

Even without the controversy, "A Dog's Purpose" wasn't born to be a blockbuster, Pandya said. Original industry estimates had put the film's opening weekend in the mid-\$20 millions domestically.

"January is typically not one of your high-profile times to release the big films," Pandya said. "This is not a big franchise that needed a huge opening."

But ironically, the film could still end up No. 1 at the weekend box of-

"Public attitude may be shifting to sympathy for the filmmakers and also producer Gavin Pallone's strong proanimal statement," said comScore's Dergarabedian. "There may be a lot of people who may have not had the movie on their radar but may now be compelled to support the film by coming out to see it.

"This could wind up being a win for the film since at this point, 'A Dog's Purpose' is now being viewed as the underdog"

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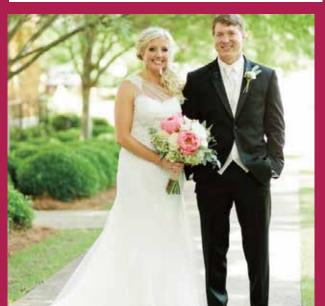
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