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Run 2 Love 2 Run pulls in \$1,000 for CASA of WT

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Permian Basin Events presented a \$1,000 check to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) of West Texas officials in Big Spring Tuesday afternoon.

The donation was the proceeds from the Run 2 Love 2 Run 5K walk/run held Feb.

11 at the Big Spring State Park which was jointly sponsored by CASA of West Texas and Permian Basin Events.

"We appreciate Craig and his wife, Cherise (Felty, owners of Permian Basin Events)," said Kathy Harmon, volunteer recruitment and marketing specialist for CASA of West Texas.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Craig Felty of Permian Basin Events hands a \$1,000 check to Melissa Daily, an employee with CASA of West Texas. The donation was the proceeds from the Run 2 Love 2 Run 5K run/walk. Also pictured is Jeremy Clark, manager of Star Chrysler Dodge of Big Spring, one of the event's major sponsors.

On the air...



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Heritage Museum Director Tammy Schrecengost displays the Dec. 7, 1941 front page of the Big Spring Herald, featuring the planned grand opening of KBST Radio's new headquarters.

Heritage Museum premieres new exhibit on local radio, television industry

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Communications changed drastically during the 20th century, and radio and television in Big Spring changed right along with media in the rest of the country.

Friday, the Heritage Museum of Big Spring, 510 S. Scurry St., will open a new exhibit featuring Big Spring's two premier radio sta-

tion, and a now defunct television station that merged into the Midland station that is now KWES-TV.

"It's broadcasting, radio and TV," said Museum Director Tammy Schrecengost. "It will be up through May 1. It starts this Friday, and there is a wine and cheese reception from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.. A lot of these guys [who participated in Big Spring broadcast media]

are coming as sort of a reunion, and they're coming from all over Texas and different areas to visit with one another and reminisce about the good old days."

A display on CBS affiliate KEDY-TV is the centerpiece of the exhibit, Schrecengost said.

"Big Spring had its own

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A day at the Texas Capitol

By **SANDRENA KONING**
 Staff Writer

A sleepy-eyed group from the Big Spring community headed out early this morning on a day trip to Austin for a chance to meet with state officials and voice community concerns to law makers in Austin.

Howard County Day at the Capitol is held bi-annually while the Texas legislature is in session.

The Big Spring Economic Development Corporation (EDC) sponsors the event and chartered the bus for residents to travel. Participants met at Howard College's east parking lot of Dorthy Garrett Coliseum and departed at 4 a.m.

The chartered bus arrived in Austin shortly after 9 a.m. this morning.

The itinerary for the event included hearing a resolution read on the Senate floor proclaiming today as Howard County Day at the Capitol, a meeting with State Sen. Kel Seliger (R-Amarillo) for an legislative update, a guided tour of the state Capitol grounds, a group photo with Seliger and Rep. Drew Darby (R-San Angelo) in the Capitol's Rotunda, and a performance by the Big Spring High School honor choir — Rhapsody — performed in the Rotunda.

The bus is expected to arrive back in Big Spring at 7 p.m. tonight.

For more information on attending in the future, call Teresa Darden, EDC executive assistant at Big Spring Economic Development 432-264-6032 or the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce 432-263-7641.

Contact Staff Writer Sandrena Koning at 432-263-7331, ext. 234.

7 Earth-size worlds found orbiting star; could hold life

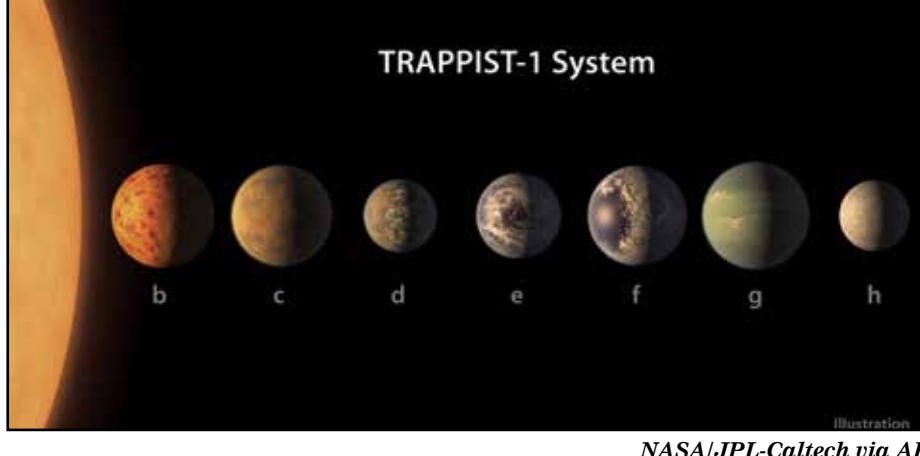
By **MARCIA DUNN**
 AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — For the first time, astronomers have discovered seven Earth-size planets orbiting a single nearby star — and these new worlds could hold life.

This cluster of planets is less than 40 light-years away in the constellation Aquarius, according to NASA and the Belgian-led research team who announced the discovery Wednesday.

The planets circle tightly around a dim dwarf star called Trappist-1, barely the size of Jupiter. Three are in the so-called habitable zone, the area around a star where water and, possibly life,

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NASA/JPL-Caltech via AP
This illustration provided by NASA/JPL-Caltech shows an artist's conception of what the TRAPPIST-1 planetary system may look like, based on available data about their diameters, masses and distances from the host star.

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Obituaries

Jimmy Bertran



Jimmy Bertran, 63, of Big Spring passed away Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2017, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

Graveside service with the Big Spring Fire Department Honor Guard will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, 2017, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Jimmy was born Aug. 24, 1953, in McCamey, Texas, to Martha Genay Tuley Bertran and Maurice M. L. "Bill" Bertran. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1970. He married Patti Zeigler on July 23, 1994, in Big Spring. He was a retired firefighter,

serving 32 years. He loved football, especially the Red Raiders and Dallas Cowboys. He was a Baptist.

Jimmy is survived by his wife Patti of Big Spring; one daughter, Melissa Bertran Lopez and husband Claudio of Bastrop; one son, Christopher Linn Bertran of Austin; one sister, Sheri Gibson and husband Mike of Clinton, Okla.; three grandchildren, Michael Bertran, Patrick Tharp, and Peyton Tharp; one aunt, Rose Hooper of Eunice, N.M.; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one sister, Judy Crawford.

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

Paid obituary

James Ray "Jim" Clements



James Ray "Jim" Clements went to be with his Lord and Savior Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, at his residence, surrounded by his family.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, 2017, at First United Methodist Church, Big Spring, with the Rev. Bill Ivins officiating. A private interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery, Stanton.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

Jim was born July 10, 1955, in Big Spring, Texas, to Jack and Helen Clements. He resided in Andrews, Texas, throughout his childhood, graduating from Andrews High School in 1973. He went on to join the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets as the Fighting Texas Aggie Class of 1977.

He married the love of his life, Leslie, in September of 1980. They moved to Big Spring in 1986.

He was a loving father of Nathan, and James and daughter-in-law Kelly. He adored his two granddaughters, Jaylee Rae and Charlie Ann.

Jim had a serving spirit and dedicated his entire life to serving the community and others. He was a dedicated member of The First United Methodist Church of Big Spring for 30 years. He most recently led the "Young Families" Sunday school class and was the chairman of Mission and Outreach. He was

an active member of the Big Spring Rotary Club, a former President of the Chamber of Commerce of Big Spring, and led the "Pops in the Park" celebrations.

He retired from Oncor as the Area Manager this year after 30 years of service.

He took great pride in coaching and organizing Little League baseball and soccer. Instilling the values of life for his boys, as well as all youth, was his passion. He loved everything Texas A & M. Ensuring that his boys, as well as others, had the opportunity at a higher education was at the forefront of his priorities.

He is survived by his parents, Herma Lee "Jack" and Helen Ray Clements; his wife Leslie; his son, James Clements and wife Kelly, his son Nathan Clements and girlfriend Owen Wood; his granddaughters, Jaylee Rae and Charlie Ann; his brother Jon Clements and wife Teresa; his sister Jackie Rodriguez; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the Mission and Outreach at First United Methodist Church of Big Spring, 400 Scurry St., Big Spring, Texas, 79720; and/or the Jim Clements Aggie Scholarship Fund, mail to The Association of Former Students, 505 George Bush Dr., College Station, Texas, 77840 (please indicate "in memory of James Ray Clements").

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.

Paid obituary

Melba Mathis



Melba Mathis, 80, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017, at a local hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with Dr. Bob Hines officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring. Melba will lie in state at the funeral home Thursday and Friday, Feb. 24 and 25.

Melba was born March 15, 1936, in Big Spring to Millard Gai and Lee Ida (Porch) Burchett.

She was a member of Berea Baptist Church. Melba worked as a Nurse's Aide and Unit Supervisor at Medical Arts Hospital for 11 years and then at the Big Spring State Hospital as an Aide for another 11 years.

Melba is survived by four sons, Joe Mathis and wife Debra, and Stephen Mathis, all of Big Spring, James Mathis of Midland, and Ronald Mathis of California; a daughter, Amanda Mathis of Sweetwater; 10 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Delbert Burchett.

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.

Take Note

• Mitchell County Senior Citizens Dance will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday at the Colorado City Civic Center in Colorado City, Texas. The cost is \$5 per person. Bring a pot luck to share.

• A free beginner's genealogy class will be offered Sunday, Feb. 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Borden County Event Center in Gail. Those attending should bring materials for taking notes and a laptop; wifi will be available for research. Also, bring information about births, deaths, and wedding dates of your parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, if known. Contact Lisa Mahler at bordenhistory@gmail.com to reserve a seat or to ask a question.

• The Howard County Fair needs volunteers to cross stitch squares for the annual quilt fundraiser. The theme for this year's quilt is "It's a Jungle Out There." You can pick up a square from Cheryl Joy at the Heritage Museum during regular hours Tuesday through Saturday. Call Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674 for more information.

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

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

Cost is \$8 per person.

Meetings

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

Support Groups

THURSDAY

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Nalco Company LLC, previously known as Nalco Company, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 128849, which would authorize construction of a Chemical Distribution Facility located at 4424 S Hwy 87, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79720. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

Patsy Parrish

Patsy Parrish, 68, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017, at Medical Center Hospital. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **CHRISTOPHER ANDREW YANEZ**, 24, of 1100 E. Fifth St. was arrested on outstanding warrants.

• **LACEY JANELLE CHAVARRIA**, 31, of 1105 Mesa Ave. was arrested on a warrant for assault/family violence (threat or offensive touch).

• **ALEXIS ARMENTROUT**, 23, of 1018 D Reid Road was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **STEVEN JOHN ALVAREZ**, 52, of 701 E. 13th St. was arrested on charges of assault/family violence (threat or offensive touch) and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **JOSEPH MICHAEL GARZA**, 35, of 214 Tubbs Loop Rd. was arrested on a warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• **TAJUN COLE JOHNSON**, 18, of 1203 N. FM 700 Lot 7 was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence (threat or offensive touch).

• **SHANEL ANN ROTHENBERGER**, 35, of 2312 Williams Rd. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 400 block of Hillside Drive, the 200 block of South Scurry Street, and the 2600 block of South Gregg Street.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 8600 block of South Service Road.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3300 block of Destiny, the 1100 block of Mesa Avenue, and the 700 block of East 13th Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

Weather

Wind advisory in effect from noon today to 6 p.m. CST this evening.

Today: Windy, sunny. Patchy blowing dust in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph increasing to west 25 to 35 mph with gusts to around 50 mph in the afternoon.

Tonight: Mostly clear. Patchy blowing dust in the evening. Lows in the lower 40s. West winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to around 40 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight.

Friday: Cooler, Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. West winds 10 to 20 mph.

Friday night: Colder, Clear. Lows around 30. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the northeast after midnight.

Saturday: Sunny. Highs around 60. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night: Not as cool. Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

Sunday: Warmer. Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s.

Sunday night: Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s.

Monday: Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Monday night: Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.

Tuesday: Mostly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the mid 70s.

Tuesday night: Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

Wednesday: Cooler, Sunny. Highs in the mid 60s.

AP/National Weather Service reports for Borden, Martin, and Howard counties including the cities of Gail, Stanton, and Big Spring.

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television station in the 1950s and '60s," she said. "Bruce Frazier was a key part of that. He was this entrepreneur, and he started everything. One of those things was the television station. It was local news, local, you know, who's coming to town, who went to visit relatives, and such and such. They would report those types of things. It was early television. I think it signed on air at four in the afternoon and it signed off at 12 at night."

In the late '60s, KEDY changed its callsign to KWAB-TV (Webb Air Force Base) and merged into KVKM/KMOM (Monahans, Odessa, Midland), which went through several callsign changes before settling on KWES-TV in 1993.

Before that of course, were the radio stations. The radio portion of the exhibit features the history of Big Spring's two primary radio media outlets: KBEST Media and KBYG/KXCS Radio.

"Everyone sat around and listened to their famous soap operas or 'Amos and Andy'...so we kind of focus on some of the programming that was popular at that time," she said. "It does

spark people's memories."

Schrecengost related a story which is featured in the exhibits involving KBST radio station moving its headquarters from the old Crawford Hotel to its own building.

"In 1941 they had their big debut, their grand opening - Dec. 7, 1941," she said. "If you think back in history, something big happened that day. So they had this big celebration planned, almost a day-long thing, and then the bombing of Pearl Harbor came in and it kind of stopped everything. It's kind of interesting to see that this is what people were glued to their radios for, the war, after that point."

Schrecengost said many of the people featured in the exhibit went on to bigger things.

"It's kind of to focus a little bit on those who have passed through Big Spring, who've stopped here kind of as a springboard to their career," she said. "Like Tumbleweed Smith. He's our local legend and we're happy to have him a part of the museum as well as a part of the community and the state of Texas. He's a key part of our history. Then we have Bruce Frazier's son, Ed Frazier. He started Fox

Sports, so he's had a very lucrative and successful career. Jack Bowen, he started on the television station here, and they kind of paired with the radio stations, KBST. Jim Baum, at KBST, but he was also at KBYG; things kind of rotated. Jim Baum was a key person here in Big Spring but then he went on to form his own station in Colorado City."

According to Ed Frazier's LinkedIn.com page, he was CEO of Liberty Sports in 1996 when it merged into the Fox network to form Fox Liberty Sports, which later became Fox Sports.

"All of these people are very historically minded, civic minded," Schrecengost said. "They have a passion for history, so we kind of want to show a little focus on them, just put the spotlight on them for a while in a different way. There they are reporting and telling us about the news or the weather or the sports, but we want to spotlight what they have done or accomplished."

For more information contact the Heritage Museum of Big Spring at 267-8255.

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US-born panda Bao Bao lands in China after leaving DC zoo

BEIJING (AP) — An American-born panda started settling into her new home Thursday in southwest China where she will eventually join a breeding program.

Bao Bao was born at the National Zoo in Washington to panda parents on loan from China. Under an agreement between China and the U.S., such panda cubs must be returned to China before they are 4 years old, the earliest age at which they might

begin breeding.

The 3-year-old landed in the city of Chengdu in Sichuan province on Wednesday after a 16-hour flight in a Boeing 777 emblazoned with a picture of a giant bamboo-eating panda. She was accompanied by a veterinarian panda keeper Marty Dearie from the National Zoo, which had put on six days of commemorations to mark her departure.

CASA

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"They have been very gracious to include us in this event."

Harmon said the organization plans to continue to partner up with Permian Basin Events for the annual run next year and in the future. The proceeds will be turned over to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County, Harmon said.

"We receive funds from United Way annually," she explained. "They ask all recipients to participate in some kind of fundraising activity and this is what we will be doing to contribute."

CASA is a non-profit, national organization that help children who are caught up in the

foster care system. The program relies heavily on volunteers to handle the case load.

According to Harmon, CASA volunteers are asked to meet with the child regularly and are authorized to interview people in the child's life such as social workers, attorneys, and teachers. They attend court hearings with the child and report their findings and recommendations to the judge.

Currently, the Big Spring office has 27 volunteers, but Harmon stressed, that number is still not enough to cover all the Howard County case load.

"We are always in need of volunteers," she said. "Last year, we were able to serve about 95 percent of the

children. The year before we served about 85 percent."

Harmon said the next training class in Big Spring is set to begin in May. For more information about CASA of West Texas, call Harmon at 432-684-1114 or visit www.CASAwtx.org.

To volunteer, you must be at least 21 years of age, clear an extensive background screening, and complete 30 hours of training.

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Angela "Angie" Castaneda, 56, died Sunday. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jimmy Bertran, 63, died Tuesday. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Patsy Parrish, 68, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

NASA

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might exist. The others are right on the doorstep.

Scientists said they need to study the atmospheres before determining whether these rocky, terrestrial planets could support some sort of life. But it already shows just how many Earth-size planets could be out there — especially in a star's sweet spot, ripe for extraterrestrial life.

The more planets like this, the greater the potential of finding one that's truly habitable. Until now, only two or three Earth-size planets had been spotted around a star.

A rocky Earth-sized world inside a star's habitable zone is considered the best candidate for finding evidence of life.

"We've made a crucial step toward finding if there is life out there," said the University of Cambridge's Amaury Triaud, one of the researchers.

The potential for more Earth-size planets in our Milky Way galaxy is mind-boggling. The history of planet-searching shows "when there's one, there's more," said Massachusetts Institute of Technology astrophysicist Sara Seager.

"With this amazing system, we know that there must be many more potentially life-bearing worlds out there just waiting to be found," she said.

NASA's Thomas Zurbuchen, associate administrator for the science mission, said the discovery "gives us a hint that finding a second Earth is not just a matter of if, but when," and addresses the age-old question of "Are we alone out there?"

"We're making a step forward with this, a leap forward in fact, toward answering that question," Zurbuchen said at a news conference.

Last spring, the University of Liege's Michael Gillon and his team reported finding three planets around Trappist-1.

Now the count is up to seven, and Gillon said there could be more. Their latest findings appear in the journal Nature.

This crowded yet compact solar system — 235 trillion miles away — is reminiscent of Jupiter and its Galilean moons, according to the researchers.

Picture this: If Trappist-1 were our sun, all seven planets would be inside Mercury's orbit. Mercury is the innermost planet of our own solar system.

The ultracool star at the heart of this system would shine 200 times dimmer than our sun, a perpetual twilight as we know it. And the star would glow red — maybe salmon-colored, the researchers speculate.

"The spectacle would be beautiful because every now and then, you would see another planet, maybe about as big as twice the moon in the sky, depending on which planet you're on and which planet you look at," Triaud said Tuesday in a teleconference with reporters.

Years are exceedingly short in this star system — the planets take just

1 1/2 to 20 days to orbit Trappist-1.

The Leiden Observatory's Ignas Snellen, who was not involved in the study, is excited by the prospect of learning more about what he calls "the seven sisters of planet Earth."

In a companion article in Nature, he said Gillon's team could have been lucky in nabbing so many terrestrial planets in one stellar swoop.

"But finding seven transiting Earth-sized planets in such a small sample suggests that the solar system with its four (sub-) Earth-sized planets might be nothing out of the ordinary," Snellen wrote.

Altogether, astronomers have confirmed close to 3,600 planets outside our solar system since the 1990s, but barely four dozen are in the potential habitable zone of their stars, and of those, just 18 are approximately the size of Earth.

Gillon and his team used both ground and space telescopes to identify and track the seven Trappist-1 planets, which they label simply by lowercase letters, "b" through "h." As is typical in these cases, the letter "A" — in upper case — is reserved for the star. Planets cast shadows on their star as

they pass in front of it; that's how the scientists spotted them.

Tiny, cold stars like Trappist-1 were long shunned by exoplanet-hunters (exoplanets are those outside our solar system). But the Belgian astronomers decided to seek them out, building a telescope in Chile to observe 60 of the closest ultracool dwarf stars. Their Trappist telescope lent its name to this star.

While faint, the Trappist-1 star is close by cosmic standards, allowing astronomers to study the atmospheres of its seven temperate planets. All seven look to be solid like Earth — mostly rocky and possibly icy, too.

They all appear to be tidally locked, which means the same side continually faces the star, just like the same

side of our moon always faces us. Life could still exist at these places, the researchers explained.

"Here, if life managed to thrive and releases gases similar to that that we have on Earth, then we will know," Triaud said.

Chemical analyses should indicate life with perhaps 99 percent confidence, Gillon noted. But he added: "We will never be completely sure" without going there.

Special Day at Midway

Sunday, February 26

Midway Baptist Church will have

Michael Seay

preaching the morning and evening services.

Michael Seay is 57 years old. His wife Belinda and son Cody will be with him. The members of Midway are considering him to be their pastor.

After the morning service, the church will enjoy a pot luck meal. Following the meal there will be a question and answer session. Members will vote following the evening service.

We would love to have you join us.

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Sunday evening services begin at 6:00 p.m.

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BOOK CHALLENGE

Each year, the Association for Library Service to Children looks at all of the children's books that have been published and selects one to receive the Newbery Medal. Here are some questions about some of those books. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) *Bridge to Terabithia* focuses on two friends, Jesse and Mary, who create a magical forest kingdom. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 2) Lois Lowry wrote *Number the Stars*. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 3) Lois Lowry wrote another Newbery Medal book, *The Giver*. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 4) *The Higher Power of Lucky* recounts the adventures of Lucky Thimble who lives in the desert community of Hard Pan. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 5) *Criss Cross* tells the story of a young girl named Lucy who wishes something good would happen to her. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 6) Patricia MacLachlan wrote *Sarah, Plain and Short*. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 7) *Maniac Magee* recounts the adventures of Jeffrey Lionel Magee who lives in the town of Three Mills. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 8) *A Year Down Yonder* focuses on Mary Ann's visit to her grandmother's house in Illinois. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 9) *Bud, Not Buddy* recounts the adventures of orphan Bud Caldwell after he runs away from his foster family. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 10) E.L. Konisburg wrote *The View from Sunday*. **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fiction, the main characters' names are Jesse and Leslie, 2) Fact, 3) Fact, 4) Fiction, Lucky's last name is Trimble, 5) Fiction, the main character's name is Debbie, not Lucy, 6) Fiction, the book is called *Sarah, Plain and Tall*, 7) Fiction, the town's name is Two Mills, 8) Fiction, the main character's name is Mary Alice, not Mary Ann, 9) Fact, 10) Fiction, the book is called *The View from Saturday*.

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What Rhymes with Read?

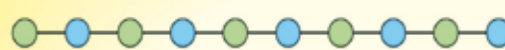
List 10 words that rhyme with "read."

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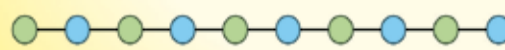
Some answers: bead, creed, deed, feed, greed, heed, lead, need, seed, weed

Jokes and Riddles



Q: What has a spine but no bones?

A: A book.



Q: What do librarians hang over their babies' cribs?

A: Bookmobiles.



Name That Author

Each of the following is a popular children's book author. Fill in the blanks to name that author.

- 1) J _ D _ B _ U M _
- 2) J.K. _ O _ L _ N G
- 3) _ A R _ P _ _ L _ E N
- 4) R _ A _ D _ D A _ L
- 5) E.B. W _ _ T E
- 6) R.L. _ _ _ I N E
- 7) B E _ E _ L Y C _ E A _ Y

Answers: 1) Judy Blume, 2) J.K. Rowling, 3) Gary Paulsen, 4) Roald Dahl, 5) E.B. White, 6) R.L. Stine, 7) Beverly Cleary

W.W. Denslow

Have you ever seen *The Wizard of Oz*? Did you know that the film was based on the book by L. Frank Baum? The book came out in 1900 and featured the text of Baum and the illustrations of W.W. Denslow.

W.W. Denslow was born on May 5, 1856, in Philadelphia, PA. He studied art and design in New York City and published his first set of illustrations in 1874 for *Hearth and Home*. Denslow continued working for various magazines, newspapers and books until the late 1800s when he met L. Frank Baum.

Denslow provided a couple of illustrations for Baum in 1898. Baum liked what he saw and asked Denslow to illustrate more of his work, including *The Wizard of Oz*. Baum and Denslow made a great team, even working together to turn *The Wizard of Oz* into a play. In 1902, the two had a disagreement and their partnership ended. Denslow continued working until his death on May 27, 1915.

Lady Steers Softball kick off season with win against Lamesa

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Lady Steer softball team traveled to Lamesa on Tuesday where they came out on top in their matchup with the Lady Tornadoes.

"Going into the game, I wasn't sure what to expect from Lamesa," said head softball coach Chelsey Jordan. "Our game plan is to take the same approach up to bat no matter who we are playing, and we are going to expect the ball on defense."

The girls did just that. Big Spring had a lot of success at the plate, with all nine girls that played getting at least one hit off.

"What I love about this team is they find a way to get on base and score," said Jordan. "Our goal is to score every inning, and we pretty much have been able to do that all season so far."

Stand-out hitters for the Lady Steers include: Ashley Gonzalez going 4 for 5 with a triple, 2 runs and 2 RBIs, Jaci Aguilar and Kamri Kemper both went 2 for 4, Cierra Martinez went 3 for 3 with 2 runs and 2 RBIs, and Mariah Sarmiento went 3 for 4 with 2 runs, 3 RBIs and a double.

The starting pitcher, Mariah Sarmiento, did a great job of maneuvering her pitches to cause many easy fly outs for their defense.

The Lady Steers were able to control the game on both sides of the ball and come out on top of the Tornadoes, beating them 13 to 6.

This is Coach Jordan's first year as Big Spring's softball head coach. The team is currently working on building the best fit for their field positions, and now that she has her full team back from basketball, they can get ready for their upcoming games.

"Being a new coach, there is always going to be a transition period where you are trying to get to know the players and where they fit on the team. They are trying to feel me out as well," said Jordan. "So far this has been a smooth transition. We all have the same goals and the girls are working hard to attain them."

According to Jordan, the team is doing a great job with all of the changes and are ready to see where their hard work will take them this season.

Last year's team had a good run in the playoffs, and this makes this year's team hungry for more and eager to finish what they started.

"I am very excited about this season," said Jordan. "We have a great coaching staff and a very hard working team."

The girls are now preparing for their tournament in Abilene they will be attending this weekend. According to Jordan, the girls will face some tough opponents.

"By the end of this weekend I hope to see where we stand as a team and have a better idea about positioning girls in the right place," said Jordan. "This weekend is about getting better, playing as a team and winning."

Dotson's 25 points lift as Houston rallies past UConn, 75-70

HOUSTON (AP) — Damyean Dotson had 25 points and nine rebounds and Houston used a big run to start the second half to rally for a 75-70 win over UConn Wednesday night.

Rob Gray added 16 points for Houston (19-8, 10-5 American), which shot 34 percent.

Devin Davis had 11 points, and Kyle Meyer had nine points and 11 rebounds for the Cougars, which hit 9 for 10 from the free throw line in the final minute.

"There were no raised voices, no panic," Houston coach Kelvin Sampson said. "I felt like if we were the better team, we would win. We came out and made a couple adjustments to our zone, and our kids started competing."

Jalen Adams had 18 points, Vance Jackson added 16 points and Rodney Purvis had 11 points for UConn (14-13, 9-6), which saw its four-game winning streak snapped. The Huskies shot 39 percent but hit 9 of 29 in the second half.

Trailing by five, UConn coach Kevin Ollie earned a technical foul with 50 seconds left. Dotson hit the two free throws to push the lead to seven.

"It was my fault with the technical foul, but at the end of the day, they weren't giving us any calls," Ollie said.

The Huskies could get no closer than five the rest of the way.

"I think it wasn't so much our offense, I think it was defensively, we allowed them to get second chance points, and that deflated our energy," Adams said.

Houston opened the second half on a 25-6 run and took its first lead at 44-43 on a Gray layup with 14 minutes left. The Cougars opened it up to 54-45 on two Bertrand Nkali free throws with 9:52 remaining. Gray and Dotson each had seven in the run.

"I thought our effort, toughness, our culture took over in the second half," Sampson said.

UConn, which led 39-29 at the half, started

Lady Hawks defeat Cisco College in doubleheader, 15-13, 19-8



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Pictured above is Tiare Lee tagging a runner out at second base in their game last night against Cisco College.



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Tayah Hamilton slides safely into home, scoring a run for the Howard College Lady Hawks.



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Evelyn Loyola, above, hits a walk off home run to win the game for the Lady Hawks to defeat Cisco.

the second half 2 for 16, including 0 for 6 on 3's, with five turnovers.

UConn: The Huskies shot 47 percent in the first half and hit 9 of 11 from the line, but settled for outside shots when Houston went on its run to start the second half.

UConn was out-rebounded 25-17 in the second half after controlling the boards 23-17 in the first.

Houston: The Cougars swept the season series from UConn and broke a tie for third place in the American with the Huskies. Houston, which still is looking for a marquee win this season, committed five turnovers and shot 25 of 29 from the free throw line.



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Connecticut Huskies guard Jalen Adams (2) and Connecticut Huskies forward Kentan Facey (12) defend Houston Cougars guard Damyean Dotson (21) at Hofheinz Pavilion Wednesday night.

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#9307 February 23, 2017

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AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 128849

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Nalco Company LLC, previously known as Nalco Company, 7705 Highway 90a, Sugar Land, Texas 77478-

2121, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 128849, which would authorize construction of a Chemical Distribution Facility located at 4424 S Hwy 87, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79720. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on January 5, 2015. The proposed facility will emit the following contaminants: organic compounds.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Howard County Library, 500 Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. **You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.**

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID).**

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Amended Notice Issuance Date: February 2, 2017

#9305 February 23, 2017

Tomorrow's Horoscope



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Cosmic Weather System

This intellectual Aquarius moon will be like a swirling cosmic weather system of ideas about how to spend the next lunar cycle (which will begin with the solar eclipse and new moon on Sunday, Feb. 26). Write it all down. And if the first round of brainstorming doesn't produce enough actionable items, storm up another round.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're such an excellent predictor of human nature, but that could get in your way today, too. You will hear the other person more clearly when you do not anticipate what is going to be said.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Of all the things you could take a risk with, your appearance is among the least risky, with the most interesting results. Hair grows back. Outfits change in a moment. Why not have more fun with this?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're wary of wanting to fix things or save people, as this is a classic codependent tendency. However, in all likelihood, you will be able to fix, prevent, escalate or de-escalate today's situation and with favorable results.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's not wrong to strive for validation; it's just not attractive. But you have something else that matters to you

much more than public approval, and it makes you extremely charismatic today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Sometimes being happy is as simple as commanding yourself to be happy. Today is such a day. For some mysterious reason, you're more amenable to your own suggestions than usual. Take advantage of this.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Silence can say it all. It's the timing of words that makes communication understandable. You will be especially adept at connecting with fellow earth signs Taurus and Capricorn.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The cosmic omens suggest that the ones who love you most will bother you best. And by best, of course, the cosmic omens mean "worst." Why is bothering so much a part of love?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Of course you've taken the needs and wants of others into consideration. But ultimately, they are not the ones who have to live with the consequences. This is about what you want to do, and you'll make your choice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll flit from one interest to another today, and any suggestion can start you out in a new direction. This will make the products of your work fascinating to those with a more linear process -- that is, if you commit to finishing!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your sixth sense turns on today and your intuition will be accurate. The flashes of insight that come to you may not be what you want to believe, but don't ignore them. You don't have to act now. Watch and wait.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The circumstances at hand are not so unique as to demand an all-new solution. It will be lucky to refer to the past. You can answer a present-day problem with a precedent from antiquity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're very tolerant of other people's ideas even if you don't agree with them or see how they are going to lead to anything that applies to you. The world would be better if more people had this attitude.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 23). You live by your words this year, and you'll never have to eat them. Because you are so

careful about what you agree to, and so diligent in keeping those agreements, your fortunes will augment in March. Loyal love will be by your side all year, and all the gifts you give to your loved ones make your life exciting, too. Cancer and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 13, 25, 4 and 16.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm madly in love with a Capricorn girl born on Christmas. I'm a Gemini. Her ex left her and she is having a hard time getting over him. We dated for six months and now she wants time off to get over her feelings for the other man. Do you see us getting back together? Please print something for Capricorn about Geminis or marriage -- please."

As much as I would love to bring your Capricorn to you by mandating in my column that Capricorn women should get back together with their Gemini men, it wouldn't work. For a lot of reasons. But mostly because she's a Capricorn woman, and she has, as they say, already made up her mind. Lyle Lovett wrote a song by that title that explains it all: "Now there is nothing so deep as the ocean/ And there is nothing so high as the sky/ And there is nothing so unwavering as a Capricorn woman/ When she's already made up her mind." OK, I may have added the Capricorn part. But don't give up just yet. There is hope. Use your Gemini charm -- on another woman. Make sure she's very cute! Capricorn gals are fiercely competitive, and you can bet she'll fight to get you back!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Emily Blunt has big shoes to fill in her upcoming role as Mary Poppins. The Pisces will be in excellent company in a cast that also features Meryl Streep and Colin Firth. Blunt was born when the sun and Mars were in sensitive Pisces, and her Cancer moon adds to the psychic water-sign energy flowing through her natal chart. Jupiter in outgoing Sagittarius bodes well for international appeal.

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1	3	5	7	8	4		9	
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7	8		6	1			3	
6		2	3	4			1	8
4	9		5	7			2	
8	7	3	1		6	9		
9		4	2	5	3	8		6
		7			1			
6		4	9		5	2	1	

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By Steve Becker
Sylvia cashes a loser

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ A J 5 4
♥ Q 2
♦ 10 9 8 5 4 3
♣ J
WEST
♠ K Q 8 7
♥ J 6 3
♦ K Q J
♣ 4 3 2
EAST
♠ 10 9 6 3 2
♥ 10 8 7 5
♦ 6
♣ 8 7 6
SOUTH
♠ —
♥ A K 9 4
♦ A 7 2
♣ A K Q 10 9 5
The bidding:
South West North East
2♣ Pass 2♦ Pass
6 NT

inwardly whenever they cut her as a partner. They knew that anything could, and probably would, happen at any time.
Yet with all that, Sylvia did occasionally produce a genuine gem that would serve for weeks on end as a conversation piece among the members. Today's hand provides a typical example.
Sylvia was in six notrump, and West led the king of diamonds. She took the ace and cashed six club tricks, West discarding two spades and a heart, while East discarded three spades. Sylvia now played the Q-K-A of hearts, and then, acting under the delusion that her nine was now a trick, she tried to cash it.
This inadvertence had a devastating effect on West. The position when Sylvia played the nine was:
North
♠ A J
♦ 10
West
♠ K Q
♦ Q
South
♥ 9
♦ 7 2
East
♠ 10 9
♥ 10
West could not find a satisfactory discard when the heart was led. Whatever he played, dummy would win the last two tricks.

Opening lead — king of diamonds. It was impossible to predict the type of error Sylvia might make next. Sylvia could bid some hands well, play her cards as declarer acceptably and defend reasonably enough on many an occasion. But the trouble was that you could never tell when some peculiar thought process would suddenly take possession of her, usually with mind-boggling results. It is therefore no wonder that the members of the club trembled

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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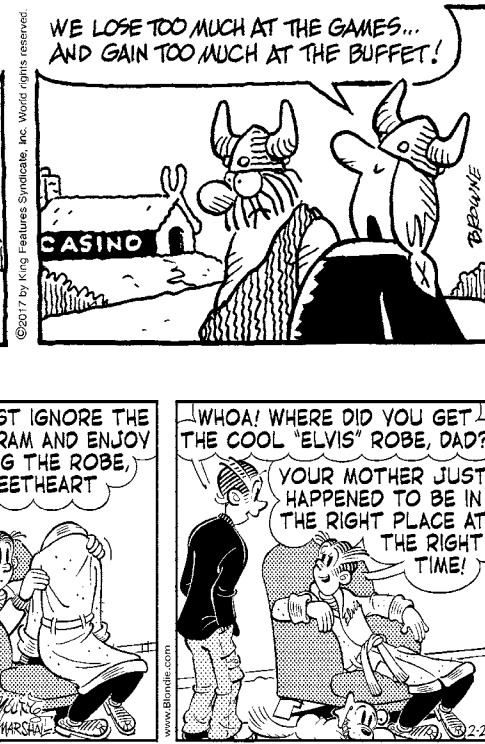
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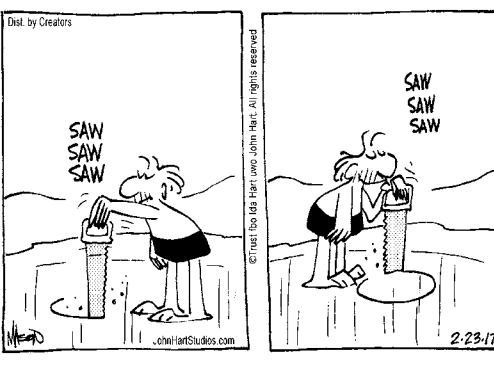
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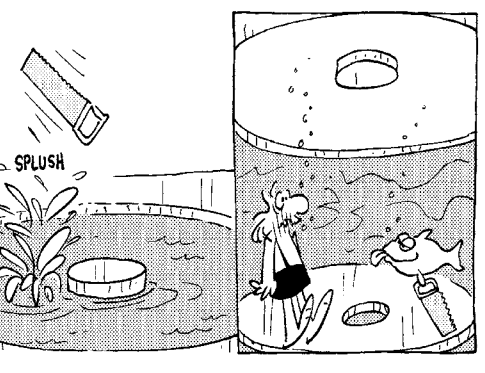
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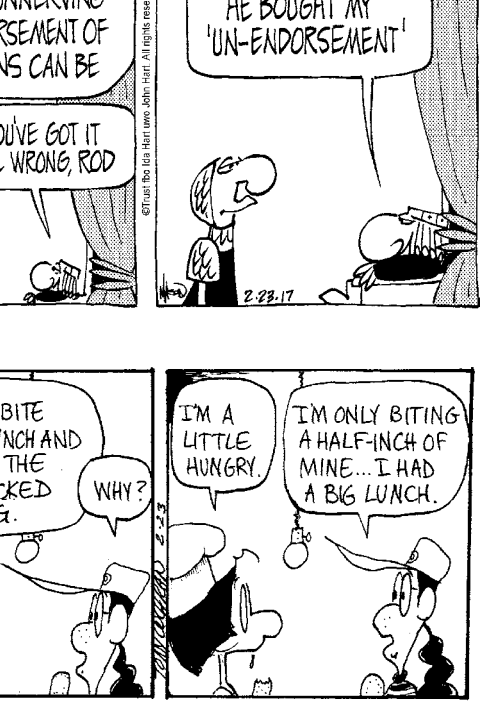
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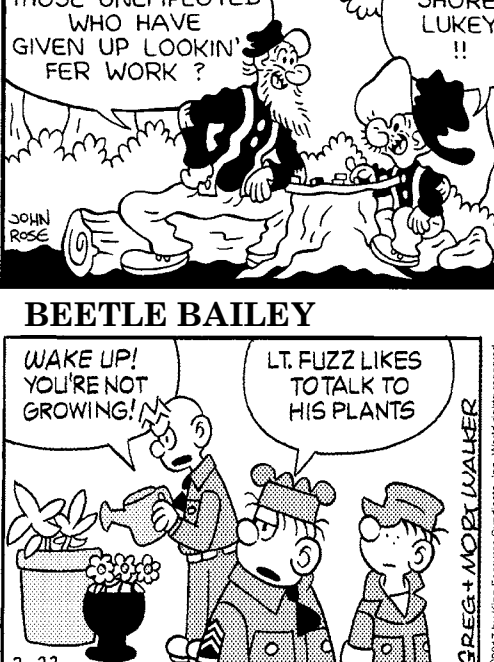
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Feb. 23, the 54th day of 2017. There are 311 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 23, 1942, the first shelling of the U.S. mainland during World War II occurred as a Japanese submarine fired on an oil refinery near Santa Barbara, California, causing little damage.

On this date: In 1836, the siege of the Alamo began in San Antonio, Texas.

In 1848, the sixth president of the United States, John Quincy Adams, died in Washington, D.C., at age 80.

In 1870, Mississippi was readmitted to the Union.

In 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt signed an agreement with Cuba to lease the area around Guantanamo Bay to the United States.

In 1927, President Calvin Coolidge signed a bill creating the Federal Radio Commission, forerunner of the Federal Communications Commission.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. Marines on Iwo Jima captured Mount Suribachi, where they raised a pair of American flags (the second flag-raising was captured in the iconic Associated Press photograph.)

In 1954, the first mass inoculation of schoolchildren against polio using the Salk vaccine began in Pittsburgh as some 5,000 students were vaccinated.

In 1965, film comedian Stan Laurel, 74, died in Santa Monica, California.

In 1970, Guyana became a republic within the Commonwealth of Nations.

In 1989, the Senate Armed Services Committee voted 11-9 along party lines to recommend rejection of John Tower as President George H.W. Bush's defense secretary. (Tower's nomination went down to defeat in the full Senate the following month.)

In 1992, the XVI Winter Olympic Games ended in Albertville, France.

In 1997, a 69-year-old Palestinian teacher opened fire on the 86th-floor observation deck of New York's Empire State Building, killing one person and wounding six others before shooting himself to death.

Ten years ago: A Mississippi grand jury refused to bring any new charges in the 1955 slaying of Emmett Till, the black teenager who was beaten and shot for supposedly whistling at a white woman, declining to indict the woman, Carolyn Bryant Donham, for manslaughter. Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport became the first in the United States to begin testing new X-ray screening technology that could see through people's clothes. Forty-six countries attending a conference in Oslo, Norway, agreed to push for a global treaty banning cluster bombs.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama, speaking in Miami, sought to confront public anxiety over rising gasoline prices as he promoted the expansion of domestic oil and gas exploration, as well as the development of new forms of energy. Sandra Fluke (rhymes with 'look'), a Georgetown University law student, spoke about the need for health coverage that included birth control during an unofficial Democratic-sponsored hearing on Capitol Hill; her comments drew a savage verbal assault from radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh.

Answer to previous puzzle

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ROLEX	ALTO	JANE
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PENSIVE	NEGATES	
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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Subtle atmospheres
 - 6 Uncontrolled
 - 10 Silent acknowledgment
 - 14 Hot stuff
 - 15 Flamboyant artist
 - 16 Physical, for one
 - 17 Charmer
 - 18 Pharmacy measure
 - 19 Multilayered lunches
 - 20 "Sorry"
 - 23 Royal flush component
 - 24 Silent acknowledgment
 - 25 Horselaugh
 - 29 Seats of conceit
 - 31 Final-season *Idol* judge
 - 34 What might get a "Brava!"
 - 35 Wonderland bird
 - 37 Skyscraper support
 - 39 "Sorry"
 - 42 Abundant spread
 - 43 Lowdown
 - 44 Middle of a Mamet title
 - 45 Half-rectangle
 - 46 Book before Romans
 - 48 Auto flaps
 - 50 Shade of gray
 - 51 Dukes and ears
 - 52 "Sorry"
 - 59 Edifice complex
 - 61 Do perfectly
 - 62 Major vessel
 - 63 Pac-12 member
 - 64 Receptive
 - 65 Inflict, as mayhem
- DOWN**
- 1 Invoice abbr.
 - 2 "Sorry"
 - 3 Poet Dove
 - 4 Landed
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Forecasters say parts of Texas face critical wildfire danger

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Forecasters say parts of the Texas Plains face critical wildfire danger conditions through Friday.

The Texas A&M Forest Service on Wednesday announced the areas of concern are Abilene, Amarillo, El Paso, Fort Stockton, Lubbock, Midland-Odessa, San Angelo and Wichita Falls.

The National Weather Service Storm Prediction Center issued an alert describing western portions of Texas as having an extreme threat for wildfires.

Experts raised concerns about sustained winds of 30 to 35 mph, above normal temperatures and low relative humidity. Officials also noted a dry line — a boundary that separates moist air mass from dry air — forming over the region.

Texas A&M Forest Service officials advise against outdoor burning until conditions improve. Drivers are urged to avoid parking and idling in tall, dry grass.

Texas bill would bar immigration enforcement in 'safe zones'

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A collection of Democratic state senators has proposed legislation prohibiting police from enforcing federal immigration laws in hospitals, schools, churches, courthouses, and colleges and universities across Texas.

Houston Sen. Sylvia Garcia announced her "safe zones" bill Wednesday flanked by co-sponsors. She said such places "are supposed to be safe for everyone."

The proposal follows authorities recently detaining on immigration charges a woman who was at an El Paso courthouse seeking a protective order against her allegedly abusive boyfriend.

The Texas Senate already has approved a bill banning "sanctuary cities" which calls for criminal charges against law enforcement officials who refuse to help federal authorities deport immigrants in the country illegally.

The measure must still clear the Texas House, where the provision seeking criminal charges for non-compliant officials may not survive.

New voter ID bill prompts

Texas to ask court for more time

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas wants a long-running voter ID lawsuit put on hold now that Republican lawmakers are proposing legislation that would comply with a federal court's ruling last year that found the existing law discriminatory.

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Wednesday asked a federal judge to delay an upcoming court hearing until summer. The request comes after Senate Republicans this week introduced a revised voter ID bill that could address problems courts have identified with the existing Texas law.

The bill would permanently put in place an option allowing people without an accepted ID to vote by signing an affidavit declaring that they have a reasonable impediment.

The U.S. Justice Department, which contested the Texas law under the Obama administration, joined the state in asking for a delay.

House speaker getting firsthand look at US-Mexico border

MCALLEN, Texas (AP) — U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan is visiting the Rio Grande valley for a firsthand look at the U.S.-Mexico border as the Trump administration steps up immigration enforcement and prepares to ask Congress to pay for a border wall.

It's the first time the Wisconsin Republican has visited the border, and protests have been announced to meet his arrival in McAllen, Texas, on Wednesday. Ryan is leading a small group of lawmakers on the trip.

In McAllen, Ryan will come face to face with some of the challenges that arise in building a wall along the entire 2,000-mile border, which includes much remote and inhospitable terrain as well as the Rio Grande, the river between Texas and Mexico.

President Donald Trump has not yet formalized his request to Congress to pay for the wall he promised during his campaign. It's expected to cost \$15 billion or more, making it uncertain whether Congress would go along. Trump has promised Mexico will pay, but Mexico says it won't, and Trump's never spelled out how that would happen, anyway.

The administration is rolling out new policies to fight illegal immigration, and subjecting millions of people who are in this country to deportation, even for minor infractions. A group called La Union del Pueblo Entero announced plans to "protest the speaker's visit in order to show the opposition of border residents to the current presidential administration's immigration and border policies."

Officials: Texas man shot by deputies after he kills wife

CONROE, Texas (AP) — Sheriff's deputies responding to a 911 call made by an 11-year-old child north of Houston have shot and killed a knife-wielding man who investigators say had fatally stabbed his wife.

Montgomery County sheriff's officials said in a statement that the boy alerted authorities early Wednesday morning to say his father had stabbed his mother. Responding deputies found the child with blood across much of his body.

When deputies entered the home they found the man in a bedroom and officials say he was shot when he moved toward the deputies while holding the knife. It wasn't immediately clear whether the child suffered any physical injuries.

The incident occurred at a home in a housing development south of Conroe near W.G. Jones State Forest.

Supreme Court orders new hearing for black Texas inmate

By MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Wednesday ordered a new court hearing for a black Texas prison inmate whose death sentence may have been tainted by disturbing references to race.

Lawyers for inmate Duane Buck said the result of the court's 6-2 decision is that Buck must either be given a sentence of life in prison or a new sentencing hearing.

"Our law punishes people for what they do, not who they are. Dispensing punishment on the basis of an immutable characteristic flatly contravenes this guiding principle," Chief Justice John Roberts said in his majority opinion.

Buck had tried for years to get federal courts to look at his claim that his rights were violated when jurors were told by a defense expert witness that Buck was more likely to be dangerous in the future because he is black.

In Texas death penalty trials, one of the "special issues" jurors must consider when deciding punishment is whether the defendant they've convicted would be a future danger.

Roberts wrote that the testimony of Dr. Walter Quijano "was potent evidence. Dr. Quijano's testimony appealed to a powerful racial stereotype — that of black men as 'violence prone.'"

Justices Samuel Alito and Clarence Thomas dissented. "Having settled on a desired outcome, the court bulldozes procedural obstacles and misapplies settled law to justify it," Thomas said.

Buck was convicted of killing his ex-girlfriend and another man in 1995. His case was among six in 2000 that then-Texas Attorney General John Cornyn in a news release said needed to be reopened because Quijano's statements were racially charged. In the other five cases, new punishment hearings were held and each convict again was sentenced to death. Cornyn, a

Republican, is now the state's senior U.S. senator.

Buck's lawyers contended the attorney general, by then Cornyn's successor Greg Abbott, broke a promise by contesting his case. But the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said that it could find nothing in the case record to indicate the state made an error or promised not to oppose any move to reopen the case. Abbott now is the state's governor.

One difference in Buck's case is that Buck's own lawyer, not the prosecutor, elicited Quijano's testimony. Texas said the difference was reason enough to rule against Buck.

Buck's lawyers had argued on appeal that the trial lawyer's work was so poor that it violated the Constitution's guarantee of competent counsel.

Roberts said that when race is a factor in jury deliberations, it does not matter "which party first broached the subject."

The case is Buck v. Davis, 15-8049.

Police release audio of suspect in Indiana girls' deaths

By RICK CALLAHAN
Associated Press

DELPHI, Ind. (AP) — A teenage girl turned her cellphone on and recorded a man saying "down the hill" before she and a friend were killed along a northern Indiana hiking trail last week, authorities said Wednesday.

Indiana State Police played a clip of the man's voice during a news conference at which officials appealed for more tips from the public and announced that \$41,000 in reward money had been raised.

The audio came from 14-year-old Liberty Ger-

man's cellphone, Capt. David Bursten said.

Liberty also captured a grainy image released by police last week of a man walking near the hiking trail outside Delphi about the time she and 13-year-old Abigail Williams disappeared Feb. 13, Bursten said.

The girls' bodies were found the next day in a rugged wooded area off the trail, some 60 miles northwest of Indianapolis. Bursten said investigators aren't certain the voice was that of the man in the photograph whom investigators are calling the main suspect in the deaths. That man hasn't been identi-

fied and no arrests have been made.

Officials declined to release more information about how the girls were killed and what else Liberty might have recorded on her phone.

"She had the presence of mind to have the phone on and to capture video as well as audio," Bursten said.

Greg Massa, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's Indianapolis Division, said as many as 20 FBI agents have been assisting state and local investigators.

Massa said investigators haven't found any connection between the girls' deaths and any

other homicides.

The girls' bodies were found about a quarter-mile from an abandoned railroad bridge that's part of the trail system where the teens had planned to hike during a day off school.

Bursten said while the quality of the audio clip is poor, investigators believed someone could recognize the voice of the person who was with the girls.

"One of two things happened. It was a chance encounter — that's possible. Don't think it's likely, but it's possible," Bursten said. "Or that person knew that they were going to be there."

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Parent's Corner: The craziness of positivity

A few days ago, as the weather changed and the temperature dropped, I was doing some shopping and overheard the following comment, "I may be crazy but I think it's a great day!" I latched on to the "I may be crazy" part and began reflecting on it in my own life. Yes, I may be crazy, but I think life is good and even though bad times may come our way, bad times can't keep us down. I may be crazy, but I've noticed that most of the things worth doing in the world had been declared impossible before they



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were done.

I may be crazy, but I believe that the only way to get rid of your enemy is to make him your friend. I may be crazy, but I have learned that success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.

I may be crazy, but I've learned that we should not look back in anger or forward in fear, but around us in awareness. I may be crazy, but I believe that what lies behind us and what lies before us are small compared to what lies within us.

I may be crazy, but I believe that the man who follows the crowd will get no further than the crowd, but the man who makes his own trail will find himself in places no one else has ever been. I may be crazy, but I believe that very

little happens unless first there is a dream.

I may be crazy, but I believe that we don't see things as they really are; we see them as *we* are. I may be crazy, but I believe that somewhere something incredible is happening. I may be crazy, but I believe that one of the most important trips you may take is meeting other folks half way.

You know, it doesn't hurt to take a hard look at ourselves from time to time. I heard an interesting story that should help get us started.

During a visit to the mental asylum, a visitor asked the director what the criterion was which defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

"Well," said the director, "we fill up a bathtub then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and



ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No," said the director, "A normal person would pull the plug. Would you like to have your bed near the window?"

Darrell Ryan is the Big Spring ISD director of school safety.

Steer Pride Corner



Courtesy photo/Big Spring ISD

The Big Spring Intermediate School cafeteria staff received a stellar report from the state auditors. The auditors were impressed with how efficiently the Steer staff was able to serve 600 students in two, 30 minute lunch periods. They were treated to Sonic drinks and received a certificate of recognition from the Big Spring Intermediate School administration.

Justices side with Michigan girl in dispute over service dog

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Wednesday sided with a 13-year-old Michigan girl with cerebral palsy who spent years battling school officials for the right to bring her service dog — a goldendoodle named Wonder — to class.

The justices ruled unanimously that federal disability laws might allow Ehlena Fry to pursue her case in court without first having to wade through a lengthy administrative process.

The ruling is a win for advocacy groups that want to make it easier for disabled students to protect their rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act. School officials had argued that administrative remedies are an easier and less costly way to resolve educational disputes.

Writing for the court, Justice Elena Kagan said exhausting the administrative process is not always required in such cases. But she said further fact-finding is needed to decide whether Fry can pursue her case in court.

Lower courts had ruled against Fry, saying she first had to try informally resolving her dispute with the school district.

"We're thrilled that the Supreme Court has torn down unfair barriers faced by students who seek to vindicate their rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act," said Michael Steinberg, legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union in Michigan. The ACLU represented Fry throughout her legal proceedings.

Fry's family sought to use Wonder

when Ehlena started kindergarten and suffered from severe mobility problems. Wonder was specially trained to help open doors, pick up items and give Ehlena a measure of independence.

But her school district 75 miles southwest of Detroit initially said Wonder could not accompany her and insisted adult aides could help Ehlena.

School officials later relented a bit, but placed so many restrictions on the dog that Ehlena's parents decided to home-school her. She later transferred to a different public school that welcomed Wonder.

At issue is the interplay of two federal disability laws. The school district said it could bar the dog under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, which allows a teacher's aide to assist students instead.

That law requires families that contest school decisions to first go through administrative proceedings.

But the family said it could sue for damages under a different law, the Americans with Disabilities Act, because the district refused to accommodate Wonder over a two-and-a-half year period.

Permian Basin UWCD 2017 Scholarship Contest

STANTON — The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) is sponsoring a scholarship essay contest for graduating seniors who are planning to attend college.

Those who are eligible to apply for the scholarship must attend one of the four schools in the PBUWCD's District; this includes: Forsan, Grady, Sands, and Stanton high schools. There will be

a scholarship offered to each of the four schools in the district and the winners of the contest will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to the college of their choice.

The essays are due no later than April 4, 2017. They may be submitted to the student's school counselor or the Permian Basin UWCD office at 708 W Saint Peter St., Stanton, TX 79782.

This year the topic for

the essay will be: "Write a 1,000 word essay about the water cycle and discuss the importance of runoff and why it is crucial to our aquifers and for our very existence."

For further criteria and information, please contact your high school counselor or the PBUWCD office at 432-756-2136 or email pbuwcd.edu@gmail.com. You may also find information at www.pbuwcd.com.

College Board to boost SAT security globally

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The firm that owns the SAT college entrance exam is boosting security around the world following test-stealing and other cheating in recent years.

The College Board told *The Associated Press* it's reducing the number of international testing dates from six per year to four for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years. It says the move will reduce opportunities for test content to be stolen.

The New York-based college entrance exam provider, which planned to make a formal announcement Wednesday, also is taking steps to prevent past cheaters from retaking tests. In addition, it says it will alert law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and abroad of companies and people it suspects of illegally obtaining test content.

Other planned reforms include an increase in audits of test centers worldwide and steps to make it easier for students and educators to anonymously report suspected cheating.

"We are unwavering in our commitment to SAT test security and we will continue to confront any efforts to undermine it, including the unauthorized disclosure of test questions and test forms," Peter Schwartz, the College Board's chief administrative officer and

general counsel, said in a written statement.

The College Board canceled college entrance exams in China and Macau in January 2016 after determining some students may have obtained copies of the tests. Forty-five testing centers were affected, and similar problems have plagued the test's administration in Asia in recent years, though cheating has occurred elsewhere, too.

In 2015, federal prosecutors in Pittsburgh charged 15 Chinese citizens in a conspiracy to have impostors take the SAT and other college entrance tests in Pennsylvania since 2011.

A former University of Pittsburgh student, Han Tong, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to probation for being the go-between for Chinese students who paid up to \$6,000 to have impostors take the tests for them. All but two of those defendants, who remain in China, have pleaded guilty. Eleven of the 13 convicted have been sentenced by a federal judge in Pittsburgh, and most were deported.

The Educational Testing Service, of Princeton, New Jersey, administers the SAT, the Test of English as a Foreign Language and the GRE graduate school entry exam, which were targeted in the Pittsburgh-based scam.

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