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Here comes the rodeo



Tony Claxton (www.tonyclaxtonphotography.com)
Big Spring's Stephen Wallis ropes his steer during the tie down roping event at the 83rd Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo on Saturday, June 18, 2016.

By ROBERT BARLOW
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo is preparing for their 84th year of hosting the rodeo. It is set to take place at the Guardian Oilfield Services Rodeo Bowl and this year is shaping out to be even better than the last.

On June 15 through June 17 residents of the area will have a chance to get their fill of mutton busting, bronc riding, and some death-defying

motorcycle antics from the "Wild Child," Troy Lerwill.

"It's a really great act, it's been an active year," said Cash Berry, Secretary on the Board of Directors for the rodeo. "We've got some really big names for our market that are coming to town."

With three days' worth of events there seems to be a little something for everyone at the rodeo. For the younger fans you can sign up for the mutton busting for \$40, or the Shetland bronc riding for

\$50 however there is an age and weight limit for kids who wish to participate.

"We've got bull riding, bareback riding, calf roping, team roping," Berry added. "We have the shetland bronc riding for the kids, and of course the barrel race."

Some special performers that will be attending this year include Troy Lerwill, also known as the "Wild Child," who is a rodeo clown that does everything from bull-fighting to "death defying

motorcycle antics." Madison McDonald will also be returning this year to perform some trick riding on her horse. McDonald has been performing throughout the United States and Canada and has been chosen as one of the National Finals Rodeo contract acts for five consecutive years.

In addition these special acts there will also be rodeo dances on both Friday and Saturday night, June 16 and 17, at 9:30, with

Carson arrested in Oklahoma

Fourth arrest made in relation to Hernandez case

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

A fourth person was arrested in relation to 12-year-old Jose Hernandez's death.

Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker confirmed Kim Carson was in custody in Tulsa, Okla.. An arrest warrant had been issued for Carson in the case involving the death of Hernandez earlier this month.

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DPS enhances enforcement during Memorial Day weekend

Special to the Herald

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will join law enforcement efforts across the state during the Memorial Day weekend to help keep Texas roadways safe. From Friday, May 26, through Monday, May 29, DPS Troopers will be on the lookout for intoxicated drivers and drivers violating speed limit, seat belt, and other traffic laws.

"As we honor those who gave their lives to protect and serve our country, we are asking all drivers to help us prevent senseless tragedies on the roadways this holiday weekend," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Drive sober, wear your seat belt, slow down, obey traffic laws, and use extra caution when you get behind the wheel this weekend. DPS and other law enforcement will do our part by watching for drivers who are violating the law and endangering the lives of other travelers."

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Local school districts announce val, sal for class of 2017

Young and Worley named for Coahoma High School

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Landyn Young and Brayden Worley are the valedictorian and salutatorian respectively of the Coahoma High School Class of 2017.

Young is the son of Micky and Kyria Young. During his high school career, he was very involved with extra-curricular activities and served in a number of leadership positions.

Young was the 2016-17 Area II FFA 1st vice president, a voting delegate at National FFA Convention in



Indianapolis, the 2016-17 Student Council president, the 2015-16 and 2016-2017 Coahoma FFA Chapter 1st vice president, a FFA State Leadership Conference attendee, a National Honor Society member, and led the Area II FFA Leadership Camp.

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Herridge and Gray named for BCHS

Special to the Herald

Savannah Herridge is the valedictorian, and Hayley Gray is the salutatorian, for the 2017 Class of Borden County High School.

Herridge is the daughter of Patrick and Becky Herridge of Gail. She is a member of the National Beta Club and is a Distinguished Achievement graduate. She also completed 30 hours of dual credit college classes through Western Texas College during her high school career.

She has been the highest ranked student in her class for three years and a Merit's Honor at Western Texas College.

Herridge has been active in a variety of activities including UIL academics, where she was a member of the number sense team and persuasive speaking, and was a regional qualifier in both events.

She has been a stage manager and actress in One-Act Play, and was a cheerleader for two years.

In athletics, she played tennis, basketball, and was a three-year regional qualifier in golf. In addition, she has been the treasurer of the Spanish club, served as a class officer for three years, was class favorite for three years, and served on the yearbook staff.



Herridge

Gray

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Obituaries

Samuel "Bullet" Hull



Samuel "Bullet" Hull, 40, of Knott, died Sunday, May 21, 2017, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2017, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Friday at First Baptist Church, with Randy Cotton, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Samuel was born July 12, 1976 to Janet Juanell Larson Hull and Russell Alan Hull in Big Spring, Texas. He was a lifetime resident of Howard County. He married Crystal Daily on Jan. 2, 1998, in Cross Plains, Texas. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. Samuel was employed by N G L. He was affiliated with Guardians of the Children and began the Big Spring Wildcat Chapter along with Todd Smith. He loved riding his motorcycle and playing with kids.

Samuel is survived by his wife Crystal Hull of Knott; his children, Taylor Michelle Hull, Trace

Alan Hull and Haleigh Renae Hull, all of Knott; his parents, Jan and Joe Benford of Knott and Rusty and Debra Hull of Big Spring; his parents-in-law: Mark and Melissa Daily of Big Spring and Diane and Shane Teichleman of Abilene; his grandparents, LaVerne Hull Dean and Betty and Thomas Daily, all of Big Spring; one brother, Jason Hull and wife Monica of Big Spring; one sister, Jana and Chris Wanner of Lubbock; three step-brothers, Eli Reyes and Jeremy and Becky Reyes, all of Westbrook and Todd and Jackie Smith of Big Spring; and a number of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Pete Hull, Blaine and Helen Larson and A.J. Dean.

Pallbearers will be Stephen Riley, Josh Harrell, Jeff Agee, Joseph "DAWG" Benford, Gregg "SMOKE" McAlister and Randy "STIX" Murley. Honorary pallbearer will be Jason Hull and Chris Wanner.

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **BRITTNEY JO HILGER**, 23, of 1309 Sycamore St, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

• **PATRICK MATHEW RIOS**, 24, of 2501 Carlton, was arrested

on charges of failure to identify, theft of property less than \$100, driving while license invalid, two counts of failure to appear, and possession of a controlled substance 4 to 200 grams; and on an outstanding warrant.

• **CRYSTAL BROOKE MESLER**, 36, of 1513 E 17th St, was arrested on charges of prohibited weapons (knuckles).

• **JOSEPH D ROHLMAN**, 23, of 1331 Old Belfast Rd. in Lewisburg, Tenn., was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

• **THEFT** was reported on the 2500 block Albrook Dr. and the 200 block of Texas Rd.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1900 block of S. Gregg and 4100 block of E FM 700.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this report.

• **BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR**, 33, was booked by HCSO on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.

• **BRITTNEY JO HILGER**, 23, was booked by BSPD on charges

of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and tampering or fabricating with physical evidence.

• **DEVYN ELYSE JACKMAN**, 27, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for failure to appear/fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.

• **TOMMY MANUEL**, 44, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for forgery of a financial instrument.

• **CRYSTAL MESLER**, 36, was booked by BSPD on charges of

prohibited weapon (knuckles)

• **PATRICK MATHEW RIOS**, 24, was booked by BSPD on a motion to adjudicate for unauthorized use of a vehicle; on warrants for theft of property under \$100, driving while license invalid, and two counts of failure to appear; and on a charge of failure to identify fugitive/intentionally giving false information.

• **JOSEPH DUSTIN ROHLMAN**, 23, was booked by HCSO on charges of public intoxication.

Take Note

• Dr. David Ward's pet food drive has been extended until Wednesday, May 31. Dr. Ward is looking to accept toys, dog food, shampoo, sheets, monetary donations, and anything else to help. Bring all donations to Dr. Ward's office located at 1500 Scurry Street. All proceeds are to benefit the Big Spring Humane Society. When donating, make sure to enter for a chance to win a \$50 WalMart gift card. The drawing will be held May 31.

• The Big Spring Salvation Army and the Big Spring Center for Skilled Care are holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those 55 and older in Howard County. Those wishing to donate can take new or gently used box or pedestal fans to the Salvation Army headquarters at 811 W. Fifth St. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; or to the Center for Skilled Care at 3701 Wasson Rd. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Seniors 55 and older who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 or the Center for Skilled Care at 432-606-5012 to register and receive the distribution date.

• The Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from current A&M students. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. For more information and to find the application, visit <https://westexags.com/>. Deadline for applications for current A&M students is June 1, 2017.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

• 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 has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

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

• Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

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

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of S. Benton One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of E I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Airbase Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Grafa. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Chanute.

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.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

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

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

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

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will start Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

Correction

In a photo caption under the article entitled "Relay for Life raises nearly \$100K" in the May, 25, 2017 Big Spring Herald edition, two people were incorrectly identified. The caption should have read "Livy Ludington, 1, of Big Spring walks with her grandfather Robert around the track on the floor of Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Friday during the 2017 Relay for Life of Howard and Glasscock Counties." The Herald regrets the error.

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CARSON

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"We developed some information that she was in Tulsa, Okla., and we contacted the authorities there who began searching for her," Parker said.

Parker said Carson was located at a hotel in Tulsa. Now the Sheriff's Department is waiting on extradition proceedings to return Carson back to Howard County.

In a press conference held Tuesday, May 16, Parker said Hernandez was killed after a gun being offloaded from a truck fired, sending a round through the tailgate. Fragments struck Hernandez and a second person. Hernandez was previously reported to the Big Spring Police Department as a runaway, and was believed to be living with one of the suspects involved with the crime, Parker said. Sheriff's deputies discovered the guns being offloaded from the truck were stolen from a residence in a county south of San Angelo.

Last week, three other individuals were arrested in relation to the case. Christopher Andrew Yanez, 24; Cindy Machado Lopez, 20; and Cody Alan Wingo, 28, were all arrested on warrants for firearm smuggling with three or more firearms.

2 more arrested in Manchester; UK blasts US on leaks

MANCHESTER, England (AP) — British police arrested two more people and searched a new site in Manchester suspected of links to the concert bombing that left 22 people dead, as British authorities complained bitterly Thursday about investigation leaks by U.S. officials.

British Prime Minister Theresa May is expected to raise the issue of the leaks with President Donald Trump in Brussels later. British officials are particularly angry that photos detailing evidence about the bomb used in the Manchester attack were published in The New York Times.

British security and law enforcement officials were reviewing whether other sensitive information involving the investigation should be shared, according to one official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not

authorized to speak about the ongoing investigation.

The official added that the intelligence-sharing agreement between Britain and the United States is built on trust and that leaks jeopardize active investigations.

Greater Manchester Police condemned the leaks on behalf of the National Counter-Terrorism Policing units in a statement that suggested a severe rupture in trust between Britain and the United States, who have traditionally shared intelligence at the highest levels.

Trump meeting with EU leaders

BRUSSELS (AP) — Visiting a city he once called a "hellhole" to meet with the leaders of one alliance he threatened to abandon and another whose weakening he cheered, President Donald Trump will address a continent Thursday still reeling from his election and anxious about his support.

Trump traveled Thursday morning to the European Union headquarters in Brussels for meetings with Donald Tusk, the president of the European Council, Jean-Claude Juncker, the president of the European Commission, and other EU officials.

Trump appeared to be greeted warmly by the leaders, despite his past comments publicly cheering the United Kingdom's vote to leave the EU last summer and slamming the alliance during his transition as "a vehicle for Germany." Trump has taken a less combative tone since taking office, praising the alliance as "wonderful" and saying a strong Europe is very important to him and the United States.

Later in the day, Trump is slated to meet with France's new president and attend his first meeting of NATO, the decades-long partnership that has become intrinsic to safeguarding the West but has been rattled by the new

president's wavering on honoring its bonds. Trump has mused about pulling out of the pact because he believed other countries were not paying their fair share and he has so far refused to commit to abiding by Article 5, in which member nations vow to come to each other's defense.

But the European capitals that have been shaken by Trump's doubts may soon find a degree of reassurance. Just like his position on the EU, the president has recently shifted gears, praising NATO's necessity. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said Wednesday that "of course" the United States supports Article 5, though Trump still wants other nations to meet their obligation to spend 2 percent of their gross domestic product on defense.

NATO, the world's biggest military alliance, explained

BRUSSELS (AP) — It sounds strange to characterize the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as a huge gun club, but the comparison can be useful in understanding the world's biggest military alliance.

Like many gun clubs, NATO actually has no weapons of its own. The battleships, war planes, missiles and potential pool of more than 3 million personnel are owned and brought to the range by the 28 member states, mostly at their own cost. The only military equipment NATO has is a fleet of early warning radar planes and, from next year, five surveillance drones.

CHS

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The awards he has gathered throughout the years include being a Texas FFA Lonestar Degree recipient, a Terry Scholar, and a Farm Bureau District VI Free Enterprise Speech contest winner. He placed fourth at state FFA pub-

lic relations, he was a Texas FFA Lonestar Degree Recipient, he was a two-time State FFA poultry judging competitor, and he was a Big Spring Rotary Youth of the Month.

Young plans to continue his education at Texas A&M University and major in engineering.

Worley is the son of Coy and Tabitha Worley. An active stu-

dent, Worley served as the high school Big Red Band uniform officer, was a National Honor Society member, was the International Thespians Society secretary, the Student Council secretary, and the One-Act Play stage manager.

Worley was named the Rotary Youth of the Month and a 4-H Gold Star, and placed seventh in UIL social studies re-

gional academic meet.

Worley will head to College Station, Texas, in the fall to attend Texas A&M University. He will major in international studies.

Coahoma High School will hold graduation ceremonies at 7 p.m. tonight in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

RODEO

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live music from Jake Hooker and the Outsiders, Jason Boland & the Stragglers, and Jimmy and the Johnsons.

The Quail Dobbs Memorial Rodeo Parade will also be taking place on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. The parade will run north along Scurry Street from 10th to 4th street and then back south down Main Street.

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo has been going strong for almost a century and doesn't show signs of slowing

down anytime soon. Several of the board members and those involved, including Berry, great grandparents helped organize some of the first rodeos and their successors continue to keep the traditional alive today.

"It's the 84th year for the event, and my great granddad was on the founding board of directors along with some other members, it's just a historical event that's true to the area true to the region," Berry continued. "We've got our agricultural roots, it's something that we've got to hold on to and teach our next generation about."

Anyone interested in attending the rodeo can purchase tickets either in advance

or at the gate. Advance ticket prices are \$10 for adult and \$6 for children. For anyone who buys them at the gate, it's \$12 for adults and \$8 for children. Advance tickets can be purchased from the following locations: Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Ward's Boot and Saddle, Western Bank, Compass Bank, Wells Fargo, Citizen's FCU, State National Bank, HEB, Lone Star State Bank, the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Hotel Settles.

Contact Staff Writer Robert Barlow at (432) 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

BCHS

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Herridge plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in speech communication disorders and audiology.

Gray is daughter of Glen and Lisa Gray of Borden County. Hayley is a Distinguished Achievement graduate and is

graduating with 30 dual-credit hours from Western Texas College.

Hayley has been active in many extra-curricular activities. In UIL, she has been a member of the state qualifying social studies team and the state champion current Issues and events team.

She served as crew member for years with the One-Act Play. In FFA, she has competed at the district, area, and state level in

cotton judging and has served as chapter secretary and reporter and held the same offices as a member of the Spanish Club.

Hayley was named Homecoming Queen her senior year. She is a Beta Club Member and a Scholastic Achievement recipient.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in pre-physician's assistant and then apply to PA school.

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DPS

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During the Memorial Day holiday weekend last year, DPS Troopers issued more than 45,000 tickets and warnings, including 836 seat belt and child safety restraint citations. DPS enforcement efforts also resulted in 389 DWI arrests, 190 fugitive arrests, and 175 felony arrests.

DPS also supports the state's "Click It or Ticket" enforcement campaign, which runs through June 4, to encourage drivers and passengers to comply with state seat belt laws.

Drivers can take a variety of measures to enhance safety on our roads this Memorial Day weekend, including:

- Do not drink and drive.
- Slow down — especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic, and unfamiliar areas.
- Eliminate distractions while driving, including the use of mobile devices.
- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle

— it's the law. In other words, "Click It or Ticket."

- Don't drive fatigued — allow plenty of time to reach your destination.
- Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.
- Before your trip begins, make sure your vehicle is properly maintained and always double-check to make sure all cargo is secure.
- Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS, Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated — it's the law. Also, show the same courtesy to fellow drivers stopped along the road.
- Monitor weather conditions wherever you are traveling. In the event of inclement weather, use extra caution on roadways, and never attempt to cross flowing streams or drive across flooded roadways. For more safety tips related to severe storms, visit: http://dps.texas.gov/dem/ThreatAwareness/weather_aware_severe.htm.

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Cleanup west of Houston after severe storms

SEALY, Texas (AP) — Schools in Sealy are closed and some residents remain without power after strong storms pummeled an area west of Houston. Interstate 10, the main highway between Houston and San Antonio, was closed for hours at Sealy, about 50 miles west of Houston, because of power lines downed by high winds and hail accompanying thunderstorms Tuesday evening. At least one 18-wheeler truck on the highway was flipped on its side by winds. State transportation department officials say the freeway finally reopened before dawn Wednesday.

Roofs were ripped from homes and businesses but no injuries have been reported.

Texas House OKs allowing guns in parked cars at schools

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas House has voted to allow concealed carry permit holders to have guns in their locked cars parked outside schools. Tentative approval came late Tuesday night as an amendment to an otherwise unrelated bill on school boards. Final House approval should come Wednesday.

The state Senate already approved a full, bipartisan bill seeking to do virtually the same thing.

A similar, full bill had died in the House without reaching a floor vote, but now lives on as an amendment.

It's aimed at teachers and school employees who have licenses to carry concealed handguns and want to keep guns in their cars while at work.

Supporters say a number of teachers expressed interest in doing that, but were worried about violating state bans on guns on school grounds.

Texas OKs fines for police not reporting civilian killings

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Senate has approved a bill seeking new accountability standards for police departments reporting when an officer kills a civilian — sending it to the governor.

Senators passed the measure by Dallas Democratic Rep. Eric Johnson 28-3 on Tuesday. Earlier this month, the House first defeated the bill 71-70, but then moved to reconsider and easily approved it.

Johnson's proposal creates a civil penalty for law enforcement agencies that fail to report officer-related deaths or injuries. Abbott can either sign or veto it, or let it automatically become law.

Law enforcement is already required to submit reports about officer-related deaths, but the bill would impose fines for failure to do so.

Texas Senate OKs mandating reports on abortion complications

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas lawmakers are moving closer to requiring the collection of more-detailed reports about complications from abortions performed statewide.

The state Senate late Tuesday approved 22-9 a bill mandating that medical clinics report abortion complications, and that the state health department produce an annual report on that data.

The measure needs final Senate approval, likely to come Wednesday. It was already approved by the House, but would head back to that chamber because of changes the Senate made.

Supporters say the bill is necessary since health codes already require hospitals and clinics to report complications from surgeries and other major procedures — arguing that abortion patients need protecting. Opponents counter that abortion is one of the safest procedures performed. They say the bill is more about conservative ideology than medicine.

Video appears to show Texas officer striking teenage girl

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The San Antonio Police Department is reviewing body camera footage after a bystander posted video online that appears to show an officer punching an eighth-grade girl three or four times outside of a birthday party last weekend.

Mayor Ivy Taylor issued a statement saying the video "is hard to watch and listen to" and that the department is reviewing the police body camera footage to determine exactly what happened.

The grainy footage was shot Saturday outside an event center where authorities say officers were called about two men fighting at a quinceanera, a Hispanic tradition of celebrating a girl's 15th birthday.

Airlines have rules about taking photos, video on planes



In this Tuesday, May 2, 2017, file photo, American Airlines Senior Vice President of Customer Experience Kerry Philipovitch, second from right, testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington, before a House Transportation Committee oversight hearing. From left are: United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz; United Airlines President Scott Kirby; Joseph Sprague, senior vice president of external relations, Alaska Airlines; Bob Jordan, executive vice president and chief commercial officer, Southwest Airlines, and Consumers Union aviation consultant William J. McGee.

By DAVID KOENIG
AP Airlines Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Without the shocking video, it's unlikely that the world would have learned or cared about the violent manhandling of a 69-year-old man on a plane last month.

The outrage on social media, the mea culpa by an airline CEO, the promise to treat customers better — none of it would have happened.

The passengers who shot those videos on a United Express plane in Chicago violated United's policy on photography. By the letter of the airline's law, they too could have been ordered off the plane.

Under United's policy, customers can take pictures or videos with small cameras or cellphones "provided that the purpose is capturing personal events." Filming or photographing other customers or airline employees without their consent is prohibited. American, Delta and Southwest have similar policies.

Passengers are accustomed to using their cellphones to take photos and videos that they can upload to Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Airline rules on photography are sporadically enforced, but passengers should read them in the in-flight magazines because there can be consequences.

This month, a United ticket agent ordered a passenger's reservation

canceled as he filmed her while disputing a \$300 baggage fee in the New Orleans airport. After Navang Oza posted his video online, United apologized, saying that the video "does not reflect the positive customer experience we strive to offer."

In April, a JetBlue Airways crew called airport police to meet a man who they said continued to record a selfie video during a security-sensitive time in flight, while the cockpit door was opened. Michael Nissensohn insists that he wasn't recording the procedure.

"I told them there is no rule against talking a selfie on a plane," Nissensohn says. He says he was ordered off the plane and held up at LaGuardia airport in New York for more than an hour before being let go without charges. JetBlue declined to comment on the incident. A spokesman says the airline doesn't publish its photography policy for security reasons.

With airline customer service in decline, videotaping is the only way that passengers can make sure they are treated fairly, says Gary Leff, a travel blogger who has criticized the airlines over the issue.

"The TSA allows more photography at the checkpoint than the airlines allow on board their planes," he says.

The Transportation Security Administration says that photog-

raphy at checkpoints is fine if people don't take images of monitors or interfere with screeners. Travel bloggers say, however, that people have had run-ins with TSA officers, and you should expect to be questioned if you snap more than a casual photo of a companion.

Lawyers who specialize in First Amendment or travel law say airlines generally cannot limit photography or video recording in an airport because it is a public space. But airlines have more power on planes because as private parties they are not bound by the First Amendment.

"They are within their rights to establish these rules, they are within their rights to throw you off the aircraft if you continue filming," says Joseph Larsen, a media-law attorney in Houston.

However, there is no law against taking photos or video on an airplane, and it is unlikely that anyone would face legal jeopardy for taking pictures of an altercation on a plane or their own peaceful dispute with an airline employee, Larsen says.

"If you see something going on that is a matter of legitimate public interest," he says, go ahead and capture it even if you don't have express permission to film another passenger. The man who was roughed up by airport officers on the United

Express plane, David Dao, "has already got his settlement with United," Larsen says. "He is probably pretty happy that was documented."

After a video of a confrontation over a stroller between an American Airlines flight attendant and a mother with two young children, the airline grounded the employee. The person who shot the video violated American's policy, which prohibits "unauthorized photography or video recording" of employees or other passengers.

Privately, airline officials say it is unlikely they would take action in such cases. American is reviewing its policy because of the difficulty of enforcing it.

Even if the law is on the side of the passenger with a camera, there are practical considerations.

"Unless it's a legitimate safety issue like annoying other people, I don't see a problem with taking photos on a plane. But that's a call of the captain, and in the first instance the captain is right," says Thomas Dickerson, a retired New York state judge and author of "Travel Law."

Passengers can challenge the captain's judgment in court, and might win, Dickerson says, "but the problem for consumers is, do you really want to get thrown off the plane?"

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Mulvaney defends Trump budget's social safety net cuts

By ANDREW TAYLOR

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House budget chief Mick Mulvaney told lawmakers on Wednesday that President Donald Trump's plans to slash social programs are designed to increase economic growth to 3 percent and put "taxpayers first."

Mulvaney told the House Budget Committee that he went "line by line" through the federal budget and asked "Can we justify this to the folks who are actually paying for it?"

Mulvaney's appearance was one of four slated Wednesday as Trump Cabinet officials fanned out on Capitol Hill to defend Trump's budget, which contains jarring, politically unrealistic cuts to the social safety net and a broad swath of domestic programs. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, and Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue are also testifying before House panels.

Panel Democrats charged that Trump's cuts would rip apart the social safety net. Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Wash., told Mulvaney that cuts to food stamps, payments to the disabled, and other programs are "astounding and frankly immoral."

"This budget starts by taking away health care, then food, then housing, then education, then job opportunities," Jayapal said.

Trump's budget keeps to his campaign pledge to leave Medicare and Social Security pension benefits alone and contains spending increases for the military and veterans, but it treats most of the rest of the government as fair game. It foresees an overhaul of the tax code, which analysts say could direct most of its benefits to upper-income earners.

Mulvaney also told the panel that "it'll be very difficult" to balance the budget in future proposal without cutting back the growth of Medicare and Social Security — the big retirement programs that Trump left alone in this year's effort.

The plan, Trump's first as president, combines \$4.1 trillion for the upcoming 2018 fiscal year with a promise to bring the budget back into balance in 10 years, relying on aggressive spend-



Budget Director Mick Mulvaney testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington, Wednesday, May 24, 2017, before the House Budget Committee hearing on President Donald Trump's fiscal 2018 federal budget.

AP photo

ing cuts, a surge in economic growth — and a \$2 trillion-plus accounting gimmick.

Trump's budget is simply a proposal. There's little appetite among Capitol Hill Republicans for a genuine effort to balance the budget; GOP lawmakers this year are instead pressing to rewrite the tax code and forge a spending deal with Democrats that would permit higher military spending and restore Trump proposals to cut domestic agencies and foreign aid.

Mulvaney, a former tea party congressman, is the driving force behind the Trump budget plan, winning the president's approval for big cuts to benefit programs whose budgets are essentially on autopilot.

"If it's important enough for us to have then we should be paying for it, because right now my unborn grandchildren are going to be paying for it," Mulvaney said.

Food stamp cuts would drive millions from the program, while a wave of Medicaid cuts — on top of more than \$800 billion in the House-passed health care bill — could deny nursing home care to millions of elderly poor people. It would also force some people on Social Security's disability program back into the workforce.

Other cuts in Trump's budget include \$63 billion in cuts to pension benefits for federal workers by eliminating cost-of-living adjustments for most workers and requiring employees to make higher contributions. In agriculture, the proposed budget would limit subsidies to farmers, including for purchasing crop insurance, a move already attacked by farm state lawmakers.

The budget does feature a handful of domestic initiatives, including a six-week paid parental leave program championed by Trump's daughter, Ivanka, that would be designed and

financed by the states through cuts to unemployment insurance. Some \$200 billion in federal infrastructure investments are promised to leverage another \$800 billion in private investment, though the idea has yet to get much traction.

Trump's balanced-budget goal depends not only on the growth projections that most economists view as overly optimistic but also a variety of accounting gimmicks, including an almost \$600 billion peace dividend from winding down overseas military operations and "double counting" \$2.1 trillion in revenues from economic growth — using them to both pay for tax cuts and bring down the deficit.

"This budget relies on absurd economic projections and pretend revenues that no credible economist would validate," Jayapal said. "It provides no real information on 'tax reform' other than to claim it is revenue neutral."

'We can use peace': Trump and Pope Francis meet

By JONATHAN LEMIRE, NICOLE WINFIELD and JULIE PACE

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY (AP) — President Donald Trump and Pope Francis, two leaders with contrasting styles and differing worldviews, met at the Vatican on Wednesday, setting aside their previous clashes to broadcast a tone of peace for an audience around the globe.

Trump, midway through a grueling nine-day, maiden international journey, called upon the pontiff in a private, 30-minute meeting laden with religious symbolism and ancient protocol.

Neither man, unquestionably two of the most famous in the world, repeated their prior criticism of the other. The statements released afterward were deliberately vague and contained only hints of areas of disagreement. Trump smiled broadly, the pope smiled less, but both agreed, at least for a day, to settle on

the same message: the need to avoid conflict.

That theme was reflected in their words and their gifts.

The pope, upon completing their meeting, gave the president a medal featuring an olive branch.

"We can use peace," said the president, concurring with the symbolism.

Francis also gave a message of peace and three bound papal documents that to some degree define his papacy and priorities, including the family and the environment.

The pope told Trump he signed the message "personally for you." Trump said he would read the books.

In exchange, Trump presented the pontiff with a custom-bound, first-edition set of Martin Luther King Jr.'s works, an engraved stone from the King memorial in Washington and a bronze sculpture of a flowering lily-

tus titled "Rising Above."

"I think you'll enjoy them. I hope you do," Trump said.

When Trump departed, he told the pope: "Thank you, I won't forget what you said."

The visit began with a handshake after each man arrived, Trump in a lengthy motorcade, Francis in a Ford Focus.

The president was heard thanking the pope and saying it was "a great honor" to be there. They posed for photographs and then sat down at the papal desk, the pope unsmiling, as their private meeting began.

It ended a half hour later when Francis rang the bell in his private study. The pontiff was then introduced to members of Trump's delegation, including his wife Melania, his daughter Ivanka and son-in-law Jared Kushner, as well as aides Hope Hicks

and Dan Scavino.

Smiling for the staff, Francis had a light moment with the first lady, asking via translator, "What do you give him to eat, potica?" referring to a favorite papal dessert from her native Slovenia.

The first lady laughed and said "Yes." She and Ivanka covered their heads in a sign of papal respect, a gesture they did not partake in Saudi Arabia.

Afterward, as he met with Italian Prime Minister Paolo Gentiloni, Trump said of the pope: "He is something."

"We had a fantastic meeting," the president said. "It was an honor to be with the pope."

Trump tweeted later that the meeting was the "honor of a lifetime." A statement from the Vatican later said "satisfaction was expressed" at their "joint commitment

in favor of life" and that there was hoped-for collaboration on health care, assistance to immigrants and protection of Christian communities in the Middle East.

U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said Trump and the pope talked extensively about extreme terrorist threats and extremism, and the radicalization of young people.

Tillerson said climate change and migration issues came up in Trump's meeting with the cardinal secretary of state.

In recent days, Francis and Trump have been in agreement on a need for Muslim leaders to do more against extremists in their own communities. But there are few other areas where their views align.

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The ends of a rainbow may look like they are on earth, but they're really not. This may be one of the reasons leprechauns are known to hide their gold at the end of a rainbow.

According to an Irish legend, any leprechaun caught by a human must tell where they have hidden their pot of gold. As long as they have put their gold at the end of a rainbow, which humans cannot find, their gold will be safe!



Name That Color

Each of the following is a color on the rainbow. Fill in the blanks to name that color.

- 1) G _ E _ _
- 2) _ L U _
- 3) Y E _ _ O _
- 4) O _ A _ G _
- 5) _ I O _ E _
- 6) _ E _
- 7) _ N _ I _ O

Answers: 1) Green, 2) Blue, 3) Yellow, 4) Orange, 5) Violet, 6) Red, 7) Indigo



What Rhymes with Gold?

- List 10 words that rhyme with "gold." 1. _____
2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____
8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____

Some answers: bold, cold, fold, hold, mold, old, rolled, scold, sold, told



Jokes and Riddles

Q: What is a cat's favorite color?

A: Purple, of course!

Q: What is green and red all over?

A: An angry shamrock.



Fact or Fiction?

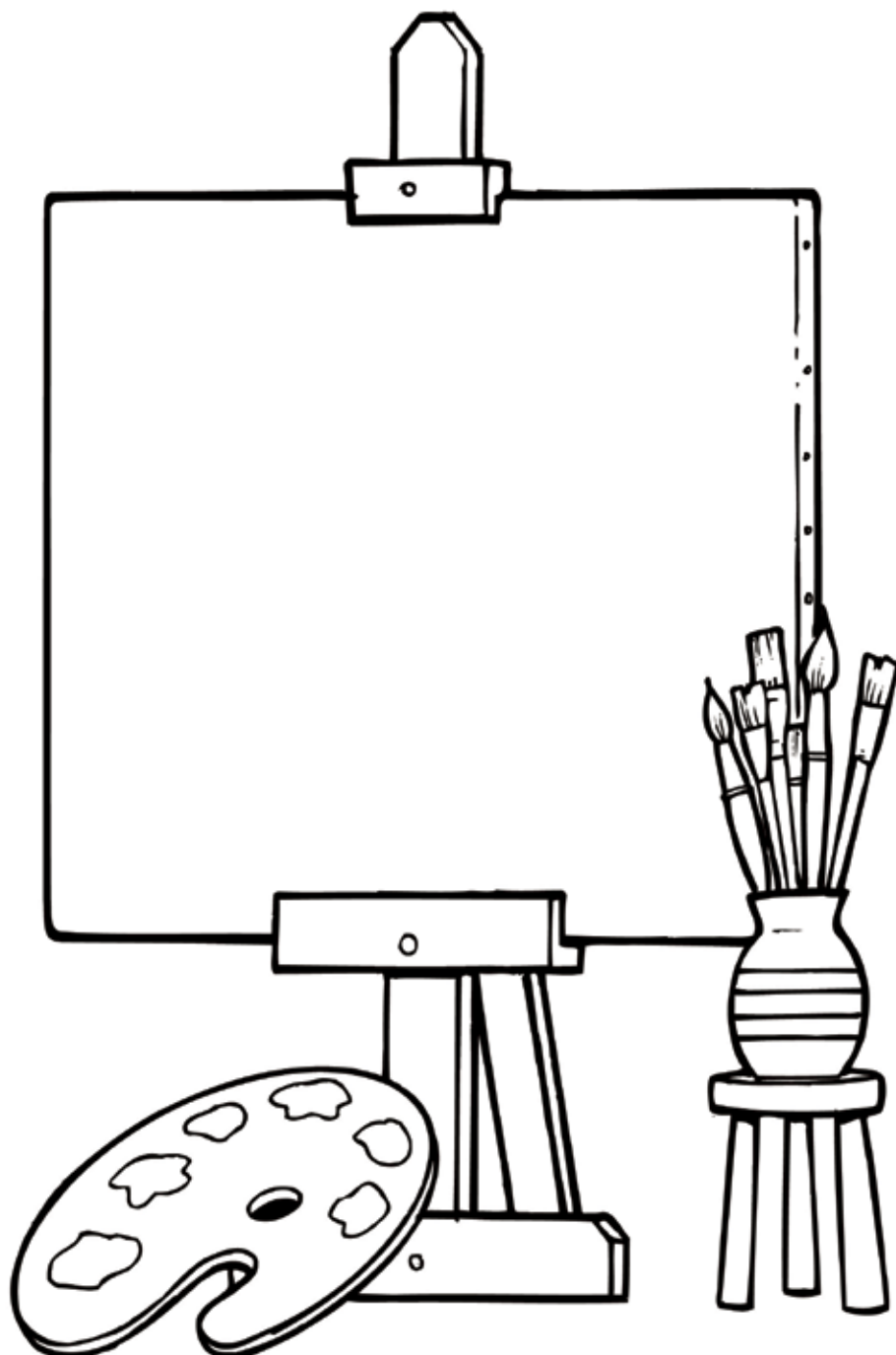
Color Combo Challenge

As Easter gets closer, kids everywhere will be coloring eggs. While some will turn to egg coloring kits, others will use food coloring. Whatever method you use, you may want to know something about color mixing, especially if you plan to decorate your eggs with paint. Here are some questions about color combinations. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) Red and purple make orange. Fact or Fiction?
- 2) Blue and red make purple. Fact or Fiction?
- 3) Black and red make pink. Fact or Fiction?
- 4) Blue and yellow make green. Fact or Fiction?
- 5) Green and white make gray. Fact or Fiction?
- 6) Red and green make brown. Fact or Fiction?
- 7) Green and black make dark green. Fact or Fiction?
- 8) Purple and black make lavender. Fact or Fiction?
- 9) Red and brown make maroon. Fact or Fiction?
- 10) Brown and white make tan. Fact or Fiction?

Answers: 1) Fiction, red and yellow make orange, 2) Fact, 3) Fiction, white and red make pink, 4) Fact, 5) Fiction, black and white make gray, 6) Fact, 7) Fact, 8) Fiction, purple and white make lavender, 9) Fiction, red and black make maroon, 10) Fact

COLORING PICTURE



Iglesias, Kinsler lead Tigers to 6-3 win over Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — It took the Detroit Tigers three games, but they got the offense going again.

Jose Iglesias finished a triple shy of the cycle, Ian Kinsler had two hits and scored twice, and Detroit beat the Houston Astros 6-3 on Wednesday night to snap a three-game skid.

Iglesias, who scored three runs, doubled to lead off the eighth. He moved to second on a single by Kinsler before scoring on Alex Avila's RBI grounder off Chris Devenski (3-3) to give the Tigers a 3-2 lead. Following an intentional walk to Miguel Cabrera, Kinsler scored on Victor Martinez's RBI grounder.

Iglesias hit a two-run homer in the ninth.

In their three-game losing streak, the Tigers had scored four runs.

"It took a little bit of going better tonight," Detroit manager Brad Ausmus said. "It was a much better night.

We're going to score runs through the course of the season. The last two games were a team-wide slump."

In the third, Iglesias scored on Charlie Morton's wild pitch before Kinsler scored on Cabrera's double-play grounder to give Detroit a 2-0 lead.

"We were able to put some good at-bats together and get the victory," Iglesias said. "As a team, we needed it. I hope we get some momentum from this."

Shane Greene (1-0) retired all five batters he faced for the win.

Evan Gattis, and Norichika Aoki hit sacrifice flies in the third and fourth innings, respectively, to tie it at 2-2. Alex Bregman hit a solo home run with two outs in the ninth off Justin Wilson.

Houston finished 0 for 8 with runners in scoring position.

"I think we had a few chances on (Daniel Nor-

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Detroit Tigers' Jose Iglesias hits a two-run home run off Houston Astros relief pitcher Jordan Jankowski with Tyler Collins during the ninth inning of a baseball game, Wednesday, May 24, 2017, in Houston.

AP Photo

Red Sox score 7 in 7th to beat Rangers 9-4



Boston Red Sox's Sam Travis dives for home as he scores on a pinch-hit single by Josh Rutledge during the seventh inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers at Fenway Park in Boston, Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

AP Photo

By **JIMMY GOLEN**
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Chris Sale was perfectly happy to sit back and watch the Red Sox hitters do the work this time.

Sale cruised into the fifth inning, then was rewarded in the seventh when the Boston batters erupted for seven runs on their way to a 9-4 victory over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

Sale (5-2) struck out six, falling short in his attempt to become the first pitcher in baseball's modern era to strike out at least 10 batters in nine straight games in

one season.

But he didn't seem to mind.

"It was fun," said the left-hander, who received more runs of support in the seventh inning alone than while he game this season. "You get run after run, hit after hit. When we score like that, it's fun."

Dustin Pedroia waved home the tiebreaking run on a wild pitch, then singled in two more as the Red Sox turned a 3-1 deficit into a five-run lead and earned their third straight victory. Sam Travis had two sin-

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Clemens' 2 home runs lift Texas past Oklahoma 8-4

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Kacy Clemens was 3 for 5 with a pair of home runs and four RBIs to lead sixth-seeded Texas to an 8-4 win over third-seeded Oklahoma in the first round of the Big 12 Conference tournament.

Clemens, a senior and son of seven-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens, opened the scoring with the first of his two home runs in the first inning. He followed that with a two-run shot in the fifth to put the Longhorns (35-20) up 5-0.

Texas advances to face Kansas on Thursday, while the Sooners (34-21) will meet second-seeded TCU in the



loser's bracket.

Nick Kennedy started for the Longhorns and struck out eight in 4 1/3 innings of work, while Chase Shugart (3-2) earned the win in relief.

Nathan Wiles (4-4) allowed five runs, four earned, in 2 1/3 innings and took the loss for Oklahoma.

Kansas has 4-run 8th, beats TCU 7-3 in Big 12 tourney opener

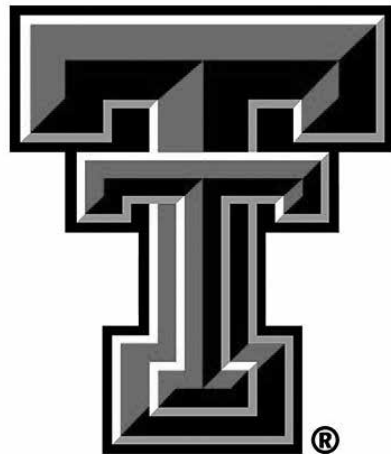
OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Brett Vosik had a two-run single in a four-run eighth inning and second-seeded Kansas beat second-seeded TCU 7-3 in the opening round of the Big 12 Conference tournament Wednesday.

Matt McLaughlin matched Vosik with two hits and two RBIs for the Jayhawks (30-26). They will face the Texas-Oklahoma winner Thursday.

The Horned Frogs (39-15) tied it at 3 in the seventh on Austen Wade's RBI single.

Kansas responded in the eighth with four hits and a walk, capping the outburst with Vosik's run-scoring single. Taylor Turski started and allowed two runs in 6 1/3 innings for the Jayhawks, and Blake Weiman (5-1) earned the win in relief.

Sean Wymer (4-4) took the loss in relief for TCU



after allowing four runs without getting an out in the eighth.

He's got the reps: Prescott takes offseason lead for Cowboys



Dallas Cowboys head coach Jason Garrett, left, gets quarterback Dak Prescott (4) a fist bump as the two walk off the field after an NFL football organized team activities practice at the team's training facility, Wednesday, May 24, 2017, in Frisco, Texas.

AP Photo

By **SCHUYLER DIXON**
AP Sports Writer

FRISCO, Texas — Dak Prescott FRICKLED at the thought of watching film from the offseason this time a year ago, when he said he was in charge for two plays in an entire practice.

Two. Suffice to say the Dallas quarterback is getting more reps now after one of the best rookie seasons in NFL history kept Tony Romo on the bench, and eventually sent the 10-year starter

to the broadcast booth. It's Prescott's team now, and there aren't any more questions about Romo.

"Literally, he was splitting reps with the third group last year at this time," offensive coordinator Scott Linehan said Wednesday after the second offseason practice. "Now he's taking all the reps with the 1s. That's a big difference, right?"

One thing is the same: Kellen Moore is the backup. Moore's injury early

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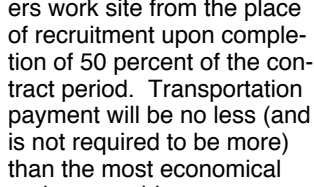
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so much as it's about executing a plan.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll find that what you like or dislike doesn't matter much in the scheme of the day, so you may as well save your breath and mental energy and go with the flow (as opposed to judging the flow).

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The more you understand, the less you blame. However, that doesn't mean that things don't need to be structured differently (and perhaps with different people involved) to create a better outcome.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your mood can be as changeable as the moon that rules your sign, although only a fellow Cancer can tell now, because you're also good at hiding how you're really feeling.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The more comfortable and happy you are in your home, the more attractive it becomes to the people who like you. In fact, the whole

Tomorrow's Horoscope

group may want to meet up at your place. Are you ready for an impromptu party?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are those who would rather act aloof than risk being rejected by you. But when you come forward warmly, time and again, even the most self-conscious person will drop the defense eventually.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You know more about yourself than you think you do, so the whole self-discovery thing is really unnecessary. What you would be trying to find is what you already are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The way you feel about a certain someone makes it easy for you to think of this person's wants and needs without knowing or caring in the least what you'll get out of the deal. It's love!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll take part in an activity that seems to pause everything in your own life so you can watch the universe breathing. How

can you get more of this phenomenon? You need this in your day to day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Regarding relationships: It's true that things aren't the same as they used to be. There's beauty and joy in this. Leo Tolstoy said, "Each time of life has its own kind of love."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Without the looking glass, we cannot see the entirety of how we look on the outside. We need mirrors to reflect back our insides, too. An objective friend will serve this purpose for you today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's a bit of entertainment to pull off today, but this is not really fun and games. After all, if you want to influence people for any purpose, you have to be able to hold their attention first.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 25). You're full of energy now, but something will happen in August to induce the calm and focused quality necessary

for you to succeed in a very competitive arena. September will exceed your expectations, especially in matters of love. Save your money. The worthy investment won't come until March 2018. Cancer and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 33, 13, 1 and 40.

ASTROLOGICAL INSIGHTS: Venus and Pluto argue over our notions of romantic destiny today as they square off just before the new moon. Venus insists that the fate of relationships depends on individual choices, while Pluto makes a sound case for the influence of mysterious, unseen forces. What if they are both right? The current cosmic climate calls for us to work with everything we have and invite help from mysterious benevolent forces, too.

This is a good time to keep track -- but not to keep tabs. This sounds like contradictory advice. Put differently: Letting a relationship get too out of balance, with one person doing all

the giving and the other doing all the taking, is a sure way to burn out the connection. However, paying too much attention to who paid how much when and who owes which one what defies the spirit of generosity (and is just plain exhausting). It's best to have a general idea of the give-and-take and strive to err on the side of giving as much as possible.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Mike Myers embodies the nature of the twins when he plays both the hero and the villain (as well as many other roles) in the "Austin Powers" movies. There are rumors that a fourth installment is in the works! Myers is a quick-witted intellectual Gemini. His moon is in intuitive Cancer, and Mars, the planet of passion, is in the sign of entertainment and show business: Leo.

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Gemini New Moon

If a mistake has been made, don't make the additional mistake of beating yourself up about it. If that response has any benefit at all, it's only in the first hot minute. Get over it and seize the huge opportunity today in the Gemini new moon. Fresh starts are real, especially in relationships and in projects that can be finished by the end of June.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What you want is for the project to succeed. You don't necessarily want to be the one in charge, but if you don't lead today, you might run into trouble. Leadership isn't about asserting your power

Annie's Mailbox

Overwhelming Hatred

Dear Annie: In 2013, I lost my brother to a drug-induced heart attack. At the time of his death, he had just learned that his daughter had brain cancer. My beautiful niece was just 12 years old when she was diagnosed.

My parents took her in. I was not happy about this. I endured horrible abuse at the hands of my mother and stepfather as a child. I considered filing for full custody of my niece, but an attorney advised me that

the legal battle could be detrimental to my niece's health.

I tried to visit my niece, but my mother allowed only one visit. During that visit, I tried to talk to my niece about her dad. I wanted to tell her stories about how wonderful her father was. My mother interrupted, saying I wasn't allowed to discuss my brother in her house. She couldn't handle it.

My mother then brainwashed my niece into believing that I somehow ruined her last Thanksgiving with her father. I remember that Thanksgiving. I was upset with my

brother because he had been missing all day. He had been out using drugs, so I scolded him. My mother used that incident to poison my niece against me. She forced my niece to tell me that she didn't want to see me.

I did the only thing I could think of. I mailed her a greeting card every single day for months. In those cards, I let her know how much I loved her and missed her.

I was not the only one who wasn't allowed to be a part of my niece's life. Other family members were not permitted to see her at all. My niece missed out on all this love.

She died a year later. I was allowed to see her for 10 minutes the night she passed.

My problem is that I can't forgive my mother. I am full of hatred for her. It's so bad that I can't wait until she takes her last breath and leaves this earth. The anger and hatred inside of me are overwhelming me.

I know that I should forgive her, not for her but for myself, but I can't. I can't let go of the devastating loss of my niece and the fact that I was denied her company while she was dying. I think that my mother is the most evil and selfish person to walk the face of the earth. So I ask you: What is left for me to do? -- Still Grieving in Upstate New York

Dear Still Grieving: I am so sorry for the loss of your niece and brother. Each of their deaths constitut-

ed a serious trauma to you, your mother and your whole family. Those were the times when you needed one another's support and love the most, which makes it all the more hurtful that your mother would behave the way she did. But as you've recognized yourself, you must find a way to move past your rage, for your own sake. As Mark Twain said, "anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured."

Please consider seeing a grief counselor and attending a support group for adults who were victims of child abuse, such as Help for Adult Victims Of Child Abuse (<https://www.havoca.org>). Be-

cause you're carrying emotional scars from worrying about your brother's addiction, Nar-Anon might be a therapeutic space, too.

Once you start healing the wounds, you will find yourself less interested in clinging to anger and may even find a way to make peace with your mother, in your own way.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

There's only one right play

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A J 4 3
♥ Q J 4 2
♦ A 8
♣ A K 4

EAST
♠ 7 6 5 2
♥ —
♦ J 9 7 6 4
♣ J 10 8 6

SOUTH
♠ K Q
♥ K 8 7 6 5
♦ K 10 5
♣ Q 5 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
4 ♥ Pass 4 NT Pass
5 ♣ Pass 6 ♥

Opening lead — ten of spades.

When you are missing four cards of a suit, they will divide 3-1 50 percent of the time, 2-2 40 percent of the time and 4-0 10 percent of the time. These are mathematical figures only, and you needn't memorize them if you don't want to. But there are times when even a partial familiarity with probable distributions will alert you to an incipient danger and induce you to adopt precautionary steps that might not otherwise come to mind.

Consider this deal where West leads a spade against six hearts. A favorable outcome seems preordained until declarer wins with the king, leads a low trump to the jack, and East unexpectedly shows out.

If South begins to worry about making the slam at this point, it is already too late. Regardless of what he does, he will eventually lose two trump tricks and go down one.

Granting that a 4-0 division is relatively rare, it is certainly not unprecedented. In fact, South's only concern from the opening gong should be a 4-0 trump division, the only real threat to the contract. All his thoughts should therefore be focused on dealing with that one possibility, unlikely though it might be.

Declarer should arrive at the conclusion that if East has all four trumps, the slam is sure to fail, but that if West has them, he can be limited to one trump trick by playing the king of hearts at trick two.

Once the king is led, West cannot score two trump tricks regardless of how he elects to defend, and the slam is home.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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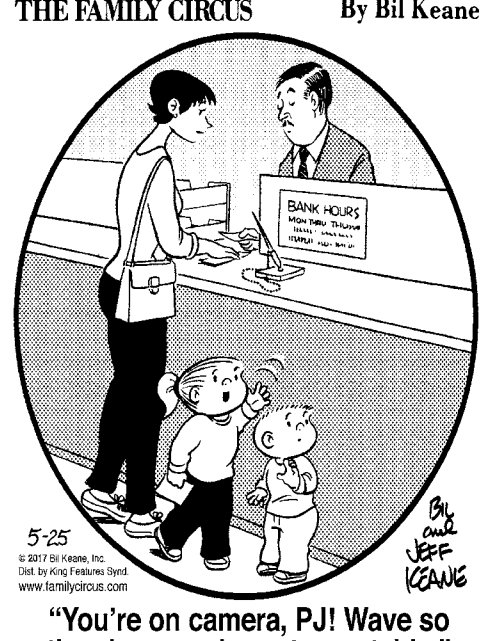
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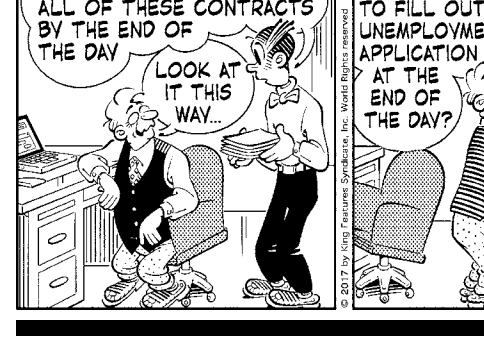


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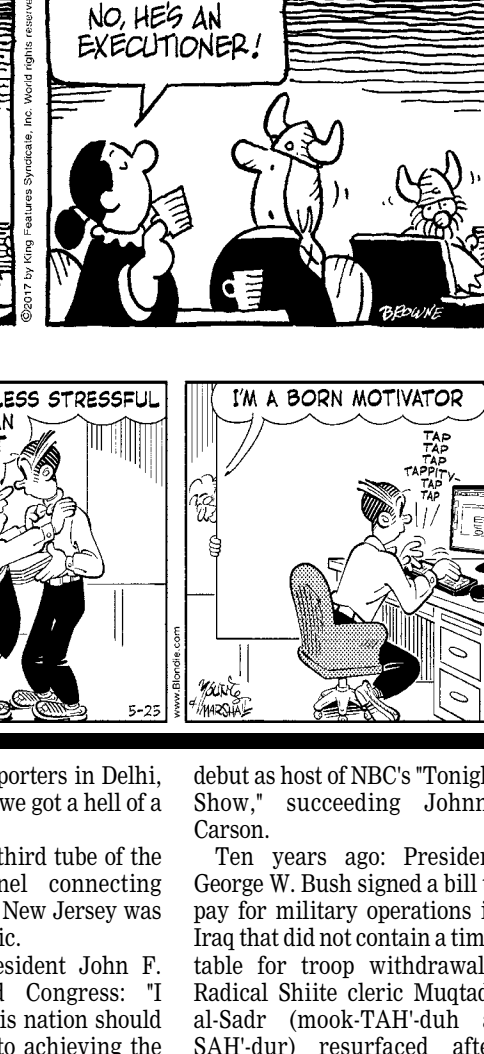
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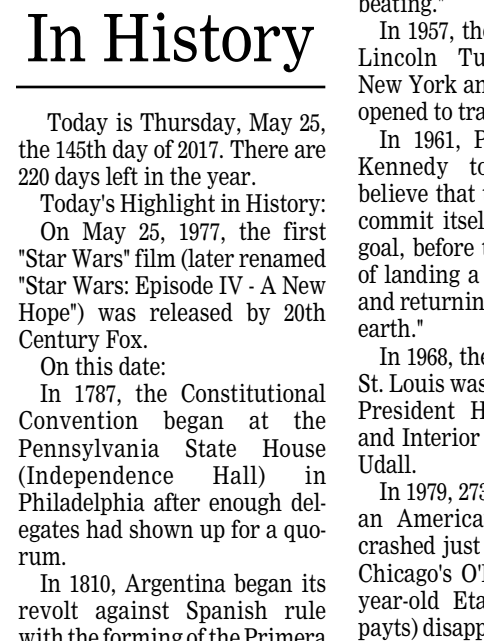
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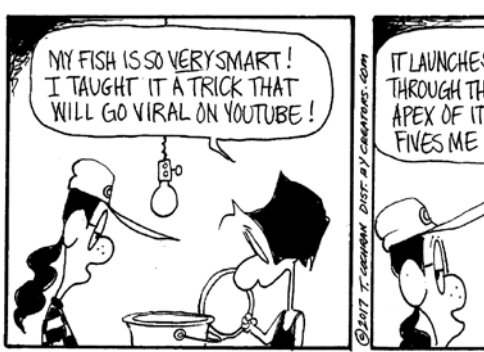
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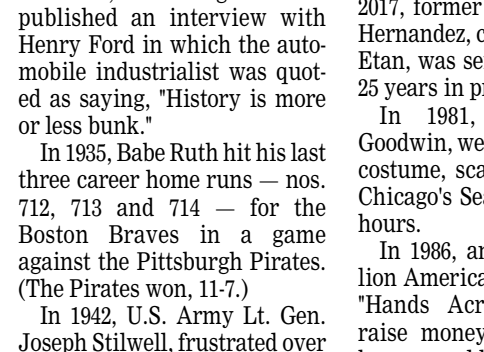
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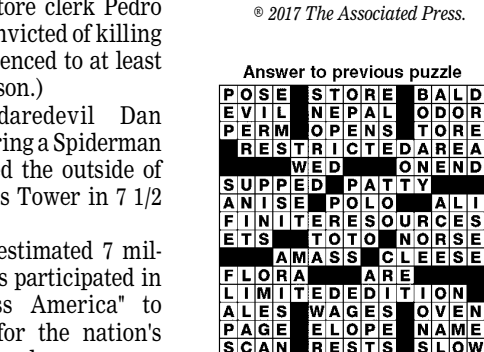
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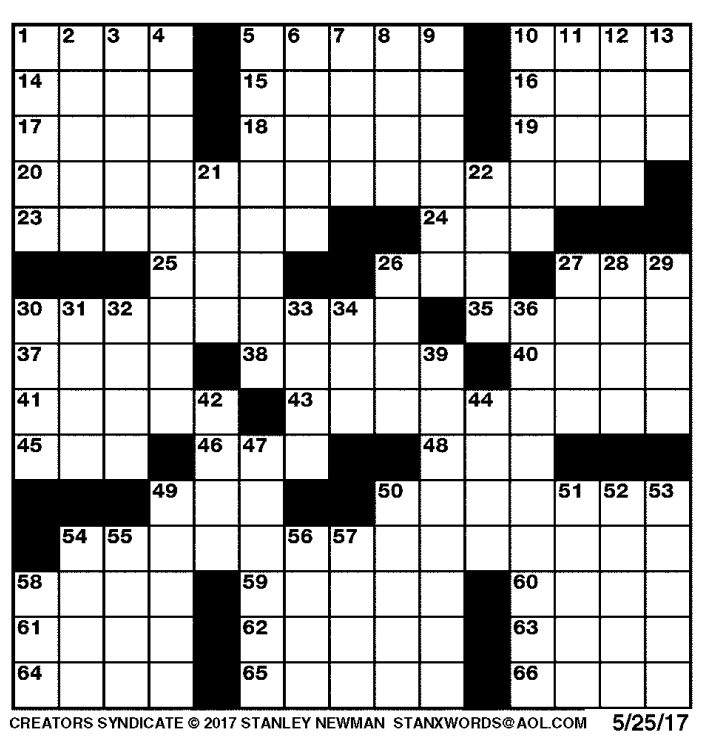
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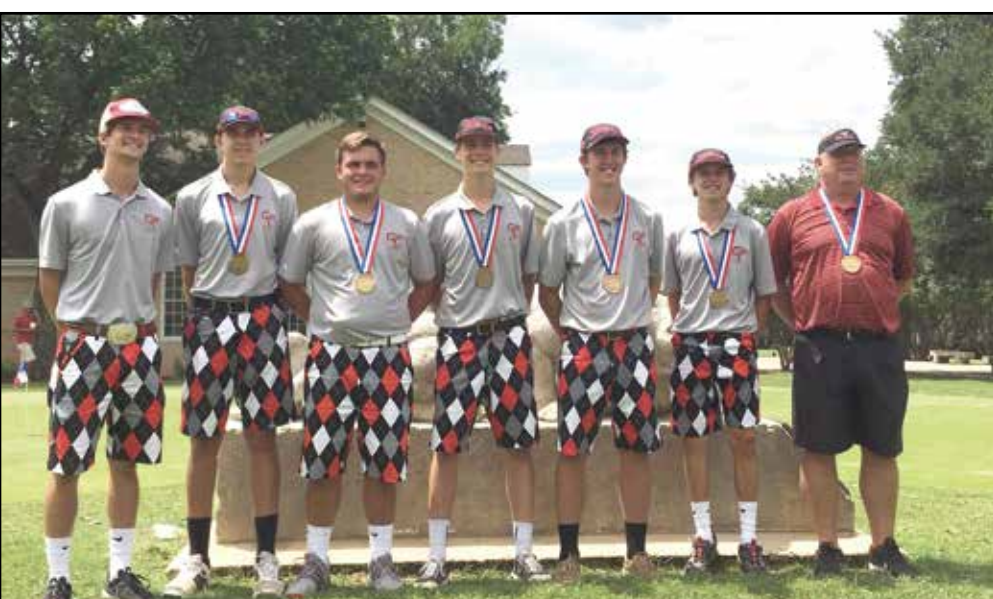
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Third at State



Courtesy Photo

Pictured from left are Garden City High School boys golf team Riley Eggemyer, Dakota Roberts, Zach Burnett, Hagan Halfmann, Scott Miller, Trent Mcmillan and Coach David Wood.

Special to The Herald

The Garden City High School boys golf team rallied into third place Tuesday at the UIL Class 1A State Golf Tournament at Lions Municipal Golf Course in Austin.

The Bearkats began the day six shots behind Motley County, but they ended the day six shots ahead. Garden City's team of Dakota Roberts,

Trent McMillian, Scott Miller, Hagan Halfmann, and Zach Burnett had a team total of 353, which was an 18-shot improvement from Monday, for a two-day score of 724.

Burnett was Garden City's top finisher. He shot 85-95-180 to tie for 15th. Halfmann shot 94-87-181, Roberts shot 100-82-182, McMillan shot 96-89-185, and Miller shot 96-97-193.



Texas Rangers' Ryan Rua, center, crosses home to score on a single by Joey Gallo during the fifth inning of a baseball game at Fenway Park in Boston, Wednesday, May 24, 2017. At left is Red Sox pitcher Chris Sale, at right is catcher Sandy Leon.

TEXAS

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gles for the Red Sox in his major league debut.

"I was a little nervous in the first inning," he said. "I'd be lying to you guys if I said I wasn't."

ASTROS

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ris) early," Bregman said. "We put some good at-bats together. He did a good job later in the game limiting us to only two runs. Made some good pitches."

Norris gave up two runs and four hits with five strikeouts in 6 1/3 innings. Norris, Greene and Wilson combined to retire 17 straight batters until Bregman's homer.

"From the fifth inning on, I was letting the ball go and trusting my stuff, and that is where I get strike one," Norris said. "Before that, I was pressing for a lack of a better term. I was trying to throw strikes, being very conscious of not walking them."

Morton allowed two runs and four hits with six strikeouts in seven innings. The right-hander retired 14 of the last 15 batters he faced.

"To get through seven, he labored a little bit, but as he got into the game, he got a little bit better as the game went on," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "Happy for him to get through as many innings as he did and keeping the game right where it was."

Astros: SS Carlos Correa was out of the lineup for a second

straight game because he wasn't feeling well. ... LHP Dallas Keuchel, who is on the 10-day DL with a pinched nerve in his neck, played catch Wednesday, Hinch said. "It's going in the right direction, but we have a few days," Hinch said. "He's feeling a little better. I know his mind is getting right to possibly come back. We'll see if his neck can cooperate with his throwing program and all the things he does to prepare."

Bregman made a tricky catch before going into the Tigers' dugout to start the fifth. Tyler Collins hit a towering foul ball that forced

Bregman to run in front of the Detroit dugout. Bregman reached over and made a leaning catch on the railing of the dugout just before heading down the steps.

"I thought I was going to run into the fence actually," Bregman said. "I kind of put my hand down a little bit to try and put it on the fence but there was no fence it was just the steps. I slipped a little bit but I got it."

Astros: RHP Mike Fiers (1-2) will look for a second straight good start Thursday after allowing two runs in six innings in his last outing.

DAK

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in training camp last year started the chain of events that led to Prescott guiding the Cowboys to a franchise-record 11-game winning streak and the NFC's top seed before a divisional playoff loss to Green Bay.

The most significant event was Romo's back injury in a preseason game, which thrust Prescott into the starting role. He's not one to dwell on how he can improve on such a startling debut. Prescott is already wired to think that way.

"I don't look back on the good," said Prescott, who was NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year as he set several rookie records, topped by a passer rating of 104.9. "The loss motivates you. The loss pushes you forward more than anything."

The Cowboys measure their players with NFL combine-type drills each offseason, and quarterbacks coach Wade Wilson said Prescott improved in several areas, including strength and speed.

Prescott's intangibles caught the team's attention long before Romo's injury, and were part of the reason the Cowboys were willing to let him start until Romo was ready to return. When Romo was ready, the Cowboys didn't seem to think there was much

of a decision to make.

"As the year went on last year, he definitely grasped more of the mantle of leadership," coach Jason Garrett said. "People gravitate toward him. That is one of things that everybody at Mississippi State told us about him right from the start. And we have certainly seen that here."

While Romo, the lead NFL analyst for CBS, prepared for a weekend appearance with his new employer at the PGA Tour event in Fort Worth, Prescott ran a huddle that was missing fellow rookie sensation Ezekiel Elliott.

The defending NFL rushing champion was a passenger in a minor car accident Sunday night and is sitting out the first week of offseason practices with mild soreness. Elliott bumped his head, but running backs coach Gary Brown said Elliott doesn't have a concussion.

A year ago, the Cowboys were cautious with Elliott in the offseason because they figured he would be their lead back. They also thought Prescott would be learning as the No. 3 quarterback.

"The No. 1 way to get better is number of reps," Prescott said. "And just me having a good bit of those this offseason is just going to allow me to get better in my footwork. Get better in the reads, get better going through things faster and being more accurate."

Mike Napoli homered for Texas, which has lost three of four to follow a 10-game winning streak.

FOR SALE

Sale, who also struck out 10 or more batters in eight straight games in 2015 with the White Sox, remains tied for the season record with Pedro Martinez. (Martinez had 10 straight in a span from 1999-2000.)

After scoring four runs in support of Sale in his first six starts, the Red Sox have scored 27 while he was in the game in his last five. He took a no-hitter into the fifth, but finished with three earned runs, six hits and a walk in 7 1/3 innings.

"Guys pulled through for me when I was probably pretty mediocre," he said.

NO RELIEF

Sam Dyson (1-5) faced seven batters in relief of Martin Perez and gave up four hits, three walks — two intentional — and a wild pitch without retiring a batter.

"Martin threw the ball really well and I came in with two guys on and couldn't get an out," Dyson said. "Sometimes they hit them where they are, and sometimes they hit them where they aren't."

Asked if he felt any different, he said: "Everything's the same."

"If I get my (expletive) handed to me, it's not like anything's wrong," he said. "Any more amazing questions from you all?"

SEVEN IN THE SEVENTH

It was 3-1 until the seventh, when Andrew Ben-

intendi and Travis singled with one out to chase Perez. Mitch Moreland singled to make it 3-2, pinch-hitter Josh Rutledge singled to tie it and, after Mookie Betts was intentionally walked to load the bases, Moreland scored on a wild pitch to give Boston the lead.

Pedroia singled in two more runs, Xander Bogaerts doubled and Hanley Ramirez was intentionally walked to load the bases. Dyson was pulled after walking Chris Young to force in another run.

Austin Bibens-Dirkx got Benintendi to pop up foul of first base, but Napoli let it fall safely — his second such error in the game. Benintendi followed with a sacrifice fly that made it 8-3 before Travis was called out on strikes to end the inning.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: 2B Rougned Odor was shaken up when he dived for Betts' grounder up the middle in the third inning. He was slow getting up. After being looked at by the trainer, he remained in the game.

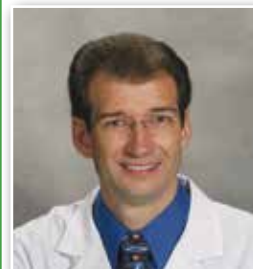
Red Sox: LHP David Price made his second rehab start for Triple-A Pawtucket, allowing six runs — three earned — seven hits and a walk. He struck out four in 3 2/3 innings, throwing 89 pitches, 61 for strikes, and left without addressing reporters. 3B Pablo Sandoval also played in the game, going 2 for 4 with two runs.


"He felt fine physically," said Red Sox manager John Farrell, who added he would talk to Price on Thursday morning to determine how to proceed. "We had a scout there who liked what he saw."

UP NEXT:

Rangers: Will send RHP Nick Martinez (1-2) to the mound in the finale of the three-game series.

Red Sox: LHP Drew Pomeranz (3-3) looks to snap a personal two-game losing streak.





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Parent's Corner:

Thanks for the fantastic memories, Big Spring

One of my favorite television shows of all times was the Carol Burnett Show. It seemed she always had a knack of bringing out laughs and tears and sometimes together.

Some of the things that happened would totally go unnoticed unless you did a bit of research to discover the meaning. Remember how she would tug on her ear at the last of the show. I discovered much later that she had informed her grandmother that if all was fine she would tug her ear as the show ended. And I loved the final song. Sung to lyrics of Joe Hamilton, Carol would thrill her audiences with the first set of lyrics but there were other verses to that song. Allow me to share them with you.

I'm so glad we had this time together. Just to have a laugh or sing a song. It seems we just get started and before you know it comes the time we have to say, "So long." There's a time you put aside for dreaming and a time for things you have to do. The time I love the best is scheming the moment I spend here with you. When the time comes and I am lonely and I'm feeling oh so blue, I sit back and think of you only and the happiness still comes through. That's why I'm glad we had this time together and I know that it was never wrong. Seems we just get started and before you know it

comes the time we have to say, "So long."

That time to say "so long" comes to each of us from time to time, and now it's my turn to utter those words.

I fell from a ladder while painting the underside of a porch recently and broke my hip. I had surgery and did my rehab at Park View Nursing and Rehabilitation Center where they took extremely good care of me.

Now after my fall and 51 years of working in the field of education, I think it's time for me to retire and join my family, who has already moved back to our childhood home in Wichita Falls.

I've enjoyed our time together and spending cherished moments with each of you. I hope I've given you things to think about, things to laugh about, and some things to jot down in your memory for future reference.

I have totally enjoyed my 12 years in Big Spring and I will miss the friendships I've made, and the cherished comments you've given me from time to time.

I would like to thank the wonderful folks at the Big Spring Herald for allowing me to be a part of their endeavor. I appreciate my fantastic colleagues in the school system and my friends in the community and my church for their support and friendship.

Fantastic memories have been made in Big Spring that will continue with me for the remainder of my life. Thanks for taking the time to read my columns. It's been good spending this time together.

Darrell Ryan is the BSISD Director of School Safety.



DARRELL RYAN

Academic Star Student of the Week

John Porras
Coahoma High School

John Porras, son of Luis and Lisa Porras, is a senior at Coahoma High School. John is very involved in One Act Play, the Thespian Society, and golf.

Outside of school he spends his time as an assistant instructor for the Chicano Golf Youth Academy and volunteering in the community. He enjoys fishing, playing golf, and meeting new people.

This fall, John will attend the The Golf Academy of America, Dallas Branch.



Congratulations, John!

Steer Pride Corner



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In recognition of Police Appreciation Week, Big Spring Intermediate School (BSI) presented officers from the Big Spring Police Department with cases of water, goody bags, and a basket full of cookies. Pictured are members of the BSI Student Council and Big Spring Police Department officers Valle, Islas, Calley, and Daves.



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The staff of Froyo and More stand with officers of the Big Spring Police Department following the Froyo with the 5-0 event held Thursday, May 18, 2017, during Police Appreciation Week. The family friendly event drew a large crowd of youth and their families to show support for area law enforcement. The local froyo store offered half off its frozen yogurt.



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BSI students Kaegan Baker and Rachel Reagan (pictured front) were the lucky winners of waterpark tickets for this summer. Baker and Reagan had perfect attendance for the entire school year. Their names were drawn among 37 other students who also had perfect attendance. Also pictured are BSI Principal Patsy Sanchez and Rotary members Emily McCann, Shonda Folsom, and Brent Strande.

DeVos to review rejected college prep grant applications

The U.S. Department of Education will reconsider awarding grants to dozens of programs that help low-income students prepare for college after their initial applications were rejected due to formatting errors such as not being double-spaced, a House subcommittee was told Wednesday.

Education Secretary Betsy DeVos was asked about the 77 rejected applications from universities and other organizations that administer Upward Bound programs as she testified before a House Appropriations subcommittee about her department's budget.

"When we found out about the issue with regard to the formatting errors, it was after the competition was closed," she said in response to the question by Republican Rep. Mike Simpson of Idaho. "We looked at all viable legal remedies to try to address it and did not find any."

However, the agency can now reconsider those applications, because Congress included an additional \$50 million in funding for such programs in a spending bill that will keep the federal government operating through September, DeVos said.

The rejection of the five-year grant applications drew bipartisan criticism and a request in the funding bill that the secretary use her authority to allow those programs to submit corrected applications.

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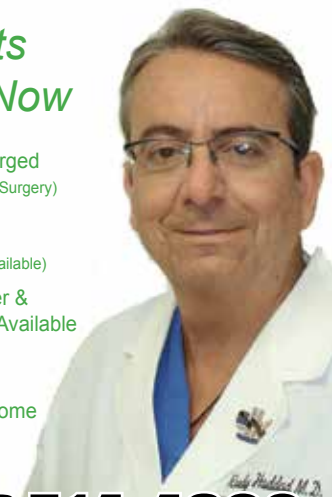
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