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Mattis: NK a 'clear and present danger'

SINGAPORE (AP) — North Korea is accelerating its push to acquire a nuclear-armed missile capable of threatening the United States and other nations, and the U.S. regards this as a "clear and present danger," U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis said Saturday.

Speaking at an international security conference in Singapore, Mattis said the Trump administration is encouraged by China's renewed commitment to working with the U.S. and others to rid North Korea of its nuclear weapons. He also said he thinks China, which is North Korea's closest ally, ultimately will see it as a

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liability. China blocked tough new sanctions against North Korea that the United States pushed in the U.N. Security Council on Friday. However, the Security Council did vote unanimously to add 15 individuals and four entities linked to the North's nuclear and missile programs to a U.N. sanctions blacklist.

In his speech to the Shangri-La Dialogue, sponsored by the International Institute for Strategic Studies, Mattis sought to balance his hopeful comments on China with sharp criticism of what he called Beijing's disregard for international law by its "indisputable militarization" of artificial islands in disputed areas of the South China Sea.

"We cannot and will not accept unilateral, coercive changes to the status quo" in the South China Sea, he said.

Overall, Mattis' speech struck a positive, hopeful tone for cooperation and peace in the Asia-Pacific region, where he and his predecessors have made it a priority to nurture and strengthen alliances and partnerships.

"While competition between the U.S. and China, the world's two

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Promoting the arts



Bianca Mirales, a local art teacher at Big Spring Intermediate School, helps teach a group of children some painting techniques at the Artwalk held downtown on Friday, organized by Promoting the Arts in Big Spring and Desert Flower Art Bar. Rainy weather may have curtailed the event a bit but the Artwalk still carried on. Organizers hope to make the Artwalk a monthly event.

Lake C-City State Park plans June events

By **AMANDA ELSTON**
 Managing Editor

Summer vacation is upon us and Lake Colorado City State Park is kicking off the season with a handful of fun outdoor activities for the entire family. This month, the state park, located about 40 miles east of Big Spring, will be hosting a Volunteer Trail Work Day, All Around the Campfire, and Kayaking with a Ranger.

First on the agenda this month, the park will be hosting Volunteer Trail Work Day on Saturday, June 17. The park is currently putting in a new hiking trail and are looking for people to come out and help get the trail established.

"Help us continue to build our newest trail, Roadrunner Loop," said Lake Colorado City State Park Superintendent Kyle O'Haver. "When completed, this over two-mile hike will be an exciting addition to the park. Show up with a can-do attitude ready to put in some work."

To volunteer, participants can sign up

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SMMC/UBS blood drive set for Wednesday

By **ROBERT BARLOW**
 Staff Writer

Scenic Mountain Medical Center and United Blood Services are partnering up to encourage people to donate blood this summer.

On Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center, people will have the opportunity to give blood in a time when hospitals are in need of it most.

"The months of June, July, and August present challenges

United Blood Services
 www.UnitedBloodServices.org

as schools and colleges close for the summer and employees leave for summer vacations," stated a press release from the United Blood Services. "More than 20 percent of blood donations collected each year come from our high school and college blood drives."

They are also offering a little incentive for people to donate by giving a movie pass or a free car wash from Mighty Car Wash away to those who donate blood.

Big Spring's newest hotel opens



The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of the TownePlace Suites by Marriott Thursday night. Joining the crowd were city officials, the Big Spring Ambassadors, and Marriott staff. The new hotel is located at 1011 North San Antonio St.



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Obituaries

Jeannine Banta McKee

Jeannine Banta McKee, 86, died peacefully June 1, 2017, in Shannon Hospital.

Visitation will be 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at Harper Funeral Home with graveside services at 3 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Cemetery in Big Spring.

Jeannine was born Jan. 29, 1931, to Johnny and Hallie Banta in Woody, Texas. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons and worked for Tide Water Oil Company in Midland, Texas. Jeannine met the love of her life, Donald McKee, and they were married July 4, 1953. She worked at Webb Air Force Base until she had her first son, Donald McKee Jr.; and then started her career as a mom, homemaker, and wife.

She loved her family dearly, and instilled in all three of her children a strong belief in God, to be independent, and that they could do anything they set their mind to. She gave all her children confidence, and stressed the importance to always follow the golden rule. After Don died in 2007, she

moved to San Angelo and lived at the Baptist Memorial Retirement Center. "Jeanie," as her fellow residents called her, loved to talk and was genuinely interested in the happenings and goings-on of each of her friends. She always had a smile on her face and a helping hand available.

Jeannine was preceded in death by her parents, John and Hallie Banta; her husband, Donald W. McKee Sr.; two brothers, Pid Banta and his wife Yvonne, and Kenneth Banta and his wife Mar-malee; and brother-in-law, Ernest Moore.

Jeannine is survived by her sister, Lawana Moore of Lubbock; her children, Donald McKee Jr. and wife Nancy of San Angelo, Ronald McKee and his wife Sue Ann of Kermit, and Carolyn Barber and Mike Newsom of San Angelo. Her grandchildren include Monica Elrod and husband Jake of New Braunfels, Mandy Wheeler and her husband Josh of Lubbock, Ross McKee, Ryanne McKee and her soon to be husband Taylor, and Luke Barber, all of San Angelo; numerous great-grandchildren; and her puppy, Brownie.

Family and friends may share condolences and sign the online register book at www.harper-funeralhome.com.

Paid obituary

Take Note

• ALSA Car Club will host a fundraiser June 10 to benefit cancer patient Oscar Cervantes. Proceeds will go toward Cervantes' medical and living expenses. There will be a car wash for donations starting at 9:30 a.m. at Credit World, 1611 S. Gregg St., followed by a hamburger cookout at 11 a.m. at North Birdwell Lane Cafe, 1800 N. Birdwell Lane. Plates including a cheeseburger, chips, drink, and cookie will be \$5. Children 10 and under get a free hot dog and drink with purchase of a hamburger plate.

• The Big Spring Salvation Army is holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those in Howard County who need one but can't afford it. 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.

People who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 to register and receive the distribution date.

• 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 third 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,

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary Group is looking to expand. Positions are available for the Auxiliary group and the Teen Volunteer program. Must be 15 years of age to take part in the teen volunteer program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Heath White at 268-4850.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home.

We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **LOUIS ANTONIO SILVA**, 28, of 1210 Lindbergh was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 400 block of West Leatherwood Road.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 600 block of McEwen Street.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1400 block of East Sixth Street and the 1600 block of South Scurry Street.

Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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.

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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.

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AP sources: Special counsel on Russia probe expanding scope

WASHINGTON (AP) — The special counsel investigating possible ties between President Donald Trump's campaign and Russia's government has taken over a separate criminal probe involving former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort, and may expand his inquiry to investigate the roles of the attorney general and deputy attorney general in the firing of FBI Director James Comey, The Associated Press has learned. Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein told the AP in a separate

interview that he would recuse himself from any oversight of special counsel Robert Mueller if he were to become a subject of Mueller's investigation.

The Justice Department's criminal investigation into Manafort, who was forced to resign as Trump campaign chairman in August amid questions over his business dealings years ago in Ukraine, predated the 2016 election and the counterintelligence probe that in July began investigating possible collusion between Moscow and associates of Trump.

The move to consolidate the matters, involving allegations of misuse of Ukrainian government funds, in-

dicates that Mueller is assuming a broad mandate in his new role running the sensational investigation. The expansiveness of Mueller's investigation was described to the AP.

No one familiar with the matter has been willing to discuss the scope of his investigation on the record because it is just getting underway and because revealing details could complicate its progress.

Rosenstein acknowledged that Mueller could expand his inquiry to include Attorney General Jeff Sessions' and Rosenstein's own roles in the decision to

fire Comey, who was investigating the Trump campaign. Rosenstein, who appointed Mueller as special counsel to take over the investigation, wrote the memorandum intended to justify Trump's decision to fire Comey.

Sessions met with Trump and Rosenstein to discuss Trump's decision to fire him despite Sessions' pledge not to become involved in the Russia case.

LAKE C-CITY

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online as a TPWD volunteer or just show up that day. Volunteers will not have to pay an entrance fee. The work day will last from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Later that same day, the park will be hosting their semi-annual event, All Around the Campfire. O'Haver encourages everyone to come out to the park and enjoy the campfire.

"Join us at All Around the Campfire to trade stories, play games, and enjoy the great outdoors," said O'Haver. "Bring your own hotdogs and s'mores if you would like."

In addition to stories and snacks, the event also includes a few nighttime activities for the brave of heart.

"After the sun sets we will take a night hike that will include owl prowling, spider snuffing, and a solo walk for the very brave and fearless," said O'Haver. "This will be a great night of adventure."

While All Around the Campfire is a free event, campers will need to pay the regular entrance fee of \$4 per adult to enter the state park. Children 12 and under are free. All Around the Campfire be-

gins at 8 p.m. and lasts until 10 p.m.

The park will wrap up the month of activities on the water with Kayaking with a Ranger.

"Warm weather is upon us and the water is feeling nice, so join us for Kayaking with a Ranger at Lake Colorado City State Park," said O'Haver.

The event has a limited amount of spaces available, so calling ahead and signing up is mandatory.

"On Saturday, June 17 from 10 a.m. to noon we will teach basic skills for kayaking," said O'Haver. "Personal floatation devices are available at the park but we encourage you to bring your own if possible. You can borrow our kayaks or you can bring your own to join in on this fun." Kayaking with a Ranger is a free event but kayakers will still need to pay the daily entrance fee for enter the park.

For more information on the programs, to sign up for an event, or to learn more about Lake Colorado City State Park, call the park at 325.728.3931.

"Come out and enjoy one of the biggest years in a decade for us," said O'Haver. "The boat ramp is open, the lake is up, and the campgrounds are looking good!"

DANGER

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largest economies, is bound to occur, conflict is not inevitable," he said. "Our two countries can and do cooperate for mutual benefit. We will pledge to work closely with China where we share common cause."

He was, however, unrelentingly critical of North Korea, a politically and economically isolated nation whose leaders have long viewed the United States as a military threat, in part because of periodic U.S. military exercises with South Korea, which the North sees as preparations for attacks aimed at destroying its ruling elite.

He called North Korea an "urgent military threat." In a question-and-answer session with his audience of national security experts from across the globe, Mattis was asked whether the U.S. might attack the North pre-emptively and without warning South Koreans in advance.

"We're working diplomatically, economically, we're trying to exhaust all possible alternatives to avert this race for a nuclear weapon in violation of ... the United Nations' restrictions on North Korea's activities," he said.

"We want to stop this. We consider it urgent," he

added.

The U.S. has about 28,500 troops permanently based in South Korea, a defense treaty ally. In his speech, Mattis said the U.S. will stick to its treaty commitments to South Korea.

"North Korea's continued pursuit of nuclear weapons and the means to deliver them is not new, but the regime has increased the pace and scope of its efforts," he said, alluding to the North's series of nuclear device tests in recent years and an accelerated pace of missile tests seemingly aimed at building a missile with enough range to hit the U.S.

"While the North Korean regime has a long record of murder of diplomats, of kidnapping, killing of sailors, and criminal activity, its nuclear weapons program is maturing as a threat to all," Mattis said, adding, "As a matter of national security, the United States regards the threat from North Korea as a clear and present danger."

Mattis noted that last week the Pentagon conducted what it called a successful test of its missile defense system, which is being developed mainly with North Korea in mind. An interceptor launched from coastal California soared over the Pacific on Tuesday, scoring what officials called a direct hit on a target missile fired from a Pacific test range. It was the first time the system had been tested

DRIVE

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According to the press release, every two seconds someone needs blood. The Center for Disease Control states that trauma accounts for 37 million emergency room visits and 2.6 million hospital admissions each year nationwide. The United Blood Services is always in need of donations for the victims of these accidents.

"People of all blood types and ethnicities are encouraged to donate, and are critical to maintaining the diversity of the blood supply," stated the press release. "People with O-negative blood are known as 'universal donors' because their blood can be transfused to anyone."

Individuals that wish to donate blood must be at least 16 years old; however 16- and 17-year-old donors need a Minor Donor Permit Form signed by a parent or guardian. The form can be found at www.unitedbloodservices.org. Donors must also weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Those who are between ages 16 and 22 must meet additional height and weight requirements to give blood.

The "bloodmobile" will be set up in the parking lot of Scenic Mountain Medical Center at 1601 W. 11th Place, on Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

United Blood Services also offers another option to expedite the donation process by allowing donors to fill out the health history online at their website www.unitedbloodservices.org. After completing the "Fast Track" option people can present the bar code they receive afterwards to the techs at the 'bloodmobile' saving some time.

against a missile of intercontinental range.

Mattis used the Shangri-La Dialogue to reiterate his call for international cooperation against violent Islamic extremist groups, such as the Islamic State, sometimes called ISIS, which he said are trying to gain ground in Southeast Asia.

In his speech, Mattis made no mention of President Donald Trump's decision to pull the U.S. out of the Paris climate change agreement, a move that infuriated allies far and wide.

The Pentagon's position in recent years has been that climate change presents threats to the nation's security and to global stability.

The issue arose briefly during questions from his audience, but Mattis did not address it directly.

An Australian questioner asked, in light of Trump's abandonment of an international trade deal known as the Trans-Pacific Partnership, and his withdrawal from the Paris climate deal, "why should we not fret that we are present at the destruction of" a global rules-based order?

"There's going to be fresh approaches taken" to various issues by Trump, Mattis said while making it clear that he personally believes the U.S. needs to avoid isolationist tendencies. "Like it or not, we're part of the world."

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Pam Dugan, 56, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM today at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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The language of Texas wildflowers

During March and April of this year I was able to travel the entire state for speeches, interviews and meetings. Everywhere I went the wildflowers were spectacular. It all started in early March when I was in Brenham, one of the best places in Texas to see wildflowers in the spring. Bluebonnets were just beginning to burst with color. Later in East Texas the dogwoods and red-buds brightened the woods with color.

I've never seen such a display of Indian paintbrush and primrose like I saw between Sweetwater and Fort Worth. There were blankets of them along the Interstate where you usually don't find many wildflowers.

On the way to and from San Antonio in late April the bluebonnets, Indian paintbrush, winecups and gaillardias decorated the fields and pastures. I saw more types of yellow flowers than I can name. Vines, shrubs

and trees were also displaying their spring colors.

When we went to California to visit our son and his family in mid April, our daughter in law gave us a book titled THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS by Vanessa Diffenbaugh that is all about what different flowers convey (ranunculus: you are radiant with charm). Now I know what the advertising slogan SAY IT WITH FLOWERS means.

I began thinking about what meanings some of our Texas wildflowers might have. I went to the internet and various floral dictionaries to discover that primrose conveys childhood, bluebell conveys constancy. Here are others: cactus-ardent love, daffodil-new beginnings, daisy-innocence, dandelion-rural deity, lady's slipper-capricious, moss-maternal love, nettle-cruelty, Indian paintbrush-friendship, bluebonnet-imagination, buttercup-ingratitude, foxglove-insincerity, scarlet geranium-stupidity, gladiolus-you pierce my heart, grapevine-abundance, hawthorne-hope, honeysuckle-devotion, broom-humility, coreopsis-always careful, goldenrod-encouragement, marigold-grief, sunflower-false

riches, yellow rose-infidelity, sage-good health and long life, verbena-pray for me, forsythia-anticipation, wisteria-welcome, oleander-beware, bird of paradise-magnificence, heliotrope-devoted affection, lavender-mistrust, mimosa-sensitivity, pansy-thinking of you, phlox-our souls are united, queen Anne's lace-fantasy, trumpet vine-fame, zinnia-I mourn your absence, rosebud-betrayal, dogwood-love.

Knowing all this, I'll be careful the next time I choose bouquet. I probably won't have any scarlet geraniums, yellow roses, buttercups, foxglove, lavender, rosebud or nettles. I prefer dogwood, bird of paradise, grapevine, hawthorne, phlox, heliotrope, and honeysuckle, with maybe some verbena and forsythia mixed in.

Anyway, it was a great time to enjoy the beauty of spring. Texas writer Jack Maguire once said bluebonnets are to Texas what tulips are to Holland, what the shamrock is to Ireland. That beautiful lupine has been our state flower since 1901. Not all are blue. Some are pink, purple, red and maroon.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Yes!...No!...Yes!...No!

To the Editor:

Yes... it was tremendous to witness City Hall wall-to-wall youngsters with a noble purpose to encourage City Council and Big Spring into recycling. We'll all hear more about this in the future. Though no seat was left in the house and while standing – it didn't diminish a strategic thought as I viewed over the mass of future leaders. These many youth and the influence from each one could with a stroke of their pen and paper also set their future mature lives to good purpose, better incomes, more jobs, lower taxes, and establish a pathway of persistent technology – all at Big Spring.

No... U.S. 87 Highway west loop around Big Spring is not an interstate route though it could be come not only a crossroads of the nation but also the center convergence for Canada, Mexico, and the U.S. Imagine what they might do for Big Spring's three ways of transportation (highway, rail, air) that assemble nearby. If there is any truth in the plethora of articles, tomorrow's driverless cars or electric hybrids will first use interstates to their destination. If our present day I-20 delivers over 20,000 vehicles a day now to and through Big Spring, a combo of two interstates would capture great volume, tourists, and possibly compete with the widened Panama Canal.

Yes... Can we? Simply write and send your writing to the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas, reminding them to save millions by routing Interstate 27 as a Ports to Plains through Big Spring. Use of infrastructure in place for which

they will not have to pay again, no noise barriers, no purchase of homes and industries, no expensive crossovers, and best of all ,it's closer.

No... Big Spring, you haven't responded well. Other cities passionately want this route. Almost all elected officials have signed on – particularly when they understand what it could gain for the community and you hold the wisdom of your vote. This time is different. Your elected officials can help, but they can't deliver without your participation. Remember what TxDOT said during and as they departed from your community. "Do you want it?" We have to show them. The power of pen, paper, and a postage stamp may never have been stronger.

Bobby McDonald
Big Spring, TX

Saying goodbye to Darrell Ryan

To the Editor:

We were sad to read in Darrell Ryan's column for the Big Spring Herald "Parents Corner" that he would be leaving Big Spring and moving to Wichita Falls.

We have enjoyed his articles over the years and have always looked forward to reading them. Some were funny, some food for thought, and some true to everyday life. We will miss him but wish him well. Just wanted to express our appreciation to him for brightening our days.

Spence and Janet Wolfe
Big Spring, TX

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DAILY PRAYER

Through our faith, Lord, we can have a fresh opportunity to make things better. Amen.

Uncle Mort and goat yoga

Obviously, my 104-year-old Uncle Mort phoned to seek my opinion on a subject about which

I know little-no, strike that-about which I know nothing. He was at an active wear store, trying to decide on the color of gear he should wear when he opens his 'goat yoga emporium,' down in the thick-et.

"This fad is so new, I can make a 'killing' before too many others get in the game," he panted.

Thoughts swirled; I scarce could take them in. Immediately, I thought of the long ago rendition of Tom T. Hall, whose song thrilled preschoolers 40-plus years ago. He gave advice with respect to what should be said to little baby goats. Youngsters loved it.

A few minutes later, I changed my tune. Mort explained how "goat yoga" classes are sweeping the nation mere months after the first one was offered in Oregon. "Goats have been handy to have around for mohair and milk for centuries," Mort claimed. "Who would have dreamed they'd be good at yoga, too?"

He figures they're going to be in high demand to help yoga enthusiasts reach relaxation states they never thought to be within

reach.

I Googled "goat yoga," and sure enough, Mort was "right on." It is becoming a national rage. He figures if he's going to offer classes, he'd best "get crackin'" on what he needs to know to teach. After all, he doubts if he should count on his goats to shoulder the whole load.

Mort has rarely made as much sense as he did that day. I decided to spend part of the weekend driving down to his country place to learn more about his project. As expected, his eyes danced with dollar marks.

I found myself nodding as he expounded. "Generally speaking, goats have gotten a bad rap, starting with the Bible," he said. "We've been instructed to have more 'sheep-like ways,' sentencing goats to the 'outside looking in'."

He seemed saddened about negative views of goats, animals that are sure of foot, give us the mohair from their backs and milk from their udders.

Mort believes his rural setting will be perfect for yoga classes. "The only sounds here are from nature, except the rare times when lost motorists sit down on their horns, hopeful of being rescued (after admission to wives that the country road chosen 30 minutes ago perhaps isn't a shortcut).

"When trees fall out in the pasture, I'm sure they wonder if any noise is made if there's no one around to hear it," he often says,

wearing out a question posed decades ago.

My uncle, besides learning the "ins-and-outs" of yoga, is determined to "look the part," as well as develop jargon to hasten acceptance by yoga devotees. Now, he's buying limited gear, since he's coaxing Maude to start weaving outfits from mohair for him and class members. "She's ready to go, hoping to add some 'mohair money' to her milk jar'."

This day, I didn't leave the thicket shaking my head. In fact, I even thought about what I'd do upon enrolling for such a class. An immediate question loomed: After contorting myself to the most favorable yoga position, do I instruct the goat regarding what to do next, or does it already know?

Rather than get cold feet, maybe I'll commute down to Mort's place if there's a spot left in his first class. He'll tell me what to do. (I'll rely on Tom T. about what to say. I recall he said you "can't go meow, cackle, quack to a goat. Remember, you have to say 'baaa'.")

Meanwhile, Mort prepares an order form for my gear. Here again, I won't know how to put it on. Since Tom didn't offer musical instructions, I'll assume Mort will provide them. And, since I'll be adorned in custom-made gear, I'm counting on Mort's assurance there'll be loose-fitting elastic around the middle.



DR. DON NEWBURY

PBUWCD 2017 scholarship recipients

Herald Staff Report

Four area students were received a \$2,000 scholarship from the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD).

The students were chosen after entering an essay contest sponsored by the agency.

This year's essay topic was over the water cycle and the importance of runoff and why it is crucial to the area's aquifers and for its very existence.

This year's winners were Sarah Hopkins, Stanton High School; Isabelle Jimenez, Grady High School; Temple Hamlin, Sands Consolidate High School; and Alexandra Cunningham, Forsan High School.



Sarah Hopkins



Isabelle Jimenez



Temple Hamlin



Alexandra Cunningham

June 5-9 is Wound Care Awareness Week

Special to the Herald

The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain provides specialized treatment for chronic or non-healing wounds, which are defined as sores or wounds that have not significantly improved from conventional treatments.

Associated with inadequate circulation, poorly functioning veins, and immobility, non-healing wounds lead to lower quality of life and may lead to amputations. When wounds persist, a specialized approach is required for healing.

That's where the Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain can help. With treatments available including debridement, dressing selection, special shoes, and patient education, people with non-healing and chronic wounds have a place to turn.

The Center uses an interdisciplinary model of care, including infectious-disease management, physical therapy, occupational therapy, laboratory evaluation, nutritional management, pain management, diabetes education, and other areas to address total patient health.

The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain multidisciplinary team includes Podiatrists, Surgeons Family Practice, and Nurse Practitioners. The center's median days to heal chronic wounds is 21 days with a heal rate of 100 percent.

Chronic wounds: a growing problem

It is estimated that 6.7 million people currently live with chronic wounds and that number is expected to grow at more than two percent for the next decade. The rising incidence is fueled by an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity and the late effects of radiation therapy.

Untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possibly amputation of the affected limb. Chronic wounds represent a cost of more than \$50 billion to the healthcare system. More than 29 million people (9.5 percent of population) have diabetes in the United States (US) and almost two million of those people annually will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound. Advanced wound care aims to prevent amputations and heal patients in a faster and more cost-effective way.

The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain follows treatment protocols specifically established for



SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER

each type of wound. The staff utilize the latest approaches to wound healing and remain current in new scientific advances in wound care.

Partnership with the leading wound care management team leads to successful healing. Through a partnership with Healogics, Scenic Mountain Medical Center is able to offer a comprehensive center offering specialized wound care.

Healogics is the world's largest wound care management company with nearly 800 hospital partners delivering excellent evidence-based care to patients with chronic wounds. Healogics has been the leader in wound care for nearly 20 years, offering the most advanced modalities such as adjunctive hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT). Healogics Centers traditionally achieve excellent clinical outcomes, including high limb salvage rates, a 91 percent healing rate within 30 median days-to-heal, and extremely high patient satisfaction.

A comprehensive team of wound care specialists The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain is designed to complement your physicians' services. The Center is made up of a team of professionals, including:

- Physicians with advanced training in wound management and hyperbaric oxygen therapy
- Nursing staff trained in the care of chronic wounds.
- Technicians who perform non-invasive studies and various therapies
- Experienced staff to assist with appointments, medical records, and health insurance processing
- A personalized wound treatment program

What to expect from the first appointment Patients are mostly referred by their primary care physician, and the program operates by appointment. Upon referral to the Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain, patients undergo a thorough diagnostic examination to identify the type of wound you have and the underlying problems causing the wound. The initial appointment consists of a full assessment to determine the etiology of the wound, the appropriate classification and size of

the wound, the overall health status of the patient and the patient's ability to comply with needed therapies.

Based on the evaluation, a customized treatment plan is developed to optimize the therapies best suited to address the patient's needs. Wound size and depth are documented at the initial visit, and again at each subsequent visit. Some of the diagnostic modalities which may be used include:

- Laboratory evaluation
- Radiology (including MRI)
- Transcutaneous oxygen testing
- Vascular studies, electrocardiogram
- Ultrasound

After this determination, a program specifically tailored to your needs will be initiated based on the most effective treatment options. An interdisciplinary approach will be used to provide the maximum healing pos-

sible.

Specialized wound care is usually administered on an outpatient basis. Patients are free to drive themselves to the Center for therapy, and you should plan two-and-a-half to three hours for each visit.

What is specialized wound care? Once a treatment plan has been initiated, you will visit the Center on a regular basis for specialized treatments and documentation of the progress of your healing. You will also be fully instructed on how to do your own wound care at home between visits, as well as how to protect your wound from further injury. It is very important to remember that you are the most important part of your healing process.

Keeping appointments and following directions are critical to attaining a positive healing outcome. When wounds persist, a specialized and comprehensive approach is required for healing.

Preparing for your treatments After an initial consultation and

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Agency monitoring effects of drilling on West Texas springs

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has embarked on an environmental study to monitor the effects of oil and gas drilling on the springs that feed a famous pool at Balmorhea State Park in West Texas.

Brent Leisure, the state parks director, tells the Houston Chronicle that he could not remember ever launching a similar effort in another of the state's 95 parks, historic sites or natural areas.

Parks biologists, hydrologists, geologists and administrators have mounted an in-depth, multiyear effort to monitor plants, fish, insects and water.

"We have a rare and endangered resource there at the San Solomon Springs," Leisure said. "There's no doubt about it. It's an oasis. We just want to make sure it's protected."

In addition to feeding the park's swimming pool, the springs also provide drinking water for thousands of people and support one of the most sensitive ecologies in Texas.

Apache Corp. of Houston said in September that it had discovered more than 15 billion barrels of oil and gas in a far southern section of the Permian Basin.

It plans to drill as many as 3,000 wells over the next 20 years. Apache has promised to keep drilling out of the park and the city of Balmorhea.

The San Solomon Springs, among others, support more than a dozen rare, threatened or endangered species.

Without the aquifers, migratory fish and birds could not survive in their current numbers.

Water flow at the San Solomon has already begun dropping, likely due to farm, ranch and town use.

Scientists say rainwater has a limited ability to refill area aquifers, and worry any more demand could dry up the springs.

Apache said it is drilling saltwater wells to avoid the use of freshwater in hydraulic fracturing.

The company added that it plans, eventually, to recycle and reuse the millions of gallons of water that come up the well with oil and gas, which would reduce its need to drill for groundwater.

The company has also contracted with area scientists to watch for water contamination and map out area aquifers.

"Apache understands the challenge of operating in water-scarce regions," spokesman Joe Brettell said.

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#1WA Turner "A" Gentry "2101", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
5.90 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-368, Section 21, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
X=753330.39, Y=210010.05. Datum: NAD 27
2399' FSL, 1509' FWL of 847.91-acre lease
2399' FSL, 1509' FWL of the survey

#1HK Phillips "5A", drill horizontal, API #42-227-39110
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
6.92 miles north of Big Spring
A-130, Section 5, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
Latitude 032.205832, Longitude -101.294837. Datum: NAD 27
652' FSL, 1580' FSL of 643.9-acre lease
652' FSL, 1580' FSL of the survey

#2HF Phillips "5A", drill horizontal, API #42-227-39111
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
6.92 miles north of Big Spring
A-130, Section 5, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
Latitude 032.205845, Longitude -101.294781. Datum: NAD 27
1580' FSL, 702' FWL of 643.9-acre lease
1580' FSL, 702' FWL of the survey

#3HK Phillips "5B", drill horizontal, API #42-227-39112
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
6.92 miles north of Big Spring
A-130, Section 5, Block 32, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
Latitude 032.205857, Longitude -101.294725. Datum: NAD 27
1580' FSL, 752' FWL of 643.9-acre lease
1580' FSL, 752' FWL of the survey

#4HF Phillips "5B", drill horizontal, API #42-227-39114
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
6.92 miles north of Big Spring
A-130, Section 5, Block 32, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
Latitude 032.205950, Longitude -101.294301. Datum: NAD 27
1580' FSL, 1127' FWL of 643.9-acre lease
1580' FSL, 1127' FWL of the survey

#1WA Turner "A" Gentry "2103", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
5.90 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-368, Section 21, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
X=753369.42, Y=210018.77. Datum: NAD 27
2399' FSL, 1549' FWL of 847.91-acre lease
2399' FSL, 1549' FWL of the survey

AP Explains: Why China is stepping up against climate change

EIJING (AP) — By backing off the U.S. commitment to address climate change, President Donald Trump leaves an opening for a chief economic rival, China, to expand its increasing dominance in the renewable energy industry. In reacting to Trump's announcement that he was withdrawing the U.S. from the Paris climate accord, China reaffirmed its commitment to the landmark agreement and is poised to spend heavily in coming years on renewables.

Yet the world's most populous country remains heavily reliant on coal to generate electricity and power its steel mills — a habit that could be hard to break without stifling its economic aspirations. Here's a look at some of the trends and challenges that could shape China's — and the world's — energy future.

BEIJING'S COMMITMENT TO CURBING POLLUTION

China's rush to renewables has been driven largely by local pollution from power plants and factories that frequently blankets Beijing and other major cities, endangering public health and driving some residents overseas. Economic opportunity has also played a role, with massive investments in solar and wind helping dramatically drive down the cost for renewables worldwide.

China already accounts for more than one-third of global wind energy capacity. It recently surpassed Germany to become number one in solar capacity.

Renewables employ more than 3.6 million people in China — more than a third of the industry's global total. It plans to add another 13 million jobs in the sector by 2020 with investments of \$144 billion in new solar projects, \$100 billion in wind and \$70 billion in hydropower. That also should help China to reach its commitment under the Paris accord to cap greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.

"China has expressed very clear signals that it wants to take more leadership in terms of promoting trade and global cooperation against climate change," said Frank Yu, a China-based renewables consultant for the firm Wood Mackenzie. "The retreat of the U.S. actually gives China more opportunity to lead these global efforts."

ENERGY STILL DOMINATED BY COAL

Notwithstanding China's embrace of renewables, coal still dominates the nation's fuel mix, accounting for 62 percent of total energy consumption in 2016. Coal production fell over the past several years, with a slowing economy as one factor.

In January, China announced the suspension or cancellation of plans to build an additional 100 coal-fueled power plants. Yet dozens more are still expected to be built and China's also bankrolling plants in other countries. It's by far the largest consumer of coal worldwide, producing 3.41 billion tons of the fuel last year — more than four times the volume in the U.S., the second largest coal consumer. Largely as a result, China is also the top emitter of greenhouse gasses blamed for worsening climate change.

Coal production is rebounding this year, up 2.5 percent during the first four months compared to the same period in 2016, according to China's National Bureau of Statistics.

Trump cited China's continued emissions as one justification for withdrawing from the climate accord, which the Republican said unfairly burdened U.S. industries. A Chinese foreign ministry spokeswoman said Friday in response to Trump's remarks that as a "responsible major power" China would continue to promote the Paris agreement and fulfill its obligation "100 percent."

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CEO of state-controlled Russian oil company Rosneft, Igor Sechin, holds papers prior a meeting with Saudi Deputy Crown Prince and Defense Minister Mohammed bin Salman in Moscow's Kremlin, Russia, Tuesday, May 30, 2017.

Russian oil CEO: US oil output likely to offset OPEC cut

ST.PETERSBURG, Russia (AP) — The head of Russia's state-controlled Rosneft oil giant says that a rise in shale oil output in the U.S. would likely offset the effect from OPEC production cuts.

Speaking Friday at an economic forum in St.Petersburg, Rosneft CEO Igor Sechin said thanks to increasing efficiency U.S. shale oil producers would likely deliver an additional 1.5 million barrels of crude a day to the market in 2018.

OPEC and 10 other countries led by Russia agreed last week to extend for nine months, to March, a production cut of 1.8 million barrels a day initially agreed on in November. The move is a bid to shore up oil prices.

Sechin said the cuts fall short of "systemic measures that would lead to long term stabilization."

UN agency says Iran in compliance of landmark nuclear deal

VIENNA (AP) — The U.N. nuclear agency says that Iran has taken its heavy water producing plant offline for maintenance, a move that keeps it from violating a landmark nuclear agreement by keeping the amount of the reactor coolant under the limits proscribed by the deal.

A confidential report by the International Atomic Energy Agency seen by The Associated Press said Friday that a May 27 inspection showed "the plant ... shut down" for maintenance. It says Tehran's heavy water stockpile then was 128.2 metric tons, just under the limit of 130 metric tons (over 143 tons.)

Heavy water cools reactors that can produce plutonium used to make the core of nuclear warheads. The IAEA last year said that Tehran had slightly exceeded the limit, but later said it was again in compliance.

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1580' FSL, 1127' FWL of 563.9-acre lease
1580' FSL, 1127' FWL of the survey

#7 Allar "30", drill, El: NA, API #42-227-38889
Petey (Fusselman) Field
7.90 miles southeast of Big Spring
A-669, Section 30, Block 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 032.196283, Longitude -101.357727. Datum: NAD 27
467' FSL, 739' FEL of 480-acre lease
467' FSL, 1900' AFWL of the survey

#H Mozetti Unit "A 37-48", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.63 miles southwest of Vealmoor
A-1315, Section 36, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 032.495997, Longitude -101.57466. Datum: NAD 27
709' FNL, 1503' FWL of 682.29-acre lease
1926' FSL, 1503' FWL of the survey

#4564WB Sundown, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
14.20 miles northwest of Coahoma
A-181, Section 9, Block31, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
X=795229, Y=319404. Datum: NAD 27
500' FNL, 2310' FWL of 556.1-acre lease
500' FNL, 2310' FWL of the survey

#2705WA Turnberry Talon, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
2.20 miles west of Big Spring
A-315, Section 27, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 12,500 feet
X=760172.63, Y=239330.16. Datum: NAD 27
220' FNL, 1219'FWL of 955.04-acre lease
2236' FNL, 1424' FEL of the survey

Borden County

#9AH Leviathan Unit "B 29-20", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-033-32422
8.08 miles northeast of Vealmoor
A-230, Section 29, Block 31, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 032.540103, Longitude -101.433874. Datum: NA 27
446' FSL, 404' FEL of 637.53-acre lease
446' FSL, 404' FEL of the survey

Glasscock County

#105HB Harris-Cook "50", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
16.10 miles southwest of Garden City
A-1268, Section 20, Block 36, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8760 feet
X=1565300, Y=768300. Datum: NAD 27
515' FWL, 2217' FNL of 805.84-acre lease
515' FWL, 598' FNL of the survey

Proposed penalty on pipeline builder increased in wetland spill

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Ohio's environmental watchdog agency has raised the proposed penalty against a company building a high-pressure natural gas pipeline across the state after tests found diesel fuel in samples taken from the 2 million gallons of drilling mud that spilled into a wetland in April.

The Canton Repository reports that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on Thursday hiked the proposed penalty from \$430,000 to \$914,000 against Energy Transfer, the Dallas-based company building the \$4.2 billion Rover pipeline project.

The state EPA also has ordered the company to monitor ground water around the spill site in Stark County and near a quarry where it has been dumping mud used during horizontal direction-

al drilling beneath the Tuscarawas River about 60 miles (97 kilometers) south of Cleveland.

The quarry is close to a well owned by a company that supplies drinking water to 40,000 county residents. The newspaper reported that officials are waiting on test results from 11 other private wells.

The discovery of diesel fuel in the drilling mud has also caught the attention of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which granted the company its permits to build the pipeline. The newspaper reported that the FERC on Thursday ordered Energy Transfer to preserve records related to the composition, acquisition, preparation and disposal of the mud, which the company told the federal agency is non-toxic in an application to

build the pipeline.

The commission ordered Energy Transfer on May 10 to stop new horizontal drilling after the Stark County mud spill April 13 and a smaller spill into a wetland the following day in Richland County. In a letter sent to Energy Transfer on Thursday, the commission said, "This incident raises concerns about potential long-term environmental impacts, including impacts on sensitive wetlands in Ohio."

An Energy Transfer spokeswoman told the newspaper the company is cooperating with both the Ohio EPA and FERC.

The proposed 713-mile-long pipeline will cross through 18 Ohio counties to connect with lines in Michigan, Pennsylvania and West Virginia to carry natural gas from Appalachian shale fields.

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National Ranching Heritage Center Hosts Western Art and Gear Show June 17

Special to the Herald

Western art and gear collectors will have an opportunity to purchase new art pieces and meet the artists at the 4th Annual Summer Stampede Western Art and Gear Show from 6 to 11 p.m., June 17, at the National Ranching Heritage Center (NRHC) in Lubbock.

Sponsored by Capital Farm Credit, the annual event will feature more than 80 original pieces by 28 artists and craftsmen. The show and sale will begin at 6 p.m. in the NRHC main gallery followed by a 7 p.m. dinner on the patio and an 8 p.m. dance to the Western swing music of Jake Hooker and the Outsiders.

"A portion of the proceeds will benefit the educational and restoration programs of the center," said Executive Director Jim Bret Campbell, emphasizing that the art and gear show "is unique for this part of the country."

"We take a lower commission than most galleries and don't require a bidding process," he said. "Buyers can meet the artist, pay the posted price and take the artwork home that day."

Summer Stampede provides a unique mix of art that combines both Western paintings and gear, including spurs, stirrups, bits, belt buckles and jewelry. Even though Summer Stampede is relatively



Courtesy photo
Pictured is "Abilene," a sculpture by Colorado artist Jan Mapes.

new among Western art shows, Campbell said sales have been equivalent to other long-established shows. Campbell said a limited number of tickets are available for the show and must be purchased in advance either online at ranchingheritage.org or by calling 806-834-0469. The cost is \$85 for the general public and \$75 for RHA members. Artist participation is by invitation only. Those scheduled to exhibit are Peter Robbins, David Griffin, Tyler Crow, Baru Forell, Edgar Sotelo, Bob Moline, Teal Blake, Buckeye Blake, Mary Baxter, Billy Klapper, Brian Asher, Wayne Baize, TK Riddle, Jan Mapes, Russell Yates, Mary Ross Buchholz, Mejo Okon, Jason Scull, Garland Weeks, Stewart Williamson, Herman Walker, Jayson Jones, JaNeil Anderson, Kim Machey, Doug Clark, Mike Capron, Michael Tittor, and Toni Arnett.

EXPLAINS

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CONVERTING COAL TO GAS

Coal has suffered a steep and sustained decline in the U.S. since cheap, abundant supplies of cleaner-burning natural gas supplanted it as the main fuel for power generation. China's gas supplies are far more limited, hurting its prospects as a replacement fuel.

One option that's being pursued in the country's western provinces is to convert coal into synthetic natural gas. That could help curb air pollution blamed for urban smog and, researchers say, potentially stave off tens of thousands of premature deaths annually.

But converting coal to gas would also produce more of the carbon dioxide that's the main driver behind climate change, first in manufacturing the gas and again in burning it. Meanwhile, the renewables boom has proven too much for China's electricity grid to fully absorb, causing some energy to go to waste.

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#4824SH Zant-Hurt-Blalock Unit "1", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
16.60 miles northwest of Garden City
A-1095, Section 36, Block 36, G.B. Chambers survey
Total Depth: 8100 feet
X=1566975.87, Y=843041.63. Datum: NAD 27
2250' FWL, 600' FSL of 656.6-acre lease
2250' FWL, 600' FSL of the survey

#3 Powell "32A", re-completion, El: NA, API #42-173-31464a
Blalock Lake, SE (Wolfcamp) Field
11 miles northwest of Garden City
Section 32, Block 35, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 11,122 feet
Latitude 031.880318, Longitude -101.660869. Datum: NAD 27
1980' FNL, 1980' FEL of 327-acre lease
1980' FNL, 1980' FEL of the survey

#4814AH Zant-Hurt-Blalock Unit "1", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
16.50 miles northwest of Garden City
A-1095, Section 36, Block 36, G.B. Chambers survey
Total Depth: 8500 feet
X=15607033.79, Y=843057.07. Datum: NAD 27
2310' FWL, 600' FSL of 565.6-acre lease
2310' FWL, 600' FSL of the survey

#1H Cook "E 20A", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
10.70 miles southwest of Garden City
A-1252, Section 20, Block 35, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1594432.38, Y=773351.82. Datum: NAD 27
370' FSL, 700' FWL of 1,131.8-acre lease
370' FSL, 700' FWL of the survey

#2H Cook "E 20B", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
10.70 miles southwest of Garden City
A-1252, Section 20, Block 35, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1594443.93, Y=773308.29. Datum: NAD 27
325' FSL, 700' FWL of 1,131.8-acre lease
325' FSL, 700' FWL of the survey

#4804BH Zant-Hurt-Blalock Unit "1", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
16.50 miles northwest of Garden City
A-1095, Section 36, Block 36, G.B. Chambers survey
Total Depth: 8850 feet
X=1567081.93, Y=843070.09. Datum: NAD 27
2360' FWL, 600' FSL of 656.6-acre lease
2360' FWL, 600' FSL of the survey

#4801H Calverley "36-25", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
7.10 miles northwest of Garden City
A-807, Section 36, Block 35, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9435 feet
Latitude 031.530679, Longitude -101.355998. Datum: NAD 27
430' FWL, 260' FSL of 670.7-acre lease
430' FWL, 260' FSL of the survey

#4201H Calverley "36-25", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
7.10 miles northwest of Garden City
A-807, Section 36, Block 35, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8337 feet
Latitude 031.530708, Longitude -101.360007. Datum: NAD 27
290' FSL, 430' FWL of 670.7-acre lease
290' FSL, 430' FWL of the survey

#2801H Calverley "36-25", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
7.10 miles northwest of Garden City
A-807, Section 36, Block 35, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 7901 feet
Latitude 031.530737, Longitude -101.360016. Datum: NAD 27
320' FSL, 430' FWL of 670.7-acre lease
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Illinois professor who pushed for trans fats ban dies at 102

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — A University of Illinois professor who spent decades pushing for a federal ban on artery-clogging artificial trans fats has died at age 102.

Family members say Fred A. Kummerow died Wednesday at his home in Urbana.

Kummerow was a comparative biosciences professor whose trans fats research dated back to the 1950s.

His efforts to have artificial trans fats removed from processed foods included filing a 2009 petition with the Food and Drug Administration. He also sued the agency in 2013. Two years later, the FDA ordered food companies to phase them out.

University Chancellor Robert Jones called Kummerow a "trailblazer" and "maverick."

Kay Kummerow said Friday that her father lived a healthy life by example, including exercising regularly. She says he died of "old age."

The university will host a Sept. 1 memorial service.

AWARENESS

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#2 Houston Allen "12", drill, El: NA
Garden City, NW (Strawn) Field
10.60 miles southwest of Stanton
A-1007, Section 12, Block 36, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 12,000 feet
Latitude 032.021828, Longitude -101.444744. Datum: NAD 83
476' FWL, 2165' FSL of 321.2-acre lease
2140' FEL, 2165' FSL of the survey

Howard County

#2 Griffin South "21", API #42-227-38658
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: NA
10.90 miles north of Coahoma
A-24, Section 21, Block 25, H&TC RR Co. survey
467' FSL, 1371' FEL of the survey
Latitude 032.4552340, Longitude -101.2998383.
Total Depth: 7910 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Neutron/Density
Daily Potential: 15 Bbls 36.0 gravity oil w/ 54 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 1000
Spud: 11-04-15. Completed: 4-11-17. Pay: NA
8-5/8" @ 3200 feet w/ 690 sx.
5-1/2" @ 7910 feet w/ 1,195 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 5175 feet
Perfs: 5332-5336, 5396-5400, 5948-5952, 6016-6020,
6318-6322, 6396-6400, 6588-6592, 6866-6870, 6880-6884,
7028-7032, 6070-6074
5332-5400: Frac w/ 4,000g 15% HCl, 100,165# 20/40 sand and
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5948-6074: Frac w/ 4,000g 15% HCl, 175,165# 20/40 sand and
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3,003 Bbls 21# X-linked gel

#2AH Fuller "B", API #42-227-38815
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2647' GR
8.50 miles north of Big Spring
A-1735, Section 46, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
960' FWL, 920' FNL of the survey
Latitude 032.3786323, Longitude -101.4696047
Total Depth: 7577 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Ray (MWD)
Daily Potential: 1,011 Bbls 41.5 gravity oil w/ 2,000 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 203
Spud: 9-26-16. Completed: 3-02-17. Pay: NA
9-5/8" @ 4451 feet w/ 1,300 sx.
5-1/2" @ 18,388 feet w/ 3,200 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7205 feet
Perfs: 8785-18,345

#4AH Fuller "D", API #42-227-38817
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2647' GR
8.50 miles north of Big Spring
A-1735, Section 46, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
1020' FWL, 920' FNL of the survey
Latitude 032.3786735, Longitude -101.4694159
Total Depth: 7596 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Ray (MWD)
Daily Potential: 1,052 Bbls 41.5 gravity oil w/ 2,020 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 195
Spud: 10-11-16. Completed: 3-02-17. Pay: NA
9-5/8" @ 4464 feet w/ 1,300 sx.
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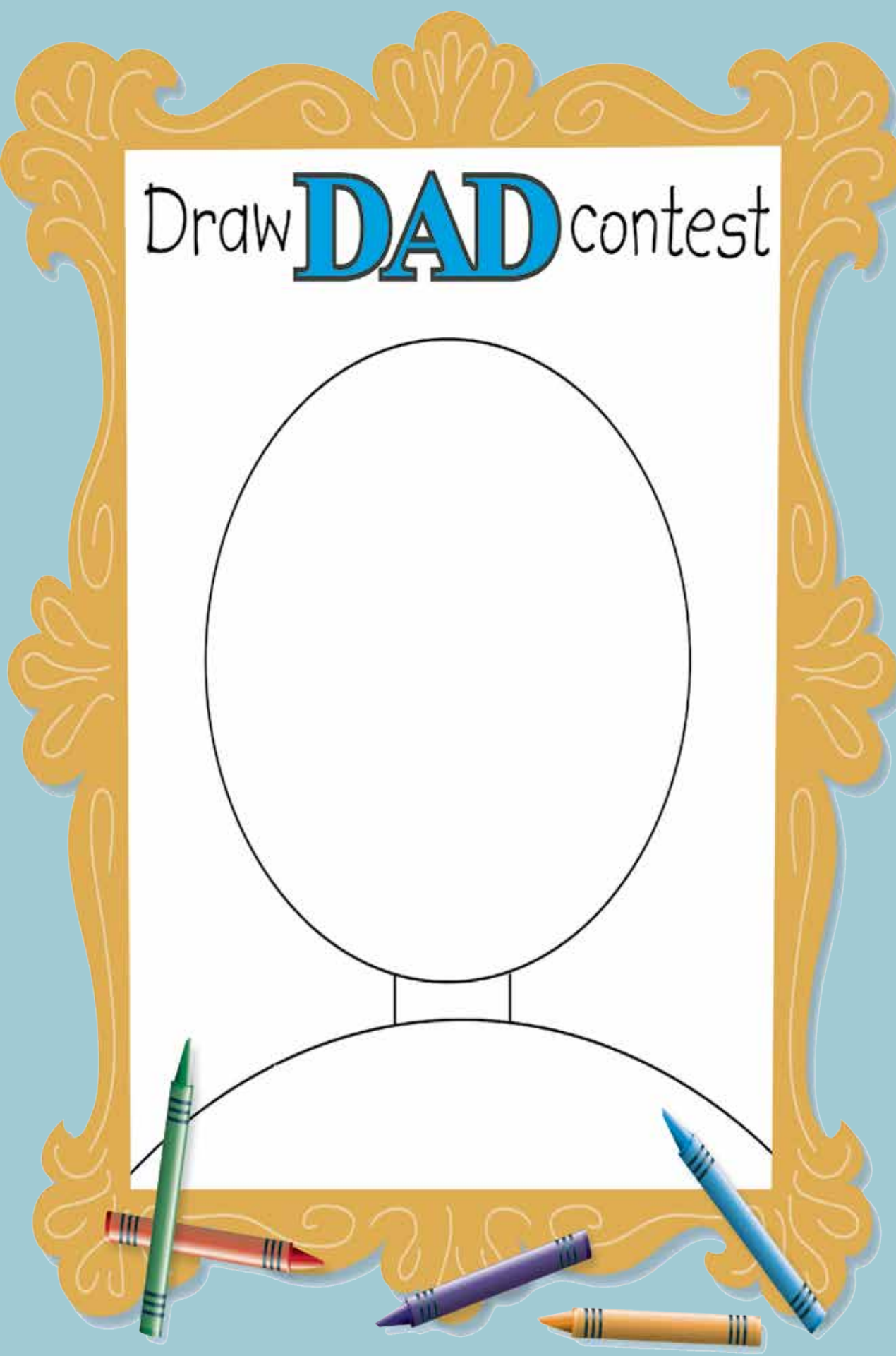
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Titans bring home the gold in weekend tournament



Courtesy photo by Jesse Bravo Jr.

The Titans spent the weekend in Sweetwater, Texas, where they competed in a tournament against teams from Sweetwater, San Angelo, Brownwood, Abilene, Snyder, and Seminole. These young men went undefeated, 5-0, for the entire tournament, and brought home the gold. Front row from left to right: Christian Martinez, Kevin Kligora, McCray Jacobs, Devin Mier, Samuel Wood. Middle row from left to right: Reece Harris, Austen Raines, Isaiah Diaz, Ian Galan, and Billy Bailey. Back row (Coaches): Robert Galan, Paul Diaz, and Jason Martinez.

Keuchel goes to 9-0, Astros top Rangers 7-1 for 8th straight

By **STEPHEN HAWKIN**

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — After a long rain delay and six scoreless innings, Houston lefty Dallas Keuchel is still undefeated.

Keuchel earned his major league-leading ninth win in a place where he has struggled in the past, and the Astros won their eighth game in a row with a 7-1 victory over the Texas Rangers in a matchup of aces Friday night.

"A lot of unlucky breaks, but I don't really think about anything like that," said Keuchel, who was 1-4 in his previous eight starts at Texas. "I could have the best record against a team or the worst record against a team — I still think I'm going to go out and do my job correctly."

Carlos Correa and George Springer each hit a three-run homer for the Astros (39-16), who have the top record and longest winning streak in the majors.

The Astros were ahead to stay after Correa's homer in the fifth off Rangers ace Yu Darvish (5-4), winless in his last eight starts against Houston.

"We put some pressure on Darvish from the beginning," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "We had opportunities that we created for ourselves. Correa got the lesser end of those two



AP Photo

Houston Astros Jose Altuve, right, steals second base against Texas Rangers infielder Rougned Odor (12) during the first inning of a baseball game in Arlington, Texas, Friday, June 2, 2017.

battles, and then the third time's a charm. ... A really big, game-changing hit."

After striking out twice, Correa hit his 10th homer on a drive that cleared the 14-foot wall in left-center field to make it 3-0. That followed two-out hits by Josh Reddick and Jose Altuve.

After the start was delayed by rain for 2 hours, 6 minutes, Keuchel (9-0) struck out seven and walked two while limiting the Rangers

to three hits. The 2015 AL Cy Young Award winner worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the sixth when he got Rougned Odor on an inning-ending groundout.

Adrian Beltre ended Houston's shutout bid when he led off the ninth with a homer against Ken Giles, the third Astros reliever.

Texas is 3-9 since its 10-game winning streak that is still the longest in the majors this season. The Rang-

ers, who won the AL West each of the past two seasons, dropped 13 games behind the Astros in the division.

In the first head-to-head matchup between the two aces since 2014, Darvish struck out eight while throwing 104 pitches over five innings.

"That lineup is very aggressive, swinging from the first pitch," Darvish said.

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Pictured above are Coach Buske (left) and coach Arista (right), along with Gabriel Baeza (center), of Big Spring Jr. High, who was named 7th grade male athlete of the year at their athletic awards ceremony on Thursday, May 25, 2017. Gabriel participated in football, basketball, and track. Other athlete of the year recipients include: Alex Enriquez (7th grade) who received female athlete of the year and participated in volleyball, basketball and track, Quemarian Lewis (8th grade) who received male athlete of the year and participated in football, basketball and track, and Ashlin Calvio (8th grade) who received female athlete of the year and participated in volleyball, basketball and track.

Host Texas Tech tops Delaware 5-2 to open Lubbock Regional



AP Photo

Texas Tech's Davis Martin (30) pitches the ball during an NCAA college baseball regional against Delaware, Friday, June 2, 2017, in Lubbock, Texas.



AP Photo

Texas Tech's Brian Klein (5) tries to tag out Delaware's Jordan Glover (23) who slides into second base during an NCAA college baseball regional Friday, June 2, 2017, in Lubbock, Texas.

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Orlando Garcia hit a two-run homer to back a strong showing from the Texas Tech bullpen after an early weather delay, and the host Red Raiders opened the Lubbock Regional with a 5-2 victory over Delaware on Friday.

Cody Farhat also drove in two runs for top-seeded Texas Tech (44-15), which will play the Sam Houston State-

Arizona winner Saturday. The Blue Hens (34-22) will face the loser in an elimination game.

Caleb Kilian (6-0) gave up two runs — one earned — in 3 2/3 innings after replacing starter Davis Martin following a lightning delay of an hour and a half in the second inning.

John McMillon, Jacob Patterson and Parker Mushinski combined for four shutout innings

for the Red Raiders, with Mushinski getting his sixth save.

Delaware starter Ron Marinaccio (4-3) gave up three runs in 6 1/3 innings.

Nick Patten reached base all four times for the Blue Hens, including an RBI single in the sixth. He led off the ninth with a single but was thrown out trying to steal to complete a double play.



AP Photo

Houston Astros starting pitcher Dallas Keuchel throws during the first inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Texas, Friday, June 2, 2017.

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through a translator. "Today, it was almost like after two strikes, they were trying to battle, fight it off, fight it off, fight it off. That got my pitch count up in the game and it just cost me."

Darvish is 0-4 with a 4.47 ERA in his last eight starts against the Astros since late in the 2013 season, the same year he came within one out of a perfect game versus Houston.

Springer's 13th homer capped a four-run outburst off reliever Dillon Gee in the eighth, when all the Houston runs were unearned.

ROAD WINS

The Astros have won their last eight road games, matching the second-longest streak in franchise history. Overall, they are 23 games over .500 for the first time since the end of the 2001 season.

EXTRA! EXTRA!

With a double and a homer, Beltre now has 1,076 extra-base hits, passing Reggie Jackson for 24th on the career list. Beltre has 2,948 hits overall, five in four games since coming

off the disabled list this week after missing the first 51 games this season because of calf issues.

RUNNERS VS. YU

Houston had a runner reach second base in every inning that Darvish pitched, but failed to score in the first four. Brian McCann was hit by a pitch in the second before his second stolen base in five seasons. In the fourth, he snapped an 0-for-15 slump with a one-out double.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: Texas reliever Jose Leclerc was reinstated from the DL after missing three weeks with a bruised finger. He took the roster spot that opened when former closer Sam Dyson was designated for assignment.

UP NEXT

Astros: Right-hander Lance McCullers Jr. (6-1) makes his first start since being selected AL pitcher of the month for May, when he went 4-0 with a 0.99 ERA.

Rangers: Andrew Cashner has won two of his last three starts after 10 consecutive starts without a victory. The Rangers will try to avoid their fourth consecutive series loss.

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Top row: The Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Honor Guard lower the flags to half-mast at Trinity Memorial Park during the annual Memorial Day Ceremony; Young Marine Cpl. Raven Holguin salutes the grave of a fallen hero. Middle row: Breardon Kennedy of Boy Scout Troop 5 salutes after placing a bouquet on the wreath at Trinity as HCVFD Chief Tommy Sullivan looks on; HCVFD Honor Guard members ceremonially fold the flag at the close of the Memorial Day Ceremony; First Class Scout David Tidwell places a flag on a grave in Trinity Memorial Park May 27 as Scout leader Mark Richardson and Eagle Scout Garrett Richardson look on. Right, Unit Commander Roger Rodman of the Crossroads Young Marines addresses the crowd at the Mt. Olive Memorial Day Ceremony Monday. Bottom row, Young Marines stand watch at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial during the "Run for the Wall" Memorial Day observance; Young Marines salute the flag at Mt. Olive Cemetery Monday.



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Brandy released from hospital after collapse



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In this April 1, 2016 file photo, singer Brandy Norwood performs at 2016 Black Girls Rock! at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, N.J. The singer has been released from the hospital and is resting after passing out at a Los Angeles airport.

By MEFIN FEKADU

AP Music Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Brandy has been released from a hospital after passing out at a Los Angeles

airport.

Publicist Courtney Barnes said in a statement to The Associated Press on Friday that Brandy's rigorous schedule, including concerts and personal appearances, took a toll on the singer.

"Brandy has been released from the hospital and is now at home resting. She has been traveling extensively as part of an ongoing tour and several personal appearances. In recent days she has taken more than 10 long haul flights including internationally," the statement read.

Brandy's rep also said the Grammy Award-winner was in the studio late last Thursday and went directly to Los Angeles International Airport for a 5:45 a.m. flight.

"The stress of all of the traveling and working so incessantly has exhausted her. She will be relaxing for the next few days," the statement read.

Brandy's hits include "The Boy Is Mine," "Sittin' Up In My Room" and "Have You Ever." She has also acted in various movies and TV shows, including "Moesha" and "The Game."

Doner graduates from BSHS



Courtesy photo

Megan Doner is a 2017 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Howard graduates from Coahoma



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Kodi Howard is a 2017 graduate of Coahoma High School.

Ariana Grande's Manchester benefit airing on Disney channels

NEW YORK (AP) — Disney says its networks will air Ariana Grande's "One Love Manchester" benefit on Sunday. The concert, to be carried by broadcasters around the world, is aimed at helping victims of the recent attack in Manchester, England.

The full concert will air live at 2 p.m. EDT on Freeform, Disney's young adult cable network.

ABC will air a one-hour highlight special following the NBA Finals telecast. Grande will be joined by the Black Eyed Peas, Robbie Williams, Justin Bieber, Katy Perry, Miley Cyrus, Coldplay and other stars at the charity event being held two weeks after the suicide bombing at Grande's performance in the city.

Twenty-two people died at that show. Proceeds will go to an emergency fund set up by the city of Manchester and the British Red Cross.



AP photo

In this Aug. 28, 2016, file photo, Ariana Grande arrives at the MTV Video Music Awards at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Fosters celebrate 55th anniversary



Jimmie and Carolyn (Smith) Foster of Midland are celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary. They were married June 4, 1962, in Big Spring. On Saturday, the couple will celebrate the occasion with a dinner at TJ's Steakhouse.

The couple has lived all their lives in West Texas. They retired in 2005 and moved to Midland. They attend the North A Church of Christ. Jimmie enjoys playing music at the Midland Senior Citizens Center every Thursday and at Hillcrest Manor once a month. He also enjoys playing dominoes and card games. Carolyn also enjoys dominoes, card games, and work-

ing puzzle books.

The couple's family includes their four children, Todd and Carla Foster, and Mark and Sheila Foster, all of Big Spring, Jennifer Hutchings of Stephenville, and Janet and Donald Batteas of Brownwood; six grandchildren, Kandis and Robbie Wilkinson, Amanda and Brian Wingert, and Corbin Foster, all of Big Spring, Bradley Foster of Austin, Paige Batteas of College Station, and Erin Batteas of Brownwood; and four great-grandsons, Nicholas and Robert Wilkinson, and Rylan and Huxley Wingert, all of Big Spring.

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Roger's Reviews:

Wonder Woman



Superheroine movies – as opposed to superhero movies – have typically not fared too well in theaters. Let's look at the evidence: "Elektra." "Catwoman." 1984's "Supergirl" (shudder). "Barb Wire" (big shudder). It seems that female superheroes have been able to play a part in team movies ("The Avengers," "X-Men") or male-centric movies (Black Widow in "Iron Man 2" and "Captain America: The Winter Soldier," or Hit Girl in the "Kick-Ass" movies) but not succeed in a central leading role...until now. While not perfect, DC's new "Wonder Woman" movie is very good, and certainly shatters the "curse" that female superhero movies have suffered under until now.

The movie is framed in modern times, with apparently immortal Diana (Gal Gadot) acting as a curator of some sort at the Louvre. She receives an old photo and a letter from Bruce Wayne, which starts her down memory lane – back to World War I days.

Diana is a young girl on the Amazon island of Themyscira. Her mother, the queen Hippolyta (Connie Nielsen), doesn't want her to train as a warrior as all the other Amazons do out of fear that her growing power will be sensed by Ares, the evil god of war. Luckily for, well, everybody, the Amazons' best warrior Antiope (Robin Wright) trains her secretly. This is soon discovered by the queen, who gives her grudging consent. Years pass, and Diana grows into a woman. One day at training, she blocks a particularly vicious blow from Antiope, and a tremendous shockwave blasts everybody back. Pondering this turn of events on the island's cliffs, Diana witnesses an airplane crash into the ocean. She dives in and rescues the pilot, whom we'll later learn is Capt. Steve Trevor (Chris Pine). Trevor had been fleeing from German military forces when he flew into the magical protective fog that perpetually shrouds Themyscira, and the German baddies aren't far behind. This leads to an awesome scrap between German soldiers and Amazon warriors. Antiope is killed in the battle. The Amazons are distrustful of Trevor, and plan to hold him hostage to prevent him revealing their Paradise Island. Diana has other plans – she wants to leave Themyscira to find and kill Ares and stop the war. She steals the Amazonian treasures (which also happen to be iconic Wonder Woman tools), the magic lasso, the Godkiller sword, and her shield, and leads Trevor to a sailboat to escape. Queen Hippolyta discovers them and warns Diana that if she leaves, she may never return. Diana goes anyway.

We're treated to a flashback of Steve's mission prior to his arrival at Themyscira. He infiltrated a German research facility in Belgium, where "Doctor Poison" Isabel Maru (Elena Anaya) was working on a new form of mustard gas able to dissolve

gas masks. We also meet her boss, General Ludendorff (Danny Huston). Trevor steals the doctor's notebook and is quickly discovered; he commandeers a German plane and escapes, with the bad guys in hot pursuit.

Post flashback, Steve and Diana arrive in London, where some fish-out-of-water hijinks ensue. We meet Steve's secretary, Etta Candy (Lucy Davis) and Sir Patrick Morgan (David Thewlis), an outspoken advocate of peace in Parliament. The British war council is in the midst of armistice negotiations with Germany, and firmly rejects any plan to attack Doctor Poison's mustard gas factory. Trevor decides to go ahead and do it anyway, and collects a ragtag group of guys to go along with him: Sameer (Saïd Taghmaoui), a con man and master of disguise; and Charlie (Ewen Brenner) a Scottish sharpshooter with a taste for liquor and song. Once in Belgium, they meet up with Chief (Eugene Brave Rock), a Native American smuggler who trades with both sides in the war.

I'm going to stop the summary there...all the main characters have been introduced. But let me just say one more thing: The best, most inspiring scene of the movie is just a little further along. Watch

for Diana going over the top of a trench and crossing No-Man's-Land to devastate the German forces and liberate a town on the other side. It's an amazing scene; when all the men involved have given up and resigned themselves to eternal stagnant trench warfare, Wonder Woman leads the charge into a storm of machine gun and mortar fire, and wins the day.

"Wonder Woman" is a very good movie. It develops Diana's character very well, painting her as a naive but caring individual who has been raised in an extremely isolated, sheltered environment and is suddenly exposed to the realities of the outside world. She sees pain and suffering everywhere she looks, and she feels the urge to help everyone she sees. This is something the movie gets right. The look of caring and compassion on Gadot's face in these scenes is perfect.

That said, "Wonder Woman" suffers from some typical superhero movie flaws. Early parts of the movie are overly dry and talky. This isn't a major complaint, but it was noticeable to me.

Also, a pet peeve of mine is superhero movies where villains and main characters associated with the hero die off in the course of a single movie. Remember the original "Batman" movie with Michael Keaton and Jack Nicholson as The Joker? Remember how the most iconic recurring villain in comic book history died at the end of the very first movie? I'm not saying that the villains in "Wonder Woman" reach quite that level of sacred cow, but one of them is a constant thorn in Diana's side throughout her career in the comics, and...(spoiler)... he dies in this movie.

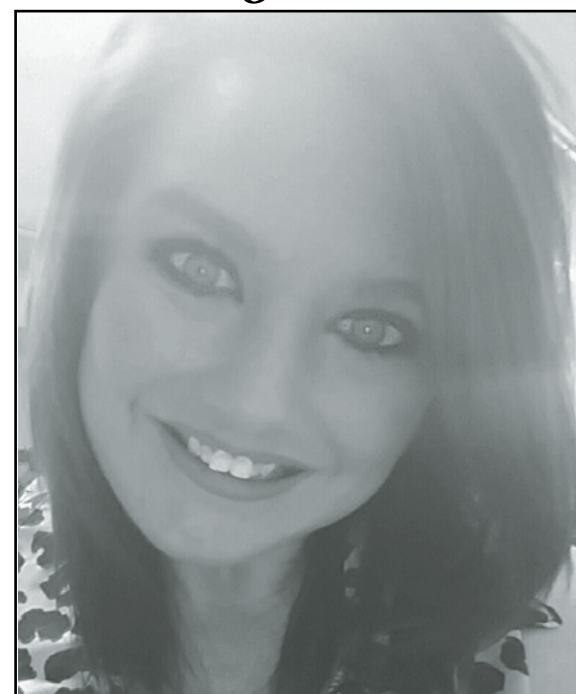
Some of the special effects were a little cheesy, particularly effects where Wonder Woman is fight-



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Who is in your family? Mother, Tammy Garrison
What hobbies, organizations, or clubs do you enjoy? Spending time with family and friends, playing golf, coloring, listening to music, shopping.
What is your favorite book? "A Child called It" by Dave Pelzer
What is your favorite television show? "Law and Order: Special Victims Unit"
What is your favorite movie? "The Shawshank Redemption"
Where would you visit if you could go anywhere? Jamaica

ing with her magic lasso. I can see what they were trying to do - the braided golden rope turns into a glowing line of CGI fire, highlighting its magical nature - but it looked slightly too artificial to me.

One other minor gripe: Not an invisible jet anywhere in this movie. Or maybe there was, but nobody could see it. Okay, so I'm kidding about that one. "Wonder Woman" is a very good, although not perfect movie. I'd place it about at the same level as Marvel's "Iron Man" movies...not as good as some other things like "Guardians of the Galaxy" or "Doctor Strange"; better than, say, the later "X-Men" films. Eight stars out of 10.

Wonder Woman

Director: Patty Jenkins
Writer: Screenplay by Allan Heinberg; Story by Zack Snyder, Allan Heinberg, and Jason Fuchs; based on "Wonder Woman" by William Moulton Marston
Production company: DC Films, Atlas Entertainment, Cruel and Unusual Films, Tencent Pictures, Wanda Pictures, Warner Bros. Pictures
PG-13; 2 hrs. 21 min.; Action/Adventure/Fantasy; June 2, 2017

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

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Tips to keep in mind when door-to-door sales representatives start knocking



If you live in a home, chances are you have talked to a sales representative eager to sell you cleaning supplies, cosmetics or magazine subscriptions. This summer, Better Business Bureau serving the Heart of Texas advises you to be on guard the next time a sales representative knocks on your door.



HEATHER MASSEY

During the spring and summer months, home security systems or alarm businesses hire traveling sales agents to go door-to-door, according to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Summer is an active time for this type of activity because many residents are home during the day to answer the door. In some cases, these sales representatives will use high-pressure or deceptive sales tactics to get potential customers to buy expensive home security systems or equipment.

According to the Texas Attorney General, under Texas law, a door-to-door seller must advise you verbally and in writing that you have a right to cancel the sale within three days. The sales representative must also give you a contract or receipt stating the date of the sale, the name and address of the merchant and a statement of your right to cancel the contract, which includes the address where you send your cancellation notice.

If a sales representative comes to your door, your BBB advises the following:

- Know who you are buying from. Before you open your door or let anyone into your home, ask to see a photo ID, business card and some proof of the business they're representing. Also, ask for a physical address and for local references.

- Do your research. Look up the business online and get references from your friends, family, neighbors or from the company's current clients. For a business you can trust, go to bbb.org.

- Resist pressure to "buy now." One sign of a security system scam is a sales representative that may pressure their way into your home and then refuse to leave. Don't be pressured to take advantage of a time-sensitive offer, like "once in a lifetime" or "today only." Instead, do some comparison shopping and take time to decide whether you want the product being sold.

- Get written estimates. A reputable business won't try to sell you anything before completing a professional assessment of your needs and layout of your home. Ask plenty of questions, and find out who will perform the installation and monitor the system. Some businesses subcontract work to a third party. Remember, don't let anyone who hasn't made an appointment into your home. If an estimation or installation needs to be done, call the business directly to make an appointment.

- Know your rights. The Texas Business & Commerce Code states that you have three days to cancel a contract for goods or services sold to you, regardless of whether you have received the goods or services. This "cooling-off rule" only applies to transactions made at someone's home or at a seller's temporary location. Keep your receipt or contract and a copy of your cancellation notice. Remember, you are not obligated to return goods to the seller until you have recovered either your money or your agreement to pay money.

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

Permits

James E. Pope, 801 Scurry St., res gas, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$32
 Steve Smith, 206 Washington Blvd., res re-roof, Val: \$11,917.60, Fee: \$70
 Cory M. Beevers, 1305 Pickens Ave., res elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
 Alejandra Maldonado, 905 W. Fifth St., res elec, Val: \$6,400, Fee: \$49
 Manuela Silva Rivas, 1208 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Susi A. Garza, 1202 E. 15th St., res addition (enclose carport), Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25
 Leanne Burcham, 1209 W. Second St., res elec, Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
 Steve Poitevint, 3623 Calvin St., res re-roof, Val: \$3,800, Fee: \$30
 Larry Atkin Bryan Jr., 2611 Crestline Rd., structure (replace existing fence), Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$35
 Steve Smith, 2106 Grace St., res re-roof, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 Denise Freeman, 516 Dallas St., res gas, Val: \$1,200, Fee: \$32
 Kenneth C. Scott, 509 E. Seventh St., res HVAC, Val: \$7,600, Fee: \$45
 Lee Harris Management LLC, 1500 Pennsylvania Ave., res HVAC, Val: \$7,700, Fee: \$45
 Allen's Furniture, 202 Scurry St., com re-roof, Val: \$107,000, Fee: \$481
 Yun Zhou, 1004 E. 14th St., res re-roof, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25
 Morrison Supply, 3200 E. Interstate 20, res gas, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32
 Ryan Todd Miracle, 2509 Fisher St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,200, Fee: \$40
 Michael Stephen Forshee, 4045 Vicky St., res addition (siding), Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 Vaquero Ventures, 801 W. Interstate 20, sign, Val: \$70,000, Fee: \$340
 Leslie Howell Martin, 510 Scott Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$9,000, Fee: \$55
 Irene G. Rodriguez, 209 N.E. Ninth St., res gas, Val: \$1,800, Fee: \$32
 Beverly Shannon Brooks, 708 W. 16th St., res gas, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$32
 Kay Slate McDaniel, 1600 Parkhill Dr., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Gerald Harris III, 1701 E. Third St., com re-roof, Val: \$800, Fee: \$25
 Ted D. Tarbet, 2500 Seminole Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$4,500, Fee: \$35
 Joe Tony DeLeon, 3801 Dixon St., res plumb, Val: \$3,200, Fee: \$50
 Identity Hair Salon, 2105 S. Gregg St., com re-roof, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 J. Hopper Homes, 709 Colgate Ave., res curb cut, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$25
 Tommy Joe McMurtrey, 1517 Vines Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$6,800, Fee: \$45
 Jose Martinez, 703 Douglas St., structure (fence), Val: \$800, Fee: \$25
 777 Relax Spa, 410 E. Marcy Dr., com elec, Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
 JB Graphics, 204 Main, com elec, Val: 0, Fee: \$25
 Paul Diaz, 609 Colgate Ave., res addition, Val: \$22,000, Fee: \$120
 Erica J. Teel, 3609 Calvin St., res re-roof, Val: \$4,000, Fee: \$30

Fee: \$30
 Diana S. Bailey, 1911 Runnels St., res addition, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25
 Michael J. Chesworth, 2718 Cindy Lane, res addition, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 La Quinta, 1102 W. Interstate 20, com elec, Val: 0, Fee: \$25
 Craig Olson, 1603 Phillips Rd., accessory building, Val: \$18,000, Fee: \$100
 Mathew David Thomas, 2609 Cheyenne Dr., structure (fence), Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25
 Charlie Corbett, 500 Douglas St., res gas, Val: \$1,600, Fee: \$32
 Paul Diaz, 609 Colgate Ave., res plumb, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32
 David Rios, 905 W. Fifth St., res re-roof, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$25
 Talbot Properties, 1900 S. Gregg Ste. A, com elec, Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
 D. Dominguez, 1605 Canary St., res elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
 Trinity Baptist Church, 1701 E. FM 700, res elec, Val: \$16,500, Fee: \$95
 Thomas Stewart, 300 N.E. Eighth St., structure (carport/garage/fence), Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$35
 James Orn, 2004 Johnson St., res addition (reroof/framing), Val: \$4,000, Fee: \$30
 White Oak Development, 2501 Joshua Dr., res addition (pool), Val: \$63,900, Fee: \$316
 K.W. Franklin, 2600 Lynn Dr., res HVAC, Val: \$4,750, Fee: \$45
 Big Spring Ford, 500 W. Fourth St., com HVAC, Val: \$15,000, Fee: \$155
 Pauline C. Nelson, 2307 Roberts Dr., res elec, Val: \$1,100, Fee: \$25
 Ashlee Marie Pedigo, 1903 Alabama St., res gas, Val: \$1,200, Fee: \$32
 Robert Avalos, 1301 Baylor Blvd., res gas, Val: \$1,800, Fee: \$32
 Valerie Cervantes, 706 Edwards Blvd., res elec, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$25, res addition (pool), Val: \$78,384.19, Fee: \$376, Total, Val: \$83,384.19, Fee: \$401
 Todd Darden, 3305 Duke Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32
 Kara Crenshaw, 603 Scott Dr., structure (fence), Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 Garen Floyd, 3621 Dixon St., res addition (enclose carport), Val: \$350, Fee: \$25
 James L. Johnson, 2918 Melrose Lane, res HVAC, Val: \$6,500, Fee: \$45
 Dixie Burcham, 1209 W. Second St., res elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
 Walter R. McCall, 604 Bucknell Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Av Chavez, 3300 Auburn Ave., structure (fence), Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25
 Keith and Rebecca Crane, 609 E. 13th St., res elec, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
 Oliver Orin Carman, 504 Highland Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$14,000, Fee: \$80

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St. #19, Big Spring
 Corina Avila, 1800 Winston St., Big Spring
 Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
 Elda Melina Bernal, 1311 Mobile, Big Spring
 Tammy D. Bishop, 1410 Tucson Rd., Big Spring
 Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake
 Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th St., Big Spring
 Gloria Cerna, PO Box 55, Lamesa
 Pedro Chavarria, 1408 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
 Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton
 Hannah Deaton, 19634 Atasca Oaks Dr., Humble
 Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder
 Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 100 E. Parker, Midland
 Brittany Vanessa Escanuela, 1221 E. 17th St., Big Spring
 Jose Enrique Faz, 509 N. Goliad, Big Spring
 Juana Fierro, 406 N.W. 5th St., Big Spring
 William Gene Garner, 704 Rosemont, Big Spring
 Guillermo Gomez, 2107 Morrison, Big Spring
 James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. #502, Atlanta
 Christina Nichole Gutierrez, 2809 25th St., Snyder
 Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
 Adela Juarez Hernandez, 908 NW First St., Big Spring
 Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th

St., San Angelo
 Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
 Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N. Texas #198, Odessa
 Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
 Keith James Kochmick, 1003 Stadium, Big Spring
 Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
 Ruann R. Martinez, 1005 N.W. 2nd St., Big Spring
 Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
 Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring
 Nicole Preston, 1605 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
 Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
 George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring
 Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter Circle, Big Spring
 Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring
 Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Road, Big Spring
 Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City
 Polly Ann Rusk, 4201 W. Highway 80, Big Spring
 Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place 301, Big Spring
 Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring
 Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

George Michael Cobb, 34, and Brittany Denea Stroud, 32, both of Midland.
 Bobby Jared O'Brien, 25, and Amanda Lynn Wheeler, 27, both of Big Spring.

Thomas Lee Yeater, 48, of Big Spring, and Tonya Broadhurst Russell, 45, of Argyle, Texas.
 John Arthur Cox, 41, and Terassa Henkell, 40, both of Iraan.
 Gabriel Gene Hernandez, 35, and Ann Marie Renteria, 45, both of Big Spring.
 Austyn Jordan Rivera, 19, and April Justine Valle, 21, both of Colorado City.

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
 Respondent: Mary Henry
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
 Respondent: Donald Hewett
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
 Respondent: Andrea Hilario
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
 Respondent: Jimmy Hill
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Coahoma ISD
 Respondent: Betty Barnett et al.
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
 Respondent: Sandy Hinojosa
 Type of case: Tax case
 Filing date: May 30, 2017

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Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Everett Horn, et al.
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: David Hornsberger
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Joel Howard
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Shannon Hudgins
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Marcia Hutchison
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Richard Fort
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Gary Free
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Barbara Fournier
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Robert Gay
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Anthony Garza
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Concepcion Galvan
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Ivory Gamboa
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Howard County, et al.
Respondent: Virgil Dickerson
Type of case: Tax case
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Rosi Rodriguez
Respondent: Francisco Rodriguez
Type of case: Divorce
Filing date: May 25, 2017

Plaintiff: Carol Grant
Respondent: Frank Moncada
Type of case: Divorce
Filing date: May 25, 2017

Plaintiff: BarrCo Oil and Gas LLC
Respondent: Millennium Resources LP
Type of case: Real property
Filing date: May 25, 2017

Plaintiff: Mark Bybee
Respondent: Jessica Bybee
Type of case: Divorce
Filing date: May 26, 2017

Plaintiff: TD Bank USA NA
Respondent: Danielle Bravo
Type of case: Contract – consumer/
commercial/debt
Filing date: May 26, 2017

Plaintiff: Jefferson Capital Systems LLC
Respondent: Gary Powell
Type of case: Contract – consumer/
commercial/debt
Filing date: May 26, 2017

Plaintiff: Jefferson Capital Systems LLC
Respondent: Samuel Jimenez
Type of case: Contract – consumer/
commercial/debt
Filing date: May 26, 2017

Plaintiff: Joshua Morgan
Respondent: Megan Morgan
Type of case: Divorce
Filing date: May 30, 2017

Plaintiff: Gesch Contracting Inc.
Respondent: J&K Pipe Sales and Service LLC
Type of case: Contract – consumer/
commercial/debt
Filing date: May 31, 2017

County Court Judgements
(The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all county court judgements)

Defendant: Carson Williams
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 30, 2017

Defendant: Yara Ramirez
Offense: Failure to identify/giving false or fictitious information
Sentence: \$250 fine, \$292 court costs, six months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: May 30, 2017

Defendant: Derrick Wilbert
Offense: Evading arrest or detention
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 30, 2017

Defendant: Wesley E. Frost
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated six months.
Date: May 31, 2017

Defendant: Clint B. Bollier
Offense: Evading arrest or detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Natalie Townsend
Offense: Theft of property (less than \$100) with previous conviction
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Rosa Gusman
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 18, 2017

Defendant: Ryan A. Ward
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Rafael Hernandez
Offense: Criminal mischief \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 25, 2017

Defendant: Benjamin Munoz
Offense: Criminal mischief \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 23, 2017

Defendant: Brenda L. Gonzales
Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 23, 2017

Defendant: Garrett Feaster
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. in a drug-free zone
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 23, 2017

Defendant: Benjamin Munoz
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 23, 2017

Defendant: Jose Neira
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$352 court costs, 12 months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Emily Key
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 16, 2017

Defendant: Gabriel Reyes
Offense: Accident involving damage to a vehicle more than \$200
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 23, 2017

Defendant: August Alexander
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, six months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: May 18, 2017

Defendant: Tommy A. Gonzales
Offense: Possession of a dangerous drug
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 16, 2017

Defendant: Carlton K. Spivey
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 25, 2017

Defendant: Ruben C. Lopez
Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$287 court costs, 40 days in jail.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Jason C. Shairrick
Offense: Theft of property \$750 to \$2,500
Sentence: \$500 fine, 365 days in jail.
Probated 24 months.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Ryan A. Ward
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 17, 2017

Defendant: Augustine Rivera
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated 12 months.
Date: May 30, 2017

Defendant: Rocky Sanchez
Offense: Criminal mischief \$500 to \$1,500
Sentence: Revocation of probation: \$500 fine, \$337 court costs, 11 days in jail.
Date: May 15, 2017

Defendant: Johnny R. Viera
Offense: Driving with an invalid license with previous suspension or conviction.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated six months.
Date: May 17, 2017

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Michelle Denise Johnson
Grantee: Charles Ray Edwards
Property: N/5.47 acres of Tract 2 in SE/4 Sec. 19, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: May 24, 2017

Grantor: Heather Knappe, as independent administrator of the estate of Carl Knappe, deceased.
Grantee: Debra Lusk, Sonia Lusk, Eric Lusk
Property: S/250 feet Blk. 25, except the N/20 feet of the W/150 feet of the S/250 feet of Blk. 25, Amended College Heights Addition
Date: May 25, 2017

Grantor: Ofelia Alcantar
Grantee: Linda Branch
Property: A tract in S/90 feet of Tract 37, Amended plat of Wm. B. Currie Subdivision in SE/4 Sec. 42, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: May 25, 2017

Grantor: Rodney K. Paige, Annette Schofield now known as Annette Paige, Gary D. Paige, Gayla D. Padgett now known as Gayla McMurrin, Melissa L. McCullough now known as Melissa Daniels, and Donald W. Paige.
Grantee: G.C. Bayes
Property: Two tracts in E/2 of Sec. 43, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: May 26, 2017

Grantor: Ronald Whipkey and Penny Louise Oldaker fka Penny Louise Whipkey
Grantee: Myrna Richardson
Property: Lots 1 and 1, Blk. 11, Edwards Heights Addition
Date: May 26, 2017

Grantor: Cary Loya
Grantee: Robert Loya
Property: A 1.263-acre tract in SE/4 Sec. 1, Blk. 32, T-2-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: May 30, 2017

Grantor: Wendy Marie Parker, independent executor of the estate of Elaine Carpenter, dec; Wendy Marie Parker; Hilda Vivian Carpenter aka Hilda Carpenter; Debra Nell Carpenter aka Debra Carpenter and Debra Nell (Daya) Carpenter; David Wayne Winters aka David Winters; and Stephen Chrls Winters aka Stephen C. Winters
Grantee: Dolly M. Bryant
Property: Tract 1: Surface estate only of a 107.609-acre tract in SW/4 Sec. 10 and NW part of Sec. 8, Blk. 25, H & TC Railroad Co. Survey; Tract 2: Surface estate only of a 2.391-acre tract in SE corner of SW/4 of Sec. 10, Blk. 25, H & TC Railroad Co. Survey; Tract 3: Surface estate only of a 289.53-acre tract in the north part of Sec. 11, Blk. 25, H & TC Railroad Co. Survey.
Date: May 30, 2017

Grantor: Jazgo LLC
Grantee: Randy Evans
Property: A 0.35-acre tract in SE/4 Sec. 5, Blk. 32, T-1-S T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: May 31, 2017

Grantor: Colt Price
Grantee: Theresa Price
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 30, College Park Estates
Date: May 31, 2017

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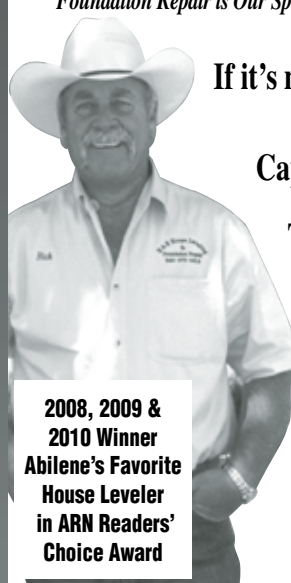
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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0302663 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 17, 2017 Status/Permit No. 820385 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 21, 2017 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SABALO OPERATING, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 741939] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 14, Bk. 32 T2N, T&P RR CO/CROSSETT, MRS H Survey, A-1264, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 7.25 miles SE direction from VEALMOOR, Texas. TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

An unfortunate choice

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♠ 6 4 ♥ K 9 3 ♦ 7 6 ♣ K Q J 10 4 2 WEST ♠ A 8 7 5 ♥ 10 7 4 2 ♦ 8 5 4 ♣ 6 3 EAST ♠ Q J 10 9 2 ♥ A Q J 5 ♦ Q J 10 3 ♣ — SOUTH ♠ K 3 ♥ 8 6 ♦ A K 9 2 ♣ A 9 8 7 5

The bidding: South West North East 1 ♠ Pass 3 ♣ Dble 3 ♦ Pass 3 ♥ Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — five of spades. The opening lead often makes or breaks a contract, and we can all testify to this from bitter experience. There is nothing more consistently difficult in bridge than finding the most effective opening lead, but that doesn't mean the task is altogether impossible. One can frequently deduce, either from the bidding or from one's own

hand, which card will probably be the best opening shot. There may not be a feeling of 100 percent confidence in the final choice, but that's not necessary when the evidence clearly points in one direction.

Consider this deal where West, after ruling out a diamond or club lead, opted for his stronger major, spades. Declarer won the trick with the king and quickly ran off eight more to score 600 points.

Had West led a heart, the contract would have gone down five! East would win the first heart with the jack and shift to the queen of spades, and declarer would lose the first nine tricks instead of winning them.

Of course, it's easy enough — looking at all four hands — to see that the heart lead is best. But the fact is that the heart lead should be chosen without seeing all the hands. West can reason that on the bidding South has either the king of spades or the Q-J-x, so that a spade lead is apt to help declarer more than hurt him.

Conversely — again judging from the bidding — a heart lead is likely to find East with one or more heart honors sitting behind North's heart honors, and hence is the more attractive lead.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Solar Square Confusion

Before Google Earth, the best way to know the road ahead was to ask those returning on it. Actually, considering the delay on those satellite Google Earth pictures, asking the travelers before you is still the best way. The solar square to Neptune is sure to cause confusion. To be safe, ask for direction from mentors, parents and books.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You like to rest in shelter and nest in style. Just outside, trees whisper, the sun streams in dots and prisms, animals play -- and if you go out in it, you'll feel as if it's all for you. Maybe it is. Don't miss it.

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). Resist the tendency to amuse yourself with hopes or fears, because it will rob you of engagement with something crucial going on over the course of the next 48 hours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Though you've a knack for unconsciously drifting into decent situations, it's the conscious choices that will move you to a better fit for your particular talents and curiosities.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The past is not here, only your recounted version of it, a story that quite honestly changes each time your mind touches it. Such is the nature of memories. They bend when tampered with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). That thing you experienced with dread once upon a time now seems like a golden opportunity. You could even get a happy rush from the thought of it. It's as if you just got called down on "The Price Is Right."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Life is challenging enough without added pres-

ures and challenges, so embark on easygoing leisure. A perfectly lovely experience can be ruined by a rushed time frame or an ill-fitted expectation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Don't worry so much about being unique. Anyway, most of what passes for originality is really just a new combination of old stuff. Consider bringing together a few of the things you really like.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Sometimes the remedy for the blues is not looking forward but looking backward. Remember all the times you overcame? You somehow made things happen you didn't even know you were capable of, and you'll do it again, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Money is never the main ingredient of achievement. There are almost always less costly, more feasible approaches once you decide not to let a shortage of funds stand in the way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Before you stop, make sure the stop-

ping place fulfills two criteria. It should be a good place to remain, should your further travels be delayed, and it should be a good place from which to launch.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). By now, everyone in the distracted First World has heard of the perils of multitasking, yet it bears repeating: The illusion that you can do many things at once will be met with the reality of many undone things.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your life usually plays out in a complex and nuanced way, more like a foreign film than a melodrama. Today, however, the roles of hero and villain seem to be more or less clearly and typically depicted.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 4). Felicitous connections are the blessings of this year. You'll see an increase in your mobility and enjoy exploring in the first half of this solar return. Additional resources will aid your professional standing. September will bring new friends and the healing of old wounds.

Dedicate yourself to helping family thrive in November. Pisces and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 30, 33, 28 and 11.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The aspects seem to celebrate the twin nature of the Gemini sun, as they come doubled up this week. It happens like this:

SUNDAY: The Sun and Neptune Square It's as Ella Fitzgerald sang, "bewitched, bothered and bewildered." And the emotional fog (maybe it rolled in when someone cast a spell on you) is in no hurry to clear, either.

SUNDAY: Mars Enters Cancer This is an uncomfortable place for the aggressive warrior. Cancer is the sign of maternal comfort and sensitivity. Embrace the complexities and contrasts this aspect will present, especially in regard to work and ambitious projects.

TUESDAY: Venus Enters Taurus Now this is a good omen for love. Fall in!

TUESDAY: Mercury Enters Gemini

Another happy placement for getting along with loved ones and strangers alike. Excellent and easy communication is at the heart of this.

FRIDAY: Full Moon

This lunar opening in Sagittarius is one of the best omens for travel, especially long-distance travel.

FRIDAY: Jupiter Goes Direct

Luck is on our side!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: It's been announced that Angelina Jolie will revive her beloved role as protector of the forest kingdom with "Maleficent 2." Whatever Jolie's choices -- personal, professional or philanthropic -- she attracts all kinds of attention for them. Her sun and Mercury are in Gemini, suggesting a lighthearted walk through life, but her moon, Mars and Jupiter are in Aries, adding fiery intensity to the mix.

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Annie's Mailbox

Going Far From the Nest

Dear Annie: I am a 21-year-old soon-to-be senior in college applying to law school. I have almost a 4.0 and quite the resume, so I am sure I will be admitted into a decent

school. I was planning on attending an in-state school here in Nebraska, but as I continue to search, I am starting to think it might not be a bad idea to check out a few schools in other states. My parents are supportive of my going to law school, but

when I bring up the topic of visiting out-of-state schools, they completely shut down the idea of my ever leaving Nebraska. I understand where they are coming from. My brother chose to go out of state for law school, and it was an expensive, challeng-

ing experience for my whole family. However, he got a great education and matured and learned a lot through the process.

I really do consider myself to be a pretty practical young person. I chose an affordable, close-to-home college to appease my parents, and I've never insisted on studying abroad or going on any lavish spring break trips, unlike many of my peers. I am aware that I would probably be offered a better scholarship if I were to stay in Nebraska, and I know it would be much easier to stay in the state, as opposed to moving across the country. Still, I don't think it would be such a horrible idea to explore my options, as choosing a law school is a major decision.

This has been a recurring issue in my household. Last summer, I was chosen for an internship with

Congress in Washington, and just as I predicted, my parents made abundantly clear how expensive it would be to move for the summer and how difficult it would be for me if I accepted the offer. So of course, I had to turn down the opportunity, working instead at a minimum wage job in my hometown. I know money is important, but I really feel that they focus too much on money and "practicality" and would much rather crush my dreams than help support my career goals. Also, we are not poor, so it seems as if the bigger issue is their reluctance to realize that I am an adult now and I can make my own decisions. My parents have probably babied me a little too much because I am the youngest in my family. How do I prove to them that I am becoming a mature, responsible soon-to-be

college graduate who can make her own decisions? -- Babied Pre-Law Student

Dear Babied: If you were to stick around and attend law school in Nebraska, your parents would have you close by physically, but mentally and emotionally you'd be more distant than ever. That's because a mountain of resentment would separate you. You would always regret not pursuing the law school (and life) of your choice. Cherish your home, but follow your dreams. I've a feeling your parents will come around in time.

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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Anna Stiga Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Web searcher's frustration
 - 7 Luxury's child, per Cicero
 - 14 Satellite stat
 - 15 Part between tread and rim
 - 17 Poached, but not scrambled
 - 18 Perfunctory
 - 19 Leave at sea
 - 21 Numerical prefix
 - 22 Tool in cognitive science
 - 23 Many diction experts
 - 26 .com (website touting DIRECTV)
 - 29 It counts for nothing in baccarat
 - 30 Weatherbeater paint purveyor
 - 31 Name on "Sweet Breakfast" boxes
 - 33 Invitation to be impressed
 - 35 *Tennis Is My Racket* author (1949)
 - 37 European-origin prefix
 - 39 Curious surroundings
 - 40 Soyuzplodo-import wheat/rye brand
 - 41 Not-so-long limousine
 - 42 Crushed, perhaps
 - 44 Apostle's original name
 - 45 "Je vous rends grâces"
 - 47 Vent with one's voice
 - 49 Harpo imitates him at the start of *A Night at the Opera*
 - 50 Punditocracy
 - 53 Expression of enthusiastic emotion
- DOWN**
- 1 Cosmic radiation studier
 - 2 Goes (for)
 - 3 Laugh and a half
 - 4 Aptly named cooler brand
 - 5 Elevate for a swing
 - 6 "Master of fun" honorary Oscar winner
 - 7 Danger for Indy in *Raiders* . . .
 - 8 Cold, e.g.
 - 9 Archetype of attractiveness
 - 10 Domino, Alcoa, etc.
 - 11 Name in the news, March 1945
 - 12 Common job interview subject
 - 13 Scrapbooking staple
 - 16 Doesn't stay current
 - 20 First verb in *Rebecca*
 - 24 Microstate since 1278
 - 25 Ways to run
 - 26 Unrepaired
 - 27 2017 exhibitor of Sir Elton's photos
 - 28 *U.S. Banker, PrintWeek*, etc.
 - 32 Apprehension
 - 34 Being trained, say
 - 36 Corn holder
 - 38 Afresh
 - 43 Kiev's river
 - 46 Quite soon
 - 48 Corn-holder creation
 - 50 GM __
 - 51 Opry member since 1992
 - 52 Frequent 40 Across partner
 - 56 Escape aider Benny in . . . *Roger Rabbit*
 - 57 Release into the air
 - 58 Bold venture
 - 60 Whiz at Wizard's Chess
 - 61 2017 "world-saving" Netflix host

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Griffin not 'laying down' for Trump, fears career is over

By FRAZIER MOORE and JOSEPH LONGO

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Embattled comedian Kathy Griffin says she's not afraid of Donald Trump and plans to keep making fun of him but maintained that she's sorry for a video that depicted her holding a likeness of the president's severed, bloody head.

At a rambling press conference Friday, Griffin tearfully predicted her career is over and said Trump "broke me." Since the video was posted Tuesday, she has lost her job co-hosting CNN's New Year's Eve special and had five comedy shows canceled. Trump, first lady Melania Trump and Donald Trump Jr. have publicly criticized the video.

Griffin, who asserted that she has been contacted by the Secret Service, said the Trumps are "trying to ruin my rights forever."

White House officials did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Griffin, 56, repeated her claim that the video was a parody, meant as a pointed comeback to Trump's remark last summer that former Fox News Channel personality Megyn Kelly had "blood coming out of her eyes, blood coming out of wherever."

"I'm not laying down for this guy," she said in one defiant moment. "I'm going to keep making jokes about this guy."

Griffin appeared surprised at the number of cameras and reporters in a packed conference room at her lawyer's office, her hands shaking at one point when she took a sip of water. She switched between contriteness to combativeness during the press conference, during which she attempted several nervous jokes that drew laughs mostly from her attorney, Lisa Bloom.

Bloom said the comedian has a First Amendment right to make fun of the president.

"Whether or not you get, or like, her artistic expression, in America,



Comedian Kathy Griffin, right, speaks along with her attorney Lisa Bloom during a news conference, Friday, June 2, 2017, in Los Angeles, to discuss the backlash since Griffin released a photo and video of her displaying a likeness of President Donald Trump's severed head.

Kathy has the right to parody the president," Bloom said. "She never imagined it would be misinterpreted as a threat of violence against Trump."

Bloom, a former truTV anchor and lawyer Gloria Allred's daughter, has represented Wendy Walsh, who has accused former Fox News Channel personality Bill O'Reilly of hurting her career after she spurned his advances. O'Reilly has denied the accusations.

Backlash against Griffin has continued to grow. Griffin said five of her performances have been canceled this week.

Venues in New Jersey, New York, New Mexico and Pennsylvania canceled upcoming shows. The Community Arts Theater in Williamsport,

Pennsylvania, posted on its website that the show had been dropped "due to the recent controversy surrounding Kathy Griffin and the concern for the safety and security of our patrons and staff."

Sen. Al Franken also dis-invited Griffin from an event promoting his new book, "Giant of the Senate."

"After hearing from many Minnesotans who were rightfully offended, I've come to the conclusion that it would be best for her not to participate in the event we had previously scheduled," the Minnesota Democrat said Thursday, a day after he had said she was still welcome. "I understand why Minnesotans were upset by this, and I take that very seriously."

He said what Griffin did "was in-

appropriate and not something that should be anywhere in our national discourse."

An endorsement deal with Squatty Potty also ended.

Though Griffin apologized within hours of the images appearing online Tuesday, they were met with swift and widespread condemnation.

Trump later tweeted that Griffin "should be ashamed of herself" for posting the images.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie on Thursday called Griffin "disgusting" and said the photo was "completely outrageous."

The comic has faced controversies before for her abrasive humor, but none as widespread as the one generated by Tuesday's images.

Jon Stewart among those praising late NYC firefighter

HICKSVILLE, N.Y. (AP) — Jon Stewart fought back tears Friday as he described his friendship with a retired New York City firefighter who worked in the rescue effort following the Sept. 11 terror attacks and died after an eight-year battle with cancer.

The comedian spoke at the funeral Mass in Hicksville for Raymond Pfeifer, who died Sunday on Long Island at age 59. Pfeifer was among those who lobbied fiercely for the renewal of the Zadroga Act, which provides health benefits to first responders who fell ill after the attacks in 2001. He and others, including Stewart, went to Congress in 2015 to challenge lawmakers to extend health monitoring and treatment for Sept. 11 first responders. Congress ultimately did reauthorize the program.

Pfeifer served over 27 years in the fire department before retiring in 2014.

"Make no mistake, Ray Pfeifer died in the line of duty,

because of illness in the terrible terrorist attacks of 9/11," Stewart told mourners.

"But more importantly Ray Pfeifer lived in the line of duty. Now and forever. That's what I remember most about him."

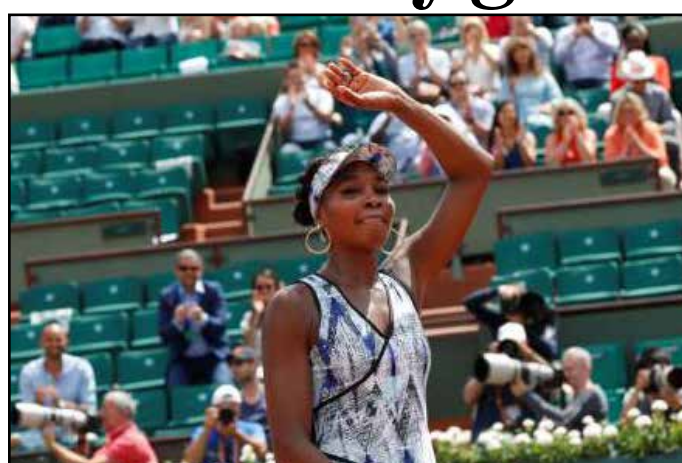
The former host of Comedy Central's "The Daily Show" recalled becoming exasperated when it appeared lobbying efforts in Washington, D.C., were not succeeding. The comedian said he grew weary of being handed business cards by politicians. Pfeifer remained calm, Stewart said.

"He patted his chest and he reached in and he pulled out prayer cards. Hundreds," Stewart said in a reference to the 343 firefighters killed on 9/11.

"He said, 'I got all the cards I need.'"

Stewart, fighting back tears, concluded: "And now Raymond, I got one," pulling out a prayer card for Pfeifer. "And it's going to teach me how to do right. Thank you."

It's a girl? Serena Williams lauds baby gender 'surprise'



Venus Williams of the U.S. celebrates winning 6-3, 6-1, against Japan's Kurumi Nara during their second round match of the French Open tennis tournament at the Roland Garros stadium, in Paris.

PARIS (AP) — Serena Williams wants everyone to slow down with all of that "It's a girl!" talk prompted by sister Venus.

The pregnant tennis star sent out a tweet Thursday to "clarify what Venus said" after the older sibling appeared to accidentally let something slip dur-

ing a TV interview with Eurosport at the French Open by blurting out about the baby, "She's going to call me 'Favorite Aunt.'" Venus' use of the pronoun "She" led folks to figure that meant Serena is expecting a girl. But a day later, Serena wrote: "I think the surprise of knowing what you are going to have on that very special day you give birth is prob the best surprise you can ever have." She continued: "I did not grow up with brothers, only sisters and we all say 'she' more than 'he.'" Serena announced her pregnancy with Reddit co-founder Alexis Olhanian in April, but has not hinted at the baby's gender.

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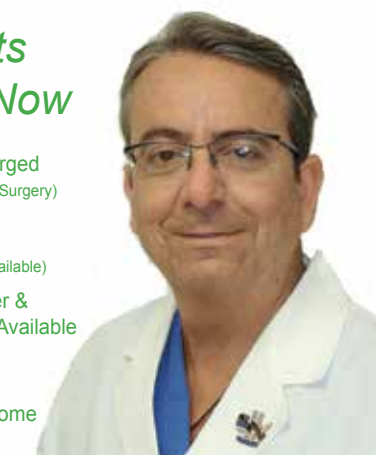
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Chris Cornell's widow still awaiting details about death



AP photo

In this April 27, 2012, file photo, Chris Cornell, at left, and his wife, Vicky Karayiannis attend the celebration of "Commando: The Autobiography of Johnny Ramone," in Los Angeles. Vicky Cornell. Cornell says in a statement Thursday, June 1, 2017 that she's still awaiting toxicology reports she hopes will clarify the circumstances around her late husband's apparent suicide.

By SANDY COHEN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chris Cornell's widow says she's grateful for the support her family has received in the wake of the Soundgarden frontman's death last month, but she still doesn't know what caused him to hang himself. Vicky Cornell says in a statement Thursday that she is still awaiting the toxicology reports she hopes will clarify the circumstances around her late husband's apparent suicide.

"We still have several unanswered questions about what led to his death," she said.

"We believe the toxicology report will answer these questions."

Cornell family attorney Kirk Pasich says Detroit legal officials denied his request for police and toxicology reports because the investigation remains open.

Ellen Ha, an attorney in Detroit's Law Department, told The Associated Press Thursday that the city sent a denial response letter May 25 to Jeffrey L. Schulman of Liner LLP who claimed his firm represents "the estate and family of Christopher Cornell."

"On the same day, we responded to multiple media outlets with the same

response," Ha said.

The denial letter sent last week to The AP said that the "disclosure of any information at this time would compromise and interfere with" the Detroit police investigation into Cornell's death.

Chris Cornell was pronounced dead May 18 when he was found unresponsive in a Detroit hotel room hours after performing a concert with Soundgarden. Coroner's officials said preliminary autopsy results show the singer hanged himself, but Cornell's family disputes the findings and claims he may have taken more of an anti-anxiety drug than he was prescribed.

Pelley out, Mason temporarily in as CBS evening news anchor

By DAVID BAUDER

AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS' effort to brand itself as the home of hard-edged newscasts has achieved commercial success in the morning, but not so much in the evening — and "CBS Evening News" anchor Scott Pelley paid the price for it with his job.

The network announced Wednesday that Pelley will return full time to "60 Minutes," the flagship newsmagazine where he divided his time in the six years since he replaced Katie Couric as evening news anchor.

Twenty-year CBS veteran Anthony Mason will fill in on the evening news until a permanent successor is chosen.

The transition has already been a little messy: CBS had intended to announce it next week, but when workers began packing Pelley's belongings at his evening news office into boxes Tuesday word of his departure spread.

CBS News, with its influence diminished at the turn of the decade, sought to mold its newscasts in the meatier image of "60 Minutes."

It named the newsmagazine's most influential correspondent, Pelley, as evening anchor and installed the team of Charlie Rose, Gayle King and Norah O'Donnell at the newly named "CBS This Morning."

The strategy has worked beyond the network's dreams in the morning. Once invisible, CBS is now competitive with ABC's "Good Morning America" and NBC's "Today" show — still third but gaining fast. Pelley won respect and early ratings success in the evening.

But he was never truly competitive with ABC and NBC, and lately he has slid further behind.

Pelley's onscreen demeanor — "strict and steeling, disavowing both



AP photo

In this May 15, 2013, file photo, Scott Pelley attends the CBS Upfront in New York. Pelley is out as "CBS Evening News" anchor, and he'll be returning to full-time work at the network's flagship newsmagazine "60 Minutes." Two people familiar with the situation on Wednesday, May 31, 2017, confirmed the reports.

charm and irony" — was appropriate for the nation's mood after last decade's financial crisis, said news consultant Andrew Tyn-dall, who studies the content of evening newscasts. But it has proven less so for the Donald Trump era. Despite a heightened interest in news that has propelled cable personalities like Rachel Maddow to new heights, the evening newscasts haven't benefited. Collectively, the three networks reach 24.2 million each night, down 4 percent from last year, the Nielsen ratings company said.

In recent months, Pelley has attracted attention, and anger from Trump's supporters, for blunt assessments of the Republican president's moves.

CBS gave no public reason for removing Pelley. In such situations, ratings usually tell the story.

But CBS executives stressed the importance of having Pelley full time at "60 Minutes."

"The milestone 50th season of '60 Minutes' requires Scott's full contribution, and we look forward to important reporting from him

for many years to come," CBS News President David Rhodes said.

Pelley, 59, was on assignment overseas Wednesday. He'll be back at the "CBS Evening News" Monday for a short period before Mason takes over. In a statement, Pelley said CBS "has been great to me for nearly 30 years."

"I'm glad to accept this assignment with continuing gratitude," he said.

There had been behind-the-scenes signals a shift was coming.

As Pelley heads into a job where his day-to-day presence in the office is less important, he has recently bought a ranch in Texas and put a house in Connecticut on the market.

It's unclear whether Mason will be a candidate for the full-time job. Potential candidates include CBS' Jeff Glor and CNN's Jake Tapper or Anderson Cooper.

But in a reflection of television news' changed circumstances, other CBS personalities like O'Donnell or "Face the Nation" host John Dickerson aren't expected to be candidates.

Unflappable Ananya Vinay wins National Spelling Bee

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OXON HILL, Md. (AP) — Ananya Vinay never looked all that impressed by any of the words she was given in the finals of the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

The 12-year-old from Fresno, California, showed little emotion and didn't take much time as she plowed through word after word. Sometimes she

would blurt out questions, with little intonation — "Part of speech?" "Language of origin?" — and some times she didn't even bother.

Unflappable to the end, Ananya seized the

opportunity when her steely opponent, Rohan Rajeev, flubbed a simple-looking but obscure Scandinavian-derived word, "marram," which means a beach grass. She calmly nailed two words in a row, ending on "marocain," which means a type of dress fabric of ribbed crepe, to win the 90th Scripps National Spelling Bee on Thursday. "I knew them all,"

Ananya said.

Ananya barely cracked a smile even when her parents and younger brother stormed onto the stage to embrace her as the confetti fell. And she took time to console Rohan, who remained in his seat, wiping tears from his eyes.

"It's like a dream come true," Ananya said. "I'm so happy right now." Later, she flashed a

broad and toothy grin as she lingered on stage accepting congratulations. She will take home more than \$40,000 in cash and prizes.

It was the first time since 2013 that the bee declared a sole champion. After three straight years of ties, the bee added a tiebreaker test this year, and it looked like it might come into play as Ananya and Rohan duelled for 21 of the

allotted 25 championship rounds.

Ananya was on the radar of some veteran bee watchers but didn't come in with a high profile.

Her score on the written spelling and vocabulary test would have been high enough to make the top 50 last year, but she missed a relatively easy word, "multivalent," on stage.



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