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10 years of Warrior Triathlon



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Gage Bonestroo of Portales, N.M., starts the run leg of Saturday's 10th Annual Comanche Warrior Triathlon after completing the swim and bike legs. Bonestroo turned in the best overall time in the triathlon, with a total finishing time of 1 hour, 15 minutes, 18.3 seconds. 40 individual triathletes and three teams competed in the event.

10th Annual Comanche Warrior Triathlon a success

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Last year's Comanche Warrior Triathlon was marked by rain, cold temperatures, and overcast skies. There were no such problems at this year's 10th annual iteration of the triple-threat race, held Saturday in Comanche Trail Park. The event occurs on the second Saturday of each September, and is organized by the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"It went very well. We had a smooth setup and we had an extremely smooth race with no hiccups or anything," said Hayley Herrera of the CVB. "I'd say this was one of the best ones we've had."

With its 500-meter swim, 18-mile bike ride, and 3.1-mile run, Big Spring's race meets the criteria of a "sprint" or mini-triathlon.

"I believe that everyone was finished in about three hours, all the triathletes were done," said Herrera. "They were able to run through the spring construction site. We were a little nervous about if they were going to be able to go through that area, whether it was going to be complete enough. But they were able to run through. We actually got a lot of good feedback about that, that they were excited. Some of the people from out of town wanted to come back and stay at the Settles

again and see the spring when it is complete."

Of the 40 individuals and three teams who completed the race, 31 individuals finished in under two hours. Top overall honors went to 32-year-old Gage Bonestroo of Portales, N.M., who boasted a time of 1 hour, 15 minutes, and 18.3 seconds. Bonestroo completed the half-kilometer swim in less than 8 minutes.

Taking top honors among the female competitors was Heather Hamilton, 36, of Midland, who finished in fifth place overall. She posted a total time of 1 hour, 27 minutes, 52.1 seconds.

The top finisher among local competitors was Jeremy Ochoa, who's home-

town is listed as "San Angelo/Big Spring" in the race results. Ochoa, 34, finished sixth overall, with a time of 1 hour, 30 minutes, 56.8 seconds.

Three teams also competed in the triathlon. Top finisher among the teams was "Team Last Minute," with a total time of 2 hours, 4 minutes, and 9.6 seconds. Other teams competing included "Team SMMC" and "Team KBST."

"They started off with their swim in Comanche Trail Lake at 8 a.m., and shortly after that, I believe the first swimmer, who was actually the winner, finished his swim in about seven minutes and

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BSSA season kicks off this month

Special to the Herald

The 36th season of the Big Spring Symphony Association begins with a celebration Thursday, Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m. The event will be held at the Big Spring Country Club. Pre-dinner entertainment will feature the Big Spring Junior High Show Choir. The Phyllis Graumann scholarship recipients and board members will provide additional musical entertainment during the evening.

Tumbleweed Smith, producer of The Sound of Texas syndicated radio program and newspaper columnist is the keynote speaker. Tumbleweed has produced a special "Symphony of Sound" program for this event. It features some unusual instruments and musicians he has recorded over the past 48 years.

Tickets for this special evening are \$35.

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CASA continues to advocate for children



EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the latest in a series of articles profiling agencies assisted by the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**

Staff Writer

Being the voice for a lost child who is in need of guidance is a noteworthy cause. One program in Big Spring does exactly that. CASA of West Texas is an organization that supports and helps volunteers advocate a child who has been abused.

What is CASA? CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is an adult over the age of 21 who volunteers their time and talents to be the voice for a child abuse victim. When a child is removed because of either neglect or abuse they're placed in the foster care system. A CASA volunteer, appointed by a judge, will visit the child and get to know and develop a relationship with child, all the while also gather information and familiarize themselves with the child's case.

During the first 12 months a child is in foster care, there will be four scheduled court hearings. During the hearings, the

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Solemn, personal ceremonies as US commemorates 9/11

By **JENNIFER PELTZ and KAREN MATTHEWS**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Holding photos and reading names of loved ones lost 16 years ago, 9/11

victims' relatives marked the anniversary of the attacks at ground zero on Monday with a solemn and personal ceremony.

Every Sept. 11 since the date of the deadliest terror attack on American soil, Rob Fazio has come to the place where his father, Ronald Carl

Fazio, and thousands of others died. "I'll come every year for the rest of my life," the son said. "It's where I get my strength."

At least 1,000 family members, survivors, rescuers and officials were gathered as the ceremony at the World Trade Center began with a moment of silence and tolling bells. Then, relatives began read-

ing out the names of the nearly 3,000 people killed when terrorist-piloted planes hit the trade center, the Pentagon and a Pennsylvania field, hurling America into a new consciousness of the threat of global terrorism.

Some said they couldn't believe 16 years had passed since a tragedy that still seemed so present on the anniver-

sary. To others, it was an occasion to plead for a return to the sense of unity they felt after the attacks.

"Our country came together that day. And it did not matter what color you were, or where you were from," said a tearful Magaly Lemagne, who lost her brother, Port Authority of

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Obituaries

David P. Mitchem

David P. Mitchem, 79, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 8, 2017. Graveside service will be at 2:00 p.m. Monday at Trinity Memorial Park with Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiating.

David was born June 28, 1938, in Premier, West Virginia to Waneta Fay Walker Mitchem and Paris Lewis Mitchem. He first came to Big Spring in 1960 and was stationed at Webb Air Force Base, returning from Korea. He served 20 years in the Air Force at a radar technician. In addition to Korea he also served in France, England, and Thailand. After retiring from the Air Force, he owned Mitchem Auto Sales and Mitchem Wrecker Service. He was a Baptist. David married Peggy Isaacs, Feb. 24, 1961, in Big Spring.

David is survived by his wife, Peggy Mitchem of

Big Spring; one daughter, Debra Franklin and her husband Wally of Big Spring; two sons, David R. Mitchem and his wife Caren of Midland and Rick Mitchem and his wife Carlene of Somerset, Kentucky; six grandchildren, Michael Mitchem, Morgan Mitchem, Seth Mitchem, Heather Betz, Tessa Martin, and Kayla Loftin and her husband Justin; six great grandchildren, Khlody Mitchem, Zayne Mitchem, Kadence Betz, Braylynn Betz, Connor Betz and Kylar Loftin; one sister, Sherry Adams of Big Spring; one niece and one nephew.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Rebecca Cannon and one nephew.

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

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail report having 75 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JOSHUA MOISES BASURTO**, 25, was booked by the BSPD on warrant of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **RUDY ALLEN JR. CARPENTER**, 33, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant of duty of striking fixture highway lands.

- **BRADLEY ALAN DALTON**, 26, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant of evading arrest detention.

- **JOHN ADAM DOLLOFF**, 23, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of controlled substance in one to four grams, possession of marijuana less than two ounces, unlicensed carrying weapon.

- **SABRINA HERNENDEZ**, 19, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by minor.

- **JOSE MANUEL III JIMENEZ**, 22, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant of bond surrender, possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

- **CALVIN SIMS KERBY**, 38, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant of theft of property \$100-\$750.

- **HARVEY NATHANIEL LANDERS**, 32, was booked by the HCSO on warrant of theft of property \$100-\$750.

- **ALBERTO NAVA-GERARDO**, 35, was booked by the BSPD a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **JENNIFER MARIA NICHOLS**, 43, was booked by the HCSO a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram, possession of dangerous drug, possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **ROBERT RICHARD JR. PEARSON**, 29, was

booked by the HCSO a charges of public intoxication and failure to identify.

- **KENNETH WANYE PHILLIPS**, 25, was booked by the HCSO on warrants of possession of drug paraphernalia and driving while license is invalid.

- **LISA LAREE RAILSBACK**, 53, was booked by the BSPD a charge of public intoxication.

- **GUADALUPE RODRIGUES**, 47, was booked by the BSPD on warrants of speeding in a school zone, expired drivers license, violate promise to appear, fail to change address of drivers license, fail to appear, and two counts of violate promise to appear.

- **JOSUE DANIEL ROSAS**, 35, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **DARRELL SCOTT SHULTS**, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant of interfere with emergency respondent.

- **JATHAN CAINE VASQUEZ**, 23, was booked by the BSPD a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **DANIEL MONTEZ JR. VIERA**, 30, was booked by the BSPD a charge of assault family violence.

- **MORGAN LEE WATSON**, 54, was booked by the BSPD on a warrants of credit or debit card abuse, driving while license invalid, failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear, and a charge of with license invalid with previous conviction.

- **LATASHA WHITFIELD**, 38, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant of assault of public servant.

- **JAMES NICHOLALS WINN**, 38, was booked by the BSPD a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

Take Note

- School at Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson St., begins Aug. 1 for the fall term. Maranatha uses Accelerated Christian Education curriculum, an individualized curriculum used internationally (see www.aceministries.com for more information). School and office hours are 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. week days. Tuition is reasonable. For more information visit the office or contact Dr. Lillian Bohanan at 432-213-1046.

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade.

Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432-270-2251.

- 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. The next sacking dates are September 18 and 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Lakeview Gym. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

- 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.

- Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

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

- Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They

meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

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

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

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

- 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 ½ 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.

Support Groups

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 be held 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.

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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TRIATHLON

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went into the bike portion of the race," said Herrera.

Following the event, Herrera said she received positive feedback not just about the Historic Spring construction project, but about the triathlon itself.

"A couple of people have told me that it's one of the best races they've

ever done, that they look forward to coming to Big Spring every year because the topography is really good," she said. "It's a challenging race. The swim course is challenging, and the bike course and the run course are both challenging, but it's short enough that it's still really fun to compete in. They've also told me that it's run really smoothly behind the scenes, so that translates well to the racers because it's basically seamless to them."

In addition to the CVB, sponsors for the event include Great Western Dining, the City of Big Spring, K-BEST Media, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, H-E-B, Prescription Services Inc., Peyton's Bikes of Midland, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Hotel Settles, Amy Reese DDS, and Alberto's restaurant. Donations were also received from the YMCA and Culligan Water Conditioning of Big Spring. Permian Basin Events provided race timing and official race

direction.

Following the race, a lunch was catered by Great Western Dining for the competitors, followed by the awards ceremony.

View the results of this year's Comanche Warrior Triathlon by visiting www.permianbasinevents.com and clicking on the "Comanche Warrior 2017 Times" link at the top of the page.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235.

CASA

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CASA volunteer will present the judge with the information that was gathered, and then make a fact-based recommendation regarding the child's long-term living arrangement. It could be one of four things: the child can be reunited with their parents, placed with relatives permanently, placed in a non-relative adoptive home, or remain in foster care until they 18 years of age.

This mission started in 1977, after a Seattle juvenile court judge was concerned about making life-changing decisions for a child with lack of knowledge on that child's situation. It was then the idea of a citizen volunteer should represent and have the best interest of an

abused and neglected child in a court room, and be their voice. 1,000 programs later and in the year 2000 CASA of West Texas came to represent in and serve abused children and those who want to volunteer in seven different counties including: Midland, Howard, Martin, Dawson, Gaines, Andrews, and Glasscock counties.

A child placed in foster care, needs someone who can be there for them; a person the child can count on. CASA of West Texas want to help those who want to help, and so does United Way of Big Spring. Who continue to support and donate to CASA of West Texas, to ensure CASA can continue to support volunteers who advocate for a child abuse victim.

"CASA of West Texas feels so blessed to have the support of United Way and of

Big Spring," Kathy Harmon, of CASA of West Texas said, "These donations go to support the office and operation funds, help pay for the volunteers training, and helps provide a supervisor that help or assist the volunteer in court. Volunteers are desperately needed in Big Spring. In 2016 in Big Spring alone there was 134 children that was served in Big Spring with only 27 volunteers, thats roughly four kids to one volunteer. We need volunteers."

There is an application process on CASA of West Texas' website, a list of volunteer requirements, as well as a list of pre-service trainings that are scheduled at various times and locations throughout the year. Also in the upcoming events list online there is a free upcoming event of Oct.7 at 6:30 hosted by CASA of West Texas. The

event presents John Quinones, from the hit ABC television show "What Would You Do," Mr. Quinones will share his life journey from nothing to something, and his message about doing the right thing. And doing then right thing when no one is watching. Everyone is welcome at this event.

For more information regarding this upcoming event and others, CASA of West Texas, scheduled training sessions, how to be a volunteer and the application, and how to donate please visit CASA's website www.casawtx.org. Or contact Kathy Harmon at 432-557-8471. Every child needs someone to count on, someone to believe in them, and someone who will speak up for them. Could that person be you?

BSSA

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Seats may be reserved by contacting Angie Byerly at 432-517-4101. Please reserve seats by Sept 14th.

Dr. Keith Graumann, music director and conductor is proud to present: "Let it B – Beginning with Beethoven and Ending with the Beatles as the theme of the 2017 -2018 season of the Big Spring Symphony Association.

The season opens Sept. 30, 2017 with a presentation of the Festival Fall Concert with Kenny Broberg, the 2017 Clyburn Silver Medalist performing Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 55 in E-Flat Major.

The Nutcracker Ballet with the Midland Festival Ballet will be presented December 16th, 2017.

Internationally renowned conductor John Giordano will conduct the Winter Wonderland Concert February 10th.

Jeans n' Classics return to the stage on April 14th with Music of the Beatles, featuring the best selling album, Abbey Road.

All concerts will take place in the Municipal Auditorium and all concerts begin at 7:30 p.m.

9/11

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New York and New Jersey Police Officer David Prudencio Lemagne. She implored people to "stop for a moment and remember all the people who gave their lives that day.

"Maybe then we can put away our disagreements and become one country again."

Nicholas Haros Jr. saw a glimpse of that cohesiveness in the country's response to catastrophic recent hurricanes Irma and Harvey. Irma was making its way through the Southeast as a tropical storm while 9/11 anniversary ceremonies unfolded in New York, the Pentagon and near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

"God bless, and be New York strong," Maureen Tipping-Lipshie urged those affected by Irma after she remembered her brother, John James Tipping II.

Sixteen years later, the quiet rhythms of commemoration have become customs: a recitation of all the names of the dead, moments of silence and tolling bells, and two powerful light beams that

shine through the night.

Yet each ceremony also takes on personal touches. Some name-readers added messages ranging from the universal to the personal — updates on family graduations and marriages, memories of personality traits and favorite foods.

Some have never even had a chance to meet the relatives they lost on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I wish more than anything that I could have met you," Ruth Daly said, her voice breaking, after she read names in remembrance of her slain grandmother, Ruth Sheila Lapin. "I'm very proud to be your namesake. I hope you're watching down on me from heaven."

Meanwhile, President Donald Trump, a native New Yorker observing the anniversary for the first time as the nation's leader, observed a moment of silence at the White House with first lady Melania Trump.

The Trumps also planned to participate in a 9/11 observance at the Pentagon. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis and Gen. Joseph Dunford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs

of Staff, are hosting a private observance for victims' relatives there at 9:11 a.m. Monday. After the names are read at that ceremony, there's a public observance, with a wreath-laying and remarks.

Vice President Mike Pence and U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke are scheduled to deliver remarks at the Flight 93 National Memorial near Shanksville. It's on the rural field where one of the airliners crashed after passengers and crew fought to wrest control away from the terrorists who'd hijacked it and were heading for Washington.

Construction continues at the Shanksville memorial, where ground was broken Sunday for a 93-foot (28 meters) tall Tower of Voices to honor the 33 passengers and seven crew members who died.

Rebuilding and reimagining also continues at ground zero, where the third of four planned office towers is set to open next year. Work toward a \$250 million performing arts center continues after a design was unveiled last fall. Most recently, plans were

announced this spring to transform a grassy clearing on the memorial plaza into a walkway and area dedicated to 9/11 rescue and recovery workers.

The ceremony on the National Sept. 11 Memorial plaza strives to be apolitical: Politicians can attend, but since 2011, they haven't been allowed to read names or deliver remarks.

Yet last year's 15th-anniversary ceremony became entangled in the narrative of a fractious presidential campaign when Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton left abruptly, stumbled into a van and ultimately revealed she'd been diagnosed days earlier with pneumonia.

This year, the focus remained on the names read out beneath the waterfall pools and lines of trees.

"It does feel good to know you have other people who are feeling the same pain that you're in," Marvaline Monroe said as she headed into the ceremony to remember her brother, Keith Broomfield. She comes to the ceremony as often as she can.

"It's very hard. We'll never

Irma loses hurricane status but keeps spreading misery

By TAMARA LUSH
Associated Press

TAMPA, Florida (AP) — Hurricane Irma weakened to a still-dangerous tropical storm Monday as it pushed inland, triggering record flooding in Florida's northeastern corner, while rescuers in its soggy, wind-battered wake mobilized to reach victims and learn the full extent of the damage.

The storm wreaked havoc on the state's southernmost point to areas near the Georgia

line, with homes and cars swamped, trees flattened, boats cast onto roads in the Florida Keys and streets underwater in many places. Irma also snapped miles upon miles of power lines and toppled three massive construction cranes over Miami and Fort Lauderdale.

More than 400 miles from where Irma first came ashore, storm surge brought heavy flooding to Jacksonville on the Atlantic coast on Monday. The flooding broke a 1964 record by

at least a foot.

"Stay inside unless you are in danger due to flooding," the forecasters warned.

In nearby Clay County, crews pulled at least 46 people from flooded homes, and still more were stranded, said emergency operations manager Joe Ward.

As of midmorning, Irma's outer bands were also blowing into Georgia, where the storm's center was expected to arrive later in the day. From there, Irma is expected to push into Ala-

bama, Mississippi and Tennessee on Tuesday and Wednesday.

A tropical storm warning was issued for the first time ever in Atlanta, and school was canceled in communities around the state.

No deaths in Florida were immediately linked to the storm. At least 24 people were killed in the Caribbean as Irma ravaged a string of resort islands long known as vacation playgrounds for the rich.

On Monday morning,

Irma was downgraded to a tropical storm, with winds of 70 mph (110 kph), just below hurricane force.

More than 200,000 people waited in shelters across Florida.

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William "Mac" McNorton, Jr., 80, died Sept. 3, 2017. Memorial service will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at Canterbury South.

Mary Driver, 75, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



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Houston students to start classes after delay from Harvey

HOUSTON (AP) — Students in Houston are finally starting their new school year following a two-week delay because of damage from Harvey.

Students at 202 of the Houston school district's 284 campuses were scheduled to start classes Monday.

Other campuses will start classes on Sept. 18. Students at the nine schools most severely damaged by Harvey will be relocated to nearby campuses or to new locations and won't start classes until Sept. 25.

School District Superintendent Richard Carranza says the district will pick up students who are still staying at shelters and take them to campuses.

Carranza says none of the district's more than 300 schools and facilities escaped without some impact from Harvey.

Houston has the nation's seventh-largest school system, with about 215,000 students.

Texas man arrested in ex-wife's disappearance day of Harvey

BAYTOWN, Texas (AP) — The body of a Texas real estate agent was found in a marshy wooded area Saturday more than two weeks after she disappeared the day Hurricane Harvey made landfall, authorities said.

The woman's ex-husband, 44-year-old Steven McDowell, was charged with murder, and booked into Chambers County Jail, awaiting bail to be set.

Crystal McDowell, a 37-year-old real estate agent and mother of two, vanished Aug. 25, the day Harvey landed in the Gulf Coast area of southeast Texas, Chambers County Sheriff Brian Hawthorne said Sunday.

She went missing after telling her boyfriend, Paul Hargrave, that she was headed to her ex-husband's house to pick up her children, ages 5 and 8.

Her uncle reported her missing the following day. "I knew immediately she was deceased," McDowell's friend Morgan Raimondi told the Houston Chronicle.

"When Steve decided that if he couldn't have her, nobody else could, he also made the decision for her children, her family and her friends," Raimondi said of the suspected killer, even before charges were finalized.

Floodwaters and rain hampered the search, but McDowell's partially submerged car was found at a Motel 6 off an interstate highway. Authorities traced the last ping from her cellphone to a marshy area in Baytown, Texas, within a couple of days of her disappearance. By Sept. 2, the roads had cleared enough for search crews to scour parts of Baytown near the final cell phone ping, but they initially came up empty-handed.

As the investigation continued, the list of suspects grew to 9 or 10 people, including McDowell's uncle, Hargrave and her ex-husband, Hawthorne said.

Police: Money, drugs behind brutal Arlington slayings

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — A Texas medical examiner's office says a man whose dismembered body was found at separate locations in Arlington was shot to death, as was his girlfriend.

Police Lt. Christopher Cook told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that the slaying of 27-year-old Erick "Diablo" Zelaya is believed to be the result of illegal drugs and money.

Cook says Zelaya's 17-year-old girlfriend, Iris Chirinos, may have been targeted simply because she was with Zelaya when he was killed.

The Tarrant County medical examiner's office ruled Friday that both victims died of gunshot wounds.

Zelaya's head was found Sept. 2 near a walking trail in a wooded area. The rest of his body and Chirinos' body were later found buried behind an Arlington house after investigators acted on a tip.

Two suspects were arrested. Jail records on Saturday show one was no longer in custody, while the second was being held on suspicion of murder.

Aerial spraying to try to control mosquitoes after Harvey

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Texas health officials say the Federal Emergency Management Agency will use military planes to spray chemicals near Houston to help control disease-carrying mosquitoes following Hurricane Harvey.

Texas Health and Human Services spokesman Chris Van Deusen says spraying begins Saturday evening east of Houston, in Jefferson, Orange and Chambers counties.

Harvey's rains flooded the region. Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes, including those that carry the West Nile and Zika viruses.

Van Deusen says there haven't been reports of the viruses in the region. He says health officials want to prevent any outbreak and control "nuisance" mosquitoes that could interfere with recovery efforts.

Police: At least 8 dead after shooting in North Texas



AP photo
Police officers work the scene of a shooting at a home in Plano, north of Dallas, Texas, Sunday night, Sept. 10, 2017. Authorities in North Texas say several people are dead, including the suspect, after a shooting at the Plano home.

PLANO, Texas (AP) — At least eight people are dead, including the suspect, after a shooting at a home in a Dallas suburb, authorities said.

The shooting occurred around 8 p.m. Sunday in the city less than 20 miles (32.19 kilometers) northeast of Dallas.

Plano police spokesman David Tilley said police initially responded to a report of shots fired. When the first officer arrived and

went inside the home, the officer confronted the suspected shooter.

The officer opened fire, Tilley said, killing the suspect. Two others were injured in the shooting. Their conditions were not released.

The victims and suspect have not been identified. All of those killed and injured were believed to be adults.

Neighbor Stacey Glover told The Dallas Morning News that a party at the home had started early in the af-

ternoon and she had seen people laughing and grilling outside. She says she then heard the shots around 8 p.m. She opened her door and smelled gunpowder. She heard police who arrived yell "hands up" before more shots rang out.

Neighbor Lauryn Nichols said she had a friend who had been in the house and she didn't know what had happened to the person.

"I'm worried," she told the newspaper. "It's like

one big family here."

Police have not determined a motive for the shooting. Additional details were not immediately available.

Tilley said that a shooting of this magnitude was unusual for Plano, especially in such a quiet neighborhood. He could not say whether police had been called to the home before Sunday.

A police investigation is ongoing.

Car-centric Houston struggles after loss of countless autos

By PAUL WISEMAN and DEE-ANN DURBIN

AP Business Writers

KATY, Texas (AP) — Bryan Harvey is frequently reminded that he shares a name with the storm that dumped 50 inches of rain on metropolitan Houston and unleashed the floods that have him working 14-hour days towing water-logged cars.

Even in their despair, some victims have salvaged a smile by posing for pictures in front of the "Harvey's Towing" sign on the side of his red Dodge Ram 5500 flat-bed truck.

More than a week after Harvey slammed Houston, wreckers like Bryan Harvey are still hauling cars and trucks from flooded neighborhoods to dealerships or to vast fields where insurance adjusters can assess the damage. Harvey killed at least 70 people, destroyed or damaged 200,000 homes — and inflicted an automotive catastrophe on one of America's most car-dependent cities.

The Houston area has lost hundreds of thousands of cars, says Michael Hartmann, general manager of Don McGill Toyota of Katy, a city of 17,000 about 30 miles west of Houston.

"We have a shortage of rental cars and people not sure how to go about handling claims and just what to do with their lives."

The wreckage has forced Houstonians to scramble to try to rent or borrow cars or to work from home — if they can. Some have it worse: They can't re-

turn to work until they resolve the transportation problems, depriving many of them of income and slowing the city's return to business as usual.

Few American cities depend on cars as much as Houston. More than 94 percent of the city's households have cars, second only to Dallas, the Cox Automotive consultancy says. Houston is even less amenable to walking, bicycle-riding and mass transit than freeway-mad Los Angeles, according to Walk Score, which promotes walkable communities.

Fourteen-lane highways link downtown Houston to its sprawling suburbs. Off-ramps are stacked five-high at some interchanges, inducing vertigo for motorists unschooled in driving Houston-style. Outside the city center, isolated islands of office towers are connected only by concrete and asphalt.

Cars are "everything here," Hartmann says. "Cars are part of a person's lifestyle. Most people in our area work 25, 30 miles from home."

Houston is used to flooding. But it had never seen anything like Harvey, which dropped a year's worth of rain onto the

metro area. Flooded roads and neighborhoods left cars submerged and, in most cases, impossible to salvage.

"Almost every square inch of your vehicle has wires in it," says Rebecca Lindland, executive analyst at Cox Automotive. "The materials are often flame-retardant, but they are not waterproof."

Cox estimates that up to 500,000 cars and trucks were damaged or destroyed, amounting to nearly \$5 billion in damage. Auto insurance claims have reached 160,000, according to the Insurance Council of Texas. Cars are being taken by the hundreds to a make-shift lot at the 500-acre Royal Purple Raceway in Baytown, about 35 miles east of town. Most of the time, the insurance adjusters shake their heads at the damage Harvey has wrought and declare the cars a total loss.

"Put yourself in the shoes of the adjuster," says Mark Hanna, a spokesman for the Texas insurance council. "He's just seen, say, a 2015 Toyota Camry. He knows this vehicle has been underwater for six days. They can look at it, but they know water is all throughout that vehicle."



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9/11 - A day to remember that extraordinary heroes are often disguised as ordinary people and that spirit and soul are unbreakable.

- Stacey Alcorn

Coahoma Bulldogs update



Courtesy photo

Pictured above is the Coahoma Junior High Boys Cross Country team for 2017.

Special to the Herald

Cross Country

The Coahoma and junior high school cross country teams had four runners place in the top 10, and the junior high team earned third place overall at the Hamlin Cross Country Meet at Hamlin Country Club.

Coahoma High's Austyn Montgomery placed fifth in the meet. Individual standings for the Junior High team were:

- Bryson Kerby - fourth
- Hector Colon-Rivera - eighth
- Grayson Jacobs - ninth

The team will travel to San Angelo on Saturday, Sept. 16.

Volleyball

The Bulldogettes placed another notch in the win column as the varsity girls beat the Sterling City Lady Eagles in four sets with scores of 25-14, 14-25, 25-14, and 25-15 at the Sterling City High School gym on Saturday.

"I am really proud of the girls," said CHS head volleyball coach Christina Cox. "They played as a cohesive team in this match. This win was a total team effort."

The Bulldogettes will return to action on Tuesday in Snyder. The freshman team will take the floor first at 4:30 p.m., followed by the JV around 5:30 p.m. The varsity will immediately follow the JV and the game is expected to begin at 6:30 p.m. (Info can also be found on the CISD Facebook page)

Seminole sweeps Big Spring 3-0



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com) Big Spring's Kloee Stretches to make a hit during the Lady Steers' non-district volleyball match with Seminole on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**
Sports Editor

It was a tough loss for the Lady Steers on Saturday as the Lady Indians of Seminole took all three games with set scores of 14-25, 21-25, and 14-25.

Although a highly touted Seminole team took the game in just three sets, Big Spring proved to be stiff competition for them and did not let them go without a fight.

In the first set, Big Spring let some unforced errors hold them back as five of their ten missed serves for the game came in set one. The Lady Indians were a force behind the service line as they collected six aces in set one alone.

Set two was full of quality volleyball and exciting rallies as both teams put on an excellent performance on both offense and defense. The Lady Steers were able to capitalize on a lot of unforced errors from Seminole while limiting their own, but still couldn't get it done to grab the set win.

In the third set, Big Spring hit a slump and struggled to find their way out of it. Seminole continued to attack them from the service line. After adding another five aces in set two, they got another four in set three which helped them seal the 3-0 sweep over the Lady Steers.

"I thought we did some really good things, and I thought we did some things where we kind of resorted back to old habits, but that's ok. I think the big thing that we talked about in the locker room after the game was how the girls know what they are supposed to do. It's just consistently doing it every single game that needs work. Once we are consistent to come, we are going to come," said head volleyball coach Katie Voss. "We lost to a good Seminole team, but we had a lot of errors on our part that we shouldn't have made like missed serves, dropped balls and not being as aggressive at the net as we usually are. That kind of hurt us, because our hitting is definitely our strong suit. I feel like we have the best hitters around, so when we aren't hitting the ball we are giving the other team the opportunity to score. We're going to work hard this week on our mental game and definitely work on our passing. We had some really bad passes this game, so we will be working on that and also our mental game as we get ready for Andrews on Tuesday." The Lady Steers will make their way to Andrews, Texas on Tuesday September 12 to face off with the Lady Mustangs. Their game is scheduled to start at 6:00 p.m.

Sands defeats Westbrook 36-20

Special to the Herald

The Sands Mustangs defeated Westbrook on Friday with a final score of 36-20.

Scoring Summary:

- First Quarter**
- Sands - Landry Connell scored on a two yard pass from Landon Morrow. 6-0
- Sands - Chris Ybarra (PAT) 8-0
- Sands - Hunter Reese scored on a rush for five yards. 14-0
- Sands - Chris Ybarra (PAT) 16-0

Westbrook - Caleb Matos scored on a 13 yard pass from Noah King (16-6)

Second Quarter

Westbrook - Caleb Matos scored on a 20 yard pass from Noah King (16-12)

Third Quarter

Sands - Chris Ybarra scored on a rush for 5 yards. 22-12

Sands - Chris Ybarra (PAT) 24-12

Fourth Quarter

Westbrook - J. Lopez scored on a rush for 14 yards. 24-18

Westbrook - Cutter Williams (PAT) 24-20

Sands - Hunter Reese scored on a rush for 32 yards. 30-20

Sands - Caleb Gillespie scored on a rush for 49 yards. 36-20

Game Summary:

Sands rushed 45 times for 330 yards, and passed for 28 yards. Westbrook rushed 18 times for 98 yards and passed for 161 yards. Sands fumbled the ball four times, but

managed to recover them all. Westbrook fumbled the ball seven times. Two of those were recovered by Sands.

Rushing Leaders:

Caleb Gillespie rushed 18 times for 184 yards and one touchdown. Hunter Reese rushed 16 times for 99 yards and two touchdowns. Nick Garcia rushed one time for 37 yards. Chris Ybarra rushed 5 times for 15 yards.

Receiving Leaders:

Landry Connell had two receptions for 17 yards and one touchdown.

Layne French had one reception for 11 yards.

Passing Leaders:

Landon Morrow went 2-5 for 13 yards and one touchdown. Chris Ybarra went 1-3 for 15 yards.

Defensive Leaders:

Hunter Reese and Reme Arriaga each had one interception.



Witten, Elliott lead as Cowboys stifle Giants 19-3 in opener

By **SCHUYLER DIXON**

AP Pro Football Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Tough guy Jason Witten scored the game's only touchdown while setting another franchise record for the Dallas Cowboys, perhaps the most prestigious yet.

Ezekiel Elliott took care of the tough yards, churning out another 100-yard game two days after learning that his six-game suspension over a domestic violence case is on hold.

While Elliott helped Dallas produce points, the Cowboys shackled a New York offense missing dynamic receiver Odell Beckham Jr. in a 19-3 victory over the Giants on Sunday night.

"You just enjoy the journey," said Witten, who began his 15th season by breaking Hall of Fame receiver Michael Irvin's club record of 11,904 yards. "I'm just trying to devour where I am at this moment. It's a great time in my life." Elliott, last year's NFL rushing

leader, had a rugged 104 yards on the ground and another 36 receiving in a game that he knew he would get to play regardless of a federal judge's ruling in his bid to have the NFL's punishment overturned.

"You just have to block it out," said Elliott, who could play the entire season depending on the next legal move by the NFL. "You just have to focus on being the guy I need to be for this team. I think I am good for this locker room."

Dak Prescott was turnover-free while throwing for 268 yards as the Cowboys dominated their NFC East rival that swept them during a 13-3 season that topped the NFC and was fueled by the sensational rookie years for the quarterback-running back duo. Dan Bailey kicked four field goals.

Eli Manning didn't have Beckham in his 200th straight start after his top target sprained his left ankle in a preseason game. The Giants were



AP photo

Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott gestures "feed zeke" after a first down run in the second half of an NFL football game against the New York Giants on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, in Arlington, Texas.

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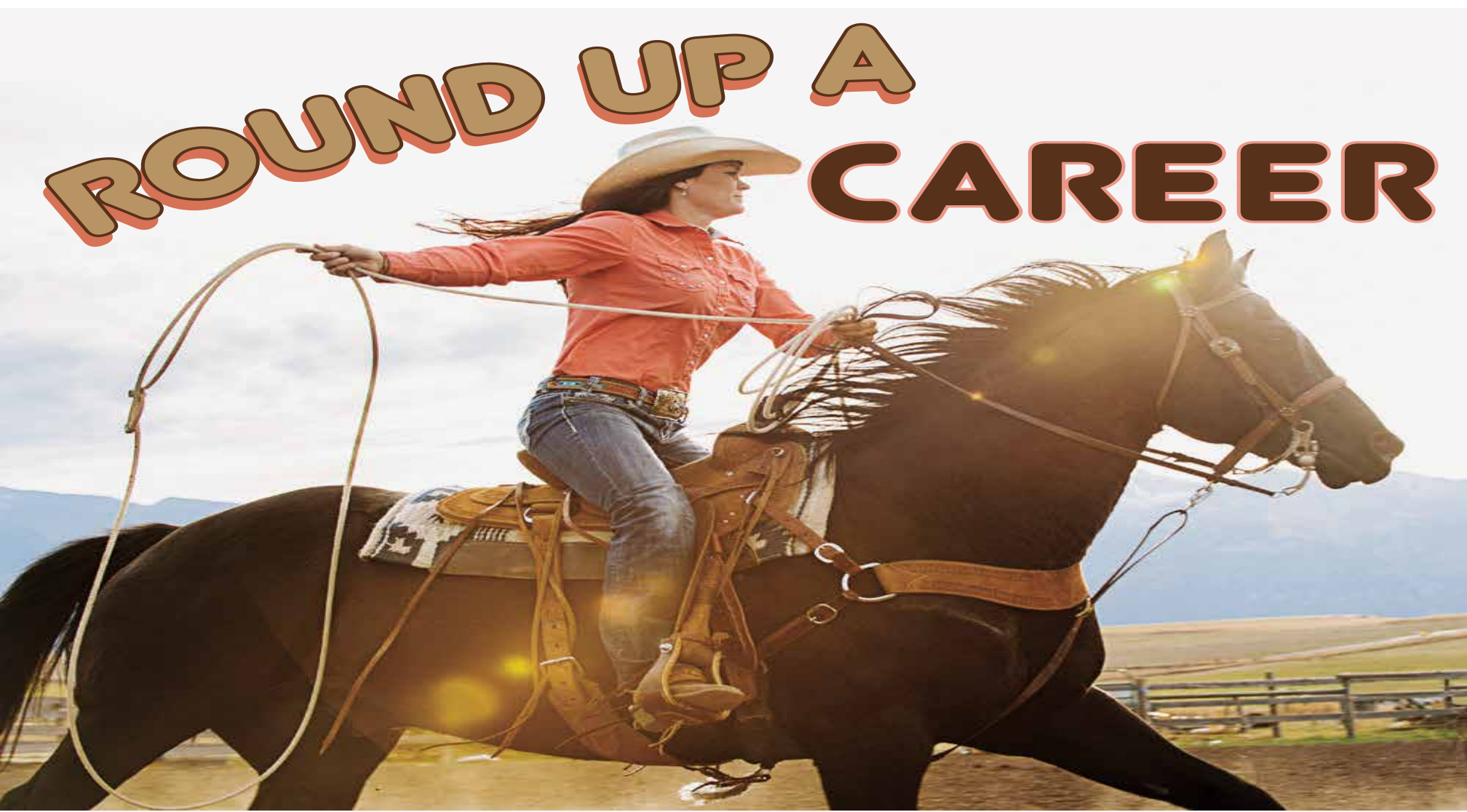
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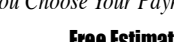
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



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Hungry Lunar Double-Up

It's said that having too many cooks spoils the soup. Also, having too many soups spoils the cook. Furthermore, as the moon leaves appetite-driven Taurus to double up in Gemini, too many of anything at all will be the temptation, the problem and also, mercifully, the thing that inspires our efficient best. Whatever you can do to scale back will bring good fortune.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). To give is a human need just as strong as the need to be nurtured and cared for sometimes. Consider the fact that when you don't let people help you, you may be stopping them from fulfilling a very real need.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Others would consider what you do very hard work. But to you, this isn't difficult at all. Your work isn't fueled by the energy of your body or mind; rather, it's fueled by your purpose, which is a high-octane fuel indeed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). One way you know that you're close with a person is that you talk to each other in a way that's developed over time into something so specific that others on the outside wouldn't even be able to make sense of it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A responsibility fell to you, not because it belonged to you so much as that you were just the most caring one around. As generous as you are, no one can give care all of the time. How can you now offload some of this?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). British philosopher Bertrand Russell said, "All movements go too far." As for you, a cause you used to be passionate about has lost luster in your mind's eye. You'll

home in on exactly why.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). This really is a wondrous place to live. If you look out the window and it's not looking so hot to you, try expanding your field of vision. Widen the view until you reconnect with your sense of appreciation and a pride of place.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's said that everyone is fighting a hard battle. When you look at some people, this is very hard to believe -- until you account for the relativity factor, that is. You'll extend compassion even when you can't relate to the problem.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Agree to make mistakes. Commit yourself to the idea. This is the path of winners. You'll succeed often, and you learn from that, but not as much as you'll learn from the mistakes, especially if you're not afraid of making them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Lazy? You wish! It would be wonderful to switch off your brain and relax. Alas, there's so much whizzing through it that the only

way to feel in sync is to be working.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Learning a new thought process will be easier when you learn a new way to move along with it. Physical movement cements knowledge. Changing how you move changes who you are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). To connect with another, you must first enter into that person's spirit. You don't have to change yourself to become more like the other person, but a little flexibility on the matter can't hurt.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You celebrate your productivity as if it's a victory in life's game. Just don't fall into the trap of believing that your worth is all tied in to that productivity. You're productive because that feels better for you. You're worthy either way.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 11). You'll do things because you want to, not because you have to. This purpose shift amps up the joy and vitality in your life. You'll make a hot deal this month and

reap the rewards for years to come. Someone keeps a promise in November. The new year features winning teams and schemes. Taurus and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 30, 28, 4 and 18.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "There's a girl I know who's a Scorpio, and ever since I met her, I've been writing poetry, music and raps and dancing and drawing. I never used to do those things before, but this girl makes me want to be super-creative. I'm a Capricorn. Do you think I should give her the things I've made and written for her? I don't want her to think I'm weird."

She's your muse! It is a remarkable gift she has given you just by being herself, as her energy has opened up new possibilities inside you. This awakening of hidden talents is beautiful, and your willingness to act on the feelings and turn them into unique expressions of you is a wonderful happening. Savor it and keep the spark alive inside you.

Whether to show her your works is a

separate issue. Go carefully, because Scorpios are very private people. If that privacy is invaded or threatened, they shut out the perpetrator with an emotional barrier that's nearly impossible to break through. Get to know her first. Establish rapport, friendship and trust before introducing her to your many talents.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: From big-band leader to leading man to "American Idol" judge, Harry Connick Jr. conducts all his affairs with a swaggering charm. Connick was born when the sun, Pluto and Uranus were in down-to-earth Virgo. His natal Mercury's being in aesthetic Libra brings him natural finesse, and having Venus and Jupiter in Leo, as he does, lends an instinct for entertaining that cannot be learned. You either "got it" or don't -- and he's got it, big-time.

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Annie's Mailbox

Housing Dictatorship

Dear Annie: I just moved into a new apartment complex and went to my first open board meeting. I am wondering whether I moved into a dictatorship. The board has only two of these meetings per year, and we were told we could speak for only three minutes. One resident asked why the manager hadn't fulfilled his obligation as stated in the guide-

lines that are given to you when you move in. Immediately, the president got red in the face and said, "We will not hear of any talk like that." Here I thought an open meeting meant you could ask questions, but evidently that's not the case here. I believe my stay will be short-lived. Annie, how would you have handled that situation? -- Bewildered

Dear Bewildered: Don't start packing just yet. Fortunately, your apartment com-

plex doesn't exist as its own separate state, and the building president doesn't get to impose whatever laws he or she wants. You have rights as a tenant. Housing laws vary by state. The web is a great starting point for finding information and resources. Knowledge is power.

Dear Annie: Recently, you responded to a letter from "Sally," who wrote that her husband, in his mid-80s, has become more controlling about money since their move to a senior residence. Though your advice to have a heart-to-heart with him was good, I would like to suggest an explanation for his behavior: dementia.

I suspected my husband was showing signs of dementia, but I brushed it off. What

really showed me that something was amiss was when he started demonstrating paranoia toward our finances and my handling of them. We had always -- over 38 years of marriage -- blended our money. Suddenly, he was putting his Social Security money into an account in only his name and calling it "his money."

I suggested we both go get tested for dementia. He was in his mid-60s, and I was probably 61 at the time. He thought I was the one with the thinking problem. It turned out he did have dementia, and his could not be cured. But many dementia-like symptoms are actually caused by something that can be cured or fixed (vitamin deficiency, drug side effects, hearing loss,

depression, etc.). It is good to get tested often to catch it early so that a temporary dementia can be fixed and a long-term dementia, such as Lewy body dementia or Alzheimer's disease, can be slowed -- or at least you can get your affairs in order and turn the finances over to the more capable partner.

If the illness is not caught early, a lot of poor decisions can be made that have lasting effects. Though Sally may just be dealing with a husband adjusting to a new home with higher rent, it would be good, considering their age, for both of them to be tested. Procrastination and denial could have devastating effects on their financial future. --

Speaking From Experience

Dear Speaking From Experience: You've raised a great point. I've passed your letter along to Sally, and I encourage any readers who are on the fence about getting tested to do so. For more information on getting tested for Alzheimer's and dementia, talk to your doctor or call the Alzheimer's Association's 24/7 Helpline, at 800-272-3900.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A play fit for a king

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 7
♥ Q J 9 6 3
♦ A J 9
♣ 8 4 3

WEST
♠ K Q J 9 6 2
♥ 5
♦ 8 7 4
♣ K Q 6

EAST
♠ 10 8 5 4 3
♥ 8
♦ K Q 6 2
♣ 7 5 2

SOUTH
♠ —
♥ A K 10 7 4 2
♦ 10 5 3
♣ A J 10 9

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♥ 2♠ 4♥
4♠ 5

Opening lead — king of spades.

Declarer does not have the advantage of seeing the defenders' cards at the start of a hand, but he will usually do just as well in most deals as if he saw all 52 cards from the outset. Many hands play themselves, and declarer achieves par without much bother.

But other hands require considerable skill in the play, and these are the ones that not only pose a distinct challenge, but are enormously satisfying for the real student of the game.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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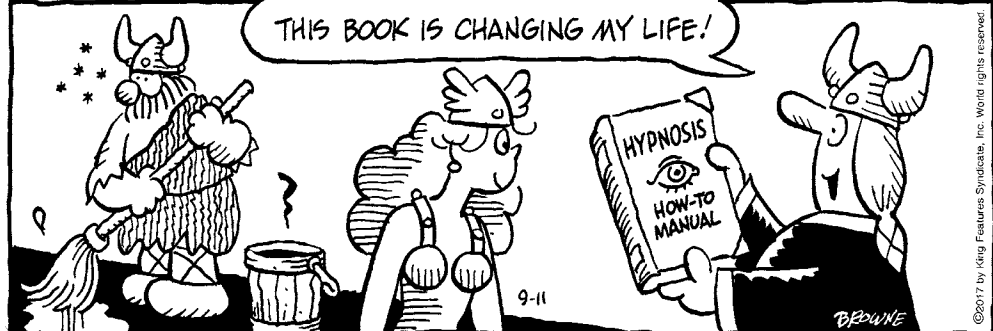
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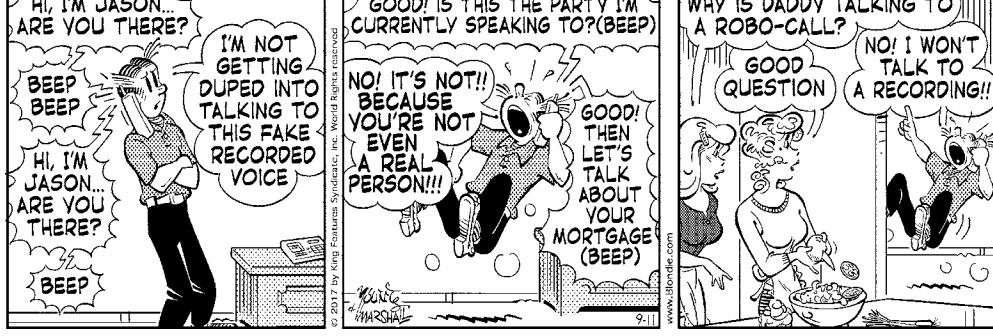
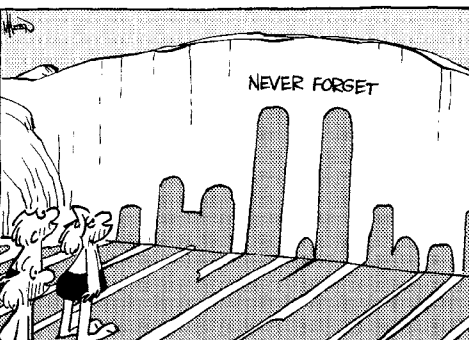
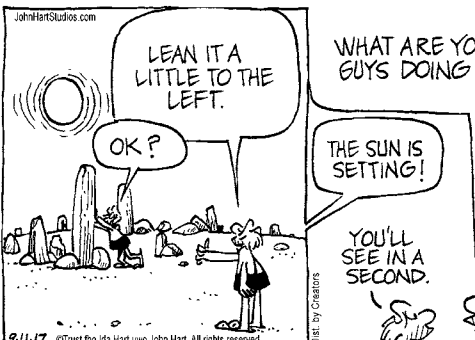


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“No, but you're almost right. Guess again.”

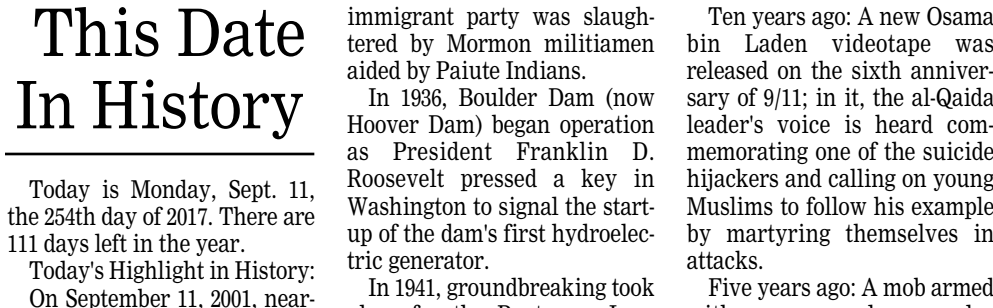
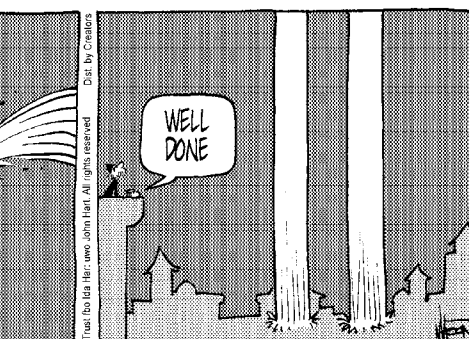
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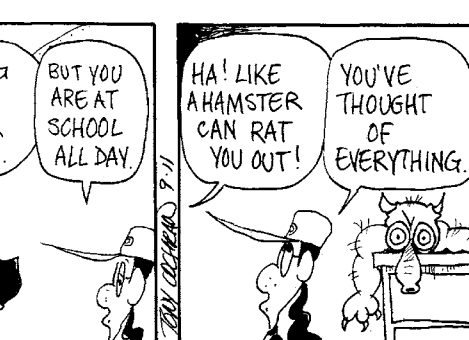
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Today is Monday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 2017. There are 111 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 people were killed as 19 al-Qaida hijackers seized control of four jetliners, sending two of the planes into New York's World Trade Center, one into the Pentagon and the fourth into a field in western Pennsylvania.

On this date: In 1297, Scottish rebels led by William Wallace and Andrew Moray defeated English troops in the Battle of Stirling Bridge during the First War of Scottish Independence. In 1714, the forces of King Philip V of Spain overcame Catalan defenders to end the 13-month-long Siege of Barcelona during the War of the Spanish Succession.

In 1789, Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury. In 1814, an American fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812. In 1857, the Mountain Meadows Massacre took place in present-day southern Utah as a 120-member Arkansas

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Ten years ago: A new Osama bin Laden videotape was released on the sixth anniversary of 9/11; in it, the al-Qaida leader's voice is heard commemorating one of the suicide hijackers and calling on young Muslims to follow his example by martyring themselves in attacks.

Five years ago: A mob armed with guns and grenades launched a fiery nightlong attack on a U.S. diplomatic outpost and a CIA annex in Benghazi, Libya, killing U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans. President Barack Obama and Republican rival Mitt Romney toned down the campaign rhetoric and pulled negative ads amid commemorations of the 9/11 attacks, saying it was not a day for politics.

In 1954, the Miss America pageant made its network TV debut on ABC; Miss California, Lee Meriwether, was crowned the winner.

In 1967, the comedy-variety program "The Carol Burnett Show" premiered on CBS.

In 1974, Eastern Airlines Flight 212, a DC-9, crashed while attempting to land in Charlotte, North Carolina, killing 72 of the 82 people on board.

In 1985, Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds cracked career hit number 4,192 off Eric Show (rhymes with "how") of the San Diego Padres, eclipsing the record held by Ty Cobb. (The Reds won the game, 2-0).

In 1997, Scots voted to create their own Parliament after 290 years of union with England.

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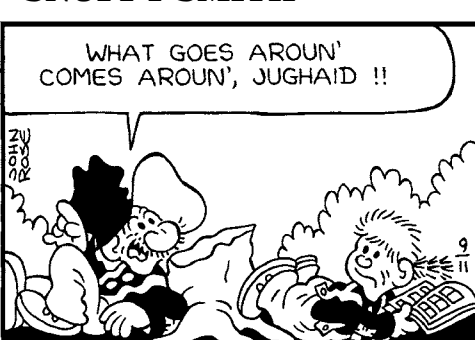
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| 10 Highway exit | 68 Grad | 10 Baton-passing track competition | 41 Prefix for vision or scope |
| 14 _ colada (cocktail) | 69 Licorice-flavored herb | 11 Dry as a desert | 46 Ebbs |
| 15 Stick out like _ thumb | 70 Female singing voice | 12 Keep in _ (remember) | 49 Cuddly, purring animal |
| 16 One of the Great Lakes | 71 Fence opening | 13 Parakeets and poodles | 51 Touchdown caller, for short |
| 17 Omelet ingredients | 72 Midterms and finals | 21 Resort with hot springs | 53 Plane without a pilot |
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| 23 French-style pancake | 3 Enrage | 31 Scored 100 percent on | 59 Luau dance |
| 24 Broadway show award | 4 En _ (as a group) | 32 Loch _ monster | 60 Border on |
| 26 Helper: Abbr. | 5 Most friendly | 33 Practice for a | 62 Colored part of the eye |
| 29 Plaid kilt pattern | 6 India's continent | 61 Across | 63 Enthusiasm |
| 33 Break sharply | 7 Foolish person | 34 Long river ending in Egypt | 64 Lowest pair in a |
| 37 Small fruit pie | | 35 Hertz competitor | 36 Down |
| 39 Marinara or pesto | | | |
| 40 Turn on one foot | | | |
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| 43 Farmland measures | | | |
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Fournette and Campbell lead way in win over Texans

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HOUSTON — Jacksonville got its first season-opening win since 2011 thanks to a pair of players making their Jaguars debuts.

Fourth overall pick Leonard Fournette ran for 100 yards and a touchdown and free-agent acquisition Calais Campbell had four of Jacksonville's franchise-record 10 sacks in a 29-7 win over the Houston Texans on Sunday.

"I think it shows the young guys that we can do really good if we do it the right way and believe a little bit," said Campbell, who joined the Jaguars after nine years with the Cardinals. "Sometimes it takes a couple of big wins for you to really believe. But this is just one win, and it doesn't mean anything if you don't go out there and play next week."

Campbell's four sacks were the most by a Jaguars player and Fournette became the first player in Jacksonville history to have at least 100 yards rushing and a touchdown in his first game.

"Everybody kept talking about how great their defense was, but I believe in my O-line," Fournette said. "They did an excellent job today."

Blake Bortles threw for 125 yards and a touchdown and Dante Fowler returned a fumble 53 yards for a score

as the Jaguars snapped a six-game skid against Houston.

A 42-yard field goal by Jason Myers made it 3-0 in the first quarter and he added one from 25 yards early in the second.

The Texans punted on their first four possessions, and the fifth one ended when Tom Savage fumbled on a sack by Yannick Ngakoue and the Jaguars recovered the ball.

Fournette added his 1-yard touchdown after that, but the kick failed, leaving Jacksonville up 12-0.

Coach Doug Marrone was impressed with his performance, but is stressing to him the importance of not letting opponents get under his skin.

"That's the only thing I spoke to him about," Marrone said. "Stay focused. Stay in your game. Don't let them get you out of your game."

Some things to know about the Jaguars-Texans game:

UNCERTAIN WEEK

Jacksonville's plans for the week were uncertain as Hurricane Irma made landfall on Sunday and threatened to affect all of Florida. Teams normally return home immediately after games, but the Jaguars were staying in Houston on Sunday night and will decide what their next step is on Monday.

The storm could also affect their

game next Sunday with the Jaguars scheduled to host Tennessee.

QUARTERBACK CONTROVERSY
The Texans, who have had a revolving door at quarterback in recent years, face a quarterback controversy heading into Thursday's game against the Bengals after Tom Savage was benched at halftime for rookie Deshaun Watson.

Coach Bill O'Brien wouldn't reveal who would start on Thursday, adding that he needed more time to make a decision.

Both quarterbacks committed two turnovers working under near-constant pressure Sunday. Watson gave Houston its only touchdown when he connected with DeAndre Hopkins on a 4-yard pass in the third quarter.

Savage said it was difficult to be benched, but that he'll be prepared for whatever role he's put in next week.

"As a competitor, you want to be out there," Savage said. "I worked my tail off for this. But I wouldn't trade any of those guys ... for anybody. They're my guys, I've got this team's back and like I said I'll be ready to go."

WATT'S RETURN

Houston's J.J. Watt played for the first time since Sept. 22 after missing 13 games last season after back surgery, but injured his finger in the first half and finished with just one tackle.

He thrilled the crowd during an

emotional pregame ceremony devoted to victims of Hurricane Harvey when he carried a Texas flag onto the field as he was introduced, and was disappointed the team didn't put on a better show for the fans.

"It's not good when that's the highlight of your day," he said. "That was a good moment and it was downhill from there for the rest of the day. I need to play a lot better football and obviously we all need to play a lot better football."

INJURIES

Jaguars receiver Allen Robinson is out for the season after tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee on Sunday, according to a person familiar with the situation. The person spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because the team had not released details of Robinson's injury. Robinson landed awkwardly on his left knee while making a catch in the first quarter and did not return.

Houston linebacker Brian Cushing, tight ends Ryan Griffin, C.J. Fiedorowicz and Stephen Anderson and receiver Bruce Ellington all left the game with concussions.

The Texans might have to promote Evan Baylis from the practice squad for Thursday's game with all three of their tight ends in the concussion protocol this week.

DALLAS

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outgained in the first half 265-49, with just two first downs, while falling behind 16-0.

"We have plenty of players who can make plays on the offense outside of Odell," coach Ben McAdoo said. "That's no excuse."

Manning was 28 of 37 for 211 yards with an interception and connected with new receiver Brandon Marshall just once, late on a desperation drive with the outcome already settled.

Witten scored the Cowboys' first touchdown on a 12-yard catch and finished with seven catches for 59. Witten, already the franchise leader in catches, now has 1,096 receptions for 11,947 yards.

The 35-year-old Witten is the only tight end other than Tony Gonzalez with at least 1,000 catches and 10,000 yards. He broke Irvin's record on an 11-yard catch early in the second quarter.

Elliott had to work for his yards after the crowd cheered loudly when he was introduced and kept up the "Zeke" calls while he made his trademark feed-me gesture after first downs. His biggest play was a 30-yard catch-and-run, easily the most open field he saw against one of the league's best run defenses a year ago.

"I think every person (who is) a part of the Cowboys was lifted by that decision," owner Jerry Jones said of Friday's court ruling. "Although he was playing in this game no matter what, the idea that we could have him for an extended period of time was certainly inspirational."

The Giants had a nearly 10-minute drive to start the second half but settled for Aldrick Rosas' 25-yard field goal after a second-down

sack of Manning, Dallas' third of the game and the first of Charles Tapper's career. DeMarcus Lawrence had two sacks for Dallas.

Anthony Brown all but sealed the win for the Cowboys when he was the first to get his hands on a throw from Manning and won a tug-of-war with Roger Lewis Jr. for the interception midway through the fourth quarter.

DID YOU SEE THAT?

Dallas receiver Cole Beasley made a crazy catch in the fourth quarter to keep a drive alive. He got his hand on a wobbly ball as he was approaching the sideline and reached behind his head with his left hand, trapping the ball against his shoulder pads and helmet as he tip-toed inbounds. Beckham seemed impressed, offering a subtle nod.

ELI'S TARGETS

With Beckham missing, running back Shane Vereen led all receivers with nine catches and had 51 yards. Rookie first-round pick Evan Engram, a tight end, had four catches for 44 yards. Second-year receiver Sterling Shepard had seven catches, but for just 44 yards. Lewis had four grabs for 54 yards.

LONG TIME COMING

Jaylon Smith made his debut for Dallas after missing his rookie year recovering from a knee injury in his final game at Notre Dame. He was second to All-Pro Sean Lee with seven tackles and forced the game's only fumble.

INJURIES

Cowboys: CB Orlando Scandrick broke a bone in his hand in the second quarter. The Cowboys are hopeful the injury won't keep him out long.

UP NEXT

Giants: Home against Detroit (1-0) on Monday night next week.

Cowboys: At Denver on Sunday.



Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten catches a touchdown pass in front of New York Giants cornerback Eli Apple in the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, in Arlington, Texas.

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