

County tax hearing draws no commenters

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The final public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tax rate for Howard County, held Monday evening in the Howard County Courthouse, lasted less than five minutes. No one from the public showed up to comment on the proposed tax rate.

County commissioners had previously met Sept. 11 for the first public hearing on the proposed rate of 44 cents per \$100 valuation; no one showed up for that meeting,

either. County

Wiseman called day's meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.; and, after asking press and a videographer who was recording the

Wiseman

if they would like to comment and receiving negative responses, promptly adjourned.

Judge Kathryn

proceedings

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"Having no one attending

this meeting, and having no replenish the county's fund comments to address, I am saying 'We are adjourned,'" she said.

The rate of 44 cents is the same as the current tax rate. but due to shifting property values, is slightly higher than the effective tax rate of 43.1259 cents per \$100 valuation. That means that if the new rate is ultimately adopted, the county should take in about \$250,000 more than it did this fiscal year. Wiseman has previously noted that commissioners plan to use the additional funds to

balance, which was depleted by expenditures this year.

After the meeting, Wiseman confirmed that the tax rate is not set in stone at this point.

"We have to vote on it, and we'll be doing that at our next commissioner's court meeting," she said. The meeting is scheduled for next Monday, Sept. 25, at 3:30 p.m., and will take place in the third-floor courtroom at the courthouse.

Wiseman denied that making comments to county commissioners is a futile effort.

"That's not true, and it's never been true of county government," she said. "County government has always been responsive to the public, and we try to accommodate the public in every way."

In addition to next Monday's regular meeting, commissioners will meet briefly Thursday at 10 a.m. to approve the county payroll for the current two-week pay period.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

Howard **County Fair** returns this month

By AMBER MANSFIELD

Staff Writer

Music, vendors, and rides! Oh my! The Howard County Fair in Big Spring is back, presenting the opportunity to get out and shop, eat, and have a ball with a variety of attractions offered. This year's fair boasts live music, lawn tractor pulls, dance and cheer shows, fair food, and shopping vendors.

The Howard County Fair opens to the public Sept. 28, 2017, at 5 p.m. and will run until Sept. 30. The fair barns are located just south of the intersection of FM 700 and Business 20 in Big Spring. Children five and younger can enter the fair free. Prices for children 6 to 12 years of age is \$3, and adults are \$5; wristbands for main event inflatables are \$5. "We will have bouncy houses this year instead of the carnival," said Linda Adams, new to the Fair Board. "But the spectacles will be just as fun and entertaining as ever. So come out and have yourself a good time." All entries for events and competitions will be accepted Tuesday Sept. 26, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. A list of competitions and their entry forms can be found at: hcfair.org. This year's fair features a whole range of different competitions for all ages. One competition is called "Grandparents Corner," where grandparents bring that favorite 8x10 snapshot of their grandchild. Two other photo competitions are "Kids Do the Darndest Thing," and the "Favorite Family Pet." Some of the other competitions at this year's fair include: the Fair Queen contest, a baked goods contest, Kountry Kids contest, and a fine arts competition. With some of that winning money, make sure to stop by the newly air-conditioned fair barn, where you can not only do some preholiday shopping, but also do a little self indulging. There will be arts and crafts booths, décor, furniture, clothing highlights, and the 80-plus vendors will also be there at there fair. And when you get hungry from all that shopping you don't even have to leave to fill

Coahoma ISD helps out





up. The fair's food can be See FAIR,

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Photo courtesy of Coahoma ISD media

CHS varsity football players and cheerleaders display a ceremonial \$1,800 check for La Porte ISD Friday before the Bulldog football game. During last week, Coahoma ISD students and staff raised money to give to the south Texas school district as part of Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.

Coahoma ISD's Hurricane Harvey relief effort fundraiser tops \$2,200

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA - On Friday night in Bulldog stadium, the Coahoma High School cheerleading squad and members of the varsity football team displayed a ceremonial \$1,800 check to symbolize funds raised last week by students and staff to help with Hurricane Harvey relief efforts. By the end of the game, donations had topped \$2,200.

The money will be given to La Porte ISD, a school district located in Harris County on the coastline of Texas. As a sign of support for their fellow South Texan Bulldogs, the varsity boys wore their infrared specialty jerseys. In addition, they wore Texas decals on their helmets benefiting Hurricane

Harvey relief efforts.

"These jerseys symbolized the blending of the red Coahoma Bulldogs and the orange La Porte Bulldogs," said Coahoma ISD Superintendent Dr. Amy Jacobs. "It was

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UN chief: Nuclear threat at highest level since Cold War

By EDITH M. LEDERER

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres warned the world's leaders Tuesday that the threat of a nuclear attack is at its highest level since the end of the Cold War and "fiery talk can lead to fatal misunderstandings."

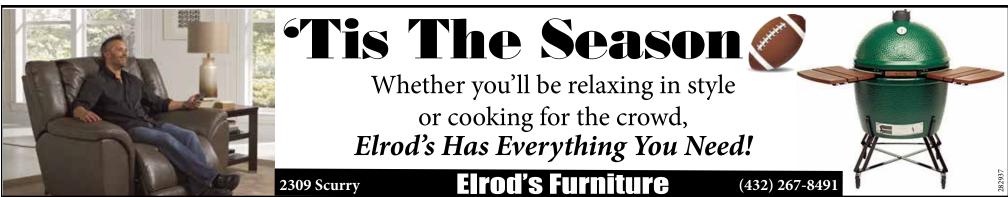
In his first state-of-the-world re-

port since taking the reins of the United Nations on Jan. 1, Guterres put "nuclear peril" as the leading threat warning that "we must not sleepwalk our way into war."

The U.N. chief told presidents, prime ministers and monarchs at the opening of the General Assembly's annual ministerial meeting that millions of people are living in fear "under a shadow of dread cast by the provocative nuclear and missile tests" of North Korea.

His message on "fiery" rhetoric was implicitly directed at North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un, but also at the United States and President Donald Trump, who has warned of "fire and fury" if North Korea does not back down.

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Obituaries

Arnulfo "A.C." Chavera Sr.



Arnulfo "A.C." Chavera Sr., 57, died Thursday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Arnulfo was born on Feb. 16, 1960, to Felipa Gonzales Chavera and Manuel Chavera in Pearsall, Tex-

as. He lived most of his life in Big Spring. He worked for 25 years at 87 Auto Sales and at Credit World prior to that. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

He is survived by wife Rosemary Chavera of

The Big Spring Police Departnent reported the following acivity:

• AMBER DAWN JOHNSON, 27, of 1601 Lexington Ave. Apt. B was arrested on warrants for theft of service \$750 to \$2,500, making an overly wide right turn, failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and drivng with an invalid license.

 JUSTIN ANTHONY ALMA-ZAN, 21, of 2602 Barksdale Drive Big Spring; three sons, Arnulfo Chavera Jr. (Tiffany) and Mark Chavera (Nicole Juarez), all of Big Spring, and Gabriel Salazar of Pearsall; four daughters, Amy Chavera (Esteban Gandara), Teresa Chavera (Jeffrey Robles), Jessica Chavera (Daniel Ortiz), and Stephanie Chavera (Nathan Ritz), all of Big Spring; one brother, Rodrigo Chavera of Big Spring; five sisters, Irene Flores of Big Spring, Maria Gutierrez (Benito), Consuelo Rodriguez, Gloria Gallardo, and Ermenia Chavera, all of Pearsall; 32 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Marcos Chavera; and one sister, Yolanda Gutierrez.

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

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license with no insurance.

Police blotter

was arrested on a warrant for theft of property \$750 to \$2,500; and on another outstanding warrant.

 SHIMEON RASHAD MAG-ERS, 34, of 1200 E. 15th St. was arrested on a warrant for theft of service \$500 to \$1,500.

 DONNI KAY ROBERTSON, 32, of 102 Merrick Rd. was arrested on two outstanding warrants.

 TOMMY RAY ESPARZA, 52, of 2003 Douglas in Midland was

Take Note

• Big Spring's Bowl-A-Rama, 3318 E. Interstate 20, will hold a fundraiser for the Salvation Army from 4 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21. Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit hurricane disaster victims through a national Salvation Army program. Entry fee is \$10 per person, or \$40 per family up to six people. The entry fee allows unlimited bowling during the fundraiser time slot, and includes shoe rental.

•The Big Spring ISD's Parent Involvement Committee will hold its first meeting of the 2017-2018 school year on Monday, Sept. 25, in the Big Spring High School Library from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend. If you would like a seat on the committee, please contact George Bancroft at 432-264-3600. Go Steers!

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Harding Street.

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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 3td 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

Nell Hopper

Nell Hopper, 92, of Big Spring died Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at Big Spring Center for Skilled Care. Graveside Service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Evergreen Chapel in Stanton, Texas.

Joe Ward

Joe Ward, 61, of Colorado City, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

• TOMMY RAY ESPARZA, 52, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for driving with a suspended or invalid license.

• AMBER DAWN JOHNSON, 27, was booked by BSPD on warrants for theft of service \$750 to \$2,500, making an overly wide right turn, failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and driving with an invalid license.

JUSTIN ANTHONY ALMAZAN, 21, was booked by BSPD on warrants for theft of property \$750 to \$2,500, and bail jumping/failure to appear.

• SHIMEON RASHAD MAGERS, 34, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for theft of service \$500 to \$1,500.

• DONNI KAY ROBERTSON, 32, was booked by BSPD on a parole violation warrant and a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear.

• SCOTT VELL AUTRY, 35, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for failure to appear for manufacture/ delivery of a controlled substance 1 to 4 grams.

• ROWDY ANDRES CHAVEZ, 23, was booked by BSPD on a charge of assault/family violence.

• MARISSA LEIGH RAMIREZ, 21. was booked by BSPD on a charge of assault/family violence (threat or offensive touch).

Support Groups

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.

• 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. 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

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.

ages. The organization is requesting volunteers p.m. until 9 p.m.

to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

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• 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 • Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8

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Guterres said a solution to the North Korea must be political and stressed to leaders: "This is a time for statesmanship."

Beyond the nuclear threat, Guterres painted a grim picture of a troubled world facing grave challenges with many people "hurting and angry" because they "see insecurity rising, inequality growing, conflict spreading and climate changing."

"Societies are fragmented," he said. "Political discourse is polarized. Trust within and among countries is being driven down by those who demonize and divide."

"We are a world in pieces," Guterres said. "We need to be a world at peace."

But Guterres said there are seven threats and tests that stand in the way: nuclear

peril, terrorism, unresolved conflicts and systematic violations of international humanitarian law, climate change, rising inequality, unintended consequences of innovation, and people on the move. These issues are expected to dominate the sixday meeting. But on day one the spotlight is expected to be on Trump and French leader Emmanuel Macron who are also making their debuts at the General Assembly.

Many world leaders, concerned about U.S. priorities and role in the world, will get their first chance to hear and meet Trump. He is scheduled to speak after Guterres and Brazil's president, who for more than 35 years has been the first leader to address the 193-member General Assembly. Brazilian President Michel Temer, charged last week with obstruction of justice and leading a criminal organization, flew to New

York on Monday to continue the tradition, according to his office.

Another key speaker Tuesday is Qatari Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani. His country has been accused by a group of Arab nations, including Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, of supporting terrorist groups - an allegation Qatar denies.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu are also scheduled to address the assembly.

Not far behind North Korea on the list of issues needing urgent international attention is the plight of Myanmar's Rohingya Muslims, victims of what Guterres calls a campaign of "ethnic cleansing" that has driven nearly 400,000 to flee into Bangladesh in the past three weeks.

nic cleansing from Guterres and the U.N. human rights chief, Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi earlier Tuesday defended the government and said her country does not fear international scrutiny. She invited diplomats to see some areas for themselves.

Guterres told leaders in his General Assembly speech that "I take note" of Suu Kyi's speech.

"We are all shocked by the dramatic escalation of sectarian tensions in Myanmar's Rakhine State," he said. "The authorities in Myanmar must end the military operations, and allow unhindered humanitarian access. They must also address the grievances of the Rohingya, whose status has been left unresolved for far too long."

The secretary-general has repeatedly focused on the major challenge posed by climate change.

The world leaders gathered as Hurricane Maria, a Category 5 storm, smashed the small Caribbean nation of Dominica with 160 mph winds. It ripped the roof off even the prime minister's residence and caused what he called "mind-boggling" devastation. The storm was on a track to strike Puerto Rico on Wednesday. On Monday, Guterres and top government officials from several countries devastated by the other Category 5 storm, Hurricane Irma, addressed a hastily called U.N. meeting and appealed for help to rebuild following that storm's destruction. Guterres called this year's hurricane season "the most violent on record" and warned that extreme weather linked to climate change is having an impact all over the world, "including floods in southern Asia and landslides and droughts in Africa."

Facing accusations of eth-

GOP expresses hope for Obamacare repeal bill, hurdles remain

By ALAN FRAM Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP)

– Top Senate Republicans say their lastditch push to uproot former President Barack Obama's health care law is gaining momentum. But they have less than two weeks to succeed and face a tough fight to win enough GOP support to reverse the summer's self-inflicted defeat on the party's high-priority issue.

"We feel pretty good about it," Sen. Bill Cassidy, R-La., a leader of the effort along with Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said Monday.

"He's the grave robber," No. 3 Senate GOP leader John Thune of South Dakota said of Cassidy. "This thing was six feet under" but

now has "a lot of very positive buzz," Thune said.

140-page The bill would replace much of Obama's law with block grants to states, giving them wide leeway on spending the money, and would cut and reshape Medicaid. It would let states set their own coverage health requirements, allow insurers to boost premiums on people with serious medical conditions and end Obama's mandates that most Americans buy insurance and that companies offer coverage to workers.

Democrats With unanimously against the bill, Republicans commanding the Senate 52-48 would lose if just three GOP senators are opposed. That proved a

bridge too far in July, when three attempts to pass similar measures fell short and delivered an embarrassing defeat President Donald to Trump and Senate Majority Leader Mitch Mc-Connell, R-Ky.

McConnell said he'd not bring another alternative to the Senate floor unless he knew he had the 50 votes needed. Vice President Mike Pence would cast the tie-breaking vote.

On Tuesday, Pence planned to briefly leave United Nations his meetings in New York to attend the Senate Republican policy lunch Washington, and in then return to the U.N. later in the day.

For Senate Republican leaders, a victory would allow them to claim re-

demption on their "repeal and replace" effort. The House approved its version of the bill in May.

Democrats backed by doctors, hospitals, and patients' groups mustered an all-out effort to smother the GOP drive, warning of millions losing coverage and others facing skimpier policies.

Sixteen patients groups including the American Heart Association and the March of Dimes said they opposed it, as did the American College of Physicians and the Children's Hospital Association.

Potentially complicating the GOP drive, the Congressional Budget Office said it won't have crucial estimates on the bill's impact on coverage ready for several weeks.

Special procedures protecting the GOP bill from filibusters — which take 60 votes to block — expire Sept. 30, and after that Democratic opposition would guarantee its defeat. Some wavering Republican senators could want the nonpartisan budget office's analysis before feeling comfortable about the measure's impact back home.

All but daring Republicans to vote without the budget office figures, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said voting without that information would be "legislative malpractice at the highest."

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a proud moment to see our community come together and support our fellow Texans as they rebuild and re-

"This shows real leadership, planning and compassion for others from our young scholars."

The fundraiser became a house challenge throughout the district. This is the first year Coahoma ISD has instituted a house system, a technique used by schools across the country to help build character through teamwork and individual responsibility. Points are given to houses throughout the year based on many aspects from attendance and grades to classroom activities. Semper Fortis came out as the house winner with more than \$670 collected during the week. Semper Sperabo recorded the second highest amount, with almost \$400 collected. The money will be given directly to La Porte ISD sometime this week.

pair from the destruction wrought by Hurricane Harvey.

"I know our staff greatly empathizes with teachers, students and families who may have been affected," Jacobs continued. "We hope this donation can, in some small way, help the students and community of La Porte ISD regain a little of what they lost from the hurricane."

During the past week, Coahoma ISD held a coin drive and hosted a special Hat Day where students and staff paid \$1 to wear hats during school. The idea for this fundraiser originated from the Coahoma Elementary School student council.

"I have to give a big pat on the back to Brynn McJimsey and her elementary student council for coming up with this fundraiser," Jacobs said.

Coahoma ISD is a public school district located in east Howard County providing pre-k through high school education for the city of Coahoma and surrounding area. The school district serves approximately 1,000 students.

FAIR

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a spectacle all in itself. The fair boasts meals such as fish tacos, burgers with ribbon fries, bratwurst, brisket, and BBQ. Those with a sweet tooth, don't worry. The fair offers fun-

nel cakes, fried Oreos, and cotton candy among other things. Make sure all beer lovers stop by the Fair's Beer Garden before going to enjoy the live entertainment.

The Entertainment in the Bowl starts at 6 p.m. and features musicians Clay Walker and Deryl Dodd.

"They are sure to be to the entertainment of the night," said Barney Dodds of VIP Sports Getaway. VIP advance tickets for this event are available on: subwire. com or from Ward's Western Wear in Big Spring.





KBYG & KXCS Broadcasting Schedule

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

<u>6:00 pm - 8:00 pm</u> Wild West Wingz Wonderful World of Sports **KBYG AM/FM**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd

<u>6:00 pm</u> Mitch McLemore Coach's Show (Big Spring)

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<u>7:00 pm</u> Big Spring Football vs. Canyon **KBYG AM/FM**

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Fierce storms haven't slowed growth along US coastlines

By JEFF DONN

AP National Writer Rising sea levels and fierce storms have failed to stop relentless population growth along U.S. coasts in recent years, a new Associated Press analysis shows. The latest punishing hurricanes scored bull's-eyes on two of the country's fastest growing regions: coastal Texas around Houston and resort areas of southwest Florida.

Nothing seems to curb America's appetite for life near the sea, especially in the warmer climates of the South.

Coastal development destroys natural barriers such as islands and wetlands, promotes erosion and flooding, and positions more buildings and people in the path of future destruction, according to researchers and policy advisers who study hurricanes.

"History gives us a lesson, but we don't always learn from it," said Graham Tobin, a disaster researcher at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

That city took a glancing hit from Hurricane Irma — one of the most intense U.S. hurricanes in years — but suffered less flooding and damage than some other parts of the state.

In 2005, coastal communities took heed of more than 1,800 deaths and \$108 billion in damages from Hurricane Katrina, one of the worst disasters in U.S. history. Images of New Orleans under water elicited solemn resolutions that such a thing should never happen again — until Superstorm Sandy inundated lower Manhattan in 2012.

Last year, Hurricane Matthew spread more deaths, flooding and blackouts across Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas.

From 2010-2016, major hurricanes and tropical storms are blamed for more than 280 deaths and \$100 billion in damages, according to data from the federal National Centers for Environmental Information.

Harvey, another historically big hurricane, flooded sections of Houston in recent weeks. Four counties around Houston, where growth has been buoyed by the oil business, took the full force of the storm. The population of those counties expanded by 12 percent from 2010 to 2016, to a total of 5.3 million people, the AP analysis shows.

During the same years, two of Florida's fastest-growing coastline counties — retirement-friendly Lee and Manatee, both south of Tampa welcomed 16 percent more people. That area took a second direct hit from Irma after it made first landfall in the Florida Keys, where damage was far more devastating.

Overall growth of 10 percent in Texas Gulf counties and 9 percent along Florida's coasts during the same period was surpassed only by South Carolina. Its seaside population, led by the Myrtle Beach area of Horry County, ballooned by more than 13 percent.

Nationally, coastline counties grew an average of 5.6 percent since 2010, while inland counties gained just 4 percent.

This recent trend tracks with decades of development along U.S. coasts. Between 1960 and 2008, the national coastline population rose by 84 percent, compared with 64 percent inland, according to the Census Bureau.

Cindy Gerstner, a retiree from the inland mountains of upstate New York, moved to a new home in January in Dunedin, Florida, west of Tampa. The ranch house sits on a flood plain three blocks from a sound off the Gulf of Mexico. She was told it hadn't flooded in 20 years — and she wasn't worried anyway.

"I never gave it a thought," she said during a visit back to New York as Irma raked Florida. "I always wanted to live down there. I always thought people who lived in California on earthquake faults were foolish."

Her enthusiasm for her new home was undiminished by Irma, which broke her fence and knocked out power but left her house dry.

In Horry County, where 19 percent growth has led all of South Carolina coastline counties, Irma caused only minor coastal flooding.

The county's low property taxes are made possible by rapid development and tourism fees, allowing retirees from the North and Midwest to live more cheaply. Ironically, punishing hurricanes farther south in recent years has pushed some Northerners known locally as "half-backers" to return halfway home from Florida



AP photo

In this Sept. 10, 2017, photo, waves crash over a seawall at the mouth of the Miami River from Biscayne Bay, Fla., as Hurricane Irma passes by in Miami. Rising sea levels and fierce storms have failed to stop relentless population growth along U.S. coasts in recent years, a new Associated Press analysis shows. The latest punishing hurricanes scored bull's-eyes on two of the country's fastest growing regions: coastal Texas around Houston and resort areas of southwest Florida.

and to resettle in coastal South Carolina.

Add the area's moderate weather, appealing golf courses, and long white strands — the county is home to Myrtle Beach — and maybe no one can slow development there. "I don't see how you do it," said Johnny Vaught, vice chairman of the county council. "The only thing you can do is modulate it, so developments are well designed."

Strong building codes with elevation and drainage requirements, careful emergency preparations, and a good network of roads for evacuation help make the area more resilient to big storms, said the council chairman, Mark Lazarus. Such measures give people "a sense of comfort," said Laura Crowther, CEO of the local Coastal Carolina Association of Realtors. The Federal Emergency Management Agency helps recovery efforts with community relief and flood insurance payments. The agency did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

It provides community grants for projects aimed at avoiding future losses. Some projects elevate properties, build flood barriers, or strengthen roofs and windows against high winds. Others purchase properties subject to repeated damage and allow owners to move.

But coastline communities face more storm threats in the future.

Global warming from human-generated greenhouse gases is melting polar ice and elevating sea levels at an increasing pace, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. That amplifies storm surges and other flooding. Also, some climate models used by scientists predict stronger, more frequent hurricanes as another effect of global warming in coming decades. "There will be some real challenges for coastal towns," predicted Jamie Kruse, director of the Center for Natural Hazards Research at East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina. "We'll see some of these homes that are part of their tax base becoming unlivable."

Hazard researchers said they see nothing in the near term to reverse the trend toward bigger storm losses. As a stopgap, communities should cease building new high-rises on the oceanfront, said Robert Young, director of the Program for the Study of Developed Shorelines at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina.

He said big changes probably will not happen unless multiple giant storms overwhelm federal and state budgets. "The reason why this development still continues is that people are making money doing it," he said. "Communities are still increasing their tax base — and that's what politicians like."

Risk researchers say more is needed. "We're getting better at emergency response," said Tobin at the University of South Florida. "We're not so good at long-term control of urban development in hazardous areas."



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NATION/WORLD

on threat to disrupt **St. Louis business**

By JIM SALTER

Associated Press ST. LOUIS (AP) -When a former police officer was acquitted in the fatal shooting of a black suspect, protesters vowed to show their disdain by disrupting business in downtown St. Louis. They quickly

succeeded. The unrest that followed Friday's ruling closed large corporate offices, shut down restaurants and bars and even forced U2 to call off a concert that would have drawn 50,000 fans into the heart of the city. And protest organizers may not be done.

The demonstrations engulfed the St. Louis region after a judge acquitted Jason Stockley of first-degree murder in the 2011 death of 24-year-old Anthony Lamar Smith. Within hours, downtown came to a standstill as marching protesters blocked traffic. The demonstrations went on through the weekend, with protest crowds swelling to thousands of people and spilling into a posh area of restaurants and bars in western St. Louis, the hip Delmar Loop area of nearby University City and even into two shopping malls.

More than 140 people were arrested.

The protests forced U2 to cancel a concert at the Edward Jones Dome, St. Louis' largest venue. Police said they could not provide normal protection because of the unrest, the band and concert promoter Live Nation said in a statement.

Singer Ed Sheeran also called off a show. The St. Louis Symphony and a Shakespearean Theatre group canceled

tem," Reagan said. "This is not new to St. Louis or unique to St. Louis,

but this is a challenge." Many business owners are dealing with more than lost time or canceled events. Police said nearly two dozen businesses were damaged Saturday night in University City, mostly by having their windows broken. On Sunday, more windows were broken in downtown St. Louis, and several large decorative pots with plants were smashed.

Chris Rubin de la Borbolla, owner of a clothing, jewelry and accessories store in University City, said his broken window will probably cost him at least \$2,000. Damage to merchandise will cost him about \$2,000 more.

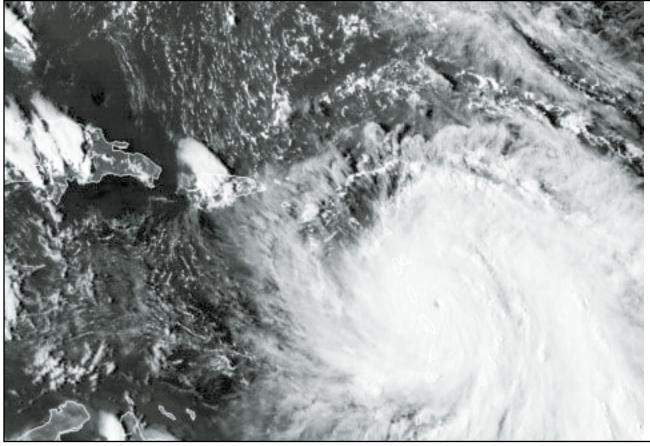
Joe Edwards, owner of the Blueberry Hill restaurant and concert venue and many other Delmar Loop businesses, said he was particularly frustrated because much of the damage occurred at businesses owned by minorities.

"Forty-five years ago, this street was in great decline and by embracing diversity we overcame it," said Edwards, who is white. "Whoever threw rocks doesn't care. They just want anarchy."

But Edwards said it was heartwarming Sunday when artists from around the region turned out to transform the plywood covering broken windows into art. Restaurants and shops were busy with people who "came in to shop and show support," he said.

Protests resumed for the fourth straight day just after dawn Monday.

Protesters make good | *Hurricane Maria smashes Dominica*, now menaces Puerto Rico



AP photo

This Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, GOES East satellite image provided by NASA taken at 20:30 UTC, shows the eye of Hurricane Maria as it nears Dominica. The National Hurricane Center in Miami said Monday evening that Air Force Reserve hurricane hunter planes found that Maria had strengthened into a storm with 160 mph (260 kph) winds.

By CARLISLE JNO BAPTISTE and DANICA сото

Associated Press

ROSEAU, Dominica (AP) -Hurricane Maria smashed into Dominica with 160 mph winds, ripping the roof off even the prime minister's residence and causing what he called "mindboggling" devastation Tuesday as it plunged into a Caribbean region already ravaged by Hurricane Irma.

The storm was on a track to wallop Puerto Rico on Wednesday "with a force and violence that we haven't seen for several generations," the territory's governor said.

Dominica Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit said on his Facebook page that "initial reports are of widespread devastation" and said he feared there would be deaths due to rain-fed landslides.

"So far the winds have swept away the roofs of almost every person I have spoken to or otherwise made contact with," Skerrit wrote. "The roof to my own official residence was among the first to go." And he appealed for international aid:

island, Inspector Pellam Jno Baptiste, said late Monday night that there were no immediate reports of casualties but it was too dangerous for officers to check conditions.

"Where we are, we can't move," he said in a brief phone interview while hunkered down against the region's second Category 5 hurricane this month.

"The winds are merciless! We shall survive by the grace of God," Skerrit wrote at the start of a series of increasingly harrowing posts on Facebook.

A few minutes later, he messaged he could hear the sound of galvanized steel roofs tearing off houses on the small rugged island.

He then wrote that he thought his home had been damaged, and added: "Rough! Rough! Rough!"

On the nearby island of Martinique, officials said about 25,000 households were without electricity and two small towns without water after Maria roared past.

The head of French civil secu-

Puerto Rico, which faced the possibility of a direct hit, warned that people in wooden or flimsy homes should find safe shelter before the storm's expected arrival there on Wednesday.

"You have to evacuate. Otherwise, you're going to die," said Hector Pesquera, the island's public safety commissioner. "I don't know how to make this any clearer."

Maria had maximum sustained winds of 160 mph (260 kph) late Monday when it slammed into Dominica.

The U.S. National Hurricane Center said Maria weakened briefly before recovering sustained winds of 160 mph (260 kph) strength shortly before daybreak Tuesday.

Its eye was located about 170 miles (275 kilometers) southeast of St. Croix, and the storm was moving west-northwest over the Caribbean at 9 mph (15 kph).

Forecasters warned Maria could even intensify over the next 24 hours or longer, noting its eye had shrunk to a compact

performances too.

Democratic state Rep. Bruce Franks, a protest organizer, said making the entire community uncomfortable is an important part of the demonstrations. Franks said protests would continue, but he did not say when or where.

"Folks got to pay attention, right?" Franks said Monday. "Do we just say, 'Oh, it's another case where an officer's found not guilty and leave it at that?' No, we get out here and disrupt and make our presence felt."

Joe Reagan, president and CEO of the St. Louis Regional Chamber of Commerce, said it's too early to put a dollar amount on the economic cost.

"But in the long term, there are greater economic impacts from the racial disparity and the mistrust many have in the criminal justice sys-

A racially mixed crowd of roughly 150 people marched silently to City Hall for a rally, then to a city court building for another. Police did not intervene.

It was a far cry from the scene hours earlier, when a small crowd left over from an earpeaceful protest lier marched into downtown late Sunday.

Once they started breaking windows and throwing things at officers, police reinforcements quickly emerged and protesters scattered.

For the next several hours, hundreds of officers in riot gear lined downtown streets. More than 80 people were arrested, including onlookers who refused orders to disperse. Among those arrested was reporter Mike Faulk of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, according to the newspaper.

"We will need help, my friend, we will need help of all kinds."

Maria's eye roared over the island late Monday night. The storm briefly dipped to Category 4 strength early Tuesday before regaining Category 5 status.

Fierce winds and rain lashed mountainous Dominica for hours. A police official on the

rity, Jacques Witkowski, told reporters that it was too soon to say whether the French department of Guadaloupe had fared as well.

Prefect Eric Maire, the highest French official of Guadaloupe, said in a video on Twitter that some roads and homes were flooded and heavy rain expected to continue. He told the population to "remain inside."

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10 miles across and warning: "Maria is developing the dreaded pinhole eve."

That generally means an extremely strong hurricane will get even mightier, said Brian McNoldy, a hurricane researcher at the University of Miami. He said it just like when a spinning ice skater brings in their arms and rotates faster.

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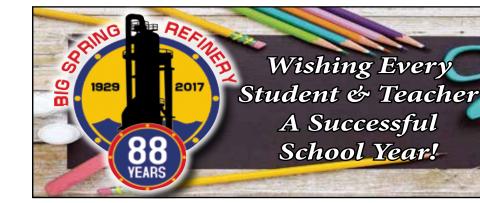


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Bulldogettes dominate Lady Owls 3-1

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Courtesy photo by Felix Cruz/CHS yearbook staff Julia Cox (3) of Coahoma battles it out at the net with a Lady Owl defender in Saturday's fense was short lived, game vs. Reagan County in Coahoma.

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA - On Saturday morning, the Bulldogettes quickly showed the Reagan County Lady Owls they were in their house as Coahoma dominated the first set of the game (25,9) in volleyball action at the Coahoma ISD competition gym. The Coahoma girls varsity team earned the win by taking three out of four sets (16,25), (25,21), and (25,16).

"The girls showed a lot of drive out there. They wanted to win this game, and you could see it from their play," said Coahoma High School head volleyball coach Christina Cox. "There were a couple of times during the match that the girls got off their game, but they quickly shook it off and got working as a team."

The Lady Owls started out the game with the first serve but the Bulldogettes were the first to put points on the board. Once Coahoma's Julia Mashburn got the ball, the Bulldogettes went on a scoring streak to add 5 more points before the Lady Owls got their first score of the game at 6,1. By the time of the side out, Mashburn added two aces to her stats.

Reagan County's ofnotching one more point for their side before turning the ball over to Coahoma with the game at 7.2.

Up next for Coahoma, Makayla Overton served as if she was ready to buy some real estate and build a house on the gym floor.The Bulldogettes racked up seven points before siding out to Reagan County after a successful block by the Lady Owls. By then Coahoma's lead had grown to 14,3.

The Lady Owls were able to put six more points on the board before the set ended at (25,9). Overall, Coahoma's varsity girls dominated in serving in the first set. The girls handled the ball 21 times compared to Reagan County's 9 serves.

Set two started similar to the previous one. The Bulldogettes placed 5 points on the board with Mashburn serving. Coahoma's Makayla Overton showed off her impressive attack skills when she got a kill from a strong hit, with an assist by Mashburn, to add their fifth point to the board. It would be one of many powerful shots both Overton and Maddie Daniels zinged over the net during the game.

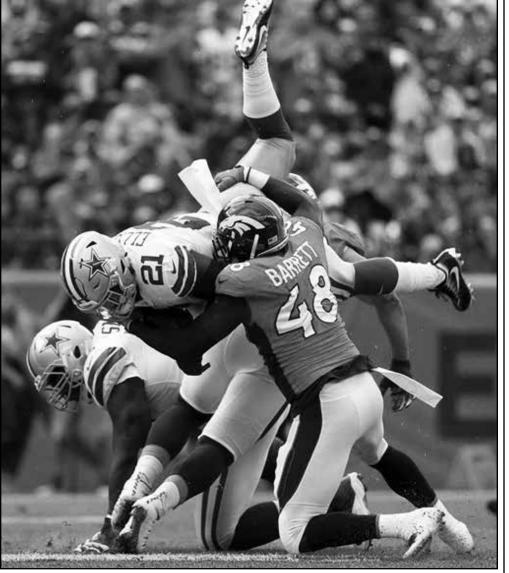
By mid-set, the Lady

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Texas judge denies NFL bid to reinstate **Elliott suspension**

Texas offensive woes start with absent run game





AP photo

Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott (21) is hit by Denver Broncos outside linebacker Shaquil Barrett (48) during the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017, in Denver.

FRISCO, Texas (AP) - A federal judge in Texas has denied the NFL's request to suspend his injunction that blocked a six-game suspension for Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott.

The ruling from U.S. District Judge Amos Mazzant on Monday was expected and came after the NFL had already moved on to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans with the same request.

In his ruling, Mazzant criticized the NFL for not waiting for his decision

after using the argument of premature filings against the NFL Players Association in Elliott's request for the injunction. The judge wrote that the "irony is not lost on the court."

The NFL filed a request for an emergency stay with the appeals court Friday, and the union issued a response the next day. The league responded to the union's filing Monday. All the filings make similar arguments from the original lawsuit the NFLPA filed on Elliott's behalf in Mazzant's court. AP photo

Texas quarterback Sam Ehlinger, top, is sacked by Southern California defensive lineman Christian Rector during the first half of an NCAA college football game, Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, in Los Angeles.

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer AUSTIN, Texas -Tom Herman shed no tears after losing in overtime to Southern California. His emotional outlets, he says, were a couple of "primal screams" once the team got home.

There may be a more of those echoing around Austin as Herman and his staff try to rebuild a running game behind an offensive line struggling with injuries.

In their two losses, the Longhorns are averaging 83 yards on the ground and just 2.5 yards per carry. In both of those games, Texas (1-2) hasn't scored an offensive touchdown in the first half.

"We've got to figure out what we are doing on offense," Herman said Monday. "That problem needs to get fixed this week and next. We've spent a lot of time talking about how we are going to run better."

Puzzling to some has been Texas' reluctance to use junior tailback Chris Warren III, a 250-pound battering ram who averages nearly 6.6 yards per carry over his career and ran for 166 yards in a win over San Jose State. In losses to Maryland and USC, Warren got just 10 carries for 46 yards.

Herman was asked why Warren didn't get the ball more often

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Tomorrow's Horoscope



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New Moon in Virgo

Small children like getting gifts but aren't easily swayed into liking the giver more because of them. As for older people, things such as guilt and the idea of reciprocity kick in to influence transactions. Under the no-nonsense, practical atmosphere of the Virgo new moon, analyze things at face value, as a child would. Also, accept gifts without obligation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Sometimes the more you learn about something, the more you want to learn. Sometimes what you learn helps you decide it's

not for you. You'll know right away which way it's going and act quickly on the knowledge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Work-life balance is a common buzzword these days, and yet it's a moot point when you're involved in enjoyable work with people you love. This is something you're creating for yourself with the actions you take.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Young people require your tenderness; elders require your compassion; and all the in-between people mostly just need respect and a little attention. Cover this social checklist and it will be an excellent day, indeed.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Nothing will give you more enjoyment than adding to your skills and your knowledge base today. There are more ways available to you than ever for this. Even top universities offer free courses online. Shop around. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Remember that closed minds and hard hearts are softened by small, weak, vulnerable things. Better to inspire people to drop their defenses than to take up arms against them today. VIRGO (Aug.

23-Sept. 22). Life is weird. You live it forward, but you understand it backward. With that in mind. don't stress yourself over the minor choices of the day. Leave that for the amusement of future-you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The weak will require your tolerance, and the strong will take even more of it, if you've got it. You should be able to muster some, and if you're having trouble, apply the golden rule.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The success of this day depends on simple sorting. It's about matching what you have to give to the people who most need

it. Even better -- what do you enjoy giving? Find the ideal receiver for that and everyone will be happy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You want to connect, but it will be hard today, as the people around you are so different from you and not in a good way. Stop judging, and just observe for a while until you feel a little more comfortable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Someone who intends to look out for your best interests may instead be unintentionally holding you back from getting the very best education you can be getting. Don't let your love for a person cloud practical judgment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). From family favorite to local star to full-blown fame -- this is the journey of more people than ever in the current media-saturated milieu. Perhaps you don't quest for fame, but

you'll definitely see the benefit of good publicity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're the leader -- maybe not officially, but you're the one everyone is following, so... close enough. Keep driving the action with your subtle, genial ways. Do you really need the title? There are many benefits to not having it.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Sept. 19). The start of 2018 will serve your highest good -piping hot and delicious, too. Even your accidents will have happy results. Next month features a surprise visit. Also there's a key investment opportunity before Halloween. Physical training in 2018 will lead you to make other lifestyle improvements. Gemini and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 50, 5, 24 and 17. SCHOOL DAYS! THE GEMI-NI STUDENT: The phrase commonly

associated with Gemini is "I think" which is why the sign of the twins is perfectly suited for the intellectual challenges of school. Ruled by Mercury, the Gemini student quickly absorbs information, on many levels at once. This is one of the most communicative signs, and Gemini has no problem raising a hand to answer or ask questions. Gemini often breaks the ice for other students, too, leading discussions and sharing observations. Because this sign is so quick, it is important that the class is challenging enough. If not, Gemini will be chatty and mischievous, creating distractions or trouble.

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A Promiscuous Former Life

Dear Annie: My wife and I have been together since we were just out of high school. We've been married for 18 years, and we have three glorious children. We have a great relationship, but I recently discovered she was extremely promiscuous in high school and found out she slept with many of our friends, some of whom are still in our social circle. I have always had a jealous nature, and now the jealousy is overwhelming my daily thoughts, especially when we

see these other guys. Although the encounters happened before my time with her, I still feel cheated on and don't look at her the way I once did. I have not brought it up with her, because I know she will get super defensive, and I know she will not go to counseling because of the nature of the topic. Any insight into getting over this would be appreciated, as I do love her and want to

she did 20 years ago, she would be heartbroken. So don't tell her. Though I generally champion the importance of talking every problem out with a romantic partner, unfounded jealousy is the exception. If you aired your feelings, they'd grow like fanned flames. You'd most likely make your wife feel defensive, and her defensiveness would in turn make vou feel less secure

It's also not worth talking about it with her because this is about you, not your relationship. Do some digging and try to get to the root of your insecurity. Use positive self-talk to encourage rational thinking. And if the obsessive thoughts won't stop nagging you, consider therapy.

Dear Annie: | recently visited a small deli-type restaurant and ordered a takeout square of lasagna. There was a big glass tip jar of cash right next to the credit card screen. I waited for

my order, and when I received it, I placed several bucks in the tip jar -- overly generous, as my tab was only \$6 -- and walked back to my camper. When I opened my bag, I found that my lasagna was a very small edge slice, and it was burned black -- not even close to being edible. I am mildly disabled, enough that a stroll back to the restaurant was too much for my

people I related my experience to. Alert to service personnel: What are you going to do when the business where you work folds because customers don't come back? -- Lost Customer in Wilmington

Dear

Customer: It sounds as if you didn't give this server a chance to earn her tip. Next time, speak up. If a restaurant wants to stav in business. it'll

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be with her. -- Jealous in Wisconsin

Dear Jealous: Your wife is still looking at you with the same love in her eyes she always has, and if she knew you now look at her differently because of things

about the marriage. Deprive these fiery feelings of oxygen and they'll eventually die out.

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I would like to know when a tip went from being a reward for exemplary service to a ransom for basic decency. I sure wish I had my tip money back for that lasagna. Alert to owners: Do you know how your employees are treating your customers? I'll surely never return, nor will many of the

do what it can to keep customers happy.

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A four-act play

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable NORTH **♦**743 ♥QJ75 ♦ Â 8 7 🗣 A 10 9 WEST EAST **♦**QJ96 ♥4 🕈 A 10 5 2 **9**98 • K 9 5 3 ♦ O.I.6.2 **♣**J 7 5 2 SOUTH 🕈 K 8 ♥AK 10632 10 4 **♣**K 8 6 The bidding: East **South** 1 ♥ 4 ♥ West Pass Pass Pass 3 ♥ Pass

Opening lead - queen of diamonds. Some deals have a lot more to offer than at first meets the eye. Take this innocent-looking specimen from a national pairs contest

At first blush, it might appear that making four hearts depends strictly on whether East or West has the ace of spades. Since West holds that card, it would seem that four hearts is doomed. But it was nowhere near as simple as that

At one table, the play proceeded in the most straightforward manner. South won the queen-of-diamonds lead with the ace, drew trumps ending in dummy and led a spade to the eventually went down one. At the next table, South ducked

and won West's diamond continuation with the ace. Declarer then drew trumps, ruffed a diamond in his hand

his toes when the second club was cashed. Had he retained the queen, he would have been thrown on lead with it on the next trick and forced to lead from the ace of spades or yield a ruffand-discard. But West alertly deposited the queen under the king, allow-ing East to win the third club and return a spade to do South in.

At a third table, declarer improved significantly on the previous line of play by ducking the first diamond, winning the second and then cashing the K-A of clubs before either ruffing a diamond or drawing trumps. Here, West knew much less about the hand when the clubs were played, and when he failed to get rid of the queen under the king or ace, he was put on lead with it after trumps were drawn and a diamond was ruffed. Plus 620 for North-South.

At still another table, the defense gave declarer no chance. South ducked the first diamond as before, but East alertly overtook the queen with the king and returned the queen of spades, making short work of any hopes declarer had for the contract.

Tomorrow: Hook, line and sinker. 2017 King Features Syndicate Inc

By Steve Becker king. West took the ace, and South

the queen of diamonds at trick one

and cashed the K-A of clubs. After this start, West had to be on

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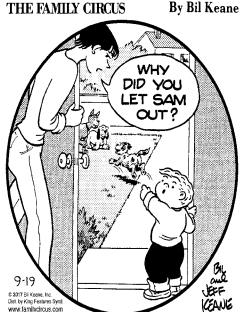


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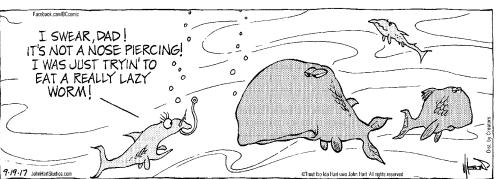
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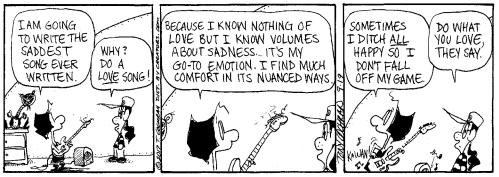
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 19, the 262nd day of 2017. There are

Today's Highlight in History: On September 19, 1777, the first Battle of Saratoga was during the Revolutionary War; although British forces succeeded in driving out the American troops, the Americans prevailed in a second battle the following month.

On this date:

In 1796, President George Washington's farewell address was published. In it, America's first chief executive advised, "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all."

In 1881, the 20th president of the United States, James A. Garfield, died $2\frac{1}{2}$ months after being shot by Charles Guiteau; Chester Alan Arthur became president.

In 1915, vaudeville performer W.C. Fields made his movie debut as "Pool Sharks" a one-

dist William Joyce, known as "Lord Haw-Haw," was convicted of treason and sentenced to death by a British court.

In 1957, the United States conducted its first contained underground nuclear test, code-named "Rainier," in the Nevada desert.

In 1959, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev, in Los Angeles as part of his U.S. tour, reacted angrily upon being told that, for security reasons, he wouldn't get to visit Disneyland.

In 1960, Cuban leader Fidel Castro, in New York to visit the United Nations, angrily checked out of the Shelburne Hotel in a dispute with the management; Castro ended up staying at the Hotel Theresa in Harlem.

In 1970, the "Mary Tyler Moore" show debuted on CBS-TV.

In 1982, the smiley emoticon was invented by Carnegie Mellon University professor Scott E. Fahlman, who suggested punctuating humorously intended computer messages with a colon followed by a hyphen and a parenthesis as a horizontal "smiley face." :-)

In 1985, the Mexico City area

always feel the loss of his former wife, and thanked them for their support. Six people were killed when an express passenger train and a freight train collided in west London. The crimedrama"L.A. Confidential" was released by Warner Bros.

Ten years ago: The Senate blocked legislation that would have regulated the amount of time troops spent in combat, a blow for Democrats struggling to challenge President George W. Bush's Iraq policies. A powerful bomb killed anti-Syria lawmaker Antoine Ghanem and six others in Beirut, Lebanon.

Five years ago: Members of Congress presented the Congressional Gold Medal to Myanmar democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi (ahng sahn soo chee) in a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda.

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In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was arrested in New York and charged with the kidnap-murder of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. In 1945, Nazi radio propagan-

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was struck by a devastating earthquake that killed at least 9,500 people.

In 1997, in his first public comments since the death of Princess Diana, Prince Charles told the British people he would

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Courtesy photo by Felix Cruz/CHS yearbook staff Maddie Daniels of Coahoma attacks from the service line in Saturday's game vs. Reagan County in Coahoma.

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Owls looked to have shaken off their gameday jitters and slowly fought back in tight play to take the lead at (11,12). The Bulldogettes would come back to tie the game at (14,14) once more, but couldn't get it done as the Lady Owls took control of the score board again in the very next rally. The Reagan County varsity girls would get their only win of the day when the second set ended at (16,25).

Quickly shaking off their last loss, the Coahoma girls once again put the first point on the serve before the Bullboard as the third set got underway. Game play was close and intense as both teams fought for points but Coahoma was able to keep the lead. However, the Lady Owls made them work for their (25,21) win. Seeing another W on the books so close at

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hand, the Bulldogettes started out the fourth set strong and fast. The first score of the game came from an ace by Mashburn. Showing Coahoma they weren't ready to head back to Big Lake so fast, the Lady Owls were quick to respond on the next play by putting up a point on the board.

By then the Bulldogettes had the scent of victory in their nose, and the girls stayed focused to control the rest of the game. With Overton serving, Coahoma made a four-point run before ending the rally with the score at (6,3). The Owls only had one

ahoma took the fourth set (25,16).

With the set win, the Coahoma volleyball program got the W for the match. Both junior varsity teams won their matchup with Reagan County earlier in the day at the Coahoma competition gym.

Next up, CHS's volleyball teams travel to Miles Tuesday. Game play begins at 4 p.m. for the junior varsity. Varsity takes the floor at 6 p.m.





AP photo

Texas coach Tom Herman stands on the sideline during an NCAA football game against USC, Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, in Los Angeles. USC won 27-24 in overtime.

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against the Trojans. Against Maryland, an early 27-7 deficit forced Texas to abandon its running game, but the Longhorns never trailed USC by more than seven. Warren carried the ball just once in the second half against USC and caught one pass for 11 yards in the fourth quarter.

Herman noted that Warren averaged only 3.8 yards on his four carries against USC. By that measure, Warren would have scored from the USC 3-yard line in overtime. Instead, the play call had freshman quarterback Sam Ehlinger try to power his way in over left tackle and his fumble set up the Trojans' winning field goal . Texas' first drive of the game was stopped on 4th-and-2 when, instead of testing USC's strength with Warren, Ehlinger was dropped for a 3-yard loss.

"We've got to find a way to get (Warren) more yards, but in the middle of a game when you see how that is shaking out, the definition of insanity is repeatedly performing the same act and expecting different results. To keep going back to 3.8 yards per carry, I think there would be some criticism there, too. 'Tom, why did you give Chris Warren the ball 20 times if he only had 70 yards?" Herman said.

Herman noted Ehlinger had made a

9-yard run the play before the fumble, which was nearly twice as long as any carry by Warren and tailback Kyle Porter the entire game.

Herman said he's been happy with the play-calling of offensive coordinator Tim Beck.

"Can we get better? Sure," Herman said. "There's nothing to tell me that we can't or won't."

The biggest problem facing the offense is simply keeping players healthy. Ehlinger, a true freshman, has started the last two games because of a shoulder injury to regular starter Shane Buechele. If Buechele is healthy, Herman said he'll return to his No. 1 spot in practice. Texas next plays at Iowa State on Sept. 28.

Of bigger concern is the offensive line, where starters and key backups keep dropping. Left tackle and offensive captain Connor Williams needs surgery to repair a torn meniscus in his knee and sprained ligaments against USC. Whether he can return this season is unknown.

Herman said he is down to five total healthy offensive linemen he'd feel comfortable putting in a game. Even if Warren gets the ball more, he may not have anywhere to run. And keeping the quarterbacks healthy will be paramount. The Longhorns gave up five sacks to the Trojans.

"Desperation level is at an all-time high" with the offensive line, Herman said.

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dogettes got back the ball adding two more points, including an ace from Julia Cox, with the score at 9,3.

Game play intensified at the end as the Owls fought for every point, but by then, the Bulldogettes had built up a large enough lead. Co-

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